

# 15th Biennial Conference

# **Possibilities**

3 – 5 December 2025 The University of Melbourne





# Programme Overview

Wednesday	9:15	Conference opening	
	10:00	Session 1	
	11:30	Tea break	
	12:00	Session 2	
	13:30	Lunch + GR/ECR Networking	
	14:30	Keynote 1	
	15:30	Tea break	
	16:00	Session 3	
	17:30	Opening reception	
Thursday	9:30	Session 4	
	11:00	Tea break	
	11:30	Session 5	
	13:00	Lunch + Parergon Editorial Session	
	14:00	Keynote 2	
	15:00	Tea break	
	15:30	Next Gen Plenary	
	18:00	Conference dinner	
Friday	9:30	Session 6	
	11:00	Tea break	
	11:30	Session 7	
	13:00	Lunch + ANZAMEMS OGM	
	14:00	Keynote 3	
	15:00	Tea break	
	15:30	Session 8	
	17:15	Conference close	

# CONFERENCE OPENING WEDNESDAY 9:15

### Public Lecture Theatre, Old Arts Building

#### **SESSION 1: WEDNESDAY 10:00-11:30**

1.A: Arthurian Possibilities Venue: Room 561, Level 5

Chair: Mairi Stirling-Hill – University of Melbourne

Bailey, Jen – Macquarie University

Encountering Kay, or "Ahi! Ahi! How angry you made me today!" Possibilities for the Development of Character in Reacting to Others.

Milazzo, Marta – Università di Milano Statale

The Same Future for Many Worlds: The Arthurian Prophetic Romance "Prophecies de Merlin"

Shales, Jessica - Cardiff University and Bristol University

The Arthur of the Britons

### 1.B: The Impossible Possibility of Gold in Early Modern Texts Venue: Room 353, Level 3

Chair: Heather Dalton – University of Melbourne

López-Peláez Casellas, Jesús – Universidad de Jaén

'Quod non mortalia pectora coges, auri sacra fames?' Approaches to Gold in Early Modern English and Spanish Emblems

Luis Martínez, Zenón – Universidad de Huelva

Epic 'valure' and its 'persuasiue likelihoods': Revisiting George Chapman's Golden Poetics in 'De Guiana'

Borge López, Francisco – Universidad de Oviedo

Richard Hakluyt's Discourse of Western Planting: Legitimizing an English New World through the Renunciation of Riches

1.C: Prophecy 1

Venue: Room 361, Level 3

Chair: Margaret Cameron – University of Melbourne

Green, Karen – University of Melbourne

Prophecy as Possibility in the Works of Christine de Pizan

Smith, Jenny – Monash University

Mirrors of Prophecy and the Limits of Possibility

# 1.D: Feeling the Sacred Spaces in the Middle Ages and the Early Modern (1): The Material Environment

Venue: Forum Theatre, Level 1

Chair: Valentina Baradel - University of Padua

Long, Micol —University of Milan

Architecture and Affect: The Role of the Material Environment in Monastic Experience (12th–13th Century)

#### Guidarelli, Gianmario - University of Padua

Space, Time and Light in Early Italian Renaissance Monastic Architecture

#### Martínez Martínez, Teresa - University of Padua

Stone and Water: The Sensory Role of Water in Iberian Medieval and Early Modern Religious Architecture

### 1.E: Medicine and Care

Venue: Room 556, Level 5

Chair: Andrew Brown - Massey University

#### Burrell, Elizabeth - Monash University

Sounds, Smells and Touches: The Sensory Experience of Caregiving in Middle English Medical Texts.

#### Sellberg, Karin – University of Queensland

'Nothing greater than her heart': Queen Christina of Sweden and the Medical and Spiritual Idea of the Godly Heart

#### Tait, Richard – Independent Researcher

Physicians' Practice in Early Modern Venice: Defining What's Possible

#### 1.F: Medieval and Early Modern Friendship (I)

Venue: Room 356, Level 3

Chair: Daniel Anlezark – University of Sydney

#### Knowles, Emma – Australian Catholic University

Freond or Foe?: Friends and Enemies in the Old English Exodus

#### Kane, James – Flinders University

Friendship and the Crusades, c. 1095-c. 1200

#### Sebo, Erin – Flinders University

Finding Friendship in Beowulf? Social Attitudes in the 7th and 8th Centuries

#### 1.G: Sensory Possibilities in the Eastern Mediterranean

Venue: Room 355, Level 3

Chair: TBC

#### Gador-Whyte, Sarah – Australian Catholic University

Possibilities of the Night: Transformation in Early Byzantine Nocturnal Ritual Settings

#### Nelson, Robert – University of Melbourne

Cultivating an Athletic Body: A Crisis of Possibilities in Byzantine Values

#### 1.H: Possessing the Possible: Contemporary Reinterpretations of Medieval and Early

Modern Art Collections 1 Venue: Room 553, Level 5

Chair: Jaynie Anderson - University of Melbourne

Marshall, Christopher R. – University of Melbourne; Reid, Callum – University of Melbourne Activating Objects, Illuminating Minds: Curating an Exhibition on a Distinguished Scholar and Teacher of Medieval Art

#### Foster, Sally – University of Melbourne

The Possibilities of Material Worlds: A Curator's Perspective on the Uses of Early Modern Prints in the Prints & Drawings Collection, Archives and Special Collections, The University of Melbourne.

