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Thursday April 12 2:30

REGISTRATION TABLE OPENS

Beam Hall 127

Thursday April 12
Session 1
3:30-5:00pm

TRAUMA IN EARLY MODERN DRAMA

Chair: Jessica Tvordi

Aeneas's PTSD

Alexander Cosh

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"What Have Mine Eyes Beheld?": Confusion and Memory in Kyd's *The Spanish Tragedy*

Samantha Dressel

Calm Like a Bomb: The Passions and Memory of Hieronimo Alejandro M. Salinas

CHALLENGES AND STRATEGIES: VALUING THE PREMODERN IN THE 21ST CENTURY (ROUNDTABLE)

Moderators: Michael Calabrese, Anne Laskaya

Creeping Presentism

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Michael Calabrese

Beam 120

Tournaments of Popularity: Hiring Decisions and Challenges for Medievalists

Anne Laskaya

Using History and Literature to Teach Modern Questions of Leadership

Kristin M. S. Bezio

At the Front of the Storm: Teaching the Multicultural Middle Ages in the Age of the Alt-Right

Kim Klimek

A Semester-Long Reading of Augustine's Confessions

Anna Harrison

When Medieval is a "Strength"

Heather Maring

PLENARY SPEAKER INFORMATION

Bronwen Wilson, "Stone Matters: Botticelli's Drawings for Dante's *Inferno."* Wilson is a professor of Renaissance and Early Modern Art in the Department of Art History at UCLA.

Seeta Chaganti, "The Westward Middle Ages: Roundups and Remembrance." Chaganti is an associate professor of Medieval Literature in the Department of English at UC Davis.

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RMMRA Awards:

- The Allen DuPont Breck Award recognizes the best paper delivered at the
 conference by a junior scholar (from graduate students to assistant professors),
 and comes with a \$300 prize, inclusion in the year's volume of Quidditas, and
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 conference by a senior scholar (associate professors, professors, and other longstanding scholars), and includes recognition at next year's conference luncheon, a
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 wish to decline the publication). www.rmmra.org/delno-c-west-award/

Please note: the paper you submit **must** be the paper you presented at the conference, rather than a dissertation chapter, longer essay, or revised manuscript. If your paper wins the award, you will have the opportunity to develop it further for inclusion in our journal; alternatively, even if you do not win, you may be contacted with suggestions for revision and a publication offer. If you win the award but have other plans for the paper, you may choose to decline *Quidditas* publication.

Email the paper as an attachment in Word or PDF format by **Monday, June 11**, to Ginger.Smoak@utah.edu, making sure to remove any means by which your identity as author is revealed. Please send a brief, paragraph-length bio with your essay, and indicate which contest you are entering, Breck or West. If you have any questions about the competition, please contact Ginger Smoak. We look forward to receiving your submissions.

MAP Awards:

- The Founders' Prize: MAP awards a maximum of three prizes (up to \$1,000 in total) for the best papers presented by graduate students at the annual meetings. Students in between degree programs and independent scholars who received their degrees no more than three years before the date of the conference are also eligible. Applicants must have presented the paper submitted at the last MAP conference (that is, in the same calendar year as the deadline for submission). See the MAP website for additional information: www.medievalpacific.org/grants/
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Thursday April 12 Session 1 3:30-5:00pm

WOMEN'S STORIES, WOMEN'S WRITING

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Beam 124

Chair: Sarah Obenauf

Unbounded Literacy and Literature Before c. 1500: A New Remembering of Female Contribution

Nanette Hilton

Dido's Transformation and Other Memorable Commentaries from Christine de Pizan

Chelsea L. Hull

Silence and Power: Reading Domestic Violence in Medieval England

Sarah Fairbanks

LATE MEDIEVAL ITALIAN LITERATURE

1D Wright C 237

Chair: Giuseppe Natale

The Use of Memory for the Poetic Creation of a "Locus Amoenus" in Petrarch's Chiare fresche et dolci acque
Valeria Forte

Disintegration, Adynata, and the Failures of Memory in Petrarch's Canzoniere

Alani Hicks-Bartlett

Re-membering Matelda: Dante's Representation of the Golden Age as Woman: Matelda and *Iustitia*

Fiorentina Russo

Thursday April 12 5:00-6:30pm

Embassy Suites Stardust Room OPENING COCKTAIL RECEPTION HONORING MICHAEL T. WALTON

Sponsored by Phyllis Walton and Robert Fineman

Friday April 13 7:15–8:00am

NOTES

COFFEE AND REGISTRATION

Wright C 151

Friday April 13 Session 2 8:00-9:30am

MONSTROUS MONARCHS/ROYAL MONSTERS

Organized by MEARCSTAPA (Asa Simon Mittman, Ilan Mitchell-Smith, Thea Tomaini)

