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San Francisco, CA • November 19–22, 2011

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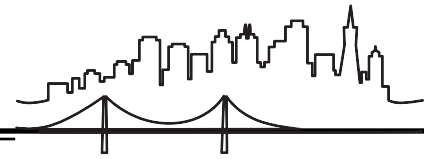
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PROGRAM SESSIONS



THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 17

M17-100

***Encyclopedia of the Bible and Its Reception* Editorial Board Meeting**

Thursday, 9:00 am–5:00 pm

HI-Lombard

M17-101

Newbigin House of Studies

Thursday, 11:00 am–7:30 pm

Calvary Presbyterian Church 2515 Fillmore Street (between Jackson & Pacific)

Theme: *Leadership for the Church-in-Mission*

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11:00 am–1:30 pm Registration

2:00 pm–4:30 pm Session 1

4:30 pm–5:30 pm Break

5:30 pm–7:30 pm Session 2

For registration and more information: <http://newbiginhousestudies.eventbrite.com/>

M17-200

***Believers Church Bible Commentary* Editorial Council**

Thursday, 2:00 pm–4:30 pm

MM-Sierra D

M17-201

Seventh Day Adventist Chairs and Deans Meeting

Thursday, 2:00 pm–5:00 pm

HI-Yosemite C

M17-202

Lutheran Women in Theological and Religious Studies (LWTRS)

Thursday, 3:30 pm–8:30 pm

Offsite

Meet at the Annual Meetings Registration desk to walk to a local restaurant for an informal dinner.

A17-300



Sustainability Task Force Meeting

Thursday, 5:00 pm–7:00 pm

MM-Sierra G

Bobbi Patterson, Emory University, Presiding

P17-401



Adventist Society for Religious Studies

Thursday, 7:00 pm–10:00 pm

MM-Club Room

Theme: *Gates and Walls: Inclusivity and Exclusivity and the People of God Part I*

Today through Saturday the Adventist Society for Religious Studies will address the topic Gates and Walls: Inclusivity and Exclusivity and the People of God. A reception and our first presentation will be followed by a business meeting. For additional information regarding this section contact Ernest Furness at P. O. Box 8050, Riverside, CA 92515 or Ernest.Furness@seccsda.org.

M17-400

Society for Scriptural Reasoning

Thursday, 7:30 pm–9:30 pm

HI-Van Ness

Open meeting of the Society for Scriptural Reasoning: table-fellowships in Abrahamic text study. All interested and registered are welcome Thursday evening. For registration materials please email Peter Ochs at pochs@virginia.edu.

Location Key:

CC–Moscone Center West • MM–Marriott Marquis • IC–InterContinental • PW–Parc 55 Wyndham • HI–Hilton Union Square

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 18

A18-103

Teaching and Learning Committee Meeting

Friday, 8:00 am–12:00 pm

MM-Sierra A

Tina Pippin, Agnes Scott College, Presiding

M18-6

Postcolonial Roundtable

Friday, 8:00 am–4:00 pm

IC–Potrero Hill

Evangelical and Postcolonial scholars working together to discuss the intersections between postcoloniality and evangelicalism. Meeting is by invitation only.

M18-1

Believers Church Bible Commentary Editorial Council

Friday, 8:30 am–11:30 am

MM-Sierra E

M18-2

Common English Bible Editorial Board Meeting

Friday, 8:30 am–12:00 pm

HI-Executive Boardroom

P18-101a

Adventist Society for Religious Studies

Friday, 8:30 am–12:00 pm

CC-2008

Theme: *Gates and Walls: Inclusivity and Exclusivity and the People of God Part II*

M18-3

Institute of Ismaili Studies

Friday, 8:30 am–1:00 pm

HI-Van Ness

Theme: *Cultural Responses to the Qur'an*

This workshop situates the reading and interpretation of the Qur'an in a wider social and cultural context. It will explore how concepts, stories, images, and the language of the Qur'an influenced poets, prose writers, and those working in folklore, music, sufism, philosophy, and other literary and artistic forms, and how in turn they contributed to the reception history of the Qur'an. By exploring the engagement with, and exegesis of, the Qur'an in a variety of genres in a wider cultural framework, the workshop will complement the emphasis of current research on the professional scholastic circles of tafsir, and will indirectly contribute to the understanding of the extent and boundaries of tafsir and its relations to other genres.

M18-4

Accordance Bible Software Training Seminar

Friday, 8:30 am–5:30 pm

IC-Union Square

The all day free seminar will cover basic, advanced, and new features of this cutting-edge Bible software. It is suitable for potential and current users. The morning sessions will cover the interface and search capabilities, while the afternoon is devoted to powerful new search commands, tools, and aids for study and teaching. Questions will be answered and new and future projects will be demonstrated. Bring your own laptop or follow the projected demonstration.

M18-5

Lutheran Women in Theological and Religious Studies (LWTRS)

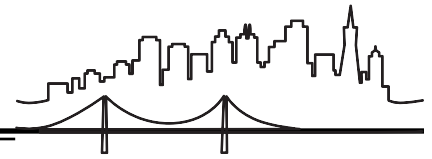
Friday, 8:00 am–6:00 pm

MM-Willow

Lutheran women in theological and religious studies, as well as some local Lutheran clergywomen, gather annually for scholarship, friendship, and worship. Lutheran women scholars—including graduate students—and other women who teach at Lutheran colleges and seminaries are welcome to attend. This year's meeting will include invited guests from the international Lutheran communion. For more information and to register, please contact Mary Streufert at mary.streufert@elca.org.

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A18-100**Overcoming Barriers to Underrepresented Scholarship: A Strategy and Action Workshop**

Friday, 9:00 am–4:30 pm

CC-2002

Melissa M. Wilcox, Whitman College, and Andrea Smith, University of California, Riverside, Presiding

Sponsored by the Status of Women in the Profession Committee, Status of Racial and Ethnic Minorities in the Profession Committee, and the Status of LGBTIQ Persons in the Profession Committee

Panelists:

Miguel A. De La Torre, Iliff School of Theology
Stacey M. Floyd-Thomas, Vanderbilt University
Judith “jack” Halberstam, University of Southern California
Tat-siong Benny Liew, Pacific School of Religion
Judith Plaskow, Manhattan College
Emilie M. Townes, Yale University

Separate registration required. See page 27 for details.

