

International Perspectives
in the
History of Nursing
Conference

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Introduction

Welcome to the UK and to Royal Holloway College, Egham. ‘International Perspectives in the History of Nursing’ is one of the largest international conferences ever held in the discipline of Nursing History, and has a wide global reach. The event is hosted by the Faculty of Health and Social Care Sciences, Kingston University, St. George’s University of London, and is organised jointly by the American Association for the History of Nursing (AAHN) and the European Nursing History Group (ENHG), a new collaboration consisting of the UK Centre for the History of Nursing and Midwifery; the Irish Centre for Nursing and Midwifery History; Kingston University, St. George’s University of London; and the Royal College of Nursing History and Heritage Committee. This is the first time that AAHN and ENHG have collaborated in such a large project, and their joint efforts have made the conference a truly ground-breaking event in international collaboration.



Founders Building



Windsor Conference Centre

Welcome to Royal Holloway University of London, Egham

We have chosen Royal Holloway University of London as our conference venue. Conveniently located within 30 minutes train-journey from Central London, and just 10 minutes drive from Heathrow Airport, the conference venue is a unique blend of the old and the new. Founders Building, constructed in the late nineteenth century is a splendid and imposing venue for conference receptions and awards ceremonies, whilst the purpose-built Windsor Building offers ideal facilities for keynote, plenary and concurrent conference presentations. There is also a large space in the Windsor Building for the presentation of conference posters and other visual displays. ‘The Hub’ is a large and convenient restaurant, where all conference meals, including the Conference Dinner and Auction will be held.

Registration

You can register for the conference and accommodation at Royal Holloway via the Nurses Voices website <http://www.nursesvoices.org.uk/conference/>, which will take you straight to the Royal Holloway conference website. There is also a direct link from the AAHN website at <http://www.aahn.org>.

Conference Keynote Presenters

Mark Bostridge won the Gladstone Memorial Prize at Oxford University. His books include *Vera Brittain: A Life* shortlisted for the Whitbread Prize, the NCR Book Award and the Fawcett Prize, *Letters from a Lost Generation*, and *Lives For Sale*. In 2008 he published *Florence Nightingale: The Woman and Her Legend*, which was awarded the 2009 Elizabeth Longford Prize for Historical Biography, and named as a Wall Street Journal Best Book of 2008.



Dr. Afaf I. Meleis is the Margaret Bond Simon Dean of Nursing at the University of Pennsylvania School of Nursing, Professor of Nursing and Sociology, and Director of the School's WHO Collaborating Center for Nursing and Midwifery Leadership. Dr. Meleis' research scholarship is focused on the structure and organization of nursing knowledge, transitions and health, and international nursing as well as global health, immigrant and women's health and the theoretical development of the nursing discipline. She is the author of more than 150 articles in social sciences, nursing, and medical journals; 40 chapters; 7 books; and numerous monographs and proceedings. Dr. Meleis is the recipient of numerous honors and awards, as well as honorary doctorates and distinguished and honorary professorships around the world.



Pre-Conference Programme

Monday 13th September 2010

Sightseeing tours:

There is an opportunity to be collected by coach from Royal Holloway and taken to nearby Windsor and then on to Central London for a tour of some of the highlights. You will be escorted on the London tour by a qualified London guide.

The coach will then take you to St. Pauls Cathedral for the special evensong service and on to the Florence Nightingale Museum for a reception.

You will then be returned to Royal Holloway.

For full details, costs and to book your place please email either annm@travelcounsellors.com or damian.newell@travelcounsellors.com

Alternatively, you may make your own way to St. Pauls Cathedral and join us for evensong and the reception at the Florence Nightingale Museum. Please email Carol McCubbin if you would like to be included in the evening events but do not wish to take part in the sightseeing programme at c.mccubbin@sgul.kingston.ac.uk

Evening Programme

5:00pm: Evensong at St Paul's Cathedral

There will be a special evensong service at St Paul's Cathedral to celebrate the life and work of Florence Nighingale in this, the centenary year of her death. There is a monument in memory of Nightingale in the crypt of the Cathedral, and delegates will be invited to lay a wreath at the memorial.