#### <u>Jackson</u>, <u>Julia</u> – <u>Independent Scholar</u>

The Abbey Museum's Old Masters: An Exercise in Reinvention

## 1.I: Possibilities of Kingship Venue: Room 354, Level 3

Chair: Matthew Firth - Flinders University

#### Moloney, Lucy - Deakin University

Once and Future: Political Alignment and Alliance Making in Britain Through Appeals to Prophecy and the Past

#### O'Hagan, Reilly - University of Sydney

"By the Kyng...": The Pre-Kingship Self-Image of Henry VII

#### Iwańczak, Wojciech – Ignatianum University Cracow

Emperor Charles IV's Attitude Towards History

### **MORNING TEA BREAK: 11:30**

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#### **SESSION 2: WEDNESDAY 12:00–13:30**

### 2.A: Deathly Possibilities

Venue: Room 356, Level 3

Chair: Stephanie Trigg - University of Melbourne

#### <u>Albiston, Rose – University of Melbourne</u>

'For a man may die with "Lord haue mercy" in his mouth, & perish eternally': The Limits of Hope in Late-Medieval and Early Modern *Ars moriendi* 

#### Barbezat, Michael - Australian Catholic University

Liturgical Commemoration and the Speech of the Dead

#### Swanson, Stephanie – University of Sydney

Vice Disguised as Virtue: A New Interpretation of the 'Beggars' in the Trecento Triumph of Death

#### 2.B: Histories and Futures of the Codex in Australia

Venue: Room 361, Level 3

Chair: Callum Reid - University of Melbourne

Welch, Anna – SLV & Australian National University

The Idea of the Rare Book in Australia: Histories and Futures

<u>Makhlouf, Tarek – University of Melbourne</u>

Reading Outside the Box: Paratextual Misadventures in Arabic Manuscripts

#### 2.C: Fantastic Possibilities

Venue: Forum Theatre, Level 1

Chair: Charlotte Millar

Barnett, Jenny Davis - University of Queensland

Possibilities of Flight in the Origins of the Witches' Sabbath (1430s Western Alps)

Moss, Isabelle – University of Melbourne

Demonic Seduction in the Collection of Johann Jakob Wick

Parish, Debra – University of Queensland

Apparitions, Devils, and Witchcraft in Anti-Quaker Propaganda: England 1650–1660

# 2.D: Feeling the Sacred Spaces in the Middle Ages and the Early Modern (2). Moving Through the City

Venue: Room 556, Level 5

Chair: Micol Long

Baradel, Valentina – University of Padua

Dressing Devotion: Clothing, Identity, and the Bianchi Procession of 1399

Crow, Jason – Monash University

Doubting the Sacred Geography of the City: The Function of Miracles in Giovanni Corversini da Ravenna's *La processione dei Bianchi nella citta de Padova* (1399)

Frighetto, Vittorio - University of Padua

Relics on the Move: The Case of Saint Frederick's Bust from the Church of Saint Salvator in

Medieval Utrecht

#### 2.E: Queens and Courtly Women 1

Venue: Room 354, Level 3

Chair: Peter Sherlock - Charles Sturt University

Field, Mirabelle - University of Auckland

"Queen would be": The Impossible Representation of Maria Fitzherbert in Caricature

Girling, Ailish – Independent scholar

The Possibility of Female Rule in the Tudor Era: The Example of the Tudor Queens

Seah, Michele – University of Newcastle

Was It Possible to be a Successful Queen Consort in Sixteenth Century England?

#### Wednesday, 3 December – ANZAMEMS 2025 Conference Programme

#### 2.F: Medieval and Early Modern Friendship (II)

Venue: Room 353, Level 3

Chair: Erin Sebo – Flinders University

Walker, Claire - University of Adelaide

The Objects and Spaces of Friendship in Early Modern Convents

Claggett, Daniel - Flinders University and the University of Edinburgh

Finding Friendship in the Archaeological Record: Multiple-Inhumation Burial in the Viking Age

#### 2.G: Women's (Im)Possibilities

Venue: Room 561, Level 5

Chair: Louise D'Arcens – Macquarie University

Ingram, Leah – Monash University

"Sweet Saint continue still this patience": The Possibilities of Patience in the Reformation of Griselda in Thomas Heywood's How a Man May Choose a Good Wife from a Bad

Simpson-Weber, Emma – University of Queensland

Possibilities of Fiction in Early Modern Women's Manuscript Romance

Stirling Hill, Mairi – University of Melbourne

Impossible Bodies: Pregnancy, Childbirth, and Motherhood in Medieval Romance

## 2.H: Possessing the Possible: Contemporary Reinterpretations of Medieval and Early Modern Art Collections 2

Venue: Room 553, Level 5

Chair: Javnie Anderson & Christopher Marshall – University of Melbourne

Brown, Jane E. – University of Melbourne

An "original" Courtauld copy: Lord Conway's photographic collection at the University of Melbourne.

Villis, Carl – National Gallery of Victoria

Salvator Rosa's Romantic 'Landscape with Mercury and Argus' at the NGV: the overdue recovery of a long-diminished painting.

