

# Marxism 2014 Final timetable

1914-2014:  
a century of  
war, crisis and  
revolution

What are the  
alternatives?



A five day political festival  
hosted by the SWP

# Welcome to Marxism 2014

A festival of ideas and resistance • Over 165 meetings and cultural events

## What is Marxism 2014?

Marxism is a five day political festival, hosted by the Socialist Workers Party. Thousands are expected to attend.

One hundred years since the start of the First World War we still face brutal war, imperialism and economic crisis.

Speakers and activists from across the globe will discuss and debate these issues and many others.

Six years into the global economic crisis, the situation is complex and often contradictory. Many political questions are up for debate, from fighting racism and fascism to climate change, from how the First World War ended in revolution to Ukraine today.

With over 165 meetings to choose from, Marxism 2014 seeks to offer analysis, discuss alternatives and debate the issues facing us as we seek not only to understand the world, but also to change it.

Come and be part of the discussion.

## Speakers include

### Janet Alder

Justice for Christopher Alder Campaign



### Michael Roberts

Marxist economist and blogger



### Louise Raw

historian and author who will speak on The matchwomen's strike of 1888: defending the rights they won



### Peter Hain

Labour MP and veteran anti-apartheid campaigner



### Alex Callinicos

author of *Deciphering Capital*, which will be launched at Marxism 2014



### Liz Lawrence

president elect of UCU, the lecturers' union



### Gilbert Achcar

author of *The Arabs and the Holocaust* and *The People Want: A Radical Exploration of the Arab Uprising*



### Gareth Peirce

human rights lawyer who has worked on many high-profile cases involving miscarriages of justice



### Winston Silcott

Justice campaigner, wrongly convicted of the murder of PC Blakelock during the Broadwater Farm riots



Front cover photo of Egyptian protesters by Mosa'ab Elshamy @ Flickr

**Jane Aitchison**  
PCS union activist

**Anne Alexander**  
author, *Nasser*

**Weyman Bennett**  
Unite Against Fascism joint secretary (pc)

**Peter Beresford**  
director, Centre for Citizen Participation

**Lloyd Bradley**  
author, *Sounds Like London*

**Christine Buchholz**  
Die Linke MP

**Sally Campbell**  
author, *A Rebel's Guide to Rosa Luxemburg*

**Guglielmo Carchedi**  
author, *Behind the Crisis*

**Bassem Chit**  
Lebanese socialist

**Sheila Coleman**  
Hillsborough Justice Campaign

**Tony Collins**  
author, *Sport in Capitalist Society*

**Petros Constantinou**  
KEERFA coordinator

**Joseph Daher**  
Revolutionary Left Current, Syria

**Rehad Desai**  
Marikana Support Campaign spokesperson

**Kevin Doogan**  
author, *New Capitalism?*

**Jane Hardy**  
author, *Poland's New Capitalism*

**Billy Hayes**  
CWU general secretary

**Ian Hodson**  
BFAWU bakers' union national president

**Rachel Holmes**  
author, *Eleanor Marx: A Life*

**Richard House**  
early years expert

**Darcus Howe**  
civil liberties campaigner

**Ronnie Kasrils**  
former minister in ANC government

**Judith Orr**  
editor, *Socialist Worker*

**John Pilger**  
journalist and filmmaker

**Sami Ramadani**  
Iraqi dissident and writer

**Susan Rosenthal**  
author, *Sick and Sicker*

**Sean Sayers**  
author, *Marx and Alienation*

**Tommy Sheridan**  
chair, All Scotland Anti Bedroom Tax Federation

**John Weeks**  
author, *Economics of the 1%*

Plus activists from campaigns against cuts and injustices

# 1914-2014: a century of war, crisis and revolution



Rather than being the “war to end all wars”, the carnage of WW1 heralded a century of bloodshed. Meetings on WW1 form a central theme of Marxism 2014.

## From war to revolution: understanding WW1

- This course starts with Michael Bradley asking **Why did the world go to war in 1914?** **Sat, 11.45am**
- Mark L Thomas will explore **How revolutions brought the bloodshed to an end.** **Sat, 2pm**
- Megan Trudell ends the course by looking at **The real legacy of WW1.** **Sat, 3.45pm**



Trench warfare at the Somme

## Workers' and soldiers' struggle in WW1

Britain's rulers stoked up jingoism and nationalism, but how did ordinary people respond?

- Marxist historian Ian Birchall asks **Did all workers rally to the flag with “spontaneous zeal”?** **Sun, 2pm**
- Ralph Darlington examines the **Strikes and workers' struggles in Britain during WW1.** **Fri, 2pm**

## Revolutionaries and WW1

The war posed big questions for socialists and revolutionaries. The heart of Marxism is internationalism yet some socialists ended up supporting the war effort in their own country.

