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Childcare is offered for an hourly fee to AAR members. KiddieCorp childcare is a service subsidized by the AAR for members with families attending the Annual Meeting. Onsite registration is limited to available space. Childcare is located in the Hyatt Regency Atlanta Hotel in Executive Conference Suites 223 and 226.

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The boards, located in the registration area of the Hyatt Regency, provide a voluntary colleague locator system. Printout sheets will list those individuals who elected to have their information posted on the boards. Those who did not choose this option ahead of time may add their names.

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If you need a quick bite to eat, a concessions service is available in the Exhibit Hall of the Hyatt Regency during exhibit hours on Saturday and Sunday. There are also a number of restaurants located in the Peachtree Center Mall between the Hyatt Regency and the Marriott Marquis.

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Please return any found items to the AAR Member Services desk in the Registration Area of the Hyatt Regency. Any unclaimed items at the end of the meeting will be turned over to the Hyatt’s lost and found.

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A free Cyber Café is located in the back of the Exhibit Hall for your convenience.

HOURS OF OPERATION

AAR Program Schedule

Friday, October 29
Welcome Reception .......................... 7:00 pm–9:00 pm

Saturday, October 30
Program Unit Sessions ....................... 9:00 am–6:30 pm

Sunday, October 31
Program Unit Sessions ...................... 9:00 am–6:30 pm

Monday, November 1
Program Unit Sessions ...................... 9:00 am–6:30 pm

Onsite Registration

Exhibit Level, Hyatt Regency

Friday, October 29 .............................. 9:00 am–9:00 pm
Saturday, October 30 .......................... 8:00 am–5:00 pm
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Job Center Onsite Registration

Hyatt Regency, Regency Ballroom

Friday, October 29 .............................. 7:00 pm–9:00 pm
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Job Center

Hyatt Regency, Regency Ballroom

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Exhibit Hall

Hyatt Regency, Grand Hall

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**HOTEL INFORMATION AND MAP**

**HOTEL RATES AND MAP**

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![Map of Atlanta with hotel locations marked]

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All registered candidates receive:

• Annual Meeting Edition of Job Postings.
• Opportunity to file a CV for employer review.
• Access to the Job Center message system to send and receive confidential communication with registered employers.
• Use of a drop box to leave employers requested documents.

All candidates have the option of filing a CV with the Job Center.

Organized by job classification, the online CVs are available to employers August 15, 2010, through January 31, 2011, and onsite at the Annual Meeting Job Center. Onsite registrants and those who do not upload their CV by the October 12 may bring two copies to the Job Center to be filed alphabetically.

Please see www.aarweb.org/jump/jobcenter for more information.

Candidate Fees
Onsite registration: $50

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• Use of the Interview Hall and the ability to invite any Annual Meeting registrant to an interview.
• Placement of job advertisement in the Annual Meeting edition of Job Postings, available onsite to all candidates.
• Job Center icon next to Job Postings Online job advertisement.
• Access to candidate credentials at the Job Center and online August 15, 2010, through January 31, 2011.
• Access to the Job Center message system to send and receive confidential communication with registered candidates.
• Ability to reserve a Private Interview Room for an additional fee.

Employers who register onsite will not be able to reserve Private Interview Rooms or Interview Hall space prior to arriving onsite.

Employer Fees
First job: $325 onsite
Each additional job: $85 onsite

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In order to ensure the widest possible pool of candidates, all jobs registered with the Job Center must be advertised in the August, September, or October issue of the Online Job Postings. The fee for the advertisement is not included in the Job Center registration fee. To place an ad, go to www.aarweb.org/jump/jobpostings.

REGISTRATION

Onsite registration is available in the Hyatt Regency-Regency Ballroom.

JOB CENTER HOURS OF SERVICE

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Dealing with Ecological Despair: Religion, Ecology, and Hope in the Classroom (A29-100)

Friday, October 29, 9:00 am – 12:00 pm
Hyatt Regency, Hanover D

Sponsored by the Religion and Ecology Group, the Forum on Religion and Ecology, and the Sustainability Task Force

This workshop, led by activist and author Margaret Swedish, is intended for those who teach in the area of religion and ecology/religion and nature. Many who teach in this field face the problem of ecological despair in both their own research and teaching, and in the students that are learning about global environmental issues. In this workshop, participants will discuss experiences of ecological despair and share techniques for dealing with it in the classroom.

There will be a lecture, question and answer session, and group discussion.

Margaret Swedish served for twenty-five years as co-coordinator, then director, of the Religious Task Force on Central America and Mexico in Washington, D.C. Her publications include, Living Beyond the End of the World: A Spirituality of Hope (Orbis, 2008), and with Marie Dennis, Like Grains of Wheat: A Spirituality of Solidarity (Orbis, 2004). She is currently the author of the blog “Spirituality and Ecological Hope,” which is a project of the Center for New Creation: www.ecologicalhope.org.

This is part of a day of events cosponsored by the Religion and Ecology Group, the Forum on Religion and Ecology, and the Sustainability Task Force.
LEADERSHIP WORKSHOP

Cultivating Interdisciplinarity: Opportunities for Curriculum, Faculty Development, and Hiring (A29-101)

Friday, October 29, 9:00 am – 4:00 pm

Hyatt Regency, Hanover E

Sponsored by the Academic Relations Committee and the Teagle Foundation

Fred Glennon, Le Moyne College, Presiding

This is the second in a three-year sequence of interactive, day-long workshops exploring the implications of the Teagle/AAR White Paper The Religion Major and Liberal Education. This workshop will focus upon the convergence of interdisciplinary opportunities that are emerging within our field and the pressures felt by departments to think about curriculum and hiring in ways that enable larger institutional outcomes. Participants will explore the interdisciplinary shift implicit in the white paper’s advocacy of moving from a seminar model to a comparative model of religious studies. Also, we will address if and how such a shift can encourage teaching and learning in ways that better serve the needs of students while advancing the institution’s core mission. Participants will be invited to examine the implications of such a shift for curriculum, faculty development, and hiring. The workshop will conclude with presentations and discussions about resources and programs that might enable departments to cultivate such interdisciplinarity in meaningful ways within their institutional contexts.

The interactive workshop will feature several speakers, panelists, and breakout sessions. Richard Carp will open the workshop with a session titled Cultivating Interdisciplinarity: A Conversation. Carp is professor of philosophy and religion, interim chair of the department of foreign languages and literature, and past chair of the department of interdisciplinary studies at Appalachian State University. He publishes and teaches extensively in the area of interdisciplinary studies. A panel will follow that explores the opportunities for curriculum, faculty development, and hiring that the cultivation of interdisciplinarity presents. A breakout session led by members of the Academic Relations Committee immediately follows, which will allow participants to discuss these issues in-depth and in relation to their own contexts. Following lunch, which is provided, panelists will share resources and programs that embody and enable such interdisciplinary approaches. Another breakout session will allow for participation from attendees. The workshop will conclude with a wrap-up plenary and discussion with Carp.

The cost for the workshop is $125, which includes the entire day of sessions.

Panelists:

Richard M. Carp, Appalachian State University
Rebecca Todd Peters, Elon University
Joseph A. Favazza, Stonehill College
Rosetta E. Ross, Spelman College
Edwin David Aponte, Lancaster Seminary
L. DeAne Lagerquist, Saint Olaf College
Steve Young, McHenry County College
Religion Counts: Demographic Technologies and the Politics of Surveillance (A29-103)

Friday, October 29, 9:30 am – 5:00 pm
Hyatt Regency, Hanover C

Jenna Tiitsman, University of North Carolina and Auburn Media, and J. Barton Scott, Montana State University, Presiding

The Religion and Media Workshop, one of the most popular sessions at the AAR annually, was a resounding success in 2009, inspiring new conversations and collaborations in the study of religion and media. The 2010 Religion and Media Workshop promises to be equally rich.

This year’s workshop takes its cue from the 2010 United States census. This classic procedure for enumerating and defining the national population – and, indeed, the nation itself – will be reenacted via a novel assemblage of information technologies and other media. Although the 2010 United States Census cannot include mandatory questions about religion, it nonetheless raises a set of critical questions about the relationship of religion to population, politics, state surveillance, and the media technologies that bind these together — questions that resonate well beyond the American context. The political technologies of “number” affect religious minorities in Europe, South Asia, and elsewhere; they articulate the contours of religious populations in diaspora; and, via the circulation of religious texts and objects, they shape imagined communities and counter-publics that undermine the boundaries of the nation-state. This year’s workshop will foreground the question of when and how religion counts: how religion relates to the technologies of number, how religious groups become visible as enumerable “populations,” and how certain kinds of religious collectives remain both uncounted and uncountable.

We invite you to join a discussion of these themes with leading reporters, performers, and academics. Our unique three-part workshop includes panels, performance, and small group discussion. Our morning program features a series of interdisciplinary panels on surveillance, demographic technologies, mapping, and governmentality across religious traditions and in a variety of geographic contexts. In the afternoon, an intensive discussion of how these themes articulate the knowledge produced by the United States Census will amplify the critical vocabularies developed throughout the day. As always, there will be ample time for small thematic conversations around issues of urgent relevance to the study of religion and media.

9:15 am-9:45 am Welcome
Katharine Henderson, Auburn Theological Seminary

9:45 am-11:15 am Counting Religion/Religious Counting
John Durham Peters, University of Iowa
Titus Hjelm, University College London
Bruce Lawrence, Duke University

11:30 am-1:00 pm Mobilizing Minorities
William Elison, Stanford University
Brannon Ingram, University of North Carolina
Rupa Viswanath, University of Pennsylvania

1:00 pm-2:30 pm Lunch Discussions
2:30 pm-3:00 pm U. S. Census Videos
3:00 pm-4:30 pm Roundtable: Secularism, Number, and the Nation: The American Case
Sarah Barringer Gordon, University of Pennsylvania
Janet Jakobsen, Barnard College
John Lardas Modern, Franklin and Marshall College

The cost for the workshop is $70, which includes the entire day of sessions and lunch. Registration is limited to the first 75 participants.
Rethinking Islamic Studies
Friday, October 29, 1:00 pm – 5:00 pm
Hyatt Regency, Hanover D

Sponsored by the Study of Islam Section and Contemporary Islam Group

Carl Ernst, University of North Carolina, and Richard C. Martin, Emory University, Presiding

The purpose of the workshop is two-fold. The main goal is to identify and discuss research problems in the study of Islam that are now confronting scholar members of the American Academy of Religion. Participants (AAR members, including graduate students and faculty) will receive a copy of Rethinking Islamic Studies: From Orientalism to Cosmopolitanism, edited by Carl W. Ernst and Richard C. Martin (University of South Carolina Press, 2010), in which fourteen scholars write on specific problems, methods, and theories in Islamic studies today. Within this framework, a second goal is for participants to meet in broad thematic breakout groups, to present current research projects for review, and to offer constructive analysis by the members of the group. Each group will be led by two scholars experienced in research, publication, and grant funding.

The Thematic breakout groups are:

- **Ethics and Law**
  Jonathan Brockopp, Pennsylvania State University
  Ebrahim E. I. Moosa, Duke University

- **Gender and Sexuality**
  Kecia Ali, Boston University
  Scott A. Kugle, Institute for the Study of Islam in the Modern World

- **History and Historiography**
  Vincent Cornell, Emory University
  Ahmet T. Karamustafa, Washington University, Saint Louis

- **Religion, Politics, and Society**
  Charles Kurzman, University of North Carolina
  Bruce Lawrence, Duke University

- **Ritual and Practice**
  Joyce Flueckiger, Emory University
  Frederick Denny, University of Colorado

- **Text and Interpretation**
  Tamara Sonn, College of William and Mary
  Andrew Rippin, University of Victoria
Teaching about Food, Justice, and Sustainability

Friday, October 29, 1:30 pm – 5:00 pm
Hyatt Regency, Hanover F

Sponsored by the Religion and Ecology Group, the Forum on Religion and Ecology, the AAR Task Force on Sustainability, and the Animals and Religion Consultation

A. Whitney Sanford, University of Florida, David Aftandilian, Texas Christian University, and Barbara A. B. Patterson, Emory University, Presiding

This interdisciplinary and participatory workshop will explore pedagogical issues and strategies around food, justice, and sustainability. Food is an increasingly popular way to engage critical thinking and personal choice, as well as to explore economic, environmental, health, and social justice issues in our global food system. Local and sustainable food alternatives, both urban and rural, provide connections to campus action, ethical reflection, and spiritual life. This workshop on food, justice, and sustainability will present an overview of issues and challenges that can be incorporated into existing and new religion courses, examples of useful topics for in-depth treatment, and teaching strategies for graduate and undergraduate levels. Attendees will have opportunities to discuss particular issues of interest with a panel of experienced teachers and will receive a bibliography.

This is part of a day of events cosponsored by the Religion and Ecology Group, the Forum on Religion and Ecology, and the Sustainability Task Force.

Presenters include:

- Peggy Bartlett, Emory University
  *Overview of Key Issues in Sustainable Food for Religion and Theology Courses*

- Sandra Robertson, Victory Church
  *Connecting to Place: Addressing Food Deserts in Atlanta*

- Carol Newsom, Emory University
  *The Bible and the Earth*

- Laurel D. Kearns, Drew University
  *Religious Communities and Food: The Green Seminary Initiative*

Registration is limited to the first 75 participants. The cost for the workshop is $70.
PROGRAM UNIT PROPOSALS

The Program Committee is actively seeking proposals for new program units, especially proposals that address: 1) Areas of pent-up demand; and 2) New and emerging fields.

All proposals for new Program Units must begin as wildcard sessions. A wildcard session is a complete prearranged session on a topic outside of the program unit structure. The proposal can be for a paper, panel, or other creative type of session format. All wildcard sessions are ninety-minutes in length and will be scheduled for Sunday afternoon at the Annual Meeting. Wildcard sessions are submitted through the Online Paper/Panel Proposal (OP3) System, and must be submitted before March 1, 2011. Notification of program acceptance will be announced by April 1, 2011. Wildcards that are accepted onto the program are then invited to submit an application for new unit status by November 19, 2011.

How to Propose a New Program Unit

The proposal is your opportunity to make the case for the new program unit by presenting a clear rationale, analytical focus, approaches, and objectives of the unit.

In three-to-five typewritten pages, include:

- The title of the new unit.
- Identify and define/describe the scholarly field the unit addresses, making an intellectual argument for the new unit.
- State the need and the unit’s purpose.
- Note the scope, directions, and approaches the unit might take.
- Distinguish the unit from other existing program units. If there is overlap with an existing unit, we would like a letter of support from that unit’s chair(s).

Additional information required:

- List the AAR members who will chair the unit (1–2) and serve on the steering committee (3–5).
- A short annotated bibliography of published works on the topic, with an introductory paragraph explaining the status of publications in the subfield.
- Letters of support from AAR members who are interested in, and support the work of, the proposed unit.
- A description of the wildcard session, including an attendance count.

The Program Committee meets each December to review and approve any proposals. Samples of successful proposals are available from annualmeeting@aarweb.org.

Which Type of Program Unit to Propose?

Consultations are the most common type of new unit. A Consultation provides a platform for a group of members to announce a line of inquiry new to the AAR program and to seek out others interested in pursuing it further. While some Consultations pursue a limited agenda and end after three or fewer years, others develop a constituency interested in exploring a topic for a longer period.

Seminars are for an already-identified group of up to twenty members who want to work together on a defined research project with a view to publication.

In preparing all petitions, members should be aware of the following policy:

The American Academy of Religion is committed to the policy and practice of including women, minority, and younger members in the activities of the Academy. In Annual Meeting programming, this commitment will be carried out to the degree that each unit works to accomplish it. Thus, unit chairpersons, steering committees, and participants in sessions provide the testing arenas for evaluating our success in adhering to this commitment. The Program Committee will include attention to this policy and practice in evaluating proposals for starting or continuing program units.
AFRICAN AMERICAN RELIGION AND CIVIL RIGHTS TOUR

Friday, 12:00 pm–5:00 pm

This walking tour examines four sites among Atlanta’s treasure house dealing with the African American religious experience and specifically the Civil Rights struggle.

The Auburn Avenue Research Library on African American Culture and History is dedicated to preserving African American heritage by providing a home to the manuscripts, photographs, oral histories, books, periodicals, and works of art that contain the history of peoples, of nations, of beliefs and dreams, and of a past worth sharing with the future.

The African American Panoramic Experience (APEX) Museum interprets and presents history from an African American perspective in order to better understand and appreciate the contributions of African Americans to America.

Ebenezer Baptist Church has been a spiritual home to many citizens of the “Sweet Auburn” community. After giving a trial sermon to the congregation at the age of nineteen, Martin Luther King Jr. was ordained as a minister, where he remained until his death.

The King Center utilizes diverse communications media to educate people all over the world about King’s life, work, and his philosophy and methods of nonviolent conflict reconciliation and social change.

BAPS SHRl SWAMINARAYAN MANDIR

Monday, 9:00 am–12:00 pm

The BAPS Shri Swaminarayan Mandir is the largest Hindu temple of its kind outside of India. The temple boasts hand-carved stone spires that tower 75 feet. More than 12,300 tons of stone was quarried and shipped to the craftsmen in India. Then, the nearly 35,000 pieces were shipped to Atlanta, where more than 900 volunteers dedicated their time in putting this marvel together.

DREPUNGL OSELING MONASTERY

Monday, 9:30 am–1:00 pm

The Drepung Loseling Monastery provides theoretical knowledge and practical training in Tibetan Buddhist scholarly traditions for Western students, scholars, and the general public and helps preserve the endangered Tibetan culture. The tour will be led by the abbot, Geshe Lobzang Tenzin Negi.

FOOD, JUSTICE, AND SUSTAINABILITY: ATLANTA’S URBAN AGRICULTURE

Monday, 9:00 am–12:00 pm

This bus tour will take us to places in urban Atlanta where residents are working to address food, justice, and sustainability concerns in their communities. Tour guide Erin Croom of Georgia Organics (www.georgiaorganics.org) will lead us through several sites to show how local organizations have been addressing hunger and nutrition by developing new forms of urban agriculture and garden-based education. The Oakhurst Community Garden Project (www.oakhurstgarden.org) works with youth and families to develop creative skills in sustainable urban living, organic gardening, health, and nutrition. The Oakleaf Mennonite Farm (www.localharvest.org/farms/MS4689) is a diverse vegetable and small animal farm founded by the Berea Mennonite Church in East Atlanta with the belief that local, fresh, responsible eating is part of the Christian call to stewardship and creation care. Truly Living Well (www.trulylivingwell.com) is an African-American-owned and -operated urban farm that provides food and educational services for local communities.

HIGH MUSEUM OF ART

Saturday, 9:00 am–12:00 pm

The High Museum of Art’s collections consist of more than 11,000 pieces and include nineteenth and twentieth century American and decorative art, significant European pieces, modern and contemporary art, photography, African art, and folk art.

JIMMY CARTER PRESIDENTIAL LIBRARY AND MUSEUM

Saturday, 9:00 am–12:00 pm

The Jimmy Carter Presidential Library and Museum is home to the presidential papers of the Carter Administration. An exhibit of significant events occurring during Carter’s life and political career includes photographs with interpretative text. Several exhibits focus on important twentieth century issues such as war and peace, disarmament, and the economy.
Buckhead Church is an in-town campus of North Point Ministries located in the Buckhead neighborhood of Atlanta. Approximately 5,000 people are in attendance every Sunday. The church is an innovator in the use of technology among multisite churches. The sermon each week is delivered virtually from North Point’s home campus in Alpharetta, GA, and the senior minister, Andy Stanley, appears via hologram in the Buckhead Church.

The Temple is the oldest Jewish congregation in Atlanta, established in 1860. During the 1950s and 1960s it became a center for Civil Rights advocacy. In response, white supremacists bombed The Temple in 1958. *Atlanta Journal-Constitution* editor Ralph McGill’s outraged front-page column on The Temple bombing won a Pulitzer Prize for commentary.

Al-Farooq Masjid was established in 1980, and at the time it was only one of a few mosques in the Southeast. Today, the mosque is one of nearly thirty-five in Metro Atlanta, and it attracts Muslims from over fifty countries, including Nigeria, Ghana, Saudi Arabia, Egypt, India, Pakistan, Bangladesh, Malaysia, and from all across the United States.

WILLIAM BREMAN JEWISH HERITAGE MUSEUM

Monday, 9:00 am–12:00 pm

The Museum’s extraordinarily vivid exhibitions use the personal remembrances of Atlantans to explain seminal moments in the Jewish experience. *Creating Community* tells the story of Atlanta Jews creating and experiencing community. *Absence of Humanity* tells the story of the Holocaust through historical photographs and documents, personal memorabilia and family pictures, and in the voices of those who survived and made new lives in Atlanta.

YERKES PRIMATE CENTER

Monday, 8:30 am–11:30 am

The Yerkes National Primate Research Center at Emory University is an international leader in biomedical and behavioral research. Thus the Center provides a critical link between research with small laboratory animals and clinical trials with humans. Yerkes Research Center is dedicated to advancing scientific understanding of primate biology, behavior, veterinary care, and conservation. The tour will be led by Yerkes Director and AAR Plenary speaker Frans de Waal.
The Student Lounge (Hyatt Regency, Chicago A) is a place for students to relax in the midst of the hectic Annual Meeting. We hope that you will take advantage of the free coffee and chance to talk with fellow students. The lounge will be open Saturday–Monday, 8:00 am to 6:30 pm. The Graduate Student Committee has also organized a series of roundtable discussions on topics related to professionalization and student life. These discussions will last about an hour. This is a great opportunity to network with fellow students and discuss issues that matter to you. Light snacks will be provided.

**What's the Use of Academic Rubrics?**
*Saturday, 3:00–4:00 pm*

Whitney Bauman, Florida International University

When rubrics are imposed upon you, they can feel stifling. However, when done well, they can be a tool of creativity when assessing student work. This workshop will be devoted to the joys and pains of developing rubrics. Please come with an assignment in mind so that we can put these ideas into practice.

**Balancing Career and Family in Graduate School: A Discussion on Institutional Policies and Personal Practices**
*Sunday, 9:00–10:00 am*

Herbie Miller, University of Dayton, and Meredith Minister, Southern Methodist University

Many graduate students on the fast-track to service in the academy live with a tension between their academic careers and their personal lives. In response to this tension, this discussion attends to the personal aspects of balancing career and family life and the institutional aspects of developing family-friendly policies for graduate students.

**Beyond the Classroom: A Holistic Approach to Student Life as Preparation for Departmental Life**
*Sunday, 10:00–11:00 am*

William Myatt, Loyola University, Chicago

Graduate education is not unidimensional. Students and faculty who excel are able to supplement scholarly pursuits with emotional intelligence, approaching academia in a holistic manner. This roundtable discussion will draw from interviews with successful faculty from around the country to explore the possibilities for cultivating a fully integrated approach to graduate education as preparation for success in an academic department.

**Distant and Communal: Exploring New Forms of Online Pedagogy**
*Sunday, 1:00–2:00 pm*

Marilyn Matevia, Graduate Theological Union, and Jim Siburt, Alvernia University

Where and when education occurs is increasingly dictated by students without traditional residency at a physical academic location. This session will explore how identifying the key traits that make you unique and effective as an instructor and transferring them into an online environment is one of the most difficult, yet rewarding, aspects of online education.

**The Balancing Act: Teaching and Coursework/Dissertation**
*Monday, 1:00–2:00 pm*

Emily Bennett, Claremont Graduate University, and Elizabeth Lawson, Temple University

Many students juggle independent teaching with completing our degrees, whether in coursework, exams, or the dissertation stage. This session will discuss issues that include how we prioritize our own work and our teaching responsibilities, how our teaching and studying can enrich each other, and strategies for managing our time and resources.

**Taming the Transitions: Negotiating Challenges in Advanced Graduate Work**
*Monday, 3:00–4:00 pm*

Amy DeBaets, Emory University, Kate McEachen, University of California, Sacramento, and Almeda Wright, Pfeiffer University

This session will focus on the challenges in transitioning into advanced graduate work, including exams, theses, and dissertations. We will discuss committee composition and development, managing the loss of structure and community that often accompanies the end of coursework, and best practices for getting major writing projects up and running smoothly.
BEYOND THE BOUNDARIES
PUBLIC LECTURE SERIES

The AAR is committed to fostering the public understanding of religion. Inspired by this goal, the Graduate Student Committee has established a series of public talks to be held around the city of Atlanta. Student members will present their cutting edge research in these innovative evening sessions designed to move our discussions of religion out of the traditional academic setting of the annual meeting and into the community. This year’s talks center around three themes:

• Religion and science
• Religion in Atlanta
• Religion and pluralism

Plan to join us for these stimulating discussions on Saturday, Sunday and Monday evenings between 6 and 8 p.m.! Consult the AAR website and “Especially for Students” materials for venue details.

A31-409
Sunday, 6:00 pm–8:00 pm
Roy Whitaker, Claremont Graduate University
From Multiculturalism to Multireligiosity: Shifting Paradigms of African-American Religious Studies in a Pluralistic Age with Special Reference to Martin Luther King, Jr.

Whitaker’s paper tracks the shifting paradigms of African-American Religious Studies discovering that the pluralistic age is influencing how scholars do Religious Studies with a greater sensitivity to religious diversity. In African-American Religious Thought: An Anthology (2003), Cornel West and Eddie Glaude map the intellectual shift among black thinkers/theologians’ singular focus on Christianity beginning to fade in the late 1960s; after King’s assassination. James Cone’s Black Power & Black Theology (1969) adds additional evidence as he clarifies in his 1989 book how he never considered Christianity the exclusive religion of God. Yet, West and Glaude’s periodization may be pushed back a bit if King and other black pluralists like Howard Thurman are factored into the schematization. Whitaker further emphasizes that, in the end, Black Theology is not reducible to Christian Studies. Race and religious pluralism both matter; and need to be part of the contemporary black theological discourse.

A30-401
Saturday, 6:00 pm–8:00 pm
Shannon Montgomery, Georgia State University
“An Influence Among Humanity”: Internal Religious Debate over Narrative Paradigms

Montgomery’s project examines a 1911 controversy at Brigham Young University which ended in three professors being fired for teaching evolution. After detailing the basic controversy both nationally and at Brigham Young specifically, the project hones in on a letter signed by more than 80 percent of the student body in that year. The letter, written in support of the teachers, offered a contrasting narrative to that of the school administration. Lodged between embattled professors and school administration (with church officials), the students had to demonstrate fidelity to the religious institution even as they sought the widest academic vision. Montgomery also considers implications for the Church of Latter Day Saints over the next century. She argues that ultimately, the controversy represents a missed opportunity for the church to be viewed as relevant in secular discourse and opens up a discussion about the potential of religious organization in general to better engage in secular discourse.

A1-403
Monday, 6:00 pm–8:00 pm
Dong-Sik Park, Claremont Graduate University
The Pursuit of Harmony in Differences between Religion and Science

Dong-Sik Park applies Sri Aurobindo’s marvelous insight, “For all problems of existence are essentially problems of harmony.” to the debate of religion and science. Park argues that the debate of religion and science seems to be that of dualisms: creation and evolution, of sacred and secular, of theism and atheism, or of believers and non-believers. For theists science is unholly. For atheist religion is absurd. However, instead of following the Either-Or paradigm, he pushed for a “Both-And.”

He explores multiple perspectives in science and religion, including two extremes between science and religion, Daniel Dennett and Pat Robertson. However, Park argues that “we need harmony through contrasts or differences in order to combine this “ugly ditch” between science and religion.”
PLENARY AND PRESIDENTIAL ADDRESSES

Frans de Waal: Morality before Religion — Empathy, Reciprocity, and Fairness in our Fellow Primates (A30-140)

Presidential Address — Ann Taves: “Religion” in the Humanities and the Humanities in the University (A30-404)

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Susannah Heschel’s The Aryan Jesus: Christian Theologians and the Bible in Nazi Germany: Author Meets Critics (A31-325)

Mark L. Taylor’s The Theological and the Political: On the Weight of the World (A31-328)

Regina Schwartz’s Sacramental Ethics: Poetics at the Dawn of Secularism with Author Responding (A1-101)

Responses to Jeremy Stolow’s Orthodox by Design (A1-128)

How Has Orsi’s Madonna of 115th Street Affected the Way We Think about Religion? (A1-205)

Philosophical Issues in the Madhyāntavibhāga (A1-217)

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Making Good: Synthetic Biology and the Creation of the World (A31-113)

“Scientific Buddhism” among Tibetans and Their Western Interlocutors: Reflections on Donald Lopez’s Buddhism and Science (University of Chicago Press, 2008) (A31-128)

Religion and the Cognitive in Neurosciences (A31-210)

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BOOK AWARD GIVEAWAY!

Win the WINNERS!

Drop your business card off at the AAR booth (#601) in the Exhibit Hall to be in the drawing to win the 2010 AAR Book Award Winners.

Analytical-Descriptive Studies
Kimberley Christine Patton

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Mark Johnston

Historical Studies
Robert Ford Campany
*Making Transcendents: Asetics and Social Memory in Early Medieval China* (University of Hawai‘i Press, 2009)

Textual
Benjamin D. Sommer
*Bodies of God and the World of Ancient Israel* (Cambridge University Press, 2009)

Best First Book in the History of Religions
Joseph Kip Kosek

Drawing will be held on Monday, November 1 at 12:00 PM.
(Books will be shipped to the winner after the Annual Meeting by the AAR.)

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★ Cambridge University Press
★ Columbia University Press
★ Princeton University Press
★ Oxford University Press
★ University of Hawai‘i Press
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A1-314 Beyond the Spirit of Empire: Theology and Politics in a New Ke by Nestor Miguez, Joerg Rieger, and Jung Mo Sung
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★ University of California Press
★ University of Chicago Press
★ Westminster John Knox Press
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THURSDAY, OCTOBER 28

M28-1
Participatory Mission Theology
Thursday, 8:00 am–6:00 pm
Hyatt Regency, Hanover G

A28-200
Nurturing the Next Generation of Scholars Workshop Part I
Thursday, 12:00 pm–5:00 pm
Hyatt Regency, Hanover AB
Matthew Williams, The Fund for Theological Education, Presiding
Sponsored by the American Academy of Religion and The Fund for Theological Education
This two-part workshop is designed for students from underrepresented racial/ethnic groups who are considering the pursuit of a PhD or ThD in religion, theology, or biblical studies. The goals of this workshop are to introduce prospective graduate students to the professional guilds, provide opportunities for participants to dialogue with distinguished faculty and current graduate students, provide useful information on the graduate application process, and increase the pipeline for future faculty of color in the guild. Students who participate in this workshop have been preselected from an application pool.

M28-201
Society of Anglican and Lutheran Theologians
Thursday, 1:15 pm–8:30 pm
Saint Luke’s Church, 435 Peachtree Street NE
Theme: Exploring Postcolonial Missiology: Part One
1:15 pm Registration and Social Gathering Time
1:45 pm Welcome and Announcements
2:00 pm Maria Erling, Lutheran Theological Seminary, Gettysburg
Reluctant Insiders: Anglican and Lutheran Participation at Edinburgh, 1910
3:30 pm Break
4:00 pm Rowan Strong, Murdoch University
Mission and Empire: The Origins and Continuities of Anglican Missionary Understanding
5:30 pm Vesper
6:30 pm SALT Conference Dinner at Location TBA
For more information, visit the SALT website at anglicanlutherantheologians.org.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 29

A29-104
Religion in the Schools Task Force Meeting
Friday, 8:00 am–10:00 am
Hyatt Regency, Spring
Diane L. Moore, Harvard University, Presiding

M29-2
New Directions in Religious Studies: Conference for Middle and Secondary School Teachers
Friday, 8:00 am–4:00 pm
Hyatt Regency, Fairlie

M29-3
Lutheran Women in Theological and Religious Studies
Friday, 8:30 am–12:45 pm
Lutheran Theological Center, 700 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive
Theme: Listening Closely; Defining the Conversation
Lutheran women in theological and religious studies, as well as some local Lutheran clergy women, gather annually for scholarship, worship, and friendship. Lutheran women scholars, including graduate students and women who teach or study at Lutheran institutions, are invited. Papers and presentations will highlight the work of Lutheran women of color in the United States and Swedish feminist Luther scholars visiting the United States. Registration will include information on local transportation.
For questions or to register and make a dinner reservation, please contact Sandra Mejia-Vega at 1-773-380-2885 or sandra.mejia@ela.org.

M29-4
Society of Anglican and Lutheran Theologians
Friday, 8:30 am–12:45 pm
Saint Luke’s Church, 435 Peachtree Street NE
Theme: Exploring Postcolonial Missiology: Part Two
8:30 am Coffee and Conversation
9:00 am Jorgen Skov Sorensen, Council on International Relations of the Evangelical Lutheran Church, Denmark
From the Authority of Edinburgh 1910 to the Authenticity of the Individual 2010
10:35 am SALT Business Meeting
11:05 am Short Break
11:15 am Jayakiran Sebastian, Church of South India
Not Hurrying on to a Receding Future, nor Hankering after an Imagined Past
For more information, visit the SALT website at anglicanlutherantheologians.org.
A29-100 🍀 🌟 SOLD OUT

Dealing with Ecological Despair: Religion, Ecology, and Hope in the Classroom
Friday, 9:00 am–12:00 pm
Hyatt Regency, Hanover D
Margaret Swedish, Center for New Creation, Presiding
Sponsored by the Religion and Ecology Group, the Forum on Religion and Ecology, and the Sustainability Task Force
This workshop, led by activist and author Margaret Swedish, is intended for those who teach in the area of religion and ecology/religion and nature. Many who teach in this field face the problem of ecological despair in both their own research and teaching, and in the students that are learning about global environmental issues. In this workshop, participants will discuss experiences of ecological despair and share techniques for dealing with it in the classroom.
There will be a lecture, question and answer session, and group discussion.

A29-101 🏥

Leadership Workshop: Cultivating Interdisciplinarity
Friday, 9:00 am–4:00 pm
Hyatt Regency, Hanover E
Fred Glennon, Le Moyne College, Presiding
Theme: Opportunities for Curriculum, Faculty Development, and Hiring
Sponsored by the Academic Relations Committee and the Teagle Foundation
Panelists:
Richard M. Carp, Appalachian State University
Rebecca Todd Peters, Elon University
Joseph A. Favazza, Stonehill College
Rosetta E. Ross, Spelman College
Edwin David Aponte, Lancaster Seminary
L. DeAné Laguerquist, Saint Olaf College
Steve Young, McHenry County College
Separate registration is required. See page 21 for details.

A29-102 🕵

Luce Seminars on Theologies of Religious Pluralism and Comparative Theology Fellows: Cohort Two
Friday, 9:00 am–5:00 pm
Hyatt Regency, Hanover G
John Thatamanil, Vanderbilt University, Presiding
This all-day seminar will be the second meeting of the second cohort of the American Academy of Religion/Henry Luce Foundation Summer Seminar Fellows. By invitation only.

A29-105

Status of Women in the Profession Committee, Status of Racial and Ethnic Minorities in the Profession Committee, and Status of LGBTQ Persons in the Profession Task Force Joint Meeting
Friday, 9:00 am–12:00 pm
Hyatt Regency, Techwood
Melissa M. Wilcox, Whitman College, and Judith Plaskow, Manhattan College, and Miguel A. De La Torre, Iliff School of Theology, Presiding

A29-106

History of Religions Jury Meeting
Friday, 9:00 am–12:00 pm
Hyatt Regency, University
Pamela Klassen, University of Toronto, Presiding

A29-108

Regions Task Force Meeting
Friday, 9:00 am–12:00 pm
Hyatt Regency, Roswell
Brian Pennington, Maryville College, Presiding

A29-109

International Connections Committee Meeting
Friday, 9:00 am–12:00 pm
Hyatt Regency, Piedmont
Tat-siong Benny Liew, Pacific School of Religion, Presiding
A29-111

Teaching and Learning Committee Meeting
Friday, 9:00 am–12:00 pm
Hyatt Regency, Marietta
Tina Pippin, Agnes Scott College, Presiding

A29-112

Public Understanding of Religion Committee Meeting
Friday, 9:00 am–12:00 pm
Hyatt Regency, Lenox
Sarah M. Pike, California State University, Chico, Presiding

A29-115

Nurturing the Next Generation of Scholars Workshop
Part II
Friday, 9:00 am–1:00 pm
Hyatt Regency, Hanover AB
Matthew Williams, The Fund for Theological Education, Presiding
Sponsored by the American Academy of Religion and The Fund for Theological Education
By invitation only.

A29-116

Technology Task Force Meeting
Friday, 9:00 am–11:00 am
Hyatt Regency, Greenbriar
Mark Juergensmeyer, University of California, Santa Barbara, and Donna Bowman, University of Central Arkansas, Presiding

M29-100

Models of God and Other Ultimate Realities
Friday, 9:00 am–6:00 pm
Marriott Marquis, International 3

M29-101

North American Paul Tillich Society
Friday, 9:00 am–11:30 am
Hyatt Regency, Hanover F

M29-102

Society for Buddhist–Christian Studies Board Meeting
Friday, 9:00 am–11:30 am
Hyatt Regency, Auburn

M29-5

Dharma Academy of North America (DANAM)
Friday, 9:00 am–11:00 am
Marriott Marquis, International 2
Neela Bhattacharya Saxena, Nassau Community College, New York, and Phyllis Herman, California State University, Northridge, Presiding
Theme: Gynocentric Matrix of Indic Traditions: Dharma, Culture, and the Feminine
Panelists:
Pankaj Jain, University of North Texas
Ecofeminism and the Bhikshu of Rajasthan
Karleen Erndl, Florida State University, Tallahassee
"When a Woman Becomes Chandika": Justice, Violence, and the Feminine in Popular Hindi Film
Ramdas Lamb, University of Hawai‘i, Manoa
Dharma, Fowkes, and the Challenge of Education in Rural Chhattisgarh
Frederique Appel-Marglin, Smith College (Emerita)
Enacting the World with the Goddesses of Orissa
Neela Bhattacharya Saxena, Nassau Community College
Dance of Light at the Feet of a Dark Girl: Kali in Kazi Nvcral Islam’s Song

M29-6

Encyclopedia of the Bible and Its Reception Editorial Board Meeting
Friday, 9:00 am–5:00 pm
Marriott Marquis, International 10

A29-103

Religion and Media Workshop: Religion Counts
Friday, 9:30 am–5:00 pm
Hyatt Regency, Hanover C
Theme: Demographic Technologies and the Politics of Surveillance
9:15 am–9:45 am Welcome
Katharine Henderson, Auburn Theological Seminary
9:45 am–11:15 am Counting Religion/Religious Counting
John Durham Peters, University of Iowa
Titus Hjelm, University College London
Bruce Lawrence, Duke University
11:30 am–1:00 pm Mobilizing Minorities
William Elison, Stanford University
Brannon Ingram, University of North Carolina
Rupa Viswanath, University of Pennsylvania
1:00 pm–2:30 pm Lunch Discussions
2:30 pm–3:00 pm U. S. Census Videos
3:00 pm–4:30 pm Roundtable: Secularism, Number, and the Nation: The American Case
Sarah Barringer Gordon, University of Pennsylvania
Janet Jakobsen, Barnard College
John Lardas Modern, Franklin and Marshall College
Separate registration is required. See page 22 for details.
M29-103

Qur'an Group and the Institute of Ismaili Studies
Friday, 9:30 am–2:00 pm
Marriott Marquis, International 6
Theme: The Meaning of the Word: Lexicology and Tafsīr
This workshop will explore how exegetes approach the meanings of individual words in the Qur'an, and how religious beliefs are informed by discussions of lexicology. Whilst lexicology is regarded as playing a crucial part in the interpretation of the Qur'an, there are few studies of how exegetes approach these questions. The workshop will focus on two areas: 1) The interplay between the development of theological ideas and the interpretation of individual words; and 2) The methodologies that exegetes employ when dealing with questions of lexicology.
If you are interested in attending, or have any questions, please contact Stephen Burge, sburge@iiis.ac.uk.

M29-104

North American Association for the Study of Religion Executive Council Meeting
Friday, 10:00 am–1:00 pm
Hyatt Regency, Kennesaw

M29-112

GLOPENT Americas Meeting
Friday, 10:00 am–1:00 pm
Hyatt Regency, Harris

M29-110

Explorations in Theology and Apocalyptic Working Group
Friday, 10:15 am–2:45 pm
Marriott Marquis, International 8

M29-105

Dharma Academy of North America (DANAM)
Friday, 11:00 am–1:00 pm
Marriott Marquis, International 2
Rita Sherma, Taksha University and ITBB, and Kathleen Emdl, Florida State University, Presiding
Theme: Feminism in Dharma Traditions
Panelists:
Phil Goldberg, Taksha University
The Feminization of Guru Teachings and Transmissions in the West
Veena Howard, University of Oregon, Eugene
Gandhi’s Understanding of the Feminine
Nikky Singh, Colby College
Feminist Perspectives from Sikh Dharna
Sherry Fohr, Converse College
Inadvertent Feminism in Shvetambar Jainism
Rita Gross, University of Wisconsin, Eau Claire
New Perspectives on Models of Female Empowerment in Buddhist History

M29-106

Encyclopedia of the Bible and Its Reception Editorial Board Meeting
Friday, 11:00 am–5:00 pm
Marriott Marquis, International A

A29-113 📚 🎉

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African-American Religion and Civil Rights Tour
Friday, 12:00 pm–5:00 pm
Meet in Hyatt Regency Lobby
Rosetta E. Ross, Spelman College, Presiding
Sponsored by the Afro-American Religious History Group, Black Theology Group, Religion, Social Conflict, and Peace Group, Womanist Approaches to Religion and Society Group, and Theology of Martin Luther King Jr. Consultation
This walking tour examines four sites among Atlanta’s treasure house dealing with the African American religious experience and specifically the Civil Rights struggle.
The Auburn Avenue Research Library on African American Culture and History is dedicated to preserving African American heritage by providing a home to the manuscripts, photographs, oral histories, books, periodicals, and works of art that contain the history of peoples, of nations, of beliefs and dreams, and of a past worth sharing with the future.
The African American Panoramic Experience (APEX) Museum interprets and presents history from an African American perspective in order to better understand and appreciate the contributions of African Americans to America.

Ebenezer Baptist Church has been a spiritual home to many citizens of the "Sweet Auburn" community. After giving a trial sermon to the congregation at the age of nineteen, Martin Luther King Jr. was ordained as a minister, where he remained until his death.

The King Center utilizes diverse communications media to educate people all over the world about King’s life, work, and his philosophy and methods of nonviolent conflict-reconciliation and social change.

A29-114

AAR Leadership Summit Luncheon
Friday, 12:00 pm–1:00 pm
Hyatt Regency, Courtland
John R. Fitzmier, American Academy of Religion, Presiding
Members of AAR’s Board of Directors, Committees, and Task Forces are invited to this luncheon to recognize their service to and leadership within the Academy.

M29-108

Women’s Caucus
Friday, 12:00 pm–3:00 pm
Hyatt Regency, Auburn

M29-109

Society for the Arts in Religious and Theological Studies and the Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion
Friday, 12:30 pm–6:30 pm
Marriott Marquis, International 5
Theme: Art and Pedagogy Workshop

A29-107

Job Placement Task Force Meeting
Friday, 1:00 pm–5:00 pm
Hyatt Regency, Vinings
Timothy M. Renick, Georgia State University, Presiding

A29-200

AAR Board of Directors Meeting
Friday, 1:00 pm–5:00 pm
Hyatt Regency, Executive Conference Suite 219
Ann Taves, University of California, Santa Barbara, Presiding

A29-201

Rethinking Islamic Studies Workshop
Friday, 1:00 pm–5:00 pm
Hyatt Regency, Hanover D
Carl Ernst, University of North Carolina, and Richard C. Martin, Emory University, Presiding
Sponsored by the Study of Islam Section and Contemporary Islam Group

The purpose of the workshop is two-fold. The main goal is to identify and discuss research problems in the study of Islam that are now confronting scholar members of the American Academy of Religion. Participants (AAR members, including graduate students and faculty) will receive a copy of Rethinking Islamic Studies: From Orientalism to Cosmopolitanism, edited by Carl W. Ernst and Richard C. Martin (University of South Carolina Press, 2010), in which fourteen scholars write on specific problems, methods, and theories in Islamic studies today. Within this framework, a second goal is for participants to meet in broad thematic breakout groups, to present current research projects for review, and to offer constructive analysis by members of the group. Each group will be led by two scholars experienced in research, publication, and grant funding.

The thematic breakout groups are:

Ethics and Law
Jonathan Brockopp, Pennsylvania State University
Ebrahim E. I. Moosa, Duke University

Gender and Sexuality
Kecia Ali, Boston University
Scott A. Kugle, Institute for the Study of Islam in the Modern World

History and Historiography
Vincent Cornell, Emory University
Ahmet T. Karamustafa, Washington University, Saint Louis

Religion, Politics, and Society
Charles Kurzman, University of North Carolina
Bruce Lawrence, Duke University

Ritual and Practice
Joyce Flueckiger, Emory University
Frederick Denny, University of Colorado

Text and Interpretation
Tamara Sonn, College of William and Mary
Andrew Rippin, University of Victoria

M29-200

Bonhoeffer Society Editorial Board and Board of Directors Meeting
Friday, 1:00 pm–6:00 pm
Hyatt Regency, Roswell
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M29-202
North American Paul Tillich Society
Friday, 1:00 pm–3:30 pm
Hyatt Regency, Edgewood

M29-203
Society for Buddhist–Christian Studies Board Meeting
Friday, 1:00 pm–3:30 pm
Hyatt Regency, Greenbriar

M29-204 ★
Thomas F. Torrance Theological Fellowship
Friday, 1:00 pm–4:00 pm
Marriott Marquis, International B
David Ferguson, University of Edinburgh
_The Ascension of Christ in the Theology of Thomas F. Torrance_

Our session will begin with a thirty-minute meeting for members. See www.tfandtorrance.org for more information.

M29-209
Womanist In-Gathering
Friday, 1:00 pm–5:00 pm
Marriott Marquis, International 1

VISIT THE EXHIBIT HALL!
Hyatt Regency, Grand Hall Ballrooms

A29-202 ★
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Teaching about Food, Justice, and Sustainability Workshop
Friday, 1:30 pm–5:00 pm
Hyatt Regency, Hanover F
A. Whitney Sanford, University of Florida; David Aftandilian, Texas Christian University; and Barbara A. B. Patterson, Emory University, Presiding
Sponsored by the Religion and Ecology Group, the Forum on Religion and Ecology, the AAR Task Force on Sustainability, and the Animals and Religion Consultation
This interdisciplinary and participatory workshop will explore pedagogical issues and strategies around food, justice, and sustainability. Food is an increasingly popular way to engage critical thinking and personal choice, as well as to explore economic, environmental, health, and social justice issues in our global food system. Local and sustainable food alternatives, both urban and rural, provide connections to campus action, ethical reflection, and spiritual life. This workshop on food, justice, and sustainability will present an overview of issues and challenges that can be incorporated into existing and new religion courses, examples of useful topics for in-depth treatment, and teaching strategies for graduate and undergraduate levels. Attendees will have opportunities to discuss particular issues of interest with a panel of experienced teachers and will receive a bibliography.

Peggy Barlett, Emory University
Overviews of Key Issues in Sustainable Food for Religion and Theology Courses
Sandra Robertson, Victory Church
Connecting to Place: Addressing Food Deserts in Atlanta
Carol Newsom, Emory University
The Bible and the Earth
Laurel D. Kearns, Drew University
Religious Communities and Food: The Green Seminary Initiative

Dharma Academy of North America (DANAM)
Friday, 2:00 pm–4:00 pm
Marriott Marquis, International 2
Kusumita P. Pedersen, St. Francis College, and Purushottama Bilimoria, University of Melbourne, Presiding
Theme: Representations of the Feminine in the Modern Period
Panelists:
Carl Olson, Allegheny College
The Feminine Thread in Two Novels of Bankimchandra Chatterji
Elisabeth Benard, University of Puget Sound
The Jestinma Phenomena in Tibetan Buddhism

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Harshita Mruthinti Kamath, Emory University  
*The Enactment and Aesthetics of Female Impersonation: Performing Sarayabham in Telugu South India*

Pramila Venkateswaran, Nassau Community College  
*A Face of the Feminine in Tamil Nadu: Reading Kannaki in “Cilapattikaram”*

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**M29-206**  
**Psychology, Culture, and Religion Group**  
Friday, 2:00 pm–7:00 pm  
Marriott Marquis, International 4  
2:00 pm Theme: Psychological and Religious Perspectives on Southern Cultures and Sensibilities  
Panelists:  
- Mindy McGarrah Sharp, Phillips Theological Seminary  
- Jeanne Stevenson-Moessner, Southern Methodist University  
- Jessica Van Denend, Union Theological Seminary  
Responding:  
- Eileen Campbell-Reed, Luther Seminary  
3:30 pm Break  
4:00 pm Theme: Jung’s Red Book (Norton W. W. and Company, 2009): Explorations at the Edge of Genius and Madness  
Panelists:  
- Felicity Brock Kelcourse, Christian Theological Seminary  
- Kelly Bulkeley, Graduate Theological Union  
- Pamela Cooper-White, Columbia Theological Seminary  
5:30 pm Lisa Cataldo, Fordham University  
Praxi Reflection on Jung’s Red Book: Mandala Meditation  
7:00 pm PCR annual dinner at a local restaurant. Location TBA.

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**A29-203**  
**Status of LGBTIQ Persons in the Profession Task Force Meeting**  
Friday, 3:00 pm–7:00 pm  
Hyatt Regency, Piedmont  
Melissa M. Wilcox, Whitman College, Presiding

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**M29-207**  
**Society for the Study of Christian Spirituality**  
Friday, 3:30 pm–5:30 pm  
Marriott Marquis, International C  
Barbara Anne Keely, United Theological Seminary of the Twin Cities, Presiding  
Theme: *What Is Meant by “Spiritual Formation” in the Shaping of Religious Leaders?*  
The purpose of this workshop is to explore what is understood by "spiritual formation" and how the formation of students is being incorporated into master-level degree programs. Presentations include goals for spiritual formation within programs, courses being taught, and spiritual growth experiences offered. The workshop will explore the implications for teaching and research.

Barbara Anne Keely will present insights gleaned from a consultation with faculty from twelve seminaries. The panel will expand the conversation to a broader ecumenical context.  
Panelists:  
- Doug Hardy, Nazarene Theological Seminary  
- Tim Hessel-Robinson, Brite Divinity School  
- Elisabeth Koenig, General Theological Seminary  
- Valerie Lesniak, Seattle University

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**M29-300**  
**Art/s of Interpretation Group**  
Friday, 4:00 pm–6:00 pm  
Hyatt Regency, Edgewood  
Greg Alles, McDaniel College, Presiding  
Theme: *Rethinking Eliade*  
- Casey Koons, Syracuse University  
  *Matter over Mind: Mircea Eliade and Cognitive Science*  
- Bryan Rennie, Westminster College  
  *Mircea Eliade and the Cognitive Study of Religion: Consonances between Cognitive Science and Eliadean Concepts*  
- Lisa J. M. Poirier, Miami University  
  *Mapping Missions with GIS: Sacred Spaces in Contact Zones*

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**M29-301**  
**Dharma Academy of North America (DANAM)**  
Friday, 4:00 pm–6:00 pm  
Marriott Marquis, International 2  
Anne Vallee, University of Ottawa, Presiding  
Theme: *The Feminine in Jainism*  
Panelists:  
- Nika Kuchuk, University of Ottawa  
  *From Icon to Temple: The Embodied Presence of the Goddess Padmavati*  
- Christian Haskett, Washington & Lee University  
  *The Visual Vocabulary of Possession Performance and the Categories of Jain and Woman*  
- Bradley Boileau, University of Ottawa  
  *Between the Veil and the Vow: Ascetic Wifehood, Jain Sati, and the Devotional Cult of Rajumata at Mount Gauri*  
- Sherry Fohr, Converse College  
  *Indigenous Feminism in Svetambara Jainism*
M29-302
Feminist Liberation Theologians' Network
Friday, 4:00 pm–6:00 pm
Hyatt Regency, Greenbriar
The Network has explored "feminist" and "liberation" dimensions of its work. At this annual gathering, discussion will focus on the development of "critical theologies" from a variety of feminist liberation starting points. All are welcome.
RSVP: Mary E. Hunt, Women's Alliance for Theology, Ethics, and Ritual (WATER), 1-301-589-2509, mhunt@bers.com or to Elisabeth Schüssler Fiorenza, Harvard University, 1-617-495-5751, eschussler@hks.harvard.edu.

M29-303
North American Association for the Study of Religion
Friday, 4:00 pm–6:30 pm
Marriott Marquis, International 8
Theme: Theorizing Religion
Winnifred Fallers Sullivan, State University of New York, Buffalo, Presiding
Elysee Nouvet, York University
Rattling 'el Mundo': Sensing Power through Piety
Ann Burlein, Hofstra University
Knowledge Is Made for Cutting: Using Foucault’s "Birth of the Clinic" to Revisitute the Contemporary Prominence of Cognitive Science Accounts of Religion
Gustavo Benavides, Villanova University
Linguistic versus Discursive Grounds for the Systematic Neglect of Theories of Religion
Arthur McCalla, Mount Saint Vincent University
Benjamin Constant: Theorist of Religion and Modernity
Responding:
Nancy Levene, Indiana University

M29-304
North American Paul Tillich Society
Friday, 4:00 pm–6:30 pm
Hyatt Regency, Auburn

M29-305
Women and Religion Section and the Society for Buddhist-Christian Studies
Friday, 4:00 pm–6:30 pm
Marriott Marquis, International 6
Miriam Levering, University of Tennessee, Presiding
Theme: The Scholarly Contributions of Rita Gross
Colleagues of Rita Gross will examine her scholarly contributions in six different areas.
Judith Simmer Brown, Naropa Institute
Tibetan Buddhist Studies
Kathleen Erndl, Florida State University
Teacher and Mentor
Nancy Falk, Western Michigan University
Colleague
Paul Knitter, Union Theological Seminary
Contributions to Buddhist-Christian Dialogue
Terry Muck, Asbury Theological Seminary
Buddhist-Christian Studies
Rosemary Radford Ruether, Pacific School of Religion
Women and Religion
Responding:
Rita Gross, University of Wisconsin, Eau Claire

M29-306
Karl Barth Society of North America
Friday, 4:00 pm–6:30 pm
Marriott Marquis, International 7
Amy Marga, Luther Theological Seminary
Barth and Catholicism in the 1920s: How the Encounter Drove Him More Deeply into Reformation Theology
Arne Rasmussen, Umea University, Sweden
Were Barth's Politics in the 1930s Really Reactionary? Historians in Dispute

M29-307
Film Screening: Mysteries of the Jesus Prayer
Friday, 4:00 pm–5:00 pm
Hyatt Regency, Hanover AB
Join us for a sneak preview of a new feature film and book on monasticism and eremitic practices. For centuries monks, nuns and spiritual hermits have prayed the Jesus Prayer in far away caves and monasteries. They have remained mostly unknown to the rest of the western world... until now. In early 2011, the documentary feature film and book Mysteries of the Jesus Prayer will take you on an epic journey of prayer and discovery.

