

# **MRDS**

### Medieval and Renaissance Drama Society

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# The 51<sup>st</sup> Congress on Medieval Studies May 12-15, 2016

#### **MRDS** Sponsored Sessions

Editing for the Classroom, Translating for the Stage: Making Medieval Drama Accessible to Modern Audiences Session 189, Friday 10:00, Schneider 1120

Organizer: Frank M. Napolitano, Radford Univ. Presider: Andrew M. Pfrenger, Kent State Univ.—Salem

Is There an Audience for This Play? Constructing the Reader of Modernized Medieval Drama

Christina M. Fitzgerald, Univ. of Toledo, and John T. Sebastian, Loyola Univ. New Orleans

Ethically Glossing/Glossing Ethically: Working with Public-Domain Texts

Cameron Hunt McNabb, Southeastern Univ., and Frank M. Napolitano

Translation and Fashion, or, How Long Is a Translation Supposed to Last?

Mario B. Longtin, Western Univ.

### From Hildegard to Mother Courage: Celebrating the Life and Work of Robert Potter (1934–2010) Session 321, Friday 3:30, Bernhard 205

Organizer: Robert L. A. Clark, Kansas State Univ. Presider: Robert L. A. Clark

Robert Potter, the Modern Production of Medieval Plays, and the Historiography of the Field since 1970

Alexandra F. Johnston, Records of Early English Drama Pre- and Post-Humanist Pig Performance

Marla Carlson, Univ. of Georgia

From the Hussite Revolution to the Catholic Enlightenment: The Suppression, Preservation, and Revival of Palmesels in Bohemia and Poland

Max Harris, Univ. of Wisconsin-Madison

#### Performance as Research: Medieval Text, Modern Performance, Contested Ground (A Performance) Friday 8:00 PM, Valley II Eicher 202

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# $\label{lem:making Space: Temporality in Medieval and Renaissance Drama$

Session 452, Saturday 3:30, Fetzer 2016

Organizer: Jill Stevenson, Marymount Manhattan College Presider: Jill Stevenson

"Why, how long shall he live?": Making Time for Murder in *Arden of Faversham* 

Dori Coblentz, Emory Univ.

Reading as Performance and Reading the Performance of Labyrinthe royal de l'Hercule gaulois triumphant: Representing the Representé

Daniel Ruppel, Brown Univ.

Redundancy, Metaphor, and Memory: Experience of Space and Time in Medieval Christian Theater

Christopher Swift, New York City College of Technology, CUNY

A Violent Spatializing of Time: Colonizing Utopian Imaginaries in Seventeenth-Century Barbados

Scott Venters, Univ. of Washington-Seattle

#### MRDS Business Meeting Saturday, 5:15 p.m. Fetzer 2016

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#### The 51<sup>st</sup> Congress on Medieval Studies Other Sessions of Interest

#### Performing Piety and Poetry: Dance, Gender, and Poetic Form Session 116, Thursday 3:30, Schneider 1140

Organizer: Lynneth J. Miller, Baylor Univ.

Presider: Max Harris, Univ. of Wisconsin–Madison

The Dance of Salome: Dancing Women, Sin, and Salvation in Medieval Texts

Lynneth J. Miller

Discipline and Redemption: Dances of Penitence

Kathryn Dickason, Stanford Univ.

Reenacting Form: Poetry and Dance in the Late Middle Ages

Seeta Chaganti, Univ. of California-Davis

#### Medieval Performance as Appropriation Session 159, Thursday 7:30 PM, Schneider 1140

Sponsor: ROMARD

Organizer: Susannah Crowder, John Jay College of Criminal

Justice, CUNY

Presider: Susannah Crowder

Female Masochism and Shadow Feminism in a Medieval French Farce

Noah D. Guynn, Univ. of California-Davis

"This saint is my saint": Episcopal Appropriation of

Predecessors' Image through Ritual Performance in Eleventh-Century Lotharingia

Pieter Byttebier, Univ. Gent/Columbia Univ.

The Sacrifice of Abraham in Greece: Immanence, Interpellation, Appropriation

Stratos E. Constantinidis, Ohio State Univ.

Respondent: Kathleen Ashley, Univ. of Southern Maine

#### Ritus, Artes, Musica: A Session in Honor of Nils Holger Peterson

#### Session 457, Saturday 3:30 PM, Schneider 1125

Organizer: Amy S. Kaufman, Middle Tennessee State Univ. Presider: Richard Utz, Georgia Institute of Technology

A Vigil for Thomas Becket: Nils Holger Petersen's Canterbury Pilgrimage

Kathleen Verduin, Hope College

Medievalist Good Will and the Christmas Carol Tradition

Clare A. Simmons, Ohio State Univ.

