

Newsletter and Call for Papers April 2009

Edinburgh Conference News

The dates for the forthcoming conference, to be held at the University of Edinburgh , are 13-15 November 2009, as agreed at the Canterbury AGM. To date, we have two guest speakers: Geoffrey Ribbans and Carme Riera.

We encourage all members to come to the conference and take advantage of this excellent opportunity to hear stimulating papers, engage in lively discussion and enjoy meeting with colleagues and friends. Conference delegates will also have the chance to visit the beautiful city of Edinburgh!

The approximate cost of the conference is to be £80 (£40 for students), including the Annual Lunch fee, and participants are requested to make their own arrangements for accommodation. A list of hotels, etc. will be placed on the web site nearer the time, however, 30 rooms are available on the university campus, near to the conference venue, at the price of £60-£80 per day. Further information on accommodation will be published at a later date on the Society's web site.

Call for Papers

You are invited to offer a paper at the LV Anglo-Catalan Society Conference on ANY ASPECT of Catalan culture. Please send proposals (title and 200-word abstract, please) by e-mail to the Society Secretary, Dr Jill Buckenham, by 30 June 2009. The e-mail address is jill@faura.me.uk.

Young Catalanists

If you are interested in submitting a poster on any theme, please contact Ben Bird on benbird82@hotmail.com.

Joan Gili Memorial Lecture

The latest publication in the series will shortly be available, both on the Society's web site and in printed version. The 2007 lecture was given by Miquel Strubell at the Swansea conference and was entitled: Bulls and donkeys. National identity and symbols in Catalonia and Spain .

Minutes of 2008 AGM

Please find enclosed a copy of the Minutes of the 2008 AGM, held at the University of Kent on Saturday, 15 November. The full Committee list for 2008-2009 can be found on the Society web site (www.kent.ac.uk/acsop/index.htm).

Josep Pla Anthology

We are delighted that Alex Ibarz has agreed to take over the project and has started making contact with the parties involved.

Institut Ramon Llull

We can now announce that the IRL representative in the UK is Núria Corominas.

Journal of Anglo-Catalan Studies (JOCS)

The latest edition of the Journal is now available on the Society's web site at http://www.anglo-catalan.org/jocs/11/index.html.

Batista i Roca Grants

The Announcement of the 2009 Batista i Roca grants to support research projects in the Social Sciences and Humanities has now been published. The full documentation can be accessed on the Society web site.

Conferences and Events

A number of conferences and events that may be of interest to our members are programmed to take place over the coming months:

1-3 July 2009

"Transformacions: literatura i canvi sociocultural dels anys setanta ençà", Universitat de les Illes Balears, Palma de Mallorca. Contact: Margalida Pons (margalida.pons@uib.es). Detailed information on the conference web site: www.uib.cat/catedra/camv/denc/transformacions/.

2-3 July 2009

"Gabriel Ferrater", Centre for Catalan Studies, Queen Mary, Universit of London . Contact: Jordi Larios (j.larios@qmul.ac.uk).

10-11 December 2009

"Espanya i les Illes Britàniques al 'llarg' segle XVIII. Congrés internacional', Facultat de Filologia, Universitat de Barcelona. Contact: John Stone (john.ston@eb.edu or john.stone.bcn@gmail.com).

21-23 April 2010

"La dictadura franquista: la institucionalització d'un règim", organised by Centre d'Estudis Històrics Internacionals-Pavelló de la República (CEHI-ABPR), Barcelona . Contact: cehi-congres@ub.edu

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any queries, or for further information.

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