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## Council and Main Committees

## **Congregation**

#### Congregation

18 June

#### (1) Resolution: On the current and future status of language learning in our University

This item of business has been moved to 2 July Congregation. See under 'Congregation' section below.

#### (2) Declaration of Approval of Legislative Proposal: Statute XI: University Discipline

No notice of opposition having been given, the Vice-Chancellor declared the Legislative Proposal concerning Statute XI: University Discipline approved.

#### **Council of the University**

#### **Register of Congregation**

The Vice-Chancellor reports that the following names have been added to the Register of Congregation:

Bennett, J M R, Christ Church Bolam, E J, Nuffield Department of Medicine

**de Lusignan, S**, Nuffield Department of Primary Care Health Sciences

**Feery, PF**, Infectious Diseases Data Observatory

**Hara-Msuilra, T**, Knowledge Exchange and Impact Team

Holmes-Henderson, A V, St Hilda's Hubber, L, Wolfson

**Jordan, I**, Department of Psychological Medicine

**Mowbray, A E,** Nuffield Department of Primary Care Health Sciences

Perry, GJM, Keble

Watson, CH, Nuffield Department of Medicine

#### **Divisional and Faculty Boards**

For changes in regulations for examinations see 'Examinations and Boards' below.

#### Congregation

13 June

#### **Contested elections**

Details are in 'Elections' section below.

**Elections** 

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#### **Elections**

#### PROFESSOR OF POETRY

Details are in 'Elections' section below.

#### **Congregation**

2 July

¶ Members of Congregation are reminded that any two members may, not later than **noon on 24 June**, give notice in writing to the Registrar that they intend to vote against the amendment to the resolution at (1) below or that they wish to oppose or amend the resolution at (2) below (see the note on the conduct of business in Congregation below).

A meeting will be held at 2pm on 2 July on the resolution and the proposed amendment at (1) below.

If no notice of opposition or amendment to the resolution at (2) below has been received, that resolution shall be declared carried at the meeting.

#### (1) Resolution: On the current and future status of language learning in our University

For full text of the resolution and Council's response, and the proposed amendment, see *Gazette* No 5244, 13 June 2019, p549.

#### (2) Resolution to expel former student from Convocation Membership under Section 11 (3) of Statute II

For full text of the resolution, see *Gazette* No 5244, 13 June 2019, p550.

#### Arrangements for the meeting

Attendance and timings

The meeting will be held in the Sheldonian Theatre.

Attendance at the meeting is open to members of Congregation and to nominated representatives of the Oxford University Student Union (Oxford SU) as agreed in advance by the Vice-Chancellor. Admittance to the theatre will be on the production of a valid University card and will be on a first-come, first-served basis (places will be reserved for scheduled speakers). The doors of the Sheldonian Theatre will open at 1.45pm and will remain open throughout the meeting except (if a vote is taken) when voting is taking place.

The Vice-Chancellor has decided that the wearing of gowns shall be optional on this occasion.

#### Advance notice by speakers

Members of Congregation who wish to speak are asked to indicate this intention by emailing congregation.meeting@admin. ox.ac.uk at the latest by 10am on Monday **1 July**. It would be helpful if members of Congregation intending to speak would explain in no more than 25 words what issues they wish to cover, to assist with determining the order in which speakers are called. Speakers will be expected to limit their contributions to four minutes. Owing to time constraints, it may not be possible to call all those who wish to speak. On the other hand, if time permits, those who have not indicated in advance may have an opportunity to speak.

#### Transcript

It is intended that a transcript¹ of the meeting will be published in the *Gazette* of 11 July and on the Congregation website. As a result of time constraints, it will not be possible to check the report of the proceedings with individual speakers before publication. Speakers are asked to provide their written texts by email to congregation. meeting@admin.ox.ac.uk by **9am on Wednesday 3 July**.

