

Sixth Week Newsletter.

Hilary Term, 2017.

Morning all!

All your dreams have come true: this week's newsletter is here! There's a veritable smorgasbord of events and opportunities this week, including but not limited to: Presidential Husts, college exhibitions, drama experiments, new apps, IT improvement surveys - and, of course, as always, everyone's favourite, the closure times of the Memorial Room.

Have a great week!

Queen's Notices.

- 1. Reminder: Presidential Husts (Wednesday).**
- 2. Archivist's Exhibition: "Undergraduates at Queen's, 1580-1930: An Exhibition of Books from the College Archive Documenting Students at Queen's Over 350 Years".**
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1. Reminder: Presidential Husts (Wednesday).

A reminder that we will be holding Presidential Husts in the MCR at 6pm this Wednesday! Come along to meet the candidates for President for next year, to listen to what they have to say and to ask them plenty of tricky questions - and to eat free pizza!

2. Archivist's Exhibition: "Undergraduates at Queen's, 1580-1930: An Exhibition of Books from the College Archive Documenting Students at Queen's Over 350 Years".

The college archivist, Mike Riordan, will be holding an exhibition in the Magrath Room on Thursday this week (the 23rd) from 11am to 3pm, displaying books from the college's extensive

archive that show traces of student experience over the years. It should be very interesting, so do pop along if you want to know more!

3. Memorial Room Closures.

The Memorial Room will be closed at the following time this week:

- Wednesday 22nd, 12noon-8pm.

Don't leave your stuff there, make sure you're not there, etc.!

4. IT Improvement Survey.

IT improvement survey – £50 prize draw

<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/oxITservices>

This is a short survey about Oxford's IT Services (e.g., Nexus e-mail, Weblearn, Solo, OXAM...), aimed at improving the experience of users, and looking in to the possibility of developing a personalised student platform. The survey should only take a few minutes to complete, will help improve IT services across the university – and you'll be entered in a prize draw for a £50 Amazon voucher as a thank you!

5. Calleva Centre Drama Experiment.

Get paid to be an audience member! -- Volunteers needed for drama experiment

Six Oxford academics at Magdalen's Calleva Centre are collaborating on a project about audience responses to drama. We are looking for participants to take part in an experiment about audiences' imaginative reactions to stories told within plays. This experiment will take place in the Magdalen Auditorium in the evening of Tuesday 21 February.

If you agree to take part, you will be asked to complete a questionnaire measuring your responses to scenes from Euripides' tragedy Phoenician Women. You will be compensated for your time.

If you are interested in participating, please go to <http://www.magd.ox.ac.uk/research/calleva-research-centre/adults-at-plays-signup> to sign up. Participants must be 18 or over. Any queries may be addressed to calleva-drama@magd.ox.ac.uk.

6. Student Programmer Wanted.

St Edmund's Hall Centre for the Creative Brain is seeking a student programmer who could help us to feed live EEG signals into a virtual environment.

We are looking to build an interactive procedural weather event for an exciting art installation that will form part of a new science event in 2017 called BrainFEST. This opportunity to work with a team of science, design, art and virtual reality professionals will culminate in an immersive and interactive experience that incorporates EEG information from a real time participant.

The ideal candidate would have experience in C# and animation software such as Unreal or Unity.

If you would like to get involved please contact: ainslie.johnstone@ndcn.ox.ac.uk to discuss your interest and availability.

7. Notices from the International Relations Society.

Authority Structures in Islam - Professor Masooda Bano

7:30pm, Tuesday of 6th Week (February 21st)

<https://www.facebook.com/events/377600492623503/>

Oxford International Relations Society is looking forward to hosting Professor Masooda Bano at 7:30 in Lecture Room 6, New College, where she will be giving a talk on the Changing Nature of Authority Structures in Islam.

Masooda Bano is an Associate Professor in International Development at the Oxford Department of International Development. She is currently directing a five-year major research project: 'Changing Structures of Islamic Authority and Consequences for Social Change - A Transnational Review', supported by a 1.4 million euro European Research Council (ERC) Starting Grant. She holds an MSc from Cambridge and a DPhil from Oxford, and is the William Golding Senior Fellow at Brasenose College.

If you would like to enter the ballot to have dinner with Professor Bano, please fill in the form below:

<https://goo.gl/forms/gdDXreR35uC2F9Do2>

This event is FREE for members and £3 for non-members, with a special offer of £20 for lifetime membership of the Society available for a limited time.

