

**JOHNSTON SEMINAR, JNST 000N.01 - FALL 2019**

**TTH 2:30-3:50**

**Greek Stories in Plays and Vase Painting**

**HL 213**

*Cross-listed with English, Art History, and Media and Visual Culture Studies*

*Fulfills pre-1800 requirement*

**Nancy Carrick**

This seminar will explore the stories the Greeks told as they are revealed in the great tragedies of Aeschylus, Sophocles, and Euripides and in ancient Greek painting. We will examine how the playwrights and painters alike chose their stories from the traditions they inherited and how they presented the details of those stories. We will explore Greek theatrical performance and stagecraft, the craft of actors and chorus, the conventions of narrative art, and topics of your choosing. You will have a variety of ways to encounter the Greeks' world through its art and theatre: in discussion, informal journal reflection, researching an aspect of the making of the stories, writing, and, if you wish, other media.