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Dr. Tim Whelan has been awarded a 2-week, $2000 Research Fellowship by the New York Public Library to work in the Pforzheimer Collection from June 7-17, 2016. More than 300 applications were received by the Library, of which only 8% were approved.

Dr. Whelan will be revising and annotating the previously published text of the correspondence of the radical feminist novelist of the 1790s, Mary Hays (1759-1843). The bulk of her manuscript letters, as well as letters written to her by family members, friends, and notable literary figures, reside within the Pforzheimer Collection. Dr. Whelan's research at the NYPL will form part of the basis for his next monograph, a biographical-literary study of Hays. Dr. Whelan has previously held research fellowships at Oxford University, University of London, University of Munich, and the University of Kansas.