



SINCLÈTICA  
SPRING LECTURES 2022  
*ART & SCIENCE*

# DESIRE

*May 27-29, 2022*

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The Sinclètica Spring Lectures give you access  
to the learning experience of our innovative  
Master's Program in a weekend module

The lectures can be attended on-site at our  
Monestir de Sant Benet de Montserrat (Catalonia)  
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# THE TOPIC OF THE SINCLÈTICA SPRING LECTURES 2022 IS DESIRE

- A team of eight international professors will be sharing **Eight Pearls** on DESIRE from the perspective of Science, Literature, Politics, Bible, Fine Arts, Philosophy, Theology and Music. **Pearls** are scientific, literary, artistic or musical works, theological writings or biblical passages that the subjectivity of the professor finds particularly helpful or illuminating. **Monastic wisdom has always known that experience and knowledge cannot be separated.** A key element of our master's program is that the professors will share with the students not only their expertise on the subject, but also their personal link to it.
- The lectures can be attended on-site at our Monastery or on-line. Registering on-line gives access to the live streaming of the lectures and also to the edited videos for later viewing; during the streaming, on-line participants will be able to interact with the professors and with the on-site students via Zoom platform.
- The language is English. The videos of the lectures will be made accessible to all students during 30 days. Two weeks after the lectures, fully reviewed subtitles in English, Catalan and Spanish will be made available.

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The fee is 150€; scholarships are available; don't hesitate to ask.

Interested please write to the Registrar's Office at:

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# DESIRE SCIENCE

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*optional daily prayer with the monastic community:*  
6:25 matins / 7:45 or 8:00 lauds / 8:15 or 8:30 eucharist  
18:45 or 19:00 vespers / 21:15 compline

## FRIDAY 27

17:45 - 18:45 **SILENT MEDITATION / GREETING**

## SATURDAY 28

9:15 - 11:45 **SCIENTIFIC APPROACH**

*Sex elsewhere and otherwise: Coming of Age in Samoa, by M. Mead (1928).*  
GEMMA CELIGUETA (BARCELONA)

11:45 - 13:00 *Chi-kung exercises and lunch*

13:00 - 15:30 **POLITICAL APPROACH**

*Centro di Permanenza Temporanea, by Adrian Paci (2007).*  
BOAVENTURA DE SOUSA SANTOS (COÍMBRA)

16:20 - 18:40 **BIBLICAL APPROACH**

*The Woman's Desire in Genesis 3.*  
KATHARINA PYSCHNY (BERLIN)

## SUNDAY 29

9:15 - 11:45 **PHILOSOPHICAL APPROACH**

*Jacques Lacan's Ethics of Desire (20th century).*  
CRISTINA GUARNIERI (ROME)

12:35 - 14:00 *Chi-kung exercises and lunch*

14:00 - 16:20 **THEOLOGICAL APPROACH**

*Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness (Matt 5:6).*  
ZORAN GROZDANOV (RIJEKA)

16:30 - 17:30 **PERSONAL WORK: MY PEARLS FROM THE WEEKEND**

17:30 - 18:30 **CLOSING DISCUSSION**

WITH CELIGUETA / PYSCHNY / DE SOUSA / GROZDANOV / GUARNIERI





# DESIRE ART

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### SATURDAY 28

10:15 - 12:35 **MUSICAL APPROACH**

*Gottes Zeit ist die allerbeste Zeit, by Johann Sebastian Bach (ca. 1708).*

JOSÉ MIGUEL M. CARROBLES (TOLEDO)

12:35 - 14:00 *Chi-kung exercises and lunch*

14:00 - 16:20 **LITERARY APPROACH**

*Seeking God: Juan de la Cruz (16th century) and Solomon Ibn Gabirol (11th century).*

LUIS M. GIRÓN NEGRÓN (CAMBRIDGE, US)

16:20 - 18:40 **BIBLICAL APPROACH**

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KATHARINA PYSCHNY (BERLIN)

### SUNDAY 29

10:15 - 12:35 **FINE ARTS APPROACH**

*The Swing, by Jean-Honoré Fragonard (1767).*

ANNA POU VAN DEN BOSSCHE (BARCELONA)

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