Dramatic Elements in Medieval Liturgical Poetry

Gunilla Iversen, Stockholms Univ.

Liturgy, Drama, and Liturgical Drama

Michael L. Norton, James Madison Univ.

## Emotions and Performativity in Early Drama, Art, and Music Session 399, Saturday 1:30, Fetzer 2016

Sponsor: Early Drama, Art, and Music

Organizer: Jesse D. Hurlbut, Brigham Young Univ.

Presider: Alexandra F. Johnston, Records of Early English Drama

Mixed Sympathies: Thinking and Feeling about Jews in the *Ludus de Antichristo* 

Caitlin Hamilton, Univ. of Virginia

Awe and Astonishment in Medieval French Narrative

Evelyn Birge Vitz, New York Univ.

Planctus Universitatis Oxoniensis and the Affective

Performativity of Lamentation

Thomas Meacham, Univ. of Connecticut

Everyman, the London Old Vic, and World War I

Pamela M. King, Univ. of Glasgow

#### Papers of Interest

#### Cornering the Snarket (Return of the Sting) Session 26, Thursday 10:00, Schneider 1280

Going to Hell Defensively: Sarcasm in the York "Fall of the Angels" Play

Elza C. Tiner, Lynchburg College

#### In Memory of John H. Fisher, Scholar and Editor Session 42, Thursday 10:00, Bernhard 209

What Was Scribe C Doing with the N-Town Plays? Britt Mize, Texas A&M Univ.

### Writing to Know: Medieval Literature and the Production of Knowledge

Session 146, Thursday 3:30, Sangren 1730

Producing Knowledge in the Chester Cycle *Helen Cushman, Harvard Univ.* 

# "Can These Bones Come to Life?": Insights from Reconstruction, Re-enactment, and Re-creation Session 214, Friday 10:00, Bernhard 106

Part of the Whole: Deciphering Medieval Stage Techniques through Performance

Lydia Craig, Loyola Univ. Chicago, and Richard Gilbert, Loyola Univ. Chicago

#### What Devils Say

#### Session 365, Saturday 10:00, Schneider 1320

"New Engynes of Malycyous Conspiracy": Linguistic Temptation in the Demon's Prologue to N-Town Passion Play 1

Valerie Gramling, Univ. of Miami

Nonsense and Devil-Talk: Impious Improvisation in John Skelton and Others

Thomas H. Crofts, III, East Tennessee State Univ

#### Interdisciplinary Approaches to the Late Medieval Lyric Session 517, Sunday 8:30, Bernhard 209

A Proposed Context for the Paraliturgical Drama "Tragedia de Sancta Agnetis" through Intertextual Analysis of Its Troubadour Contrafacta

Verónica Guimarães, Graduate Center, CUNY

#### Teaching the Low Countries in Translation: Medieval Multilingualism and the Modern Classroom (A Roundtable) Session 148, Thursday 3:30, Sangren 1750

Developing a Middle Dutch Canon in Translation: The Drama Angle

Mandy Lowell, Cornell Univ.

### **Unhappy Families: Literary Inheritance in the Fifteenth Century (A Roundtable)**

Session 283, Friday 3:30 p.m. Valley I Ackley 105 Loop the Noose: The Oedipal Judas in Late Medieval Drama Mariah Min, Univ. of Pennsylvania

#### Early Modern English Literature Session 381, Saturday 10:00 a.m., Bernhard 211

Plantagenet Mournings: Forms of Temporality and Chronotope in Shakespeare's *Richard II* and *The Life and Death of King John* 

Ken Fullam, East Tennessee State Univ.
Confining Spaces, Prospective Times: Imprisonment and Temporality in Early Modern Drama
Charlotte Thurston, Graduate Center, CUNY

#### The 51<sup>st</sup> Congress on Medieval Studies Performances, Dramatic and Other



#### The Translation of Saint Osmund (Performance) Session 329, Friday 3:30, Kanley Chapel

Sponsor: Gregorian Institute of Canada / L'Institut Grégorien du Canada

Organizer: William Renwick, Gregorian Institute of Canada Presider: William Renwick

Saint Osmund (d. 1099) was the last English saint to be canonized (in 1456) before the reformation. In 1457 a great celebration was held at Salisbury Cathedral as his remains were translated into a new shrine. The music composed for the Translation of Saint Osmund, which survives in only a single manuscript, thus represents the final flowering of chant composition in England. This performance is the first since the reformation of all the surviving Sarum chant composed in honor of Saint Osmund.

