

THE HISTORIAN AS HEALER

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Until the beginning of the 20th century, writing on contemporary topics for which the historian deals with living actors, was regarded as something suspicious. The idea still remains here and there among professional historians. Meanwhile, this part of the discipline became rather dominant in the last decades, fostered by the so-called “memory boom”, which gave a new role to historians and other social scientists. Their activity isn’t any more the sole research for a better knowledge of the past. They are asked to be stakeholders in the global process of healing or repairing the wrongdoings of history.

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