- In the course on revolutionaries and WW1 Paul Blackledge discusses **Social democracy's great betrayal** in August 1914. **Sun, 3.45pm**
- Jess Edwards looks at **Lenin vs Kautsky: The main enemy is at home.** **Sat, 7pm**
- Sally Campbell, author of *A Rebel's Guide to Rosa Luxemburg*, will look at **Luxemburg's role in the struggle against the war in Germany.** **Mon, 11.45am**

## The impact of WW1

- The war impacted across the world. Talat Ahmed examines **The colonial experience of WW1.** **Fri, 7pm**
- Jan Nielsen asks **How were women's lives transformed by WW1?** **Sun, 10am**
- John Molyneux looks at **Art and WW1.** **Sat, 7pm**



Otto Dix's vision of Weimar Germany

- Roddy Slorach discusses **Disability and WW1: from shellshock to revolution.** **Sun, 7pm**
- Dave Sherry launches his new book *Empire and Revolution: A Socialist History of the First World War.* **Fri, 11.45am**

## Imperialism today

- Sami Ramadani and Judith Orr look at the **Crisis in Iraq: the bitter fruits of Bush and Blair's invasion.** **Sat, 2pm**
- Alex Callinicos speaks about **Understanding imperialism today** in the context of developments in Ukraine and elsewhere. **Sun, 11.45am**
- Rob Ferguson asks **What is happening in Ukraine?** **Sat, 10am**

# Fighting for liberation



Migrants' rights protest in Trafalgar Square

## Immigration and Britain today

Marxism 2014 is just seven weeks after the May European elections.

- Charlie Kimber asks **Who are UKIP and how can we stop them?** **Sat, 11.45am**
- Jenny Sutton challenges the **Immigration myths they use to divide us.** **Fri, 3.45pm**
- The **Part of our class** panel discussion brings together migrant workers in Britain who have been at the centre of resistance. **Sun, 7pm**

## Fighting fascism

- This course kicks off with Jo Cardwell asking **What is fascism?** **Thu, 3pm**
- In the light of the European election results Weyman Bennett assesses **Fascism, eurofascism and racist populism.** **Sun, 2pm**
- Petros Constantinou, Aris Chatzistefanou and Weyman Bennett discuss **Golden Dawn: the fascist threat in Greece.** Followed by a screening of *Fascism Inc.* **Sun, 7pm**

- In addition Henry Maitles asks **Can Marxism explain the Holocaust?** **Sat, 3.45pm**

## Racism and resistance

- Kate Hurford asks **Where does racism come from?** **Fri, 10am**
- Brian Richardson considers **Malcolm X and the Black Power movement.** **Thu, 4.45pm**
- Dean Ryan looks at **Drugs, gangs and racism.** **Sun, 11.45am**
- Nahella Ashraf assesses **Islamophobia today.** **Sun, 3.45pm**
- Ken Olende asks **Is race more important than class?** **Sun, 10am**

## The struggle against slavery

The violence and cruelty of slavery has been highlighted in recent films such as *12 Years a Slave*. But why did such a system exist? And how did it end? Our new course for Marxism 2014 takes up these issues.

- Antony Hamilton looks at **Slavery: the brutal birth of capitalism.** **Sat, 10am**
- Ayodele Jabbaar discusses **The Haitian revolution and the rebellions that fought slavery.** **Sun, 11.45am**
- Gary McFarlane examines **Abolition and reconstruction in the US.** **Sun, 2pm**



Defending abortion rights in Brazil. Photo: Ninja Midia @ Flickr

## Marxism and the fight against oppression

How can we end both exploitation and oppression? This course takes up arguments old and new as we seek to assess whether Marxism is still relevant in the fight against oppression.

- Yuri Prasad asks **Can Marxism explain oppression?** **Sat, 11.45am**
- Sally Campbell looks at who benefits from oppression in her meeting on **Privilege theory.** **Sat, 2pm**
- Esme Choonara asks **What is intersectionality?** **Sat, 3.45pm**

## No justice, no peace

- Police racism and corruption have come to the fore this year. Janet Alder of the Justice for Christopher Alder Campaign speaks alongside Winston Silcott, Brian Richardson and others about their courageous fights for justice at the **No justice, no peace** meeting. **Sat, 7pm**

## Women's liberation

Much has changed in the lives of women. Yet there is so much more to win.

- Helen Salmon explores **The origins of women's oppression.** **Sun, 11.45am**
- Judith Orr looks at **Marxism, the family and social reproduction theory.** **Sun, 2pm**
- Rachel Holmes will discuss the subject of her new book *Eleanor Marx: A Life* **Fri, 2pm**
- Emma Davis highlights the role of **Women in the Russian Revolution.** **Mon, 10am**
- Sue Caldwell looks at **Marxism and feminism today.** **Fri, 7pm**

## Fighting for LGBT liberation

- Mike Dance asks **What are the origins of LGBT oppression?** **Sat, 7pm**
- Sue Caldwell examines **Capitalism, class and the global fight for LGBT liberation.** **Sun, 7pm**
- Laura Miles asks **What are the roots of transphobia?** **Fri, 2pm**
- Noel Halifax discusses historical and contemporary debates regarding **Marxism and sexuality.** **Mon, 11.45am**



# Austerity and resistance



Still gambling with our money

## Unravelling capitalism

Six years after the crash of 2008 the “recovery” has left few people feeling better off. Meetings on economics at Marxism 2014 seek to offer an insight into the dynamics of capitalism and an understanding of the crisis today.

