CALL FOR PAPERS
GEORGE ELIOT 2019

17–19 JULY 2019

University of Leicester

PLENARY SPEAKERS: ROSEMARY ASHTON & NANCY HENRY
AN INTERNATIONAL BI-CENTENARY CONFERENCE

This conference will examine the legacy of George Eliot alongside trends in contemporary critical work, bringing together scholars from around the world to mark the bicentenary of her birth. We invite proposals for papers and for 3-4 person panels on any subject relating to Eliot and her work, her influence on and relationships with her contemporaries, and the critical and cultural effects of her writing. Eliot’s own range of interests were encyclopaedic and global: the conference organisers welcome proposals reflecting this scope and depth. We invite proposals from researchers at all career stages from a variety of disciplinary backgrounds and welcome submissions from creative writers.

A guided tour of sites associated with the novelist and her works, including Griff House and the private estate of Arbury Hall, will be on offer as part of the conference, as will early career scholar networking and optional mentoring by senior academics.

Proposals for individual papers (300 words) and panels (1000 words) should be submitted to ge2019conference@gmail.com by 14 January 2019. Applicants should include a brief biographical note of up to 150 words.

For updates on confirmed keynote speakers see https://le.ac.uk/victorian-studies/events/george-eliot-2019

Conference organizers: Juliette Atkinson, Carolyn Burdett, John Burton, Nancy Henry, Kathryn Hughes, Ruth Livesey, Gail Marshall, John Rignall, & Joanne Shattock, working under the auspices of the Victorian Studies Centre at the University of Leicester, and in conjunction with the George Eliot Fellowship.