



Mod News . . .

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Events/Guest Lectures

Feb. 8, 2018, 4:30 pm, IGAB 2N05

Franco Vaccari, President of Rondine Cittadella della Pace, and **Dr. Blerina Duli**, Education Director, will be giving a talk on “The Rondine Model”.

Colloquium Series Talks:

Wednesdays, 11:30-12:30 pm, AHB 3B15

Feb. 14: C. Burucua “Gender, childhood and the precarious in the films of Solveig Hoogesteijn”.

Jan. 31: D. Darby “Rehearsing Other Berlins: Time Out in the Tiergarten”.

Jan. 17: M. Adamson “Climate Change and the Medieval Diet”.

The 20th Annual Graduate Student Conference entitled “Matter(s) of Fact” March 15-17, 2018

Keynote speakers: Dr. Pauline Wakeham (UWO) and Dr. Steve Bailey (York University)

For more information:

<https://mattersoffactblog.wordpress.com>

Vladimir Hachinski and Teobaldo Noriega presented “The Mind of Poetry” (A Bilingual Conversation English/Spanish on Poetry) on Tues., Jan. 30, 2018, 2:45-4:30 pm

Western’s International Week proudly featured Arab Culture and cuisine to visitors in Intermediate Arabic 2250 with a presentation on Morocco, as well as a buffet of Middle Eastern dishes and desserts. The atmosphere was joyful and festive, as students danced a traditional Palestinian dance named dabka. It was a culturally enriching experience for everyone.

Events/Guest Lectures (cont’d)

The CL Graduate Journal entitled ‘The Scattered Pelican’ can be viewed at:

<http://www.thescatteredpelican.com>;

<https://www.facebook.com/thescatteredpelican/>

as well as Twitter (@writethepelican).

Conversation Groups

Arabic: Let’s Talk in Arabic (خلبنا نحكي)

Mondays, 3:4:30 pm, AHB 3R19

Contact: ykharrat@uwo.ca or adahab@uwo.ca

German (Stammtisch)

Tuesdays, 5:00-6:00 pm, AHB 3R19

Contact: [Vladimir Tumanov](mailto:Vladimir.Tumanov@uwo.ca)

Italian (Club Di Conversazione)

Wednesdays, 2:30-4:00 pm, AHB 3R19

Contact: [Teresa Aconito](mailto:Teresa.Aconito@uwo.ca)

Japanese

Thursdays, 4:00-5:00 pm, AHB 3R19

Contact: [Mitsume Fukui](mailto:Mitsume.Fukui@uwo.ca)

Spanish (La Tertulia)

Wednesdays 4:30-9:30 pm, LWH 2205 (Fall Term),

STVH 2166 (Winter Term) tertuliala@uwo.ca or visit their [facebook page](https://www.facebook.com/tertuliala).

Film Series

All films have English subtitles and everyone is welcome!

Arabic: **Arabian Stories** (حكايات عربية)

Thurs., Feb. 15, 2018, 6:30 pm, AHB 3B15

‘When I Saw You’

Cineclub Hindi: **Bollywood Nights**

Thursdays, 5:30 pm, UCC 41

Feb. 1: Kiran Rao directed Dhobi Ghat (Mumbai Diaries), 2010.

Jan. 11: Mira Nair’s ‘The Namesake (2006).

March 1: Cooking with Stella

April 5: Kuch Kuch Hota Hai

Film Series (cont'd)

Hispanic Movie Nights

Thursdays, 5:30 pm, UCC 41

Jan. 18: *Metegol*

Feb. 1: *Cronos*

March 1: *Viva Cuba*

April 5: *Biutiful*

Cineclub Italiano

Wednesdays, 7:30 pm, AHB 2B02

Jan. 31: *Il postino (The Postman, dir. M. Radford, 1994)*

Feb. 14: *I cento passi (One Hundred Steps, dir. M.T. Giordana, 2000)*

Feb. 28: *Mio fratello e figlio unico (My Brother Is an Only Child, D. Luchetti, 2007)*

March 14: *Terraferma (Mainland, dir. E. Crialesi, 2011)*.

