

Listed here are the lectures and seminars
on Late Antiquity taking place in Oxford
between April and June 2012

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THE LAST STATUES OF ANTIQUITY

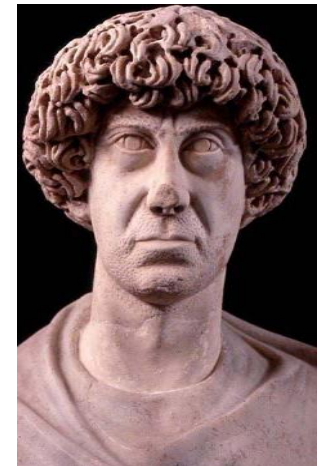
On Friday 4 May 2012,
the 'Last Statues of Antiquity (LSA)' database goes live at

<http://laststatues.classics.ox.ac.uk>

Here you will find a searchable, and freely available, database of all the statuary set up after AD 284 that was new, newly dedicated, or newly reworked. The database contains over 2600 items (statuary itself, inscribed bases, and literary references to new statues).

All are invited to the launch
of the LSA database, at 5pm
on Friday 4 May 2012
in the Ioannou Centre for
Classical and Byzantine Studies,
66 St Giles', Oxford.

At the launch there will be a brief
presentation of the wider research project
into the new statuary of Late Antiquity, and
a demonstration of the database.
This will be followed by a reception.



The Last Statues of Antiquity project was funded by a major grant from the Arts and Humanities Research Council. It was directed by R.R.R. Smith and Bryan Ward-Perkins, with major research by Ulrich Gehn, Julia Lenaghan, Carlos Machado, and many other collaborators.

OXFORD CENTRE FOR LATE ANTIQUITY



SPECIAL LECTURE

(with the Seminar for Late Antique and Byzantine Studies)

Hillel Newman (University of Haifa):
'Jews and Images of the Crucifixion in Late Antiquity'



Rabbula Gospel

Wednesday 9 May 2012 at 5pm

Ioannou Centre for Classical and Byzantine Studies, 66 St Giles', Oxford

Dr Newman will also be talking on 'The dating of the Talmud Yerushalmi' at 2.30 pm on Tuesday 8 May, at the Seminar on Jewish History and Literature in the Graeco-Roman Period held in the Oriental Institute (Pusey Lane).

OXFORD CENTRE FOR BYZANTINE RESEARCH OXFORD CENTRE FOR LATE ANTIQUITY KHALILI RESEARCH CENTRE OXFORD

*From Temple to Mosque: the Transformation
of Sacred Space in the Late Antique Near East*

Saturday 26 May 2012

Ioannou Centre, 66 St Giles', Oxford



CHAIR: **Jeremy Johns** (Oxford)

10.00 am **Judith McKenzie** (Oxford): *Opening remarks*

10.15 am **Harry Munt** (Oxford): *Historical introduction*

11.00–11.30 am: Tea/coffee break

CHAIR: **Neil McLynn** (Oxford)

11.30 am **Gideon Avni** (Hebrew University/IAA): *Archaeological evidence for the interrelations of churches, synagogues and mosques in Early Islamic Palestine*

12.15 pm **Fred Astren** (San Francisco State University): *Response*

12.45–1.45 pm: Lunch

CHAIR: **John Healey** (Manchester)

1.45 pm **Heba Mostafa** (Cambridge): *A new world order: sacrality, authority and the rise of the mosque and shrine in Islam*

2.30 pm **Ross Burns** (Sydney): *Transformation of temple sites to churches/mosques in the Levant*

3.15–3.45 pm: Tea/coffee break

CHAIR: **Bryan Ward-Perkins** (Oxford)

3.45 pm **Elias Khamis** (Oxford): *Sharing shrines between monotheistic faiths in Palestine*

4.30 pm **Judith McKenzie** and **Andres Reyes** (Oxford): *What happened in Egypt?*

5.15 pm *Concluding remarks*

5.45 pm: Drinks

This workshop is free, except for a £10 levy on the day (£5 students), for a sandwich lunch. Please register in advance by emailing <tiffany.chezum@exeter.ox.ac.uk>, indicating if you require lunch, and/or if you wish to join the speakers for dinner at 7pm (at your own expense). Organized by Judith McKenzie, Bryan Ward-Perkins, and Tiffany Chezum, in association with the Leverhulme project, "Late Antique Egypt and the Holy Land: Archaeology, History, and Religious Change".



