

## Department of Classics and the Classical Traditions Initiative Events Calendar, 2007-2008

**Friday/Saturday, October 5-6, 2007**

### **Illinois Classical Conference**

meets at Loyola University Chicago, Lakeshore Campus;

[see complete program details at Illinois Classical Conference website.](#)

Daniel Garrison (Classics, NU) presides at session on "Connectivity in Catullus" and "Friendship in Catullus" on Saturday

Closing banquet at The Celtic Knot Pub in Evanston

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Among the Classical Traditions Initiative events for 2007-2008 are

**Thursday, October 11, 2007**

**5:00-6:30 p.m.**

**Department of Classics Seminar Room, Kresge Hall 1-500**

**[\(directions/map\)](#)**

**Mary-Kay Gamel**

*Revising 'Authenticity' in Staging Ancient Mediterranean Drama*

Professor of Classics, Comparative Literature, and Theater Arts  
University of California Santa Cruz

Sponsored by the Department of Classics and the Classical Traditions Initiative, Northwestern University

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**Monday, October 22, 2007**

**12 noon-1:00 p.m.**

**Department of Classics Seminar Room, Kresge Hall 1-500**

**John Wynne**

*The Stoics on Dreams*

Professor of Classics  
Northwestern University

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**Thursday, October 25, 2007**

**6:00-7:00 p.m.**

**Fullerton Hall, The Art Institute of Chicago**

**[\(directions/map\)](#)**

*Dramatic Reading of Homer's Odyssey*

Professional actors, under the direction of David Muse, associate director of the Shakespeare Theatre Company (Washington, DC) present highlights of Odysseus's adventures. Prof. Gregory

Nagy of Harvard University hosts. Event sponsored by the Art Institute of Chicago, the Hellenic Museum and Cultural Center (Chicago); produced by the Onassis Foundation (USA), its exclusive sponsor.

Attendees from Classics' faculty and students, led by Amalia Avramidou, Mellon Postdoctoral Fellow in Classics, are sponsored by the Department of Classics

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**Monday, November 5, 2007**  
**5:00-6:30 p.m.**  
**University Hall 102**  
[\(directions/map\)](#)

**Andrew Stewart**  
*Designing Women: The Hetaira as Model from Phintias to Praxiteles*

Professor of Ancient Mediterranean Art and Archaeology  
Nicholas C. Petris Professor of Greek Studies, Departments of History of Art and Classics  
University of California Berkeley  
Co-curator of Mediterranean Archaeology, Phoebe Apperson Hearst Museum of Anthropology

Sponsored by the Department of Classics, the Classical Traditions Initiative, and the Department of Art History, Northwestern University

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**Wednesday, November 7, 2007**  
**12 noon-1:00 p.m.**  
**Department of Classics Seminar Room, Kresge Hall 1-500**

**Robert Wallace**  
*Plato's beef--against Greek music*

Professor of Classics  
Northwestern University  
Respondents: Richard Kraut, Stefano Perfetti et al.

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**Tuesday, November 13, 2007**  
**5:00 p.m.**  
**Department of Classics Seminar Room, Kresge 1-500**  
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**Amalia Avramidou**  
*Invitation to a Banquet: Sympotic Scenes on Greek Vases*

Andrew W. Mellon Postdoctoral Fellow  
Department of Classics, Northwestern University

Sponsored by the Department of Classics and the Classical Traditions Initiative, Northwestern University

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**Thursday, November 15, 2007**  
**3:30 p.m.**  
**University Hall 1250**  
**University of Illinois at Chicago**  
[\(directions/maps\)](#)

**Ourania Nanno Marinatos and Robert Wallace**  
*Two different readings of Thucydides:*  
*Wise, unbiased philosopher or highly biased, antidemocratic historian?*

Marinatos is Professor of Classics and Mediterranean Studies, University of Illinois at Chicago  
Wallace is Professor of Classics, Northwestern University

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**Monday, November 19, 2007**  
**Lyric Opera of Chicago**  
*Julius Caesar*  
Danielle de Niese as Cleopatra  
David Daniels as Julius Caesar

Several members of *Eta Sigma Phi*, the Classics honor society, attend a performance of Handel's *Julius Caesar* at Lyric Opera of Chicago as guests of Gregory O'Leary, former Classics major (Northwestern Class of 1984). Before the performance, Mr. O'Leary hosted a dinner for his guests at the Tower Club of Chicago. His former teacher, Prof. Jeanne Ravid, and her husband, also attended.

