



## **VIOLENCE, COLONIALISM AND EMPIRE IN THE MODERN AND CONTEMPORARY WORLD**

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The British Academy

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# MONDAY 29 JUNE BRITISH ACADEMY, MALL ROOM

8:30am Registration

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8:45am Philip Dwyer — Welcome

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9:00- **Session 1 The Law and Colonial Violence**

10:30am Chair Philip Dwyer

*The Pedagogy of Colonial Violence: Law, Morality and Policy in Imperial Interventions*

Partha Chatterjee, Columbia University

*Seeing Like a Policeman: Everyday Violence in British India*

Radha Kumar, Syracuse University

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10:30- **Morning Tea**

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11:00- **Session 2 Settler Violence**

12:30pm Chair Michelle Gordon

*Salutary Lessons: The Australian Colonial Frontier and the Civilizing Role of Legal Violence*

Amanda Nettelbeck, University of Adelaide and Lyndall Ryan, University of Newcastle, Australia

*Anxieties of Empire: The Psychology of Colonial Violence*

Richard N. Price, University of Maryland

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12:30- **Lunch**

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1:30- **Session 3 Colonial Violence and Non-Violence**

3:00pm Chair Elizabeth Kolsky

*What Counts as 'Colonial' Violence? Reinterpreting Interpersonal Violence Among the Colonized*

Deana Heath, University of Liverpool

*Geographies of Non-Violence: Spaces of Anti-Colonialism in Interwar Delhi*

Stephen Legg, University of Nottingham

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3:00- **Afternoon Tea**

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3:30- **Session 4 Representations of Violence**

5:00pm Chair Lyndall Ryan

*'Colonialism, Violence and Empire Building in Naga Hills: A Detour through Visual Representation*

Debojyoti Das, Birkbeck, University of London

*Colonial Violence and the Picturesque*

Elizabeth Mjelde, De Anza College, California

## TUESDAY 30 JUNE BRITISH ACADEMY, MALL ROOM

9:00-  
10:30am

### Session 5 Torture and Psychological Terror

Chair Deana Heath

*Adjudicating Torture in Late Company India*

Derek L. Elliot, Peterhouse, University of Cambridge

*What is 'Colonial' about Colonial Violence? Intelligence Services and Psychological Terror in Indonesia's War of Decolonization, 1945-49*

Bart Luttikhuis, Royal Netherlands Institute of Southeast Asian and Caribbean Studies

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10:30-  
11:00am

### Morning tea

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11:00-  
12:30pm

### Session 6 Violence and Colonial Conquest

Chair Richard N. Price

*Revenge and Honour: Britain and Germany in East Africa*

Jan Rüger, Birkbeck, University of London

*Categories of Conquest and Colonial Control: The French in Tonkin, 1884-1914*

James R. Lehning, University of Utah

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12:30-  
1:30pm

### Lunch

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1:30-  
3:00pm

### Session 7 Aftermaths of Empire

Chair Stephen Legg

*Reimagining Legitimate Violence at Empire's End*

Brian Cuddy, Cornell University

*The Logic and Aftermath of Colonial Violence in Africa*

Sabel J. Ndlovu-Gatsheni, University of South Africa

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3:00-  
3:30pm

### Afternoon tea

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3:30-  
5:00pm

### Session 8 The Dynamics of Colonial Violence

Chair Amanda Nettelbeck

*The Dynamics of British Colonial Violence*

Michelle Gordon, Royal Holloway, London

*Counting the Cost, Shifting the Focus: Changing the Lens on Violence in the Dutch Colonial State, 1880-1910*

Joost Coté, Monash University

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5:00-  
6:30pm

### Session 9 The Japanese Empire

Chair Adrian Muckle

*'When Filipinos are to be killed...': Resistance, Violence and Genocide during the Japanese Occupation of the Philippines, 1942-1945*

Kelly Maddox, Lancaster University

*Implementing 'Japanisation' in Taiwan*

Natsuko (Sofia) Akagawa, Royal Melbourne Institute of Technology

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7:00-  
8:00pm

### Drinks Villandry Restaurant

# WEDNESDAY 1 JULY BRITISH ACADEMY, MALL ROOM

## 9:00- **Session 10 Forgotten Wars, Remote Frontiers**

10:30am Chair Derek L. Elliott

*Ajab Khan Afridi and Miss Molly Ellis: A Tale of Colonial Kidnapping on India's Northwest Frontier*

Elizabeth Kolsky, Villanova University

*'Swift Injustice': The Expedition of Imperial Punishment*

Chris Ballard, Australian National University

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10:30- **Morning Tea**

## 11:00- **Session 11 Imperial Violence in the Inter-War Period**

12:30pm Chair James R. Lehning

*Searching for a Standard of Legitimate Colonial Violence in the Era of 'Self-Determination': International Public Talks around the Rif War and the Great Syrian Revolt, 1924-26*

Giorgio Potì, European University Institute

*Fascist Violence and the Ethnic Reconstruction of Cyrenaica (Libya), 1922-34*

Michael R. Ebner, Syracuse University

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12:30 **Lunch**  
1:30pm

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## 1:30- **Session 12 Violence and Colonial Subjects**

3:00pm Chair Elizabeth Mjelde

*Violent Articulations: Environmental Transformation, Colonial Authority, and New Material Subjects in Colonial Southern Egypt*

Jennifer L. Derr, University of California, Santa Cruz

*Disciplining Native Masculinities: Colonial Violence in the 'Land of the Pirate and the Amok'*

Jialin Christina Wu, EHESS (Paris) and UC Louvain (Belgium)

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3:00- **Afternoon Tea**  
3:30pm

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## 3:30- **Session 13 French Colonial Violence**

5:00pm Chair Chris Ballard

*The Criminalization of Anti-Colonial Resistance: Violence and Police/Administrative Responses in Interwar Constantine*

Samuel Kalman, St. Francis Xavier University

*The 'Contested Legitimacy' of Colonial Violence in New Caledonia*

Adrian Muckle, Victoria University of Wellington

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7:00- **Drinks** Villandry Restaurant  
8:00pm

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8:00pm **Dinner** Villandry Restaurant