



Reflections on Language

A celebration of 50 years of General Linguistics at the University of Manchester

Saturday 10th May, 10am–4pm

**Samuel Alexander Building
North Foyer and Lecture Theatre
University of Manchester, Oxford Road**



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| 10.00 | Delia Bentley | <i>Welcome and introduction</i> |
| 10.10 | James Murphy | <i>Do politicians really apologise?</i> |
| 10.30 | George Walkden | <i>Hwæt? Old English outbursts aren't riddles</i> |
| 10.50 | Delia Bentley | <i>Il paese delle vocale. Italy's dialects</i> |
| 11.10 | James Brookes | <i>How many ways to say the same thing?</i> |
| 11.30 | Andrew Koontz-Garboden | <i>Ulwa: The hidden language of Nicaragua</i> |
| 11.50 | Laurel MacKenzie | <i>Roll, Bun, or Barn: What we say is who we are</i> |
| 12.10 | Poster sessions | |
| 13.00 | Lunch | |
| 14.00 | Viktor Leggio | <i>How small languages get bigger online</i> |
| 14.20 | Alex Robertson | <i>The Babel of Manchester schools</i> |
| 14.40 | Maciej Baranowski | <i>Is Mancunian changing?</i> |
| 15.00 | Farah Nazir | <i>Potwari and its diaspora</i> |
| 15.20 | Yaron Matras | <i>A city of 200 languages</i> |
| 15.40 | Nigel Vincent | <i>Why does the country need linguists?</i> |

**Everyone
welcome!**



Poster session:

- Bailey, George and Bowden, Amy
That's how people grow up: language change across Morrissey's lifespan
- Coombes, Kris
The role of the blog in the media: journalism or personality extension?
- Fearn, Benjamin
Does the rate of t-glottaling alter across urban and rural areas in Derbyshire?
- Norman, Charlotte
Gender indexing in non-name words and the influence of gender on word selection
- Standing, Will
An analysis of word order variation in Old Icelandic and Old Norwegian 14th century attestations
- Yates, Marie
Lifespan change in the letters of Queen Elizabeth I?
- Zhou, Yangzi
That-clauses in Early Modern English