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**January 3-6, 2008**  
139th Annual Meeting of the [American Philological Association](#) in Chicago

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**January 14, 2008**  
**12:00 p.m.**  
**Scott Hall, Ripton Room**  
[\(directions/map\)](#)

**Bonnie Honig**  
*Antigone's Anachronism: Homeric Mourning in Democratic Athens*

Professor, Department of Political Science, Northwestern University  
Senior Research Fellow, American Bar Foundation

Sponsored by the Political Theory Colloquium

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**Monday, February 18, 2008**  
**12 noon-1:00 p.m.**  
**Department of Classics Seminar Room, Kresge Hall 1-500**

**Reginald Gibbons**  
*Translating Sophokles the poet*

Professor of Classics and English  
Northwestern University

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**Monday, March 3, 2008**  
**12 noon-1:00 p.m.**  
**Department of Classics Seminar Room, Kresge 1-500**

**Richard Kraut**  
*Love in Plato's Symposium*

Professor of Philosophy and Classics  
Charles and Emma Morrison Professor in the Humanities  
Northwestern University

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**Monday, March 10, 2008**  
**12 noon - 1:00 p.m.**  
**Department of Classics Seminar Room, Kresge 1-500**

**Amalia Avramidou**  
*Sports Illustrated: Attic Vases in Etruscan Context and the Case of the Codrus Painter*

Andrew W. Mellon Postdoctoral Fellow  
Department of Classics, Northwestern University

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**Friday, March 14, 2008**  
**Conference, "Plato's Moral Psychology"**  
**Northwestern University, Harris Hall, Room 108**  
**([directions/map](#))**

*Eros in Plato's Symposium*

**9:00-10:30 a.m.**  
**Debra Nails**, Michigan State University  
*Aim-Inhibited Eros and Plato's Symposium*  
Commentator: **Constance Meinwald**, University of Illinois at Chicago

**11:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m.**

**David Reeve**, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

*Plato on the Beautiful, the Philosophical, and the Genital*

Commentator: **Constance Meinwald**, University of Illinois at Chicago

*Plato on the Soul*

**3:00-4:30 p.m.**

**Rachel Barney**, University of Toronto

*What kind of theory is the theory of the tripartite soul?*

Commentator: **Hendrik Lorenz**, Princeton University

**5:00-6:30 p.m.**

**Rachana Kamtekar**, University of Arizona

*The Powers of Plato's Psychology*

Commentator: **Hendrik Lorenz**, Princeton University

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**Wednesday and Thursday, April 2-3, 2008**

**Pisa/Northwestern Conference, "Violence--Political and Sacred"**

**Northwestern University, Harris Hall, Room 108**

[\(directions/map\)](#)

*Classical Antiquity*

**9:00 a.m.-12 noon**, Wednesday

**Bonnie Honig**, Northwestern University, Political Science

*From Lamentation to Logos: Antigone's Offensive Speech*

**Francesca Tataranni**, Northwestern University, Classics

*Warrior Initiation Rites and Ethnicity in Ancient Italy*

**Robert Wallace**, Northwestern University, Classics

*Did the Greeks Prefer War to Peace?*

*The Biblical World*

**1:30-5:30 p.m.**, Wednesday

**Adriano Fabris**, Università di Pisa, Philosophy

*The Biblical God and Violence*

**Kenneth Seeskin**, Northwestern University, Philosophy

*Why Monotheism is and ought to be Violent*

**Regina Schwartz**, Northwestern University, English

*Idolatry and Violence*

**Stefano Perfetti**, Università di Pisa, Philosophy

*Figures of Violence in Augustine's City of God*

### ***The World of Islam***

10:00 a.m.-12 noon, Thursday

**Muhammed Sani Umar**, Northwestern University, Religion  
*Religious Discourse on Violence*  
**Rüdiger Seesemann**, Northwestern University, Religion  
*'Fight the Idolators Wherever You Find Them':  
Violence and Politics in the Sudan*

