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**SESSÃO 03**
[15.10.21 • 14h30]

Proponente da sessão
Evaristo Garrido

«Anonymous protagonists in old wars: women and children between 1700 and 1815»

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ABIGAIL COPPINS. is a historian and archaeologist and is currently doing a PhD at the University of Warwick where she is writing a thesis on the women and children from the Caribbean who were brought to Britain as prisoners of war during the 1790s. She co-curated the award-winning permanent exhibition at Portchester Castle about the prisoners of war from the Caribbean and has published a podcast (https://www.english-heritage.org.uk/visit/inspire-me/speaking-with-shadows/episode-2/), and number of blogs about the prisoners, including https://blog.english-heritage.org.uk/portchester-castles-black-prisoners/ in 2017 and https://citizan.org.uk/blog/2020/Oct/14/african-caribbean-prisoners-war-forton-prison-1796-1800/ in 2020.

Women and children as prisoners of war in Britain during the French Revolution

In 1796 over 2000 prisoners of war from the Caribbean arrived in Britain. Most were Black or mixed race and the entry registers at Portchester Castle give us a precious insight into their lives. There were a significant number of women and children whose story has largely been ignored but the archival records allow us to widen our understanding of the treatment of prisoners of war by looking beyond the more usual focus on military history. By uncovering their story, we can get a glimpse into lives that otherwise would be forgotten. Lives like that of Daniel Chanouette, an ‘Infant of the French Revolution’ who was 3 months old when he died inside Forton’s prison in March 1797. His mother would have been heavily pregnant during the Atlantic crossing. The document that records his death gives few details about his brief life besides his name and the date and cause of his death. His parents’ names are not recorded but they were from amongst the African-Caribbean prisoners. Daniel’s brief life, and the lives of the other African-Caribbean women and children prisoners at Forton and at Portchester Castle point us towards new ways of looking at historical and archaeological evidence.

EVARIOSTO GARRIDO. Doctor in History from San Pablo CEU University (Madrid), specializing in military History during the Ancien Régime, including the Peninsular War. Up to this moment he has been a Marie Curie Fellow at the University of Warwick developing an international research project on prisoners of war between the Bourbon nations and the United Kingdom during the 18th Century. In 2007, he was awarded the research award “Padre Patac” for a study on the War of the Spanish Succession. He has developed his career in different universities in Spain, Hungary and the UK. Researcher of the CITCEM, and peer reviewer for the Project Proposals submitted to the Science Fund of the Republic of Serbia, he also organized and led several activities in the Academic Area. He has published several monographs and articles dealing with social-military History and prisoners of war.

The fundamental role of women played in view of the captivity of men. The case of Ignacia Llobera in the Peninsular War

When referring to prisoners of war, the parallel female role is not usually considered, which could be really important from different point of view. The moral support, consolation, hope, work of cohesion and management of the family economy are aspects to be taken into account. For captives these ones were not trivial and, with this, the lack of freedom would be more bearable. On the other hand, it is to vindicate the great value of the role of women in the social history of war. There are examples all of this in the protagonist of this work, Ignacia Llobera, wife of a Spanish brigadier held captive in France in times of the Napoleonic era.

MARÍA ZOZAYA MONTES. She studied History at the Complutense University of Madrid, where she was awarded the BA prize of the Academic year 1999 and the PhD Extraordinary Award for doctoral dissertation in History (2009). Between 1998 and 2008 she obtained several research grants that were held at the CSIC (National Council for Spanish Scientific Research). She had a Juan de la Cierva senior research contract to investigate in Valladolid’s University (Spain, 2008-2011). Besides she has received the Real Maestranza de Caballería de Ronda Prize (1999); the Spanish Social History Society Research Prize (2007); Villa de Madrid Award Antonio Maura (2008). She studies elite Napoleonic prisoners of war since 2007. Currently, she has a research contract at Évora University, held at CIDEHUS research centre, where she began to work in 2013 with a Post-Doctoral grant by the FCT (Portuguese Foundation for Science and Technology). Since 2019 she has a research contract with Évora University, which includes lecturing.

A study from alterity: women and children between Napoleonic Peninsular War and prison (1780-1816)

This study focuses on analyzing women and children in the time of conflict and prison during the Napoleonic Peninsular wars. It applies the perspective of Gayatri Spivack’s otherness, according to which these subjects are always rescued from other sources that relate to them and never are written by themselves. Therefore, those sources offer a relate filtrated by previous preconceptions, which we want to explore. Various sources are shown in which these subjects are portrayed, either as individuals or as groups. The emotional facet is discussed, the profile of childhood itself is sought, and the gender asexual control that is exercised. The women, girls and children will use several sources. Firstly, official records: some letters from the General Military Archive of Madrid, and some files from the General Military Archive of Segovia and the Municipal Archive of Saragossa. Secondly, various first-hand accounts such as military or engineers diaries. We focus on the diary of José María Román, where various references are made to women and children from an affective perspective. In the scholar’s eyes, this engine portrayed childhood ruled education and various rites of passage typical of the French Napoleonic State.