

## Staff news:






A number of staff members joined Sally Visick to run/walk the Belfast Marathon to raise money in memory of [Professor Keith Jeffery](#). The group was so successful that it was in the top 3% of fund raisers on the Just Giving website in April. They raised £4000 via the website, with further contributions being made in cash and cheques to the Northern Ireland Hospice. The team's time was a sensational 3 hours and 47 minutes.

In photos: [Chris Marsh](#) completing the marathon relay run, and celebrating with the School team!




If you would like any more information on *Newsletter* items, or have any comments or queries, please contact us by email at: [history@qub.ac.uk](mailto:history@qub.ac.uk) or [anthropology@qub.ac.uk](mailto:anthropology@qub.ac.uk), or visit: <http://www.qub.ac.uk/schools/SchoolofHistoryandAnthropology/>

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-  History at Queen's University Belfast
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Professor Mary O'Dowd was nominated by Dr Leanne Calvert to successfully win a Graduate School supervisor award. The winners were recognised at the supervisory

excellence awards ceremony, where Professor McElnay presented certificates of achievement, as winners and student nominators enjoyed a wine reception.



Tricia Lock was awarded the QUB Staff Volunteer of the Year award. Tricia has been doing a lot of work over the last decade with Special Olympics, and has raised around £80,000 to facilitate athletes to travel to the last 3 Special Olympics Games. Every Monday night she volunteers with a cross-community swimming club that is related to the Special Olympics organisation. Well done Tricia!

Below: Staff and students enjoying our School's Athena SWAN coffee morning. This initiative provides a collegial and supportive environment for our female postgraduate students and offers opportunities for the discussion of gender-related issues.





Susan Templeton represented Ulster in the Senior Veteran Interprovincial Tennis during the weekend of 11/12 May 2016 at the Belfast Boat Club, Lockview Road, Belfast. With the exceptional weather Ulster played some excellent tennis and share the Trophy with Muster. Susan's tennis team are Dr Kathy Fleming, Mrs Audrey Holmes, Susan and Mrs Gail McNabb.



## Student news:



Undaunted by the Friday 13 May date, students on the Recording History module attended BBC Radio Ulster to pitch a series of ideas for potential radio documentaries. The students were attempting to follow in the trail of Marty Delaney, Sara Gallagher and Ryan Mallon, who last year convinced the BBC production team that their idea 'Diamond in the rough' was fit to commission. It was broadcast in 2015 on Radio Ulster and on Radio 5 Live. This year, seven groups of students pitched their ideas to the BBC's Michael Tumelty (Head of BBC Radio Ulster/Foyle Factual), Regina Gallen (Producer, Radio Ulster/Radio 3), and Conor Garrett (Producer, Radio

Ulster/Radio 4). The students all did very well. The BBC's feedback was that this was the strongest group of pitches in the four years to date. The producers are now considering developing one or more of the pitches (and we hope to hear more on this soon). Here we can see the BBC production team grilling one of the student pitch groups.

In the other photos, we see two groups of students experiencing post-pitch relief. The first group is Rachel Hume, Kiera Griffin and Jodie Hotchen. The second group is Bethan James, Sophie Hale, Jennifer Johnston and Adam Jardine.



## Research news:

Dr Kieran Connell was awarded £16,360 as part of the Graduate School's wider AHRC project 'Developing Future Leaders in the Arts and Humanities: Impact, Value and Co-creation'.

## Publications:

Dr Leonie Hannan, *Women of Letters: gender, writing and the life of the mind in early modern England* (Manchester: Manchester University Press, 2016). [monograph]

<http://www.manchesteruniversitypress.co.uk/9780719099427/>

Dr Ida Milne had an article on the 1918-1919 influenza pandemic in Ireland published in the *Revolution Papers*.



Dr Daniel Kowalsky, 'The Spanish Civil War, Eighty Years On,' *Modern History Review*, vol. 18, no. 4, April (2016), 30-33.

In the course of a robust but engaging review of Professor Liam Kennedy's recent book, *Unhappy the Land*, in the Irish-American paper, the *Irish Voice*, Cahir O'Doherty wrote: "To authors like Tim Pat Coogan, Kennedy is simply a revisionist historian suffering from a poignant need to re-contextualize the subjugation of Ireland to make it less emotive and troubling, a sort of historical Stockholm syndrome that Coogan calls "colonial cringe."

The Heritage Project, was officially launched at the Wiles Colloquium 'New Approaches to Public History'. The project's website, [www.theheritageproject.org](http://www.theheritageproject.org), serves to represent and connect the growing number of individuals and organisations working on heritage issues across Northern Ireland and beyond. Through the website, events and networking activities, The Heritage Project will foster collaborative partnership across sectors (historic houses, museums, third sector, local and national government and higher education) and attract funding for innovative research and practice initiatives. If you have an interest in developing research, teaching or impact projects focused on heritage in this region contact [Dr Leonie Hannan](#) or [Dr Olwen Purdue](#) and do join us.