A18-104**Regional Coordinators Meeting**

Friday, 9:00 am–12:00 pm

MM-Sierra D

Brian Pennington, Maryville College, Presiding

A18-105**Theological Education Steering Committee Meeting**

Friday, 9:00 am–12:00 pm

MM-Sierra B

John Thatamanil, Union Theological Seminary, Presiding

A18-106**History of Religions Jury Meeting**

Friday, 9:00 am–12:00 pm

MM-Sierra F

Lou Ruprecht, Georgia State University, Presiding

A18-107**Public Understanding of Religion Committee Meeting**

Friday, 9:00 am–5:00 pm

MM-Sierra J

Sarah Pike, California State University, Chico, Presiding

A18-109**International Connections Committee Meeting**

Friday, 9:00 am–12:00 pm

MM-Sierra I

A18-110**Graduate Student Committee Meeting**

Friday, 9:00 am–12:00 pm

MM-Sierra H

Almeda Wright, Pfeiffer University, Presiding

P18-100**North American Association for the Study of Religion Executive Council Meeting**

Friday, 9:00 am–11:00 am

HI-Yosemite C

P18-102**Society for Buddhist Christian Studies Board Meeting**

Friday, 9:00 am–11:30 am

IC-Stockton

P18-103**Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion**

Friday, 9:00 am–4:30 pm

CC-2012

Theme: *The Scholarship of Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion*

Pre-registration is required, but is already closed. Participants will work on their own original manuscripts in the scholarship of teaching in theology and religion. Small writing cohort groups will help to identify and clarify marks of quality in writing about teaching. There will be extended opportunity to discuss and get feedback on individual writing projects to help develop strategies for structuring evidence and argumentation. At the end of the workshop, the cohort groups will agree on a plan and process to create an ongoing writing group to give encouragement and timely critical feedback to each of the authors until completion of the manuscripts. Please contact Tom Pearson, pearsont@wabash.edu, if you would be interested in registering for this workshop if were offered again next year. For more information: <http://tinyurl.com/3tfvok3>.

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P18-191

North American Paul Tillich Society

Friday, 9:00 am–11:30 am

HI-Mason

Theme: *Tillich and Culture*

Mary Ann Stenger, University of Louisville
Tillich's Theology of Culture in Relation to the American Religious-Secular Dialectic

Rose Caraway, University of Florida
A New Human Being: The Religious Dimensions of Secularism in Cuban and Soviet Moralities

Bert Daelemans, Katholieke Universiteit, Leuven
The Breakthrough of the Spirit in Contemporary Church Architecture

M18-100

Dharma Academy of North America (DANAM)

Friday, 9:00 am–11:00 am

IC-Grand Ballroom C

Kusumita Pedersen, St. Francis College, Presiding

Theme: *Non-Violence and Violence in Dharma Traditions: Warriors, Ascetics, Animals, and Farmers*

Koenraad Elst, Mortsels, Belgium
From the Indo-European Warrior Bands to Modern Buddhist Involvement in War: the Martial Origins and Involvements of Shramanism

Carl Olson, Allegheny College
The Conflicting Themes of Nonviolence and Violence in Ancient Indian Asceticism as Evident in the Practice of Fasting

Christopher Key Chapple, Loyola Marymount University
Imitation, Reincarnation, and Compassion: Animals in Indic Traditions

Whitney Sanford, University of Florida
Practicing Non-Violence through Food: Gandhi's Agrarian Legacy in Contemporary Intentional Communities

M18-101

Review and Expositor Editorial Board Meeting

Friday, 9:00 am–2:00 pm

HI-Union Square 14

M18-102

Encyclopedia of the Bible and Its Reception Editorial Board Meeting

Friday, 9:00 am–5:00 pm

HI-Yosemite B

M18-112

Newbigin House of Studies

Friday, 9:00 am–4:00 pm

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10:30 am–11:00 am Break

11:00 am–12:30 pm Session 2

12:45 pm–2:00 pm Newbigin House Informational Lunch

2:00 pm–4:00 pm Breakout Sessions

For registration and more information: <http://newbiginhousestudies.eventbrite.com/>

A18-102



Religion and Media Workshop

Friday, 9:30 am–4:30 pm

CC-2003

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

Theme: *What's Next for Texts: Scripting Religion in a Networked World*

I. Bookish Objects, Then and Now

Elizabeth Castelli, Barnard College
Translating Pasolini, Translating Paul

Juliane Hammer, George Mason University
Living Text: Qur'an 4:34 and American Muslim Efforts against Domestic Violence

James Watts, Syracuse University
Iconic Electric Texts

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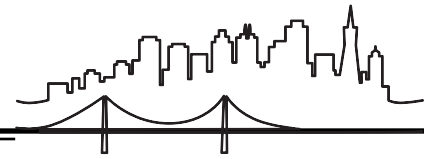
Location Sessions

Receptions and Breakfasts

Sustainability and Religion

Tours

Wildcard Sessions

**II. Texts/Codes/Bodies: Scripting the Virtual Public**

Ann Burlein, Hofstra University
From the Scriptural Genome to Hansen's Bodies in Code: As Media Become Digital, The Body Returns

Ken Hillis, University of North Carolina
Google, World Soul, and the Universal Library

Jeremy Stolow, Concordia University
Picturing Aura: On Technologically-Mediated Vision and the Radiant Body

Roundtable**Interpreting Digital Texts: Collaboration, Research, and Teaching via the Digital Humanities****Panel 1**

Erika W. Dyson, Harvey Mudd College
Archiving Ghosts: Classifiers and Databases for Multi-world Communities

Amy E. Earhart, Texas A&M University; Board Member of
Networked Infrastructure for Nineteenth-Century Electronic
Scholarship
Strategies for Digital Production

Michael Pasquier, Louisiana State University
Finding Religion in America and Getting Lost in the Digital Humanities

Panel 2

Timothy Tangherlini, University of California, Los Angeles
Looking for Satan in all the Wrong Places: Similarity Measures, Topic Modeling, Search and Discovery in Folklore

Lewis R. Lancaster, University of California, Berkeley; founder,
Electronic Cultural Atlas Initiative
Digitizing Buddhist Manuscripts and Using Multi-dimensional Interactive Visualizations

Rebecca Davis, National Institute for Technology in Liberal
Education (NITLE)
Learning in a Networked World: Digital Scholarship and Liberal Education

Separate registration is required. See page 28 for details.

M18-103**Dharma Academy of North America (DANAM)**

Friday, 11:00 am–1:00 pm

IC-Intercontinental Ballroom C

Jeffery D. Long, Elizabethtown College, Presiding

Theme: *Violence and Non-Violence in Hindu Traditions*

T. S. Rukmani, Concordia University
From Violence to Non-Violence as Evidenced in the Mahabharata

Veena Howard, University of Oregon
Animals' Own Voices in Hindu Narratives: The Ideal of Nonviolence towards Living Beings

Neela Bhattacharya Saxena, Nassau Community College
Are the fierce forms of the Mahadevi 'Violent'? A Reading of the Chandi

Purushottama Bilimoria, Deakin and Melbourne University
The Threads of Gandhian Nonviolence in the African American Civil Rights Movement, 1893-1968

Ramdas Lamb, University of Hawaii
Non-violence and Environmentalism in the Dharma Traditions

M18-108**Forum on Religion and Ecology at Yale University Annual Luncheon**

Friday, 11:30 am–1:30 pm

IC-Telegraph Hill

The Forum on Religion and Ecology at Yale holds its annual AAR luncheon for friends and supporters of the Forum and invited guests.

