# Scott Anthony Mellor

Select Publications, Conferences, and Outreach

#### **Publications**

### Books

Beginner's Swedish 2<sup>nd</sup> edition. Hippocrene: NY, in press 2022.

Analyzing Ten Poems from The Poetic Edda: Oral Formula and Mythic Patterns. Mellem Press, 2008.

Beginner's Swedish with 2 Audio CDs. Hippocrene: NY, 2006.

Beginner's Swedish. Hippocrene: NY, 2002.

Dissertation: "Function and Formula: An Analysis of Ten Poems from the Codex Regius." 1999

#### Articles

"Introduction" in Journal of Finnish Studies special issue on Åland and the Finland-Swedes, 2024.

"Revisiting Formula and Mythic Patterns and the Interplay between The Poetic Edda and Volsunga saga," in New Light on Formulas in Oral Poetry and Prose. Brepols, 2024.

"Han Christian Andersen i promjene intelektualnog stava [Hans Christian Andersen and the Changing of the Intellectual Guard]," in Književna Smotra 184 (2017) 2: 15-25.

Co-author ACTFL "Standards for Swedish" 2015.

"Hans Christian Andersen as a Social Observer," in More than Just Fairy Tales, Julie Allen ed. Cognella,

"Flowers and Emblems in H.C. Andersen's 'The Snow Queen,'" in The Nordic Storyteller: Essays in Honour of Niels Ingwersen, Susan Brantly and Thomas DuBois eds. Cambridge Scholar Publishing, 2009.

"Foreword" by Susan Brantly and Scott Mellor in The Scandinavian magic tale and Narrative Folklore; a Study in Genres, Themes, and Sources by Niels Ingwesen. Mellem Press, 2008.

"Saint Ansgar: His Mission and its Scandinavian Context" In Sanctity in the North: Saints, Cults and Lives in the Nordic Middle Ages. U of Toronto P, 2006.

"The Nordic Roots of Tolkien's Middle Earth," Tom DuBois and Scott Mellor. Scandinavian Review 90(Summer 2002), 1: 35-40. Reprinted in Finnish News.

"Multiform and Life Cycle: An Armenian and a Scandinavian Narrative." Scandinavian Studies. 71(2001), 3: 417-436.

## Journal Work

Coeditor Journal of Finnish Studies special issue on Åland and the Finland-Swedes	2019-2024
Article reviewer for the journal Scandinavian Studies	2014-
Editor and Consultation Work	
New York Times Fact-checker consultant (Iceland)	2017-2018
Manuscript Consultant for "Swedish Grammar Workbook", Routledge	2014
Manuscript and Consultant for The Old Norse Gods, retold by Donna Jo Napoli,	
National Geographic, 2014.	2014
Manuscript Consultant for "Norse Myth" (Working Title), National Geographic	2013-14

Manuscript Consultant for <i>Great Warriors: Vikings</i> by Martin Gitlin. ABDO Publishing Co	2012.
Manuscript evaluation for The Poetic Edda: Essays on Old Norse Heroic Legend,	
edited by Paul Acker and Carolyne Larrington, Routledge P	2010
Manuscript evaluation for Witches, Ghosts, and Dream-Figures:	
the Supernatural in the Sagas of Icelanders, Toronto UP	2009
Manuscript evaluation for Cultures of the World: Iceland, Marshal Cavendish	2007
Consultant on Swedish Children's Picture Dictionary, Hippocrene P	2007
Core curriculum Consultant for The Mont Clair Kimberley Academy, k-12, New Jersey	
teaching year 2004-2005 centered around Hans Christian Andersen	May 2004
Manuscript evaluation for Sleeping Bodies, Jubilant Souls:	
The fate of the Dead in Sweden 1400-1700, The Canadian Journal of History	2004
General editor for The Eastern World of the Vikings: Eight Essays about Scandinavia	
and Eastern Europe in the Early Middle Ages, E.A. Melnikova.	
Gothenburg Old Norse Studies, 1. 1996.	1995-1996
Computer Consultant and Editorial Assistant of <i>Prärieblomman</i> , by Birgitta Svensson, at	
Göteborgs Universitet, Sweden. 1994.	
Translator and English Consultant for Vikingar, Viking exhibition at Eriksbergshallen,	
Göteborg, Sweden.	1995