McNeil, Peter – University of Technology, Sydney

'Despots of elegance': Men's Fashion in the Museum, the 'Cult of the Self', and Contemporary Viewpoints

#### 2.I: Prophecy 2

Venue: Room 355, Level 3

Chair: Karen Green - University of Melbourne

<u>Davidson</u>, <u>Lola Sharon</u> – <u>University of Sydney</u>

Dream Interpretation and the Possibility of Foreknowledge

Taylor, Barbara - Australian National University

Prophetic Feelings: The Limits the Future in Shakespearean Romance

Spinks, Jenny – University of Melbourne

Lutheran Visual Culture, Signs of Christ, and a 1549 Vision

# LUNCH 13:30–14:30

# GR & ERC Networking Event, Research Lounge, Level 2 Illuminating Minds Tour

### KEYNOTE 14:30–15:30

Impossible Pasts and Possible Futures
Trans and Nonbinary History in the Middle Ages, and in this Moment

#### Leah DeVun

Professor of History, Rutgers University Public Lecture Theatre, Old Arts Building

### AFTERNOON TEA BREAK 15:30–16:00

**SESSION 3: WEDNESDAY 16:00–17:30** 

3.A: Women's Agency

Venue: Forum Theatre, Level 1

Chair: Catherine Kovesi - University of Melbourne

Beaumont, Daniel - University of Auckland

Encounters with Gertrude Savile's Melancholy of 1727

Tomas, Natalie - Monash University and Australian Catholic University

A Possible Sex Strike in Florence in July 1496

<u>Iames, Carolyn – Monash University</u>

Navigating the Impossible. The Political and Personal Dilemmas of Baldassare Castiglione, Courtier and Diplomat, amid the Valois-Hapsburg Wars of the Early Sixteenth Century

## 3.B: Experimental and Recreative Practice in Early Modern History: Methodology 1 Venue: Room 561, Level 5

Chair: Guy Geltner - Monash University

Griffey, Erin – University of Auckland

Cosmetic Recipes and the Methodologies of Experimental History

Munn, Victoria - University of Auckland

Empirical Beauty: Testing Early Modern Cosmetics in the Classroom

#### Wednesday, 3 December – ANZAMEMS 2025 Conference Programme

#### 3.C: Possibilities of Theology

Venue: Room 355, Level 3

Chair: Michael Champion - Australian Catholic University

Lo, Jonathan Chung-Yan - Monash University/University of Divinity

The Hermeneutical Legacy of Bonaventure of Bagnoregio and its Impact on Matthew of Aquasparta

Michałowska, Monika – Medical University of Łódź

Fourteenth-Century Oxonians on Simultaneous Willing and Nilling

Thompson, Nick – University of Auckland

The Apocalyptic Dimension of Sebastian Castellio's Theology of Doubt

#### 3.D: Possible Histories of the Hourglass

Venue: Room 553, Level 5

Chair: Jenny Spinks - University of Melbourne

Champion, Matthew - University of Melbourne

Possible Histories of the Hourglass

Nel, Petronella – University of Melbourne

Possible Materials Analyses of Sandglasses

Turnbull, Robert – University of Melbourne

Possible Sandglasses in Historical Artwork found by AI

#### 3.E: Queens and Courtly Women 2

Venue: Room 556, Level 5

Chair: Una McIlvenna – Australian National University

Bietz, Yannic – University of Adelaide

Queens Consort, Heraldry, and Public Interpretation in Tudor England

Chambers, Emily - Murdoch University

Accessing the Tudor Court: Alternative Pathways for Aristocratic Women under Henry VIII and Edward VI

Cox, Amber – University of Adelaide

'It Cannot Lightly Be a Chaste Maid, That is Occupied with Thinking on Armour, and Tourney and Man's Valiance': Tournaments and the Performance of Sovereignty in the Court of Elizabeth I

#### 3.F: Medieval and Early Modern Friendship (III)

Venue: Room 353, Level 3

Chair: James Kane – Flinders University

Firth, Matthew - Flinders University

Political Friendship in Wessex

Lawrence, Kate – Flinders University

Insular Friendships: Shared Elements in Early Medieval Manuscripts and High Crosses

Anlezark, Daniel – University of Sydney

Friendship in Later Anglo-Saxon Chronicle

#### 3.G: Global Histories and Futures of the Codex

Venue: Room 356, Level 3

Chair: Ros Smith - Australian National University

Fielden, Ned – San Francisco State University

Seventeenth Century Oxford/Cambridge Library Expansions: Anticipating Future Scholarship

<u>Iaswal, Chandini – Panjab University</u>

Kitābkhana -i Maryam Makhani (The Library of the Queen Mother): Exploring the life of Mughal Emperor Akbar's Mother, Hamidā Bānū Begum, through her Library

