

Early Textiles Study Group – 15th Conference  
**Precious Cloth and Court Culture (400-1600AD)** Lucy  
Cavendish College, University of Cambridge (September 16-17, 2017)  
**Programme.**

**Day 1, (Saturday 16 September, 2017)**

**9.00- Registration**

**10.00 Welcome by Conference Convenor: Anna Muthesius**

**10.05 Mix and match: textile furnishings at the English Court 1300-1470AD**  
Lisa Monnas, independent scholar, London

**10.50 Questions and discussion**

**11.00 Tea/Coffee**

**11.30 The damask dalmatic of St. Ambrose: a reassessment of this top quality late 4th-century silk**  
Hero Granger-Taylor, independent scholar, London

**12.00 Clothing the warrior king: costume and textiles to promote the emergent kingships of early Anglo-Saxon England**  
Penelope Walton Rogers, Anglo-Saxon Laboratory, Visiting Fellow,  
University of York

**12.40 Questions and discussion**

**13.00 Buffet Lunch**

**14.00 Sixteenth century gold lace as reflected in portraits of Elizabeth I and by later period ecclesiastical furnishing**  
Dr. Lena Dahrén, Department of Textile History, Uppsala University, Sweden

**14.45 "Thre Cusshions of clothe of gold tissued": the role of luxury textiles in court culture during the reign of Henry VIII**  
Dr. Maria Hayward, Professor of Early Modern History, University of Southampton

**15.15 Questions and discussion**

**15.30 Tea/Coffee**

**16.00 'Silk as power' at the Byzantine court: cross-influences along the Silk Road (Latin West/Byzantine and Islamic Mediterranean/ Near East)**  
Dr. Anna Muthesius, Professor of Textile Studies retired. Fellow Commoner,  
Lucy Cavendish College, Cambridge

**16.45 Questions and discussion and close of day one of the conference papers**

**17.30 E.T.S.G. business meeting**

**19.00 Lucy Cavendish College formal dinner (Included for all residential delegates. Non-residential delegates wishing to participate are required to book and pay for the dinner in advance, as directed on the booking form)**

**Day 2, (Sunday 17 September, 2017)**

**8.00 Breakfast for residential delegates**

**9.00 Registration for single day delegates**

**10.00 Evidence of precious cloths in the Javanese Singhasari court of King Krtanagara (1258-1292)**

Lesley Pullen, doctoral award pending, SOAS, University of London

**10.45 Questions and discussion**

**11.00 Tea/Coffee**

**11.30 Badges of rank at the Chinese Court (14-16 centuries)**

Christopher Hall, TMF Group, - Chris Hall collection of Chinese Textiles, Hong Kong

**12.00 From heaven to earth: transformations of motifs on Ming court robes (14-16 centuries)**

Sally Yu Leung, Trustee, Berkeley Art Museum, University of California, USA

**12.30 Questions and discussion**

**13.00 Buffet Lunch**

**13.45 Practical demonstration of lecture-related textile techniques/constructions**

**14.30 Precious Cloth at the Castilian court (12-13 centuries)**

María Barrigón Montañés, museum Curator, Palacio Real, Madrid, Spain

**15.15 Ottoman Turkish ceremonial court attire and furnishings: symbols of power and dynastic heritage**

Sibel Alpaslan Arça, Curator of the Textile collection, Topkapi Palace Museum, Istanbul, Turkey

**16.00 Questions and discussion**

**16.30 Tea/Coffee**

**17.00 Practical demonstrations**

**17.45 Summing up of conference and farewell by conference convenor: Anna Muthesius**

**Full details of the practical demonstrations and of the convenors for each session will be published later.**

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