- Renowned Marxist economist and blogger **Michael Roberts** speaks on Marxist theory of crises; the nature of the current Long Depression. **Fri, 3.45pm**
- **Kevin Doogan** analyses Crisis, recovery and the transformation of work. **Sat, 3.45pm**
- **Jo Cardwell** gives an Introduction to Marxist political economy. **Fri, 10am**
- **Alex Callinicos** launches his new book, *Deciphering Capital*. **Sat, 2pm**
- **Joseph Choonara** assesses the Crisis and recovery today. **Sun, 3.45pm**
- **Graham Turner** discusses The Japanese economic experience and its relevance to the recovery today. **Sat, 10am**
- **John Weeks** speaks on his new book *The Economics of the 1%*. **Sun, 2pm**
- **Guglielmo Carchedi** on Marx’s theory of value and the internet. **Sun, 11.45am**
- **Jane Hardy** assesses Marxism vs Keynesianism. **Thu, 4.45pm**



The partners of Marikana miners protest against the massacre

## After Marikana and the death of Mandela: where now for South Africa?

Twenty years ago millions of black people voted for the first time in South Africa. Great hope was placed in the new ANC government, which pledged “peace, jobs and freedom”. But has this been achieved? The massacre of 34 miners at Marikana in 2012 marked a turning point and led many to question what sort of society South Africa had become.

● A highlight of Marxism is the chance to see the new film *Miners Shot Down* preceded by a panel discussion.

Film director **Rehad Desai** will be joined by **Ronnie Kasrils**, Marikana miner **Makhanya Siphamandla** and SWP national secretary **Charlie Kimber** to discuss South Africa after Marikana and the death of Mandela. **Fri, 7pm**

● Veteran anti-apartheid campaigner and Labour MP **Peter Hain** also asks where now for South Africa in one of the opening meetings at Marxism 2014. **Thu, 4.45pm**

● **Peter Dwyer** speaks on Nelson Mandela 1918-2013: anti-apartheid hero. **Mon, 10am**

## Where next in the Middle East?

● **Joseph Daher** from the Syrian Revolutionary Left Current is joined by **Simon Assaf** to ask Has the revolution been defeated in Syria? **Sun, 2pm**

● **Bassem Chit** from Lebanon speaks on Sectarianism in the Middle East. **Fri, 11.45am**

● **Gilbert Achcar** looks at the Arab uprising: results and prospects. **Fri, 2pm**

● **Wassim Wagdy** speaks alongside other Egyptian revolutionaries on Egypt: the fate of the revolution. **Sat, 3.45pm**

● **Anne Alexander** and **Mostafa Bassiouny** look at Workers’ movements in the Middle East. **Sun, 10am**

## Resistance in Europe

● **Christine Buchholz** from Germany is joined by **Brid Smith** from Ireland, **Maria Styllou** from Greece and **Sylvestre Jaffard** from France for a panel

discussion on austerity and resistance across Europe. **Sun, 3.45pm**

● **Ron Margulies** speaks on Turkey: authoritarian conservatism. **Sun, 7pm**

● **Panos Garganas** from Greece asks Is Syriza the solution? **Sun, 11.45am**

● **Dave Sewell** speaks on Hollande, Le Pen and resistance in France today. **Fri, 7pm**



# Class, struggle and organisation

## Struggle and resistance in Britain

Marxism features a number of meetings and forums bringing together activists to discuss how to take the struggle forward and organise to strengthen the resistance.

- Tommy Sheridan, chair of the Scottish Federation against the Bedroom Tax, is joined by Jane Aitchison and Eileen Short of the Benefit Justice Campaign to discuss the victory over the Bedroom Tax in Scotland and ask **How can we stop the war on benefits?** **Sat, 3.45pm**

- Ian Hodson, national president of the bakers' union, which led the victorious strike at Hovis, will join other campaigners to discuss **The fight against zero-hours contracts.** **Fri, 7pm**

- UCU president elect Liz Lawrence joins BFAWU general secretary Ronnie Draper, John McLoughlin and other trade unionists to discuss **How can trade unions resist the Tories?** **Sat, 2pm**



- Early years education experts Richard House and Simon Boxley discuss the theft of early childhood in their meeting **Too much too young.** **Fri, 7pm**

- Doug Morgan examines **Gove's Nightmare vision: how do we stop the assault on education after Trojan Horse?** **Sun, 10am**

- SWP industrial organiser Michael Bradley asks **After the 10 July strikes: how can workers win?** **Sun, 11.45am**



Striking lecturers from Edinburgh College. Photo by Donny Gluckstein

## What kind of organisation do we need?

In the general election next year the Labour Party will claim to be the alternative for those who want rid of the Tories.

Yet its leadership accepts the logic of austerity and is bringing in changes to curtail the influence of the trade unions.

Some claim the left can reclaim Labour. Others want to build a new party similar to that of Syriza in Greece. How should socialists approach and engage with the new projects on the left? Meetings at Marxism take up these debates.

- Mark L Thomas looks at the Labour Party and the trade unions and asks **Has the link been broken?** **Fri, 3.45pm**
- Ed Rooksby and Paul Blackledge debate **Left reformism, the state and socialist politics today.** **Fri, 2pm**
- Charlie Kimber outlines **Challenges for the left in Britain.** **Sun, 10am**
- Alex Callinicos asks **Is the far left in crisis?** **Sat, 7pm**

## Leninism and revolution

What can we learn from Lenin and the Bolsheviks about how socialists and revolutionaries should organise?

