



THE  
ANGLO-CATALAN  
SOCIETY

Newsletter and Call for Papers  
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### Cambridge Conference News

The correct dates for the forthcoming conference, to be held at Fitzwilliam College, Cambridge, are: 18th-20th November, 2005. Apologies for any confusion caused in the last circular, where there was conflicting information in the newsletter and minutes of the AGM. So far, we have two guest speakers: Professor Antoni Segura, who will speak on 'Catalunya Any Zero: la societat i la cultura catalanes davant la victòria franquista', and Mercè Ibarz, who will speak on Mercè Rodoreda.

The approximate cost of the conference is to be £60 (£30 for students), and participants will be expected to make their own arrangements for accommodation.

We have already received a number of offers of papers, but would welcome more:

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#### SECOND CALL FOR PAPERS

This year's conference of the Anglo-Catalan Society will be held at Fitzwilliam College, Cambridge, from Friday November 18 till Sunday November 20, 2005.

You are invited to offer a paper at this conference on ANY ASPECT of Catalan culture, although proposals which relate directly to questions of the legacy of Franquisme for Catalan culture and society will be particularly welcome. It is the intention to publish the proceedings from the conference in the Journal of Catalan Studies.

Please send proposals (title and 200-word abstract, please) to the Society Secretary by 15th August 2005.

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### Postgraduate Session

If you would be interested in participating in a special session for postgraduate students, please contact Abigail Loxham: arl23@cam.ac.uk.

### Batista i Roca Grant

A meeting was held in May to discuss the future of the Batista i Roca grants. The Director of the Departament d'Universitats, Recerca i Societat de la Informació expressed his commitment to the programme, and has proposed a relaunch of the grant in Autumn 2005, to coincide with the Cambridge conference. We hope to be able to provide you with further information in the September circular.

### Institut Ramon Llull

The Anglo-Catalan Society has signed an agreement with the Institut Ramon Llull to collaborate in the promotion of the Catalan language and culture internationally. The terms of this agreement include a commitment by the IRL to fund some of our activities each year, including the conference and publications. I am sure you will join me in thanking them for their support.

### Federation of International Catalan Associations

At a recent meeting of Catalan Associations in Brussels, 13-15 June, I signed a protocol for the creation of a Federation of International Catalan Associations on your behalf, to help to facilitate international collaboration (conferences, publications etc) with other Catalan Societies. Over the next few months, representatives of the different associations will draw up a draft constitution. We will present full information on these developments at the AGM in Cambridge, to enable our members to vote on our level of involvement in the project.

### International Conferences/Events

There are many different events to be held in the next twelve months, which might be of interest to our membership:

27 July-17 August: IV Campus Universitari de la Llengua Catalana, at Artà, La Massana, Barcelona

3-10 October: Setmana de cultura catalana a Nàpols, followed by a conference held by the Associazione Italiana di Studi Catalani. <http://www.filmod.unina.it/aisc/>

26-28 October: "La projecció social de l'escriptor en la literatura catalana contemporània", Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona. For further details, contact [gelcc@uab.es](mailto:gelcc@uab.es)

19-21 January 2006: Segon Col.loqui Europeu d'Estudis Catalans at the University of Montpellier, organised by the Association Française des Catalanistes and the Deutscher Katalanistenverband. <http://www.katalanistik.de/colloqui.htm>

I have attached information on the Primer Simposi Internacional de Catalanística de Brussel.les and the campaign to make Catalan an official

language in Europe.

**Publications**

I have recently received the following book from the Fundació Privada Liber: Pedro Otiña Hermoso, La vil. la romana dels Munts (Altafulla), 2005. I have also been asked to draw attention to the launch of Montserrat Guibernau's latest book.

Please do not hesitate to contact me for further information.

Yours,  
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Honorary Secretary of the  
Anglo-Catalan Society