

ONF CONF 2014 – TARTU, JUNE 12-14

SAGAS, LEGENDS AND TROLLS: THE SUPERNATURAL FROM EARLY MODERN BACK TO OLD NORSE TRADITION

Final programme

June 11

20:00 Welcome reception

June 12

8:30-9:00 Registration

9:00-9:30 Welcome

9:30-10:15 **Keynote: Catharina Raudvere** *Same Theme – Different Contexts. Blood in Performance, Narration and Belief. Long and Short Term Perspectives.*

10:15-10:30 Coffee

Session A:

Late Heathen Cultic Aspects

10:30-11:00 Andreas Nordberg

Some reflections on the relationship between álfar in Norse mythology and älvor in late Swedish folklore

11:00-11:30 Roger Wikell

Älvkvarnar – querns of the elves – archaeological background and continuity of cup marks in Eastern Middle Sweden

11:30-12:00 Sara Duppils

Freyja as Skogsrå? – A Comparative Study

12:00-13:30 Lunch

13:30-14:15 **Keynote: Ármann Jakobsson**

Bergbúa þáttr

14:15-14:30 Coffee

Session B1:

The Troll

14:30-15:00 Frog

Are Trolls, Bears and Sami People too? Approaching vernacular categories of being

15:00-15:30 Leszek Slupecki

Did Slavic Mythology know the Motif of Giants?

15:30-16:00 Werner Schäfke

Troll Women as Cultural Catalysts in Illuga saga Gríðarfóstra

16:00-16:30 Coffee

Session C:

Myth

Session B2:

More Trolls

Philip Lavender

Flagð undir fögru skinni: The Tricky Transmission of Trollwives in Illuga saga Gríðarfóstra

Arnhild Mindrebø

Eyrbyggja Saga

- 16:30-17:00 Miriam Mayburd
Materiality of Old Norse dvergar – Paranormal ecologies and environmental concerns
- 17:00-17:30 Richard Allen
Loki the Shadow – The Role of Pagan Myths in a Christian Society
- 17:30-18:00 Ugnius Mikucionus
Dwarfs and Humans

June 13

9:00-9:45 **Keynote: Marteinn Sigurðsson** *Grettir and Guðmundr góði*

9:45-10:15 Coffee

Session D:

Genre Crossroads

10:15-10:45 Mattias Fyhr

The Medieval Swedish Horror Ballad in the Romantic Era

10:45-11:15 Daniel Sävborg

The Supernatural in Landnámabók and Íslendingasögur – A Comparative Study

11:15-11:45 Camilla Asplund Ingemark

Icelanders' Familiarity with Greek Myth in the Middle Ages: The Case of Hjálmpés saga ok Ölvis

11:45-13:30 Lunch

13:30-14:15 **Keynote: Bengt af Klintberg** *Scandinavian Folklore Parallels to the Selkolla Episode in Guðmundar saga biskups*

14:15-14:30 Coffee

Session E1:

Byskupa Sögur

14:30-15:00 Margaret Cormack

Selkolla – A Revenant in the Christian Tradition

15:00-15:30 Mart Kuldkepp

Skaldic imagery in Selkolluvisur

15:30-16:00 Arngrímur Vídalín

What constitutes a monster? On the Unwanted Children of God

16:00-16:30 Coffee

Session F:

Narratives and Narratology

16:30-17:00 Eldar Heide

The re-use of narratives in Þorsteins þáttur Bæjarmagns

17:00-17:30 Kendra Willson

Magical Waters in Daniel Vetter's Iceland Travelogue

17:30-18:00 David Carrillo Rangel

Liquid Images of the Supernatural – Christian Symbols in Pagan Narration?

20:00 Conference dinner

June 14

9:00-9:45

Keynote: Barbara Hillers

Supernatural Healers: A Healing Charm in Medieval Literature and Modern Folklore

9:45-10:15

Coffee

Session G1:

Magic and Sorcery

10:15-10:45

Aðalheiður Guðmundsdóttir

*Ideas on Magic and Sorcery in
Fornaldarsögur Norðurlanda*

10:45-11:15

Karolina Kouvola

*Tracing the roots of sorcery in Finnish
and Old Norse sources*

11:15-11:45

Kirsi Kanerva

*From powerful agents to subordinate
objects of magic? The restless dead in
13th and 14th century Iceland*

11:45-13:30

Lunch

13:30-14:15

Keynote: Joseph Harris

Edda and ballad: Svipdagsmál and the challenges of 'retrospective methods.'

14:15-14:30

Coffee

Session H:

Law and the Supernatural

14:30-15:00

Jan Ragnar Hagland

The Troll and Old Norwegian-Icelandic Law

15:00-15:30

Mikael Häll

*When sleeping with nature spirits was a crime against Nature. Trial records and
judicial discourse concerning nature spirits and demonic sexuality in Early Modern
Sweden.*

15:30-16:00

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Thank you