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M29-308
Society for the Study of Native American Religious Traditions
Friday, 4:30 pm–6:30 pm
Hyatt Regency, Harris

M29-400
Journal of Feminist Studies in Religion Preconference Meeting
Friday, 6:00 pm–8:45 pm
Hyatt Regency, Lenox

M29-412
Søren Kierkegaard Society Banquet
Friday, 7:00 pm–9:30 pm
Commerce Club, 34 Broad Street
Keynote Speaker: Murray Rae, University of Otago, New Zealand

M29-401
Welcome Reception
Friday, 7:00 pm–9:00 pm
Hyatt Regency, Centennial I
Join your friends and colleagues for conversation and fun at the Welcome Reception. Light refreshments, cash bar, and live jazz combine to make this a great way to catch up with friends old and new.

M29-411
The Word Made Fresh
Friday, 7:00 pm–9:00 pm
Marriott Marquis, International 6
Thomas Oord, Northwest Nazarene University, Presiding
Amos Yong, Regent University
In the Days of Caesar: Pentecostalism and Political Theology
Responding:
J. Kameron Carter, Duke University
Serene Jones, Union Theological Seminary
Graham Ward, University of Manchester
The Word Made Fresh is an annual lectureship held in conjunction with the Society of Evangelical Scholars, which seeks to stimulate creative dialogue among scholars on themes reflective of evangelical Christianity. See The Word Made Fresh: A Call for a Renewal of the Evangelical Spirit at http://people.bu.edu/bpstone/theology/word.html.

M29-403
New Religious Movements Group
Friday, 7:00 pm–8:30 pm
Hyatt Regency, Auburn
Theme: Ethics in the Study of New Religious Movements
Join us for an open discussion on the variety of ethical issues related to the scholarly study of new religious movements.

M29-404
Religious Studies Review Annual Editorial Board Meeting
Friday, 7:00 pm–10:00 pm
Hyatt Regency, Roswell

M29-405
Society for the Arts in Religious and Theological Studies Reception
Friday, 7:00 pm–9:00 pm
Hyatt Regency, Hanover E
**M29-406**

**Society for the Study of Christian Spirituality**
Friday, 7:30 pm–9:00 pm
First Congregational Church Commons, 125 Ellis Street NE
Theme: *Spirituality and the Spiritualities in the Struggle for Civil Rights*
Please join us for an experience of the transformative hope made real through the music of the spirituals in the African American struggle for civil rights. Led by James Abbington, associate professor of church music and worship at Emory University’s Candler School of Theology, the evening’s events will take place at First Congregational Church, in the Church Commons at 125 Ellis Street NE, directly behind the historic church building.
From Peachtree Center, which is near the conference hotels, walk 1–2 blocks west to Courtland Street NE, then 1–2 blocks south to Ellis Street.
For more information, please visit the Society for the Study of Christian Spirituality’s website at [http://scc.press.jhu.edu/annual_meeting/index.html](http://scc.press.jhu.edu/annual_meeting/index.html).
A light reception will follow. All are warmly invited.

**A29-402**

**Film: Color of Paradise**
Friday, 8:00 pm–10:00 pm
Hyatt Regency, Hanover D
Michael Pittman, Albany College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences, Presiding
Sponsored by the Religion, Film, and Visual Culture Group
1999, directed by Majid Majidi. Farsi, with English subtitles. 90 minutes.
Set in Tehran and the countryside of Iran, *The Color of Paradise (Rang-e Khoda)* explores the world from the point of view of Muhammad, a blind boy, whose widowed father, Hashem, would rather not be burdened by his son so that he can remarry and pursue a “normal” life. Majidi employs child and untrained actors, minimal non-diegetic music, and simple cinematography—all of which add to the simplicity and spiritual power of the film. Through the heightened senses and feelings of Muhammad, the audience is invited to view the world, and themselves, anew.
*The Color of Paradise* is a fable of a child’s innocence and a complex look at faith and humanity. Visually magnificent and wrenchingly moving, the film tells the story of a boy whose inability to see the world only enhances his ability to feel its powerful forces.” ([www.sony pictures.com](http://www.sony pictures.com))

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**A29-403**

**Film: Songs from the Second Floor**
Friday, 8:00 pm–10:00 pm
Hyatt Regency, Hanover AB
Kevin Cryderman, Emory University and Georgia Gwinnett College, Presiding
Sponsored by the Religion, Film, and Visual Culture Group
2000, directed by Roy Andersson. Swedish, with English subtitles. 98 minutes.
Taking place in a Swedish-speaking Everycity and shot as static-camera tableaux, Roy Andersson’s deadpan absurdist dark comedy *Songs from the Second Floor (2000)* follows an interlocking network of characters amidst an economic recession of apocalyptic dimensions. The film opens as Pelle Wigert (Torbjörn Fahlström) has been ordered by his CEO Lennart (Bengt C. W. Carlsson) to lay off 1,000 workers. Pelle follows the order but, in protest, smashes his boss over the head with a gold club. Meanwhile, the ghostly populace has turned away from faith. Even church leaders obsessively talk about their loss in housing values, and a massive traffic jam runs through the center of the city as thousands flee to an unknown destination rather than confront their unuestioned faith in the free market. Alongside the cars, stockbrokers walk through the street flagellating each other in penance in Monty Python-esque fashion. At the center of the narrative is the family of Kalle (Lars Nordh), who burns down his furniture store in an attempt to reap the insurance and then turns to selling Jesus icons to try to turn a profit, but no one is buying.

**M29-407**

**A Chants Encounter: Pagan Gospel/Jam Session**
Friday, 8:00 pm–10:30 pm
Marriott Marquis, International 3

**M29-408**

**Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, and Queer Caucus**
Friday, 8:00 pm–9:30 pm
Hyatt Regency, Edgewood

**M29-409**

**Animals and Religion Friends Reception**
Friday, 9:00 pm–11:00 pm
Hyatt Regency, Baker
The Animals and Religion Consultation invites all interested scholars and activists to our reception and Humane Society of the United States film viewing.
M29-410
Pluralism Project Reception
Friday, 9:00 pm–11:00 pm
Hyatt Regency, Hanover FG
Theme: Case Studies of Multireligious America
You are invited to join us for our annual reception honoring Pluralism Project friends, affiliates, and advisors. This year’s program will explore new developments in our Case Study Initiative, which seeks to apply the case method to the disputes and dilemmas of multireligious America. Highlights from our recent case study workshops, courses, and our 2010 Case Study Summer Fellowship program will serve as a starting point for discussion. We invite you to bring your ideas for new cases, as well as your reflections on utilizing the method in your own teaching context. Visit www.pluralism.org/casestudy for more information.

M29-413
Feminist Studies in Religion Reception
Friday, 9:00 pm–11:00 pm
Hyatt Regency, Greenbriar

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 30

M30-1
Journal of Feminist Studies in Religion Board Meeting
Saturday, 7:00 am–9:30 am
Hyatt Regency, Marietta

M30-2
North American Paul Tillich Society
Saturday, 7:00 am–8:00 am
Marriott Marquis, M109

M30-3
Spiritus Editorial Board Meeting
Saturday, 7:00 am–9:00 am
Hyatt Regency, Spring

M30-421
Regent College Breakfast Reception
Saturday, 7:00 am–8:30 am
Hyatt Regency, Courtland

A30-1
New Members’ Breakfast
Saturday, 7:30 am–8:45 am
Hyatt Regency, Dunwoody
John R. Fitzmier, American Academy of Religion, Presiding
New (first-time) AAR members in 2010 are cordially invited to a continental breakfast with members of the Board of Directors.

A30-2
Regional Officers’ Breakfast
Saturday, 7:30 am–8:45 am
Hyatt Regency, Fairlie
Brian Pennington, Maryville College, Presiding
Networking and information session for those who serve the AAR in the regions. By invitation only.

A30-3
Theological Education Steering Committee Meeting
Saturday, 7:30 am–8:45 am
Hyatt Regency, Greenbriar
John Thatamanil, Vanderbilt University, Presiding

A30-4
Sustainability Task Force Meeting
Saturday, 7:30 am–8:45 am
Hyatt Regency, Edgewood
Bobbi Patterson, Emory University, Presiding

A30-5
Academic Relations Committee Meeting
Saturday, 7:30 am–8:45 am
Hyatt Regency, Harris
Fred Glennon, Le Moyne College, Presiding

M30-4
Dialog Editorial Council Meeting
Saturday, 7:30 am–11:30 am
Hyatt Regency, Kennesaw

M30-5
Society for Hindu–Christian Studies Board Meeting
Saturday, 7:30 am–8:30 am
Marriott Marquis, International B
M30-7

Art/s of Interpretation Group
Saturday, 8:00 am–10:00 am
Hyatt Regency, Roswell
Randal Cummings, California State University, Northridge, Presiding
Theme: Reclaiming Eliade
Carl Olson, Allegheny College
Conflicting Methodological Metaphors: Eliade and Deleuze in Dialogue
Jess Hollenback, University of Wisconsin
What's Wrong with Symbols? Revisiting Mircea Eliade in 2010
Ali Zaidi, State University of New York, Canton
The Fantastic Fiction of Mircea Eliade

M30-8

La Comunidad
Saturday, 8:30 am–11:30 am
Marriott Marquis, L403

A30-100 🤓

Special Topics Forum
Marriott Marquis, M304
Elizabeth Lawson, Temple University, Presiding
Theme: Student Town Hall Meeting: Come, Listen, Learn, Get Involved!
Sponsored by the Graduate Student Committee
Students comprise one third of the membership of the AAR. We bring renewed vitality and fresh perspectives to the study of religion. And, yes, we know how to have a good time. Can we shape the future of the Academy? Yes we can! Join us for our Student Town Hall, a forum where you can offer your suggestions, hear about new initiatives led by the Graduate Student Committee, and get a preview of this year’s student-focused programming. Topics about which we are most concerned include: how you can be involved in the AAR; ways you can be a force for positive change in your department; and of course, how you can secure research funding and navigate the career search. Our future is full of promise.
Panelists:
Steven Barrie-Antony, University of California, Santa Barbara
Whitney Bauman, Florida International University
Almeda Wright, Pfeiffer University
Cameron Jorgenson, Campbell University

A30-101 🤓

Special Topics Forum
Hyatt Regency, Hanover E
Louis A. Ruprecht Jr., Georgia State University, Presiding
Theme: Bondage and Liberation: Questioning Debits to Slavery and Enslavement to Debt
Sponsored by the American Lectures in the History of Religions
Few ideas carry greater resonance in a variety of religious traditions, literature, and practices than the twinned conceptions of bondage and liberation. And few patterns bear greater poignancy in this postcolonial moment than the seemingly endless cycle of bondage, liberation, and renewed forms of oppression. This is the disturbing antiprocessive undertone of the Modern that came into singular focus during the French Revolution and its aftermath: today’s liberators become the oppressors of tomorrow; the guillotine is placed in the service of human rights; the world Camus imagined, one with “neither victims nor executioners,” fails to materialize. Building on the 2009 AAR/ALHR panel’s interest in “the nexus of religion and colonialism,” this panel explores the themes of bondage and liberation with a particular focus on the connections among religions and economies. The panel will point to new theoretical possibilities opened by renewed attention to economic and class concerns in the study of the history of religions in our “new” age of globalization.
Panelists:
Ebrahim E. I. Moosa, Duke University
Gregory Schopen, University of California, Los Angeles
Opal Moore, Spelman College

A30-102 CANCELLED

Wildcard Session
Theme: The Politics of the Veil: Author Meets Critics with Joan Wallach Scott

A30-103 🙏

Buddhism Section
Marriott Marquis, A706
Daniel Stevenson, University of Kansas, Presiding
Theme: The Impact of Biological Theories of Evolution on East Asian Buddhism Around the Early Twentieth Century
Erik J. Hammerstrom, Pacific Lutheran University
Innovation of Darwinism by Chinese Buddhists in the 1920s and 1930s
Justin R. Ritzinger, Harvard University
Dependent Causation: Kropotkin’s Theory of Mutual Aid and Its Appropriation by Chinese Buddhists
Responding:
Charles B. Jones, Catholic University of America
A30-104

**Christian Systematic Theology Section**
Marriott Marquis, Marquis Ballroom B
Joy Ann McDougall, Emory University, Presiding
Theme: *An Economical Exchange on Kathryn Tanner’s Christ the Key* (Cambridge University Press, 2010)
Panelists:
- Janet Martin Soskice, University of Cambridge
- Ian A. McFarland, Emory University
- Hilda Koster, Concordia College, Moorhead
Responding:
- Kathryn Tanner, University of Chicago

A30-105

**Ethics Section**
Marriott Marquis, A707
Felicia George Euell, Montclair United Methodist Church, Presiding
Theme: *Ethical Diversity in the Face of War*
- Roger S. Gottlieb, Worcester Polytechnic Institute
  *Terrorism/Empire/Anti-Terrorism: Reflections on Justice and Trauma*
- Jonathan Koscheski, Florida International University
  *The Earliest Christian War: Second and Third Century Martyrdom and the Creation of a Christian Culture of Violence*
- Nahed Aroutl Zehr, Florida State University
  *The Just War and Jihād Traditions in the "Long War“*
- Alejandro Chavez Segura, University of Saint Andrews
  *Ethics of War and Violence in Buddhism: Compassion and Loving-kindness, the Antidote for Violence and War*
- Gabriella Lettini, Starr King School for the Ministry
  *Witnessing Moral Injury: The First Truth Commission on Conscience in War*
Business Meeting:
- Stacey M. Floyd-Thomas, Vanderbilt University, and Miguel A. De La Torre, Iliff School of Theology, Presiding

A30-106

**Philosophy of Religion Section**
Marriott Marquis, A701
Sarah Coakley, University of Cambridge, Presiding
Theme: *Analytic Philosophy of Religion*
- Kaitlin Magoun, University of Chicago
  *Seeing God in the Dark: Recent Wittgensteinian Approaches to an "Apophatic" Epistemology*
- Jacob Sherman, Cambridge University
  *The Stubborn and Resplendent Weight of Things: Philosophy of Religion Beyond the Linguistic Turn*
- Jonathan Teubner, University of Cambridge
  *Taste and See: Cooperation and Epistemic Transformation (A Response to Sarah Coakley)*
- John Knight, Marist College
  *Falsification, Kripke’s Causal Theory of Reference, and Analytic Theology*

A30-107

**Religion and Politics Section**
Marriott Marquis, M103-104
Susan B. Thistlethwaite, Chicago Theological Seminary, Presiding
Theme: *Global Dynamics*
- Harvey Stark, Princeton University
  *Muslim-American Soldiers Fighting in Muslim Countries*
- M. Christian Green, Emory University
  *Apostasy, Blasphemy, Conversion, and Dejumation: The New Alphabet of Religion and International Human Rights*
- Michael Kessler, Georgetown University
  *Funding Religion as Part of Foreign Policy: The Silence of the Establishment Clause*
- Dalia Fahmy, Rutgers University
  *Understanding Moderate Political Islam: What Can the Case of Egypt’s Muslim Brotherhood Tell Us?*

A30-108

**Teaching Religion Section**
Marriott Marquis, M106-107
Mike Gutzler, Pennsylvania State University, Abington, Presiding
Theme: *The Dumbest Generation: How the Digital Age Stupefies Young Americans and Jeopardizes Our Future (Or, Don’t Trust Anyone Under 30): A Response from the Religion Department*
Panelists:
- Derek Nelson, Thaid College
- Daniel J. Peterson, Seattle University
- Brenda Ihsen, Pacific Lutheran University
- Virginia Bartlett, Vanderbilt University
Responding:
- Mark Bauerlein, Emory University

A30-109

**Theology and Religious Reflection Section and Feminist Theory and Religious Reflection Group**
Marriott Marquis, Marquis Ballroom D
Shelly Rambo, Boston University, Presiding
Theme: *Responses to Serena Jones’s Trauma and Grace: Theology in a Ruptured World (Westminster John Knox Press, 2009)*
- Amy Carr, Western Illinois University
  *Liturgy for the Living Dead: Jones, Lange, and the Tension between Trauma as Disabling Terror and Liberating Trope*
- Annie Hardison-Moody, Emory University
  *Gestures of Fragility and Hope: Reflections of Relationality in Serena Jones’s Trauma and Grace: Theology in a Ruptured World*
- Peter Heltzel, New York Theological Seminary
  *Dreams of Disruption: Serena Jones’s Theology of Grace and the Future of Evangelical Feminism*
- Jenny Daggers, Liverpool Hope University
  *The Promise of Maternity and the Kindness of God: Trinitarian Reflections on Serena Jones’s Maternal Loss*
Responding:
- Serena Jones, Union Theological Seminary
A30-110  🌟

**Afro-American Religious History Group**

**Marriott Marquis, L405-406**  
Josef Sorett, Columbia University, Presiding  
Theme: Missionary Innovation: African American Religion and the New South

Lerone Martin, Emory University  
*Selling to the Soul of Black Folk: Atlanta, the Phonograph, and the Transformation of American Religion and Culture, 1920–1941*

Elizabeth Jimison, Harvard University  
*Writing and Rightheart Race: Women's Interracial Cooperation in the Colored Methodist Episcopal Church and Methodist Episcopal Church, South*

Brandi Hughes, University of Michigan  
*(En)Gendering the Trans-Nation: The Missionary Sojourns of Black Womanhood from Atlanta through Monrovia*

Brandon Winstead, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary  
"We Are Responsible to God": Black Nazarene Women's Theology of Evangelistic Responsibility and Its Relationship to Their Contributions to the Church of the Nazarene's Gulf Central District, 1953–1969

Responding:  
Paul Harvey, University of Colorado

Business Meeting:  
Anthea Butler, University of Pennsylvania, and Kathryn Lofton, Yale University, Presiding

**A30-111**

**Chinese Religions Group and Confucian Traditions Group**

**Hyatt Regency, Hanover D**  
Thomas A. Wilson, Hamilton College, Presiding  
Theme: Ritual and its Malcontents

Michael Ing, Harvard University  
*The Ancients Did Not Fix Their Graves: Failures in Early Confucian Ritual*

Kenneth Holloway, Florida Atlantic University  
*Ritual as a Marker of Religious Community in Pre-Qin China*

Catherine Hudak Klander, Boston University  
*The Play's Not the Thing: Religious Belief and Ritual Infraction in the Analects*

Keith Knapp, The Citadel  
*Daughter-in-law, There is a Maggot in My Soup: Medieval Accounts of Unfilial Children*

Responding:  
Ute Huesken, University of Oslo

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**A30-112**  

**Critical Theory and Discourses on Religion Group**

**Marriott Marquis, A703**  
Terry F. Godlove, Hofstra University, Presiding  
Theme: Emile Durkheim and Australian Aboriginal Religions

Jens Kreinath, Wichita State University  
*Ethnographic Traces and Visual Devices in the Les Formes Élémentaires de la Vie Religieuse: Emile Durkheim and the Aboriginal Aranda in Alice Springs*

Ian Keen, Australian National University  
*Warner's Durkheimian Analysis of Yolngu ("Murrinj") Religion and Society: A Reassessment*

Stephanie Frank, University of Chicago  
*The Limits of Rationality and Transparency: "Australian Totemism" and Moral Authority in Durkheim's Elementary Forms*

Marion Maddox, Macquarie University  
*Breaking the Great Australian Silence: How Durkheim Makes Room for Indigenous Religious Life*

Responding:  
Jonathan Z. Smith, University of Chicago

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**A30-113**

**Gay Men and Religion Group**

**Marriott Marquis, A601**  
Donald L. Boisvert, Concordia University, Presiding  
Theme: Exploring Gay Male Desires

W. Scott Haldeman, Chicago Theological Seminary  
*Playing Desire Ritually: Thinking Compassionate Strippers and Seductive Preachers from the "Peri"*

Patrick S. Cheng, Union Theological Seminary, New York  
*I Am Yellow and Beautiful*: Queer Asian Reflections on Gay Male Cyberculture and Theology

Catherine Roach, University of Alabama  
*Men Who Love Men and the Women Who Love to Read About It: Gay and Slash Romance in the "Erotic Faith" of Popular Romance Fiction*

Roger A. Sneed, Furman University  
*Who Is He And What Is He To You? The Internet, the Down Low, and the Virtual Performance of Black Gay Masculinities*

Responding:  
Paul J. Gorrell, Stockton, NJ
A30-114

**Indigenous Religious Traditions Group**

Marriott Marquis, A705

Jace Weaver, University of Georgia, Presiding

Theme: *Trickster, Game, and Struggles for Self-Determination*

- Karyna Do Monte, Florida International University
  *Politics of Language in the Brazilian Amazon: A Case Study of the Madeira River Dam Complex*
- Angela D. Blauer, Kennesaw State University, and Kathleen J. Martin, California Polytechnic State University
  *Trickster's Art and Artifice*: Indigenous Peoples, Missionary Interpretations
- Anaíz Spitzer, University of New Mexico
  *A Hedging Tool: The Role of Game and the Game of Roles in Navajo Cosmology*
- Micheline Pesantubbee, University of Iowa
  *Tracking the Celestial Tiger Across the Sky*

Responding:
Roger Maaka, Eastern Institute of Technology

A30-115

**Islamic Mysticism Group**

Hyatt Regency, Hanover FG

Omar Ali-Deen Zag, Institute of Ismaili Studies, Presiding

Theme: *Revisiting al-Qushayri and His Legacy*

- Matthew Ingalls, Yale University
  *Revisiting the Risala in Fifteenth-Century Egypt*
- Kristin Sands, Sarah Lawrence College
  *On the Subtleties of Method and Style in the Lata’if al-isharat of al-Qushayri*
- Alan Godlas, University of Georgia
  *Influences of al-Qushayri’s Lata’if al-isharat on the Qur’anic Commentary of Ruhuban al-Baqili and the Kubrawi School*
- Francesco Chiabotti, Providence University
  *The Spiritual and Physical Progeny of Ḥab al-Kirim al-Qushayri*
- Martin Nguyen, Fairfield University
  *Al-Ṭafsir al-kabir: The Influence and Authenticity of al-Qushayri’s Major Commentary*

Responding:
Annabel Keeler, University of Cambridge

A30-116

**Religion and Popular Culture Group**

Marriott Marquis, M301

John Lardas Modern, Franklin and Marshall College, Presiding

Theme: *Religion and Humor in Popular Culture: The Sacred, the Satirical, and the Satirical*

- Kelly J. Baker, University of Tennessee
  *"Dum, Dum, Dum, Dum, Dum": Humor, Religious Intolerance, and South Park*
- David Helmar, University of Waterloo
  *It’s Funny Because It’s True? Religion and Humor in The Simpsons*
- Steven A. Benko, Meredith College
  *The Passion and Monty Python’s Life of Brian: Laughter and Religious Laughter*
- Rudy V. Busto, University of California, Santa Barbara
  *"It’s the Same Shit!": Nostalgia, Alienation, and the Chicana Sacred in George Lopez’s Comedy*

Business Meeting:
Lisle Dalton, Hartwick College, and Gregory Grieve, University of North Carolina, Greensboro, Presiding

A30-117

**Science, Technology, and Religion Group**

Marriott Marquis, A602

Francisca Cho, Georgetown University, Presiding

Theme: *The Science of Morality: Recent Trends and Future Prospects*

- Ki Joo Choi, Seton Hall University
  *Moral Praiseworthiness: Scientific and Theocentric Assessments in Dialogue*
- Greg Peterson, South Dakota State University
  *Can There Be a Eudaimonics?*
- Joseph Bankard, Northwest Nazarene University
  *Moral Instincts and the Problem with Reductionism: A Critical Exploration into the Work of Marc Hauser*

Responding:
Jeffrey Schloss, Westminster College
Lori Marini, Emory University
Michel Spezie, Scripps College
A30-118
Theology and Continental Philosophy Group
Marriott Marquis, L508
Tyler T. Roberts, Grinnell College, Presiding
Theme: Liturgy, Sacrament, and Prayer
Kendall Walser Cox, University of Virginia
Liturgy, Kenosis, and Creation: Living Before God Without God In Jean-Yves Lacoste’s Experience and the Absolute
Andrew Prevot, University of Notre Dame
Prayer and Experience: Between Jean-Yves Lacoste and Jean-Louis Chrétien
Daniel Wade McClain, Catholic University of America
Sacramental Bodies and Sacramental Politics: Discipleship at the Horizon of Secularism
Min-Ah Cho, Emory University
The Quest for Heterological Sacraminality: Rethinking the Body of Christ through Michel de Certeau

A30-119 New!
Religion and the Literary in Tibet Seminar
Marriott Marquis, L507
Kurtis Schaeffer, University of Virginia, Presiding
Theme: Tibetan Literature Up to the Twelfth Century
Panelists:
Jacob Dalton, University of California, Berkeley
Carl Yamamoto, Towson University
Benjamin Bogin, Georgetown University
Lara Braitstein, McGill University
José I. Cabezon, University of California, Santa Barbara
Bryan J. Cuevas, Florida State University
Holly Gayley, University of Colorado
Frances Garrett, University of Toronto
Janet Gyetso, Harvard University
Sarah Jacoby, Northwestern University
Jann Ronis, University of Virginia
Nicole Willock, Indiana University
Business Meeting:
Andrew Quintman, Yale University, Presiding

A30-120
Religions in Chinese and Indian Cultures: A Comparative Perspective Seminar
Marriott Marquis, M109
Tao Jiang, Rutgers University, Presiding
Theme: Philosophy: Indian and Chinese Perspectives
Panelists:
David Lawrence, University of North Dakota
Sthaneswar Timalsina, San Diego State University
Yong Huang, Kutztown University
Dan Lusthaus, Harvard University
Responding:
Chakravarthi Ram-Prasad, Lancaster University
Business Meeting:
Tao Jiang, Rutgers University, and Chakravarthi Ram-Prasad, Lancaster University, Presiding

A30-121
Animals and Religion Consultation
Marriott Marquis, Marquis Ballroom A
Celia Deane-Drummond, University of Chester, Presiding
Theme: Thinking Animals, Rethinking Theology: Abrahamic and Indigenous Traditions
Eric Daryl Meyer, Fordham University
Jacques Derrida, Gregory of Nyssa, and the Human-Animal Distinction in the Song of Songs
David Grumett, University of Exeter
Christ the Lamb of God and the Christian Doctrine of God
Geoffrey Claussen, Jewish Theological Seminary
Compassion for Animals in the Thought of the Mu'ar Movement
David Aftandilian, Texas Christian University
Towards a Native American Theology of Animals
Responding:
David Clough, University of Chester
Business Meeting:
David Aftandilian, Texas Christian University, Presiding
A30-122

Body and Religion Consultation and North American Hinduism Consultation

Marriott Marquis, M105
Rebecca Sachs Norris, Merrimack College, Presiding
Theme: Deities, Humans, and Temples: Hindu Bodies in Transnational Contexts

George Pati, Valparaiso University
Construction and Deconstruction of Temple Bodies and Identities

Arthi Devajaran, Emory University
Dancing "From Within": Pedagogies of South Indian Identity among Suburban American Hindus

Shana Sippy, Carleton College
The Descentration of Divine Bodies: Tracing the Development of a Hindu Discourse, Moving From Bodies in Pain to Models of Moral Virtue

Tulasi Srinivas, Emerson College
Truant Ascetics? Transnationalism, Salvation, and the Contested Body in the Satyagraj Sai Movement

Responding:
Vasudha Narayanan, University of Florida

A30-123

Buddhism in the West Consultation and Religion and Migration Consultation

Marriott Marquis, A708
Wakoh Shannon Hickey, Alfred University, Presiding
Theme: Buddhist Women Migrants, Migrating Women's Buddhism: The Complexities and Challenges for Buddhist Women in Oceania

Amy Holmes-Tachungdarpa, University of Alabama
Genealogies of Nonviolent Resistance between Oceania and the Himalayas: Women as Participants and Symbols in the Paribaka Community and the Tibetan Satyagraha Protest Movement

Bante Sujato, Santi Forest Monastery
The Trials of Ordination for Buddhist Nuns in Contemporary Australia and Ancient India

Kalzang Dorjee Bhutia, University of Alabama
Ecoking Buddhist Landscape in Aotearoa: Women as Agents of the Adaptation of Buddhism to New Zealand Soil

Ruth Gamble, Australian National University
Laying out the Dead: The Shifting Traditions of Tibetan Women's Role in the Disposal of the Dead, from Tibet, to Exile, to Australia

Business Meeting:
Marie Marquardt, Agnes Scott College, Presiding

A30-124

Childhood Studies and Religion Consultation

Marriott Marquis, M101
Bonnie Miller-McLemore, Vanderbilt University, Presiding
Theme: Children's Agency in Contested Spaces

Cristina Traina, Northwestern University
Children as Workers: Deconstructing Christian Traditions

Jon Waind, McGill University
The Language of Rights and the Order of Love: Tracing Feminist Trajectories of Justice to a Good Place for Children

Sean O'Neil, University of Florida
At Play in Peril: Children's Spiritual Points of View in Films Treating Latin American Military Regimes of the 1970s

Responding:
Kristin Herzog, Durham, NC

Business Meeting:
John Wall, Rutgers University, and Laurie Zoloth, Northwestern University, Presiding

A30-125

Latina/o Critical and Comparative Studies Consultation

Marriott Marquis, L506
Laura Perez, University of California, Berkeley, Presiding
Theme: Islam in the Borderlands: Remixing Mezitzah

Harold Morales, University of California, Riverside
Laces sobre Islam: Locating Latino/a Muslims within Virtual Borders

Patrick Bowen, University of Denver
Culture and Identity in The Latino Muslim Voice Newsletter

Adan Stevens-Diaz, Temple University
The Muslim Narrative among United States Latinos/as

Responding:
Ruth Mas, University of Colorado

Business Meeting:
Luis Leon, University of Denver, Presiding
A30-126 ★
Liberal Theologies Consultation
Marriott Marquis, L505
Daniel McKanan, Harvard University, Presiding
Theme: Liberalism, Cosmopolitanism, and Public Reason
Emily R. Mace, Princeton University
“The Brotherhood of Jesus with a Plus”: Christian and Post-Christian Perspectives in a Fin de Siecle Sunday School
Matthew Hagale, Florida State University
Religious Community: Locke and Institutional Participation
Michael L. Raposa, Lehigh University
On Being a Liberal Theologian in a Postliberal Age
Jonathan Rothchild, Loyola Marymount University
Revisiting Public Reason: Sen’s Contribution to Debates on Justice and Its Import for Theological Reflection
Responding:
Ellen M. Umansky, Fairfield University
Mary Doak, University of San Diego
Business Meeting:
Krista Duttenhaver, University of Notre Dame, Presiding

A30-127 ★
Liberation Theologies Consultation
Marriott Marquis, A704
Thia Cooper, Gustavus Adolphus College, Presiding
Theme: Practicing Liberation Theology in the Twenty-first Century
Panelists:
Jenny Te Paa, College of Saint John the Evangelist, Auckland
Monica A. Coleman, Claremont School of Theology
Ivan Petrella, University of Miami
Business Meeting:
Thia Cooper, Gustavus Adolphus College, Presiding

A30-128 ★
Religion and Cities Consultation
Marriott Marquis, M102
Omar McRoberts, University of Chicago, Presiding
Theme: Religion in Cities: The Changing Faithscape
Richard Bohannon, College of Saint Benedict and Saint John’s University
What Counts as a City’s Reflections on Religion and the City in a Globalizing World
Lissa McCullough, Los Angeles, CA
Paulo Soleri on Urban Evolution and Religion
Catherine Bowler, Duke University
Victory and the American Prosperity Gospel
Sarah Raven, Iliff School of Theology
“Don’t Push Me Cuz I’m Close to the Edge”: The Problem of Theodicy in Urban Poetry
Responding:
Lawrence Mamiya, Vassar College
Business Meeting:
Katie Day, Lutheran Theological Seminary, Philadelphia, Presiding

A30-129 ★
Religion in Europe Consultation
Marriott Marquis, L504
Robert Alvis, Saint Meinrad School of Theology, Presiding
Theme: Religious Ferment in Contemporary Europe
John P. Burgess, Pittsburgh Theological Seminary
Monasticism as a Force for Religious and Cultural Renewal in Post-Communist Russia
Brian Bennett, Niagara University
Myth of Cyril and Methodius and Competing Visions of Europe
Ina Merdjanova, Sofia University
Post-Communist Wars in the Balkans and Interreligious Peacebuilding
Business Meeting:
Robert Alvis, Saint Meinrad School of Theology, and Andrii Krawchuk, University of Sudbury, Presiding
A30-130  ⭐

**Religion in Southeast Asia Consultation**

Marriott Marquis, L503  
Jason Carbine, Whittier College, Presiding  
Theme: Religious Borders, Identities, and Hybridities within and beyond Southeast Asia  
Francis Bradley, University of Wisconsin  
The Patani Scholarly Network and the Rise of Islamic Educational Institutions in Southeast Asia  
Catherine Newell, University of London  
Dhammakaya Meditation: The "Unorthodox" Heart of a Global Buddhist Movement  
Eu Kit Lim, Iliff School of Theology and University of Denver  
"What's this Hybridity Stuff?" Examining the Promise of Resistance in Constructions of Hybrid Identities Among Malaysian Pentecostal Chinese  
Jessica Lee Patterson, University of San Diego  
A Buddha's Identity Crisis  
Responding:  
Elizabeth Collins, University of Ohio  
Business Meeting:  
Jason Carbine, Whittier College, and Anna M. Gade, University of Wisconsin, Presiding

A30-132  ⭐

**New!**

**Ricoeur Consultation**

Hyatt Regency, Hanover C  
Jeffrey F. Keuss, Seattle Pacific University, Presiding  
Theme: Ricoeur, Liturgy, and the Phenomenology of Religious Experience  
Mark Godin, Glasgow, United Kingdom  
Paul Ricoeur and Worshipful Inventions: Tracing Liturgical Imagination through the Art of Narrative Identity  
Michele Petersen, University of Iowa  
Paul Ricoeur and the Heart of Meaning  
Brian A. Butcher, Pacific College  
Figuring Liturgically: A Ricoeurian Approach to Liturgical Theology

A30-133  ⭐

**Space, Place, and Religious Meaning Consultation**

Marriott Marquis, A702  
David Simonowitz, Pepperdine University, Presiding  
Theme: Portmanteau Space: Bringing Religious Meanings to Nonreligious Space  
Joanne Punzo Waghorne, Syracuse University  
Space without Place: Borderless "Spirituality" within a Global City in Asia  
Alain Epp Weaver, University of Chicago  
Palestinian Refugee Cartography and the Sacralization of Space  
Daniel Sack, University of Chicago  
Prayer at the Crossroads: The O'Hare Airport Chapel as Religious Space  
Responding:  
David Bains, Samford University  
Business Meeting:  
Jeanne Halgren Kilde, University of Minnesota, and Leonard Norman Primiano, Cabrini College, Presiding

A30-134  ⭐

**Transformative Scholarship and Pedagogy Consultation**

Marriott Marquis, M108  
Tina Pippin, Agnes Scott College, Presiding  
Theme: Teaching for Transformation: Examining the Lessons, Challenges, and Possibilities of Community-based Pedagogy  
Panelists:  
Nathaniel Smith, Emory University  
Jennie S. Knight, Emory University  
Charon Hribar, Union Theological Seminary  
Charlene Sinclair, Union Theological Seminary  
Colleen Wessel-McCoy, Union Theological Seminary  
Business Meeting:  
Shannon Craig-Snell, Yale University, Presiding

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Saturday, 9:00 am-11:30 am

A30-135 🌟
Women of Color Scholarship, Teaching, and Activism Consultation
Marriott Marquis, M302
Natalie Avalos Cisneros, University of California, Santa Barbara, Presiding
Theme: Intellectual Modes of Resistance Activity
  Grace Ji-Sun Kim, Moravian Theological Seminary
  Multiculturalism, Race, and Politics
  Karen Crozier, Fresno Pacific University, and Helen Easterling
  Williams, Azusa Pacific University
  Activism Within and Beyond Identity Politics
Responding:
  Emilie M. Townes, Yale University
  Business Meeting:
    Katie G. Cannon, Union Presbyterian Seminary, Presiding

A30-136
Publications Committee Meeting
Marriott Marquis, L501
Cheryl A. Kirk-Duggan, Shaw University, Presiding

A30-137 📅 CANCELLED
Pitts Theology Library Special Collections Tour
Saturday, 9:00 am-12:00 pm

A30-138 📅
Jimmy Carter Presidential Library and Museum Tour
Saturday, 9:00 am-12:00 pm
Buses pick up at Hyatt Regency-Baker Street Exit
Ellen Ott Marshall, Emory University, Presiding
Sponsored by the Religion and Politics Section and the Religions, Social Conflict, and Peace Group
The Jimmy Carter Presidential Library and Museum is home to the presidential papers of the Carter Administration. An exhibit of significant events occurring during Carter’s life and political career includes photographs with interpretative text. Several exhibits focus on important twentieth century issues such as war and peace, disarmament, and the economy.
Tour fee: $20.

A30-139 🌟
High Museum of Art Tour
Saturday, 9:00 am-12:00 pm
Meet in the Hyatt Regency Lobby
Diane Apostolos-Cappadona, Georgetown University, Presiding
Sponsored by the Arts, Literature, and Religion Section and the Society for the Arts in Religious and Theological Studies
The High Museum of Art’s collections consist of more than 11,000 pieces and include nineteenth and twentieth century American and decorative art, significant European pieces, modern and contemporary art, photography, African art, and folk art.
Tour fee: $15.

M30-100
African Association for the Study of Religions
Marriott Marquis, M303
Lilian Dube, University of San Francisco, and Mutombo Nkulu-Nsengha, California State University, Northridge, Presiding
Theme: The State of African Religious Studies Scholarship
  Robert Baum, University of Missouri
  Innovations in Traditional Societies: New Perspectives on the Precolonal History of African Religions
  Elias Bondema, Rice University, AASR President 2010-2015
  Reflections on Gender in Colonial Religious Thought
  Melissa Browning, University of Chicago
  Researching Religion in Post-Colonial Space
Discussion
Business Meeting:
  Lilian Dube, AASR North American Representative 2010-2015, Presiding

M30-101 📚 🌟
Colloquium on Religion and Violence
Marriott Marquis, L404
Martha Reineke, University of Northern Iowa, Presiding
Panelists:
  Jon Pahl, Lutheran Theological Seminary, Philadelphia
  Responding:
    Kathryn Lofton, Yale University
    Michael Hardin, Preaching Peace
10:45 am Business meeting, open to all interested persons.
The Colloquium on Religion and Violence is an international association founded in 1990, which is dedicated to the exploration, criticism, and development of René Girard’s mimetic model of the relationship between violence and religion in the genesis and maintenance of culture.
M30-102

Dharma Academy of North America (DANAM)
Saturday, 9:00 am–10:30 am
Marriott Marquis, International 2
Kusumita P. Pedersen, St. Francis College, and Jeffery Long, Elizabethtown College, Presiding
Theme: Panel Discussion of Interpreting Ramakrishna, by Swami Tyagananda and Pravrajika Vrajapraana (Motilal Banarsidas, 2010)
Panelists:
Francis X. Clooney, Harvard Divinity School
Gerald James Larson, Indiana University, Bloomington (Emeritus), University of California, Santa Barbara (Emeritus)
June McDaniel, College of Charleston
Joseph Prabhu, California State University, Los Angeles
Anantanand Rambachan, Saint Olaf College
Responding:
Swami Tyagananda, Hindu Chaplain, Harvard University and Massachusetts Institute of Technology Ramakrishna Vedanta Society, Boston
Pravrajika Vrajapraana, Sarada Convent, Vedanta Society of Southern California

M30-104 CANCELLED

Jesuit College and University Chairs
Saturday, 9:00 am–12:00 pm

M30-106

North American Paul Tillich Society
Saturday, 9:00 am–11:30 am
Marriott Marquis, International 4

M30-107

Cognitive Science of Religion Consultation
Saturday, 9:00 am–11:00 am
Marriott Marquis, International A
Theme: Reductionism in the Cognitive Science of Religion
Laura Weed, College of Saint Rose
Against Reductionism in Causation
Paul Cassell, Boston University
Ritual, Religious Experience, and Adaptive Social Organization
Andrew Aghapour, University of North Carolina
Biocognitive Straw Men and Sui Generis Defensives: Science, Religion, and the Rhetoric of Reductionism

M30-108

Niebuhr Society
Marriott Marquis, International 6
John D. Carlson, Arizona State University, Presiding
Theme: Reinhold Niebuhr and Martin Luther King, Jr. in the Era of Obama
Panelists:
Christopher Evans, Colgate Rochester Crozer Divinity School
William D. Hart, University of North Carolina, Greensboro
David Little, Harvard University
Business Meeting:
Kevin Carnahan, Central Methodist University, Presiding

M30-109

International Society for Chinese Philosophy
Saturday, 9:00 am–12:00 pm
Marriott Marquis, International B
Chung-ying Cheng, University of Hawai‘i, Presiding
Theme: Seeking New Meanings of God and Dao: Dao of God and God of Dao
Chung-ying Cheng, University of Hawai‘i
On Supreme Sincerity and Ultimate Enlightenment as Divinity: Dao of God and God of Dao in Zhong Yong
Robert Neville, Boston University
Making Ultimate Reality Intimate: Contrary Images of Buddha-mind, Dao, and God
Joseph Grange, University of Maine
God as Rising Up, Soul as Expression: Dao as Unsayable, Dao as Lively
Chad Meister, Bethel College
God of Dao and Theosis in Christian Philosophical Theology
Responding:
Chung-ying Cheng, University of Hawai‘i
Robert Neville, Boston University

M30-110

Society for Buddhist-Christian Studies
Marriott Marquis, International 7
Terry C. Muck, Asbury Theological Seminary, Presiding
Theme: Can/Should Buddhists and Christians Do Budddology/Theology Together?
Panelists:
Grace Burford, Prescott College
Wendy Farley, Emory University
John Makransky, Boston College
Amos Yong, Regent University
11:00 am Business meeting
M30-111

Society for the Study of Anglicanism

Saturday, 9:00 am-12:00 pm
Marriott Marquis, International 5
Martyn Percy, Ripon College Cuddesdon, Presiding
Theme: *The Bonds and Limits of Communion: Fidelity, Diversity, and Conscience in Contemporary Anglicanism*

The Annual SSA meeting is co-hosted by the Center for Anglican Communion Studies at the Virginia Theological Seminary and Ripon College Cuddesdon

Speakers:
- Rob Slocum, Saint Catharine College, Kentucky
- Bishop Ted Gulick, Diocese of Kentucky

Responding:
- Paul Collins, Chichester, UK
- Mark Chapman, Oxford, UK
- Gerard Mannion, Leuven, Belgium

10:30 am Coffee Break
Plenary
Short Business Meeting

All are welcome, please email Leslie Steffensen, lsteffensen@vts.edu. For more information, please contact Martyn Percy, mpercy@ripon-cuddesdon.ac.uk; Rob Slocum, rhislocam@genexonline.com; or Burney Hawkins, bhawkins@vts.edu.

M30-114

Association for the Study of Esotericism

Hyatt Regency, University
Theme: *Symposium on Esotericism in the Academy*
Panelists:
- Claire Fanger, Rice University
- Lee Irwin, College of Charleston
- Arthur Versluis, Michigan State University

Symposium followed by open discussion. For more information, visit www.aesweb.org.

M30-118

Dharma Academy of North America (DANAM)

Saturday, 9:00 am-11:00 am
Marriott Marquis, International 2
Jack Llewellyn, Missouri State University, and Brian Black, University of Lancaster, Presiding
Theme: *Selfs and Experience: Shankara and The Self Possessed*

Panelists:
- Andrew Fort, Texas Christian University
- Shankara, Smith, and "Experience"
- Chakravarti Ram-Prasad, University of Lancaster
- The Self That Cannot Be Possessed: Shankara on the Self and Sankara's Self
- Sthaneswar Timalina, San Diego State University
- Embodiment and the Altered Ego: Interface between Shankara and a Shaman
- J. E. Llewellyn, Missouri State University
- Knowing Kamashastra in the Biblical Sense: Shankara's Possession of King Amara
- Neil Dalal, University of Alberta
- Clouding Self-Knowledge: The Ambiguity of Samkaras in Shankara's Theory of Liberation

Responding:
- Frederick Smith, University of Iowa

M30-123

Karl Barth Society of North America

Marriott Marquis, International 8
Theme: *The Eucharist and Ecumenism by George Hunsinger (Cambridge University Press, 2008)*

Panelists:
- William G. Rusch, Former Director of the NCCC Commission on Faith and Order
- Susan K. Wood, Marquette University
- Donald Dayton, Azusa Pacific University

Responding:
- George Hunsinger, Princeton Theological Seminary
M30-124
Søren Kierkegaard Society
Saturday, 9:00 am–12:00 pm
Marriott Marquis, International 3
John Davenport, Fordham University, Presiding
Theme: Selfhood, Church, and Society
Robert L. Perkins, Stetson University
Kierkegaard's Political Theology
J. Michael Tilley, Georgetown College
Immersion and Reflective Action: Kierkegaard and Social Theory
Will Williams, Baylor University
Irony as the Birth of Kierkegaard's "Single Individual"

M30-125 ⭐
Psychology, Culture, and Religion Group
Saturday, 9:00 am–11:30 am
Hyatt Regency, Pudmont
Greg Schneider, Pacific Union College, Presiding
Theme: Works in Progress/Business Meeting

M30-126
Mennonite Scholars and Friends Forum
Saturday, 9:00 am–11:00 am
Marriott Marquis, International C

M30-117 ⭐
Christian Theological Research Fellowship
Saturday, 10:00 am–12:00 pm
Hyatt Regency, Vinings
Joel Scandrett, Wheaton College, Presiding
Theme: Edinburgh and Ecumenism — 100 Years On
On the centennial of the historic Edinburgh Missionary Conference, this session will explore that event's ongoing influence, particularly in the area of ecumenical promise and challenge.
Marilyn McCord Adams, University of North Carolina
Recent Developments in the Anglican Communion, or Ecumenism Misapplied
Joseph Bracken, Xavier University
Catholicism, Ecumenism, and "the One and the Many"
Hans Boersma, Regent College
Heavenly Participation: Ecumenical Dialogue and the Recovery of a Sacramental Mindset
Business Meeting:
Bernie A. Van De Walle, Ambrose University College, Presiding

A30-141 🏫
Special Topics Forum
Saturday, 11:45 am–12:45 pm
Hyatt Regency, Lenox
Melissa M. Wilcox, Whitman College, Presiding
Theme: LGBTQ Mentoring Lunch
Sponsored by the Status of LGBTQ Persons in the Profession Task Force
All graduate students and junior scholars who identify outside of normative gender histories and/or sexualities are welcome to join us for an informal lunch. No fee or preregistration is required; please bring your own lunch.
Panelists:
Rebecca Alpert, Temple University
Rudy V. Busto, University of California, Santa Barbara
Monica A. Coleman, Claremont School of Theology
Horace Griffin, Pacific School of Religion
W. Scott Haldeman, Chicago Theological Seminary
Jennifer Harvey, Drake University
Jay E. Johnson, Pacific School of Religion
Laurel Schneider, Chicago Theological Seminary
Daniel T. Spencer, University of Montana
Traci C. West, Drew University
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A30-140 📝

**Plenary Address**
Saturday, 11:45 am-12:45 pm
Hyatt Regency, Centennial II-IV
Ann Taves, University of California, Santa Barbara, Presiding
Theme: Frans de Waal: Morality before Religion — Empathy, Reciprocity, and Fairness in our Fellow Primates

Homo homini lupus — "man is wolf to man" — is an old Roman proverb popularized by Thomas Hobbes. Even though it permeates large parts of law, economics, and political science, the proverb fails to do justice to our species' thoroughly social nature as well as to canids, which are among the most gregarious and cooperative animals. For the past quarter century, this cynical view has also been promoted by an influential school of biology, followers of Thomas Henry Huxley, which holds that we are born nasty as a result of "selfish" genes. Accordingly, it is only with the greatest possible effort that we can hope to become moral beings. Charles Darwin, however, saw things differently: he believed in continuity between animal social instincts and human morality. He wrote an entire book entitled *The Expression of the Emotions in Man and Animals*. Modern psychology and neuroscience support Darwin's view about moral emotions. Human moral decisions often stem from "gut" reactions, some of which we share with other animals. de Waal will elaborate on the connection between morality and primate behavior. Other primates show signs of empathy, prosocial tendencies, reciprocity, and a sense of fairness that promote a mutually satisfactory modus vivendi. de Waal will review evidence for continuity to support the view that the building blocks of morality are older than humanity.

Panelists:
Frans de Waal, Emory University

M30-120 🌟

**North American Association for the Study of Religion**
**Business Meeting**
Saturday, 11:45 am-12:45 pm
Marriott Marquis, International 8

M30-121

**North American Paul Tillich Society**
Saturday, 11:45 am-12:45 pm
Marriott Marquis, International A

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M30-122 📚

**Christian Theological Research Fellowship**
Saturday, 12:00 pm-1:00 pm
Marriott Marquis, International 4
Bernie A. Van De Walle, Ambrose University College, Presiding
Theme: A Discussion of James K. A. Smith's Desiring the Kingdom: Worship, Worldview, and Cultural Formation (Baker Academic, 2009)
This session welcomes James K. A. Smith to interact with those in attendance on his new book, *Desiring the Kingdom*, the first volume in Baker's Cultural Liturgies series. In this work, Smith seeks to revision Christian education as a formative process that redirects our desire toward God's Kingdom and its vision of flourishing. In this way, Smith revisions Christian worship as a pedagogical practice that trains our love.

Panelist:
James K. A. Smith, Calvin College
Responding:
D. Stephen Long, Marquette University

Saturday, 1:00 pm-3:30 pm

A30-200 🧵

**Special Topics Forum**
Marriott Marquis, M106-107
Stacey M. Floyd-Thomas, Vanderbilt University, Presiding
Theme: Overcoming Institutional Resistance to Underrepresented Scholarship
Sponsored by the Status of Women in the Profession Committee
This Special Topics Forum will focus on barriers to and strategies for promoting and disseminating insurgent, undisciplinary, paradigm-shifting intellectual projects in the academy. The intent is not so much to focus on career survival strategies for individual academics, but to speak about the politics of what knowledge and methodologies are legitimized in the academy, which types of intellectual projects are allowed for different kinds of scholars, and what strategies can be employed to further intellectual projects that may be subversive to the patriarchal, racist, imperial, and capitalist status quo.

Panelists:
Rita Nakashima Brock, Faith Voices for the Common Good
Beverly Guy-Sheftall, Spelman College
Serene Jones, Union Theological Seminary
Judith Plaskow, Manhattan College
Andrea Smith, University of California, Riverside
A30-201

Special Topics Forum
Marriott Marquis, L506
Tim Jensen, University of Southern Denmark, Presiding
Theme: Beyond the Rainbow Generation? Religion and Pluralism in a Globalized World
Sponsored by the International Connections Committee
Religious and cultural diversity has evolved from, at times, parochial efforts to encourage members of the majority culture in the world to move beyond their comfort zone to face new challenges, as we struggle to forge a world community out of disparate individuals connected by globalization and commodification. What are the challenges we face as a world community and how might we meaningfully rethink our new roles and collective responsibilities as global citizens? In what ways do religions help and/or hinder these ideals and efforts for a world community? How do people of faith seeking to participate as responsible global citizens evoke their faith traditions as inspiration in this quest and, conversely, how might loyalty of and commitment to respective faith tradition inhibit their quest for global citizenship? In addition to religious pluralism, what about pluralisms that exist within a religious tradition? What might these intrareligious pluralisms signify in terms of possibilities and limitations for community?
Panelists:
- Diana Eck, Harvard University
- Mike Grimshaw, University of Canterbury
- Changgang Guo, Shanghai University
- Simeon O. Iesanmi, Wake Forest University
- Marion Maddox, Macquarie University
- Paul Morris, University of Wellington

A30-202

Special Topics Forum
Marriott Marquis, A703
Kimberly Connor, University of San Francisco, Presiding
Theme: How to Get Published
Sponsored by the Publications Committee
Based on notions that scholars have an understanding of the books needed in the fields of religion, religious studies, and theology, the AAR publishing program with Oxford University Press (OUP) produces quality scholarship for religious scholars and their students. OUP is an outstanding international publisher and the AAR has published hundreds of titles, many of which have become critical tools in the development of our fields and in training new scholars. AAR/OUP books include five published series: Academy Series; Reflection and Theory in the Study of Religion Series; Religion, Culture, and History Series; Religion in Translation Series; and Teaching Religious Studies Series.
The panel provides an opportunity to hear from experienced OUP and AAR editors, and to ask any and all questions you might have regarding the AAR/OUP series. Also, the JAAR Editor will discuss essay publishing. You will have opportunities to speak with individual editors. In addition, come meet an author who has journeyed from start to finish in the publishing process and can answer your most pressing questions.

