

Program

Faculty of Life & Social Sciences
Swinburne University of Technology

The Centenary Lectures 2008

Location AS404, 12.30 – 1.30pm
Hawthorn Campus

30 May 2008

The Swinburne Centenary

Dr Peter Love

The first classes at Swinburne were designed for young men who wanted to improve their prospects in trades. Classes for women in domestic economy commenced two years later. Peter Love is eminently qualified to tell the Swinburne Centenary story. He has been a Swinburne staff member since 1988, is the author of *Practical Measure: 100 Years at Swinburne*, and is currently working on a full history to be published on the centenary of the first classes in 2009.

22 August, 2008

Women's Suffrage in Victoria

Professor Patricia Grimshaw

Women's suffrage in Victoria was protracted and bitterly contested. Pat Grimshaw is an expert on the struggle for suffrage in the Antipodes, including Victoria and New Zealand. She is the Max Crawford Professor of History at the University of Melbourne, and is currently working on a book entitled *Balancing Acts: Women, Breadwinning and Childcare in Twentieth Century Australia*.

26 September, 2008

Richmond Football Club & Australian Rules

Professor Geoffrey Blainey

2008 is the centenary of the Richmond Football Club, and the sesquicentenary of Australian Rules. Our distinguished speaker on the eve of the 2008 Grand Final is Geoffrey Blainey, the author of *A Game of Our Own: The Origins of Australian Football* (1990). He is also the author of 36 other books, including *The Tyranny of Distance* (1966) and *A Short History of the World* (2000).

24 October, 2008

The Fisher Labor Government

Professor David Day

The Fisher Labor Government laid the foundations of the modern welfare state, and was the forerunner of the first majority national Labor Government in the world. David Day is Fishers biographer. He is also the biographer of Chifley and Curtin, the author of *Conquest: How Societies Overwhelm Others* (2008), Honorary Associate at La Trobe University and visiting professor at the University of Aberdeen.

21 November, 2008

Looking forwards

Professor Simon Marginson

This week we look to the future. We imagine how universities and higher education will develop in the future. What will Swinburne look like in another 50 years? Professor Simon Marginson is Australia's leading expert on educational policy. He is Professor of Higher Education in the Centre for the Study of Higher Education at the University of Melbourne, the author (with Mark Considine) of *The Enterprise University* (2000), and has most recently edited *Prospects of Higher Education: Globalization, market competition, public goods and the future of the university* (2007).

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