

## ■ A WORD FROM THE EDITORIAL

*Philologia* is a peer-reviewed academic journal whose primary objective is to promote, cherish and advance research in the humanities and social science. The journal comes out annually, both in print and electronic edition. *Philologia* publishes articles, critical essays, book reviews and conference reports grouped into the following sections: Linguistics, Applied Linguistics, Literary Studies, Cultural Studies, Translation Studies, Scientific Interviews, Conference Reports and Book Reviews.

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The Editorial is determined to follow the path of incorporating the journal into most influential linguistics and literature databases, which would bring the *Philologia* Journal closer to the potential reader interested in its contents. We are proud to announce that the articles published in the *Philologia Journal* have now been indexed in the MLA International Bibliography, the most widely distributed humanities database, and the journal listed in their Directory of Periodicals. The Editorial will make every effort to further promote the journal internationally.

The Editorial wishes to dedicate this issue of the journal to our dear friend and outstanding scholar, Peter Preston, who passed away this autumn. Even though he was struggling with a severe illness, he still found time and took great effort to provide a most discerning review of a paper the Editorial asked for. The *Philologia*'s Reviewing Team will miss Peter a lot.