2004-5 Ruskin and Life Writing

**Autumn Term**

7 October Jeffrey Richards
E.W Godwin and Ruskinian Theatre.

13 October *Chris Orr’s John Ruskin, and other stories*
Tour of the exhibition in the Ruskin Library, followed by Private View with Opening by Michael Palin.

21 October Van Akin Burd
A Guest Appearance.

28 October Robert Hewison
Ruskin the Novice: Byron and Venice, 1835.

1 November MIKIMOTO MEMORIAL RUSKIN LECTURE 2004
A.N Wilson
Ruskin and Dante.

18 November Stuart Eagles

25 November David Amigoni
New Directions in Victorian Life Writing.

2 December Richard Foulkes
“A True Peep of Old Venice”: Ruskinian and other influences in the staging of *The Merchant of Venice* in the nineteenth century.

9 December Michael Wheeler
Ruskin’s Fragmented Lives.

**Lent Term**

13 January: Simon Bainbridge (Lancaster University)
”The Ear of Faith”: Nineteenth-Century Religious Readings of Wordsworth

20 January: Chris Pool (Lancaster University)
”Stones and Glaciers are Cold Friends”: Ruskin’s Mountain Dens in Savoy

27 January: “My dearest place in Italy”: *Ruskin and Verona*
Tour of the exhibition

3 February: Biographies: Writing Ruskin from 1900 to the Present
(Group discussion led by Andrew Tate (Lancaster University)).

24 February Selections from Ruskin’s Life Writing
(Group discussion led by Andrew Tate (Lancaster University)).
3 March:        Kate Newey
              The Pre-Raphaelites and Stage Beauties

10 March:       Brian Ingram
                Praeterita and Walter Scott

17 March:       Alan Davis (Lancaster_)
                Glimpses of Ruskin 1887-89, seen through his copy of John Evelyn’s memoirs

Summer Term

21 April        David Mayer
                A Nest of Contradictions: Toga Plays and Ruskin

28 April        James Deboo (Lancaster University)
                Ruskin’s Garden at Brantwood’.

5 May           Keith Hanley (Lancaster University)
                Ruskin’s Holy Lands

12 May          Review and planning session for the next academic year
                (led by Keith Hanley and Andrew Tate (Lancaster University))

19 May          Robert Hewison
                Past and Present: Ruskin and the Idea of History