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# Message from the President & the Vice President

SIMONE MARCHESI KRISTINA OLSON

Dear Friends in Boccaccio,

Many events of note have taken place in our community since our last newsletter: books have been published, prizes awarded, conferences organized in the US and abroad. You will find all of these activities addressed in the pages of this newsletter, which as always aims to celebrate the achievements of students and colleagues and to announce their future endeavors.

We are particularly pleased to confirm that the fourth ABA Triennial Conference will take place at the University of Madison-Wisconsin, on October 3-6, 2019.

We have 13 sessions scheduled for the conference which represents the work of more than forty colleagues, with panels ranging from archival and documentary research, to reception studies as well as





roundtables and workshops on the status of the profession and the future of digital humanities. We are very much in debt to Professor Jelena Todorovic, without whose energy and organizational work the symposium would simply have not been possible.

Several volumes of the LB series are nearing completion or publication. We are happy to report that Day 4, edited by Michael Sherberg (Washington University) and Day 8, edited by William Robins (Victoria University), are forthcoming with the University of Toronto Press.

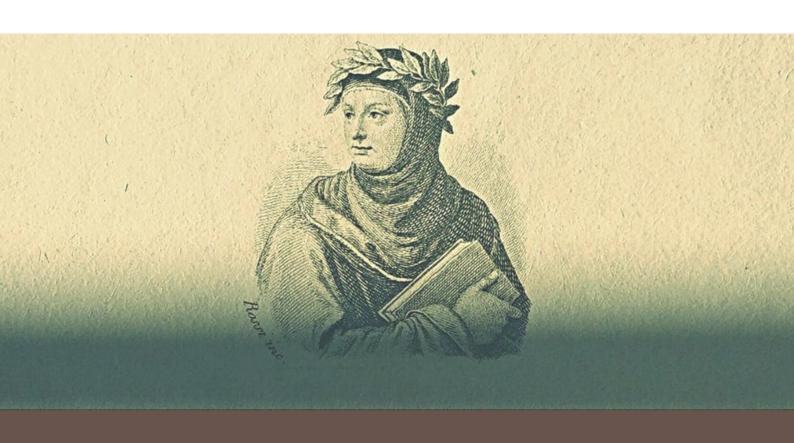
We are also in the process of redesigning the ABA website, which was launched in its present form about a decade ago. While it has served the Association well in the past, functioning as both the archive of the ABA past and the space for showcasing its initiatives, in its present state the website does no longer meet the standards of functionality and ease of use recommended today.

A mock-up of the eventual design is available at

https://abaonline.godaddysites.com/ and we welcome all suggestions from the membership. We will ask for your support with this ambitious project, in the form of a fundraising campaign for the final development of the new site by 2020. This newsletter also contains an essay dedicated to the memory of Pier Massimo Forni, whose untimely passing is a profound loss for our field. This reflection was authored by one of his students, Francesco Ciabattoni, but it represents our collective tribute to the life of scholarship he so generously lived and shared with many of us.

With best wishes for the upcoming summer.





# Remembering Pier Massimo Forni

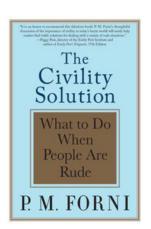
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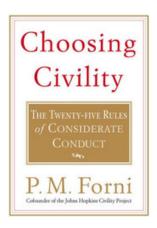
Pier Massimo Forni died on December 1st. 2018, from complications of Parkinson's disease, an enemy he had fought valiantly for many years. A leading authority in Boccaccio studies, Prof. Forni worked for thirty year at Johns Hopkins where he founded the Johns Hopkins Civility Project in 1997. After his laurea at Collegio Borromeo di Pavia and PhD at the University of California, Los Angeles (his dissertation on Petrarch remains unpublished), Forni taught at the University of Pittsburgh before joining Johns Hopkins University in 1985. Here he mentored generations of scholars in different areas of Italian studies. While the majority of us chose to specialize in Boccaccio or Medieval Studies, Pier Massimo's mentoring encompassed the whole range of Italian literature, from novel to poetry and from the Middle Ages to contemporary literature, allowing each student to pursue her or his interest in the most rigorous of manners. Forni's publications are many and farreaching and he was a refined poet himself: his earliest poetic accomplishments (Stemmi, Scheiwiller 1977) were graced with a preface by Maria Corti; he published a second collection of poems nearly twenty years later (Hotel pace dei monti, Greco & Greco, 1996). One of Forni's favorite expressions to describe the work of the literary critic was "predicare criticamente": he encouraged students not to content themselves with explaining what a text says, but rather to investigate how it says it through the creative process and its mechanisms.