#### Note on procedures in Congregation

¶ Business in Congregation is conducted in accordance with Congregation Regulations 2 of 2002 (www.admin.ox.ac.uk/statutes/ regulations/529-122.shtml). A printout of these regulations, or of any statute or other regulations, is available from the Council Secretariat on request. A member of Congregation seeking advice on questions relating to its procedures, other than elections, should contact Dr N Berry at the University Offices, Wellington Square (telephone: (2)80199; email: nigel.berry@ admin.ox.ac.uk); questions relating to elections should be directed to the Elections Officer, Ms S L S Mulvihill (telephone: (2)80463; email: elections.office@admin. ox.ac.uk).

## **Notices**

#### **General Notices**

#### **MSc in Neuroscience**

#### **EXAMINATION DATES FOR 2019-20**

- Qualifying exam: Wed 11 December 2019
- Poster presentation at Oxford Neuroscience day: Wed 25 March 2020
- Submission dissertation 1: Wed 15 April 2020
- Oral presentation on dissertation 2: Wed 29 and Thurs 30 July 2020
- Submission of dissertation 2: Wed 12 August 2020
- Viva voce exams: Wed 9 and Thurs 10 September 2020

#### **Professional development survey**

Alex Holmes, Head of Administration and Finance, Department of Paediatrics, is seeking participants for a survey he is running as part of his MSc research project into staff engagement with continuing professional development and training activities. If you work in a professional service role across the University and can spare ten minutes to give your views, please take the survey at: https://oxford. onlinesurveys.ac.uk/professional-services-staff-engagement-with-cpd-and-traini (closing date: 31 July).

Alex has agreed to share recommendations arising from his research with Julian Duxfield, HR Director, and the Registrar, but any answers given will be anonymous and only used for the purposes of his MSc project. More information: alex.holmes@paediatrics.ox.ac.uk.

#### **Appointments**

#### **Medical Sciences**

## PROFESSORSHIP OF PAEDIATRIC NEUROMUSCULAR DISEASE

Laurent Servais, MD Catholic University Louvain, PhD FU Brussels, Professor of Child Neurology, Liège, Head of the Neuromuscular Centre, Liège, and Head of the Institute I-Motion, Paris, has been appointed to the Professorship of Paediatric Neuromuscular Disease in the Department of Paediatrics with effect from 1 September 2019. Professor Servais will be a fellow of Kellogg.

#### **Social Sciences**

#### PROFESSORSHIP OF TAXATION LAW

Tsilla Dagan, LLB JSD Tel Aviv, LLM New York, Raoul Wallenberg Professor of Law, Bar Ilan, has been appointed to the Professorship of Taxation Law in the Faculty of Law with effect from 23 September 2019. Professor Dagan will be a fellow of Worcester.

#### REAPPOINTMENTS

**Dr Marc Macias-Fauria**, Associate Professor of Physical Geography, School of Geography and the Environment, from 1 January 2020 until retirement

#### **Visiting Professorships**

#### **Medical Sciences**

**Dr Bent Jakobsen**, PhD, Radcliffe Department of Medicine (Weatherall Institute of Molecular Medicine), title of Visiting Professor of Immunology for a period of 3 years from 13 June 2019

Professor Martha Viveros-Sandoval, BSc MSc PhD Instituto Politécnico Nacional, Nuffield Department of Medicine, title of Visiting Professor of Haemostasis and Vascular Biology for a further period of 5 years from 19 July 2019

#### **Graduate Awards and Prizes**

#### **Humanities**

#### FACULTY OF CLASSICS

Chancellor's Latin Prizes

The 2019 Chancellor's Latin Prize for Prose has been jointly awarded to **Joost Botman**, Queen's, and **Lucas Jones**, Magdalen.

The 2019 Chancellor's Latin Prize for Verse has been awarded to **Nicholas Stone**, Christ Church.

Gaisford Prize for Greek Verse

The 2019 Gaisford Prize for Greek Prose has been awarded to **Lucas Jones**, Magdalen.

The 2019 Gaisford Prize for Greek Verse has been awarded to Jason Webber, Exeter.

 $<sup>^{\</sup>scriptscriptstyle 1}\text{The transcript}$  may be edited for legal reasons.