The performers are Alison Altstatt, Univ. of Northern Iowa; Robin Ehlert, Gregorian Institute of Canada; Mary Gillmeister, Gregorian Institute of Canada; Peter Goodrich, Gregorian Institute of Canada; Lara Housez, McMaster Univ.; Elizabeth Langs, Gregorian Institute of Canada; Eric MacKay, Gregorian Institute of Canada; Jonathan Marler, Gregorian Institute of Canada; Susan McKay, Gregorian Institute of Canada; Patricia Maynes, Gregorian Institute of Canada; Peggy Read, Gregorian Institute of Canada; Islay-May Renwick, Gregorian Institute of Canada; James Renwick, Univ. of Toronto; and Elaine Sheppard, Gregorian Institute of Canada.

#### I Dilettosi Fiori Fourteenth-Century Music for Clavicimbalum and Flutes Lecture/Performance Corina Marti Friday, May 13, 7:30 p.m., Kanley Chapel, WMU

In a special collaboration with the Gilmore International Keyboard Festival, the Medieval Institute presents Corina Marti in a program of fourteenth-century music performed on historical instruments. An expert on medieval and Renaissance music, Marti is a Swiss-born artist on the faculty of the Schola Cantorum Basiliensis.

#### Performing Malory: The Tale of Sir Gareth Friday 7:30 PM, Valley III Stinson Lounge (A Readers' Theater Performance)

Organizer: Steffi Delcourt, Univ. of Rochester Presider: Alison Harper, Univ. of Rochester

A readers' theater performance with Steffi Delcourt; Timothy R. Jordan, Ohio Univ.—Zanesville/Zane State College; Patricia V. Lehman, Univ. of Michigan—Ann Arbor; Elaine Isaak, Independent Scholar; David Carlton, Western Univ.; Kara Larson Maloney, Binghamton Univ.; Sara Lou Stuart, Independent Scholar; Carolyn F. Scott, National Cheng Kung Univ.; Kimberly Jack, Athens State Univ.; Laura K. Bedwell, Univ. of Mary Hardin-Baylor; John Lowell Leland, Salem International Univ.; Kyle Huskin, Univ. of Rochester.

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#### Performances of Marie de France

Session 441, Saturday 3:30 p.m, Valley II, LeFevre Lounge

Sponsor: International Marie de France Society Organizer: Ann McCullough, Middle Tennessee State Univ. Presider: Ann McCullough

Performances by Tamara Bentley Caudill, Tulane Univ.; Chris Treen, Independent Scholar; Ronald Cook, Independent Scholar; Walter A. Blue, Hamline Univ.; and Simonetta Cochis, Transylvania Univ.

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Robert Stuart Sturges. *The Circulation of Power in Medieval Biblical Drama: Theaters of Authority*. Houndmills, Basingstoke, Hampshire; New York, NY: Palgrave Macmillan, 2016.

Kenneth S. Jackson. *Shakespeare and Abraham*. Notre Dame: University of Notre Dame Press; 2015

Anne Sandoe and Shirley Carnahan. From Women's Eyes: Shakespeare's Female Characters in Their Own Words (Volume 1). Shakespeare Oratorio Society. 2015.

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Charlotte Steenbrugge. A Study of Dramatic Traditions in Medieval and Sixteenth-Century England and the Low Countries. Amsterdam: Rodopi; 2014.

W.R. Streitberger, *The Masters of the Revels and Elizabeth I's Court Theatre*. Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2016.

#### **Books, Anthologies**

- Peter Happé and Wim Hüsken, Eds. *Staging Scripture: Biblical Drama, 1350-1600*. Leiden and Boston: Brill, 2016. Peter Happé. Introduction.
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  - Philip Butterworth. The Bible and the Towneley Plays of *Isaac* and *Iacob*.
  - Diana Wyatt. Play Titles without Play Texts: What can they tell us, and how? An Investigation of the Evidence for the Beverley Corpus Christi Play.
  - Roberta Mullini. The Norwich Grocers' Play(s) (1533, 1565): Development and Changes in the Representation of Man's Fall.
  - Katie Normington. "Have here a Drink full good": A Comparative Analysis of Staging Temptation in the Newcastle Noah Play.
  - Peter Happé. Staging the Resurrection.
  - Charlotte Steenbrugge. Preaching Penance on the Stage in Late Medieval England: The Case of John the Baptist.
  - David Bevington. Staging and Liturgy in *The Croxton Play of the Sacrament*.
  - Bob Godfrey. Herod's Reputation and the Killing of the Children: Some Theatrical Consequences.
  - Philip Crispin. Passion Play: Staging York's *The Conspiracy* and Christ before Annas and Caiaphas.

