

6th Nordic-Celtic-Baltic folklore symposium

SUPERNATURAL PLACES

Tartu June 4–7, 2012

Organizers: the Department of Estonian and Comparative Folklore, the Department of Scandinavian Studies, the University of Tartu, and the Tartu NEFA Group in cooperation with the Centre of Excellence in Cultural Theory.

Monday 04.06.2012

14.00–18.45 Registration (Lobby of the University of Tartu main building, Ülikooli 18)

17.00–18.30 Opening of the symposium and keynote lecture (Assembly Hall of the University of Tartu main building, Ülikooli 18)

Bengt af Klintberg (University of Stockholm)

Wonders of Midsummer's Night: The Magical Bracken

19.00–21.00 Reception (History Museum of University of Tartu, Toome Hill, Lossi 25)

Tuesday 05.06.2012

Plenary lectures will take place in the Philosophicum (Jakobi 2–226, round auditorium), parallel sessions in Ülikooli 16–212, Ülikooli 16–214 (second floor) and in Ülikooli 17–305 (third floor).

9.00–10.30 Plenary lectures

Ergo-Hart Västriik (University of Tartu)

Place-lore as a Field of Study within Estonian Folkloristics: Sacred and Supernatural Places

Lina Būgienė (Institute of Lithuanian Literature and Folklore)

Narrative Expression of Cultural Landscape: from Supernatural Place Legends to Everyday Talk

10.30–11.00 Coffee/tea

11.00–12.30 Plenary lectures

John Lindow (University of California, Berkeley)

Legends of the Churchyard

Terry Gunnell (University of Iceland)

The Power in the Place: Icelandic Legends Concerning 'Power Spots' in a Comparative Context

12.30–14.00 Lunch (on your own)

14.00–16.00 Parallel sessions

Ülikooli 17–305	Ülikooli 16–212	Ülikooli 16–214
Chair: Jonathan Roper	Chair: Ulrich Marzolph	Chair: Timothy Tangherlini
Frog (University of Helsinki) When Thunder Is Not Thunder: Changing Intersections of Narrative and Conceptual Models	Ranibala Khumukcham (University of Manipur) Supernatural Love Motifs in the Meitei Legends of Manipur	Annikki Kaivola-Bregenhøj (University of Turku) The Role of Places, Time and Actors in Dream Narratives
Jon Mackley (University of Northampton) Wayland: Smith of the Gods	Marie Alohalani Brown (University of Hawai'i at Mānoa) Here Be Dragons: Supernatural Encounters with Mo'ō Deities in Legendary Hawai'i	Kirsi Hänninen (University of Turku) Representations of Ordinary and Supernatural Realms in UFO Narratives
Mari Purola (University of Eastern Finland) The Devil's Places in Finnish Folk Narratives	Hicran Karataş (University of Hacettepe) The Devil in Old Turkish Religious Life	Kristel Kivari (University of Tartu) Taming the Supernatural, Exciting the Natural: Activities of Dowser's Associations
Alevtina Solovyova (Russian State University for the Humanities) Space in Contemporary Mongolian Demonology	Nina Vlaskina (Russian Academy of Sciences, Southern Scientific Centre) Notions of Barrows in the Language and Culture of the Don Cossacks	Tiina Sepp (University of Tartu) Glastonbury Abbey: Beliefs and Legends