## Lectures

# Examinations and Boards

#### **Selection Committees**

The composition of the selection committee to the post below, proceedings to fill which are currently in progress, is as follows:

## HEAD OF MATHEMATICAL, PHYSICAL AND LIFE SCIENCES DIVISION

Appointed by

Vice-Chancellor ex officio
Professor M Calder Council
Professor P Grant Council
Dr J Maxton Council
Professor Sir Adrian Smith MPLS Division
Professor K Willis MPLS Division
Professor J Wheater MPLS Division

#### Musical and other Events

#### **Christ Church**

## ANDREW CHAMBLIN MEMORIAL CONCERT 2019

David Titterington will give the 13th annual Andrew Chamblin Memorial Concert at 8pm on 19 September in the Cathedral. The hourlong programme will include organ works by Bach, Muffat, Scheidemann, Wesley and Ritter. Free. Everyone welcome. No tickets required; no reserved seating.

#### Humanities

#### **Rothermere American Institute**

## ARTS PATRONAGE IN MODERN AMERICA LECTURES

The following lectures will take place at 3pm at the Rothermere American Institute. Registration required: karen.heath@rai. ox.ac.uk. Convenors: Dr K P Heath; Amanda Niedfeldt, Minnesota - Twin Cities

#### Dr John R Blakinger

*26 Jun*: "To remain silent is to remain complicit": arts funding in the Trump era"

Mary Anne Goley, Founding Director, Fine Arts Program of the Federal Reserve Board

27 Jun: 'Playing by the rules, how I directed the Fine Arts Program of the Federal Reserve Board, 1975–2006'

#### Faculties of Classics and Medieval and Modern Languages

A conference will take place on 24 September at the Taylor Institution. Speakers include Rebecca Bowen, Marta Celati, Giacomo Comiati, Alessio Cotugno, Giada Guassardo, Stephen Harrison, Han Lamers, Martin McLaughlin and Maria Pavlova. Music recital by Rossella Bondi, accompanied at the piano by David Palmer. Free, but registration required by 1 September: elisabetta.tarantino@modlangs.ox.ac.uk. Sponsored by the Centre for Early Modern Studies; the Centre for the Study of the Renaissance, Warwick; Corpus Christi; the Jowett Copyright Trust; and the Society for Italian Studies. Convener: Martin McLaughlin

Subject: 'Rethinking the Italian Renaissance: a conference in memory of Paola Tomè'

## Examinations for the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy

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## Colleges, Halls and Societies

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#### **Changes to Examination Regulations**

For the complete text of each regulation listed below and a listing of all changes to regulations for this year to date, please see https://gazette.web.ox.ac.uk/examination-regulations-0.

#### **Medical Sciences Board**

## PRELIMS IN MOLECULAR AND CELLULAR BIOCHEMISTRY

change of duration of papers from 2 hours to 2.5 hours

#### **Social Sciences Board**

#### RESEARCH DEGREES IN ECONOMICS

(a) amendment to terminology used to describe papers/subjects (b) removal of statement detailing specific requirements needed to pass Qualifying Examination as included in Course Handbook

#### MSC IN ECONOMICS FOR DEVELOPMENT

amendment to terminology used to describe the extended essay/dissertation

## MSC IN SOCIAL ANTHROPOLOGY MSC IN VISUAL, MATERIAL AND MUSEUM ANTHROPOLOGY

amendment to timing of assessment for Paper 1

#### MSC IN TAXATION

introduction of time limit on resitting Tax Principles and Policy examination

## FHS OF PHILOSOPHY, POLITICS AND ECONOMICS

(a) minor amendments to content of Advanced Paper in Theories of Justice (paper 229) (b) introduction of new paper in Comparative Political Economy (paper 230)

#### **Obituaries**

#### St Hilda's

Elizabeth Catharine Oclanis Bevis (*née* Barstow), 16 April 2019; 1953. Aged 85. Helen Ives (*née* Johnstone), 2019; 1958. Aged 80.

**Ann Trocmé** (*née* **Bowden**), 19 May 2019; 1947. Aged 90.

## **Elections**

#### Congregation

13 June

The results of the 13 June contested elections will be published in the 27 June *Gazette*.

