Mens et Mensa, Society for the Study of Food in the Middle Ages

At the Medieval Table:
Cooking, Cultures, and Customs

Fourth Biannual Symposium, Rutgers University - New Brunswick

Friday October 18, 2019

9:30 am – 5:30 pm

Academic Building West Wing, Rooms 4052 and 1150
15 Seminary Place, New Brunswick, NJ

Histoire d’Olivier de Castille, BnF, ms. 12574, fol. 181v.

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Free & open to the public
PROGRAM

9:30-10:00 Coffee and Registration, AB 4052

10:00-11:00 Cookery and Cultural Heritage, AB 4052

Round Table Discussion

11:20 - 12:00 Food on the Stage, AB 1150 (Learning Center)

*The Life and Death of the Martyr, St. Herring.* A "sermon joyeux" (parodic sermon)
Staged by *Les enfants sans abri.* Director, Sharon King

LUNCH BREAK

1:10 - 2:30 Cookbooks as Cultural Texts, AB 4052

Chair: Donna Rogers (Algoma University)

Sarah Jaran (Western Michigan University), “*Le Viandier*: A Literary Analysis of Taillevent’s Recipes”

Montserrat Piera (Temple University), “There is More to a Knife than Meets the Eye: The Art of Carving at the King's Table in Enrique de Villena's *Arte Cisoria* (1423)”

2:45 - 4:00 Customs and Values, AB 4052

Chair: Montserrat Piera (Temple University)

June-Ann Greeley (Sacred Heart University), “Mice, Marmots, and Mare’s Milk: European Travelers and the Cuisine of the Medieval Far East”

Carol Smolen (Bucks County Community College), “Measuring Food: Yardstick of the Heart, Body, and Spirit: Representations in Llull’s *Llibre d’Evast e Blaquerna*”

4:30 - 5:30 Mens et Mensa General Meeting, AB 4052

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