16.00–16.45 Coffee/tea

16.45–18.45 Parallel sessions

Ülikooli 17–305	Ülikooli 16–212	Ülikooli 16–214
Chair: Daniel Sävborg	Chair: Diarmuid Ó Giolláin	Chair: Ergo-Hart Västrik
Kendra Willson (University of California, LA) Localization in Saga Dreams and Dreaming Scenes	Aarne Ruben (Tallinn University) Counterculture in Medieval and Early Modern Livonia and Ösel	Reet Hiimäe (Estonian Literary Museum) The Making of a Supernatural Place: The Example of the Kassnurme Hills
Fjodor Uspenskij (Russian Academy of Science) Comments on Snorri's Use of Ásgarðr, Miðgarðr and Útgarðr in the <i>Edda</i> and <i>Ynglingasaga</i>	Daria Penskaya (Russian State University for the Humanities) Paradise and the Land of the Blessed in Monastic Literature: Irish and Byzantine Traditions	Aldis Pūtelis (University of Latvia) Where is the Border Between Research and Legend? The Sacred Romow in the Scholarly Tradition
Mart Kuldkepp (University of Tartu) Travel and Holy Islands in <i>Eireks Saga Víðförla</i> and <i>Eiríks Saga Rauða</i>	Gülperi Mezkít (University of Hacettepe) Some Findings on the Effect of the Birth Practices of the Wolf-Mother and Wolf Father, Which are Divine in Turkish Culture, in Anatolian Traditions	Leszek Ślupecki (Rzeszow University) How and why Benedictine Monks of the Holy Cross Lysiec Monastery Create a Legend about a Pagan Sanctuary?
	Guinevere Barlow (University of Edinburgh) Alexander Carmichael and the Hebridean Supernatural Landscape	Jaana Kouri (University of Turku) Narrated Environment

19.00–20.00 City excursion

Wednesday 06.06.2012

9.00–10.30 Plenary lectures

Timothy Tangherlini (University of California, LA)

Supernatural Sitings: Geo-semantic Visualization of Supernatural Occurrences in a Large Folklore Corpus

Jonathan Roper (University of Tartu)

On Folk Scepticism

10.30–11.15 Coffee/tea

11.15–13.15 Parallel sessions

Ülikooli 17–305	Ülikooli 16–212	Ülikooli 16–214
Chair: David Hopkin	Chair: Lina Būgienė	Chair: Cristina Bacchilega
Courtney Burrell (University of Victoria) Álfar and the Early Icelandic Settlers	Margaret Lyngdoh (University of Tartu) The Eden Cottage Haunting and An Interview with a Deity: A Contextual Approach to Family Narratives	Nada Kujundžić (University of Zagreb/University of Turku) Generic Appropriations of Supernatural Places: Heaven and Hell in Grimms' <i>Kinder- und Hausmärchen</i>
William Pooley (University of Oxford) Witches, Werewolves, and Fairies in the Nineteenth-Century Landes de Gascogne	Alexandra Arkhipova (Russian State University for the Humanities) Between Temple and Museum: New Types of Sacred Places in Mongolia, Central Asia and South Siberia	Éilís Ní Dhuibhne Almqvist (University College Dublin) Epiphanies, Transubstantiation, and Baking Cakes: The Relationship Between Oral Belief Legend and the Modern Literary Short Story
Tora Wall (The Nordic Museum) Taken into the Mountain	Valentina Punzi (L'Orientale University of Naples/Minzu University of China) Tibetan Sacred Mountains in the Amdo Region: Narration and Ritual at the Sino-Tibetan Border	Bārbala Simšone (Zvaigzne ABC Publishers/Department for Latvian Language, Literature and Arts) Geography of the Imagination: Archetypal Landscape in Fantasy Genre Literature
John Shaw (University of Edinburgh) Rev Robert Kirk's <i>The Secret Commonwealth</i> and Fairy Legends in the Scottish Highlands	Ülo Valk (University of Tartu) Alternative Place-Lores? Belief Narratives of Kāmākhyā Temple in Silghat, Assam	

13.15–14.45 Lunch (on your own)