- James McBain. "Alle out of hir self": Mary, Effective Piety and the N-Town Crucifixion.
- Sarah Carpenter. Performing the Scriptures: Biblical Drama after the Reformation.
- Greg Walker. Blurred Lines? Religion, Reform, and Reformation in Sir David Lyndsay's *Ane Satyre of the Thrie Estaitis*.
- Elisabeth Dutton and Stephanie Allen. Seeing and Recognizing in the Sacred and New: The Latin Scriptural Plays of Nicholas Grimald.
- Garrett P. J. Epp. "Be ye thus trowing": Medieval Drama and Make-Belief.

Arzu Öztürkmen and Evelyn Birge Vitz editors. Medieval and Early Modern Performance in the Eastern Mediterranean. Turnhout: Brepols, 2014.

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Revital Refael-Vivante. The *Maqama* — Between a Tale and a One-Man Show: In Search of its Form of Performance.

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Marija-Ana Durrigl. Signals of Performability in the Croatian Glagolitic Legend of St John Chrysostom.

Michael Curschmann. The Performance of Joinville's Credo. David Rotman. Medieval Folktales, Modern Problems, and a Gifted Preacher: The Case of Rabbi Joseph Hayyim and the 'Tale of a Fox that Left his Heart at Home'.

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Przemys Ław Marciniak. How to Entertain the Byzantines: Some Remarks on Mimes and Jesters in Byzantium.

Tivadar Palagyi. Between Admiration, Anxiety, and Anger: Views on Mimes and Performers in the Byzantine World.

Koray Durak. Performance and Ideology in the Exchange of Prisoners between the Byzantines and the Islamic Near Easterners in the Early Middle Ages.

Suraiya Faroqhi. Fireworks in Seventeenth-Century Istanbul. Ozdemir Nutku. Clowns at Ottoman Festivities.

Danielle Haase-Dubosc. Lady Mary Wortley Montagu (1689–1762): Her Turkish Performances.

Ehud R. Toledano. The Fusion of *Zar-Bori* and Sufi *Zikr* as Performance: Enslaved Africans in the Ottoman Empire.

Part 3. Modes and Varieties of Entertainment.

Cemal Kafadar. How Dark is the History of the Night, How Black the Story of Coffee, How Bitter the Tale of Love: The Changing Measure of Leisure and Pleasure in Early Modern Istanbul.

Daryo Mizrahi. One Man and His Audience: Comedy in Ottoman Shadow Puppet Performances.

Mas 'Ud Hamdan. Shadow Theatre, the *Karagoz* (*Kara Gyooz*) and the Texts of Ibn Daniyal (1248–1311?).

Noune Zeltsburg-Poghosyan. Armenian Traditional Music and the Performance Practices in the Armenian Community of Jerusalem.

Judith R. Cohen. Constructing the Performed Identity of Sephardic Songs.

Elena Marushiakova and Vesselin Popov. Gypsy Musicians and Performances in the Ottoman Balkans.

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Emma Petrosyan. Theatrical Features in Armenian Manuscripts.

Hrant Khachikyan. Capital Initials with Images of Musicians in Armenian Manuscripts.

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Samia Mehrez. Representing the Moulid: Salah Jahin's *Al-Layla al-Kabira* between Populist and Nationalist Aspirations.

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Elsie Ivancich Dunin. The Moreška Dance/Drama on the Island of Korčula (Croatia): A Turkish Connection?

Cem Behar. The Show and the Ritual: The Mevlevi *Mukabele* in Ottoman Times.

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Jeremy Lopez. Time for James Shirley.

Rebecca Hasler. The Comic and the Apocalyptic in Shirley's Drama.

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Rachel Ellen Clark. Rebellion in Arcadia: Caroline Anti-Militarism in Dramatic Adaptations of Sidney.

Rebecca Bailey. A Conflict More Fierce than Many Thousand Battles: Staging the Politics of Treason and Allegiance in James Shirley's Maritime Plays, *The Young Admiral* and *The Court Secret*.

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Robert Lublin. Shirley's Dublin Days: A Nervous Première of *St. Patrick for Ireland*.

Dan Starza Smith. Papers Most Foul: The Melbourne Manuscript and the 'Foul Papers' Debate.

Jitka Štollová. Plotting Paratexts in Shirley's *The Politician*. Philip West. The Drama of Shirley's Poems.

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Susan Nakley. On the Unruly Power of Pain in Middle English Drama. *Literature & Medicine*. Fall 2015.

Karen Sawyer Marsalek. Shakespeare's Medieval Craft: Remnants of the Mysteries on the London Stage. *Review of English Studies*. September, 2015.

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John Freeman. Re-Proofing the "Zero Part of Speech" in *Hamlet*.

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Elizabeth Schafer. Introduction: Attending to Early Modern Women as Theatre Makers.

