

## DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY AND ARCHAEOLOGY



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### WORK OF THE DEPARTMENT

Curriculum Development: The objectives which the Department set for the revision of the European History Programme were completed following the approval of the HIST3411: Britain Since 1945 in May 2014. The course was offered in 2014/15. This adds to the three courses at Levels 1 and 2 which were revised and written between 2011 and 2012. The full complement of the BA in History and Heritage Studies was realised in 2013/14, with the inclusion of HIST2902: Caribbean Historical Landscape and the Development of Eco-Tourism. The programme was also amended to include HIST3801: Historical Archaeology and HIST3013: History of the Jamaican Landscape. A Summer School course HIST2903: A Socio-Cultural History of Jamaica since 1838 was designed and approved with international students in mind. The hope is to begin offering this course in the Summer term of 2015/16.

### **Student Matters**

The History and Archaeology Society carried out a successful membership drive which resulted in the recruitment of non-History majors from within and outside the Faculty. The Society continued its support to the Department in a variety of ways, which included their participation in Research Day activities in February 2015. They also hosted a discussion forum on the topic, “The Significance of the Humanities in Today’s World,” in which 15 students from Coventry University also participated.

### **Postgraduate**

In 2014/15 thirteen new students registered in the Department’s graduate programmes. This included 1 in the PhD programme, 2 in the MPhil programme, 1 in the MA History and 8 in the MA Heritage Studies programmes. The annual Graduate Seminar Workshop was held on 17 and 24 April and 1 and 8 May with eight students presenting on their research topics in Heritage Studies.

### **Appointments & Promotions**

In August 2014 Mr Zachary Beier assumed teaching duties as Assistant Lecturer in Archaeology. Dr. Jenny Jemmott was appointed Senior Lecturer, and Dr. Mathew Smith, Professor of Caribbean History. Dr. Julian Cresser was the recipient of a Mona Campus New Initiative Grant for 2014/15 for the project, “Participation in Organised Sports and its Effect on Delinquency in Jamaica and Barbados: an Examination of Hirschi’s Social Control Theory”.

### **Publications & Awards**

Dr. Swithin Wilmot received the Principal’s award for Best Publication (Article) in the Faculty of Humanities and Education for his “Jewish Politicians in Post-slavery Jamaica. Electoral politics in the Parish of St. Dorothy 1849–1860”, published in Jane S. Gerber, Ed., *The Jews in the Caribbean*. The Littman Library of Jewish Civilization, 2014. Book

publications included Dr. Jenny Jemmott's, *Ties That Bind. The Black Family in Post Slavery Jamaica, 1834–1882*, Kingston: The University of the West Indies Press, 2015, Professor Mathew Smith's, *Liberty, Fraternity, Exile: Haiti and Jamaica after Emancipation*, Chapel Hill: University of North Carolina Press, 2014, and Professor Waibinte Wariboko's, *Elem Kalabari of the Niger Delta. The Transition from Slave to Produce Trading under British Imperialism*, New Jersey: Africa World Press, 2014.

### **Seminars/Public Lectures/Conferences**

The Department's 31st annual Elsa Goveia Memorial Lecture was held on 7 April 2015, and was delivered by Emeritus Professor Patrick Bryan, who spoke on "The Dominican Republic, 1870–1916: Socio-Economic and Ideological Aspects of Free Labour Plantations." Dr. Julian Cresser, as acting coordinator, organised the Department's Weekly Staff/Graduate Seminar Series in which 16 presentations by visitors, graduate students and staff were made. Two of these were cross campus interdepartmental, conducted via SKYPE, with the Department of History, St. Augustine campus. The Department hosted, in association with the Western Jamaica Campus, a Public Lecture delivered by Dr. Swithin Wilmot. The Lecture, "Freedom's First Fruits: Blacks in Post Slavery Politics in Western Jamaica up to 1865" was in commemoration of Black History Month. The Public Lecture was broadcast live by MITS and students at Hunter College, New York viewed the Lecture. The Department, in collaboration with University College of London, Legacies of Slavery Project hosted a Workshop, under the theme, The Significance and Structure of British Slave Ownership, 1763–1833. This was held on June 2, 2015.

### **Archaeology – Field School 2015**

The annual Field School in Archaeology for students in HIST2801: Research Methods and Techniques in Archaeology was in collaboration with the College of Arts and Sciences at Shippensburg University of Pennsylvania) in which excavations at Marshall's Pen, Manchester were

conducted, under the supervision of Mr. Zachary Beier, Assistant Lecturer in Archaeology at Mona.