14.45–16.45 Parallel sessions

Ülikooli 17–305	Ülikooli 16–212	Ülikooli 16–214
Chair: Terry Gunnell	Chair: Irma-Riitta Järvinen	Chair: Ülo Valk
Merrill Kaplan (The Ohio State University) Bad Night at the Mill. Encounters with the Kvernknurr in Norwegian Legend	Madis Arukask (University of Tartu) In Between Human and Wilderness: Herder Magic in Vepsian and North Russian Tales	Ray Cashman (The Ohio State University) Supernatural Encounters and Sense of Place in County Donegal, Ireland
Sandis Laime (Archives of Latvian Folklore, University of Latvia) Place Valence Analysis: Example of F941.2 'Church Sinks Underground'	Sanita Reinsone (Archives of Latvian Folklore, University of Latvia) Landscapes of Getting Lost	Pasi Enges (University of Turku) Surrounded by the Supernatural. Topographic Approach to Sámi Folk Belief
Merili Metsvahi (University of Tartu) Estonian Legends about Marriage Between Siblings and its Disastrous Outcome	Karina Lukin (University of Helsinki) "Today, There is a Chapel There": Tenacity of Sacrality in Nenets Narration	Paul Cowdell (University of Hertfordshire) 'There Are No Ghosts at Auschwitz'
Eva Þórdís Ebenezersdóttir (University of Iceland) Limping in Two Worlds: Disabled People in Icelandic Legend Tradition	Valeria Kolosova (Institute for Language studies, St. Petersburg) Etiological Legends about Plants	Giedrė Šukytė (Šiauliai University) The Horse in Supernatural Places: From Seeing Ghosts to Images of Hidden Treasure

17.30–20.30 Excursions 1) to the Estonian Agricultural Museum, or 2) on the riverboat Pegasus for the registered participants

Thursday 07.06.2012

9.00–10.30 Plenary lectures

Daniel Sävborg (University of Tartu)
The Icelander and the Trolls: The Importance of Place

Irma-Riitta Järvinen (Finnish Literature Society)
A Folkloristic Look at Saints' Lore

10.30–11.15 Coffee/tea

11.15–13.15 Parallel sessions

Ülikooli 17–305	Ülikooli 16–212	Ülikooli 16–214
Chair: John Lindow	Chair: Merili Metsvahi	Chair: Bengt af Klintberg
James Leary (University of Wisconsin) Exile, Gender, Work, and Death: The Legends of 'Whitewater Ole' Horne	Hasso Krull (Tallinn University) Trickster's Footprints	Helen Bome (Tallinn University) Significant Stones in Southeast Estonia: At the Intersection of Folk Custom and Church Ritual
Ave Tupits (Estonian Literary Museum) "He Comes up from the Cellar[stairs], Sighs at the Door and Disappears Somewhere on the Stage." About the Supernatural in Theatre.	Bela Mosia (Shota Meskhia State Teaching University of Zugdidi) The Function of Symbols of Astral Beings in Legends According to Georgian Materials	Helen Frisby (University of the West of England) Purgatory and English Folk Funerary Custom, c. 1170–1920
Júlíana Þóra Magnúsdóttir (University of Iceland) The Mystical World and the Home Yard: Domestic Spaces and Women's Legend Traditions in 20th Century Iceland	Dinesh Baishya (University of Science and Technology, Meghalaya) Magic and Witchcraft in Mayong, Assam, India	Kaarina Koski (University of Helsinki) Supernatural Aspects of the Sacredness of Lutheran Church Buildings: Belief Legends and Ecclesiastical Law
Ingrida Šlepavičiūtė (Vytautas Magnus University) The Supernatural in Urban Spaces: Contemporary Legends	FILM on The Magic and Witchcrafts of Assam by Dinesh Baishya	Adina Hulubas (Romanian Academy, Iasi Branch) Romanian Haunted Places – Unbaptised Buried Infants (Moroi)

13.15–14.45 Lunch (on your own)

14.45–16.15 Plenary lectures

David Hopkin (University of Oxford)
Legends – the French Peasants' History of Feudalism

Diarmuid Ó Giolláin (University of Notre Dame)
People, Nation and 'Combative Literatures': Baltic, Celtic and Nordic Configurations of Folklore

16.15– Closing of the symposium