#### Reviews

Myth and Magic in the Medieval Far North: Realities and Representations of a Religion on the Edge of Europe, Ed Stefan Gigenschow, Richard Holt, and Miriam Tveit. In JEGP in 2024.

Yggdrasil and the Cross in the North, G. Ronald. In Religion and Literature, Summer 2017.

Essays on Eddic Poetry, John McKinnell. In Scandinavian-Canadian Studies/ Études scandinaves au Canada, 2015.

Vackert, vackert! Syntaktisk reduplikation i svenskan, Jan Lindström, Svenska litteratursällskapet i Finalnd,

Kongruens i svenskan, Roger Källström. In Scandinavian Studies, vol. 68 no. 1 pp. 117-119.

Grammatik från grunden. Erik Andersson. In Scandinavian Studies, vol. 68 no. 1 pp. 113-15.

Tvåspråkighet & Lingvistisk medvetenhet, Anna-Lena Østern. In Scandinavian Studies, vol. 66 no. 1 pp. 110-112.

Prisma's Swedish English Dictionary and Prisma's English Swedish Dictionary. Scandinavian Studies, vol. 64 no. 2, pp. 274-76.

# **Select Conference Presentations**

<sup>&</sup>quot;Creating, Re-creating, Negotiating and Displaying Åland Identity with Care," "Relations of Care Across and After Worlds" Conference: Madison WI, May 13-14, 2021.

<sup>&</sup>quot;Oral-Formula and Formulaic Syntax in *The Poetic Edda* revisited," The Formula in Oral Poetry and Prose New Approaches, Models and Interpretations *1st Symposium of the Project "Formulae in Icelandic Saga Literature"* Tartu, Estonia, December 5-7, 2019.

<sup>&</sup>quot;Åland: Navigating Identity," Folklore and the Wisconsin Idea Conference: Madison WI, September 20-22, 2019

- "Continuity of motif in pre and post conversions folk narrative: the supernatural ham sandwich." The 104th Annual Meeting of the Society for the Advancement of Scandinavian Study, New Haven, Connecticut, March 13-15, 2014.
- "Why the Gods Must Die: A look at Óðins role in *Vǫluspá*," The 103rd Annual Meeting of the Society for the Advancement of Scandinavian Study, Berkeley, California, May 2-4, 2013.
- "Nordic Mythology." Keynote for the University of Minnesota Anthropology Conference. April 27, 2013. "Ships that Pass in the Night: Narrative and Åland Identity," Annual Meeting of the American Folklore Society, Boise, Idaho, October 21-25, 2009.
- Panel: Developing Teaching Standards for the Nordic Languages, 99th Annual Meeting of the Society for the Advancement of Scandinavian Study, Madison, Wisconsin, April 30-May 2, 2009.
- "Text and the Oral Ballad: The Politics of the Ballad," 44<sup>th</sup> International Congress on Medieval Studies, May 7-10, 2009
- "'Hvad siger den lille Sommergjæk?' Flowers and embedded stories in H.C. Andersen." The 95th Annual Meeting of the Society for the Advancement of Scandinavian Study, Portland, Oregon May 5-7, 2005.
- "Saint Ansgar: His Swedish Mission and its Larger Context," The 93rd Annual Meeting of the Society for the Advancement of Scandinavian Study. Minneapolis, MN., May 1-4, 2003.
- "Multiform and Life Cycle: An Armenian and a Scandinavian Narrative." The 90th Annual Meeting of the Society for the Advancement of Scandinavian Study: Folklore Pre-conference. Madison, WI. 30 April-2 May 2000.
- "Oral Antecedents of Germanic Poetry." The 89th Annual Meeting of the Society for the Advancement of Scandinavian Study. Seattle, WI. 30 April-2 May 1999.
- "Manuscripts and Codex Regius." The annual meeting of the Advancement of Scandinavian Studies in Canada. St. John's, New Foundland. May 31-June 4, 1997.
- "Occurrences of gráta in the Icelandic Sagas." The 85th Annual Meeting of the Society for the Advancement of Scandinavian Study. Pullman, WA. 27-30 April 1995.
- "Crying in Medieval Scandinavian Folklore." American Folklore Society and Society for Ethnomusicology 1994 Joint Annual Meeting. Milwaukee, WI. 19-23 October 1994.
- "Mythic Patterns in Volsunga Saga." The 84th Annual Meeting of the Society for the Advancement of Scandinavian Study. Davenport, IA. 28-30 April 1994.
- "Gustav Vasa and the Medieval Scandinavian Ballad." Twenty-Eighth International Congress on Medieval Studies. Kalamazoo, MI. 6-9 May 1993.
- "Old Scandinavian, Old English and Lowland Scots: or 'Qha gar the bairn greet.'"

