

ESOTERICISM AND THE HUMANITIES

A joint workshop by IKOS and the Centre for Ibsen Studies, University of Oslo

13-14 December 2018

PROGRAM

Thursday 13 December (Room 389, PA Munchs hus, Blindern)

12.00-13.00 LUNCH for the speakers

13.00-13.15 Cecilie Endresen and Giuliano D'Amico (University of Oslo): Introduction

13.15-14.00 Olav Hammer (University of Southern Denmark): "Esotericism and the literature of mysticism"

14.00-14.45 Benedikt Hjartarson (University of Iceland): "Edifying Form: On the Literary Esotericism of Þórbergur Þórðarson"

14.45-15.00 PAUSE

15.00-15.45 Marja Lahelma (University of Helsinki): "Artists as producers and mediators of esoteric knowledge"

15.45-16.30 Cecilie Endresen (University of Oslo): "Albanian esotericism, pseudo-linguistics and new religious authorities"

18.30 DINNER for the speakers

Friday 14 December (Room 389, PA Munchs hus, Blindern)

9.00-9.45 Anne Kalvig (University of Stavanger): "Contemporary, spiritual stuff and how to label and study it as a part of culture"

9.45-10.30 Henrik Johnsson (University of Tromsø): "Occult Fiction Considered as a Literary Genre"

10.30-10.45 PAUSE

10.45-11.30 Dirk Johannsen (University of Oslo): "The mystical breakthrough - Naturalism and occult explorations in Nordic literature 1871-1897"

11.30-12.15 Kristoffer Noheden (University of Stockholm): "Nature's Imagination: Surrealism, Esotericism, and Ecology."

12.15-13.00 LUNCH for the speakers

13.00-13.45 Giuliano D'Amico (University of Oslo): "*The Fantasy of Peer Gynt*: appropriation, overinterpretation, or...?"

13.45-14.30 Discussion and further plans

PRACTICAL INFORMATION

Blindern campus and PA Munchs hus are best reached by the Underground (T-Bane). Get off at Forskningsparken stop.

Speakers will be staying at Scandic Hotel Holberg (Holbergs plass 1)

Dinner on Thursday will take place at Restaurant Smalhans (Ullevålsveien 43)