A30-203

Arts, Literature, and Religion Section and Mormon Studies Consultation
Marriott Marquis, M302
Kelly J. Baker, University of Tennessee, Presiding
Theme: Mormon Art and Literature
Margaret Young, Brigham Young University
*Mormon Literature: Where Are We Going? Where have We Been?*
Sara Patterson, Hanover College
*This Is the (Right) Place: Memorializing Sacred Space and Time in Salt Lake Valley*
Gideon Burton, Brigham Young University
*The Scope of Mormon Cinema*
Colleen McDannell, University of Utah
*The Story Lives Here: Faith, History, and the Instructional Film*
Responding:
- David Morgan, Duke University

A30-204

Buddhism Section
Marriott Marquis, A706
Frances Garrett, University of Toronto, Presiding
Theme: Buddhist Medicine: Transnational Traditions and Local Contexts
Amy Paris Langenberg, Brown University
*Obstetrical Buddhism: Pregnancy According to the Mulasravastivāda Vinaya*
Pierce Salguero, Johns Hopkins University
*How to Read a Buddhist Medical Treatise: The Social Logic of Medical Metaphors in Early Medieval Chinese Buddhism*
Joshua Capitanio, University of the West
*Indian and Chinese Conceptions of the Body in the Medical Writings of Tiantai Zhiyi*
Juhn Ahn, University of Toronto
*Worms, Germs, and Technologies of the Self: Buddhism and Medicine in Early Modern Japan*
Erik J. Hammerstrom, Pacific Lutheran University
*Microbiology and Buddhist Discourses on Science in Early Twentieth Century China*
Responding:
- Janet Gyiato, Harvard University
A30-205
Comparative Studies in Religion Section and African Religions Group
Marriott Marquis, A602
Cynthia Hoehler-Fatton, University of Virginia, Presiding
Theme: Just Between Us? Ritual Syncretism across Religion, Society, and Politics in Contemporary Africa
Peter Hoesing, Florida State University
"Obulamun Bulungi": Spirit Possession and Social Harmony in Southern Uganda
Dianna Bell, Florida State University
Understanding Muslim Participation in Christian Services in Mali, West Africa, through Community
Joseph Hellweg, Florida State University
Homologous Sacrifice: "Dozo" Hunting, Islam, and the Failure of Religious and Political Pluralism in Côte d'Ivoire, West Africa
Isabel Mukonyora, Western Kentucky University
Oral Tradition and Ritual Meaning among Masowe Apostles
Responding:
Rosalind Hackett, University of Tennessee

A30-206
Ethics Section
Marriott Marquis, A707
On-cho Ng, Pennsylvania State University, Presiding
Theme: Ethics of the Other(s): Levinas in Dialogue with Buddhism (Indian and Chinese), Confucianism, Daoism, and Islam
Dan Lusthaus, Harvard University
Acting Toward the Other With/Out Violence in Buddhism
Tsingsong Vincent Shen, University of Toronto
Ethics of Generosity to the Other in the Awakening of Faith and Huixiang's Concept of Huixiang
Fei Lan, University of Toronto
Selfhood and Otherness: A Comparative Look at the Father-Son Relationship in Light of Levinas and Dai Zhen's Philosophy
Yong Huang, Kurztown University
Daoist Ethics of the Other: Patient Relativism in the Zhuangzi
Mohammad Ashraf Adeel, Kurztown University
The Dialectics of the Unseen: An Ethics of the Other in the Qur'an

A30-207
History of Christianity Section
Hyatt Regency, Hanover E
Daniel Ramirez, University of Michigan, Presiding
Theme: Author Meets Critics: Thomas A. Tweed’s Crossing and Dwelling (Harvard University Press, 2008)
Panelists:
Richard Callahan, University of Missouri
Marie Marquardt, Agnes Scott College
Ivan Strenske, University of California, Riverside
Grant Wacker, Duke University
Responding:
Thomas A. Tweed, University of Texas

A30-208
North American Religions Section and Native Traditions in the Americas Group
Hyatt Regency, Hanover FG
Ines M. Talamantez, University of California, Santa Barbara, Presiding
Theme: Defining Religious Freedom: Reading Tisa Wenger’s We Have a Religion: The 1920s Pueblo Indian Dance Controversy and American Religious Freedom (University of North Carolina Press, 2009)
Panelists:
Quincy Newell, University of Wyoming
Greg Johnson, University of Colorado
Kenneth Mello, Southwestern University
Responding:
Tisa Wenger, Yale University

A30-209
Religion and Politics Section and Religion, Memory, History Consultation
Marriott Marquis, A601
David Reinhart, University of Wisconsin, Whitewater, Presiding
Theme: Political Memory: Possibilities in Religious Remembering
Alain Epp Weaver, University of Chicago
Remembering the Nakba in Hebrew: Sacramental Memory Performance at the Sites of Destroyed Palestinian Villages
Luke Blair, University of Pennsylvania, and John Stevenson, University of Chicago
What Do the Dead Say? "Let the Saviors Rule"
Christopher J. Dowdy, Southern Methodist University
Exchanging Absences: Memory Work, Unilateral Repentance, and Commemorative Silence at Sites of Racial Violence

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Religion and the Social Sciences Section
Marriott Marquis, M101
John D. Carlson, Arizona State University, Presiding
Theme: Twenty-first Century Christianity in Social Context
James Fenimore, United Methodist Church
High-tech Worship: Christian Worship Technology and Gender Politics
Phillip Webb, DePaul University
Family Values, Social Capital, and Contradictions of American Modernity
Seth M. Walker, University of South Florida and Valencia Community College
"Hic Frigidus Confidit Cerua": The Economic Dimensions of Monastic Brewing in the Contemporary World

A30-211

Religion in South Asia Section
Marriott Marquis, M304
John E. Cort, Denison University, Presiding
Theme: New Directions in the Study of Religion in South Asia
Brian Collins, University of Chicago
Apaddharma as a State of Exception; or, Parashurama the Werewolf
Simone Barretta, University of Pennsylvania
The Tantric Self: Body, Mind, and Society in the Tantric Saivism of Medieval Kashmir
Carole Barnesley, Transylvania University
Isma'il Ginans (Hymns) as a Means of "Boundary Maintenance"
Elliott McCarter, University of Texas
Tales from Kauruksetra
George Pati, Valparaiso University
Snehab as Bhakti: Bhakti as Emancipation in the Modern Malayalam Poems of Kunnuru Aan

A30-212

Study of Islam Section
Marriott Marquis, A704
Ahmet T. Karamustafa, Washington University, Saint Louis, Presiding
Theme: Rethinking History, Reimagining Community
Matthew Pierce, Boston University
Killing the Imams: Classical Sîri Narratives of the Twelve Imams and the Necessity of Martyrdom

A30-213

Augustine and Augustinianisms Group
Marriott Marquis, L401
Phillip Cary, Eastern University, Presiding
Theme: Rhetoric and Soteriology
Stephen Pardue, Wheaton College
Intellectual Humility in Augustine: A Christological and Linguistic Account
Amalia Jiva, Boston University
Between Fear of Rejection and Gratitude for Revelation: Augustine's Linguistics of Incarnation
Christopher A. Stephenson, Lee University
"Aware How If I Wes, Unaware How Well I Was Soon to Be": The Rhetoric of Medicine and Healing in Augustine's Soteriology
Jonathan Teubner, University of Cambridge
Peripatetic Propositions: The Soteriological Significance of Pilgrimage Images in Augustine's Enarrationes in Psalmos

A30-214

Buddhist Critical—Constructive Reflection Group
Hyatt Regency, Hanover AB
Kalzang Dorjee Bhutia, University of Alabama, Presiding
Theme: Remembering What is Forgotten: Reassessing the Traveling Oral Archive as a Source of Empowerment for Buddhist Women
Leah Weiss Ekstrom, Boston College
Disrupting Gender Disparity in Contemporary North American Buddhism: Remembering and Fostering Women Teachers, Students, and Buddhist Feminism
Amy Holmes-Tagchungdarpa, University of Alabama
Forgotten Lives: Forgetting and Remembering Women in Tibetan Buddhist Traditions of the Himalayas through Oral Life Stories
Ruth Gamble, Australian National University
Forgotten Conversations: Disruptions in the Transmission of Oral Instructions for Women from Tibet, through Exile, to the West

Responding:
Rita M. Gross, University of Wisconsin, Eau Claire
Business Meeting:
Roger Jackson, Carleton College, and John J. Makransky, Boston College, Presiding
A30-215

Contemporary Pagan Studies Group and Men, Masculinities, and Religions Group
Marriott Marquis, M102
Chas Clifton, Colorado State University, Pueblo, Presiding
Theme: Pagan Masculinities
- Helen A. Berger, West Chester University
  Pagan Men and Gender Equity by the Numbers
- Christopher W. Chase, Iowa State University
  Song of Mari: Male Becoming Masculine in American Paganism, 1970-1977
- Marion G. Mason, Bloomsburg University
  Gender Differences among Pagan Seminary Students
Responding:
- Douglas Ezzy, University of Tasmania
- Mark Justad, Guilford College

A30-216

Daoist Studies Group
Marriott Marquis, L507
David Mozina, University of North Carolina, Charlotte, Presiding
Theme: World of an Object: The Social and Cosmic Networks of Daoist Material Culture
- David Boyd, Indiana University
  The Embodiment of Immortality
- Suzanne Cahill, University of California, San Diego
  Mirrors and Daoism in Han through Tang Dynasty China
- Jonathan Pettit, Indiana University
  Resurrecting Maoshan: The Renovation of Temple Ruins in Medieval Daoism
- Neil McGee, Columbia University
  Wang Liyong: Transformations of Lord Lao and Its Place in the Visual Propaganda Program of Song Gaozong (r. 1127–1162)
Responding:
- Gil Raz, Dartmouth College
- Business Meeting:
  Xun Liu, Rutgers University, and Gil Raz, Dartmouth College, Presiding

A30-217

Evangelical Theology Group and Korean Religions Group
Marriott Marquis, L508
Soong-Chan Rah, North Park Theological Seminary, Presiding
Theme: Evangelicalism in Korean Context
- Chong Kim, University of Central Missouri
  Jesus the Filial Son: Kil Son-ju and the Korean Protestant Discourse on Confucianism
- William Yoo, Emory University
  Inside the Mental and Spiritual World of Yon Chi Ho, the First Korean Southern Methodist
- Elizabeth Underwood, Eastern Kentucky University
  Constructing a Heritage: The Yanghwajin Controversy and Evangelicalism in Korea
- Myung-Sahn Suh, University of Chicago
  The Rise and Development of the Christian Right in the Republic of Korea
Responding:
- Andrew Sung Park, United Theological Seminary

A30-218

Hinduism Group and Yoga in Theory and Practice Consultation
Hyatt Regency, Hanover D
Vijaya Nagarajan, University of San Francisco, Presiding
Theme: Yoga, Divinity, and Power in the Hindu Purāṇas
- Shaman Hatley, Concordia University
  Yoginis, Yamala Tantras, and the Mother Goddesses of Kaṭivarṣa: A Study of the Skanda Purāṇa
- Andrew J. Nicholson, Stony Brook University
  Lords of Yoga in the Iṣvara Gītā: Mainstreaming the Yoga of the Pāṇḍavas
- Sucharita Adluri, Cleveland State University
  Actualizing Viṣṇu: Defining Yoga in the Viṣṇu Purāṇa
- Travis L. Smith, University of Florida
  "A Gentle Approach": The Early Skanda Purāṇa on the Pāṇḍava Appropriation of Varanasi
Responding:
- James Fitzgerald, Brown University
A30-219 ⭐

Kierkegaard, Religion, and Culture Group
Marriott Marquis, A701
Wilberforce O. Mundia, Shaw University, Presiding
Theme: *Kierkegaard on Politics, Justice, and the Single Individual*
Deidre Green, Claremont Graduate University
*Works of Love in a World of Violence: Feminism, Kierkegaard, and the Limits of Self-Sacrifice*
Tamara Monet Marks, Florida State University
*The Martyr is the Suffering Single Individual* (TNR)
David R. Law, University of Manchester
*Redeeming the Penultimate: Discipleship and Church in the Thought of Søren Kierkegaard and Dietrich Bonhoeffer*
Ashley Cake, Syracuse University
*Cornel West as Kierkegaard’s “Single Individual”: A Christian Conscience in Pursuit of Social Justice*

Business Meeting:
Andrew J. Burgess, University of New Mexico, and Sylvia Walsh, Stetson University, Presiding

A30-220

Psychology, Culture, and Religion Group
Marriott Marquis, A708
Kirk A. Bingaman, Fordham University, Presiding
Theme: *Who am I Anyway?* Psychological and Religious Perspectives on Identity
Alberto Varona, California Institute of Integral Studies
*Soul-splitting Headache: Imagining a Soul by Leaving the Best for Last and the Worst Left Behind*
Leanna Fuller, Vanderbilt University
*The Role of Collective Identification in Congregational Conflict*
Anish Bagasra, Claflin University
*Religious Commitment, Acculturation, and Identity Formation among Twenty-first Century Muslim-Americans*
David Hogue, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary
Marirose Lescher, Claremont Graduate University
*A Most Peculiar Self*

A30-221 ⭐

Qur’an Group
Marriott Marquis, M103-104
Ludmila Zamah, University of Winnipeg, Presiding
Theme: Varieties of Qur’anic Issues
Toni Tidswell, Curtin University
*The Qur’an as Critique and Standard for the Hadith: The Case of Bilqis*
Bahar Davary, University of San Diego
*Ecology and Islam: Contemplation of Water, Wind, Coral, and Fish*
Nermeen Moutfah, University of Toronto
*Making English an Islamic Language: Redefining Authority and Meaning through Modern English Translations of the Qur’an*
Joel Blecher, Princeton University
*Variants, Mistakes, and Conceptions of Inimitability in a Medieval Qur’anic Commentary: Notes on an Early Fragment of al-Khaṭīb al-Isa’tī’s Durrat al-Tanzil wa-Ghurrat al-Tawīl*
Ira Yazicioglu, Saint Joseph’s University
*Perhaps Their Harmony is Not that Simple: Said Nursi’s Interpretation of the Relationship between Modern Science and the Qur’an*

Business Meeting:
Anna M. Gade, University of Wisconsin, and Gordon D. Newby, Emory University, Presiding

A30-222

Religion in Latin America and the Caribbean Group
Marriott Marquis, A702
Sylvia Marcos, Universidad Autonoma del Tierra, Chipas, Mexico, and Universidad Nacional Autonoma de Mexico, Presiding
Theme: Critical Feminist and Decolonial Readings of Mary
Jorge A. Aquino, University of San Francisco
*Gestures Toward a Decolonial Guadalupan Theology*
Elina Vuola, University of Helsinki
*Decolonizing the Virgin Mary? Costa Rica’s La Negrita and the Hierarchies of Race, Gender, Religion, and Class*
Nancy Pineda-Madrid, Boston College
*Overturining Gendered Stereotypes of Latinas: Guadalupe and Malinche*
Lilian Dubé, University of San Francisco
*Imaging Mary in Africa: Grassroots Feminist Ecumenical Movements*
David Sanchez, Loyola Marymount University
*From Putumayo to the Barric: Subverting Imperial Myths*

Responding:
Rosemary Ruether, Claremont Graduate University
A30-225

Ritual Studies Group and Body and Religion Consultation
Marriott Marquis, L503
Sarah M. Pike, California State University, Chico, Presiding
Theme: Problematizing Gender and the Concept of the Ritual Body
Panelists:
- Jone Salomonsen, University of Oslo
- Wendy Griffin, California State University, Long Beach
- Donna Seamone, Acadia University
Responding:
- Morry Joy, University of Calgary
Business Meeting:
- Sarah Haynes, Western Illinois University, Presiding

A30-226

Roman Catholic Studies Group
Marriott Marquis, M105
William Clark, College of the Holy Cross, Presiding
Theme: Catholicism as Cultural Practice: United States Historical Sources and Identities
Andrew Stern, Southern Catholic College
Scarlet O’Hara and Pauline DeCardes Heyward: Catholic Confederates in History and Imagination
Monica Mercado, University of Chicago
At Home in an International Church: Catholic Family Almanacs and Women Readers in Nineteenth Century America
Adrienne Nock Ambrose, University of the Incarnate Word
The Ephemerality of the Virgin Mary in America’s "Virgin Craze" (c. 1865–1900)
Kathleen Holscher, Villanova University
A Doubled Higher Calling: American Catholics, Memory, and Military Saints
Business Meeting:
- Jeannine Hill Fletcher, Fordham University, and Daniel Speed Thompson, Saint Mary’s University, Presiding
A30-227 ⭐

Sacred Space in Asia Group
Marriott Marquis, A705
Eve Mullen, Emory University, Presiding
Theme: Pilgrimage, Volunteerism, and Mapping Religion
Juan E. Campo, University of California, Santa Barbara
Mass Pilgrimage and the Modern State: Spatial and Ritual Transformations in a Hindu Pilgrimage
Dominick Scarangello, University of Virginia
Overcoming the Nation State, Neoliberal Economies, and Depopulation: The Revascularization of a Japanese Local Sacred Site through the Rise of New Communities of Volunteerism and One Stubborn Man’s Vision of “Nature Religion”
Albertus Bagus Laksana, Boston College
Muslim Saints in the Island of the [Hindu] Gods: Pilgrimage, Identity, and Hybridity in Bali
Jason Carbine, Whittier College
Sāṇāsasuddhi, Simāsasamuddhi: Historical and Global Thoughts about a Spatial Basis of the Buddha’s Religion
Responding:
Brian J. Nichols, Rice University
Business Meeting:
Eve Mullen, Emory University, and Steven Heine, Florida International University, Presiding

A30-229 ⭐

World Christianity Group
Marriott Marquis, M109
Dale T. Irvin, New York Theological Seminary, Presiding
Theme: Panel Discussion on the Cambridge Dictionary of Christianity (Cambridge University Press, 2010)
Panelists:
Peter C. Phan, Georgetown University
Susanna Snyder, Emory University
Edward Phillip Antonio, Iliff School of Theology
Maria Pilar Aquino, University of San Diego
Amos Yong, Regent University
Valerie Karras, Southern Methodist University
Responding:
Cristina Grenholm, Church of Sweden
Daniel M. Patte, Vanderbilt University
Business Meeting:
Jane Carol Redmont, Guilford College, Presiding

A30-228

Womanist Approaches to Religion and Society Group and Religion and Sexuality Consultation
Marriott Marquis, M301
Heather White, New College of Florida, Presiding
Theme: Rethinking Womanist Sexual Ethics in the Twenty-first Century
Monique Moutrie, Vanderbilt University
Passionate and Pious: A Womanist and Cultural Analysis of Black Women’s Sexual Decision-making
Alexis S. Wells, Emory University
“I Just Wanna Sex-ify!”: Sexual Testimony and the Construction of Black Female Desire in the Religious Discourse of Juanita Bynum
Stephanie M. Crumpton, Columbia Theological Seminary
Crafting: A Womanist Pastoral Theological Exploration of African-American Women’s Use of Cultural Aesthetics to Heal from Sexual Violence
Michelle R. Jackson, Vassar College
Phillip L. Sheppard, North Park Theological Seminary
Mourning the Loss of Cultural Self-objects: Black Embodiment and Religious Experience after Trauma

A30-230

Animals and Religion Consultation and Cognitive Science of Religion Consultation
Marriott Marquis, Marquis Ballroom A
Ann Taves, University of California, Santa Barbara, Presiding
Theme: Fellow Primates: A Conversation with Frans de Waal on Cognition, Animals, and Religion
Panelists:
Kimberley Patton, Harvard University
Armin W. Geertz, University of Aarhus
Frans de Waal, Emory University
Responding:
Gabriel Levy, University of Aarhus
Aaron Gross, University of San Diego
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A30-231 ★

Christianity and Academia Consultation
Marriott Marquis, M303
C. Hannah Schell, Monmouth College, Presiding
Theme: How Does the Academy Impinge on the Study of Theology?
William Wright, Eureka College
Academic Theology as Contextual Theology
Douglas Henry, Baylor University
How Curiosity Killed the You-Know-What and What We Can Do About It: Griffith's Intellectual Appetite
Annemie Dilling, Katholieke Universiteit, Leuven, Joris Geldhof, Katholieke Universiteit, Leuven, and Annemie Patyn, Katholieke Universiteit, Leuven
How Can the Catholic Character of a University be Maintained When its Christian Identity is Fading?
Timothy Hanchin, Boston College
Towards a Hermeneutics of Hospitality: Lonergan’s Integral Hermeneutics in Christian Higher Education
Business Meeting:
David S. Cunningham, Hope College, Presiding

A30-232 ★

Martin Luther and Global Lutheran Traditions Consultation
Hyatt Regency, Hanover C
Kirs Irmel Sjövall, Lutheran Theological Seminary, Gettysburg, Presiding
Theme: The Lutheran Tradition: New Theological and Global Perspectives
Farisani Ekwensi, University of South Africa
The Challenges Facing Lutheranisms in South Africa
John Reynolds, Union Theological Seminary
The Heart in Sixteenth Century Physiology and the Role of Luther’s Theology in the Life of the Believer
Hans Schwab, University of Regensburg
Martin Luther’s Reception in Korea
Cecilia Nahnfeldt, Karlstad University, Sweden
Lutheran Vocation and Gender Relations
Business Meeting:
Deanna A. Thompson, Hamline University, Presiding

A30-233 ★

Middle Eastern Christianity Consultation
Marriott Marquis, L405-406
Vida Bajic, Methodist University, Presiding
Theme: Scholars and Experts in Middle Eastern Christian History
Kimberly Lerch, University of Illinois, Springfield
Sekobai’s Legacy: Preserver, Producer, and Transmitter of Scientific Knowledge in the Middle East
Jason R. Zaborowski, Bradley University
Arab Christian Physicians as Interreligious Mediators: Abu Shakir as an Ideal Type
David Bertaina, University of Illinois, Springfield
Science, Syntax, and Superiority: Elias of Nisibis on the Arabic and Syriac Languages
Robert Morehouse, Catholic University of America
Logical Contradictions: Ephraem’s Attack on Philosophy in His Polemics against Bar Dayan and Mani
Mark Swanson, Lutheran School of Theology, Chicago
Quo Vadis: His Significance in the History of Christian–Muslim Relations
Responding:
Jon Hoover, University of Nottingham
Business Meeting:
Nelly van Doorn-Harder, Wake Forest University, Presiding

A30-234 ★

Religious Conversions Consultation
Marriott Marquis, M108
Alexander Y. Hwang, Louisville Presbyterian Theological Seminary, Presiding
Theme: Cross-Cultural Dynamics of Conversion
Rose Caraway, University of Florida
“Finding Religion”: Evangelical Conversion and the Decline in Atheism in Post-Soviet Cuba
Garen Murray, Graduate Theological Union
(In)Famous Women: Confession, Conversion, and Celebrity in the Representation of Condemned Women
Edwin Zehner, Saint Lawrence University
Conversions, Therapies, and Other Forms of Change: Toward a More Interdisciplinary Approach
Ryan Williams, University of Cambridge
Dechristianization as Deconversion: Employing Deconversion as an Analytical Framework for Conceptualizing the Dechristianization of Islamic Extremists
Responding:
Linda A. Mercadante, Methodist Theological School, Ohio
Business Meeting:
Marc Pugliese, Brescia University, Presiding
A30-235  ❧

Sociology of Religion Consultation
Marriott Marquis, L505
Titus Hjelm, University College London, Presiding
Theme: Religion and the Sociology of Pierre Bourdieu
Jens Köhnen, University of Bielefeld
Religious Taste: A Theoretical Model to Explain Individual Religious Practice and Choices
Randy Reed, Appalachian State University
Prophetic Capital: An Application of Pierre Bourdieu to Modern Apocalyptic Fundamentalism
Rebekka King, University of Toronto
The Academe, the Author, and the Atheist: The Reception of the Study of Religion by Progressive Christians
Terry Rey, Temple University
Catholic Religious Capital and the Haitian Revolution: The Priest and the Prophets
Christopher Brittain, University of Aberdeen
Religion as a "Field": Bourdieu as a Resource for Analyzing the Conflict over Homosexuality in the Anglican Communion

Responding:
Sean McCloud, University of North Carolina, Charlotte
Business Meeting:
Titus Hjelm, University College London, Presiding

A30-236  ❧

Theology of Martin Luther King Jr. Consultation
Marriott Marquis, Marquis Ballroom B
Hak Joon Lee, New Brunswick Theological Seminary, Presiding
Theme: The Promised Land: Political Theology and Contemporary Social Movements
Lan Van Ham, University of Arizona
Undocumented Immigration and the "World House": Spirituality in the Immigrant Advocacy Movement
Rosemary P. Carbine, Whittier College
Transforming Spaces for Social Change: Prophetic Praxis in the United States' Civil Rights and New Sanctuary Movements
Karen V. Guth, University of Virginia
Beyond Nonviolence: The Feminist/Womanist Political Theology of Martin Luther King Jr.
Frederick L. Ware, Howard University
"Prophecy the Common Good": The Promise and Problem of Moral Realism in the Political Theology of Martin Luther King Jr.

Responding:
Rosetta E. Ross, Spelman College
Business Meeting:
Johnny B. Hill, Louisville Presbyterian Theological Seminary, Presiding

M30-105  ❧

North American Association for the Study of Religion
Marriott Marquis, International 3
Arvind Mandair, University of Michigan, Presiding
Theme: Talal Asad, Three Decades in Review: The Use and Abuse of Anthropologies of Islam, Genealogies of Religion, and Formations of the Secular
Ananda Abeysekara, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University
The Untranslatability of Religion, the Untranslatability of Life: What Remains Unthought about Talal Asad's Thinking within Religious Studies
Markus Dressler, Istanbul Technical University
From Sacred-Profane Binaries, Towards the Religio-secular Continuum, and Back
Rosemary Hicks, Tufts University
Asad, W. C. Smith, and Liberal Critiques of Individualist Ethics and Studies of Islam
Ruth Mas, University of Colorado
The Distanciation of the Secular

M30-200

Association of Practical Theology
Marriott Marquis, International 7
Bonnie Miller-McLemore, Vanderbilt University, Presiding
Theme: The Clerical Paradigm Revisited: Does Interdisciplinary Evidence of "Wise Practice" Make Us Want to Reclaim the Clerical Paradigm for Practical Theology?
Larry Golemon, Virginia Theological Seminary
Reclaiming a Professional (Not Clerical) Paradigm for Practical Theology
Ruthanna Hooke, Virginia Theological Seminary
Performance Practices in the Teaching of Preaching
John Falcone, Boston College
"Wise Practice" and Class Habitus in Practical Theology

Responding:
Courtney Goto, Boston University

M30-201

College Theology Society Board Meeting
Saturday, 1:00 pm–6:00 pm
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M30–202
Phenomenology and Scripture Group
Saturday, 1:00 pm–3:00 pm
Marriott Marquis, International 6
Adam Wells, The University of Virginia, Presiding
How does scripture give itself? What would it mean to treat scripture as a phenomenon? How does scripture relate to (or create) tradition? This panel will explore phenomenological approaches to scripture. Anyone interested is encouraged to attend.

Richard Oxenberg, Endicott College
Love and Death in the First Epistle of John: A Phenomenological Reflection

Randy Friedman, Binghamton University (SUNY)
The Allegory of Love

Madipoane Masanya, University of South Africa
Parent-Child Relationships with a Family Context: A Hermeneutical Phenomenology of Proverbs 1:8–9

Callid Keefe-Perry, Colgate Rochester Crozer Divinity School
Theotheological Explorations and Fusions: Hyper-reality, Horizons, and the Reading of Scripture

Responding:
Peta Turner Harvey, University of Virginia
Matthew Puffer, University of Virginia

M30–203
Liverpool Hope and University of Manchester Symposium on Early Methodism: Texts, Traditions, and Theologies
Saturday, 1:15 pm–4:45 pm
Marriott Marquis, International 10
Theme: New Horizons and Frontiers: Evangelical Preachers and Preaching
1:00 pm Welcome
1:10 pm Short papers on evangelical preachers and preaching in Britain, North America, and the Caribbean.

Panelists:
Andrew Cheadle, Liverpool Hope University
Ryan N. Dancer, Boston University
Sharon Jaye Grant, Southern Methodist University
Rex D. Matthews, Emory University
Mark R. Teasdale, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary
2:30 pm Questions and roundtable discussion.
Gareth Lloyd, University of Manchester, Presiding
4:15 pm Conclusion
For additional information, contact Gareth Lloyd at gareth.lloyd@manchester.ac.uk.

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Saturday, 4:00 pm–6:30 pm

A30–300
Special Topics Forum
Marriott Marquis, L401-402
Fred Glennon, Le Moyne College, Presiding
Theme: Making the Case for the Importance of Religion
Sponsored by the Academic Relations Committee
At a time when it is clear that religion needs to be taught in colleges and universities now more than ever, colleges and universities are threatening to eliminate faculty or whole departments and to reduce the role of religion in the general education curriculum. This Special Topics Forum will address the difficulties faced by departments of religion and discuss ways to reverse this trend, such as taking advantage of the way in which the field is emerging (comparative, interdisciplinary, critical, etc.) in ways that mirrors what the American Association of Colleges and Universities sees as central to the future of higher education.

Panelists:
Rosalind Hackett, University of Tennessee
Vasudha Narayanan, University of Florida
Christine E. Gudorf, Florida International University
A30-301

**Special Topics Forum**

Marriott Marquis, A703

Shaun Allen Casey, Wesley Theological Seminary, Presiding

*Theme: Is the God Boat Dead?*

Sponsored by the Public Understanding of Religion Committee

This panel of scholars and journalists will examine the evolution of religion coverage in various media, including the social, political, and economic factors shaping the media's treatment of religion.

**Panelists:**

- Adelle Banks, *Religion News Service*
- Sarah Posner, *Religion Dispatches*
- Mark Silk, Trinity College
- Bob Smietana, *The Tennessean*

A30-302

**Arts, Literature, and Religion Section and Music and Religion Consultation**

Marriott Marquis, M106-107

Theodore Trost, University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, Presiding

*Theme: Music of the American Southeast*

- Roy Whitaker, Claremont Graduate University
- *Hip-Hop as Sacred Canopy: KRS-One, Peter Berger, and La Frontera*
- Alisha Lola Jones, University of Chicago
- *In the Pocket: A Sacred Go-Go Beat Movement of Peculiar People*
- Jon Gill, Claremont Graduate University
- *The Ethereal Etched into the Existential: Auerbach and Benjamin's Literary Philosophy as Displayed Theologically by Tori Amos and Illogic*
- M. Cooper Harris, University of Chicago
- *A Sense of Ending: The Album, Narrative, and Exegesis in Time (the Revelator) and The Tennessee Fire*

A30-303

**Buddhism Section and Ritual Studies Group**

Marriott Marquis, M109

Timothy Lubin, Washington and Lee University, Presiding

*Theme: Reggio Rice Balls: Exoteric South Asian Buddhist Ritual in Comparative Perspective*

**Panelists:**

- Robert DeCaroli, George Mason University
- Vanessa Rebecca Sasson, Marianopolis College and McGill University
- Todd Lewis, College of the Holy Cross
- Alexander von Rosspatt, University of California, Berkeley
- Amy Paris Langenberg, Brown University

**Responding:**

- Ute Huesken, University of Oslo

**Business Meeting:**

- Janet Gyatso, Harvard University, and Charles Hallisey, Harvard University, Presiding

A30-304

**History of Christianity Section**

Hyatt Regency, Hanover E

Martha Finch, Missouri State University, Presiding

*Theme: The Body and Society at Twentv: Peter Brown and the History of Christianity*

**Panelists:**

- Margaret R. Miles, Berkeley, CA
- Constance Furey, Indiana University
- Susan Ashbrook Harvey, Brown University
- Matthew Day, Florida State University

A30-305

**Religion and the Social Sciences Section**

Marriott Marquis, M101

Rebecca Todd Peters, Elon University, Presiding

*Theme: Social Justice and Religion*

- Tonya Nashay Sanders, University of Illinois, Chicago
- *From Isolation to Collaboration: African-American Faith-based Partnerships in Local Community Development*
- Melissa James, Graduate Theological Union
- *The Meaning of Service: Service and Meaning-making among Lutheran Volunteer Corps Participants*
- Sarah Fredericks, University of North Texas
- *Incorporating Environmental Justice into Sustainability Indicators: A Case Study of the Participation of Religious Studies Scholars in the Development of Policy Indicators*

**Responding:**

- Paul Morris, University of Wellington

A30-306

**Religion in South Asia Section**

Marriott Marquis, M304

Simon Brodbeck, Cardiff University, Presiding

*Theme: The Mahabharata: End and Endings*

- Christopher Austin, Dalhousie University
- *Draupadi's Fall: Narrative Continuity and the Problem of Symmetry in the Mahabharata*
- Luis Gonzalez-Reimann, University of California, Berkeley
- *Ending the Mahabharata: A Look at Some Closing Strategies*
- Michael Baltutis, University of Wisconsin, Oshkosh
- *The Reinvention of Orthopraxis: Refusing Royal Performances in Book Fourteen of the Mahabharata*
- Tamar C. Reich, Indiana University of Pennsylvania
- *Ends and Closures in the Mahabharata*

**Responding:**

- Bruce M. Sullivan, Northern Arizona University
A30-309  🦁  🦁  🦁

Theology and Religious Reflection Section
Marriott Marquis, L505
Mary E. Hunt, Women's Alliance for Theology, Ethics, and Ritual, Presiding
Panelists:
- Andrea Smith, University of California, Riverside
- Nancy Bedford, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary
- Jenny Te Paa, College of Saint John the Evangelist, Auckland
- Teresa Mbani Hinga, Santa Clara University
- Sharon A. Bong, Monash University
Responding:
- Kwok Pui Lan, Episcopal Divinity School

A30-310

Women and Religion Section and Animals and Religion Consultation
Marriott Marquis, Marquis Ballroom A
Judith L. Bishop, Mills College, Presiding
Theme: *Women, Animals, and Religion: From Fleasly Objects to Embodied Subjects*
- Beatrice Marovich, Drew University
- Revolving Creatures: Women, Animals, and Transformation in the Martyr's Narrative
- Rachel Muers, University of Leeds
- The Female Mammal: Feminist-Theological Reflections on Women, Animals, and Embodiment
- Margaret Robinson, University of Toronto
- Veganism and Mi Kmaq Legends: Feminist Natives Do Eat Tofu
- Rebekah Sinclair, Claremont Graduate University
- Who's On Butler's Plate? Mourning, Vulnerability, and the Consumption of Others
Responding:
- Laura Hobgood-Oster, Southwestern University

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A30-311

Bible in Racial, Ethnic, and Indigenous Communities Group; Bible, Theology, and Postmodernity Group; and Latina/o Religion, Culture, and Society Group

Marriott Marquis, M108

Fernando E. Segovia, Vanderbilt University, Presiding

Theme: Latino/a Theology and the Bible

Panelists:
- Cecilia Gonzalez-Andrieu, Loyola Marymount University
- Jorge A. Aquino, University of San Francisco
- Loida Martell-Otero, Palmer Theological Seminary
- Luis R. Rivera, McCormick Theological Seminary
- Michael E. Lee, Fordham University
- Nora O. Lozano, Baptist University of the Americas

A30-312

Black Theology Group

Marriott Marquis, Marquis Ballroom B

Dianne Diakité, Emory University, Presiding

Theme: African-Centered Thought and African Religions in Black Theology

- Ralph Watkins, Fuller Theological Seminary

- From Black Theology to Africana Theology: A Methodological Shift in the Construction of an African-centered Theology

- Jawanza Eric Clark, Spelman College

- Reconciling the Doctrine of Jesus as Savior in Terms of the African Understanding of an Ancestor: A Model for the Black Church

- Adam Clark, Xavier University

- Black Theology, Afrocentricty, and the Womanist Challenge

- Bryson White, Fuller Theological Seminary

- Africana Theology, Ancestor Veneration, and George Washington

Business Meeting:
- Monica A. Coleman, Claremont School of Theology, and Stephen G. Ray Jr., Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary, Presiding

A30-313

Buddhist Philosophy Group

Hyatt Regency, Hanover FG

Robert Sharf, University of California, Berkeley, Presiding

Theme: Cognitive-Scientific Studies of Buddhist Thought and Practice: Philosophical Interrogations of the Issues

- David McMahan, Franklin and Marshall College

- Buddhist Meditation as Scientific Practice: Sorting Out the Implications of the Neuroscientific Study of Meditation

- William S. Waldron, Middlebury College

- Buddhism and Cognitive Science: Convergent Methods, Divergent Goals

- Jay Garfield, Smith College

- Ask Not What Buddhism Can Do for Cognitive Science; Ask What Cognitive Science Can Do for Buddhism

- Georges Dreyfus, Williams College

- On the Very Idea of a Buddhism Science Dialogue

Business Meeting:
- Daniel A. Arnold, University of Chicago, Presiding

A30-314

Chinese Religions Group

Marriott Marquis, M102

James A. Benn, McMaster University, Presiding

Theme: Crossing Boundaries in Chinese Religions

- Joshua Capitanio, University of the West

- "Un Taoisme Tantrique" Revisited: Tantric Elements and Paradigms in Daoist Ritual

- Megan Bryson, Stanford University

- The Transformations of Baijiu Shengfei and Mahakala: Religion and Ethnicity in Dali, Yunnan

- Wu Hongyu, University of Pittsburgh

- The Nonregressing Path to the Rebirth in the Pure Land: The Pure Land Thought of Peng Shaoen

- Frederick Shih-Chung Chen, University of Oxford

- The Great God of the Five Paths: A Blood-sacrifice Pagan Cult During the Reign of Emperor Wu of Liang, or a Religious Propagandist Story Fabricated by the Song Buddhist Vegetarian Reformists?

Business Meeting:
- James A. Benn, McMaster University, and Mark Halperin, University of California, Davis, Presiding

A30-315

Christian Spirituality Group

Marriott Marquis, M103-104

David Johns, Earlham School of Religion, Presiding

Theme: The Digital Spirit? Spirituality and the New Social Media

- Theo Zijlerveld, Utrecht University

- Prayer 2.0: Online Prayer and the Transformation of Religion in a Media Age

- Elizabeth Drescher, Santa Clara University

- Tweet if U♥ Jesus: Spiritual Authority, Identity, and Community in the Digital Reformation

- Mary Hess, Luther Seminary

- New Media, Ministry, and Mission: Teaching in the Global Classroom

- Alyssa Ninnan Nickell, Graduate Theological Union

- Real Friendships in Virtual Reality: Embodying Spirituality in the Digital Age

Business Meeting:
- Tim Hessel-Robinson, Brite Divinity School, Presiding
A30-316

Comparative Religious Ethics Group
Hyatt Regency, Hanover AB
Thomas A. Lewis, Brown University, Presiding
Theme: Ambivalent Moral Exemplars
Emily Hudson, Boston University
Rama, the Ambiguous Exemplar: Perfection and Meaning—Without—Saying in the Valmiki Ramayana
Sara L. McClintock, Emory University
Vessantara: Ambiguous Moral Exemplar, Exemplary Exemplar of the Practitioner's Condition
Anne E. Monius, Harvard University
Elusive Exemplars and Appealing Anti-Heroes: Demons in Kampan's Iravamataram
Elon Goldstein, Harvard University
Appraising a Problematic Buddhist Hero, Assessing Visions of the Good Life: Harsha's The Joy of the Serpent-People in Light of Its Literary Precursor
Responding:
Jonathan Gold, Princeton University

A30-317

Cultural History of the Study of Religion Group and Japanese Religions Group
Marriott Marquis, M105
James L. Ford, Wake Forest University, Presiding
Theme: Revisiting Religious Freedom in Modern Japan
Emily Anderson, Washington State University
Censoring Christian Dissent in Modern Japan: Contesting Religious Freedom in the Pages of a Rural Christian Newsletter
Mark R. Mullins, Sophia University
Freedom "For" or "From" Religion? Recent Japanese Responses to Violence and Coercion
Suga Koji, Kokugakuin University, Tokyo
Between Theocracy and Secular Mobilization: Placing the Concept of "State Shinto" in a New Light
Trent Maxey, Amherst College
Between Tolerance and Freedom: State Policy and Buddhist Recognition in Meiji Japan
Barbara Ambros, University of North Carolina
Pets, Death, and Taxes: Defining the Legal Boundaries of Religion
Responding:
Richard Jaffe, Duke University

A30-318

Eastern Orthodox Studies Group
Marriott Marquis, L508
Aristotle Papapกลาง, Fordham University, Presiding
Theme: Protorep English Schmemann: All Aspects of His Legacy
Rico Gabriel Monge, Goleta, CA
Feuerbach, Nietzsche, and the "Life of the World": A Look at Key Philosophical Influences on Schmemann's Theology
Brian Butcher, Simon Fraser University and Redeemer Pacific College
"Symbols and Symbolism in the Liturgy" Revisited: A Ricoeurian Critique of Schmemann's Symbolology
John Jilions, Saint Paul University
"Thicket of Idols": Alexander Schmemann's Critique of Orthodoxy
Kristine Suna-Koro, Emory University
Beyond the Lures of Diaspora in the Times of World Christianity: Pondering Over Modern Western Fragmentation of Reality and Theology with Alexander Schmemann
Business Meeting:
Paul Gawryluk, University of Saint Thomas, and Eve Tibbs, Fuller Theological Seminary, Presiding

A30-319

Ecclesiological Investigations Group
Marriott Marquis, M301
Michael A. Fahey, Boston College, Presiding
Theme: Modernity and Its Ecclesial Discontents: Historical Imaginaries, Magisterium, and the Role of the Theologian
Andrew Pierce, Trinity College, Dublin
Medievalism Redeceived
Hans Boersma, Regent College
Typological Similarity and Dissimilarity: Jean Daniéloss Analogue Theology of History
Mark Ryan, Georgian Court University
Charles Taylor's Modernity and the Church
Paul Lakeland, Fairfield University
Knowing Our Place(s): The Ecclesial Role(s) of the Theologian
Gerard Mannion, Katholieke Universiteit, Leuven
The Evolution of Magisterium: Towards a Teaching Church that Learns

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Feminist Theory and Religious Reflection Group

Hyatt Regency, Hanover C
Mary Keller, University of Wyoming, Presiding

Theme: Feminist Rethinkings: Evolution and Strategic Essentialism
Donovan Schaefer, Syracuse University
Tight Genes: Evolutionary Theory and the Dancing Religious Body
Adriaan van Klinken, Utrecht University
Beyond the Patriarchy Framework: Feminist Theory and the Study of Masculinities and Religion
Tara Flanagan, Loyola University, Chicago

Opacity, Agency, and Relationality at the End of Life: Models of Self-Constitution from Judith Butler and M. Shawn Copeland
Leah McKeen, Wilfrid Laurier University

Evangelical Women and Theories of Agency

A30-321 ★

New Religious Movements Group

Marriott Marquis, A708
Catherine Wessinger, Loyola University, New Orleans, Presiding


Panelists:
Dawn Hutchinson, Christopher Newport University
John K. Simmons, Western Illinois University
Janine Villot, University of South Florida
Dell deChant, University of South Florida
J. Gordon Melton, Institute for the Study of American Religion

Business Meeting:
Douglas E. Cowan, University of Waterloo, Presiding

A30-322

Nineteenth-Century Theology Group and Religion and Humanism Consultation

Marriott Marquis, A701
Todd Gooch, Eastern Kentucky University, Presiding

Theme: Nineteenth Century Proposals for a Religion of Humanity
Beth Eddy, Worcester Polytechnic Institute
The Cathedral of Humanity on Halstead Street: Jane Addams, Auguste Comte, and Edward Caird

Ernest Rubinstein, Drew University
From Naturalism towards Humanism: An Emersonian Trajectory

John Halsey Wood, Saint Louis University
Whither the Church? Richard Rethé’s Challenge to the Dutch Church

Emily R. Mace, Princeton University
“Fellowship Will Be Our Symbol”: Practicing Religion in Felix Adler’s Society for Ethical Culture

A30-323 ★

Practical Theology Group

Marriott Marquis, Marquis Ballroom D
Teresa Sartor, Association for Clinical Pastoral Education, Inc., and Jeanne Stevenson Moessner, Southern Methodist University, Presiding

Theme: Disorderly Conduct: Creative Collaboration among Women Who are Practitioners and Academics in Practical Theology

Panelists:
Insook Lee, Hood Theological Seminary
Kathleen Greider, Claremont School of Theology
Beverly Wallace, Evangelical Lutheran Church in America
Sophia Park, Care and Counseling Center of Georgia
Jacqueline Kelley, Princeton Baptist Medical Center and Ingalls Center of Pastoral Ministries
Angella M. Pak Son, Drew University

Responding:
Pamela Cooper-White, Columbia Theological Seminary

Business Meeting:
Thomas Beaudoin, Fordham University, Presiding

A30-324

Pragmatism and Empiricism in American Religious Thought Group

Marriott Marquis, L504
Randy L. Friedman, Binghamton University, Presiding

Theme: New Perspectives on James and Dewey

Panelists:
Stuart E. Rosenbaum, Baylor University
John J. Stuhr, Emory University

Responding:
Melvin Lee Rogers, University of Virginia
Michael Slater, Georgetown University
A30-325 ★
Reformed Theology and History Group
Marriott Marquis, A706
Cynthia Rigby, Austin Theological Seminary, Presiding
Theme: Reformed Churches and Historically Marginalized People
Matthew J. Tuninga, Emory University
Reformulating the Two Kingdoms Paradigm: A Political Theological
Approach to Racism
Rachel Sophia Baard, Villanova University
The Kairos of the Belhar Confession
Eduardus Van der Borch, Vrije Universiteit, Amsterdam
No Longer a Confessional Issue? A Comparison of the WSC Anti-
Apartheid Theology in 1982 with Its Stance on the Issue of National
and Ethnic Identity in 1997
Adam S. Borneman, Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary
"These Silken Ties": Ecclesiastical Compromise and the Problem of
Slavery in the Presbyterian Schism of 1837–1838
Business Meeting:
Kang-Yup Na, Westminster College, Presiding

A30-326
Religion and Ecology Group and Religion, Film, and Visual
Culture Group
Marriott Marquis, I405–406
John Lyden, Grand View University, Presiding
Theme: Imagining the Ecological Other from Avatar to True Blood
Je Sophia Oh, Drew University
Watching Avatar through the Deleuzian 3Ds, Desire, Deteriorialization, and Doubling: A Postcolonial Ecological Review
Tyson-Lord Gray, Vanderbilt University
Environmentalism Goes Blue
Sarah McFarland Taylor, Northwestern University
Green Vampires and the Trouble with Desire: Sustainability Ethics, Consuming Passions, and Erotic Restraint in True Blood, Twilight, and Daybreakers
Chris Klassen, Wilfrid Laurier University
Becoming the "Noble Savage": Nature Religion and the Other in Avatar

A30-327
Tantric Studies Group
Marriott Marquis, M302
Theme: Tantra, Cosmology, and the Body
David Lawrence, University of North Dakota
Empowered Identity and Cosmic Embodiment in Monistic Saiva Tantra
Jeffrey Lidke, Berry College
The Resounding Field of Visualized Self-awareness: Hermeneutics
of the Sri Yantra in Two Trika-Kaula Commentaries on the
Nityasādakārṇava Tantra
Simone Barretta, University of Pennsylvania
Mapping the Cosmos: A Study of Tantric Savitri Initiation in the
Śvācchanda-tantra and Its Commentary
Kerry Martin Skora, Hiram College
The Bodily Efflorescence of Words: The Crossing of Divine-voice and the
Body-wolf in Adbhutāntaka's Cosmology
Responding:
Sthaneswar Timalsina, San Diego State University

A30-328 ★
Tillich: Issues in Theology, Religion, and Culture Group
Marriott Marquis, L503
Sharon Peebles Burch, Interfaith Counseling Center, Presiding
Theme: Tillich and New Directions in Science and Theology
Sam Powell, Point Loma Nazarene University
Tillich's Theology and Cognitive Science: The Prospects for Theological
Anthropology
Ryan T. O'Leary, University of Iowa
Being and Gaia: Seeking Resources toward a Vocabulary for
Naturalistic Theology
J. Patrick Woolley, University of Oxford
Tillich's Critique of Einstein and the Struggle with Natural Theology:
Geometry of Nature and the Finite-Infinite Relation
Adam Pryan, Graduate Theological Union
Tillichian Telesodynamics: An Examination of the Multidimensional
Unity of Emergent Life
Business Meeting:
Russell Re Manning, University of Cambridge, Presiding

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Wesleyan Studies Group
Marriott Marquis, A702
Douglas M. Strong, Seattle Pacific University, Presiding
Theme: Methodism and the Civil Rights Movement
Ellen J. Blue, Phillips Theological Seminary
Kevin M. Watson, Southern Methodist University
In the Shadow of Segregation: Methodist Seminaries and the Civil Rights Movement
Joseph T. Reiff, Emory and Henry College
Born of Conviction: Methodist Ministers Provoking Civil Rights Debate in 1963 Mississippi
Responding:
F. Douglas Powe Jr., Saint Paul School of Theology
Priscilla Pope-Levison, Seattle Pacific University, Presiding

A30-330 ★

Comparative Philosophy and Religion Seminar
Marriott Marquis, A705
Tsingsong Vincent Shen, University of Toronto, Presiding
Theme: Comparative Philosophy and Religion
Francis X. Clooney, Harvard University
The Necessarily Religious and Interreligious Context of a Robust Philosophy of Religion
Morny Joy, University of Calgary
Is There a Postcolonial Ethics?
Tinu Rupareli, University of Calgary
The Golden Mean
Takushi Odagiri, Stanford University
Rationalism within Empiricism: Nishida Kitaro and William James
Business Meeting:
Morny Joy, University of Calgary, Presiding

A30-331 ★

Religion in the American West Seminar
Marriott Marquis, L507
Jane Naomi Iwamura, University of Southern California, Presiding
Travis Ross, University of Nevada, Reno
Sectionalism in California's Religious Periodicals: Place in Religious Rhetoric
Jonathan William Olson, Florida State University
*Not Merely Asiatic but Pagan*: Religion, Chinese Exclusion, and the American West
Barry Joyce, University of Delaware
Creating an Axis Mundi in the American Southwest: Religion, Science, and the Sacred at the Chaco Culture National Historical Park

Brett Hendrickson, Arizona State University
Mexican-American Religious Healing and the American Spiritual Marketplace
Responding:
Tisa Wenger, Yale University
Business Meeting:
Quincy Newell, University of Wyoming, Presiding

A30-332 ★

Queer Theory and LGBT Studies in Religion Consultation
Marriott Marquis, A707
Claudia Schippert, University of Central Florida, Presiding
Theme: Queering Race, Politics, and Religion: Queer Values, Queer Worldmaking
Nesette Falu, Rice University
Invisible Hands: An Epistemology of Black Religious Thought and Queer Sexual Desire Disrupting "Crystalized Culture"
Thelathia Young, Emory University
Black Queer Family Values: Moral Agency Through Creative Resistance
Alicia Juszkiewicz, Princeton University
'It's Not About Religion': LGBTQ-Related Problems, Uganda, and Managing Religion's Intersections Under United States Foreign Policy
B. Howell Bethel, Emory University
A Revolution We Can Dance To: Queer Worldmaking and Sacred Practice at MondoHomo
Responding:
Janet Jakobsen, Barnard College
Business Meeting:
Claudia Schippert, University of Central Florida, and Melissa M. Wilcox, Whitman College, Presiding

A30-333 ★

Religion Education in Public Schools: International Perspectives Consultation
Marriott Marquis, A601
Tim Jensen, University of Southern Denmark, Presiding
Theme: Religion Education and Citizenship in Europe and Beyond
Robert Jackson, University of Warwick
Janet Bordelon, New York University
Religion Knows No Boundaries: The Translation of Toledo by the Tony Blair Faith Foundation
Wolfram Weisse, University of Hamburg
Religious Education in Public Schools and the Challenge of Religious Diversity at the University Level: Policy Recommendations of the REDCö Project
Jeffrey Thiobert, University of Illinois
The Ambiguous Relationship between Public Religion Education and the Promotion of Religious Freedom
Business Meeting:
Bruce Grele, California State University, Chico, Presiding
A30-334  ⭐

Sex, Gender, and Sexuality in Premodern Christianity Consultation
Marriott Marquis, L506
Cameron Partridge, Harvard University, Presiding
Theme: Sex, Gender, and Sexuality in Premodern Christianity
Joseph A. Marchal, Ball State University
"Intersex After, Before, and Below? The Management and Response of "Members" from a Premodern Past to an Ultramodern Today"
Katie Bugis, University of Notre Dame
"The "Feithful Bysnesse" of the Bee: Authorizing Women in Chaucer's Lyf of Seinte Cecile and The Second Nun's Tale"
Mikael Hasby, Harvard University
Sexual Difference in the First Apocalypse of James
Samuel Kimbriel, University of Cambridge
"Indecent and Eras: Jobannine Debates on the Role of Sexual Desire in the Purification of the Soul"
Rachel Smith, Harvard University
"Exemplarity and Apophatic: Representing Holiness in Thomas of Cantimpré's Life of Lutgard of Aywières"
Business Meeting:
Cameron Partridge, Harvard University, Presiding

A30-335  ⭐

Sikh Studies Consultation
Marriott Marquis, M303
Anne Murphy, University of British Columbia, Presiding
Theme: Reading Sikh Tradition: Postcoloniality, Textuality, and the Space Between
Prabhsharandeep Singh Sandhu, Birmingham University
"Deerizing Religion and the Effects of Romanticism in Bhai Vir Singh and Puran Singh"
Prabhsharanbir Singh, University of British Columbia
"Disorienting Beginnings: Technics, Education, and the Crisis of a Postcolonial Sikh Subject"
Jaspreet Kaur, Pleasanton, CA
"Text and Textuality: A Reading of Osho's Ek Omkara Satnam"
Gurveen Khurana, University of California, Riverside
"Home and the World: The Nagar Kirton and Sikh Diaspora"
Business Meeting:
Michael Hawley, Mount Royal University, Presiding

A30-336  ⭐

Theology and the Political Consultation
Marriott Marquis, Marquis Ballroom C
Gregory Kaplan, Rice University, Presiding
Theme: Political Theology, Jewish, and Democratic: A Discussion of Bonnie Honig's Emergency Politics (Princeton University Press, 2009)
Panelists:
Jeffrey Stout, Princeton University
Nancy Levene, Indiana University
Martin Kavka, Florida State University
George Shulman, New York University
Responding:
Bonnie Honig, Northwestern University
Business Meeting:
Corey D. B. Walker, Brown University, Presiding

A30-337  ⭐

Comparative Studies in Religion Section and Death, Dying, and Beyond Consultation
Marriott Marquis, A602
Jill Petersen Adams, Syracuse University, Presiding
Theme: From Life to Death and Back Again
Rodney Knowles IV, Boston University
"Dead Man Singing: Don Piper, Near Death Experiences, and Evangelical America"
M. Alyson Prude, University of California, Santa Barbara
"The Body In and Beyond Death: Questions of Corporeality in a Tibetan Buddhist Context"
Stanley Thayne, University of North Carolina
"Or Ever the Silver Cord be Loosed..."
Responding:
Christopher Moreman, California State University, East Bay
Business Meeting:
Kathleen Garces-Foley, Marymount University, Presiding
M30-300

North American Association for the Study of Religion
Marriott Marquis, International 3
Paul Johnson, University of Michigan, Presiding
Theme: The Legacy of Lévi-Strauss
Jens Kreinath, Wichita State University
Briolage and the Fractal Dynamics of Ritual: Claude Lévi-Strauss and His Legacy for the Study of Religion and Practice
Christopher I. Lehrich, Boston University
Overture and Finale: Lévi-Strauss, Music, and Religion
Paul-François Tremlett, University of London
Lévi-Strauss and Religious Studies
Responding:
Ivan Strenski, University of California, Riverside

M30-301

Society for Hindu-Christian Studies
Marriott Marquis, International B
Amy L. Allocco, Elon University, Presiding
Theme: Performance as a Site for Hindu-Christian Encounter
Zoe Sherinian, University of Oklahoma
Religious Encounters through Tamil Outcaste Folk Drumming
Brenda Beck, University of Toronto
An Indian Folk Epic Ripe with “Christian” Motifs
Eliza F. Kent, Colgate University
Battle Cries: Songs of the Salvation Army in South India
Responding:
George Pati, Valparaiso University
Business Meeting to follow at 6:00 pm.

