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- Interdisciplinary Events
- Classics and Medieval Studies
- History and History of Science and Technology
- Literature and Arts
- Social Sciences
- Cinema

14 Oct. 2024-14 March 2025, Maison Française d'Oxford
EXHIBITION '*Pain and the Physician. 16th-18th centuries*'
Curated by Raphaële Andraut (CNRS, IHRIM-ENS de Lyon)
and Ariane Bayle (Université Jean Moulin Lyon 3, IHRIM)

7 Jan., 1.00-5.45pm, Maison Française d'Oxford
WORKSHOP '*Ecologisation of agricultural policies. France, United Kingdom*'

1st Week

20 Jan., 4.00pm, Maison Française d'Oxford
'HISTORY OF SCIENCE, MEDICINE, AND TECHNOLOGY' SEMINAR
'*Vaccine Hesitancy: The History of an Idea*'
Katie Atwell (University of Western Australia/
Uehiro Oxford Institute)

21 Jan., Time & location tbc
MIEVEAL FRENCH RESEARCH SEMINAR
Oxford Medieval Studies event

23 Jan., 12.30pm, Maison Française d'Oxford
EARLY MODERN RESEARCH SEMINAR
'*Time and Novelty in the Novellas of Giovanni Boccaccio and Marguerite de Navarre*'
Raphaëlle Burns (UCLA)

2nd Week

27 Jan., 4.00pm, Maison Française d'Oxford
'HISTORY OF SCIENCE, MEDICINE, AND TECHNOLOGY' SEMINAR
'*Of Herbs and Pharmaceuticals: Rethinking the Rise of the Pharmaceutical Industry after the Plant Turn*'
Matti Leprêtre (Sciences Po Paris/EHESS)

27 Jan., 5.15pm, All Souls
BOOK PRESENTATION '*Alias Caracalla*'
With Julian Jackson (QMUL)
and translator Rupert Swyer

28 Jan., 8.00pm, Maison Française d'Oxford
CINEMA '*Mélo die en sous-sol*'
Henri Verneuil, 1962, 2h

29 Jan., 5.15pm, Maison Française d'Oxford
BOOK PRESENTATION '*The Colonate in the Roman Empire*'
With author Boudewijn Sirks (All Souls College)
Discussants: Bryan Ward-Perkins (Trinity College, Oxford)
and Yann Rivière (EHESS, Paris)
Convenor: Soazick Kerneis (MFO)

30 Jan., 5.15pm, Maison Française d'Oxford
MODERN FRENCH RESEARCH SEMINAR
'*Becoming Lesbian: A Queer History of Modern France*'
Tamara Chaplin (University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign)

31 Jan., 9.00am-5.00pm, Collège de France
JOURNÉE D'ÉTUDE '*Trier les personnes étrangères. Analyses croisées de la loi Darmanin du 26 janvier 2024 au prisme des rapports sociaux de sexe, de race et de classe*'
Organisé par l'Association Française de Sociologie

3rd Week

3 Feb., 4.00pm, Maison Française d'Oxford
'HISTORY OF SCIENCE, MEDICINE, AND TECHNOLOGY' SEMINAR
'*Fabricating Facts in Behavior Genetics*'
Emily Merchant (UC Davis)

4 Feb., 5.15pm, Maison Française d'Oxford
MIEVEAL FRENCH RESEARCH SEMINAR
'*Flight, Founding and Foreignness in the Roman d'Eneas*'
Chimene Bateman (Lady Margaret Hall)

5 Feb., 9.00am-4.30pm, Maison Française d'Oxford
WORKSHOP '*Disease and International Relations*'
Convened by Mark Harrison
and Jeong-Ran Kim (University of Oxford)

6 Feb., 10.00am-3.00pm, Maison Française d'Oxford
CHANNELS OF DIGITAL SCHOLARSHIP SEMINAR
'*Access to knowledge: doing philosophy in the Age of Google and ChatGPT*'
Convened by Amélie Berger Soraruff (MFO)

