

# ROBERT E. STANSFIELD-CUDWORTH

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Archivist • Historian • Composer

## Education

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### Professional

2011–2015 **University of Aberystwyth: Prifysgol Aberystwyth**, Wales: Cymru, UK:  
Master of Economic and Social Studies (MScEcon) in Archive Administration (Dist.)  
Part II: 2014–2015:

- Thesis: *Archivists and Historians: Perspectives on the Place of Historical Research in Archival Practice* (2015). 60 pp.  
Supervisor: Dr Jennie A. Hill, Lecturer in Archives and Records Management.

Part I: 2011–2014 (Postgraduate Diploma (PGDip)):

- Modules: *Palaeography and Diplomatic; Digital Information; Research in the Profession; Records and Information Governance; Archives and Manuscripts; Archival Description; Archive Management*.

2010–2012 **National College of Music, London**, England, UK:  
Associate Diploma (ANCM) in Composition (Pass)

2008–2010 **University of Lancaster**, England, UK:  
Postgraduate Certificate (PGCAP) in Academic Practice (Pass)

### Academic

2002–2008 **University of Lancaster**, England, UK:  
Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) in History (Pass)

- Thesis: *Politics, Governance, and the Wars of the Roses: The Political Elites of South-West England, 1450–1500* (2007). 481 pp.  
Supervisor: Dr Alexander Grant, Reader in Medieval British History.
- Module: *Humanities Research Methods* (2002–2003).

2001–2002 **University of Lancaster**, England, UK:  
Master of Arts (MA) in Historical Research (Distinction)

- Thesis: *Political Society in Yorkist England: Somerset and Dorset, 1461–91* (2002). 162 pp.  
Supervisor: Dr Alexander Grant, Reader in Medieval British History.
- Modules: *Design and Execution of a Research Project; Latin Translation for Historians; Medieval Sources for Local History and Palaeography; Libraries and Archives*.

1998–2001 **University of Lancaster**, England, UK:  
Bachelor of Arts (BA) in History (First Class)  
Part II: 1999–2001: History

- Thesis: *Lollard Doctrine, Society, and Interaction, 1428–1521* (2001). 62 pp.  
Supervisor: Professor Michael A. Mullett, Professor of Religious and Cultural History.
- Special Subject: *Richard III: Politics and Power in the Late Fifteenth Century* (2000–2001). Tutor: Dr Alexander Grant, Reader in Medieval British History.

Part I: 1998–1999: History, Geography, and Music

- Modules: *History; Geographical Concepts; and Music Techniques and Composition*.

2000 **University of Copenhagen: Københavns Universitet**, Denmark:  
Socrates-Erasmus Programme (First Class)

## Experience

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2010– **Independent**, UK:  
Archivist, Researcher, and Consultant

2003–2011 **University of Lancaster**, England, UK:  
2008–2011 Honorary Research Fellow in History (Department of History)  
2009–2010 Research Associate

2007–2009 Associate Lecturer in History  
2003–2007 Tutor (Cartmel College, Lancaster)

2001–2005 **UK Research and Innovation: Arts and Humanities Research Council:**  
Postgraduate Researcher in Humanities (Principal Investigator)

2001–2002 **Roman Catholic Church: Province of Liverpool: Diocese of Lancaster:**  
**Cathedral Church of St Peter, Lancaster, England, UK:**  
Librarian (Intern): Presbytery Library

2000 **International Educational Tours:** Europe

### Grants and Awards

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#### Grants

2006–2008 ***Fifteenth Century Conference*, UK:**  
2008 University of Aberystwyth: Prifysgol Aberystwyth: Bursary  
2006 Merton College, Oxford, England, UK: Bursary

2001–2005 **UK Research and Innovation: Arts and Humanities Research Council:**  
2002–2005 Postgraduate (Doctoral) Studentship in Humanities  
2001–2002 Postgraduate (Preparation) Studentship in Humanities