16 October 1951 – 1 December 2018

This investigative technique was a bearing principle of Forme complesse nel Decameron (Olschki, 1992), whose attention to textual responsiveness shows how form, in Boccaccio's masterpiece, brilliantly reflects content, and how the presence of Ovidian models shapes its revolutionary relational ideology. Adventures in Speech (University of Pennsylvania Press, 1996) combines philology, classical rhetoric and contemporary literary theory, mapping the processes that govern the inventio, which is never separated from the dispositio, and the interrelationships between verba and res: the ability of words to change things. The book was later translated into Italian, with the addition of new chapters, under the title Parole come fatti. La metafora realizzata e altre glosse al "Decameron", Napoli, Liguori, 2008, Lessico critico decameroniano (Bollati Boringhieri, 1995), which he edited with Renzo Bragantini, brought together some of the world's leading scholars to probe key concepts of the lexicon of Boccaccio's masterpiece. Pier Massimo had an extraordinary ability to show us, with a mix of humor and sprezzatura, that acquiring discipline need not be scary or painful, but can rather be a captivating journey toward knowledge.







Manners maketh the scholar, one could easily say, especially in the case of Forni, who in the years of his full professorship founded the Johns Hopkins Civility Project and published best-selling books on the subject, such as *Choosing Civility. The Twenty-five Rules of Considerate Conduct; The Civility Solution: What to Do When People Are Rude*; and *The Thinking Life: How to Thrive in the Age of Distraction* (all published by St. Martin's Press in 2002, 2008, and 2011, respectively).

There is, perhaps, a deeper motivation that conjoins the reading of the *Decameron* to Forni's spirit of civility: Boccaccio wrote his masterwork with a therapeutic and prophylactic intent, as Pier Massimo explained in one of his finest essays. Florentine society was reeling from the plague, institutions were shaken, people had given in to a feeling of mistrust and despair. As a way of healing, ten young men and women chose storytelling, the use of the word, as a rationalizing principle against chaos. In many ways the Civility Project follows precisely in these footsteps: being civil, to Forni, meant being mindful of the consequences of one's actions, choosing to act in a way that will do good. It means being in control of ourselves, in order to live a life of joy and respect.

The legacy that he has bequeathed on us goes well beyond literary wisdom: it points us to a deeper and nobler life; it spurs us to choose actions that will produce happiness and reduce pain. Pier Massimo loved soccer: he had played semi-professionally, and echoes of his sport passion appear in his poems: "Sai, ho il gioco affranto, elegante, / del buon centravanti a fine carriera." A soccer player is a man of action, someone who does not just sit and think, but runs, strategizes, makes decisions about how to pass the ball. His wife of eighteen years, Virginia H. Forni, reportedly said: "He loved soccer. He treasured his friends and his students. Nothing made him happier or prouder than to see them succeed. I know he understood and reciprocated the affection they felt for him." Pier Massimo Forni was not only a formidable researcher, but a truly superb educator. He was an excellent orator: he knew how to capture an audience and present a difficult subject to non-experts. Pier Massimo has been an example to all who have been so lucky to meet him, not only within the discipline of literary studies, but as a true maestro for our lives.



Sai, sono già cotto come poeta, sono ai colpi di tosse, ai buoni motti, i versi hanno il mento rotondo e le stanze tinelli svedesi.

Sai, ho il gioco affranto, elegante, del buon centravanti a fine carriera, protegge la palla col corpo il moto di spalle un'alta conversazione;

non vedi come parto distante
come per far venire sera
con che stacco e ironia io sia spento e
sublime?
È grande solo il decoro
con cui prendo la via dello spogliatoio,
i calzoncini intatti, il numero alla schiena.



"We must be as courteous to a man as we are to a picture, which we are willing to give the advantage of a good light ."

