Colloquium

Scholars and Their Books:
The Transmission of Knowledge in Medieval Manuscripts

This colloquium is devoted to the transmission of knowledge in the manuscript age. It brings together those who are interested in manuscript culture and the history of texts and ideas in the medieval period. The four lectures and accompanying manuscript demonstrations will show how scholars read and acquired information; and how manuscripts were carefully crafted instruments that increased the knowledge of learned individuals.

The colloquium is free and open to all. However, due to a limited seating arrangement, potential audience members are asked send an email to e.kwakkel@hum.leidenuniv.nl before 1 June 2011. This colloquium is organized by the VIDI projects Turning Over a New Leaf (Erik Kwakkel, Leiden) and Marginal Scholarship (Mariken Teeuwen, Huygens ING) in collaboration with the University Library Leiden and the Scaliger Institute.

Program

10:00 – Mariken Teeuwen (Huygens ING): Glosses and Commentaries in Early Medieval Manuscripts
10:45 – Discussion and a first viewing of manuscripts from the Leiden collection
11:30 – Erik Kwakkel (Leiden): Change and Development in the Scholarly Book in the Twelfth Century
12:15 – Discussion and a second viewing of manuscripts
13:00-14:00 – Lunch (not included in the program)
14:00 – Olga Weijers (Huygens ING; IRHT, Paris): Production and Use of Manuscripts in the University Context, 1200-1400
14:45 – Discussion and a third viewing of manuscripts
15:30 – Orlanda Lie (Utrecht): The Organization of Learning in Vernacular Manuscripts from the Later Middle Ages
16:15 – Discussion and a fourth viewing of manuscripts
17:00 – Closing and drinks