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**The Politics of the Past:**

**Activist Histories in Critical Perspective**

International Workshop at the University of Nottingham, 18 -19 May 2023

Jubilee Campus, Business School South Building A06 (workshop) & A24 (roundtable)

**DAY ONE, 18 May 2023**

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| 14:00-14:15 | Welcome & introduction |  |
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| 14:15-16:45 | **PANEL ONE: Navigating the Age of Catastrophe** |  |
|  | Julie Gottlieb (Sheffield), “F.L Lucas: classical scholar as chronicler of the crisis of the 1930s"  Per Rolandsson (UoN), “Siegfried Kracauer and the Science of Crisis” |  |
| 16:45-17:00 | **Coffee Break (with Cake)** |  |
| 17:00-18:00 | **Doing Radical History Today – A Round Table**  Sam Knapton (UoN) – Laura Schwartz (Warwick) – Nathan Richards (UoN) – Martina Salvante (UoN) |  |
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| 18:30 | Hot Buffet Dinner |  |

**DAY TWO, 19 May 2023**

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| 09:15-10:45 | PANEL TWO: The New Left |  |
|  | Madeleine Davis (Queen Mary), “Activism and commitment in New Left history-making”  Sophie Scott-Brown (Oxford)), “Hero or Organiser? Raph Samuel, EP Thompson, and the 'People's Historian'” |  |
| 10:45-11:00 | **Coffee Break** |  |
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| 11:00-12:30 | **PANEL THREE: The Postcolonial Challenge** |  |
|  | Spencer Mawby (UoN), “Eric Williams and Time's Monster: History, Anticolonialism and Prime Ministerial politics in Trinidad”  Dean Blackburn (UoN), “Stuart Hall: History and the ‘Contingency of the Present”’ |  |
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| 12:30-13:30 | Lunch |  |
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| 13:30-15:00 | **PANEL FOUR: The Feminist Challenge** |  |
|  | Natalie Thomlinson (Reading), “Raising Clio's consciousness: The Women's Liberation Movement in Britain and the rise of feminist history”  Vera Marstaller (Freiburg), "How to write decolonial-feminist history? The singer Chavela Vargas (1919-2012) as a historian of the 20th century“ |  |
| 15:00-15:30 | Coffee Break |  |
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| 15:30-16:45 | **PANEL FIVE: Confronting Fascism** |  |
|  | Rúben Leitão Serém (UoN), "Herbert Southworth: between activism and empiricism"  Emile Chabal (Edinburgh), "Eric Hobsbawm: the non-activist historian". |  |
| 16:45-17:00 | Concluding Remarks |  |