



## Oxford Language Teachers' Conference 2023 Sir Robert Taylor Society

St Anne's College | Friday 29 – Saturday 30 September 2023

### Programme

*All sessions will take place in the Mary Ogilvie Lecture Theatre, unless otherwise indicated.*

#### **Friday 29<sup>th</sup> September**

- 12.30pm Arrival and registration
- 1.00 Welcome buffet lunch; Dining Hall
- 2.00 Building Bridges Roundtable: Schools and Universities Working Together  
*A roundtable discussion on current issues within MFL teaching from KS3 to degree level, with a panel of academics and teachers as well as contributions from the floor.*
- 3.30 In the spotlight: Beginners' languages at university  
*An insight into the increasing accessibility of beginners' languages degrees, and how these are structured at Oxford.*
- 4.15 Afternoon tea; Dining Hall
- 4.45 Careers and Modern Languages, with keynote speaker Lindsay Johns  
*Writer and broadcaster Lindsay Johns will discuss his experiences of studying Modern Languages at Oxford and how his degree and language learning have shaped his personal and professional life.*
- 5.30 Taster lecture  
*A short lecture delivered by Prof. Jonathan Thacker, King Alfonso XIII Professor of Spanish Studies, with time for a Q&A.*
- 6.15 Break
- 7.00 Pre-dinner drinks; Foyer B Ruth Deech Building
- 7.30 Seating for dinner; Dining Hall
- 9pm onwards After-dinner drinks; College Bar

#### **Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> September**

- 9.15am A-Level Literature Circus: The Language of the Text  
*Academics from the MML Faculty discuss ways in which an area of language teaching can be used as a starting point for textual analysis in the following A-Level texts: Un sac de billes (French); Die Verwandlung (German); El coronel no tiene quien le escribe (Spanish).*
- 10.30 Coffee break; Dining Hall
- 11.00 Admissions 101  
*An introduction to Oxford's admissions process for Modern Languages degrees, featuring a mock interview and a Q&A.*
- 11.45 In the spotlight: Oxford outreach for Key Stage 3 learners  
*An insight into outreach projects occurring across the university which are supporting KS3 MFL pupils. Led by Dr Charlotte Ryland (Queen's Translation Exchange/Stephen Spender Trust).*
- 12.30pm End of conference