SPECIAL LECTURE

(with the Seminar for Late Antique and Byzantine Studies)

Charlotte Köckert

(Ruprecht-Karls-Universität, Heidelberg):

'Conversion in Late Antique Christianity – Augustine and his Circles in Italy and North Africa'

Wednesday 30 May 2012, at 5pm

Ioannou Centre for Classical and Byzantine Studies, 66 St Giles'



Professor Köckert will also be talking at 5pm on Tuesday 29 May at the Patristics Seminar (in Christ Church), on 'Moses or Plato. The Place of Christian Cosmology within the Ancient Cosmological Debate'.



ONE-DAY COLLOQUIUM

"The Transformation of the Imperial Office in Late Antiquity"

Saturday 23 June 2012, from 11am

Al Jaber Auditorium, Corpus Christi College, Oxford

Conference Conveners: Jan Willem Drijvers, Meaghan McEvoy, and Neil McLynn

11.00–11.20: Opening comments

11.20–12.30

Roger Rees (St Andrews):

"The Emperor in Latin panegyric and the problems of the past"

Respondent: **Christopher Kelly** (Corpus Christi College, Cambridge)

LUNCH BREAK

2.00–3.10

Noel Lenski (University of Colorado at Boulder):

"Historicizing the Christian Emperor: Eusebius, Socrates and Sozomen write their rulers"

Respondent: **Thomas Graumann** (Homerton College, Cambridge)

Followed by Questions & Discussion

TEA BREAK

3.30–4.40

Bryan Ward-Perkins (Trinity College, Oxford) and

Julia Lenaghan (Ashmolean Museum, Oxford):

"The imperial office and the Last Statues of Antiquity project"

Followed by Questions & Discussion

4.40–5.00

Concluding remarks by **Jill Harries** (St Andrews)

WINE RECEPTION



Attendance is free, but space is limited, so please register for this event by emailing meaghan.mcevoy@ccc.ox.ac.uk. Please note that limited funds mean that we can only offer lunch to speakers and respondents, but all refreshments are free

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OXFORD CENTRE FOR LATE ANTIQUITY
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COLLOQUIUM
Towards a Poetics of
Late Latin Literature

Monday 25 June 2012

Seminar Room, Corpus Christi College, Oxford

10.00	Roger Rees (University of St Andrews): <i>The Aesthetics of Latin Praise and the Fourth Century Curve</i>
10.50	Coffee/tea break
11.20	Stephen Harrison (University of Oxford): <i>Metapoetics in the Prefaces of Claudian's De Raptu Proserpinae</i> Helen Kaufmann (University of Oxford): <i>Intertextuality in Late Latin Poetry</i>
13.00–14.00	Lunch break
14:00	Jesús Hernández Lobato (University of Oxford): <i>The Birth of a 'Poetics of Silence' in Late Antique Literature</i> Karla Pollmann (University of St Andrews): <i>Forms of Authority in Late Antique Poetry</i>
15:40	Coffee/tea break
16:10	Marco Formisano (Humboldt University of Berlin): <i>The Rhetoric of Exemplarity in Late Latin Literature</i>
17.00	General discussion/drinks



There will be a registration charge of £15 (£10 for students) to cover the cost of a sandwich lunch and refreshments through the day.

This colloquium is organized by Jaś Elsner and Jesús Hernández Lobato.

