

**A Select List of History Related Dissertations
(2004-2008)
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Dissertations submitted in 2004:

B.A. (HONS) HISTORY

1. Attard, Jason
'Mid-sixteenth century Birgu: a study of the Acts of Notary Giacomo Baldacchino, 1551-1552'
2. Bugeja, Ruth
'Mid-nineteenth century Malta, 1858-1867: a study of the workings of the Council of Government of Malta and its involvement in the extension of the Grand Harbour, the building of the new Opera House, the enlargement of the Valletta Market and the construction of the Poorhouse and Hospital for Incurables'
3. Calleja, Josette
'The Central Hospital at Floriana: history of a civil hospital, 1870-1913'
4. Debrincat, Amelia
'All out for victory: Gozo's socio-economic experience during World War II, 1939-1945'
5. Donath, Peter
'The origins of the licensed guide in Malta, 1840s-1914'
6. Vassallo, Tessa
'A study in local history since 1800: Sliema'

M.A. HISTORY

1. Cachia, Stefan
'The Treasury, debts and deaths : a study of the Common Treasury of the Order of St. John and its relationship with the individual Hospitaller in matters of debts and deaths based on Giovanni Caravita's Trattato del Comun Tesoro'

2. Ellul, Mario
'H.M. Naval Dockyard, Malta: society, work and industrial relations in a British naval base, 1900-1939'
3. Sciberras, Joanne
'Women in early sixteenth-century Malta'

B.A. (HONS) ARCHAEOLOGY

1. Mercieca, Bernardette
'The Copper Age Burials of Sicily and the Maltese Islands: a study of the relevant archaeological data'
2. Mizzi, Dennis
'The Archaeology of Buildings: An in-depth case study on the building techniques at Tas-Silġ'
3. Vella, Clive
'The dynamics of flint and obsidian movement and utilisation strategies in the Central Mediterranean'

M.A. ARCHAEOLOGY

1. Fsadni, John Anthony
'The Punic inscriptions from the current Maltese excavations at Tas-Silġ: a study of the inscriptions on pottery from areas B and C'
2. Stroud, Katya
'The Conservation of the temples of Hagar Qim and Mnajdra'

B.A. (HONS) ANTHROPOLOGY

1. Attard, Sharon
'Consecrated lives and identities within a religious order: a study of the Ursuline Order in Malta'

B.A. (HONS) HISTORY OF ART

1. Baldacchino, Lisa
'The role of women artists in the first half of the twentieth century: Maria Cali Corleo, Helene Buħaġiar and Mary Inglott (nee Pitre)'
2. Borg, Angela Jo
'Paintings of St. George in Malta: a catalogue of works'

3. Brincat, Davina
'Philatelic design in Malta (1970-1990): a critical assessment'
4. Ciancio, Dominique
'Mario Caffaro-Rore (1910-2001): a critical gazetteer of his works in Malta'
5. Ellul, Fabrizio
'Frans Galea (1945-1994): a critical gazetteer of his works'
6. Guillaumier, Martina
'The parish church of Balzan: an art historical study'
7. Magro, Emily
'The Muslim and Jewish cemeteries at Marsa'
8. Navarro, Franco
'The parish church of Żebbuġ: an annotated art-historical study based primarily on the writings of Salv Caruana'
9. Vassallo, Kenneth A.
'Alfred Gerada: the political cartoonist'

M.A. HISTORY OF ART

1. Cassar, Robert
'The bells of Malta (1370-1900): an art-historical consideration'
2. Zammit, Lewis
'The use of architectural ornament on the street elevation of secular building in Valletta, between the late sixteenth and the second half of the eighteenth century: an art historical survey'

B.A. (HONS) INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

1. Farrugia, Josephine
'Malta: a foreign policy of dependency? : a case study in German Maltese relations, 1964-1979'
2. Long, Denise
'Italo-Maltese relations, 1980-2000'

B.A. (HONS) GEOGRAPHY

1. Livori, Roderick *'Aspects of out-migration from Valletta'*

B.A. (HONS) SOCIOLOGY

1. Zammit, Brian
'Migration and social change: the case of returned Gozitan migrants'

B.ED (HONS)