6 Feb., 12.30pm, Location tbc
EARLY MODERN RESEARCH SEMINAR
'*Thunderstruck: Corneille's Poetics of the Lightning Bolt*'
Joe Harris (Royal Holloway, University of London)

6 Feb., 4.00pm, Maison Française d'Oxford
LECTURE SERIES 'Living Cities'
'*Metamorphoses of Urban Metabolism. The Challenges of a New Urban Paradigm*'
Sabine Barles (Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne)
Discussant: Juliet Carpenter (Kellogg College)

4th Week

10 Feb., 4.00pm, Maison Française d'Oxford
'HISTORY OF SCIENCE, MEDICINE, AND TECHNOLOGY' SEMINAR
'*Darkest before Dawn? Medicine in the English Universities in the Later Middle Ages*'
Peregrine Horden (University of Oxford)

11 Feb., 8.00pm, Maison Française d'Oxford
CINEMA *'Le Ravissement' (The Rapture)*
Iris Kaltenböck, 2023, 1h37min

13 Feb., 2.00pm, Taylor Institution
MODERN FRENCH RESEARCH SEMINAR
'Mind and Body'
With Simon Kemp (Somerville College),
Matt Phillips (Christ Church & Trinity College),
and Rebecca Boyd (St Hugh's College)

5th Week

17 Feb., 4.00pm, Maison Française d'Oxford
'HISTORY OF SCIENCE, MEDICINE, AND TECHNOLOGY' SEMINAR
'Beautifying the City, Poisoning the Lady. About an Odd Victorian Scientific Conversation (1869)'
Judith Rainhorn (Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne)

18 Feb., 5.15pm, Maison Française d'Oxford
MIEVEAL FRENCH RESEARCH SEMINAR
'Oath, Song, and the Making of Community in Medieval France'
Mary Franklin-Brown (University of Cambridge)

20 Feb., 12.30pm, Maison Française d'Oxford
EARLY MODERN RESEARCH SEMINAR
'Life on Loan: Precarity and Revocation in Two Early Modern Esthers (Montchrestien, Racine)'
Luke O'Sullivan (St Hilda's)

20 Feb., 5.15pm, All Souls College
CONVERSATION with Kamel Daoud
as part of the Choix Goncourt UK
With Catriona Seth (All Souls College)

21 Feb., Time and location tbc
READING for Boualem Sansal

6th Week

24 Feb., 4.00pm, Maison Française d'Oxford
'HISTORY OF SCIENCE, MEDICINE, AND TECHNOLOGY' SEMINAR
'Reconsidering HMS Challenger at 150: Race science, anatomy, and scientific seafaring'
Becky Martin (University of Oxford)

25 Feb., 8.00pm, Maison Française d'Oxford
CINEMA *'La Mort de Louis XIV' (The Death of Louis XIV)*
Albert Serra 2016, 1h55min
Special Film Screening echoing the exhibition 'Versailles: Science and Splendour' (Science Museum, London, 12 Dec 2024-21 April 2025)

27 Feb., 5.15pm, Maison Française d'Oxford
MODERN FRENCH RESEARCH SEMINAR
'Genres of Proust'
Mairead Hanrahan (UCL)

7th Week

3 March, 4.00pm, Maison Française d'Oxford
'HISTORY OF SCIENCE, MEDICINE, AND TECHNOLOGY' SEMINAR
'Eugenics and Religion; Eugenics as a Religion'
Andrew Moeller (University of Oxford)

4 March, 5.15pm, Maison Française d'Oxford
MIEVEAL FRENCH RESEARCH SEMINAR
'Consent in Old French Narratives of Female Martyrdom'
Charles Samuelson (University of Colorado, Boulder)

4 March, 5.15pm, Maison Française d'Oxford
CONVERSATION with Beata Umubyeyi-Mairese
With Catriona Seth (All Souls College)

