

ACMRS NEWS

JANUARY 2013

2012 BANNER YEAR SETS THE PACE FOR 2013 NEW YEAR – NEW PROGRAMS AND NEW EVENTS IN 2013

To all of our friends who helped make 2012 a banner year for ACMRS – THANK YOU! We truly could not have had such a wonderful year without your support and belief in what we do for students, scholars, and our community. Below are just a few items for a quick look back on what we have accomplished together.

- Start of the Public Programs division of ACMRS, devoted to serving the Arizona general community.
- Launch of the incredibly successful series Fearless Females: Audacious and Feisty Women of the Middle Ages and Renaissance. Highlighting women from Anne Boleyn to the Medicis, the Late Tang Dynasty to Latin America, we have 75 – 180 attendees – per program! We are committed to keeping these programs free and open to the public.
- Launch of Bagwyn Books, an imprint of ACMRS. The new imprint will publish historical fiction from both established and new authors. Please visit our website for submission guidelines.
- Growth of our Oxford University Study Abroad program, which continues to attract new young scholars and students from all over Arizona.
- Launch of an outreach program to the general community providing speakers for groups who are interested in the Middle Ages and Renaissance. If you are part of a book club or would like to have one of our scholars speak to your group, please contact us.

NEW FOR 2013 – A sneak preview of what is happening for *you*, from your ACMRS:

- YOU'RE INVITED! January 7 is the official launch of Bagwyn Books. We are honored to have the highly acclaimed and much published mystery writer, Sharan Newman, as author of the first Bagwyn title: *Death before Compline*. Please join us for a book signing, refreshments, and an interview with Dr. Newman at the Poison Pen Bookstore in Scottsdale, AZ.

• The Fearless Females series starts the year with two extraordinary programs at Changing Hands Bookstore: On January 9th Sharan Newman will lecture on "The Lady as Lord of the Crusader States." Little is known or published about women's roles during the Crusades and their impact on medieval society and our modern culture.

On January 15th two world-renowned scholars will present "Catherine the Great and the Theater of Power."

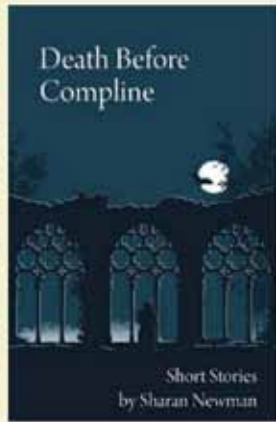
This is an unparalleled opportunity to interact with experts about one of the greatest women in history. We are growing our Fearless Females program – watch our newsletter for announcements and exciting new opportunities for study and travel. We look forward to welcoming you at our events and programs, and if you have any suggestions for future programs, please feel free to contact us. We are here to serve you, Arizona's students, scholars, and community. With all great good wishes to you for a happy, healthy, and safe New Year from everyone at ACMRS.

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COMING JANUARY 7 IN SCOTTSDALE:

Arizona Center for Medieval and Renaissance Studies

MEET THE AUTHOR & BOOK SIGNING



Bagwyn Book's first publication is from celebrated historical-mystery writer, Sharan Newman. *Death Before Compline*, a collection of short stories that take us into the day to day reality of medieval religious and family life, as it is lived by a variety of people: nuns, noble people, scholars, courtiers, merchants, hermetic spinsters and children.



DEATH BEFORE COMPLINE
BY SHARAN NEWMAN

MONDAY, JANUARY 7 AT 7:00 PM

THE POISONED PEN BOOKSTORE
4014 NORTH GOLDWATER BOULEVARD #101
SCOTTSDALE, AZ 85251

FREE AND OPEN TO THE PUBLIC



Seating is limited. Please RSVP to acmrs@acmrs.org

This program is generously co-sponsored by:
ACMRS & Bagwyn Books
and will be held at
The Poisoned Pen Bookstore
in Scottsdale, AZ.

