The Centre for the Study of Manuscript Cultures (CSMC) announces a Lecture

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Medial Ambiguity. Liturgical Books of the Latin Church and their Changing Status in Medieval Tradition

The status of medieval liturgical manuscripts is a fundamentally ambiguous one. The context of rituality in which they are used provides them with outstanding dignity as medias of what — in Gumbrecht’s wake — we might call production of sacred presence, while the increasing desire of religious interiorization and the yearning for experiences of immediate presence of the sacred leads tendentially to relativisation and even devaluation of the cultic book. The conference shall deal with the implications of this dialectical process as well in the realm of religious devotion as in the field of the history of medieval mediality.

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