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### ABOUT

Built heritage is a unique and valuable resource, but one that is under-valued and under threat. The Heritage Project approaches built heritage both as the subject of research and the means of promoting societal benefit. By developing our understanding of built heritage, and engaging new audiences, it will enhance social integration, increase access and participation, support heritage partners and grow local economies.

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The Heritage Project is founded upon collaboration – inter-institutional, interdisciplinary and international. Crucially, it engages with the agendas and priorities of its partners in the heritage sector, building in cross-sector collaboration from the outset to deliver real societal benefits. The Heritage Project is a reciprocal exercise based on a vision of a co-operative enterprise in which all parties learn from each other.

This website provides details of our growing membership, our network of historic buildings and sites in Northern Ireland and current research projects. The blog posts are contributed by our members and report on heritage news and activities across the region.

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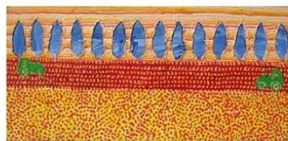


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## Having and Belonging

Homes and Museums in Israel



Judy Jaffe-Schagen

Judy Jaffe-Schagen April 2016 *Having and Belonging. Homes and Museums in Israel*. Oxford and New York: Berghahn.

New book published in **Series: Material Mediations: People and Things in a World of Movement**

Series Editors:

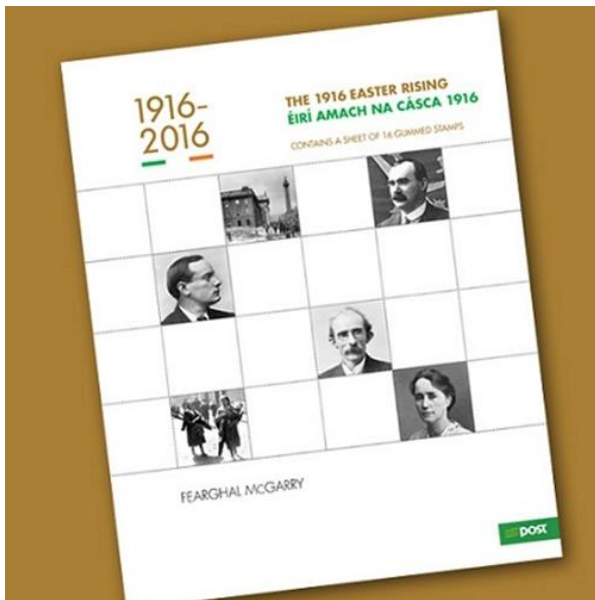
**Birgit Meyer**, *Department of Philosophy and Religious Studies, Utrecht University*

**Dr Maruška Svašek**, *School of History and Anthropology, Queens University, Belfast*

Description of the series: During the last few years, a lively, interdisciplinary debate has taken place between anthropologists, art historians and scholars of material culture, religion, visual culture and media studies about the dynamics of material

production and cultural mediation in an era of intensifying globalization and transnational connectivity.

Understanding 'mediation' as a fundamentally material process, this series provides a stimulating platform for ethnographically grounded theoretical debates about the many aspects that constitute relationships between people and things, including political, economic, technological, aesthetic, sensorial and emotional processes.



Dr Fearghal McGarry has published *The 1916 Easter Rising*, an illustrated history commissioned by An Post to complement the release of its 1916-2016 centenary stamps.

### Research projects and awards:

Former research fellows with the School of History and Social Anthropology, Dr Sean Lucey and Dr Brian Gurrin, have been appointed as research associates on the Leverhulme-funded Irish Famine project at Ulster University which is linked also to the Institute of Irish Studies, QUB.

### Conferences, seminars and public lectures:

Professor David Hayton gave a paper entitled 'Lewis Namier: nationality, territory, and Zionism' to a conference organised by the Woolf Institute at Selwyn College, Cambridge on 20 May, on 'Jewish conditions, theories of nationalism'.

The British Academy has selected the conference proposed by Dr Todd Weir for its 2017 conference series. "Defending the faith: Religious and Secularist Apologetics in Twentieth-Century Politics" will bring together 16 international scholars to discuss the contribution of apologetics to the history of religious and political ideas in the twentieth century. Participants will include Professor Peter Bowler.

On 21 April, Dr Ida Milne and Fiona Clark hosted a talk (as leaders of the ICRH Framing Epidemics network) by travel business journalist Eoghan Corry a 'From A to Zika: epidemics, fear and lessons from history for modern travellers'. Corry spoke about the risks current and past emerging epidemics – zika, dengue, ebola, malaria and the 2009 Influenza A epidemic -- have posed to travellers, and the ensuing effects on the travel business.

The ICRH Framing Epidemics network held its final reading group meeting – led by Dr Ashok Maholtra - on Tuesday, 24 May.