A18-111**Leadership Luncheon**

Friday, 12:00 pm–1:00 pm

MM-Club Room

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.

M18-113**Society for Scriptural Reasoning**

Friday, 12:00 pm–2:00 pm

HI-Lombard

Open meeting of the Society for Scriptural Reasoning: table-fellowships in Abrahamic text study. All interested and registered are welcome Thursday evening. For registration materials please email Peter Ochs at pochs@virginia.edu.

M18-109**Women's Caucus**

Friday, 12:00 pm–2:30 pm

IC-Sutter

Celebrate the 40th anniversary of the Women's Caucus! Open to all women of the AAR and SBL. Join us for conversation on a variety of topics, including practicing self-care, managing Times of transition in one's career, and working toward further healing racial and other divisions among women in the academy.

M18-111**Numata Chair Coordinators Meeting**

Friday, 12:00 pm–5:00 pm

HI-Taylor

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FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 18

A18-205

Swedenborgian Church Tour

Friday, 12:00 pm–2:00 pm

Meet at CC–Howard Street Exit

This on-site tour goes behind the scenes at the Swedenborgian Church, the first and only house of worship in San Francisco presently designated a National Historic Landmark. Built in 1895, the building's distinctive use of natural materials was a crucial forerunner for what became the west coast "Arts and Crafts" movement. The circle of artists, philosophers, and theologians behind the building's design included the noted architect Bernard Maybeck and the landscape painter William Keith. The tour will discuss these various fine arts contexts, as well as the importance of Swedenborgian theology for the building's nature aesthetics and their vital relation to early San Francisco environmentalism. An on-site reception (coffee, tea, finger sandwiches) will follow the tour in the church's historic Parish House. Sponsored and coordinated by the Swedenborgian House of Studies (Pacific School of Religion) and the Art and Religion Area Group at the Graduate Theological Union, Berkeley. The tour is free of charge. Please contact Devin Zuber at dzuber@psr.edu to register or for more details.

A18-200

Theatre as Pedagogy Workshop

Friday, 1:00 pm–6:00 pm

CC-2004

Tina Pippin, Agnes Scott College, Presiding

Sponsored by the Teaching and Learning Committee and the Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion

Panelists:

Victoria Rue, San Jose State University

Registration is limited to the first thirty participants. To register, send an e-mail to Tina Pippin at tpippin@agnesscott.edu. There is no cost for participants, but we ask for commitment to the full session.

See page 29 for details.

A18-201

The Study of Religion as an Analytical Discipline

Friday, 1:00 pm–5:00 pm

CC-2005

Randy Reed, Appalachian State University, Presiding

Sponsored by the Critical Theory and Discourses on Religion Group, Sociology of Religion Consultation, SBL Bible and Cultural Studies Group, and the SBL Ideological Criticisms Group

Panelists:

Jorunn J. Buckley, Bowdoin College

Gregory Alles, McDaniel College

Ipsita Chatterjea, Vanderbilt University

Jens Kreinath, Wichita State University

Registration is free, but limited to the first 50 participants. To register, send an e-mail to Randy Reed, reedrw@appstate.edu, or Ipsita Chatterjea at ipsita.chatterjea@vanderbilt.edu.

See page 30 for details.

A18-202

Rethinking Islamic Studies Workshop

Friday, 1:00 pm–5:00 pm

CC-2007

Laury Silvers, University of Toronto, Presiding

Theme: *Gender, Sexuality, and Bodies in the Text*

Sponsored by the Islamic Mysticism Group and the Qur'an Group

Aisha Geissinger, Carleton University

Gendering Human and Textual Bodies: Reading the Kitab al-Janna in the Sahih Muslim

Aysha Hidayatullah, University of San Francisco, and Amanullah De Sondy, University of Miami

Beyond Sex: The Ethics of Reading Islamic Masculinities

Scott A. Kugle, Emory University, and Sa'diyya Shaikh, University of Cape Town

Reading Gender in Sufi Sources

Richard McGregor, Vanderbilt University

Contesting Iconoclasm: Bodies and Violence as Problems for Comparative Religion

Karen G. Ruffle, University of Toronto

The Bleeding Tree in the Garden of Eden: The Construction of the Shi'i Body through Discourse of Exceptional Difference

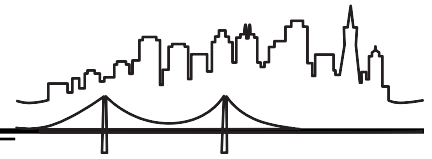
Gordon D. Newby, Emory University

Murū'ah and Dīn Revisited: Late Ancient Legacies of Maleness in Islamic Foundational Texts

Separate registration is required. See page 31 for details.

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A18-203



San Francisco City Tour

Friday, 1:00 pm–5:00 pm

Offsite-Meet at CC-Howard Street Exit

The perfect introduction to the city of San Francisco...a fun-filled bus journey through the vibrant neighborhoods, such as North Beach, Chinatown, Fisherman's Wharf, Ghirardelli Square, Union Square, the Embarcadero, and historic areas of the City by the Bay. Some of the famous sights you will see on the tour may include Coit Tower, Grace Cathedral on Nob Hill, the Chinatown Gate, Transamerica Tower, Alamo Square — home to the famed Painted Ladies — the Ferry Building, and the iconic Golden Gate Bridge, where the tour will stop for a photo op. You will travel to Twin Peaks for panoramic views of the City and a chance to take group photos (weather dependent). Finally, if time permits, you will have a chance to explore Ghirardelli Square or Pier 39/Fisherman's Wharf on your own.

A18-206

AAR Board of Directors Meeting

Friday, 1:00 pm–5:00 pm

MM-Pacific D

Kwok Pui Lan, Episcopal Divinity School, Presiding

P18-200



Thomas F. Torrance Theological Fellowship

Friday, 1:00 pm–3:00 pm

MM-Pacific H

Theme: *Thomas F. Torrance and the Problem of Universalism*

Our guest speaker will be Dr. Paul D. Molnar, Professor of Systematic Theology in the Department of Theology and Religious Studies at St. John's University, Queens, New York. The title of his presentation will be: *Thomas F. Torrance and the Problem of Universalism*.

1:00 pm Short Business Meeting

1:30 pm Guest Presentation

See www.tftorrance.org for more information.

