

Northern Lights : Late Medieval Devotion to Saints from the North of England

28-30 March 2019, University of Lausanne

Some Practical Information

Currency

The currency in Switzerland is the Swiss Franc (CHF). 1 CHF = c. 75p. Credit cards are accepted practically everywhere. If you want to draw out some currency after you arrive, there are several ATMs in the Arrivals Hall on the left hand side, once you have gone through customs, and on your way to the airport train station.

Getting to Lausanne

From Geneva

At Geneva International Airport: after coming into Arrivals, turn left and follow blue signs "CFF-SBB," to find the airport train station which is situated in the terminal itself, and is a 5 minute walk from the baggage claim. Take a train to Lausanne. The train trip takes 50-60 minutes, and there are usually at least three trains every hour. Buy your ticket at a vending machine (instructions in English; credit cards accepted; cost: c. 27 CHF / £21.00 one way). See the [SBB railway website](#) for schedule, price, and further information.

From Zurich

At Zurich International Airport: Follow the same instructions as for Geneva airport. There are two direct trains every hour to Lausanne. Note, however, that the train journey takes around 2.5 hours and the ticket costs c. 80 CHF / £60.00 one way.

Getting to the University from Lausanne

Please see metro map of Lausanne attached. There are two metro lines (1 and 2), which intersect at "Lausanne-Flon" station.

Starting from the railway station (Lausanne gare), take Metro M2 towards "Croisettes", change at the station "Lausanne-Flon". Then take Metro M1 towards "Renens CFF". Get off at "UNIL-Sorge" (there will be two UNIL stops before this one: Chamberonne, and Mouline).

From the metro-stop, walk across the car-park. Amphimax Building is straight ahead of you and is well-signed.

Lausanne Transport Card

Please note, most hotels in Lausanne issue tourists with a [Lausanne Transport Card](#), which gives any guest staying in Lausanne and paying the tourist tax **FREE and unrestricted access** to all the public transport services in the city (bus and metro). The ticket is valid for the

duration of the hotel reservation, including arrival and departure days. ID must be presented. Trips between Lausanne city centre to the UNIL campus are included in this pass. Please check with your hotel when booking.

If coming by the A1 Motorway

Direction “Lausanne-Sud”; leave the A1 at “UNIL-EPFL”; follow “UNIL”, continue on the “Route de la Chamberonne”, and then “Route de la Sorge”. The **Amphimax Building** is on your left, behind the parking. Visitors’ parking cards can be ordered for participants for the price of 10 CHF per day. Please e-mail us by **25 March** if you need one of them.

Conference venue

The conference will take place in the **Amphimax Building**, of the University of Lausanne, in **Rooms 414 and 415** on the first floor.



Please see the UNIL map below. Amphimax Building is on the left hand side of the map, just below the ‘Parking Sorge’.



Registration will take place outside Room 414, on Thursday 28 March, from **2-2.30pm**, and will be immediately followed by the first keynote address. The conference programme is available here: <http://wp.unil.ch/regionandnation/programme/>

Food and Catering

We will provide tea, coffee, pastries and cakes at the morning coffee break and afternoon tea break each day.

On Thursday evening, there will be a wine reception and buffet meal including hot food (included within the registration fee) in the Amphimax Building from 6.00-7.30pm.

On Friday, we will walk over together for lunch to the main university student canteen in the Unithèque building (middle of campus map), a 7 minute walk, where we will have some tables reserved. The self-service canteen offers an excellent salad bar, and various hot meal options, for around 10-15 CHF. You are free to buy your own lunch here, or to make other arrangements if you wish. There is also a café on the ground floor of the Amphimax building which sells sandwiches, drinks and snacks.

On Friday night, the conference dinner will take place from 8pm at the **Restaurant du Théâtre**, av. du Théâtre 12, 1005 Lausanne. <https://www.restaurant-du-theatre.ch/en/> We will be having a set three-course menu with a vegetarian variant, prosecco, white and red wine, and tea and coffee.

The website includes a map of the location, but also see for a city map of Lausanne: <https://static.mycity.travel/manage/uploads/6/30/60863/2/plan-de-ville.pdf>

The nearest metro stop is “Lausanne-Flon”. From here, take an elevator up to the Place de Saint-François. Keeping the Place and the church to your left, walk down the Avenue du Théâtre ahead of you. The road curves to the right of the park. The restaurant is on the right, next to the Opera House (there will also be a map in your conference pack!)

On Saturday lunchtime, the student canteen is closed, so we have booked tables at the adjacent ‘Da Nino’ restaurant (<http://www.nino-dorigny.ch>) . Here, the ‘assiette du jour’, a pasta dish, costs c. 16 CHF. We will collect the numbers of those who would like to eat here at the beginning of the conference, so please have a think ahead about what you would like to do. If you do not wish to have a restaurant lunch, we would recommend bringing a sandwich with you on the Saturday, since the university cafes and canteens will be closed.

For those going on the excursion, the coach will be waiting for us at the parking space near to ‘Da Nino’ from 1.15pm onwards.

In the evening, for those who have signed up, we’ll eat at 8pm at **Pinte Besson** <https://www.pinte-besson.com/fr/> , a traditional fondue restaurant in the Old Town (there are also other menu options for those not keen on cheese!). The address is Rue de l’Ale 4, 1003 Lausanne. The coach will take us to the Place de la Riponne, and the restaurant is a 4 minute walk from there. For getting back to your hotel, the nearest metro stop is in the Place de la Riponne.

Powerpoint Presentations and Handouts

We will have data projection facilities in both conference rooms operated from Mac laptops. Please bring your ppt presentation (if you wish to give one) on a USB key. However, to prevent any hiccups, we would also recommend that you email your ppt presentation as an attachment by **25 March** to christiania.whitehead@unil.ch We can then have the presentations preloaded on the laptops and ready to go.

Paper handouts. We are very happy to photocopy these for you – but **only** if you can please email them ahead to Christiania by **25 March**. If you are bringing paper copies yourself, we would recommend x 40 for plenary speakers, and x 25 for session speakers.

Timing for Parallel Sessions

We will operate standard time lengths for papers: 3 x 20 minute papers, followed by 30 minutes for questions. PLEASE keep within the designated time limit so as not to disadvantage your fellow speakers, and to leave time for discussion and questions.

Biographical Information for Chairs

Please could you check to see who the chair for your session is, and send them a couple of lines of biographical information about yourself by **25 March** (institution, position, any key/recent publications, current research activities). The relevant emails are as follows:

Catherine Sanok: sanok@umich.edu; James G. Clark: J.G.Clark@exeter.ac.uk; A.S.G. Edwards: asge@kentforlife.net; Julia Boffey: J.Boffey@qmul.ac.uk; Juliette Vuille: juliette.vuille@unil.ch; Rory Critten: rory.critten@unil.ch; Julian Luxford: jml5@st-andrews.ac.uk; Cynthia Turner Camp: ctcamp@uga.edu

Volume of essays drawn from conference

We plan to publish a volume of selected essays drawn from the conference and co-edited by the conference organisers, possibly with Brepols who has expressed a strong interest in the volume. There will be a sheet in your conference pack, laying out the timescale for submitting your revised paper for consideration for inclusion in the volume, and providing an appropriate style sheet. Do approach us if you have any questions.

We wish you a smooth flight!