

7TH ANNUAL JAMES MAY LECTURE

DR. JAKOB WISSE

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 17TH

7:00 PM VIKING THEATER



The 7th annual James M. May lecture in classics will be delivered by Dr. Jakob Wisse, Professor of Latin Language and Literature, Newcastle University, England. He and Professor Emeritus James May are long-time collaborators; their annotated translation of Cicero's *On the Ideal Orator* was published by Oxford University Press in 2001.

“NOT IN THAT IMAGINARY REPUBLIC OF PLATO’S”: RHETORIC, LIES, AND MORALITY IN CICERO (AND WHY HE IS NOT DONALD TRUMP)

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THE ANCIENT ROMAN ORATOR MARCUS TULLIUS CICERO HAS BEEN SEEN AS AN UNSCRUPULOUS LIAR AND RHETORICAL MANIPULATOR, BUT ALSO AS AN “IDEALIST” WHO DEPICTED HIS IDEAL ORATOR AS A PHILOSOPHICALLY SCHOOLED AND THEREFORE MORALLY GOOD PERSON. HIS VIEW CAN BE SHOWN TO BE MORE INTERESTINGLY COMPLEX THAN THESE EXTREMES.



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