

# Ingenium and Imagination in the Renaissance: Diseases, Demons and Dreams

A workshop from the *Genius before Romanticism:*  
*Ingenuity in Early Modern Art and Science* research project

CRASSH



**Wednesday 18 May 2016, 13:45 - 17:30  
Room S119, Alison Richard Building**

**Convenors: Alexander Marr, Raphaële Garrod, José Ramón Marcaida,  
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**Speakers: Fabrizio Bigotti (University of Exeter), Guido Giglioni  
(Warburg Institute), Angus Gowland (UCL), Koen Vermeir (CNRS)**

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## **Genius Before Romanticism: Ingenuity in Early Modern Art and Science**

Drawing on the perspectives of history of art, history of science, technology and medicine, intellectual history and literary studies, this project seeks to capture ingenuity across and between disciplines. Studying six countries (France, Germany, the Netherlands, Italy, England and Spain) across three centuries, it traces ingenuity's shifting patterns and fragmented fortunes over the longue durée.

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Detail from Peter Bruegel the Elder: Seven deadly sins - Acedia (Desidia) 1558

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# **Programme**

13.45    Welcome    *Alex Marr, Cambridge*

**Session 1: Diseases** (*Chair: Richard Oosterhoff, Cambridge*)

14.00-14.30   Melancholic ingenium and spiritual disease  
in Renaissance medicine and philosophy  
*Angus Gowland (University College London)*

14.30-15.00   Diseased imaginations: mind and cognitive  
disturbances in early modern medicine  
*Fabrizio Bigotti (University of Exeter)*

15.00-15.30   Discussion

15.30-16.00   Coffee break

**Session 2: Demons and Dreams** (*Chair: José Ramón Marcaida, Cambridge*)

16.00-16.30   Dream, imagination and poetic inspiration  
in Jacopo Mazzoni's Defence of Dante's Comedy (1587,  
1688) *Guido Giglioni (Warburg Institute, London)*

16.30-17.00   The Demonic imagination  
*Koen Vermeir (CNRS, Paris)*

17.00-17.30   Discussion

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