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From Queen Anne  
to Queen Victoria

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“The past is never dead.  
It’s not even past.”

24-26 SEPTEMBER 2025  
DOBRA 55, WARSAW, POLAND



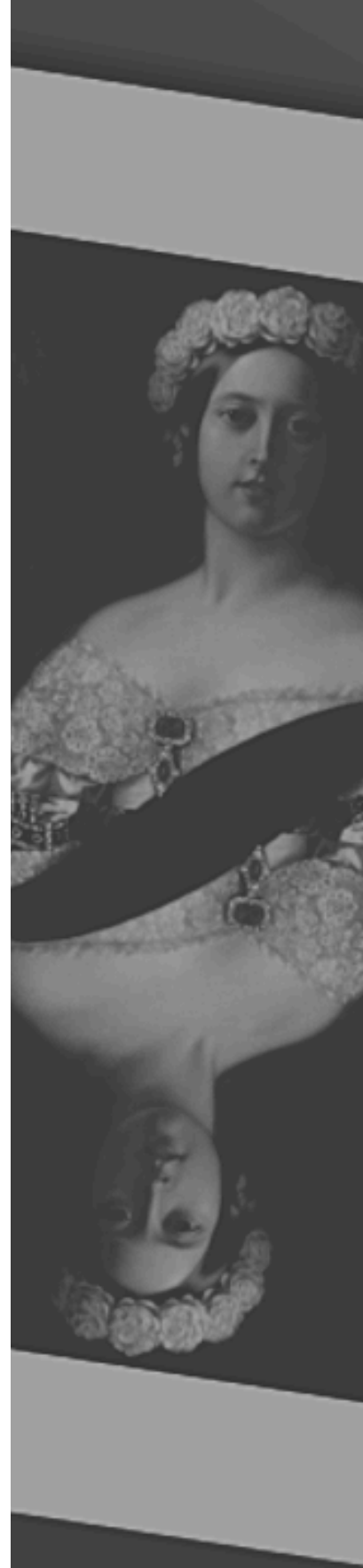
Slowly approaching a significant anniversary, we would like to start looking at the past and decided to use William Faulkner's quotation as our theme. We call for papers that engage in a conversation with the way the past(s) can be re-examined and revalued, rewritten or reclaimed, but also revisited and relived. As always, our focus are 18th- and 19th-century British literature and culture and their contemporary rewritings.

We encourage proposals considering diverse forms of cultural expression, including the arts, literature, poetry, theatre, radio, film and TV, games, digital media, performativity, fashion as well as a range of historical, social, and geographical contexts.

We accept proposals for 20-minute papers as well as panels of three 20-minute papers.

## Topics may include but are not limited to:

- 18th- and 19th-c. perspectives on the past
- dialogues with past traditions, writers
- the evolution of literary genres
- historical novel then and now
- poetry and British national identity
- rewriting and reclaiming history
- biography and biofiction
- travel writing and life writing  
as ways of engaging with the past
- the themes of memory and trauma  
as ways of reliving the past
- 19th century science fiction and  
contemporary literature and culture
- neo-Classicism, (neo-)Gothicism,  
neo-Romanticism, neo-Victorianism
- Victorian Medievalism  
and the culture of chivalry
- political implications of rewriting the past
- colonialism and post-colonial perspectives
- modes of literary and cultural engagement  
with 18th and 19th centuries
- 18th- and 19th-c. works in adaptations
- the influence of historical fashion  
on current trends and vice versa
- inter-, multi- and transmediality  
in the 18th and 19th centuries
- interacting with past(s) in old and new media



## FEE

600 PLN / 130 EUR

payment details will be available on our website:

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## VENUE

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University of Warsaw, Dobra 55 [[map](#)]

## SUBMISSIONS

Please submit a 250-word proposal and a 100-word bionote by March 31, 2025 using [this form](#).

Notifications of acceptance will be sent by April 30, 2025, and the registration and fee deadline is May 31, 2025

We are looking forward to your submissions!

## CONTACT

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