The Wiles Colloquium, New Approaches to Public History, organised by [Dr Olwen Purdue](#) and [Dr Leonie Hannan](#), was held on 12-13 May. This very successful event was attended by over 60 delegates from a range of academic, public history, government and third-sector organisations and generated a great deal of fascinating discussion around the role and practice of collaborative public history particularly in contexts such as Northern Ireland. Speakers included Professor Ludmilla Jordanova (Durham); Professor Helen Chatterjee (UCL); Heather Thompson (Director of National Trust NI); Ben Cowell (Director, Historic Houses Association) and a number of academics from across Ireland including our own [Dr Kieran Connell](#) and PhD student [Matthew Jackson](#). See

<https://newapproachestopublichistory.wordpress.com/>



On the 12 May the School of History and Anthropology hosted 'Spyfest', an annual workshop set up by the late [Professor Keith Jeffery](#) eight years ago. Various speakers came to pay tribute to Keith including long-time collaborator and friend Professor Christopher Andrew and former PhD students Dr Emily Haire and Jonathan Best.

[Dr Fearghal McGarry](#) was an invited speaker at conferences on the Easter Rising hosted by Queen Mary University of London and Down County Museum. He also gave public lectures to mark the centenary of the 1916 Rising at North Down Museum, the Irish Embassy in Warsaw, the Catholic University of Lublin, the Tower Museum in Derry and Cavan County Museum.

### Knowledge transfer / research impact:

[Dr Anthony J. Stanonis](#) presented on his new manuscript project at UCD on 17 May. The talk was entitled "Conjuring Rebellion: Voodoo in the American Imagination since 1804."

[Professor Liam Kennedy](#) was interviewed on Good Morning Ulster and Talkback, BBC, NI, on current levels of paramilitary violence in working-class communities in Northern Ireland. He also spoke to the Humanist Society, Northern Ireland on the Easter Rising.

## International engagement:

Vanderbilt Maymester course on 'U.S. and Northern Ireland Civil Rights Movements Past & Present: People, Politics and Popular Culture'. Special thanks to our Vanderbilt University colleagues Ifeoma and Dan, to Zoe Hyman for QUB co-ordination and all the staff and students from Nashville and Belfast who have made it such a success.



## External appointments:

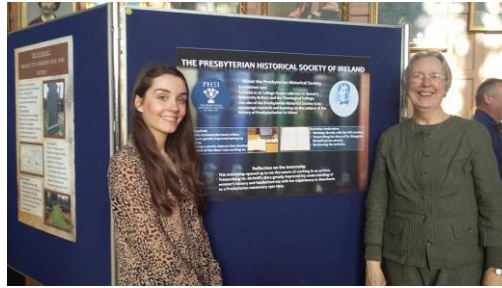
[Professor Crawford Gribben](#) has been appointed to examine PhD theses at the universities of Edinburgh and Chester.

[Professor David Hayton](#) has been appointed to examine a Ph.D. thesis at Trinity College Dublin.

[Professor Liam Kennedy](#) supervised and examined an MA thesis, 'Mother Ireland and her Soldier Dolls: Republican Paramilitary "Punishment" Attacks on Women in Northern Ireland, 1971-1979', Humboldt-Universitat, Berlin.



## Teaching news:



The annual MA Public History Internship poster exhibition and reception was hosted by [Dr Olwen Purdue](#) and the Public History MA students in the Great Hall on Thursday 12 May. This year 24 students' work was on display and the event was

attended by a large gathering of academics from a number of universities, students and representatives from a wide range of Public History institutions. New internships this year included Hillsborough Castle, Castle Leslie (Co. Monaghan), Belfast City Cemetery (Belfast City Council) and the Servite Priory, Benburb

## Alumni news:



[Kristin O'Brassill-Kulfan](#), who did her MA Public History Internship at the Ulster Museum and graduated from Queen's with an MA in Modern History in 2012, is scheduled to complete her PhD in History at the University of Leicester this summer. Later this year, she will take up the position of Coordinator and Instructor of Public History at Rutgers University in New Brunswick, New Jersey, in the US. She will have published chapters in the forthcoming volumes *Reviving Southern Labor History: Race, Class, and Power* and *Women in American History: A Social, Political, and Cultural Encyclopedia and Document Collection*, as well as an article in *Pennsylvania History: A Journal of Mid-Atlantic Studies*.

[Shawn M. Reming Jr.](#), Ph.D. Candidate in Anthropology passed his Viva last month and got a job at the University of Pittsburgh as a Program Coordinator in the Office of Pitt Serves. His job entails the management, creation and support of volunteer service and service learnings programs for and with students at the University. He will also coordinate with community organizations service projects that meet the needs of communities beyond the University. His primary responsibility is as a manager for the Jumpstart for Young Children program, training University students from a variety of backgrounds to implement an early childhood education curriculum in low income communities.