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“In Translation: Foreign Recipes in Englishwomen’s Seventeenth-Century Manuscript Recipe Books”

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Victoria College,  
University of Toronto  
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Manuscript recipe books attributed to Ann, Lady Fanshawe, Sarah Hughes, and Mary Granville and Anne Granville Dewes are notable for their inclusion of Continental recipes, often recorded in their language of origin. This lecture will investigate women’s involvement in translating, defining, and assimilating the “outlandish” as part of a broader female participation in networks of transnational exchange.

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(Image: Vincenzo Campi, “Kitchen Scene” (1580s) Pinoteca di Brera, Milan)