Wiesenfeldt, Gerhard - University of Melbourne

Agency within the Family University

#### 3.H: Otherwise than Authorship in Christian Text

Venue: Room 354, Level 3

Chair: Constant Mews - Monash University

Zecher, Jonathan L. – Australian Catholic University

Byzantine Literary Alchemy

Carlson, Stephen C. - Australian Catholic University

Anomalies of Authorship within the New Testament

Corrigan, Sarah – University of Melbourne

Collectors, Curators, and Contributors in the Early Medieval Latin West

#### 3.I: Possibility of Encounter

Venue: Room 361, Level 3

Chair: Yasmin Haskell - Monash University

Crossley, John – Monash University

Locating the Philippines

Laham Cohen, Rodrigo – University of Buenos Aires

(Possible) Judaisms between Late Antiquity and Early Middle Ages: The Possibilities of our Sources

Perry, William - University College Dublin

John Cartwright and Anthony Sherley: The Possibility of Encounter in Early Modern Isfahan

### **OPENING RECEPTION**

17:30-19:30

University House, Professor's Walk

#### **SESSION 4: THURSDAY 9:30–11:00**

#### 4.A: Memory and Materiality

Venue: Forum Theatre, Level 1

Chair: Jenny Spinks – University of Melbourne

Sherlock, Peter – Charles Sturt University

Entertaining Memory: A Tour of the Monuments of Westminster Abbey in 1656

Walsham, Alexandra - University of Cambridge

Doorways to Salvation? The Protestant Home and the Art of Inscription in Early Modern Britain

Zika, Charles – University of Melbourne

Ex Votos in Early Modern Europe: Technologies of the Self, Mediating Fear, Hope & Trust

## 4.B: Experimental and Recreative Practice in Early Modern History: Case Studies 2 Venue: Room 353, Level 3

Chair: Victoria Munn - University of Auckland

Newton-Jackson, Paul – University of Leuven

Identifying and Reconstructing Music from Sixteenth-Century Scottish Marginalia and Portraiture

Swan, Kate – University of Sydney

Using Experimental Archaeology to Investigate Sixteenth-Century Irish Dress

Newton-Jackson, Elizabeth - University of Auckland

Stitching for My Father: Seventeenth-Century Needlework Re-creation and Familial Ties.

## 4.C: Translating Text, Translating Cultures Venue: Room 561, Level 5

Chair: David Garrioch - Monash University

Nicholson, Jennifer E. – University of Sydney

Inconstancy and/as Possibility

<u>Duché</u>, Véronique – University of Melbourne

The Possibility of a New World

#### 4.D: Once and Future Possibilities: A Return to Arthur?

Venue: Room 355, Level 3

Chair: Shales, Jessica – Cardiff University and Bristol University

Mees, Bernard – Bangor University

King Arthur and the Origins of Bardic Verse

<u>Ioyce</u>, Stephen – Monash University

Gildas and the 'Age of Arthur'

Lenton, Ash – Australian National University

Resurgent Romano-British communities: The Archaeology for an 'Age of Arthur'?

#### Thursday, 4 December – ANZAMEMS 2025 Conference Programme

#### 4.E: Possibilities of the Body

Venue: Room 553, Level 5

Chair: Catherine Kovesi - University of Melbourne

Marshall, Simone - University of Otago/ Ōtākou Whakaihu Waka

The Possibility of the Left-Handed Scribe

Salzman, Paul – La Trobe University

Embodied Possibilities: The Anatomy in Early Modern Almanacs

Simons, Patricia – University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, and University of Melbourne

The Impossibility of Women Sculpting: Visual and Literary Representation

#### 4.F: Possible Bodies, Possible Materialities

Venue: Room 354, Level 3

Chair: Megan Cassidy Welch – University of Divinity

Sheeran, Deidre - University of Divinity

Tactile Encounters with the Reliquary of Sainte Foy (c. 900)

Steiner, Erica – University of Sydney

Needles in a Haystack: Identifying Early Medieval Insular Tattooing Tools

#### 4.G: Possibilities of Performance

Venue: Room 556, Level 5

Chair: Matthew Champion - University of Melbourne

Chinn, John – University of Queensland

Fencing and Theatre: Possible Connections through a Shared Space.

Nguyen, Ayaka – Independent Researcher

Possibilities of Performance in Early Modern East Asia: Misemono (見せ物), Kunqu (崑曲), and Talchum (탈音)

Sorensen, Peter - Hong Kong Baptist University

1479 and 1564: New Context for the "Song of the Women of Chalco"

### 4.H: Nicolas Trevet's Commentary and the Reception of Livy

Venue: Room 361, Level 3

Chair: Sarah Corrigan – University of Melbourne

Turner, Andrew J. – University of Melbourne

Problems Regarding the Textual Tradition of Trevet's Commentary

Torello-Hill, Giulia – University of New England

Determining the Impact of Trevet's Commentary on Vernacular Translations of Livy through Social Network Analysis

<u>Turnbull, Robert – University of Melbourne</u>

Using Phylogenetics to Reconstruct the Stemma for Livy I-V

Fitzgerald, Emily - University of Melbourne

The Importance of Evaluation when Working with AI: Digitising the Apparatus of Conway and Walters Edition of Livy's History of Rome

### MORNING TEA BREAK 11:00-11:30

#### **SESSION 5: THURSDAY 11:30–13:00**

5.A: Possibilities of Fashion Venue: Room 553, Level 5

Chair: TBC

Finger, Valentina – Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität Munich

