

***Roman Family VI:
Limits and Borders of Childhood and Family***

May 17-19th 2012

Villa Lante al Gianicolo, Institutum Romanum Finlandiae, Rome

In memory of Beryl Rawson (1933-2010)

In collaboration with:

Academia Belgica

The American Academy in Rome

The Federation of Finnish Learned Societies

Free University of Brussels

Religion and Childhood Research Project (Academy of Finland)

Roman Society Research Centre

The Royal Netherlands Institute in Rome

University of Antwerp

Program:

May 16th

7 pm.: Villa Lante al Gianicolo

Opening reception with poster exhibition

Welcome by Katariina Mustakallio and Christian Laes

May 17th:

10.00 h.: The Demographic Regime: Hunger and Health

(Chair: Katariina Mustakallio)

10.00 h.: Germs of Rome II. The City in Late Antiquity
Kyle Harper (Oklahoma University)

10.45 h.: Folklore and Children's Health: Rome, Late
Antiquity and Beyond
Susan Holman (Harvard University)

coffee break

11.45 h.: Representations of Illness and Disability in Late
Antique Art
Manuela Studer-Karlen (Université de
Fribourg)

12.30 h.: Catacombs and Health in Christian Rome
Leonard Rutgers (Universiteit Utrecht)

13.30-15 h.: LUNCH BREAK
(lunch offered on the terrace)

15 h.: Roman Family and the Life Course Approach

(Chair: Christian Laes)

15 h.: Family and Life Course in Roman Inscriptions
Ray Laurence, Francesco Trifilò (Kent University)

**15.45 h.: Children on the Border of the Adult World:
Myth and Reality**

(Chair: Ville Vuolanto)

15.45 h.: Reconstructing Agency of Children in Roman
Memory

Katariina Mustakallio (Institutum Romanum
Finlandiae, University of Tampere)

16.30 h.: Children and Their Occupations in Christian Rome
Christian Laes (Free University of Brussels/
Universiteit Antwerpen)

17.30 h.: FREE EVENING

May 18th:

coffee from 10 h.

**10.30 h.: Children on the Border of the Adult World: Labour
and Sex**

(Chair: Ville Vuolanto)

10.30 h.: Enslaved Families in Early Christianity
Bernadette Brooten (Brandeis University)

11.15 h.: "I renounce the sexual abuse of children":
Christian and Jewish Attitudes to Pederasty in Late
Antiquity"

John W. Martens (Saint-Thomas University,
Minnesota)

12-14 h.: **LUNCH BREAK (free time)**

14 h.: **On the Borders of the Roman Cultural Sphere**

(Chair: Ray Laurence)

14 h.: Exotic Families in the City of Rome: Onomastics
and Social History

Heikki Solin (University of Helsinki)

14.45 h.: Children and Childhood in Late Ancient
Constantinople

Reidar Aasgaard (University of Oslo)

15.15 h.: Limits, Limitations, or Liminality in Parent-Child
Relationships in the Roman East and the Persian
Empire

Cornelia Horn (Saint Louis, MO)

16.00 h.: Autobiography and the Construction of Elite
Childhood in Fourth Century Antioch

Ville Vuolanto (Tampere University)

20 h.: **Conference Dinner**

May 19th:

10. 30 h.: On the Borders of the Roman Cultural Sphere

(Chair: Marja-Leena Hänninen)

10.30 h.: Children and Families in Late Roman Egypt
April Pudsey (University of London)

11.15 h.: Matters of Maintenance: Rabbinic
Configurations of Familial Obligations
Hagith Sivan (University of Kansas)

12 h.: Concluding remarks - discussion