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# Royalist print culture and Civil War memories after the Restoration

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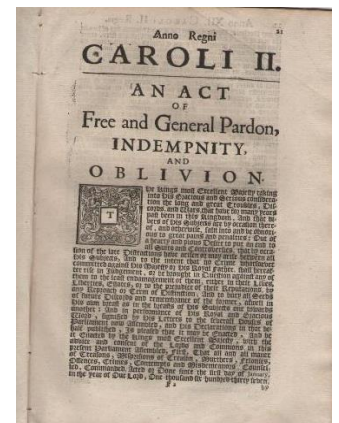
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A strategic mandate of forgetting was a fundamental policy of the Restoration regime, and acts of oblivion became a central feature of Charles' post-Restoration strategy. Yet there was an obvious inconsistency between the appeal to forget and the reality of remembering.

On the one hand, the

return of the king was depicted as a founding moment and the Interregnum was a period to be forgotten, while on the other hand the Interregnum and Civil Wars were deliberately evoked in order to be used in an authorised interpretation. The combination of these contradictory efforts blurred the division between past and present and between remembering and forgetting. Making use of three of Paul Connerton's 'Seven Types of Forgetting' (*Memory Studies*, 2008), the talk will explore the ways in which the literary mechanisms used within a selection of royalist pamphlets to achieve the desired broader outcome is evident.



**Monday 16 April 7.30 p.m.**

**University of Gloucestershire, Park Campus,  
Cheltenham**

Bus 94U runs to the campus from the centre of both Cheltenham and Gloucester

**Everyone is welcome to attend the talk**  
Admission for non-members £3.00 (students free)

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