

## Curriculum Vitae – Wilhelm Hemecker

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### ACADEMIC CAREER

#### APPOINTMENTS / POSITIONS

- Since 2020 Principal investigator of the research project: Richard Beer-Hofmann – A scholarly biography (FWF Austrian Science Fund, P33354)
- Since 2019 University of Vienna / Research Network History and Theory of Biography – Coordinator.
- 2005-2019 Ludwig Boltzmann Institute for the History and Theory of Biography (Partner Institutions – University of Vienna; University of Cambridge; Austrian National Library; Vienna City Library) – Director
- 2012-2017 University of Vienna, Department of Comparative Literature – Professor
- 1997-2004 Austrian National Library – Member of the academic staff
- 1994-1996 University of Vienna, German Department – Lecturer
- 1990-1993 Deutsches Literaturarchiv/Schiller National Museum, Marbach, Department of Manuscripts – Member of the academic staff
- 1990 German Historical Institute, London – Postdoctoral Research Fellow
- 1988-1989 University of Graz, Research and Documentation Centre for Austrian Philosophy – Researcher

#### VISITING APPOINTMENTS AND FELLOWSHIPS

- 2015 Harvard University/Houghton Library – Research Fellow (Autumn)
- 2009 University of California, Los Angeles – Visiting Professor (Spring Quarter)
- 2008 Rockefeller Study Center in Bellagio, Italy – Resident Fellow (Spring)
- 2007 Casa do Artista in Machico, Madeira – Writer-in-Residence (Autumn)
- 2007 University of Cambridge (UK), Churchill College – By-Fellow (Lent term)
- 1999-2000 St. Petersburg State University, Russia – Visiting Lecturer (Autumn)
- 1990 German Historical Institute, London – Postdoctoral Research Fellow

1985-1987 Pro Scientia Foundation, Austria – Doctoral Fellow

## **TEACHING AND RESEARCH INTERESTS**

Literature of the late 18<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup> Centuries  
Philosophy of the late 18<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup> century  
Viennese Modernism (interdisciplinary)  
Theory of Biography  
History of Modern Biography  
History of Psychoanalysis  
Interrelationships between Literature and Philosophy  
Memorial Culture, Paleography and Archives

## **EXTERNALLY FUNDED RESEARCH PROJECTS**

- 2021-2022 Rainer Maria Rilke – Richard / Marianne Weininger. Scholarly Edition of Correspondence (City of Vienna MA 7)
- 2020 Christian von Ehrenfels – Sigmund Freud. Scholarly Edition of Correspondence (Future Fund of the Republic of Austria)
- Since 2020 Richard Beer-Hofmann – A scholarly biography (FWF Austrian Science Fund)
- 2013-2017 Oskar Pastior – ‘The distinctive is good’. Components of a Biography (FWF Austrian Science Fund)
- 2012-2014 Mira Lobe: Doyenne of Austrian Children’s and Young People’s Literature (FWF Austrian Science Fund)
- 2005 Foundation of the Ludwig Boltzmann Institute for the History and Theory of Biography (Ludwig Boltzmann Society)
- 2003 Manès Sperber: The Analysis of Tyranny (Manès Sperber Society/Austrian National Library)
- 1999 Josef Paneth: Between Physiology, Psychology, and Philosophy (FWF Austrian Science Fund)
- 1997 Heinz Politzer: Sigmund Freud and Tragedy (Vienna Anniversary Foundation for Higher Education)
- 1993-1994 Christian von Ehrenfels: Correspondence (Austrian National Bank Jubilee Fund)

## **LITERARY EXHIBITIONS**

- 1998 Rainer Maria Rilke (Austrian State Archives)
- 1993 Mechtilde Lichnowsky (German Literature Archive, Marbach)
- 1990-1992 Foyer exhibitions on Werner Bergengruen, Paul Celan, Arthur Schnitzler, Stefan Zweig (German Literature Archive, Marbach)

## **COMMITTEE ACTIVITIES**

- Since 2015 Morphomata International Center for Advanced Studies, University of Cologne (G) – Member of the Academic Advisory Board
- Since 2009 International Auto/Biography Association (IABA) Europe (US/NL) –Founding Member and Member of the Executive Board
- 2003-2009 Manès Sperber Society (A) – Vice President
- 2000-2016 International Rilke Society (CH) – Member of the Executive Board
- Since 1998 International Rilke Society (CH) – Member of the Academic Advisory Board
- Since 1994 Christine Lavant Society (A) – Founding Member, Member of the Executive Board

## **FURTHER ACTIVITIES**

- 2002 Juror, Manès Sperber Prize
- 1997-2001 University representative on the interministerial selection committee for Austrian lectors at international universities
- 1997-2001 Consultant to the Foreign Ministry of Austrian holdings at university libraries in Eastern and Central Europe
- 1996 Juror, Austrian State Prize for Science and Research Journalism
- 1994-1997 Paleographic expert for the Dorotheum auction house
- 1990-1993 Member of the working committee for critical editions in philosophy, German Philosophical Society (Deutsche Gesellschaft für Philosophie)
- 1988-1994 Honorary expert for the Austrian Science Fund, Vienna

## **PERSONAL INTEREST: PIANO**

- 2013 Masterclass from John Bloomfield (New York)
- 2000-2004 Masterclass from Anatol Ugorsky (Detmold), Yves Henry (Paris), Yoheved Kaplinsky (New York), Tamás Ungár (Fort Worth)
- 1999-2004 Lessons from Joo Ann Koh (The University of Music and Performing Arts, Vienna)