Vested Ideals: Dress in Early Modern Utopias

Stephens, Melanie – University of Sydney

Secular to Sacred: Ecclesiastical Masculinity and the Wearing of Rings in

Fifteenth-Century Italy

Liu, Shiqiu – University of Melbourne

Paired-animal Medallions: Transmission and Integration under the Mongols in the Twelfth to

Thirteenth Century

## 5.B: New Modes of Music, Devotion and Feeling in the Medieval Liturgy Venue: Room 561, Level 5

Chair: Jason Stoessel - University of New England

Williams, Carol - Monash University

On Making Organum in Twelfth Century Paris

Mews, Constant J. – Monash University

Re-integrating John of Garland on Music, Poetry and Rhetoric

# 5.C: Feeling the Sacred Spaces in the Middle Ages and the Early Modern (3). Possibilities and Methodological Challenges

Venue: Room 556, Level 5

Chair: Jason Crow - Monash University

Murat, Zuleika - University of Padua

Reconstructing Medieval Processions: Methodological Challenges in Recovering Lived

Experiences

Tramarin, Davide - University of Padua

A Lost Experience? Reconstructing Medieval Processions in Post-War Cologne

Screen, Laura - University of Melbourne; Neal, Kathleen - Monash University

Processing: The Impact of Embodied Experience on Interpreting the Medieval Feast of St Anthony

#### Thursday, 4 December – ANZAMEMS 2025 Conference Programme

# 5.D: Managing the Future: Women, Fertility and the Body in Medieval and Early Modern Europe

Venue: Room 356, Level 3

<u>Chair: Claire Walker – University of Adelaide</u>

Horton, Tyler – University of Queensland

'Crowned by the hand of Queen Kristina': Representing Abdication, Succession, and Christina of Sweden

#### Forsyth, Alexandra – University of Auckland

'Strengthen against fluxions of the blood...and make peace and concord': Lapidary Medicine in the Portraits of Mary Stuart and Catherine de' Medici

#### Donaghy, Paige - University of Melbourne

'Take the navel string and dry it in an oven': The Uses of the Afterbirth in Early Modern European Medicine and Therapeutics

#### **5.E:** Encasing Bodies

Venue: Room 361, Level 3

Chair: Erin Griffey - University of Auckland

#### Bennett, Megan – University of Auckland

Encasing Gendered Bodies: Possibilities and Leather Garments in the Early Modern German-Speaking Lands

#### Bond, Katherine - University of Auckland

Clothing New Climes: Adaptation and Transformation of the Galenic Body in Early Modern Costume Images

# 5.F: Imagining the Future: From Past to Now – Roundtable Venue: Forum Theatre, Level 1

Chair: Charles Zika – University of Melbourne

Barclay, Katie - Macquarie University

Barnes, Diana - University of New England

McIlvenna, Una – Australian National University

Millar, Charlotte-Rose - University of Melbourne

#### 5.G: Possibilities of Connection

Venue: Room 354, Level 3

Chair: Nat Cutter - University of Melbourne

#### Bailey, Natasha – University of Sydney

Moderata Fonte (1555–1592) Thinks that Women are Better at Friendship than Men: A Reevaluation of *Il merito delle donne* 

#### Stoessel, Jason - University of New England

Social and Epistolary Networks of Musicians and Humanists in Ciconia's Padua

#### Davidson, Clare – Australian Catholic University

Emotional Possibilities of the Body Corporate in Late Medieval England

# 5.H: Figures of Possibility/The Possibility of Figures Venue: Room 353, Level 3

Chair: Joe Hughes – University of Melbourne

Benjamin, Andrew - University of Melbourne

What Figures with the Figure of Christ? A Note on Piero della Francesca and Raffaellino del Colle

<u>Clemens, Justin – University of Melbourne</u>

Figures of Disfigurement: Satan, Sin, and Death

Stanyon, Miranda – University of Melbourne

A Future for Andromache?

5.I: Sin and Wickedness Venue: Room 355, Level 3

Chair: Jacqueline van Gent - University of Western Australia

<u>Calcagno, Julian – Flinders University</u>

Hidden Possibilities: The Suspected Nature of Sin in the Old English Penitentials

<u>Groves, Peter – Monash University</u>

Spenser's 'Wicked' Women: Exploring Possibilities in the Impossible World of The Faerie Queene

Robertson, Rachael - Trinity College, University of Melbourne

"You have brought Sin to Heaven and Doom Upon the World": the Medieval Possibilities of Faith and Magic in Dragon Age: Inquisition."

# LUNCH 13:00–14:00

Parergon Editorial Team Session, Forum Theatre, Arts West Illuminating Minds Tour, Old Quad Gallery

# **KEYNOTE** 14:00–15:00

Public Lecture Theatre, Old Arts Building

Time Travels and the Possibility of Redemption in a Fragmented Armenian Manuscript

Kate Franklin Arthur H. Dadian and Ara Oztemel Chair in Armenian Art and Architectural History, Tufts University

