Call for Papers

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"Celebrating Ten Years of the Early Modern Recipes Online Collective"
Deadline Extended to February 1, 2022

Since 2012, the Early Modern Recipes Online Collective (EMROC) has brought together scholars, students and the general public in the preservation, transcription and analysis of recipes written in English from circa 1550-1800. To celebrate its tenth year, Early Modern Studies Journal is compiling a special issue to commemorate EMROC’s contributions to the study and transcription of early modern English recipes.

EMROC is an international group of scholars and enthusiasts devoted to improving access to recipes in historical archives and providing contextual information about these often-overlooked texts. The group has recognized the importance of making transcriptions of early modern recipes available and searchable for users at all levels. EMROC’s project has also provided a model for collaborative work in the humanities, in- and outside of the classroom, while focusing on the creation of a searchable text corpus that opens recipe books to different scholarly approaches.

We imagine two different types of essays in this issue:

- A core of 5-6 scholarly essays, 7,000-10,000 words and peer reviewed, that call upon EMROC for their materials or their inspirations. Such works might illustrate analysis of recipes or recipe collections, early modern medicine and/or cookery, transcription as pedagogy, or digital humanities approaches to recipe texts.

- A selection of shorter essays, 1,000-2,000 words and not peer reviewed, that comment upon EMROC’s presence in the field. These essays might address the impact of EMROC events, recount experiences collaborating on recipe work, or outline contributions to EMROC’s efforts.

Early Modern Studies Journal, housed at http://www.uta.edu/english/emsjournal/, uses a double-blind peer review process, so academic articles should meet tenure and promotion requirements. The digital nature of the journal allows easy integration of online sources and innovative presentations of our work. Essays can link to online repositories (of manuscript texts and images, as well as other open access online works) and to sources like blogs and videos. As a result, our journal issue offers a rare chance to present innovative media presentations to peer reviewers in the recipe field.

February 1, 2022: Completed projects, with abstract, submitted to editors; editors distribute to peer reviewers
Fall 2022: Issue unveiled as part of the EMROC Fall Transcribathon and Tenth Anniversary Celebration.

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