1. Azzopardi, Josef
'Juan Mamo fil-kuntest storiku, socjo-politiku Malti fil-bidu tas-seklu ghoxrin'
2. Vella, Neville
'The Church's role in the religious education of a rural village: Xewkija'
3. Aquilina, Urieth
'The pupil's voice: a historical inquiry into primary education in Malta during the 1920s'
4. Muscat, Maria and Pirotta, Maria
'Dun Gorg u n-nisa'

B.E. & A. (HONS)

1. Abela, Claire
'The church of St. Nicholas, Mdina: a study on its urban re-integration and a proposal for its'
2. Agius, Daniela Clara
'San Pawl Milqi: proposing a conservation project for the archaeological site'
3. Caruana, Tiziana M.
'The Malta Royal Opera House: past, present ... future?'
4. Muscat, Miriam
'Conservation methodology for the Church of St. Peter ad Vincula, Mdina'
5. Valletta, Victoria
'20th century architecture: conservation or destruction?'

Ph.D.

1. Spiteri, Edward J.
'From dependency to viability: changes in the Maltese economy between 1959-1988'

M.A. QUALIFYING

1. Galea, Davinia
'Musical instruments in baroque art in Malta'

Dissertations submitted in 2005:**B.A. (HONS) HISTORY**

1. Cilia Anna Marie
'A study in local history since 1800: Xewkija'
2. Debono, Charles
'Wartime Mellieha: 1940-43'

B.A. (HONS) ARCHAEOLOGY

1. Borg, Helga
'Neolithic Pottery of Malta: a Review of Techniques, Decoration and Firing, including an Exercise in experimental archaeology'
2. Caruana, Josef
'The Mercenaries employed by Carthage during the second Punic War'
3. Muscat, Kim
'A Review on Human Osteology for Archaeology with a Case Study from Malta'
4. Spiteri, Cynthia
'Archaeological Development in Malta from the 17th to the beginning of the 20th century'

B.A. (HONS) HISTORY OF ART

1. Abela, Anton
'Byzantine icons in Maltese collections'
2. Agius, Lily
'Architectural ornament on the exterior of a select number of domestic buildings in the historic core of the three villages of Attard, Balzan and Lija'

3. Boldarini, Andreana
'The paintings in the churches of Senglea'
4. Delia, Romina
'Secular portraits of the Maltese nobility, gentry and prominent personalities: (1600-1800)'
5. Falzon, Paul
'The old parish Church of Xewkija: history, paintings, and sculpture'
6. Farrugia, Jason Joe
'A selective study of bozzetti by the twentieth century Maltese sculptors'
7. Micallef-Grimaud, Glorian
'The role and symbolism of flowers in paintings in Malta: a brief overview'
8. Muscat, Paul
'A catalogue of works of art in the Cathedral of Gozo and its museum'
9. Zammit Marmara, Ilona
'Furniture in Baroque paintings in Malta'

M.A. HISTORY OF ART

1. Caruana, Victor
'The art of papier-mache in Malta between the 19th and early 20th centuries: technical and art historical considerations'
2. Sciberras, Kevin
'Baroque sacristies in Malta: their architecture and works of art 1600-1798'

B.A. (HONS) GEOGRAPHY

1. Bartolo, Alison
'The change in the spatial distribution of employment of the Maltese Islands in the 20th century'
2. Muscat, Denise
'Land abandonment in Gozo: A case study of Nadur'

B.A. (HONS) SOCIOLOGY

1. Spiteri, Mariella
'The interdict of the sixties: a sociological perspective'

2. Williams, Nathalie
'Comparing two generations of women in a small town in Malta, Attard: a sociological inquiry'

B.ED (HONS)

1. Saliba, Isabel
'Munxar: a typical Gozitan village'

B.E. & A. (HONS)

1. Fenech, Etienne
'Preserving the recent past for the future: analysing the need of the 'miracle' material in British defence architecture & the hidden politics in conserving concrete'
2. Privitera, William
'Tourism planning for historical cores in the south of Malta: a case study of Żejtun'
3. Said, Edward
'Subterranean Valletta: a historical and descriptive analysis'