#### **Convocation**

21 June

## Nominations for this election closed on 9 May.

#### **Election of the Professor of Poetry**

An election by Convocation will be held in Trinity term 2019 in order to elect the Professor of Poetry, to hold office for four years from the first day of Michaelmas term 2019. A meeting of Convocation will be held on Friday, 21 June 2019, to announce the results.

#### DUTIES AND STIPEND OF THE PROFESSOR

The duties of the Professor are: normally to give one public lecture each term on a suitable literary subject (where the term 'public lecture' does not include poetry readings or recitals or other such events); to deliver an inaugural lecture; normally to offer one more event each term (which may include poetry readings, workshops, hosted events etc); to give the Creweian Oration at Encaenia every other year (a duty established by convention); each year, to be one of the judges for the Newdigate Prize, the Jon Stallworthy Prize, the Lord Alfred Douglas Prize and the Chancellor's English Essay Prize; every third year to help judge the prize for the English poem on a sacred subject; and generally to encourage the art of poetry in the University.

The Professor receives a stipend of £12,710 per annum which is increased in line with the annual cost-of-living increases for academic and related staff, plus £40 for each Creweian Oration. The Professor may hold the post in conjunction with another professorship or readership within the University. The post enjoys an association with All Souls College, but there may be occasions when the postholder is offered an association by another college (eg if the postholder has a prior association with another college).

Further particulars for the Professorship are available on the University website

(www. ox.ac.uk). Informal enquiries about the post should be addressed to the Chair of the Faculty Board, Professor Ros Ballaster, who can be contacted by email at chair@ell. ox.ac.uk. All enquiries will be treated in strict confidence.

#### **ELECTION PROCEDURES**

This election will be conducted electronically by Electoral Reform Services Ltd (ERS) on behalf of the University of Oxford.

All members of Convocation are eligible to vote in this election.

#### Convocation

Convocation consists of all the former student members of the University who have been admitted to a degree (other than an honorary degree) of the University, and of any other persons who are members of Congregation or who have retired having been members of Congregation on the date of their retirement.

Membership of Convocation is conferred automatically to members of Congregation whose names have been entered in the Register of Congregation and to Oxford degree-holders after having attended a formal degree ceremony (either in person or in absentia). Those wishing to verify their current status as members of Convocation are asked to contact their college secretary or departmental administrator.

The functions of Convocation are set out in the University Statutes (www.admin.ox.ac. uk/statutes/780-121.shtml).

#### Nominations

Nominations by 50 members of Convocation other than the candidate were received by the Elections Office at the University Offices, Wellington Square, up to 4pm on Wednesday, 9 May. The list of all those nominated by the deadline is published in this issue of the *Gazette*.

#### Candidate statements

Each candidate for election, or authorised representative, was permitted to submit for publication a written statement, of no more than 500 words, setting out the candidate's reasons for standing, including for publication one photograph of themselves and one URL to the candidate's own website if they so wished. These statements were received by the Elections Office at the University Offices, Wellington Square, by 4pm on Wednesday, 9 May. In the event of a contested election, these statements shall be published in the University *Gazette* and on the official University website.

#### Congregation flysheets

Ten or more members of Congregation may arrange to have a flysheet circulated with the *Gazette* in regard to this election. The rules made by Council governing the circulation of flysheets are given in Appendix B of Congregation Regulations 2 of 2002 (www. admin.ox.ac.uk/statutes/regulations/529-122b.shtml#\_Toc28141352).

#### Voting arrangements

An online ballot will be conducted by the Electoral Reform Services in accordance with the following procedures and the results announced at a meeting of Convocation on Friday, 21 June.

#### Voter registration

Voter registration for this election closed on 6 June.

#### **Voting**

Registered voters will be able to vote online from Thursday, 23 May, until noon on Thursday, 20 June (BST). Voters will be sent instructions on how to vote once their eligibility to vote has been verified.

#### Result of a contested election

The result of a contested election will be announced in a meeting of Convocation at 3pm on Friday, 21 June, in Convocation House. Members of Convocation wishing to attend the meeting are asked to note that the wearing of gowns is optional. The result will subsequently be reported on the University's website and published in the *Gazette*.

