Association for Medical Humanities

Taking the Body Seriously
6th – 9th July 2009
Durham University

Bringing humanities resources, both single-discipline and inter-disciplinary, to bear upon our understanding the role of the body in what it is to lead flourishing lives.

Keynote Speakers

Shaun Gallagher
University of Central Florida
*Illness as a Complete Form of Existence*

Martin Winckler
Author *La Maladie du Sachs*
*Bodies on Screen - Physicians’ and patients’ representation in Medical TV Drama*

Patricia Waugh
Durham University
*Solid Geometries of the Word: Real Bodies and Fictional Worlds*

Mark Paterson
Author *The Senses of Touch*
*The Touching, Feeling, Flourishing Body in Historical Perspective*

Museum of Archaeology and Anthropology, University of Cambridge

*Assembling Bodies: Art Science and Imagination.*

Contributing themes of the conference, and the subjects of parallel workshops and elective presentations are:

1. the role of the body in framing experience, knowledge, values and the imagination
2. the place of the body in relation to creativity and the arts, both as generator and as object
3. how science’s methods and agenda reflect the fact and form of our embodiment; and
4. the place of medical conceptions of the body, health and well-being within prevalent contemporary understandings of human flourishing

Plus an evening of music in the Botanic Gardens and a banquet and song recital in the Great Hall of Durham Castle.

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