Royal Studies Network Digital Seminar Series
Call for Proposals/Recommendations

The Royal Studies Network is delighted to announce the continuation of our popular *Digital Seminar Series*.

Who are we?

The RSN is a global scholarly network dedicated to providing educational resources, scholarly connections, and highlighting current research on all aspects of monarchical history. The RSN began at the first Kings & Queens conference series formed in April 2012 and is also the inspiration for the establishment of *Royal Studies Journal*. To date, we have over 700 members around the world.

Why the Digital Seminar Series?

As part of our ongoing commitment to engaging and connecting our members, especially in the face of COVID-19, we started a regular digital seminar series that was launched in January 2021 and has become popular over the last few years. The seminar series serves as an additional means of disseminating research and offers opportunities for informal peer-review feedback on new research relating to royal studies. The Digital Seminar Series provides a platform to help scholars enhance their professional engagement and outreach activities to reach a wide, international audience and can also provide late-stage doctoral students, postdocs and early career researchers with an opportunity to enhance their CVs and networks while disseminating their research.

What does the Digital Seminar Series look like?

The series is held once a month on a Tuesday at 17:00 UK/UTC/GMT (18:00-CET; 12:00 pm/EST). We have chosen this timing to accommodate presenters in various parts of the world. These live digital seminars are often recorded for members to access after the event. The digital format enables us to have a platform where seminars occur in a variety of formats: standard, panel, interview/discussion, and workshop. The standard format consists of a 45-minute presentation with 15 minutes for audience questions. The panel format centres on 3 to 4 presentations at 15-20 minutes each, followed by panel discussion and/or 15 minutes for audience questions. The interview/discussion format provides opportunities to spotlight scholars, projects, and publications. Finally, the series can also host practical workshops to the RSN community to enhance skills, raise awareness of the contents of particular collections/archives, and more.

Call for Proposals/Recommendations

We are delighted to launch our annual call for proposals/recommendations for the 2024 Digital Seminar Series. We welcome proposals on all topics and periods related to royal studies. If you are interested in giving a seminar presentation, delivering a panel, recommending a senior scholar or exciting project for the basis of an interview, or conducting a workshop please send a proposal, recommendations, or questions to royalstudiesnetwork@gmail.com. Proposals must be 300 words max.

NOTE: For paper or panel abstracts, include length and arrangements, names of all participants (if a panel), and recommend a panel chair. For interviews, include a bio of the recommended scholar or project, a brief statement of their impact/contribution to the RSN community, and a person to conduct the interview. For workshop proposals, include workshop lead, length, arrangements, and workshop content.

For consideration in the 2024 series, proposals/recommendations must be received by 17 November 2023. After this date, we will continue to accept proposals/recommendations for ongoing consideration.

We look forward to receiving your proposal and recommendations!