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SELMA LAGERLÖF 2011:

TEXT, TRANSLATION, FILM

In June 2011, the Department of Scandinavian Studies at University College London, in conjunction with the Division of European Languages and Cultures (Scandinavian Studies) at the University of Edinburgh, will host an international conference on the work of the Swedish Nobel laureate Selma Lagerlöf. The conference marks the publication by Norvik Press (UCL), from spring 2011 onwards, of a series of new translations of Lagerlöf's major texts. The first translations in the series are being funded by the Swedish Academy.

The conference will present cutting-edge research on Lagerlöf in an international context. The conference will have three strands: texts by Lagerlöf; translations of her texts; and films based on her texts. We welcome both papers focusing on a separate strand and papers combining two or three strands. Papers should preferably be given in English. We are hoping for a big turn-out and many innovative and exciting papers that will contribute to raising Lagerlöf's international profile and to the re-positioning of her work in a global context. The organisers aim to publish a selection of considerably expanded papers.

The conference will take place at University College London, and the preliminary dates are 22-24 June 2011. A call for papers will be sent out in June 2010. In the meantime, you are welcome to contact the conference organisers if you are interested in contributing a paper.

Welcome to London in June 2011!

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