- Esme Choonara asks **What is Leninism?** **Fri, 3.45pm**
- Judith Orr discusses **Do all revolutions lead to tyranny?** **Fri, 11.45am**
- Gareth Jenkins looks at *Lenin: Building the Party* and asks **Was Tony Cliff right?** **Sun, 7pm**

## Is the working class a force for change?

- Joseph Choonara will kick off the Why the working class? course by asking **What is class?** **Fri, 11.45am**
- Amy Leather asks **Has neoliberalism changed the working class?** **Sat, 11.45am**
- Julie Sherry asks **How has the global working class changed?** **Fri, 2pm**



Miners picket at Orgreave. Photo by John Sturrock

## The Miners' Strike 30 years on

A key theme at this year's Marxism will be the 30th anniversary of the Miners' Strike of 1984-85.

- One highlight will be the new film *Still the Enemy Within*. Fresh from winning the Audience Award at the Sheffield documentary festival, the screenings at Marxism will be one of the first opportunities to watch it. The film will be followed by a panel discussion involving former miners, and other activists involved in the strike. **Sun, 2pm**

In addition, a series of meetings ask what can we learn from miners' struggles in Britain?

- The course starts with Paul McGarr on **The miners, the Communist Party and the 1926 General Strike.** **Sun, 10am**
- John Charlton assesses the period of **1972-1974: who governs the country? The miners or the Tories?** **Sat, 2pm**
- Former miner Ian Mitchell looks at The Great Strike of 1984-5 and argues **How the miners could have won.** **Sat, 7pm**



# Other highlights



The contradictions of capitalism laid bare

## Marxism and the environment

- Martin Empson introduces his recent book: *Land and Labour: Marxism, Ecology and Human History*. Sun, 3.45pm
- Suzanne Jeffery asks **Are we too late to stop climate change?** Sat, 11.45am
- Ian Rappel considers **Why is the weather more extreme?** Thu, 3pm
- Amy Leather assesses **Fracking and the future of energy**. Fri, 2pm

## Science and society

- John Parrington assesses **Is science neutral?** Fri, 10am
- Maxine Bowler asks **Is intelligence just a matter of genetics?** Fri, 7pm
- Jane Bassett looks at **Darwin, Engels and the evolution of modern humans**. Sun, 7pm

## Tony Benn, the Labour Party and socialism

Tony Benn was one of the most important figures on the left in Britain over the last four decades. The Socialist Workers Party was proud to welcome him to its Marxism event for many years, and to work with him in countless campaigns. A special meeting remembers him and his politics. Sun, 2pm

## Ten years on: Remembering Paul Foot

Paul Foot was not only the finest campaigning journalist of his generation but a brilliant socialist writer, speaker, and tireless campaigner against injustice. His death ten years ago was mourned by those fighting for a better society.

- A special memorial meeting celebrates his life and politics. John Pilger, Darcus Howe and Gareth Peirce join Matt Foot. Facilitated by Margaret Renn. Sat, 3.45pm

## Scotland and independence

- Keir McKechnie speaks on **Scotland: yes to independence, no to nationalism**. Sat, 10am
- Marxism hosts a debate on how socialists should vote at our **Forum on Scottish independence**. Sun, 11.45am

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Please note, the first two sessions are now starting an hour later than previously advertised, due to today's public sector strikes.		<b>What is fascism?</b> <b>Jo Cardwell</b> Fighting fascism	<b>Why is the weather more extreme?</b> <b>Ian Rappel</b> Marxism and the environment	<b>Is the media all powerful?</b> <b>Xanthe Whittaker</b>	<b>China: the new superpower?</b> <b>Adrian Budd</b>
	<b>After Marikana and the death of Mandela: where now for South Africa?</b> <b>Peter Hain</b> South Africa today	<b>Explaining the crisis: Marx vs Keynes</b> <b>Jane Hardy</b> Unravelling capitalism	<b>The future for Palestine</b> <b>Ghada Karmi</b>	<b>Malcolm X and the Black Power movement</b> <b>Brian Richardson</b> Racism and resistance	

