

University College Cork
Thursday 26th - Saturday 28th April, 2018

CALL for PAPERS



SEX

SEXUALITY & REPRODUCTION

HISTORICAL PERSPECTIVES

The 32nd Irish Conference of Historians is open to new researchers and established scholars. Papers/panels are invited that address topics relating to the history of sex, sexuality and reproduction, in Ireland and across the world, from antiquity to the 1990s. As well as papers/panels that address the historiography of sex, sexuality and reproduction, and the historical/theoretical debates that have enlivened the field, we welcome proposals in, or germane to, the following broad subject areas:

- sexual behaviours and practices
- sexual orientation and gender identity
- the body
- marriage and relationships
- celibacy
- transgression, deviance and taboos
- sexual violence, coercion and crime
- sex, race and colonialism
- class, sex and sexuality
- sex, war and revolution
- prostitution
- sex, sexuality and reproduction in folklore, art, literature, film, theatre, the media, music and dance
- pornography, erotica and sexual imagery
- censorship
- sex education
- psychology, psychoanalysis and sexology
- morality, religion, and ideology
- politics and the law
- regulation, criminalisation and resistance
- LGBT histories
- activism and social movements
- sexual health and STDs
- pregnancy and childbirth
- abortion and contraception
- infanticide
- eugenics and population control
- reproductive rights and technologies
- midwifery, obstetrics and gynaecology
- breastfeeding
- parenthood, childhood and the family

KEYNOTE SPEAKERS:

Sheila Rowbotham on *Free Love and New Women in the 19th Century*

Jeffrey Weeks on *doing sexual history*

Ruth M. Karras on *male adultery and repentance in the Middle Ages*

Michael G. Cronin on *sexuality, Catholicism and literature in 20th-Century Ireland*

Both panel and individual proposals are welcome. Please send individual paper proposals (a 200- to 300-word abstract) and panel proposals (300-word overview + 200- to 300-word abstracts for the papers) to the conference email: irishch32@gmail.com or c/o **Donal Ó Drisceoil, School of History, University College Cork, Ireland.**

DEADLINE FOR PROPOSALS: 31 JANUARY 2018