'Wives may be merry, and yet honest, too': Shakespeare's The Merry Wives of Windsor in Context

An undergraduate and faculty conference in concert with the Lord Denney's Players' production of Sir John Falstaff and the Merry Wives of Windsor

April 6 & 7, 2018

All Events in Denney Hall 311



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Undergraduate Conference on Pre- and Early Modern Women April 6, 10am-1pm

9:30ам

REGISTRATION. Tea, coffee, bagels, and fruit

10:00AM - II:00AM

Session 1: New Perspectives on Shakespeare

Chair: Manuel Jacquez

- Natalie Dalea, 'A Pleasant and Most Conceited Essay, of Printed Title Pages and Erased Women'
- Sheridon Ward, 'The Merry Wives of Windsor: An Analysis from an Evolutionary Perspective'
- Ashley Marvin, 'Elizabeth's Impact on Shakespeare's Women'
- Lizz Birkhoff, 'The Many Wives of Marc Antony'

11:15AM - 11:30AM AWARDING OF THE LORD DENNEY'S PLAYERS SONNET PRIZE

11:30AM - 12:15PM

Session 2: Constructing Classical and Medieval Women

Chair: Clint Morrison Jr.

- Sasha Zborovsky, 'The Women Who Destroyed All Virtue: Lady Bertilak's Advances in Sir Gawain and the Green Knight'
- Capri Pappas, 'The Trobairitz Were Queer, and Here's Why'
- Katie Lesiak, 'The Tragedy of Mariam'

12:15PM - 1:00PM

LUNCH. Catered by Acre. Vegetarian options available.

12:15PM - 1:00PM

LUNCHTIME ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION, THE ACTORS

Chairs: Sam Schrama and Alli Gill

Participants: Madison Task (Anne Page), Kallen Alsdorf (Ms. Ford), Hanna Mandernach (Ms. Page), Hannah Woods (Ms. Quickly)

4:00PM

Keynote Address

Professor Jean Howard (Columbia University), "'I Was a Stranger': Hospitality in *The Merry Wives of Windsor*"

Introduced by Professor Alan Farmer (English, OSU)

7:30PM

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'Sir John Falstaff and the Merry Wives of Windsor: Reappraising the 1602 Quarto' (Faculty Conference)

April 7, 10am-3pm

9:30AM

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10:00AM - II:00AM

Session 1

Chair: Jennifer Higginbotham (English, OSU)

- David Lindley (University of Leeds), 'Why edit Q1 of Merry Wives?'
- Helen Ostovich (McMaster University), "A very frampold life": Household Management and the Mistress Quickly of *Merry Wives*, Q and F'

***Tea/coffee break**

11:00AM - 12:00PM

Session 2

Chair: Chris Highley (English, OSU)

- Richard Dutton (OSU / Queen's U Belfast), 'Merry Stage Directions'
- James J. Marino (Cleveland State University), 'Master Theories and Master Page in Q1 Merry Wives'

12:00PM - I:00PM

LUNCH. Catered by Acre. Vegetarian options available.

I:00PM - 2:00PM

Session 3

Chair: Hannibal Hamlin (English, OSU)

- Adam Zucker (University of Massachusetts, Amherst), 'Windsor Unlearned'
- Musa Gurnis (Washington University in St. Louis), 'Wife Swap: Theatergrams and Gender Codes'

***Tea/coffee break**

2:00РМ - 3:00РМ

Round Table Discussion, Directors and Producers

Chair: Elizabeth Kolkovich (English, OSU)

Participants: Clara Davidson (assistant director); Heather Frazier (stage manager); Sarah Neville (director); Elizabeth Steinway (dramaturge)

7:30PM

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