3 - 4.15pm

4.45 - 6pm

7 - 8.30pm



A strike rally outside Lambeth College in south London. Photo by Guy Smallman

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10-11:15am			<b>Trotsky and Trotskyism today</b> John Molyneux	<b>Is science neutral?</b> John Parrington Science and society	<b>An introduction to Marxist political economy</b> Jo Cardwell Unravelling capitalism	<b>What is human nature?</b> Celia Hutchison Is socialism possible?	<b>Where does racism come from?</b> Kate Hurford Racism and resistance	<b>Workers' and soldiers' councils in Germany 1918-19</b> John Rose Revolutionaries and WW1	<b>Why do we celebrate the Russian Revolution?</b> Patrick Nielsen Leninism and revolution	<b>Revolutionaries and social media</b> Camilla Royle	
11:45am - 1pm		<b>Booklaunch</b> <b>Empire and Revolution: A Socialist History of the First World War</b> Dave Sherry The impact of WW1	<b>Marxism and mental health</b> Beth Greenhill	<b>Sectarianism in the Middle East</b> Bassem Chit The Arab Spring three years on	<b>Course: Why the working class?</b> <b>What is class?</b> Joseph Choonara	<b>Socialists and the European Union</b> Tomáš Tengely-Evans	<b>Do all revolutions lead to tyranny?</b> Judith Orr Leninism in the 21st century	<b>The state, the police and capitalist society</b> Clare Dissington Police, power and the state	<b>What is autonomism?</b> Chris Newlove		
2-3:15pm		<b>Debate: left reformism, the state and socialist politics today</b> Paul Blackledge and Ed Rooksby What kind of organisation do we need?	<b>Booklaunch</b> <b>Eleanor Marx: A Life</b> Rachel Holmes Women's liberation	<b>The Arab uprising: results and prospects</b> Gilbert Achcar The Arab Spring three years on	<b>Course: Why the working class?</b> <b>How has the global working class changed?</b> Julie Sherry	<b>Fracking and the future of energy</b> Amy Leather Marxism and the environment	<b>Primitive Communism: Çatalhöyük, a neolithic village in Anatolia</b> Ron Margulies	<b>Strikes and workers' struggles during WW1</b> Ralph Darlington Workers' and soldiers' struggle in WW1	<b>What are the roots of transphobia?</b> Laura Miles Fighting for LGBT liberation	<b>Student movements from 1968 to today</b> Lewis Nielsen	
3:45 - 5pm		<b>Marxist theory of crises: the nature of the current long depression</b> Michael Roberts Unravelling capitalism	<b>The Labour Party and the trade unions: Has the link been broken?</b> Mark L Thomas	<b>What is Leninism?</b> Esme Choonara Leninism in the 21st century	<b>Course: Why the working class?</b> <b>How do workers become revolutionary?</b> Dave Hayes	<b>Immigration: the myths they use to divide us</b> Jenny Sutton Immigration and Britain today	<b>Do the Brics mean the end of the "third world"?</b> Mani Tanoh	<b>Can there be a sustainable, socialist society?</b> Ruairi O'Neill Is socialism possible?	<b>Booklaunch</b> <b>CLR James in Imperial Britain</b> Christian Hogsbjerg	<b>1919: Britain on the brink of revolution</b> Chanie Rosenberg	
7-8:30pm	<b>Where next for South Africa?</b> Ronnie Kasrils, Makhanya Siphamandla, Rehad Desai and Charlie Kimber South Africa today	<b>Too much too young: how can we resist the theft of early childhood</b> Richard House and Simon Boxley	<b>Sounds like London: 100 years of black music and migration in the capital</b> Lloyd Bradley	<b>Hackgate: the Tories, police and media corruption</b> Simon Basketter Police, power and the state	<b>The fight against zero-hours contracts</b> Ian Hodson and Christina Paine Class struggle in Britain	<b>Marxism and feminism today</b> Sue Caldwell Women's liberation	<b>Hollande, Le Pen and resistance in France today</b> Dave Sewell Resistance in Europe	<b>Genes: is intelligence just a matter of genetics?</b> Maxine Bowler Science and society	<b>WW1 and the British Empire: the colonial experience</b> Talat Ahmed The impact of WW1		
	<b>Which Side Are You On? The music and politics of Pete Seeger</b> Fri, 9pm, Jeffery  A celebration of the folk music legend and activist Pete Seeger, who died aged 94 earlier this year. Jimmy Ross and Tony Harper recall his life and times in songs, stories and pictures.		 Pete Seeger playing at a concert for Obama in 2009	<b>Sounds like London: 100 years of black music and migration in the capital.</b> Fri, 7pm, Elvin  Lloyd Bradley is an expert on black music. For as long as people have migrated to London, so has their music. His recent book, <i>Sounds Like London</i> , is about the shaping of a city and a nation through immigration.		<b>Where next for South Africa?</b> Fri, 7pm, Logan  Following the Marikana massacre and the death of Mandela this panel discusses the future for South Africa. Former ANC government minister Ronnie Kasrils is joined by miner Makhanya Siphamandla, filmmaker Rehad Desai and Charlie Kimber.		 Police at Marikana	<b>Film screening: Miners Shot Down</b> Fri, 9pm, Logan  In August 2012, South African police opened fire on a group of striking miners at the Marikana Mine, killing 34 and injuring 78. This film charts the days leading up to the bloodshed, using previously unseen police, security and TV footage.		

