

Symmachus: Power, Religion and Aesthetics in Late Antiquity

Programme

Wednesday, October 2

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| 17.30–18.00 | Welcome and Introduction |
| 18.00–19.00 | Opening Reception |
| 19.00 | Dinner |

Thursday, October 3

Section 1: The Last Pagan?

Chair: John Weisweiler (Munich)

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| 9.30–10.30 | Quintus Aurelius Symmachus, between Bishop Ambrose and Praetorian Prefect Flavius Mallius Theodorus
Rita Lizzi (Perugia) |
| 10.30–11.00 | Coffee Break |
| 11.00–12.00 | Writing to Office-Holders
Gavin Kelly (Edinburgh) |
| 12.00–14.00 | Lunch Break |

Section 2: Symmachus and Late-Antique Literature

Chair: Andreas Abele (Tübingen)

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| 14.00–15.00 | The Letter Collection of Symmachus in a Late Antique Context: Some Metrics
Roy Gibson (Durham) |
| 15.00–16.00 | Symmachus commendator. Formularity and Self-Representation
Sara Fascione (Naples) |
| 16.00–16.30 | Coffee Break |
| 16.30–17.30 | The Gherardesca diptych: A Gift of Symmachus for Valentinian II?
Fabio Guidetti (Pisa) |
| 19.00 | Dinner |



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Friday, October 4

Section 3: Symmachus' Letters and Orations as Collections

Chair: Therese Fuhrer (Munich)

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| 9.00–10.00 | From Dawn till Eternity: Beginning and Closure in Symmachus' Letter Collection
Andreas Abele (Tübingen) |
| 10.00–10.30 | Coffee Break |
| 10.30–11.30 | How to Organize a Collection of Speeches? Attempting to Classify Symmachus' Speeches'
Nicolas Cavuoto-Denis (Besançon) |
| 11.30–12.30 | Conventions of Naming in Symmachus
George Woudhuysen (Nottingham) |
| 12.30–14.00 | Lunch Break |
| 14.00–15.00 | Passing the Baton? Symmachus, his Son, and the Seventh Book of the <i>epistulae</i>
Katharina Blaas (Tübingen) |

Section 4: Symmachus and Late-Antique Society

Chair: Seraina Ruprecht (Bern)

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| 15.00–16.00 | Women and Wealth: The Letters and State Papers of Symmachus
Michele Renee Salzman (Riverside) |
| 16.00–16.30 | Coffee Break |
| 16.30–17.30 | Morbus fabricatoris: Architecture and Cultural Identity in Symmachus' Letter Collection
Federico Lizzani (Rome) |
| 19.00 | Dinner |

Saturday, October 5

Section 4 (continued)

Chair: Seraina Ruprecht (Bern)

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| 9.30–10.30 | Symmachus: Globalist
John Weisweiler (Munich) |
| 10.30–11.30 | Seeck, Mommsen und Symmachus. Eine Ménage-à-trois
Stefan Rebenich (Bern) |
| 11.30–12.00 | Concluding Discussions |