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**Series 3 2011** 

## SHAKESPEARE AND THE ROMAN REVOLUTION: 'JULIUS CAESAR' AND 'ANTONY AND CLEOPATRA'

Dates: Thursday, 8 September - Thursday, 13 October 2011

Time: 2.15 pm - 4.15 pm

Venue: Salmond College, Knox Street, North East Valley

Enrolments for this course will be limited to 50

Course Fee: \$40.00

Tea and Coffee provided

Course Organiser: Sue Harvey (471 0546)

Course Assistant: Bill Wilson (477 2282)

You may apply to enrol in more than one course. If you wish to do so, you must indicate your choice preferences on the application form, and include payment of the appropriate fee(s).

All applications must be received by noon on Wednesday, 10 August 2011, and you may expect to receive a response to your application on or about 19 August.

Any questions about these courses after 19 August should be referred to the Secretary, U3A Dunedin, telephone 471 9913 or on email at <graysinn@clear.net.nz>

Please keep this brochure as a reminder of venue, dates, and times for the courses for which you apply.

## SHAKESPEARE AND THE ROMAN REVOLUTION: 'JULIUS CAESAR' AND 'ANTONY AND CLEOPATRA'

'The Roman Revolution', by Ronald Syme, is one of the greatest books ever written by a New Zealander. It deals with the change of the Roman republic into the Roman empire. Of course Shakespeare does not analyse this as Syme does; but there are some similarities between them, especially in their attitude towards Marc Antony, the great man, generous and impulsive, in contrast to his rival, Octavius, who nevertheless becomes the first Roman emperor. The aim will be to discuss these similarities, along with the quality of the two plays and their place in Shakespeare's career.

The course will be presented by Emeritus Professor Alan Horsman, formerly of the Department of English, University of Otago.

## The Programme

There will be 3 sessions on each play, accompanied by a film of each.

Thursday, 8 September

Thursday, 15 September

Thursday, 22 September

Thursday, 29 September

Thursday, 6 October

Thursday, 13 October