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McGill Faculty Club 3450, rue McTavish Montréal, Québec, Canada

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Friday April 23, 2010

8:45 – 9:30	Continental Breakfast and Welcoming Remarks
9:15 – 9:30	Jamie Fumo, "The 'Transmission, Translation and Transformation' Project at McGill: An Introduction"
9:30 – 11:00	Picking and Choosing (1) – What Gets Translated? And Why? (Chair: Lawrence Kaplan)
9:30 - 10:00	Keren Abbou, "Galenism in the 'Abbasid Court"
10:00 – 10:30	Steven Harvey, "Reason and Order in the Medieval Arabic-to- Hebrew Translation Movement: How Was It Decided Which Texts of Greek and Arabic Natural Science Would Be Translated into Hebrew in the Thirteenth and Fourteenth Centuries?"
10:30 – 11:00	Discussion
11:00 - 11:30	Coffee/Tea
11:30 – 1:00	Picking and Choosing (2) - Tides of Transmission (Chair: Nancy Partner)
11:30 -12:00	Y. Tzvi Langermann, "Observations on the Hebrew Geminos"
12:00 – 12:30	Charles Burnett, "Medieval Latin Translations of Texts on the Science of the Stars from Greek, Arabic and Hebrew: A Survey of the Manuscripts"
12:30 – 1:00	Discussion
1:00 - 2:30	Lunch
2:30 – 4:00	Where the Action Is (1) - Catalonia as a Theatre of Transmission (Chair: Faith Wallis)
2:30 – 3:00	W. Zeev Harvey, "Bernat Metge and Hasdai Crescas: A Conversation"
3:00 – 3:30	Michael McVaugh, "On the Individuality of Translators"
3:30 – 4:00	Discussion
4:00 - 4:30	<u>Coffee/Tea</u>
4:30 - 6:00	The Stars and the Scholars: Transmitting Astronomical Knowledge (Chair: Jamie Fumo)
4:30 – 5:00	Jamil Ragep, "Religion as Agency in the Transmission and Transformation of Greek Astronomy within Islam: Some Very Preliminary Thoughts"
5:00 - 5:30	Christine Chism , "Transmitting the Astrolabe: Chaucer, Islamic Knowledge, and the Astrolabic Text"
5:30 - 6:00	Discussion
7:00 – 10:00	Dinner: Restaurant Le Caveau, 2063, rue Victoria (corner of Président-Kennedy)

Saturday April 24, 2010

8:45 - 9:30	Continental Breakfast
9:30 – 11:00	Where the Action Is (2) – Classrooms at the Center and the Periphery (Chair: William Gladhill)
9:30 - 10:00	Frank Coulson, "Literary Criticism in the Vulgate Commentary on Ovid's Metamorphoses"
10:00 – 10:30	James Clark, "Oxford and its Agency in the Later Middle Ages"
10:30 – 11:00	Discussion
11:00 - 11:30	<u>Coffee/Tea</u>
11:30 – 1:00	Initiating Transmission: Beginnings and Origins (Chair: Alison Laywine)
11:30 -12:00	David Juste , "The Transmission of Syrian Cosmology to the West in the Early Middle Ages: The <i>Liber Nemroth</i> "
12:00 – 12:30	Robert Wisnovsky , "A 10 th -Century Arabic Philosopher's Justification of Textual Prolegomena"
12:30 – 1:00	Discussion
1:00 - 2:30	Lunch
2:30 - 4:00	Street-Level Reception (Chair: Matteo Soranzo)
2:30 – 3:00	Carlos Fraenkel , "Bringing Philosophy into Every Living Room: The Almohads, Maimonides, and the 13 th -century Jewish Enlightenment"
3:00 – 3:30	William Robins, "Aristotle's Ethics and Medieval Italian Minstrels"
3:30 - 4:00	Discussion
4:00 - 4:30	Coffee/Tea
4:30 - 6:00	Motion and Networks: The Byzantine Case (Chair: Ellen Aitken)
4:30 – 5:00	Dimitri Gutas , "Texts and Modalities of Arabic Greek Transmission"
5:00 - 5:30	Cecily Hilsdale, "The Agency of the Object in Greek-Latin Transmission"
5:30 - 6:00	Discussion
7:00 – 10:00	Dinner: Restaurant Vents du Sud, 323, rue Roy Est (corner of Drolet)