P18-202

North American Association for the Study of Religion

Friday, 1:00 pm–3:30 pm

HI-Yosemite A

Frank Korom, Boston University, Presiding

Theme: *Curses and Blasphemy*

Gustavo Benavides, Villanova University
The Violence of Religious Language

Daria Pezzoli-Olgati, University of Zürich
Controversial Mary: "Blasphemy" between the Public Sphere and the Study of Religion

Steven Engler, Mount Royal University

Curses, Cures and Agency in Three Brazilian New Religions

Responding:

Frank Korom, Boston University

P18-204



Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion

Friday, 1:00 pm–5:00 pm

IC-Grand Ballroom B

Theme: *Designing an Introductory Course Syllabus*

The Introductory course sits at the nexus of multiple concerns and demands. For example, as a general education course, it must teach skills (in some places, to a diverse audience), but as an introduction to a dimension of the field of religious studies, biblical studies, or whatever area it is introducing, it must either entice new majors, functioning to offer tidbits of larger subjects, or set the foundations for work in a field. This workshop will examine the introductory course in its multiplicity through the common element of all courses: the syllabus. The syllabus will allow us to ask a variety of questions about contextual demands of institution, guild, departmental, and personal goals. Participants will be required to bring a syllabus from an introductory course they are currently teaching/TA-ing or from an introductory course they would like to teach.

Leadership Team:

Richard Ascough, Queen's University, Canada

Carolyn Medine, University of Georgia

Paul O. Myhre, Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion

Advance registration limited to 60 SBL and AAR graduate students and faculty in their first years of teaching - register online at www.wabashcenter.wabash.edu/programs/article.aspx?id21500.

P18-205

International Bonhoeffer Society Editorial Board and Board of Directors Meeting

Friday, 1:00 pm–6:00 pm

IC-Intercontinental Ballroom A

The *DBWE* Editorial Board will meet at 1:00 pm followed by the Board of Directors at 3:30 pm. The Annual Meeting of the Bonhoeffer Society will be held at the Society Banquet on Saturday evening; for banquet details see www.dietrichbonhoeffer.org.

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P18-291

North American Paul Tillich Society

Friday, 1:00 pm–3:30 pm

HI-Mason

Theme: *Courage and Symbol in Tillich*

Derek Nelson, Thiel College
Absolutely Relative: Teaching Dynamics of Faith, on Teaching Dynamics of Faith

Verna Marina Ehret, Mercyhurst College
Doubt, Courage, and the Transformation of Redemption Within Globalization

Ryan O'Leary, University of Iowa
Gaia as Symbol

P18-292

Society for Buddhist Christian Studies Board Meeting

Friday, 1:00 pm–3:30 pm

IC-Stockton

M18-206

Explorations in Theology and Apocalyptic Working Group

Friday, 1:30 pm–3:30 pm

IC-Pacific Terrace

This meeting of the Explorations in Theology and Apocalyptic working group will feature a paper presented by Peter Kline and Nathan Kerr, entitled *The Hiddenness of God*. The presentation will be followed by a response from Phil Ziegler and open discussion. The session will conclude with a discussion about the nature and future of the working group itself. All inquiries should be directed to Nathan Kerr at nkerr@trevecca.edu.

M18-200

Believers Church Bible Commentary Editorial Council

Friday, 1:00 pm–4:00 pm

MM-Sierra E

P18-206

Adventist Society for Religious Studies

Friday, 1:30 pm–5:30 pm

CC-2009

This is a joint session with SAP, ATS, and ASRS. ASRS sectional meetings will follow starting at 3:30 PM.

Abigail Doukhan, Queens College, Presiding

Theme: *Gates and Walls: Inclusivity and Exclusivity and the People of God Part III*

1:30 pm Keynote Address

Bruce Benson, Wheaton College

3:00 pm Business Session

John Reeve, Andrews University, Presiding

3:30 pm Sectional Meetings

Christian Ethics

Charles Scriven, Kettering College of Medical Arts, Presiding

Christian Theology and History

Martin Hanna, Andrews University, Presiding

New Testament

Carl Cozaert, Walla Walla University, Presiding

Old Testament

Agniel Samson, Oakwood University, Presiding

Practical Theology

Ernie Furness, Southeastern California Conference, Presiding

Religion and Culture

Carla Gober, Loma Linda University, Presiding

World Religions/Missiology

Ernie Bursey, Florida Hospital College, Presiding

4:30 pm Special Meetings

Black Theology Group

Agniel Samson, Oakwood University, Presiding

Women in Theology Group

Trisha Famisaran, La Sierra University, Presiding

M18-201

Consortium of Christian Study Centers

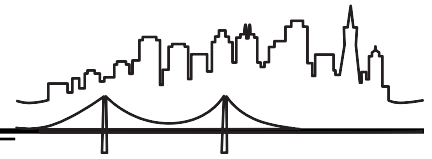
Friday, 1:30 pm–4:30 pm

HI-Yosemite C

Those involved with a Christian Study Center at their university or who are interested in finding out about Christian Study Centers can attend this meeting but must register with the office of the Consortium of Christian Study Centers, 1530 Rugby Avenue, Charlottesville, Virginia, 22903 (Phone 434-296-3333; email info@studycentersonline.org; website www.studycentersonline.org). Registration cost for the annual meeting depends on a variety of factors, which we will be happy to discuss with you. Please contact us; you are very welcome.

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A18-204**Sustainability Workshop**

Friday, 1:45 pm–5:30 pm

CC-2006

David Aftandilian, Texas Christian University, Presiding

Theme: *Teaching About Religion and Sustainability: The Animal Question*

Sponsored by the Sustainability Task Force and the Animals and Religion Group

Panelists:

David Clough, University of Chester
Aaron Gross, University of San Diego
Christine Gutleben, Humane Society of the United States
Laura Hobgood-Oster, Southwestern University
Laurel D. Kearns, Drew University
Jay McDaniel, Hendrix College
Sara Tlili, University of Florida
Paul Waldau, Canisius College

Separate registration is required. See page 32 for details.

A18-207**Academic Relations Committee Meeting**

Friday, 2:00 pm–7:00 pm

MM-Sierra B

Steve Young, McHenry County Community College, Presiding

P18-293**Psychology, Culture, and Religion**

Friday, 2:00 pm–7:00 pm

IC-Grand Ballroom B

Alberto Varona, California Institute of Integral Studies, Presiding

2:00 pm *The Friendship between Sigmund Freud and Oskar Pfister as Seen in the Correspondence between the Jewish Atheist Founder of Psychoanalysis and the Swiss Pastor who Pioneered Pastoral Psychology*

Presenters:

Isabelle Noth, University of Zurich
Christoph Morgenthaler, University of Bern

Responding:

Pamela Cooper-White, Columbia Theological Seminary
Herman Westerink, University of Vienna

3:45 pm Break

4:00 pm *Centrality, Marginality, and Intercultural Dynamics in Psychology and Religion*

Presenters:

Carrie Dohe, University of Chicago
Nicholas Dion, University of Toronto
Gabriel Mendes, University of California, San Diego

5:45 pm Break

6:00 pm *Intersections of Meditation Practice with Theories and Theologies of Personhood and Clinical Practice*

Presenters:

Eileen Campbell-Reed, Luther Seminary
Insook Lee, Hood Theological Seminary

7:00 pm PCR Dinner at a local restaurant. Location TBA.

M18-202**Dharma Academy of North America (DANAM)**

Friday, 2:00 pm–4:00 pm

IC-Grand Ballroom C

Anne Vallely, University of Ottawa, Presiding

Theme: *Animals, Non-Violence, and the Jain Tradition*

Smita Kothari, University of Toronto
The Terapantha Doctrine of Non-interference: A Moral Dilemma?

