

Borrowing its title from Patrick Geary's article "Visions of Medieval Studies in North America" published in the 1994 volume *The Past and Future of Medieval Studies*, this conference honors the distinguished career of Patrick J. Geary, Andrew W. Mellon Professor of History at the Institute for Advanced Study (2012–2019), Distinguished Professor of History at UCLA (1993–2011), Professor of History at the University of Florida (1980–1993), and Director of the UCLA Center for Medieval and Renaissance Studies (1993–1998).

Celebrating both the anniversary of this important essay as well as the scope and impact of Professor Geary's work and career, this conference features scholarly papers by his former students and less formal presentations commending his professional and personal impact on his students and colleagues.

This conference is organized by Kristina Markman (UCSD), Maya Maskarinec (USC), Kate Craig (Auburn University), and Warren Brown (Caltech).



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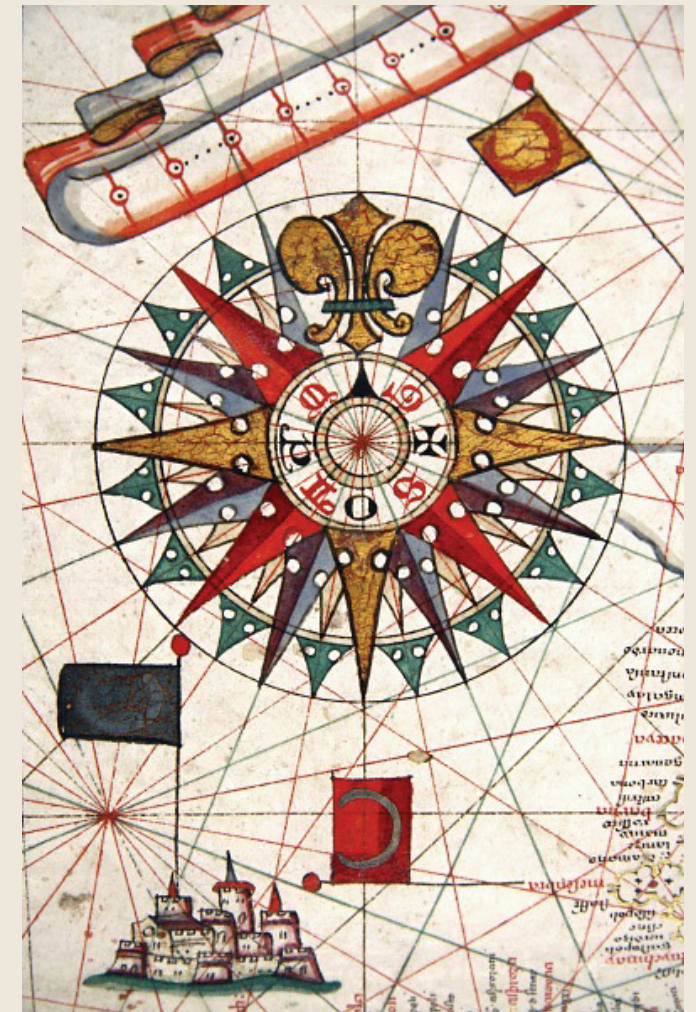
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A Conference in Honor of Patrick J. Geary

Saturday, April 13–Sunday, April 14, 2019



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## SATURDAY, APRIL 13, 2019 | UCLA, ROYCE HALL 314

9:00 Coffee

9:30 Introduction & Welcome  
Massimo Ciavolella, Director (UCLA-CMRS)  
Kate Craig, Assistant Professor (Auburn University)  
Scott L. Waugh, Executive Vice-Chancellor & Provost (UCLA)  
Carla Pestaña, Chair, History Department (UCLA)  
Teofilo F. Ruiz, Wellman Chair in Medieval History (UCLA)

### SESSION 1: MEMORY

Moderator: Gabrielle Spiegel (Johns Hopkins University)

