Contested Views: Visual Culture and the Revolutionary and Napoleonic Wars

Thursday 19 and Friday 20 July 2012

Clore Auditorium, Tate Britain, Millbank, London SW1P 4RG

Conference Programme

Thursday 19 July

8.30-10.00: Conference Workshop: J. M. W. Turner, The Field of Waterloo (by invitation only)

10.00-10.30: Break and registration

10.30-11.30:
Plenary session: Susan Siegfried (University of Michigan), ‘Picturing the Battlefield of Victory: Document, Drama, Image’

11.30-1.00:
Katie Hornstein (Dartmouth College), ‘Maps, Battle Painting and the Visuality of Participation’;
Richard Taws (University College London), ‘Telegraphic Images’;

1.00-1.45: Lunch (not provided)

1.45-3.45:
Thomas W. Dodman (Boston College), ‘Departing Sons and Homesick Soldiers: The Iconography of Conscription during the Revolutionary and Napoleonic Wars’;
Matthew McCormack (University of Northampton), ‘The Material Life of the Militiaman, 1776-1815’;
Sun-Young Park (Harvard University), ‘Hygiene and the Aesthetics of the Healthy Body in France, 1815-1848’;
Sue Walker (University College London), ‘Nicolas-Toussaint Charlet’s Invalides Through the Lens of Emily Prince’s American Servicemen and Women’

3.45-4.00: Break

4.00-5.00:
Arlene Leis (University of York), ‘Ephemeral Histories: Social Commemorations of the Napoleonic Wars in the Paper Collections of Sarah Sophia Banks’;
Neil Ramsey (University of Western Sydney), ‘The Comic View of Johnny Newcome’s War’

5.00-5.45:
Plenary session: Mary A. Favret (Indiana University), ‘The Necessity of Violence: Images of the Suicide and the Soldier’

5.45: Drinks reception
Friday 20 July

10.00-11.00:
Plenary session: Gillian Russell (Australian National University), ‘Reality Effects: War, Theatre and Re-enactment Around 1800’

11.00-12.45:
Emma Barker (Open University), ‘Melancholy and Mourning in Napoleonic Art: the Ossianic Mode’;
Ulrich Knufinke (Technische Universität Braunschweig), ‘The City as a “Memorial Landscape” in Germany after the Napoleonic Wars’;
Cicely Robinson (University of York), ‘Exhibiting the Nation’s Navy: The Foundation of the “National Gallery of Naval Art, 1795-1845”’

12.45-1.45: Lunch (not provided)

1.45-3.15:
Stephanie O’Rourke (Columbia University), ‘Beholder, Beheaded: Theatrics of the Guillotine and the Spectacle of Rupture’;
Simon Lee (University of Reading), ‘King Ferdinand’s Veto: Goya’s 2nd and 3rd May 1808 as Patriotic Failures’;
Foteini Vlachou (University of Crete), ‘“The most atrocious [acts] you may imagine”: the So-Called Series of the French Invasions and Anti-French Propaganda during the Peninsular War’

3.15-3.45: Break

3.45-4.45:
Susan Benforado Bakewell (Southern Methodist University), ‘The First Consul, Charles James Fox, and Mrs. Damer’s Gallery of Heroes and Heroines’;
Allison Goudie (University of Oxford), ‘Smuggled Silhouettes: Opacity and Transparency as Visual Strategies for Reading Revolutionary and Napoleonic Portraiture’

4.45-5.45:
Plenary session: Paul White (University of Cambridge), ‘National Feeling: the Emotional State in Britain, 1790-1815’