

## *Aucassin Et Nicolette The Poetry Of Gender And Growing Up In The French Middle Ages The Monograph Series*

Jan Huizinga and Roger Caillois have already taught us to realize how important games and play have been for pre-modern civilization. Recent research has begun to acknowledge the fundamental importance of these aspects in cultural, religious, philosophical, and literary terms. This volume expands on the traditional approach still very much focused on the materiality of game (toys, cards, dice, falcons, dolls, etc.) and acknowledges that game constituted also a form of coming to terms with human existence in an unstable and volatile world determined by universal randomness and fortune. Whether considering blessings or horse fighting, falconry or card games, playing with dice or dolls, we can gain a much deeper understanding of medieval and early modern society when we consider how people pursued pleasure and how they structured their leisure time. The contributions examine a wide gamut of approaches to pleasure, considering health issues, eroticism, tournaments, playing music, reading and listening, drinking alcohol, gambling and throwing dice. This large issue was also relevant, of course, in non-Christian societies, and constitutes a critical concern both for the past and the present because we are all *homines ludentes*.

*Aucassin and Nicolette* is the 1887 short collection of poetry by the famous Scottish author, scholar, theologian, and poet, Andrew Lang. *Odin's Library Classics* is dedicated to bringing the world the best of humankind's literature from throughout the ages. Carefully selected, each work is unabridged from classic works of fiction, nonfiction, poetry, or drama. Andrew Gabriel Lang was a prolific Scots man of letters. He was a poet, novelist, and literary critic, and a contributor to anthropology. He now is best known as a collector of folk and fairy tales.

*Jehan et Blonde* is the second somewhat better-known of Philippe de Remi's two verse romances. It is presented here in a scholarly edition accompanied by a facing translation into English and an ample commentary. In addition, this volume contains the rest of

**Philippe's works as preserved in the unique manuscript, Paris BNF fr. 1588: eight substantial verse compositions offering much variety in length, tone, and content. Two other bodies of work are also included: eleven songs in BNF fr. 24006 (of which ten are surely by him) and the series of 'Resveries' in BNF fr. 837 now generally ascribed to him. The volume, a companion to *Le Roman de la Manekine* (1999), rounds out the complete works of this 13th-century land-holder, professional administrator, family man, gifted amateur writer, and lover of literature. It includes the first English translation of *Jehan et Blonde* and is the only edition of Philippe's works to contain the songs and the 'Resveries.' It should be of interest to specialists in medieval French romance and lyric verse, and also to general readers of medieval narrative who find English translations useful.**

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**Aucassin And Nicolette**

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*Includes articles about translations of the works of specific authors and also more general topics pertaining to literary translation.*

*The notions of other peoples, cultures, and natural conditions have always been determined by the epistemology of imagination and fantasy, providing much freedom and creativity, and yet have also created much fear, anxiety, and horror. In this regard, the pre-modern world demonstrates striking parallels with our own insofar as the projections of alterity might be different by degrees, but they are fundamentally the same by content. Dreams, illusions, projections, concepts, hopes, utopias/dystopias, desires, and emotional attachments are as specific and impactful as the physical environment.*

*This volume thus sheds important light on the various lenses used by people in the Middle Ages and the early modern age as to how they came to terms with their perceptions, images, and notions. Previous scholarship focused heavily on the history of mentality and history of emotions, whereas here the history of pre-modern imagination, and fantasy assumes center position. Imaginary things are taken seriously because medieval and early modern writers and artists clearly reveal their great significance in their works and their daily lives. This approach facilitates a new deep-structure analysis of pre-modern culture.*

*This book shows how ethics and aesthetics interact in the works of one of the most celebrated literary stylists of the twentieth century: the Russian American novelist Vladimir Nabokov. Dana Dragunoiu reads Nabokov's fictional worlds as battlegrounds between an autonomous will and heteronomous passions, demonstrating Nabokov's insistence that genuinely moral acts occur when the will triumphs over the passions by answering the call of duty.*

