

Women and Religion in Eighteenth-Century France: Ideas, Controversies, Representations

Virtual Symposium | 24 June 2022 | Queen Mary, University of London

Programme

All times in BST. Sessions take place via Zoom. Please [register to attend](#).

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09:30 – 09:45

Welcome and Housekeeping

Marie Giraud (QMUL) and Cathleen Mair (QMUL)

09:45 – 10:45

PANEL 1

Living Faith: Everyday Religion in Women's Letters

Chair: Dr Ben Jackson (Birmingham)

Dr Cormac Begadon (Durham University)

Nuns and their Confessors: Appeals, Emotions and Gender in the English Convents

Dr Gemma Betros (Australian National University)

Marie de Botidoux: Religion in the Life of a Young Woman in Late-Eighteenth-Century Paris

10:45 – 11:45

PANEL 2

Recovering Voices: Women Religious in Print Culture

Chair: Dr Gemma Tidman (QMUL)

Rebecca Short (University of Oxford)

Posthumous Presence: Religious Authority in the *Lettres à une illustre morte* (1770)

Dr Sean Heath (Independent Scholar)

Je ne suis qu'une femme: Madame de Lionne's Intervention in the Chinese Rites Controversy, 1700-1705

11:45 – 12:00

Break

12:00 – 13:00

PANEL 3

Faith on Trial: Religious Sects and the State

Chair: Dr Liesbeth Corens (QMUL)

Dr Sarah Barthélemy (Durham University / Université Saint-Louis – Bruxelles)

Gender, Catholicism and Dissimulation: The trial of Adélaïde Champion de Cicé

Prof. Otto Selles (Calvin University)

Prophétesses de Sion: Women and the Multipliant Sect (Montpellier, 1720-1723)

13:00 – 14:00

Lunch

14:00 – 15:00

PANEL 4

Contested Meanings: Women Religious and Revolutionary Politics

Chair: Dr Ben James (KCL)

Dr Corinne Gressang (Erskine College)

What does Liberty Mean to a Nun?

Richard Yoder (Pennsylvania State University)

Jacqueline-Aimée Brohon: Victim-Soul and Revolutionary Prophet

15:00 – 16:00

PANEL 5

Representing Faith: Spaces and Objects of Devotion

Chair: Dr Hannah Williams (QMUL)

Dr Killian Harrer (University of Munich)

Wellsprings of Devotion: Marian Apparitions and Female Pilgrims in Revolutionary France

Dr Samuel Weber (EHESS)

Handmaids of the Sacred Heart: Nuns' Production of Paraphernalia and the Making of Sentimental Catholicism in Eighteenth-Century France

16:00 – 16:15

Break

16:15 – 17:30

Keynote Lecture

Chair: Prof. Miri Rubin (QMUL)

Prof. Mita Choudhury (Vassar College)

Reflecting on Gender, Religion, and the Historian's Craft

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