

The Tudors & Early Stuarts

November 5th 2011, Avenue Campus, 10am – 4pm

10.00 – 10.15 Coffee

10.15 - 10.20 Welcome

10.20 - 10.25 Announcement by Cheryl Butler

10.25 – 11.10 Prof Maria Hayward: Making Magnificence: Revels in Tudor London, 1485-1553

This paper will consider how the revels staff utilized what the city of London had to offer in terms of people, materials, space and transport in order to create a series of magnificent entertainments.

11.10 – 11.55 Dr Francois Soyer: 'The Black Legend of the Inquisition in Tudor England'

This paper will examine the origins and impact of the Spanish Inquisition's fearsome reputation in England and analyse how Tudor propagandists used it to great effect in their attempts to demonize Spaniards and Catholicism during the Anglo-Spanish war of 1585-1604.

11.55 – 12.15 Coffee

12.15 – 1.00 Prof Mark Stoye: 'The Prayer Book Rebellion'

The 'Prayer Book Rebellion' of 1549 was one of the bloodiest popular insurrections of the Tudor period. This talk tells the story of the rising - and considers its causes and consequences.

1.00 – 2.00 Lunch

2.00 – 2.45 Dr Alice Hunt: 'James I and his English Coronation'

On 25 July 1603, James I was anointed and crowned King of England. His was the first fully Protestant coronation of an English monarch, the first to be conducted entirely in English and the first in England for nearly 100 years of an adult male. In this talk, Alice Hunt looks at how James's English coronation was adapted and exploited to suit the new king, and his new time.

2.45 – 3.30 Jane Whitehead: 'Cross-Dressing in Early Stuart England'

In early Stuart society, there was no better way to emphasise gender differences than through clothing. This talk will explore what happened when people cross-dressed and consequently tore these rigid boundaries apart.

3.30 – 4.00 Questions over Coffee