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In this wide-ranging work on Greek religion and mythology, Jan N. Bremmer brings together his stimulating and innovative articles, which have all been updated and revised where necessary. In three thematic sections, he analyses central aspects of Greek religion, beginning with the gods and heroes and paying special attention to the unity of the divine nature and the emergence of the category 'hero'. The second section begins with a discussion of the nature of polis religion, continues with various facets, such as seers, secrecy and the soul, and concludes with the influence of the Ancient Near East. The third section studies human sacrifice and offers the most recent analysis of the ideal animal sacrifice, combining literature, epigraphy, iconography, and zooarchaeology. Regarding human sacrifice, it concentrates on the famous cases of Iphigeneia and the werewolves of Mount Lykaion. The fourth and final section investigates key elements of Greek mythology, such as the definition of myth and its relationship to ritual, and ends with a brief history of the study of Greek mythology. The multi-disciplinary approach and rich footnotes make this work a must for anybody interested in Greek religion and mythology.

In this detailed treatment of the myth of Adonis in post-Classical times, Carlo Caruso provides an overview of the main texts, both literary and scholarly, in Latin and in the vernacular, which secured for the Adonis myth a unique place in the Early Modern revival of Classical mythology. While aiming to provide this general outline of the myth's fortunes in the Early Modern age, the book also addresses three points of primary interest, on which most of the original research included in the work has been conducted. First, the myth's earliest significant revival in the age of Italian Humanism, and particularly in the poetry of the great Latin poet and humanist Giovanni Pontano. Secondly, the diffusion of syncretistic interpretations of the Adonis myth by means of authoritative sixteenth-century mythological encyclopaedias. Thirdly, the allegorical/political use of the Adonis myth in G.B. Marino's (1569-1625) *Adone*, published in Paris in 1623 to celebrate the Bourbon dynasty and to support their legitimacy with regard to the throne of France.

To what extent did mythological figures such as Circe and Medea influence the representation of the powerful 'oriental' enchantress in modern Western art? What role did the ancient gods and heroes play in the construction of the imaginary worlds of the modern fantasy genre? What is the role of undead creatures like zombies and vampires in mythological films? Looking across the millennia, from the distrust of ancient magic and oriental cults, which threatened the new-born Christian religion, to the revival and adaptation of ancient myths and religion in the arts centuries later, this book offers an original analysis of the reception of ancient magic and the supernatural, across a wide variety of

different media - from comics to film, from painting to opera. Working in a variety of fields across the globe, the authors of these essays deconstruct certain scholarly traditions by proposing original interdisciplinary approaches and collaborations, showing to what extent the visual and performing arts of different periods interlink and shape cultural and social identities.

Luigi Groto, detto il Cieco di Adria (1541\,--1585), ha goduto presso i contemporanei di un'ampia fama, nonostante il ruolo minore riservatogli nella storia dalla critica letteraria. Gli scritti raccolti in questo volume studiano la diffusione e la ricezione dell'opera del Groto nelle letterature europee, in un panorama che spazia dalla Spagna e dal Portogallo fino ai Balcani e a Creta, passando per l'Inghilterra elisabettiana e per le terre ducali d'Austria e di Baviera. Ne emerge una nuova dimensione del Groto come interprete paradigmatico del Manierismo e importante precursore del Barocco, nonché la prova di strette convergenze con Shakespeare.

The way merchants trade, think about business and represent commerce in art forms define merchant culture. The world between 1500 and 1800 encompassed different merchant cultures that stood alone and in contact with others. Culture, power relations and institutions framed similarities and differences and outlined the global outcome of these exchanges.

Catàleg il·lustrat d'una col·lecció bibliogràfica única a l'entorn de la mitologia clàssica, construïda per l'il·lustre bibliòfil Frederic Travé i adquirida per la Biblioteca de Catalunya el 1997. Inclou articles de Marc Mayer, Joana Escobedo i Carlos García Gual sobre mitologia i una descripció catalogràfica de les més de 3.000 obres referenciades.

