



University of Illinois Department of French



6 March 2009

THIS WEEK'S EVENTS

"De gustibus non est disputandum: Transformations of Tastes in Late Medieval and Early Modern France" Lecture by Timothy Tomasik, Valparaiso University
Wednesday, March 11, 4:30pm
Lucy Ellis Lounge, FLB

"Language Learning Differences: What is their impact upon foreign language learning? How do we respond?"

Wednesday, March 11
5:00 pm in 2090 FLB

Lecture by Dr. Barbara Hill, Center for Language and Learning at the University of Colorado at Boulder. Hill is a nationally recognized authority on teaching foreign languages to students with learning disabilities. She has published and lectured widely on a modified Latin curriculum she developed at the U. of Colorado. This program has served as a model for programs in Italian and Spanish. Her work challenges the notion that some students need to be excused from foreign language requirements due to learning disabilities. Sponsored by the Depts. Of the Classics, Spanish, Italian and Portuguese, Linguistics, EALC, and the School of Literatures, Cultures & Linguistics.

Pause Café, Thursdays at Espresso Royale (Oregon/Goodwin), 5:30pm, as always. Everyone is welcome!

"A Psychoanalytic Ethics of Translation: in analytic practice, in translating Lacan's Ecrits",

Friday, March 13,
4 p.m. in Lucy Ellis Lounge.

Lecture by Dr. Bruce Fink, Professor of Psychology at Duquesne and Director of the Graduate Program in Psychology, award-winning translator of Jacques Lacan's *Ecrits*, as well as *On feminine sexuality: the limits of love and knowledge* (Seminar XX, 1972-1973), and author of four books on Lacan.

Sponsored by: SLCL, the Center for Advanced Studies, Depts. of Slavic Langs. and Lits., Psychology, Comparative and World Literature, French, the Unit for Theory and Criticism, The Center for Translation Studies.

10th Generative Approaches to Second Language Acquisition Conference

March 13-15

Graduate students in French Language Learning and French Linguistics are especially encouraged to attend. If you have not done so already, please register online (<https://netfiles.uiuc.edu/atrembla/gasla10>).

UPCOMING EVENTS

Alliance Française de Chicago: Festival de la francophonie.

Throughout the month of March, discover art, film, BD, music, dance, theatre, cuisine and politics of France, Belgium, Haïti, Romania, Switzerland, Québec, Canada, and Burkina Faso.

All events are free and will take place at the Alliance Française, 54 W. Chicago Avenue (unless otherwise noted). For more information, see the calendar: <http://www.af-chicago.org/app/Calendar.asp> ; for reservations call (312) 337 – 1070.

CAS Initiative on Immigration. Professor Zsuzsanna Fagyal will be moderating "*Forum on Immigrants Close to Home: Issues in the Local Community*"

Tuesday, April 21, 2009 at 4:00 PM
Music Room of Levis Faculty Center.

CALLS FOR PAPERS

Forth International Conference on the Arts in Society

28-31 July 2009

Venice, Italy

<http://www.Arts-Conference.com>

Deadline for submissions: March 15, 2009

The theme of this year's Conference is *Art and Transnationalism*. It focuses dialogue on the arts and art practices that may be situated within the context of international art expositions, festivals and biennials which are engaged with the transnational production of art and its global distribution networks. The scope is deliberately broad and ambitious. Our times demand nothing less than interdisciplinary and holistic approaches. The breadth of the Conference and the Journal, however, are without prejudice to finely grained discussion of specific, local and grounded

practices.

Plenary speakers include:

- * Judy Chicago, Artist, Author, Educator
- * Dr. Tomasz Wendlund, Artist; Director, MEDIATIONS Biennale, Poland; Lecturer, Sommer Akademie in Rheinau, Switzerland
- * Barbara Fischer, University of Toronto, Canada;
- * Aaron Levy, Founding Director of Slought Foundation, Philadelphia, USA
- * Dr. Nancy Mithlo, University of Wisconsin, Madison

Proposals are reviewed within two weeks of submission. <http://www.Arts-Conference.com/>.