  The 81st Annual Meeting of the Society for the Advancement of Scandinavian Study. Amherst,
  MA. 3-5 May 1991.

# Select Educational Outreach

#### Public Media Outreach

- History's Greatest Warriors: The Vikings History Channel, coming Fall 2024.
- Unexplained: The Vikings History Channel, November 3, 2023.
- Importance of Light on Swedish Economy Past and Present on BBC Economics, interviewed by Elizabeth Hotson on Friday 2:00 PM, July 22, 2022.

- "Hans Christian Andersen," interview on University on the Air by Norman Gilliland on Sunday 4:00 PM, January 5, 2020 (interview on December 13, 2019).
- "Amerikan samlar åländska berättelser" [An American collects Stories from Åland]," interview by Nya Åland newspaper, Mariehamn Åland Finland, March 28, 2019.
- Script writer/consultant for TedEd "Thor's journey to the land of the Giants." January 20, 2018. (Hit one million hits April 20, 2018; TedEd Webby Award won April 25, 2018.)
- Script writer/consultant for TedEd "How Thor got his hammer." December 20, 2018.
- Great Courses: Script: "The Vikings," Arlington Virginia, April 2018-January 2019.
- Ancient Aliens, "The Viking Gods" interview on History Channel, season 5, episode 11. Interviewed Madison, WI November 2012; released April 12, 2013.
- Clash of the Gods, "Beowulf," "Tolkien's Monsters," "Thor," interview and consultant on the History Channel, season 1, episodes 8, 9, and 10. Interviewed New York, NY February 10 and April 7; released Sept 28, Oct. 5 and 12, 2009.
- Norden Language Floor Recruitment Video, YouTube, https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=c7jod4-xZ7M&list=PLCX3oF13V5F-yxp8z0azCCOP9T7TeswC6&index=1. April 21, 2009.
- Distance Education and iPod Grants, Wisconsin State Journal: Interview by Sandy Cullen, 2007.
- "Hans Christian Andersen," interview with Niels Ingwersen on Here On Earth: Radio without Borders by Jean Feraca on Sunday 2:00 PM, April 3, 2005.

