

## Photo Archives and the Photographic Memory of Art History

Tuesday 16 June 2009 (with registration from 9.00am)
Wednesday 17 June 2009 (with registration from 9.30am)

Kenneth Clark Lecture Theatre, The Courtauld Institute of Art Somerset House, Strand, London WC2R 0RN



Sir Benjamin West, *Conversion of St. Paul*, s & d 1786. Design for stained glass window, St. Paul's, Birmingham. Photo courtesy the Witt Library, The Courtauld Institute of Art

This conference will investigate the role of photographic archives and collections in art historical studies. The discipline of art history and the technologies image reproduction have developed concurrently and their own histories are closely interlinked. The first part of the conference will take place in London. where the focus will be on the role of photography in shaping art history, with an emphasis on image collections that were formed "scientifically" - that is with the specific purpose of aiding research. The second part of the conference will be held in Florence in the autumn of 2009. where the history, nature, and influence of specific archives will be discussed.

A second purpose of this conference will be to look strategically at the management of large photographic collections, using the perspective of their history to face the challenges of the future.

**To book a place:** £15 (£10 concessions) Please send a cheque made payable to 'Courtauld Institute of Art' to: Research Forum Events Co-ordinator, Courtauld Institute of Art Research Forum, Somerset House, Strand, London WC2R 0RN, clearly stating that you wish to book for the 'Photo Archives and the Photographic Memory of Art History conference'. For credit card bookings call 020 7848 2785/2909. For further information, send an e-mail to <a href="mailto:ResearchForumEvents@courtauld.ac.uk">ResearchForumEvents@courtauld.ac.uk</a>

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## **PROGRAMME**

## **Tuesday 16 June**

9.00 – 9.30	Registration
9.30 – 9.45	Welcome and Introduction: Patricia Rubin (The Courtauld Institute of Art)
9:45 -10:30	Stephen Bann (University of Bristol), The Status of the Surrogate: Reproduction before Photography
	Session I: Photography, the Arts and the History of Art Chair: Caroline Elam (Courtauld Institute of Art)
10:30 – 11.00	Pascal Griener (University of Neuchâtel, Switzerland), The Use of the Art History Photograph in France (1860-1910): Symbolical, Cognitive and Technological Values in Conflict
11:00 – 11:30	COFFEE/TEA BREAK
11.30 – 12.00	Hubert Locher (Philipps-Universität Marburg), Hamanns Choice. The Illustrations of the 'Geschichte der Kunst' (1933) and the Relation to the Picture Archive of the Kunstgeschichtliches Seminar in Marburg
12.00 – 12.30	Geraldine Johnson (History of Art, University of Oxford), Renaissance Sculpture and the Visual Historiography of Art History
12.30 - 13.00	Discussion
13.00 – 14.00	BREAK FOR LUNCH
14.30 – 15.00	Dorothea Peters (Kunsthistorisches Institut, Florence), From Prince Albert's Raphael Collection to Giovanni Morelli: Photography and the Scientific Debates on Raphael in the 19th Century
15.00 – 15.30	Venetia Harlow (The Courtauld Institute of Art), Dante Gabriel Rossetti and Edward Burne-Jones: Collectors of Old Master Photographs
15.30 – 16.00	Ann Jensen Adams (University of California, Santa Barbara), <i>The Rijksbureau voor Kunsthistorische Documentatie and the Iconographic Turn in Dutch Art History</i>
16.00 – 16.30	COFFEE/TEA BREAK
16.30 – 17.00	Per Rumberg (The Courtauld Institute of Art), 'Menschenrechte des Auges': Aby Warburg's Picture Atlas Mnemosyne Revisited
17.00 – 17.30	Machtelt Israëls (Villa I Tatti, The Harvard University Center for Italian Renaissance Studies and University of Amsterdam), 'I would not speak of them to anyone else': Photographs, the Berensons, and the Discovery of Sassetta
17.30 – 18.30	Discussion
18.30	RECEPTION

## Wednesday 17 June

9.30 – 10.00	Registration
	Session II: Material, Memory and Archive Chair: Maria Loh (University College London)
10.00 - 10.30	Elisabeth Reissner (The Courtauld Institute of Art), Image, Object, Archive
10.30 – 11.00	Mark Haworth-Booth (University of the Arts London and Victoria and Albert Museum), Camille Silvy: The Photography of Works of Art as Record and Restoration
11.00 – 11.30	COFFEE/TEA BREAK
11.30 – 12.00	Graham Smith (University of Saint Andrews, Scotland) The Alinari Catalogue of April 1856
12.00 – 12.30	Andrea Mattiello (Independent Art Historian), Giacomo Boni, Documenting Architecture through Photographic Surveys in Post-unification Italy
12.30 – 13.00	Discussion
13.00 – 14.00	BREAK FOR LUNCH
14.00 – 14.30	Mary Bergstein (Rhode Island School of Design), Marcel Proust's Imaginary Museum
14.30 – 15.00	Stuart Whatling (The Courtauld Institute of Art), Misshaping the Middle Ages? A Medievalist's View of the Digital Archive
15.00 – 15.30	Christine Kuan (ARTstor), ARTstor: Archiving Archives – Digitising and Sharing Photographic Collections Online
15.30 – 16.00	Discussion
16.00 – 16.30	COFFEE/TEA BREAK
16.30 – 17.30	Archives in Transition: Planning for the Future Round table panel on the current and future role of photographic collections Margaret Bellinger (Yale University), Mary Bergstein, Rudolph Gschwind (University of Basel), Antony Griffiths (British Museum, Department of Prints and Drawings), Hubert Locher, Jim Reilly (Rochester Institute of Technology)