

Save Ancient Studies Alliance

Summer 2022 Texts-in-Translation Reading Group

‘From Soapy Slaughter to Soap Opera!’



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‘X has an affair with y’s wife, y gets revenge in whatever grim way he can, x’s wife retaliates by publicly humiliating y and his wife. Then the super ambitious brother of x gets involved....’ Whilst this may seem more familiar from the modern soap opera, it was also the bread and butter of Greek Tragedy, Greek Comedy, Roman Comedy, and, oh yes, wait, history!

What better lesson do you need that people have not changed. Families are complicated. Come and explore the enduring reality of the complexity of human relationships, from murderous revenge and bathtubs to the intrigue, incest (alleged), and insidious rivalry of the imperial household.

Dates (3-weeks):

Tuesdays at 11 AM EST

-Session 1: July 26th

-Session 2: August 2nd

-Session 3: August 9th

Location:(Provided by SASA)

Zoom Meeting Link

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85815866500?pwd=TnZRZ2xhcFNzSmtDNUMvQ0ZaV0dzZz09>

Zoom Meeting ID

858 1586 6500

Zoom Meeting Password

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Reading Group Google Folder: (PDF Readings and Recordings of Sessions)

<https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1S0Jp4luq8b2wdjrlR0fK8x3D2txB42Qe?usp=sharing>

Week 1 'The House of Atreus: the ultimate dysfunctional family?'

We will be starting with Aeschylus' *Agamemnon* and *Odyssey* 11.395-464.

Agamemnon: <https://www.poetryintranslation.com/PITBR/Greek/Agamemnon.php>

Odyssey:

<http://www.perseus.tufts.edu/hopper/text?doc=Hom.+Od.+11.395&fromdoc=Perseus%3Atext%3A1999.01.0136>

Week 2 The Generation Gap

Aristophanes;

Clouds <https://www.poetryintranslation.com/PITBR/Greek/Clouds.php>

Wasps <https://www.poetryintranslation.com/PITBR/Greek/Wasps.php>

Terence,, *Adelphoe*

<http://www.perseus.tufts.edu/hopper/text?doc=Perseus%3Atext%3A1999.02.0112>

Week 3 The Julio-Claudians

Tacitus, *Annales*: <https://www.poetryintranslation.com/PITBR/Latin/Annalshome.php>

IV. 1-30, 55-81.

XIII. 2-4.

XIV. 1-12.

*Main readings must be in the language your group will be conducted in, additional readings and resources are highly encouraged, and can be in any language available.

Guest Scholars

In the past, our Educational Ambassadors have invited other scholars to join them for a session, an expert in an area you will be discussing, and people really enjoying getting the perspective and discussion with multiple scholars in order to help them get a well rounded view of the topic.

Your SASA Educational Ambassador:

All about yours truly!



Dr Georgina Longley: Call me George!

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