SCIENTIFIC RECREATION BLOG

CALL FOR CONTRIBUTORS

Scientific recreation is understood both as a form of leisure and enjoyment for Late Medieval and Early Modern societies and as an act to reproduce historical scientific experiments. This blog demonstrates that in the premodern world – as now – the functional can be fun and that fun can serve a function.

WE ARE ESPECIALLY INTERESTED IN POSTS AND VIDEOS RELATING TO:

- Magic tricks
- Pranks
- Arts and tricks of perspective
- Invisible writing
- Culinary arts
- Mechanical arts
- Chemical arts
- Numerical puzzles
- Word plays and riddles
- Memory games
- Leisure and sports

We invite proposals from researchers at all stages of their careers, although contributions by PhD candidates and early career scholars are explicitly encouraged. We also encourage artists, performers, chemists, physicists, medical professionals, educators and teachers, and those working in museums or public outreach to apply.

Prospective authors should send an abstract of no more than 250 words and a short biography to scientific.recreation@gmail.com. An editor will aim to get back to you about your proposed submission within five working days. You will then be invited to submit a post of around 1000-1500 words with copyright cleared images and/or a video of around 2 to 5 minutes in length. Should there be any queries and for any further information, please contact the editorial team.