

Dear all,

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EVENTS

1. 'A View from Inside the Julian Assange Case' with Jennifer Robinson

RMIT College of Business and Law
16 September

For the last decade, human rights campaigners around the world have been seeking the release of WikiLeaks publisher, Julian Assange. After living for seven years under political asylum in the Ecuadorian embassy in London, Assange was arrested and detained by UK authorities, pending extradition to the USA on charges of breaching the US Espionage Act.

In this lecture, Barrister Jennifer Robinson will give her insights into the case based on the decade she has worked with Assange and WikiLeaks, exploring the legal, free speech and human rights issues that have been central in this case.

Jennifer is an Australian lawyer with an international practice based at Doughty Street Chambers in London, specialising in human rights, media, public, and international law. She has appeared before the International Court of Justice, has given expert evidence at the UN and regularly engages with UN Special Mechanisms.

More details [here](#)

2. 'Virtual Spy Chat' with David Petraeus

International Spy Museum
22 September

David Petraeus served over 37 years in the US military, culminating with six consecutive commands, five of which were in combat, including command of the Surge in Iraq, command of US Central Command, and command of coalition forces in Afghanistan. Following retirement from the military he headed the CIA during a period of significant achievements in the global war on terror, the establishment of important Agency digital initiatives, and significant investments in the Agency's human capital.

Petraeus will join Spy Museum Executive Director Chris Costa for an online discussion of the latest intelligence, national security, and terrorism issues in the news.

More details [here](#)

3. 'State Secrecy and Security' with William Walters

SWDTP

22 September

Join us for the book launch *State Secrecy and Security: Refiguring the Covert Imaginary*. In this book, William Walters calls for secrecy to be given a more central place in critical security studies and elevated to become a core concept when theorising power in liberal democracies. He challenges commonplace understandings of the covert and develops new concepts, methods and themes for secrecy and security research.

More details [here](#)

4. 'Den of Spies and Founding Fathers' with Robert Wallace

The Institute of World Politics

27 September

Join Robert Wallace who will discuss his book *Spy Sites of Philadelphia*. Philadelphia, known as the birthplace of a nation, is equally the birthplace of American espionage. *Spy Sites of Philadelphia* uncovers the city's secret spy history from the Revolutionary War through two World Wars and the Cold War to 21st century Chinese, Russian, and Islamic jihadist operations.

Robert Wallace's 33-year career with the Central Intelligence Agency began in 1971 as the US began withdrawing from the Vietnam war and concluded in 2003. His several senior CIA assignments included Chief of Station and Director of the Office of Technical Service. From 2004-2019 he was a contract oral historian for the CIA's Center for the Study of Intelligence.

More details [here](#)

5. 'Untranslated Russian Sources and the Powers U-2 Shootdown' with John Schell

The Cold War Museum
10 October

Think You Understand the May 1, 1960 Powers U-2 Shootdown Over the Soviet Union? The Soviet Sources Reveal A Different Picture. We think we know how Francis Gary Powers was shot down in a U-2 on May 1st, 1960. Until recently we did not know about the additional information contained in the Soviet records of the investigation of the shootdown which were immediately classified and sent to the Soviet Military Archives.

Since 2012, several new articles based on the recovered records have been written and published in Russia. Some of these were by officers who were involved in the event but were sworn to secrecy during the investigation that followed. John Schell has used translations based on those records in his research to provide a more complete account of the shoot-down as it appears to have occurred.

Please note there is a attendance fee for this event. More details [here](#)

6. 'Spymaster' with Helen Fry

Barnet Libraries
13 October

Thomas Joseph Kendrick was one of the most senior spymasters of the British Secret Service in the 20th century. From the shadows of a clandestine world, he tracked Communist agents across Europe in the 1920s and Nazi spies in the 1930s from his headquarters in Vienna. Behind the scenes in the Second World War he headed one of the most important intelligence operations of the war that shortened the war and saved thousands of lives

Helen Fry has written over 20 books on the Second World War with particular reference to British intelligence, espionage, prisoners of war and the secret war. Her latest book is *Spymaster: The Man who Saved MI6* about the extraordinary life of Thomas Kendrick.

More details [here](#)

7. NASIH Brown Bag Lunches

7 September

A tale of submarine sightings and a Golden Goose. American-British-Canadian intelligence sharing in the early Cold War

Isabel Campbell

21 September

The Canadian intelligence system and global pandemics

Wesley Wark

5 October

'Don't keep mum': The Significance of Women Intelligence Professionals' Voices and Recollections

Jess Shahan

All brown bags take place on Tuesdays, 12:00 – 1:00 PM Eastern. More details, including registration links, [here](#)

CONFERENCES

8. '9/11: Intelligence and National Security Twenty Years Later'

Hosted by the Belfer Centre, Harvard

Online

10 September

The 9/11: Intelligence and National Security Twenty Years Later conference will look back at the day of the attacks 20 years ago to understand their impact through personal stories, policy reflections, and consideration for the long-term impact on American society. We will convene senior national security officials who led the response, family members of those impacted by the event, veterans of the War in Afghanistan, former intelligence officers, and historians.

