UK DISABILITY HISTORY MONTH

DR. JAIPREET VIRDI
03/11/2021 6:00-7:30PM
Online Zoom with Q&A
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Hearing Happiness: Deafness Cures in History

Dr Jaipreet Virdi is an award-winning historian, whose histories of deafness in the 20th century draws on her own experience of hearing loss. Virdi Is Assistant Professor in History at the University of Delaware. She is an award - winning historian of deafness, technology and medicine, and a disability activist. Her first book, Hearing Happiness: Deafness Cures in History raises pivotal questions about deafness in American society and the endless quest for a cure. Her writing has appeared in Slate, The Atlantic, Psyche, The Wellcome Collection, and the New Internationalist.

Dr. Jaipreet Virdi explores the experience of hearing loss,and attempts to 'cure' deafness in Anglo-American culture in the 19th and 20th centuries. She shows that deafness was a widespread experience, and examines the evolution of hearing technologies – particularly hearing aids – as objects of desire as well as assistive technology.

Public Talks

"UKDHM is an annual event creating a platform to focus on the history of our struggle for equality and human rights."

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