

Weekly Round-Up, 29 November 2018

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1 Lectures and Events

Internal

1.1 Poets Translating Poets Reading Group

Lecture Room A, Queen's College at 5.30pm on 29th November (Thursday of 8th week).

The reader can be downloaded here:

https://drive.google.com/open?id=11eO_P8fO-HXQCQO49m9PX4ihHeMLS9_g

We have a limited number of spaces available for a casual dinner (kindly funded by Queen's) after the session. If you would like to join us for dinner, please let us know. We hope to see you there!

1.2 ISO Event: Sophia Psarra (UCL), 'City-craft and Statecraft: Venice and Humanist Urban Culture'

Thursday 29 November, 5pm, 47 Wellington Square, First Floor Lecture Room

This lecture will explore the spatial transformations in the city of Venice, tracing a pattern of evolution from an island commune to a state, then a republic and an imperial power. Parallel to these transformations was the creation of an ideal image of the city as a cohesive and stable community, in the process of achieving prosperity through the political virtues of republican governance and communal action. The 'Myth of Venice' coalesced from a loose collection of popular beliefs, which in the fifteenth and sixteenth centuries became formalised through works of art, civic ritual and official historiography.

Analysing the urban structures of Venice and the prevailing institutions of Venetian life, the lecture will relate urban form, governance, social resilience and creative invention in understanding Venice and its Myth as the most serene Republic.

Main contact for further details: italianstudies@area.ox.ac.uk

1.3 Bodleian iSkills Week 9: Getting started in Oxford

[Bodleian iSkills: Getting started in Oxford Libraries \(Monday 3rd December 14.00-17.00\)](#)

An introduction to Oxford Libraries including guidance on which libraries to use; finding and using books, journals and other materials in print and online; and making the most of Library services. This workshop will help you settle into searching for literature at Oxford with confidence.

Who is this session for? All Oxford Library users.

Our full timetable for Michaelmas Term is at <http://libguides.bodleian.ox.ac.uk/workshops/workshopsbydate>.

1.4 DPhil Mentoring Tea

Monday, 3 December 2018 47 Wellington Square Common Room 4:00pm

The MML Graduate Network warmly invites DPhil students to our first Mentoring event of the academic year. If you have been participating in the MML Mentoring Scheme or would like to be involved, either as a mentor or mentee, come take a break from end-of-term commitments and join us for coffee, tea, and biscuits.

Main contact for further details: Yvette Siegert, yvette.siegert@mod-langs.ox.ac.uk

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1.5 Call for expressions of interest: Medieval Italian Reading Group (Hilary Term)

Weeks 2,4,6,8 (Hilary Term)

Starting in Hilary Term 2019 a new Medieval Italian reading group will meet fortnightly to read and discuss medieval texts which offer insights into general patterns of medieval thought and culture. Our theme for Hilary term is 'Memory'. While the reading group is targeted principally at graduate students working on aspects of medieval Italian culture, we would encourage participation from undergraduates (particularly those taking Papers VI or IX) and faculty members as well.

For more information, or to register interest in taking part, please contact Caroline Dormor (caroline.dormor@balliol.ox.ac.uk) or Lachlan Hughes (lachlan.hughes@magd.ox.ac.uk).

External – Oxford

1.6 Etsy Made Local

Examination Schools, Sunday 2nd December, 10am – 4pm

Christmas Market organised by local Etsy sellers. 80+ local designers, makers and vintage sellers, live music
Free entry

** Please see item 1.6 attachment for further information:*

<https://weblearn.ox.ac.uk/x/XDbRmE>

1.7 Russian Film Week 2018 presents 4 screenings in Oxford for the first time. With English subtitles.

At the Curzon cinema, Westgate Centre.

Q&A in Russian/English (both). Students at £7.50 only. Tickets are on sale: <http://bit.ly/2DLDAy3>.

FB event: <https://www.facebook.com/events/187416058813341/>

3 Adverts

Miscellaneous

3.1 Security at the Taylorian

A reminder to be vigilant when using the Taylor Institution Library:

- Be aware of people tailgating (i.e. following you into the building without swiping their card) and alert the Premises Team if necessary
- Keep your belongings with you at all times. Please don't leave bags, laptops or valuables on desks if you are going to be absent for a long period
- Ask at the Issue Desk if you would like a locker to store your belongings in whilst you are in the building

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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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