

21st Signum symposium *Memoriepraktijken in de Nederlanden* (Memorial practices in the Low Countries)

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Background

Each year the *Contactgroep Signum* (<http://www.contactgroepsignum.eu/>) organizes a symposium on a specific theme, related to social-economic and institutional-judicial history of religious and ecclesiastical institutions in the Low Countries. In 1997 the *Signum* symposium was devoted to medieval *memoria* culture. Since then a lot of has happened in this research field in Belgium and the Netherlands. There have been expositions and symposiums about the commemoration of the dead; several dissertations on this topic have been published or will be published in the coming years and various websites have been launched. To put it short, *memoria* research is alive and kicking in the Low Countries.

Additionally, since 2009 there is the *Medieval Memoria Online* project (MeMO) (<http://memo.hum.uu.nl/>), which aims to catalogue and describe source material that is fundamental for the study of *memoria* culture. One of the source types that was selected to be included into the MeMO project were memorial registers. An inventory of these sources was created in the early 90's by members of the *Contactgroep Signum*. MeMO uses this inventory together with the descriptions of these memorial registers that were made from 2004 on by the Focus Group Memorial Registers (Werkgroep Memorieboeken) that consisted of members of *Signum*.

MeMO-Signum symposium

Given all of these developments in the research field, there is reason to once again devote a *Signum* symposium to the medieval *memoria* culture in the Low Countries. The emphasis during this symposium will be on ongoing research projects in Belgium and the Netherlands. The subjects of this symposium include the memorial practices in the monastery of Saint John in Haarlem and in the church of St Martin in Kortrijk (Courtrai), as well as the memorial practices among the canons in Flanders, and in communities of the Modern Devotion in the Northern and Southern Low Countries. There will also be an excursion to the Jacobikerk in Utrecht, where a memorial painting can be found that was altered during the Reformation and given a second life. This excursion will also lead past churches drawn and painted by Pieter Saenredam.

Programme

9:45	Reception and coffee
10:15	Welcome and short introduction
10:30	Duco Vollebregt – ‘De administratie van de <i>memoria</i> . Memorieregisters uit Leiden, Haarlem en Den Haag’

- 11:00 Bas Diemel – ‘*Daer es leven sonder sterven. Memoria en gemeenschapsvorming in Windesheimer kringen uit de laatmiddeleeuwse Zuidelijke Nederlanden (1350-1550)*’
- 11:30 Anne Bollmann – ‘*Voerwaer weerdich in gedenckenisse te hebben. Over de memoriepraktijk in de historiografie van de Moderne Devotie*’
- 12:00 Discussion
- 12:30 Lunch
- 13:15 Corinne van Dijk and Truus van Bueren – ‘Een tweede leven voor een vijftiende-eeuwse memorievoorstelling in de Utrechtse Jacobikerk’
- 13:45 Jeannette van Arenthals – ‘Saenredam in Utrecht’
- 14:00 Excursion to the Jacobikerk by Jeannette van Arenthals and Corinne van Dijk
- 15:00 Coffee
- 15:15 Member meeting *Contactgroep Signum*
- 15:30 Marjan de Smet – ‘Uitdelingen van *proven* tijdens middeleeuwse jaargetijdevieringen in de Kortrijkse Sint-Maartenskerk’
- 16:00 Charlotte Dikken – ‘Keizerlijke schenkingspraktijken: de gebrandschilderde glazen van de Sint Waldetrudis in Bergen’
- 16:30 Discussion
- 16:45 Drinks