10:00 Edward Schoolman (University of Nevada, Reno)  
*The Long Reach of Charlemagne: The Portrayal of Carolingians in Italy's Episcopal Gestae and Monastic Chronicles (8th–12th century)*

Maya Maskarinec (University of Southern California)  
*Invoking Gregory on the Caelian in Medieval Rome*

11:00 Break

### SESSION 1: MEMORY (continued)

Moderator: Michel Sot (Sorbonne-Université)

11:15 Eric Goldberg (Massachusetts Institute of Technology)  
*The Last Carolingian Capitulary: Carloman II's Capitulary of Ver (884)*

John Eldevik (Hamilton College)  
*(Re)Visions of the World: Prester John in Twelfth-Century Bavaria*

12:15 Lunch Break

### SESSION 2: CREATING IDEOLOGIES

Moderator: Stefan Esders (Freie Universität Berlin)

1:30 Dana Polanichka (Wheaton College, Massachusetts)  
*"From under the Table of God": Dhuoda and the Mid-Ninth-Century Carolingian Church*

Courtney Booker (University of British Columbia)  
*False Hope and Real Fear in Niithard's Libri historiarum*

Boris Todorov (Independent Scholar, Sofia)  
*Charity and Persuasion in a Wilderness of No Mirrors*

3:00 Break

### SESSION 3: MYTHS OF ORIGINS AND IDENTITY I

Moderator: Frank Rexroth (Georg-August-Universität Göttingen)

3:15 Helmut Reimitz (Princeton)  
*Ethnicity, Culture and Society in the Merovingian Kingdoms*

Sarah Whitten (Hobart & William Smith Colleges)  
*Secundum Legem: Gender, Law, and Ethnicity as a Situational Construct in Early Medieval Southern Italy*

Bonnie Effros (University of Liverpool)  
*Ultramontane History, Archaeology, and the Apostolic Origins of France*

## SUNDAY, APRIL 14, 2019 | UCLA, ROYCE HALL 314

### SESSION 4: MYTHS OF ORIGINS AND IDENTITY II

Moderator: Gábor Klaniczay (CEU)

9:00 Carrie Beneš (New College of Florida)  
*The Blackbird, the Basilisk, and the Evicted Corpse: Sacralizing Landscape in Jacopo da Varagine's Genoese Relic Treatises*

Kristina Markman (University of California, San Diego)  
*Hero or Villain?: Constructing Ideological Boundaries on the Baltic Frontier*

Stacey Graham (Middle Tennessee State University)  
*How a Background in Medieval History Prepared Me for a Career in Historic Preservation*

10:30 Break

### SESSION 5: CONFLICT AND SOCIAL BONDS

Moderator: Gerd Althoff (Universität Münster)

10:45 Warren Brown (California Institute of Technology)  
*Violence in Early Capetian v. Early Valois France: Same Behavior, Different Ideas of Order?*

Geoffrey Koziol (University of California, Berkeley)  
*Pragmatic Sanctions? The Peace of God and Its Carolingian Antecedents*

Cosmin Popa-Gorjanu (University of Alba Iulia)  
*Anti-corruption Measures in the Legislation of Thirteenth-century Hungary*

12:15 Lunch Break

### SESSION 6: LIFE AND DEATH

Moderator: Jinty Nelson (King's College, London)

1:30 Leanne Good, (Independent Scholar, CMRS Affiliate)  
*Taming Wilderness in East Frankish Hagiographical Accounts*

Hans Hummer (Wayne State University)  
*Kinship and Inheritance in Early Medieval Europe*

Kate Craig (Auburn University)  
*Thieves, Pilgrims, and Fraudsters: Traveling with Relics in the Central Middle Ages*

3:00 Break

3:15 Roundtable: Memories and Myths about Patrick J. Geary  
Moderator: Jason Glenn (University of Southern California)

Participants: Barbara H. Rosenwein (Loyola University Chicago), Gábor Klaniczay (Central European University), Régine Le Jan (Université Paris 1 - Panthéon-Sorbonne)

4:30 Closing Remarks

Kristina Markman (University of California, San Diego)