**Professor Nicholas Rodger (1949- )**

Nicholas Rodger was Hon. Secretary of the Society between 1976 and 1990 during which time he was an Assistant Keeper in the Public Record Office, where he started in 1974. In 1992 he was made Anderson Fellow of the National Maritime Museum, created for him so that he could start the three-volume ‘The Naval History of Britain’. In 1999 he became a senior lecturer in history at the University of Exeter, and in 2000 was given a personal chair as Professor of Naval History. In October 2008 he became a Senior Research Fellow at All Soul’s, Oxford.


Professor Rodger has a D.Phil from Oxford and is a Fellow of the Royal Historical Society and of the Society of Antiquaries. In 2005 he was elected a Fellow of the British Academy.

**Work**

Nicholas Rodger is currently engaged in writing a comprehensive history of the Royal Navy. The first two volumes: *Safeguard of the Sea* and *Command of the Ocean* have both been highly critically acclaimed. He has been awarded the Julian Corbett Prize in Naval History. His book *The Admiralty* was chosen by the U.S. Naval Institute as one of the best books of the 1980s. He received the Duke of Westminster’s Medal for Military Literature in 2005 and was also the winner of the 2005 British Academy Book Prize.

**Major works**

- *The Admiralty* (1979)
• The Safeguard of the Sea: a Naval History of Britain, Volume 1, 660-1649 (1997)