### AFTERNOON TEA BREAK 15:00-15:30

### NEXT GEN PLENARY PANEL 15:30–17:00

Public Lecture Theatre, Old Arts Building

Ruby Lowe Jennifer McFarland Samuel Cardwell

### **CONFERENCE DINNER, 18:30**

Woodward House, Law Building, 10th floor 185 Pelham St, Carlton VIC 3053

#### **SESSION 6: FRIDAY 9:30–11:00**

#### 6.A: Vapours and Fluids in the Dark Renaissance

Venue: Room 553, Level 5

Chair: Erin Griffey - University of Auckland

Mansfield, Lisa - University of Adelaide

Body Horror: Fear, Anxiety and Disgust of Syphilitic Skin

Bubenik, Andrea - University of Queensland

Visualizing Vapors for Vulnerable Bodies

Paganussi, Caroline - University of Sydney

Bronze and Bone, Blood and Stone: The Contingent Materialities of Santa Patrizia of Naples

### 6.B: Public Health in the Premodern World: Affordances and Constrictions I

Venue: Room 356, Level 3

Chair: Elizabeth Burrell - Monash University

Kars, Aydogan - Monash University

Hearing and Healing: Public Health in Light of Sonic Cultures of Learning

Geltner, Guy – Monash University

Under(mining) Public Health Histories: Anthropogenic Change and Preventative Action in Europe, 1200-1550

<u>Cassidy-Welch</u>, <u>Megan – University of Divinity</u>

Holy Land Landscapes and the Health of Medieval Travellers, 1100-1400

#### 6.C: Supernatural Futures

Venue: Room 556, Level 5

Chair: Miranda Stanyon - University of Melbourne

Formby, Olivia - University of Cambridge

Sweet Babes: Sensing and Imagining Infants' Happy Afterlives in Early Modern England

<u>Ibbett, Katherine – University of Oxford</u>

The Child in Time: Providence, Protestantism and Possibility in Racine's Athalie

Johstone, Boyda - Borough of Manhattan Community College

Medieval Dreams and Medieval Resistance

#### 6.D: Gardens of Invented Possibilities

Venue: Room 354, Level 3

Chair: Peter Sherlock - Charles Sturt University

<u>Dalton</u>, <u>Heather</u> – <u>University of Melbourne</u>

'Fantastic Beasts and Where to Find Them': The Austronesian Archipelago in the Medieval and Early Modern Imagination

Murphy, Lauren – La Trobe University

Marvels and Misconceptions: Andrea Vendramin's Collection of Naturalia

Kovesi, Catherine – University of Melbourne

Making the Impossible Possible: Early Modern Representations of 'Biblical' Unicorns

#### Friday, 5 December – ANZAMEMS 2025 Conference Programme

#### 6.E: Possibilities of Pox and Plague

Venue: Room 361, Level 3

Chair: Paige Donaghy - University of Melbourne

<u>Dawson</u>, <u>Mark – Australian National University</u>

Curing Smallpox in Early Georgian Britain

De Poi, Brigette - University of Sydney

Surviving the Plague: Exploring Post-Plague Cultural Shifts after 1630 in Venice

### 6.F: The Political Possibilities of Contemporary Medievalism

Venue: Room 353, Level 3

Chair: Stephanie Trigg - University of Melbourne

D'Arcens, Louise - Macquarie University

Political Prophecy or Counterfactual Fantasy? Anti-Democratic Medievalism in the Novels of Jean Raspail

Delfin, Melclaire – Deakin University

Tanaga Rising: The Revival of Indigenous Tagalog Poetry

Polack, Gillian – Deakin University

Modern German Memories of the Jewish Middle Ages

Young, Helen - Deakin University

"You have been robbed": American White Supremacist and Heritage Loss

#### 6.G: Legal Possibilities

Venue: Room 561, Level 5

Chair: Claire Davidson - Australian Catholic University

Adair, Anya – University of Hong Kong

Evidence, Reasoning and Legal Logic in Early English Legal Culture

Haslam, Rachael - University of York

The Role of Trust and the Framing of Possibility in the Late Medieval Dioceses of York and London

Topp, Matthew – Monash University

Forgetting for the Common Good? Practicing Cultural Forgetting in Fifteenth-Century Italian Peacemaking

# 6.H: The Palgrave Encyclopaedia of Early Modern Women's Writing: Challenges, Opportunities and Futures for the Field

Venue: Forum Theatre, Level 1

Chair: Diana Barnes - University of New England

Salzman, Paul – La Trobe University

Prose and the Early Modern Woman Writer

Ross, Sarah – Victoria University of Wellington

What is Early Modern Women's Poetry?

Pender, Trisha – University of Newcastle

The Palgrave Encyclopedia of Early Modern Women's Writing: Challenges

Smith, Rosalind - Australian National University

The Palgrave Encyclopaedia of Early Modern Women's Writing: Opportunities

Walters, Lisa – University of Queensland

What is Early Modern Women's Restoration Writing?

#### 6.I: Landscapes and Their Possibilities

Venue: Room 355, Level 3

Chair: Matthew Firth - Flinders University

Kennedy, John – Charles Sturt University

Why did the Norse Greenland Settlements cease to function? Possibilities and Improbabilities in the Light of Recent Scholarship.