#### **FURTHER INFORMATION**

Informal enquiries about the post should be addressed to the Chair of the Faculty Board, Professor Ros Ballaster, who can be contacted by email at chair@ell.ox.ac.uk. All enquiries will be treated in strict confidence.

Further information about election procedures may be found in Council Regulations 8 of 2002 (www.admin.ox.ac. uk/statutes/regulations/1089-120.shtml).

Those wishing to verify their current status as members of Convocation are asked to contact their college secretary or departmental administrator.

Media enquiries should be directed to the University of Oxford News and Information Office (email: news.office@admin.ox.ac. uk; tel: +44 (0)1865 (2)80528 or stuart. gillespie@admin.ox.ac.uk; +44 (0)1865 283877).

All other queries should be addressed to the Elections Officer, Ms S L S Mulvihill, Council Secretariat, University Offices, Wellington Square, Oxford, OX1 2JD (email: poetry.

election@admin.ox.ac.uk; tel: +44 (0)1865 (2)80463).

#### NOTICE OF NOMINATIONS

The nomination period for this election closed at 4pm on Thursday, 9 May 2019. Three candidates met the threshold of 50 nominations from members of Convocation:

Andrew McMillan Alice Oswald Todd Swift

Candidate statements are published in this issue of the Gazette.

#### Andrew McMillan

Nominated by:

Sophie Afdhal Ms Samira Ahmed Dr Natasha Alden Mr Rob Alderson Dr Jacob Anders Dr Joanne Baker Mr Dominic Barker Mr Charles Beckett Billy-Ray Belcourt Ms Kathryn Bevis Mr Luka Boeskens Ms Hannah Bond Simon Boyle

Mr Nicholas Brooksbank Mr Alan Buckley Ms Louise Chantal Dr Rosalind Clarke Mr Andrew Copson Mrs Elizabeth Coulter Mr Benjamin Curthoys Mr Rishi Dastidar Mr Michael Donkor Ms Rosemary Edge

Mr Richard Egleton Dr Gareth Evans Ms Georgia Faletas Mr Stuart Ffoulkes Miss Dorothy Finan Ms Susannah Ford Professor Matthew Fox Miss Alison Garcia Ms Charlotte Geater Mr Aled George Mr Alexis Gibbs

Professor David Gillespie Ms Sarah Godwin Dr Thea Goodsell Mr Will Green Mr Tarquin Grossman Professor Keith Hanley Mrs Sarah Harkness Michael Hatchett Mr Edward Hodgkinson Mr Robert Holtom Dr Anthony House

Miss Laura Howes

Mr Oliver Seth Insua-Summerhays

David Ireland

Mr Stephen Mark Jones Ms Fiona Helen Kemp

Yoolim Kim Dr Gareth Langley Ms Maisie Lawrence Miss Georgina Lee Dr Daryl Leeworthy Mr Chris McCartney Mr Robert McManus

Ms Catherine Max Mr Brian Millar Dr Eva Miller Mr Amos Millet Hereward Mills Professor Rana Mitter Claire Morley

Miss Gemma Murray

Mr John Owen Mrs Rosamund Owens Professor Carl Phelpstead Mr Tony Pinkney Ms Elizabeth Porter

Ms Antonia Prescott Ms Rachel Richardson Ms Yara Rodrigues Fowler Dr Alice Roworth Mr Ian Runacres

Ms Esther Phoebe Rutter Mr Edward Siddons

Professor Catherine Spooner Professor James Studd Dr Matthew Sweet

Mr Timothy Owain Vaughan

Mr Ashley Walters Ms Rebecca Watson Ms Harriet Williams

#### Alice Oswald

Nominated by:

Dr Kalina Allendorf Dr Harriet Archer Ms Kate Caoimhe Arthur Professor Laura Ashe Ms Hazel Barkworth Professor Helen Barr Dr Rebecca Beaslev Professor Matthew Bevis

