Research Group on Manuscript Evidence

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Who are we?

We're a group of individuals: scholars, academics, students, and others, devoted to the study, analysis, interpretation, and wonders of the evidence of manuscripts and related materials of many periods, their origins, provenance, history, and legacy.

We started out as a small scholarly society based in England at Corpus Christi College in the University of Cambridge, from where we originated various seminars, workshops, and conference sessions on various topics, before moving our principal base to the United States in 1994 and incorporating the RGME in 1999. With the move, our interests, subjects, and research have widened, to embrace many periods and forms of material evidence, but we continue to hold events in England.

We have always maintained our independence, without permanent affiliation to any specific institution. This position allows us to encourage a wide range of participants, covering many disciplines, interests, and perspectives. We have our own multi-lingual digital font **Bembino** to support a growing suite of languages (Western and beyond), in response to requests. (The newest request brings Elvish to **Bembino**.) You can learn about what we do and join our activities from the links given below.

In 2025 we celebrate 26 years as a nonprofit educational organization and 36 years as an international scholarly society. We conduct **Research Projects** on a variety of subjects, with photography, conservation, and research on multiple forms of written records, and issue **RGME Publications** both traditional and digital. We hold events (online, in-person, hybrid) including a series of **Symposia**, **Workshops**, **Episodes**, **Friends' Meetings**, and **Conference Sessions** (such as the **International Congress on Medieval Studies** at Kalamazoo, Michigan, and the **International Medieval Congress** at the University of Leeds). Welcome!

Events

RGME Spring and Autumn Symposia (2025 theme: **"Agents & Agencies"** in the realms of books)
https://manuscriptevidence.org/wpme/2025-spring-and-autumn-symposia/

Episodes of **"The Research Group Speaks"** (online)
https://manuscriptevidence.org/wpme/the-research-group-speaks-the-series/

RGME Workshops on "The Evidence of Manuscripts, Etc." (online)
https://manuscriptevidence.org/wpme/workshops-on-the-evidence-of-manuscripts-etc/

Meetings of the Friends of the RGME
https://manuscriptevidence.org/wpme/meetings-of-the-friends-of-the-research-group-on-manuscript-evidence/

Registration Portal for our events: **RGME Eventbrite Collections**
https://www.eventbrite.com/o/research-group-on-manuscript-evidence-54727558903

Website and Blogs

Official Website: **https://manuscriptevidence.org/wpme/**

Blog on *Manuscript Studies*: **https://manuscriptevidence.org/wpme/manuscript-studies/**
— See its growing *Contents List*:
https://manuscriptevidence.org/wpme/manuscript-studies-contents-list

Volunteer to be a **GuestBlogger**!

See overleaf.

Social Media

Facebook Page:
https://www.facebook.com/Research-Group-on-Manuscript-Evidence-259443617456668/
Facebook Group: https://www.facebook.com/groups/rgmemss
Bluesky Nest: @rgmemss.bluesky.social
Instagram Account: @rgme94
X/Twitter Feed: @rgme_mss
LinkedIn Group: https://www.linkedin.com/groups/8181489/

RGME Publications

https://manuscriptevidence.org/wpme/profile/publications/

Newsletter *Shelf Marks*

https://manuscriptevidence.org/wpme/shelflife/shelfmarks-newsletter/

Bulletin *ShelfLife* and *Anthology*

https://manuscriptevidence.org/wpme/shelflife/shelflife-the-bulletin-of-the-research-group-on-manuscript-evidence/

Multi-Lingual Font *Bembino* with Variant *BembinoWP* for *Word*

Meet our multi-lingual font **Bembino**, free to download for commercial or scholarly use alike, with support for miltiple languages. This font continues to grow with additions by request, such as recently for the imaginary language Elvish and for use with Microsoft *Word* (the latter requiring a special variant of the font).

https://manuscriptevidence.org/wpme/bembino/
https://manuscriptevidence.org/wpme/multi-lingual-bembino/
https://manuscriptevidence.org/wpme/bembino-wp-for-word/

Join our Activities!

Become a **Member** (no charge) of the **Friends of the Research Group on Manuscript Evidence**!

https://manuscriptevidence.org/wpme/friends-of-the-research-group-on-manuscript-evidence/

Donations and Contributions

It is easy to contribute to our **Mission**. **Donations in funds and Contributions in kind** (including **pro-bono help**) are welcome and easy to give:

https://manuscriptevidence.org/wpme/contributions-and-donations
https://manuscriptevidence.org/wpme/2025-annual-appeal

Our organization is powered mainly by volunteers, so that we have low overheads and your contributions go farther to sustain our work. We welcome your help and thank you for your support!

Questions or Suggestions?

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We look forward to welcoming you!