Lewit, Tamara – University of Melbourne

Small Cows, Rye Bread and Sweet Oil: Possibilities for Production during a Time of Change (5th to 7th centuries CE)

Strika, Katharina – Ludwig-Maximilians-University, Munich, Germany

Mining and Exploration: An Embodiment of Possibility

### MORNING TEA BREAK 11:00–11:30

#### **SESSION 7: FRIDAY 11:30–13:00**

7.A: Facing the Possible Venue: Room 353, Level 3

Chair: Elizabeth Burrell - Monash University

<u>Hughes, Joe – University of Melbourne</u>

Changing Faces in Early Modern Literature, c. 1500-1750

Theiler, Esther – La Trobe University

Breath: Early Modern Portraits and the possibilities of paint

Trigg, Stephanie – University of Melbourne

Changing Faces in Medieval Literature, c. 800 – 1500

# 7.B: Public Health in the Premodern World: Affordances and Constrictions II Venue: Room 356, Level 3

Chair: Guy Geltner - Monash University

<u>Surbuland</u>, <u>Hamza – Monash University</u>

Public Health in Mughal India (c.1707–1719)

Digard, Lola – University of Utrecht

Between Salvation and Corruption: The Ambiguity of Medieval Cemeteries, 1250-1600

Byfleet, Rose – Monash University

Reassessing the Use of Scent in Plague Prevention Practices in Sixteenth-Century Italy

### 7.C: What can be Learned from Witches at the Margins? 'Anomalies' in Ireland, England and Bohemia

Venue: Room 556, Level 5

Chair: Charles Zika - University of Melbourne

Northcott, Molly - University of New England

Fact or Fantasy? Child-Witches in Seventeenth-Century England

#### Oldfield, Karinya – University of New England

'I veryly beleeve she hath bewitched me': The Malefic Kiss in the Trial of Florence Newton

Fudge, Thomas - University of New England

Exceptions to the Rule? Sorcery and Witch-Hunting in the Czech Lands

## 7.D: "A different tale to tell": Rewriting Early Modern Queens in Counterfactual Historical Fictions

Venue: Room 561, Level 5

Chair: Una McIlvenna – Australian National University

Weeks, Rebecca – Media Design School

Experimental Screen Queens: Testing the Boundaries of Counterfactuals

Saxton, Laura – Monash University

"The dead queens are everywhere": Counterfactuals and the Ubiquity of the Tudor Past

#### 7.E Women's Devotional Possibilities

Venue: Room 361, Level 3

Chair: Claire Walker - University of Adelaide

Miles, Laura Saetveit – University of Bergen

Enclosed Women's Agency and Devotional Literature: The Possibilities of Imagination

Pinder, Janice - Monash University

How to be a Good Beguine: Beguines and their Spiritual Friends

Taylor-Gillett, Maddison - University of Western Australia

Heaven or Hell? Arcangela Tarabotti and the Possibilities of Convent Life in Early Modern Venice

# 7.F: The Fabric of Trust and Distrust in the Premodern Mediterranean Venue: Forum Theatre, Level 1

Chair: Véronique Duché – University of Melbourne

Kuziow, Shannon E. - University of Melbourne

Communities of Belief: Affective Devotion before a Miraculous Image in Prato

<u>Cutter</u>, Nat – University of Melbourne

Correspondence, Reputation, and Trust in Central Mediterranean Trading Networks, 1675-1750

<u>Rizzi</u>, Andrea – University of Melbourne

The Look of Trustworthiness: Humanist Translator Portraits in the Renaissance

<u>Dunlop</u>, <u>Anne</u> – <u>University of Melbourne</u>

Trust, Evidence, and Ambrogio Lorenzetti

7.G: Sex and Censorship

Venue: Room 354, Level 3

Chair: Jacqueline van Gent – University of Western Australia

Albury, Randall – University of New South Wales / University of New England

Managing Possible Censorship: Battista Fregoso's Anteros (1496) between Church and State

Ringwood, Nicholas – University of Auckland

The Role of Public Spectacle in the Punishment of Medieval Sexual Offences

Soyer, François – University of New England

Sex, Gender, Race: A Microhistory of the Inquisitorial Trial of Antonio/Victoria (1556–7)

# 7.H Irish Epic in Nineteenth-Century Manuscripts: Reconnecting Melbourne Newman College MS Táin Bó Cúailnge and Dublin, Royal Irish Academy, MS 24 B 1 through *Irish Script on Screen*

Venue: Room 225, Level 2 (Object-Based Learning Lab)

Chair: Sarah Corrigan – University of Melbourne

O'Brien, Anne Marie – Irish Script on Screen, Dublin Institute for Advanced Studies (Prerecorded Lecture)

Ó Macháin, Pádraig – University College Cork

(Prerecorded Lecture)

The manuscript will be available for viewing as part of this event

7.I: Artistic possibilities

Venue: Room 553, Level 5

Chair: Patricia Simons – University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, and University of Melbourne

Collard, Judith – University of Melbourne

The Handwriting of Matthew Paris Revisited

Martin, Matthew – University of Melbourne

Quintessential Porcelain – The Meissen Elements Vases

# LUNCH 13:00–14:00

ANZAMEMS Open General Meeting, Forum Theatre, Arts West *Illuminating Minds* Tour, Meet at Old Quad Gallery