### ***The Modern World***

2:00-5:00 p.m., Thursday

**Penny Deutscher**, Northwestern University, Philosophy  
*Auto-Immunity and the Violence of the Brute*  
**Hannah Feldman**, Northwestern University, Art History  
*Shooting Protest*  
**Stephen Eisenman**, Northwestern University, Art History  
*Revisiting the 'Dialectic of Enlightenment':  
Abu Ghraib and the Pathos Formula*

Sponsors are the Università di Pisa, Facoltà di Lettere e Filosofia, Dipartimento di Filosofia, Dipartimento di Scienze Storiche del Mondo Antico; Northwestern University's Departments of Philosophy and Classics, and the Classical Traditions Initiative (address questions to [Kenneth Seeskin](#), Philosophy, planning committee chair)

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**Friday, April 11, 2008, 4:00 p.m.**  
**Department of Philosophy Seminar Room, Kresge 2-345**  
**([directions/map](#))**

**Pierre Destrée**  
*Plato on poetry and the parts of the soul*

Professor, Catholic University of Louvain  
Visiting Professor, University of Maryland, College Park

Sponsored by the Department of Philosophy, Northwestern University  
Contact [philosophy@northwestern.edu](mailto:philosophy@northwestern.edu) for further information

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**Saturday, April 12, 2008**  
**University of Illinois at Chicago**

### ***Latin Olympics***

Tests and contests in the Latin language and classical culture sponsored for high school and grade school students each year by the teachers of Latin in the Chicago Public Schools. Latin Olympics challenges students in both elementary and high school Latin programs in the Chicago Public Schools to compete for honors in city-wide competitions. Students have an opportunity to compete

in written and oral academic events, and in creative and graphic arts contests based on their knowledge of the Latin language and of Roman civilization

Participants from Northwestern's Department of Classics are Dan Garrison, Francesca Tataranni, and Mina Marien

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**Tuesday, May 6, 12 noon-1:00 p.m.**  
**Department of Classics Seminar Room, Kresge 1-500**

*Conversation with Jonathan Mazer, director of Euripides' Bacchae*  
Production in NU's Josephine Louis Theatre, April 25-May 4, 2008

Hosted by and at the invitation of Prof. Kathryn Boshier, Department of Classics

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**Wednesday, May 7, 2008; 5:00-7:30 p.m.**  
**Hardin Hall, Rebecca Crown Center, 633 Clark Street, Evanston**  
[\(directions/map\)](#)

**Page Dubois**  
*Ancient Greeks in the 21st Century*

Professor of Classics and Comparative Literature, Greek, Feminist Theory and Psychoanalysis, and Cultural Studies  
University of California San Diego

Sponsored by the [Alice Kaplan Institute for the Humanities](#) at Northwestern University and made possible in part by the generous support of the Harris Lecture Fund; the Department of Classics, and the Classical Traditions Initiative

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**Friday, May 9, 2008; 4:00 p.m.**  
**Department of Classics Seminar Room, Kresge 1-500**  
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**Richard Bett**  
*Beauty and its Connection with Goodness in the Stoics*

Professor of Ancient Greek Philosophy  
Johns Hopkins University

Sponsored by the Department of Classics and the Department of Philosophy, Northwestern University

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**July 14-18, 2008**

**Center for Global Culture and Communication and the Department of Communication Studies, Northwestern University**

*Political Thought and Rhetoric in the Classical World*

One-week seminar for graduate students, directed by professors Keith Topper and Dilip Goankar; presentations and discussions led by a distinguished group of visiting faculty who have contributed to the study of rhetoric and the history of ancient political thought. Particular attention is paid to the interplay of rhetoric and political theory among key thinkers in the classical era: Plato, Aristotle, Cicero, and others. Visiting faculty include:

**Joy Connolly** (New York University)  
**Page duBois** (University of California, San Diego)  
**Jill Frank** (University of South Carolina)  
**Bernard Yack** (Brandeis University)

Lectures 4:00-6:00 p.m., Frances Searle Building, room 1-483  
[map and directions](#)

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