P.M. Forni, *Choosing Civility* 

#### SELECTED PUBLICATIONS BY P.M. FORNI:

(Editor, with Giorgio Cavallini) Fredi Chiappelli. Il Legame musaico: Saggi di letteratura italiana. Storia e Letteratura, 1984. (Editor) Giovanni Boccaccio. Ninfale Fiesolano. Mursa, 1991. (Translator from the English) P. Fisk. La Collina degli agrifogli [translation of Midnight Blue]. Editoriale Del Drago, 1991. Forme complesse nel Decameron. Olschki, 1992. (Coeditor) Forma e parola: Studi in memoria di Fredi Chiappelli. Bulzoni, 1992. (Editor) I fioretti di San Francesco. Garzanti, 1993. (Editor, with Renzo Bragantini) Lessico critico Decameroniano. Bollati Boringhieri, 1993. Adventures in Speech: Rhetoric and Narration in Boccaccio's "Decameron." University of Pennsylvania Press, 1996. Hotel pace dei monti (poems). Greco & Greco, 1996. "Versi veneti." In Studi vari di lingua e letteratura italiana: in onore di Giuseppe Velli. Vol. 2 Cisalpino Istituto Editoriale Universitario, 2000. 875–883. Choosing Civility: The Twenty-five Rules of Considerate Conduct. St. Martin's Press, 2002. Parole come fatti. La metafora realizzata e altre glosse al "Decameron." Liguori, 2008. (Editor, with Francesco Ciabattoni) The Decameron Third Day in Perspective: Volume Three of Lectura Boccaccii. University of Toronto Press, 2014.

#### Fourth Triennial Meeting of the ABA, University of Wisconsin-Madison, 10/3 - 10/6 2019

October 3

3-4pm: Workshop for graduate students "The Past and the Future of the Profession"

4-5pm: Rountable, Boccaccio and Digital Humanities:

Susanna Barsella, Valerio Cappozzo, Francesco Ciabattoni,

Simone Marchesi, Michael Papio

6 pm: Greetings, Awards, Keynote Lecture 1: Marco Cursi

8pm: Reception

#### October 4th

9:00 - 10:30am:

#### 1) The Decameron as Ars Poetica:

Kristen Hook, University of California, Berkeley Cavalcanti's Coals: Finding New Pens Between Dec. 6.9 and 6.10

Monica Keane, University of California, Davis «Liete ridete»: Boccaccio's Poetics and Decameron V.10 Brenda Deen Schildgen, University of California, Davis Decameron 1.1: the Power of Words

#### 2) Dante and Boccaccio:

Susanna Barsella, Fordham University
Boccaccio Reading the Stars in Dante's Commedia
Beatrice Arduini, University of Washington
A System of Virtues: Boccaccio's Philosophical Debt to Dante
in Day Ten of the Decameron
Samantha Mattocci, University of Wisconsin-Madison
Notes on Boccaccio's Authorial Voice in the Life of Dante

#### 11:00-12:30am:

#### 3) Animals/Zoolinguistics/Ethopoetics:

Simone Marchesi, Princeton University

And a Partridge in a Pear Tree: Bocaccio's Eden and the

Language of Translation in Chaucer's Merchant Tale

Eleonora Stoppino, University of Illinois

The Bite of the Wild in Boccaccio's Decameron

Eugenio Giusti, Of Human and Non-Human Animals: the

Intersection of Man and Beast in Decameron II, 9

#### 4) Holiness and Its Abuses:

Alessandro Vettori, Rutgers University

The Unburdening of False Confessions in Decameron 1.1, 3.3,
and 7.5

Lelio Camassa, Università della Basilicata

The Blessed Arrigo in Decameron II, and in Other Coeval Works

Pierpaolo Spagnolo, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

Relics in Boccaccio's Decameron: The Displaying of the Archangel Gabriel in VI, 10 and IV, 2

2:00 - 3:00pm: Keynote Lecture 2: H. Wayne Storey

3:30-5pm:

#### 5) History and Biography:

Elsa Filosa, Vanderbilt University

Boccaccio's Public Offices, 1348-1355

William Caferro, Vanderbilt University

Boccaccio's Embassies and Florentine Diplomacy, 1350-1366

Martin Eisner, Duke University

Boccaccio's Life in Books

#### 6) Works other than the Decameron:

Molly Bronstein, University of California, Berkeley Reinventing the Widow's Grief between Il Filostrato and the Roman de Troyle

Virginia Machera, Università di Cassino

Per la biblioteca troiana di Giovanni Boccaccio: il caso delle Rime

Adir Fonseca Jr, University of Oxford

Love and Fortune in Boccaccio's Galla

Valentina Rovere, University of Helsinki

Nelle biblioteche dei primi lettori di Boccaccio: la più antica

circolazione delle opere latine

5:30pm Book Exhibition

#### October 5th

8:30 - 9:15am: ABA business meeting

9:30 - 11:00am:

#### 7) The reception of Boccaccio's works 1:

Olivia Holmes, Binghamton University
From the Tale of the Three Rings to Matrimonio all'italiana
Christopher Livanos, University of Wisconsin, Madison
The Three Rings and the Circularity of Faith
Alberto Iozzia, Indiana University
"This Horrid Beginning" The Decameron as Secular
Archetype of Post-Apocalyptic Fiction.

