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LECTURES

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ROBERTO ROMANI - *Sensibilities of the Risorgimento. Reason and Passions in Political Thought*

Each of the two main Risorgimento programs, moderatism and Mazzinianism, called for its own sensibility, basically suggesting the shape of the Italian self to come. A key difference between them concerned the role of 'passions', as opposed to reason. In Piedmont in the 1850s, this contrast eventually became a weapon in the hands of moderates. This talk argues that their obsessive denunciation of domestic enemies originated from a peculiar moral attitude taking shape in the decades before 1848.

GABRIELLA ROMANI – *Erminia Fuà Fusinato: a Jewish Patriot in Rome (1871-1876)*

Erminia Fuà Fusinato (1834-1876) was a poet and educator and the first Jewish woman in the government ranks of post-unification Italy. After her return from exile, she lived in Florence and Rome, where she came into contact with numerous figures of the national intellectual milieu. As this lecture will show, her identity as a woman, an Italian and a Jewess had a profound impact on her personal and professional life, particularly on her attempts to reform the Italian school system.



Followed by drinks.