Alison G. Findlay. Reproducing Iphigenia at Aulis.

Ramona Wray. Performing *The Tragedy of Mariam* and Constructing Stage History.

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- M. Harris, The Persecution of the Palmesel: Iconoclasm and Survival in Prague, Zurich, and Augsburg
- A. Kemper, Das Heiligkreuz-Sujet und die Organisation des weltlichen Zusammenlebens im Medium städtischer und jesuitischer Spiele
- J. Eming, Das Heilige in der Neuen Welt: Sarah Ruhls Passion Play: A Cycle und Tennessee Williams' Orpheus Descending
- C. Dauven-van Knippenberg, Christoph Schlingensief und das Schauspiel des Mittelalters: Beobachtungen

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Alexandra F. Johnston. The *Second Shepherds' Play*: a play for the Christmas season.

Meg Twycross. 'They did not come out of an Abbey in Lancashire': Francis Douce and the manuscript of the Towneley Plays.

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Lisa Walters. Monstrous Births and Imaginations: Authorship and Folklore in Shakespeare's *A Midsummer Night's Dream*.

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Christine Varnado. Getting Used, and Liking It: Erotic Instrumentality in *Philaster*.

Brian Pietras. Fletcher's Promiscuous Poetics.

Edel Lamb. "Shall we playe the good girles": Playing Girls, Performing Girlhood on Early Modern Stages.

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#### Chief Editor: Mario B. Longtin

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Dimitry Senyshyn. *Mucedorus*, Shakespeare and the Persistence of Romance.

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Andy Kesson."Trying television by candlelight": Shakespeare's Globe's *The Duchess of Malfi* on BBC4.

Oliver Jones. The Dutch Courtesan Online.

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Kristin N. Denslow. "Clearly it's nothing alarming ... It's only Shakespeare": Conjuring the Shakespeare Specter in Ernst Lubitsch's *To Be or Not To Be*.

Victoria Sparey. Performing Puberty: Fertile Complexions in Shakespeare's Plays.

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Irene Middleton. A Jew's Daughter and a Christian's Wife: Performing Jessica's Multiplicity in *The Merchant of Venice*.

Alan C. Dessen. Of an Age But Not For All Time?: Staging Shakespeare's Contemporaries at the Swan.

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Annual awards given to recognize achievement in publication, conference presentation, and archives research in the field of early drama studies.

For an essay or book published in the 18 months before January 31, 2017:

- Martin Stevens Award for best new essay in early drama studies (\$250 award + one year membership in MRDS)
- Barbara Palmer Award for best new essay in early drama archival research (\$250 award + one year membership)
- David Bevington Award for best new book in early drama studies (non-Shakespearean, no edited volumes) (\$500 award + two years membership)

For a conference paper presented in the 12 months before January 31, 2017:

 Alexandra Johnston Award for best conference paper in early drama studies by a graduate student (\$250 award + one year membership in MRDS)

#### **Entry Information**

- Deadline for nominations: January 31, 2017
- Eligibility: All MRDS members and non-members
- The Judges: Each category is judged by committees made up of members of the MRDS Executive Council.

Submissions: Gordon Kipling, kipling@humnet.ucla.edu. For Further information: http://themrds.org/upcoming-awards.

#### **Conferences and Calls for Papers**





#### SITM/REED N-E Joint Colloquium and Theatrum Mundi Festival

#### The fifteenth triennial colloquium of the Société Internationale pour l'étude du Théâtre Médiéval 2016

The fifteenth triennial colloquium of the Société Internationale pour l'étude du Théâtre Médiéval, jointly sponsored by the North East research team of Records of Early English Drama, will be held in Durham, England on 7-12 July, 2016 immediately after the IMC in Leeds.

For details of the colloquium please visit the web site: http://community.dur.ac.uk/reed.ne/.

Booking details for the Colloquium are available at https://www.dur.ac.uk/conference.booking/details/?id=586

Also, download the entire program for the Colloquium at http://community.dur.ac.uk/reed.ne/wp-content/uploads/SITM.REED-N-E-2016-Programme.pdf.

There will be five general themes for the conference:

- i. Performing Latin
- ii. Archive-based research
- iii. Reformation, Recusant and Humanist Drama
- iv. Revivals, Reinventions, Inventions
- v. Paratheatrical Performative Tradition / Ritual and Festive Culture

#### Othello's Island Conference 5th Annual Conference Nicosia • Cyprus 5 to 8 April 2017

The annual international conference on mediaeval, renaissance and early modern art, literature, social and cultural history.

