

CALL FOR PAPERS

Representations of Authority to 1707: Scotland and her Nearest Neighbours

One/Two Day Conference
Mon 20th – Tues 21st August 2012
University of Stirling

What use is it to be given authority over man and land if others do not know about it? Furthermore, what use is that authority if those who know about it do not respect it? These questions have been crucial since regulations for governance entered society. In the years prior to 1707 Scotland and her nearest neighbours developed unique relationships between their people and the manifests of authority; whether it be crown or noble, government or church, burgh or merchant; these individuals and groups all desired power and influence, however, their means of representing their authority were often very different. The relations between these countries were also dominated by attempts to represent authority to each other both in war and peace; to what extent can similarities be drawn between these kingdoms and principalities, or can national distinctions always be found?



Keynote Speaker: Dr Katie Stevenson, University of St Andrews

We welcome 200 word proposals for 20 minute papers or panel proposals, from any discipline and any research level, considering any of the following themes in relation to the above topic:

- Queenship and/or study of women; or Regency representations
- Royal ceremonial; or court and household; or Noble display
- Early representative art; or Architecture; or Art
- Literature; or Language
- Monasteries; or Non-monastic ecclesiastics
- Parliament and politics; or Law and justice
- Burgh, merchants and trade; or international relations

Please send proposals for panels and papers by Tuesday 15th May to
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This is a postgraduate organised event and there are plans for publishing the proceedings.

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