



# Modern Activism

27-30 June 2012, Liverpool

## PROGRAMME

First day of conference: **all** sessions in the ADA Building, Liverpool John Moore's University

*Thereafter*

**A Sessions and Workshops: ADA Building, Liverpool John Moore's University**

**B Sessions: Concert Room, St George's Hall, Lime Street**

9.00-10.00am            **Registration – ADA Building, LJMU**

10.00-11.00am        **Opening Cross Conference Plenary Morning (ADA Building)**  
**Lesley Abdela (Eyecatcher Associates): Globalising the Arguments for Gender Neutral Citizenship**

11.00-11.30am        Coffee

11.30-1.00pm         **Cross Strand Plenary**  
**Richard Monkhouse & John Thornhill (Magistrates Association): Campaigning for Local Justice**

1.00-2.00pm           Lunch

2.00-3.30pm           **Strand Sessions:**

**A Rights and Order**

Stephanie Lemke (Cologne), *Human Rights Lawyering - A comparative analysis of the crucial role of legal professionals in guaranteeing equal access to justice in England and Wales and Germany*

Dewi Williams (Staffordshire) *'Order in the Courts? Judicial Activism in International & Domestic Courts & Tribunals*

David Lowe (LJMU), *The Use of Informants in Counter-Terrorism Investigations*

## **B Imagining the Prison**

Alyson Brown and Alana Barton (Edge Hill) and : *Prison tourism and the search for authenticity*

Michael Fiddler (Greenwich): *'Superstition will add to its horrors': The reform movement and the early American Penitentiary*

Helen Rogers (LJMU): *Reformer Activism and Prisoner Agency in the Early Nineteenth century*

3.30-4.00pm            Tea

4.00-5.30pm            **Strand Session:**

### **A Issues of Advocacy**

Toby Cadman (9 Bedford Row), *Advocacy and Representing Victims: The case of Syria*

Lana Tatour (Warwick), *Transnational Activism and the Palestinian-Arab Citizens of Israel: Empowering the Marginalised?.*

### **B Prison Related Activism**

Heather Shore (Leeds Met): *'Reformatory School Horrors': Investigating the Akbar Scandal in 1910*

Helen Johnston (Hull), Barry Godfrey (Liverpool) & David Cox (Keele): *The Costs of Imprisonment*

Judith Rowbotham (Nottingham Trent): *Activism in the Interests of Deterrence from Crime: Judges and Magistrates, c 1875-1914.*

## **2.00-5.30pm Workshop: Political Activism at Work (ADA)**

**Academic Leader: Fran Wright and Michael Kandiah**

5.45-6.45pm            **Strand plenaries –**

**Frank McDonough (LJMU): Sophie Scholl: Lessons from History in Inspiring Activism (ADA, LJMU)**

**Mike Leach: Bosque Eterno de los Ninos – the Children's Eternal Cloud Forest (ADA, LJMU)**

## **Day Two – Thursday 28 June**

**9.00    Registration desk open ADA, LJMU**

9.30-10.30am            **Strand plenaries:**

**Judith Rowbotham (NTU): Reassessing Violence and Activism: the shock of the suffragettes (ADA, LJMU)**

**Hamish Maxwell-Stewart (Tasmania): Fluctuations in prosecutions and sentencing strategies in nineteenth century Tasmania (St George's Hall)**

10.30-11.00am          Coffee

11.00-12.30pm          **Strand Sessions:**

**A Anti-Apartheid Activism**

Christabel Gurney (Editors4Change), *Anti-Apartheid Movement Strategies 1959-1994*

Rob Skinner (Bristol), *Struggles on the page: anti-apartheid and radical scholarship*

Simon Stevens (Columbia-LSE), *Apartheid and sport*

**B Serious Offenders and Penal Policy**

David Wilson & Michael Brookes (Birmingham City): *Harold Jones and W Norwood East: Historical links to Contemporary Criminal Justice Risk Management practices*

Lizzie Seal (Durham): *Violet van der Elst's Campaign against the Death Penalty in Britain*

**9.30-12.30: Workshop: Activism and Belief**

**Academic Leader: David Nash**

12.30-1.30pm          Lunch

1.30-3.00pm          **Strand Sessions:**

**A Activism in Action**

David Minto (Yale), *Transnational Homophile Activism and Britain's Homosexual Law Reform Society 1963-67*

Celia Hughes (Warwick), *Activist life in the 1960s and 1970s*

Daisy Payling (Birmingham), *Ring of Steel: Networks of Activism in Sheffield in the 1970s and 1980s*

**B Female Offenders in Victorian England**

Joanne Turner (Liverpool): *Returning Home: the reintegration of women released from local and convict prisons*

Leah Bleakley (NTU): *Outsiders Outside of London: Fallen Women and Provincial Towns (1850-1890)*