#### 8) The reception of Boccaccio's works 2:

Artemis Preeshl, Elon University

Calandrino: On Turning the Tables on #MeToo

Stefan Bielański-Bogumiła Bielańska, University of
Cracow

La Fortuna di giovanni Boccaccio in Polonia Isabelle Lecocq, The Royal Institute for Cultural Heritage Images of a famous Boccaccio's heroine: the faithful and loving Griselda

11:30 - 12:30: Keynote Lecture 3: Michael Papio 12:30 -2:00 - LUNCH

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#### October 5th

2:00 - 3:30pm:

#### 9) The reception of Boccaccio's works 3:

Timothy Kircher, Guilford College
Prometheus unbound: Prometheus in the Genealogia
deorum gentilium and its resonance for later humanism
Daniela D'Eugenio, Vanderbilt University
Decameron's Day VI and Vincenzo Brusantino's
Interpretation
Nicola Esposito, University of Notre Dame

Nicola Esposito, University of Notre Dame Elements of Decameronian Style in Giovanni d'Agnolo Capponi's Pecorone

#### 10) Medicine and Other Discourses 1:

Giovanni Spani, College of the Holy Cross Ghino di Tacco: brigante cortese e medico. Michael Sherberg, Washington University Decameron V.8, Again Angela Porcarelli, Emory University Lost Inside the Frame: Text and Paratext in Giovanni Boccaccio's Decameron

4:00 - 5:30pm:

#### 11) Medicine and Other Discourses 2:

Fabian Alfie, University of Arizona Hoofing It On Dry Ground: Sex, Sexuality, and Gender in Decameron 5.10

Alessandro Ceteroni, University of Connecticut *Lavoro e solidarietà femminile in Decameron V, 2* Francesco Ciabattoni, Georgetown University *Musica, danza e norme sociali nel Decameron* 

#### 12) Boccaccio Polybiblion

Kathryn McKinley, University of Maryland The Problematics of Ocium: Horace, Poetry and Repose in De casibus 3.14

Gur Zak, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem Boccaccio's Filocolo and the Polyphony of Consolation Alyssa Falcone, The University of Alabama Fool Me Twice: Examining Trust Inside and Outside of the Decameron

5:30pm: Keynote Lecture 4: Marilyn Miguel

#### **Hotels:**

- 1. Lowell Center, one block from the Pyle Center and the library, where the ABA conference will take place. http://bit.ly/languageconf
- 2. The Graduate, one block from the Pyle Center and the library, where the conference will take place. Guests can call their main line 608-257-4391 and ask for the French & Italian Conference Room Block. Or they can use the following link to book: https://be.synxis.com/?adult=1&arrive=2019-10-

03&chain=21643&child=0&currency=USD&depart=2019

04&group=191003FREN&hotel=77206&level=hotel&locale=en-US&rooms=1&sbe\_ri=0.

Guest will have until September 2, 2019, to make their reservations at both conference hotels. Once the cut-off date has been reached, guests may still book but the discounted rate for the group will not be available.

Participants who opt out of the two conference hotels might want to try some of the hotels on this list: https://www.tripadvisor.com/HotelsList-Madison-Downtown-Hotels-zfp3160.html.

**Frank Lloyd Wright's Taliesin Trip** on Sunday morning (October 6th) https://www.taliesinpreservation.org/ More information to come.