Nika Kuchuk, University of Ottawa
Serpents in the Iconography of the Goddess Padmavati: A Comparative Study

Bradley Boileau, University of Ottawa
"Telling" Animal Encounters: Defining Heroism through Human-Animal Interaction in Jaina Purāṇic Narrative

Anne Vallely, University of Ottawa
Jainism's Ontology of Kinship

M18-203**Theology and Ethics Colloquy**

Friday, 2:00 pm–5:00 pm

HI-Executive Boardroom

P18-209**Society of Christian Philosophers**

Friday, 2:30 pm–5:00 pm

IC-SoMa

Andrew Chignell, Cornell University, Presiding

Theme: *Philosophy and Scripture*

Eleonore Stump, St. Louis University
The Cry of Dereliction from the Cross and Theories of the Atonement

Peter Ochs, University of Virginia
Transcendental Conditions for Creating the World and also Telling Us About It

Responding:

Paul Griffiths, Duke University
William Abraham, Southern Methodist University

Location Key:

CC–Moscone Center West • MM–Marriott Marquis • IC–InterContinental • PW–Parc 55 Wyndham • HI–Hilton Union Square

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A18-208



Islam in a World of Sound Bites: New Approaches, New Media

Friday, 2:30 pm–6:00 pm

Location: MM-Sierra H

Sponsored by AAR and *Religion Dispatches*. Funded by a grant from the Social Sciences Research Council

2:30 pm–4:00 pm

Hussein Rashid, Hofstra University, Presiding

Theme: *Artists and Activists*

Panelists:

Wajahat Ali, attorney, playwright, author of *Domestic Crusaders*

Farhana Khera, Executive Director, Muslim Advocates

Suhail Khan, Senior Fellow for Muslim-Christian Understanding at the Institute for Global Engagement

4:30 pm–6:00 pm

Sarah Posner, *Religion Dispatches*, Presiding

Theme: *Journalists on the Inside*

Panelists:

Rachel Zoll, *Associated Press*

Arwa Gunja, *The Takeaway*

Sarah Wildman, *Politics Daily*

Registration is free, but limited to the first 50 participants. To register, send an e-mail to Gary Laderman at gladerm@emory.edu. See page 33 for more details.

P18-207

Society for the Arts in Religious and Theological Studies

Friday, 3:00 pm–5:00 pm

IC-Grand Ballroom A

Mia Mochizuki, Graduate Theological Union, Presiding

Theme: *New Frontiers in Theological Aesthetics: Taking Stock and Charting Course*

A round-table presentation of scholars and students on the future of Theological Aesthetics, honoring the life and work of Alejandro Garcia-Rivera. Presenters include Ronald Nakasone, William O'Neill, Thomas Scirghi, Cecilia Gonzalez-Andrieu, Oleg Byrchov, and Frank Burch Brown.

M18-204

American Association for the Advancement of Science

Friday, 3:00 pm–5:00 pm

HI-Van Ness

Theme: *Seminaries and Science: Challenges and Opportunities*

Please join us for a lively exploration of the role of science in theological education and efforts to integrate science into seminary curricula. A panel discussion will include perspectives from scientists, seminary faculty, seminary students and practicing ministers. The discussion will then be opened to all attendees to present their questions and concerns to the panelists as well as personal challenges and opportunities in the effort to address scientific realities in theological education. Participants may also join us at the related workshop, *Seminaries and Science: From Principles to Practice*, on Saturday morning. This event is sponsored by the Association of Theological Schools (ATS) and the American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS).

P18-208

Society for the Study of Christian Spirituality

Friday, 3:30 pm–5:15 pm

MM-Pacific H

Barbara Quinn, Boston College, Presiding

Theme: *Spiritual Formation—Rigorous, Transformative, Integrated*

This workshop will continue the energetic discussion on spiritual formation that began at last year's conference. Whether teaching an undergraduate course in spirituality or facilitating a spiritual formation program in a divinity school, teachers face recurring questions and critiques about the character of spirituality as an academic discipline. Does a course in spirituality stand on a par with other courses in the theological curriculum? Do personal questions, experiences, and practices belong in the classroom and to what degree? How does a teacher assess such material as part of the curriculum? What style of pedagogy weaves together the theoretical and analytic with the personal and experiential so as to foster transformation? Panelists will address these challenging issues and offer questions to prompt small group discussion.

Panelists:

André Delbecq, Santa Clara University

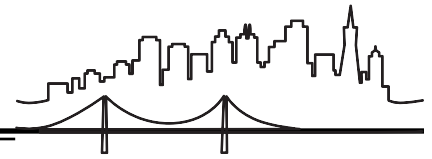
Ruben L. F. Habito, Southern Methodist University

Anita Houck, Saint Mary's College

Elizabeth Liebert, San Francisco Theological Seminary

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**A18-300****Women's Lounge Roundtable**

Friday, 4:00 pm–6:30 pm

MM-Pacific B

Theme: *Women of the "Sandwich Generation"*

Sponsored by the Status of Women in the Profession Committee and the Women's Caucus

Come join us for an informal conversation for and about women who find themselves caring for both the generation above them (their aging parents) and the generation below them (their not-quite-adult children) and who may be attempting to balance these demands with their careers and with self-care.

P18-300**North American Paul Tillich Society**

Friday, 4:00 pm–6:30 pm

HI-Mason

Theme: *International and Interreligious Applications of Tillich*

Theo Junker, Université de Strasbourg
Paul Tillich's Mature Politics: Unconfined Realism and Vigilant Hope. Examples from his Enduring Legacy of Political Affirmations and Refutations

Anne Marie Reijnen, Faculté Universitaire de Théologie
 Protestante de Bruxelles
Das Neue Denken in Franz Rosenzweig and Paul Tillich. The "Star of Redemption" as a Jewish-Christian Theology of Correlation

Responding:

Lon Weaver, Glen Avon Presbyterian Church

P18-391**North American Association for the Study of Religion**

Friday, 4:00 pm–6:30 pm

HI-Yosemite A

Laura Levitt, Temple University, Presiding

Theme: *Hoc Est Enim Corpus Meum: Biopolitical Fantasies of Community Then and Now*

Jennifer Rust, Saint Louis University
Political Theologies of the Corpus Mysticum: Schmitt, Kantorowicz and de Lubac

Kathleen Biddick, Temple University
The Flesh of Treason: Biopolitics of the Eucharist Then and Now

Clayton Crockett, University of Central Arkansas
Corpus, Body and Sense in Nancy, Deleuze and Charles H. Long

Responding:

Jeffrey W. Robbins, Lebanon Valley College

P18-392**Society for Buddhist Christian Studies**

Friday, 4:00 pm–6:30 pm

IC-Cathedral Hill

Terry C. Muck, Asbury Seminary, Presiding

Theme: *Constructing Buddhist Identities in the West*

This panel provides a critical look at the complex set of factors that come into play when Westerners of varying ethnicity, culture, and religion choose to adopt some sort of Buddhist identity.

