

AAH2012

38TH ANNUAL CONFERENCE & BOOKFAIR

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THE OPEN UNIVERSITY, MILTON KEYNES



CALL FOR SESSIONS

The Open University 2012 invites session submissions for the 38th AAH Annual Conference. In line with the founding mission of The Open University—“to be open to people, places, methods and ideas”—the 2012 Annual Conference looks forward to welcoming all those interested in the History of Art. To complement the sessions, plenary lectures and special interest sessions will celebrate the strengths and reflect on the challenges that face art history today while receptions, book fair and visits will provide opportunities for delegates to relax and network.

Keynote speakers will include:

Lord Puttnam, CBE, Chancellor of the Open University

Professor Evelyn Welch, Queen Mary, University of London

The conference will include sessions on art and artifacts, issues and debates that reflect the diversity and richness of the discipline as it is practiced today. We would welcome sessions convened by members of all the constituencies represented by the AAH – students, museum and gallery curators, school teachers, independent art historians and university and college professionals. Conveners might have shorter, focused or longer, general sessions in mind. They are asked to give some indication of their intentions when they submit their proposals. Session proposals should include a title and abstract (no longer than 250 words), and the name(s) and contact details of the session convenor(s). **Deadline 21 April 2011**. Session abstracts and a call for papers will be published in the June and October *Bulletin* in 2011.

The Open University is based at Milton Keynes, a designed city established in 1967, renowned for its grid road system, roundabouts and concrete cows. It is 30 minutes by train from London. It was established in 1969 and (by student numbers) is the largest university in the UK. The conference will include visits to nearby historic sites such as Bletchley Park, Woburn Abbey and Stowe Landscape Gardens, and receptions at local venues including Milton Keynes Gallery, internationally renowned for its exciting and innovative contemporary arts shows

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