

HISTORY WORKSHOP

in **TECHNOLOGY, SOCIETY and CULTURE**

The Department of History
announces a luncheon talk

by

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The Present Is a Foreign Country: Sites of Settler Memory in Southern France

Places and physical objects are important resources used in the constitution of social groups and collective memories. People transform the space they inhabit and are shaped by it, a process Maurice Halbwachs referred to as *implacement*. The significance of *implacement* for social remembering is perhaps most obvious when a group is permanently severed from its objects and places of memory. In this presentation, Professor Smith considers the effects of such a displacement on former French settlers of Algeria, *piets-noirs*, who migrated en masse to France at the end of the French-Algerian War in 1962.

Tuesday, October 13, 2009

12:30-1:45 p.m.

203 John Munroe Hall

This workshop is free and open to the public.

Please come and bring your lunch!