M30-302

Journal of Inter-Religious Dialogue
Saturday, 4:30 pm–6:30 pm
Marriott Marquis, International 8
Joshua Stanton, Hebrew Union College, and Stephanie Varnon-Hughes, New York, NY, Presiding
Theme: The Promise and Challenges of Interreligious Dialogue
Panelists:
Aimee Upjohn Light, Duquesne University
Stephen Butler Murray, Endiscott College
Amir Hussain, Loyola Marymount University
Nancy Fuchs-Kreimer, Reconstructionist Rabbinical College
Bud Heckman, Religions for Peace International
Christy Lohr, Duke University
Or Rose, Hebrew College
Madhuri Yadlapati, Louisiana State University

M30-303

Religion Dispatches Reception
Saturday, 5:00 pm–7:00 pm
Hyatt Regency, Dunwoody

Saturday, 6:00 pm and Later

A30-401

Special Topics Forums
Saturday, 6:00 pm–8:00 pm
Almeda Wright, Pfeiffer University, Presiding
Theme: Beyond the Boundaries: Public Lecture Series I
Shannon Montgomery, Georgia State University
An Influence Among Humanity: Internal Religious Debate over Narrative Paradigms
Montgomery’s project examines a 1911 controversy at Brigham Young University which ended in three professors being fired for teaching evolution. After detailing the basic controversy both nationally and at Brigham Young specifically, the project homes in on a letter signed by more than 80 percent of the student body in that year. The letter, written in support of the teachers, offered a contrasting narrative to that of the school administration. Lodged between embattled professors and school administration (with church officials), the students had to demonstrate fidelity to the religious institution even as they sought the widest academic vision. Montgomery also considers implications for the Church of Latter Day Saints over the next century. She argues that ultimately, the controversy represents a missed opportunity for the church to be viewed as relevant in secular discourse and opens up a discussion about the potential of religious organization in general to better engage in secular discourse.

M30-304

Harvard University Reception
Saturday, 6:00 pm–7:30 pm
The Harvard University Reception (sponsored by the Harvard Divinity School, the Center of the Study of World Religions, and the Committee on the Study of Religion in FAS) at the AAR will take place on Saturday, October 30, 2010 from 6:00 pm–7:30 pm at the French American Brasserie at 30 Ivan Allen Jr. Blvd., Atlanta, Georgia 30308 (phone: 1-404-266-1440), a 5–10 minute walk from the conference hotels.

M30-418

Oxford Bibliographies Online
Saturday, 6:00 pm–8:00 pm
Hyatt Regency, Spring

M30-400

The Fund for Theological Education
Saturday, 6:15 pm–8:00 pm
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Saturday, 6:00 pm and Later

Marriott Marquis, International 4

A30-400

JAAR Editorial Board Meeting
Saturday, 6:30 pm–7:30 pm
Hyatt Regency, Courtyard
Charles Mathewes, University of Virginia, and Amir Hussain, Loyola Marymount University, Presiding

M30-401

Explorations in Theology and the Apocalyptic
Saturday, 6:30 pm–9:00 pm
Marriott Marquis, International 7
Philip Ziegler, University of Aberdeen, Presiding
Theme: Christopher Morse’s The Difference Heaven Makes: Rehearing the Gospel as News (Continuum, 2010)
Sponsored by T&T Clark/Continuum
This is the first of two related sessions exploring the relevance of apocalyptic themes in contemporary Christian theology.
Panelists:
Katherine Sonderegger, Virginia Theological Seminary
Nancy Duff, Princeton Theological Seminary
Trevor Eppehimer, Hood Theological Seminary
Donald Wood, University of Aberdeen
Responding:
Christopher Morse, Union Theological Seminary

M30-419

AAR Western Region Board Meeting
Saturday, 6:30 pm–8:30 pm
Hyatt Regency, Auburn

M30-424

Celebrating the Life of Professor N. G. Barrier
Saturday, 6:45 pm–7:45 pm
Marriott Marquis, L403

A30-402

Centennial Fund Donors Reception
Saturday, 7:00 pm–8:00 pm
Hyatt Regency, AAR Suite
Members who have supported the Centennial Fund at $100 and above are invited to a cocktail reception hosted by the AAR Board of Directors. Learn more about the Centennial Fund and how you can support the AAR at www.aarweb.org/donate. By invitation only.

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Brigham Young University Reception
Saturday, 7:00 pm–9:00 pm

M30-403

Societe d'Etudes Internationales sur Alfred Loisy
Saturday, 7:00 pm–8:30 pm
Marriott Marquis, L504
Theme: Centenary of the Oath against Modernism
C. J. T. Talar, University of Saint Thomas, Houston
Swearing against Modernism: Sacrorum Antititsim, September 1, 1910
Panelists:
Andrew Pierce, Trinity College, Dublin
Harvey Hill, Berry College
William Porter, University of Dayton

M30-404

Georgetown University Reception
Saturday, 7:00 pm–8:30 pm
Hyatt Regency, Lenox

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Presidential Address
Saturday, 8:00 pm–9:00 pm
Hyatt Regency, Centennial II-IV
Kwok Pui Lan, Episcopal Divinity School, Presiding
Theme: Ann Taves: "Religion" in the Humanities and the Humanities in the University

In recent discussions of the concept of religion, scholars of religion have paid considerable attention to the relationship between the "religious" and the "secular." In doing so, they have focused our attention outward on the relationship between religion and the state and the historical developments we associate with modernity. If we turn our attention inward to the academy, we can ask how our subject matter is positioned in relation to the subject matters of other disciplines in the humanities. What, we might ask, is the relationship between the subject matter of departments devoted to religious studies, art, literature, philosophy, music, and theater? This question focuses our attention on the place of religious studies in the humanities and in the academic landscape of the modern university more generally. Taves will suggest that an evolutionary perspective, which focuses on the emergent capacities that give rise to the subject matters that we study in the humanities, highlights the essential role that the humanistic disciplines play in our understanding of the human animal.

Panelists:
Ann Taves, University of California, Santa Barbara

M30-405

Science and Religion Hospitality Event Sponsored by ZCRS, CTNS, and IRAS
Saturday, 7:00 pm–10:00 pm
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The Zygon Center for Religion and Science (ZCRS), a partnership of the Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago, and the Center for Advanced Study in Religion and Science (CASIRAS) offers seminary courses, academic conferences, and public lectures, and shares offices with Zygon: Journal of Religion and Science, zygoncenter.org.

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M30-406

Society for Pentecostal Studies and Wesleyan Theological Society
Saturday, 7:00 pm–8:30 pm
Hyatt Regency, Greenbriar

M30-407

International Society for Chinese Philosophy
Saturday, 7:00 pm–8:30 pm
Marriott Marquis, International 6

M30-408

Polanyi Society
Saturday, 7:00 pm–9:30 pm
Marriott Marquis, International 1
Theme: The Next Generation Engages Polanyi, Part Two

M30-409

Unitarian Universalist Scholars and Friends Discussion
Saturday, 7:00 pm–9:30 pm
Marriott Marquis, International A
Theme: Practical Theology and Spirituality for Religious Liberals

Our annual conversation will explore how the discipline of practical theology can inform efforts to deepen spiritual disciplines within Unitarian Universalist congregations. Bringing practical and systematic theologians together with theologically reflective ministers, we will explore both particular practices and scholarly approaches to practice. Is there a distinctly liberal approach to practical theology or spiritual practice? What can systematic and practical theologians learn from one another, and from dialogue with congregational ministers?

Panelists:
Sharon Welch, Meadville Lombard Theological School
Michelle Walsh, Boston University
Myriam Renaud, University of Chicago
Elaine Peresluha, South Church Unitarian Universalist Congregation
Mary McClintock Fulkerson, Duke University
Clyde Grubbs, Pasadena, CA
Responding:
Anthony David, Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Atlanta

A separate reception (M31-408) will be held Sunday evening.

Sponsored by Starr King School for the Ministry, Meadville Lombard Theological School, Harvard Divinity School, and the Unitarian Universalist Association Panel on Theological Education.

M30-420

Korean North American Systematic Theology
Saturday, 7:00 pm–9:00 pm
Marriott Marquis, L503
Theme: Panel Discussion of Sang Hyun Lee's New Book From a Liminal Place: An Asian American Theology (Fortress Press, 2010)
A30-403

JAAR Reception for Authors and Board Members
Saturday, 7:30 pm–8:30 pm
Hyatt Regency, Courtyard
Charles Mathewes, University of Virginia, and Amir Hussain, Loyola
Marymount University, Presiding
Reception for JAAR Editorial board members and JAAR authors.

A30-405

Film: New York Doll
Saturday, 8:00 pm–10:00 pm
Hyatt Regency, Hanover D
Philip L. Barlow, Utah State University, Presiding
Sponsored by the Arts, Literature, and Religion Group and the
Mormon Studies Consultation
2005, directed by Greg Whitey. 75 minutes.
New York Doll is a 2005 Sundance Film Festival award winner that
treats the formation, demise, and 2004 reunion performance of the
New York Dolls, an influential "glam-rock," "proto-punk" band who
performed in the early 1970s. On the verge of major success, the
group was brought down by an excess of undisciplined sex, drugs,
drink, and internal conflict. Three band members died, two went on
to achieve modest individual musical success. Against this backdrop,
the film centers on bassist Arthur "Killer" Kane, intersecting his role
in the band, his conversion to religion (Mormonism), his poverty and
loneliness, and his reunion performance with the band, all preceding
his death from leukemia. At once provocative, surprising, and moving,
the film lends itself to considerations of, among other themes,
"redemption," estrangement and reconciliation, and religion and
culture.

A30-406

Film: Dirt!
Saturday, 8:00 pm–10:00 pm
Hyatt Regency, Hanover AB
Roger S. Gottlieb, Worcester Polytechnic Institute, Presiding
Sponsored by the Religion and Ecology Group, the Forum on Religion
and Ecology, and the Sustainability Task Force
2009, directed by Bill Benenson, Gene Rosow, and Eleonore Dally. 86
minutes.
You are invited to watch the topical movie Dirt!, narrated by Jamie Lee
Curtis. This movie brings to life the environmental, economic, social,
and political impact that the soil has. Come, watch, and take part in
a conversation about the Earth’s most valuable and underappreciated
source of fertility — from its miraculous beginning to its crippling
degradation. The opening scenes of the film dive into the wonderment
of the soil. Made from the same elements as the stars, plants, animals,
and us, “dirt is very much alive.” The real change lies in our notion of
what dirt is. The movie teaches us: “When humans arrived two million
years ago, everything changed for dirt. And from that moment on, the
fate of dirt and humans has been intimately linked.” Dirt is more than
a discussion of what is happening to Earth. It is a call to action.

A30-407

LGBTIQ Scholars and Scholars of LGBTIQ Studies Reception
Saturday, 8:00 pm–10:00 pm
Marriott Marquis, Imperial Foyer
Melissa M. Wilcox, Whitman College, Presiding
Sponsored by the Status of LGBTIQ Persons in the Profession Task
Force and the Human Rights Campaign
LGBTIQ scholars of religion, scholars of LGBTIQ studies in religion,
and friends are invited to a reception. Come network, see old friends,
make new ones, and celebrate the growth of our community and our
subfield within the AAR.

M30-410

Graduate Theological Union Reception
Saturday, 8:00 pm–10:00 pm
Marriott Marquis, International 9

M30-411

Mid-Atlantic American Academy of Religion Regional Reception
Saturday, 8:00 pm–10:00 pm
Marriott Marquis, International B
M30-412
New Religious Movement Group/Nova Religio Reception
Saturday, 8:00 pm–11:00 pm
Hyatt Regency, Marietta

M30-413
Vanderbilt University Reception
Saturday, 8:00 pm–9:30 pm
Marriott Marquis, A601

M30-414
Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion Reception
Saturday, 8:30 pm–10:00 pm
Marriott Marquis, Imperial Ballroom Salon A
A reception for all past and future participants in Wabash Center workshops, colloquia, consultations, and grants. Come and learn about our programs and opportunities.

A30-408
AAR Members' Party
Saturday, 9:00 pm–11:00 pm
Marriott Marquis, Atrium A
AAR members are invited to join one another at the Members' Party for music and dancing.

M30-416
De Gruyter and Brill Publishers Joint Reception
Saturday, 9:00 pm–11:00 pm
Hyatt Regency, Roswell

M30-417
Fortress Press Reception
Saturday, 9:00 pm–11:00 pm
Marriott Marquis, A602
AAR members are invited to join Fortress Press for something to drink...something to eat...and lots of good conversation!

M30-422
Pro Ecclesia Reception
Saturday, 9:00 pm–11:00 pm
Marriott Marquis, International 4

M30-423
Hispanic Theological Initiative Reception
Saturday, 9:00 pm–11:00 pm
Hyatt Regency, Piedmont
Sponsored by Baylor University Press

M30-425
University of Virginia Reception
Saturday, 9:00 pm–11:00 pm

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 31

M31-1
New York Theological Seminary and Journal of World Christianity Breakfast
Sunday, 7:00 am–8:45 pm
Hyatt Regency, Fairlile

M31-2
Temple University Breakfast
Sunday, 7:00 am–8:45 pm
Hyatt Regency, Greenbriar

M31-5
Center of Theological Inquiry Reception
Sunday, 7:00 am–8:30 am
Hyatt Regency, Courtland
The Center of Theological Inquiry in Princeton warmly welcomes members, friends, and prospective applicants to a breakfast reception. David Ford and Peter Ochs will launch the book they completed with Daniel Hardy, Wording a Radiance: Parting Conversations on God and the Church.

A31-1
AAR Annual Business Meeting
Sunday, 7:30 am–8:45 am
Hyatt Regency, Dunwoody
Ann Taves, University of California, Santa Barbara, Presiding
Join the AAR Board of Directors for a continental breakfast and a brief business meeting, including an important vote on new bylaws for the Academy.
Sunday, October 31

A31-2
International Members' Breakfast
Sunday, 7:30 am–8:45 am
Hyatt Regency, Centennial I
Tat-siong Benny Liew, Pacific School of Religion, Presiding
Breakfast, including a question and answer session, for international members of the AAR.

Sunday, 9:00 am–11:30 am

A31-100
Special Topics Forum
Marriott Marquis, A704
Grace Ji-Sun Kim, Moravian Theological Seminary, Presiding
Theme: The Past, Present, and Future of Racial and Ethnic Minorities in the Profession
Sponsored by the Status of Racial and Ethnic Minorities in the Profession Committee
The session is a discussion concerning the state of religion scholars of color within the AAR. Leading the discussion are the past chairs of the Status of Racial and Ethnic Minorities in the Profession Committee (REM). The panelists will discuss the difficulties scholars of color have historically faced and the problems they presently must overcome. In addition, they will explore the challenges and obstacles that the future may bring.
Panelists:
Dwight Hopkins, University of Chicago
Peter Paris, Princeton Theological Seminary
Kwok Pui Lan, Episcopal Divinity School
Anthony B. Pinn, Rice University
Miguel A. De La Torre, Iliff School of Theology

A31-101
Special Topics Forum
Marriott Marquis, M302
Edward Phillip Antonio, Iliff School of Theology, Presiding
Theme: Rethinking Indigeneity in the Age of Globalization
Sponsored by the International Connections Committee
The construction of the category of "indigeneity" is inextricably connected with colonialism and imperialism. Conquerors, settlers, missionaries, and capitalist entrepreneurs saw "the indigenous" in opposition to their universal and developed civilizations and religions.

Whether the indigenous was understood as the decadent or noble savage, "indigeneity" always carried what Johannes Fabian calls "a denial of coevalness," that is, an othering of the indigenous in time and space. Today, globalization exacerbates the symbolic violence and power asymmetries generated by colonialism. The local knowledge and religions of indigenous peoples are often expropriated to become the raw material for deterritorialized and heavily commodified religious movements that circulate through global electronic media. At the same time, ancestral lands and livelihoods of indigenous peoples are threatened by rapid economic change and ecological degradation. Globalization's "time-space compression" has also put various peoples in each other's backyards, challenging the colonial denial of coevalness. Thus, indigenous actors can now have access to global media to build transnational networks of resistance and solidarity on the basis of emerging pan-indigenous identities.

Panelists on this forum will explore critically the genealogy of and contradictions within the category of "indigeneity," as well as religion's changing role in the articulation and (de)construction of this category.
Panelists:
Frank Brennan, Australian Catholic University
Roger Maaka, Eastern Institute of Technology
Mary MacDonald, Le Moyne College
Lynda Newland, University of the South Pacific
Jace Weaver, University of Georgia
Andrea Smith, University of California, Riverside

A31-102
Special Topics Forum
Marriott Marquis, M303
Stephanie McAllister, Brookline High School, Brookline, MA, Presiding
Theme: AAR Guidelines for Teaching about Religion in K–12 Public Schools in the United States: Responses from Teachers and Teacher Educators
Sponsored by the Religion in the Schools Task Force
In April of 2010, the AAR Board approved the AAR Guidelines for Teaching about Religion in K–12 Public Schools in the United States. This was the culmination of a three-year initiative guided by the AAR Religion in the Schools Task Force and involved teachers, teacher educators, and the full membership of the AAR. Once the Guidelines were published, members of the Task Force invited selected teachers and teacher educators who were not part of the vetting process to share the document with colleagues and to try to implement some of the recommended suggestions. This panel will feature some of those educators who will offer reflections about the usefulness of the Guidelines in their contexts.
Panelists:
David Haberman, Indiana University
Responding:
Diane L. Moore, Harvard University

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A31-103  🌟

Arts, Literature, and Religion Section
Marriott Marquis, M103-104
Eric Ziolkowski, Lafayette College, Presiding

Theme: Protestant Aesthetics
Glenn Whitehouse, Florida Gulf Coast University
Reforming the Literary God: Paul Ricoeur’s Protestant Aesthetics
Gisela Kreitlinger, Samford University
The Protestant Imagination: Novels and the Night as an Expression of the Poet as Priest
David H. Perkins, Vanderbilt University
Hell Yeah! Pairing Southern Religion and Punk/Postmodern Aesthetics in the Construction of Southern Gothic Music
Regina L. Walton, Boston University
“Contrary Reports”: The Beauty of Holiness and Contemptus Mundi at Little Gidding

Business Meeting:
Diane Apostolos-Cappadona, Georgetown University, and Eric Ziolkowski, Lafayette College, Presiding

A31-105  🌟

Religion and Politics Section
Marriott Marquis, A706
Marion Maddox, Macquarie University, Presiding

Theme: Religion and Politics in Theory and Practice
Bronwyn Roanree, Harvard University
The Political Self and the Religious Self: Negotiating Multiple Identities in Contemporary Europe
Lucia Faltin, Cambridge Theological Federation
Religious Identity and the Development of Secular Constitutionalism in Pluralistic Democratic Culture
David Buckley, Georgetown University
Secular Evolution: Understanding Democratic Change in State-Religion Relations

John Senior, Emory University
Tradition Reconsidered: Political Theology, Narrative, and the Formation of Political Identities
Robert F. Shedingler, Luther College
Resisting Religiousization: The Academic Study of Religion and Islamic Revivalism in America

Business Meeting:
Andrew Murphy, Rutgers University, Presiding

A31-106  🌟

Religion and the Social Sciences Section
Marriott Marquis, M301
Carol B. Duncan, Wilfrid Laurier University, Presiding

Theme: Religion and Secularization
Jennifer Veninga, Graduate Theological Union
Imagining Religion in a Secular Age: Social Imagination as Methodology
Jeffrey Guhin, Yale University
The Sources of Religion and the Future of Secularism: What the Founders Really Said and Why It Matters
George Gonzalez, Harvard University
Spiritual Discourse and the New Metaphors of Contemporary Business Management: A Methodological Proposal for Engaging Late Capitalist Cosmologies

Business Meeting:
Carol B. Duncan, Wilfrid Laurier University, Presiding

A31-107  🌟

Study of Islam Section and Contemporary Islam Group
Marriott Marquis, Marquis Ballroom B
Simon Wood, University of Nebraska, Presiding

Theme: Islam and Ecology: A Reassessment Ten Years after the Earth Charter
David L. Johnston, University of Pennsylvania
Intra-Muslim Debates about Ecology: Is Shari’a Still Relevant?
Anna M. Gade, University of Wisconsin
Trends in “Green Islam” in Indonesia
Ahmed Afzaal, Concordia College
Sacred Stewardship in a Reenchanted World? Lynn White Jr., Max Weber, and Muhammad Iqbal
Eleanor Finnegan, University of Florida
Cultivating Nature on American-Muslim Farms: A Study of New Medina, the Barua Mubaytaween Fellowship Farm, and the Dayempur Farm
Sarar Tili, University of Florida
The Qur’anic Concept of “Animal” and Its Impact on the Status on Nonhuman Animals
F. Cangazel Zulfikar, University of North Carolina
The Esoteric Spiritualism of Samiha Ayyendi

Responding:
Jonathan E. Brockopp, Pennsylvania State University
AAR Award Winners
AAR Centennial Sessions
Arts Series
Books Under Discussion
Especially for Students
Focus on Religion and Science
Business Meeting
New Program Unit
Professional Practices and Institutional Location Sessions
Receptions and Breakfasts
Sustainability and Religion
Tours
Wildcard Sessions

A31-108
Study of Judaism Section
Marriott Marquis, M109
Kenneth Koltn-Fromm, Haverford College, Presiding
Theme: Old and New Paradigms for the Study of Judaism
Alisha Pomazon, McMaster University
Hermann Cohen and Jewish Studies
Sergey Dolgopolov, University of Kansas
A Subjectless Thought: Personal, Impersonal, and A-personal in Rhetorical, Philosophical, and Talmudic Texts
Benjamin Sax, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University
Wissenschaft and Liturgical Theology: Ismar Elbogen’s Early Influence on Franz Rosenzweig
Martina Urban, Vanderbilt University
A Sociology of Religious Knowledge: German Jewry and New Paradigms for the Study of Religion

A31-109
Theology and Religious Reflection Section
Hyatt Regency, Hanover FG
Susan Abraham, Harvard University, Presiding
Theme: Polydoxy: Theologies of the Manifold
Panelists:
Catherine Keller, Drew University
Mayra Rivera, Harvard University
Laurel Schneider, Chicago Theological Seminary
John Thatainanl, Vanderbilt University

A31-110
Women and Religion Section
Marriott Marquis, Marquis Ballroom C
Emily Culpepper, University of Redlands, Presiding
Theme: Celebrating and Celebrating Mary Daly (1928–2010)
Panelists:
Mary E. Hunt, Women’s Alliance for Theology, Ethics, and Ritual
Zayn Kassam, Pomona College
Xochitl Alvizo, Boston University
Laura S. Levitt, Temple University
Judith Plaskow, Manhattan College
Carol J. Adams, Dallas, TX
Traci C. West, Drew University

A31-111
Anthropology of Religion Group and Law, Religion, and Culture Group
Marriott Marquis, L508
Bron Taylor, University of Florida, Presiding
Theme: Producing Identification: Case Studies in Law, Anthropology, and Religion
Tiffany Hodge, Emory University
Legal Anthropology and the Study of Islamic Law: Theoretical and Methodological Considerations
Kristen Tobey, DePaul University
"Objection, Your Honor — She’s Talking About God": Martyrdom and the Courts in the Plowshares Nuclear Disarmament Movement
Greg Johnson, University of Colorado
Law Beyond Rules and Rulings: Stewardship of the Dead in Hawai‘i
Teresa Click, Wichita State University
Kansas versus Reeder: Religious Identity, American Exceptionalism, and the Internet Experience

A31-112
Asian North American Religion, Culture, and Society Group
Marriott Marquis, A708
Mimi Khúc, University of California, Santa Barbara, Presiding
Theme: Discipline, Depth, and Agency of Silence
Panelists:
Wilburn Hansen, San Diego State University
Patrick S. Cheng, Union Theological Seminary
Rachel Bundang, Marymount School
Brett Esaki, University of California, Santa Barbara
Responding:
Jane Naomi Iwamura, University of Southern California
Business Meeting:
Nami Kim, Spelman College, and Michael Masatsugu, Towson University, Presiding
A31-113 ★

Bioethics and Religion Group and Science, Technology, and Religion Group
Marriott Marquis, L506
Theme: Making Good: Synthetic Biology and the Creation of the World
Panelists:
  - Laurie Zoloth, Northwestern University
  - Michael Jewett, Northwestern University
  - Cristina Traina, Northwestern University
  - Paul Wolpe, Emory University
  - Joshua Leonard, Northwestern University
  - Leor Weinberger, University of California, San Diego

A31-114

Bonhoeffer: Theology and Social Analysis Group and Kierkegaard, Religion, and Culture Group
Marriott Marquis, M106-107
Geoffrey B. Kelly, LaSalle University, Presiding
Theme: Bonhoeffer's Relation to Kierkegaard
Matthew David Kirkpatrick, University of Oxford
Nachlass Dietrich Bonhoeffer: A Guide to Understanding the Influence of Soren Kierkegaard on Dietrich Bonhoeffer
Brian Gregor, Boston College
On the Sociality of Revelation: A Dialogue Between Kierkegaard and Bonhoeffer
Jonathan Maleic, King's College, PA
Secrecy or Martyrdom: The Options for Bourgeois Discipleship in Kierkegaard and Bonhoeffer
Philip G. Ziegler, University of Aberdeen
Promety in the Christologies of Bonhoeffer and Kierkegaard

A31-115 ★

Comparative Studies in Hinduisms and Judaism Group
Marriott Marquis, M105
Tamar C. Reich, Indiana University of Pennsylvania, Presiding
Theme: Women's Leadership: Embodied Dialogue Across Religions
Jennifer Thompson, Emory University
"He Wouldn't Know Anything": Christian Women's Leadership in Jewish Communities
Angela Yarbrough, Graduate Theological Union
Ritual and Subversion: Bharatanatyam and Israeli Folk Dance Empowering Women's Leadership in Hinduism and Judaism
Sherry Fohr, Converse College
Ideal Women and Sati-Narratives in Hinduism and Jainism
Yudit K. Greenberg, Rollins College
The Hindfow in the Guru: Hybridity in Female Spiritual Leadership
Responding:
  - Amy L. Allocco, Elon University
  - Yudit K. Greenberg, Rollins College, Presiding

A31-116 ★

Comparative Theology Group and Mysticism Group
Marriott Marquis, A602
June McDaniel, College of Charleston, Presiding
Theme: Divine Union or Divine Relation? Mystical Marriage as a Third Way beyond Mutualty and Elision Alteritatis
Panelists:
  - Francis X. Clooney, Harvard University
  - Wendy Farley, Emory University
  - Kurt Anders Richardson, McMaster University
  - Paul Collins, University of Chichester
Responding:
  - Thomas Cattoi, Graduate Theological Union
  - Thomas Cattoi, Graduate Theological Union, Presiding

A31-117 ★

Cultural History of the Study of Religion Group
Hyatt Regency, Hanover D
Angela Zito, New York University, Presiding
Theme: 'Religion' in the Making: Social, National, and Global Formations
J. Barton Scott, Montana State University
Priestly Nation: Religion, Empire, and Quaker Dissent
Richard J. Callahan, University of Missouri
Globalization, Religion, and the Work of the Sea
Rupa Viswanath, University of Pennsylvania
Religion, Rights, and the Social: Parsi in Colonial South India
Richard Amesbury, Claremont School of Theology
Interreligious Declarations of Human Rights: Grounding Rights or Constructing "Religion"?
Responding:
  - Paul Christopher Johnson, University of Michigan
  - Tomoko Masuzawa, University of Michigan, and Randall Styers, University of North Carolina, Presiding
PROGRAM SESSIONS

Sunday, 9:00 am – 11:30 am

A31-118 ★

Hinduism Group
Marriott Marquis, Marquis Ballroom D
Richard H. Davis, Bard College, Presiding
Theme: *The Hindu Exhibit: Representing Hinduism in Public Contexts*
Tanisha Ramachandran, Wake Forest University
*Suet Pudding and Immoral Idols: E. B. Havell and the Spiritualization of Hindu Art*
Christian Lee Novetzke, University of Washington
*The Secret Gandhi: Cinema, Caste, and Public Culture on the Eve of Colonialism in India*
Tulasi Srinivas, Emerson College
*Heavenly Gates: Urban Representations of Transnational Hinduism, Exhibited Affect, and Sai Narratives of Redemption*
Hanna Kim, Adelphi University
*Bewitched and Bothered in Swaminarayan Akshardham: Boat Rides, Exhibitions, and the Trials of Representing Hinduism*
Shana Sippy, Carleton College
*Exhibition Agents and Agency: Contemporary Hindu Displays and Constitutions of Community*
Business Meeting:
Timothy Lubin, Washington and Lee University, and Vijaya Nagarajan, University of San Francisco, Presiding

A31-119 ★

Japanese Religions Group
Hyatt Regency, Hanover AB
John Harding, University of Lethbridge, Presiding
Theme: *"The Karma of Words Remains": A Tribute to William R. LaFleur (1936–2010)*
Panelists:
Jacqueline Stone, Princeton University
Stephen Miller, University of Massachusetts
Linda Chance, University of Pennsylvania
Richard A. Gardner, Sophia University
Responding:
Gary L. Ebersole, University of Missouri, Kansas City
Business Meeting:
Barbara Ambros, University of North Carolina, and James L. Ford, Wake Forest University, Presiding

A31-120

Latina/o Religion, Culture, and Society Group
Marriott Marquis, Marquis Ballroom A
Edwin David Aponte, Lancaster Theological Seminary, Presiding
Theme: *Crossing Disciplines at the Table: Latina/os in Conversation with Giorgio Agamben*
Panelists:
Orlando Espin, University of San Diego
Jacqueline Hidalgo, Williams College
Néstor Medina, Seminario Evangélico de Teología, Matanzas, Cuba
Elias Ortega-Aponte, Princeton Theological Seminary

A31-121 ★

Native Traditions in the Americas Group and Religions, Medicines, and Healing Group
Marriott Marquis, A601
Kenneth Mello, Southwestern University, Presiding
Theme: *Health, Healing, and Death in Native American Religions and Communities*
Mark Clatterbuck, Montclair State University
*Native Charismatic Healing in Big Sky Country*
Carla Ginn, University of Lethbridge
*Urban First Nations Grandmothers: Health Promotion Roles in Family and Community*
Jennifer Schepker Hughes, University of California, Riverside
*Religious Innovation and Indigenous Death in Colonial Mexico*
G. William Barnard, Southern Methodist University
*Healing in the Santo Daime Tradition in Brazil*
Responding:
Suzanne J. Crawford O’Brien, Pacific Lutheran University
Business Meeting:
Kenneth Mello, Southwestern University, Presiding
A31-122

Platonism and Neoplatonism Group
Marriott Marquis, L404
Douglas Hedley, University of Cambridge, Presiding
Theme: *HenoLOGY in Plotinus and Origen*
  - Daniel Moserson, Syracuse University: *Self, Language, and *Apophasis* in Plotinus and Merleau-Ponty*
  - Kathleen Gibbons, University of Toronto: *Hierarchy before Henoology in Origen of Alexandria*
  - Kevin Corrigan, Emory University: *The Meaning of ‘One’: Plurality and Unity in Plotinus*
  - Daniel Regnier, University of Saskatchewan: *One and the Possibility of Many in Greek and Indian Philosophy: Plotinus and Ramanuja*

A31-123

Qur'an Group
Marriott Marquis, A705
Martin Nguyen, Fairfield University, Presiding
Theme: *And Among His Signs... Is the Diversity of Tongues and Colors: Non-Arabic Qur'anic Engagement*
  - Travis Zadeh, Haverford College: *‘Save in the Language of His Own People’: Ifṣārī ‘īnī’s Tāj al-tarājīm and the Rise of Persian Commentaries of the Qur'an*
  - Nargis Virani, The New School: *Echoes of the Qur'an in Isma'ili Gīnāv Literature*
  - Kristian Petersen, University of Washington: *The Treasure of the Heavenly Scripture Engaging the Qur'an in China*
Responding:
  - Bruce B. Lawrence, Duke University

A31-124

Religion and Disability Studies Group
Hyatt Regency, Hanover E
Molly Haslam, Nashville, TN, Presiding
Theme: *Remembering Nancy Eiesland: Disability Perspectives on Theology and the Academy*
  - Jason Hays, Brite Divinity School: *Querencing Eiesland's Christ*
  - Troy Mack, Drew University: *Healing in the Triune God: Understanding Eiesland's Disabled God as Trinity, for the Liberation of the Traumatized*
  - Courtney Wilder, Midland Lutheran College: *On Christ and Healing: Eiesland, Tillich, and Disability Theology*
  - Devorah Greenstein, Yale University: *It’s in Our Hands: The Academy’s Crucial Role in Fostering Full Participation of People with Disabilities in the Life of the Christian Church*
Responding:
  - Sharon Betcher, Vancouver School of Theology

A31-125

Religion, Film, and Visual Culture Group
Marriott Marquis, M304
Tony Michael, York University, Presiding
Theme: *Modes of Storytelling: New Currents in Film and Visual Culture*  
  - Michael Pittman, Albany College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences: *Majid Majidi’s The Color of Paradise: Reflections of Rumi and Reflections on Majidi in the Classroom*
  - Bradley L. Herling, Marymount Manhattan College: *Religious Extremity in Michael Hanke’s The White Ribbon*
  - Kevin Cryderman, Emory University: *Sons of the Living Dead: The Jesus Archetype and the Paralysis of Historical Imagination in Roy Anderson’s Songs from the Second Floor*
  - J. Ryan Parker, Graduate Theological Union: *Choice Matters: The Evolution of Video Games as Locations for Ethical and Theological Reflection*
  - Rachel Wagner, Ithaca College: *In Other Worlds: Immersive Technology and the Hunger for the Real*

Business Meeting:
  - John Lyden, Grand View University, Presiding

A31-126

Roman Catholic Studies Group
Marriott Marquis, A701
Theme: *Conversations with the Vatican*
  - Sheila McCarthy, University of Notre Dame: *Rethinking Centrality and Marginality: Bell Hooks and John Paul II on Capitalism, Work, and Family*
  - Gerard Jacobitz, Saint Joseph's University: *Benedict XVI's Mission to the Anglicans in Light of the Vatican's Homosexual Double Bind*
  - Kyle Bell, Franciscan University, St. Paul University: *The SSPX and the Holy See: Tradition Under Attack*
A31-127

Tantric Studies Group and Western Esotericism Group
Hyatt Regency, Hanover C
David Gray, Santa Clara University, Presiding
Theme: East and West: Western Esotericism and Tantra in America
Lisa Brooks, University of Colorado
Tantra and the Soteriology of Contemporary Western Ayurveda
Ann Gleig, Rice University
The Triumph of Tantra: The Rise of a Modern American Tantric Orientation
Gordan Djurdjevic, Simon Fraser University
Secrets of the Typhonian Tantra: Kenneth Grant and Western Occult Interpretations of Indian Esotericism
Joseph Laycock, Decatur, GA
From Esoteric to Exoteric: Pierre Bernard and the Arrival of Tantra in the West
Responding:
Richard K. Payne, Graduate Theological Union

A31-128

Tibetan and Himalayan Religions Group
Marriott Marquis, A707
Andrew Quintman, Yale University, Presiding
Theme: Scientific Buddhism among Tibetans and their Western Interlocutors: Reflections on Donald Lopez's Buddhism and Science (University of Chicago Press, 2008)
Paul G. Hackett, Columbia University
Patterns of Engagement: From "Hinduism and Science" to "Buddhism and Science"
Holly Gayley, University of Colorado
Science versus Superstition: Repositioning Tibetan Buddhism in the People’s Republic of China
Douglas S. Duckworth, East Tennessee State University
Tsaltrim Lodri on Philosophy, Science, and Buddhism
David McMahan, Franklin and Marshall College
Science, Meditation, and Multiple Modernities: Tibetan Buddhism in Three Keys
Responding:
Lobsang Tenzin Negi, Emory University
Business Meeting:
Frances Garrett, University of Toronto, and Andrew Quintman, Yale University, Presiding

A31-129

Tillich: Issues in Theology, Religion, and Culture Group
Marriott Marquis, L405-406
Russell Re Manning, University of Cambridge, Presiding
Theme: On Overcoming Dualisms with Paul Tillich: Reconsidering Empire, Secular Reason, Religious Fundamentalism, and Everyday Religious Practices
Jacob J. Erickson, Drew University
The Ambiguity of Power: Paul Tillich, Empire, and the Kingdom of God
Daniel Miller, Syracuse University
Theology versus Secular Reason: The Dualism of Radical Orthodoxy and the Promise of Paul Tillich’s Correlational Method
Mary Ann Stenger, University of Louisville
Theologies of Culture as a Base for Interreligious Efforts to Address Fundamentalisms
Justin Rosolino, Vanderbilt University
“How Do You Get to Carnegie Hall?” A Wittgensteinian Critique of Tillich’s Account of the Subject-Object Divide and a Call to Concrete Christian Practices of Agape in the Everyday
Responding:
Mike Grimshaw, University of Canterbury

A31-130

Christian Zionism in Comparative Perspective Seminar
Marriott Marquis, L503
Goran Gunner, Church of Sweden, Presiding
Theme: Setting the Stage for Christian Zionism Studies
William Girard, University of California, Santa Cruz
Christian Zionism in Copán Ruinas, Honduras
Gershon Greenberg, American University
Christian and Jewish Religious Zionism in the Shadow of the Holocaust
Matt Westbrook, Drew University
Israel as “Lieu de Memoire”: Christian Zionism as an Example of Modern Structural Changes in the Mode of Believing
Rosemary Ruether, Claremont Graduate University
Christian Zionism in Mainline Churches
Faydra Shapiro, Wilfrid Laurier University
Christian Zionism: Navigating the Jewish-Christian Border
Andrew Crome, University of Manchester
The Historical Approach in the Study of Christian Zionism
Responding:
Robert O. Smith, Baylor University
Business Meeting:
Robert O. Smith, Baylor University, Presiding

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Religion, Food, and Eating Seminar
Marriott Marquis, L507
Nora L. Rubel, University of Rochester, Presiding
Theme: Religion, Food, and Eating in North America
   Amanda Baugh, Northwestern University
   When the Lord Brings You into the Land: Food and Environmentalism in an African American Church
   Kate Holbrook, Boston University
   Good to Eat in the Nation of Islam
   Jeremy Rapport, College of Wooster
   "Join Us! Come, Eat!" Vegetarianism in the Formative Period of the Seventh-day Adventists and the Unity School of Christianity
   Rudy V. Busto, University of California, Santa Barbara
   Consuming Transgressions: The American Taste for (Some) Asian Cuisines and Asian Religions
   Rachel Gross, Princeton University
   Droyدل Salad: The Serious Business of Jewish Food and Fun in Postwar America
   Elizabeth Perez, University of California, Berkeley, and Dartmouth College
   Crystallizing Subjectivities in the African Diaspora: Sugar and the Gods of Afro-Cuban Santeria

Business Meeting:
   Benjamin Zeller, Brevard College, Presiding

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African Diaspora Religions Consultation
Marriott Marquis, L504
Maha Marouan, University of Alabama, Presiding
Theme: Claiming Africa, Claiming the Americas: Religion and Identity in the Diaspora
   Robert R. Henry, Florida State University
   Obeah in Text and Context
   Kimberly Eberhardt Casteline, University of Colorado
   Media and Religion in the Lives of Ghanaian Pentecostals in Diaspora
   Adam Clark, Xavier University
   Maut: A Neo-African Religion
   Elonda Clay, Lutheran School of Theology, Chicago
   The Curious Case of Oprah the Zulu: DNA Ancestry, Celebrity Narratives of Genetic Return, and Motherland Utopias

Responding:
   Jacob Olupona, Harvard University

Business Meeting:
   Maha Marouan, University of Alabama, Presiding

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Body and Religion Consultation
Marriott Marquis, M102
Richard M. Carp, Appalachian State University, Presiding
Theme: Among Plants, Demons, and Robots: Defining and Shaping (Human) Bodies
   Margaret Withgott, Stanford University
   Is a Plant a Body? Traditional and Biological Views of Non-animal Agency
   Robyn Neville, Emory University
   Tracking the "Useful Adversary": The Role of Demons in the Eastern Christian Contemplative Tradition
   Michal Raucher, Northwestern University
   Negotiating Autonomy and Divine Intervention: The Embodied Experiences of Pregnant Haredi Women in Jerusalem
   Beverley Foulks, University of North Carolina, Greensboro
   Living Karma: Ethnicized Bodies in Chinese Buddhism
   Alexander Darius Ornellas, Graz University
   Utopia as Dystopia? Reflections on Visions of the Natural Human Body

Business Meeting:
   Richard M. Carp, Appalachian State University, and Rebecca Sachs Norris, Merrimack College, Presiding

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International Development and Religion Consultation
Marriott Marquis, M101
Nathan R. B. Loewen, McGill University, Presiding
Theme: Religious Dimensions of International Development
   David P. King, Emory University
   World Vision: Religious Identity in the Discourse and Practice of Development
   John Rees, University of Notre Dame, Australia
   The Dynamics of Religion at the World Bank
   Cynthia Holder Rich, Western Theological Seminary
   To Develop, or Not, or To Shift the Paradigm: A Case Study from Madagascar
   Almas Zakiuddin, University of British Columbia
   "Modernising" Islam: Gender, Politics, and International Development in Bangladesh

Business Meeting:
   Nathan R. B. Loewen, McGill University, and Scott Kline, University of Waterloo, Presiding
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Plenary Address
Sunday, 11:45 am–12:45 pm
Hyatt Regency, Centennial II–IV
Ann Taves, University of California, Santa Barbara, Presiding
Theme: Jonathan Z. Smith—Reading Religion: A Life in Scholarship

Jonathan Z. Smith is a historian of religion whose research has focused on such wide-ranging subjects as ritual theory, Hellenistic religions, nineteenth-century Maori cults, and the notorious events of Jonestown, Guyana. Smith graduated with a PhD in the history of religions from Yale University in 1969; with a dissertation on anthropological thought, focused on James Frazer’s The Golden Bough and the method that Frazer used in the comparison of different religions. Since then much of Smith’s work has focused on the problem of comparison and how best to compare data taken from societies that are very different from one another. After holding positions at Dartmouth College and the University of California, Santa Barbara, Smith began teaching at the University of Chicago, where he served as Dean of the College from 1977–1982 and was appointed Robert O. Anderson Distinguished Service Professor of the Humanities. Smith has written on pedagogy and the reform of undergraduate education in the United States. His recent research has focused on Western theories of difference ranging from contemporary accounts of alien abduction to Greek and Roman ideas about the way that climate shapes human character.

Panelists:
Jonathan Z. Smith, University of Chicago

A31-139

Teaching Religion Section and the Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion
Sunday, 11:45 am–12:45 pm
Hyatt Regency, Dunwoody
Paul Myhre, Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion, Presiding
Theme: Teaching Roundtable Discussions

Panelists:
John P. Falcone, Boston College
Image Theater as an Emotional “Container” in Critical Classroom Practice

Velma Love, Florida A&M University
Autoethnography, Religious Autobiography, and the Scholarship of Teaching and Learning

Dianne L. Oliver, University of Evansville
Faith, Truth and Advocacy in the Classroom

Florian Pohl, Emory University
Critical Thinking and Inquiry in the Study of Religion

Julius Bailey, University of Redlands
Confronting Confusion: The Perils and Prospects of Introducing New Assignments

Ellen Ott Marshall, Emory University, and Michael Turner, University of Chicago
Preparing Students for the Assignments We Require

Laura Stivers, Pfeiffer University
Teaching with Case Studies

Arthur Sutherland, Loyola University, Maryland
The Second Thoughts Presentation as a Learning Activity in Undergraduate Religion and Theology Courses

A31-138

Special Topics Forum
Sunday, 11:45 am–12:45 pm
Marriott Marquis, Marquis Ballroom C
Theme: SWP, REM, and LGBTQI Women’s Mentoring Lunch

Sponsored by the Status of Women in the Profession Committee, the Status of Racial and Ethnic Minorities in the Profession Committee, and the Status of LGBTQI Persons in the Profession Task Force

We invite women who are graduate students and new scholars to a luncheon with over thirty womanist and feminist midcareer and senior scholars. Women will have the opportunity to mentor and be mentored in a context where every question is valued. The lunch costs $10 per person; sorry, no refunds. Registration is limited to 100. Register at www.aaurweb.org/lunch/lunch/Mentoring.

Panelists:
Ellen T. Armour, Vanderbilt University
Julie Byrne, Hofstra University
Monica A. Coleman, Claremont School of Theology
Stacey M. Floyd-Thomas, Vanderbilt University
Melanie L. Harris, Texas Christian University
Mary E. Hunt, Women’s Alliance for Theology, Ethics, and Ritual
Anne Joh, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary
Namsoon Kang, Brite Divinity School
Karen Pecklis, Drew University
Judith Plaskow, Manhattan College

M31-100

Center for Advanced Holocaust Studies
Sunday, 11:45 am–12:45 pm
Hyatt Regency, Baker
Theme: Consultation on Teaching and Research Resources

M31-102

Christian Theological Research Fellowship
Sunday, 12:00 pm–1:00 pm
Hyatt Regency, University
Theme: A Discussion of Beth Felker-Jones’ New Book Touched by a Vampire: Discovering the Hidden Messages in the Twilight Saga (Mulromah Books, 2009)

This session will welcome Beth Felker-Jones to interact with those in attendance on her new book, Touched by a Vampire. Felker-Jones notes that the Twilight saga isn’t just another fantasy — it teaches girls about love, sex, and purpose. With 48 million copies in print and a succession of upcoming blockbuster films, Felker-Jones asks the important questions about Twilight: Can vampires teach us about God’s plan for love? And, can the story’s redemptive qualities outshine its darkness?
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Sunday, 9:00 am–11:30 am

M31-203
Asian Pacific American Religions Research Initiative (APARRI) Board Meeting
Sunday, 12:00 pm–2:00 pm
Marriott Marquis, M303

M31-204
Society for the Study of Christian Spirituality Governing Board Meeting
Sunday, 12:45 pm–2:45 pm
Marriott Marquis, L403

Sunday, 1:00 pm–2:30 pm

A31-200
Special Topics Forum
Marriott Marquis, L405–406
Robert Puckett, American Academy of Religion, Presiding
Theme: How to Prepare a New Program Unit
Sponsored by the Program Committee
Join the Director of Meetings for an informal chat about upcoming Annual Meeting initiatives as well as the guidelines and policies for proposing a new program unit.

A31-201
Special Topics Forum
Marriott Marquis, Marquis Ballroom A
Tina Pippin, Agnes Scott College, and Joseph A. Favazza, Stonehill College, Presiding
Theme: Conversation with Bobbi Patterson, 2010 Excellence in Teaching Award Winner
Sponsored by the Teaching and Learning Committee and the Teaching Religion Section
The Teaching and Learning Committee is pleased to announce Barbara (Bobbi) Patterson is the recipient of the 2010 Excellence in Teaching Award. Patterson, a senior lecturer in the department of religion at Emory University, will make remarks and engage questions and answers from the audience.

Panelists:
Bobbi Patterson, Emory University

A31-202
Special Topics Forum
Marriott Marquis, Marquis Ballroom D
Theodore Vial Jr., Iliff School of Theology, Presiding
Theme: Roundtable on Online Publishing
Sponsored by the Publications Committee
With the emergence of twenty-first century technology, testing, electronic media, and databases as source material, all interested persons—from kindergarten through high school and college, to interested novices and scholars, scholars of religion, religious studies, and theology—must be aware of the variety of ways one can pursue publishing opportunities. Many scholars move from journal articles and book chapters to complete volumes. With accessibility to the Kindle and iPads for reading materials, scholars must be cognizant of online publishing—the strengths, weaknesses, strategies, and challenges of using this medium for publishing.
This session focuses on online publication. For example, Religious Studies News and other religious newsletters, blogs, and informational websites are proliferating (see www.religiondispatches.org, www.practicalementer.org, and the Methodist Studies Journal website—www.methodiststudies.org). Many scholarly journals are making the move from print to online/print models, or even moving to online only. This session will explore the dynamics of online publishing by editors and writers working in that modality for publishing.

Panelists:
Elizabeth Margaret Bounds, Emory University
Gary M. Laderman, Emory University
Tamara Soffa, College of William and Mary
Liam Cooper, Wiley-Blackwell Publishing

A31-203
Wildcard Session
Hyatt Regency, Hanover C
Néstor Medina, Seminario Evangélico de Teología, Matanzas, Cuba, Presiding
Theme: Enrique Dussel’s Transmodernity Philosophical Project and Theology
Inspired by the work of Enrique Dussel on transmodernity and his proposal of a global philosophical project that seeks to transcend European or North American modernity and engage in dialogue with what Dussel calls "discarded, devalued, and judged useless among global cultures, including colonized or peripheral philosophies," and by the works of other authors from the working group on globalization, modernity/coloniality, and the geopolitics of knowledge, the panel will examine some of the new voices in theology that have emerged from similar cultural contexts and their ignored potential as other ecologies of knowledge that could contribute to epistemic diversity and to the development of other ways of doing theology.

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Engaging the work of Lee Cormie, who has been a leading voice over the past few decades in articulating the theological significance of the new voices from the cultural margins, the panelists will give presentations on a variety of concrete historical situations and explore the potential of some emerging intercultural theologies as other possible ways of doing theology that respond to the epistemic challenges of pluralism in today's world.

