Classes and Masses in the History of Political Thought

Gustave Tuck Lecture Theatre
Wilkins Building, UCL

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Thursday 30 June

09:15 – 09:40 Registration and Coffee
09:40 – 09:45 Welcome and Housekeeping
David Klemperer (QMUL)
09:45 – 10:00 Opening Remarks
Gareth Stedman Jones (QMUL)
10:00 – 11:30 Panel 1: British Class Politics
Chair: David Klemperer (QMUL)
Rebecca Goldsmith (Cambridge): ‘A Vernacular Retelling of Labour’s Class Politics: Mass-Observation in Bolton in the Late 1930s’
Nick Garland (Oxford): ‘Imagining the “Radical Intelligentsia” in Late-Twentieth-Century Britain’
Sam Clarke (Cambridge): ‘Class Power and Natural Science: the Politics and Pedagogy of Science in mid-20th-Century British Socialism’
11:30 – 11:40 Break
11:40 – 13:10 Panel 2: Masses before Modernity
Chair: Calyx Palmer (KCL)
Abbie Leblanc (Harvard): ‘The Mikmaw Concordat as Worldmaking’
Aidan Fusco (UCL): ‘Masses and Classes in Baconian Dialectic’
Kajo Kubala (QMUL): ‘“Nothing is so Delightful as to Incorporate”: Corporations, Associations, and the Problem of the Political in the Collective Bodies of Rome’
13:10 – 14:00 Lunch
14:00 – 15:30 Panel 3: Marxism and the Colonial World
   Chair: Peter Morgan (UCL)
   Hedwig Lieback (Columbia): ‘Revolutionary Knowledge and Freedom’s
      Speech in Black Reconstruction and The Black Jacobins’
   Julia Damphouse (Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin): ‘Popular Anti-Colonial
      Currents and the Idea of Europe among German Workers Before 1914’
   Tanroop Sandhu (QMUL): ‘Representatives of Indian Freedom in the Heart
      of Empire’
15:30 – 15:45 Break
15:45 – 16:45 Panel 4: Identity and Character in the Long 19th Century
   Chair: Atlanta Neudorf (QMUL)
   Madeleine Rouot (Cambridge): History, Aristocracy, and Class
      Consciousness in François Guizot’s Early Writings, 1814-1830’
   Tom Musgrove (QMUL): ‘Views from the “Folk War”: British Debates on
      Nationality and the Macedonian Peasant Masses, 1903-1908’
16:45 – 17:00 Break
17:00 – 18:15 Keynote Lecture
   Chair: Peter Morgan (UCL)
   Adom Getachew (Chicago): ‘The Universal Race: Garveyism as Mass
      Politics’
18:15 – 19:15 Reception

Friday 1 July

09:30 – 10:00 Registration and Coffee
10:00 – 11:30 Panel 5: European Socialist Ideas of Class
   Chair: Kajo Kubala (QMUL)
   Emily Evans (Cambridge): ‘Rosa Luxemburg’s Unfinished Marxist History
      of the Economist Class’
   Rida Vaquas (Independent Scholar): ‘Walter Dirks and the Theological
      Significance of the Proletariat’
   Edoardo Vaccari (LSE): ‘Class War and Antifascist Revolution: Rethinking
      Socialism in the Political Journals of Italian Exiles (1932-1935)’
11:30 – 11:40 Break
11:40 – 13:10  Panel 6: Post-War American Radicalism
Chair Aidan Fusco (UCL)

Joan O’Bryan (Stanford): ‘Patriarchy as Class Division: Varieties of Historical Materialism in “Second Wave” Feminist Thought’

Molly Carlin (Sussex): ‘Class Solidarity, Confinement, and the Grounds for Revolution: Incarcerated Identities from Folsom to Attica’

Sam Pallis (Cambridge): ‘Revising the Legacy of New Class Theory in post-War America (1939-1954)’

13:10 – 14:10  Lunch

14:10 – 15:40  Panel 7: Class Conflict in the Age of Revolutions
Chair: Cathleen Mair (QMUL)

Madeleine Armstrong (Cambridge): ‘Edmund Burke and the “Swinish Multitude” Reconsidered’

Matteo Rossi (Università di Torino): ‘Class Conflict in the Classless Society: Labour Movement, Political Economy and Republicanism in Philadelphia (1827-1837)’

Sam Harrison (Cambridge): ‘Between Masses and Masters: Liminal Classes in 18th-Century France’

15:40 – 16:00  Break

16:00 – 17:45  Concluding Roundtable
Chair: Calyx Palmer (KCL)

Tejas Parasher (Cambridge)
Sarah Dunstan (Glasgow)
Nicola Miller (UCL)
Adam Sutcliffe (KCL)

18:00 – 20:30  Conference Dinner for Speakers