#### Conference registration fee:

Students & contingent faculty: \$25 Regular members: \$60 Non-members: \$100



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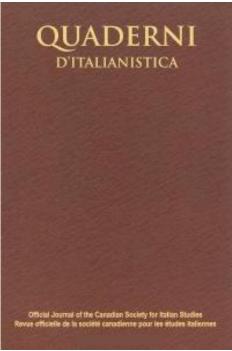
## Member news

Published in 2019, *Dialogues on the "Decameron"* is a special issue of "Quaderni d'Italianistica" (vol. 38.2; 2017) devoted to the *Decameron*. This collection of innovative essays, edited by **Katherine A. Brown**, celebrates the seventh centenary of Boccaccio's birth and the multiplicity of his masterpiece. The essays include **Susanna Barsella**, "The Merchant and the Sacred: Artifice and Realism in Decameron I.1;" **Katherine A. Brown**, "Confession and Social Space in the Decameron;" **Roberta Morosini**, "What a Difference the Sea Makes in the Decameron: The Mediterranean, a Structural Space of the Novella;" **Timothy Kircher**, "Eros and Evanescence in the Decameron: The Weave of Love, Time, and Memory;" **T. F. Gittes**, "'Forgers of Falsehood, Physicians of Nought:' Retailing Fictions in Boccaccio's Decameron;" **Simone Marchesi**, "Fiction with Fiction: Confessing to Dante in Decameron I.1;" **Martin Eisner**, "A Singular Boccaccio: Defending Poetry in the Decameron and the Genealogie."

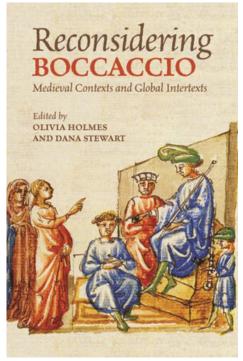
**Rhiannon Daniels** published an article titled *Where Does the Decameron Begin? Editorial Practice and Tables of Rubrics*, «Modern Language Review» 114.1 (2019), 52–78; and in January she was invited to be the first Schoenberg Institute for Manuscript Studies and Center for Italian Studies Fellow in Italian Manuscript Studies at the University of Pennsylvania. During her residency she gave a public lecture on 24 January: *Writing and Reading Rubrics in the Renaissance Decameron*.

**Elsa Filosa** published an article titled *History of Virginia: Livy, Boccaccio, and Botticelli* in *Botticelli: Heroines and Heros*, edited by Nathaniel Silver. London: Paul Holberton Publishing, 2019: 78–93.

Olivia Holmes & Dana Stewart co-edited the volume Reconsidering Boccaccio. Medieval Context and Global Intertexts (University of Toronto Press, 2018). The essays include K. P. Clarke, "Text and (Inter)Face: The Catchwords in Boccaccio's Autograph of the Decameron"; Rhiannon Daniels, "Reading Boccaccio's Paratexts: Dedications as Thresholds between Worlds"; **Jason Houston**, "Boccaccio on Friendships (Theory and Practice)"; **Todd Boli**, "Among Boccaccio's Friends: A Profile of Mainardo Cavalcanti"; Alessia Ronchetti, "Reading Like a Woman: Gendering Compassion in the Elegia di Madonna Fiammetta"; Grace Delmolino, "The Economics of Conjugal Debt from Gratian's Decretum to Decameron 2.10: Boccaccio, Canon Law, and the Loss of Interest in Sex"; Sara Diaz, "Authority and Misogamy in Boccaccio's Trattatello in laude di Dante"; Mary Anne Case, "What Turns on Whether Women are Human for Boccaccio and Christine de Pizan?"; Elizabeth Casteen, "On She-Wolves and Famous Women: Boccaccio, Politics, and the Neapolitan Court"; Kevin Brownlee, "Christine Transforms Boccaccio: Gendered Authorship in the De mulieribus claris and the Cité des Dames"; Lori Walters, "Reading like a Frenchwoman: Christine de Pizan's Treatment of Boccaccio's Johanna I and Andrea Acciaiu"; Franklin Lewis, "A Persian in a Pear Tree: Middle Eastern Analogues for Pirro/Pyrrhus"; Katherine A. **Brown**, "Splitting Pants and Pigs: The Fabliau Barat et Haimet and Narrative Strategies in Decameron 8.5 and 8.6"; Filippo Andrei, "The Tragicomedy of Lament: The Celestina and the Elegiac Legacy of Madonna Fiammetta"; Nora **Peterson**, "Sins, Sex, and Secrets: The Legacy of Confession from the Decameron to the Heptaméron".







**Timothy Kircher** presented *Boccaccio and the Appearance of Reality: A Phenomenological Inquiry* at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem, November 2018.

