

Veranstalter / Organiser

MZAW

Münchner Zentrum für
Antike Welten

Ansprechpartner / Contact person

Prof. Dr. Przemysław Marciniak
(przemyslaw.marciniak@mzaw.lmu.de)

Dr. Caroline Veit
(mzaw@mzaw.lmu.de)

Tagungsort / Conference Venue

Staatliches Museum Ägyptischer Kunst
Gabelsbergerstraße 35 • 80333 München

STAATLICHES
MUSEUM
ÄGYPTISCHER
KUNST

Abb. Maler der Grabkammer des Horemhab

www.mzaw.uni-muenchen.de

LMU

LUDWIG-
MAXIMILIANS-
UNIVERSITÄT
MÜNCHEN

MZAW

Münchner Zentrum für
Antike Welten

MZAW-Gastprofessur für Kulturgeschichte
des Altertums 2022/23

Conference

INSECTS IN THE PREMODERN WORLD

by Prof. Dr. Przemysław Marciniak (LMU)



July, 6–7, 2023, Munich

Program

Thursday, 6 July

9.00 s.t.

Przemysław Marciniak:
Opening Remarks

Naming Insects

Chair: Przemysław Marciniak

9.30–10.00

Isabelle Draelants (Paris):

Peut-on parler d'«insecte» dans les textes médiévaux? Les vermes entre naturalisme et exégèse

10.00–10.30

Grigory Vorobyev (Ghent):

Latin insect names introduced by Theodore Gaza

10.30–11.00 *Coffee Break*

Flies and Bees

Chair: Dominik Berrens

11.00–11.30

Thorsten Fögen (Durham) (online):

Ἔστω δέ τι καὶ τῇ μύᾳ παρ' ἡμῶν γέρας; On the role of flies in Greek and Latin literature

11.30–12.00

Moa Ekbom (Gothenburg):

Lords of the flies: Emperors interacting with muscae

12.00–12.30

Frances Foster (Cambridge):

Virgil's Bees in the Late Antique Classroom

12.30–13.30 *Lunch*

Philosophical Insects

Chair: Grigory Vorobyev

13.30–14.00

Yi Chen (Toronto):

The liminal cicada in Chinese and Greek Classics

14.00–14.30

Tatjana Aleknienė (Vilnius):

Insekt sein in der Welt Platons

14.30–15.00

Dominik Berrens (Mainz)

Nullum est animal altero doctius – Insektengleichnisse in Senecas philosophischen Schriften

Useful Insect

Chair: Przemysław Marciniak

15.00–15.30

Isabel Grimm-Stadelmann (Munich) (online):

Insekten als *Materia Medica*?

15.30–16.00

Ana Cláudia Silveira (Lisabon):

A sumptuous insect: extraction and trade of grā in the Setúbal Peninsula at the end of the Middle Ages

Friday, 7 July

Not very nice Insects

Chair: Katarzyna Piotrowska

9.30–10.00

Phoebe Lakin (Harvard):

Loving Leeches in Theocritus and Nicander

10.00–10.30

Marco Pouget (Munich):

Locust plagues and other insects in first-century China.

Humans and insects in the Lunheng 論衡 by Wang Chong 王充.

10.30–11.00 *Coffee Break*

11.00–11.30

Mona Zaki (Williamsburg) (online)

God's Private Army: Insects in a Baghdad Bestiary

11.30–12.00

Ayşenur Mulla-Topcan (Katowice):

Being Consumed by Insects: Punishment and Horror in Byzantium

Short Break

12.15–13.00

Przemysław Marciniak:

Concluding Remarks

