**Material Scotland: Stana Nenadic Memorial Conference**

**15-16 May 2025**

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Image: A map of Scotland by Margaret Montgomery, 1800. Courtesy of National Library of Scotland.

**Programme**

**Meadows Lecture Theatre, Doorway 4, William Robertson Wing, Old Medical School, Teviot Place, Edinburgh**

**DAY ONE**

09.00 Registration opens

09.15 Welcome – Sally Tuckett, Sarah Laurenson and Mark Nenadic

**09.30 PANEL 1: Interiors**

*‘Reading Between the Lines: Interpreting the Sixteenth-Century Murals of James Hamilton, 2nd Earl of Arran at Kinneil House’*, Corryn Kosik, Edinburgh College of Art

*‘Painted Interiors and Domestic Devotion in Early Modern Scotland’,* Molly Ingham, University of Edinburgh

 *‘Black and white houses? Finding, documenting and collecting the traditional ephemera and decorations of Highland homes’,* Rachel Thomas, independent scholar

10.45 Tea and coffee

**11.15 PANEL 2: Cities**

‘*New fashioned flowered brocade’: The role of Robert Blackwood in clothing fashionable late 17th century Scottish women’,* Maria Hayward, Southampton University

*‘Food for thought: the material culture of eating and drinking in Enlightenment Scotland’,* Calum Robertson, National Museums Scotland

*‘The material value of a humble guest book’,*Antonia Laurence-Allen, National Trust for Scotland

12.30 LUNCH

**13.15 PANEL 3: People and Politics**

*‘A Handsome Plaid: Tartan, Identity, and the 2nd Marquess of Bute’,* Hannah Bradshaw, Warwick University

*‘The Reward of Public Spirit’, the Harvie’s Dyke affair, Glasgow,1823-29: Commemorating, remembering – and forgetting’,* Christopher Whatley

*‘Why knickerbockers, Mrs Macpherson!’: Màiri Mhòr nan Òran’s Textile Work and Political Representation during the Crofters’ War of the 1880s’,* Grace Wright, University of Glasgow

14.30 BREAK

**14.45 PANEL 4: Drawing Connections: Stana’s Legacies in Scottish History Research at Edinburgh**

Speakers: Thomas Ahnert, Ewen Cameron, Rosi Carr, Esther Mijers

**16.00 ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION**

Sally Tuckett and Sarah Laurenson

16.30 Break – *followed by Keynote Speech at National Museums Scotland, 5pm start.*

**KEYNOTE SPEECH**

**From Glasgow to Prêt-á-Porter. Designing, making and marketing quality knitwear: Twomax, c.1920-1983**

**Prof. Lynn Abrams, University of Glasgow**

Thursday 15 May, 5pm

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Image: Twomax garments, courtesy of Lynn Abrams and Sally Tuckett.

*\*Please note the keynote will be held in the lecture theatre of National Museums Scotland, Chambers Street – this is a 5-10 min walk from the conference venue\**

Followed by drinks reception, sponsored by the Pasold Research Fund and National Museums Scotland, to end at 19.00.

**DAY TWO**

**09.00 PANEL 1: Objects and Meanings**

*‘Mobilities and meanings: the multiple lives of Renaissance jewellery in Scotland’,* Anna Groundwater, National Museums Scotland

*‘Between Antiquity and Colonialism: Tassie’s Medallion Portrait of Lieutenant-General Robert Melville’,* Lenia Kouneni, University of St Andrews

‘*Wanders Through Worked Wood, Scotland c.1450-1750’,* Georgia Vullinghs, National Museums Scotland

*‘An eighteenth-century mahogany child’s chair’,* Emma Baillie, University of Edinburgh

10.45 Tea and Coffee Break

11.15 PANEL 2: Making and Meaning in Textiles

*‘Every Picture Tells a Story: embroideresses in Regency Shetland’,* Carol Christiansen, Shetland Museums and Archives

*‘A Dragon in the Drawing Room’,* Emma Inglis, National Trust for Scotland

*“Here’s one I made earlier”: Dressmaking instruction in post-war Scottish higher education’,* Alana McPake, University of Glasgow

12.30 LUNCH

**13.15 PANEL 3: Material Culture of Health and Healing**

*‘The Materiality of Domestic Medicine in Early Modern Scotland’, C*harlotte Holmes, Royal College of Physicians, Edinburgh

*‘What are Scotland’s disability things? A case study of Rear Admiral John McKerlie’*, Julie Holden, National Museums Scotland

*‘Stitching Your Wounds: Exploring Emotional Healing Through the Making of a Memorial Sampler’,* Steph Haire, V&A, London

14.30 Break

**14.45 PANEL 4: Women’s Work**

*‘Re-positioning Scottish Women’s Handicraft Textiles in the Arts & Crafts Movement’,* Molly Laumakis, University of Glasgow

‘*Edith Burnet Hughes & Isobell Hogg Kerr Beattie: Scotland’s First Women Architects & their Interactions with the Historic Built Environment’,* Rachael Purse, Independent Scholar

*‘Reframing ‘Meddlesome Millie’’,*Alison Mayne, Independent Scholar

16.00 Break

**16.10 PANEL 5: Making, Collecting and Meaning In Scotland and Beyond**

*‘Pattern and Place: recreating heritage knitwear from historic photography’,* Lesley Booth, Independent Scholar

*‘Textile Fragments and Archival Interventions: A Collage Approach to British Copies of South Asian Textile Design’,*Hannah Sabapathy, University of Leeds

*‘The Terrible Crystal: A Life in Glass Sadie McLellan (1914-1971)’,*Karen Mailley, Independent Scholar

17.30 Closing Remarks

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