**Kristina Olson** published an article titled *The Ethical and Sartorial Geography of the Far East: Tartar Textiles in Boccaccio's Decameron and Esposizioni*, «Le Tre Corone. Rivista internazionale di studi su Dante, Petrarca, Boccaccio» VI (2019): 125–139.

Anne Robin published two articles: Les remèdes au mal d'amour dans l' Elegia di madonna Fiammetta et le Corbaccio, in Aimer ou ne pas aimer. Boccace, Elegia di madonna Fiammetta et Corbaccio, Anna Pia Filotico, Manuele Gragnolati, Philippe Guérin, éds, Paris, Presses Sorbonne Nouvelle, 2018, p. 125–138; La «liberté » du libraire restreint la liberté des femmes : l'édition française du Décaméron de Boccace réalisée par Antoine Vérard (1485), in Liberté e(s)t choix. Verhandlungen von Freiheit in der französischen Literatur, Sieglinde Borvitz und Yasmin Temelli, hrsg., Berlin, Erich Schmidt Verlag, 2019, p. 19–41.





The American Boccaccio Association is happy to announce the winners of the ABA's 2018 **Velli Prize** for 1) the best undergraduate student essay and 2) the best graduate student essay on Boccaccio:

1) **Nathaniel Gadiano**, Princeton University: *A Translation and Commentary of the Proemio from the Decameron.* 

2) **Max Matukhin**, Princeton University: *Natura contra naturam: Sins Against Nature in Decameron IX.10.* 



#### **JEUDI 6 JUIN 2019**

Accueil des participants

10h

**RÉSEAUX CULTURELS** 

cia Tonelli

Luca MARCOZZI (Università di Roma Tre)

Petrarca e le sue reti epistolari, da Firenze all'Europa

Monica BERTÉ (Università degli studi 'Gabriele D'Annunzio', Chieti-Pescara) «Scripta rurali calamo»: una lettera di Petrarca a Benintendi Ravegnani

Marco CURSI (Università di Napoli Federico II)

Nicola, Lapa, Andreina: gli Acciaiuoli tra Petrarca e Boccaccio

Discussion et pause

Igor CANDIDO (Trinity College, Dublin)

Francesco Bruni's Lost Letters and Petrarch's Florentine Circle

Laura REGNICOLI (Archivio di Stato di Pistoia)

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Natascia TONELLI (Università di Roma Tre)

Le mystère des épîtres perdues

Discussion et pause

Marco PETOLETTI

Iniversità Cattolica del Sacro Cuore, Milano) « Quid tuum seu a te factum non laudem? » Amitié intellectuelle et culture dans les lettres de Boccace à/sur Pétrarque

Discussion

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#### QUESTIONS DE POÉTIQUE

Marco ARIANI (Università di Roma Tre)

Fam., XXI 15: un manifesto per la poesia in volgare?

Paolo RIGO (Università di Roma Tre) «Scribis nescio quem Petrum...»: Petrarca, Boccaccio e la disfida sulle profezie

Discussion et pause

Enrico FENZI (Genova)

Boccaccio, Ep. IX: i Versus ad Affricam domini Francisci

Paolo VITI (Università del Salento)

Francesco Petrarca pater e preceptor di Giovanni Boccaccio

Discussion et déjeuner

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Marco VEGLIA (Alma Mater Studiorum Università di Bologna) Paupertatis et Fortune certamen. Su alcune epistole politiche di Boccaccio (IX, X, XIII)

14h30 Elsa FILOSA (Vanderbilt University, Nashville)

History and Politics in the Consolatory Letter to Pino de' Rossi

**Teresa CALIGIURE** (Universität Hamburg) Scelus e indignatio. *Polemiche epistolari tra Boccaccio* 

e Petrarca nei primi anni '50

Discussion et pause

Ilaria TUFANO (Napoli) L'amicizia nelle epistole di Boccaccio

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Niccolò Acciaiuoli, Giovanni Boccaccio e la Certosa del Galluzzo: politica e religione nel Trecento a Firenze

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#### Lunedi 10 giugno 2019 – Certosa di Firenze (via della Certosa 1, Firenze)

15:30 – Apertura del convegno e visita alla Certosa Jason Houston, Gonzaga University in Florence Don Alessandro Andreini, Comunità di San Leolino

