



Eighteenth-Century Libraries Online: Introducing the Libraries, Reading Communities and Cultural Formation Project

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Place: Jens Chr. Skous Vej 5, Building 1461, room 516

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ABSTRACT:

This paper will provide an introduction to a major new digital humanities project investigating the contribution made by books to social, cultural and political change in the Anglophone Atlantic between 1731 and 1801. The main aim of the project is to collect and make available in a single Open Access database the largest collection of contextualised bibliometrics data on subscription library holdings, membership and usage ever assembled, derived from catalogues and other records for around 90 libraries across North America and the British Isles. The paper will discuss the scope of the project and its progress to date, while also reflecting on some of the early findings.

Everybody is welcome. Coffee, tea, and cake will be served.

The research seminar is organized by Assoc. Prof. Charlotte Appel, chap@cas.au.dk in collaboration with the Research Programme in History (contact Karen Gram-Skjoldager) and CEDHAR, Center for Digital History Aarhus (contact Adela Sobotkova).

More information about Mark Towsey's project: www.c18librariesonline.org