

CLASSICS AT VU



There is a proud tradition of teaching and learning the "Classics" (Greek and Roman literature) at Valparaiso University. In addition to the more traditional Classical Language and Literature Track, VU offers the Classical Civilization Track. Students who major or minor in either track are able to pursue a variety of careers at VU. Many students combine Classics with other fields (Education, Theology, Law, the Sciences), although some intend to become professional classicists themselves one day and so prepare for graduate school. All students who study Classics at VU grow in their appreciation of the priceless literature, history and culture which are at the basis of Western Civilization.

Highlighted events: Spring 2010

Valparaiso University Presents:
A.E. STALLINGS
 April 12th 8:00 p.m. Christopher Center Community Room
 Lecture: "Honey for the Physic: Englishing Lucretius"
 April 13th 7:00 p.m. Duesenberg Recital Hall
 Valparaiso University Center for the Arts
 Poetry Reading from *Hapax & Archaic Smile*

A.E. Stallings studied Classics at the University of Georgia and at Oxford University. She has published two volumes of poetry: *Archaic Smile*, which received the 1999 Richard Wilbur Award, and *Hapax*, which received the 2008 Poetry Prize. She has also received the 2008 Benjamin H. Danks award from the American Academy of Arts and Letters.

Her work has twice appeared in *The Best American Poetry* series and is widely anthologized. Her essays and book reviews have appeared in *The American Scholar*, *The Classical Outlook*, *The Dark Horse*, *The Times Literary Supplement* and *The Yale Review*. Her verse translations (in rhyming couplets) of Lucretius' *The Nature of Things* is out from Penguin Classics. She recently received an NEA translation grant for work on the Medieval Cretan Epic, *The Erotokritos* a touchstone of modern Greek literature. Stallings has lived in Athens, Greece since 1999.

Events are free and open to the public.
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• JANUS Spring 2010: Wednesday, March 31, 7 pm, [Cornucopia Coffee Company](#) (downtown Valparaiso) A student lead book club exploring contemporary literature with classical themes. Students will be discussing *Archaic Smile & Hapax*, poems by A. E. Stallings in preparation for the author's visit to campus in April. • AE Stallings visit April 12 - 13 [Event details](#); Contact [Prof. Taraskiewicz](#) for more details • [Homerathon II: Iliad](#): Saturday, February 20th beginning at 11 am *An all-day reading of Homer's Iliad in the Christ College Commons* Come Early, Stay Late Experience the poem performed by VU students and faculty Refreshments provided throughout the day Sponsored by the Classics Program and Eta Sigma Phi • [JANUS Spring 2010](#): Wednesday, January 20, 7 pm, [Greek's Pizza](#) (downtown Valparaiso) A student lead book club exploring contemporary literature with classical themes. Students will be discussing *Ad Infinitum: A Biography of Latin* by Nicholas Ostler

