

## Harlaxton Medieval Symposium 2016: Draft Programme

### The Great Household, 1000-1500

Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> to Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> July, 2016

The theme of the 2016 Symposium is the medieval great household, from the eleventh to the early sixteenth century, with a focus on elite contexts in the British Isles. Papers will look at changing structures within the household; household membership, lords and their servants; domestic material culture; literature, music and entertainment in the household; the role of the household chapel; sensory environments, consumption and the routines of the household.

#### Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> July

2.00 Welcome: Gerald Seaman (Principal of Harlaxton College) and David Harry (Secretary of the Symposium)

**2.15-3.30** Chris Dyer (University of Leicester): *Households great and small: aristocratic styles of life Across the social spectrum*

*Chair:* Chris Woolgar

3.30 Tea/coffee

#### **4.15-6.00 Politics and Households**

Emma Cavell (University of Swansea): *The aristocratic household in times of stress: some thirteenth-century evidence*

Louise Wilkinson (Canterbury Christ Church University): *The great household in wartime: Eleanor de Montfort at Odiham and Dover in 1265*

James Ross (University of Winchester): *The aristocratic household as a political centre at the end of the Middle Ages*

*Chair:* David Crouch

6.00 Dinner

7.30 Informal tour of Harlaxton Manor

Bar

## Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> July

7.00 Breakfast

### **9.00-10.45 The Household, Literature and Writing**

Michael Johnston (Purdue University): *The household and beyond: places and institutions of writing in late medieval England*

Elliot Kendall (University of Exeter): *The great household and network building in late fifteenth-century literature*

D. Vance Smith (Princeton): *The national allegory of the household*

*Chair:* Sue Powell

10.45 Tea/ coffee

### **11.15-1.00 Education and courtesy**

Nicholas Orme (University of Exeter): *Childhood and education in the great household*

Claire Weeda (University of Amsterdam / Radboud University Nijmegen): *Rules of hygiene and medicine in medieval courtesy books*

Fiona Whelan (University of Oxford): *Administering the noble household in England c. 1180-1280: the evidence from early courtesy literature*

*Chair:* Joel Rosenthal

1.00 Lunch

### **2.15-3.30 Religion and Ceremony**

Kent Rawlinson (RIBA): *Chapels, oratories and portable altars: framing religious life and ceremony in the great medieval household*

Richard Rastall (University of Leeds): *The minstrels of the royal and noble households, c. 1300-1500*

*Chair:* Mary Carruthers

3.30 Tea/ coffee

### **4.15-5.30 Music and the Household**

Roger Bowers (University of Cambridge): *The musicians and music of the Chapel Royal and its imitators noble and episcopal, c. 1315-1500*

Magnus Williamson (University of Newcastle): *Musical repertoires and household chapels*

*Chair:* Clive Burgess

- 6.00 Dinner
- 7.30 Evening at leisure: bar / croquet

### **Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> July**

- 7.00 Breakfast

#### **9.00-10.45 Households of the Clergy and of Women**

Martin Heale (University of Liverpool): *Abbots' households in late medieval England*

Sue Powell (University of Salford): *Lady Margaret Beaufort: a progress through Essex and East Anglia, 1498*

Jennifer Ward (University of London): *The great household on the move: travel among the servants of Elizabeth de Burgh (d. 1360)*

*Chair:* Caroline Barron

- 10.45 Tea/ coffee

#### **11.15-1.00 Service and the Household**

David Green (Harlaxton): *The household of Edward the Black Prince*

Caroline Dunn (Clemson): *'If there be any goodly young woman': female servants in aristocratic households*

Martha Carlin (University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee): *Catering for great households: practical matters*

*Chair:* Jenny Stratford

- 1.30 Excursion to Gainsborough
- David Stocker
- (Picnic lunch)

- 7.00 Reception in bar/ Book launch of ‘The Plantagenet Empire’ (Proceedings of the 2014 Harlaxton Medieval Symposium)
- 7.30 Conference Dinner in the Great Hall (black tie welcome): Medieval inspired banquet organised by Harlaxton College and Caroline Yeldham (University of Leeds).

**Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> July**

- 7.00 Breakfast

**9.30-10.45 Goods, Consumption and the Household I**

Anne Rudloff Stanton (University of Missouri): *What the Queen saw: images and artefacts in the inventory of Isabella of France*

Maria Hayward (University of Southampton): *In their father’s image? The role of textiles in defining the households of Henry VIII’s children*

- 10.45 Tea/ coffee

*Chair:* Julian Luxford

**11.30-12.45 Goods, Consumption and the Household II**

Eleanor Standley (University of Oxford, Ashmolean Museum): *To rabbit on: the management, consumption and significance of rabbits in great households*

Chris Woolgar (University of Southampton): *Principal goods, heirlooms and the great household*

*Chair:* Christian Steer

- 1.00 Lunch and depart