Pete Seeger playing at a concert for Obama in 2009

Police at Marikana



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10-11:15am				<b>What is happening in Ukraine?</b> <b>Rob Ferguson</b> Imperialism today	<b>The bureaucracy and the rank and file: will the union leaders always stop us fighting?</b> <b>Karen Reissmann</b> Class struggle in Britain	<b>The media and the crisis</b> <b>Mike Wayne</b>	<b>Scotland: yes to independence, no to nationalism</b> <b>Keir McKechnie</b> Scotland	<b>The Japanese economic experience and its relevance to the recovery today</b> <b>Graham Turner</b> Unravelling capitalism	<b>Slavery: the brutal birth of capitalism</b> <b>Antony Hamilton</b> The struggle against slavery	<b>What could a socialist revolution look like?</b> <b>Simon Guy</b> Is socialism possible?	<b>Marxism and anarchism</b> <b>Huw Williams</b>		10-11:15am
11:45am - 1pm		<b>Who are UKIP and how do we stop them?</b> <b>Charlie Kimber</b> Immigration and Britain today	<b>Islamism and the Muslim Brotherhood</b> <b>Phil Marfleet</b> The Arab Spring three years on	Course: From war to revolution – understanding WW1 <b>Why did the world go to war in 1914?</b> <b>Michael Bradley</b>	Course: Marxism and the fight against oppression <b>Can Marxism explain oppression?</b> <b>Yuri Prasad</b>	<b>Has neoliberalism changed the working class?</b> <b>Amy Leather</b> Class struggle in Britain	<b>From the Wealth of Nations to the FIFA World Cup: sport in capitalist society</b> <b>Tony Collins</b>	<b>Are we too late to stop climate change?</b> <b>Suzanne Jeffery</b> Marxism and the environment	<b>The concept of alienation in Marx</b> <b>Sean Sayers</b>	<b>Where will we live? Britain's housing crisis</b> <b>Josh Brown</b> Defending the welfare state	<b>Russia, Eastern Europe and the theory of state capitalism</b> <b>Sarah Robertson</b> 25 years since the fall of the Berlin Wall	<b>Can psychoanalysis explain human destructiveness?</b> <b>Sabby Sagall</b>	11:45am - 1pm
2-3:15pm		Booklaunch <b>Deciphering Capital</b> <b>Alex Callinicos</b> Unravelling capitalism	<b>Crisis in Iraq: the bitter fruits of Bush and Blair's invasion</b> <b>Sami Ramadani and Judith Orr</b> Imperialism today	Course: From war to revolution – understanding WW1 <b>How revolutions ended the war</b> <b>Mark L Thomas</b>	Course: Marxism and the fight against oppression <b>Privilege theory: who benefits from oppression?</b> <b>Sally Campbell</b>	<b>The matchwomen's strike of 1888: defending the rights they won</b> <b>Louise Raw</b>	<b>How can trade unions resist the Tories?</b> <b>Liz Lawrence, Ronnie Draper, John McLoughlin and others</b> Class struggle in Britain	<b>Are the police in crisis?</b> <b>Matt Foot and Rhetta Moran</b> Police, power and the state	<b>Palestinian resistance today: boycott, divestment and sanctions</b> <b>Billy Hayes and Tom Hickey</b>	<b>The crisis in mental health</b> <b>Peter Beresford and Rich Moth</b> Defending the welfare state	<b>1972-74: who governs the country – the miners or the Tories?</b> <b>John Charlton</b> 1920s-1980s: miners' struggles in Britain	<b>How did the Bolsheviks become a mass party?</b> <b>Kevin Mottram</b> Leninism and revolution	2-3:15pm
3:45 - 5pm	<b>Ten years on: remembering Paul Foot</b> <b>John Pilger, Darcus Howe, Gareth Peirce and Matt Foot.</b> Facilitated by <b>Margaret Renn</b>	<b>Egypt: the fate of the revolution</b> <b>Wassim Wagdy Moustafa and Bassiouny</b> The Arab Spring three years on	<b>The Bedroom Tax: how can we stop the war on benefits?</b> <b>Tommy Sheridan, Jane Aitchison and Eileen Short</b> Defending the welfare state	Course: From war to revolution – understanding WW1 <b>The real legacy of WW1</b> <b>Megan Trudell</b>	Course: Marxism and the fight against oppression <b>What is intersectionality?</b> <b>Esme Choonara</b>	<b>Crisis, recovery and the transformation of work</b> <b>Kevin Doogan</b> Unravelling capitalism	<b>What can we learn from Antonio Gramsci?</b> <b>Rob Jackson</b>	<b>Boko Haram and Nigeria today</b> <b>Baba Aye</b>	<b>Can Marxism explain the Holocaust?</b> <b>Henry Maitles</b> Fighting fascism	<b>Why did the Berlin Wall come down in 1989?</b> <b>Andy Stone</b> 25 years since the fall of the Berlin Wall	<b>Marxism and superheroes</b> <b>Sasha Simic</b>		3:45 - 5pm
7-8:30pm	<b>Is the far left in crisis?</b> <b>Alex Callinicos</b> What kind of organisation do we need?	<b>No justice, no peace</b> <b>Winston Silcott, Janet Alder and Brian Richardson</b> Police, power and the state	<b>After shock therapy: Eastern Europe today</b> <b>Jane Hardy</b> 25 years since the fall of the Berlin Wall	<b>The Great Strike of 1984-85: how the miners could have won</b> <b>Ian Mitchell</b> 1920s-1980s: miners' struggles in Britain	<b>The myth of personal life under capitalism</b> <b>Susan Rosenthal</b>	<b>Art and WW1</b> <b>John Molyneux</b> The impact of WW1	<b>What are the origins of LGBT oppression?</b> <b>Mike Dance</b> Fighting for LGBT liberation	<b>The main enemy is at home: Lenin vs Kautsky</b> <b>Jess Edwards</b> Revolutionaries and WW1	<b>Althusser and structuralist Marxism</b> <b>Tom Hickey</b>	<b>Revolution in Europe: Portugal 1974</b> <b>Sadie Robinson</b>	Pamphlet launch <b>The 1842 General Strike</b> <b>Mark Krantz</b>		7-8:30pm
	<b>Banner Theatre perform <i>In a Right State!</i> Sat, 9pm, Jeffery</b>  Banner Theatre have been creating plays in collaboration with unions and other campaigning organisations for 40 years. <i>In a Right State!</i> includes stories of defiance from NHS workers and disability and bedroom tax campaigners.	 Banner Theatre	<b>Film screening: <i>Still the Enemy Within</i> Sat, 9pm, Logan</b>  A unique insight into one of history's most dramatic events: the 1984-85 Miners' Strike. No 'experts', no politicians – this is the raw first-hand experience of those who lived through Britain's longest strike. Also showing tomorrow at 2pm.	<b>No justice, no peace Sat, 7pm, Jeffery</b>  Police racism and corruption have come to the fore this year. Winston Silcott is one of the Tottenham Three who were wrongly convicted and imprisoned for the murder of PC Blakelock, who was killed	 Janet Alder. Photo: Guy Smallman	during the Broadwater Farm riots in 1985. It was a terrible miscarriage of justice. He will join Janet Alder of the Justice for Christopher Alder Campaign, Brian Richardson and others to discuss their courageous and inspiring fights for justice.							