M.A. BAROQUE STUDIES

1. Debono, Victoria M.
'A demographic analysis of the population of Rabat at the threshold of the Baroque'
2. Grima, Isabella C.
'An investigation of l'Arte dello speciale in Baroque Malta: a study of the spogli of members of the Order of St. John'

DIP. LIBRARY AND INFORMATION STUDIES

1. Attard Tonna, Michelle
'The Melitensia Collection at the University of Malta Library: a study of users and functions'

M.A. PHIL

1. De Lucca, Jean-Paul
'Looking at history: an analysis of the contemporary debate with particular reference to the question of objectivity'

M.ED

1. Sammut, Francis X.
'A new approach to the Enlightenment in Maltese history as a topic in the National Curriculum'

Dissertations submitted in 2006:**B.A. (HONS) HISTORY**

1. Azzopardi, Jonathon
'Religious confraternities in Naxxar between 1800-1970s: a social and religious perspective'
2. Bugeja, Georgette Marie
'A study in local history since 1800: Xaghra'
3. Grech, Monique J.
'Maternity and childbirth in the Maltese Islands with a special focus on Gozo in the twentieth century'
4. Galea, Clifford
'A history of scouting in Malta, 1908-1939'
5. Gauci, Henry Franz
'A demographic study of Haż-Żebbuġ, 1550-1650'
6. Mifsud, Vincianne
'Maltese journalists and politics in Malta, 1918-1928: a comparative study of some newspapers'
7. Powell, Romina
'Inquisitor Angelo Durini on Hospitaller Malta, 1760-1766: historical insights from his memoirs and correspondence'
8. Spiteri Staines, Stephen
'A history of the Armed Forces of Malta, 1970-1980'

B.B. (HONS) HISTORY

1. Grixti, Dario
'Electoral politics in Malta: 1921-1932'

M.A. ARCHAEOLOGY

1. Zammit, Maria Elena
'An Archaeological Survey of Bahrija'

Ph.D. ARCHAEOLOGY

1. Fenech, Katrin
'Human-induced changes in the environment and landscape of the Maltese islands from the Neolithic to the 15th century AD as inferred from a scientific study of sediments from Marsa, Malta'

B.A. (HONS) HISTORY OF ART

1. Agius, Victoria
'St. Mary Magdalene and St. Agatha: an art historical gazetteer of their paintings in Malta'
2. Attard, Noel
'An art historical gazetteer of the figural Baroque altar records of the Maltese Islands'
3. Borg, Elizabeth and Alden, Harry
'Harry Alden: The Op art and hand-edge tradition in modern and contemporary Maltese art'
4. Calleja, Clint
'The art of Toni Pace (1930-1989): an appreciation'
5. Cassar, Kenneth
'Baroque portraits of popes, bishops and high ecclesiastics in Maltese public collections (1600-1800)'
6. Griscti, Priscilla Ainhoa
'Antoine Camilleri: the man and the artist'
7. Mifsud, Fabrizio
'George Fenech: capturing the soul of Malta'
8. Vella, Charlene
'The Sanctuary of the Virgin of Mellieha: the art historical context to a Marian Shrine'

M.A. HISTORY OF ART

1. Balzan, Francesca
'Jewellery in Malta during the Knights' period (1530-1798): an art historical review'
2. Borg, Katya
'Abstract painting in Malta in the 1980's: its character and development within an international context'
3. Briffa, Nadine
'Edward Caruana Dingli: a portrait painter'

B.A. (HONS) INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

1. Vernon, Edward
'International perceptions of Malta's policy of non-alignment in the 1970s: an investigation into how Maltese foreign policy was perceived abroad during the 1970s'

B.A. (HONS) GEOGRAPHY

1. Debono, Christian
'The road network of the Maltese Islands: a case study in historical geography'

B.E. & A. (HONS)

1. Critien, Ian
'Fort St. Angelo: the evolution of its historic fabric'
2. Cuschieri, Christian
'The Mosta Rotunda: its structure and construction aspects'
3. Mifsud, Maria
'The preservation of the marble floor at the Conventual Church of St John in Valletta'
4. Vella, Bernard
'Maltese architecture: a vernacular approach'