Panelists:
Alison Hari Singh, University of Toronto
Grace Ji-Sun Kim, Moravian Theological Seminary
Michel Andaos, Catholic Theological Union

Responding:
Lee Cormie, Saint Michael's College

A31-206

Christian Systematic Theology Section
Marriott Marquis, Marquis Ballroom C
John Thiel, Fairfield University, Presiding
Theme: Revelation, Experience, and Interpretation: Schillebeeckx Revisited
Panelists:
Anthony J. Godzieba, Villanova University
Kevin Hart, University of Virginia
Lieven Boeve, Katholieke Universiteit, Leuven

A31-207

Comparative Studies in Religion Section
Marriott Marquis, L503
Gustavo Benavides, Villanova University, Presiding
Theme: Politics of Faith in Asia: Local and Global Perspectives of Christianity in Asia
William Silcott, Wichita State University
Transformations of a Religious Nation in a Global World: Evangelism and National Identity in South Korea
Edwin Zehner, Saint Lawrence University
The Politics of Being Successful: Conflicts and Discourses of the Local and the Translocal in Two Thai Religious Movements
Jonathan Miles-Watson, Tallinn University
The Evangelical Challenge to the Processes of Postcolonial Christian Landscapes in Shima, India

Responding:
Simon Michael Coleman, University of Sussex

A31-208

Ethics Section
Hyatt Regency, Hanover FG
Marvin M. Ellison, Bangor Theological Seminary, Presiding
Theme: Sexuality and Spirituality Revisited
Panelists:
Miguel A. De La Torre, Iliff School of Theology
Patrick S. Cheng, Union Theological Seminary, New York
Kelly Brown Douglas, Goucher College
Carter Heyward, Episcopal Divinity School

Responding:
Ellen T. Armour, Vanderbilt University
Dennis W. Wiley, Covenant Baptist Church
A31-209

History of Christianity Section
Marriott Marquis, M302
Arun W. Jones, Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary, Presiding
Theme: The Edinburgh Missionary Conference of 1910, One Hundred Years After: Ecumenism, Mission, and Globalization
- George Faithful, Saint Louis University
  A Rabbi and Twelve-Hundred Missionaries Walk into a Conference: Philo-Semitism and Anti-Semitism at Edinburgh, 1910
- Molly Worthen, Yale University
  Evangelicals and Edinburgh: The Fall and Rise of Conservative American Ecumenism
- Craig R. Clarkson, Baylor University
  Edinburgh and the "World": Reciprocal Influences in the Development of International Ventures in Missionary Cooperation and Unity

A31-210

Philosophy of Religion Section
Marriott Marquis, A706
Ludger Viehues, LeMoyne College, Presiding
Theme: Religion and the Cognitive in Neurosciences
- Stephen Kaplan, Manhattan College
  Critical Reflections on the Limits of Three Models and a Proposal for a Fourth Model: Religion and the Neurosciences
- Laura Weed, College of Saint Rose
  Cognitive Science and Affordances: James, Clark, and Gibson on the Extended Mind
- Elias Ortega-Aponte, Princeton Theological Seminary
  God’s Emotional Commandments and Their Rational Tale?: Divine Command Theory, Neuroscience, and the Space Between Reason and Emotion

Business Meeting:
Joseph Prabhuj, California State University, Los Angeles, and University of Chicago, and Ludger Viehues, LeMoyne College, Presiding

A31-211

Religion and Politics Section and the Public Understanding of Religion Committee
Marriott Marquis, Marquis Ballroom B
Colleen McDannell, University of Utah, Presiding
What is the value of online discussions of religion in American public life? Do features like On Faith contribute to the public understanding of religion, and to the understanding of the role religion plays in American political life? On Faith, a daily, online forum of The Washington Post, is one of Washingtonpost.com’s most popular features. Jon Meacham, former editor of Newsweek, a Pulitzer Prize-winning best-selling author and a commentator on politics, history, and religious faith in America, and Sally Quinn, writer and editor for The Washington Post, the author of several books and frequent commentator on MSNBC and Fox News, will present on how they developed this popular feature, what they intended when they began and how the On Faith section has developed over time.
Panelists:
- Jon Meacham, Public Broadcasting System
- David Waters, Washington Post
- Susan B. Thistlethwaite, Chicago Theological Seminary
- Sally Quinn, Washington Post
- Jason C. Bivins, North Carolina State University

A31-212

Religion in South Asia Section and Sikh Studies Consultation
Marriott Marquis, M101
Robin Rinehart, Lafayette College, Presiding
Theme: Rethinking Punjab Religion: Vernacularization, Sikh Sarwar, and Sikh Mysticism
- Harpreet Singh, Harvard University
  Religious Identities and the Vernacularization of the Punjab
- Caroline Sawyer, State University of New York, Old Westbury
  The "Man on the Horse" and the Enchanted Universe of Religious Life in Indian Punjab
- Balbinder Bhogal, Hofstra University
  The Animal Sublime: Rethinking the Sikh Mystical Body
A31-213

Study of Islam Section
Marriott Marquis, A703
Kezia Ali, Boston University, Presiding
Theme: NonMuslims
- Brannon Ingram, University of North Carolina
  - Islam 101 for Muslims: Fashioning Publics in Three Muslim "Primers" from South Asia
- Mashal Saif, Duke University
  - Pedagogical Politics and Madrasas in British India: Manazir Ahsan Ghalam's Educational Reform Proposal
- Margaret Rausch, Lawrence, KS
  - Islamic Reform, Moroccan Berber Women's Rituals, and the Cultivation of Moral Selfhood: Language, Body, and Affect
Responding:
  - Ebrahim E. I. Moosa, Duke University

A31-214

Study of Judaism Section
Marriott Marquis, M105
Sarah Imhoff, University of Chicago, Presiding
Theme: Judaism in Critical Perspective
- Cody Bahir, California Institute of Integral Studies
  - Yeshiva and the Tree of Life: A Comparison of Kabbalistic and Chinese Scriptural Interpretation
- Pinchas Giller, American Jewish University
  - "The Secret of the Act": The Mystique of Religious Practice for a Minor Kaddish of the Interwar Period
- Natalie C. Polzer, University of Louisville
  - "A System at War With Itself": An Evaluation of Mary Douglas's (1924-2007) Contribution to Contemporary Scholarship on Ritual Purity and Impurity

A31-215

African Religions Group
Marriott Marquis, M102
Teresa Mbara Hinga, Santa Clara University, Presiding
Theme: Blurred Boundaries in Scholarship and Lived Religious Experience in Africa: Insider/Outsider, Traditional/Christian, Ethnography/Théologie
- David Ngong, Baylor University
  - Rethinking the Other in Contemporary African Christian Theology
- Elijah Obinna, University of Edinburgh
- Scott Edmondson, University of Michigan
  - Powers Against Powers: Ethnography, Pentecostalism, and Anti-Witchcraft Consultations in Ghana

A31-216

Afro-American Religious History Group
Marriott Marquis, A702
James Logan, Earlham College, Presiding
Theme: African-American and Latino/a Mennonites: Marginal No More
- Tobin Miller Shearer, University of Montana
- Regina Shands Stoltzfus, Chicago Theological Seminary
  - Black, Female, and Mennonite: Navigating Cultural, Political, and Religious Identity
- Felipe Hinojosa, Texas A&M University
  - "Jesus Christ Made Me a Macho!": Latino/a Identity and Activism within the Mennonite Church, 1968-1974
Responding:
  - Curtis Evans, University of Chicago

A31-217

Black Theology Group and Religion, Holocaust, and Genocide Group
Marriott Marquis, L401-402
Rebecca Alpert, Temple University, Presiding
Theme: Exodus in America: Religion, Memory, and the Signification of Suffering for Black Christians and White Jews in America
Panelists:
- W. David Nelson, Brite Divinity School
- Stacey M. Floyd-Thomas, Vanderbilt University
- Juan Floyd-Thomas, Vanderbilt University
Responding:
  - Richard Sarason, Hebrew Union College

A31-218

Buddhist Critical-Constructive Reflection Group and Comparative Religious Ethics Group
Hyatt Regency, Hanover E
Jonathan Schofer, Harvard University, Presiding
Theme: NonDualist Ecology: Perspectives on the Buddhist Environmentalism of David Loy
- David Loy, Xavier University
  - Healing Ecology: A Buddhist Perspective on the Ecosystem
Responding:
  - Grace Kao, Claremont School of Theology
  - Stephanie Kaza, University of Vermont
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**Sunday, 1:00 pm-2:30 pm**

**A31-219**

**Comparative Theology Group and Mysticism Group**
Marriott Marquis, A602
Janet Bregar, California State University, Fullerton, Presiding
Theme: *What has Bhakti to Do with Mysticism? Embodiment, Aesthetics, and Models of Realization*
Panelists:
- Barbara A. Holdrege, University of California, Santa Barbara
- Michelle Voss Roberts, Rhodes College
- Tracy Sayukí Tiemeier, Loyola Marymount University
- Charlotte Radler, Loyola Marymount University
Responding:
- Michael T. McLaughlin, Saint Leo University

**A31-220**

**Eastern Orthodox Studies Group**
Hyatt Regency, Hanover D
Thomas Cattoi, Graduate Theological Union, Presiding
Theme: *Soteriological Models in the East and in the West*
- Valerie Karras, Southern Methodist University
- Irenaeus and Athanasius: *An Atonement* Soteriologies?
- Daniel J. Lattier, Duquesne University
  *A Ground of Disunion: The Absence of Episktasis in Western Soteriology and Eschatology*
- Kyle David Bennett, Fuller Theological Seminary
  *Cooperation and Participation: An Analysis of the Soteriological Models of Vladimir Lostky and LeRon Shults*

**A31-221**

**Feminist Theory and Religious Reflection Group**
Marriott Marquis, A705
Christine E. Gudorf, Florida International University, Presiding
Theme: *Emerging Feminist Theories in Third Wave, Global, and/or Postcolonial Contexts*
- Christine Demian-Boulos, University of South Florida
  *(De)Constructing the Hindu Female Aesthetic: Examining Perceptions of the Body and Behavior in Constituting Gender*
- Melissa Browning, Loyola University, Chicago
  *Women’s Agency and the African AIDS Pandemic: Reflections on Gender and Sacrifice by HIV Positive Women in Tanzania*

**Etin Anwar, Hobart and William Smith Colleges**
*How Feminist is Islamic Feminism in Indonesia? A Genealogical Inquiry*

**Business Meeting:**
Christine E. Gudorf, Florida International University, and Rita M. Gross, University of Wisconsin, Eau Claire, Presiding

**A31-222**

**Lesbian-Feminist Issues and Religion Group**
Marriott Marquis, A601
Yvonne Zimmerman, Methodist Theological School in Ohio, Presiding
Theme: *Bedazzling Diversity: Mary Daly’s Transformative Influence on Lesbian, Gay, and Feminist Identities*
Panelists:
- Tiffany Steinwert, Boston University
- Jennifer Ryenga, San Jose State University
- Dirk von der Horst, Claremont Graduate University
- Sheila Briggs, University of Southern California
- Robyn Henderson-Espinoza, Iliff School of Theology and University of Denver

**Business Meeting:**
Yvonne Zimmerman, Methodist Theological School, Ohio, Presiding

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Nineteenth-Century Theology Group
Marriott Marquis, M106-107
Lori K. Pearson, Carleton College, Presiding
Theme: Theology and Race
Ben Sanders III, Iliff School of Theology
The Nature of “We”: On the Theological Ramifications of Interpreting Kant’s Anthropology
Terence Keel, Harvard University
Permanent Racial Types and the Regularity of God/Nature in the Thought of Josiah C. Nott
David Torbett, Marietta College
Race and Conservative Protestantism: Princeton Theological Seminary and the Unity of the Human Species

A31-224
Psychology, Culture, and Religion Group
Marriott Marquis, A707
Lallene Rector, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary, Presiding
Theme: The Wounding and Survival of the Religious Self: Psychoanalytical, Theological, and Intergenerational Perspectives on Trauma
Lisa M. Cataldo, Fordham University
I Know that My Redeemer Lives: A Relational Perspective on Trauma, Dissociation, and Faith
Pamela Cooper-White, Columbia Theological Seminary
Denial, Victims, and Survivors: Post-traumatic Identity Formation and Monuments in Heaven
Trina Armstrong, Claremont School of Theology
Robert F. Mullen, California Institute of Integral Studies
Stigma, Anorexia, and Self-mutilation: Parallels in Pain and Imagining

A31-225
Religion and Popular Culture Group
Marriott Marquis, M304
Chad Seales, George Mason University, Presiding
Theme: Religious Travel and Tourism: Imagined and Practiced
Robert Geraci, Manhattan College
Ben Brazil, Emory University
"Vagabonding" as Religious Practice: Ed Buryn's Countercultural Guidebooks, the New Age, and Spiritual Seeking
Hillary Raell, Harvard University
Souvenir Buying and Giving as Gendered Activity on Holy Land Pilgrimage

A31-226
Religions, Social Conflict, and Peace Group
Marriott Marquis, M301
Megan Shore, University of Western Ontario, Presiding
Theme: Whiteness, Ethnic Identity, and Other Religious Violence
David Krueger, Temple University
Vikings Red with Blood and Dead: White Martyrdom and Frontier Conquest
Elina Hanka, University of Helsinki
Limits to Humanity: The Dynamics between Ethnicity and Ubuntu in a South African Inner-City Church
James W. Perkinson, Ecumenical Theological Seminary
The Ghost in the Global Machine: Categorical Whiteness as "Religious" Violence
Jack Downey, Fordham University
A World of Pain: Self-mortification and the Cult of Martyrs in Militant Irish Nationalism

A31-227
Wesleyan Studies Group
Marriott Marquis, A701
Jason Vickers, United Theological Seminary, Presiding
Theme: The State of Wesleyan and Methodist Studies
Panelists:
Reginald Broadnax, Hood Theological Seminary
Thomas E. Frank, Emory University
Douglas Koskela, Seattle Pacific University
Rebekah Miles, Southern Methodist University
Susie Stanley, Messiah College

A31-228
Childhood Studies and Religion Consultation and Religion Education in Public Schools: International Perspectives Consultation
Marriott Marquis, L508
John Wall, Rutgers University, Presiding
Theme: Children’s Education and Religious Pluralism
Jeffrey Guhin, Yale University
Did They Give Away Too Much? Religious Contestations of School Reform in Egypt and the United States
John Howell, University of Chicago
Pupils of the Lost Cause: Confederate Textbooks and the Construction of Southernness
Kendall Busse, University of California, Santa Barbara, and Colleen Windham–Hughes, University of California, Santa Barbara
Children’s Experiences, Religious Literacy, and Character Formation: A Collaboration with Marymount Academy
A31-229 New! ⭐

Religion and Humanism Consultation and Ricoeur Consultation
Marriott Marquis, A708
Michael De Lashmutt, Sarah College, Presiding
Theme: *Ricoeur in Dialogue*
  - Kenneth A. Reyhout, Princeton Theological Seminary
  - Interpretation as Explanation and Understanding: Ricoeur and the Quest for Interdisciplinarity in Religion and Science
  - Andrea C. White, Emory University
  - In Sympathy and Imagination: The Theological Import of Ricoeur's Agnosticism
  - Daniel Rober, Fordham University
  - Ricoeur, the Recognition of the Gift, and the Experience of Grace
  - Nathan Eric Dickman, Cae College
  - The Questions of Jesus: Human or Divine?
Business Meeting:
  - Jeffrey F. Keuss, Seattle Pacific University, Presiding

A31-230 ⭐

Yoga in Theory and Practice Consultation
Hyatt Regency, Hanover AB
Shreena Gandhi, Kalamazoo College, Presiding
Theme: *Mind in Modern Yoga*
  - Andrea R. Jain, Rice University
  - When Mind is Prana: Mind in Jain Modern Yoga
  - Alejandro Chaoul, University of Texas, Houston
  - Mind in Tibetan Yoga and Applications in Contemporary Medical Settings
Responding:
  - John Dunne, Emory University
Business Meeting:
  - Andrew J. Nicholson, Stony Brook University, and Stuart R. Sarbacker, Oregon State University, Presiding

M31-200

Colloquium on Religion and Violence
Sunday, 1:00 pm–3:30 pm
Hyatt Regency, Techwood
Martha Reineke, University of Northern Iowa, Presiding
Theme: *Girard, Global Christianity, and Social Conflict*
  - Nathan R. B. Loewen, Vanier College
  - Religions as Contingent Variables in Social Conflict
  - Miguel Rolland, Arizona State University
  - The Maya Tzotzil Chamula of Chiapas, Mexico, and René Girard’s Anthropology of Mimetic Desire
  - Jennifer Heckart, Union Theological Seminary, New York
  - What’s Justice Got to Do with It? Truth, Reconciliation, and René Girard in South Africa

M31-201

Society for the Arts in Religious and Theological Studies
Sunday, 1:00 pm–3:30 pm
Hyatt Regency, Vining
Theme: *Presentations of the 2009–2010 Luce Fellows*
  - Laurie Cassidy, Marywood University
  - Picturing Suffering: A Christian Social Ethical Response to Photographs of Human Anguish
  - Sophia Rose Shafi, University of Denver and Iliff School of Theology
  - Light upon Light: Ainsh-Kari in Shi’i Pilgrimage Architecture
  - Horace Ballard, Yale University
  - Performing the ‘Jew’: Religious Others in the Theatre of Victor Séjour
  - Kimberly Vrunday, University of Saint Thomas
  - “30 Years/30 Lives”: Documenting the HIV/AIDS Pandemic
  - Erica Kierulf, Union Theological Seminary, Richmond
  - Our Truths Are Not Lies: A Womanist Critique of Kara Walker’s Black Paper Silhouettes

M31-202

Theological Reflections on Immigration
Sunday, 1:30 pm–4:00 pm
Hyatt Regency, University
A31-250

Special Topics Forum
Marriott Marquis, L401-402
Whitney Bauman, Florida International University, Presiding
Theme: If I Knew Then What I Know Now: Lessons from Academic Life from Those Who Have Gone Before
Sponsored by the Graduate Student Committee and the Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion
This panel will feature four scholars from different fields at various stages in their academic careers. They will be sharing their “hindsight” wisdom on issues such as teaching, completing the dissertation, publishing, getting the first job, tenure-process issues, balancing family and academics, and much, much more! The panel will answer a set of questions posed by the moderator, with plenty of time for questions and discussion from the audience. A light reception will be provided by the Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion.
Panelists:
Melissa Conroy, Muskingum University
Carol B. Duncan, Wilfrid Laurier University
Marion S. Grau, Graduate Theological Union
Oren Baruch Stier, Florida International University

A31-251

Special Topics Forum
Marriott Marquis, Marquis Ballroom B
Sarah M. Pike, California State University, Chico, Presiding
Theme: The Martyr Forum: Elaine Pagels
Sponsored by the Public Understanding of Religion Committee
Panelists:
Elaine Pagels, Princeton University
Karen King, Harvard University

A31-252

Wildcard Session
Marriott Marquis, M102
James W. Watts, Syracuse University, Presiding
Theme: Material Scripture
A mass-produced Bible is both highly-designed and, to an ever-increasing degree, a “designer” object. Published Bibles that reflect the demographics of certain aspects of American culture and lifestyle preferences are becoming prevalent in the marketplace, and this trend is not necessarily well addressed by the current methods of biblical criticism. The panelists will offer varying perspectives on a more “materialist” approach to the printed Bible. These explorations of the physicality and genealogy of printed Bibles open up avenues of ideological and theological critique that stretch far back into the history of modern versions of Scripture and into the history of Western print culture itself.
Panelists:
James S. Bielo, Miami University
Timothy Beal, Case Western Reserve University
David Dault, Christian Brothers University
Responding:
Dorina Miller Parmenter, Spalding University

A31-253

Wildcard Session
Marriott Marquis, Marquis Ballroom D
Nevin Reda, University of Toronto, Presiding
Theme: The Last Frontier in Interreligious Dialogue: Dialogue with/ among Fundamentalists, Theory, and Practices
Fundamentalism is one of the most important forces in religion today, yet dialogue with and among fundamentalists remains arguably the last unexplored frontier in contemporary interreligious dialogue. Too frequently academic interreligious dialogue excludes in practice and theory persons from religious traditions labelled apologetic, missionary, conservative, traditionalist, antimensionist, and fundamentalist. Dialogue with and among fundamentalists (broadly defined), however, is in fact ongoing, for the most part without significant contributions from scholars and religious leaders who advocate versions of the pluralist paradigm. This panel discussion seeks to make the case for the expansion of the circle of dialogue to include fundamentalist groups and individuals. Panelists will argue for an empathetic appreciation of the fundamentalist phenomenon as a significant aspect of contemporary religious experience. Panelists will also examine the need for and viability of dialogue between fundamentalists and nonfundamentalists and among fundamentalists themselves, citing case studies of multifaith encounters where meaningful exchange has already taken place.
Panelists:
Susan K. Harrison, Emmanuel College
Maura O’Neill, Chaffey College
Peter A. Huff, Centenary College of Louisiana
Mohammad Ali Shomali, Imam Khomeini Education and Research Institute
Responding:
Catherine Cornille, Boston College
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Sunday, 3:00 pm–4:30 pm

A31-254 🌟

Wildcard Session
Marriott Marquis, M106-107
Louis Komjathy, University of San Diego, Presiding
Theme: Contemplative Studies: Problems and Prospects
In the context of a roundtable panel, members of the leadership group of the proposed AAR Contemplative Studies Consultation will discuss the emerging interdisciplinary field of contemplative studies, especially as it relates to the academic study of religion. Panelists will discuss contemplative practice and experience, considered inclusively and comprehensively, as well as the application of contemplative practice to academic life and university culture. Topics will include comparative meditation, contemplative pedagogy, contemplative practice, contemplative psychology, meditation and mysticism, social applications of contemplative practice, typologies of contemplative practice, as well as neuroscience and meditation. Panelists will also consider the contributions, limitations, and challenges of employing a "contemplative approach" to teaching, research, and publication in religious studies. Short presentations will be followed by open conversation.

Panelists:
Thomas Coburn, Naropa University
Fran Grace, University of Redlands
Anne Klein, Rice University
Judith Simmer-Brown, Naropa University
Harold D. Roth, Brown University

Moreover, the contributors make a strong case that combining the two affords a new perspective on some of the thorniest issues in religious studies, such as the perennialist-constructivist debate over mysticism and the challenge of religious pluralism.

Panelists:
Jorge Ferrer, California Institute of Integral Studies
Jacob Sherman, Cambridge University
Beverley Lanzetta, University of New Mexico
G. William Barnard, Southern Methodist University
Lee Irwin, College of Charleston
Responding:
Jeffrey J. Kripal, Rice University

A31-256

Christian Systematic Theology Section and the Karl Barth Society of North America
Marriott Marquis, Marquis Ballroom C
David Stubbbs, Western Theological Seminary, Presiding
Theme: Unveiling Barth on Revelation
Matthew Myer Boulton, Harvard University
Conceiving God: Karl Barth, the Virgin Birth, and a Theological Poetics of Scriptural Interpretation
Kathryn L. Reinhard, Fordham University
Perpetuating Paradox: The Doctrine of Revelation in Maximus and Barth
Petra Turner Harvey, University of Virginia
The Givenness of Faith: Karl Barth as Corrector of Marion’s Account of Revelation

A31-257

Ethics Section and Kierkegaard, Religion, and Culture Group
Hyatt Regency, Hanover FG
M. Jamie Ferreira, University of Virginia, Presiding
Theme: Kierkegaard, Divine Authority, and Divine Command Morality
Neil Arner, Yale University
The Intellectual Context for Evaluating Evans’s Attempt to Reconcile Morality Based on Divine Command and Human Nature
R. Zachary Manis, Southwest Baptist University
Kierkegaard and Evans on the Problem of Abraham
James E. Bruce, John Brown University
High-festival Conceptions in Kierkegaard’s Works of Love
Responding:
C. Stephen Evans, Baylor University

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North American Religions Section
Hyatt Regency, Hanover AB
Gary M. Laderman, Emory University, Presiding
Theme: Keywords in the Study of North American Religion: Anthropomorphism, Agency, and Vernacular
W. Clark Gilpin, University of Chicago
Anthropomorphism: Human Connection to a Universal Society
Elizabeth Jenison, Harvard University
Writing Agency: Reconsidering Agency in the Study of American Religion
Rachel Lindsey, Princeton University
The Light of the World: Vernacular Photography and American Religion, 1839–1910

A31-259

Religion and the Social Sciences Section
Hyatt Regency, Hanover D
Ann B. McClanahan, Harvard University, Presiding
Theme: Psychology, Religion, Clinical, and Field Work
John Seitz, Fordham University
Fieldwork Methods and Psychoanalytic Practice: The Meanings and Limits of Research Relationships
Nichole Phillips, Vanderbilt University
Sisters and Brothers, Struck By the Spirit: Shouting’s Role in Healthy Self-development

A31-260

Teaching Religion Section and Religions, Medicines, and Healing Group
Marriott Marquis, M101
Carolyn Medine, University of Georgia, Presiding
Theme: Approaches to Teaching Comparative Religions, Medicines, and Healing
Kevin Boyd, University of Chicago
Death and Dying: Teaching Professionals about Religion, Medicine, and Practice
Eliza Kent, Colgate University
Skeptic and Converts: Teaching Health and Healing in Asian Religions
Brenda Appleby, Saint Francis Xavier University, and Rose M. Tekel, Saint Francis Xavier University
Religion, Spirituality, and Health: A Thematic Introduction to Religious Studies
Responding:
Lance D. Laird, Boston University

A31-261

Theology and Religious Reflection Section
Hyatt Regency, Hanover E
Anne Job, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary, Presiding
Theme: The God Question
Matthew Schunke, Southern Illinois University, Edwardsville
Eagleton, Ditchkins, and Methodology in Religious Studies
Omar Shaukat, University of Virginia
Islam and the God Debate: Islamist Violence as the Paradigm of Religious Irrationality
Wendy Wiseman, Ozyegin University, Istanbul
Nietzsche’s Labyrinth: The Absence of God and Divinity in the Flesh
Business Meeting:
Susan Abraham, Harvard University, and Mayra Rivera, Harvard University, Presiding

A31-262

Women and Religion Section
Marriott Marquis, M301
Su Yon Pak, Union Theological Seminary, Presiding
Theme: Religious Difference and Interreligious Dialogue: Women’s Experience and Analysis
Emily A. Holmes, Christian Brothers University
“You Who Will Never Be Me Nor Mine”: Toward a Feminist Apophatic Theology of Religious Difference
K. Christine Pae, Denison University
Feminist Interfaith Spiritual Activism: Countering Transnationalized Militarism: Empathetic Power of Suffering in Dorothee Soelle and Sister Chan Khong
Monica Schaap Pierce, Fordham University
From Brokenness to Planetary Wholeness: Emerging Themes in Ecofeminist Interreligious Dialogue
Joke Lambelin, Katholieke Universiteit, Leuven
Mapping the Contact Zones in No Man’s Land: An Intersectional Framework for Muslim–Christian Dialogue?
Responding:
Isra Yazicioglu, Saint Joseph’s University
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A31-263

Bible in Racial, Ethnic, and Indigenous Communities Group
Marriott Marquis, M302
Valerie Bridgeman, Lancaster Theological Seminary, Presiding
  Sharon Watson-Fluker, The Fund for Theological Education
  A Lay African American Reads The Africana Bible
  Luis R. Rivera, McCormick Theological Seminary
  A Latino Perspective on The Africana Bible
  Anthony G. Reddie, Queens Theological Foundation
  Standing in the Center, Reading from Without: A Review of The Africana Bible from Britain
Responding:
  Samuel Murrell, University of North Carolina, Wilmington, and Randall C. Bailey, Interdenominational Theological Center
Business Meeting:
  Fernando F. Segovia, Vanderbilt University, Presiding

A31-265 ★

Confucian Traditions Group
Marriott Marquis, L503
Tao Jiang, Rutgers University, Presiding
Theme: Aspects of "Frontier Confucianism": Place, Being, and Text
  Alison Marshall, Brandon University
  A Case Study of Chinese Canadian Men from 1910 to 1949: Frontier Confucianism and the Religious Dimensions of Friendship
  Esta (Ariel) Ungar, University of Western Australia
  Frontier Confucianism in Vietnam: Bronze Drums versus Stone Chimes, the Music of Ritual
Responding:
  Michael Puett, Harvard University
Business Meeting:
  Thomas A. Wilson, Hamilton College, Presiding

A31-266

Ecclesiological Investigations Group and Pentecostal-Charismatic Movements Consultation
Marriott Marquis, A704
Jeff Gros, Memphis Theological Seminary, Presiding
Theme: The Church Catholic, Global Christianity, and the Pentecostal Contribution to the Renewal of the Theological Agenda
Panelists:
  Dennis Doyle, University of Dayton
  Ann K. Riggs, Friends Theological College
  Mark Powell, Harding University
Responding:
  Wolfgang Vonney, Regent University

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Islamic Mysticism Group
Marriott Marquis, A706
Vernon James Schubel, Kenyon College, Presiding
Theme: Prophecy, Knowledge, and Performance in Sufism
Kazuyo Murata, Yale University
*Adam in the Mystical Prophethood of Ruzbihan Baqlí Shirazi*
Teheen Thaver, University of North Carolina
*Hagiography, History, and Oral Performative Tradition: A Study of Imam Jafar al-Sadiq’s Entry in Fard al-Din Attar’s Tadhkirat al-Awliya*
Ata Anzali, Rice University
*A Genealogy of “Esfan” as a Comparative Category*
Hussein Rashid, New York, NY
*With Every Breath Call Ali: Modern Qawwali and Immigrant Belonging*
Business Meeting:
Omid Safi, University of North Carolina, and Lary Silvers, Wilfrid Laurier University, Presiding

A31-268 *
Latina/o Religion, Culture, and Society Group
Marriott Marquis, M103-104
Jeremy Cruz, Boston College, Presiding
Theme: Las Musas Latinas: Retrieving Theological Voices from the Convents of las Americas
*Ivonne Arostegui, Florida International University*
*Sor Juana: The Theology Behind the Art*
*Néomi De Anda, Loyola University, Chicago*
*Get Breast Milk? Trinitarian Conceptions in the Work of María Anna Águeda de San Ignacio*
Responding:
Gilberto Cavazos-González, Catholic Theological Union
Business Meeting:
Nestor Medina, Seminario Evangélico de Teología, Matanzas, Cuba, and Carmen Marie Nanko-Fernandez, Catholic Theological Union, Presiding

A31-269 *
Law, Religion, and Culture Group
Marriott Marquis, A708
Grace Kao, Claremont School of Theology, Presiding
Theme: Bodies and Law: Torture, Sex Change, and Same-Sex Marriage
Kathleen M. Sef, Saint Lawrence University
*Medieval Judicial Ordeal and the Body as Evidence*
Hillel Gray, Miami University, Ohio
*The Transitioning of Jewish Biomedical Law: Rhetorical and Practical Shifts in Halakhic Discourse on Sex Change Surgery*
Kathleen Sands, University of Hawai’i
*Religion, Race, and Colonialism in Hawai’i’s Civil Union Battle*
Responding:
Randall Styers, University of North Carolina

A31-270 *
Native Traditions in the Americas Group
Marriott Marquis, L508
Michael McNally, Carleton College, Presiding
Theme: Cherokee, Choctaw, and Native Religion in the Southeast
Michelle Pesantubbee, University of Iowa
*Choctaw Women Wailing for the Dead and the Living*
Michael J. Zogry, University of Kansas
*Change Comes Unto These Hills: Retelling Cultural Narratives*
Carrie McLachlan, Western Carolina University
*Revisiting the Cherokee Cosmos*
Responding:
Mary C. Churchill, Sonoma State University

A31-271 *
New Religious Movements Group
Marriott Marquis, A703
Douglas E. Cowan, University of Waterloo, Presiding
Theme: New Religions and the Media
Joseph Laycock, Decatur, GA
*Where Do They Get These Ideas? Changing Ideas of “Cults” in Popular Media*
Franz Winter, University of Vienna
*A Japanese New Religion and the Media: Kōfuku No Kagaku and the “Friday Incident”*
James Beverley, Tyndale Seminary
*Handling Xenu: From South Park and Andrew Morton to Nightline and Oxford University Press*
Shannon Trosper Schoeny, University of Colorado
*From UFOlogy to Abductees: The MUFON UFO Journal and the Construction of a UFO Community*

A31-272 *
Practical Theology Group and Liberal Theologies Consultation
Marriott Marquis, A601
Clyde Grubbs, Pasadena, CA, Presiding
Theme: Practices of Reconciliation and Forgiveness
Annie Hardison-Moody, Emory University
*“Remember Me that I was Fighting for Peace”. The Paradox of Risk and Hope in the Film Pray the Devil Back to Hell*
Responding:
Mary McClintock Fulkerson, Duke University, and Michael Battle, Episcopal Church
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Sunday, 3:00 pm–4:30 pm

A31-273
Sacred Space in Asia Group
Marriott Marquis, A705
Marilyn Notah Verney, University of California, Santa Barbara, Presiding
Theme: New Directions in Tianhe/Mazu Scholarship and Research in the Twenty-first Century: Intellectual, Theoretical, and Disciplinary Crossings
Panelists:
Jonathan H. X. Lee, San Francisco State University
Choi Chi Cheung, Chinese University of Hong Kong
Lu Mei-huan, National Tsing Hua University, Taiwan
Responding:
Vivian-Lee Nyitray, University of California, Riverside

A31-274
Science, Technology, and Religion Group
Marriott Marquis, A602
James Haag, Suffolk University, Presiding
Theme: J. Wentzel van Huyssteen on Science and Religion
Panelists:
J. Wentzel van Huyssteen, Princeton Theological Seminary
Responding:
Christopher Southgate, University of Exeter
Kirk Wegter-McNelley, Boston University
Business Meeting:
Lea Schweitz, Lutheran School of Theology, Chicago, Presiding

A31-275
Scriptural Reasoning Group
Hyatt Regency, Dunwoody
Nicholas Adams, University of Cambridge, Presiding
Theme: Domestic Disputes and Family Dysfunction in the Abrahamic Traditions
Panelists:
Steven Kepnes, Colgate University
Catriona Laing, University of Cambridge
Homayra Ziad, Trinity College

A31-276 ✫
Tantric Studies Group
Marriott Marquis, M304
Richard K. Payne, Graduate Theological Union, Presiding
Theme: Tantra: Comparative Reflections on Jainism, Hinduism, and Buddhism
Holly Grether, University of California, Santa Barbara
The Ritual Use of Fire and Water in Buddhist and Saiva Tantras
Annette Wilke, University of Münster
Mysticism Through the Senses: Sonic Ecstasies in Early and Late Tantra
Robert Zydensbos, University of Munich
The Tantric Goddesses of Southern Jainism
Business Meeting:
Sthencheshwar Timalsina, San Diego State University, Presiding

A31-278
Open and Relational Theologies Consultation
Hyatt Regency, Hanover C
Joseph Bankard, Northwest Nazarene University, Presiding
Theme: Religious Love Redefined
Namsoon Kang, Brite Divinity School
A Theology of Natality: Neighbor-love as Passion for the Impossible Newness
Craig A. Boyd, Azusa Pacific University
Classical and Open Theism and the Doctrine of Perichoresis
Jessica M. Smith, Emory University
In the Company of the Angels: Love and Alterity in the Human–Divine Relation
Gregory Love, San Francisco Theological Seminary
The Root of Sin and the Mistrust of God: Problems With an Ambivalent, Violent God-image
Responding:
Thomas Oord, Northwest Nazarene University

A31-279 ✫
Religion and Colonialism Consultation
Marriott Marquis, A701
Caleb Elfenbein, New York University, Presiding
Theme: Tolerance in Colonial and Imperial Contexts
G. A. Lipton, University of North Carolina
Secular Sufic: Neoliberalism, Ethnoracism, and the Reformation of the Muslim Other
Jessica Van Denend, Union Theological Seminary
Empathy and the Colonial Other: Reconceptualizing the Historical Origins of Einfühlung/Empathy

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Immigration, Pluralism and Religion: Challenges in Muslim-American Identities and Outreach Work
Edward Curtis, Indiana University-Purdue University
Religion, Politics and Race: Challenges to Islam Pedagogies
Nathan Carlin, University of Texas Medical School
Mourning, Memorials, and Religion
Jeanne Halgren Kilde, University of Minnesota
Worship Sites as Contested Spaces: Memorialization, Religion and Politics

M31-300
North American Hindu Association of Dharma Studies
Sunday, 4:00 pm–5:00 pm
Hyatt Regency, Vinings
Arvind Sharma, McGill University, Presiding
Theme: Are Americans Really Becoming Hindus?
Panelists:
Jeffrey Long, Elizabethtown College
Rita Sherma, Binghamton College
Ramdas Lamb, University of Hawai‘i
Laurie Louise Patton, Emory University
For additional information, please contact arvind.irma@mcgill.ca.

M31-305
Council on Foreign Relations
Sunday, 4:00 pm–5:00 pm
Marriott Marquis, I,403
Theme: Religion and Foreign Policy Conversation: Religious Conflict in Nigeria
Join the Council on Foreign Relations for a conversation on the nexus of religion and foreign policy in Nigeria. John Campbell, CFR senior fellow and former ambassador to Nigeria, and Jacob Olupona, professor of African and African American studies at Harvard University, will discuss Muslim/Christian relations in Nigeria. Refreshments will be served; anyone interested is encouraged to attend. If you plan to attend, please stop by booth #217 in the exhibition hall prior to 3:00 pm on Sunday, October 31.

M31-301
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Sunday, 4:30 pm–6:30 pm
Hyatt Regency, Techwood
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Sunday, 5:00 pm–6:30 pm

A31-300  🏛️ Special Topics Forum
Marriott Marquis, A701
Terrence E. Dempsey, Saint Louis University, Presiding
Theme: Conversation with Ena Heller, 2010 AAR Religion and the Arts Award Winner

Sponsored by the Religion and the Arts Award Jury

Ena Heller has been named the 2010 Religion and the Arts Award winner. She is the Executive Director of the Museum of Biblical Art (MOBIA) in New York City. Heller’s professional career has focused on building places of learning within museums. Heller learned the workings of various museum departments through jobs at the Metropolitan Museum of Art and the Museum of Modern Art. She then focused her attention on establishing new places of learning through art, first at the Gallery at the American Bible Society (1998) and later as founding director of the Museum of Biblical Art (2005). MOBIA was conceived as a learning museum, whose unique mission is illustrated by noteworthy exhibitions and publications. At MOBIA and elsewhere Heller has presented papers and public lectures that emphasize the need for teaching art, and the connection between art and religion. In parallel, her independent scholarly research has resulted in contributions to volumes such as Margin: Women of the Hebrew Bible and their Affectives (Sheffield Phoenix Press Limited, 2009) and Women’s Space: Patronage, Place, and Gender in the Medieval Church (State University of New York Press, 2005).

Panelists:
Ena Heller, Museum of Biblical Art
Diane Apostolos-Cappadona, Georgetown University
Cordula Grewe, Columbia University

A31-301 🏛️ Special Topics Forum
Marriott Marquis, M106–107
Ann Taves, University of California, Santa Barbara, Presiding
Theme: The Job Market for Academic Positions in Religious Studies: Recession, Depression, or Paradigm Shift?

Sponsored by the Job Placement Task Force

The market for academic positions in religious studies has undergone dramatic changes in recent years. In the aftermath of 9/11, there was a shift away from advertised positions in subfields that used to constitute the heart of the discipline (e.g., theology, New Testament) and towards a range of new subfields. With the world economic crisis, the number of positions listed through the AAR online Job Posting and the Annual Meeting’s Job Center declined by as much as fifty percent over a twelve-month period.

AAR President Ann Taves has made the shifting academic job market, and the deep challenges it poses to the current generation of graduating doctoral students in the field, one of the signature issues of her presidency. This session will explore the current state of the job market in religious studies by means of the latest data from just-completed surveys of doctoral-granting departments and AAR student members, as well as through data from the AAR’s online Job Posting and its Job Center at the Annual Meeting. A distinguished panel will join Taves and the audience in discussing the current situation, projecting where the field may be headed, and positing some steps that might be taken for the immediate and longer-range future of the field.

Are we dealing with a temporary blip or a permanent paradigm shift in the way academic positions in religious studies are conceived and positioned?

Panelists:
Timothy M. Renick, Georgia State University
Alice Hunt, Chicago Theological Seminary
Wayne Proudfoot, Columbia University
Davina C. Lopez, Eckerd College
Albert G. Miller, Oberlin College

A31-302 📚 Wildcard Session
Marriott Marquis, L503
Vincent Biondo, California State University, Fresno, Presiding
Theme: The Religion and Daily Life Project
How exactly does religion influence politics? In what ways does religion continue to shape culture? In the 2009–2010 Religion and Daily Life Project for Praeger, prominent international scholars authored chapters on Peacebuilding, Civil Religion, Religious Nationalism, Education, Memorialization, Criminal Justice, Economics, Science, and Nature in Volume Two to identify the role of religion in public life. In Volume Three, chapters on Art, Healing, Children, Family, Women, Sport, Travel, Music, Humor, and Death clarify the ways that religion continues to influence culture, even in societies that claim to be secular. The AAR Annual Meeting makes it possible for the authors to join together to collate their findings and form a consensus for the first time. Following the success of the three volume set will be the opportunity for participants to design one volume trade paperback for use in college courses.

Panelists:
Ramdas Lamb, University of Hawai‘i, Manoa
Monika Arnez, University of Hamburg
John Adams, University of California, Santa Barbara
Joseph Williams, Rutgers University
Colleen Windham-Hughes, University of California, Santa Barbara

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**Wildcard Session**
Marriott Marquis, M103-104
Deborah Creamer, Iliff School of Theology, Presiding
**Theme: Technology and Technology: Intersecting Realities**
This wildcard session will focus on how emerging technologies shape epistemology and identity, thus destabilizing power and reshaping theological discourse. Web 2.0 technologies (wikis, blogs, RSS, Facebook, Twitter, Delicious, YouTube, etc.) highlight new identity spaces and issues of access, power, and knowledge construction. Because issues of power and access are prominent in communities of color and other marginalized communities, attention to the intersecting reality of theology and technology creates space of greater access to persons and communities who would otherwise be absent from this conversation. As technology continues to evolve at a rapid pace, these issues will only become more complex. An ongoing AAR group dedicated to the intersection of theology and technology could provide a meaningful space in which to navigate these new realities.

This initial wildcard panel session will focus on a critical analysis of the Postcolonial Theology Network (PTN), a Facebook group encouraging new models of identity and epistemology through broad and diverse theological discourse.

**Panelists:**
- Joseph Duggan, University of Manchester
- Michael Hemenway, Iliff School of Theology and University of Denver

**Responding:**
- Wei Hsiang Wan, SEGi University College, Kota Damansara

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A31-304

**Arts, Literature, and Religion Section**
Marriott Marquis, M101
James Thrall, Knox College, Presiding
**Theme: Multicultural Identity in Religion and the Arts**

Angela Yarber, Graduate Theological Union
*Globalized Faith and Embodied Cultures: The Impact of Globalization on Multicultural Dances*

Heidi Thimm, Graduate Theological Union
*Hybridity at the Court of Akbar: The Case of an “Indian” Saint Jerome*

Rana Choi, University of Chicago
*From Triumph to Sorrow: The Iconography of the Crucifixion in Byzantine Art*

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A31-306

**Ethics Section**
Hyatt Regency, Hanover FG
Klem-Mari Cajigas Chimegis, Vanderbilt University, Presiding
**Theme: Race-ing Forward, Engendering Justice, and Embodying Ethics**

Hannah Ka, Claremont Graduate University
*Respectful Grace and Graceful Respect: A Korean Christian Feminist*  
*Ethicist’s Response to Alison M. Jaggar’s and Sara Ruddick’s*  
*Integration of Justice and Care*

Robyn Henderson-Espinoza, Iliff School of Theology and University of Denver, and Heike Peckruhn, Iliff School of Theology and University of Denver
*The Virtue of Queering Ethics: Stanley Hauerwas and Gloria Anzaldúa on Agency and the Performative Nature of the Body*

K. Christine Pae, Denison University
*A Solidarity-talk among Women of Color: Searching for a Liberative Feminist Methodology of Christian Ethics*

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A31-307

**North American Religions Section**
Hyatt Regency, Hanover AB
Barbara McClure, Vanderbilt University, Presiding
**Theme: Souls in Extremis: Sex, Death, and Moral Insanity**

Marie Pagliarini, Saint Mary’s College
*“You Are All Mine, and I Am Entirely Thine”: Miracle Cures and the Consummation of Spiritual Marriage in the Georgetown Visitation Convent, 1824–1838*

Jodie Boyer, University of Toronto
*Religion, ‘Moral Insanity,’ and Psychology in Nineteenth Century America*

Alana Vincent, University of Glasgow
*Ritualized Encounters with Death: Mourning and the First World War in Canada*

**Responding:**
- Gary L. Ebersole, University of Missouri, Kansas City

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A31-308

**Religion and Politics Section**
Marriott Marquis, Marquis Ballroom C
Cheryl Townsend Gilkes, Colby College, Presiding
**Theme: International Irruptions**

Youshaa Patel, Duke University
*The Politics of Difference and the Syrian-Muslim Religious Elite*

Christine E. Gudorf, Florida International University
*Pentecostalism, Indonesian Law, and Interreligious Violence*

Comfort Max-Wirth, Florida International University
*The Occult in Ghanaian Politics*
A31-309

Study of Judaism Section and Critical Theory and Discourses on Religion Group

Marriott Marquis, M302
Jerome Copusky, Goucher College, Presiding
Theme: Antisemitism and its Afterlives: Christian Studies of Judaism and the Construction of Modernity
- Robert Yelle, University of Memphis
  Antisemitism at the Roots of Modern Ecumenism: The Deist Construction of “Natural Religion” against Jewish Ritual and Revelation
- Bruce Rosenstock, University of Illinois
  Judaism and the Dialectical History of Religion: The Afterlife of Bishop Warburton’s “Divine Legation of Moses”
- Leah Hochman, Hebrew Union College and Jewish Institute of Religion
  Who’s the (Ugly) Stick-in-the-Mud? Kant, Judaism, and (Beauty)’s Freedom
- Jonathan Judaken, University of Memphis
  Talcott Parsons, Ambivalent Liberalism, and the Sociology of Modern Anti-Semitism

A31-310

Women and Religion Section

Marriott Marquis, M301
Renee K. Harrison, Howard University, Presiding
Theme: Women, Religious Hybridity, and Multiple Religious Identities
- Michelle Voss Roberts, Rhodes College
  Women’s Multiple Religious Participation as Comparative Theological Practice
- Ofelia Villero, Graduate Theological Union
  Mother Filipina’s or Mother Mary? The Case of “Ciudad Mística de Dios”
- Istvan Keul, Norges Tekniske-Naturvitenskapelige Universitet, Trondheim
  Staged Epiphanies and Religious Milange: Female Leadership and the Management of Spiritual Resources in a Contemporary Religious Movement in South Asia

Responding:
Debra Majeed, Beloit College

A31-311

Anthropology of Religion Group and Religion and Cities Consultation

Marriott Marquis, M302
Laurel Zwissler, University of Toronto, Presiding
Theme: Faithscapes, Foodscapes, and Landscapes: Three Anthropological Perspectives on Cities and Religion
- Steven W. Ramey, University of Alabama
  Global, Regional, and Local Connections in the Formation of Indian-American Communities in Atlanta
- Amanda Baugh, Northwestern University
  What’s Old is New Again: Religion, Sustainable Agriculture, and the Global Community
- Jonathan Miles-Watson, Tallinn University
  Colonial Religious Landscapes and Postcolonial Christian Worship in Shimla, India

A31-312

Bible, Theology, and Postmodernity Group

Hyatt Regency, Hanover D
Krista E. Hughes, Hanover College, Presiding
Theme: Review of Mary-Jane Rubenstein’s Strange Wonder: The Closure of Metaphysics and the Opening of Awe (Columbia University Press, 2009)
Panelists:
- Abigail Kluchin, Columbia University
- Clayton Crockett, University of Central Arkansas
- Ryan Coyne, University of Chicago
- Karmen MacKendrick, Le Moyne College
Responding:
- Mary-Jane Rubenstein, Wesleyan University
- Jon L. Berquist, Westminster John Knox Press, Presiding
A31-313
Black Theology Group and Transformative Scholarship and Pedagogy Consultation
Marriott Marquis, A602
Johnny B. Hill, Louisville Presbyterian Theological Seminary, Presiding
Theme: The Activism of Black Theologians: Scholarship, Pedagogy, Institution, and Society
Panelists:
Monica A. Coleman, Claremont School of Theology
Karen Baker-Fletcher, Southern Methodist University
Harry Singleton, Benedict College
Anthony G. Reddie, Queens Theological Foundation
Jacquelyn Grant, Interdenominational Theological Center

A31-314
Bonhoeffer: Theology and Social Analysis Group
Marriott Marquis, L401-402
Theme: Further Explorations on Secularity in the Prison Writings
Jan H. Pranger, Concordia College
Moving the Goalposts: Bonhoeffer's Faith and the Secularity of a Post-secular World
Jeremy D. Posadas, Emory University
Practicing to Be Religionless Christians among Post-Structuralist People: Reading Bonhoeffer with Foucault
Jeffrey C. Pugh, Elon University
Living In the ‘World Come of Age’: Dietrich Bonhoeffer’s Resistance to Modernity

A31-315
Chinese Religions Group and Daoist Studies Group
Marriott Marquis, A707
Clarke Hudson, University of Virginia, Presiding
Theme: Topics in Medieval Chinese Religion
Yan Liu, Harvard University
Healing by Incantation in Medieval China
Thomas Michael, Boston University
Ge Hong and the Formation of the Medieval Daoist Xian
Terry Kleeman, University of Colorado
State and Religion in Early Celestial Master Daoism

A31-316
Christian Spirituality Group
Marriott Marquis, A706
Arthur Holder, Graduate Theological Union, Presiding
Theme: Multiple Religious Belongings in North American Spirituality
Lilan Laishley, Chattanooga, TN
The Intersection of Alchemy, Christianity, and Labyrinths in the Nineteenth Century American Frontier Harmony Society
Carole Spencer, George Fox University
Hannah Whitall Smith: The Making of an Evangelical Heretic and Feminist Mystic
Jennifer Wilken, Arizona State University

A31-317
Contemporary Islam Group
Marriott Marquis, L508
Danielle Widmann Abraham, Harvard University, Presiding
Theme: Negotiating Practice and Authority in Contemporary Islam
Tehseen Thaver, University of North Carolina
Living Qur'an Communities and Female Religious Authority in ‘Secular’ Turkey: A Study of Cemal/Nur Sargut, ‘Shaikha’ of the Rifa’i Sufi Order
Sadiyya Shaikh, University of Cape Town
Sex as ‘Ibadah’: Religion, Gender, and Subjectivity amongst South African Women
Amina Chaudary, Boston University
Dewelling and the American Muslim Woman’s Experience
Responding:
Juliane Hammer, George Mason University

A31-318
Contemporary Pagan Studies Group
Marriott Marquis, A705
Shawn Arthur, Appalachian State University, Presiding
Theme: Idolatry and Tangible Sacrality: The Conversation Continues
Panelists:
Michael York, Academy for Cultural and Educational Studies, London
Margot Adler, National Public Radio
Bron Taylor, University of Florida
Amy Whitehead, Open University
A31-319

Evangelical Theology Group
Marriott Marquis, A703
Michael J. McClymond, Saint Louis University, Presiding
Theme: Evangelical Eschatology and Physical Cosmology
  - Wolfgang Yonney, Regent University
    *About Time: Evangelicalism and Science at the Threshold to the New Physics*
  - Andrew Jacobs, Saint Joseph’s College, New York
    *‘By Kingdom Come’: Reconsidering Christian Eschatology in Light of the New Physics*
  - Junghyung Kim, Graduate Theological Union
    *On the Eschatological Transformation of the Physical Universe*

A31-320

Hinduism Group
Hyatt Regency, Hanover E
Alf Hillebein, George Washington University, Presiding
Theme: *Brahmins at the Court of the King: The Brahmin in Political Office in Premodern India*
Panelists:
  - Mark McClish, Birmingham Southern College
  - Patrick Oliveile, University of Texas
  - Timothy Lubin, Washington and Lee University

A31-321

Islamic Mysticism Group and Qur’an Group
Marriott Marquis, Marquis Ballroom D
Frederick S. Colby, University of Oregon, Presiding
Theme: *The Qur’an in the Islamic Mystical Traditions*
Daniel A. Madigan, Georgetown University
*Blurring the Edges of the Text: The Role of Tafsir in Negotiating Authority among Competing Canons*
Stephen Burge, Institute of Ismaili Studies
*Al-Suyuti’s Scattered Pearls: A Sufi Exegesis?*
Kenneth Honerkamp, University of Georgia
*The Qur’anic Roots and Ethical Foundations of Salak in Islamic Pedagogic Methodology and its Social Relevance*
Rachana Rao Umashankar, University of North Carolina
*‘So that You May Know One Another’: Qur’anic Verses and the Validation of the Shared Sacred Spaces of Sufi Shrines in India*

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A31-322

Psychology, Culture, and Religion Group and the Colloquium on Violence and Religion
Marriott Marquis, M304
Hetty Zock, University of Groningen, Presiding
Theme: *Book Panel on James W. Jones’s Blood that Cries Out from the Earth: The Psychology of Religious Terrorism (Oxford University Press, 2008)*
Panelists:
  - Kirk A. Bingaman, Fordham University
  - Naomi Goldenberg, University of Ottawa
  - Martha J. Reineke, University of Northern Iowa
Responding:
  - James W. Jones, Rutgers University

A31-323

Religion and Ecology Group
Marriott Marquis, L405-406
Jimi Wilson, University of Florida, Presiding
Theme: *Pilgrimage, Place, and Dynamic Systems*
Elizabeth Allison, California Institute of Integral Studies
*The Spiritual Significance of Glaciers*
Susan Bratton, Baylor University
*Interpretation of the Appalachian Trail as a Religious or Spiritual Landscape: Historic Roots, Twenty-first Century Beliefs, and Hiker Experience*
Terra Rowe, Drew University
*John Muir’s Aesthetics: A Postmodern, Postcolonial Interpretation of Muir, Wilderness Preservation, and the Transcendent in Nature*
Business Meeting:
  - Whitney Bauman, Florida International University, and A. Whitney Sanford, University of Florida, Presiding
A31-324  New!

