Dunedin has joined the many cities in the world in which a University of the Third Age has been founded

Beginning in France in the mid seventies the U3A movement has now spread to most countries and has many hundreds of thousands of members.

U3A is a response to the idea that human life is divided into three periods: firstly, childhood and schooling; secondly, child rearing and work; and thirdly retirement.

The third age is seen to provide the greatest opportunities for learning and understanding because it is during this period of retirement that the idea of a university as a community of those who seek greater understanding through learning can be put into practice.

# The unique characteristics of U3A

- Learning topics are selected by the members
- Indepth courses are planned by members
- Opportunities for reading, research and discussion are provided
- Presenters/facilitators are usually members of the groups
- The company of others who enjoy learning is ensured
- The atmosphere for learning is informal and friendly
- There are no examinations
- There are no compulsory activities
- Courses take place during daylight hours
- Costs are minimal and within the reach of everybody

## ADMINISTRATION

Dates: Wednesdays Time: 2.15-4.15pm Fee: \$40-00 Tea and coffee provided

#### **Enrolments** -Limited to 50

You are able to enrol in more than one programme (subject to numbers). If you wish to enrol for more than one programme, you *must indicate your choice* on the Enrolment Form.

To be received on or **before mid-day** Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> February 2003. After the draw those who were unsuccessful will be notified as soon as possible.

#### Venue:

All sessions are held in the Lecture Room, Salmond Hall, Knox St.

Session Leaders Jenny Laws (467 9890) Wilson Daniel

Lecturer: Prof John Barsby

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## **GREEK AND ROMAN COMEDY** 5th March –9<sup>th</sup> April 2003

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First Name for Name Tag:

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Address:

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#### Payment

Course Fee: \$40 Cheques payable to Rodgers and Associates

Please complete and return to: U3A Rodgers and Associates P O Box 6200 Dunedin North on or before noon Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> February 2003

Enquiries to: U3A Rodgers and Associates 474 0847

#### The Programme

### GREEK AND ROMAN COMEDY

After an introduction discussing the nature of comedy and the place of the Greeks and Romans in the European comic tradition, the course examines two plays each of the four great comic masters of Athens and Rome, considering not only the dramatic quality of the plays but their political, social and ethical attitudes. Aristophanes with his zany mixture of imaginative farce and topical satire belongs to the tradition of Old Comedy which left no direct influence on European comedy but has affinities with the modern pantomime. The real founder of the comedy of manners was Menander, whose plays were not rediscovered until the papyrus finds of the 20<sup>th</sup> century. Menander and the other writers of Greek New Comedy served as the models for the Roman comic dramatists, Plautus and Terence, who in turn were imitated by such writers as Shakespeare and Moliere.

## **GREEK AND ROMAN COMEDY**

### PROGRAMME 2003 (Wednesdays 2.15-4.15pm) Venue:-Lecture Room, Salmond Hall

5 <sup>th</sup> March	Introduction to Aristophanes, <i>The Wasps</i>
12 <sup>th</sup> March	Aristophanes' <i>The Frogs.</i> Introduction to Menander
19 <sup>th</sup> March	Menander's <i>The Bad-Tempered</i> Man and <i>The Woman of Samos</i>
26 <sup>th</sup> March	Introduction to Plautus. <i>The Pot</i> of Gold
2nd April	Plautus' <i>The Menaechmi</i> . Introduction to Terence
9 <sup>th</sup> April	<i>Terence's The Eunuch</i> and <i>The Brothers</i>

Lecturer: Prof John Barsby

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