6 March, 12.30pm, Maison Française d'Oxford
EARLY MODERN RESEARCH SEMINAR
'What is a Lesser Magistrate? Protestant Resistance Theory from Early Modern France to Trump's America'
Anna Rosensweig (University of Rochester)

6 March, 2.00-4.00pm, Maison Française d'Oxford
CHANNELS OF DIGITAL SCHOLARSHIP SEMINAR
'Hate speeches online'
Convened by Grégoire Lacaze (Aix-Marseille Université)

6 March, 5.15pm, Maison Française d'Oxford
CONVERSATION with Clara Dupont-Monod
With Catriona Seth (All Souls College)

7 March, 4.00pm, Maison Française d'Oxford
BOOK DISCUSSION
'The Rule of Laws: a 4,000-year quest to order the world'
With author Fernanda Pirié (St Cross College)
Chair: Perig Pitrou (MFO)
Discussants: Baudouin Dupret (Centre Jacques-Berque, Rabat)
and Sophie Demare-Lafont (Paris II Panthéon-Assas)
Convenor: Soazick Kerneis

8th Week

10 & 11 March, Maison Française d'Oxford
CONFERENCE *'I love you ...to fragments'*
Love and desire expressed in graffiti, street poetry and short poetic fragments outside of the book
Convenors:
Ann Peeters (Vrije Universiteit Brussel)
Patrick McGuinness (St Anne's)
Michael Rosenfeld (FWO Vlaanderen & Vrije Universiteit Brussel)
Rachele Gusella (Vrije Universiteit Brussel & FWO Vlaanderen)

10 March, 4.00pm, Maison Française d'Oxford
'HISTORY OF SCIENCE, MEDICINE, AND TECHNOLOGY' SEMINAR
'Mapping Animal Motion in the Time of Galileo'
Nuno Castel-Branco (University of Oxford)

11 March, 4.00pm, Maison Française d'Oxford
LECTURE SERIES 'Living Cities'
'Urbanising Space? Forms and Challenges of Outer Space Urbanisation'
Victor Buchli (UCL)
Discussant: Martine Drozd (MFO)

11 March, 8.00pm, Maison Française d'Oxford
CINEMA *'Le Retour' (Homecoming)*
Catherine Corsini, 2023, 1h46min

This term, we will also conduct interviews with the Goncourt UK shortlisted authors. They will be posted on the MFO YouTube channel.

20 March, 3.00-6.00pm, Maison Française d'Oxford
BOOK LAUNCH
'Nineteenth-Century French Philosophy: Cousin and Ravaillon'
Convened by Mogens Laerke (NOTCOM/MFO/IHRIM)

21 March, IMERA, Marseille
SÉMINAIRE INTERNATIONAL 'Le Grand Entrepôt'
'Logistique et Méditerranées asiatiques'

27 & 28 March, Université de Lille
COLLOQUE *'Les défis de la démocratie'*

- The **Medieval French Research Seminar** is convened by Daron Burrows (St Peter's College), Sophie Marnette (Balliol College), and Helen Swift (St Hilda's College)
- The **Early Modern French Seminar** is convened by Jess Goodman (St Catherine's College), Rachel Hindmarsh (St Catherine's College), and Marina Perkins (The Queen's College)
- The **Modern French Research Seminar** is convened by Jane Hiddleston (Exeter College) and Seth Whidden (The Queen's College)
- The seminar in the **History of Science, Medicine, and Technology** is convened by Alex Aylward (University of Oxford), Erica Charters (Wolfson College), Mark Harrison (Green Templeton College), Catherine Jackson (Harris Manchester College), and Sloan Mahone (University of Oxford)
- The **'Channels of Digital Scholarship' Seminar** is convened by Andrew Cusworth (Digital Scholarship, Oxford), Goran Gaber (IHRIM - UMR 5317 / ENS de Lyon), and the Maison Française d'Oxford
- The **'Living Cities' Lecture Series** is convened by Martine Drozd and Perig Pitrou (MFO)