#### Awards

2009 **Mellen Press**, New York, USA:  
Adèle Mellen Prize (for distinguished contribution to scholarship)

2000 **Lancaster University Historical Society**, England, UK:  
Honorary Member

### Activities and Associations

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#### Activities

2012–2022 **Lancashire and Cheshire Antiquarian Society**, England, UK:  
Councillor

2020–2021 **Manchester Literary and Philosophical Society**, England, UK:  
Secretary and Councillor

2013–2017 **Chetham Society**, England, UK:  
Secretary and Councillor

2004–2007 **University of Lancaster**, England, UK:  
**Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences:**  
2005–2007 Convenor: Arts and Social Sciences Postgraduate Seminar Series  
2004–2005 Co-Convenor: Arts and Social Sciences Postgraduate Seminar Series  
**Graduate Students' Association, Graduate College, Lancaster**, England, UK:  
2004–2005 Academic Affairs Secretary (Research) and Councillor  
2004 Academic Affairs Secretary (Teaching)

1999–2003 **Lancaster University Historical Society**, England, UK:  
1999–2003 Councillor  
2001–2002 Communications Secretary  
2001 Secretary and Editor  
1999–2000 President (Chair of Council)  
1999–2000 Safety and Welfare Secretary and Programme Secretary  
1999 Secretary and Editor

1999–2001 **Lancaster University Students' Union**, England, UK:  
2000–2001 Executive Officer: Societies' Council  
1999–2001 Councillor: Societies' Council

## Associations

2016– **Aberystwyth Old Students’ Association: Cymdeithas y Cyn-Fyfyrwyr Aberystwyth**, Wales: Cymru, UK: Member

2013 **Archives and Records Association**, UK: Member

2011 **Academy of Higher Education**, UK:  
2011 Fellow  
2009–2011 Associate

2009 **Royal Historical Society**, UK: Member

2001–2011 **Cartmel College, Lancaster**, England, UK: Senior Member

2001–2010 **Graduate College, Lancaster**, England, UK: Member

2001– **Lancaster University Alumni Association**, England, UK: Member

2001– **University of Copenhagen Alumni Association: Københavns Universitets Alumnynetværk**, Copenhagen: København, Denmark: Member

2001–2010 **Institute of Historical Research, School of Advanced Study, University of London**, England, UK: Member

2000 **University of Copenhagen Students’ Union: Studenterrådet ved Københavns Universitet**, Copenhagen: København, Denmark: Member

2000 **National Union of Students in Denmark: Danske Studerendes Fællesråd**, Denmark: Member

1998–2015 **National Union of Students**, UK: Member

1998–2010 **Lancaster University Musical Society**, England, UK: Member

1998–2010 **Lancaster University Historical Society**, England, UK: Member

1998–2010 **Lancaster University Students’ Union**, England, UK: Member

1998–2003 **Historical Association**, Lancaster, England, UK: Member

## Publications

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### Books and Monographs • Peer Reviewed

2009 *Political Elites in South-West England, 1450–1500: Politics, Governance, and the Wars of the Roses* (Lewiston, New York, USA; Queenston, Ontario, Canada; and Lampeter, Wales, UK: Mellen Press). Foreword by Professor Anthony J. Pollard (University of Teesside). xii, 550 pp. Hardback. ISBN 0-7734-4714-8. ISBN-13 978-0-77344-714-1.  
Review: Dr A. J. H. Jackson, *Transactions of the Devonshire Association*, 142 (2010), 421–2: <https://devonassoc.org.uk/devoninfo/book-review-political-elites-in-south-west-england-1450-1500/>.

### Catalogues • Library

2002 with H. E. Perkins, *A Catalogue of the Latin Folio Titles in the Presbytery Library of St Peter’s Cathedral* (Lancaster, England, UK: University of Lancaster). xvii, 22 pp.

