News

The Assemblée de Section for the English Department will take place **Wednesday 13 June at 12h30** in **Anthropole 2055**. The main item on the agenda will be the election of a new President and Vice-President.

Rachel Nisbet will defend her PhD thesis “**Anthropocene River Narratives**” on **12 June at 6 pm, in Anthropole 2024**. Her external examiners will be Prof Kate Rigby (Bath Spa University), Dr David Higgins (University of Leeds) and Dr Martin Hugo Leer (University of Geneva).

Philip Lindholm will defend his PhD thesis “**Synaesthesia in British Romantic Poetry**” on **14 June at 5 pm, in AMPHIMAX 414**. His external examiners will be Prof Nicholas Roe (University of St Andrews), Prof Tim Fulford (DeMontfort University, via Skype) and Prof Simon Swift (University of Geneva).

Staff News

Research and Publications

Anita Auer was elected to the board of the Swiss Association of University Teachers of English (SAUTE) at their recent meeting (http://www.sagw.ch/saute.html). Anita also gave a talk, “**Language and Identity in the Digital Age**”, at the workshop **Computation and Society** at EPFL on **22 May 2018**, organised by the **Computation, Nature and Society Think Tank (CNSTT)**. Details: https://cns.epfl.ch/page-155626-en.html

Kevin Curran’s edited collection, **Renaissance Personhood: Materiality, Taxonomy, Process**, has been place under contract with Edinburgh University Press and will be published in 2019. Details: https://www.kevindcurran.com/single-post/2018/05/02/Renaissance-Personhood-Materiality-Taxonomy-Process

Martine Hennard Dutheil gave a talk at La Sorbonne (Paris III) on **24 May** entitled « **Paroles de bêtes : de la traduction à la réécriture, ou la critique de l’anthropocentrisme de La Belle et la Bête de Marie Leprince de Beaumont à Angela Carter** »

Maria Rosa Garrido Sardà’s article “**Voluntary Work, Transnational Mobility and Language Learning in a Social Movement**” was published in Language and Intercultural Communication. Details: https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/full/10.1080/14708477.2018.1474888

Cécile Heim presented a paper entitled "**Resisting Systemic Violence: The Child-Narrator, the Land, and Tribal Knowledge in Monkey Beach and The Round House**" at the Native American and Indigenous Studies Association (NAISA) 2018 conference at the University of California, Los Angeles, 17-20 May.

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Juliette Loesch presented a paper entitled “‘Danse pour moi, Salomé’: The Haunting Presence of Oscar Wilde’s Salome in Maurice Béjart’s Ballets” at the international colloquium The Presence of Text in Contemporary Dance and Theatre at the Centro de Estudos de Teatro, Lisbon, 24-26 May.

Benjamin Pickford presented a paper entitled “Cape Cod, Literature, and the Illocality of Thinking About Capital” at the Henry David Thoreau Society’s panel on Cape Cod at the Association of American Literature (ALA) Conference, San Francisco, 24-27 May.


Student News

The medievalists organised their customary weekend in the Alps retreat on 21-22 April, devoted this year to Early English Drama. Some thirty students and staff (from Lausanne and the University of Lancaster) enacted the medieval play The Digby Mary Magdalene with the expert help of Prof. Elisabeth Dutton (Fribourg).

Above: The Two Lakes Romantics Below: The Alpine Medievalists

The MA Seminar Two Lakes Romanticism, co-taught by Enit Steiner and Simon Bainbridge (University of Lancaster), concluded after 12 seminar sessions and two trips, one to the Lake District and the other to Lac Leman. Students from both universities worked with Jeff Cowton, curator and Head of Learning at the Wordsworth Trust in Grasmere, and Sally Bushell, a leading Romanticist in manuscript studies. Enit extends a special thank you to Rachel Nisbet, who once again assisted in organising in all trip-related matters. The course and study trips are documented at https://twolakesromanticism2018.weebly.com/

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Committee News

Forthcoming Events

The English department will host the 33rd Annual John Donne Society Conference between 27-30 June, under the direction of Kirsten Stirling, who is the current President of the John Donne Society. The program can be viewed at http://johndonnesociety.org/files/

The Formation Continue one-day course for teachers of English for 2018, “Medievalism and Literary Representations of the Past”, will be held on 7 September, 8h45-18h30, at UNIL/EPFL. The aims of this one-day course are to explore the ways in which the medieval has appealed to generations of writers, filmmakers, and artists, and to explore ways in which medieval texts and culture can be offered in the classroom, via the use of adaptations in particular. Details: https://agenda.unil.ch/display/1525787232977

The 15th Annual Graduate Conference of the Young Scholars’ Forum of the Association for Canadian Studies in German-Speaking Countries will take place between 29 June and 1 July at the University of Bern. The conference title is Witnessing Resurgence: Self-Determination and Allyship. The conference program can be viewed at http://www.nachwuchsforum.net/uploads/ConferenceProgram.pdf

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Open Calls for Papers


CUSO Doctoral Workshops

29 June: Resurgences: Indigenous, Postcolonial, and Western Perspectives on Sovereignty and Nationhood. This is a satellite event to the conference taking place at the University of Bern between 29 June and 1 July (see forthcoming events above). Details: https://english.cuso.ch/index.php?id=897&L=0&tx_displaycontroller[showUid]=4171