

Poetry in paint: Titian's late mythologies

An online academic conference about the history, context and reception of Titian's mythological paintings, or *poesie*, for Philip II.

3, 10, 17 November 2020

Day 1 – Tuesday 3 November 2020

2–2.40pm Special event: Virtual tour of the exhibition

Matthias Wivel, The National Gallery, London

3pm Welcome by Gabriele Finaldi, Director of the National Gallery, London

3.05–4pm Session 1: Titian's technique and creative process

Chair: Marika Spring, The National Gallery, London

Titian's Glance and Brushwork: Verisimilitude and

Appearance in the Flesh of the Gods

Ana González Mozo, Museo Nacional del Prado, Madrid

The restoration of Titian's 'Rape of Europa' and

some Observations on Technique

Gianfranco Pocobene, Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum, Boston

'Orpheus Enchanting the Animals' at Apsley House

Alice Tate-Harte, Apsley House, London

Q&A

4.30–6pm Session 2: Themes: Love, desire, death

Chair: Nathaniel Silver, Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum, Boston

Through Titian's Window

Maria Loh, Hunter College, The City University of New York

Titian and Sexual Violence in Renaissance Italy

Jill Burke, University of Edinburgh

Biblical Desire: Reading Judith and Salome With Titian

Christopher J. Nygren, University of Pittsburgh

On the Representation of Women in Titian's paintings

Isabella Munari, Independent scholar, Madrid

Q&A

6–6.15pm A conversation with: Phoebe Gloeckner [artist, Ann Arbor, MI].

With Matthias Wivel and Daniel Herrmann, The National Gallery, London



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Day 2 – Tuesday 10 November 2020

2–3.30pm Session 1: Titian, Ovid, painting and literature

Chair: Beverly L. Brown, The Warburg Institute, London

Meaning in Titian's 'Poesie': Beyond the Iconographic Impasse

Keynote speaker: Stephen Campbell, Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore

'La gloria del perfetto colorito': Titian between Bembo, Ariosto and Aretino

Stefano Jossa, Royal Holloway, University of London

Titian's Poesie and Hapsburg Political Imagery Marie Tanner, Independent scholar, USA

'Fabulae artificialiter pictae'. Illustrated editions of Ovid Metamorphosis

and European Circulation of Iconographic Patterns

Ilaria Andreoli, French National Centre for Scientific Research, Paris

Q&A

3.30–3.45pm A conversation with: Nalini Malani, National Gallery

Contemporary Fellow Artist, Amsterdam/London. With Daniel Herrmann and Thomas Dalla Costa,

The National Gallery, London

4-5pm Session 2: Venice, Spain and beyond

Chair: Matthias Wivel, The National Gallery, London

Venetian Black: Reflections on the Sources and Impact of the

African Woman in Titian's 'Diana and Actaeon'

Paul Kaplan, Purchase College, State University of New York

Black Spain: The 'giant chessboard' and Hoefnagel's View of Seville

Carmen Fracchia, Birkbeck, University of London

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5.30–5.45pm A conversation with: Michael Armitage [artist, London].

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2–3pm Session 1: Philip II as a patron

Chair: Thomas Dalla Costa, The National Gallery, London

'Persequor non reverentior fecit'. Titian, the Quality of the

Painting and Its Clients: 1544–1554 [This paper will be given in Italian]

Matteo Mancini, Universidad Complutense de Madrid

Price and Prejudice: Vasari and Titian's Magdalen for Philip II

Carlo Corsato, The National Gallery, London

Titian's Long Shadow: Philip II, Federico Zuccaro,

and the Decoration of the Escorial

Emily Wood, Northwestern University, Chicago

Q&A

3.30–5pm Session 2: The reception of Titian's mythological paintings

Chair: Lelia Packer, The Wallace Collection, London

Poetic Flowers for Titian

Carlo Caruso, University of Siena

'Painted by Will Alone': Diego Velázguez Mythological Works and the 'Poesie'

Isabelle Kent, University of Cambridge

Titian as a Role Model in the North: the Importance of the Brussels Court

Carlotta Striolo, University of Verona/Ghent University

Q&A

5–5.15pm A conversation with: Thomas De Freston [artist, Oxford].

With Matthias Wivel, The National Gallery, London

5.30–6.30pm Special event and final remarks: Virtual roundtable

Moderator: Matthias Wivel, The National Gallery, London

Speakers: Bernard Aikema, University of Verona

Diane Bodart, Columbia University
Jill Burke, University of Edinburgh
Jodi Cranston, Boston University

Nathaniel Silver, Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum, Boston

Giorgio Tagliaferro, University of Warwick

Aidan Weston-Lewis, National Galleries of Scotland, Edinburgh