### **Outreach**

The annual Cape Lectures in History series for High School students, was held on April 11, 2015. Five lectures were delivered: “World Wars I and 2, the Russian Revolution to 1924”, and “Nazism and in Germany up to 1945,” “Independence and National Development up to 1900- Brazil/Venezuela,” “Conquest of the Aztecs and the Incas by Spain in the 16th Century” and “Final Dismantlement of the Slave Systems, 1807–1886.” Two sessions were devoted to the approach to answering questions and were conducted by Dr. Aleric Josephs and Dr. Dian McCallum of the School of Education. For the third consecutive year a CAPE History Teachers’ Workshop was held on 22 November 2014 in SLT 2A, School of Education. Topics addressed included, General Guidelines and Approaches to Studying Topics in History: Understanding and Using the CAPE History Syllabus; Preparing to Teach the Syllabus; Approaches to Studying Topics in History; Integrating School Based Assessment into Classroom Instruction: Formative Assessment or assessment for Learning; School Based Assessment as Formative Assessment; Integrating Formative Assessment into Instruction; and Using Assessment to Improve Learning and Performance. The Workshop was attended by thirty-three (33) teachers, representing twenty-three (23) schools from within and outside the corporate area. Both outreach activities were ably coordinated by Dr. Aleric Josephs.

### **Visitors to the Department**

On March 26, 2015, Dr. Darren Reid and Mr. Brett Sanders of the Department of International Studies and Social Science, at Coventry University, UK, met with staff with a view to establishing collaborative links between the two respective Departments which would include shared teaching via SKYPE, and participation in Coventry’s Online International Learning (OIL) programme. The 15 students who

accompanied them interacted with the History and Archaeology Society, and were taken on a guided tour of some of the historical sites located on the Campus. They also attended a scheduled Lecture in the Level I course, HIST1601: The Atlantic World, 1400–1600.

### **Promotional Activity**

Dr. Jenny Jemmott coordinated the Department's participation in the Campus' Research Days activities, which also assisted in promoting the Department's offerings. The Department's Website and Facebook continue to be periodically updated with 31 activities posted during the year in review.

### **CONFERENCE/SEMINAR PAPERS**

#### **Zachary Beier**

- “The Archaeology of Caribbean Fortifications: Insights from the Cabrits Garrison and Fort Rocky,” 13th Symposium of the Archaeological Society of Jamaica, *Caribbean Archaeology, Conservation and Material Culture*, UWI, Mona, 8–9 April 2015. 17pp.

#### **Jonathan Dalby**

- “‘Me don’t tief it, me only take it’: Property Crime and its Prosecution in Post-Emancipation Jamaica, 1835–99,” Department of History and Archaeology, UWI, Mona Staff/Postgraduate Seminar, 12 December 2014. 37pp.

#### **Enrique Okenve**

- “An Island in the Middle of Everywhere: Bioko under Spanish Colonial Domination,” *The African Islands* Conference, Department of History, the University of Texas at Austin, 25 October 2014. 14pp.

**Taka Oshikiri**

- “Gathering for Tea in Meiji Tokyo”, the 13th Annual International Conference, *History & Archaeology: From Ancient to Modern*, Athens Institute for Education and Research, 29–30 June, 1–2 July 2015. 11pp.
- “The Shogun’s Tea Jar”, Department of Sociology, Psychology and Social Work, Graduate Seminar, UWI, Mona, 30 October 2014. 16pp.
- “Tea and Buddhist Monasteries in Japanese History”, the 2014 International Association for the Buddhist Studies Conference, University of Vienna, 18–23 August 2014. 9pp.

**James Robertson**

- “The Experience and the Imagination of a Slave Revolt: An Uprising in St. Mary Parish, Jamaica in 1765,” Department of History & Archaeology, UWI, Mona, Staff/Postgraduate Seminar, September 2014, also, at the African Caribbean Institute of Jamaica, IOJ Seminar Series, 29 January 2015. 36pp.
- “Jamaica’s Victorian Architectures, 1834–1907,” Georgian Society of Jamaica, 16 October, 2014. 23pp.
- “Island Times: Heritage and the Comprehension of Chronology,” 2014 Alliouagana Festival of the Word, Cultural Centre, Little Bay, Montserrat, 14 November, 2014. 9pp.
- “Displays of Prosperity: Drawings of Urban Jamaica from the 1830s,” History Workshop on the Structure of British Slave-Ownership 1763–1833, Legacies of British Slave Ownership Project, University College London, and Department of History and Archaeology, UWI, Mona, The University of the West Indies, Mona, 2 June 2015. 6pp. & 24Ppt. slides.