Lead Academic Co-ordinator: Dr Michael Paraskos (City and Guilds of London Art School and Imperial College London)

Held annually since 2013, Othello's Island is the leading gathering in the Mediterranean region of academics, students and members of the public interested in medieval, renaissance and early modern art, literature, history and culture.

Attracting speakers from all over the world, Othello's Island is the place to present and discover the latest research on this period, and to make new connections between the different disciplines.

For more information please visit http://www.othellosisland.org/Call for Papers: http://www.othellosisland.org/#!call-for-papers/cox6

#### CFP: Medieval Association of the Midwest's 32nd Annual Conference October 6-8, 2016

Theme: "Materiality and Performance"
The College of St. Scholastica, Duluth, Minnesota

This year's conference will coincide with the Folger Shakespeare First Folio Exhibit at the University of Minnesota, Duluth. Attendees will be able to take in the exhibit as well as other related events marking the 400th anniversary of Shakespeare's death. The conference theme emphasizes performance and material culture. Organizers, however, will also welcome paper and session proposals on any topic related to medieval and early modern history, literature, and culture.

Paper/Session Proposals Deadline: Friday, July 22, 2016 Please send proposals or inquiries via email or regular post: William Hodapp The College of St. Scholastica 1200 Kenwood Avenue Duluth, MN 55811-4199 whodapp@css.edu

## Ben Jonson Conference at the University of North Georgia-Gainesville

Our first bi-annual conference on early modern verse drama by Shakespeare's contemporaries will commemorate the 400th anniversary of the 1616 folio publication of Ben Jonson's *Workes*. We're calling for papers that examine some aspect of one or more of the playtexts found within this volume, but we also welcome topics involving Jonson's works in performance or Jonson's influence on seventeenth-century print culture. The conference will be held at the Gainesville campus of the University of North Georgia on September 23 and 24, 2016.

Information on registration, hotel accommodations, and other details will be provided soon (see our website: www.ung.edu/english/ben-jonson-conference). The evening activities will include a pair of Jonson's plays, *The Alchemist* and *Volpone*, produced especially for conference attendees by the Atlanta Shakespeare and Resurgens Theatre companies.

With the assistance of the University Press of North Georgia, we plan to publish a selection of papers from the proceedings. Please submit a 200-word abstract to Dr. Brent Griffin (brent.griffin@ung.edu) by Wednesday, June 15. We welcome proposals from graduate students and early career researchers.

2017 Annual Meeting of the Medieval Academy Of America Toronto, Ontario, Canada April 6-8, 2017

Call for Papers:

http://www.medievalacademy.org/?page=2017Meeting

Please note: "Drama and Performance in Urban Centers"

#### **Forthcoming Performances**

The Norwich Stonemasons' Play Adapted by Gail McMurray Gibson Norwich, Saturday 28th May, 2016



#### From the announcement:

The Guild of St. Stephen & St. George is very grateful to East Anglian medieval drama expert, Professor McMurray Gibson, for rewriting the 'N-Town' Play, 'Cain & Abel' for our guild members to perform. The rewriting is an adaptation of the original rendering it understandable to twenty first century audiences. The Master & apprentices of our guild will be performing this play across seven city centre locations in Norwich .

For more information, please visit http://gildencraft.blogspot.com/2016/04/the-norwich-stonemasons-play-by-gail.html.

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#### **Recent Performances**

The Mary Play: From the Medieval N-Town Manuscript Presented by Poculi Ludique Societas & Centre for Drama, Theatre and Performance Studies Friday November 6 and Saturday November 7, 2015

From the Announcement:

The N-Town Mary Play is a Medieval English drama chronicling the biography of the Virgin Mary, from her own immaculate conception through her childhood Presentation at the Temple and the events leading up to the Annunciation when she is chosen to be the virginal mother of Christ. The Mary Play is a liturgical drama, full of choral music, which will be overseen in this production by Musical Director Andrea Budgey of the medieval music group Sine Nomine, and chaplain of Trinity College.



Directed by Kimberley Radmacher, the production is an adaptation of a piece originally staged in Oxford in 2009 under the supervision of scholar Elisabeth Dutton.

In conjunction with the performance, PLS will also host The Mary Play Symposium on Saturday November 7 from 11 am to 4:30 pm at the Centre for Medieval Studies, 125 Queen's Park at Bloor, Room 310.

