

## Children and Borders

Colloquium at the Centre for the History of Childhood, Oxford University

Magdalen College, Oxford, OX1 4AU

Friday 28<sup>th</sup> June 2019: 9:30-5:15pm

This colloquium explores how children and childhood have responded to – and negotiated – borders. What roles did children play in making people, ideas, and practices mobile? In what contexts were certain ideas of childhood given power across space so as to construct new national and international concepts of childhood? To what extent did the young communicate across divides? How did children live with the borders formed by states, communities and families? In this one-day colloquium, we will explore these questions by focusing on children's experiences and perspectives, ranging across the globe and over the last 800 years.

As part of the day, we are delighted to especially welcome Bart van Es and Lien de Jong to talk about the award-winning book, *The Cut Out Girl: a story of War and Family* (2018).

For further details, see: <https://bit.ly/2VE9oil>

### Draft programme

9:10-9:30 Registration (Summer Common Room)

#### 9:30-9:35 Welcome

Chair: Kathryn Gleadle (Oxford)

#### 9:35-11:05 Session 1: Communication across borders

Chair: Christina de Bellaigue (Oxford)

Sneha Krishnan (Oxford) Good Christian Girls for a Stable India: Cold War Geopolitics and Postcolonial Girlhood

Rosie Walters (Bristol) Crossing North-South Divides in a Study with Members of the UN Foundation's 'Girl Up'

#### 11:05-11:15: Tea/Coffee (Cloisters)

#### 11:15-1:00 Session 2: Recovering voices

Chair: Nick Stargardt (Oxford)

Mary Cox (Oxford) Hunger in War and Peace: Women and Children in Germany, 1914-1924

11:55-12:00 short break

Bart van Es (Oxford) The Cut Out Girl: a story of War and Family

**1:00-1:45: Lunch (Old Kitchen Bar)**

**1:45-3:15 Session 3: Orphans' voices**

Chair: Siân Pooley (Oxford)

Helen Berry (Newcastle) 'Wanting More': Recovering Children's Voices from the London Foundling Hospital Archives

Suzan Meryem Rosita Kalayci (Oxford) 'Thus makes us orphans all': the History of the Armenian Genocide through the Eyes of Armenian and Turkish War Children

**3:15-3:30 Tea/Coffee (Cloisters)**

**3:30-5:15 Session 4: Moving across borders**

Chair and closing remarks: Jennifer Crane (Oxford)

Miriam Müller (Birmingham) Negotiating and Rescinding Borders in Medieval Rural Childhood

Rachel Winchcombe (Manchester) 'If you love me you will redeeme me suddenlie': The Emotional World of a Seventeenth-Century Indentured Child

**Registration:**

By Monday 24<sup>th</sup> June 2019: <https://bit.ly/2VE9oil>

Registration fee (includes coffee, lunch, tea): Waged £20; Unwaged £10.

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Colloquium organisers: Jennifer Crane, Kathryn Gleadle, Siân Pooley

**Oxford Centre for the History of Childhood**

The Oxford Centre for the History of Childhood was founded in 2003 by Laurence Brockliss. The Centre continues to organise events and informal lunchtime workshops to nurture a community of researchers, currently convened by Christina de Bellaigue, Kathryn Gleadle, Siân Pooley and Nick Stargardt. If you would like to find out more, please sign up to the Centre for the history of childhood email list, here:

<https://web.maillist.ox.ac.uk/ox/info/history-of-childhood>