The Rude Body Programme

Friday 14 September 2012

13:00 - 13:45 Registration

13:45 - 14:45 **APPEARANCE AND AUTHORITY**

*Greg Koabel (Nottingham-Trent)*

"A man so form'd by Natures skill": the Body as Instrument of Political Legitimization

*Lucas Pinheiro (Cambridge)*

The "Idiot" Within the "Cripple": Physical Disability and Materialism in Rousseau

14:45 - 15:15 Tea and Coffee

15:15 - 16:45 **RACE, ETHNICITY AND THE RUDE BODY**

*Joan Redmond (Cambridge)*

' Rudeness' and ethnicity in early modern Ireland

*Franka Welz (Essex)*

Hands of the Masters, Bodies of Christ - Black Bodies at the Centre of António Vieira's 17th-century Argument for Black Slavery

*Robin Macdonald (York)*

Re-reading Native Bodies in Seventeenth-Century New France

17:00 - 1800 **KEYNOTE ADDRESS**

Dr Laura Gowing (Kings College London)

18:00 - 20:00 Dinner

Saturday 15 September

9:00 – 10:00 **MADNESS AND THE BODY**

*Stephen Courtney (Kent)*

The Cartesian Understanding of Madness in the Nineteenth Century

*Ved Prakash (Cardiff)*

"Revelling and Rebelling, Maddening and Meddling": The indescribable world(s) of opium-eaters and their defiance of power, authority and normativity

10:00 – 10:30 Tea and Coffee

10:30 – 11:30 **GENDER AND THE BODY**

*Dr Savi Munjal*

Body/Bawdy Inscriptions: James Gillray's 'Rude' representations of Women
Jeni Buckley (Southampton)  "The mercy of the big-bellied lady": Pregnant Imagination in Novels from the Mid Eighteenth Century

12:00 – 12:30  Tea and Coffee

12:30 – 13:30  **SOCIAL CONVENTIONS, POLITENESS AND THE BODY**

Jon Vallerius (Essex)  John Lilburne and his refusal to kneel at the bar

Andrew Senter (Essex)  Sea-bathing at Essex resorts, 1800-1914

13:30 – 14:30  Lunch