### Articles and Chapters • Peer Reviewed

2021 ‘From Minority to Maturity: The Evolution of Later Lollardy’, *Socio-Historical Examination of Religion and Ministry: A Journal of the Global Center for Religious Research*, 3(2), 325–52. ISSN 2637-7519 (Print). ISSN 2637-7500.

2021 ‘Inheritance and Identity in Pennine Lancashire: The Stansfields of Inchfield, Walsden, 1591–1767’, *Transactions of the Historic Society of Lancashire and Cheshire*, 170, 33–51. ISSN 0140-332X. ISSN 2398-1601.

2019 ‘Gentry, Gentility, and Genealogy in Lancashire: The Cudworths of Werneth Hall, Oldham, c.1377–1683’, *Transactions of the Lancashire and Cheshire Antiquarian Society*, 111, 48–80. ISSN 0950-4699.

2016 'Lancashire and Cheshire Antiquarian Society: Officers, Council, and Honorary Members, 1883–2016', *Transactions of the Lancashire and Cheshire Antiquarian Society*, 109, 207–35. ISSN 0950-4699.

2013 'The Duchy of Cornwall and the Wars of the Roses: Patronage, Politics, and Power, 1453–1502', *Cornish Studies*, 2nd Series, 21, 104–50. ISBN-13 978-0-85989-886-7. ISSN 0308-2679. ISSN 1352-271X. ISSN 2053-9363.

2012 'Locality, Family, and Strategy in Lancashire: The Cudworths of Spotland, Rochdale, 1679–1802', *Transactions of the Lancashire and Cheshire Antiquarian Society*, 108, 68–83. ISSN 0950-4699.

2011 'Cultivating Kin in Lancashire: The Stansfields of Long Clough, Littleborough, c.1697–1861', *Transactions of the Lancashire and Cheshire Antiquarian Society*, 107, 65–87. ISSN 0950-4699.

2011 'A Duchy Officer and a Gentleman: The Career and Connections of Avery Cornburgh (d.1487)', *Cornish Studies*, 2nd Series, 19, 9–34. ISBN-13 978-0-85989-866-9. ISSN 0308-2679. ISSN 1352-271X. ISSN 2053-9363.

2010 'Family, Faith, and Farming in Early Modern Lancashire: The Stansfields of Inchfield, Walsden, c.1633–1763', *Transactions of the Historic Society of Lancashire and Cheshire*, 159, 19–44. ISSN 0140-332X. ISSN 2398-1601.

#### Articles and Chapters • Other

2017 'A Todmorden Blacksmith: James Knowles (1684–1734) and his Family', *The Manchester Genealogist: Journal of the Manchester and Lancashire Family History Society*, 53(1), 28–31. ISSN 0143-1331.

2015 'Sources for Family and Local History: The Chetham Society', *The Manchester Genealogist: Journal of the Manchester and Lancashire Family History Society*, 51(4), 303–8. ISSN 0143-1331.

2014 'The Chetham Society', *Lancashire Local History Federation Newsletter*, 6, 6–7.

2013 with Professor Paul J. Fouracre, 'The Chetham Society', *Royal Historical Society Newsletter*, New Series, 12, 10–11.

2013 'From Lancashire Labourer to Lord of the Manor', *Family Tree*, 29(5), 48–51. ISSN 0267-1131.

2013 'The Real Wealth in Wills and Inventories', *Your Family History*, 37, 40–3. ISSN 2043-7641.

## Presentations

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#### Conferences

2008 'Governance and Core-Periphery Relations in the Later Fifteenth Century: The Duchy of Cornwall and South-West England', *Fifteenth Century Conference*, Department of History and Welsh History, Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences, **University of Aberystwyth: Prifysgol Aberystwyth**, Wales: Cymru, UK.

2008 'Prosopography and Polity: Royal Affinity and Local Government in Late Medieval England', *Historical Perspectives Conference*, School of Humanities, College of Arts and Humanities, **University of Glasgow: Oilthigh Ghlaschu**, Scotland: Alba, UK.