Religion in Latin America and the Caribbean Group and
International Development and Religion Consultation
Hyatt Regency, Hanover C
David Shefferman, Manhattan College, Presiding
Theme: Bridging the Gaps: Theorizing Religion and Development in
Faith-based Organizations
Panelists:
Tim Fogarty, University of Florida
Julie Adkins, Southern Methodist University
Bretton Alvare, Widener University
Laurie Occhipinti, Clarion University
Jill De Temple, Southern Methodist University
Emily Hogue, United States Agency for International Development
Alyson Rose-Wood, National Institutes of Health
Responding:
Jose Santos, Southern Methodist University

Sarah Haynes, Western Illinois University
On the Road: Ritual Adaptation in the Tibetan Diaspora
Responding:
Donna Seamone, Acadia University

A31-327

Roman Catholic Studies Group and Space, Place, and
Religious Meaning Consultation
Marriott Marquis, L404
Jeanne Halgren Kilde, University of Minnesota, Presiding
Theme: Space and Place in Catholic America
Judith Dupre, Yale University
The Collision of Hollywood and Heaven at the Cathedral of Our Lady
of the Angels
J. Terry Todd, Drew University
Making the Madonna a Star: Michelangelo's Pieta at the New York
World's Fair, 1964–1965
Bernadette McNary-Zak, Rhodes College
Remembering in Silence: An American Carthusian Community
Stephanie Bilsnksy, Arizona State University
Creating New Orleans: Race, Religion, Rhetoric, and the Louisiana
Purachse
Responding:
Leonard Norman Primiano, Cabrini College

A31-325 ்

Religion, Holocaust, and Genocide Group
Marriott Marquis, A702
Gregory Kaplan, Rice University, Presiding
Theme: Susannah Heschel's The Aryan Jesus: Christian Theologians
and the Bible in Nazi Germany: Author Meets Critics
Robert Erlewine, Illinois Wesleyan University
Before Jesus was Aryan: Susannah Heschel and German-Jewish
Thought
Eric Weed, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary
Susannah Heschel's The Aryan Jesus and the Future of Related
Research
James McNutt, Thomas More College
A Very Damning Truth: Walter Grundmann, Adolf Schlatter, and
Susannah Heschel's The Aryan Jesus
Responding:
Susannah Heschel, Dartmouth College

A31-326

Ritual Studies Group
Marriott Marquis, M102
Kerstin Radde-Antweiler, Universitaet Bremen, Presiding
Theme: Perspectives on Ritual Experience
Airen Hall, Syracuse University
"Over the Winding Trail Forward We Go": Children and Pilgrimage
in the Latter-day Saint Tradition
Kimberly Hope Belcher, Saint John's University
Does the Ritual Matter? The Body of the Baby and Adults' Attitudes in
Roman Catholic Infant Baptism

A31-328 ்

Theology and Continental Philosophy Group and Theology
and the Political Consultation
Marriott Marquis, A704
Ellen T. Armour, Vanderbilt University, Presiding
Theme: Mark L. Taylor's The Theological and the Political: On the
Weight of the World
Panelists:
Corey D. B. Walker, Brown University
Laurel Schneider, Chicago Theological Seminary
Responding:
Mark Lewis Taylor, Princeton Theological Seminary
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Sunday, 5:00 pm–6:30 pm

A31-329

Tibetan and Himalayan Religions Group
Marriott Marquis, A708
Lara Braithwaite, McGill University, Presiding
Theme: Madness, Smallpox, and Death in Tibet
Derek Maher, East Carolina University
Panchen Lozang Pelden Yesht and the Religious Dimensions of Smallpox in Tibet
Brandon Dotson, University of Oxford
Transformation and Subversion in Tibetan Funeral Rites: Buddhist Models for Overcoming Ben Po Competitors
Michael Sheehy, Tibetan Buddhism Resource Center and The New School
Identity Politics of Reembodiment: Lineage Formation in Tibetan and Mongolian Accounts of Rje btsun Ta rwa nā thā's (1575–1635) Death and the Birth of Khal kha Blo bzang bstan pa'i rgyal mtsah (1635–1723)
David DiValerio, University of Virginia
"Holy Madness" as Self-representation: Tsiangnyon Heruka and Chogyam Trungpa

A31-330

World Christianity Group
Marriott Marquis, A601
Akinutunde Akinade, Georgetown University, Presiding
Theme: Around the World with New Eyes: Ancient and Emerging Voices in World Christianity
Scott Kenworthy, Miami University, Ohio
The Marginalization of Eastern Orthodoxy in the Study of World Christianity
Dorottya Nagy, Max Planck Institute for the Study of Religious and Ethnic Diversity
Migrants: Agents of Christianity as a World Religion
James Taneti, Union Presbyterian Seminary
Women with Bibles: Origins and Development of the Office of Biblewomen in South India
Melanie Trelcar, Georgetown University
Arab Baptist Christians: Relations with Muslims in the United States
Responding:
Lalsangkima Pachuau, Asbury Theological Seminary
Jonathan Tan, Xavier University

M31-302

Theology Today Editorial Board Meeting
Sunday, 5:00 pm–6:00 pm
Hyatt Regency, Baker

M31-304

Theta Kappa Alpha Business Meeting and Reception
Sunday, 5:00 pm–7:00 pm
Hyatt Regency, University
All chapter moderators, members, and anyone interested in learning more about establishing a chapter of Theta Alpha Kappa are invited to join the Board of Directors at this annual meeting and reception, at which the Kathleen Connolly-Wernert Leader of the Year Award will be presented and new initiatives will be announced.

M31-303

Highlands Institute for American Religious and Philosophical Thought Business Meeting
Sunday, 5:45 pm–6:15 pm
Hyatt Regency, Vinings

A31-409

Special Topics Forum
Sunday, 6:00 pm–8:00 pm
Almeda Wright, Pfeiffer University, Presiding
Theme: Beyond the Boundaries Public Lecture Series II
Roy Whitaker, Claremont Graduate University
From Multiculturalism to Multireligiosity: Shifting Paradigms of African-American Religious Studies in a Pluralistic Age with Special Reference to Martin Luther King Jr.
Whitaker’s paper tracks the shifting paradigms of African-American Religious Studies discovering that the pluralistic age is influencing how scholars do Religious Studies with a greater sensitivity to religious diversity. In African-American Religious Thought: An Anthology (2003), Cornel West and Eddie Glaude map the intellectual shift among black thinkers/theologians’ singular focus on Christianity beginning to fade in the late 1960’s; after King’s assassination. James Cone’s Black Power & Black Theology (1969) adds additional evidence as he clarifies in his 1989 forward how he never considered Christianity the exclusive religion of God. Yet, West and Glaude’s periodization may be pushed back a bit if King and other black pluralists like Howard Thurman are factored into the schematization. Whitaker further emphasizes that, in the end, Black Theology is not reducible to Christian Studies. Race and religious pluralism both matter; and need to be part of the contemporary black theological discourse.

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**Sunday, 6:00 pm and Later**

**M31-400**

Racial and Ethnic Minorities Reception
Sunday, 6:30 pm–7:30 pm
Hyatt Regency, Centennial I
Sponsored by the Status of Racial and Ethnic Minorities in the Profession Committee

**M31-400**

*American Journal of Theology and Philosophy* Annual Lecture
Sunday, 6:30 pm–8:00 pm
Hyatt Regency, Vinings

**M31-401**

Explorations in Theology and the Apocalyptic
Sunday, 6:30 pm–9:00 pm
Marriott Marquis, L403
Benjamin Myers, Charles Sturt University, Presiding
Theme: *Aspects of the Political Theology of Johann Baptist Metz* and Friedrich Nietzsche
This is the second of two sessions exploring apocalyptic themes in contemporary Christian theology.

Matthew Eggemeier, College of the Holy Cross
*Christianity or Nihilism? The Apocalyptic Discourses of Johann Baptist Metz and Friedrich Nietzsche*

Jason McKinney, University of Toronto
*The Sins of the Father: Suffering, Guilt, and Redemption in Benjamin and Metz*

Christopher Craig Brittain, University of Aberdeen
*Positivity and Negativity in Political Theology: Metz and Adorno on the Nature of Apocalyptic Hope*

Kyle Gingerich Hiebert, University of Manchester
*The Architectonics of Hope: On the Tragic Configuration of Johann Baptist Metz: New Political Theology*

**M31-402**

Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion
Sunday, 6:30 pm–8:00 pm
Hyatt Regency, Edgewood
Theme: *New Teachers’ Dinner*
An annual gathering of new teachers for dinner and directed table conversations about the first years of teaching. By invitation only.

**M31-433**

Ecclesiological Investigations International Research Network
Sunday, 6:30 pm–8:30 pm
Marriott Marquis, Atrium Ballroom A
Theme: *Assisi 2012, Where We Dwell in Common: Pathways for Dialogue in the 21st Century*
The Ecclesiological Investigations International Research Network invites you to the launch reception of a gathering concerned with “Thinking outside the Ecumenical Box” to be held in Assisi, Italy, 17–20 April 2012. This reception has been generously sponsored by the Center for Catholic Thought and Culture at the University of San Diego and an anonymous benefactor. The parameters of this initiative and a call for papers will be introduced and information concerning other El and CCTC initiatives will be disseminated. Drinks and light food will be served. All are welcome.

**M31-403**

Center for Process Studies Reception
Sunday, 7:00 pm–9:00 pm
Hyatt Regency, Fairlie
Join us for wine, cheese, and conversation. Greet Monica Coleman, codirector at the Center and associate professor of constructive theology and African American religious at Claremont School of Theology. Friends and members of CPS and anyone interested in process-relational approaches to religious studies, theology, biblical hermeneutics, and philosophy of religion are invited. Network, discuss, and schmooze. Informal, fun!

**M31-404**

Denver University and Iliff School of Theology Joint PhD Reception
Sunday, 7:00 pm–8:30 pm
Hyatt Regency, Harris

**M31-405**

Forum on Sports and Religion
Sunday, 7:00 pm–9:00 pm
Marriott Marquis, L401 & L402
Theme: *Away Down South: Sports and Religion in Dixie*
Eric Bain-Selbo, Western Kentucky University, Presiding
The Sports and Religion Forum will present papers and discussions for its fourth annual meeting. Papers will address the following questions, though not limited to these:
- What distinguishes the relationship between sport and religion in the American South?
- How has the relationship of sport and religion changed historically in the American South?
- How has the fervent religiosity of the American South affected the role of sport in that culture?
- How have race and gender played out at the intersection of sport and religion in the American South?
## M31-406

**Society for Asian and Comparative Philosophy**  
Sunday, 7:00 pm–8:30 pm  
Marriott Marquis, L404  
Gereon Kopf, Luther College, Presiding  
Theme: *Japanese Buddhism and the Kyoto School: Rethinking William LaFleur’s Approach and Influences*  
- Dan Leighton, Loyola University, Chicago  
  *William LaFleur’s Skillful Readings of Lotus Sutra Parables and Upaya*  
- Steven Heine, Florida International University  
  *LaFleur’s Dharma of Methods: Interdisciplinary Approaches to Zen Studies*  
- Michiko Yusa, Western Washington University  
  *LaFleur and the Flowering of Studies of the Kyoto School*

Responding:  
Chris Ives, Stonehill College

## M31-407

**Princeton Theological Seminary Reception**  
Sunday, 7:00 pm–10:00 pm  
Marriott Marquis, Marquis Ballroom Salon A

## M31-408

**Unitarian Universalist Scholars and Friends Reception**  
Sunday, 7:00 pm–9:00 pm  
Hyatt Regency, Greenbriar

## M31-409

**University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, Reception**  
Sunday, 7:00 pm–8:30 pm  
Hyatt Regency, Piedmont

## M31-410

**Yale Divinity School Reception**  
Sunday, 7:00 pm–8:30 pm  
Marriott Marquis, Marquis Ballroom Salon A

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### M31-427

**Baha'i Studies Colloquy**  
Sunday, 7:00 pm–8:30 pm  
Hyatt Regency, Techwood  
Robert H. Stockman, DePaul University, Presiding  
Michael McMullen, University of Houston, Clear Lake  
*The Decade of Struggle: Challenges for Egyptian Baha’is Since 2000*  
Susan Maneck, Jackson State University  
*Accusations against Baha’is within the Context of Islamic Heresiography*  
Robert H. Stockman, DePaul University  
*Abdu’l-Baha’s Visit to North America, 1912: Analysis of Impact*

For additional information about the Baha’i Studies Colloquy, contact Robert Stockman at rstockman@utsm.edu or 1-847-337-7750 (cell).

### M31-428

**Oxford University Reception**  
Sunday, 7:00 pm–8:30 pm  
Marriott Marquis, International 3  
The Theology Faculty of Oxford University welcomes colleagues, friends, alumni/ae and prospective graduate students for drinks and updates on developments and to meet current faculty members. Information is available at [www.theology.ox.ac.uk](http://www.theology.ox.ac.uk) and [www.admin.ox.ac.uk/postgraduate](http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/postgraduate).

### M31-432

**Continuum Reception**  
Sunday, 7:00 pm–9:00 pm  
Marriott Marquis, International 4

### M31-411

**University of Iowa Reception**  
Sunday, 7:30 pm–9:30 pm  
Hyatt Regency, Courtland
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Sunday, October 7:30 pm–8:30 pm
Hyatt Regency, Hanover C

John R. Fitzmier, American Academy of Religion, Presiding
Celebrate the achievements of the 2010 AAR award winners at the ceremony and reception held in their honor.

Martin E. Marty Award for the
Public Understanding of Religion
Elaine Pagels, Princeton University

Excellence in Teaching Award
Barbara A. B. Patterson, Emory University

Religion and the Arts Award
Ena Heller, Museum of Biblical Art

2010 Excellence in the Study of
Religion Book Awards

Analytical–Descriptive
Kimberley Christine Patton

Constructive–Reflective
Mark Johnston

Historical
Robert Ford Campany
Making Transcendents: Asetics and Social Memory in Early Medieval China. University of Hawai‘i Press

Textual
Benjamin D. Sommer
Bodies of God and the World of Ancient Israel. Cambridge University Press

2010 Best In-depth Reporting on
Religion Awards

News Outlets with Circulations over 100,000:
First Place: Daniel Burke, Religion News Service
Second Place: Todd Jones, Columbus Dispatch
Third Place: Michael Paulson, Boston Globe

News Outlets with Circulations under 100,000:
First Place: Brett Buckner, Anniston (Ala.) Star
Second Place: John Dart, Christian Century
Third Place: Adam Parker, Post and Courier (Charleston, S.C.)

Opinion Writing:
First Place: David Gibson, PoliticsDaily.com
Second Place: Tracey O'Shaughnessy, Republican-American (Waterbury, CT)
Third Place: Joel Engardio, WashingtonPost.com and USA Today

2010 Selva J. Raj Endowed International Dissertation Research Grant
Ehud Halperin, California State University

Ehud Halperin, Columbia University
Illyse Morgenstein-Fuerst, University of North Carolina
A31-403

Film: Soldiers of Conscience
Sunday, 8:00 pm–10:00 pm
Hyatt Regency, Hanover AB
Jon Pahl, Lutheran Theological Seminary, Philadelphia, Presiding
Sponsored by the Religion, Film, and Visual Culture Group and the
Religions, Social Conflict, and Peace Group
2007, directed by Catherine Ryan and Gary Weimberg. 86 minutes.
“Soldiers of Conscience” is a dramatic window on the dilemma of
individual U.S. soldiers in the current Iraq War—when their finger
is on the trigger and another human being is in their gun-sight. Made
with cooperation from the U.S. Army and narrated by Peter Coyote,
the film profiles eight American soldiers, including four who decide
to not to kill and become conscientious objectors; and four who believe
in their duty to kill if necessary. The film reveals all of them wrestling
with the morality of killing in war, not as a philosophical problem,
but as soldiers experience it—a split-second decision in combat that can
never be forgotten or undone. Soldiers of Conscience is not a film that
tells an audience what to think, nor is it about the situation in Iraq
today. Instead, it tells a bigger story about human nature and war. The
film begins with a little-known fact—after World War II, the Army’s
own studies revealed that as many as seventy-five percent of combat
soldiers, given a chance to fire on the enemy, failed to do so. The studies
showed that soldiers, despite training, propaganda and social sanction,
retained a surprising inhibition when it came to taking human life.
The statistics surprised and alarmed America’s generals, who developed
training techniques to overcome the reluctance to kill. But if the
military found a solution to its problem, the moral contradiction for
the individual soldier remained. The mental and emotional burdens
carried by soldiers who have killed ripple across America’s families and
communities after each of its recent wars. At this film shows, every
soldier is inescapably a soldier of conscience.” (soldiersthemovie.com)

M31-429

Princeton University Reception
Sunday, 8:00 pm–10:00 pm
Marriott Marquis, M301

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Atlanta Artists: Guy Robinson and Keith Prossick
Sunday, 8:30 pm–9:30 pm
Marriott Marquis, Imperial Ballroom

This session is an opportunity for two of Atlanta's premier artists who work with religious subject matter to discuss their work, its relation to religion, and their philosophies of art. Some of their paintings will be displayed in the Marriott Marquis' Imperial Ballroom throughout the meeting, along with ten Buddhist oxherding paintings and four panels of the AIDS quilt.

Guy Robinson's surrealist works have been exhibited in numerous galleries and have a place in important collections including the Georgia Museum of Contemporary Art.

Keith Prossick, a self-taught artist, works with mandalas built from the principles of sacred geometry. He has shown his work at many venues and events in both Georgia and New York. He lives and works at the Collaboratory, a "maker-space" for self-defined artists to work on projects in collaboration with others.

Panelists:
Guy Robinson, Atlanta, GA
Keith Prossick, Atlanta, GA

Jazz Vespers by Dwight Andrews and the Atlanta Jazz Chorus
Sunday, 8:30 pm–9:30 pm
Marriott Marquis, Marquis Ballroom D

Associate professor of music theory and African American music, Andrews is also senior minister of the First Congregational United Church of Christ in Atlanta. In 1998 he formed the Atlanta Jazz Chorus, a group whose mission is to perform the sacred works of famous jazz masters such as Duke Ellington and to bring out spiritual aspects, ideas, and issues in public performances. The group — composed of thirty-five singers from the metro-Atlanta area — has rapidly gained an expansive and dedicated audience base.

Panelists:
Dwight Andrews, Atlanta, GA

Templeton Lecture — Francisco José Ayala: Darwin's Gift to Science and Religion
Sunday, 8:30 pm–9:30 pm
Hyatt Regency, Centennial II-IV

John M. Templeton Jr., John Templeton Foundation, Presiding

Francisco J. Ayala is professor of biological sciences at the University of California, Irvine. He received his Ph.D. in genetics from Columbia University. Ayala was awarded the 2010 Templeton Prize for his achievements as an evolutionary geneticist and for his opposition to the entanglement of science and religion while also calling for mutual respect between the two. His research focuses on the genetic diversity of populations, the structure of parasitic protozoa, and the origin of malaria. He has been a major voice on the ethical issues related to the study of human evolution and a frequent spokesperson in the debate between evolution and creationism. He has published 1,000 articles and is author or editor of thirty-five books, including Darwin's Gift to Science and Religion (Joseph Henry Press, 2007) and Am I a Monkey? Six Big Questions about Evolution (John Hopkins University Press, 2010). He is a member of the National Academy of Sciences, past president of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, and recipient of the 2001 National Medal of Science.

Panelists:
Francisco José Ayala, University of California, Irvine

Brown University Reception
Sunday, 9:00 pm–11:00 pm
Hyatt Regency, Kennesaw

Claremont Reception
Sunday, 9:00 pm–11:00 pm
Hyatt Regency, Dunwoody

Columbia University Reception
Sunday, 9:00 pm–11:00 pm
Marriott Marquis, A707

Drew University Reception
Sunday, 9:00 pm–11:00 pm
Hyatt Regency, Lenox
M31-417
Duke University Reception
Sunday, 9:00 pm–11:00 pm
Marriott Marquis, A703

M31-418
Florida State University Reception
Sunday, 9:00 pm–12:00 am
Marriott Marquis, Peachtree Suite

M31-419
Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary Reception
Sunday, 9:00 pm–11:00 pm
Hyatt Regency, Marietta

M31-420
Emory University Reception
Sunday, 9:00 pm–11:00 pm
Marriott Marquis, A706

M31-421
Southern Methodist University Reception
Sunday, 9:00 pm–11:00 pm
Hyatt Regency, Edgewood

M31-422
Syracuse University Reception
Sunday, 9:00 pm–11:00 pm
Hyatt Regency, Baker

M31-423
Union Theological Seminary Reception
Sunday, 9:00 pm–11:00 pm
Marriott Marquis, Marquis Ballroom Salon A

M31-424
University of California, Santa Barbara, Reception
Sunday, 9:00 pm–11:00 pm
Marriott Marquis, A704

M31-425
University of Chicago Reception
Sunday, 9:00 pm–11:00 pm
Hyatt Regency, Centennial I

M31-430
Boston University Reception
Sunday, 9:00 pm–11:00 pm
Hyatt Regency, Piedmont

A31-408
Luce Summer Seminar Group Reception
Sunday, 9:30 pm–11:00 pm
Hyatt Regency, AAR Suite
John Thatamanil, Vanderbilt University, Presiding
By invitation only.

M31-426
John Templeton Foundation Reception
Sunday, 10:00 pm–12:00 am
Hyatt Regency, Hanover FG
Connect with your colleagues to hear the 2010 Templeton Prize Laureate, Dr. Francisco Ayala in the Hyatt Centennial Ballroom II-IV at 8:30 on Sunday, October 31, and then greet Dr. Ayala at a reception that follows immediately in the Hyatt Hotel Hanover FG. Enjoy jazz, scrumptious deserts and conviviality!
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M1-1

Fuller Theological Seminary Breakfast
Monday, 7:00 am–9:00 am
Hyatt Regency, Dunwoody

M1-2

Society for Mormon Theology and Philosophy
Monday, 7:00 am–9:00 am
Marriott Marquis, L403
Theme: Discussion of Grant Hardy’s Understanding the Book of Mormon (Oxford University Press, 2010)
Panelists:
  Daniel Peterson, Brigham Young University
  James McLachlan, Western Carolina University
Responding:
  Grant Hardy, University of North Carolina, Asheville

A1-1

Program Unit Chairs’ Breakfast
Monday, 7:15 am–8:45 am
Hyatt Regency, Centennial I
John R. Fitzmier, American Academy of Religion, Presiding
Program Unit Chairs are invited to a continental breakfast featuring information on upcoming program initiatives.

A1-2

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Yerkes Primate Center Tour
Monday, 8:30 am–11:30 am
Buses pick up at Hyatt Regency-Baker Street Exit
Frans de Waal, Emory University, Presiding
Sponsored by the Science, Technology, and Religion Group, the Animals and Religion Consultation, and the Cognitive Science of Religion Consultation
The Yerkes National Primate Research Center of Emory University is an international leader in biomedical and behavioral research. This research provides a critical link between research with small laboratory animals and clinical trials with humans. Yerkes Research Center is dedicated to advancing scientific understanding of primate biology, behavior, veterinary care, and conservation. The tour will be led by Yerkes director and AAR plenary speaker Frans de Waal.

Monday, 9:00 am–11:30 am

A1-100

Special Topics Forum
Marriott Marquis, A701
Jennifer Harvey, Drake University, Presiding
Theme: Scholarship and Activism
Sponsored by the Status of LGBTQ Persons in the Profession Task Force
How do scholars interested in religion connect scholarship and activism in the context of LGBTQ communities? The panelists in this Special Topics Forum will address the ways in which they bring scholarship and activism together in their lives and careers.
Panelists:
  Edward Gray, Gill Foundation
  Sylvia Rhue, National Black Justice Coalition
  Thealthia Young, Emory University
  Orlando Espino, University of San Diego
  Mary E. Hunt, Women’s Alliance for Theology, Ethics, and Ritual

A1-101

Arts, Literature, and Religion Section
Marriott Marquis, A703
Virgil W. Bower, Northwestern University and Chicago Theological Seminary, Presiding
Theme: Regina Schwartz’s Sacramental Ethics: Poetics at the Dawn of Secularism with Author Responding
Panelists:
  Hent de Vries, Johns Hopkins University
  Benjamin Myers, Charles Stuart University
  Kevin Hart, University of Virginia
  Jennifer Geddes, University of Virginia
  Thomas Altizer, Mt. Pocono, PA
Responding:
  Regina Schwartz, Northwestern University
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Monday, 9:00 am–11:30 am

A1-102

Buddhism Section
Marriott Marquis, M106-107
Dennis Hirota, Ryukoku University, Presiding
Theme: From Early Buddhism to Buddhist Environmentalism: Topics in Buddhist Studies
- Nathan McGovern, University of California, Santa Barbara: Rethinking the Early Buddhist/Brabman Divide: A Comparative Study of References to Brabmans in the Pali and Chinese Canons
- Claire Maes, Universiteit Gent: How to Understand a Jain Infiltration in Buddhist Monastic Texts? A Critical Analysis of Buddhist Monastic Rule Laid Down to Protect One Sense Facultied Life (Ekindriyam Jivam)
- Oliver Freiberger, University of Texas: The Foundation of the Sangha in Buddhist Historiography and Hagiography
- Paul Brownell, Australian National University: Defining and Understanding Hermeneutics in the Yogacara Text, A Commentary on Differentiating the Middle from the Extremes (Dbus Dang Miha’ Rnam Par ‘Byed Pa’i Grel Pa): A Meditative Analysis
- Seth DeVere Clippard, Arizona State University: Expanding the Circle of Purity: An Analysis of Chinese Buddhist Environmentalism

A1-103

Christian Systematic Theology Section
Marriott Marquis, Marquis Ballroom D
Gerard Loughlin, Durham University, Presiding
Theme: Revelation, Image, and Drama
- Michael Gibson, Vanderbilt University: The Luminous Frame: Film as Iconographic Mediation of Revelation
- Eve Tibbs, Fuller Theological Seminary: An ‘Iconic’ Scriptural Hermeneutic
- David S. Cunningham, Hope College: God’s Spies: The Theatrical Company (and the Church) in a Dramatic Doctrine of Revelation
- Jinhyuk Kim, University of Oxford: Desire, Revelation, and Aesthetic: Towards an Aesthetic Doctrine of Revelation

Business Meeting:
Gerard Loughlin, Durham University, Presiding

A1-104

Comparative Studies in Religion Section
Marriott Marquis, L506
Ivan Strenska, University of California, Riverside, Presiding
Theme: Leibniz-Straus and the Semiotics of Religion
- Craig Martin, Saint Thomas Aquinas College: On the Tontem of Science and Capitalism
- Christopher Roberts, Reed College: Ritual, Redundancy, and the Entropic A Priori
- Joel Noret, FRS-FNRS, Belgium: The ‘Bricolage’ of the Place of the Dead in Southern Benin
Responding:
Jens Kreinath, Wichita State University
Business Meeting:
Kimberly Patton, Harvard University, and Tracy Pintchman, Loyola University, Chicago, Presiding

A1-105

North American Religions Section
Marriott Marquis, M101
Paul Harvey, University of Colorado, Presiding
Theme: The Future of Southern Religious History
Panelists:
- Alison Greene, Yale University
- Michael Pasquier, Louisiana State University
- Randall Stephens, Eastern Nazarene College
- Curtis Evans, University of Chicago
- Ted Ownby, University of Mississippi
Responding:
Lauren Winner, Duke University
Business Meeting:
Rudy V. Bustos, University of California, Santa Barbara, and Kathleen Flake, Vanderbilt University, Presiding

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A1-106

Philosophy of Religion Section
Marriott Marquis, L401-402
Michael Rea, University of Notre Dame, Presiding
Theme: Possible Futures of the Philosophy of Religion
Eric Bugis, Yale University
- Overcoming Post-secular Oscillations: The Aesthetic Validity of Kant’s “Religion”
Tim Knepper, Drake University
The End of the Philosophy of Religion?
J. Aaron Simmons, Hendrix College, and John Sanders, Hendrix College
A Goldilocks God? The Future of the Philosophy of the Religious between Presence and Absence
Thomas D. Carroll, Mount Ida College
The Problem of Relevance and Analytic Philosophy of Religion: Reflection on a Possible Future

Nawaraj Chaulagain, Harvard University
Honor the Bombs: Tantric Rites, Ritual Violence, and Maintenance of Power
Robin Rinehart, Lafayette College
Of Swords, Rifles, and Riddles: The Sikh Shastranam-mala

A1-107

Religion and Politics Section
Marriott Marquis, A706
Andrew Murphy, Rutgers University, Presiding
Theme: American Cultures and Religious Identities
Richard Amesbury, Claremont School of Theology
"Emblems of Belief": Military Headstones as Markers of American National Identity
Katherine Rousseau, University of Denver
The Elasticity of Hope: The 2008 HOPE Poster and Eschatology in Public Time
Cara Burnidge, Florida State University
"Muhammad Was a Punk Rocker": The Taqwacoles and Muslim-American Identity Politics
David Decosimo, Princeton University
For Sacred Value: Waterboarding, Horrendous Evil, and the Wrongness of Torture

A1-110

Teaching Religion Section
Marriott Marquis, L405-406
John Knight, Marist College, Presiding
Theme: "Does It Fit?" The Classroom as a Context for the Making and Testing of Knowledge
Panelists:
- Ann Burlein, Hofstra University
- Kathryn D. Blanchard, Alma College
- Michel Andraos, Catholic Theological Union
Responding:
- Eugene V. Gallagher, Connecticut College

A1-111

Theology and Religious Reflection Section
Hyatt Regency, Hanover FG
Andrea Smith, University of California, Riverside, Presiding
Theme: Rethinking Class in Religious and Theological Studies
Panelists:
- Joerg Rieger, Southern Methodist University
- Pamela K. Brubaker, California Lutheran University
- Stephanie Y. Mitchem, University of South Carolina
- Jung Mo Sung, Universidade Metodista, Sao Paulo
- Kenneth Surin, Duke University
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A1-112

Women and Religion Section
Hyatt Regency, Hanover D
Kate Ott, Religious Institute on Sexual Morality, Justice, and Healing, Presiding
Theme: Migration, Relocation, and Diaspora: Experiences of Women
Leila M. Ortiz, Lutheran Theological Seminary, Philadelphia
Power and Subservience Redefined among Puerto Rican Pentecostal Women: Contesting Gender in Urban Storefront Churches
Allie Jones, Claremont School of Theology
Crossing the Border: A Story of Sexual Victimization
Gemma Cruz, DePaul University
Between Oppression and Liberation: Religion and Gendered Migration

A1-113

African Religions Group
Marriott Marquis, M304
Elias Bongmba, Rice University, Presiding
Panelists:
Isabel Phiri, University of KwaZulu-Natal
Simangaliso Kumalo, University of KwaZulu-Natal
Jim Cochrane, University of Cape Town
Gary Gunderson, University of Memphis
Tiniko Maluleke, University of South Africa
Sarojini Nadar, University of KwaZulu-Natal
Business Meeting:
Laura Grillo, Pacifica Graduate Institute, Presiding

A1-114

Anthropology of Religion Group
Marriott Marquis, A705
J. Shawn Landres, Jumpstart/Project on Emergent Religious and Social Entrepreneurship, Presiding
Theme: Crossing the Lines: Anthropology and Evangelicalism in the Americas
Renea Brathwaite, Regent University
A Desperate Hope: The Color Line Washed Away in the Blood?
Ethan P. Sharp, University of Texas, Pan American
Evangelicalism among Mexican Catholics: Witnessing and Testimonies in Transnational Circuits
William Girard, University of California, Santa Cruz
Remaking Nations: Pentecostal Discourses of "Honduras" and the "United States" in Copan Ruinas, Honduras
Responding:
James S. Bielo, Miami University
Business Meeting:
J. Shawn Landres, Jumpstart/Project on Emergent Religious and Social Entrepreneurship, Presiding

A1-115

Bible in Racial, Ethnic, and Indigenous Communities Group
Marriott Marquis, L505
Tat-siong Benny Liew, Pacific School of Religion, Presiding
Theme: Bible and Colonization: Asia/Oceania
Panelists:
Eleazar S. Fernandez, United Theological Seminary of the Twin Cities
Nami Kim, Spelman College
Peter C. Phan, Georgetown University
J. Jayakiran Sebastian, Lutheran Theological Seminary, Philadelphia
Jenny Te Paa, College of Saint John the Evangelist, Auckland
Changgang Guo, Shanghai University
Hisako Kinukawa, Tokyo, Japan

A1-116

Buddhist Critical-Constructive Reflection Group
Marriott Marquis, A601
Anne Klein, Rice University, Presiding
Theme: What's at Stake in Contemplative Science? Reductionism, Embodiment, and Other Key Issues in the Secularization and Scientific Study of Contemplative Practices
Panelists:

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Brendan Ozawa-de Silva, Emory University  
Brooke Dodson-Lavelle, Emory University  
Andreas Doctor, Kathmandu University  
Wendy Hasenkamp, Emory University  
Responding:  
Martijn van Beek, Aarhus University

A1-117

Chinese Religions Group  
Marriott Marquis, L508  
Robert M. Gimello, University of Notre Dame, Presiding  
Theme: Repentance in Chinese Popular Religion  
Mariko Namba Walter, Harvard University  
"For the Sake of Not to Fall into Hell": A Dunhuang Repentance Text  
Hudaya Kandahjaya, Numata Center for Buddhist Translation and Research  
The Origins of the Eighty-eight Buddha Repentance  
Kendall Marchman, University of Florida  
Journey to the West: Personal Repentance for the Sake of All  
Beverley Foulks, University of North Carolina, Greensboro  
Repentance Rituals for Eliminating Karma: The Penitential Practice of Ouyi Zhixu (1599–1655)  
Responding:  
D. Neil Schmid, North Carolina State University

A1-118

Christian Spirituality Group and Theology of Martin Luther  
King Jr. Consultation  
Marriott Marquis, Marquis Ballroom C  
Karen Jackson-Weaver, Princeton University, Presiding  
Theme: Spirituality and the Civil Rights Movement  
Peter Heltzel, New York Theological Seminary  
The Mystical-Prophetic Spirituality of Howard Thurman and Martin Luther King Jr.  
J. Cayenne Claassen-Luttner, Emory University  
Co-opting Saint Martin? How a Radical Baptist Becomes an Ecumenical Saint  
John Roedel, Graduate Theological Union  
Only the Samaritan Had Mercy: The Importance of Martin Luther King Jr.'s Moral Flaws for the Practice of Nonviolence  
Luther E. Smith Jr., Emory University  
Howard Thurman: Spirituality as More Than an Implication  
Responding:  
Barbara A. Holmes, Memphis Theological Seminary

A1-119

Comparative Religious Ethics Group  
Marriott Marquis, L503  
Anne R. Hansen, University of Wisconsin, Presiding  
Theme: Spatial, Narrative, and Embodied Production of Ethical Values  
Faraz M. Sheikhd, Indiana University  
Practices of the Self in Muslim Moral Discourse: Authoritative Narratives, Emotions, and the Elusive Nature of Submission  
Jessica Wroblewski, Saint Mary's College  
The Space of Welcome: Ethics as Hospitality  
Irene Oh, George Washington University  
Halal: Food, Gender, and Ethical Reflection in Modern Muslim Communities  
Gabriel Robinson, University of Chicago  
Cosmological Crossings and Christian Frames: Christian, Norse, and Japanese Mythology in the Comic Series Lucifer  
Responding:  
Elizabeth Bucar, University of North Carolina, Greensboro  
Business Meeting:  
Jonathan Schofer, Harvard University, Presiding

A1-120

Contemporary Islam Group  
Marriott Marquis, A602  
Robert Rozehnal, Lehigh University, Presiding  
Theme: Mobilizing and Marketing Islam: Media, Technology, and Modernity  
Abbas Barzegar, Emory University  
Free Food and Martyrdom: Media Representations of the Islamic Right in Iran's Post-Election Crisis  
Francis James Sanzaro, Syracuse University  
Islam and the Architectural Avant Garde in Istanbul, Cairo, and Dubai  
Robert Riggs, University of Pennsylvania  
Global Networks, Local Concerns: Paradoxes in the Utilization of Emerging Technologies for Shi'i Religious Leaders  
Edith Szanto, University of Toronto  
Beyond Carnival and Spectacle: Contemporary Twelve Shi'i Mubarram Rituals in Syria  
Responding:  
Kambiz GhaneaBassiri, Reed College  
Business Meeting:  
Anna Bigelow, North Carolina State University, Presiding
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Monday, 9:00 am–11:30 am

A1-121 ⭐

Contemporary Pagan Studies Group
Hyatt Regency, Hanover AB
Jone Salomonsen, University of Oslo, Presiding
Theme: Paganism, Ethnicity, and Ultranationalism
- Koenraad Elst, Mortsel, Belgium
  From the Mono/Poly Debate to the Identitarians: Politicized Pagan Revitalism in Europe
- Thad N. Horrell, Iliff School of Theology and University of Denver
  Heathen Ethnic Projects and the Problem of Race in the United States
- Kaarino Aitamurto, University of Helsinki and Aleksanteri Institute
  The Liaisons of Nationalism, Conservatism, and Leftist Ideology within Rodnovery: Approaching the Paradox
- Michael Strmiska, Orange County Community College, State University of New York
  Transatlantic Tensions in Norse Paganism: Left-Wing/Right-Wing Tendencies in America and Europe

Responding:
- Mathias Gardell, Stockholm University

Business Meeting:
- Wendy Griffin, California State University, Long Beach, and Michael York, Academy for Cultural and Educational Studies, London, Presiding

A1-122

Hinduism Group
Marriott Marquis, A707
Ramdas Lamb, University of Hawai’i, Presiding
Theme: Religion on the Ground: Village Hinduism in Practice
- Veena Rani Howard, University of Oregon
  Santanu Nature of Hinduism and a Rural Saint Tradition in Bihar
- Jon Keune, Columbia University
  Tarkari Pilgrimages and Local Traditions in Marathwada (Central Maharashtra)
- Antoinette DeNapoli, Grinnell College
  Gender, Asceticism, and Vernacular Religion in Rajasthan: A Devotional Model
- Purushottama Bilimoria, Deakin and Melbourne Universities
  How the Swamy Ayyappa Sect Captures Rural Imagination in the South
- Pankaj Jain, University of North Texas
  How Can We Cut God’s Trees: Sacred Groves in Bhil Villages

A1-123

Practical Theology Group
Marriott Marquis, Marquis Ballroom B
Dale P. Andrews, Vanderbilt University, Presiding
Theme: Rapture, Lament, Suffering, and Practical Theology
- Anne Carter Walker, Claremont School of Theology
  A Practical Theology for the Privileged
- Millicent Feske, Saint Joseph’s University
- Auli Vähäkangas, University of Helsinki
  Contextual Pastoral Counseling among the Terminally Ill AIDS Patients in Tanzania
- Elizabeth O’Donnell Gandolfo, Emory University
  The Dangerous Memory of El Mozote: A Practical Theological Defense of Hope in the Memory of Suffering

Responding:
- Stephanie M. Crompton, Columbia Theological Seminary

A1-124 ⭐

Pragmatism and Empiricism in American Religious Thought Group
Marriott Marquis, M108
William David Hart, University of North Carolina, Greensboro, Presiding
Theme: Pragmatism, Politics, and the Personal
- Deborah Whitehead, University of Colorado
  Engendering Religion: James, Gender, and the Academic Study of Religion
- Joshua Daniel, University of Chicago
  Cultivating Trust: Reading George Herbert Mead through Annette Baxier
- Joseph Winters, University of North Carolina, Charlotte
  William James, the Me, and the Painful Pleasures of Being at Home with the World
- Stephen Bush, Brown University
  The Politics of the Varieties: William James on Individuality, Pluralism, and Religion

Business Meeting:
- Beth Eddy, Worcester Polytechnic Institute, and Eddie S. Glaude Jr., Princeton University, Presiding

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Reformed Theology and History Group
Marriott Marquis, M105
Kang-Yup Na, Westminster College, Presiding
Theme: Reformed Reflections on Mission
Joshua Ralston, Emory University
Gathered from All Nations: Refugees and Reformed Ecclesiology
John Halsey Wood, Saint Louis University
John Livingston Nevius and the New Missions History
Shannon Nicole Smythe, Princeton Theological Seminary
The Apostolicity of Jesus Christ and Its Missional Correspondence in Karl Barth’s Doctrine of Election
David Y. Kim, Harvard University
Renovation of Citizenship and the Problem of the Erroneous Conscience

A1-127

Religion in Latin America and the Caribbean Group
Marriott Marquis, A702
Jennifer Scheper Hughes, University of California, Riverside, Presiding
Theme: Of Spirits and Virtual Bodies: New Research on the Crossings of Body and Spirit in Latin American Religions
Sean O’Neil, University of Florida
Anointing Beyond the Grave? Assessing the Legacy of Padre Emiliano, a Transnational Charismatic Catholic Priest
Katerina Kerestetzi, University Paris Ouest-Nanterre
Penetrating the World of the Dead: The Reproduction of Palo Monte’s Religious Practice (Cuba)
Ramiro Jaimes Martínez, Universidad Autónoma de Baja, California, and Rebecca Moore, San Diego State University
Religious Conversion and Rehabilitation: Neo-Pentecostal Treatment Centers in Tijuana, Mexico

A1-126

Religion and Popular Culture Group
Marriott Marquis, M103-104
Lisle Dalton, Hartwick College, Presiding
Theme: 2-D Hierophanies: Religious Creativity and Cultural Critique in Comic Books, Manga, Anime, and Graphic Novels
Catherine Pruett, Emory University
In Medias Res: Tracing the Play of Divine Consciousness in Revolutionary Girl Utena
Megan Goodwin, University of North Carolina
Conversion to Narrative: Magic as Religious Language in Grant Morrison’s Invisibles
A. David Lewis, Boston University
Endless Battle: The Superhero Afterlife Subgenre and the Rupture of Narrative Character
Andrew Tripp, Boston University
Phallocracy in Alan Moore’s From Hell
Franz Winter, University of Vienna
A Case Study in the Importance of the Manga-culture for Japanese New Religions: The “Greek God” Hermes in Kefuku no Kagaku

A1-128

Religion, Media, and Culture Group
Marriott Marquis, M302
Jonathan Boyarin, University of North Carolina, Presiding
Theme: Responses to Jeremy Stolow’s Orthodox by Design
Panelists:
Michele Rosenthal, University of Haifa
Shaull Magid, Indiana University
David Morgan, Duke University
John Durham Peters, University of Iowa
Responding:
Jeremy Stolow, Concordia University
A1-129 ⭐

Schleiermacher Group

Hyatt Regency, Hanover E

Dawn A. De Vries, Union Presbyterian Seminary, Presiding

Theme: New Work on Schleiermacher, Part Two

Andrew Dole, Amherst College

Determinism and the Monologen

Frances M. Henderson, Princeton Theological Seminary

Between Gadamer and Frei: Retrieving Schleiermacher's Hermeneutic of Understanding from His Mid-twentieth Century Interpreters

Marcia Mount Shoop, University Presbyterian Church, Chapel Hill

Embodiment Theology: Schleiermacher's "Gefühlt" and Going Metaphysical

C. J. Dickson, Princeton Theological Seminary

Literary Form in the Later Schleiermacher

Business Meeting:
Andrew Dole, Amherst College, Presiding

A1-130 ⭐

Scriptural Reasoning Group

Marriott Marquis, A704

Ayeshah Chaudhry, Colgate University, Presiding

Theme: The Promise of Scriptural Reasoning for Scriptural Hermeneutics

Mike Higton, University of Exeter

"It Could Go Off at Any Minute": Carrying a "Hard Saying" of Jesus's from Evangelicalism to Scriptural Reasoning

Daniel N. Weiss, Oberlin College

Keeping the Oral Torah Oral: Rabbinic Hermeneutics and the Need for Interfaith Text Study

Tom Gregg, University of Chester

Locating and Complicating the Bible: A Path to Discovering the Hermeneutics of Agape

Rumee Ahmed, Colgate University

Knew Your Competition: The Crisis of Meaning for the Qur'anic Challenge

Responding:

Rendi Rashko, George Mason University

Business Meeting:

Tom Gregg, University of Chester, Presiding

A1-131 ⭐

Theology and Continental Philosophy Group

Marriott Marquis, M102

Bruce Ellis Benson, Wheaton College, Presiding

Theme: Affect and in Theology

Jeffrey McCurry, Duquesne University

Affect and the Problem of Resentment: Augustine, the Neo-Augustinians, and Nietzsche on Loving God

Abigail Khucin, Columbia University

Julia Kristeva and the Hermeneutics of Affect

David U. B. Liu, North Carolina State University

Fleeting, Fleas, and Auto-affection in (through) Michel Henry

William Robert, Syracuse University

The Sense of Passion

Business Meeting:

Bruce Ellis Benson, Wheaton College, Presiding

A1-132

Wesleyan Studies Group and World Christianity Group

Marriott Marquis, M301

Jane Carol Redmont, Guilford College, and Priscilla Pope-Levison, Seattle Pacific University, Presiding

Theme: The Legacy of Edinburgh 1910: Wesleyan Trajectories of Ecumenism, Mission, and Interreligious Relations for the Twenty-first Century

Philip Wingeier-Rayo, Pfeiffer University

Edinburgh 1910: A Reflection on Missions and World Christianity

Benjamin L. Hartley, Eastern University

A Reexamination of John R. Mott's Contributions to Methodist Missions, Interreligious Dialogue, and Race Relations after Edinburgh 1910

Kevin York-Simmons, Vanderbilt University

Morality and Missions after Edinburgh: From Rethinking Missions to Rethinking Ethics

Glory Dharmarat, Women's Division, United Methodist Church

Interfaith Relations: Edinburgh 2010 and a Monitoring Tool
A1-133

Womanist Approaches to Religion and Society Group
Marriott Marquis, Marquis Ballroom A
Monique Moultrie, Vanderbilt University, Presiding
Theme: The Cultural Production of Femaleness in the Visual Arts
- Pamela Lightsey, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary
  "Ain't Nothin' An Old Man Can Do Fuh Me But...": Moms Mabley and the Need for Funny During the Civil Rights Movement
- Tamura Lomax, Vanderbilt University
  Tyler Perry’s Cinematic Theology and His Burden of Representation
- Zena Regis, Columbia Theological Seminary
  "I'm Not Here to Make Friends; I'm Here to Win": Representations of Black Female Friendships in Contemporary Christian Film
- Tinesha J. Williams McNeill, Hillside, NJ
  A Wolf in Sheep's Clothing: The Demystification of Tyler Perry’s Subliminal Misogyny
- Cheryl A. Kirk-Duggan, Shaw University
  Signifying, Loving, and Relationality Embodied: Towards a Womanist Theological Anthropology Amidst Selected Cultural Productions of Tyler Perry

Daniel Joslyn-Siemiatkoski, Graduate Theological Union
Between Moriah and Golgotha: The Presence and Absence of the Binding of Isaac in Traditions of the Macedonian Martyrs
Devorah Schoenfeld, Loyola University, Chicago
The Near-sacrifice of Isaac in Medieval Christian Exegesis
Adam Ben Shea, Emory University
The Binding that Ties: Ibrahim and the Intended Sacrifice
Responding:
- Judith L. Bishop, Mills College
- Business Meeting:
  Martha Newman, University of Texas, Presiding

A1-134

Death, Dying, and Beyond Consultation
Marriott Marquis, L504
Lucy Bregman, Temple University, Presiding
Theme: Spiritualism
- Corinne Dempsey, University of Wisconsin, Stevens Point
  The Curse and the Gift of Spirit Encounters in Contemporary Iceland
- Nell Champoux, Syracuse University
  Approaching a World Beyond: Spiritualism and Death in the Thought of William James
- Cathy N. Gutierrez, Sweet Briar College
  The Dead Tell of Dying: Reflections on Death in American Spiritualism
- Christa Shusko, York College of Pennsylvania
  Beautiful Corpse: The Bones of Mary Cragin and the Acceptance of Spiritualism in the Onedia Community

Michael Burdett, University of Oxford
N. F. Fedorov and Christian Transhumanism
Patrick D. Hopkins, Millsaps College
Transhumanism as a Theological Process
Joseph G. Wolyniak, University of Oxford
Transhumanism and the Baconian Project: The Theological Impetus for Material Salvation
Responding:
- Calvin Mercer, East Carolina University, Presiding

A1-135

Religion in Europe and the Mediterranean World, 500-1650 CE Consultation
Marriott Marquis, L404
Constance Furey, Indiana University, Presiding
Theme: Interpreting Isaac and Ishmael across Religious Traditions
- Deana Klepper, Boston University
  Isaac, Ishmael, and the Rejection of the Jew in Medieval Christian Thought
- Carol Bakhos, University of California, Los Angeles
  Siblings and Rivals: Representations of Isaac and Ishmael in Jewish and Muslim Sources
Program Sessions

Monday, 9:00 am–11:30 am

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Food, Justice, and Sustainability: Atlanta’s Urban Agriculture Tour

Monday, 9:00 am–12:00 pm

Buses pick up at Hyatt Regency-Baker Street Exit
A. Whitney Sanford, University of Florida, and Laurel D. Kears, Drew University, Presiding

Sponsored by the Religion and Ecology Group, the Forum on Religion and Ecology, and the AAR Task Force on Sustainability

This bus tour will take us to places in urban Atlanta where residents are working to address food, justice, and sustainability concerns in their communities. Tour guide Erin Croom of Georgia Organics (www.georgiaorganics.org) will lead us through several sites to show how local organizations have been addressing hunger and nutrition by developing new forms of urban agriculture and garden-based education.

The tour will include sites such as the Edgewood Community Garden (www.flickr.com/photos/garden_en_us/Garden_Project_Orange/Thumb/orangetheevent/edgewoodcommunity), Oakleaf Mennonite Farm (www.localharvest.org/farms/M34689), and Truly Living Well Natural Urban Farms (www.trulylivingwell.com). The Edgewood Garden works with local schools, religious organizations, and senior centers. The Oakleaf Mennonite Farm is a diverse vegetable and small-animal farm founded by the Berea Mennonite Church in East Atlanta with the belief that local, fresh, responsible eating is part of the Christian call to stewardship and creation care.

Truly Living Well is an African American owned and operated urban farm that provides food and educational services for local communities. A portion of the tour fee will be donated to these organizations.

Tour fee: $30

A1-138  📁 💫

BAPS Shri Swaminarayan Mandir Tour

Monday, 9:00 am–12:00 pm

Buses pick up at Hyatt Regency-Baker Street Exit
Paul Courtright, Emory University, Presiding

Sponsored by the Hinduism Group and the North American Hinduism Consultation

The BAPS Shri Swaminarayan Mandir is the largest Hindu temple of its kind outside of India. The temple boasts hand-carved stone spires that tower seventy-five feet. More than 12,300 tons of stone was quarried and shipped to the craftsmen in India. Then, the nearly 35,000 pieces were shipped to Atlanta, where more than 900 volunteers dedicated their time in putting this marvel together.

Tour fee: $20

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William Breman Jewish Heritage Museum Tour

Monday, 9:00 am–12:00 pm

Meet in Hyatt Regency Lobby
Kathryn McIlvony, Georgia State University, Presiding

Sponsored by the Study of Judaism Section and the Religion, Holocaust, and Genocide Group

The Museum’s extraordinarily vivid exhibitions use the personal remembrances of Atlantans to explain seminal moments in the Jewish experience. Creating Community tells the story of Atlanta Jews creating and experiencing community. Absence of Humanity tells the story of the Holocaust through historical photographs and documents, personal memorabilia and family pictures, and in the voices of those who survived and made new lives in Atlanta.

Tour fee: $10

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Graduate Student Committee Meeting

Monday, 9:00 am–11:00 am

Hyatt Regency, Baker
Whitney Bauman, Florida International University, Presiding

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Society for Comparative Theology

Hyatt Regency, Techwood

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Drepung Loseling Monastery Tour

Monday, 9:30 am–1:00 pm

Buses pick up at Hyatt Regency-Baker Street Exit
John Dunne, Emory University, Presiding

Sponsored by the Tibetan and Himalayan Religions Group and the Buddhism in the West Consultation

Drepung Loseling provides theoretical knowledge and practical training in Tibetan Buddhist scholarly traditions for Western students, scholars, and the general public and helps preserve the endangered Tibetan culture. The tour will be led by the abbot, Geshe Lobzang Tenzin Negi.

Tour fee: $30

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Plenary Address
Monday, 11:45 am–12:45 pm
Hyatt Regency, Centennial II–IV
Ann Taves, University of California, Santa Barbara, Presiding
Theme: Anne Harrington: Religion and the Placebo Effect —
Historical Issues, Present-Day Challenges

We know that the human body sometimes responds to a doctor’s reassuring words and the
solace of sugar pills as if they were real treatments. Medicine calls this “the placebo effect.” For the past
decade, humanistic scholars of medical practice
have been interested in the complex, ambivalent
ways that medicine and medical science imagines
and employs this concept.

What happens, though, when the concept of the placebo effect
is invoked as an explanation in contexts where the suffering
person has placed his or her faith, not in sugar pills or a fake
injection, but in God’s divine mercy, or in the power of prayer?
What changes? What is gained? What is at risk? We may not
have to guess. Talk about the placebo effect can in fact be found
these days in a range of uneasy conversations at the boundaries
of religion and medical science. We see it being invoked in
everything from arguments about the importance of the “faith
factor” in healing, to projects designed to find out whether
prayer “really” works, to arguments that our brains are “wired” to
believe in God because doing so is good for our health. Where
did all these different conversations and projects come from?
How should we put the pieces together? And — most important
— what are the larger take home questions and challenges for
religious studies?

Panelists:
Anne Harrington, Harvard University

A1-143

Career Services Advisory Committee Meeting
Monday, 11:45 am–12:45 pm
Marriott Marquis, L501
Jessica Davenport, American Academy of Religion, Presiding

A1-144 CANCELLED

Michael C. Carlos Museum Tour
Monday, 12:30 am–4:00 pm

A1-200

Special Topics Forum
Monday, 1:00 pm–3:30 pm
Marriott Marquis, Marquis Ballroom C
Emmanuel Larvey, Emory University, Presiding
Theme: Spiritual Practices, Religious Pluralism, and Theological
Education
Sponsored by the Theological Education Steering Committee
Contexts of theological education are increasingly pluralistic in terms
of religious tradition and the diverse spiritual practices embraced by
students and faculty. At the same time, “formation” as a dimension
of theological education remains an issue of deep significance. How
should we attend to the rich pluralism of spiritual practice within
contexts of theological education? What are the implications for how
we understand formation as a dimension of theological education?
How might practical theology — and its analogues in diverse religious
traditions — provide resources for critical reflection upon spiritual
practice, formation, and theological education? This session explores
such questions through a dialogue with Jewish, Muslim, Buddhist, and
Christian scholars.

Panelists:
Claire Wolfreich, Boston University
Judith Simmer-Brown, Naropa University
Munir Jiwa, Graduate Theological Union
Or Rose, Hebrew College

A1-201

Wildcard Session
Monday, 1:00 pm–3:30 pm
Marriott Marquis, A708
Jonathan L. Walton, Harvard University, Presiding
Theme: What is this “Religious” in Hip-Hop Culture? Shifting Theories
and Methods in the Study of African American Religion
Recently published texts like KRS-One’s The Gospel of Hip Hop (Power
House Books, 2009) and Re’s The Tao of Wu (Riverhead, 2009) make
use of the religious in varied ways, and in part suggests something
about how the religious is taken up in hip-hop cultural forms. While
it has been acknowledged that religious attention to hip-hop culture
is both important and necessary, left uninterrogated is a critical
examination of what the “religious” in hip-hop purports to do, and
more so, how attention to hip-hop necessitates a rethinking and
retheorizing of the religious in African American religious studies. Is
hip-hop changing theoretical formations of the religious in African
American religious studies, and if so, how? Through attention to this
central question, this panel seeks to interrogate possible challenges
to various theoretical foundations within African American religious
studies posed by the recent turn to hip-hop as both subject of study
and cultural hermeneutic.

