

## Marc Fumaroli

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### **2001 Balzan Prize for Literary History and Criticism (post 1500)**

*For his research on rhetoric from the sixteenth to the eighteenth century, which has thoroughly renewed our understanding of European culture in the fields of literature, painting and the art of living.*

**Institution Administering Research Funds:** Institut de France

### **Advisers for the Balzan General Prize Committee:**

Walter Rüegg and Karlheinz Stierle

### **The Comte de Caylus (1692-1765) and His Milieu: The *Respublica Literaria***

With the second half of his Balzan Prize, Marc Fumaroli involved three young scholars in a long-term study of the life and works of Anne-Claude-Philippe de Pestels de Lévis de Thubières-Grimoard, comte de Caylus (1692-1765) and of his milieu. The funds were also used for an array of cultural initiatives which were instrumental to the realization of a more comprehensive plan, i.e., the foundation of an interdisciplinary research institute on the history of the Republic of Letters. The Institut européen d'histoire de la République des Lettres – *Respublica Literaria* was officially established in 2006, with support from the Ministère de l'Enseignement supérieur et de la Recherche as well as the Ministère de l'Éducation nationale, and is now based at the École normale supérieure de Paris. The administration of the Balzan funds was entrusted to the Institut de France.

Cordélia Hattori, Nicola Iodice and Xavier Dufestel worked on different aspects of comte de Caylus' life and work. He was a polyhedric intellectual, almost forgotten today despite his fundamental contributions, along with Scipione Maffei, Winckelmann and others, in developing the cult of antiquity in eighteenth century France and Europe. His seven volume *Recueil d'antiquités égyptiennes, étrusques, grecques, et*

*romaines* (Paris, 1752-1767) was a chief source for the beginnings of the science of archaeology and the arts in the Neoclassical period. Cordélia Hattori (Musée de Lille) worked mainly on the official documents, which shed light on the finances of comte de Caylus, his genealogy and his many relationships, his influence on the Académie Royale de Peinture et de Sculpture and on the Académie des Inscriptions et Belles-Lettres included. Nicola Iodice focused on his correspondence and, in collaboration with Xavier Dufestel, determined the precise chronology of his life, his studies and his intellectual and personal relationships.

#### **Conferences/Symposia:**

- Les premiers siècles de la République des Lettres (Paris, Collège de France, Fondation Singer Polignac, 2001).
- I Barberini e la cultura europea del Seicento (Rome, Istituto Italiano per gli Studi Filosofici, Bibliotheca Hertziana, Max-Planck Institute, Polo Museale Romano, Queen's University Kingston, 2004).
- Peiresc et l'Italie (Naples, Istituto Italiano per gli Studi Filosofici, 2006).

#### **Academic Lectures:**

- *De Le Brun à David: La Querelle des Anciens et des Modernes dans les Arts* (1, 2, 3). Lecture given at the Bibliothèque nationale de France, 6, 9 and 10 February 2004.
- *De Caylus à David. Les Lumières et le 'Retour à l'Antique'*. Lecture given at the Cercle des Interalliées de Paris, February 2005.
- *Le comte de Caylus et les origines françaises du néo-classicisme*. Lecture given at the École française de Rome, March 2006.
- *Le comte de Caylus et les arts français du XVIIIe siècle*. Lecture given at the Société des Amis des Musées, 4 May 2007.
- *Le comte de Caylus et les origines françaises du goût néo-grec*. Lecture given at the Fondation Calouste Gulbenkian, Lisbon, 28 April 2008.
- *Le Mentor de Télémaque à l'Académie royale de peinture et sculpture: le comte de Caylus, biographe d'artistes (1747-1762)*. Lecture given at the Louvre, 15 February 2010.

#### **Researchers:**

Xavier Dufestel  
Cordélia Hattori  
Nicola Iodice

### **Publications:**

- Dufestel, X. "Le buste en terre cuite du comte de Caylus par Louis-Claude Vassé". In Irène Aghion et al. *Caylus, mécène du roi. Collectionner les antiquités au XVIIIe siècle*, Paris: INHA, 2002. Exhibition catalogue (Cabinet des médailles de la Bibliothèque nationale de France).
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- Fumaroli, M. *Chateaubriand: Poésie et Terreur*. Paris: Éditions de Fallois, 2003.
- Fumaroli, M. In Irène Aghion et al. *Caylus, mécène du roi. Collectionner les antiquités au XVIIIe siècle*, Paris: INHA, 2002. Exhibition catalogue (Cabinet des médailles de la Bibliothèque nationale de France).
- Fumaroli, M. "Le 'siècle' d'Urbain VIII". In *I Barberini e la cultura europea del Seicento*, edited by Mochi Onori, L., Schütze, S. and Solinas, F. Rome, 2007: 1-14.
- Hattori, C. "Le comte de Caylus d'après les archives: première partie". *Les cahiers d'histoire de l'art* 5 (2007): 54-70.
- Fumaroli, M. "Le comte de Caylus et les origines françaises du Retour à l'antique européen". In *Roma triumphans? L'attualità dell'antico nella Francia del Settecento*, edited by Letizia Norci Cagiano. Rome: Edizioni di storia e letteratura, 2007.
- Fumaroli, M. "Le comte de Caylus et les origines françaises du néo-classicisme". In *De Rome à Paris: peinture et pouvoirs aux XVIIe et XVIIIe siècles*, 373-383. Dijon: Faton, 2007.
- Fumaroli, M. "Arnaldo Momigliano et la rehabilitation des 'antiquaires': le comte de Caylus et le 'retour à l'antique' au XVIIIe siècle". In *Momigliano and Antiquarianism: Foundations of the Modern Cultural Sciences*, edited by P. N. Miller, 154-183. University of Toronto Press, 2007.
- Fumaroli, M. "Introduction". In *Lettres de Madame de Maintenon, édition intégrale et critique*. Edited by H. Bots-Estourigie, I: 1650-1689. Paris: Champion, 2009.
- Fumaroli, M. "Retour à l'Antique: la guerre des goûts dans l'Europe des Lumières". Preface to *L'Antiquité rêvée. Innovations et résistances au XVIIIe siècle*, 23-56. Paris: Louvre éditions/Gallimard, 2010.
- Solinas, F., ed. *Peiresc et L'Italie*. Paris, 2009.

### **Works in Progress:**

*Le comte de Caylus, Mémoires et Carnets des voyages, édition intégrale, annotée et illustrée* by Jacqueline Hellegouarch, Cordélia Hattori, Catherine Hémon-Fabre,

under the direction of Marc Fumaroli in the collection *République des Lettres, République des Arts* (Alain Baudry éditeur, Paris).

Documentary research is being initially carried out by Carole Martelli for a monograph to be overseen by Marc Fumaroli and which will appear in the collection *Bibliothèque des Histoires* (Gallimard).

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