

The European Reminiscence Network  
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## MEMORY GRAND CHALLENGE: Exploring links between reminiscence in dementia care and oral history

A seminar on to be held at the University of Greenwich on

Thursday 13th October from 3pm to 6pm

**QA063**

Over the last three years, key members of the **Oral History Society** have participated in a new Training and Apprenticeship scheme in **Reminiscence in Dementia Care**. They have worked with older people with dementia and their family carers revisiting the key stages in their lives using creative arts-based approaches in order to support the sense of identity and self-worth of the participants.

**The results of this work have been significant for the families involved.**

- What are the links between this highly personal exploration of life stories in a group of families living with dementia and the more conventional role of the oral historian?
- What are the effects of this activity on the participating people with dementia and their family carers in terms of how they see their own past and present lives?
- What are the effects on oral historians of working so closely with people with dementia and could it affect their future practice?
- Whose 'truth' is shared in these life-course sessions?
- How do we make the process of remembering together in these sessions into a memorable product?

In this workshop, we shall hear from the following Oral Historians:

**Dvora Liberman, Sarah Gudgin, Padmini Broomfield** and the following family carers: **Kate White, Robbie Wick and Kate Harwood**.

The session will be led by **Pam Schweitzer**, Director European Reminiscence Network and Honorary Research Fellow, University of Greenwich

We hope this event will be of interest to members of the newly-formed special interest group of the Oral History Society as well as to University of Greenwich staff and students.

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