

**ST HILDA'S COLLEGE  
UNIVERSITY OF OXFORD**

*In Memoriam*

**CELIA SISAM**

*Tutor and Fellow in English*

**1926-2025**

**Saturday 2 May 2026, 2 pm**

**Jacqueline du Pré Music Building, St Hilda's College**

**CELIA SISAM**  
**A MEMORIAL CELEBRATION**



Tutor and Fellow in English (1957-1986)  
Emeritus Fellow (1986-2025)  
Member of Council, Early English Text Society (1986-1997)

Welcome from the Principal, Professor Dame Sarah Springman

## RECALLING CELIA AS A TUTOR AND FELLOW

Dr Lyndall Gordon (Senior Research Fellow in English, St Hilda's College)

## CELIA SISAM AS TEACHER

Professor Alison Shell (Professor of Early Modern Studies, UCL)

## CELIA SISAM AS TUTOR

Professor Christine Gerrard (Principal, Lady Margaret Hall, Oxford)

## CELIA SISAM: TUTOR, LECTURER AND FELLOW

Professor Dame Sally Mapstone (Principal and Vice-Chancellor, University of St Andrews)

## CELIA - SCILLY AND BEYOND: A PERSONAL VIEW

Anne de Potier (Goddaughter)

## CELIA SISAM THE SCHOLAR

Dr Helen Leith Spencer (Emeritus Fellow in English, Exeter College, Oxford)

## CELIA SISAM'S OLD ENGLISH TEXTS

Psalm 22, Magnificat, and Nunc Dimittis read by St Hilda's students, Olivia Healey, Xander Lewis and Miranda McLaughlan, introduced by Dr Niamh Kehoe (Rebecca Marsland Career Development Fellow in English, St Hilda's College)

Concluding Remarks, Professor Daniel Wakelin (Jeremy Griffiths Professor of Medieval English Palaeography, St Hilda's College)

All are warmly invited to a reception in the Riverside Pavilion after the event.

The Early English Text Society's permission to reproduce Celia Sisam's Old English texts is acknowledged with gratitude.

Recollections of Celia Sisam can be sent to the College Archivist ([archives@st-hildas.ox.ac.uk](mailto:archives@st-hildas.ox.ac.uk)) to be held in the College Archives in her memory.

A College fund has been established to celebrate Celia Sisam and her work.

You can make a gift online via the QR code, or by cheque: Please make it payable to St Hilda's College, write 'Celia Sisam Memorial' on the back and send it to the Development Office, St Hilda's College, Oxford OX4 1DY.