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Chair: Ilan Mitchell-Smith

Tamburlaine: Scourge of God

Jolene Mendel

Crime and Punishment: the Image of the Last *Hedenen* in *Passio Kiliani*

Dimitri Glass

The King's Metamorphosis in Shakespeare's *Henriad*: Monstrous to Marvelous

Manon Turban

ANGLO-SAXON USES OF THE PAST

Chair: Jane Foster Woodruff

The Uses of the Past in Anglo-Saxon Glossaries

Philip G. Rusche

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Present in the Past: The Use of Historical Present in Medieval Narratives to Memorialize Cultural Representation

Laurie Price

"The Cross of Christ was Lost and Found": Anglo-Saxon Charms for Lost Cattle and the Old English *Elene*

Leslie K. Arnovick

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Friday April 13 Session 2 8:00-9:30am

MEMORIES OF SPAIN

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Chair: Anna Harrison

Moriscos' Reminiscences on their First Visits to Spain after the Expulsion

Inas Abbas

Nothing but a Family Thing: Conversos, Crypto-Jews, and Sephardic Survival

Sarah M. Owens

Cuatrocientos Años de Soledad: Memory and Remembrance of 17th- and 18th-Century Spanish Colonialism in North-Central New Mexico

Timothy Price

REMEMBERING SPACE AND PLACE

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Wright C 305

Chair: Sarah Davis-Secord

Ecological Memory and Territorial Resistance in *The Awntyrs off Arthure*

Sarah-Nelle Jackson

Landscape and Memory in Sir Gawain and the Green Knight
Jeanne Provost

Friday April 13 Session 3 9:45-11:15am

POVERTY

Chair: John Bowers

3A Wright C 233

How Poor Was the "Poor Widow" In Chaucer's "Nuns' Priest Tale"?

Kevin Roddy

The Dead Remembering the Living: Testamentary Charity in Late Medieval Iceland

Elizabeth M. Swedo

Maneuvering Memory: The Status and Use of the *Testament* of St. Francis, c. 1230–1280

Hannah Kirby Wood

Friday April 13 Session 3 9:45–11:15am

MEMORY, ILLNESS, AND EMOTION

Chair: Samantha Dressel

Where Have You Vanished?: Aelred of Rievaulx and the Power of Grief

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Anna Harrison

Blindness as Motif in Montaigne's Study

Margaret Harp

The Memory of Love in the First Spanish Classical Theatre

Laura Mier Pérez

OCCUPIED SPACES IN THE MEDIEVAL MEDITERRANEAN

Chair: Catherine Saucier

Recollections of a Lost World: The Frontier Culture of the Byzantine-Arab World in the Time of Late Antiquity

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John D. Curry

Remembering the Castle de St. Omer

Douglas O'Roark

The Norman Rulers of Southern Italy Remember their Byzantine Past

Sarah Davis-Secord

SCIENCE AND MAGIC IN MEMORY OF MICHAEL T. WALTON

Chair: Jennifer McNabb

"Frenzied Madness": Cornelius Agrippa's Attack on the Art of Memory

George J. Sieg

3D Wright C 305

"Sortilega et maleficus ars": Regino of Prüm and Aspects of Magic and Natural Science in Western Monastic Culture, c. 400–1300

Todd P. Upton

Medieval Sympathetic Magic: Birthing Charms, Eagle Stones, and Ligatura

Ginger L. Smoak

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BREAK

Saturday April 14
Keynote Lecture 2
4:45-5:45pm

Flora Dungan Hum, 109

THE WESTWARD MIDDLE AGES: ROUNDUPS AND REMEMBRANCE

Seeta Chaganti

Saturday April 14 6:00pm

Embassy Suites Flamingo Ballroom **CLOSING BANQUET**

Saturday April 14 Session 9

2:45-4:15pm

THE MATERIALITY OF MEMORY

Chair: Kim Klimek

Extracting Memory from the Dead

Christene d'Anca

Tokens of Remembrance: Pilgrim Badges in the Middle Ages Sarah Edwards Obenauf

Memorializing Self-Representation—Maneuvers of Medieval Materiality in Letters by Women

Kenna L. Olsen

INTERSECTIONS BETWEEN POLITICS AND **LITERATURE**

Chair: Heather Maring

Sir Gawain and Arthurian Imperialism: Gawain's Identity in Medieval Scotland's Chaotic Political Climate

Emily Favaloro

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Civil Servants, Social Critics: Deschamps and Chaucer Revisited Michael Hanly

Sir Kay's Fantasy of Unity in Malory's Morte D'Arthur Maia Farrar

REIMAGINING MEDIEVAL AND RENAISSANCE CULTURAL MEMORY

Chair: Ginger L. Smoak

That's Not the Story I Remember: The Adoption and Interpretation of Beowulf by Far-Right Racialist Groups

