

# LAGB Annual Meeting 2011: University of Manchester

## *Second Circular*

The 2011 Annual Meeting of the Linguistics Association of Great Britain will be held at the University of Manchester, from 7th to 10th September. The local organisers are **Yuni Kim, Andrew Koontz-Garboden, Jon Morris, Ludovica Serratrice** and **Nuria Yáñez-Bouza**. The Meeting will last four days and will feature several special events, listed below.

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### Special events

1. The **Henry Sweet Lecture 2011** will be delivered by Professor **Mark Liberman** (University of Pennsylvania) on the evening of 7th September, with the title '**Towards the golden age of speech and language science**'.
  2. The **Linguistics Association Lecture 2011** will be delivered by Professor **Colin Phillips** (University of Maryland) on 10th September, with the title '**What is a mental grammar?**'.
  3. There will be a **special workshop** related to Mark Liberman's Henry Sweet Lecture, on 7th September organized by John Coleman, entitled '**Using large-scale speech collections in phonetics and phonology research**'.
  4. There will also be a **special themed session** on 10th September, related to Colin Phillips' Linguistics Association Lecture, with the title '**The psycholinguistics of grammar**'.
  5. There will be a Language Tutorial on **Tundra Nenets**, given by Dr. **Irina Nikolaeva** (School of Oriental and African Studies).
  6. The **LAGB Education Committee** will hold a two-hour session on the UK Linguistics Olympiad (a competition in which school children solve linguistics data problems). Members of the UKLO committee will explain the history, aims, and achievements so far, of the Olympiad; present some samples of the problems children have to solve; and invite questions and discussion. Further details are available on the Education Committee website: [www.phon.ucl.ac.uk/home/dick/ec/ecsessions.htm](http://www.phon.ucl.ac.uk/home/dick/ec/ecsessions.htm).
  7. The **LAGB Student Committee** will hold a session for postgraduate students on publishing led by Chris Tannock.
  8. A **Pecha Kucha Night** for postgraduates will be held on the evening of Friday 9<sup>th</sup> September.
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### Venue

The conference will be held at Hulme Hall, a self-contained venue set in landscaped lawns and gardens, in the Victoria Park area of Manchester. Situated just 1.5 miles from the city centre and close to the main University of Manchester campus, Hulme Hall is a few minutes walk away from Manchester's famous Curry Mile on Wilmslow Road - the main bus route to the university and city centre.

<http://ulwa.humanities.manchester.ac.uk/lagb2011/venue.html>

Manchester itself is one of Britain's most dynamic cities, famous for its music culture, football teams, universities and exciting nightlife. The city boasts world-class galleries and museums, excellent shopping opportunities, and restaurants, pubs and bars to suit every taste.

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## Travel

Manchester is easily reached by road, rail or air, with direct connections to most major cities in the country. The conference venue is a 20 minute bus ride from Piccadilly bus station, or can be reached by a short taxi ride from the city centre. Manchester's ring road connects the city to motorways to the north, south, east and west. Manchester Airport is just 9 miles from the conference venue. From the airport, trains run every 15 minutes into Piccadilly train station in the city centre; the average journey time is 20 minutes.

[www.visitmanchester.com/#/transport.aspx](http://www.visitmanchester.com/#/transport.aspx)

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## Registration & Accommodation

Bookings for the 2011 meeting should be made using the **website** set up at the University of Manchester for this purpose. The full package, including the conference fee, accommodation for three nights and lunch on three days costs **£290** for LAGB members and **£310** for non-members.

It is also possible to book for selected items. To book online, please follow the instructions on the meeting website:

<http://ulwa.humanities.manchester.ac.uk/laqb2011>

Non-members are encouraged to join the Association (£20.00/£10.00 waged/unwaged) before booking to avoid paying supplementary fees:

[http://www.lagb.org.uk/?page\\_id=59](http://www.lagb.org.uk/?page_id=59)

If you have any questions about booking, please contact: [LAGB2011@gmail.com](mailto:LAGB2011@gmail.com)

**Booking deadline:** There is a discount on bookings received by **7th August 2011**. A 'late fee' will be applied to bookings received after that date.

**Accommodation:** Basic ensuite rooms are available at the conference venue - you can book accommodation for the three nights of the conference, or nights either side, on the booking website. See the University of Manchester LAGB conference website for details of how to book online:

<http://ulwa.humanities.manchester.ac.uk/laqb2011>

**Meals:** Breakfast and lunch on Thursday, Friday and Saturday are included in the price of the full conference package. Dinner is not included. When registering for the conference please ensure that you let us know about any special dietary requirements you have.

**Registration:** The registration desk will open at 1pm on Wednesday 7th September. The registration desk will be signposted and a map detailing the location of Hulme Hall is provided on the conference website.

**Non-members:** Non-members are welcome to attend the meeting, but must pay a supplement on the standard conference fees. For instance a fee of £20.00 is payable in addition to the standard rate for LAGB members purchasing the full conference package. Full details of fees for non-members can be found on the conference website. Non-members are encouraged to join the Association before booking to avoid non-member fees:

[http://www.lagb.org.uk/?page\\_id=59](http://www.lagb.org.uk/?page_id=59)

**Abstracts:** Abstracts will be available on the conference website.

**LAGB Annual General Meeting:** This is to be held on the afternoon of Thursday 8th September. Items for the agenda should be sent to the Honorary Secretary (address below).

**Sign Language Interpreting:** It is not possible for cost reasons to provide interpreting for all sessions as a matter of course, but if you require interpreting for particular sessions, please contact the President, as early as possible (contact details below), and we will endeavour to provide it.

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## Communications with the membership

### Website

The LAGB website can be found at: [www.lagb.org.uk](http://www.lagb.org.uk)

### Mailing list

Details of the LAGB mailing list can be found here: [www.jiscmail.ac.uk/lists/lagb.html](http://www.jiscmail.ac.uk/lists/lagb.html)

The list is to be used for member consultations and to disseminate circulars and other information that may be of interest to members. On joining the Association, you will be subscribed to the list by the Membership Secretary, but may ask to be unsubscribed, if you so choose. Messages sent to [lagb@jiscmail.ac.uk](mailto:lagb@jiscmail.ac.uk) will be distributed to the list, once they have been approved by a list-moderator. Please note that mailing list messages should be text only, without attachments.

### Changes of address

Members are reminded to send notification of changes of address to the Membership Secretary (for contact details see below). An institutional address is preferred.

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## Future Meetings

All meetings are held in late August / early September:

2012 University of Salford (5th-8th September 2012)

2013 School of Oriental and African Studies, London (28th-31st August 2013)

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**The Meetings Secretary would very much like to receive offers of future venues, particularly from institutions that the LAGB has not visited for a while.**

Nominations for speakers, workshops and language tutorials (language and/or speaker) at future meetings are also requested; all suggestions should be emailed to the Honorary Secretary. The nominations collected will be voted on by the membership at the Annual General Meeting, which is held as part of the Annual meeting.

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## **Election of a new President**

The second term of office for the current President ends this year. Association members were requested to submit nominations for this position in the *First Circular*. The Assistant Secretary received one nomination for the role, to be discussed at the Annual General Meeting of the Association.

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