James Coleman, California Polytechnic State University
Who is a Buddhist? The Problem of Identity in Western Buddhism

Jan Willis, Wesleyan University
Some African Americans Are Buddhist, Too

Paul Knitter, Union Theological Seminary
Christian and Buddhist

David Gilner, Hebrew Union College
Jewish and Buddhist

M18-300**Dharma Academy of North America (DANAM)**

Friday, 4:00 pm–6:00 pm

IC-Grand Ballroom C

Nikky Singh, Colby College, Presiding

Theme: *Sovereignty, Sacrifice, and the Sacred: Non-Violence and Violence in Sikh Dharma*

Arvind Mandair, University of Michigan
Mourning Sovereignty: Finitude and Sacred Violence in the Khalsa Narrative

Navdeep Singh Mandair, University of Birmingham, UK
Squandered Souls: Rethinking the Sacrificial Idiom in Sikhism

Prabhsharandeep Singh, Center for Sikh Studies
(Non)violent (Wo)manhood in Sri Guru Granth Sahib

Balbinder S. Bhogal, Hofstra University
To Be or Not To Be Violent – Modernity and Sikh Reticence

Michael Hawley, Mount Royal University, Canada
Gandhi and the Sikhs

Location Key:

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M18-301

Emory Seminars on Religion and Sexuality: The Reunion

Friday, 4:00 pm–6:00 pm
HI-Union Square 13

M18-302

Feminist Liberation Theologians' Network

Friday, 4:00 pm–6:00 pm
IC-Sutter

The Network will discuss colleagues' successes in implementing and maintaining feminist liberation theological programs in academic institutions and other settings. Among those who will offer brief remarks are:

Shannon Clarkson, San Francisco Theological Seminary
Margaret Miles, Graduate Theological Union
HiRho Park, United Methodist Church
Sharon Welch, Provost, Meadville Lombard Theological School

Discussion will follow short presentations.

All are welcome. RSVP: Mary E. Hunt, Women's Alliance for Theology, Ethics and Ritual (WATER), 301 589-2509, mbunt@pers.com; Elisabeth Schüssler Fiorenza, Harvard Divinity School, 617 495-5751, eschussler@hds.harvard.edu.

M18-303

Art/s of Interpretation Group

Friday, 4:00 pm–6:30 pm
MM-Yerba Buena 5

Randal Cummings, California State University, Northridge, Presiding

Theme: *Homo Symbolicus as Homo Religiosus: Symbolization in the Study of Religion*

Eric Lane, California State University, Los Angeles
What Darwin and Science Owe to Religion
Kay Read, DePaul University
Homo-Who? Quetzalcoatl and Reading Aztec Visual Symbols
Greg Alles, McDaniel College
The Mountain as Symbol: On Difficulties and Possibilities in Studying Religious Symbolization
Jes Hollenback, University of Wisconsin
What Makes Symbols and Symbolization Such Powerful Agents of Transformation?

Responding:

Rick Talbott, California State University, Northridge

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M18-306

Westminster John Knox Press

Friday, 4:00 pm–6:30 pm
CC-2008

John J. Thatamanil, Union Theological Seminary, Presiding

Theme: *Panel Discussion of Wendy Farley's Gathering Those Driven Away: A Theology of Incarnation*

Wendy Farley's latest work, *Gathering Those Driven Away: A Theology of Incarnation*, reclaims the doctrine of the Incarnation and invites the embrace of a Christology that expands and includes. Farley weaves an apophatic theology of divine mystery together with an account of God as eros and both integrated with a radical prophetic vision of inclusion so that no dichotomy exists between the mystical and the political. Farley recovers the vitality of the Incarnation for the wounded, the exiled, and those malnourished by the institutional church engaging such potent voices as Origen and John Scot Eriugena, along with feminists, womanists, and queer theology to weave a vision of the Body of Christ that can help heal the wounds that the category of heresy has inflicted. For those whose language and experience has been erased by the church, orthodoxy is exploded as "Gathering Those Driven Away" offers a Christological vision that shows us there is no place Christ is not.

Panelists:

Serene Jones, Union Theological Seminary
Thomas E. Reynolds, School of Theology
Monica Coleman, Claremont School of Theology
Edward Farley, Vanderbilt University

Responding:

Wendy Farley, Emory University

M18-312

Society for the Study of Native American Religious Traditions

Friday, 4:30 pm–6:30 pm
MM-Yerba Buena 6

The Society for the Study of Native American Religious Traditions welcomes all scholars interested in the topic. The society membership discusses topics of mutual interest and offers non-monetary support for Native scholars in the Academy.

**M18-313****Quaker Theological Discussion Group**

Friday, 4:00 pm–6:00 pm

IC–Golden Gate

David Johns, Earlham School of Religion, Presiding

Theme: *Important Quaker Journals: Elias Hicks and Allen Jay**The Journal of Elias Hicks and Dear Friend*, edited by Paul Buckley

Introduction: Paul Buckley, Earlham School of Religion

Panelists:

Stephen Angell, Earlham School of Religion

Jim Le Shana, the Friends Center, the Haggard School of Theology

Responding:

Paul Buckley, Earlham School of Religion

Discussion

Autobiography of Allen Jay, edited by Joshua Brown

Introduction: Joshua Brown, West Richmond Friends Meeting

Panelists:

Carole Spencer, Earlham School of Religion

Howard Macy, George Fox University

Responding:

Joshua Brown, West Richmond Friends Meeting

Discussion

P18-393**Karl Barth Society of North America**

Friday, 4:30 pm–6:00 pm

CC-2011

George Hunsinger, Princeton Theological Seminary, Presiding

Matthew Puffer, University of Virginia

Revisiting Karth Barth's Ethics of War

Jessica De Cou, University of Chicago

*"Serious" Questions about "True Words" in Culture: Against Dogmatics IV/3 as the Source for Barth's Theology of Culture***M18-307****Stone-Campbell International Journal Reception**

Friday, 5:00 pm–6:30 pm

MM–Nob Hill AB

Theme: *A Conversation About God*

Mark Weedman, Crossroads Christian College

The Trinitarian Theology of Hilary of Poitiers (Brill, 2007)

Ronald Highfield, Pepperdine University

Great is the Lord (Eerdmans, 2008)

SCJ invites friends and colleagues from all streams who identify with the Stone-Campbell Restoration Movement tradition for fellowship, light refreshments, and interesting conversation. For additional information contact William Baker (scjeditor@aol.com).

