

EDITOR'S REPORT

RHETCANADA, SPRING 2018

I was elected Editor of *Rhetor* for a two-year term at the last annual general meeting of RhetCanada in June 2017. It has been a productive and promising year.

PUBLICATION OF *RHETOR* 7

It is with great pleasure that I announce the publication of Pierre Zoberman's issue of *Rhetor* 7, which appeared early in 2018. This collection of French and English articles emerged from and was inspired by our 2016 meeting in Calgary, the special theme of which was "Teaching Rhetoric across Time and Space." Here is how Pierre opened up that collection:

Rhetor's seventh volume is faithful to the Canadian Society for the Study of Rhetoric's tradition. It gives an apt picture, not only of the breadth of its investigations, but also of the varied approaches its members take to rhetorical studies. It comprises reflections first presented in the context of the society's recent conferences as well as articles submitted by scholars from all over the world. The high number of contributions in French shows that CSSR/SCÉR is now well established as a bilingual (English-French) society, clearly situated within Canada's scholarly community. Yet, contributions come from Europe as well as America or Africa. Such diversity is also a sign of the vitality of rhetoric studies in general, and of the journal and the society's inscription within the international scholarly community. On a broader scale, it begs the question of *rhetoric's empire* (to parody the title of Chaim Perelman): how far does rhetoric's domain of application extend? What are the relationships between philosophy and literature, on the one hand, and rhetoric, on the other?

I invite members, if they have not done so already, to read the full volume at <http://cssr-scer.ca/journal/volumes/rhetor-vol-7/>

CALL FOR PAPERS, *RHETOR* 8

As some of you may have seen on the RhetCanada website (<http://cssr-scer.ca/>), I have sent out a Call for Papers for *Rhetor* 8, due for publication in fall 2019. I have attached the calls (in English and French) with this report. ***Please, please, please circulate this call far and wide.*** I look forward to starting this process!

Special thank you to Victor Ferry for providing a French translation of the Call and to Bruce Dadey for uploading it to the CSSR/RhetCanada website.

CALL FOR EDITORIAL COMMITTEE MEMBERS

I have not had to call on my Editorial Committee yet, but certainly will in the year ahead. It looks like I might be losing some splendid folk in 2018 unless I can persuade them to say a little while longer:

- Randy Harris (2014-2018)
- Victor Ferry (2014-2018)
- Loic Nicolas (2014-2018)

One of my immediate goals is to build this editorial committee. I extend a warm invitation to those of you attending RhetCanada this year to consider coming on board. It is a wonderful opportunity to read current, interesting work in rhetorical studies.

I am sad not to be with you this year in Regina. I look forward to catching up with you all next year.

Respectfully submitted,

Tracy Whalen
Editor, *Rhetor*

Please see attached Calls for Papers.