

London Nineteenth-Century Studies Seminar

Graduate Strand

Call for Papers:

Home and Away in the Long Nineteenth Century


A one-day PGR and ECR interdisciplinary conference, hosted by LNCSS-Grad Strand

Saturday 11th February 2022 at Senate House, London

Keynote Speaker: Dr. Mary Shannon (Roehampton)

The nineteenth century was a period in which industrial and technological advancements enabled national as well as international travel. This in turn led to a clear differentiation between what was meant by 'home' and 'away'. With nineteenth century citizens denied the mobility that we enjoy today, this conference intends to discover the ways nineteenth century citizens facilitated and engendered ideas of the home and that of being away, through written words, technological inventions or the exchange of material things.

We welcome proposals for 10-minute lightning talk papers or 20-minute standard papers examining all types of nineteenth-century communities, relationships and networks. Papers might consider the creation and consolidation of the home in domestic, social, emotional, nurturing, moral, ethnic, or religious terms; or the reasons for and ideas of being away from home, as well as the ways in which one is away from home. Papers are also welcome that challenge and deconstruct the implications of home as domestic and away as work, endeavour and exploration.



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Proposals are invited but are not limited to:

- Cultural translation and hybridity
- Tourism
- Encountering the 'Other'
- Transatlantic exchange
- International exhibitions
- Travelling objects
- Globalism
- Voyages
- The home as workplace
- Inheritance, wills and legacies (ie the home across generations)
- Childhood, child care and child rearing
- Connecting with the Empire (ie. Telegraphy, the imperial penny post etc)
- Modes of travelling
- Gender in the home
- The home and class
- The urban home or the rural home
- The emotional connection to home, nation, freedom, family and friends

Proposals should be up to 300 words and submitted with a brief CV or bio (150 words) by 9/1/2023 to: lncssgs@gmail.com. Please state if you wish to present for 10 or 20 minutes.