Robert Lowell in Europe: The Centennial Conference

Université de Fribourg
March 30 – April 1, 2017
Saal Jäggi (MIS 4112)
Av. de l’Europe 20
CH-1700 Fribourg
Thursday, March 30

19:00  Conference Opening, Restaurant Gothard, Fribourg

20:30  Steven Axelrod, U. of California, Riverside, “Lowell’s Prose”

Friday, March 31

9:00     Welcome

9:10–10:30  Massimo Bacigalupo, U. of Genoa, Italy
            “Lowell and Pound in Washington and Rapallo”

          Grzegorz Kosc, U. of Warsaw, Poland
            “Robert Lowell and Ezra Pound’s Economics”

          Francesco Rognoni, Università Cattolica Milano, Italy
            “Another Look at Lowell’s Italian Imitations”

Coffee break

11:00–12:15  Jo Gill, U. of Exeter, Great Britain
             “Reworking the Same Water: Robert Lowell Transported”

             Ian Copestake, Editor, William Carlos Williams Review
             “Sweet salt embalms me: a disability studies approach
to the role of the sea in the poetry of Robert Lowell”

             Astrid Franke, U. of Tübingen, Germany
             “Mad Poets and Mad Doctors: Mental Illness from the other side”

12:15–13:45  Lunch Break

14:00–15:10  Boris Vejdovsky, U. of Lausanne, Switzerland
             “Cal and Elizabeth: Worlds Apart and Worlds Shared”

             Philip Coleman, Trinity College Dublin, Ireland
             “Lowell’s Marriages”

             Jiri Flajsar, Palacky U. Olomouc, Czech Republic
             “The Problem of Homecoming in the Poetry of Robert Lowell”
Coffee break

15:45 – 16:45  Diederik Oostdijk, Free University of Amsterdam, the Netherlands  

Frank Kearful, U. of Bonn, Germany, “Lowell’s Rilke”

Break and guided walking tour of Fribourg, with MA seminar students.

19:00  Dinner at Bindella, Fribourg

Saturday, April 1

9:00 – 10:15  Saskia Hamilton, Barnard College, N.Y.  
“The Dolphin Letters: Robert Lowell, Elizabeth Hardwick, and Their Circle”

Thomas Travisano, Hartwick College, N.Y.  
“Robert Lowell and the Power of Influence”

10:30  Departure from Fribourg train station for Gruyère and points “Beyond the Alps.”
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