

2020 Re-design and Re-development

In the spring and summer of 2020, Bryan Yick at the University of St Andrews (School of Computer Science), under the supervision of Dr Mark-Jan Nederhof (School of Computer Science) and Dr Christine Rauer (School of English), completely redeveloped the web version of the Fontes Anglo-Saxonici database as part of a research project on Human / Computer Interaction. (For further information and technical details relating to this redevelopment, interested users should feel free to contact us).

The project members would like to express their special gratitude to Bryan Yick for his outstanding effort and initiative in redesigning the database and converting it into a modern platform, and for undertaking this highly technical work under exceptionally difficult conditions, during the world-wide pandemic.

Bryan would like to send this message to future users of the database: 'I hope anyone who uses the new Fontes finds the design easy to use and the features helpful'.

Thanks are also due to others who assisted in the creation of the 2020 version:

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Dr Christine Rauer will continue to assist users of Fontes Anglo-Saxonici in answering their queries, providing updated training materials, and promoting the database to a new generation of scholars.