Business Meeting of the Research Group on Manuscript Evidence

At the 52nd International Congress on Medieval Studies (ICMS)
Thursday, 11 May 2017, 12:00 – 1:00 p.m. in Fetzer 1030

All are welcome, including newcomers

Agenda

1. Welcome and Thank You: Our organization is powered by Volunteers, Donors, Contributors

   A. Annual Appeal & Beyond: 2016 Trustees' Letter with report of activities and specific requests
      • Donations in funds (cash, check, credit card, PayPal, Razoo) and in kind (materials, time, expertise)
   B. Events & Conference Sessions, with thanks to our hosts, sponsors, organizers, and contributors
      • ICMS Sessions (4 or 5 per year), 2016 Symposium (Princeton), 2016 M-MLA Panels (St. Louis)
        — with WebPages, Posters, Abstracts, Program Booklets, Reports, Published Papers, etc.
   C. Upgrades, Launches & Publications (mostly FREE, as the result of donations)
      • Upgraded RGME website (2014–) in position and expanding, with more and more materials
      • Our multilingual digital font Bembino now in Version 1.4 (April 2017), plus updated Booklet
        — Additions: Runes, Armenian, Thai, Japanese Kanji, etc. Requests for more?
      • New version (2016) of our Style Manifesto (manuscriptevidence.org/wpme/style-manifesto)
      • ShelfMarks: The RGME newsletter in email and printed versions, each with its own ISSN
      • Our blog on Manuscript Studies (2015–), our Image Galleries & the Illustrated Handlist
      • New webpages (2016–) for some People (starting with a newly retired Trustee and our Director)
      • New series of Interviews (2016–), so far in Library Café radio program, Booklet & blogpost
   D. Promotional Offer for the Illustrated Catalogue, with distribution transferred fully to the RGME

3. Plans for Future Activities: For Suggestions, Discussion, and Choices
   A. 2018 ICMS: Suggestions for Sessions (sponsored & co-sponsored), Reception(?), and Business Meeting
      • Subjects for Sessions, Panels, or Workshops, Their Organizers & Participants, and Calls for Papers
   B. Other Venues & Subjects: What, When, Where? (M–MLA Convention now included)
      • Locations & Hosts for RGME Symposia, Colloquia, Workshops, Seminars, Exhibitions, etc.
   C. Volunteers, Staff, Officers: Help Wanted, Intern(s) now included, with training opportunities
      • Fund-Raising, Accounting, Designing, Producing, Advertising, Distributing, Researching, etc.
      • Organizational, Secretarial, Editorial, Archival, Technical, Authorial, Advisory, etc.

4. Activities for 2017, 2018 & Beyond: Contributions Wanted
   A. Our WordPress website: blog posts, image galleries, event registrations, editing, admin, support
   B. RGME Facebook Page & LinkedIn Group: posts, contributions, comments, moderation
   C. RGME-newsletter ShelfMarks: contributions, news, reviews, editing, proof-reading, layout, etc.
   D. MailChimp circulars for news & announcements: address lists, preparing & issuing circulars, etc.
   E. Research, Conservation, Photography: Handlist of MSS, Documents & Early Printed Materials, etc.
   F. Publications: Book(let)s, Papers from Sessions, etc., produced by the RGME and/or other publishers
   G. Promotion and Recruiting: Event Hosts, Organizers, Speakers, Panelists, Editors, Bloggers, et al.

5. Business Arising: Other Desiderata (researching, digitizing our archives, improving internet presence, etc.)

6. Adjournment: Please remember to present your completed forms for Donations, Orders, etc.

Reminder about our Sessions 41, 262, 321, and 515 during this Congress and
Invitation to our co-sponsored Reception on Friday at 5:15 – 7:30 p.m. at Bernhard G10, with hosted bar