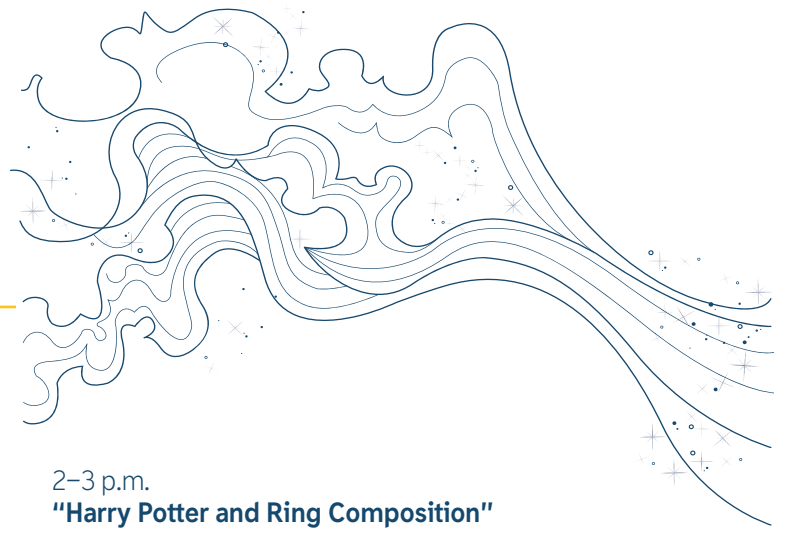


# ACCIO KNOWLEDGE!

## Queen City Mischief and Magic Lecture Series

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### FRIDAY

5:30–7:30 p.m.

#### **"Magic and Mental Health"**

Margie Fink of Transfiguring Adoption and Louise Freeman of MBU psychology department.

*Location TBD*

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### SATURDAY

10:30–11:30 a.m.

#### **"Why We Love Harry Potter"**

Mr. John Granger, keynote speaker

John Granger, the "Dean of Harry Potter Scholars," will kick off the festival by explaining what makes the Harry Potter series so magical in its appeal to multiple ages and generations.

*Main Stage*

11:45 a.m.–12 p.m.

#### **Welcome to the Wharf**

Dr. Louise Freeman, professor of psychology, will open the scholarly presentations of Beauxbatons Academy 2019 with some trivia questions and an overview of Harry Potter's connections to a variety of academic disciplines.

*MBU at the Wharf*

12–12:30 p.m.

#### **"Strong Female Leads and the Adolescent Romance"**

Dr. Jenna Holt

Gain a fresh understanding of Hermione and other strong female characters in young adult literature from Dr. Jenna Holt, a clinical psychologist and associate professor at MBU.

*MBU at the Wharf*

12:30–1 p.m.

#### **"Reading Signs and Symbols on the Covers of the Potter Novels"**

Dr. Bruce Dorries

Bruce Dorries, associate professor of communication and marketing, will take us through an in-depth look at the familiar book covers and explain why there is more meaning there than is apparent.

*MBU at the Wharf*

1–1:45 p.m.

#### **"What's With Those Robes, Anyway?"**

Dr. Lundy Pentz

Professor Emeritus and long-time faculty marshal Lundy Pentz will talk about traditional academic regalia and explain why Hogwarts students wear their graduation gowns to class.

*MBU at the Wharf*

2–3 p.m.

#### **"Harry Potter and Ring Composition"**

John Granger, keynote speaker

Rowling has masterfully crafted the Harry Potter books as a series of rings and echoes: circles within circles. John Granger will change the way you view the books by showing you that Harry Potter is perhaps the most precisely structured story in recent history.

*MBU at the Wharf*

3:15–4 p.m.

#### **"Dinosaurs, Dobby and Dementor Wasps: Potter-Inspired Names in Biology and Psychology"**

Dr. Louise Freeman

Dr. Freeman will speak about scientists who have been inspired to name their new discoveries for Harry Potter characters.

*MBU at the Wharf*

4–5 p.m.

#### **Open Discussion With the Hogwarts Professors**

Join Louise Freeman and John Granger of *hogwartsprofessor.com* for an open discussion of all of J.K. Rowling's works. How does Harry Potter relate to other popular series of the day like *The Hunger Games* or *Divergent*? Where does *Harry Potter and the Cursed Child* fit into the series ... or does it? Why did the latest *Fantastic Beasts* movie raise more questions than it answered? And just who is this Cormoran Strike person anyway?

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### SUNDAY

10:30–11 a.m.

#### **"What Do Harry Potter and Shakespeare have in common?"**

John Granger, keynote speaker

John Granger reflects on his Blackfriars experience and its connection to the Boy Who Lived.

*Main Stage*

1–2 p.m.

#### **"Heir of the Potter: Christian Symbolism in Harry Potter"**

John Granger, keynote speaker

When others were condemning Harry Potter books as anti-Christian because of the witchcraft, John Granger recognized traditional Christian imagery and symbols, and concluded there were many reasons people of faith can enjoy and benefit from reading them. Come hear his story and join in the discussion.

*MBU at the Wharf*