Conference Presentations

Aziz, J., Machado, V., Stevenson, R., Rafat, Y. & Rao, R. Investigating cross-linguistic and parental influence in heritage intonation: evidence from Porteno-English bilinguals. The Bilingual Workshop on Theoretical Linguistics: University of Toronto, November, 2017.

Bruhn de Garavito, J. (2017). Competence and performance in second language acquisition: Evidence from restructuring. Plenary address, Hispanic Linguistics Symposium, Texas Tech University (Lubbock, Texas), October 28, 2017.

Bruhn de Garavito, J., Ramírez-Trujillo, A., and Díez Mendieta, A. (2017). Lenguas en contacto y bilingüismo: El caso de la duplicación de objeto en español. Paper presented at the Asociación de Lingüística y Filología de América Latina, Universidad Nacional de Colombia, 2017 07 27.

Bruhn de Garavito, J. (2017). Adquisición de la elipsis nominal en el español como L2. Paper presented at the Asociación de Lingüística y Filología de América Latina, Universidad Nacional de Colombia, 2017 07 27.

Irimia, A. "Museums of the Void: The Exhibition Space as Empty Signifier." Paper presented at "The Limits of the Art in the

Conference Presentations (cont'd)

Museum" organized by Universidad Complutense, in Madrid, Spain. <http://www.musaces.es/limitsofart/program> Nov. 28-30, 2017.

Rafat, Y. "When our senses deceive us: the case of auditory orthographic integration at the onset of acquisition in second language word learning. Toronto Semiotic Circle. Ryerson University, December, 2017.

Publications

Brenes Reyes, J. "Medicine and Literature: The Case of Felisberto Hernández." *INTI: Revista de Literatura Hispánica* 85-86 (2017): 173-92.

Copuroglu, B. A peer-reviewed paper published in a book titled "The Politics and Poetics of Friendship." I expect to receive the book in a couple of weeks. You may see the following link for more information about the book: <https://cup.columbia.edu/book/the-politics-and-poetics-of-friendship/9788323343394>

Gomashie, G.A. (2017). "Preserving the Community in Gabriel García Márquez's *Crónica de una muerte anunciada (Chronicle of a Death Foretold)*." *ONOMASTICA CANADIANA*, 96: 31-49

Irimia, A. "Paper Cut: Figural Theatricality and Archival Practices in Geoffrey Farmer's Sculptural Photo-Collages". *Usages de la figure, régimes de la figuration*. Ed. Laura Marin, Anca Diaconu, Bucharest: University of Bucharest Press, 2017, pp. 249-262. ISBN: 978-606-16-0931-4.

Perpiñan, S., Heap, D., Moreno-Villamar, I., and Soto-Corominas, A. (Eds.) (2017). *Romance Languages and Linguistic Theory 11. Selected Papers from the 44th Linguistics Symposium on Romance Languages (LSRL)*, London, Ontario. Amsterdam: John Benjamins.

Publications (cont'd)

Varona, D., Ruiz-Pena, E., Sierra, E. D., Stevenson, R., & Rafat, Y. (2017). Second dialect and second language imitation of geminates by Colombian Spanish speakers. *Proceedings of the International Symposium on Monolingual and Bilingual Speech 2015* (pp. 99-106). <http://www.ismbs.eu/publications-2018/>

Congratulations

Congratulations to the CulturePlex Lab team and its Director Professor Juan Luis Suárez on launching of *The CulturePlex's Data Points* <http://www.cultureplex.ca/datapoints/cultureplex-data-point-colombias-2018-elections-on-twitter/> which is closely following and reporting on the electoral process in Colombia. In case you may not know, Colombia is presently engaged in the first electoral process after a peace accord that ended a war of over 50 years between the Colombian Estate and the Revolutionary Armed Forces of Colombia (FARC). This is a great initiative.