6:00pm: Reception at the Florence Nightingale Museum

There will be a reception at the newly-refurbished Florence Nightingale Museum, St Thomas' Hospital. All delegates are invited to attend but space is limited so numbers will be restricted so please indicate whether you would like to be included in the evening programme when you register.

Conference Programme

Tuesday 14th September

Registration from 9.00 a.m. in the Windsor Building

Optional Pre-Conference Workshops

10:00–12:00: There are two optional pre-conference workshops which will be held in the Windsor Building. Places are limited so please book these when you register.

Workshop on Prosopography Leader: Sue Hawkins, Kingston University London.

Workshop on: Challenges and opportunities of reusing oral history evidence. Leader: Graham Smith, Royal Holloway University of London

9.00–12.00: The American Association for the History of Nursing Board Meeting will take place in the Windsor Building

12.00–1.00: Buffet Lunch in the Windsor Building

1.00–1.30 Welcome—Windsor Building

Delegates will be welcomed to the conference by: **Christine Hallett** and **Gerard Fealy**, on behalf of European Nursing History Group; **Sylvia Rinker**, on behalf of American Association for the History of Nursing; **Maura Buchanan**, on behalf of the Royal College of Nursing; UK Professor **Fiona Ross**, on behalf of the Faculty of Health and Social Care Sciences, Kingston University, St. George's University of London.

1.30–2.30: Keynote Presentation

Mark Bostridge: 'A Florence Nightingale for the Twenty-First Century'

2.45–4.00pm: Roundtable Debate—Windsor Building

Sponsored by the Royal College of Nursing

Anne Marie Rafferty will introduce and lead a debate on the question: 'Was there a Nightingale System of training, and, if so, what influence did it have on the development of nursing in the late nineteenth century?'

Speakers:

- Carol Helmstadter, Toronto, Canada: 'Nightingale Training in Context'
- Barbara Mann Wall, The University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, USA: 'Nuns, Nightingale and Nursing'
- Judith Godden, The University of Sydney, Australia: 'The Power of the Ideal: How the Nightingale System Shaped Modern Nursing'
- Lynn McDonald, 'The Nightingale System of Training and Its Influence Worldwide'





4:15pm–5:45pm: **Concurrent Session 1—Windsor Building**
 (6 Concurrent Sessions 1a to 1f)
Session 1a: Community Nursing
Session 1b: Technology and the Patient
Session 1c: Images of Nurses and Imagining the Nurse
Session 1d: Perceptions of Midwifery
Session 1e: Nursing Skills and Nursing Labour
Session 1f: Wartime Nursing



6:30pm: **Welcome Reception and Awards Ceremony—**
 Dining room of Founders Building

Professor Peter Kopelman, Principal of St. George’s University of London, will welcome the delegates to the Reception and Awards Ceremony.



7:00pm: **Barbecue—**Quadrangle of Founders Building The welcome reception and barbecue will be held in the main building and the quadrangle of Founders Building.



8:00pm–10:00pm: **Film Night (To be confirmed)—**Windsor Building Auditorium The Film ‘The Lady with a Lamp’ starring Anna Neagle will be shown in the main auditorium. The event will be introduced by Professor Anne Marie Rafferty. There will be a commentary by Elisabetta Babini and the film will be followed by time for questions and debate.

Wednesday 15th September 2010



7:00am–8:30am: **Breakfast—in the HUB**
 Poster display on upper floor Windsor Building

8:30am–10:00am: **Plenary Session—**Windsor Building Auditorium

Chair: Julie Fairman

The Karen Buhler-Wilkerson Plenary on Community and Public Health Nursing

Event held in memory of Karen Buhler-Wilkerson, former board member of the American Association for the History of Nursing and recipient of the Lavinia L. Dock Award for Exemplary Historical Research and Writing, 2001 and AAHN Presidents Award 2006.

