Call for Papers

Myth Criticism in the Ancient World
The University of New Hampshire
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The Classics Program at the University of New Hampshire is pleased to issue a call for papers for its first Rouman Symposium for Research in Classics and the Humanities, to be held on the Durham campus from October 17–19, 2014. The Symposium is sponsored by the John C. Rouman Classical Lecture Series and will run from the afternoon of Friday the 17th until the early afternoon of Sunday the 19th.

The myths of the ancient Greeks and Romans were not simply received traditional narratives accepted by one generation from its predecessors, but from the very beginning of Greek thought a subject of analysis, classification and interpretation. The varied ways in which these processes were applied to mythical data across time, contexts and genres are the subject of the first Rouman Symposium. We invite abstracts of no more than 300 words that treat this general topic, and would be particularly pleased to have those that treat the mythographic writers, the intersection between traditional religion and ancient self-reflection on myths, or the importance of Greek and Roman myth criticism for modern interpretation of myth.

The Symposium will be an occasion both for presentation of original research and discussion between participants. We regret that funding does not allow us to provide all speakers with travel funds or other subvention, but there will be no conference fee and most meals will be provided for those whose abstracts are accepted for presentation.

Send abstracts by May 21 by email to Scott.Smith@unh.edu or by post to

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