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#### 2016 MRDS Business Meeting Agenda Saturday, 14 May 2016 – Fetzer 2016

- 1. Welcome (Vicki)
- 2. Approval of Business meeting minutes from 16 May 2015 (Vicki)
- 3. Secretary-Treasurer's report for 2015-2016 (Frank)
- 4. Announcements
  - a. 2015 MRDS Awards (Jim)
  - b. Executive Council and Vice President election results (Frank)
  - c. EEDT update (Vicki)
  - d. http://themrdsd.org (Vicki)
  - e. twitter @the MRDS (Cameron)
  - f. ROMARD (Mario)
  - g. SITM (Sandy et al.)
  - h. Other
- 5. Action items
  - a. MRDS Articles of Incorporation, Bylaws and tax status (Vicki)
  - b. MRDS sponsored sessions for 2017 (Vicki et al.)
- 6. Discussion items
- 7. Adjournment

#### 2015 MRDS Business Meeting Minutes Saturday, May 16, 2016, 5:15 PM, 2020 Fetzer, WMU

- 1. Minutes of the meeting of 9 May 2014 (Carolyn Coulson) Tina moves; Frank seconds. Approved.
- 2. Treasurer's report (Carolyn) David moves; Mario seconds. Approved.
  - a. Financial stewardship Paypal council approves.
  - b 501C3
- 3. MRDS awards (Vicki Hamblin) three of four categories had lots of nominees.
  - a. David Bevington Award 13 noms. 10 were eligible (no Shakespeare or edited volumes); thanks to Lofty for chairing. Claire Sponsler The Queen's Dumbshows: John Lydgate and the Making of Early Theater. University of Pennsylvania Press. Very honored; can't be here.
  - b. Martin Stevens Award 8 noms. Tina chaired. Christopher Crosbie. "The Longleat Manuscript Reconsidered: Shakespeare and the Sword of Lath." *English Literary Renaissance* 44.2 (2014): 221-240.
  - c. Alexandra F. Johnston Award 1 nom. Not being awarded.
  - d. Barbara Palmer Award 6 noms. Shelia, committee member. Christopher Matusiak, "Elizabeth Beeston, Sir Lewis Kirke, and the Cockpit's Management during the English Civil Wars." Medieval and Renaissance Drama in England 27 (2014): 161-191.
  - e. Advertising and judging awards –discussion of outdated email lists…how to get the calls for nominations out. Facebook? Website? Council members form the committees rather than going further into membership? Get a forum going for council members to be reaching out to folks for nominations. More senior council members (2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> year) chairing along with VP. Automatically chairing or on Bevington. Matt moves. Carolyn seconds. Approved.
  - f. David wants to know if we did something different to get so many nominations. Publishers saw announcement last year and sent for this year. More self-nominations are coming in. Need to get decisions sooner so that the winners can make arrangements to come to Kalamazoo. We need a process to figure out how to "hear" papers at Kalamazoo. Generate a list of grad students from database. Reach out through facebook page. Need frequent blasts. Call for nominations. Form on website linked to profiles? Upload pdf? We need a streamlined digital process. Use of e-books could expire in 90 days.

#### 4. Nominations

- a. Election: results & new online system (Jesse)
  - i. VP: Jim Stokes
  - ii. Secretary/Treasurer: Frank Napolitano (Replacing Carolyn Coulson)
  - iii. Council: David Klausner & Suzanne Westfall (2015-2018) (Rob Barrett & Sheila Christie go off this year)
- b. Nominations for 2016 Council election (Lofty and Tina go off in 2016)
  - i. Chris Swift, Mark Chambers, Cameron McNabb, Claire Wright (Glenn Ehrstine)
  - ii. Matt we should ask Claire about connecting EED&P network (wordpress.com). They are organizing a symposium.

#### 5. Old Business

- a. Online presence: New Website (Jesse); Facebook page (Carolyn); Twitter @theMRDS (Cameron)
  - i. New website preview glitches. Couldn't get new site on eserver thru old site. It's right now on Jesse's backchannel. So we need to get it moved over to eserver eventually. the MRDS.org (right now). Reimburse Jesse for his personal expense. \$75. Right now, the only people who need to log in would be administrators and judges. We could hide the login in.
  - ii. Cameron will find out if two twitters can go to two different facebooks (since she feeds into her own facebook account). Medieval twitter hashtag what exactly should we advertise. Graduate students on hashtag. Cameron would like clarification about what she should advertise. #medievaltwitter
  - iii. Live tweet live broadcast of NT Everyman need to piggyback on that event. Need a hashtag.
- b. EEDTS (Jesse) no report yet. Jesse hasn't been to the table. Steve Wright had a volume coming out…not sure. Jesse will go before business meeting. If anyone has a translation project… Cost of books makes them difficult to assign. David K says he negotiated it and there was a price of \$15
- c. SITM (Vicki/David) Vicki has SITM brochures to hand out at business meeting. Mark or Pam should say something about Durham at business meeting. July 2016

#### 6. ROMARD

- a. Editor's Report (Mario)
  - i. Thanks to Pam Sheingorn (who had to step down from board). Would like to say something in meeting. She's been copy editing journals since M took over. Jane Toswell will be taking over copy editing. Next issue is of papers from two conferences held in Toronto -will come out in July. Back on track with numbers/years since Flanagan volume was a double issue. Budget is in good shape. We have secured the Shakespeare census will be online vetted. Wants to put together a Notes and Queries section. Would like

to have PLS publish performance scripts on website - texts that could be produced or read for class. Get younger audiences looking at site for reasons other than the journal.

