

Tuesday 11th September

9.30 Registration, tea and coffee



Session I

10.00 Welcome

10.10 Talk 1: 'Fairy Tales' – Dimitra Fimi, Cardiff Metropolitan University

11.10 *Tea/Coffee*

Session II

11.30 Talk 2: 'Fantastic Beasts' – Megan Cavell, University of Birmingham

12.30 10-minute Talk: 'Beowulf' – Mark Atherton, University of Oxford

12.45 Lunch (*TBC*)

Session III

1.45 10-minute Talk: 'Morgan le Fay & Merlin' – Carolyne Larrington, University of Oxford

2.00 Talk 3: 'Arthurian Fantasy' – David Clark, University of Leicester

3.00 *Tea/Coffee*

Session IV

3.30 Talk 4: 'Shakespeare to the Gothic' – Nick Groom, University of Exeter

4.30 10-minute Talk: 'George MacDonald' – Dimitra Fimi, Cardiff Metropolitan University

In the evening delegates are free to explore Oxford and its famous pubs.

Optional:

5.15 90-minute walk led by local historian and author Mark Davies, featuring Lewis Carroll and Philip Pullman, starting at the English Faculty and ending at Oxford Castle, rich with Arthurian associations. Meet at the St Cross Building reception. Cost £5; please email [Mark Davies](mailto:Mark.Davies@ox.ac.uk) to register your interest.

Wednesday 12th September

Session V

9.30 Talk 5: 'Victorians and Edwardians' – Robert Maslen, University of Glasgow

10.30 10-minute Talk: 'M. R. James' – Nick Groom, University of Exeter

10.45 *Tea/Coffee*

Session VI

11.15 10-minute Talk: 'H. P. Lovecraft' – Stuart Lee, University of Oxford

11.30 Talk 6: 'The Inklings: C. S. Lewis, Tolkien, and their circle' – Colin Duriez, Independent Scholar

12.30 *Lunch (TBC)*

Session VII

1.30 Talk 7: 'Tolkien' – Mark Atherton, University of Oxford

2.30 Talk 8: 'C. S. Lewis and the Middle Ages' – Anna Caughey, University of Oxford

3.30 *Tea*

Session VIII

4.00 10-minute Talk: 'Susan Cooper' – Will Brockbank, University of Oxford

4.15 Talk 9: 'Writing Process: Lewis, Garner, Tolkien' – Diane Purkiss, University of Oxford

5.15-6.00 Talk 10: 'Writing Fantasy' – Mark Chadbourn, Novelist

7.30 Banquet at Wadham College (optional extra, £60)

Thursday 13th September

Session IX

9.30 10-minute Talk: 'Ursula Le Guin' – Caroline Batten, University of Oxford

9.45 Talk 11: 'G. R. R. Martin' – Carolyne Larrington, University of Oxford

10.45 *Tea/Coffee*

Session X

11.15 10-minute talk 7: 'Diana Wynne-Jones' – David Clark, University of Leicester

11.30 Talk 12: 'Philip Pullman – Sequels and Equals' – Margaret Kean, University of Oxford

12.30 *Lunch (TBC)*

Session XI

1.30 Talk 13: 'J. K. Rowling' – Laura Varnam, University of Oxford

2.30 Talk 14: 'Approaching Fantasy Literature' – Stuart Lee, University of Oxford