17:30 - Rinfresco

18:00 – Lectio magistralis

Niccolò Acciaiuoli and the Intersection of Florentine Politics, Religion and War

WILLIAM CAFERRO, Vanderbilt University

19:00 – Allestimento teatrale Decameron V.8 & X.7

a cura della Compagnia teatrale Oranona di Certaldo e di Gonzaga University

19:45 – Ricevimento

#### Martedì 11 giugno 2019 - Certosa di Firenze

#### 9:30 - Saluti istituzionali

Andrea Pessina, Soprintendente di Archeologia, Belle Arti e Paesaggio per la città metropolitana di Firenze e le province di Pistoia e Prato Don Carmelo Mezzasalma, Superiore della Comunità

di San Leolino

Comunità monastica della Certosa di Farneta (Lucca)

#### 10:00 - Relazione introduttiva

La Certosa luogo dello spirito Giovanni Leoncini, Università degli Studi di Firenze

#### 11:00 – I sessione: La Certosa nella Firenze religiosa del XIV secolo Presiede Don Alessandro Andreini

Istituzioni ecclesiastiche e vita religiosa nella Firen-

Francesco Salvestrini, Università di Firenze

I vescovi di Firenze nel XIV secolo

Lorenzo Tanzini, Università di Cagliari Niccolò Acciaiuoli e la Certosa di San Martino Rita Pastorelli, Certosa-Museo di San Martino, Napoli

La Certosa di Firenze nel XV secolo: problematico veicolo della fama degli Acciaiuoli nella Firenze medicea Laura De Angelis, Università di Firenze

#### 13:00 - Pausa pranzo

#### 14:30 - II sessione: Niccolò Acciaiuoli mecenate tra letteratura e arte

Presiede Susanna Barsella, Fordham University Tre amici fiorentini tra Napoli e Firenze: Giovanni JASON HOUSTON

Gli Acciaiuoli e Giovanni Boccaccio: libri, lettere, scrit-Marco Cursi, Università di Napoli Federico II

Niccolò Acciaiuoli e la fondazione della Certosa NICOLÒ BUDINI GATTAI, Gruppo territoriale fiorentino del Movimento di Cooperazione Educativa L'architettura di Palazzo Acciaioli. Le vicende co-

struttive e la sua riscoperta nel Novecento Valerio Tesi, Soprintendenza Archeologia Belle Arti e Paesaggio, Firenze

16:30 - Pausa caffè

17:∞ – In memoria di Pier Massimo Forni (1951-2018) Pier Massimo Forni. Vent'anni di lettere e poesie.

1977-1997 Bruno Nacci, scrittore e traduttore

Mercoledì, 12 giugno 2019 – Palazzo Bargagli (Lungarno Le Grazie 22, Firenze) 10:00 – Relazione introduttiva

La Certosa di San Lorenzo: metafora incompiuta dei sogni del Gran Siniscalco

Francesco Paolo Tocco, Università di Messina

11:00 – III sessione: Politica, economia e società tra Firenze e Napoli nel Trecento
Presiede Elsa Filosa, Vanderbilt University

Napoli Angioina: dal Regno di Roberto il Saggio a quello di Giovanna I

AMEDEO FENIELLO, Istituto di Storia dell'Europa Medi-terranea (CNR)

Regimi politici fiorentini tra gli anni '30 e '60 del '300 Vieri Mazzoni, Società Storica della Valdelsa La mercatura fiorentina prima e dopo l'età dei gran-

di fallimenti Sergio Tognetti, Università di Cagliari 13:00 – Pausa pranzo

#### 15:00 – IV sessione: Gli Acciaiuoli e la Grecia Presiede Stefano U. Baldassarri, ISI Florence

Gli Acciaiuoli in Grecia e nella tradizione in età mo-

derna Claudia Tripodi, University of Chicago

L'Atene degli Acciaiuoli nella cultura antiquaria e visiva del Rinascimento

THODORIS KOUTSOGIANNIS, Hellenic Parliament Art Collection

Early Florentine interest in Ptolemaic Chorography. Cristoforo Buondelmonti on Crete (1416-17) George Tolias, National Hellenic Research Founda-tion – École pratique des hautes études PSL

Conclusioni a cura di Stefano U. Baldassarri

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In closing, I would like to thank everyone who has made a donation on top of paying their dues, regardless of the amount. Every donation helps the American Boccaccio Association fulfill its mission of promoting the study and teaching of Giovanni Boccaccio's life and works.

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