Useful Knowledge in the Eighteenth Century

Locations	Soho House, 5 Soho Ave, Birmingham, West Midlands B18 5LB
Date(s)	Thursday 19th May 2011 (10:30-16:30)
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This symposium/workshop, held at the former home of Matthew Boulton, is organised by the eighteenth-century centres at the Universities of Warwick and Birmingham. The keynote lecture will be given by Liliane Hilaire-Perez, the scholar of the Enlightenment. The event will include an opportunity to see Soho House and participate in workshops, which explore the theme of useful knowledge in the eighteenth century. Readings will be circulated to participants before the event. There is no cost and lunch and refreshments are provided, but booking in advance is essential.

Programme

10.30: Arrival. Tea and coffee

10.45-12.00: **Keynote lecture,** Liliane Hilaire-Perez. Chair Helen Clifford

12.00-1.30: Lunch and tour of Soho house

1.30-2.45: Workshop session 1 led by Warwick University: 'Useful Knowledge and Enlightenment' based on readings from Joel Mokyr, *The Enlightened Economy* and articles from *History of Science*, vol. 45, Part 2, June 2007. Chair Maxine Berg

2.45: Refreshment break

3.00-4.15 Workshop session 2 led by the University of Birmingham: 'The Dissemination of Knowledge' based on readings from Peter Jones, *The Industrial Enlightenment* and Michele Cohen, '"To think, to compare, to combine, to methodise": Girls, Education in Enlightenment Britain' in Sarah Knott and Barbara Taylor (eds), *Women, Gender and Enlightenment*. Chair Ruth Watts

4.30: Finish

Getting to Soho House

For directions see: http://www.bmag.org.uk/soho-house/getting-here

Free car parking is available at Soho House and in the nearby streets

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