

## Nineteenth-Century Matters: Cardiff University 2017–18

### **Outline**

Nineteenth-Century Matters is an initiative jointly run by the British Association for Romantic Studies and the British Association for Victorian Studies. Now in its second year, it is aimed at postdoctoral researchers who have completed their PhD, but are not currently employed in a full-time academic post. Nineteenth-Century Matters offers unaffiliated early career researchers a platform from which to organise professionalization workshops and research seminars on a theme related to nineteenth-century studies, and relevant to the host institution's specialisms. The focus should be on the nineteenth century, rather than on Romanticism or Victorianism.

For the coming academic year Nineteenth-Century Matters will provide the successful applicant with affiliation in the form of a Visiting Fellowship at Cardiff University. The fellowship will run from 1 September 2017 to 31 August 2018. This Fellowship includes a Cardiff University e-mail address, and access to its library, electronic resources and bookable office space for the full academic year – though there is no requirement to live in the Cardiff area during this time. The primary purpose of the Fellowship is to enable the successful applicant to continue with an affiliation and remain part of the academic community. It is a non-stipendiary post, and the Fellow will need to support themselves financially during the academic year. The Fellowship will, however, include accommodation and guaranteed office space in the University for four weeks in summer 2018, where the fellow will be free to develop their research and make the most of the wealth of resources held in the library and special collections. In addition, mentoring by Professor Anthony Mandal (Cardiff University) will be offered to the Fellow. In return, the Fellow will organise a research and professionalization event on a theme relevant to Cardiff's collections and/or research interests and acknowledge BARS, BAVS, and Cardiff University in any publications that arise from the Fellowship.

### **Application Process**

Applicants should submit a CV with a two-page proposal of their research topic and event, and explain why they would benefit from the fellowship. These should be sent to Matthew Ward ([m.ward.1@bham.ac.uk](mailto:m.ward.1@bham.ac.uk)) and Joanna Taylor ([j.e.taylor1@lancaster.ac.uk](mailto:j.e.taylor1@lancaster.ac.uk)). The deadline for applications is **30 June 2017**.