# KEYNOTE 14:00–15:00

### Belonging with Songs Towards an Historical Anthropology of Medieval French Song

Emma Dillon
Thurston Dart Professor of Music, King's College London

### AFTERNOON TEA BREAK 15:00–15:30

**SESSION 8: FRIDAY 15:30-17:00** 

8.A: Possibilities of Reception Venue: Room 553, Level 5

Chair: Stephanie Trigg – University of Melbourne

Arnot, Brooklyn Frances - University of Oxford

King, Demon or God? Christian Interpretations of Odin in the Fornaldarsögur Norðurlanda

Opanasenko, Anna – University of Freiburg

Rewriting the (Im)possible: Two Wives and the Feminist Potential of Medieval Retellings

Downes, Stephanie – La Trobe University

Queer-Posthuman-Intellectual-Artist-Rebel-Detective: Christine de Pizan's Literary Afterlives

8.B: Fifteenth-Century Retrospection

Venue: Room 556, Level 5

Chair: Matthew Champion - University of Melbourne

Brough, Gideon - Open University; Patrick, Sophie - University of New England

The Franks, the French and the Possibilities of the Trojan Origin Myth

Brown, Andrew - Massey University

Possibly Recreating: Tall Tales from the Late Medieval Low Countries

Makleff, Ron – Middlebury College

Possibilities of Sovereignty: Archives and Dynastic Expansion in Brabant, 1404–1409

#### 8.C: Possible Childhoods

#### Venue: Forum Theatre, Level 1

Chair: Katie Barclay – Macquarie University

#### White, Dinesha - Victoria University, Melbourne

Between the Devil and the Deep Blue Sea – Reading Indigenous Responses to the Possibility of Enslavement into European Systems of Slavery during Portuguese Intrusions in Sri Lanka

#### Hall, Dianne - Victoria University, Melbourne

"Mother, if we go ... the soldiers cannot find us": The Possibility of Safety for Children during the 1798 Irish Rebellion

#### MacKinnon, Dolly - University of Melbourne

"He spoke with a broad Scot's accent": Recovering Enslaved Children and Youth in Eighteenth-Century Scotland

## 8.D: Making Robin Hood/s: Possibilities, Variance, and Threats in the Outlaw Tradition Venue: Room 354, Level 3

Chair: Erin Sebo – Flinders University

#### Knight, Stephen – University of Melbourne

On Target Through Time: The Robin Hood Myth, Medieval and Modern

#### Rahman, Sabina – University of Sydney

Maid Marian and the Grotesque Possibilities of Visibility: Feminist Surveillance, Medievalism, and War

#### <u>Hoff. William – University of Melbourne</u>

We are Robin Hood: Intersecting Responsibility and Temporality in the Long Sixteenth Century

#### 8.E: Women in Conflict

Venue: Room 355, Level 3

Chair: Paige Donaghy - University of Melbourne

#### Pala, Leticia - Nottingham Trent University

Constance of Sicily and Sibylla of Acerra: Captive and Captive-Holder in the Sicilian Succession Conflict, 1189–1194

#### Smithies, Kathryn – University of New England

Were Women Crusaders? The Case of Margaret of Beverley

## 8.F: Narrating Trauma and Crisis in Text and Image Venue: Room 361, Level 3

Chair: Emma Nicholls - Monash University

#### <u>Hotchin, Julie – Australian National University</u>

The Trauma of Monastic Reform in Late Medieval Germany: Remembering Exile and Loss in the Chronicle of Wienhausen

#### Renkin, Claire - Yarra Theological Union

A Visual Engagement with Religious Women Coping with Trauma: Mary Ward and the Subsequent Authority of The Painted Life

### 8.G: Legislative Possibilities

Venue: Room 356, Level 3

Chair: Véronique Duché – University of Melbourne

#### Garrioch, David - Monash University

The Problem of Cats ... Fire Regulations in European Towns from the Middle Ages to the 18th Century

#### Jones, Sandra Anne – University of Otago

The Archbishop Considers his Options.

#### Morrison, Sara – Western University, London, Ontario

Queen Anne's Deer and the Sherwood Forest Purlieus Case, 1708.

### 8.H: The (Im)possibilities of Cultural Translation between Early Modern Europe and China

Venue: Room 353, Level 3

Chair: Andrea Rizzi - University of Melbourne

#### Ng, Junyang – Monash University

Delegitimising Authority Through Language: The Jesuits' Critique of an Adversary's Chinese Proficiency and Translation

#### Canaris, Daniel – University of Sydney

Intercultural Learning through Discord: Longobardo's Treatise on the Soul and the Essence of the Dao

#### Haskell, Yasmin – Monash University

Impossible Black Tulips? Weitenauer's 'Chinese Flowers' and the Limits of Jesuit Intercultural Humanism

#### 8.I: Possible Receptions

Venue: Room 561, Level 5

Chair: TBC

#### Cop, Michael – University of Otago

Your Claim to Frame: Shakespeare, Adaptations, and Reading Possibilities

#### Havnes, Austin – Victoria University, Wellington

'...and as often as possible from Shakespere': How Māori Students Encountered and Adapted Shakespeare at Te Aute College, c. 1890-1910

#### <u>Challis, Meg – University of Melbourne</u>

Rediscovering Sappho: How English Translations Shaped the Early Modern Reception of Sappho

# CONFERENCE CLOSE FRIDAY: 17:15–17:30

Public Lecture Theatre, Old Arts Building