Christopher Driscoll, Rice University
"Still Standing: Hermeneutic of Style and Ethics of Perpetual
Rebellion as Liberative Praxis in the Work of Goodie Mob"

Andre Willis, Yale University
Four Methods of African American Cultural Criticism: Scholarship on
Religion and Rap Music
PROGRAM SESSIONS

Monday, 1:00 pm - 3:30 pm

Monica Miller, University of Pennsylvania
What’s So Religious about the Religious, After All? Redescribing the Religious in Hip-Hop Culture

Elonda Clay, Lutheran School of Theology, Chicago
These Gods Got Swagger: God Games, Gameplay, and the Digital Performance of Hip-Hop Culture in User-Created Machinima

Responding:
Juan Floyd-Thomas, Vanderbilt University

A1-202  

Wildcard Session
Marriott Marquis, L404

Ahmet T. Karamustafa, Washington University, Saint Louis, Presiding
Theme: Mapping the Social and Intellectual Boundaries of Premodern Shi’ism

This panel explores formative themes, social practices, and historical narratives in Shi’ism from its beginnings to the present. Each paper explores central aspects of various Shi’i traditions, and provides analysis which exemplify, nuance, or challenge central aspects of the common understanding of Shi’i tradition.

Tariq al-Jamali, Swarthmore College
Performing the Secret: Shi’ism and Religious Dissimulation in Social Practice (656/1258-786/1384)

David Hollenberg, James Madison University
Toward a Portrait of a Scholastic Community: Oral Histories of the Owners and Patrons of the Zaydi Private Manuscript Libraries of Northern Yemen

Maria Massi Dakake, George Mason University
Writing and Resistance: The Transmission of Religious Knowledge in Early Shi’ite Thought

Najam Haider, Barnard College
Narratives of Early Zaytûnî: Theology and the Revolt of Zayd b. Ali

A1-203

Christian Systematic Theology Section
Marriott Marquis, Marquis Ballroom D

Cynthia Rigby, Austin Theological Seminary, Presiding
Theme: Revelation, Language, and Canon

Adam Nigh, University of Aberdeen
Scripture as the Divine Assumption of Fallen Human Language

Duane Stephen Long, Marquette University
Canon(s) as Criteria for Biblical Interpretation

Marsaura Shukla, University of Chicago
Cactus Flowers: Revelation and Inspiration in the Desert of Criticism

Timothy Stanley, University of Manchester
The Return of the Scroll: Canon after Codex

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Wildcard Sessions
North American Religions Section
Marriott Marquis, M102
Courtney Bender, Columbia University, Presiding
Theme: Secular/Religious Moving Beyond the Secular/Religious Binary
Geoffrey Pollick, Drew University
The Masses/Pagan Revolt: Max Eastman and “Religion” among Modern United States Radicals
Healan Gaston, Harvard University
“A Pagan Philosophy from Abroad”: Secularism and Public Education in the Interwar Catholic Imagination
Benjamin Zeller, Brevard College
Science and Religion Beyond Scopes: When Physicists See the Light
Responding:
Tracy Fessenden, Arizona State University

A1-209
Study of Islam Section
Marriott Marquis, Marquis Ballroom A
Nargis Virani, The New School, Presiding
Theme: Law, Theology, and Politics
Dale J. Correa, New York University
Between Reason and Revelation: The Theological Associations of Ijma’ and Their Epistemological Ramifications
Nathan French, University of California, Santa Barbara
For the Benefit of Suicide?: A Discussion of Martyrdom Operations within Contemporary Fatwa Literature in the Digital Domain
Sher Ali Tareen, Duke University
Can God Lose? Can God Produce a Second Muhammad? Intra-Muslim Polemics on the Boundaries of Divine and Prophetic Authority in Nineteenth-Century India
Gregory Mack, McGill University
The Modern Muftis: Religious Policing in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia
Philip Dorrill, Emory University
“The Turkish Understanding of Religion”: Sonmez Kutlu, Hanife Ozcan, and the Epistemology of Cultural and Religious Pluralism

A1-208
Religion in South Asia Section
Marriott Marquis, M301
Ananda Abeysekara, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University, Presiding
Theme: Taking Refuge in the State: Buddhists, Non-Buddhists, and the State in Contemporary Sri Lanka
Daniel W. Kent, Whitman College
To Kill with Kindness: Buddhist Understandings of War and Intentional Killing in Sri Lanka’s Civil War
Benjamin Schonthal, University of Chicago
Buddhism, Secularism, and the History of Religions in Sri Lanka’s Constitutions
Oshan Fernando, East York, Ontario
(R)Imagining the State: The Politics of Converting to Christianity in Sri Lanka
Responding:
Jonathan Young, Cornell University
Monastic Politicians: Buddhist Monks in Twenty-first Century Sri Lankan Government
Mahinda Deegalle, Bath Spa University

A1-207
Philosophy of Religion Section
Marriott Marquis, A601
Sarah Hammerschlag, Williams College, Presiding
Theme: Post-Heideggerian Phenomenology of Religion
Bradley Onishi, University of California, Santa Barbara
The Hermeneutics of Absence: Marion’s Counter-experience and Bataille’s Inner Experience
Nathan Crawford, Loyola University, Chicago
Revelation as the Event of Attunement: A Reappropriation of Heidegger through Marion
Daniel Bosciaion, University of Iowa
Moving Beyond the Symbolic: The Material Potential of Post-Heideggerian Theology
Troy Mack, Drew University
An Embodied History, Constantly Evolving: Embodiment, Evolution, and Revelation in a Heideggerian Project

Study of Judaism Section
Marriott Marquis, L505
Martin Kavka, Florida State University, Presiding
Theme: Jewish Identity and Race in the United States
Sarah Imhoff, University of Chicago
Constructing the American Jewish Body: Medical, Racial, and Gender Discourses
Annalise Glauz-Todrank, University of California, Santa Barbara
How Racial Discourse Influences Jewish Legal Rights: An Analysis of Three Cases
Ruchama Johnston-Bloom, University of Chicago
“I Declared Myself a Mutant”: Jewish Identity, Race, and Gender in How I Became Hettie Jones
Aaron Gross, University of San Diego
Idolaters are Not Called “Adam”
Responding:
Nora L. Rubel, University of Rochester
PROGRAM SESSIONS

Monday, 1:00 pm-3:30 pm

A1-211 Teaching Religion Section
Marriott Marquis, L405-406
Elizabeth Corrie, Emory University, Presiding
Theme: Educating for Social Transformation in Religious Studies and Beyond: Perspectives from Atlanta Area Activists and Educators
Panelists:
- Lucia Hultether, Agnes Scott College
- Alexis Chase, Georgia Interfaith Power and Light
- Leititia Campbell, Emory University
- Bryan Cronan, Emory University
- K. Rashid Nuri, Truly Living Well Natural Urban Farms
- Max Evans, Emory University
- Brian G. Campbell, Emory University

A1-212 Theology and Religious Reflection Section
Marriott Marquis, A707
Mark Scott, Concordia University, Presiding
Theme: Aesthetics and the Political
- Krista E. Hughes, Hanover College
  Making "Sene" of Justice: Aesthetics and Compassion
- Jinyoung Kim, University of Oxford
  Barth, Nazism, and the Beautiful: Towards an Ethics of Aesthetics
- Christopher Boesel, Drew University
  The Perils of a Divine Aesthete after the Holocaust
- Jorge A. Aquino, University of San Francisco
  Hegio-Politics: Leadership, Charisma, and the Performance of the Beautiful in Faith-based Social Justice Movements
- Elizabeth Vasko, Duquesne University
  Beauty and the Cross: The Framing of Attention to Suffering in Hans Urs von Balthasar’s Theology

A1-213 Women and Religion Section and Comparative Studies in Hinduisms and Judaisms Group
Marriott Marquis, A705
Lyone Fein, Denison University, Presiding
Theme: Female Leadership and Alternative Authorities in Hinduisms and Judaisms
- Antoinette DeNapoli, Grinnell College
  Real Sadhus Sing to God: Devotion, Performance, and (Symbolic) Capital in the Leadership of Female Acharis in Rajasthan
- Melia Belli, University of Texas, Arlington
  Gender, Legitimacy, and the Visual Vocabulary of Queenship: Abiyahutu Holkar’s Memorial Commission
- June Leavitt, Ben Gurion University of the Negev
  The Race and Rage of Fertility: Some Problems with Matriarchal Leadership in Ancient Judaism
- Beatrice wallins, Seattle University
  Breaking the Rules: Gender and Models of Religious Leadership in Second Temple Period Judaism
Responding:
- Karen Pechilis, Drew University
- Kathleen Ernle, Florida State University

Hyatt Regency, Hanover D
Michael Masatugu, Towson University, Presiding
Theme: Aesthetics, Cultural Production, and Religious History in Asian Pacific America
- Courtnay Goto, Emory University
  Isset Garden as a “Territory of Play” and Performance
- Mimi Khúc, University of California, Santa Barbara
  The Vietnam Veterans Memorial: Race, (Civil) Religion, and Asian America
- Anne Blankenship, University of North Carolina
- Jonathan H. X. Lee, San Francisco State University
  The Ethics of Identity Formation: History and Collective Healing in Cambodian America
Responding:
- Edward K. Chan, Kennesaw State University
A1-215
Bible, Theology, and Postmodernity Group
Marriott Marquis, A703
Anne Joh, Garrett Evangelical Theological Seminary, Presiding
Theme: The Body of Christ
Panelists:
Mark Lewis Taylor, Princeton Theological Seminary
Shelly Rambo, Boston University
Adam Kotsko, Kalamazoo College
Jon L. Berquist, Westminster John Knox Press

A1-216 ★
Bioethics and Religion Group
Marriott Marquis, L504
Laura Kicklighter, Lynchburg College, Presiding
Theme: Four Religious Views for Four Bioethical Issues
Michal Raucher, Northwestern University
Jewish Nazis: Abortion Ethics in Israel and the Rhetoric of the Holocaust
Purushottama Bilimoria, Deakin and Melbourne Universities
A Hindu Bioethical Response: The Challenge of Euthanasia
Marcie Middlebrooks, Cornell University
Bioethics and Korean Buddhist Mobilizations around the Huang Woo Suk Stem Cell Scandal
Raymond Ward, Boston College
Kathryn Turner and John Milbank on Grace: Two Models for Rationing Health Care
Business Meeting:
Laura Kicklighter, Lynchburg College, Presiding

A1-217
Buddhist Philosophy Group and Yogācāra Studies Consultation
Marriott Marquis, A702
A. Charles Muller, University of Tokyo, Presiding
Theme: Philosophical Issues in the Madhyāntavibhāga
Daniel McNamara, Emory University
On the Status of the Trisvabhāvanirdeśa in Contemporary Conceptions of Yogācāra Thought
Ching Keng, National Chengchi University
Two Models for the Three-Nature Theory in the Early Yogācāra Tradition
Jonathan Gold, Princeton University
Mining Vasubandhu’s Commentary on the Madhyāntavibhāga for Yogācāra Philosophical Motives
Mario D’Amato, Rollins College
A Semiotic Soteriology: A Reading of Three Key Doctrines in “Distinguishing the Middle from the Extremes”
Responding:
Robert M. Gimello, University of Notre Dame

A1-218 ★
Comparative Theology Group
Marriott Marquis, A602
Robert Smid, Curry College, Presiding
Theme: Unacknowledged Pioneers of Comparative Theology
Panelists:
Karen Crozier, Fresno Pacific University
Lawrence A. Whitney, Boston University
Christian S. Krokus, University of Scranton
June-Ann Greeley, Sacred Heart University
Donald Wallenfeng, Loyola University, Chicago
Responding:
Jay McDaniel III, Hendrix College
Business Meeting:
Reid Locklin, University of Toronto, Presiding

A1-219 ★
Critical Theory and Discourses on Religion Group
Marriott Marquis, M105
Jason C. Bivins, North Carolina State University, Presiding
Theme: Noncanonical Scholarship in the Study of Religion
Brian Collins, University of Chicago
Unmasking the Sovereign Subject: Robert Eisler’s Man into Wolf
Alexander van der Haven, Webster University
Scientific Immanence as Religion: Schreber as a Religious Thinker
Jeffrey J. Kripal, Rice University
What We Have Damned: Reading (and Laughing with) Charles Fort in Today’s Academy
Paul Christopher Johnson, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor
“Spirit Possession” and the Uses of Africa in the Work of Michel Leiris and the College de Sociologie
Responding:
Hugh B. Urban, Ohio State University, Columbus
Business Meeting:
Jorunn Jacobsen Buckley, Bowdoin College, and Jens Kreinath, Wichita State University, Presiding
PROGRAM SESSIONS

Monday, 1:00 pm-3:30 pm

A1-220
Daoist Studies Group
Marriott Marquis, L503
Harold D. Roth, Brown University, Presiding
Theme: Representations of Daoism in Medieval and Modern East Asia
Shin-yi Chao, Rutgers University, Camden
The Dynamic Between Liturgical Innovation and Pantheon Growth in Daoism of the Song-Yuan Period: A Case of Zhengwu (Perfected Warrior)
Paul Amato, Arizona State University
Zhang Duoling at Mount Longhu: The Revision of a Hagiography and the Creation of a Lineage
Helen Hwang, University of California, Los Angeles
Exploring the Visual Representations of Magu: Her Transnational Identities from a Daoist Goddess to the Cosmogist Uncovered
Clarke Hudson, University of Virginia
"Man Does Not Part His Robes, Nor Does the Woman Loosen Her Belt": Online Chinese Discussions of Non-Contact "Sexual" Alchemy
Responding:
Livia Kohn, Boston University

A1-221
Ecclesiological Investigations Group
Marriott Marquis, Marquis Ballroom B
Julie Clague, University of Glasgow, Presiding
Theme: Breaking the Mould, Traversing the Boundaries: Conceptions of Mission and Unity in a Fragmented and Postcolonial World
Adriaan van Klinken, Utrecht University
"The Body of Christ with AIDS" as a Stepping Stone towards a Postcolonial Ecclesiology
Nathaniel Wood, Fordham University
Truth, Kenosis, and the Unity of the Church: On the Ecumenical Implications of Komarova's "Sobornost" Ecclesiology
Elina Hellevist, University of Helsinki and University of Eastern Finland
An Ecclesiological Impasse? Orthodox-Protestant Relations in the WCC
Steven Battin, University of Notre Dame
Rethinking Ecclesial Unity in the Context of the Colonial Divide
Risto Saarinen, University of Helsinki
Recognition as a Concept of Unity
Responding:
Jenny Te Paa, College of Saint John the Evangelist, Auckland
Business Meeting:
Gerard Mannion, Katholieke Universiteit, Leuven, Presiding

A1-222
Evangelical Theology Group
Marriott Marquis, A704
Esther Acolatse, Duke University, Presiding
Theme: Reading Jesus from the Margins
Brian Bantum, Duke University
The Mulatto Jesus: Jesus Between the Margins and the Center
Mary Veeningman, North Park University
Reading Jesus and the Kingdom of God with James Cone
Peter Slade, Ashland University
John Perkins, the Joshua Generation, and the Reenvisioning of Evangelicalism
J. Denny Weaver, Bluffton University
Anabaptist Atonement Theology, Interesthnic Inclusivity, and Evangelical Justification
Responding:
Joy J. Moore, Duke University
Business Meeting:
Michael J. McClymond, Saint Louis University, Presiding

A1-223
Korean Religions Group
Marriott Marquis, L507
Miriam Levering, University of Tennessee, Presiding
Theme: Diagnosing the Field: Recent Publications on Korean Religions
Panelists:
Don Baker, University of British Columbia
Richard D. McBride II, Brigham Young University, Hawai’i
Jin Y. Park, American University
Timothy Lee, Brite Divinity School
Responding:
Young-chan Ro, George Mason University
Business Meeting:
Timothy Lee, Brite Divinity School, and Jin Y. Park, American University, Presiding
**A1-224**

**Lesbian-Feminist Issues and Religion Group**  
Marriott Marquis, M108  
Christine Libby, Indiana University, Presiding  
Theme: *Carving Spaces for Lesbian-Feminist Identities in Religion*  
Catherine Lafuente, Claremont Graduate University  
*Lesbianism and Islamic Law: Examining the Boundary Between Love and Legality*  
Eziaku Nwokocha, University of California, Santa Barbara  
*Ezili Danto: Reclaiming Sexuality and Gender Discourse in Haitian Vodou*  
Heike Peckruhn, Iliff School of Theology and University of Denver  
*Sexing Atonement: Irigarayan Readings of Otherness, Difference, and the Cross*  
Jacoby J. Erickson, Drew University  
*The Law Queers: Reimagining Luther’s Theology of Justification*  
Marie Cartier, Claremont Graduate University  
*“Theology”, the “Not Necessarily Christian Alternative” Available to Pre-Stonewall Gay Women*  
Responding:  
Susan E. Henking, Hobart and William Smith Colleges

**A1-226**

**Platonism and Neoplatonism Group**  
Marriott Marquis, A701  
John Peter Kenney, Saint Michael's College, Presiding  
Theme: *Medieval Platonism: Islam and Christianity*  
A. David Owen, Harvard University  
*Collaring the Dove: Ibn Hazm and the Reception of Plato’s Symposium*  
Shatha Almutawa, University of Chicago  
*Al-Farabi and Plato’s Laws*  
Danielle DuBois, Johns Hopkins University  
*Henological and Trinitarian Structures in Marguerite Porete’s Mirror of Simple Souls*  
Ahmed Abdel Meguid, Emory University  
*The Platonic Origin of al-Junayd’s Conception of Islamic Monotheism as the Separation of the Transcendent and the Immanent*  
Business Meeting:  
John Peter Kenney, Saint Michael’s College, Presiding

**A1-225**

**Nineteenth-Century Theology Group**  
Marriott Marquis, M106-107  
Theodore Vial Jr, Iliff School of Theology, Presiding  
Theme: *Science, Secularism, and Values*  
Robert Segal, University of Aberdeen  
*E. B. Tylor’s Reconciliation of Religion with Science*  
Jeffrey A. Wilcox, Wabash College  
*A ‘Manly’ Religion: Paul Carus and the Religion of Science*  
Lori K. Pearson, Carleton College  
*Trocketsch on Religion, Secularity, and Cultural Values*  
J. Thomas Howe, Regis University  
*Affirmations after God: Friedrich Nietzsche and Richard Dawkins on Atheism*  
Business Meeting:  
Lori K. Pearson, Carleton College, Presiding

**A1-227**

**Religion and Disability Studies Group**  
Marriott Marquis, L401-402  
Deborah Creamer, Iliff School of Theology, Presiding  
Theme: *Disciplinary Perspectives on Disability*  
Julia Watts Belser, Missouri State University  
*Reading Talmudic Bodies: Disability, Narrative, and the Gaze in Rabbinic Judaism*  
Taylor S. Hines, University of California, Santa Barbara  
*Mastering the Body: Late Nineteenth and Early Twentieth Century American Religious Healing, Contemporary Medicine, and the Othering of Disability*  
Robyn Neville, Emory University  
*The Case for the Study of Disability in the Middle Ages: Debilitas and Its Representations*  
Mary E. Lowe, Augsburg College  
*Disability Theology and Sin Redefined*  
Business Meeting:  
Deborah Creamer, Iliff School of Theology, Presiding
PROGRAM SESSIONS

Monday, 1:00 pm–3:30 pm

A1-228

Religion and Ecology Group
Hyatt Regency, Hanover C
Heather Eaton, Saint Paul University, Presiding
Theme: Climate Change: Rethinking Contested Concepts
Evan Berry, American University
Climate Change and the Ethical Ambiguity of "Interconnectedness"
Kevin O’Brien, Pacific Lutheran University
Questioning the "War" Against Climate Change: Christian Ecojustice and Militaristic Rhetoric in the Environmental Movement
Jame Schaefer, Marquette University
Mitigating the Climate Crisis Locally: Faith-based Communities in the Dominican Republic and Guatemala
Celia Deane-Drummond, Contested Ground Post-COP-15: Theological Arguments for Climate Justice

A1-229

Religion and Popular Culture Group and Sacred Space in Asia Group
Marriott Marquis, M101
Cynthia Col, Brandeis University, Presiding
Theme: Virtual Asian Sacred Space: Hidden Lands, Ritual Practice, and Soteriological Technologies
Gregory Grieve, University of North Carolina, Greensboro
Mediating Emptiness: Online Zen Buddhist Meditation and the Ideological Logic of the Kōan
Jessica Falcone, Kansas State University
An "Empty Mirror" Virtual World: Building Tibetan Buddhist Ritual, Practice, and Belief in Second Life
Tiering Wangchuk, Warren Wilson College
In Search of the Hidden Land: Tibetan Pilgrimage Attempts to Reach the Unreachable Land of Pema Keh
Ronald S. Green, Coastal Carolina University
Tweeting the Dalai Lama: Are Cell Phones Becoming the New Vajras?

Responding:
Pamela D. Winfield, Elon University

A1-230

Religion, Holocaust, and Genocide Group
Hyatt Regency, Hanover AB
Oren Baruch Stier, Florida International University, Presiding
Theme: Changing the Past? Artistic License and the Limits of Historical Revisiting
Jodi Eichler-Levine, University of Wisconsin, Oshkosh
Thickening Fantasies: The Supernatural, the Really Real, and the Invented Memoir in Holocaust Literature for Children
Curtis Lanoue, Florida International University
Finding a Voice: The Use of Text in Musical Memorials to the Holocaust
Julie Fortune, Florida State University
History, Testimony, and Ethics: A Lacuna Close
Sarah K. Pincock, Trinity University
Violent Victims: Holocaust Memories of Retaliation in Inglorious Basterds and Defiance

Responding:
Deborah Lipstadt, Emory University
Business Meeting:
Laura S. Levitt, Temple University, and Katharina von Kellenbach, Saint Mary’s College of Maryland, Presiding

A1-231

Cognitive Science of Religion Consultation
Marriott Marquis, L308
Edward Slingerland, University of British Columbia, Presiding
Theme: Topics in the Cognitive Science of Religion
Sherry Morton, Georgia State University
The Brain on Ritual: The Embodied Logic of Tantric Deity Worship
Holly Phillips, Georgia State University
Prayer and Attention
Nathaniel Barrett, Boston University
Toward an Ecological Psychology of Religious Experience: The Unrealized Promise of William James’s Radical Empiricism

Responding:
Carl Seagrist, Bethel University
Business Meeting:
Ann Taves, University of California, Santa Barbara, Presiding

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Jain Studies Consultation
Mariott Marquis, M302
Anne E. Monius, Harvard University, Presiding
Theme: Jain Bodily Practices and Representations of the Body
   Mari Jyvašjarvi, Harvard University
   Adapting Ascetic Practices for the Female Body: The Case of Jain Monastic Texts
   Lisa Owen, University of North Texas
   Monastic Bodies: The Roles of Portraiture in Ellora’s Jain Caves
   Anne Valley, University of Ottawa
   The Discursive and Phenomenological Body within Jainism
   M. Whitney Kelting, Northeastern University
   Jina Matas: Pregnant with the Embodiments of Jainism
   Business Meeting:
   Christoph Emmrich, University of Toronto, and Anne E. Monius, Harvard University, Presiding

A1-233 ⭐

Music and Religion Consultation
Mariott Marquis, M304
Philip Stoltzfus, United Theological Seminary of the Twin Cities, Presiding
Theme: Explorations in Music and Religion
   Dirk von der Horst, Claremont Graduate University
   Exegesis, Eroticism, and Experience in the Era of Electronic Reproducibility: Two Performances of Thomas Tomkins’ Then David Mourned
   David M. Wilmington, Baylor University
   Freedom and the Groove: Why Virtue Ethics Needs Jazz Improvisation
   Christopher D. L. Johnson, University of Alabama
   The Aesthetics of Nonsense: Compositional and Interpretive Creativity in the Meaningless Syllables of Byzantine Chant
   Joseph Ballan, University of Chicago
   Vladimir Jankelovitch: Apophatic Philosophy of Music
   Ferdia Stone-Davis, Ely, United Kingdom
   Music, Beauty, and Ekstasis
   Business Meeting:
   Theodore Trost, University of Alabama, Presiding

A1-234 ⭐

Religion and Humanism Consultation
Hyatt Regency, Hanover E
Verna Ehret, Mercyhurst College, Presiding
Theme: The Rhetorics of Humanism
   Terence Martin, Saint Mary’s College
   The Ironic Rhetoric of Erasmus
   Santiago Pinon, University of Chicago
   Defending Human Rights Openly but Not Directly: Francisco Vitoria and the Use of Rhetoric
   W. David Hall, Centre College
   Shades of Irony: Giambattista Vico’s Criticism of the Ironic Viewpoint, the (Post)Modern Glorification of the Ironic, and the Possibilities for a Theological Reappropriation of Irony
   Douglas Harrison, Florida Gulf Coast University
   The Repurpose Driven Life: Contemporary Evangelicalism’s Covert Appropriation of Humanism
   Responding:
   Maria Antonaccio, Bucknell University
   Business Meeting:
   Glenn Whitehouse, Florida Gulf Coast University, Presiding

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Religion and Sexuality Consultation
Mariott Marquis, A706
Heather White, New College of Florida, Presiding
Theme: New Approaches to the Study of Religion and Sexuality
   John Anderson, Loyola University, Chicago
   “Avoir,” Suspicion, and Homosexual Subjectivity in Mainline Protestant Discourse
   Veena Rani Howard, University of Oregon
   Gandhi’s Celibacy as Hermeneutics: Negotiating the Power of Virility and Vulnerability for Women’s Issues
   Devin Kuhn, California Polytechnic State University
   Holy Jealousy and Divine Play? Ethical and Religious Considerations in Polyamous Relationships
   Brent Hagerman, Wilfrid Laurier University
   Galong, Galong, Galong: Moral Regulation and the Art of Tracing in the Music of Yellowman
   Responding:
   Kent Brininstool, University of North Carolina, Charlotte
   Business Meeting:
   Monique Moultrie, Vanderbilt University, Presiding
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Monday, 1:00 pm–3:30 pm

A1-236  🏨 🏛️  
Oakland Cemetery Tour  
Monday, 1:00 pm–4:00 pm  
Meet in Hyatt Regency Lobby  
Jill Petersen Adams, Syracuse University, Presiding  
Sponsored by the Death, Dying, and Beyond Consultation  
Oakland, founded in 1850, exemplifies the nineteenth century "rural garden" cemetery movement. It is the final resting place of many of Atlanta's most noted citizens. It also serves as a place of sculpture and architecture, and a botanical preserve with ancient oaks and magnolias. Here in this peaceful place, the full scope of the city's rich and fascinating history unfolds before you.  
Tour fee: $15  

A1-237  🏨 🏛️  
SOLD OUT  
Sacred and Religious Sites of Atlanta Tour  
Monday, 1:00 pm–5:00 pm  
Buses pick up at Hyatt Regency-Baker Street Exit  
Jeanne Halgren Kilde, University of Minnesota, and David Bains, Samford University, and Hazem Ziada, Southern Polytechnic State University, Presiding  
Sponsored by the Space, Place, and Religious Meaning Consultation  
Covering historic and new buildings reflecting the diversity and innovation of religion in Atlanta today, this tour will journey from Downtown north to Midtown and Buckhead to visit four Atlanta religious sites:  
• Catholic Shrine of the Immaculate Conception. Home of the oldest Catholic congregation in the city, dating to the 1840s, this Gothic-style building is a restoration of the 1873 church, which was gutted by fire in 1982.  
• Buckhead Church, established in 2001, is an urban satellite of evangelical minister Andy Stanley's North Point Community Church, a well-known megachurch.  
• Peachtree Reform Temple is the home of the oldest Jewish congregation in the city (dating to 1860) and site of a 1958 racially motivated bombing. This neoclassical building was erected in 1931.  
• Al Farooq Masjid. One of several mosques in the Atlanta area, this diverse congregation was established in 1980 and includes primarily Middle Eastern, South Asian (primarily Pakistani), and African American Muslims.

Monday, 4:00 pm–6:30 pm

A1-300  🏨 🏛️  
Arts, Literature, and Religion Section  
Marriott Marquis, A702  
Sylvestre Johnson, Indiana University, Presiding  
Theme: Religion, Literature, and Ethnic Identity  
J. Stephen Pearson, University of Tennessee  
Fighting Racism with Spiritual Historiography: Biblical Typology in Fray Angelico Chavez's Stories  
David L. Simmons, University of Wisconsin, Whitewater  
Haiti on Her Mind: Hoodoo, Voodoo, and the Faust Myth in the Writings of Zora Neale Hurston  
Cecilia Gonzalez-andriu, Loyola Marymount University  
Grito Hacia Roma/Cry Toward Rome, the Poet as Prophet  
James Thrall, Knox College  
Women, Spirits, and Postcolonial Speculation in Nalo Hopkinson's The Salt Roads

A1-301  🏨 🏛️  
Buddhism Section  
Hyatt Regency, Hanover FG  
Mikael Adolphson, University of Alberta, Presiding  
Theme: Buddhism During the Insei Period (1086–1185)  
Mikael Bauer, Harvard University  
The Northern Rituals as Microsphere of the Religious-Political: The Presence of the Southern Schools in Hoshōji's Dharma Assemblies  
Sarah Horton, Yale University  
The Buddhist Songs of the Ryōjin Hishō: Giving Voice to the Lower Classes in the Insei Period  
Heather Blair, Indiana University  
The King's Prayers: Rule and Ritual in the Early Insei  
Brian Ruppert, University of Illinois  
Saisei, "Kobo Daishi," and the Dharma Prince Shubaku: The Shingen Culture of Learning, Lineage, and Sacred Works (Shiōkyō) in the Insei Period  
Ethan Lindsay, Princeton University  
The First Journey to Kōyasan by a Buddhist King: Shirakawa Jōkei's Pilgrimage of 1088

A1-302  🏨 🏛️  
Christian Systematic Theology Section  
Marriott Marquis, Marquis Ballroom D  
Stephen G. Ray Jr., Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary, Presiding  
Theme: Revelation Held Hostage: Hearing the Word Otherwise

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Comparative Studies in Religion Section
Marriott Marquis, M105
Kevin Schilbrack, Western Carolina University, Presiding
Theme: Interpretation, Explanation, and Clifford Geertz
Robert Segal, University of Aberdeen
Clifford Geertz’s Interpretive Approach to Religion
Jung Lee, Northeastern University
The Value of Reality: Geertz, Normativity, and the Comparative Study of Religions
Stephen Bush, Longmont, CO
Are Meanings the Name of the Game? Religion as Symbolic Meaning and Religion as Power
Witold Wolny, University of Virginia
What, How, and Why: Geertzian Definition of Religion and Neurotheological Project on Meta and Megatheology
Responding:
Jason Springs, University of Notre Dame

A1-304

Ethics Section
Marriott Marquis, M101
Jacob Robinson, Vanderbilt University, Presiding
Theme: The Ethics of Social Responses to “Natural” Disasters and Risks
William Schanbacher, Claremont Graduate University
Haiti: Failed Development Policy, Failed Justice, More of the Same to Come, Maybe?
Yvonne Zimmerman, Methodist Theological School, Ohio
Will the Pure in Heart See God? Ethics and Religiously Motivated “Relief Work” After the Haiti Earthquake
Aaron D. Conley, Iliff Seminary and University of Denver
Whose History Counts amidst a Hurricane of Societal Privilege?
Cassie Trentaz, Chicago Theological Seminary

A1-305

History of Christianity Section
Marriott Marquis, M105
Nathan Baruch Rein, Ursinus College, Presiding
Theme: Christians and Torture, from Golgotha to Abu Ghraib: Victims, Voyeurs, and Perpetrators
David Tombs, Trinity College, Dublin
Crucifixion as Spectacular Torture and Gendered Violence
Michael Ostling, Central Michigan University
Piety in the Torture Chamber: Hearing Christianity in the Testimony of Accused Polish Witches
Denise Kettering, Brethren Historical Library and Archives
The Bloody Theater: Female Mennonite Martyrs on Display
Haruko Nawata Ward, Columbia Theological Seminary
Beyond Torture to Paradise: Women Martyrs’ Claim of Spiritual Authority at the Closing of Japan’s Christian Century (1624–1650)
Sarah Sentilles, California State University, Channel Islands
On Torture and Photography: How the Crucifixion Shapes Understandings of and Responses to Violence Against “Others”

A1-306

North American Religions Section
Marriott Marquis, M102
David Harrington Watt, Temple University, Presiding
Theme: Rhetorics of Progress: Science and Technology in the Making of American Religions
Brandi Denison, University of North Carolina
Farming, Race, and Religion in the American West
Jenna Titsman, Auburn Media and University of North Carolina
Kingdom Came: Oneida, the Telegraph, and American Utopia
Laurie Maffly-Kipp, University of North Carolina
African American Missionaries and the Material Display of Civilization
Randall Styers, University of North Carolina
Superstition and Scientific Progress
Responding:
Leigh E. Schmidt, Harvard University
Monday, 4:00 pm–6:30 pm

A1-307

Philosophy of Religion Section
Marriott Marquis, A601
Jeffrey Kosky, Washington and Lee University, Presiding
Theme: The Presence/Absence of God
Scot Douglass, University of Colorado
*Between Two Events: Paul, Dostoevsky, and the Christian New* 
Jerome Gelman, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev
*The Terror of God’s Hiddleness in Early Hasidic Judaism*
Liane F. Carlson, Columbia University
*The Loneliness of Eternity: Friedrich von Schelling’s 1813 Ages of the World*
Jason Smick, Santa Clara University
*Rousseau, Heidegger, and the Unthought of the Phenomenology of Religion: Philosophy*

A1-308

Religion and Politics Section
Marriott Marquis, A602
Robert P. Jones, Public Religion Research, Presiding
Theme: Religious Activism in United States Politics
David Craig, Indiana University-Purdue University, Indianapolis
*Everyone at the Table: Religious Activism in Massachusetts Health Care Reform*
Jenna Reinholtz, Colgate University
*Beyond Bad Argument: The Uncomfortable Origins of the “Children’s Health” Argument within the Same-Sex Marriage Debate*
Natalie Williams, Drew University
*Saving Marriage, Saving America: The Covenant Marriage Movement*
Sara Moslen, Augustana College
*The Mighty are Failing: Sexual Purity and National Security in a Post-Christian America*

A1-309

Religion and the Social Sciences Section
Marriott Marquis, L508
Marla Frederick, Harvard University, Presiding
Theme: Theories of Society and Culture
James Managault-Bryant, Williams College
*Black Theology and the Futures of Sociology*
Frank Shepard, Columbia University
*Towards a Nietzschean Theory of Culture*
James McBride, New York University

Daniel Cervin, Saint Paul University
*Armed Violence Reduction: A Promising Contribution in the Solution for the Nigerian Ethnoreligious Conflict*
Isabel Corpas de Posada, Universidad de San Buenaventura
*In the Intersection of Social Sciences and Theology: A Research Group Turns into an Academic Program*

A1-310

Religion in South Asia Section
Marriott Marquis, M301
Brian Pennington, Maryville College, Presiding
Theme: Owning Local Culture: Branding the Garhwali Himalaya as “Land of the Gods”
Luke Whitmore, Emory University
*“Kedarnath Earns, Madhavbaug Spends”: Garhwali Deity Procession in the Age of Bagpipes and YouTube*
Karin Polit, University of Heidelberg
*The Performance of the Chakravyuh: Aestheticsizing Ancient Local Traditions in the Garhwali Himalayas*
Andrea Marion Pinkney, National University of Singapore
*Ritual Tokens as Trademark: Marketing Himalayan Shrines with Prasad*
Responding:
James Lochtefeld, Carthage College

A1-311

Study of Islam Section
Marriott Marquis, Marquis Ballroom A
Juliane Hammer, George Mason University, Presiding
Theme: Muslims and Religious Others
Fuad S. Naeem, Georgetown University
*Several Muslims, Monothetic Hindus: Maulana Muhammad Qasim Nanautwi of Deoband, Swami Dayananda Sarasvati of the Arya Samaj, Interereligious Polemics, and the Making of Modern Muslim Identity in South Asia*
Anna Bigelow, North Carolina State University
*Sharing the Sacred, Defining the Secular: Multireligious Sites in Muslim Contexts*
Mahboob Afsar Mohammad, University of Texas, Austin
*Shi’i Rituals and Non-Shi’i Devotees: An Alternate Muharram in a South Indian Village*
Alfons Teipen, Furman University
*Some Observations on the Portrayal of the Jews of Medina in Early Muslim Biographies of Muhammad*
Kieko Obuse, University of Oxford
*Japanese Muslim Views of Buddhism: Converts’ Dilemmas*
Responding:
Nelly van Doorn-Harder, Wake Forest University
A1-312 ♠

Study of Judaism Section
Marriott Marquis, L505
Shaull Magid, Indiana University, Bloomington, Presiding
Theme: Jews, Judaism, and Race
Heather Miller Rubens, University of Chicago
Iris-Jews versus Anglo-Jews: Religion, Race, and Imitations of Empire
Jodi Eichler-Levine, University of Wisconsin, Oshkosh
"We're Not Friends": The Ruptures of Race, Religion, and Gender in Tony Kushner's Caroline, or Change
Mari Rethelyi, University of Iowa
Imagined Histories, Invented Identities: The Racial Option in Jewish Thought
Allison Schottenstein, University of Texas
Between Two Borders: "Rabbi" Sam Perl, Jewish Acculturation, and Charro Days
Business Meeting:
Aryeh Cohen, American Jewish University, and Shaull Magid, Indiana University, Presiding

A1-314

Theology and Religious Reflection Section and Liberation Theologies Consultation
Marriott Marquis, A707
Mayra Rivera, Harvard University, Presiding
Panelists:
Victor Anderson, Vanderbilt University
Nancy Bedford, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary
Gary Dorrien, Union Theological Seminary and Columbia University
Edward Phillip Antonio, Iliff School of Theology
Responding:
Joerg Rieger, Southern Methodist University
Jung Mo Sung, Universidade Metodista, São Paulo

A1-313 🏛

Teaching Religion Section
Marriott Marquis, L405-406
Melanie L. Harris, Texas Christian University, Presiding
Theme: Prevailing Structures, Countercasting Voice: The Dangerous Religious Studies Classroom
Miguel P. Conchas, University of the Incarnate Word, and Martha Ann Kirk, University of the Incarnate Word
Christian-Muslim Encounters Through Using Online International Exchanges in Undergraduate Religious Studies Classes
Amy Weigand, Temple University
Problems as Solutions: Training the Critical Citizen through the World Religions Course
Tittus Hjelm, University College London
Contemporary Critique of Ideology in the Religion Classroom
Erin Michele Brigham, Graduate Theological Union
Creating a Public Space Through Community-based Learning
Bret Lewis, Arizona State University
Keeping Score on Religion: Quantifying the Impact of Religious Studies Courses on Undergraduate Attitudes

A1-315

Women and Religion Section
Marriott Marquis, A705
Marcia C. Robinson, Syracuse University, Presiding
Theme: Women’s Voices: Rereading and Reconsidering Women’s Religious Writings and Testimonies
Diane Segroves, Vanderbilt University
Appropriating Etty: Reading Religious Identity in the Writing of Etty Hillesum
Christina Busman, Princeton Theological Seminary
Rereading God's Fierce Whimsy: Embracing the Enduring Relevance of Dialogic Theology
Ji Li, Chinese University of Hong Kong
"Voici des Lettres de vos Filles": Gender, Writing, and Religious Literacy in Nineteenth Century Rural China
Jessica Wilbanks, University of Houston
Old Wine in New Vessels: Situating the Testimony of Grace Ihere within Nigeria's Literary Tradition
Business Meeting:
Rosetta E. Ross, Spelman College, Presiding
A1-316  ★

**Bonhoeffer: Theology and Social Analysis Group**

**Marriott Marquis, Marriott Ballroom C**

Jennifer McBride, Emory University, Presiding

**Theme: Time in Letters and Papers from Prison**

Arthur M. Sutherland, Loyola University

*The Significance of Liturgical Time and Gift Exchange in Bonhoeffer's Letters and Papers From Prison*

Howard Pickett, University of Virginia

*The Toro and the Hypocrite: Polyphonic Integrity in Bonhoeffer's Letters and Papers from Prison*

Jennifer Heckart, Union Theological Seminary

*God Gathers Up Again with Us Our Past: Memory and Time in Bonhoeffer's Letters and Papers from Prison*

**Business Meeting:**

Jennifer McBride, Emory University, Presiding

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A1-317

**Confucian Traditions Group**

**Marriott Marquis, M301**

Pauline Lee, Washington University, Saint Louis, Presiding

**Theme: “Qing” (Feelings) and “Ya” (Desires) in Ming/Qing Confucian Thought**

Fei Lan, University of Toronto

*Yu: The Unfolding of the Other — On Dai Zhen’s Conception of Human Desire*

Suk Choi, Towson University

*Zhu Xi and Dai Zhen on Xin, ”Qing,” and “Ya”*

Haeh-ye Lin, Princeton University

*Martyrdom and Beyond: Regulated Passions in the Donglin Movement*

Jinli He, Trinity University

*The Concept of “Ya” in Wang Guowei’s Thinking*

**Responding:**

On-cho Ng, Pennsylvania State University

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**A1-318 ★**

**Gay Men and Religion Group**

**Marriott Marquis, L503**

Paul J. Gorrell, Independent Scholar, Presiding

**Theme: Religious Experience/Persucration**

Cyril Oji, University of Dayton

*Why are They after “Gay” in Uganda? An Interplay of Race, Ethnicity, Class, and Sexual Orientation*

Philip Abrahamson, Holy Cross Greek Orthodox School of Theology

*Gay Devotion to Eastern Orthodox Iconography*

Tony Hodosh, Chicago Theological Seminary, and Kunitoshi Sakai, Chicago Theological Seminary

*Toward A Gay Male Ecclesiology*

John-Charles Duffy, University of North Carolina

*Sentimental Politics: Gay Male Mormon Suicides at Symbolic Capital*

**Responding:**

J. Terry Todd, Drew University

**Business Meeting:**

Paul J. Gorrell, Stockton, NJ, Presiding

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**A1-319 ★**

**Indigenous Religious Traditions Group**

**Marriott Marquis, L404**

Suzanne Owen, Leeds Trinity University, Presiding

**Theme: Christianity and Indigenous Traditions**

Seth Schermerhorn, Arizona State University

*Rethinking Indigenous Christianities: Challenges Posed by Yoeme Oral Traditions to Academic Understandings*

Jude Agwu, Mercy College

*The Changing Conditions of Nigeria’s Indigenous Medicine*

Eric D. Mortensen, Guilford College

*Unmapping the Colonial Imagery: Why the Term “Indigenous” Should be Dismantled*

Kathleen J. Martin, California Polytechnic State University

*Traditional Responsibility and Native Rights to Land and Sacred Places*

**Business Meeting:**

Suzanne Owen, Leeds Trinity University College, Presiding

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Law, Religion, and Culture Group
Marriott Marquis, A706
Jenna Gray-Hildenbrand, University of California, Santa Barbara, Presiding
Panelists:
Sarah Barringer Gordon, University of Pennsylvania
Courtney Bender, Columbia University
Kathleen Moore, University of California, Santa Barbara
David Sehat, Georgia State University
Joshua Dubler, Columbia University
W. Clark Gilpin, University of Chicago
Responding:
Winnifred Fallers Sullivan, State University of New York, Buffalo
Business Meeting:
Greg Johnson, University of Colorado, Presiding

Mysticism Group
Hyatt Regency, Hanover D
Rkia Elaroui Cornell, Emory University, Presiding
Theme: Mystical Parks in Islam
Mushegh Asatryan, Yale University
Mesut Ekrem Alper, Anadolu University
Rafael Stepian, Columbia University
The Mystic Poetry of Attar Nezhabati
Sarwar Alam, Emory University
Encountering the Unholy: the Establishment of Political Parties by Sufi Masters in Modern Bangladesh
F. Betul Yavuz, Rice University
The Hidden Belief in the Manifest God: Exploring Unconventional Currents of the Ottoman Sufi Thinking

Men, Masculinities, and Religions Group
Marriott Marquis, A704
Garth Kasimu Baker-Fletcher, Texas College, Presiding
Theme: Men and Masculinities in Christianity and Judaism: A Critical Response
Panelists:
Amanullah De Sondy, Ithaca College
Rebecca Alpert, Temple University
Kwok Pui Lan, Episcopal Divinity School
Ronald E. Long, Hunter College
Responding:
Bjorn Kromodrfer, Saint Mary’s College of Maryland
Stephen B. Boyd, Wake Forest University
Business Meeting:
Robert A. Atkins Jr., Grace United Methodist Church, Naperville, IL, Presiding

Religion and Ecology Group
Hyatt Regency, Hanover C
Lucas Johnston, Wake Forest University, Presiding
Theme: Engaging New Concepts in Religion and Ecology
Todd LeVasseur, University of Florida
Resilency is the New “S” Word: Creativity at the Edge of Systems
Daniel McFee, Mercyhurst College
Jeffrey Stout, Epistemic Negligence, and Satisficing as Applied to Species Depletion
Norman Wirzba, Duke University
A World of Priests: Learning to Receive and Give Again the Gift of Creation
Julia Watts Belser, Missouri State University
Unmaking the Demonization of Paganism: An Ecofeminist Critique of Idolatry Discourse in Jewish Environmental Thought
P. Joshua Griffin, Episcopal Diocese of California
The Ecological Death of God: Caputo’s “Event” in the Context of Catastrophic Climate Change after Copenhagen
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Religion, Film, and Visual Culture Group and Religions, Social Conflict, and Peace Group
Marriott Marquis, M103-104
Charon Hribar, Union Theological Seminary, and Jon Pahl, Lutheran Theological Seminary, Philadelphia, Presiding
Theme: Moral Injury and Conscience in War
Panelists:
- Rita Nakashima Brock, Faith Voices for the Common Good
- Ian Slattery, Luna Productions
- Camillo Mac Bica, School of Visual Arts
- Gabriella Lettini, Starr King School for the Ministry
Responding:
- Pamela Lightsey, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary

A1-326

Roman Catholic Studies Group
Marriott Marquis, L504
Linh Hoang, Siena College, Presiding
Theme: Global Perspectives
- Christian S. Krokus, University of Scranton
  Recovering the Work of Louis Massignon, Jean-Mohammed Abdel-Jalil, and Georges Anawati for a Contemporary Roman Catholic Understanding of Islam’s Significance for the Church
- Albertus Bagus Lakasana, Boston College
  ‘Catholic’ism and Race in Colonial Indonesia: The Dutch Jesuit Missionaries, the Natives, and the Language of Universalism
- Jill DeTemple, Southern Methodist University
  Blessed are the Cheese-Makers? Negotiating Catholic Liberation in Contemporary Ecuador
- Duncan Wielzen, Katholieke Universiteit, Leuven
  The “Evil Eye” and Infant Baptism: A Case Study for Liturgical Inculturation in the Caribbean?

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Religions, Medicines, and Healing Group
Marriott Marquis, M108
Emily Wu, Graduate Theological Union, Presiding
- Holly Folk, Western Washington University
  "Science and Spirit in Victorian Physiology: The Protean Character of American Vitalism"
- Monica C. Reed, Florida State University
  "Science and Health": Christian Scientists’ Influence on the Medical Profession
- Emily Merriman, San Francisco State University
  "The God Concept": The Religious and Scientific Thought of Bill Wilson, Co-founder of Alcoholics Anonymous
- Laura Ashley Squires, University of Texas
  Narratives of Conversion and Healing Among Early Christian Scientists
Responding:
- Linda L. Barnes, Boston University
Business Meeting:
- Linda L. Barnes, Boston University, Presiding

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Science, Technology, and Religion Group
Marriott Marquis, A708
Hava Tirosh Samuelson, Arizona State University, and Lea Schweitz, Lutheran School of Theology, Chicago, Presiding
Theme: The Challenges of the Modern Sciences for Jewish Faith
Panelists:
- Norbert Samuelson, Arizona State University
- Peter Ochs, University of Virginia
- Bradley Shavit Artson, American Jewish University
- Suzanne Brody, American Jewish University

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Theology and Continental Philosophy Group
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Theme: Practice and Pedagogy
Theodore Dickinson, Syracuse University
Teaching with Fear and Trembling: The Classroom as a Space of Dramatic and Bewildering Trial
Natalie Wigg, Vanderbilt University
Beyond Candles and Casseroles: A Theory of Teaching as Practice
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Pedagogy and/as Practice: Bourdieu and the Ambiguities of Religious Study
Kathleen Douglass, Iliff School of Theology and University of Denver
Foucault’s “Care of the Self”: The Practice of Words in Becoming Undone

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Western Esotericism Group
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Theme: The Commodification of the Esoteric
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Alphabet Mysticism in Post-Soviet Russia
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The Commodification of Alchemy, or Paying to Smell like the Sacred Whore of Babylon
Andrew Ventimiglia, University of California, Davis
Failure to Circulate: Global Religious Media and the Obstacles of International Copyright
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The Healing Power of Giving…Money

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Buddhism in the West Consultation
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Theme: Current Research on North American Buddhism
Laurie Cozad, University of Mississippi
Hurricane Katrina: The Promise of Chaos
David Barnhill, University of Wisconsin, Oshkosh
Kenneth Rexroth: Engaged Buddhism, Social Ecology, and Utopianism
Eric Ekstrand, University of Houston
A Unity in Complexity: The Influence of Chan on the Sensed, the Imagined, and the Quizzical in Wallace Stevens
Gregory Grieve, University of North Carolina, Greensboro
Sitting on a Virtual Cushion: Online Buddhist Meditation Methods in a Second Life Cyber-Sangha
Business Meeting:
Jeff Wilson, University of Waterloo, Presiding

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Mormon Studies Consultation
Hyatt Regency, Hanover AB
James M. McLachlan, Western Carolina University, Presiding
Theme: The Mormon Jesus: Ruminations and Reflections
Sheila Taylor, Graduate Theological Union
And the Word Was Made Flesh: The Meaning of the Incarnation in LDS Christology
Richard Mouv, Fuller Theological Seminary
The Mormon Jesus and the Nicene Christ
Sharon Adams, University of Colorado
Coming Face to Face with the “Mormon Jesus” through Paintings by Del Parson, Greg Olsen, and Paul Grass
Douglas Davies, Durham University
Mormonism and the Christological Spectrum
Business Meeting:
Grant Underwood, Brigham Young University, Presiding

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North American Hinduism Consultation
Marriott Marquis, L307
Shreena Gandhi, Kalamazoo College, Presiding
Theme: Constructions of Hinduism in North America
Caleb Simmons, University of Florida
Translating Culture Reimagining Religion: Virgin Comic’s Ramayan
3392 AD: Misappropriation, and Native Intuition
Michael J. Altman, Emory University
“The Manners and Customs of Nations”: India in American Schoolbooks, 1830–1860
Norris Palmer, Saint Mary’s College of California
Of Cows, Castles, Cartoons, and Classrooms: The Misconception of Hinduism in the American Popular Imagination
Shubha Pathak, American University
Re-embraced Gods, Temple Dances, and Stolen Gold: Looking at Hindu-Americans Through and Beside the Lens of Last Year’s Washington Post
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**Monday, 4:00 pm–6:30 pm**

**A1-333 ⭐**

**Open and Relational Theologies Consultation**
Marriott Marquis, Marquis Ballroom B
Thomas Oord, Northwest Nazarene University, Presiding
Theme: *Agape, Eros, and Alterity*

- Risto Saarinen, University of Helsinki
  *Intimate Agape*
- Andrea Hollingsworth, Loyola University, Chicago
  *Eros’s Aparics: Relationality and Impossibility in the Love Poetry of John Donne*
- John Sanders, Hendrix College, and J. Aaron Simmons, Hendrix College
  *Justice That Which None Greater Can Be Conceived: Defending an Open Approach to Alterity and Responding to John Caputo*
- Clayton Crockett, University of Central Arkansas, and Jay McDaniel III, Hendrix College
  *From an Idolatry of Identity to a Planetization of Alterity: A Relational-Theological Approach to Hybridity, Sin, and Love*

Responding:
- F. LeRon Shults, Agler University
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**Pentecostal–Charismatic Movements Consultation**
Marriott Marquis, M106-107
Valerie Cooper, University of Virginia, Presiding
Theme: *Pentecostalism and the Political in Africa and Black America*

- Jonathan Burrow-Branine, Wichita State University
  *Possession and the Politics of Religious Experience in Pentecostal Communities*
- Stephen William Martin, King’s University College
  *African Christianity and the Coming of the City of God: An Investigation of the Public Significance of African-initiated Churches in Contemporary South Africa*
- Wilberforce O. Mundia, Shaw University, and Imali Abala, Ohio Dominican University
  *Modes of Charismatic Testimony: Exploring Some Negative Effects of Western Christianity on Postcolonial Kenya*
- Jonathan Chism, Rice University
  *Martin Luther King Jr. and Black Pentecostal Activism in the Post-Civil Rights Era*

Responding:
- Peter J. Paris, Princeton Theological Seminary
- Business Meeting:
  Amos Yong, Regent University, Presiding

**A1-335**

**Religion and Migration Consultation**
Marriott Marquis, A701
Zain Abdullah, Temple University, Presiding
Theme: *Religious Encounters: Migrations, Genders, and Theologies across Time and Space*

- Nienke Puijkma, Utrecht University
  *Reconsidering Context: Gendered Transnational Practices in the Celestial Church of Christ Covenant Parish, Amsterdam*
- Alison Marshall, Brandon University
  *Chinese Masculinities: Homosociality, Ambiguity, and New Efficacies among Chinese Canadian Immigrants from 1911–1949*
- Adedamola Osimu, University of California, Los Angeles
  *The City and the Spirit: Nigerian Pentecostalism as a Response to the Urbanism of Lagos*
- Jeremy Rehwaldt, Midland Lutheran College
  *Representations of and Response to Latino Immigrants among White Christians in the Rural Midwest*
- Lucia Hulsther, Agnes Scott College
  *A Foretaste of the Kingdom of God*: Representation, Power, and Identity at a “Multicultural” Church

Responding:
- Manuel A. Vasquez, University of Florida

**Monday, 6:00 pm and Later**

**A1-403**

**Special Topics Forums**
Monday, 6:00 pm–8:00 pm
Almeda Wright, Pfeiffer University, Presiding
Theme: *Beyond the Boundaries Public Lecture Series III*

- Dong-Sik Park, Claremont Graduate University
  *The Pursuit of Harmony in Differences between Religion and Science*

Dong-Sik Park applies Sri Aurobindo’s marvelous insight, “For all problems of existence are essentially problems of harmony,” to the debate of religion and science. Park argues that the debate of religion and science seems to be that of dualisms: creation and evolution, of sacred and secular, of theism and atheism, or of believers and non-believers. For theorists science is unholly.