Donald Burke

Origins: The Revival of Tales, Myth, and Culture in Folk Metal

Heather Lusty

RACE AND RACIALIZED BODIES

Chair: Sarah Fairbanks

Re-theorizing Colonial Ambivalence in Anglo-Saxon and Old **Norse Literatures**

Jaclyn Carter

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Race and Gender in the Furies Episode in the Lives of Swithun Jonathan Davis-Secord

Friday April 13 11:30am-1:00pm

LUNCH (ON YOUR OWN)

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RMMRA COUNCIL MEETING

Friday April 13 Session 4 1:00-2:30pm

REMEMBERING AND MISREMEMBERING IN MEDIEVAL LITERARY PRACTICE

Chair: Peter Steffensen

Chaucer Mis-Remembering: Counter-Factual History in the Man of Law's Tale

John Bowers

Chaucer's Wife of Bath: Loathly Lady and Shrew

Jennifer Parascandolo

Remembering Rome in Medieval English Literature

Peter Steffensen

NOVEL IMPULSES IN EARLY MODERN LITERATURE

Chair: Maia Farrar

Rivall Friendship: Remembering the Civil War and the Restoration: Narrative Strategy in a 17th-Century Romance

Jean Brink

Romantic and Victorian Gothic Literature and Medievalism

Brianne Taormina

The Canterbury Roll: A Case Study in the Contested Past

Chris Jones

WOMEN'S BODIES

Chair: Jillian Sutton

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Memory and Lactation in Medieval Hagiography

Sarah Alison Miller

Remembering Through the Eyes: The Elegies Al-Khansaa

Doaa Omran

The Liminal Body: Women's Blood in Medieval Contexts Kim Klimek

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Friday April 13 Session 4 1:00-2:30pm

ECHOES OF THE PAST IN RENAISSANCE DRAMA

Chair: Kristin M. S. Bezio

Hamlet's Memory of Medieval Dramatic Tradition

Joyce Ahn

Wright C 305

Chaucer, Renaissance Revenge, and Star Trek: The Next Generation: Cultural Memory and Vengeance Narratives

Ruth E. Feiertag

Remembering Lucretius' Doctrine of the Soul in Marlowe's Dr. Faustus

Andrew Wells

Friday April 13 Session 5 2:45-4:15pm

MISREMEMBERINGS AND FLAWED RETELLINGS: **PRODUCTIVE FAILURES OF MEMORY** IN LATER MIDDLE ENGLISH NARRATIVE

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Chair: Elisabeth Oliver

Oueer Memories in Medieval Morality Plays

Tison Pugh

Literary Remembering and the Female Reader: From the Wife of Bath to Fifty Shades of Grey

Lvnn Shutters

Misremembering and Broken Chivalry in Chaucer's "Knight's Tale"

Ilan Mitchell-Smith

Saturday April 14

Session 8 1:00-2:30pm

PROPHECY AND HISTORICAL MEMORY

Chair: Thomas Klein

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Monarch of the Past and the Future: Joachim of Fiore, the Last Emperor, and the Myth of King Arthur's Return

Matthew Dentice

The Point of Recollection: Memory and Knighthood Rachel Kapelle

REMEMBERING THE FEMALE BODY IN MS ASHMOLE 61

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Chair: Ilan Mitchell-Smith Wright C 235

> Controlling the Gaze: Female Authority Through the Use of Memory in Codex Ashmole 61

> > Jilian Sutton

"Lete Me Suffre": The Dismembering of St. Margaret's Body Through **Relentless Male Memory**

Flisabeth Oliver

"The Fendys Fley and Were Adrad": Fleeting Memories of Sexual Trauma in The Incestuous Daughter

Maitlyn Reynolds

READING CHAUCER AND LANGLAND ALOUD

A workshop with Michael Calabrese and Paul Thomas.

Wright C 237

Interested participants are asked to contact Professors Calabrese and Thomas with the suggestion of a short passage (20–30 lines in length) for the group to work on during this afternoon seminar. Email them at Michael Calabrese (mcalabr@calstatela.edu) and Paul Thomas (paul thomas@byu.edu).

LATE MEDIEVAL & EARLY MODERN MANUSCRIPTS AND PRINT

Wright C 305

Bastardy and Legitimacy in Shakespeare's Troilus and Cressida Alaina Bupp

The Past, Legitimacy, and Innovation in the Early Reprintings of Caxton's Mirror of the World

Anne Laskaya

Chair: Richard Obenauf

The End of Medieval Rhetoric: The 1416 Re-Discovery of Ouintilian's Institutio oratoria

James J. Murphy

Saturday April 14 Session 7 9:45-11:15am

POETIC RESPONSES TO ART

Chair: Margaret Harp

To the Memory of Venetia Digby: Ben Jonson, Anthony van Dyck, and the Paragone in Underwood 84

