

Orientalists in NSZL - A Hafez manuscript in the Library of Pannonhalma Archabbey

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Hafez (1315-1390) is the most famous poet of classic Persian literature and his manuscript legacy surpasses that of anyone else. The manuscript kept in Pannonhalma dates back to 1501/2. The modest looking paper codex is a relatively early copy. However, its main value lies in the role it has been playing in the reception of Hafez. According to possessor entries, it may have been used by the professors and students of Vienna-based *Orientalische Akademie* (today's *Diplomatenakademie*) from the end of the 18th century. The numerous entries visible at the edge of the sheets reveal that readers of the manuscript must have known the various European Hafez editions, above all, Károly Reviczky's very first Hafez volume (Vindobonae 1771), which came complete with a Latin translation. The lecture will focus on the history of 18th-19th century European Orientalism, with special emphasis on the role played by Hafez.

Date: Wednesday April 10, 5 p.m.

Venue: National Széchényi Library, Wing "F" of Buda Royal Palace, 4-5-6 Szentgyörgy Square, H-1014 Budapest

Free admission to the program

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