

Medieval Secrets and Mysteries



February 28 - March 1, 2014

The Medieval Studies Course Union of the University of Victoria invites submissions for a student conference: Medieval Secrets and Mysteries, to be held at the University of Victoria on February 28 - March 1, 2014. We invite graduate and undergraduate students to submit proposals about medieval mysteries and secrets of any kind: esotericism, symbology, almanacs, bestiaries, revelations, confidences, adulteries, magic, divination, gossip, intrigues, crimes and murders, cryptology, secret orders and cults, conspiracies, witchcraft, hidden identities, impostors, gender and sexual identities, heretics and atheists, censorship, etc.

Topics for presentations include but are not limited to:

- Religions and Institutions
- The Many Faces of Magic
- Double Lives and Identity
- Courtly Love and Secrecy
- The Discovery of Privacy
- Modern Medieval Mysteries
- Legends about the Middle Ages
- Conspiracy-Busting
- Making the Middle Ages Accessible
- Speaking Medieval

We also invite student performances of medieval crafts, music, and dramatic or martial arts to submit proposals for short performances and shows (up to 30 minutes).

Please submit your abstract of no more than 300 words **by November 30, 2013**. Include your name and affiliation. Submissions should be emailed to dirmedi@uvic.ca

Presentations of papers will be 15-20 minutes in length, and performances no more than 30 minutes.

For more information, please contact dirmedi@uvic.ca