



Dear Woolf Friends,

In this special week of celebration of Easter, Passover and Ramadan it seems a good moment to remind ourselves of the foundation of the Institute and to look forward to our 25th anniversary next year. Back in 1998 when Dr Edward Kessler and Revd Professor Martin Forward founded the institute it was with the mission to encourage tolerance and foster understanding between people of all beliefs. Never has this tolerance and understanding been more needed in our volatile geopolitical world.

Our celebrations next year will embrace many forms and we will be letting you know about these as our planning evolves. We are particularly keen to involve our alumni and friends, by collecting personal stories to mark this special anniversary. We very much want to hear from you if you studied or worked at the Institute in the past 25 years. Please tell us what it meant to you; what was your experience of being here? Did it change your life in some way, open your mind, introduce you to new friends? How did it affect your life later? If you would like to take part in this, please send us your memories, no more than 800 words, with photos if possible, to Liz Winter at ejw39@cam.ac.uk.

And that gives me a good reason to introduce Liz who joins us as our Development Consultant. Liz has over 20 years' experience as a development director in Cambridge and before that as an editor and journalist in London. She will be involved in planning our 25th anniversary, developing our Friends' scheme and helping us look at ways of

expanding support for the work of the Institute. Please take a look at our refreshed Friends' Scheme and consider joining if you have not already. Your support will enable us to continue our research and work in this increasingly critical field and we appreciate all donations enormously. And most of all, please join us in our quarter century celebrations whether remotely or in person. We want this very special anniversary to bring together alumni and friends from all over the world in very many ways.

Best wishes,

Dr Esther-Miriam Wagner
Executive Director, Woolf Institute

Upcoming Events

26 April @17:00

Mobility, Belonging
and Community in
the Mediterranean
City



9 May @17:00

The Five Pillars of
Islam – A Jewish
Perspective



10 May @18:00

Reading Group:
Qur'an and Bible
(By invitation only)



12 May

London Research
Day
(By invitation only)



1 – 5 June

Patrons' Tour -
Istanbul
(By invitation only)



7 June @14:00

Jubilee Garden
Party
(By invitation only)



7 June @17:00

Archives and
record-keeping in
medieval Eastern
Mediterranean



12 June @14:00

The Written Word:
Timeless Arabic &
Hebrew Calligraphy



Support the Woolf Institute

With 100 new Woolf Institute supporters, we will be able to launch the Friends' Lounge, located in the Woolf Institute Building. A space of tranquillity, the lounge - overlooking the grounds of Westminster College and the impressive marble sculpture, Tree of Life: Encounter - will provide you with the perfect opportunity to meet staff and scholars.



Become a **Friend of the Woolf** today!

Be part of our extended Woolf community and enjoy a special relationship with the Institute.

Become a 'Friend of the Woolf' for as little as £10 per month.

Every gift has a big impact on enabling us to continue our work:

£25
per month

A gift of £25 per month helps us to organise regular webinars from the Woolf Digital Festival to standalone events on wide-ranging subjects and collaborative monthly series;

£50
per month

A gift of £50 per month enables our Research Hub to thrive, supporting our MPhil and PhD scholars, the inspirational leaders of the future;

£75
per month

A gift of £75 per month allows us to offer additional teaching and training opportunities relating to interfaith dialogue, interactions and understanding;

£100
per month

A gift of £100 per month helps us engage in diverse research projects which give us the knowledge we need to fulfil the mission of the Institute

Friend for Life

Become a lifetime 'Friend of the Woolf' with a one-off donation of **£1,998** to acknowledge the year we were founded.



THE WOOLF INSTITUTE WELCOMES

LIZ WINTER

DEVELOPMENT CONSULTANT



[CLICK HERE TO READ MORE](#)

WEBINAR 26 APRIL @17:00

Woolf Institute and the Society for the Medieval
Mediterranean present:

**MOBILITY, BELONGING AND
COMMUNITY IN THE
MEDITERRANEAN CITY**



**WEBINAR: MOBILITY, BELONGING AND COMMUNITY IN THE
MEDITERRANEAN CITY**

26 APRIL @17:00

This session offers a parallel analysis on the processes of community-building, social advancement and agency in the late medieval Mediterranean. It focuses on three cities that will take us from one shore of the Mediterranean to the other. The urban contexts of Barcelona, Venice and Constantinople allow us to delve into the different ways that individuals and groups strove to improve their position within the fabric of the late medieval city. Consequently, the papers in this session will consider issues such as, the importance of sociability in the creation of belonging, the role of profession in the establishment of urban hierarchies and the agency of foreign communities in the shaping of urban life.

The speakers are: Dr Lisa Dallavalle, Dr Özden Mercan and Dr Carolina Obradors-Suazo.

Chaired by Dr Roser Salicrú i Lluç

[CLICK HERE TO REGISTER](#)

COMING SOON

Naked Reflections Podcast x The Woolf Institute

SEX

CLICK HERE FOR MORE INFORMATION

THE WOOLF INSTITUTE WISHES YOU



HAPPY PASSOVER



חג פסח שמח

THE WOOLF INSTITUTE WISHES YOU



HAPPY EASTER

Woolf Institute | woolf.cam.ac.uk

Woolf Institute - Improving Relations between Religion and Society Reg. Charity No. 1069589, a Company Limited by Guarantee, Co. No. 3540878, registered in England and Wales, registered office as above.