*Dragunoiu puts Nabokov's novels into dialogue with the work of writers such as Alexander Pushkin, William Shakespeare, Leo Tolstoy, and Marcel Proust; with Kantian moral philosophy; with the institution of the modern duel of honor; and with the European traditions of chivalric literature that Nabokov studied as an undergraduate at Cambridge University. This configuration of literary influences and philosophical contexts allows Dragunoiu to*

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*advance an original and provocative argument about the formation, career, and legacies of an author who viewed moral activity as an art, and for whom artistic and moral acts served as testaments to the freedom of the will.*

*Poetics and Sign Theory in the Middle Ages*

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*Rosamund Marriott Watson, Woman of Letters*

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*Aucassin and Nicolette (Esprios Classics)*

Excerpt from Aucassin Et Nicolette The object of the French poet was plainly to vary the monotony of a mere prose narrative. Not only so, but he has cleverly turned to account the special advantage of each style, prose and verse, and has thus given a distinct artistic value to the alternation. Thus, in the three sections of the work in which songs are introduced - the warder's song (i the song of the herdboys the song of Nicolette, disguised as a minstrel (39) - the effect is made much more realistic by their being actually sung. However, the chance of introducing a real song could occur but seldom; but the utterances of grief or passionate feeling have Often something of the nature of song in them, and we find introduced in the verse, as quasi-songs, various soliloquies or single speeches of the hero and heroine, either lamentations, or affirmations of love and constancy. No less than thirteen out of the twenty-one verse sections contain some utterance of this kind, which in many of them occupies almost the whole of the section. We may note, however, that it is the prose sections which tell almost the whole of the actual story; and although the verse sections are not merely interludes, there are only some half-dozen of them whose omission would interfere with its development. About the Publisher Forgotten Books publishes hundreds of thousands of rare and classic books. Find more at [www.forgottenbooks.com](http://www.forgottenbooks.com) This book is a reproduction of an important historical work. Forgotten Books uses state-of-the-art technology to digitally reconstruct the work, preserving the original format whilst repairing imperfections present in the aged copy. In rare cases, an imperfection in the original, such as a blemish or missing page, may be replicated in our edition. We do, however, repair the vast majority of imperfections successfully; any imperfections that remain are intentionally left to preserve the state of such historical works.

Rosamund Marriott Watson was a gifted poet, an erudite literary and art critic, and a daring beauty whose life illuminates fin-de-siecle London and the way literary reputations are made---and lost. A participant in aestheticism and decadence, she wrote six volumes of poems noted for their subtle cadence, diction, and uncanny effects. Linda K. Hughes unfolds a complex life in *Graham R: Rosamund Marriott Watson, Woman of Letters*, tracing the poet's development from accomplished ballads and sonnets, to avant garde urban impressionism and New Woman poetry, to her anticipation of literary Modernism. Despite an early first divorce she won fame writing under a pseudonym, Graham R. Tomson. The influential Andrew Lang announced the arrival of a new poet he thought a man. She was soon hosting socials attended by Lang, Oscar Wilde, H. G. Wells and other 1890s notables. Publishing to widespread praise, as Graham R. she exemplified the complex cultural politics of her era. Her consummate grace, beauty, and wit captivated Thomas Hardy and left an impression on his work. At the height of her success she fell in love with writer H. B. Marriott Watson. She dared a second divorce and became Rosamund Marriott Watson. *Graham R: Rosamund Marriot Watson, Woman of Letters* combines the stories of a gifted poet, of London literary networks in the 1890s, and of a bold woman whose achievements and scandals turned on her unusual history of marriage and divorce. Her literary history and her uncommon experience together reveal the limits and opportunities faced by an unconventional, ambitious, and talented woman at the turn of the century. Linda K. Hughes, Addie Levy Professor of Literature at Texas Christian University in Fort Worth, is the author of *The Manyfaced Glass*:

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Tennyson's Dramatic Monologues (Ohio, 1987), New Woman Poets: An Anthology, and, with Michael Lund, The Victorian Serial and Victorian Publishing and Mrs. Gaskell's Work.