#### Wisconsin Idea Outreach

- "Video games to teach medieval studies? Mellor makes it work." Interview in Inside UW, November 18, 2021.
- Medieval Scandinavia and Game of Thrones, Children's library, Madison WI, December 2019.
- Nordic Christmas WUD Global Connections, Madison WI, December 2019.
- Wisconsin Library Series: "History of Nordic Cloth and Clothing," Waunakee WI, November 2019.
- Wisconsin Library Series: "Disney and Andersen," Belleville April 30, 2019; Oregan May 1, 2019; Deforest May 8, 2019; Middleton May 12, 2019.
- "Åland och havet" [Åland and the Sea], University of Applied Sciences, Mariehamn Åland Finland, March 10, 2019.
- Great Cities Series: "History of Stockholm," University of Wisconsin-Madison Libraries, February 13, 2019.
- "Nordic Mythology as Religion." International Learning Community UW-Madison, Madison WI, January 19. 2016.
- "Nordic Mythology as Religion." WASA club, Madison WI, September 13, 2015.
- "Nordic Mythology as Religion," Torske Klubben, Madison WI September 4, 2014.
- "Scandinavian Mythology," Humboldt Country CA Girl Scout Troup, Camp Tall Trees CA, June 24, 2014.
- "Eirik the Red and Medieval Scandinavians in America," Menomonie Fall Library Series, March 29, 2014
- "Christmas in Scandinavia." International Learning Community. Madison WI, December 11<sup>th</sup>, 2013.
- "Vikings in America," Idun Lodge, Madison, WI, October 2, 2013.
- "Vikings and Viking Culture." Kiwanis Club of Madison, May 11, 2012.
- Smithsonian lecture series in Scandinavia June 2011.
- "Nordic Folklore." University of Wisconsin-Madison High School Seminar, February 22, 2011.
- "Social Welfare State in Sweden." Vasa Klubben, February 13, 2011.
- "Nordic Mythology." LaFollette High School, February 2, 2011.

- "Nordic Mythology." University of Milwaukee, November 13, 2010.
- "The Goddesses of Scandinavian Mythology." Sons of Norway Idun lodge, September 7, 2010
- "Sweden, A Great European Power." Vasa Club of Madison, November 8, 2009.
- "Hans Christian Andersen: The Social Critic." Coventry Village retirement Community. Madison, WI, April 16, 2009.
- "Christmas in Scandinavia." International Learning Community. Madison WI, December 20<sup>th</sup> 2008.
- "Christmas in Scandinavia." International Learning Community. Madison WI, December 18<sup>th</sup>, 2007.
- "Vikings in America." Senior Summer School, Madison WI, June 20<sup>th</sup>, 2007.
- "Hans Christian Andersen: His Life and Times." Senior Summer School, Madison WI, June 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2007.
- "Viking Storytelling Tradition." Madison WI, June 26<sup>th</sup>, 2007.
- "Hans Christian Andersen: The Angry Social Critic." 1) Sequoya Library, Madison WI. Nov. 10, 2005; 2) DeForest, WI. Oct. 13, 2005; 3) Appleton, WI. Sept. 26, 2005; 4) Waupaca WI. Jan. 24, 2005.
- "Scandinavian Language." Winchester Academy, Waupaca, WI. September. 13, 2004.
- "Narrative and Mythic Patterns in Volsunga Saga." Námsáætlun fyrir munnlega hefð og eddukvæði [Seminar for Oral Performance and Eddic Poetry]. University of Reykjavík. Reykjavík, Iceland. 15 March 1996.
- "Muntilighet och Skriftlighet i Codex Regius [Orality and Textuality in Codex Regius]." Lecture Series at the Center for Medieval and Early Middle Ages, University in Oslo. Oslo, Norway. 22 January 1996.
- "Formula and Structure in Codex Regius." Fredagseminariet f\u00f6r v\u00e4stnordiska studier [Friday Seminar Series for West Nordic Studies]. Department of Literature, University of Gothenburg. Gothenburg, Sweden. 3 November 1995.
- "Gustav Vasa: History and a Ballad." Swedish American Institute, Minneapolis, MN. 1994.
- "Scandinavian Mythology: a primer" for Stoughton Newspaper, Stoughton, WI. 1992.
- "Hans Christian Andersen." Canterbury Coffee House. Madison, WI. 26 April 1992.
- "Scandinavian Mythology." Sons of Norway Club. Stoughton, WI. May 1992.