



Keeping calm and carrying on: level-headed librarians in a time of financial trouble

WESLINE 2010 conference, Manchester 1-3 September

Conference programme

Weds 1st September: practical/professional issues

Location: Red 3.1, Main Library (Oxford Road)

- 12 – 2: arrival, coffee/tea etc from machines, registration [we can suggest lunch venues in the vicinity]
2:00 introduction & welcome
2:20 – 3 session 1: Phil Sykes (Librarian, University of Liverpool), *The Art of Persuasion*
3 – 3:40 session 2: Anne Worden (Faculty Librarian: Humanities and Social Sciences at University of Portsmouth), *Building alliances with Faculties to get best value for money*
Tea break
4 – 5 FSLG AGM
5 – 5:30 Wesline AGM
5:30 – 6:15 GSLG AGM

We can suggest galleries etc in the vicinity to visit if you are not involved in a particular AGM

Evening meal: Curry on the famous "Curry Mile" or Chinese etc 'eat as much as you like' buffet-style in local restaurant (suggestions)

Thurs 2nd September: research and its contexts

Location: Red 3.1, Main Library; then JRL Deansgate

- 9:30 – 10:10 session 3: Dr Joe McGonagle, (French Studies, UoM)
10:15 – 11:00 session 4: Dr Patience Schell, (SPLAS, UoM)
Coffee break
11:20 – 12 session 5: Ed King, *British Library newspaper strategy – the way ahead*
12 – 12:40 session 6: Dr Matthew Philpotts, (German Studies, UoM)
Transfer to Deansgate site
- 1 – 2: buffet lunch at DG café; welcome to SC
2 – 4: session 7: Manchester Dante Project (digitisation of Mss) – Dr Guyda Armstrong; Centre of Digital Excellence Project – Carol Burrows, project manager at Special Collections
session 8: close-up session in Special Collections
- 6:30 sponsored drinks reception [we hope]
8:00 Conference Dinner, Hulme Hall old dining room

Fri 3rd September: teaching & learning ... and libraries

Location: Red 3.1, Main Library

- 9:30 – 10:10: session 9: Stef Hundsberger (JRUL), Language-learning in Second Life
10:10 – 10:50 session 10: Reports from JRUL Manchester: Reading List definition strategy, digitisation of core texts, Talis Aspire as a collaborative RL tool, Content Development Policy ...
Coffee break
11:20 – 12 session 11: Prof. Stephen Milner (Italian Studies, UoM), Library liaison – an academic perspective
12 – 12:30+ closing plenary: review of sessions, next steps

Optional extensions to the programme:

- lunch together at Kro bar (Danish gastro-pub)
- visit to historic Chetham's library (provisionally booked)