

Manuscripts of the *Livre de Paix* (Book of Peace), composed by Christine de Pizan for Louis de Guyenne (1397-1415), the heir apparent, between 1412-1413. Prepared by Lori J. Walters, Visiting Scholar, CMS, lwalters@fsu.edu

1. **Bruxelles, KBR, 10366**, parchment; autograph copy, prepared by Christine 1412-1413 for Jean sans Peur, duke of Burgundy. Ff. 1-108v. Ff. 1-2v contain the table of contents of Book I and Bk I, chapter 1. The MS displays one miniature, found on fol. 3r at the beginning of I.2, a characteristic author portrait of Christine working in her study, done by the Master of the *Cité des Dames*. The first mention of the MS appears in the inventory made after the death of Philippe le Bon, duke of Burgundy (1467-1469), Jean sans Peur's son. It is likely the manuscript entered Philippe's library soon after the assassination of Jean sans Peur in 1419.



2. **Thomas Fisher Rare Book Library, MSS 05041**

Flanders, c. 1470. Written on vellum in 2 columns of 36 lines. This MS lacks an introduction, table of contents, and a first chapter, although fol. 1 is preceded by 2 lined folios, which, however, are not aligned in columns. The frontispiece miniature of Christine offering her book to Louis de Guyenne is by Jean Hennecart. The arms of Jean V de Créquy, counselor and chamberlain to Duke Philippe le Bon, appear in the initial letter 'G'. The MS was present in the Burgundy library along with MS 10366. <https://fishercollections.library.utoronto.ca/islandora/object/fisher2%3AF9896>



3. **Paris, BnF, fr. 1182**, a manuscript on paper dated by its watermarks to the second half of the 15th century, was transcribed in the South of France, as were the 4 other texts listed below, which, however, were only joined to fr. 1182 in the 18th century.
- a. *Livre de paix* (ff. 3r-128v). Ff. 3-5v Table of contents and Book I, chapter 1 (see Gallica). On fol. 6, Christine offers her book to the dauphin Louis de Guyenne.



In the 18th century these three texts were joined to the *Livre de paix*.

- b. *Livre des bonnes meurs* de Jacques Legrand (ff. 136r-169r)
The table of contents specifies that this text was translated from the Latin by Christine de Pizan, an attribution not upheld by modern scholarship.
- c. French translation, probably by Jean Miélot, of *l'Epistola de cura rei familiaris Raimundum (Lettre à Raymond d'Amboise)*, attributed to Bernard de Clairvaux (ff. 169v-170v)
- d. *Livre de la cité des dames* de Christine de Pizan (ff. 173r-254r)