Seating is limited.
Please RSVP to
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to reserve a seat!

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Open to the Public

You are invited to the official launch of the ACMRS historical fiction imprint, Bagwyn Books, and a book signing event with the author of our first publication – author and medievalist, Sharan Newman! ACMRS is extremely proud to announce the launch of its new imprint for historical medieval and Renaissance centered fiction. For decades ACMRS has been known world-wide for publishing scholarly research for the academic community. Taking advantage of our immediate access to world-acclaimed scholars across all disciplines and our experience as an established publisher, Bagwyn Books was founded in 2011 and is solely dedicated to publishing well-researched, historically accurate fiction novels. Bagwyn's first publication (now available) is *Death Before Compline*, a collection of short stories that take us into the day-to-day reality of medieval religious and family life, as it was lived by a variety of people: nuns, noble people, scholars, courtiers, merchants, hermetic spinsters, and children.

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SCHOLARLY HIGHLIGHTS 2012: LESLIE S.B. MACCOULL

- "Aspects of Alexander in Coptic Egypt," in *The Alexander Romance in Persia and the East*, ed. R. Stoneman et al. (Exeter, 2012), 255-61.
- "Administering Dioscorus' Monastery: Evidence in Lists," in *Inediti offerti a Rosario Pintaudi per il suo 65o compleanno*, ed. D. Minutoli (Florence, 2012), 114-19 & Pl. 24.
- "Troped Trishagion from Antinoe," *Tyche* 27 (2012): 214-15.
- "Coptic Letter," in *Papyrological Texts in Honor of Roger S. Bagnall*, ed. R. Ast et al. (Durham, NC, 2012), 197-200.
- "There is no emperor': Merlin and the Ideal State in *That Hideous Strength*," *Sehnsucht: The C.S. Lewis Journal* 6 (2012): 153-63.
- "Philoponos, John," in *Encyclopedia of Ancient History*, online,
<http://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/10.1002/9781444338386.wbeah12124.pdf>
- Review of *New Perspectives on Late Antiquity*, ed. D. Hernandez de la Fuente (Newcastle, 2011),
Mediaevistik 25 (2012): 336-38.

UPCOMING SOLIS CAMERATA CONCERTS



ARIZONA BACH FESTIVAL
Fourth Season ~ January 2013



Arizona Bach Festival

Tuesday, January 8th, 2013

Description: As a featured guest of the distinguished Arizona Bach Festival, Solis Camerata will perform Bach's famous motet, *Jesu Meine Freude*. This concert will highlight ASU vocal soloists and instrumentalists.

Time: 7:30 p.m.

Location: All Saint's Episcopal Church
6300 North Central Phoenix, AZ 85012

(General Admission \$25.00, \$15.00 Students <http://arizonabachfestival.org/>)

ASU Choral Concert

Tuesday, February 26, 2013

Description: An evening of Choral Classics.

Ensembles: ASU's Solis Camerata, and Concert Choir

Time: 7:30 p.m.

Location: Saint Barnabas on the Desert
6715 North Mockingbird Lane
Paradise Valley, AZ 85253

(General Admission \$5, Students \$3)

http://www.kirarugen.com/Kira_Rugens_website/Solis_Camerata.html



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ACMRS ANNUAL INTERDISCIPLINARY CONFERENCE IN THE MIDDLE AGES & RENAISSANCE

BEASTS, HUMANS, AND TRANSHUMANS IN THE MIDDLE AGES AND RENAISSANCE

INVITATION TO THE ANNUAL CONFERENCE! For those medieval and Renaissance enthusiasts who crave more, we invite you to join us at our 19th Annual Conference at the beautiful Marriott Renaissance Hotel in downtown Phoenix. Scholars from all over the world present at this conference which gives you the unusual opportunity to learn from, join, mix, and mingle with academics from England, Australia, Europe and the United States.

