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Raymond Williams Society AGM and Annual Lecture

This year's Raymond Williams Society AGM and Annual Lecture will be held on Saturday 23 November at Wortley Hall, Wortley, Sheffield, South Yorkshire, S35 7DB. The Society's AGM is scheduled for 1.00 pm, and the Lecture follows immediately at 2 pm.

The speaker this year is Jim McGuigan, Professor of Cultural Analysis, Loughborough University, and his topic is: *A Short Counter-Revolution: 'Towards 2000' Revisited.*

Jim McGuigan's new book, *Raymond Williams on Culture and Society*, is about to be published by Sage. He is currently working on a revised edition of Williams's *Towards 2000*, also to be published by Sage, which will include a chapter by himself on developments in the past thirty years.

See the Wortley Hall website (http://www.wortleyhall.org.uk/contact/directions) for details of how to get there. If you are using public transport, Derek Tatton recommends a shared taxi as the best way to get from the station to the Hall.

As last year, the Lecture is on the programme of the November residential weekend organised by the Raymond Williams Foundation. If you also wish to attend the RWF weekend, which this year is on *Scandinavian Politics and Culture*, see attached file.

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Conference 18-19 September, University of Brighton in Hastings

Raymond Williams, John Logie Baird: Television, Technology and Cultural Form

The University of Brighton in Hastings, with the support of the Raymond Williams Society, is pleased to announce a two day conference on 18th-19th September 2013 to celebrate Williams' contributions to media and cultural studies and to our understanding of television as cultural form and practice, and Logie Baird's innovations in technology and broadcasting. The conference takes its title from Raymond Williams' 1974 book, *Television, Technology and Cultural Form*. This conference will address both men's relationship to Hastings, the town in which both spent a key part of their working lives.

The attached file (Conference Announcement) is an update on earlier circulations, and is distributed on behalf of Deborah Philips.

THIRD POSTGRADUATE ESSAY COMPETITION (2013)

The closing date for the third essay competition for work grounded in the tradition of cultural materialism has been extended to 15 November 2013. The prize for the winning entry is £100 and a year's subscription to the Society. The winning essay will also be considered for publication in *Key Words*. For further information, see the RWS home page (http://www.raymondwilliams.co.uk/). Please distribute this information to postgraduates who you think may be interested in submitting their work.

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