**Robert Sierakowski**

- “Ideology, Intuition and Insurrection: The Sandinista Revolution in Historical Perspective,” Political Science from the South Conference, University of Havana, Cuba, 21 November 2014. 26pp.

- “Radical Politics as Moral Regeneration in Nicaragua, 1956–1979,” Department of History and Archaeology, UWI, Mona, Staff/Postgraduate Seminar, 5 December 2014. 20pp.
- “Simón Bolívar in Jamaica,” Institute of Jamaica, Speaker’s Corner Lecture, St. William Grant Park, Kingston, 14 May 2015. 18pp.
- “Cantina Caciques: Moral Conflicts over Traditional Culture in Somoza’s Nicaragua,” Latin American Studies Association (LASA) Annual Meeting, San Juan, Puerto Rico, 29 May 2015. 16pp.
- “I Give Thanks to the Somozas: Oral History of the National Guard of Nicaragua,” VI Meeting of Latin American Oral History, Heredia, Costa Rica, 23 June 2015. 28pp.

### Matthew Smith

- “The Haytian Situation: Caribbean Reflections on Haiti’s Long Nineteenth Century,” Keynote address for *After Revolution-Visions and Re-Visions of Haiti*, Institute for Black Atlantic Research, University of Central Lancashire, Preston UK, 9–10 July 2015. 25 pp.
- “King of the Drum: Ti-Roro and Haitian Vodou Music,” *Grounation: Riddim Across the Atlantic: De Drums in Africa and its Diaspora*, Institute of Jamaica, 15 February 2015. 15pp.
- “Geographies of Identity, Solidarity, and Belonging in the Nineteenth-Century Atlantic,” 129th Meeting of the American Historical Association, New York City, 3 January 2015. 10pp.
- “From Haiti: Migration and Diaspora in the Nineteenth Century Caribbean,” Centre for Latin American and Caribbean Studies, New York University, 6 November 2014. 25pp.
- “Jamaica Needs Haiti: Cultural Relations and Island Exchanges in the 1950s,” 26th Annual Conference Haitian Studies Association, University of Notre Dame, South Bend, Indiana, 8 November 2014. 20pp.

**Swithin Wilmot**

- “Commentary on Jamaica in Post Slavery as discussed in Richard Dunn, *A Tale of Two Plantations: Slave Life and Labour in Jamaica and Virginia*,” 47th Annual Conference of the Association of Caribbean Historians, Nassau, Bahamas, 17–22 May 2015. 11pp.

**PUBLICATIONS**

**Books & Monographs:**

**Jenny Jemmott**

- *Ties That Bind: The Black Family in Post-Slavery Jamaica, 1834–1882*. Kingston: The University of the West Indies Press, February 2015. 263pp.

**Matthew Smith**

- *Liberty, Fraternity, Exile: Haiti and Jamaica After Emancipation*. Chapel Hill: University of North Carolina Press, 2014. 428pp.

**Waibinte Wariboko**

- *Elem Kalabari of the Niger Delta: The Transition from Slave to Produce Trading under British Imperialism*. Trenton-NJ: Africa World Press, 2014. 304pp.

**Journal Articles & Book Chapters**

**Aleric Josephs**

- “Jamaica Planter Women and the Challenges of Plantation Management”, *The Journal of Caribbean History* 49, 1 (2015). Pp.1–29.

**Enrique Okenve**

- ‘They never finished their journey: The territorial limits of Fang ethnicity in Equatorial Guinea, 1930–1963,’ *International Journal of African Historical Studies* 47, 2 (2014): pp. 259–85.



### Taka Oshikiri

- 'Tea in Japan'. In *Encyclopaedia of the History of Science, Technology, and Medicine in Non-Western Cultures*. Helaine Selin (ed.), [http://link.springer.com/referenceworkentry/10.1007/978-94-007-3934-5\\_10175-1](http://link.springer.com/referenceworkentry/10.1007/978-94-007-3934-5_10175-1).

