

Troubling Standards



The Social History of Measuring in South Asia

Thursday 13 July 2023

1-day community participatory research workshop

Venue: History of Science Museum, Oxford

What's it all about?

During the 1800s and early 1900s, British colonial powers in South Asia worked to standardise how people measured. And an important group of our objects connect to the daily lives of South Asian people during that period.

That's why the History of Science Museum and Birmingham Museums Trust are inviting community members to a 1-day workshop to engage with our collections used for measuring.

We'll be exploring questions like:

- What happens when people are forced to change — or abandon — such fundamental traditions and practices?
- What does it mean to change – or not change – the way you measure?

How do I sign up?

Register your name, email address or Whatsapp number using a simple sign-up form:

- go to hsm.ox.ac.uk/troublingstandards
- OR
- or snap the QR code



Closing date for registering your interest is 3 July 2023.

We'll be in touch by 7 July 2023 to let you know if you have a place.

We'll pay participation fees and expenses, and circulate extracts from our discussions in a pamphlet after the event.

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