

Revisiting Vergil and Roman Religion Symposium Cumanum 2015 June 23, 2015

by 7:00 pm Arrivals

Wednesday, June 24

9:00 to 9:30 Welcome

9:30 to 10:30 Session 1: Fate, Fortune, and Prophecy

James O'Hara, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

"Prophecy in the *Aeneid* Revisited: Lying, Exaggeration and Encomium in *Aeneid* 8 and the Shield of Aeneas"

Calypso Nash, Oxford University

"*Fatum* and *fortuna*: Religion and Philosophy in Virgil's *Aeneid*"

10:30 to 10:45 Break

10:45 to 1:00 Session 2: Ritual

Nandini Pandey, University of Wisconsin

"In the Name of the Father: Perverted Sacrifice under the Laurel in *Aeneid* 2"

Sergio Casali, Università di Roma, Tor Vergata

"Dido's Gods: Reading the Sacrifice Scene at *Aen.* 4.56–67"

Barbara Weiden Boyd, Bowdoin College

"Fire Walking on Soracte: A Modest Proposal"

Petra Schierl, Universität Basel

"Reconsidering Ritual in the *Eclogues*"

1:00 to 2:30 Lunch

2:30 to 4:15 Session 3: Religion as Category

Richard Thomas, Harvard University

"*Di meliora piis*: Revisiting the Efficacy of Religion in the *Georgics*"

Giovanna Laterza, Université de Strasbourg and Albert Ludwigs Universität Freiburg

"Méthodologies en comparaison: la religion dans la sixième livre de l'

Énéide"

Carey Seal, University of California, Davis

"Cacus, Hercules, and the Natural History of Religion"

4:15 to 4:30 Break

4:30 to 6:15 Session 4: Vergil's Gods 1

Rachael Cullick, University of Minnesota

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Saturnique altera proles: Divine Wrath and Authority in the *Aeneid*"

Elina Pyy, University of Helsinki

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Nunc etiam manis . . . movet: Cthonic Deities and Cults in the Aeneid

Tammy Di-Giusto, University of Adelaide

"Vergil's Faunus: Augustan Innovation"

Thursday, June 25

9:00 to 10:45 Session 5: Intertextualities

Britney Szembruch, Stanford University

"Marcellus' Spoils: Performing a Callimachean Hymn in the Underworld"

Spencer Cole, University of Minnesota

"Mapping the Posthumous Path: Vergil, Cicero, and the Afterlife"

John Schafer, Northwestern University

"Vain Address: The Catullan Brother in the Aeneid."

10:45 to 11:00 Break

11:00 to 1:15 Session 6: The Politics of Religion

Stephen Heyworth, Oxford University

"Vergil and the Calendar"

Damien Nelis, Université de Genève

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Viamque adfectat Olympo: Vergil's Caesar"

Anton Powell, University of Swansea

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Virgil and Neptune: Plastic Theology?"

Vassiliki Panoussi, College of William and Mary

"She Who Shall Not Be Named: Isis and the Politics of Religion in Vergil's

Aeneid

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1:15 to 2:45 Lunch

2:45 to 4:30 Session 7: Rituals and Death

Ingo Schaaf, Universität Konstanz

"Death and the Maiden: Sibyls, Cumae, and Necromancy in and outside

Aeneid

Book 6"

Arduino Maiuri, Independent Scholar

"The Cave of the Sibyl: Geographic Place or Pure Fantasy? Some Observations on

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uexata quaestio"

David Wright, Rutgers University

"'Death by Drowning?' Rivers, Rituals, and the

Aeneid"

4:30 to 4:45 Break

4:45 to 6:30 Session 8:

Georgics

Anne-Angèle Fuchs, Université de Genève

"A Strange Rite Alluded to in Vergil,

Georgics 1.156–57"

Christine Perkell, Emory University

"The Poetics of

Bugonia: Ritual and Literary Contexts"

Julia Hejduk, Baylor University

"If Isaiah Speaks: Original Sin and an Astonishing Acrostic in Virgil's

Orpheus

and Eurydice"

Friday, June 26

Sessions at the University of Naples

9:15 to 9:30 Welcome to the University of Naples

9:30 to 12:00 Session 9:

Bucolics

Giampiero Scafoglio, Seconda Università di Napoli

"The Orpheus-theme and Orphism in Vergil's
Bucolics"

Leah Kronenberg, Rutgers University

"Virgil's Pastoral God: Daphnis as Lucretius"

Joseph M. Romero, University of Mary Washington

"Touched by Heaven (de caelo tactas...): Philosophy and Religion in Vergil, Ecl. 1"

Caleb M. X. Dance, Washington and Lee University

"Gods, Vision, and World-Changing Laughter in
Eclogue 4"

12:00 to 1:45 Lunch

1:45 to 3:45 Session 10: Vergil's Gods 2

Anne Rogerson, University of Sydney

"Virgil's Tiber: River and God"

Anna Everett Beek, University of Minnesota

"The Gods Unmasked"

John Makowski, Loyola University

"Cybele, Troy, and Rome"

3:45 to 4:00 Break

4:00 Excursion and Return to the Villa Vergiliana