In this innovative study, Jose I. Suarez attempts to trace the roots of Gil Vicente's theatrical production to their proper sources. Here traditional methods of investigation are integrated with more contemporary approaches to the sixteenth-century Portuguese writer, who is considered to be the founder of Portuguese drama. Vicente's works include autos, comedies, tragicomedies, and farces. Initially, Suarez takes a broad look at the extant data concerning the origins of drama in the Iberian Peninsula in both the secular and liturgical spheres. With the absence of any convincing evidence of true drama prior to Vicente's time, and with the opinion that early theatrical attempts were of a popular nature, attention shifts to Mikhail Bakhtin's theories of the impact of carnival on the serio-comic genres such as the Old Attic Comedy and the Menippean satire. Because of the striking similarities between the antique Menippean satire (a highly carnivalized genre) and the Vicentine pieces, Suarez offers a detailed exemplification of the characteristics of the former as contained in the latter. This leads to the conclusion that, although Master Gil was probably unaware of the Greek satires or, for that matter, of its relative, the Aristophanic comedy, his opus shares one essential quality with these

ancient genres: its origins are carnivalesque and may therefore be included within the realm of the serio-comical. The application of Bakhtin's critical theories to Gil Vicente has helped in understanding the genre and plot-compositional traits and sources of Vicente's drama. Until now, these have been virtually ignored by Vicentine scholars, most of whom have limited themselves to biographical/historical approaches in an effort to explain the playlets as products of a particular epoch - the Middle Ages and/or the Renaissance - and the corresponding literary modes. The author concludes that it is not the subjective memory of the playwrights but the objective memory of the genre in which they compose their plays that preserves its fundamental characteristics through the centuries, characteristics that derive from the incursion of the popular element into the realm of literary creation. Direct in its presentation, this study presents a concise and scholarly synthesis of Peninsular drama from its origins and the impact that the popular element had on its formation, and it will continue to be regarded as an original facet in the overall complexity of Vicentine studies.

This collection of essays brings together twelve noted Italian and American scholars to provide a complete picture of Ariosto and all his works as an integration of tradition and invention.

Esta obra está concebida en dos partes: una antología de textos de la mitología china clásica y un diccionario de las materias y los nombres que aparecen en los relatos mitológicos seleccionados. Los textos están tomados de ciento tres obras cuyas fechas de composición abarcan desde el siglo V a.n.e. hasta comienzos del siglo XX, y se refieren a los mitos anteriores a la expansión del budismo en China, hacia el siglo IV d.n.e. El diccionario complementa a la antología en la medida en que organiza los contenidos que los fragmentos de la primera parte sólo dan de forma inevitablemente dispersa, a causa de la brevedad de los textos mitológicos que han llegado hasta nosotros. El volumen se completa con un índice comentado de todas las obras de las que se han extraído los fragmentos originales, así como con un apéndice chino-español donde pueden consultarse las traducciones del chino al castellano de los términos y los personajes más importantes. Esta edición proporciona así una cuidada panorámica, tan fidedigna como útil, de los mitos de la civilización china clásica.

The Vatican Mythographers offers the first complete English translation of three important sources of knowledge about the survival of classical mythology from the Carolingian era to the High Middle Ages and beyond. The Latin texts were discovered in manuscripts in the Vatican library and published together in the nineteenth century. The three so-called Vatican Mythographers compiled, analyzed, interpreted, and transmitted a vast collection of myths for use by students, poets, and artists. In terms consonant with Christian purposes, they elucidated the fabulous narratives and underlying themes in the works of Ovid, Virgil, Statius, and other poets of antiquity. In so doing, the Vatican Mythographers provided handbooks that included descriptions of ancient rites and customs, curious etymologies, and, above all, moral allegories. Thus we learn that Bacchus is a naked youth who rides a tiger because drunkenness is never mature, denudes us of possessions, and begets ferocity; or that Ulysses, husband of Penelope, passed by the monstrous Scylla unharmed because a wise man bound to chastity overcomes lust. The extensive collection of myths illustrates how this material was used for moral lessons. To date, the works of the Vatican Mythographers have remained inaccessible to scholars and students without a good working knowledge of Latin. The translation thus fulfills a scholarly void. It is prefaced by an introduction that discusses the purposes of the Vatican Mythographers, the influences on them, and their place in medieval and Renaissance mythology. Of

course, it also entertains with a host of stories whose undying appeal captivates, charms, inspires, instructs, and sometimes horrifies us. The book should have wide appeal for a whole range of university courses involving myth.

