

LAGB Annual Meeting 2010: University of Leeds

Second Circular

The 2010 Annual Meeting of the Linguistics Association of Great Britain will be held at the University of Leeds, from 1st to 4th September. The local organisers will be **Diane Nelson**, **Cécile De Cat** and **Kremena Koleva**. The Meeting will last four days and will feature several special events, listed below. This circular and the full conference programme are available on the LAGB website:

This circular is available here: www.lagb.org.uk/meetings.htm

The meeting email address is: lagb.leeds.2010@gmail.com

The meeting website with the conference **programme** is here:
<http://www.modern.lang.leeds.ac.uk/LAGB/>

Special events

1. The **Henry Sweet Lecture 2010** will be delivered by Professor **Stephen Levinson** (Max Planck Institute for Psycholinguistics, Nijmegen) on the evening of 1st September, with the title ‘Linguistic diversity and the “interaction engine”’.
2. The **Linguistics Association Lecture 2010** will be delivered by Professor **Joan L. Bybee** (University of New Mexico) on 4th September, with the title ‘Exemplar semantics: implications for grammatical meaning’.
3. A **workshop** on ‘**Interactional Foundations for Language**’ related to Stephen Levinson’s Henry Sweet Lecture, organized by Kasia Jaszczolt and Stephen Levinson, will be held on the afternoon of 1st September, featuring Elizabeth Couper-Kuhlen (Potsdam), Nick Enfield (MPI, Nijmegen & Radboud University), Kasia Jaszczolt (Cambridge) and Ulf Liszkowski (MPI, Nijmegen).
4. There will also be a **special themed session** on 4th September, related to Joan Bybee’s Linguistics Association Lecture, with the title ‘**Exemplar- and construction-based approaches to grammar**’, for which abstracts were invited.
5. A themed session entitled ‘**Disharmony in Nominals**’ will take place on 2nd September.
6. There will be a **Language Tutorial on Herero**, given by **Lutz Marten** (School of Oriental and African Studies).
7. The **LAGB Education Committee** will hold a two-hour discussion on corpora in teaching (at both undergraduate and school levels). The panelists will include Dan Clayton (UCL) speaking on corpora in English teaching, and Vivienne Rogers and Zoe Handley (University of Oxford) speaking on corpora in foreign language teaching. Further details will soon be made available on this website:
www.phon.ucl.ac.uk/home/dick/ec/ecsessions.htm.
8. A session aimed at postgraduate students on preparing for job applications will be held on 2nd September.
9. Wine receptions will be held on the evenings of 1st September (sponsored by Cambridge University Press) and 2nd September (sponsored by Blackwell).

Venue

The conference will be held at Devonshire Hall, a self-contained and cloistered traditional college complex located in a quiet, leafy part of Headingley, 3 miles from Leeds city centre and a 20 minute walk from the main university campus. Headingley is a lively area of Leeds with a large student population; shops, pubs, cafes and the world-famous cricket ground lie within a short walking distance. Close by, the Meanwood Valley Trail offers pleasant walks as it passes through the forest of Batty's Wood on its way to the Yorkshire Dales. Leeds itself is one of Britain's fastest-growing and most dynamic cities, a thriving commercial and cultural centre, with excellent shopping and an exuberant nightlife that attracts visitors from all over Britain. For those drawn to the countryside, the spectacular Yorkshire Dales and their picturesque ancient villages begin only half an hour away.

Travel

Leeds is centrally located on main rail lines from London and Manchester, and connects with the main East Coast line to York and Edinburgh. The conference venue is a 45 minute walk from the city centre, but is easily reached by bus or taxi from the city centre and rail station. The M1 leads to the city from the south. Leeds-Bradford International Airport is just 7 miles from the conference venue and is most easily reached by taxi. Basic location information can be found at:

<http://www.meetinleeds.co.uk/devonshirehall.html>

Registration & Accommodation

Bookings for the 2010 meeting should be made using the **website** set up at the University of Leeds for this purpose. The full package, including the conference fee, accommodation for three nights, and all meals that are provided at the conference costs **£280** for LAGB members; it is also possible to book for selected items. To find the booking website, please follow the instructions on the meeting website:

<http://www.modern.lang.leeds.ac.uk/LAGB/>

If you have any questions about booking, please contact:

lagb.leeds.2010@googlemail.com

Booking deadline: There is a discount on bookings received by **2nd August 2010**, expressed as a 'late fee' for bookings received after that date.

Accommodation: Basic ensuite rooms and some rooms with shared bathroom facilities are available at the conference venue - you can book accommodation for the three nights of the conference on the booking website. See the University of Leeds LAGB conference website to book online:

<http://www.modern.lang.leeds.ac.uk/LAGB/>

Meals: Evening meals on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday and breakfast and lunch on Thursday, Friday and Saturday are included in the price of the full conference package. If you wish to pay for meals individually, this must be done so when booking online. When booking meals, please indicate if you are vegetarian or have other dietary requirements we should know about.

Registration: The registration desk will open at 1pm on Wednesday 1st September. The registration desk will be signposted, and further details will be available on the conference website.

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 £10.00 is payable on booking for non-members, in addition to the standard fees. This can be avoided by joining the Association before booking.

Abstracts: Abstracts will be available on the conference website.

LAGB Annual General Meeting: This is to be held on the afternoon of Thursday 2nd September. 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.

Communications with the membership

Website

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

Mailing list

Details of the LAGB mailing list can be found here: www.jiscmail.ac.uk/lists/lagb.html

The list is to be used to disseminate circulars and other information that may be of interest to members and to consult members. 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. Please note that mailing list messages should be text only, without attachments.

Changes of address

Members are reminded to send notification of changes of address to the Membership Secretary (for contact details see below). An institutional address is preferred.

Future Meetings

All meetings are held in late August / early September:

2011 University of Manchester (7th-10th September 2011)

2012 University of Salford (5th-8th September 2012)

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

Nominations for speakers, workshops and language tutorials (language and/or speaker) at future meetings are also requested; all suggestions should be emailed 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.

Election of Membership Secretary

Nominations were invited for the position of Membership Secretary for the LAGB Committee in the first circular. Nominations for two candidates were received: Nancy Kula (University of Essex) and Heike Pichler (University of Reading).

Members are invited to cast a vote for their preferred candidate by email to the **Assistant Secretary**, Pierre Larrivé, at the following address: p.larrivee@aston.ac.uk. The ballot will close on Friday 6th August 2010.

Nominations were also invited for the role of Honorary Secretary in the first circular. The LAGB constitution allows committee members to serve for two consecutive terms and the current Honorary Secretary indicated that he was prepared to stand again. The committee thus nominated him for a second term. Since no other nominations were received, he has been duly re-elected.

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