A18-302**Sustainability Reception in Honor of Rosemary Radford Ruether**

Friday, 5:30 pm–7:30 pm

MM–Nob Hill C

Sponsored by the Sustainability Task Force and the Religion and Ecology Group

Please join us for a reception in honor of Rosemary Radford Ruether's seventy-fifth birthday. The reception will be sustainably catered, following the day-long workshop of the Sustainability Task Force. This reception will also mark the publication of *Voices of Feminist Liberation: Writings in Honor of Rosemary Radford Ruether* (Equinox, 2012). The reception is made possible by a generous donation to the Religion and Ecology Group.

M18-311**General Board of Higher Education and Ministry Women of Color Reception**

Friday, 6:00 pm–8:30 pm

HI–Powell A

P18-306**Adventist Society for Religious Studies**

Friday, 6:00 pm–9:30 pm

Offsite

Theme: *Dinner Meeting and Presidential Addresses with the Adventist Theological Society*

Adventist Theological Society Presidential Address

Stephen Bauer, Southern Adventist University

Identity and Inclusivity

Adventist Society for Religious Studies Presidential Address

Donn Leatherman, Southern Adventist University

*A Nation Without a State: Constituting the People of God in the Synoptic Gospels***Location Key:**

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FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 18

A18-301

Status of LGBTIQ Persons in the Profession Task Force Meeting

Friday, 6:00 pm–9:00 pm

Offsite

Melissa Wilcox, Whitman College, Presiding

A18-303

Islam and the Media Reception

Friday, 6:00 pm–7:30 pm

MM-Club Room

Sponsored by AAR and Religion Dispatches. Funded by a grant from the Social Sciences Research Council

P18-304

Feminist Studies in Religion Boards: Preconference

Friday, 6:00 pm–8:30 pm

MM-Sierra J

M18-310

Tony Blair Faith Foundation

Friday, 6:00 pm–7:00 pm

HI-Lombard

Theme: *Faith and Globalisation Workshop – How to Teach Faith and Globalisation*

While globalisation is inexorably bringing the world closer together, the role of religion in shaping and informing a multitude of globalisation processes is becoming increasingly complex.

The Tony Blair Faith Foundation's "Faith and Globalization Initiative," a partnership between Yale, McGill, Durham University, Tecnológico de Monterrey, Peking University, University of Western Australia, National University of Singapore, and University of Sierra Leone – Fourah Bay College, is committed to exploring a wide array of issues relating to this intersection through collaborative teaching, research and public events.

Are you interested in developing a Faith and Globalisation course at your own university? Would you like to learn more about this new interdisciplinary topic? This workshop will include presentations led by professors from several of the Faith and Globalisation Initiative's Lead Universities detailing their different pedagogical and research approaches.

M18-314

Quaker Theological Discussion Group

Friday, 6:00 pm–7:00 pm

IC–Mission

Reception and Business Meeting (hosted by George Fox University)

A18-400

AAR Welcome Reception

Friday, 7:00 pm–9:00 pm

MM–Golden Gate C

Join your friends and colleagues for conversation and fun at the AAR Welcome Reception. Light refreshments, cash bar, and live jazz combine to make this a great way to catch up with friends old and new.

P18-400

European Society for Women in Theological Research

Friday, 7:00 pm–9:00 pm

HI-Mason

Susanne Scholz, Southern Methodist University, Presiding

Theme: *Gender Differences, Ritual Practices, and Religious Traditions*

Everyone is welcome to this panel discussion based on Teresa Berger's new book, *Gender Differences and the Making of Liturgical History* (Ashgate 2011). For additional information, please contact Susanne Scholz at sscholz@smu.edu.

Panelists:

Mary McClintock Fulkerson, Duke University

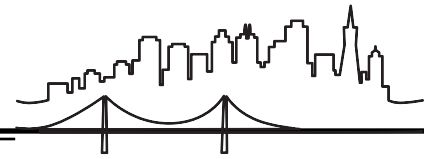
Karen Torjesen, Claremont Graduate University

Responding:

Teresa Berger, Yale University

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**P18-401****Society for Hindu Christian Studies**

Friday, 7:00 pm–9:00 pm

HI-Yosemite A

Xavier Gravend-Tirole, University of Lausanne and Montreal, Presiding

Theme: *Raimundo Panikkar's Christological Contribution*

Christopher Denny, St. John's University
Purusha Sukta / Nirvana / Holy Saturday: Alternative Paths to Spiritual Kenosis

Erik Ranstrom, Boston College
I Discovered Myself a Hindu: The Promise and Problem of Raimon Panikkar as a Source of Hindu Self-Understanding

Bob Robinson, Laidlaw College
An Evangelical Protestant Appreciation of Panikkar

J. Jayakiran Sebastian, Lutheran Theological Seminary
Fragmented Selves, Fragments of the New Story: Panikkar and Dalit Christology

Responding:

Catherine Cornille, Boston College

P18-402**Society for the Arts in Religious and Theological Studies**

Friday, 7:00 pm–9:00 pm

HI-Golden Gate 2

Theme: *Reception To Honor the Life and Work of Stephen De Staebler*

Presentations by Carin Jacobs of the Center for Religion and the Arts at the GTU and Diane Apostolos-Cappadona of Georgetown University. Featuring the Special Issue of ARTS Magazine, edited by Apostolos-Cappadona and supported by CARE. Open to the public.

P18-404**North American Association for the Study of Religion Members' Reception, Sponsored by Equinox Publishing**

Friday, 7:00 pm–9:00 pm

Restaurant Lulu, 816 Folsom Street, San Francisco

M18-400**American Association for the Advancement of Science Reception**

Friday, 7:00 pm–9:00 pm

HI-Yosemite B

Please join the Dialogue on Science, Ethics, and Religion Program at AAAS, the world's largest general scientific society, for refreshments and discussion. This event is co-sponsored by the Association of Theological Schools (ATS).

M18-401**The Word Made Fresh and Society of Evangelical Scholars**

Friday, 7:00 pm–9:00 pm

CC-2010

Don Thorsen, Presiding

Theme: *Exploring the Life and Theology of Clark Pinnock*

Sarah Pinnock, Trinity University
Reflections on Pinnock's Life and General Influence

Scot McKnight, North Park University
Reflections on Pinnock's Influence in Biblical Studies

Linda Mercadante, Methodist Theological School, Ohio
Reflections on Pinnock's Influence in Social Issues

John Sanders, Hendrix College
Reflections on Pinnock and Open Theology

Roger Olson, University of Manitoba
Reflections on Pinnock and Evangelicalism

M18-408**Mennonite Scholars and Friends Reception**

Friday, 7:00 pm–9:00 pm

HI-Plaza Ballroom B

M18-405**Mysticism Group**

Friday, 7:00 pm–9:00 pm

HI-Van Ness

Theme: *Screening of the Documentary "An Encounter with Simone Weil" a Revolutionary New Documentary by Julia Haslett*

An Encounter with Simone Weil tells the story of French philosopher, activist, and Christian mystic Simone Weil (1909-1943), a woman Albert Camus described as "the only great spirit of our time." The film explores the issue of moral responsibility and personal action against the backdrop of 21st-century America. Using Weil's writings and teachings as a framework for her own experience, filmmaker Julia Haslett creates a moving portrait of an extraordinary young woman whose decision to live by her convictions proved that the quest to live a principled life is a journey we should all consider taking.