M.A. QUALIFYING

1. Grech, Vicky
'The politico-religious question and Gozo, 1928-1932'

2. Vella, Pauline
'Aspects of Gozitan life, 1900-1939: developments in early twentieth century Gozo'

Dissertations submitted in 2007:**B.A. (HONS) HISTORY**

1. Bugeja, Mark Anthony
'A study in local history since 1800: Mosta'
2. Buttigieg, Sarah Ann
'Prisons and the prison population in the Maltese Islands 1870-1914'
3. Camilleri, Charlene
'A study in local history since 1800: Gudja'
4. Caruana, Marouska
'A study in local history since 1921: Marsa'
5. Ebejer, Elizabeth
'Public elementary schooling in the inner harbour area: 1900-1939'
6. Fenech, Christopher
'Malta: an electoral analysis 1962-1971'
7. Gauci, Liam
'Hospitaller Malta 1741-1798: aspects of decline (1)'
8. Gauci, Liam
'The eighteenth century Hospitaller galley and the meals served on board (2)'
9. Montebello, Edward
'A study of freemasonry in Malta: history of the lodge of St. John & St. Paul 1815-1915'
10. Sallard, Wayne
'R.A.A.F. Vampires over Malta: a short term Australian colony 1952-1955'
11. Xuereb, Isabel
'A bibliography of the Hospitaller Order of St. John of Jerusalem (1970-2007)'

M.A. HISTORY

1. Abela, Joan
'Port activities in mid-sixteenth century Malta'
2. Camilleri, Marcia
'The historical development of the Hospital Commandary of San Giovanni di Monopoli'
3. Tonna, Marvic
'Maltese independence in retrospect: attempts at consolidation, 1964-1974'
4. Vassallo, Matthew
'Aspects of social life in Valletta 1813-1854'

M.A. ARCHAEOLOGY

1. Azzopardi, Elaine
'The Xlendi Bay Shipwrecks: An Archaeological Study'

B.A. (HONS) HISTORY OF ART

1. Attard, Lisa
'The late medieval and early modern Maltese icons'
2. Borg, Jessica
'Portraits of the Knights of the Order of St. John in Maltese public collections (1600-1800)'
3. Caruana, Daphne Marie
'The Xaghra Parish Church: art and architecture'
4. Fenech, Noella
'The iconography of St. John the Baptist in Maltese paintings'
5. Vella, Maria
'Joseph Bellia (1932-1999): a neglected landscape artist'

M.A. HISTORY OF ART

1. Debono, Sandro
'Mariano Girada (1771-1823): Maltese art and Spain, 1750-1830'
2. Munro, Dane
'A re-edition and translation into English of the monumental inscriptions

found at the main nave of St. John's Co-Cathedral (Valletta, Malta), including introduction, full commentary and indices'

B.A. (HONS) GEOGRAPHY

1. Portelli, Noemi
'Population and land use changes in Xewkija since the 20th century'

B.ED (HONS)

1. Gatt, Christine and Hill Beverley
'Maltese primary teachers in 19th century: a portrait of the teaching profession'
2. Theuma, Rachel and Zammit, Dianne
'L-effetti tal-ġlidiet politiko-religjużi fuq l-edukazzjoni, b'mod speċjali t-tagħlim tar-religjon'

DIP. LIBRARY AND INFORMATION STUDIES

1. Zammit Marmara, Marcel
'Noti biblijografiċi ta' ittri ta' awturi Maltin f'kollezzjonijiet privati'

Dissertations submitted in 2008:**B.A. (HONS) HISTORY**

1. Agius, Gerald
'Lace making in Gozo, 1880-1930'
2. Cauchi, Maria Pia
'Public health and hospitalisation in Gozo, 1850-1914'
3. Farrugia, Christiana
'Schooling in Gozo, 1870-1914'
4. Portelli, Sandra
'Women: pregnancy and childbirth in Gozo, 1860s-1914'
5. Seychell, Marion Victoria
'Rome, Naples and the order of St. John, 1797-1798: two hospitaller receivers' correspondence'
6. Vassallo, Ivan
'Early modern Gozo and Malta: social and economic aspects: a study in the notarial acts of Ferdinando Ciappara, 1547-1576'

B.A. (HONS) INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

1. Refalo, Charlton

'Malta's foreign relations during the Mintoff era, 1971-1984'