

EVERY INCH A KING: FROM ALEXANDER TO THE KING OF KINGS

Conference Programme

DAY ONE: 22 September 2008

9.00- 9.30 Registration

9.30-9.45 Welcoming remarks

9.45-11.05 First session: Chair Lynette Mitchell

9.45-10.25 Margaret Cool Root (Michigan), *Defining the divine: Performance-arts of Achaemenid Persian kingship*

10.25-11.05 Christopher Tuplin (Liverpool), *Xenophon's Cyropaedia: Fictive history, political analysis and 'thinking with kings'*

11.05-11.20 Coffee break

11.20- 12.40 Second session: Chair Richard Stoneman

11.20-12.00 Lynette Mitchell (Exeter), *Alexander the Great: A god among men?*

12.00-12.40 Waller Newell (Carleton University, Ottawa), *Machiavelli and Xenophon's Cyrus: Searching for the modern conception of monarchy*

12.40-2.15 Lunch

2.15 - 3.35 Third session: Chair Vesta Sarkhosh Curtis

2.15-2.55 Brian McGing (Trinity College Dublin), *Iranian kings in Greek dress? Cultural identity in the kingdom of Pontus*

2.55-3.35 Gillian Ramsey (Exeter), *Aspects of Seleucid kingship*

3.35-4.00 Tea break

4.00-5.20 Fourth session: Kishwar Rizvi

4.00-4.40 Peter Ainsworth (Sheffield), *Royalty reflected in the Chronicles of Froissart*

4.40-5.20 Charles Melville (Cambridge), *Images of kingship in Persian illustrated chronicles*

Dinner in town

9.00-10.00 Robin Lane Fox (Oxford), *King Alexander: From Homer to the Achaemenids?*

DAY TWO: 23 September 2008

9.00–11.00 Fifth session: Chair Rosamond McKitterick

9.00–9.40 Shane Bobrycki (Cambridge), *Breaking tradition with poetry: Aethelstan, Abd-ar-Rahman III, Berengar I, and their panegyrists*

9.40–10.20 Antonella Liuzzo Scorpo (Exeter), *The king as subject, master and model of authority: The case of Alfonso X of Castile*

10.20–11.00 Laura Ashe (Oxford), *The anomalous king of post-Conquest England*

11.00–11.15 Coffee break

11.15–12.35 Sixth session: Chair Aziz al-Azmeh

11.15–11.55 Joanna Laynesmith, *Telling tales of adulterous queens in medieval England*

11.55–12.35 Bruno de Nicola (Cambridge), *Female regency: The transformation of Mongol conceptions of queenship in medieval Iran*

12.35–2.15 Lunch

2.15–4.05 Seventh session: Chair Amélie Kuhrt

2.15–2.55 Kyle Erickson (Exeter), *Seleukos I, Zeus and Alexander: The development of Seleukid dynastic imagery*

2.55–3.35 Vesta Sarkhosh Curtis (British Museum), *The Parthian king: Hellenisation or Iranisation?*

3.35–4.05 Josef Wiesehöfer (Kiel), *Sasanian kingship*

4.05–4.20 Tea

4.20–5.40 Eighth session: Chair Richard Stoneman

4.20–5.00 Ali Ansari (St Andrews), *Dynastic nationalism and the reinvention of charismatic autocracy*

5.00–5.40 Jonathan Gosling (Centre for Leadership Studies, Exeter), *A palatial prospect: Traces of the king in modern Leadership Studies*

7.30 for 8.00 Reception & Conference dinner Peterhouse

DAY THREE: 24 September 2008

9.00–11.00 Ninth session: Rosamond McKitterick

- 9.00-9.40 Andy Fear (Manchester), *God and Caesar: The dialectic of Visigothic monarchy*
- 9.40-10.20 Florentina Badalanova (British Museum), *Envisaging the ideal ruler: St Constantine the Great in Slavia Orthodoxa*
- 10.20-11.00 John Bernhardt (San José State University, California), *On the road again: Kings, roads, and accommodation in high medieval Germany*

11.00–11.15 Coffee break

11.15–12.35 Tenth Session: Chair John Bernhardt

- 11.15-11.55 David Durand-Guédy (Tehran), *Muslim kingship between Iranian and nomadic traditions: The Saljuq case*
- 11.55-12.35 Deborah Tor (Bar-Ilan University), *A case study in the downfall of kings: The end of Great Saljuq Rule*

12.35–2.00 Lunch

2.00– 4.00 Eleventh session: Chair Charles Melville

- 2.00-2.40 Anthony Musson (Exeter), *Ruling 'virtually'? Royal images in medieval English law books*
- 2.40-3.20 Kishwar Rizvi (Yale), *Representations of Safavid kingship during the reign of Abbas I*
- 3.20-4.00 Adeela Qureshi (Oxford), *The imperial Mughal Qamaragah Hunt in the Mongol tradition*

4.00 Closing comments

End of conference