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10-11.15am				<b>Challenges for the left in Britain today</b> <b>Charlie Kimber</b> What kind of organisation do we need?	<b>Gove's nightmare vision: how do we stop the assault on education after Trojan Horse?</b> <b>Doug Morgan</b>	<b>How were women's lives transformed by WW1</b> <b>Jan Nielsen</b> Women's liberation	<b>Workers' movements in the Middle East</b> <b>Anne Alexander and Moustafa Bassiouny</b> The Arab Spring three years on	<b>Brazil: resistance, strikes, elections and the left</b> <b>Alfredo Saad-Filho</b>	<b>The miners, the Communist Party and the 1926 General Strike</b> <b>Paul McGarr</b> 1920s-1980s: miners' struggles in Britain	<b>Is race more important than class?</b> <b>Ken Olende</b> Racism and resistance	<b>Clara Zetkin: revolutionary socialist or socialist feminist?</b> <b>Sheila McGregor</b>	<b>From Lenin to Stalin: was Bolshevism to blame?</b> <b>Tom Kay</b> Leninism and revolution	10-11.15am
11.45am - 1pm		<b>Understanding imperialism today</b> <b>Alex Callinicos</b>	<b>After the 10 July strikes: how can workers win?</b> <b>Michael Bradley</b> Class struggle in Britain	<b>Greece: is Syriza the solution?</b> <b>Panos Garganos</b>	<b>Marxism and orientalism</b> <b>Gilbert Achcar</b>	<b>Drugs, gangs and racism</b> <b>Dean Ryan</b> Racism and resistance	<b>Marx's theory of value and the internet</b> <b>Guglielmo Carchedi</b> Unravelling capitalism	<b>35 years on: Remembering Blair Peach</b> <b>Jo Lang, Balwinder Rana and others</b>	<b>Debate: Scottish Independence, Yes or No?</b> <b>Angela McCormick and Stephen Low</b> Scotland	<b>Course: A rough guide to the Marxist method</b> <b>What is the dialectic?</b> <b>Bea Kay</b>	<b>What are the origins of women's oppression?</b> <b>Helen Salmon</b> Women's liberation	<b>The Haitian revolution and the rebellions that fought slavery</b> <b>Ayodele Jabbaar</b> The struggle against slavery	11.45am - 1pm
2-3.15pm	<b>Film showing</b> <b>Still the Enemy Within</b> 1920s-1980s: miners' struggles in Britain	<b>Fascism, Euro-fascism and racist populism: how do we stop them?</b> <b>Weyman Bennett</b> Fighting fascism	<b>Syria: has the revolution been defeated?</b> <b>Joseph Daher and Simon Assaf</b> The Arab Spring three years on	<b>Marxism, the family and social reproduction theory</b> <b>Judith Orr</b> Women's liberation	<b>Booklaunch</b> <b>Economics of the 1%: How Mainstream Economics Serves the Rich</b> <b>John Weeks</b> Unravelling capitalism	<b>Tony Benn, the Labour Party and socialism</b> <b>Paul Holborow</b>	<b>Disabled people against austerity</b> <b>Ellen Clifford, Melissa Graham, Simone Aspis and Nicky Evans</b> Defending the welfare state	<b>Did all workers rally to the flag?</b> <b>Ian Birchall</b> Workers' and soldiers' struggle in WW1	<b>For a radical pedagogy: how do children learn?</b> <b>Jacqui Freeman</b>	<b>Course: A rough guide to the Marxist method</b> <b>Labour, work and alienation</b> <b>Julie Sherry</b>	<b>Abolition and reconstruction in the US</b> <b>Gary McFarlane</b> The struggle against slavery	<b>China: resistance, revolt and workers' struggle</b> <b>Sally Kincaid</b>	2-3.15pm
3.45-5pm		<b>Still the enemy within – the Miners strike of 1984-85</b> <b>Mike Jackson, Paul Symonds and others</b> 1920s-1980s: miners' struggles in Britain	<b>Austerity and resistance in Europe</b> <b>Christina Buchholz, Maria Styliou, Brid Smith and Sylvestre Jaffard</b> Resistance in Europe	<b>Crisis and recovery today</b> <b>Joseph Choonara</b> Unravelling capitalism	<b>How can we save the NHS?</b> <b>Sam Strudwick</b>	<b>Booklaunch</b> <b>Land and Labour: Marxism, Ecology and Human History</b> <b>Martin Empson</b> Marxism and the environment	<b>Islamophobia today</b> <b>Nahella Ashraf</b> Racism and resistance	<b>Marxism and music</b> <b>Dave Randall</b>	<b>1914: social democracy's great betrayal</b> <b>Paul Blackledge</b> Revolutionaries and WW1	<b>Course: A rough guide to the Marxist method</b> <b>Historical materialism</b> <b>Paul McGarr</b>	<b>Marxism and religion</b> <b>Anna Gluckstein</b>	<b>The fight for abortion rights</b> <b>Marianne Owens</b> Women's liberation	3.45-5pm
7-8.30pm		<b>Golden Dawn: the fascist threat in Greece</b> <b>Weyman Bennett, Petros Constantinou and Aris Chatzistefanou</b> Fighting fascism	<b>Part of our class: migrant workers in Britain</b> <b>Clara Osagiede, Jacek Szymanski and others</b> Immigration and Britain today	<b>Turkey: authoritarian conservatism</b> <b>Ron Margulies</b> Resistance in Europe	<b>Lenin: Building the Party. Was Tony Cliff right?</b> <b>Gareth Jenkins</b> Leninism in the 21st century	<b>George Orwell and socialism</b> <b>John Newsinger</b>	<b>Capitalism, class and the global fight for LGBT liberation</b> <b>Sue Caldwell</b> Fighting for LGBT liberation	<b>The legacy of Chavez: Venezuela today</b> <b>Andy Brown</b>	<b>What is the legacy of Stuart Hall?</b> <b>Stephen Philip</b>	<b>Darwin, Engels and the evolution of modern humans</b> <b>Jane Bassett</b> Science and society	<b>Disability and WW1: from shellshock to revolution</b> <b>Roddy Slorach</b> The impact of WW1		7-8.30pm
<b>Fascism Inc</b> Sun, 9pm, Jeffery  Greek filmmaker Aris Chatzistefanou introduces his new film <i>Fascism Inc.</i> This new documentary from the production team that made <i>Debtocracy</i> and <i>Catastroika</i> presents unknown short stories from the past, the present and		 Protesting after the election victory of the fascist FN		the future of fascism and its relation to the economic interests of each era. It has a broad sweep – from Mussolini's Italy to Greece during the Nazi occupation, the civil war and the dictatorship – and from Hitler's Germany to resurgent modern European and Greek fascism.		<b>Film screening: Still the Enemy Within</b> Sun, 2pm, Logan  A unique insight into one of history's most dramatic events: the 1984-85 Miners' Strike. Fresh from winning the Audience Award at the Sheffield Documentary Festival, the showings at Marxism are your first opportunity to see it in London.		 Striking miners in Port Talbot. Photo: Alan Denney		<b>Miners' strike panel meeting</b> Sun, 3.45pm, Jeffery  The film screening will be followed by a panel discussion with those who feature in it including co-founder of Lesbians and Gays Support the Miners Mike Jackson and former miner Paul Symonds – as well as other activists from the time.			

