

The Institute for the Humanities
Department of Classics and General Humanities

CLASSICS DAY 2023 AT MONTCLAIR STATE UNIVERSITY

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2023
9.00 A.M - 1.30 P.M

- A program of presentations for high school students and teachers
- Location: Montclair State University campus -- *happy to be back!*
- Registration fee: \$15.00 per person, student or adult, pre-registration required.

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THE PROGRAM

9:00-9.30 AM	Welcoming remarks and orientation.
9.30-11.20 A.M	Presentations
11.30-12.00 P.M	Student contest
12.00-1.00 P.M	Lunch (catered for teachers, students bring brown bag or use MSU dining facilities)
1.00-1.30 P.M	Award ceremony

OVERVIEW OF THE PRESENTATIONS BY MSU FACULTY:

A. "Reading Roman Inscriptions"

We will examine several Latin inscriptions from the late Republic and early Empire and consider how they inform us about aspects of ancient culture such as family relations, political careers, and ethnicity.

Tim Renner, Professor of Classics and General Humanities

B. "Achilles, Superman, and Barbie"

Why are super heroes so important to us? What do they teach us?

Paul Leggett, Adjunct Professor of Classics and General Humanities

C. "Streaming Cleopatra: Envisioning the Egyptian Queen in Film"

This session will examine the ways in which filmmakers present Cleopatra. We will look at some of the most famous Cleopatra films and explore recent Cleopatra programming from Netflix and the History Channel.

Prudence Jones, Professor of Classics and General Humanities

D. "Pompeii and the Eruption of Mt Vesuvius: Bringing it Back to Life"

In this talk, we will unravel the happenings that preceded the destruction of Pompeii and the treasures that this natural disaster has preserved for us.

Deborah Chatr Aryamontri, Associate Professor of Classics and General Humanities

CONTEST

Schools may enter one group (maximum 6 students) per school to take a 30-minute 99 multiple-choice question contest on Latin grammar, classical mythology, and Roman civilization. The top three schools will be recognized in the award ceremony.

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Complete this form and return it asap but no later than Friday, October 13, 2023 via email to: larsonv@mail.montclair.edu. Please send checks or purchase order by USPS to arrive by October 13, 2023 to: Dr. Victoria Larson, Dept. of Classics & General Humanities, Dickson Hall 129, Montclair State University, Montclair, NJ 07043. An e-mail confirmation and further programming information will be sent on receipt of your registration form and check/purchase order.

Teacher name(s): _____

Will you be attending lunch (teachers only)? _____

Will you have a group (6 students max) entering the contest? _____

Department: _____

School name: _____

Address: _____

Daytime telephone: _____ Ext. _____

Email address (please print clearly): _____@_____

Number of students: _____ Number of teachers: _____

Total registration amount (\$15.00 per attendee, student or adult) _____

Choosing Session Presentations

You will have the opportunity to attend two of the four presentations. Rank your choices from #1 (top) to #4 (bottom) next to the titles below. If you have no preference between particular presentations, assign the same ranking to them. We will try our best to give everyone their desired selections, but cannot guarantee to do so.

_____ *“Reading Roman Inscriptions”*
_____ *“Achilles, Superman, and Barbie”*
_____ *“Streaming Cleopatra”*
_____ *“Pompeii and the Eruption of Mt. Vesuvius”*

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