

H-WRBI 2009 CONFERENCE ANNOUNCEMENT

Consecrated Women: Crossing Boundaries

18-19 September 2009

Venue: BAR CONVENT, YORK, England

<http://www.bar-convent.org.uk/location.htm>

The Historians of Women Religious in Britain and Ireland (H-WRBI) annual conference will be held on 18-19 September 2009 at the Bar Convent, York. The two-day programme consists of a variety of medieval, early modern and modern papers on the theme of 'Crossing Boundaries'. Conference papers will explore this theme along the following conference strands:

- **Internationalism**
- **Gendered spaces**
- **The specificity of place**
- **Relationships between the centre and peripheries**

A provisional programme and booking form can be found at the H-WRBI website at

<http://www.rhul.ac.uk/Bedford-Centre/history-women-religious/events.html>

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**CONSECRATED WOMEN: CROSSING BOUNDARIES
DAY 1 - FRIDAY 18 SEPTEMBER, 2009**

10.00	Registration and coffee
10.25-10.30	Welcome
10.30-11.30	Patricia Harriss, CJ, 'Slate-coloured gowns and hoods': the origins and progress of the Bar Convent, York.
11.30-12.30	Gweno Williams, York St John University Secular perspectives on female consecration in the published plays of Margaret Cavendish, Duchess of Newcastle (1623-73): 'My Cloister shall not be a Cloister of restraint but a place for freedom' (The Convent of Pleasure Act 1 scene 2)
Session 1:	Laurence Lux-Sterritt, LERMA, Aix-Marseille University, France « Virgo Becomes Virago » : Secular Women in the Service of the Early Modern English Mission
12.30-13.30	LUNCH
13.30-15.00	Raphael Ingelbien (Katholieke Universiteit Leuven) Crossing Cultural and Ideological Boundaries in Elizabeth Gaskell's 'The Poor Clare'
Session 2	Jane Kelly, ibvm Letters from the Periphery: Gonzaga Barry in Australia, 1875-1915 Susanne Malchau Dietz, University of Aarhus, Denmark Irish Catholic Diaspora in the 19th Century: The Life Story of Mother Josephine of the Sacred Heart
15.00-15.30	Tea/coffee break
15.30-17.00	Louise O'Reilly, National University of Ireland, Maynooth Forging an international union of religious sisters: Case study of the Presentation Sisters, c1900-1976
Session 3	Josephine Brady, RSJ, Australian Catholic University, Canberra 'The Irish make better nuns'from Callan to Tasmania: The Irish shaping of an Australian Congregation Barbra Mann Wall, University of Pennsylvania Gendered Spaces: Catholic Hospitals and Reproductive Healthcare in the United States
17.00-17.30	WORK-IN-PROGRESS
17.30-18.30	BOOK LAUNCH: Francine Shaw's <i>Elizabeth Hayes: Pioneer Franciscan Journalist</i>
18.30	BUFFET SUPPER

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DAY 2 - SATURDAY 19 SEPTEMBER, 2009**

9.00	Registration and coffee
9.30-11.00	<p>Lisa K Schaffnit, Aberystwyth University Plague in accounts of St. Æthelthryth</p> <p>Session 4 Katharine Sykes, Harris Manchester College, Oxford The Gilbertine use of space: ideals and reality</p> <p>Anna R. McHugh, Harris Manchester College 'Uppity Women and Anchorites': The Cistercian House at South Berwick in the Fifteenth Century</p>
11.00-11.40	Coffee/Tea Break and Tour of Bar Convent Museum
11.45-13.15	<p>Christina Kenworthy-Browne CJ Mary Ward, Her Times and Her Companions</p> <p>Claire Renkin, Yarra Theological Union, Melbourne College of Divinity Speaking A Forbidden Name In A Gendered Space Of The Mid- Seventeenth-Century: The <i>Painted Life of Mary Ward. C.1685</i></p> <p>Session 5 Andrea Knox, Northumbria University 'The Convent as Cultural Conduit: Irish Matronage in Early Modern Spain'</p>
13.15-14.00	Lunch
14.00-15.30	<p>Tim Allender, University of Sydney, NSW Transnational Teachers or Servants the State: Loreto's Mandate in India, 1880-1920</p> <p>Session 6 Claire Rush, Queen's University Belfast 'The convents are hopelessly at sea as to what to do!': Convent secondary schools and the N.I. Education Act 1923</p> <p>Elizabeth Smyth, University of Toronto From Mission to Separation to Reunion: The Influence of the Irish Rathfarnham Motherhouse on the Institute of the Blessed Virgin in North America, 1847-2003</p>
15.30-15.45	Tea/coffee break
15.45-16.00	General meeting to plan future activities of the network Concluding Remarks

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All places in conference will be confirmed (via e-mail or post) within one week of receipt of booking form and cheque. If you do not receive a confirmation, please contact **Carmen M. Mangion** at c.mangion@history.bbk.ac.uk.