Please register with Jesús Hernández Lobato
jesus.hernandezlobato@classics.ox.ac.uk,

and send a cheque payable to 'Corpus Christi College' to Jesús Hernández Lobato, c/o Professor Jaś Elsner, Corpus Christi College, Merton Street, Oxford, OX1 4JF

After Rome Seminar: Aspects of the History and Archaeology of the Fifth to Seventh Centuries'

THURSDAYS at 5pm in the Sutro Room, Trinity College

26 April (Week 1)

Federico Montanaro (École Pratique des Hautes Études, Paris):

Beyond bread and circuses: imperial euergetism in Byzantium, 4th–9th centuries

3 May (Week 2)

Alice Rio (King's College London):

What did early medieval people mean when they said they had slaves?

10 May (Week 3)

Jesse Simon (Oxford):

The legacy of Roman cartography: representing the inhabited world at the end of Antiquity

17 May (Week 4)

Bryan Ward-Perkins (Oxford):

The end of the statue habit

24 May (Week 5)

Gideon Avni (Hebrew University):

From standing stones to open mosques – the archaeology of religious transformation in southern Palestine during Late Antiquity

31 May (Week 6)

Troels Kristensen (Aarhus University) :

Maxentius' head and the rituals of civil war

7 June (Week 7)

Graham Barrett (Oxford):

The world of the Visigothic slates

14 June (Week 8)

Peter Webb (SOAS):

'Defining 'Arabs': from Hellenistic geographers to Abbasid grammarians

Conveners: James Howard-Johnston and Bryan Ward-Perkins

Patristics Seminar

TUESDAYS at 5pm in Christ Church, Staircase 8

24 April (Week 1)

Iliaria Ramelli (Catholic University, Milan):
Apokatastasis and the Antiochene Tradition

1 May (Week 2)

Mark Edwards (Oxford):
Constantine the Theologian

8 May (Week 3)

Yannis Papadogiannakis (Oxford):
Question and Answer Literature in Late Antiquity

15 May (Week 4)

Emannouella Grypeou (Oxford):
Exegetical Encounters between Jews and Christians in Late Antiquity: the Story of Hagar and Ishmael

22 May (Week 5)

To be arranged

29 May (Week 6)

Charlotte Koeckert (Heidelberg):
Moses or Plato? The Place of Christian Cosmology within the Ancient Cosmological Debate

5 June (Week 7)

Dominic Keech (Oxford):
Gaudentius of Brescia on the Eucharist

12 June (Week 8)

Robert Wisniewski (Warsaw):
Christian Seers and their Clients in Late Antiquity

Convener: Mark Edwards

Two series of lectures

Both in the Seminar Room at the Theology Faculty Annexe, 41 St Giles

Professor Guy Stroumsa with **Dr Emmanouela Grypeou**:

*Visions of the End: Apocalypse and Eschatology
in Judaism, Christianity and Islam*

WEDNESDAYS, 10.00am–12.00 noon

Professor Guy Stroumsa:

Scriptures and Paideia in Late Antique Christianity

TUESDAYS, 5.00–6.30pm.

Colloquium on the *Constitutio Antoniniana* and its Impact, 212–2012

In 212 the emperor Caracalla granted citizenship to almost all the free inhabitants of the Empire. The 1800th anniversary of this momentous event is a fitting occasion to commemorate it and discuss the overall consequences of Caracalla's Edict.

Friday 15 June 2012 (10 am–6 pm)

Wharton Room, All Souls College

Papers by Tony Honoré, Fergus Millar, Boudewijn Sirks, Denis Feissel, Jean-Louis Ferrary, Pascal Arnaud and Domenico Vera.

A round-table discussion with the participation of Kate Cooper, Simon Corcoran, Jaś Elsner, Caroline Humfress, Neil McLynn, Alex Mullen, Arietta Papaconstantinou, Simon Swain, Tim Whitmarsh, Bryan Ward-Perkins, Andrew Wilson.

The colloquium is organised by Boudewijn Sirks and Arietta Papaconstantinou.

Further details and a full programme will be circulated nearer the time.

