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 29th 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 30th 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