Leeds AHRC PHoSTEM Workshop, 18th Jan 2013

Organized by the Centre for the History & Philosophy of Science, University of Leeds

- How can university humanities scholars, especially in history of science, technology and medicine, engage most effectively with museums and their collections, and thereby gain impact for research?
- What are the potential benefits to museum audiences?
- How can the diversity of academic approaches to audiences and consumers enrich practice in museums?

10:00	Coffee and registration
10:30	Intro and recapitulation from York meeting: Tim Boon (Science Museum) , Helen Weinstein (Institute for the Public Understanding of the Past) and Graeme Gooday (University of Leeds)
11:00	Session One: Approaches to audiences in the history of science, technology and medicine (STEM) 11-11:30 - Graeme Gooday (University of Leeds): Users of technology 11.30-12 - Jon Topham (University of Leeds): Readers of the book 12-12:30 - Iwan Morus (Aberystwyth University): The public culture of 19th Century science, and computer replication of historical experiments
12:30	Lunch
13:30	Session Two: Broader Approaches to Audiences 13:30-14:00 - John Corner (University of Leeds): Studying audiences in media 14 – 14:30 - Kate Steiner (Science Museum): Museum audience responses
14:30	Tea
15:00	Tour of the University's Museum of the History of Science, Technology and Medicine: Claire Jones (University of Leeds)
15:30	Session Three: How can university humanities scholars, especially in history of STEM, engage most effectively with museums and their collections, and thereby gain impact for research? Round table discussion: 15:30-15:45 - Jamie Stark (University of Leeds), Joanne Bartholomew (Thackray Museum): Knowledge exchange between Leeds and Thrackray Museum on historical patents 15:45-16:00 - Catriona Smellie (project manager and curator for a HLF funded project at the University of Worcester): A university museum: experiences from Worcester 16:00-16:15 - Claire Jones and Sue Davies (Leeds Museums): Domesticating Electricity: A learning project for schools 16:15 – 16:30 – Alison Fell (University of Leeds): Experiences of community engagement: Legacies of War project 16:30 – 17:00 – Discussion
17:00	Summing up commentary, prospects for London Meeting
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