Dr. Anna Neistat – Amnesty International Senior Director of Research

7:30pm, Thursday of 6th Week (February 23rd)

<https://www.facebook.com/events/388849531491677/>

Oxford International Relations Society is looking forward to hosting Dr. Anna Neistat at 7:30 in the MacGregor Matthews Room, New College, where she will be giving a talk about her work as Senior Director of Research for Amnesty International.

Dr. Neistat has been at Amnesty International since 2014. Prior to this, she was Director of Human Rights Watch in Moscow and Associate Director for Program & Emergencies worldwide. She holds PhD from Moscow State Law Academy and a degree from Harvard Law School, and has held positions at the Open Society Institute and the Radcliffe Institute for Advanced Studies.

If you would like to enter the ballot to have dinner with Dr. Neistat, please fill in the form below:

<https://goo.gl/forms/g1gzZEBz1z1SJTp2>

This event is FREE for members and £3 for non-members, with a special offer of £20 for lifetime membership of the Society available for a limited time.

Ideology and Genocide – Dr. Jonathan Leader-Maynard

7:30 pm, Wednesday of 7th Week (March 1st)

<https://www.facebook.com/events/1873557862890658/>

Oxford International Relations Society is looking forward to hosting Dr. Jonathan Leader-Maynard at 7:30 in Lecture Room 6, New College, where he will be giving a talk on the topic of 'Ideology and Genocide'.

Dr. Leader-Maynard is a Departmental Lecturer in International Relations based at New College. His primary research is on the ideological dynamics of mass killings and other atrocities, aiming to produce a general account of the role of ideology in these informed by the latest research on both phenomena. He holds a BA in War Studies and History from King's College London, along with an MPhil and a DPhil from Oxford University.

If you would like to enter the ballot to have dinner with Dr. Leader-Maynard, please fill in the form below:

<https://goo.gl/forms/HR6XgppiRqH7Ealc2>

This event is FREE for members and £3 for non-members, with a special offer of £20 for lifetime membership of the Society available for a limited time.

7. 'The Dealer' App.

The Dealer is on a mission to save everyone money on their food and drink and revolutionize the way people give back. The Dealer App has launched its beta version in Oxford and it needs test users to enjoy money off food and drink. Yes that is actually what they are offering! The deal is simple: they have got 100 venues in Oxford who have agreed to give everyone on The Dealer App discounts at certain times of the day.

All they ask in exchange is that you consider giving a tiny amount (£0.30) of the money The Dealer saves you back to the local community in support of the fight against homelessness. You can also give back in the form of time, 10 minutes (which you can exchange for a volunteer shift when you hit two hours) or you can just pass on a good deed. The app is free, gets you a discount at your favorite venues and helps everyone give back. We are looking for people to trial this version of the product and give any feedback they have on design, layout and any requests for deals that you want to see that are not currently on there. To download it type 'the dealer app' into the App Store and start saving and giving!

8. Project Access.

Project Access is a non-profit mentor network working to level the playing field in university admissions. We use technology to match prospective applicants with mentors, so that all students can have the support that they deserve. Over 1000 matches have been made over the last year; we're now launching in the UK to make personal mentoring available to everyone, free of charge.

To sign-up to become the mentor you wish you'd had, go to <https://projectaccess.typeform.com/to/s9B1qu> or go to <https://tinyurl.com/h2buqt4> for more information.

We're also looking for campus ambassadors to help us spread the word and reach as many people as possible. If you would like to be our representative in your university, or you would like to do even more, please email us on hello@projectaccess.co - we'd love to hear from you!

9. Oxford Student Publications Limited: New Technology Director.

Are you ready to become a digital leader?

Oxford Student Publications Limited (OSPL) are recruiting a new Technology Director. Join the UK's only student-led publishing house and you'll be responsible for managing the digital platforms of Cherwell, The ISIS and others. Our sites are some of the most popular in Oxford, receiving over 100,000 sessions per month.

Big names such as Rupert Murdoch worked for OSPL during their time at Oxford, but today's media is driven by digital content. In this role you'll be working on digital campaigns with our clients, including Deutsche Bank, BCG, and McKinsey. It's the instant CV boost every Oxford student is looking for!

Joining as our Tech Director will put you in a prime position to produce a competitive application in a world driven by technology. Previous members of the OSPL Tech Team have been employed by Google, Goldman Sachs, and the U.K. Government after graduating from Oxford. Where could this take you?

For more information on OSPL, the role, and to request an application form, please visit www.tech.cherwell.org