Alice Bloom

Professor Elleke Boehmer Professor Charlotte Brewer

Mr Alex Bridgland Dr David Bryan

Professor Felix Budelmann Professor Philip Bullock Professor Colin Burrow Mrs Kirsten Burrows Dr Rachel Buxton Miss Nancy Campbell Ms Alice Carrington-Windo

Dr Robert Cassels Professor Terence Cave

Professor Supriya Chaudhuri Dr Matthew Cheung Salisbury Mr Thomas Chivers Mr Rossa Commane Professor Martin Conway

Mr Tom Cook Ms Denise Cripps Dr Andrew Dean Mr Richard Devereux Professor Michael Dobson

Professor Robert Douglas-Fairhurst

Dr David Dwan

Professor Rachel Falconer Dr Julie Farguson Mr John Field Mr Jamie Findlay Dr Mark Floyer Professor Robert Foster Dr Peta Fowler

Professor Peter Frankopan Professor Vincent Gillespie

Mr Alan Glaum

Professor Roger Goodman

Mr R C Gould Dr Jane Griffiths Professor Daniel Grimley Mr John Grimond Mr Mark Haddon Ms Mercy Haggerty Mr Tim Hall

Professor Alexandra Harris Professor Stephen Harrison Mr Isaac Harrison Louth Professor Edmund Herzig Mr Dominic Hewett Dr Benjamin Higgins Dr Kerstin Hoge Dr Malcolm Howe Mr Peter Huhne

Professor Gregory Hutchinson Professor Lorna Hutson Professor Katherine Ibbett Professor Jennifer Ingleheart

Ms Angie Johnson Jeri Johnson Professor Susan Jones Thomas Karshan Professor John Kerrigan Professor Katrin Kohl

Professor Carolyne Larrington Professor Emeritus Hermione Lee Professor Angela Leighton

Ms Fiona Lensvelt

Professor Suzannah Lipscomb

Dr Jamie Lorimer Dr Charlie Louth Mr Michael Loveday Dr Erica McAlpine Professor Ian McBride Mr Harry McCarthy Professor Peter McDonald Mr Robin McGhee

The Rev'd Dr Elizabeth Macfarlane

Dr Tom MacFaul

Professor Patrick McGuinness Professor Fiona Macintosh

Dr Marina MacKay

Professor Martin McLaughlin Mr Thomas McLaughlin Professor Kate McLoughlin

Ms Lise McNally

Professor Laurie Maguire Professor Laura Marcus Dr Michael Mayo Dr M Mendelssohn Mr Joseph Minden Dr Clare Morgan Dr Llewelyn Morgan Professor Teresa Morgan

Dr Joseph Moshenska Sir Andrew Motion Dr Subha Mukherji Dr Kathryn Murphy Professor Lucy Newlyn Ms Lucia Nixon Ms Jacqueline Norton Mr Bernard O'Donoghue Ms Ellen O'Neill Mr Richard Ovenden

Dr Georgina Paul Dr Siofra Pierse Ms Hannah Pollard Dr William Poole Ms Antonia Potter Mr David Potter Professor Lloyd Pratt Professor Philomen Probert Professor Diane Purkiss Dr Josephine Quinn Mr Craig Raine Ms Namratha Rao Miss Victoria Reynolds

The Rev'd Canon Leanne Roberts Major Nicola Roberts

Dr Lynn Robson Professor Tim Rood Dr Tessa Roynon Dr Katherine Rundell Dr David Russell Dr Jenny Sager

Professor Catriona Seth Professor Jane Shaw

Dr Elizabeth Scott-Baumann

Professor Sally Shuttleworth

Ms Bailey Sincox Ms Sadie Slater Professor Helen Small Ms Celia Smith Dr Olivia Smith Professor Adam Smyth Mr Michael Spriggs Mr Nathan Stazicker Dr Hannah Sullivan

Dr Helen Swift Professor Oliver Taplin Dr David Taylor Dr Nicola Trott Ms Charlotte Turnbull Dr Marion Turner Mrs Margaret Tween

