

FIRST CALL FOR PAPERS

# THERE AND BACK AGAIN: WRITING SPACES, MAPPING PLACES IN THE MEDIEVAL WORLD

*A one-day colloquium investigating the role of geography in medieval literature and the wider cultural milieu*

*The Queen's College,  
Oxford*

*22 June, 2012*



The Oxford Medieval Geographies Research Group invites papers for an interdisciplinary colloquium on medieval geography. Possible subjects might include but are not limited to:

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| Travel narratives    | Communities and ethnic identities    |
| Migration myths      | Encyclopaedic tracts                 |
| Wonders of the East  | Geographical manuscripts             |
| The cultural 'other' | Pilgrimage and spiritual journeys    |
| Mental maps          | Multilingualism and language contact |
| Liminal zones        | Visual representations of the world  |

Papers should be 20 minutes in length. Please submit a 250-word abstract by 31 January 2012 to [oxfordmedievalgeographies@gmail.com](mailto:oxfordmedievalgeographies@gmail.com). The conference fee is expected to be £15 and will include refreshments and lunch. A medieval-themed dinner will follow in the evening.