Animals: Aspects & Approaches
The Fourteenth Oxford Medieval Graduate Conference
Thursday June 28th 2018, Harris Manchester College, Oxford

9-9.20am · Registration
9.20-9.30am · Welcome
9.30-11am · Joint Keynote Address
Humans and Animals: A Defining Relationship?
• Timothy Bourns (St Edmund Hall, Oxford), ‘Animals in Norse Mythology’
• Lesley MacGregor (Oriel College, Oxford), ‘Humans and Animals: Defining the “Other”’

11-11.30am · Break with Hot & Cold Drinks
11.30am-1pm · Animals in A Human World – Chair: Claire Macht (Kellogg College, Oxford)
• Alexander Thomas (University of Bristol), ‘Animals, Archaeology and the Danelaw Boundary’
• Allison Treese (University of York), ‘Reading the Relationship between Hawk and Handler in The Boke of St. Albans’
• Tim Wingard (University of York), ‘“By the Temptation of the Devil”: Narratives of Bestiality in the Registre criminel du Châtelet de Paris’

1-2.15pm · Lunch (provided)
2.15-3.45pm · Blurring Boundaries – Chair: Emilie Lavallée (St Cross College, Oxford)
• Amy Brown (University of Geneva), ‘Cross-Dressing and Cross-Species Sex: The Obscene Spectacle of the Sow and the Lions in the Prose Merlin’
• Maialen Maugars (Warburg Institute), ‘Animal Masks and Costumes in Late Medieval Court Culture: Exploring the Boundary between Civilisation and Wilderness’
• Alexander Peplow (Merton College, Oxford), ‘Do Animals Have Souls? Adelard of Bath and non-Aristotelian Natural Philosophy’

3.45-4.15pm · Break with Hot & Cold Drinks
4.15-5.45pm · Motif and Metaphor – Chair: Susanna Markert (Jesus College, Oxford)
• William Brockbank (Jesus College, Oxford), ‘Wild Weather and Washed-up Whales: The “Whale on the Beach” Motif in the Íslendingasögur’
• Aylin Malcolm (University of Pennsylvania), ‘“For They Kan Nat the Craft”: Art(ifice) and Chaucer’s Robotic Horse’
• India Morris (Merton College, Oxford), ‘“As Bartholomew the Bestiary bablith on his bokes,”: The Sources of the Apian Metaphor in Mum and the Sothsegger’

5.45-6.45pm · Keynote Address: Eric Stanley (Professor Emeritus, Pembroke College, Oxford)
SUCH OLD ENGLISH ANIMALS AS: docga, frocca, hogga, pic[g]-bred, stagnon (acc. pl.), birds sugga and hrucge, insect wicga.

6.45-7.30pm · Drinks Reception at Harris Manchester College (included)
7.30pm · Conference Dinner (optional – location tbd)

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