In the Bigynnyng: the Manchester Middle English Digital Library (JISC digitisation programme)

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Manchester Middle English Manuscripts Conference

The John Rylands Library, The University of Manchester
17 –18 September 2009

Programme

Thursday 17th

Public lecture: Professor Julia Boffey, Queen Mary University, London, 18.00 – 19.15
“‘Note all old English Mss are very valuable’: scrutinizing the Middle English manuscripts in the John Rylands Library’
Conference Dinner (venue tbc) 19.45

Friday 18th

Registration & Coffee 09.30 – 10.00

Welcome & introductory remarks, John Hodgson, University of Manchester 10.00 – 10.10
Session 1. Chair: Dr Oliver Pickering, University of Leeds
Dr Alex Rumble, University of Manchester, ‘Making sense of a miscellany: the Rylands English manuscripts’ 10.10 – 10.40
Ms Carol Burrows, University of Manchester, ‘In the Bigynnyng: the Rylands Middle English manuscripts digitisation project’ 10.40 – 11.00
Professor Wendy Scase, University of Birmingham, ‘Digital corpora and next-generation manuscript studies’ 11.00 – 11.30
Break 11.30 – 11.50

Session 2. Chair: Dr Anke Bernau, University of Manchester
Dr Orietta da Rold, University of Leicester, ‘Picture this: Manchester, John Rylands, English MS 113 and digitising paper’ 11.50 – 12.20
Dr Simon Horobin, Magdalen College, Oxford, ‘The scribe of the John Rylands fragment of Chaucer’s Canterbury Tales’ 12.20 – 12.50
Discussion 12.50 – 13.05
Lunch & opportunity to view a selection of Rylands ME manuscripts 13.05 – 14.15

Session 3. Chair: Dr David Matthews, University of Manchester
Professor Tony Edwards, De Montfort University, Leicester, ‘Shaping the audience: the Rylands Lydgate manuscripts’ 14.15 – 14.45
Dr Raluca Radulescu, Bangor University, ‘The Middle English Brut in Manuscript and Print: Current User Experience and Future Research’ 14.45 – 15.15
Professor John Thompson, Queen’s University, Belfast, ‘Production and reception issues in Middle English manuscript study: ‘Brut’ texts and readers’ 15.15 – 15.45
Discussion and closing remarks 15.45 – 16.05
Afternoon tea & depart 16.05 – 16.30
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