Lucy Williams (Liverpool): *Female offenders on parole (TBC)*

3.00-3.30pm          Tea

3.30-5.00pm          **Strand Sessions:**

**A Activists in the Community**

Alex Mold (School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine, London), *Feminism, Consumerism or Activism? Understanding the Role of Patient Groups in Post-war Britain*

David Ellis (York), *Activists and the Community: the Community Action Movement in Urban Britain 1968-79*

Fran Wright (Bradford), *Politics, Law and Direct Action: the case of the Committee of 100*

## **B Youth Justice in an Age of Austerity**

Roger Smith, (De Montfort University) *Diversion as Radical Intervention? A Brief History*

Janet Jamieson (Liverpool JMU) *Bleak times for children? The Anti-Social Behaviour Agenda and the Criminalisation of Social Policy*

Joe Yates (Liverpool JMU) *Feral Capitalism: Financial Gaming and the Youth Justice 'Market'*

**2.00-5.00: Workshop: International Human Rights Orientated Activism:  
Academic Leader: Dewi Williams and Toby Cadman**

**5.30-6.30 Cross Strand Plenary – St George’s Hall:  
Frances Crook (Howard League for Penal Reform): *Campaigning for Change***

**7.00-8.00 RECEPTION – Centre for the Study of Crime,  
Criminalisation and Social Exclusion (LJMU) - Adelphi Hotel**

**8.00pm CONFERENCE DINNER - Adelphi Hotel**

## **Day Three – Friday 29 June**

**9.00 Registration desk open ADA, LJMU**

9.30-11.00am **Strand sessions:**

### **A Women as Activists and ‘Victims’**

Vicky Canning (LJMU), *Sexual Violence Support Women in Merseyside*

Sara Parker (LJMU) Kay Standing (LJMU), Jackie Patinoitus (Joint Forum), *The Sex Industry in Public Spaces: Feminist Activism and Women’s Resistance*

### **B Activism in the Community and in the Courts**

Nick Barnett (LJMU): *‘No Defence against the H-bomb’: Coventry City Council and Proto-nuclear Activism*

Brian Doherty (Keele): *Activists on Trial: A comparison of France and the UK*

Sarah Wilson (York) *Occupy and Protest! Events at St Pauls*

11.00-11.30am Coffee

11.30-1.00pm **Strand sessions:**

### **A Corporate Bodies and Activism**

Families Against Corporate Killers, *Employers Who Kill: Experiences and Realities*

Steve Tombs (LJMU), *Criminal Justice Responses to Corporate Killings*

David Whyte (Liverpool), *Campaigning About Anti-Social Corporate Neighbours – Silence for Employment?*

## **B Sexualities, indecency and immorality in Victorian and Edwardian England**

Kim Stevenson (Plymouth): *'There is a strong consensus of public opinion ...': Edwardian Activism and the utilization of Criminal Law to prohibit Immorality and Indecency*

Mark Connor (Leicester): *'Sheep in wolf's Clothing? Reassessing Victorian Responses to the Male Cross-Dresser'*

### **9.30-1.00: Workshop: Juveniles, Law and Community Activism**

**Academic Leaders: Joe Yates**

1.00-2.00pm            Lunch

2.00-3.30pm            **Strand Sessions:**

#### **A Aid and Activism**

Kevin O'Sullivan (UC Dublin), *Aid, NGOs and advocacy in the long 1970s*

Steve Graby (Disabled People's Direct Action Network) & Anat Greenstein (MMU), *Social dis-order: autistic experiences of/in radical political activism*

Avril Galloway, *Discovering the 'One Parent Family' in England: Sociology and Identities of Lone Mothers after 1960*

#### **B Histories of Policing**

Joseph Hobson and Les McKenna (Liverpool Cathedral Constabulary): *Cathedral Bobbies: the history and activities of the Cathedral Constabularies from the Middle Ages to 2012.*

Michael Pearson (Police Federation): *'Representation in the Police – 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> Century'*

3.30-4.00pm            Tea

4.00-5.30pm            **Strand Session**

#### **A Politically Motivated Activism**

Ian Channing (Plymouth) *'I'm going on a march, cos I want Britain to be about British!'*  
*A comparison of Legal Responses to the Public Processions of the British Union of Fascists and the English Defence League*

Joseph Maslen (Manchester), *The historical roots of communist activism and its legacy in Britain*

Evan Smith (Flinders), *Conjuring Up the Spirit of Revolutions Past: 'Official' Histories of Leftist Activism in Britain*

4.00-5.00pm Tour of St George's Hall, history, courtrooms etc.

### **2.00-5.00pm Workshop: Feminism and/as Activism**

**Academic Leaders: Judith Rowbotham**

## **Day Four – Saturday 30 June - ADA**

**9.00 Registration desk open ADA, LJMU**

**9.30-12.30pm Workshop/Witness Seminar**

**Workshop: Criminal Justice Activism and the Summary Courts**  
**Academic Leaders: Barry Godfrey**