February 14-16, 2013 - Marriott Renaissance Hotel in Downtown Phoenix, AZ
REGISTER NOW: <http://acmrs.org/conferences/annual-acmrs-conference>

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COMING JANUARY 9 IN TEMPE:

Arizona Center for Medieval and Renaissance Studies

Fearless Females:

Audacious and Feisty Women of the Middle Ages and Renaissance

AND BOOK SIGNING!

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"The Lady as Lord in the Crusader States" Sharan Newman, Medievalist and Author

The Crusades were not only about men - women often ruled the new kingdoms out of necessity - learn what many women were doing that traditional historians insisted women never did.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 9, 7:00 PM
CHANGING HANDS BOOKSTORE
6428 SOUTH MCCLINTOCK DRIVE TEMPE, AZ 85283

FREE AND OPEN TO THE PUBLIC



Seating is limited. Please RSVP to <http://womenofthecrusades.eventbrite.com/>

This program is generously co-sponsored by:

Project Humanities and Women & Gender Studies in the School of Social Transformation
This program will be held at Changing Hands Bookstore in Tempe, Arizona.

Join us for our next program in the popular, Fearless Females: Audacious and Feisty Women of the Middle Ages and Renaissance series and a book signing to hear author and medievalist, Sharan Newman, speak on the women of the medieval crusader states. The Crusades are considered a largely male endeavor but due to capture, death in battle, and a high female birth rate, women often ruled the new kingdoms. Learn about Melisende, queen of Jerusalem; Alice and Constance of Antioch; Emma, the "Lady of Jaffa"; and many others, doing what traditional historians insisted that women never did. Sharan Newman will also be signing copies of her new book *Death Before Compline*, a collection of short stories that take us into the day to day reality of medieval religious and family life, published by ACMRS imprint, Bagwyn Books. This program is free and open to the public. To learn more about this new public programs initiative, please visit our website at <http://acmrs.org/public-programs/public-lecture-series>

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COMING JANUARY 15 IN TEMPE:

Arizona Center for Medieval and Renaissance Studies
Public Programs Series



Fearless Females:

Audacious and Feisty Women of the Middle Ages and Renaissance



"Catherine the Great and the Theater of Power"
Hilde Hoogenboom, Asst. Prof. of Russian
Mark Cruse, Assoc. Prof. of French
School of International Letters & Cultures, ASU

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Join us to hear Professors Hoogenboom and Cruse speak on "Catherine the Great and the Theater of Power"! Catherine the Great (1729-1796) undertook the greatest expansion of the Russian empire since Ivan the Terrible in the 16th century, and modernized the administration, education system, army, and judiciary of the Russian state. Born in Germany, Catherine came to power in a coup d'état during which her husband, Emperor Peter III, was killed by a brother of her lover, Grigory Orlov, by whom she had just given birth to an illegitimate son. Despite these inauspicious beginnings, Catherine ruled for 34 years until her death with a combination of intellectual brilliance and an instinct for power. This talk examines some of the many ways that Catherine projected images of herself as a powerful (but not despotic) ruler of a mighty European nation—an image that was intended for her people, the international community, and posterity. This program is free and open to the public. <http://acmrs.org/public-programs/public-lecture-series>

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Sharan Newman, Author

Death Before Compline

January 7, 2013 at 7:00PM

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Scottsdale, AZ 85251

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and Mark Cruse, Assoc. Prof. of French

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Tempe, AZ 85283

<http://catherinethegreat.eventbrite.com/>

"The Lady as Lord in the Crusader States"

Fearless Females Presentation and Book

Signing her new historical mystery

Death Before Compline

January 9, 2013 at 6:30PM

Sharan Newman, PhD

Acclaimed Author and Scholar

Changing Hands Bookstore

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FEBRUARY

ACMRS Annual Conference

"Beasts, Humans, and Transhumans in the
Middle Ages and Renaissance"

February 14-16, 2013

Marriott Renaissance Hotel,

Downtown Phoenix, Arizona

Click here to register:

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