Natural language is easy for people and hard for machines. For two generations, the tantalizing goal has been to get computers to handle human languages in ways that will be compelling and useful to people. Obstacles are many and legendary. *Natural Language Processing: The PLNLP Approach* describes one group's decade of research in pursuit of that goal. A very broad coverage NLP system, including a programming language (PLNLP) development tools, and analysis and synthesis components, was developed and incorporated into a variety of well-known practical applications, ranging from text critiquing (CRITIQUE) to machine translation (e.g. SHALT). This book represents the first published collection of papers describing the system and how it has been used. Twenty-six authors from nine countries contributed to this volume. Natural language analysis, in the PLNLP approach, is done in six stages that move smoothly from syntax through semantics into discourse. The initial syntactic sketch is provided by an Augmented Phrase Structure Grammar (APSG) that uses exclusively binary rules and aims to produce some reasonable analysis for any input string. Its 'approximate' analysis passes to the reassignment component, which takes the default syntactic attachments and adjusts them, using semantic information obtained by parsing definitions and example sentences from machine-readable dictionaries. This technique is an example of one facet of the PLNLP approach: the use of natural language itself as a knowledge representation language -- an innovation that permits a wide variety of online text materials to be exploited as sources of semantic information. The next stage computes the intrasentential argument structure and resolves all references, both NP- and VP-anaphora, that can be treated at this point in the processing. Subsequently, additional components, currently not so well developed as the earlier ones, handle the further disambiguation of word senses, the normalization of paraphrases, and the construction of a paragraph (discourse) model by joining sentential semantic graphs. *Natural Language Processing: The PLNLP Approach* acquaints the reader with the theory and application of a working, real-world, domain-free NLP system, and attempts to bridge the gap between computational and theoretical models of linguistic structure. It provides a valuable resource for students, teachers, and researchers in the areas of computational linguistics, natural processing, artificial intelligence, and information science.

Apresenta alguns dos mais populares mitos da Grécia Antiga, ilustrados com mais de 200 imagens abrangendo 3500 anos de arte, desde o Mundo Antigo às interpretações contemporâneas das velhas histórias.

In the early fourteenth century, musicians in France and later Italy established new traditions of secular and sacred polyphony. This *ars nova*, or "new art," popularized by theorists such as Philippe de Vitry and Johannes de Muris was the among the first of many later movements to establish the music of the present as a clean break from the past. The rich music of this period, by composers such as Guillaume de Machaut and Francesco Landini, is not only beautiful, but also rewards deep study and analysis. Yet contradictions and gaps abound in the *ars nova* of the fourteenth and early fifteenth centuries-how do we read this music? how do we perform this music? what was the cultural context of these performances? These problems are well met by the ingenuity of approaches and so-

lutions found by scholars in this volume. The twenty-seven articles brought together reflect the broad methodological and chronological range of scholarly inquiry on the ars nova.

In August 2015, the sixteenth International Congress for Neo-Latin Studies was held in Vienna, Austria. The proceedings in this volume, sixty-five individual and five plenary papers, have been collected under the motto "Contextus Neolatini - Neo-Latin in Local, Trans-Regional and Worldwide Contexts - Neulatein im lokalen, transregionalen und weltweiten Kontext".

The Odyssey is rightly celebrated as a story that goes far beyond the scope of epic poetry. It is an open window to an entire era and its social systems as well as its theological, cultural, economic and political structures, while running simultaneously in the register of the earthly and of the divine. Within The Odyssey, the episode of the Sirens stands out as an exceptionally evocative example of this kind of achievement. This volume is dedicated to exploring the myriad levels of analysis that are allowed by this famous episode, following in the footsteps of celebrated readers of The Odyssey such as Adorno, Horkheimer, Lukàcs, Auerbach, Kerény, Bloch, Auden, Pound, Tolstoj, Elster and Steiner. By looking at the brief encounter between Ulysses and the Sirens, the reader of this volume

will discover the roots of our modern concept of middle class rationality and its profound ramifications stretching between economy, politics, and the divine.

Els mites grecs i romans són un element indispensable de la nostra tradició cultural. En aquest diccionari de mitologia clàssica trobareu profusament explicats els mites i els personatges més importants, però també de manera més concisa una breu referència de molts personatges secundaris que ajuden a completar el mosaic imaginatiu més ric i complex de la història de les civilitzacions. Els viatges d'Odisseu, Teseu i el minotaure, Jàson i els argonautes, els déus de l'Olimp, el setge de Troia, les gestes d'Hèracles, la fundació llegendària de Roma, les tribulacions d'Èdip o els poders de Medea, aquests mites i molts altres revelen la manera com els antics entenien el món, però també són un component essencial de la cultura occidental. · Més de 1.200 entrades · Arbres genealògics de les famílies més importants · Llista dels autors grecs i llatins citats en el text · Llista de noms grecs en català, al costat del nom original en grec

Building the Canon through the Classics. Imitation and Variation in Renaissance Italy (1350-1580) explores the multiple facets of the formation of the literary canon in Renaissance Italy through the analysis of its complex relationship with the Classics.