The five panels will examine the day of the attack, subsequent reactions, the impact on American society, the historical record after twenty years, and considerations for future policy in the aftermath of Taliban return to rule.

The Day of the Attack: 20 Years Ago

Paul Kolbe (moderator), Michael Morell, James Clapper

The Response: Government Reactions Following 9/11

Rolf Mowatt-Larssen (moderator), Henry Crumpton, Gene Renuart, David Sanger

A View from the Ground – The Response in Afghanistan

Natalie Colbert (moderator), Phil Reilly, Mike Hurley

The Impact: Personal and Societal

Michael Miner (moderator), 9/11 Family Group - Brenda Berkman, Ann Van Hine, Steve Kern

Twenty Years Later - 9/11 History

Calder Walton (moderator), David Omand, Philip Zelikow, Christopher Andrew

The Future - Applying 9/11 History

Graham Allison (moderator), Michael Morell, Henry Crumpton, Philip Zelikow

More details [here](#)

9. 'Intelligence Studies: Opportunities, Challenges, Results'

Hosted by the Belgian Intelligence Studies Centre

Brussels, Belgium

11 October 2021

Against the background of the commemorations of 75 years of Liberation (2019), 75 years of the end of WWII (2020), and the anniversary of 75 years of RUSRA-KUIAD (1945-2020), BISC the conference theme is 'Duty to Remember'. The speakers programme includes:

BISC: 10 years intelligence studies in Belgium

Guy Rapaille, President of BISC

Intelligence history in projects

Emmanuel Debruyne, Université catholique de Louvain

Intelligence history vs. family history

Brigitte Raskin, historian and journalist

Intelligence archives as a source of judicial history

Marc Verschooris, associated researcher CegeSoma

Intelligence studies in Spain

Nieves Bregante, Head external relations, CNI Intelligence Academy

Intelligence studies in an intelligence agency

Bodo Hechelhammer, Historisches Büro, BND

Intelligence studies in Italy

Giuseppe Pili, Università della Calabria & Scuola Filosofica

The use of intelligence files in the strengthening of a democracy

Przemysław Gasztold, Institute of National Remembrance

Intelligence studies in France

Olivier Forcade, Sorbonne

Panel: Intelligence Studies. Opportunities, Challenges, Results

Marc Cools (Chair), Olivier Forcade, Bodo Hechelhammer, Nieves Bregante, Przemysław Gasztold, Giuseppe Pili

Comments on the panel debate on Intelligence Studies by a political decision maker

Herman De Croo, State Minister, Honorary President of the Chamber of Representatives,

Former Minister and Member of Parliament

More details [here](#)

CALL FOR PAPERS

10. Special Issue: 'Warfare, Peacemaking, Intelligence, and Espionage among Matricultural Societies'

What are the strategies, means, and types of warfare, in its broadest sense, in which a matricultural society might engage? What does the idea of *peace* mean and how is it achieved and/or strengthened? What are the means whereby matricultural societies resolve conflict (domestic or foreign) *before* it comes to violence, and what role do women and men play in those processes? Among matricultural societies, who makes the political decisions to engage in warfare, whether defensive or offensive? What have been the consequences of war for matricultures, including the enhancement or diminishment of status for women? We look for submissions which address these questions and others related to the topic.

Taking matriculture as a cultural system in the classical Geertzian sense of the term, this issue of *Matrix* will explore the institutions and customs around warfare and peacemaking among matricultural societies. We invite articles which present, analyze, or contextualize historical or present-day warfare by or upon matricultures and any social institutions which are involved, as well as articles which deconstruct the meaning of *war* and *peace* among matricultural societies.

Possible presentations may include but are not limited to:

- styles of warfare as conducted by matricultural societies, including intelligence and espionage
- means of preventing conflict used by matricultural societies
- meaning of peace to matricultural societies and methods of achieving and/or strengthening it
- the meaning of warfare in matricultural societies
- women warriors or soldiers, and/or women's warrior societies, historical or contemporary political authority as exercised by women in matricultures
- social institutions of matricultures where women exercise military power
- the role of women in strategies of engaging and/or disengaging with external conflicts
- the role of women in strategies of conflict resolution
- the status of men and their relationships to women in martial matricultures

Please submit a 300-word abstract to the Issue Editor or to the Editorial Collective of *Matrix: A Journal for Matricultural Studies Submission* via email to rowlatt@networkonculture.ca or info@networkonculture.ca with the Subject line 'Matrix Vol. 3 (2) Abstract Submission' by **1 October 2021**.

11. The 2022 NASIH Conference

Hosted by the University of Calgary
Alberta, Canada
18-20 July 2022

The 2022 NASIH Conference will be a virtual conference. We are looking forward to celebrating anniversaries of key events and highlighting new stories in intelligence history. Papers that adopt new methodologies or break new historiographical ground will also be foregrounded. While preference may be given to those who highlight these themes, papers dealing with any aspect of intelligence history are welcome.

Both panel and paper proposals are encouraged. Panels should include three papers and a chair. The subject matter is not limited to North America. Please submit a title, paper abstract of 350 words and a one-page CV to nasihconference@gmail.com by **1 December 2021**. A panel proposal should also include a 500 word panel abstract.

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Kind regards,
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