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Landmarks in French Literature

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***Contrary to common assumptions, medieval and early modern writers and poets often addressed the high value of freedom, whether we think of such fable authors as Marie de France or Ulrich Bonerius. Similarly, medieval history knows of numerous struggles by various peoples to maintain their own freedom or political independence. Nevertheless, as this study illustrates, throughout the pre-modern period, the loss of freedom could happen quite easily, affecting high and low (including kings and princes) and there are many literary texts and historical documents that address the problems of imprisonment and even enslavement (Georgius of Hungary, Johann Schiltberger, Hans Ulrich Krafft, etc.). Simultaneously, philosophers and theologians discussed intensively the fundamental question regarding free will (e.g., Augustine) and political freedom (e.g., John of Salisbury). Moreover, quite a large number of major pre-modern poets spent a long time in prison where they composed some of their major works (Boethius, Marco Polo, Charles d'Orléans, Thomas Malory, etc.). This book brings to light a vast range of relevant sources that confirm the existence of this fundamental and impactful discourse on freedom, imprisonment, and enslavement.***

***The Old French fabliaux may be notorious for their bawdy content, but few aspects of these medieval comic narratives are as astonishing as their depiction of the parish priest, whose fiscal and sexual transgressions are on***

***occasion so enormous that lay protagonists are driven to inflict graphic punishments ranging from public exposure and communal beating to castration and murder. In this study, Burrows draws on social psychological research into the cognitive and socio-motivational components of stereotyping to explore the forces underlying the creation and development of the fabliau priest. Through an assessment of the constituent elements of the figure against a background of a range of literary and historical sources, Burrows demonstrates that the literary figure is the product of the specific socio-historical context of contemporaneous changes in relationships between Church and laity in which anticlerical stereotyping, in a manner comparable to other instances of outgroup derogation, can be attributed to a quest for positive social identity and ingroup solidarity on the part of an inscribed lay audience.***

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Originally compiled and published in 1988, this volume contains the text and translation of 'The Pilgrimage of Charlemagne' and 'Aucassin and Nicolette,' alongside textual notes and a bibliography for both.

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The investigation of language, of how (and what and why) signifiers signify, is prominent in modern critical work, but the questions being asked are by no means new. In *Merveulous Signals*, Eugene Vance asserts that "there is scarcely a term, practice, or concept in contemporary theory that does not have some rich antecedent in medieval thought." He goes on to illustrate the complexity and depth of medieval speculations about language and literature. Vance's study of the link between the poetics and semiotics of the Middle Ages takes both a critical and a historical view as he brings today's insights to bear on the contemporary perspectives of such works as St. Augustine's *Confessions*, the *Chanson*

de Roland, Chrätien's Yvain, Aucassin and Nicolette, Spenser's The Faerie Queen, and certain aspects of the works of Dante and Chaucer and of French medieval theater.

An Old-French Love Story

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Graham R.

Projections, Dreams, Monsters, and Illusions

With a Copy of Aucassin and Nicolette

**Aucassin and Nicolette is a medieval French chante-fable. It is a sung story combining prose and verse. This is the first known work from this literary tradition and from it the term chantefable was coined. The author is unknown but the work probably comes from the 13th century. Aucassin is the son of a count and Nicolette is the slave girl he loves. Aucassin's father forbids their union and imprisons them. They escape and have many romantic adventures eventually marrying. They then discover that Nicolette is in reality a Saracen princess.**

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**relationship between the mixed form and the theme of love in secular Jewish compositions refines our understanding of the ways in which the Jewish literature of the period negotiates the hermeneutic and theological underpinnings of Islamicate and Christian literary traditions.**

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