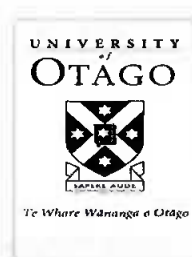


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Series 2 2007

THE YELLOW BRICK ROAD: JOURNEYS IN FANTASY LITERATURE AND FILM

Dates: Thursday, 14 June – Thursday, 26 July 2007

Time: 10.00 am - 12 noon

Venue: Lecture Room, Salmond College, North East Valley

Enrolments for this course will be limited to 50

Course Fee: \$30.00

Tea and Coffee provided

Course Organiser: Sue Harvey (471 0546)

Course Assistant: Honor Anderson (473 0200)

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

All applications must be received by noon on Wednesday, 9 May 2007, and you may expect to receive a response to your application on or about 18 May.

Any questions about courses after 18 May should be made to the Secretary, U3A Dunedin, on email at <graysinn@clear.net.nz>

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Imaginative fiction in the form of fantasy novels or films is one of the most popular modern forms of entertainment. The genre has a long history, from ancient Sumeria and Egypt to the present, but it is remarkably consistent in its general features. One of the enduring topics in Fantasy is the Journey, and in this course of lectures, readings and excerpts from films we will explore the dimensions of journeying and the many forms it takes in a range of modern works from Tolkein's *Hobbit* to J. K. Rowling's Harry Potter stories. Prepare to be enchanted and to perhaps realize that there is more to Fantasy literature and film than meets the eye.

The Lecture Programme

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| 14 June | Mapping the Journey: <i>The Man whose Mother was a Pirate</i> (Mahy) |
| 21 June | No lecture on this day |
| 28 June | Hobnobbing with Hobbits: <i>The Hobbit</i> (Tolkein) |
| 5 July | In search of Narnia: <i>The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe; The Horse and His Boy; The Voyage of the Dawn Treader</i> (Lewis) |
| 12 July | Taking the Yellow Brick Road: <i>The Wizard of Oz</i> (Baum) |
| 19 July | Lost in the Labyrinth: <i>Labyrinth</i> (Henson) |
| 26 July | All aboard for Hogwarts: <i>Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone</i> (Rowling) |

The speaker for all sessions will be Emeritus Professor Colin Gibson, formerly of the Department of English, University of Otago.