# Monday 14 July

	LOGAN IE	JEFFERY IE	ELVIN IE	DRAMA IE	NUNN IE	CLARKE IE
10-11.15am			<b>Mandela 1918-2013: anti-apartheid hero</b> <b>Peter Dwyer</b> South Africa today	<b>The Russian Revolution and the fight for women's liberation</b> <b>Emma Davis</b> Women's liberation	<b>John Maclean: Red Clydesider</b> <b>Dave Sherry</b> Scotland	
11.45am - 1pm			<b>Alternatives to capitalism</b> <b>Kieran Allen</b>	<b>Rosa Luxemburg and the struggle against the war in Germany</b> <b>Sally Campbell</b> Revolutionaries and WW1	<b>Marxism and sexuality</b> <b>Noel Halifax</b> Fighting for LGBT liberation	<b>India: why did the BJP win the election?</b> <b>Talat Ahmed</b>



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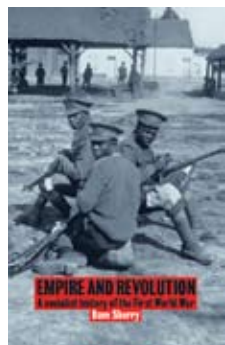
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1.45-5pm  
6.45-8.30pm  
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1.45-5pm

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8am-7.30pm  
Hot meals, sandwiches and snacks

#### Student Union bar (IE)

11am-midnight  
Light snacks and drinks

#### Costa Coffee, Level 4 (IE)

8am-7.30pm  
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