



ODYSSEY

images and voices of return



UNIVERSITY OF AGDER

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Campus Grimstad

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On Tuesday 22nd at 3.00 p.m.

"LISTENING TO THE VOICES OF RETURN"

A reading with sounds and images

"We shouldn't be too concerned about having lost many of the secrets of the myths, although we must learn to sense their absence, the vastness of what remains undeciphered [...]

... And yet we can still draw that tattered cloth around us, still immerse ourselves in the mutilated stories of the gods. And in the world, as in our minds, the same cloth is still being woven.

(A. Calasso "The Marriage of Cadmus and Harmony")

Penelope, Telemachus, Laertes, Circe, the Sirens, Calypso, Athena and the others are fascinating, enigmatic and at the same time "familiar" characters. They meet Ulysses only once or accompany him or, still, await him.

In some cases they have the faces of people I actually met, in others they are the result of a synthesis between various possibilities. Let's call it an attempt to explore "the Sacred" through a "tattered cloth", of which is not so important to reconstruct perfectly the plot, as to enjoy the warmth that it brings.

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