2006 'The Yorkist Kings and the Duchy of Cornwall', *International Medieval Congress*, Institute for Medieval Studies, Faculty of Arts, Humanities, and Cultures, **University of Leeds**, England, UK.

2005 'Politics, Patronage, and the Duchy of Cornwall, 1450–85', *Lancaster Historical Postgraduate Conference*, Department of History, Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences, **University of Lancaster**, England, UK.

**Lectures**

2014 'Farmers, Weavers, and Labourers: Family, Faith, and Identity in Lancashire', **Lancashire and Cheshire Antiquarian Society**, Salford Diocesan Archives, Roman Catholic Parish Church of St Augustine of Canterbury, Manchester, England, UK.

2013 'Tales of Lancashire Families: Case Studies in Genealogy', **Lancashire Family History and Heraldry Society**, Methodist and United Reformed Parish Church of St Andrew, Rochdale, Manchester, England, UK.

2013 'A Tale of Two Families: The Stansfields and the Cudworths', **Todmorden Antiquarian Society**, Town Hall, Todmorden, West Yorkshire, England, UK.

**Seminars**

2006 'Humphrey, Lord Stafford and South-West England, 1461–9', *North West Medieval Studies Seminar*, Department of History, Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences, **University of Lancaster**, England, UK.

2005 'The Duchy of Cornwall and the Late Medieval Polity', *Arts and Social Sciences Postgraduate Seminar*, Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences, **University of Lancaster**, England, UK.

2005 'The Politics of Regional Governance: Humphrey, Lord Stafford of Southwick and South-West England, 1461–9', *Late Medieval Seminar*, Institute of Historical Research, School of Advanced Study, **University of London**, England, UK.

2004 'Regional Governance and the Wars of the Roses', *Arts and Social Sciences Postgraduate Seminar*, Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences, **University of Lancaster**, England, UK.

2003 'South-West England and the Wars of the Roses', *Arts and Social Sciences Research Seminar*, Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences, **University of Lancaster**, England, UK.

2002 'Political Society in Yorkist England: Somerset and Dorset, 1461–85', *Postgraduate Seminar*, Department of History, Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences, **University of Lancaster**, England, UK.

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**Compositions**

**Selected Chamber**

2001 *Serenade for Harp and String Orchestra in B-flat major*, Op. 72. 6 minutes.

**Selected Choral**

2003 *Requiem: A Mass for Choir and Orchestra in C minor*, Op. 76 (rev. 2018). 25 minutes.

**Selected Concertante**

2019 *Concerto for Violoncello and Orchestra in A minor*, Op. 94. 30 minutes.

2019 *Concerto for Pianoforte and Orchestra No. 2 in D minor*, Op. 91. 30 minutes.

2018 *Concerto for Pianoforte and Orchestra No. 1 in C minor*, Op. 90. 30 minutes.

**Selected Instrumental • Pianoforte**

2009 *Fantasie-Impromptu No. 5 in B major*, Op. 83. 3 minutes.

2001 *Fantasie-Impromptu No. 4 in G-flat major*, Op. 65. 3 minutes.

1991 *Prelude No. 1 in C major*, Op. 1. 2 minutes.

**Selected Orchestral**

2019 *The Highwayman: A Symphonic Suite*, Op. 92. 10 minutes.

2017 *Ellen*, Op. 84. 80 minutes.

2009 *Crowns and Coronets: A March for Orchestra in E-flat major*, Op. 82 (rev. 2018). 3 minutes.

2001 *The Duchess of Padua: A Symphonic Suite*, Op. 75 (rev. 2018). 15 minutes.

2001 *Sinfonietta in C minor*, Op. 64. 12 minutes.

1999      *Concert Overture in C-sharp minor*, Op. 56. 6 minutes.