For atheist religion is absurd. However, instead of following the Either-Or paradigm, he pushed for a “Both-And.” He explores multiple perspectives in science and religion, including two extremes between science and religion, Daniel Dennett and Pat Robertson. However, Park argues that “we need harmony through contrasts or differences in order to combine this “ugly ditch” between science and religion.”
M1-402

Asbury Theological Seminary and Azusa Pacific University Reception
Monday, 7:00 pm–8:30 pm
Hyatt Regency, Marietta

M1-400

Society for Asian and Comparative Philosophy
Monday, 7:30 pm–8:30 pm
Hyatt Regency, Techwood
Steven Heine, Florida International University, Presiding
Theme: Body and Bioethics in Japan and Beyond: Rethinking William LaFleur's Approach and Influences
  Ed Drott, University of Missouri
  Religion, the Body and Ethical Intuition in Japan: Reflections on the Cross-cultural Bioethics of William LaFleur
  Vanessa Sasson, McGill University
  Imagining the Fetus: William LaFleur's Influence on the Field
  Jeff Wilson, University of Waterloo
  From Scholarly Monograph to Performed Rite: Tracing the Influence of William LaFleur’s Liquid Life on Ritual Activity in North America

Response:
  Damien Keown, Goldsmiths, University of London

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Film: Chaplains Under Fire
Monday, 8:00 pm–10:00 pm
Hyatt Regency, Hanover AB
Lee Adair Lawrence, Brooklyn, NY, Presiding
2010, directed by Lee Adair Lawrence and Terry Nickelson. 94 minutes.
Are government rules against proselytizing preventing military chaplains from praying in accordance with their faiths? Are care chaplains violating the Constitution, viewing troops as “low-hanging fruit,” ripe for conversion? A new documentary, Chaplains Under Fire, goes behind the contradictory headlines to the heart of what chaplains do and the church-state tensions they face.

A1-402

Program Unit Chairs and Steering Committee Reception
Monday, 8:00 pm–10:00 pm
Hyatt Regency, AAR Suite
Program Unit Chairs and steering committee members are invited to a reception celebrating their contributions to the AAR Annual Meeting.

Film: Finding God in the City of Angels
Monday, 8:00 pm–10:00 pm
Hyatt Regency, Hanover D
Vincent Wimbush, Claremont Graduate University, and Jennifer Jessum, Los Angeles, CA, and Simon Joseph, Los Angeles, CA, Presiding
2010, directed by Jennifer Jessum. 116 minutes.
A documentary film reflecting the multicultural diversity of religious life in the greater Los Angeles area, Finding God in the City of Angels is a research project of the Institute for Signifying Scriptures, based at Claremont Graduate University. The film presents and explores the meaning of the wide variety of ways — in prayer, song, dance, performance, visual art, storytelling, or preaching, and so forth — in which different communities signify and engage their “scriptures.” The exploration focuses on diverse settings and types of communities — from a small Skid Row church in downtown Los Angeles to a massive Chinese Buddhist Temple in Hacienda Heights; from an Orthodox Jewish synagogue on Venice Beach to an alternative religious group that meets in a hair salon in Inglewood; from the first Indigenous Peoples of Los Angeles to the Goddess Temple of Orange County — and what their dynamics and performances tell us about a complex social phenomenon.
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African Association for the Study of Religions
The African Association for the Study of Religions (AASR) is an academic association of scholars of religions posted in universities in Africa, and of scholars of the religions of Africa posted in universities outside of Africa. It was founded at an IAHR (International Association for the History of Religions) conference in Harare, Zimbabwe, in September 1992 for the purpose of promoting the academic study of religions in Africa and the study of the religions of Africa more generally through the international collaboration of all scholars whose research has a bearing on the subject. AASR seeks to stimulate the academic study of religions in Africa in a variety of ways; providing a forum for multilateral communications between scholars of African religions; facilitating the exchange of resources and information; and encouraging the development of linkages and research contacts between scholars and institutions in Africa and between scholars in Africa and those overseas. AASR also endeavors to assist scholars to publish their work and travel to professional meetings. The AASR has been an affiliate of the IAHR since 1995. It meets at the IAHR quinquennial congresses and organizes conferences in Africa. Its members participate in panels at conferences outside of Africa. AASR publishes the biannual AASR Bulletin and maintains a web site at www.a-aasr.org.

Association of Practical Theology
The purpose of the Association of Practical Theology (APT) is to promote critical reflection on theology and practice. Reconstituted from its predecessor organizations in 1984, APT was sparked by the understanding of practical theology as an integrative hermeneutical endeavor at the heart of theological education that includes critical examination of religious traditions and practices and exploration of the contributions of ministerial subdisciplines. APT meets annually in conjunction with AAR and biennially for a three-day conference. APT meetings at the AAR Annual Meeting draw national and international scholars from a variety of disciplines (members of APT and nonmembers) and the biennial meeting allows for more in-depth study of specific issues and the conduct of official business. APT posts proceedings, membership information, and other news on its website (www.practicaltheology.org) and welcomes new members from all areas of religious and theological study.

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Center for Advanced Holocaust Studies

The Center for Advanced Holocaust Studies of the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum supports scholarship and publications in the field of Holocaust studies, promotes the growth of Holocaust studies at American universities, seeks to foster strong relationships between American and international scholars, and initiates programs to ensure the ongoing training of future generations of scholars specializing in the Holocaust. The Center accomplishes its mission through sponsorship of fellowship opportunities; seminars for teaching faculty at the college and university levels; research projects and publications; summer research workshops, conferences, lectures, and symposia; and the evaluation, collection, and making available of Holocaust-related archival materials. The Committee on Church Relations and the Holocaust, an integral part of the Center, serves as a resource for individuals and groups grappling with the ethical and philosophical issues raised by the Holocaust and contemporary antisemitism, and through its panels, symposia, and workshops investigates the relationship of the Holocaust to the past history and future potential of Jewish/Christian relations.

Christian Theological Research Fellowship

The Christian Theological Research Fellowship is a distinctively Christian research organization in systematic and moral theology and related disciplines. The society exists to promote and sustain fellowship and truth-seeking (fides quaerens intellectum) in theological reflection upon the Christian faith, within the mainstream of the Christian tradition. We see ourselves as a spiritual fellowship in service to the Church of Messiah Jesus.

Colloquium on Violence and Religion

The Colloquium on Violence and Religion is an international association of scholars founded in 1990. It is dedicated to the exploration, criticism, and development of René Girard’s mimetic model of the relationship between violence and religion in the genesis and maintenance of culture. In promoting research in mimetic theory, COVandR welcomes scholars and others from diverse fields and theoretical orientations who are interested in the foundational role of imitation in individual human lives and cultures. In addition to gathering at the Annual Meeting of the American Academy of Religion, the Colloquium meets each summer, alternating between North American and European venues. COVandR’s publications include a website (www.ubk.ac.at/theol/cover/); a book series, Studies in Violence, Mimesis, and Culture, published by Michigan State University Press; the journal Contagion; and a biannual newsletter, Bulletin of the Colloquium on Violence and Religion. The coordinator of COVandR at the AAR is Martha Reineke, University of Northern Iowa, martha.reineke@uni.edu. COVandR membership information can be found at www.ubk.ac.at/theol/cover/membership/.

Center for the Interdisciplinary Study of Monotheistic Religions

The Center for Interdisciplinary Study of Monotheistic Religions (CISMOR), established in 2003, conducts comprehensive and interdisciplinary research and educational activities related to the monotheistic world. It fosters specialists who can help to achieve coexistence among different civilizations and at the same time makes the results of its research available to the world at large, with the goal of becoming a mediator between the Islamic, Judaic, and Christian worlds. Although the three Abrahamic religions that originated in the Middle East — Judaism, Christianity, and Islam — are closely related as brothers, Western countries have a long history of repeated conflicts and antagonism with the Islamic world. In order to achieve peace, security, and the coexistence of civilizations in today’s world, we must undertake comprehensive and interdisciplinary educational and research activities from a civilizational perspective. CISMOR is unlike any other research institute in the world because it centralizes in-depth interdisciplinary research on all three Abrahamic religions and also because of its unique location in Japan, a country that is free of historical or cultural constraints on such studies, thus allowing the institute to take an entirely objective point of view. Research on Abrahamic religions is still a comparatively new field in Japan, and there is a lot to be learned. By increasing our understanding of Abrahamic religions, we will at the same time contribute to a deeper understanding of Japanese religion. We try to find the way to contribute to the reform of the Abrahamic religions from the standpoint of Japanese religiosity.

European Society of Women in Theological Research

Founded in 1986 in Switzerland, ESWTR is a scholarly network of women scholars in theological research and religious studies. Currently, the Society has more than 500 members who come from different religious, denominational, national, and academic backgrounds. ESWTR provides the opportunity for women researchers from the European continent to meet and to dialogue with each other at biannual international conferences held in different European countries. Conference themes raise important issues in feminist theological and religious research. During the year in which no international meeting takes place, members meet nationally or regionally. Currently, country or regional groups exist in Austria, Belgium, Britain, Bulgaria, Croatia, Czech Republic, Denmark, Finland, France, Republic of Georgia, Greece, Germany, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, The Netherlands, Norway, Northern America, Palestine, Poland, Romania, Slovakia, Spain, Sweden, and Switzerland.
Membership is open to women engaged in the academic study of theology, religious studies, and related areas. They may live and work in Europe, hold a European passport, or may be admitted after special consideration by the Board. Members receive the ESWTR Newsletter and the annually published Journal of the ESWTR.

**Evangelical Philosophical Society**

The mission of the Evangelical Philosophical Society is to glorify God through a biblically faithful pursuit of philosophy by fostering the use of the mind to understand God and the world He created and encouraging and enabling evangelical philosophers as they engage philosophical and spiritual issues in the academy, church, and culture.

**Highlands Institute for American Religious and Philosophical Thought**

The Highlands Institute for American Religious and Philosophical Thought is a community of productive scholars, with diverse theological and philosophical perspectives. The Institute contributes to the academic study of religion and philosophy through interpretive, critical, and constructive reflections whose principal focus is distinctively American religious and philosophical thought. It fosters broad discussion of relevant options through its sponsorship of conferences, seminars, workshops, and publications. The work of the Institute emphasizes: 1) Theological and philosophical reflections, especially where these efforts have utilized the American philosophical and religious traditions; 2) The history and development of liberal religious thought in America; 3) Themes pertinent to the “Chicago School” of theology; and 4) Naturalism in American theology and philosophy.

**International Bonhoeffer Society — English Language Section**

The International Bonhoeffer Society — English Language Section is an interfaith scholarly organization. It was founded in 1971 to promote research in the theology, ethics, and life of the German theologian, Dietrich Bonhoeffer (1906–1945). The English Language Section has members in the United States, Canada, United Kingdom, Australia, New Zealand, South Africa, and other lands. It is governed by an elected board and society officers. Society membership is open to all persons interested in the theology, life, and spiritual influence of Dietrich Bonhoeffer and in constructive theological and pastoral studies inspired by his legacy.

**International Society for Chinese Philosophy**

The International Society for Chinese Philosophy (ISCP) is a nonprofit organization formed for the purpose of uniting persons affiliated with the study and research of Chinese philosophy or interested in promoting the study and research of Chinese philosophy in both academic and nonacademic circles. By “Chinese philosophy,” it is meant the whole philosophical tradition and heritage within the span of Chinese history and the spectrum of Chinese civilization. The term “Chinese philosophy” also connotes the areas of logical, metaphysical, ethical, aesthetic, and epistemological thinking and reflection in reference to the Chinese philosophical tradition and heritage, Chinese language, Chinese society, and Chinese civilization. The Society organizes and sponsors conferences and conference panels on Chinese philosophy. Its official journal is the *Journal of Chinese Philosophy* (Blackwell Publishers, Inc.). ISCP also sponsors and cosponsors philosophical, educational, cultural, or scientific activities in cooperation with educational, cultural, philosophical, or scientific institutions or organizations associated with the study and research of Chinese philosophy.

**Karl Barth Society of North America**

The Society's membership is open to all interested parties—scholars, students, pastors, and laypersons. A newsletter is published twice a year, edited by Paul D. Molnar, Division of Humanities, Saint John's University, 8000 Utopia Parkway, Queens, NY 11439. Annual dues are $15 (students $10). A website is posted by the Center for Barth Studies at Princeton Theological Seminary at http://libweb.ptsem.edu/collections/barth/faq/barthsociety.aspx and the contact is Clifford B. Anderson at barth.studies@ptsem.edu. The website contains substantial articles as well as information about events. Two sessions are held each year as Additional Meetings at the AAR Annual Meeting: one on Friday afternoon, the other on Saturday morning. As perhaps is only appropriate, the Society is always more of an event than an institution, whose irregular activities have earned it the well-known Barthian motto, “providentia dei, confusio hominum.”

**La Comunidad of Hispanic Scholars**

La Comunidad is an ecumenical association of Hispanic scholars of religion. La Comunidad proactively advances the interests and scholarship of Latinas and Latinos in biblical, theological, and religious studies. For more information, please contact Gastón Espinosa, gaston.espinosa@claremontmckenna.edu, or Efrain Agusto, eagusto@bartsem.edu.
Niebuhr Society

The Niebuhr Society was organized in 2003 as a non-profit organization. "The Society is dedicated to historical, critical, and constructive study of the thought of Reinhold Niebuhr (1892–1971) and scholarly engagement with the moral, political, and theological questions that were central to his work. The Niebuhr Society serves these purposes through presentations and discussion at its annual meeting, dissemination of information about relevant programs and activities, and support for the collection, preservation, and publication of material related to Reinhold Niebuhr's life and work. The Society encourages participation by persons from a wide variety of religious backgrounds, academic disciplines, and political viewpoints and seeks to develop a program that reflects the breadth of Niebuhr’s interests and concerns" (Statement of Purpose and Organizational Plan). The Society remains in contact not only through its annual meetings but also through occasional e-mails updating members on recent developments in Niebuhr studies, and through our Society webpage (http://niebushsociety.typepad.com/main/).

North American Association for the Study of Religion

The North American Association for the Study of Religion was initially formed in 1985 to encourage the historical, comparative, structural, theoretical, and cognitive study of religion among North American scholars; to represent North American scholars of religion at the international level; and to sustain communication between North American scholars and their international colleagues engaged in the study of religion. In order to achieve these goals, NAASR is affiliated with the Council of Societies for the Study of Religion and has annual meetings together with the American Academy of Religion on the one hand, and the Society for the Scientific Study of Religion on the other. NAASR has affiliated with the International Association for the History of Religions, and is the only organization from the United States that enjoys such affiliation. NAASR's official peer-review journal, Method and Theory in the Study of Religion, is published quarterly by E. J. Brill of The Netherlands. NAASR also sponsors a book series, "Key Thinkers in the Study of Religion," published by Equinox Publishers of the United Kingdom.

North American Paul Tillich Society

Founded in 1975, the 250-member NAPTS is concerned with Paul Tillich's (1886–1965) philosophical-theological thought; with its analysis, critique, and revision; with the implications and the use of this thought in political, social, psychotherapeutic, scientific, artistic, and ethico-religious spheres; and with the impact and the creative extension of Tillich's legacy. The Society meets annually in conjunction with AAR, organizes international conferences, collaborates with the German, French, and other Tillich societies, awards an annual student paper prize, and sponsors publications. The quarterly newsletter carries papers from meetings. Dues are $35/year. The membership contact is Frederick Parrella, Religious Studies, Santa Clara University, Santa Clara, CA, 95053-0335, or fparrella@scu.edu.

Polanyi Society

The Polanyi Society, formed in 1972, includes in its membership scholars and students who, inspired by the thought of Michael Polanyi (1891–1976), seek to explore and expand upon his seminal ideas. A Hungarian by birth, Polanyi began his distinguished career as a physical chemist in Germany and England, but it is his later work in economics, social thought, and especially philosophy that continues to be influential today. Polanyi's Gifford Lectures, Personal Knowledge, was a pioneer work demonstrating the contextual, theory-laden, faith-shaped, and passionate character of all human endeavors, including theology and religious practice as well as science and the arts. The Polanyi Society holds its Annual Meeting Friday evening and Saturday morning at the beginning of the AAR Annual Meeting. Papers to be discussed are posted prior to the meeting on the Society website, www.missouristwestern.edu/orgs/polanyi/. Archived copies and current issues of the Polanyi Society's peer-reviewed journal, Tradition and Discovery (three issues a year), information about joining the Society, upcoming meetings, and links to Polanyi essays will be found on the website. Personal Knowledge is subtitled "Towards a Post-Critical Philosophy," and the Society invites all those who are interested in exploring postfoundational versions of epistemology, philosophy of religion, ethics, and theology to join with us. Polanyi's notions of tacit knowing, heuristic passion, and conviviality are among the many contributions he makes to this ongoing venture.
Psychology, Culture, and Religion

The Psychology, Culture, and Religion Group is an informal association of scholars and practitioners in the fields of religion and psychology broadly defined, who share common interests in the relationship between religion, psychology, and contemporary cultures. Working at the intersections of religion and psychology, the group enables participants to contextualize religious studies in relationship to the theory and practice of psychotherapy and pastoral counseling. PCR’s location on the boundary of academic study and applied professions like clinical psychology and pastoral psychotherapy results in rich, varied, and stimulating interdisciplinary conversations of a kind uncommon in the AAR generally. Elements of the dialogue have included modern and postmodern developments in psychology, counseling, cultural and social anthropology, sociology, feminist studies, critical literary theory, and other forms of interpretive theory.

Société Internationale d'études sur Alfred Loisy

The Société is a nonprofit association formed to foster study of the French exegete and scholar of religion, Alfred Loisy (1857–1940) and of the Roman Catholic Modernist movement in which he figured so prominently. It was formed to foster international communication and contact among scholars from a variety of disciplines as well as other interested parties whose work and interests bear upon issues that surfaced in the latter decades of the nineteenth century and remain of enduring religious significance.

Society for Asian and Comparative Philosophy

The SACP was established in 1967 as a nonprofit organization aimed at advancing the development of the disciplines of Asian and comparative philosophy in the international academic arena, and bringing together Asian and Western philosophers for a mutually beneficial exchange of ideas. It holds panels in conjunction with the American Philosophical Association, the Association of Asian Studies, and the American Academy of Religion. Annual individual membership dues for the SACP are $35 ($20 for students and professors emeriti) and include a subscription to the SACP Forum. The Society also sponsors a monograph series on specialized topics published by the University of Hawai’i Press. For more information about the SACP and about the journal, Philosophy East and West, please see our website at www.sacpweb.org.

Society for Buddhist–Christian Studies

The Society for Buddhist–Christian Studies was founded in 1987 to provide an ongoing organization for those committed to study, reflection, interchange, and practice arising out of Buddhist–Christian encounters. The purposes of the Society are: 1) To serve as a coordinating body supporting activities related to the comparative study of, and the practical interaction between, Buddhism and Christianity, by groups and individuals; 2) To encourage those who report on Buddhist–Christian dialogue and comparative study to employ analytical and theoretical tools and to set their discussion within the framework of our larger human history; and 3) To be as inclusive as possible in all its activities, seeking a balance with regard to geography, ethnicity, age, sex, denomination or lineage, cultural tradition, and leadership in both academic and religious institutions, and in the public and private sectors. The Society meets annually in conjunction with the national AAR meeting, having board meetings and a program session one day prior (Friday) to the start of the AAR schedule (Saturday). There is a second program session on Saturday morning. International conferences lasting approximately five days are held every four years, usually in the summer. The Society publishes a scholarly journal, The Journal for Buddhist–Christian Studies (University of Hawai’i), and a biannual newsletter. The Society’s website, www.society-buddhist-christian-studies.org, includes membership information, upcoming dialogue events, conference summaries, newsletters, and links, including one to the newly launched Buddhist–Christian Studies Database housed at Boston College.

Society for Hindu–Christian Studies

The Society for Hindu–Christian Studies was founded in November 1994 as a logical extension to the dialogue and scholarship being carried on in the Hindu–Christian Studies Bulletin (now the Journal of Hindu Christian Studies), which first appeared in 1988 under its founding editor Harold Coward. The Society is dedicated to the study of Hinduism and Christianity and their interrelationships. It seeks to create a forum for the presentation of historical research and studies of contemporary practice for the fostering of dialogue and interreligious conversation carried forward in a spirit of openness, respect, and true inquiry. Committed to scholarly interchange according to accepted traditional and contemporary methods, the Society understands its scope broadly, so as to include issues related to religious practice, spirituality, and education; it is interested in supporting activities related to the comparative study of Hinduism and Christianity. Our membership includes Christians interested in the study of Hinduism, Hindus interested in the study of Christianity, and scholars — Hindu, Christian, and other — interested in the historical and contemporary interactions of
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Society for the Arts in Religious and Theological Studies
The Society for the Arts in Religious and Theological Studies was organized to provide a forum for scholars and artists interested in the intersections among theology, religion, and the arts. The Society wishes to advance the discipline in theological and religious studies curricula. The goal of the Society is to attract consistent participation of a core group of artists and scholars of theology and religion in order to have dialogue about the theological and religious meaning of the arts and the artistic/aesthetic dimension of theological and religious inquiry.

Society for the Study of Chinese Religions
The annual membership dues for the Society are $30 ($15 for students and retired). In order to become a new member of SSCR, send a check payable in U.S. dollars to the SSCR treasurer: Jonathan R. Herman, Department of Philosophy, Georgia State University, Atlanta, GA 30302-4089; TEL: 404-651-0714; jherman2@gsu.edu. The membership fee pays for the receipt of the annually produced Journal of Chinese Religions. Make sure to include your full address and your e-mail address with the payment. Additional information on published works (books or articles), recently read papers or presentations, and work in progress is also useful and welcome.

Society for the Study of Christian Spirituality
The Society for the Study of Christian Spirituality promotes research and dialogue within the growing community of people interested in spirituality. Formed in 1991, SSCS is ecumenical and strives to be inclusive of the widest possible range of expressions of Christian spirituality. It is interdisciplinary and welcomes the application of diverse disciplines to the study of spirituality. While the emphasis of SSCS is clearly on Christian spirituality, it seeks to foster creative dialogue with other traditions of spirituality. Although the Society is comprised of people from diverse, academically-oriented communities, SSCS also appeals to nonscholars, such as pastors, practitioners, and those in the helping professions. For more information, please contact Anita Houck at abouck@saintmarys.edu.

Society of Christian Philosophers
The Society of Christian Philosophers was organized in 1978 to promote fellowship among Christian Philosophers and to stimulate study and discussion of issues which arise from their Christian and philosophical commitments. One of its chief aims is to go beyond the usual philosophy of religion sessions at the American Philosophical Association and to stimulate thinking about the nature and role of Christian commitment in philosophy. Informal discussion among several Christian philosophers led them to believe that it was possible to form a group designed to promote philosophizing and fellowship among philosophers who shared a commitment to Christianity. Past presidents include William Alston, Robert Merrit Adams, Alvin Plantinga, Marilyn McCord Adams, George Mavrodes, Nicholas Wolterstorff, Eleonore Stump, C. Stephen Evans, and Robert Audi. Linda Zagzebski, University of Oklahoma, is the current President and Kelly James Clark is Executive Director of SCP. The Society is open to anyone interested in philosophy who considers himself or herself a Christian. Membership is not restricted to any particular "school" of philosophy or to any branch of Christianity, nor to professional philosophers.

Søren Kierkegaard Society
Founded by Robert L. Perkins in 1979, the Søren Kierkegaard Society (SKS) exists to encourage study and discussion of the thought of Søren Kierkegaard in all its dimensions and ramifications, including its sources and influences. SKS is affiliated with the American Academy of Religion and the American Philosophical Association and alternates its annual business meeting between the AAR and APA conventions. At times, dinner meetings with guest speakers are coordinated with these conventions. The Society encourages scholarship on Kierkegaard at, or in connection with, the national and regional meetings of the AAR and APA through an executive committee that includes members of both organizations. Membership in SKS is open to all interested in Kierkegaard. A newsletter informs members of calls for papers and upcoming programs. The current president of SKS is Lee Barrett, Lancaster Seminary, lbarrett@lancasterseminary.edu.

Theta Alpha Kappa
Founded in 1976 at Manhattan College, Theta Alpha Kappa is the only national honor society for religious and/or theological studies to be accredited by the Association of College Honor Societies. Governed by a national Board of Directors, Theta Alpha Kappa currently comprises more than 200 chapters in diverse institutions around the country. Theta Alpha Kappa's dedication to the recognition of excellence is manifest in programs including the publication of a journal, an annual fellowship competition, and annual award programs for outstanding undergraduates. For more information, please write to the current president, Vivian-Lee Nyitray, at ThetaAlphaKappa@ur.edu.
Thomas F. Torrance Theological Fellowship
This distinctively Christian research organization is devoted to the exploration, development, and dissemination of the theology of Thomas F. Torrance and other theologians contributing to "this" endeavor. The Society exists to promote and sustain fellowship and truth-seeking (fides quaerens intellectum) in theological reflection upon the Christian faith, within the mainstream of the Christian Church and tradition in light of the theological legacy of Thomas F. Torrance. We are a Christian Fellowship serving the Christian faith and the renewal of the Church of Jesus Christ. Saint Membership is open to all scholars, pastors, and laypersons who are interested in research in Christian theology and related disciplines, and are in accord with the above mentioned mission statement. We support free inquiry and critical examination of the many facets of theology and religion, especially as these relate to issues that concerned Torrance himself, such as the relationship between science and religion and how to interpret specific Christian doctrines and their implications for today. We seek to bring Torrance's important thinking into conversation with other significant theologians in an academic way so as to advance a better understanding of the nature of and meaning of contemporary Christian theology. Our website, www.ttorrance.org, contains information about membership, meetings, the Board of Directors and about Thomas F. Torrance himself. At present we are planning to meet as an Additional Meeting at the AAR on Friday afternoon. Please check our website for the most up-to-date information.

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### Sex, Gender, and Sexuality in Premodern Christianity
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### Space, Place, and Religious Meaning
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- **A31-281** Sun 3:00 pm–4:30 pm  HR-Centennial II-IV
- **A31-327** Sun 5:00 pm–6:30 pm  MM-L404

### Theology and the Political
- **A30-336** Sat 4:00 pm–6:30 pm  MM-Marquis Ballroom C
- **A31-328** Sun 5:00 pm–6:30 pm  MM-A704

### Theology of Martin Luther King Jr.
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### Transformative Scholarship and Pedagogy
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- **A1-136** Mon 9:00 am–11:30 am  HR-Hanover C

### Women of Color Scholarship, Teaching, and Activism
- **A30-135** Sat 9:00 am–11:30 am  MM-M302

### Yoga in Theory and Practice
- **A30-218** Sat 1:00 pm–3:30 pm  HR-Hanover D
- **A31-230** Sun 1:00 pm–2:30 pm  HR-Hanover AB

### Yogācāra Studies
- **A31-313** Sun 9:00 am–11:30 am  MM-A703
- **A1-217** Mon 1:00 pm–3:30 pm  MM-A702

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### SPECIAL TOPICS FORUMS

**AAR Guidelines for Teaching about Religion in K–12 Public Schools in the United States: Responses from Teachers and Teacher Educators**
- **A31-102** Sun 9:00 am–11:30 am  MM-M303

**Beyond the Boundaries Public Lecture Series**
- **A30-401** Sat 6:00 pm–8:00 pm  Offsite
- **A31-409** Sun 6:00 pm–8:00 pm  Offsite
- **A1-403** Mon 6:00 pm–8:00 pm  Offsite

**Beyond the Rainbow Generation? Religion and Pluralism in a Globalized World**
- **A30-201** Sat 1:00 pm–3:30 pm  MM-L506

**Bondage and Liberation: Questioning Debts to Slavery and Enslavement to Debt**
- **A30-101** Sat 9:00 am–11:30 am  HR-Hanover E

**Conversation with Bobbi Patterson, 2010 Excellence in Teaching Award Winner**
- **A31-201** Sun 1:00 pm–2:30 pm  MM-Marquis Ballroom A

**Conversation with Ena Heller, 2010 AAR Religion and Arts Award Winner**
- **A31-300** Sun 5:00 pm–6:30 pm  MM-A701

**How to Get Published**
- **A30-202** Sat 1:00 pm–3:30 pm  MM-A703

**How to Propose a New Program Unit**
- **A31-200** Sun 1:00 pm–2:30 pm  MM-L404-406

**If I Knew Then What I Know Now: Lessons from Academic Life from Those Who have Gone Before**
- **A31-250** Sun 3:00 pm–4:30 pm  MM-L401-402

**Is the God Beat Dead?**
- **A30-301** Sat 4:00 pm–6:30 pm  MM-A703

**LGBTIQ Mentoring Lunch**
- **A30-141** Sat 11:45 am–12:45 pm  HR-Lenox

**Making the Case for the Importance of Religion**
- **A30-300** Sat 4:00 pm–6:30 pm  MM-L401-402

**Overcoming Institutional Resistance to Underrepresented Scholarship**
- **A30-200** Sun 1:00 pm–3:30 pm  MM-M106-107

**Rethinking Indigeneity in the Age of Globalization**
- **A31-101** Sun 9:00 am–11:30 am  MM-M302

**Roundtable on Online Publishing**
- **A31-202** Sun 1:00 pm–2:30 pm  MM-Marquis Ballroom D

**Scholarship and Activism**
- **A1-100** Mon 9:00 am–11:30 am  MM-A701

**Spiritual Practices, Religious Pluralism, and Theological Education**
- **A1-200** Mon 1:00 pm–3:30 pm  MM-Marquis Ballroom C

**Student Town Hall Meeting: Come, Listen, Learn, Get Involved!**
- **A30-100** Sat 9:00 am–11:30 am  MM-M304
SWP, REM, and LGBTQ Women’s Mentoring Lunch
A31-138 Sun 11:45 am–12:45 pm MM-Marquis Ballroom C

The Job Market for Academic Positions in Religious Studies: Recession, Depression, or Paradigm Shift?
A31-301 Sun 5:00 pm–6:30 pm MM-M106-107

The Martyr Forum: Elaine Pagels
A31-291 Sun 3:00 pm–4:30 pm MM-Marquis Ballroom B

The Past, Present, and Future of Racial and Ethnic Minorities in the Profession
A31-100 Sun 9:00 am–11:30 am MM-A704

PLENARIES

Anne Harrington: Religion and the Placebo Effect — Historical Issues, Present—Day Challenges
A1-141 Mon 11:45 am–12:45 pm HR-Centennial II-IV

Frans de Waal: Morality before Religion — Empathy, Reciprocity, and Fairness in our Fellow Primates
A30-140 Sat 11:45 am–12:45 pm HR-Centennial II-IV

Jonathan Z. Smith — Reading Religion: A Life in Scholarship
A31-137 Sun 11:45 am–12:45 pm HR-Centennial II-IV

Presidential Address — Ann Taves: “Religion” in the Humanities and the Humanities in the University
A30-404 Sat 8:00 pm–9:00 pm HR-Centennial II-IV

Templeton Lecture — Francisco José Ayala: Darwin’s Gift to Science and Religion
A31-406 Sun 8:30 pm–9:30 pm HR-Centennial II-IV

BUSINESS AND COMMITTEE MEETINGS

JAAR Editorial Board Meeting
A30-400 Sat 6:30 pm–7:30 pm HR-Courtland

AAAR Annual Business Meeting
A31-1 Sun 7:30 am–8:45 am HR-Dunwoody

AAAR Board of Directors Meeting
A29-200 Fri 1:00 pm–5:00 pm Hyatt Regency-Executive Conference Suite 219

Academic Relations Committee Meeting
A30-5 Sat 7:30 am–8:45 am HR-Fairlie

Career Services Advisory Committee Meeting
A1-143 Mon 11:45 am–12:45 pm MM-L501

Graduate Student Committee Meeting
A1-145 Mon 9:00 am–11:00 am HR-Baker

History of Religions Jury Meeting
A29-106 Fri 9:00 am–12:00 pm HR-University

International Connections Committee Meeting
A29-109 Fri 9:00 am–12:00 pm HR-Piedmont

Job Placement Task Force Meeting
A29-107 Fri 1:00 pm–5:00 pm HR-Vinings

Public Understanding of Religion Committee Meeting
A29-112 Fri 9:00 am–12:00 pm HR-Lenox

Publications Committee Meeting
A30-136 Sat 9:00 am–11:00 am MM-L501

Regions Task Force Meeting
A29-108 Fri 9:00 am–12:00 pm HR-Roswell

Religion in the Schools Task Force Meeting
A29-104 Fri 8:00 am–10:00 pm HR-Spring

Status of LGBTQ Persons in the Profession Task Force Meeting
A29-203 Fri 3:00 pm–7:00 pm HR-Piedmont

Status of Women in the Profession Committee, Status of Racial and Ethnic Minorities in the Profession Committee, and Status of LGBTQ Persons in the Profession Task Force Joint Meeting
A29-105 Fri 9:00 am–12:00 pm HR-Techwood

Sustainability Task Force Meeting
A30-4 Sat 7:30 am–8:45 am HR-Edgewood

Teaching and Learning Committee Meeting
A29-111 Fri 9:00 am–12:00 pm HR-Marietta

Technology Task Force Meeting
A29-116 Fri 9:00 am–11:00 am HR-Greenbriar

Theological Education Steering Committee Meeting
A30-3 Sat 7:30 am–8:45 am HR-Greenbriar

ARTS SERIES

Atlanta Artists: Guy Robinson and Keith Prossick
A31-404 Sun 8:30 pm–9:30 pm MM-Imperial Ballroom

Jazz Vespers by Dwight Andrews and the Atlanta Jazz Chorus
A31-405 Sun 8:30 pm–9:30 pm MM-Marquis Ballroom D

FILMS

Chaplains Under Fire
A1-401 Mon 8:00 pm–10:00 pm HR-Hanover AB

Color of Paradise
A29-402 Fri 8:00 pm–10:00 pm HR-Hanover D

Dirt!
A30-406 Sat 8:00 pm–10:00 pm HR-Hanover AB

Finding God in the City of Angels
A1-400 Mon 8:00 pm–10:00 pm HR-Hanover D

New York Doll
A30-405 Sat 8:00 pm–10:00 pm HR-Hanover D

Soldiers of Conscience
A31-403 Sun 8:00 pm–10:00 pm HR-Hanover AB
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**Songs from the Second Floor**
A29-403  Fri  8:00 pm–10:00 pm  HR-Hanover AB

**White Ribbon**
A31-402  Sun  8:00 pm–10:00 pm  HR-Hanover D

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### PRECONFERENCE WORKSHOPS

**Dealing with Ecological Despair: Religion, Ecology, and Hope in the Classroom**
A29-100  Fri  9:00 am–12:00 pm  HR-Hanover D

**Leadership Workshop: Cultivating Interdisciplinarity: Opportunities for Curriculum, Faculty Development, and Hiring**
A29-101  Fri  9:00 am–12:00 pm  HR-Hanover E

**Luce Seminars on Theologies of Religious Pluralism and Comparative Theology Fellows: Cohort Two**
A29-102  Fri  9:00 am–5:00 pm  HR-Hanover G

**Nurturing the Next Generation of Scholars Workshop Part I**
A28-200  Thu  12:00 pm–5:00 pm  HR-Hanover AB

**Nurturing the Next Generation of Scholars Workshop Part II**
A29-115  Fri  9:00 am–1:00 pm  HR-Hanover AB

**Religion and Media Workshop: Religion Counts: Demographic Technologies and the Politics of Surveillance**
A29-103  Fri  9:30 am–5:00 pm  HR-Hanover C

**Rethinking Islamic Studies**
A29-201  Fri  1:00 pm–5:00 pm  HR-Hanover D

**Teaching about Food, Justice, and Sustainability**
A29-202  Fri  1:30 pm–5:00 pm  HR-Hanover F

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### RECEPTIONS AND BREAKFASTS

**AAR Awards Ceremony and Reception**
A31-401  Sun  7:30 pm–8:30 pm  HR-Hanover C

**AAR Leadership Summit Luncheon**
A29-114  Fri  12:00 pm–1:00 pm  HR-Courtland

**AAR Members’ Party**
A30-408  Sat  9:00 pm–11:00 pm  MM-Atrium A

**Centennial Fund Donors Reception**
A30-402  Sat  7:00 pm–8:00 pm  HR-AAR Suite

**International Members’ Breakfast**
A31-2  Sun  7:30 am–8:45 am  HR-Centennial I

**JAAR Reception for Authors and Board Members**
A30-403  Sat  7:30 pm–8:30 pm  HR-Courtland

**LGBTIQ Scholars and Scholars of LGBTIQ Studies Reception**
A30-407  Sat  8:00 pm–10:00 pm  MM-Imperial Foyer

**Luce Summer Seminar Group Reception**
A31-408  Sun  9:30 pm–11:00 pm  HR-AAR Suite

**New Members’ Breakfast**
A30-1  Sat  7:30 am–8:45 am  HR-Dunwoody

**Program Unit Chairs and Steering Committee Reception**
A1-402  Mon  8:00 pm–10:00 pm  HR-AAR Suite

**Program Unit Chairs’ Breakfast**
A1-1  Mon  7:15 am–8:45 am  HR-Centennial I

**Racial and Ethnic Minorities Reception**
A31-400  Sun  6:30 pm–7:30 pm  HR-Centennial I

**Regional Officers Breakfast**
A30-2  Sat  7:30 am–8:45 am  HR-Courtland

**Welcome Reception**
A29-401  Fri  7:00 pm–9:00 pm  HR-Centennial I

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### TOURS

**African-American Religion and Civil Rights Tour**
A29-113  Fri  12:00 pm–5:00 pm  Meet in HR-Lobby

**BAPS Shri Swaminarayan Mandir Tour**
A1-138  Mon  9:00 am–12:00 pm  HR-Baker Street Exit

**Drepung Loseling Monastery Tour**
A1-140  Mon  9:30 am–1:00 pm  HR-Baker Street Exit

**Food, Justice, and Sustainability: Atlanta’s Urban Agriculture Tour**
A1-137  Mon  9:00 am–12:00 pm  HR-Baker Street Exit

**High Museum of Art Tour**
A30-139  Sat  9:00 am–12:00 pm  Meet in HR-Lobby

**Jimmy Carter Presidential Library and Museum Tour**
A30-138  Sat  9:00 am–12:00 pm  HR-Baker Street Exit

**Michael C. Carlos Museum Tour**
A1-144  Mon  12:30 pm–4:00 pm  CANCELLED

**Oakland Cemetery Tour**
A1-236  Mon  1:00 pm–4:00 pm  Meet in HR-Lobby

**Pitts Theology Library Special Collections Tour**
A30-137  Sat  9:00 am–12:00 pm  CANCELLED

**Sacred and Religious Sites of Atlanta Tour**
A1-237  Mon  1:00 pm–5:00 pm  HR-Baker Street Exit
WILDCARD SESSIONS

The Politics of the Veil: Author Meets Critics with Joan Wallach Scott
A30-102 Sat 9:00 am–11:30 am CANCELLED

Contemplative Studies: Problems and Prospects
A31-254 Sun 3:00 pm–4:30 pm MM-M106-107

Engaging Global Issues as Public Theologians
A31-204 Sun 1:00 pm–2:30 pm MM-A704

Enrique Dussel’s Transmodernity: Philosophical Project and Theology
A31-203 Sun 1:00 pm–2:30 pm HR-Hanover C

Mapping the Social and Intellectual Boundaries of Premodern Shi’ism
A1-202 Mon 1:00 pm–3:30 pm MM-L404

Material Scripture
A31-252 Sun 3:00 pm–4:30 pm MM-M102

The Black Freedom Struggle Today: The Civil Rights Movement: Then and Now
A31-280 Sun 3:00 pm–4:30 pm MM-Atrium Ballroom A

The Last Frontier in Interreligious Dialogue: Dialogue with/ among Fundamentalists, Theory, and Practices
A31-253 Sun 3:00 pm–4:30 pm MM-Marquis Ballroom D

The Participatory Turn: Studying Religion Beyond the Philosophies of Consciousness and Constructivism
A31-255 Sun 3:00 pm–4:30 pm MM-A707

The Religion and Daily Life Project
A31-302 Sun 5:00 pm–6:30 pm MM-L503

Theology and Technology: Intersecting Realities
A31-303 Sun 5:00 pm–6:30 pm MM-M103-104

What’s this “Religious” in Hip-Hop Culture?: Shifting Theories and Methods in the Study of African-American Religion
A1-201 Mon 1:00 pm–3:30 pm MM-A708
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Societe Internationale d'Etude sur Alfred Loisy
M30-403 Sat 7:00 pm–8:30 pm MM-L504

Society for Asian and Comparative Philosophy
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M41-400 Mon 7:30 pm–8:30 pm HR-Techwood

Society for Buddhist Christian Studies
M29-102 Fri 9:00 am–11:30 am HR-Auburn
M29-203 Fri 1:00 pm–3:30 pm HR-Greenbriar
M29-305 Fri 4:00 pm–6:30 pm MM-International 6
M30-110 Sat 9:00 am–11:30 am MM-International 7

Society for Hindu-Christian Studies
M29-402 Fri 7:00 pm–9:00 pm HR-Fairlie
M30-5 Sat 7:30 am–8:30 am MM-International B
M30-301 Sat 4:00 pm–6:30 pm MM-International B

Society for the Arts in Religious and Theological Studies
M29-109 Fri 12:30 pm–6:30 pm MM-International 5
M29-405 Fri 7:00 pm–9:00 pm HR-Hanover E
M31-201 Sun 1:00 pm–3:30 pm HR-Vinings

Society for the Study of Christian Spirituality
M29-207 Fri 3:30 pm–5:30 pm MM-International C
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Society of Christian Philosophers
A31-104 Sun 9:00 am–11:30 am MM-L401-402

Soren Kierkegaard Society
M29-412 Fri 6:30 pm–9:30 pm 34 Broad Street Northwest
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Theta Kappa Alpha
M31-3 Sun 9:00 am–11:00 am HR-Auburn
M31-304 Sun 5:00 pm–7:00 pm HR-University

Thomas F. Torrance Theological Fellowship
M29-204 Fri 1:00 pm–4:00 pm MM-International B

Asian Pacific American Religions Research Initiative (APARRI)
M31-203 Sun 12:00 pm–2:00 pm MM-M303

Association for the Study of Esotericism
M30-114 Sat 9:00 am–11:30 am HR-University

Babai's Studies Colloquy
M31-427 Sun 7:00 pm–8:30 pm HR-Techwood

Boston University Reception
M31-430 Sun 9:00 pm–11:00 pm HR-Piedmont

Brigham Young University Reception
M30-402 Sat 7:00 pm–9:00 pm CANCELLED

Brown University Reception
M31-413 Sun 9:00 pm–11:00 pm HR-Kennesaw

Celebrating the Life of Professor N. G. Barrier
M30-424 Sat 6:45 pm–7:45 pm MM-L403

Center for Process Studies Reception
M31-403 Sun 7:00 pm–9:00 pm HR-Fairlie

Center of Theological Inquiry Breakfast Reception
M31-5 Sun 7:00 am–8:30 am HR-Courtland

Claremont Reception
M31-414 Sun 9:00 pm–11:00 pm HR-Dunwoody

College Theology Society Board Meeting
M30-201 Sat 1:00 pm–6:00 pm HR-Kennesaw

Columbia University Reception
M31-415 Sun 9:00 pm–11:00 pm MM-A707

Continuum Reception
M31-432 Sun 7:00 pm–9:00 pm MM-International 4

Council on Foreign Relations
M31-305 Sun 4:00 pm–5:00 pm MM-L403

De Gruyter/Brill Publishers Joint Reception
M30-416 Sat 9:00 pm–11:00 pm HR-Roswell

Denver University/Iliff School of Theology Joint PhD reception
M31-404 Sun 7:00 pm–8:30 pm HR-Harris

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M31-416 Sun 9:00 pm–11:00 pm HR-Lenox

Duke University Reception
M31-417 Sun 9:00 pm–11:00 pm MM-A703

Durham University Reception
M31-412 Sun 8:00 pm–10:00 pm MM-M1068&107

ADDITIONAL MEETINGS

A Chants Encounter: Pagan Gospel/Jam Session
M29-407 Fri 8:00 pm–10:30 pm MM-International 3

AAR Western Region Board Meeting
M30-419 Sat 6:30 pm–8:30 pm HR-Auburn

Animals and Religion Friends Reception
M29-409 Fri 9:00 pm–11:00 pm HR-Baker

Arts of Interpretation Group
M29-300 Fri 4:00 pm–6:00 pm HR-Edgewood
M30-7 Sat 8:00 am–10:00 am HR-Roswell
M30-116 Sat 10:00 am–12:00 pm HR-Techwood

Asbury Theological Seminary and Azusa Pacific University Reception
M1–402 Mon 7:00 pm–8:30 pm HR-Marietta
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Ecclesiological Investigations International Research Network
M31-433 Sun 6:30 pm–8:30 pm MM-Atrium Ballroom A

Emory University Reception
M31-420 Sun 9:00 pm–11:00 pm MM-A706

Encyclopedia of the Bible and Its Reception Editorial Board Meeting
M29-6 Fri 9:00 am–5:00 pm MM-International 10
M29-106 Fri 11:00 am–5:00 pm MM-International A

Explorations in Theology and Apocalyptic
M29-110 Fri 10:15 am–2:45 pm MM-International 8
M30-401 Sat 6:30 pm–9:00 pm MM-International 7
M31-401 Sun 6:30 pm–9:00 pm MM-L403

Feminist Liberation Theologians’ Network
M29-302 Fri 4:00 pm–6:00 pm HR-Greensburg

Feminist Studies in Religion Reception
M29-413 Fri 9:00 pm–11:30 pm HR-Greensburg

Film Screening: “Mysteries of the Jesus Prayer”
M29-307 Fri 4:00 pm–5:00 pm MM-International 8

Florida State University Reception
M31-418 Sun 9:00 pm–12:00 am MM-Peachtree Suite

Fortress Press Reception
M30-417 Sat 9:00 pm–11:00 pm MM-A602

Forum on Sports and Religion
M31-405 Sun 7:00 pm–9:00 pm MM-L401&L402

Fuller Theological Seminary Breakfast
M1-1 Mon 7:00 am–9:00 am HR-Dunwoody

Fund for Theological Education
A28-200 Thu 12:00 pm–5:00 pm HR-Hanover AB
A29-115 Fri 9:00 am–1:00 pm HR-Hanover AB
M30-400 Sat 6:15 pm–8:00 pm MM-International 4

Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary Reception
M31-419 Sun 9:00 pm–11:00 pm HR-Marietta

Georgetown University Reception
M30-404 Sat 7:00 pm–8:30 pm HR-Lenox

GLOPENT Americas Meeting
M29-111 Fri 10:00 am–1:00 pm HR-Harris

Graduate Theological Union Alumni Reception
M30-410 Sat 8:00 pm–10:00 pm MM-International 9

Green Seminary Initiative
M1-3 Mon 7:45 am–8:45 am HR-Spring

Harvard University Reception
M30-304 Sat 6:00 pm–7:30 pm 30 Ivan Allen Jr. Blvd.

Hispanic Theological Initiative Reception
M30-423 Sat 9:00 pm–11:00 pm HR-Piedmont

Institute of Ismaili Studies
M29-103 Fri 9:30 am–2:00 pm MM-International 5

Jesuit College and University Chairs
M30-104 Sat 9:00 am–12:00 pm CANCELLED

John Templeton Foundation: Science and Religion Reception
M31-426 Sun 10:00 pm–12:00 am HR-Hanover FG

Journal of Feminist Studies in Religion
M29-400 Fri 6:00 pm–8:45 pm HR-Lenox
M30-1 Sat 7:00 am–9:30 am HR-Marietta

Journal of Religious Ethics Editorial Board
M31-301 Sun 4:30 pm–6:30 pm HR-Techwood

Korean North American Systematic Theology
M30-420 Sat 7:00 pm–9:00 pm MM-L503

Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer Caucus
M29-408 Fri 8:00 pm–9:30 pm HR-Edgewood

Liverpool Hope/University of Manchester Symposium on Early
Metabolism: Texts, Traditions, and Theologies
M30-203 Sat 1:15 pm–4:45 pm MM-International 10

Lutheran Women in Theological and Religious Studies
M29-4 Fri 9:00 am–9:00 pm Offsite

Mennonite Scholars and Friends Forum
M30-126 Sat 9:00 am–11:00 am MM-International C

Mid-Atlantic American Academy of Religion Regional Reception
M30-411 Sat 8:00 pm–10:00 pm MM-International B

Models of God and Other Ultimate Realities
M29-100 Fri 9:00 am–6:00 pm MM-International 3

New Directions in Religious Studies: Conference for Middle and
Secondary School Teachers
M29-2 Fri 8:00 am–4:00 pm HR-Fairlie

New York Theological Seminary and Journal of World
Christianity Breakfast
M31-1 Sun 7:00 am–8:45 pm HR-Fairlie

North American Hindu Association of Dharma Studies
M31-300 Sun 4:00 pm–5:00 pm HR-Vinings

North American Levitas Society
M31-104 Sun 10:00 am–12:00 am HR-Vinings

Nova Religio Reception
M30-412 Sat 8:00 pm–11:00 pm HR-Marietta

Oxford Bibliographies Online
M30-418 Sat 6:00 pm–8:00 pm HR-Spring

Oxford University Reception
M31-428 Sun 7:00 pm–8:30 pm MM-International 3

Participatory Mission Theology
M28-1 Thu 8:00 am–6:00 pm HR-Hanover G

Phenomenology and Scripture Group
M30-202 Sat 1:00 pm–3:00 pm MM-International 6

Pluralism Project Reception
M29-410 Fri 9:00 pm–11:00 pm HR-Hanover FG

Princeton Theological Seminary Reception
M31-407 Sun 7:00 pm–10:00 pm MM-Marquis Ballroom A

Princeton University Reception
M31-429 Sun 8:00 pm–10:00 pm MM-M301
Pro Ecclesia Reception
M30-422 Sat 9:00 pm–11:00 pm MM-International 4
Regent College Reception
M30-421 Sat 7:00 am–8:30 am HR-Courland
Religion Dispatches Reception
M30-303 Sat 5:00 pm–7:00 pm HR-Dunwoody
Religious Studies Review Annual Editorial Board Meeting
M29-404 Fri 7:00 pm–10:00 pm HR-Roswell
Samhain Ritual Honoring the Dead
M31-431 Sun 7:30 pm–9:30 pm HR-University
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M30-405 Sat 7:00 pm–10:00 pm HR-Fairlie
Society for Comparative Theology
M1-100 Mon 9:00 am–11:30 am HR-Techwood
Society for Mormon Theology and Philosophy
M1-2 Mon 7:00 am–9:00 am MM-L403
Society for Pentecostal Studies and Wesleyan Theological Society
M30-406 Sat 7:00 pm–8:30 pm HR-Greenbriar
Society for the Study of Anglicanism
M30-111 Sat 9:00 am–12:00 pm MM-International 5
Society for the Study of Native American Religious Traditions
M29-308 Fri 4:30 pm–6:30 pm HR-Harris
Society of Anglican and Lutheran Theologians
M28-201 Thu 1:15 pm–8:30 pm 435 Peachtree Street
M29-3 Fri 8:30 am–12:45 pm 435 Peachtree Street
Southern Methodist University Reception
M31-421 Sun 9:00 pm–11:00 pm HR-Edgewood
Spiritus Editorial Board Meeting
M30-3 Sat 7:00 am–9:00 am HR-Spring
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M31-422 Sun 9:00 pm–11:00 pm HR-Baker
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M31-2 Sun 7:00 am–8:45 pm HR-Greenbriar
Journal of Inter-Religious Dialogue
M30-302 Sat 4:30 pm–6:30 pm MM-International 8
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M29-411 Fri 7:00 pm–9:00 pm MM-International 6
Theological Reflections on Immigration
M31-202 Sun 1:30 pm–4:00 pm HR-University
Theology Today Editorial Board Meeting
M31-302 Sun 5:00 pm–6:00 pm HR-Baker
Union Theological Seminary Reception
M31-423 Sun 9:00 pm–11:00 pm MM-Marquis Ballroom A
Unitarian Universalist Scholars and Friends
M30-409 Sat 7:00 pm–9:30 pm MM-International A
M31-408 Sun 7:00 pm–9:00 pm HR-Greenbriar

University of California, Santa Barbara Reception
M31-424 Sun 9:00 pm–11:00 pm MM-A704
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M31-409 Sun 7:00 pm–8:30 pm HR-Piedmont
University of Virginia Reception
M30-425 Sat 9:00 pm–11:00 pm MM-International 3
Vanderbilt University Reception
M30-413 Sat 8:00 pm–9:30 pm MM-A601
Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion
M29-109 Fri 12:30 pm–6:30 pm MM-International 5
M30-414 Sat 8:30 pm–10:00 pm MM-Marquis Ballroom A
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M31-402 Sun 6:30 pm–8:00 pm HR-Edgewood
Womanist In-Gathering
M29-209 Fri 1:00 pm–5:00 pm MM-International 1
Women’s Caucus
M29-108 Fri 12:00 pm–3:00 pm HR-Auburn
Yale Divinity School Reception
M31-410 Sun 7:00 pm–8:30 pm MM-Marquis Ballroom A

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