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Happy Birthday, Alexandro Malaspina!

On this, Alexandro's 251st birthday, we wish to take the opportunity to recognise his life and works, and to send heartfelt greetings to all the Malaspinistas who have contributed so much to keeping his memory alive.

At the same time, we should like to pass on a little news about the recent activities of the Centre. First, however, we are very pleased to announce that Juan Pimentel will visit us in March 2006: details in the next issue.



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Personnel Updates



Art theorist and historian Dr. Lisa MacLean will be joining the Centre in January 2006 to pursue a project involving the critical analysis of images derived from the Cook and Malaspina expeditions.

Of particular interest to the project are the ways in which the artists portrayed the figures, surroundings and customs of the indigenous people they encountered: were these realistic or stereotypical?

Student Assistant Josh Bachynski has been hired by the Centre to complete the redesign of our website which commenced more than a year ago.

Josh will re-engineer all the site's pages to fit a standard format using frames.

Aside from looking better, the new format will also allow for the efficient updating of the site's 300 pages as the need arises.

If time permits, Josh will also examine ways of increasing the site's accessibility to search engines.



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