

Curious Travellers

Thomas Pennant, Travel and the Making of Enlightenment Knowledge



A conference to mark the end of the AHRC-funded project,

Curious Travellers: Thomas Pennant and the Welsh and Scottish Tour 1760-1820

Linnean Society, Burlington House, Friday 16 November 2018

With an evening event at Dr Johnson's House, Gough Square, Thursday 15 November

10.00: Coffee and arrivals

10.15: Welcome from Isabelle Charmantier (Linnean Society) and Mary-Ann Constantine and Nigel Leask (Curious Travellers Project)

Session One 10.30-12.30

Short presentations and launch of online edited texts by project members:

Luca Guariento, 'Curious Travellers and Curious Editors: XML and other scary things behind the curtain.'

Alex Deans, 'Dialogue and encounter: introducing the Curious Travellers Scottish editions'

Ffion Mair Jones, 'This delicious frenzy...': The Correspondence of Thomas Pennant and Richard Bull, 1773-1798.

Elizabeth Edwards, "Bag men, Itinerant Artists and sorts of fleeting customers": voice and narrative in manuscript Welsh tours.'

12.30-1.30 Lunch and a chance to see the exhibition of natural history books by Pennant and his contemporaries



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Session Two: 1.30-3.00

[Short presentation]: Kirsty McHugh, 'Anne Lister's Tours of Wales and Scotland'.

Miranda Lewis, 'Mapping Lines of Communication: Thomas Pennant in Early Modern Letters Online'

Edwin Rose, 'From Specimen to Print: Thomas Pennant's *British Zoology*, 1766-1812'

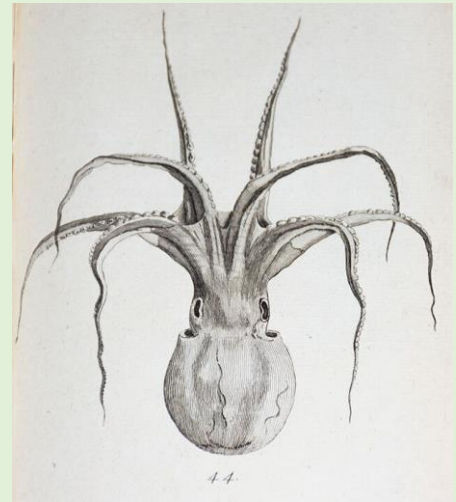
Dòmhnail Uilleam Stiùbhart, 'Rev. John Stuart of Luss: pioneer lichenologist, Biblical translator, 'pedantic coxcomb''

3.15-3.30 Tea-break

Session Three: 3.30-5:00

[Short presentation:] Professor Debarati Bandyopadhyay (Visva-Bharati University, Santiniketan, India), 'Thomas Pennant and Ecocriticism'.

John Bonehill, 'Scotland's portraiture: the illustration of Pennant's *Tours*'



Carl Thompson, 'Women travellers and their (many) contributions to late 18th and early 19th science'

Concluding remarks: Nigel Leask and Mary-Ann Constantine

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Registration: £25 waged with buffet lunch (£20 without lunch); £15 (£10) unwaged. For more information contact a.elias@wales.ac.uk (01970 636543) or visit www.curious travellers.ac.uk

Thursday 15 November

Note that on the evening before the conference (15th November) there will be a separate ticketed event at Dr Johnson's House, Gough Square, when Professor Murray Pittock and Professor Nigel Leask will give talks on the Scottish Tours of Dr Johnson and Thomas Pennant. This accompanies our current exhibition "*Curious Travellers*": *Dr Johnson and Thomas Pennant on Tour*, at Dr Johnson's House, 5 Oct- 12 Jan 2018. www.drjohnsonshouse.org

