Course Title: Hidden Secrets: Exploring Maps from the Early Modern Era  
Course Code: WSP 56  
Instructor: Chet Van Duzer

Course Remarks:

The course is very visual—I will show many images of maps. Out of consideration for the institutions that hold the rights for the images, I cannot share the PowerPoint files, but if you want to know more about a particular map, please take note of its details in the moment and either ask me about it during the times for questions or write to me about it later.

Grade Options and Requirements: No Grade Requested (NGR)

Course Schedule (Pacific Standard Time):

Saturday, April 24

9-9:45 Introduction and the Types of Early Modern Maps  
9:45-10:10 The Commissioning of Medieval Maps  
5 minute break  
10:15-11 Experiments with Mappaemundi  
11-12 The Reception of Ptolemy’s Geography

Sunday, April 25

9-10 Martin Waldseemüller, Ptolemy, and Nautical Charts  
10-10:55: The Decoration of Maps: Sea Monsters, Ships, Cartouches  
5 minute break  
11-12: How to Look Slowly at Early Modern Maps

Readings (these excerpts will be made available on the course Canvas page):