

Weekly Round-Up, 22 September 2016

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1 Lectures and Events

Internal

1.1 Conference Reminder: Cultures on the Move

A reminder of the forthcoming conference at TORCH:

Oxford, 23-24 September 2016

CULTURES ON THE MOVE: ITALY AND THE USA
LANGUAGE, LITERATURE, CINEMA

Invited speakers:

Giorgio Bertellini (Michigan)
Teresa Fiore (Montclair)
Virginia Pulcini (Turin)

For the Conference Programme, click [here](#).

To register, please click [here](#).

2 Calls for Papers

2.1 Call for Respondents - Pirandello Conference

As some of you may know, this year's Society for Pirandello Studies annual general conference will take place in Oxford, at Christ Church College, on October 15th, generously sponsored by the Faculty of Medieval and Modern Languages.

As we would love to get more of the Oxford community more involved, we are looking for students to give a 5-minute response to individual papers, which will be distributed prior to the conference. This is a great opportunity especially for graduate students in modern literature and theatre to participate in the event with a short response!

The theme of the conference is 'Pirandello: Aggression and Violence', and the event will comprise academic papers, round-table discussions, as well as performances and a film screening, all followed by a wine reception.

If you would like to get involved as a respondent, please send expressions of interest to alberica.bazzoni@mod-langs.ox.ac.uk by Friday 30th September.

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3 Adverts

Jobs, Recruitment and Volunteering

3.1 German Tutor Required for Two Children

We are Canadians who have lived in Germany for the past 6 years where our children, ages 8 & 10 attended the local German school. We have recently moved to the Oxford area and would like to find a young tutor or perhaps a university student from Germany preferably to homeshare with us. Room & board would be provided in exchange for continuing our children's German instruction (the room is furnished). We anticipate approximately 5-10 hours a week of flexible instruction. While we have the curriculum for our 8 year old (we are flexible if a different book set is preferred), we do not yet have a curriculum for our 10 year old who would have begun 5. Klasse at the Gymnasium. We are happy to discuss curriculum options with the prospective tutor.

About us: my husband is a spacecraft engineer for the European Space Agency at Harwell, and I am a history/politics professor. Our house is in the countryside, in very quiet pastoral surroundings, with a good express bus connection into Oxford.

Contact: Tammy Nemeth Appleid11@rocketmail.com

Miscellaneous

3.2 Seeking Opportunities & Accommodation Across Europe

I am a final-year D.Phil. student at the University of Oxford, studying German Literature. My undergraduate degree, from Cambridge, is in Mathematics and Neuroscience, and my master's, from St Andrews, is in English Literature. In addition, I can read and get by in French and Italian, can read and recite Ancient Greek, and have taught the following subjects up to and including A-level and IB: English, Maths, Physics, Chemistry, Biology, and German. I have taught German grammar and literature at Oxford, and English at St Andrews. Finally, I have published in a wide variety of newspapers, magazines, and scientific journals.

Until recently, I had a non-EU passport, which severely restricted my ability to travel through, live, or find work in Europe. Now that I have obtained my British citizenship, however, the good citizens of the UK have decided to deprive me (and millions of others) of the right to live and work in the EU. Nor, with the present government at the helm, could I take comfort in the hope that a reasonable settlement, one that preserves our right to free movement across the EU, will be reached in two years' time.

I have, from childhood, dreamt of wandering through Europe, of learning her languages, and of knowing its peoples and cultures intimately. I have longed to read the works of Homer and Dante in the original, to make daily pilgrimages to the Louvre and the Prado, and to tread the very grounds where once Aeschylus and Ovid might have wandered. And, given the political developments at present, I want to seize that opportunity while I still can.

So, if you have any knowledge of opportunities for working, and especially for teaching, in Europe, can spare a room for a few months, say, in Paris, Rome, Berlin, or Barcelona, or any other town or village across Western Europe and the Mediterranean, or simply can advise me on where to look for fellow poets and writers, and how to seek out opportunities for work and accommodation, please feel free to write to me at your earliest convenience. I shall value all counsel, and all opportunities. You are also welcome to re-post this notice at suitable local forums and websites. Needless to say, I have enough people from all walks of life to vouch for me, and can, if needed, forward my resumé immediately. I look forward to hearing from many of you.

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3.3 Car for Sale

Car for sale: Honda Civic, 10 years old with only 43500 on the clock, in great condition having been very well maintained. Full M.O.T. Last road-taxed in March 2016. Competitively priced, according to three price valuation sites: £3,500. Serious offers considered. Contact Robin Fiddian: robin.fiddian@wadh.ox.ac.uk

4 Year Abroad

4.1 Job Opportunities

DISCLAIMER: Please note that the inclusion of vacancies received by the Faculty is a facility to assist students in sourcing possible placements and does not constitute any sort of recommendation of the organisation, or agreement with the content of the vacancies; the Faculty attempts to provide as much information on vacancies available to students as possible and makes every effort to check that the content complies with equality legislation and is otherwise appropriate for student employment but cannot confirm the quality of the experience. Where negative feedback from previous students is received, appropriate action is taken. Students should make every effort to conduct their own research into the opportunities and providers to reassure themselves of the quality of the provision.

The latest job opportunities and internships received by the Faculty can now be found via the new jobs board: https://weblearn.ox.ac.uk/access/content/group/b25fcf31-6bb3-4051-94fc-a1286d230ade/ya_jobs.html

The new WebLearn Year Abroad pages are now 'live':

https://weblearn.ox.ac.uk/portal/hierarchy/humdiv/modlang/year_abroad

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