

## 26 SEPTEMBER

### What Kind of Settlement?

Grace Karskens, Lecturer in History at the University, draws on her new book *The Colony* to explore the transformation of a campsite at Sydney cove into a town that has become Australia's largest city. Blackheath History Forum 4pm (refreshments from 3.30pm) Blackheath Public School Hall info: [www.blackheathhistoryforum.org.au](http://www.blackheathhistoryforum.org.au)

## 30 SEPTEMBER

### Sydney Ideas Key Thinkers Series

Kurt Gödel and the Limits of Mathematics – Professor Mark Colvyn, Professor of Philosophy and Director of the Sydney Centre for the Foundations of Science.

7 October: Pierre Bourdieu on Feminism – Dr Kate Huppatz, Postdoctoral Research Fellow, Faculty of Education and Social Work  
14 October: Mary Wollstonecraft and the Enlightenment – Professor Helen Irving, Faculty of Law

21 October: Confucius and the First Emperor – Professor Jeffrey Riegel, Professor and Head of School of Languages and Cultures, Faculty of Arts  
Lecture Theatre 101, New Law School, Eastern Avenue  
Cost: Free. All welcome and no booking or registration necessary. Website and program updates: [www.usyd.edu.au/sydney\\_ideas](http://www.usyd.edu.au/sydney_ideas) [www.usyd.edu.au/sydney\\_ideas](http://www.usyd.edu.au/sydney_ideas)

## 1 OCTOBER

### Designing Educational Spaces

Looking at the needs of schools in relation to effective built environments for learning and development.

New Law Building, 6.30pm, free. Inquiries: Sue Lalor (612) 9114 0941 or [slalor@arch.usyd.edu.au](mailto:slalor@arch.usyd.edu.au).



Illustrated here: *James Hatfield and the beauty of Buttermere: a story of modern times with illustrations by Robert Cruikshank*. Publisher: Henry Colburn, 1841, London.

## 8 OCTOBER

### The US, China and Australian national interests in the 21st century

Professor Geoffrey Garrett, United States Studies Centre 5.30pm; free; venue and information from [infosocialscience@usyd.edu.au](mailto:infosocialscience@usyd.edu.au).

## 31 OCTOBER

### Cumberland Open Day

Celebrating 30 years of Health Sciences with interactive health checks, sporting demonstrations, live bands, bbq, industry stalls, face painting, a study fair, children's activities and much more, making this a day for all.

11am-4pm; Cumberland Campus, Lidcombe; free public transport available from Lidcombe station;

limited parking on campus.

Registration and information: (612) 9036 9278 or [www.fhs.usyd.edu.au](http://www.fhs.usyd.edu.au)

## 4/5 NOVEMBER

### Sydney Peace Prize

Award and Gala Dinner (4th) and Lecture (5th)

2009 recipient is John Pilger, outstanding journalist, author and documentary maker.

Award Dinner: 7 for 7.30pm Maclaurin Hall; bookings and information: (612) 9351 4468 or [spf@arts.usyd.edu.au](mailto:spf@arts.usyd.edu.au)

Lecture: 8pm, Concert Hall, Sydney Opera House; bookings: (612) 9250 7777 or [www.sydneypoperahouse.com](http://www.sydneypoperahouse.com).

## 17 NOVEMBER

### Graduate Connections Breakfast

"Unaccountable passion: how the arts defy the hubris of managerialism"

– Professor Andrea Hull OA  
Andrea Hull (BA '69 DipEd '70) recently retired after 15 years as director of the Victorian College of the Arts (VCA). She was previously CEO of the WA Department for the Arts.

Where: The Tea Rooms, Queen Victoria Building; 7.15-8.45am; Alumni \$45 pp, non-alumni/guest \$50 pp; table of eight \$320

## SPEAKING VOLUMES - THE THREE DECKER NOVEL

An exhibition from the collection of 19th century English fiction published in more than one volume, which was acquired by the Library from the English antiquarian bookseller CC Kohler in the mid-'70s. The exhibition looks at the many genres – social issues, regional, religious, adventure, sporting fiction, school and university novels – and includes works by some of the "greats", including a first edition by Jane Austen. The books are very striking visually, featuring many different examples of binding styles and foredge decoration. *Rare Books and Special Collections, Level 2, Fisher Library to 12 February 2010; Mon- Fri 9-5, free admission.*

Registration/enquiries: Claire Hannagan (612) 9356 6225 or [rsvp@usyd.edu.au](mailto:rsvp@usyd.edu.au)

## 25 NOVEMBER

### Under The Radar - The Secret Life of Ruby Payne-Scott, Radiophysicist

Biography by Prof. Miller Goss and Dr Richard McGee of the School of Physics graduate who became one of Australia's first paid female physicists at the then Council for Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIIR) in 1941. She had to resign when her marriage was discovered (pregnancy gave her away). A fierce advocate of women's rights and of interest to ASIO – she was a member of the Communist Party of Australia – her story was virtually unknown. Her children, Fiona and Peter Hall, will launch the book.

Book Launch: 6pm-8pm, The Great Hall. Free. RSVP to Alison Muir (612) 9036 5184 or: [a.muir@physics.usyd.edu.au](mailto:a.muir@physics.usyd.edu.au)

## 29 NOVEMBER

### Mandelbaum House Inaugural Alumni Function

Calling former residents for the launch of the Mandelbaum House Alumni Association. See your old room, staff and, of course, friends. For further details:

[www.mandelbaum.usyd.edu.au/alumni](http://www.mandelbaum.usyd.edu.au/alumni) or email Audrey Roby (nee Reecht) at [alumni@mandelbaum.usyd.edu.au](mailto:alumni@mandelbaum.usyd.edu.au) If you can't attend, please visit our website so we can keep you in touch with future events. 7-11pm, Cost: free. 385 Abercrombie St Darlington.

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