

The University of Colorado Department of Classics and The CU-Boulder Outreach Committee

Together with the Colorado Classics Association and the Colorado Junior Classical League

present

Colorado Classics Day: Saturday October 8, 2011

10:00-10:25: Ovatio (Norlin Quadrangle - rain venue, Eaton Humanities 250)

Salutatio: Noel Lenski and Alison Orlebeke introduce CU Classics Faculty

Pompa: Schools introduce themselves: Each school should create some sort of "standard", whether a Roman legionary standard, a banner of some sort, or a poster designed according to their taste; each school will march to the front of the room behind their standard and introduce themselves with some chant (no more than a phrase or sentence, in Latin and/or English). Costumes are optional.

10:30-12:00: Conventicula (First period = 10:30-11:10. Second period = 11:20-12:00)
(Eaton Humanities Classrooms 1B80, 125, 245, 250)

Students will be dismissed to participate in group activities coordinated by CU Faculty and Graduate Students. Students may choose from among the following four activities.

- **Archaeology and the Ancient World (Eaton Humanities 250)**, hosted by Professors Diane Conlin and Elspeth Dusingberre in conjunction with graduate students in Classics: this activity will introduce participants to the basics of archaeological method and will offer a taste of some of the most spectacular archaeological discoveries from the ancient world, especially those found at Pompeii and Persepolis.
- **Use your Latin (Eaton Humanities 1B80)**, hosted by Professors Carole Newlands and Jackie Elliott in conjunction with graduate students in Classics: this activity will open with a short primer on the Latin roots of the spells in the Harry Potter series. It will then challenge students to read, translate and memorize a short poem of Catullus in Latin. Those who wish can then participate in a poetry recitation event.
- **Greek in a Day (Eaton Humanities 245)**, hosted by Professor John Gibert in conjunction with graduate students in Classics: this mini-course will introduce participants to the Greek alphabet, some basic Greek vocabulary commonly found in English, and important concepts in Greek language and literature.
- **Decipher an Ancient Inscription (Eaton Humanities 125)**, hosted by Professors Noel Lenski and Alison Orlebeke in conjunction with graduate students in Classics: participants will be presented with an ancient Latin inscription, instructed in how to decipher the letter forms and abbreviations, and then challenged to read an ancient inscription in small groups with help from faculty and graduate students.

There will be time for students to participate in two activities each, one in each of the two activity periods: 10:30-11:10 and 11:20-12:00. Students are requested to choose their activity in advance and to remain at that activity for its duration rather than leaving in the middle to shop other options.

12:00-1:00: Prandium (lunch) (Norlin Quadrangle - rain venue, Eaton Humanities 250)

Students should bring their own lunches. Free drinks will be provided. Those who do not bring lunches will be allowed to proceed in groups to the University Memorial Center (a five minute walk from Norlin Quadrangle) under the supervision of a graduate student guide. There they can purchase food from the UMC cafeteria or at one of the commercial vendors (Subway, Wok n' Roll, Dominoes, Jamba Juice). STUDENTS MAY NOT LEAVE CAMPUS DURING THIS PERIOD AND MAY ONLY GO TO THE UMC IN SMALL GROUPS UNDER THE DIRECT SUPERVISION OF A CU CLASSICS GRADUATE STUDENT.

During this period, the JCL will also host games and the Rocky Mountain Romans reenactment group will be available on Norlin Quadrangle for consultation and discussion. Students should check in during this period with their teachers, who can form them up around their standards. Otherwise, they are encouraged to mingle either with their schoolmates or (better yet) with friends they have met from other schools.

1:00-1:50: Ludi Militares: Rocky Mountain Romans (Norlin Quadrangle and Visual Arts Complex)

The Rocky Mountain Romans reenactment group will offer a brief presentation for the entire group and will then encourage students to engage with their hands-on activities. These include presentations by their team of experts and participation in combat training and spear throwing. STUDENTS WHO WISH TO DO COMBAT TRAINING OR SPEAR THROWING MUST BRING A WAIVER SIGNED BY THEIR PARENT OR GUARDIAN TO THE EVENT.

