

SANDARS LECTURES 2007

Conversations with maps: world views in early modern Europe

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Monday 5 March

'Then and now' – recent views of mapping in the early modern period

The first lecture concerns the essential 'conversation' between the past and the present and deals with the history of cartography in the 20th century as it applies to the early modern European expansion or cultural encounter with other places and people in the world.

Tuesday 6 March

'Geography is better than divinity' – the practitioners' story

The second reflects on the 'conversations' amongst early modern practitioners and addresses what they thought they were doing in making maps and charts of the world.

Thursday 8 March

'There are maps and there are maps' – motives, markets and users

This third 'conversation' relates to the changing picture of the world over time from the perspectives of the early modern European protagonists and what if any relationship it had to the places and people they met and to their changing audiences.

5pm, Morison Room, Cambridge University Library

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