Theorising Reception Studies Down Under

Classical Reception in Australia and New Zealand


Classical Reception is an exciting and increasingly vocal element of Classical Studies today. While much research has been done on the interconnections between antiquity and modernity in terms of the United States, Europe and Britain, there has not been a thematic focus on the interchanges between the ancient worlds and Australia and New Zealand.

This two-day think-tank seeks to unpack the role of Reception Studies and its place within Australia and New Zealand from multiple perspectives. Each day includes a round-table think-tank:

Think-tank 1: Classical Reception Studies, the current state-of-play, opportunities for collaboration, networks, joint-publications (Moderator: Alastair Blanshard)

Think-tank 2: Opportunities for collaboration, grants, etc (Moderator: Liz Hale)

There is also the opportunity for paper presentations on:
- Theorising Australasian Reception Studies
- Australian and New Zealand receptions – connections/disconnections
- Historical contexts, including early colonial representations through to modern times
- Literature
- The Fine Arts
- Theatre
- Creative Works by practitioners
- Pedagogies – theoretical and practical perspectives

Papers are 30 minutes (+ 10 minutes q&a)

Postgraduate students are warmly invited to present

WHEN: 20-21 FEBRUARY 2014
WHERE: THE UNIVERSITY OF NEWCASTLE, NSW
ABSTRACTS: Please send abstracts between 150-300 words plus a brief biography by 1 November 2013
REGISTRATION: $100 or $55 [postgraduates / unwaged] REGISTRATION DEADLINE: 1 February 2014
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Advisors:
PRELIMINARY SCHEDULE
DAY 1
ACTIVITY
TIME
Rego finalities, coffee
8.30-9 am
Welcome, house-keeping
9-9.15 am
Session 1 x 3 papers
9.15 am
Morning Tea
11.15 am
Session 2 x 2 paper
11.45 am
Lunch
1.05 pm
Session 3 x 3 papers
1.30 pm
Afternoon Tea
3.30 pm
Think-tank 1
4.30 pm
Dinner [Restaurant tba]
7 pm
DAY 2
Session 4 x 3 papers
10 am
Lunch
12 pm
Session 5 x 3 papers
1 pm
Think-tank 2
3 pm
Poetry Reading by Anna Jackson Drinks
4-6 pm

DETAILS:
Held at 'The Treehouse,' Shortland Union, Callaghan Campus, The University of Newcastle; for a map, see
http://www.newcastle.edu.au/contact
For accommodation in Newcastle, 10.4 km from the Callaghan Campus, see:
Chifley Apartments Newcastle, Building 7, 14 Honeysuckle Drive, Newcastle / +61 2 4910 4910
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Noah’s on the Beach, Corner Shortland Esplanade & Zaara Street, Newcastle / +61 2 4929 5181
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Backpackers by the Beach, Corner of Hunter & Pacific Street, Newcastle / +61 (02) 4926 3472
Ibis Newcastle, 700 Hunter Street, Newcastle / +61 2 4925 2266
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Hotel Jesmond, 182 Newcastle Road, Jesmond / +61 2 4955 9206
Best Western Travellers Motor Village, 295 Maitland Road, Mayfield West / + 61 2 4968 1394
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Getting to Newcastle:

Road
Newcastle is 2 hours drive north of Sydney and is accessible from the following major Highways: F3, Pacific Highway, New England Highway and the Golden Highway. For driving directions to Newcastle visit www.whereis.com. For the latest road and traffic conditions check out the RTA’s website or phone 13 27 01. Newcastle Taxis services all of Newcastle 24 hours a day seven days a week, including Newcastle Airport. Choose from a sedan, station wagon, wheelchair taxi, or maxi taxi to carry up to 11 people at a time. Bookings can be made by calling 133 300 or on-line at newcastle taxis’ website.

Rail
Newcastle is part of the New South Wales City Rail network. There are frequent return services daily from Sydney. For timetables and fares visit www.cityrail.info or call 131 500.
CountryLink trains and coach network connect Newcastle via Broadmeadow station to Melbourne, Brisbane, Canberra and other NSW country centres. For timetables, fares and online bookings visit www.countrylink.info or call 13 22 32.

Air
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