

**Second Cities in the Circuits of Empire: Calcutta /
Glasgow and the Legacy of the Scottish
Enlightenment**

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on

Second Cities in the Circuits of Empire: Calcutta / Glasgow

8 - 9 February 2016

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Programme



8 February 2016

**Centre for Studies in Social Sciences Calcutta
R1 Baishnabghata Patuli Township, 700 094**

10.30 am - 10:45 am: Tea

10.45 am - 11:00 am: Welcome address

First Session: 11 am - 1 pm

Chair: Swapan Chakravorty (Presidency University)

11:00 am - 11:45 am: Daniel White (University of Toronto)

Title: *Panoramas in Early Colonial Calcutta*

11:45 am - 12:30 pm: Sambudha Sen (Shiv Nadar University)

Title: *Re-visioning the Colonial City: Calcutta, London and the Aesthetics of Hybridity*

12:30 pm - 1:00 pm: Discussion

1:00 pm - 2:00 pm: Lunch

Second Session: 2:00 pm to 3-30 pm

Chair: Rosinka Chaudhuri (CSSSC)

2:00 pm - 2:30 pm: Christopher Kelleher (University of Toronto)

Title: *Henry Derozio's Don Juanics and the Call to Conversion in Nineteenth-Century Calcutta*

2:30 pm - 3:00 pm: Sujaan Mukherjee (Jadavpur University)

Title: *Edinburgh, Calcutta, Cannabis: Medical Exchanges*

3:00 pm - 3:30 pm: Cleo Roberts (University of Liverpool)

Title: *Glaswegian Artist in Calcutta: William Simpson's Documentation of the Ganges*

3:30 pm - 4:00 pm: Discussion

4:00 pm - 4.15 pm: Tea

Third Session: 4:15 pm - 5:45 pm

Chair: Lakshmi Subramaniam (CSSSC)

4:15 pm - 4:45 pm: Mary Ellis Gibson (University of Glasgow)

Title: *John Leyden's Travels in Mysore*

4:45 pm - 5-15 pm: Tapati Guha Thakurta (CSSSC)

Title: *The Object Flows of Empire: Cross-Cultural Collecting in Early Colonial Calcutta*

5-15 pm - 5-45 pm: Discussion



9 February 2016

Presidency University

86/1 College Street, 700 073

Arts Building, Ground Floor, Acharya Jagadish Chandra Bose Auditorium

First Session: 11 am - 1 pm

Chair: Bashabi Fraser (Edinburgh Napier University)

11:00 am - 11.45 am: Nigel Leask (University of Glasgow)

Title: *Frances Buchanan's Survey of South East Bengal (1798)*

11:45 am - 12:30 pm: John Mathew (ISER, Pune)

Title: *Buchanan's Barrackpore Menagerie and Faunal Studies under Company Raj*

12:30 pm - 1:00 pm: Discussion

1:00 pm - 2:00 pm: Lunch

Second Session: 2:00 pm to 3-30 pm

Chair: Mary Ellis Gibson (University of Glasgow)

2:00 pm - 2:30: Parimala Rao (Zakir Husain Centre for Educational Studies)

Title: *Seven Scotsmen of the Bombay Presidency*

2:30 pm - 3:00 pm: Kate Teltscher (University of Roehampton)

Title: *Cataloguing the Resources of the Empire: George Watt's Dictionary*

3:00 pm - 3:30 pm: Discussion

3:30 pm - 3:45 pm: Tea

Third Session: 3:45 pm - 5:45 pm

Chair: Nigel Leask (University of Glasgow)

3:45 pm - 4:30 pm: Souvik Mukherjee (Presidency University) and Sarbajit Mitra (Jadavpur University)

Title: *Of Swimming Doctors, Native Catechists and Scotch Dissenters: Exploring the Digital Archives of the Scottish Cemetery in Calcutta*

4:30 pm - 5:15 pm: Shrimoy Roy Chaudhury (Shiv Nadar University)

Title: *An Expatriate at Work: The Fragmented Worlds of Surgeon Thomas Alexander Wise (1825-1884)*

5:15 pm - 5:45 pm: Discussion

5.45 pm - 6.00 pm: Swapan Chakravorty (Presidency University)
Valedictory Address