

TRAILER: OXFORD SPANISH LITERATURE PODCAST

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Christy Callaway-Gale 0:05

Ever wondered what it would be like studying Spanish at the University of Oxford? Well, the time you spend in the library would probably sound a lot like this...

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[SOUNDS OF TAYLOR INSTITUTION LIBRARY FADE IN]

Christy Callaway-Gale 0:16

I'm sitting in the Taylor Institution Library, which has many, if not all of the books you would ever need during your Spanish undergraduate degree at Oxford. There's someone next to me reading a book set in the streets of Buenos Aires in Argentina...

[SOUNDS OF TAYLOR INSTITUTION LIBRARY END]

[SOUNDS OF STREET IN BUENOS AIRES FADE IN]

Christy Callaway-Gale 0:30

...and someone the other side of me reading a book set in a café in Madrid.

[SOUNDS OF STREET IN BUENOS AIRES END]

[SOUNDS OF CAFÉ IN MADRID FADE IN]

[SOUNDS OF CAFÉ IN MADRID END WITH SOUND OF BOOK CLOSING]

[SOUNDS OF TAYLOR INSTITUTION LIBRARY START]

Christy Callaway-Gale 0:36

But what are these books that Spanish students at Oxford are reading? Why are these books interesting? And why study them? Sit in on my conversations with Spanish tutors at Oxford to find out what's so fascinating about the literature they teach, why they love teaching it, and why they think you might love it too.

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Geraldine Hazbun 0:53

So I think it does what all great literature does, which is to keep asking you questions and getting you to find your own answers.

Oliver Noble Wood 0:59

It's one of my favourite works of Spanish literature.

María del Pilar Blanco 1:01

She definitely brings in a much needed...perspective.

[MUSIC ENDS]

Dominic Moran 1:06

...he really was a sort of pioneer.

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Christy Callaway-Gale 1:11

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Christy Callaway-Gale 1:24

You might also like to take a look at our Modern Languages blog, 'Adventures on the Bookshelf'.

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Christy Callaway-Gale 1:32

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