35th Annual Nineteenth-Century French Studies Colloquium

Oct. 22-24

Salt Lake City, UT

Deadline for submissions: March 15, 2009

The topic of this year's colloquium, "Fossilization and Evolution," is broadly conceived to encourage contributions from a wide range of disciplines and theoretical perspectives. Contributions dealing with how F&E enter into the literary discourse, visual rhetoric, political, social and personal realms of nineteenth-century France are particularly welcome. All abstracts will be considered.

The deadline for submissions is March 15, 2009. Abstracts should be sent by email to ncfs@byu.edu. For more details, please see the conference website: <http://ncfs.byu.edu/>

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

French/Francophone Studies: Visiting Assistant Professor (Two-Year Appt.)

Union College, Schenectady, NY

Beginning September 2009

www.union.edu/PUBLIC/MOLNDEPT

Application deadline: April 10, 2009

Union College (Schenectady, NY) invites applications for a two-year visiting position, possibly renewable, in French and Francophone Studies in the Department of Modern Languages and Literatures, beginning September 2009. We seek a colleague with demonstrated excellence at all levels of language instruction (native or near-native fluency in French is required) and potential to teach upper-level cultural studies-oriented courses in French and/or translation. Specialization open; interest in francophone / immigrant lit and culture through an interdisciplinary approach may be preferred. Ph.D. must be in hand or near completion by 9/09. Under current policy, visitors at Union have access to research and travel funds and other benefits. Union College is an equal opportunity employer and is strongly committed to student and workforce diversity. Please send letter of interest, vita, graduate transcript, and three letters of recommendation, including one that speaks to teaching excellence, by April 10, 2009, to Charles Batson, Chair, Modern Languages and Literatures, Union College, 807 Union St, Schenectady, NY 12308.

Initial screening and campus interviews late April/early May 2009.

University of Kentucky Lecturer in French

<http://www.as.uky.edu/MCLLC/>

Review of applications begins March 16, 2009

The Department of Modern and Classical Languages, Literatures and Cultures at the University of Kentucky invites applications for a Lecturer in French whose appointment will begin August 2009. The lecturership is in principle renewable annually on the basis of satisfactory performance. The successful applicant's primary responsibility will be the supervision and training of the ten graduate teaching assistants in French and the coordination of the lower division French language program. In addition s/he will teach three courses per semester. Qualifications include a PhD or ABD in French linguistics or literary and cultural studies with an interest in Second Language Acquisition, substantial experience in teaching language courses, and native or near-native fluency in English and French. Experience in supervising and training GTAs is a plus. Salary commensurate with qualifications and experience. Applicants should send letter of application, CV, teaching portfolio, and placement dossier with at least three letters of recommendation to:

Prof. Suzanne Pucci, Chair, French Search Committee, Modern and Classical Languages, 1055 POT, University of Kentucky, Lexington KY 40506-0027.

Applications will be acknowledged. Review of applications will begin March 16 and continue until the position is filled. The University of Kentucky is an Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity University that values diversity and is located in an increasingly diverse geographical region. It is committed to becoming one of the top public institutions in the country. Women, persons with disabilities, and members of other underrepresented groups are encouraged to apply.

Le département des langues de l'Ecole Normale Supérieure de LYON recherche deux lecteurs/

lectrices d'Anglais pour la rentrée de septembre 2009, pour un contrat d'un an, renouvelable une fois.

Il faut que les candidats soient titulaires d'un Master's Degree (sinon d'un Bachelor's Degree en 4 ans) et que l'Anglais soit leur langue maternelle. Ils assumeront respectivement la responsabilité de 3 cours en L3 : Une expérience de l'enseignement est vivement souhaitée. Pour postuler, merci d'envoyer une lettre de motivation et un C.V. à Véronique RANCUREL, Directrice du Département des Langues, Ecole Normale Supérieure de Lyon, 46 Allée d'Italie, 69364 LYON Cedex 07.

Please contact Nicola Dach at dach@illinois.edu or Jenelle Griffin at jgriffin6@illinois.edu by Wednesday at 5pm if you have news you would like mentioned in next week's newsletter.