OXFORD CENTRE FOR BYZANTINE RESEARCH WORKSHOP

Approaches to Middle Byzantine Miletus

Saturday 9 June 2012, 9am–6pm

Institute of Archaeology, 36 Beaumont Street, Oxford

Convener: Philipp Niewoehner <philipp.Niewoehner@arch.ox.ac.uk>

No registration. Coffee and sandwiches: £0/£10/£20
(no income / single / donor covering for self and one without income)

O'DONNELL LECTURES 2012

Professor Ian Wood (University of Leeds):

*“The Irish in England and on the
Continent in the Seventh Century”*

Thursday 10 May 2012 at 5pm

Friday 11 May 2012 at 5pm

Lecture Theatre 2, St Cross Building

Professor Wood's second lecture will be followed by a drinks reception.

**Late Antique Latin Poetry:
Reading and discussion group**

Anyone interested in joining this group is very welcome to attend,
or to email Jesús Hernández Lobato in advance:

jesus.hernandezlobato@classics.ox.ac.uk

Late Antique and Byzantine Seminar

A weekly seminar will be held on **Wednesdays** at **5 pm**
in the Ioannou Centre for Classical and Byzantine Studies, 66, St Giles.

25 April (Week 1): **NO SEMINAR**

2 May (Week 2)

Prerona Prasad (Keble College):

Constantine Porphyrogenitus: Master of his World?

9 May (Week 3)

Hillel Newman (University of Haifa):

Jews and Images of the Crucifixion in Late Antiquity (OCLA Special Lecture)

16 May (Week 4)

Sabine Ladstätter (Austrian Archaeological Institute, Vienna):

Ephesos in Late Antiquity and Beyond (OCBR Special Lecture)

23 May (Week 5)

Yaman Dalanay (Exeter College):

Transformation of a 'classical' city: Ephesus during the Byzantine, Beylik, and Ottoman periods

30 May (Week 6)

Charlotte Koeckert (University of Heidelberg):

Conversion in Late Antique Christianity – Augustine and his Circles in Italy and North Africa (OCLA Special Lecture)

6 June (Week 7)

John Pryor (University of Sydney):

A medieval siege of Troy

13 June (Week 8)

Ilse de Vos (Wolfson):

The Quaestiones ad Antiochum ducem: dealing with a large manuscript tradition

Conveners: Marc Lauxtermann and Mark Whittow

Late Antique and Byzantine Archaeology and Art Seminar: 'Networks'

THURSDAYS 11am–12:30pm
St John's College, New Seminar Room

26 April (Week 1)

Dr Yuri Marano (Padua):

Ravenna and the Adriatic Sea: the circulation of Prokonnesian marble in the Age of Justinian

3 May (Week 2)

Professor Enzo Ruggieri (Campian Hall and Rome):

The Life of St Nicolas of Sion between Archaeology and Theology: Christian communities and their churches in sixth-century Lycia

10 May (Week 3)

Dr Georges Kazan (St John's College):

The role of marble in the production of Byzantine reliquaries

17 May (Week 4)

Marlena Whiting (Lincoln College):

The shifting routes of southern Palestine and Transjordan in Late Antiquity: A regional study of military, commercial and pilgrim traffic

24 May (Week 5)

Elizabeth Montgomerie (Exeter):

Exotic beasts shown escorted on mosaic pavements in the Late Antique Levant

31 May (Week 6)

Dr Simon Davies (Lincoln):

Marble spolia and their role in the medieval sculpture made and displayed at Constantinople

7 June (Week 7)

Dr Isaac Sastre-de Diego (Wolfson College):

The Late Antique basilica of Casa Herrera and the workshop of marble sculpture of Merida

14 June (Week 8)

Javier Martinez (Lincoln College):

The aqueducts of post-Roman Spain: Reccopolis as a case study

Conveners: Dr Marlia Mango (St John's) and Dr Philipp Niewöhner (Classics)

Jewish History and Literature in the Graeco-Roman Period

TUESDAYS, 2.30–4.30 p.m.
Oriental Institute

24 April (Week 1)

Dr Alison Salvesen (The Oriental Institute)

'Make it according to the pattern shown you on the mountain': the Tabernacle in Exodus and the canonization process in the Second Temple period

