



LECTURE AND WORKSHOP  
**GREEK AND ROMAN  
ANTIQUITY FOR CHILDREN  
AND YOUNG ADULTS**

Potsdam, 5<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> July 2023



LECTURE

## **GIRL TO WOMAN: THE MYTH OF PERSEPHONE IN YOUNG ADULT FICTION**

**Cristina Salcedo González**

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**5<sup>th</sup> July 2023 / 18.00**

**CAMPUS Am Neuen Palais**

**House 9 / Room 1.02**

This lecture investigates the representation of a very popular figure from ancient myth, Persephone, in young adult fiction, analysing a series of examples from a range of anglophone cultures and contexts (New Zealand, South Africa, UK and USA). It will be shown that Persephone can represent and cover a broad range of diverse actual issues, ranging from LGBTQI+ desire to eating disorders, from partner violence to parental mental health, from PTSD to caring responsibility. Through Persephone's example it will be shown how relevant Greek mythology still is in contemporary culture – and specifically in the entertainment and formation of young adults in the anglophone world.



WORKSHOP

## **GREEK AND ROMAN ANTIQUITY FOR CHILDREN AND YOUNG ADULTS**

**7<sup>th</sup> July 2023 / 10.00**

**WIS Bildungsforum Potsdam**

**10.00**

*KEYNOTE LECTURE*

Katarzyna Marciniak Uniwersytet Warszawski

**„Eye to Eye with a Cyclops:**

**The Homeric Myth in Children’s Literature“**

**11.00 – 11.30**

*COFFEE BREAK*

**11.30 – 13.00**

*PANEL 1*

**„Greek and Roman Antiquity in Children Books, Young  
Adult Literature and School Books“**

Lea Fürst Universität Potsdam

Marta García Morcillo University of Durham / Universität Potsdam

Cristina Salcedo González Universidad Complutense de Madrid

Katharina Wesselmann Christian-Albrechts-Universität zu Kiel

**Chair:** Filippo Carlà-Uhink Universität Potsdam



**13.00 – 14.30**

*LUNCH*

**14.30 – 16.00**

*PANEL 2*

**„Having Fun and Learning with Greek and Roman Antiquity“**

Filippo Carlà-Uhink Universität Potsdam

Florian Freitag Universität Duisburg Essen

Martin Lindner Georg-August-Universität Göttingen

Ricardo Rinne Universität Potsdam

Anabelle Thurn Pädagogische Hochschule Freiburg

**Chair:**

Cristina Salcedo González Universidad Complutense de Madrid

**16.00 – 16.30**

*COFFEE BREAK*

**16.30 – 17.30**

*FINAL DISCUSSION*

**Chair:** Katarzyna Marciniak Uniwersytet Warszawski

# Place

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# Place

Wissenschaftsetage im Bildungsforum Potsdam  
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