#### b. ROMARD Editorial Board (Jill Stevenson)

- Need suggestions for new chair of Editorial board. Jill has one more year (MRDS council meeting is turning from one year to next). Other members Glenn Ehrstine, Max Harris, Susannah Crowder, Paul White none can take over as chair. Jill thinks a person who thinks more online presence, more outside the box. We need to generate submissions. Early Theatre has the same problems. Jill asks about the long range life of boutique journals, since mainstream journals are publishing more of the topics that they used to reject. Matt asks about problems of merging different journals (Early Theatre). Mario ebsco host, distribution problems. Ebsco has consolidated but nervous about journals. Mario old fashioned way of doing journals being for a select group of like-interested people. Big questions of whether we want to be part of MUSE.
- ii. De Gruyter is looking to sponsor journals. Jill suggests we look into housing it through a publisher. (Elisabeth Kempf, Project Editor, Literary & Cultural Studies) De Gruyter, Genthiner Strasse 13, 10785 Berlin, Germany, www.degruyter.com elisabeth.kempf@degruyter.com +49 (0)30.260 05-106
- iii. Rob Barrett hesitantly throws his hat in the ring for board chair (Jesse asked him to think about it). Paul White thinks he'd be great. ROB SAYS YES! Matt moved, Jesse seconded. Approved.
- iv. Editorial board can't make decision to add a sixth member. Jesse proposes we have sixth member. David seconds. Board approves.

#### 7. New Business:

- a. October 4-10 Wiki week fix it. Generate facebook attention.
- b. Topics for MRDS-sponsored sessions
  - i. Kalamazoo Congress (May 2016)—4 sessions
  - ii. Leeds Congress (July 2016)—2 sessions
  - iii. MLA (January 2017)—2 sessions, 1 co-sponsored
    - 1. Proposed:
      - a. Jim: Regionality (It's a wonderful play in the neighborhood)
      - b. Frank: Editing Medieval Drama texts
      - c. Mario: Translating for the Stage
      - d. Performance 1 person show?
      - e. PLS possibly performing (Pride of Life?)
      - f. David plays as devotional reading/non-performance texts or Reading plays
      - g. Staging wars scaffold vs pageant wagons
      - h. Way in which medieval performance traditions survive maybe co-sponsor with Babel.

#### 2. Approved Sessions:

- a. Kalamazoo:
  - i. Bob Clark: Training of the actor: Commemorative session for Robert Potter.
  - ii. Frank: Editing for the Classroom; Translating for the Stage (16 votes)
  - iii. Performance: PLS possibly performing (*Pride of Life? Mankind?*) (16 votes)
  - iv. Jill: Making Space / Making Time (17 votes)
  - v. Session Proposals Due to Medieval Congress: June 1, 2015.
  - vi. Send Proposals to Frank (fnapolitano@radford.edu): May 28, 2015.
- b. Leeds:
  - i. Jim: Regionality of Devotion and Play (it's a wonderful play in the neighborhood) Leeds, moderated by Clare Wright? (19 votes)
  - ii. Mario: Playing with Your Food (Leeds?). (18 votes)
- c. MLA (Jan 2017)
  - i. Cameron McNabb: Mummers (Lydgate Society? American Theater and Drama Society; Folklore)
  - ii. Helen Cushman and Maggie Solberg: Early Drama's Afterlives: survival, revival, reinvention (Folger?)
- 3. Possibly for next year:
  - a. Jim: Staging wars: scaffold vs. pageant wagons ("Off the Wagon"? "Place and Space"?)
  - b. David: plays as devotional reading/non-performance texts or reading plays (8 votes)
  - c. Jill: Beyond Representation: Medieval Drama and Performative Effects (5 votes)

#### 8. Announcements

- a. Alexandra Johnston announces that Elizabeth Dutton will be directing the N-Town Mary Play, November 6-7.
- b. David Klausner: PLS Festival of Early Drama. Toronto. Performing June 5-7.
- 9. Adjournment

Submitted by Frank Napolitano

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To join MRDS, send your name, your postal and e-mail addresses, and a check for your dues made out to "MRDS / Frank Napolitano, Treasurer" to

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