The UCLA Center for Medieval & Renaissance Studies invites you to a program in the CMRS Ahmanson Conference Series

“Reading Chrétien de Troyes (New Directions)”

This roundtable will bring together a small group of medievalists who are working collaboratively on a book on Chrétien de Troyes, the foremost author of the French Middle Ages. The corpus of texts attributed to him has been the object of the earliest and longest medieval criticism. Just as Chrétien worked within networks of exchange, this project starts from the premise of collaboration and interdisciplinarity, each scholar working from her own theoretical and intellectual perspective, but in a collective effort to understand the larger cultural, historical, and literary moment of the second half of the twelfth century. Participants include Professors Virginie Greene (Harvard University), Sarah Kay (Princeton University), Sharon Kinosita (University of California, Santa Cruz), Peggy McCracken (University of Michigan, Ann Arbor), and Zrinka Stahuljak (University of California, Los Angeles).

Friday, January 25, 2008
1:00-3:00 pm in Royce 306

Advance registration not required. No fee. Seats are limited and available on a first-come, first-served basis. Parking permits may be purchased ($8) from any UCLA Parking Services kiosk.

For more information, contact CMRS at 310-825-1880 or cmrs@humnet.ucla.edu

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Seminar Schedule
"Reading Chrétien de Troyes: New Directions"
Second Meeting @ UCLA
January 25-26, 2008

Thursday, January 24, 2008
Arrival:
Virginie Greene, by car, Thur afternoon
Sarah Kay, Continental 65, LAX at 6:36 pm
Sharon Kinoshita, Southwest 1509, LAX at 11:20 am
Peggy McCracken, United 945, LAX at 2:51 pm (Wed)

Friday, January 25, 2008
Meeting in Royce 236 (Roundtable in Royce 306)
9:30-11:30 am
Update on the status of our project: thoughts on the title, most recent scholarship, edition and inclusion of Guillaume d'Angleterre
Preliminary discussion of overlap of issues and cohesion between chapters; possible issues to be raised in the Introduction; discussion of theoretical frameworks and references
Preparation for the Roundtable

11:30-12:45
Lunch at the Faculty Center

1:00-3:00 pm
CMRS Roundtable, Royce 306 – open to the public
-5 mins of Zrinka’s intro about the project
-10 mins each for a presentation
-30 min Q&A
-30 min reception

3:00-4:00 pm
Break

4:00-5:15
Discussion of one chapter: comments, suggestions, critiques; discussion of links and overlaps between chapters; discussion of chapter’s theoretical framework and references.

6:00 pm
Dinner@ Tanino, 1043 Westwood Blvd, (310) 208-0444
Saturday, January 26, 2008 Meeting in Royce 236

9:30-12:00 p.m. Discussion of two chapters: comments, suggestions, critiques; discussion of links and overlaps between chapters; discussion of chapters' theoretical framework and references.

12:00-1:30 p.m. Lunch

1:30-3:45 p.m. Discussion of two chapters: comments, suggestions, critiques; discussion of links and overlaps between chapters; discussion of chapters' theoretical frameworks and references.
(with break)

3:45-4:00 Break

4:00-5:30 Discussion of possible theoretical, historical, and interpretative issues to be addressed in the "Introduction" to the book. Necessity of an Epilogue?; Summary of the book's cohesion; Wrapping up the meeting with practical planning: publication options and publication schedule; book's title, bibliography (selected?), illustrations; cover illustration; final campus meeting at Princeton U (for the Introduction, last polishing of the chapters).

6:30 p.m. Dinner at Zrinka's and Laure's, 11811 Idaho Avenue, West LA, CA 90025, (310) 424-5025