Charles Tyson Mrs Clare Wakeham Professor Daniel Wakelin

Ms Lucy Ward

Mr Christopher Whalen Ms Esther Osorio Whewell

Mr David White

Professor William Whyte Mr Henry Wickham Professor Abigail Williams

Professor David-Antoine Williams

Dr Gillian Woods Miss Laura Wright Mr Miles Young

#### Todd Swift

Nominated by:

Mr Timothy Ades Mr Dominick Ashe Mr Michael Atkinson Mr Xavier Bach Mr Andrew Baird Dr Jemma Borg Mr Andrew Breach Mr Nigel Burt Dr John Catherall Dr Karen Cull Mr Matej Damborsky Mr Michael Dangerfield Mrs Olivia Donnelly Dr Alice Dub Mr Alan Dunnett Mr George Evans Mr Gwennael Fedder Irina Fedorenko Mr James Flynn Ms Stephanie Forrest

Mr Lyman Gamberton Mr Matthew Goldie-Scot Mr Alastair Hale Dr Ruofan Han Mr David Hill Ms Anahita Hoose Miss Angela Jackson Mr Oliver Iones Mr Rio Iones Mr Adam Jordan

Professor Mikko Kaasalainen

Mark Kingstone Mr Duncan Larraz Mr Timothy Leddy Mr Henry Little Mr Mark McGuinness Dr Sean McMahon Mr Andrew Mangeot Dr Sam Meekings Mr Carl Morris Ms Alexandra Nachescu Mr Jonathan Naess

Mr Lucy O'Brien Dr Alex O'Bryan-Tear Miss Lucy Oddy Mr Nicolas Ollivant Dr Vivienne Raper

Mr John Richardson Miss Hannah Scaife Ms Jane Shillaker Mrs Alexandra Strnad Mr Tancred Taylor Ms Bethan Tichborne Mrs Mariia Tishenina Mr Simon Veksner Ms Jenny Whitworth Dr Laura Selena Wisnom

Mr Renbin Woo

Dr Samuel Garrett Zeitlin

#### Candidates' statements

#### ALICE OSWALD

I'd like to be considered for the position of poetry professor, which I see as an opportunity to deepen my research into Spoken Poetry and to bring that research to a wider audience.

It's important to me to find ways of connecting with the City of Oxford as well as the University and for this reason, besides delivering lectures, I'd like to stage some Extreme Poetry Events: for example allnight readings of long poems, poetry in the dark or in coloured light, even perhaps a Carnival of Translation, A Memory Palace, a Poem-Circus (like the Music-Circus of John Cage), or an exhibition of mobile poems. A book is a wonderfully quiet place, but I've always thought that poetry, if offered the right occasions, will rise to meet them and that one of our tasks as poets is to invent such occasions for ourselves and for others. I'd be delighted if I could tempt school children to take part in some of these.

I believe that poetry is, among other things, an ancient memory system, that it asks to be heard out loud or at least read in the manner of a musical score, that it promotes imaginative over rational understanding and that the strength of the imagination is its ability to think between disciplines and to conceive of wholes not just parts. While I was at University I was grateful that the Ruskin School of Art offered different approaches to learning and I like to think that a poetry professor might provide something similar, perhaps in the form of workshops or structured conversations. There is after all plenty to discuss. It's exciting to be engaged in poetry at a time when its medium is changing almost as radically as it did in the eighth century B.C. I see no reason why Instagram poems shouldn't prove as rewarding as Concrete poems or the visual poems of classical Chinese and I'd welcome the chance to invite young poets to engage in discussion about what poetry has been and is becoming.

As a Homer fanatic, I'm keen to make links between ancient epic and contemporary performance poetry. Through my association with the Archive for Performance of Greek and Roman Drama, I'd like to remind people that a poem is always more than a written text and that short lyric poems need to operate among longer more theatrical forms, such as the verse drama, the song-cycle, the folk tale, the liturgy. I have recently been commissioned to write a book about Homer and it would be a pleasure to be in contact with other classicists while working on this.

