



## *Lunchtime Seminars, 2011*

**Thursday, 17<sup>th</sup> March 2011, 1-2pm, Rehearsal Room 2, Faculty of Arts**

Jules Evans

*Queen Mary Centre for the History of the Emotions Visiting Research Associate*

### **The Revival of Hellenic Philosophy in the Modern Politics of Wellbeing**

This seminar will look at the role played by ancient Greek philosophy in inspiring the modern politics of wellbeing. In particular, it will focus on the influence of Stoic philosophy on cognitive behavioural therapy (CBT), and of Aristotle's ideal of *eudaimonia* on modern political philosophy. It will explore how the revival of ancient philosophy has led to something of a turf war between the modern disciplines of philosophy and psychology.

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**Thursday, 31<sup>st</sup> March 2011, 1-2pm, Rehearsal Room 2, Faculty of Arts**

Bronach Kane

*Queen Mary, University of London, School of History*

### **Gender, Affect, and Social Belonging in Late Medieval England**

This seminar will focus on intimacy and friendship among people below the level of the aristocracy, demonstrating how gender influenced expressions of affection and emotion in late medieval England. Using church court testimony in tandem with sermon material and pastoral literature, it will explore the relationship between instructional advice and social practice in order to understand further the rhetoric, habits and gestures that characterised intimacy in this period.

**Lunch will be provided**

To reserve your place, please email Tiffany Watt-Smith [t.k.watt-smith@qmul.ac.uk](mailto:t.k.watt-smith@qmul.ac.uk)

## SEMINAR VENUE

Rehearsal Room 2 is on the ground floor of the Arts Building – number 29 on the map below.