### James Robertson

- "Rewriting Dr. No in 1962: James Bond and the End of the British Empire in Jamaica," *Small Axe* no. 47, July, 2015, pp. 56–78.
- "Eighteenth-Century Jamaica's Ambivalent Cosmopolitanism," *History* 99 no. 4, October, 2014, pp.607–631.
- Review. Jenny Shaw, "Everyday Life in the Early English Caribbean: Irish, Africans, and the Construction of Difference". Athens, Ga: University of Georgia Press, 2013. In *Florida Historical Quarterly* 93 no. 3, Winter 2015, pp.475–477.
- "The King James Version at 400," *Groundings: Theological Reflections* 33, 2015, pp.24-43.

### Matthew Smith

- "Transient Histories: Memory and Movements within the Nineteenth Century Caribbean," *Transatlantic Caribbean: Dialogues of People, Practices, Ideas*, Ingrid Kummels, Claudia Rauhut, Stefan Rinke, Birte Timm (eds). Bielefeld: Transcript Press, 2014, Pp.273–290.
- Review. Colin A. Plamer, *Freedom's Children: The 1938 Labor Rebellion and the Birth of Modern Jamaica* (Chapel Hill: University of North Carolina Press, 2014), *Cercles* 33 (2014): <http://www.cercles.com/review/r72/Palmer.html>.

### Swithin Wilmot

- "Black Voters and Jewish Politicians: Electoral Politics in Three Jamaican Parishes, Kingston, Portland and St Mary in the Post-slavery Period," *Journal of Caribbean History*, Vol. 49:1 (2015). pp. 30–52.

**PUBLIC SERVICE**

**Zachary Beier**

- Member, Executive Committee of the Archaeological Society of Jamaica.

**Dave Gosse**

- Chairman, Board of Management, Ardenne High School.

**Jenny Jemmott**

- Member, National World Heritage Committee, Jamaica National Heritage Trust.
- Member, Departmental Representative: UNESCO/African Caribbean Institute of Jamaica/ Jamaica Memory Bank: Project on Intangible Cultural Heritage Committee.

**Aleric Josephs**

- Chief Examiner, CAPE (History) for Caribbean Examination Council.

**Kathleen E. A. Monteith**

- Member, Editorial Board, *Journal of Caribbean History*.
- Member, National Library of Jamaica's Collections Development/ Information Systems and Services and Management Committee.
- Member, Memory of the World Committee, UNESCO, Jamaica.
- Member, Executive Committee, Jamaica Historical Society.

**James Robertson**

- Vice President, Jamaican Historical Society.
- President, Archaeological Society of Jamaica.
- Member, National Archives Advisory Committee.
- Member, Editorial Board, *Journal of Early American History*.

**Matthew Smith**

- Member, Board of Directors of the National Museums of Jamaica, Institute of Jamaica.
- Chair, Content Sub-Committee, Board of Directors of the National Museums of Jamaica, the Institute of Jamaica.
- Member, Editorial Board, *Small Axe*.
- Member, Editorial Board, *Social and Economic Studies*.

**Waibinte Wariboko**

- Member, Editorial Board, *Notes and Records: An International Journal of African and African Diaspora Studies*.
- Member, Editorial Board, Onyoma: *International Journal of Niger Delta Studies*.
- Member, Editorial Board, Mbari: *The International Journal of Igbo Studies*.

**Swithin Wilmot**

- Member, Board of Trustees, The Archbishop Samuel Carter Educational Fund.
- Member, Board of Directors, National Museum of Jamaica, Institute of Jamaica.
- Member, Editorial Board, *Journal of Caribbean History*.
- Editor, *Journal of Caribbean History*.
- Convener, Executive Nominating Committee of the Association of Caribbean Historians.

**INFORMATION ON STUDENTS**

**Prizes Awarded**

**The Gladwyn Turbutt prizes for:**

European History

Cornel Justin Anthony Bogle

Department of History and Archaeology

Archaeology	Sherdaye Bennett
Atlantic World History	Johanna Elizabeth Shoucair
Historical Methodology	Camesha Jhonell Lindsay
Asian History	Jordan Craig
Heritage Studies	Johanna Elizabeth Shoucair
<b>The Neville Hall prize:</b>	
History of the Americas	Yuchen Andre Moodie
<b>The Walter Rodney prize:</b>	
African History	Lipton Orlando Matthews
<b>The Elsa Goveia prize:</b>	
West Indian History	Camesha Jhonell Lindsay