Students interested in another activity may go in groups to view CU's Wilton Jaffee Collection of Greek and Roman Coins at CU's Fine Arts Museum with Professor Noel Lenski. Those who wish to participate in this activity must be accompanied to the Fine Arts Museum by a CU Classics graduate student guide.

1:50-2:00: Valedictio (Norlin Quadrangle)

School groups will once again parade and chant with their standards and closing remarks will be made.

2:00-3:00: Postludium (Norlin Quadrangle and Visual Arts Complex)

Those who wish to remain may continue to consult with the Rocky Mountain Romans or view the Wilton Jaffee Collection with Prof. Noel Lenski.

Transportation

The University of Colorado cannot provide transportation for you and your students to this program. You are encouraged to drive with your students and/or to organize carpools with student and/or parent volunteers.

Food and Drink

Please be aware that the University will also not provide food for you or your students, so you are encouraged to have everyone bring sack lunches. There will be no food sold at the event, but students will have the option of going to the University Memorial Center to purchase lunch PROVIDED THEY GO WITH A CU GRADUATE STUDENT GUIDE. The UMC is a five minute walk from the event site and has a full cafeteria plus Dominoes Pizza, Subway Sandwiches, and Wok n' Roll.

The university will provide drinks (waters, soft drinks, lemonade, etc) for you and your students.

Directions

It is assumed that drivers can find directions to the University of Colorado, Boulder using online direction finders.

All events will be held in the Norlin Quadrangle and the adjacent Eaton Humanities Building. Directions can be found at: <http://www.colorado.edu/campusmap/map.html?bldg=W-NQ>

Parking

Drivers should plan to park in CU's Euclid Avenue Auto Park. Directions can be found at: <http://www.colorado.edu/campusmap/map.html?bldg=EPRK>

University of Colorado
Notice to Participants of Risk and Waiver of Responsibility

Activity Colorado Classics Day 2011

Dates October 8, 2011

Participant Name _____

Parent/Guardian Name (if minor participant) _____

Emergency Contact Phone Numbers _____

The University of Colorado welcomes you as a participant in this activity, including the use of University of Colorado facilities and equipment. Please read through the following important information.

I exercise my own free and voluntary choice to participate in the designated activity, including use of facilities and equipment provided by the University of Colorado. **I understand and assume all associated risks of the designated activity. These risks include, but are not limited to** (add risks specific to event here):

Most activities at this event will be academic. These include participation in a variety of seminars on ancient Greece and Rome taught by university professors. Some activities involve interaction with "Rocky Mountain Romans", a live reenactment group that dresses in Roman legionary gear and instructs participants in Roman military life. Rocky Mountain Romans will also sponsor two activities that entail some risk:

- 1) combat training, during which participants will be supplied with wooden swords and shields as well as pads and will be trained in basic combat maneuvers, including some weapon to weapon contact with their wooden swords and shields;**
- 2) spear range, during which participants will throw a spear with a blunt metal tip at a target 20 feet away inside an enclosure designed to keep foot traffic away from the area; one person will throw at a time, always under the supervision of a training expert.**

This waiver is required for those participants who wish to do combat training and/or spear range. The waiver must be signed by a parent or guardian if the participant is under 18 years of age.

I agree to assume all risk of personal injury or loss, bodily injury (including death), damage to or loss of, or destruction of any personal property resulting from or arising out of participation in the designated activity. I also release, waive, indemnify, hold harmless, and discharge the University of Colorado from all claims, damages, and injuries arising out of my activities, including my use of equipment and facilities provided by the University of Colorado.

The University of Colorado does not provide health insurance for individuals participating in activities made available or sponsored by the University of Colorado. As such, you or your personal health insurance will be responsible for payment of medical services and care for any injuries sustained during the designated activity.

I hereby certify that I have read and understand the provisions above. For participants under 18 years of age, the parent or guardian accepts the above terms and grants permissions for the student's participation on behalf of said minor, as permitted by C.R.S. § 13-22-107.

Activity Participant

Date

Parent/Guardian for Minor

Date