Journal of Historical Geography: CFP Contesting Monuments: Heritage and Historical Geographies of Inequality

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Intent: The Journal of Historical Geography invites submissions for eventual inclusion in a virtual special issue addressing “Contesting Monuments: Heritage, Inequality, and Historical Geographies”. The journal has a strong tradition of publishing papers which have explored the cultural meanings, politics, and contentious heritage spaces of monuments (Gulley, 1993, Osborne, 1998, Cooke, 2000, Whelan, 2002, Alderman, 2010, Light and Young, 2011, Craske, 2012, Larsen, 2012, Bashford, et al., 2016, Capello, 2018, Tolia-Kelly, et al., 2020, Choksey, 2021). The interpretation of monuments has recently been given political and affective charge by interlocking but distinct movements, including Rhodes Must Fall, Black Lives Matter, and conservative backlashes against the decolonial agenda. The new approaches and questions that this moment has produced have enlivened the study of monuments and their interpretation, within and beyond the frames of race, colonialism, and imperialism. We encourage contributors to reflect on how monuments are contested, and how historical geographies of these monuments and contestations can enhance our knowledge, provide a space to engage with marginalised narratives and experiences, and support decolonial justice and solidarity agendas.

Format: we encourage papers across the journal’s full range of formats. These include traditional research papers, shorter interventions, engaged research “historical geography at large” reflections, and commentaries on relevant teaching experiences. It is hoped that these resources will provide resources for both teaching and research. The journal can support photo essays, and mixed media presentations through the digital platform.

Process: the papers will go through the journal’s standard peer review process. As soon as papers are accepted they will be published online (with doi) and then allocated the next available journal issue for formal publication. In October 2023 we will collate the papers and launch them as a “virtual special issue”, with an online editorial introduction. The issue will also include previously published papers from the journal on this topic.

Deadlines: expression of interest (title and 250-word abstract) should be emailed to Stephen Legg (JHG Editor, Stephen.Legg@nottingham.ac.uk) by 4th April 2022. Paper submission by 30th September 2022. Feel free to contact Stephen or Nicola for advice and guidance. We especially encourage early career scholars and scholars from underrepresented regions to submit papers and we offer enhanced editorial support to these authors.

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