NIALL FERGUSON, CIVILIZAȚIA. VESTUL ȘI RESTUL NIALL FERGUSON, CIVILIZATION. THE WEST AND THE REST

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Abstract: The present paper succeeds to our theoretical framing of what distinguishes New Historicism from traditional historiography and to a survey of the theoretical positions assumed by the main representatives of this school that has fueled literary studies since the 80s. This time we are examining the writing practices drawing on the assumptions of a New Historicist view of the past which bear upon narrative structure, rhetorical devices, character construction and troping. The present study focuses on Professor Niall Ferguson's book, "Civilization: The West and the Rest", originally published at The Penguin Press HC in 2011; the volume was published in Romanian language by Polirom, Iaşi.

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