

**Libraries: New Research Directions**  
**An Early Modern Research Centre colloquium at the University of Reading**  
**Friday, 8 June 2012**

This colloquium aims to bring together people researching the history of libraries over a wide chronological period and from diverse disciplinary perspectives. Papers and discussion will focus not only on particular cases but also on broader methodological questions about the current practice and possible future directions of library history. Lunch and refreshments will be provided.

Fee: £15 (£10 students and unwaged)

**Programme**

10.30am	Coffee and registration
11am	Welcome
11.15-12.45pm	<b>Matthew Nicholls</b> (University of Reading): 'Libraries in the ancient world: points of communication.'
	<b>David Rundle</b> (Corpus Christi College, University of Oxford): 'How libraries die, or what the fate of manuscripts in early modern England can teach us.'
12.45-1.45pm	Lunch
1.45-3.15pm	<b>Anne Overell</b> (University of Durham): 'The libraries of Cardinal Reginald Pole and his friends, ca.1520-1558.'
	<b>Daniel Starza Smith</b> (University of Reading): "'Well versed in all parts of learning": the Conway family libraries, 1610-1645.'
3.15-3.45pm	Tea
3.45-5.15pm	<b>Paddy Bullard</b> (University of Kent): 'What did Jonathan Swift do in libraries?'
	<b>Rose Dixon</b> (King's College London): 'Virtual "magazines of learning": The Dissenting Academy Libraries Project, 1720-1860.'
5.15pm	<b>Warren Boucher</b> (Queen Mary, University of London): Closing comments followed by discussion.
6pm	Drinks

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