Politics and Public Health: Community Nursing, the County, and the State

Rima D. Apple, Ph.D.

Historical Links to Contemporary Occupational Health Nursing

Jan Maw, The Royal College of Nursing, UK

“What’s in a Name?”: A Public Health Nursing History

Sandra B. Lewenson, EdD, RN, FAAN

10:15am–11:45am: Concurrent Session 2—Windsor Building

(6 Concurrent Sessions 2a to 2f)

Session 2a: Issues in Mental Health Nursing

Session 2b: Nursing and Religious Devotion

Session 2c: Borders and Boundaries

Session 2d: Politics, Ideology and the Development of Nursing

Session 2e: Epidemics and Disasters

Session 2f: Rural and Remote Nursing

11:45am–1:15pm: Concurrent Session 3—Windsor Building

(7 Concurrent Sessions 3a to 3g)

Session 3a: Transport and Mobile Nursing in Wartime

Session 3b: Nursing, Power and Politics

Session 3c: Fighting for Professionalization

Session 3d: Northern Nursing

Session 3e: Children’s Nursing and Child Health

Session 3f: People and Ideas

Session 3g: Nursing and Place

2:30pm–4:00pm: Concurrent Session 4—Windsor Building

(6 Concurrent Sessions 4a to 4f)

Session 4a: Panel Presentation: Towards Histories in Nursing

Session 4b: War and Practice

Session 4c: Community and Public Health Nursing

Session 4d: Professionalization

Session 4e: Global Perspectives on Nursing Education

Session 4f: Courage in Adversity

4:15pm–5:45pm: Concurrent Session 5—Windsor Building

(Concurrent Sessions 5a to 5f)

Session 5a: Panel Presentation: Nurses on the Front Line: Representation and Autonomy

Session 5b: Maternal and Child Health

Session 5c: International Collaborations

Session 5d: Nurse Recruitment and Nursing Education


Session 5e: Nursing and Women’s Health

Session 5f: Nursing Leadership

6:45pm–7:45pm: Book Launch—in the HUB


To be led by Sioban Nelson






7:45pm–10:30pm: Conference Dinner and Auction—in the HUB
(AAHN members: Please bring a small item for the auction and leave it at the registration table when you check in. Send an email ahead to c.mccubbin@sgul.kingston.ac.uk describing the item. If you would like a receipt for tax purposes, please complete an auction form [<http://aahn.org/conference.html>] and return to the main office or to Arlene Keeling awk2z@cms.mail.virginia.edu)

Thursday 16th September 2010




9:00am–10:00am: Keynote Presentation—Windsor Building Auditorium
Chair: Arlene Keeling
Dr Afaf Meleis: “Nursing Connections Past and Present: A Global Perspective”



10:15am–11:45am: Concurrent Session 6—Windsor Building
(6 Concurrent Sessions 6a to 6f)
Session 6a: Rural and Remote Nursing
Session 6b: Mental Health Care on the Margins
Session 6c: Wartime Nursing Practice
Session 6e: Public Health
Session 6f: Radical and Progressive Nurses

11:45am–12:30pm: Lunch—Windsor Building ground floor reception area



12:30pm–2:30pm: Concurrent Session 7—Windsor Building
(7 Concurrent Sessions 7a to 7g)
Session 7a: Nursing and Identity
Session 7b: The ‘Dark Side’ of Nursing and Midwifery
Session 7c: Transitions and Influences in Education
Session 7d: Colonial Practice and Postcolonial History
Session 7e: Methodology
Session 7f: Education and Socialisation
Session 7g: Nursing Skills Revisited

2:30pm: Closing Remarks: Sylvia Rinker—Windsor Building auditorium

3:00pm: Tea will be available



3:30pm–4:30pm: The American Association for the History of Nursing Membership Meeting—Windsor Building

3:30pm–4:30pm: The Advisory Board Meeting of the UK Centre for the History of Nursing and Midwifery—Windsor Building

4:30pm–5:00pm: The Meeting of the European Nursing History Group—Windsor Building

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