

LAGB Annual Meeting 2007: King's College London

Second Circular

The 2007 Annual Meeting of the Linguistics Association of Great Britain will be held at King's College London, from 29th August to 1st September. The Local Organisers will be Devyani Sharma, Eleni Gregoromichelaki, and Suzanne LaBelle. This circular and the conference programme are available here: www.lagb.org.uk/meetings.htm

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Please check the conference website for any updates and further details about the meeting: www.kcl.ac.uk/lagb

Special events

1. The **Henry Sweet Lecture 2007** will be delivered by **Hans Kamp** (University of Stuttgart) on the evening of 29th August, with the title 'Discourse Linking as (Simultaneous) Constraint Solving'
2. The **Linguistics Association Lecture 2007** will be delivered by **B. Elan Dresher** (University of Toronto) on 1st September, with the title 'The Contrastive Hierarchy in Phonology'.
3. A **workshop on Issues in Dynamic Semantics**, related to the Henry Sweet Lecture and organised by Martina Faller (Manchester) and Shalom Lappin (KCL), will be held on the afternoon of 29th August, featuring Chris Fox, Jonathan Ginzburg, Ruth Kempson, Shalom Lappin, and Alex Lascarides.
4. A special **themed session**, related to the Linguistics Association Lecture, with the title '**Contrast in Phonology**', will be held on 1st September.
5. There will be a **Language Tutorial on Slavery**, given by **Keren Rice** (University of Toronto).
6. There will be a session organised by the LAGB's **Education Committee** which will feature a discussion of how linguists in Higher Education communicate with teachers and pupils in schools. Details will be posted on www.phon.ucl.ac.uk/home/dick/ec/ecsessions.htm. There will also be a talk, sponsored by the UK Subject Centre for Languages, Linguistics and Area Studies, on the transition from English Language 'A' Level to the study of Linguistics and English Language in Higher Education.
7. **Wine receptions** will be held on the evenings of 29th and 30th August, sponsored by King's College London (on 29th August) and Blackwell (on 30th August).

There will also be an independently organised **Workshop on Features** at King's on 1st and 2nd September, and those who attend the LAGB meeting may attend workshop events on Saturday 1st September at no extra cost. Further details can be found here: www.surrey.ac.uk/LIS/SMG/Workshop_on_features.html

Venue

London is one of the oldest and most vibrant cities in the world. A short walk in any direction affords glimpses of Roman, Medieval, Tudor, Georgian, or Victorian London. The city is dense with museums, galleries, theatres, pubs, and shopping districts, and its mosaic cultural heritage has contributed innumerable cuisines, from afternoon tea at the Ritz to curry festivals in Brick Lane.

King's College London hosts a vibrant community of over 25 linguists in several departments. The conference venue (Waterloo Campus) is situated at the heart of the city on the south bank of the river Thames, beside the famous South Bank Centre (host to the Royal Festival Hall, National Theatre, Hayward Gallery and much more) and a short walk across the river from Covent Garden, Trafalgar Square, and the West End theatre district.

- Further local information will be available on the conference website: www.kcl.ac.uk/lagb

Accommodation is provided in the immediate vicinity of the conference venue – see the booking website and conference website for details.

Travel: London has five airports and fast train connections within Europe. The London Underground train network and an extensive bus network provide transport within the city. Heathrow, Stansted, and Gatwick airports all have express train connections to London Underground stations. Waterloo Station (with local Underground and international Eurostar train links) is two minutes' walk from the conference site. More information on transport and detailed directions will be made available on the conference website. Basic location information can be found at: www.kcl.ac.uk/about/campuses/waterloo.html.

Bookings should be made using the **website** set up at King's College London for this purpose. The booking website will be available from early July and members (and anyone else presenting at the meeting) will be emailed again at that point to let you know that booking is open. Prices will be as follows:

- (a) full conference package (including meals and accommodation) = **£220.00**
- (b) individual items: conference fee (obligatory) = **£55.00**, bed and breakfast = **£35** per night, lunch = **£8.00** per meal, dinner = **£12.00** per meal

If you have any questions about booking, please contact devyani.sharma@kcl.ac.uk.

Booking deadline: There is a discount on bookings received by **1st August 2007**, expressed as a 'late fee' for bookings received after that date.

Guests and non-members: Members may invite any number of guests to meetings of the Association, and non-members may attend without invitation; an additional guest fee of £5.00 is payable on booking for non-members, in addition to the standard fees. This can be avoided by joining the Association before booking.

Abstracts will be available on the conference website.

Registration will start at 11.00am on Wednesday 29th August in the Franklin Wilkins Building. This will be signposted from the main entrances to the Waterloo campus, and further details will be available on the conference website.

Bar: Waterloo campus is centrally located in London and there are many pubs and restaurants nearby. Further information will be posted on the conference website.

Food: Please indicate if you are vegetarian or have other dietary requirements in your booking.

LAGB Annual General Meeting: This is to be held on the afternoon of Thursday 30th August. Items for the agenda should be sent to the Honorary Secretary (address below).

Sign Language Interpreting: It is not possible for cost reasons to provide interpreting for all sessions as a matter of course, but if you require interpreting for particular sessions, please contact the President, as early as possible (contact details below), and we will endeavour to provide it.

Communication with the membership

Website: The LAGB website can be found at www.lagb.org.uk

Mailing list: It was decided at the 2006 Annual General Meeting at Newcastle that the LAGB would launch a new mailing list, which should include all and only LAGB members. It was felt that the old list included too few members and too many non-members. The new list has been launched, and details can be found here: www.jiscmail.ac.uk/lists/lagb.html

The list is used to disseminate circulars and other information that may be of interest to members and to consult members quickly. You will be subscribed to the list by the Membership Secretary, but may ask to be unsubscribed, if you so choose. Messages sent to lagb@jiscmail.ac.uk will be distributed to the list, once they have been approved by a list moderator.

Changes of address: members are reminded to send notification of changes of address to the Membership Secretary (for contact details see below).

Future Meetings

All meetings are held in late August / early September:

2008 University of Essex (many thanks to Essex for agreeing to host the 2008 meeting when another university had to pull out)

2009 University of Edinburgh: 50th anniversary meeting

2010 Your university here...?

The Meetings Secretary would very much like to receive offers of future venues, particularly from institutions which the LAGB has not previously or recently visited.

Nominations for speakers, workshops and language tutorials (language and/or speaker) at future meetings are also requested; all suggestions should be sent to the Honorary Secretary. The nominations collected will be voted on by the membership at the Annual General Meeting, which is held as part of the Annual Meeting.

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Call for nominations for a new Membership Secretary

The Membership Secretary has announced that he is to step down from this year, and nominations are requested for this position. They should be sent to the Assistant Secretary by **1st August 2007**.