**THE SOCIETY FOR FOLK LIFE STUDIES**

 **ANNUAL CONFERENCE**

Swansea, Wales: 13th -16th September 2007

\*Humanising industrial history \*International trade and local identity \*

This year's conference will be held in Swansea, Wales, and hosted by the new National Waterfront
Museum in the city's historic maritime quarter. Accommodation will be in the nearby Swansea Marriott
Hotel. The National Waterfront Museum is the result of a £34m partnership between Amgueddfa Cymru-National Museum Wales and the City & County of Swansea. It tells the story of industry and innovation in Wales during the last three centuries from a human perspective and uses much interactive new media to interpret a wide variety of collections.

The themes of the conference will be Humanising Industrial History and International Trade and Local
Identity. Offers of papers and other contributions are very welcome. Please contact the Conference
Secretary if you would like to give a paper (Steph Mastoris, National Waterfront Museum, Oystermouth
Road, Maritime Quarter, Swansea, SAI 3RD (email: steph.mastoris@museumwales.ac.uk).

DRAFT PROGRAMME (as at 18 January 2007)

**THURSDAY, 13TH SEPTEMBER**

Welcome to Swansea

16:00 -18:00 Registration at Marriott Hotel, Swansea Marina

18:30 -19.15 Dr David Jenkins, Senior Curator of Industry, Amgueddfa Cymru

Industry and international trade in south-west Wales

19:30 Dinner at Marriott Hotel

**FRIDAY, 14TH SEPTEMBER**

Humanising Industrial History

7:30-8.30 Breakfast at Marriott Hotel

8.45 Walk to National Waterfront Museum

9:00-9.10 Dr Roy Brigden, SFLS President

Welcome and introductory remarks

9:10- 9:50 Steph Mastoris
Democratising historical narrative at the National Waterfront Museum

9:50 -10:30 Mared McAleavey

Interpreting Welsh identity in Oriel Un at the National History Museum, St Fagans

10.30-10.50 Coffee

10:50 - 12.00 Tour of National Waterfront Museum

12:00 Lunch at National Waterfront Museum

13:00 Coach tour of company housing and industrial sites in the Swansea Valley', led by Robert
Protheroe-Jones, and visit to Craig y Nos Castle and Adelina Patti's theatre -tea-

19:30 Dinner at Marriott Hotel

21.00 -late An opportunity to sample the delights of Swansea's night life

**SATURDAY, 15TH SEPTEMBER**

International Trade and local identity

7:30-8.30 Breakfast at Marriott Hotel

8.45 Walk to National Waterfront Museum

9:00 - 9:40 Dr Bill Jones

Industrial skill and the construction of Welsh migrant identities in the nineteenth century.

9:40 - 10:20 Dr Louise Miskell

From the Baltic to Bengal: international trade and the transformation of Dundee in the
nineteenth century

10.20 -10040 Coffee

10:40 - 11:20 Speaker TBA

11:20 - 12:00 Speaker TBA/Members' papers

12:00 Lunch at National Waterfront Museum

13:00 A walking tour of historic Swansea (of short or moderate length, depending on weather),
by Gerald Gabb (Swansea Museums' Education Officer), tenninating at Swansea
Museum, where there will be an illustrated talk on the development of the town, a cup of
tea and a chance to explore the museum, accompanied by the Curator, Garethe EI Tawab.

16:30 - 17.30 Annual General Meeting at National Waterfront Museum

19.30· Dinner at Marriott Hotel

**SUNDAY, 16 SEPTEMBER**

Information regarding church services will be available for those wishing to attend
8.00 - 9.00 Breakfast at Marriott Hotel

10.00 Walk to National Waterfront Museum

10.15-10.55 Speaker TBA

10.55-11.35 Speaker TBA

11.35-12.00 Coffee

12.00 - 12:40 Members' papers

12.40 - 13.00 Conference summary and plenary session

Discussion of themes and issues raised during the conference

13.00 Lunch at National Waterfront Museum

End of conference