1 May (Week 2)

Professor Catherine Hezser (SOAS):

Jewish travel in Graeco-Roman antiquity

8 May (Week 3)

Dr Hillel Newman (Haifa):

The dating of the Talmud Yerushalmi

15 May (Week 4)

Dr Katell Berthelot (CNRS, Aix-en-Provence):

Reclaiming the land: Simon's rhetoric in I Maccabees 15, between biblical references and Seleucid discourse

22 May (Week 5)

Dr Jonathan Campbell (Bristol):

Rethinking rewritten Bible

29 May (Week 6)

Dr Danny Syon (Israel Antiquities Authority):

History from coin distribution in Hellenistic-Roman Galilee

5 June (Week 7): No seminar

12 June (Week 8)

Dr Uzi Leibner (Hebrew University of Jerusalem):

The debate over the dating of 'Galilean' type synagogues: new light from the excavations at Kh. Hamam in Eastern Galilee

Convener: Martin Goodman

Causation and Creation in Late Antiquity

WEDNESDAYS 5–6:30pm (followed by drinks to which everybody is invited)
Corpus Christi College Seminar Room

This seminar series is a collaboration between the [Power Structuralism in Ancient Ontologies](#) project directed by Anna Marmodoro and the [Centre for the Study of Greek and Roman Antiquity](#) in Corpus Christi College directed by Tim Whitmarsh. The series is co-organised by Neil McLynn, Anna Marmodoro, and Brian Prince, and is co-sponsored by the Oxford Centre for Late Antiquity.

Note that some of the weeks have been switched: new programme below

25 April 2012 (Week 1)

Peter Adamson (King's College London):

Wise God and Wayward Soul: a Revision of the Timaeus in the Arabic Tradition

2 May 2012 (Week 2)

Gillian Clark (University of Bristol):

Deficient Causes: Augustine on Creation and Evil

9 May 2012 (Week 3)

Richard Sorabji (University of Oxford):

Christian Attacks on Eternal Creation 50 Years Before Philoponus

16 May 2012 (Week 4)

James Wilberding (Ruhr-Universität Bochum):

Causation in Neoplatonic Embryology

23 May 2012 (Week 5)

James Howard-Johnston (University of Oxford):

The Origin of the Cosmos – from the Present to Late Antiquity

30 May 2012 (Week 6)

Anna Marmodoro (University of Oxford):

Gregory of Nazianzus on Causation

6 June 2012 (Week 7)

Peter Turner (independent scholar):

Spontaneity and Causality in Late Antique Spiritual Narrative

13 June 2012 (Week 8)

Peter Van Nuffelen (University of Ghent):

Beyond Language and God: Causality in Late Antique Historiography

Causing Health and Disease: Medical Powers in Classical and Late Antiquity

INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE

21–22 September 2012

Corpus Christi College (Rainolds Room), Oxford

Invited speakers and some provisional titles:

Philip van der Eijk (Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin)

Jim Hankinson (University of Texas at Austin)

Brooke Holmes (Princeton University):

Immanent Intelligence in Galen's On Natural Faculties

Geoffrey Lloyd (University of Cambridge):

Process-based versus object-based ontologies: some comparative observation

Roberto Lo Presti (Università degli Studi di Palermo):

Informing matters or en-mattered forms: Shaping the notion of dynamis in Aristotle's and Galen's embryology

Popa Tiberiu (Butler University):

Hippocratic Connections between Material Powers and Higher Level Dispositions

Barbara Zipser (Royal Holloway University of London)

Graduate students seeking assistance with the costs of attending this conference may wish to apply to the [Thomas Wiedemann Memorial Fund](#), which notes that its 'trustees are particularly keen to support attendance by individuals or groups at seminars or conferences'.

This conference is organised by Anna Marmodoro and Irini-Fotini Viltanioti. It is part of the research activities of the [Power Structuralism in Ancient Ontologies](#) project, directed by Anna Marmodoro and funded by the European Research Council. Please visit: <http://www.power-structuralism.ox.ac.uk/home>