

Research Project of the Year: Arts, Humanities & Social Sciences

Institution name	Manchester Metropolitan University
Submission title or project name	Finding the Peterloo 11
Nominee/key personnel	Key personnel: Michala Hulme
URL	https://michalahulme.com/the-peterloo-eleven-finding-the-failsworth-veterans/
Submission	The remarkable 'Finding the Peterloo Eleven' project recreated the only known surviving photograph of a group of the 1819 Peterloo massacre survivors with their living ancestors, receiving national media attention and capturing public interest to coincide with the 200th anniversary of this landmark event in the pursuit of democracy in Britain. Michala Hulme, Lecturer in the Manchester Centre for Public History and Heritage (MCPHH), part of the History Research Centre at Manchester Metropolitan University, pursued this unique opportunity after she was sent the photograph. Taken 65 years after Peterloo, in which 18 people were killed while protesting for voting reform, it shows a group of survivors in their old age who had reunited to campaign for further political changes. Using innovative family history methodologies to reverse trace their modern-day descendants, Hulme identified living relatives and brought them together to recreate the photograph in its original location.