

## A LIVE READING OF FINNEGANS WAKE IRP, Spring 2015, Syllabus

**Coordinators:** Ted Gannon, Harry Levy

**Readings:** James Joyce, *Finnegans Wake* (Penguin, 1999, ISBN 0141181265; \$23).

This continuing study group introduces the reader to the “chaosmos” (*FW* 118.21) of Joyce’s last work and explores its themes, characters, and language. An emphasis is placed on the explication of selected passages, words, puns, literary and historical references, and themes and characters.

We begin the fourth semester of our word-by-word reading at Page 169. One of the highlights of this semester is the reading of the famous chapter where James Joyce mentions the names of over 250 rivers of the world and injects the form and content of meaning into it. A full outline and bibliography are available from the coordinators.