Steven Hrdlicka

Thinking Christ's Body in Quarton's Avignon Pieta Joseph Parry

"It is time that you feast at my banquet": Commemorating the Dormition of St John the Evangelist in Late-Medieval 's-Hertogenbosch

Catherine Saucier

Anglo-Latin and Old English

Chair: Miranda Wilcox

Mythic Resonance in the Latin Bern Riddles

Thomas Klein

Aldfrith's Golden Age: The Restoration of Anglo-Saxon and Irish Relations After the Synod of Whitby

Alex Ukropen

For the Love of a Stick: Examining Female Agency in The Husband's Message

Ashley Kolb

REFORMATION-ERA THOUGHT

Chair: J. A. T. Smith

Remembering Luther on Indulgences: New Light on Papal Reactions, 1518-20

H. A. Andy Kelly

Intolerance, Tolerance, and Liberty of Conscience in More's Utopia

Richard Obenauf

"Pater Patriae": Henry of Navarre and the Protestant Memory of the Roman Family

Spencer C. Woolley

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LUNCH (ON YOUR OWN)

Friday April 13

Session 5

2:45-4:15pm

COMMUNITY AND MEMORY

Chair: John Ott

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Pledges, Public "Record," and Admission into the Freedom of **Late Medieval Norwich**

Ruth H. Frost

"He knows it because it was the same day": Memory as Proof in Fourteenth-Century England

Arlene M. W. Sindelar

Community and Memory: Irish Dominican Sisters and the Creation of a Dominican History in 15th-Century Portugal

Andrea Knox

COMMEMORATING THE HOLY AND THE UNHOLY DEAD

Chair: Alex Ukropen

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Remembering the Miracles of Saints

Ben Nilson

The Agency of Prayers and their Benefit to the Dead: The Continuity of Commemoration of the Sinful Dead, 400-1240 Stephanie Violette

SCRIBES AND MANUSCRIPTS

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Chair: John Fyler

Scribe Who Wanted to Forget the Profane: Adam Pinkhurst, Scribes, and The Miller's Tale

Darin A. Merrill

God's Justice and Langland's Latin in Bodleian Library, MS Laud misc. 656, a Manuscript of the C Version of Piers Plowman Sarah Wood

Loss and Logic: Reconstructing the Missing Part of Reginald Pecock's Book of Faith

1. A. T. Smith

Friday April 13 4:15-4:45pm

BREAK

Friday April 13 **Keynote Lecture 1** 4:45-5:45pm

STONE MATTERS: BOTTICELLI'S DRAWINGS FOR DANTE'S INFERNO

Flora Dungan Hum. 109

Bronwen Wilson

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COFFEE AND REGISTRATION

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Saturday April 14 Session 6 8:00-9:30am

EARLY MODERN DRAMA

Chair: Brandon Schneeberger

Experimenting with Knowledge and Memory: Disguise in Love's Labour's Lost

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Melvianne Andersen

"Gelding the Commonwealth": Shakespeare's Henry VI Plays and the Specter of Masculine Rule

Jessica Tvordi

The Secret Life of Gorboduc: The First English Tragedy in Modern Print and Performance, 1850-2013

Jessica Winston

DREAM VISIONS IN MEDIEVAL LITERATURE

Chair: Jonathan Davis-Secord

The House that Chaucer Built: Form and Content in Chaucer's House of Fame

Julia Combs

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To Catch a Dream: The Conspicuous Absence of Transformative Dream Visions in the Gawain-Poet's Patience

Emily D. D. Frontiere

From Revisionary to Visionary: Chaucer's Subversive **Imagination**

Meagan Wilson

Saturday April 14 Session 6 8:00-9:30am

MEDIEVAL EDUCATION AND FAITH

Wright C 237

Chair: Todd P. Upton

The Virgin Mary as Lady Grammar in the Medieval West Georgiana Donavin

Aelfric's Pedagogical Nostalgia

Abigayil Wernsman

Explaining the Faith in Late Anglo-Saxon England Miranda Wilcox

COMMUNITIES AND NETWORKS

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Cultural Memory and the Translation of Medieval Atlantic Identity

Dayanna Knight

Chair: Stephanie Violette

Augustine and Hortensius: (Selective) Memory in Confessions

Jane Foster Woodruff

Saturday April 14 Session 7 9:45-11:15am

TURN THE OTHER CHEEK...OR NOT: JUSTIFYING CHURCH VIOLENCE

Chair: Elspeth Whitney

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Exegesis, Historical Memory, and Crusading Violence in the **Biblical Commentaries of Ralph Niger**

John D. Cotts

Memories of Failed Crusades: Rethinking the Tactics and Purposes of the Crusade in Early 14th-Century Crusade **Propaganda**

James H. Forse

Thietmar of Merseburg's Views on Clerical Warfare Benjamin Wand