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HARDY AND CONRAD"

# "Objects in Hardy and Conrad"

#### **UNIVERSITE DE ROUEN**

## **THURSDAY 24 MAY**

9 Registration, tea & coffee

#### Session 1: "Witless Things": Little Things to Make you See

- 10 Ludovic LE SAUX : "Objects or Subjects? Pictoriality and Domesticity in Thomas Hardy's *Tess of the d'Urbervilles*"
- 10.30 Walter BEST: "Hardy's Use of Visualization"
  - 11 Nathalie MARTINIÈRE : "'He had tied a bit of white worsted round his neck' (*Heart of Darkness*): Focusing on Unexpected Details in Conrad's Fiction"
- 11.30 Question time

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## 2 Keynote address: J.B. BULLEN

"Sermons in Stones: Thomas Hardy and the Lapidary Object"

## Session 2: Between Presence and Absence: Traces & Signs

- 3 Elena RIMONDO : "'Reverend Walls': Jude's Christminster, from Idealisation to Idolatry"
- 3.30 Jane THOMAS: "The Footprint as Object in Hardy's *The Woodlanders* and Conrad's *Almayer's Folly*"
  - 4 Adrian GRAFE: "Expansion, Contraction, Presence, Absence; Observing Objects in *Human Shows*" (1925)
- 4.30 Question time & coffee break

# FRIDAY 25 MAY

#### Session 3: "The Imps of the Clock": Delayed and Fractured Perception

- 9.30 Émilie LORIAUX : "The Clock and Other Things: the Cherished Objects of a 'Time-Torn Man'"
  - 10 Catherine LANONE : "Clocks and Watches, or (Mis)-Timing in Hardy and Conrad"
- 10.30 Question time & coffee break
- 11.30 Isabelle GADOIN: "Looking into Glass: Mirrors, Reflections, Alienation"
  - 12 Hugh EPSTEIN: "Object and Medium: Locating the 'Delay' in Hardy's and Conrad's Fiction"
- 12.30 Question time

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### 2.30 Keynote address: Robert HAMPSON

"Conrad's Objects"

#### Session 4: Thing and Nothing

- 3.30 Andrew HEWITT: "Weapons of Choice in Hardy and Conrad"
  - 4 Annie RAMEL: "The Ring in Hardy's texts"
- 4.30 Josiane PACCAUD: "The Sublime Object of Ideology in 'Karain' (*Tales of Unrest*)"
  - 5 Question time