In fact it goes without saying that my own poems would benefit immeasurably from contact with the University. I am currently working on a number of collaborations with visual artists, dancers and musicians and would love to try these out in a critical environment. And of course the Bodleian Library would be an invaluable resource for any poet.

#### ANDREW MCMILLAN

It's a cliché, but poetry is having a bit of a 'moment' right now; more than any time in the past two decades we're witnessing a new generation of poets step forward and claim space within the prize-lists and the editorial boards and the inner-rooms of our art form. Yet still, the poets who have been so central to our culture for the past half-century continue to expand their craft, improving their body of work with each new poem, each new collection. The Oxford Professor of Poetry feels like a position which is uniquely suited to this current moment; both futurefacing, towards the student-body and yet with the weight and prestige of the lineage of predecessors standing behind it as well.

When I was in Year 9 or 10 of Secondary School, me and another boy from my class were grouped together with other kids from Barnsley and bussed down to Oxford as part of an Aim Higher campaign to get more of us to consider going to Oxbridge. My memories of the day are hazy, but I recall walking down some long corridors and then being taken to see the film The Day After Tomorrow in the evening, before travelling back up the next day.

It is true that I am young (though with half a decade on Keats, at his oldest), but I would hope to make a dynamic, insightful and fresh contribution to the life of poetry and literature at the university. Perhaps the best thing a role like this can do is to offer illumination of poets who time or fashions have pushed back into the dark.

There's a scene in The Day After Tomorrow where a huge wall of water is coming

towards the cast as they stand in New York City; they seek shelter by hiding in the New York Public Library and (spoiler alert!) a select few of them stay there until they are rescued at the end of the film. It's an interesting image to contemplate at this current cultural intersection we find ourselves at. Perhaps there's a temptation to see this new generation as a flood seeking to drown out all tradition. Maybe there's a tendency to think of our plethora of midcareer and long-serving poets as solid, important, but a little bit dull, standing stoically as the wave approaches. Neither of these statements is true. Indeed if that wave had been allowed to reach the library, to reach the shelves and the tomes that slept on them, that would have been the ideal outcome. The new generation mixing with the central voices of our poetic culture. A professorship that speaks both forwards and looks back. A professorship which seeks to illuminate today, but also looks ahead, to tomorrow, and the day after that as well.

#### **TODD SWIFT**

I have been an international poetry activist, poet, small press publisher, editor, anthologist, and poetry tutor for over 30 years, beginning in Montreal, where I was mentored by Ezra Pound's mentee, Louis Dudek. I was listed in the Oxford Companion to Modern Poetry, and was the 2017-2018 Poet-in-residence at Pembroke College, Cambridge. As Oxfam GB's Poetin-residence I ran a national poetry contest and edited numerous anthologies, and ran a reading series for a decade. My own poetry has appeared across the world in periodicals and magazines; and in over 20 collections, including pamphlets. In 2003, I was featured on CNN for my work as a co-organiser of the Poets Against the War movement, and edited the Salt anthology. In the 90s I pioneered Fusion poetry, a hybrid of performance, hip hop, and digital poetries. My PhD is on style in modern poetry. Over three decades I have shown a commitment to innovation, encouragement, enthusiasm and excitement in poetry - and have always supported, and advocated for, a diverse and open understanding of what poetry is, and can do. As a Canadian-British poet, I bring a multilingual and multicultural vision to poetics and the promotion of ideas about poetry in the 21st century. The themes of my own poetry are relevant at this time, since my key themes are gender identity, pop culture, sex, desire, politics, violence, religious faith and doubt, ecology, and scientific inquiry, as they swirl about in a language mash-up - created by a fractured lexical construct that may or not be a coherent being. I am a high modernist

romantic, taking my bearings from FT Prince, Hart Crane, Wallace Stevens as well as Pound and H.D. My work has been described as a strange admixture of Dylan Thomas and Paul Muldoon. It is in fact its own stylish melange of low and high diction, exploring the eccentric possibility of being a true person or persona in a hypermediated age. As a long-time public speaker and polemicist, I would enjoy the chance to lecture on current trends in poetry, and as a gadfly of sorts continue to ask questions of poetry, poets and poems.

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