"An astonishing and revelatory piece of work."

~Siân Miles, author of *Simone Weil: An Anthology*

"...this is a film for all those who question deeply and who realize that life, especially when perplexing, demands attention and generosity."

~The Rev. Dr. Eric O. Springsted, President of the American Weil Society

"...more than an insightful and beautifully crafted documentary...the film invites serious reflection on some of the most important and intractable elements of the human condition—I recommend it highly."

~Dr. Vance G. Morgan, Professor of Philosophy, Providence College

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M18-409

Quaker Theological Discussion Group

Friday, 7:00 pm–9:00 pm

IC–Golden Gate

Paul Anderson, George Fox University, Presiding

Theme: *Quakers and Theism/Nontheism*

Jeffrey Dudiak, Kings University College
Quakers and Theism

David Boulton, Independent Scholar
Quakers and Nontheism

Responding:

Patrick Nugent, Cincinnati, OH

Shannon Craigo-Snell, Louisville Presbyterian Theological
Seminary

Discussion

P18-406

Søren Kierkegaard Society Banquet

Friday, 7:00 pm–9:30 pm

Jillian's, 101 Fourth Street #170

John Davenport, Fordham University, Presiding

Keynote Speaker:

Timothy Jackson, Emory University

P18-405

Society for the Study of Christian Spirituality

Friday, 7:15 pm–9:00 pm

St. Gregory of Nyssa Episcopal Church

500 DeHaro Street, San Francisco 94107

Rev. Donald Schell, Presiding

Theme: *Liturgical Practice, Traditional Learning Technologies, and the
Science of Human Formation*

This workshop in St. Gregory of Nyssa Episcopal's purpose-built church will make an experiential foray into fresh uses of traditional practices of Christian and human formation for the liturgical assembly. We'll use typical pre-literate strategies to engage together in singing, movement, silence, touch, and dance, reflecting together on our practice experience alongside neurological and evolutionary research in the science of human formation.

All are welcome to the workshop and light reception following. St. Gregory's can be reached by MUNI. In addition, a bus will leave the convention area (limited availability; registration required) at 7:00 pm and leave the church around 9:00 pm.

For information on MUNI and bus transportation, including registration and departure details, please visit our webpage, <http://sscs.press.jhu.edu/>. If you have other questions, please contact Anita Houck, Secretary, at ahouck@saintmarys.edu.

M18-402

Religious Studies Review Annual Editorial Board Meeting

Friday, 7:30 pm–9:30 pm

HI-Taylor

M18-410

Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender (LGBT) Caucus

Friday, 8:00 pm–9:30 pm

IC–Intercontinental Ballroom C

A18-401



Film: *Journey of the Universe*

Friday, 8:00 pm–10:00 pm

MM–Golden Gate A

Mary Evelyn Tucker, Yale University, Presiding

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

Acclaimed author and evolutionary philosopher Brian Thomas Swimme shares his infectious curiosity about life's biggest questions in the epic *Journey of the Universe*. This documentary film project, companion book, and 20-part educational series is a collaboration of Swimme and historian of religions Mary Evelyn Tucker. They weave a tapestry that draws together scientific discoveries in astronomy, geology, biology, ecology, and biodiversity with humanistic insights concerning the nature of the universe.

Using his skills as a masterful storyteller, Swimme connects such big picture issues as the birth of the cosmos — to the invisible frontiers of the human genome — as well as to our current impact on Earth's evolutionary dynamics. From the Big Bang—to the epic impact humans have on the planet today — this film is designed to inspire a new and closer relationship with Earth in a period of growing environmental and social crisis.

Panelists:

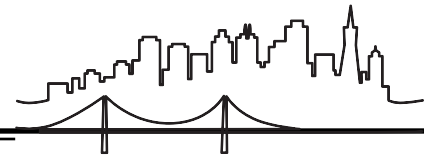
Brian Swimme, California Institute of Integral Studies

Barbara Holmes, Memphis Theological Seminary

Heather Eaton, St. Paul University

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A18-402**Film: *Living Along the Fenceline***

Friday, 8:00 pm–10:00 pm

MM-Nob Hill A

Kathryn Poethig, California State University, Monterey Bay, Presiding

Sponsored by the Religion, Social Conflict, and Peace Group

Living Along the Fenceline, a ground breaking documentary by award-winning filmmaker Lina Hoshino, tells the stories of seven women whose lives have been affected by the US military presence in their backyards. Their individual journeys of strength and courage represent the unheard stories of myriad communities across the globe that live alongside US bases and bear tragic hidden costs to their land, culture, and spirit. Through the power of personal story this film also tells a wider story of the negative impacts of US bases on host communities. It shows the strength and creativity of women's activism in challenging prevailing assumptions about military security. *Living Along the Fenceline* lifts up alternative ideas of peace and security, embedded in the work of grassroots women leaders who are acting on their visions and beliefs.

A18-403**Film: *Highgate United: The Transformation of a Canadian Church***

Friday, 8:00 pm–10:00 pm

MM-Nob Hill B

Barry Stephenson, Wilfrid Laurier University, and Ronald L. Grimes, Radboud University Nijmegen, Presiding

Sponsored by the Anthropology of Religion Group and the Religion, Film, and Visual Culture Group

Highgate United: The Transformation of a Canadian Church deals with the deconsecration and transformation of a rural, Canadian United Church. The film braids together the deconsecration service, stories told by members of the Church community, interviews, and a concert designed to re-launch the building as an arts and community centre.

The work is part of a larger project, titled *Abandoned Sacred*. After ritual sites are conceived, they grow, undergo transformations, and eventually die. Sometimes they are abandoned or recycled. Abandonment does not necessarily bring down the curtain on a place's religious significance but can instead be the first act in a larger, longer social drama: a synagogue becomes a mosque; a Hopi kiva, the centre piece of a national park; a city-center church, a thriving pub. Like people, buildings can be converted, bringing about a sense of heightened emotion and dramatic transformation.

M18-406**Women, Interfaith and Peacemaking**

Friday, 8:00 pm–10:30 pm

MM-Willow

Presenters:

Vincent Cornell, Emory University
Nelly van Doorn-Harder, Wake Forest University
Diane D'Souza, Suffolk University
Jeanine Hill-Fletcher, Fordham University
Zayn Kassam, Pomona College
Sharon Mar Adams, University of Colorado
Ronald Neal, Wake Forest University
Michael Trice, Seattle University

P18-403**Feminist Studies in Religion Reception**

Friday, 8:30 pm–10:30 pm

MM-Nob Hill D

M18-403**Animals and Religion Friends and Scholars Reception**

Friday, 9:00 pm–11:00 pm

MM-Yerba Buena 2

M18-404**Pluralism Project Reception**

Friday, 9:00 pm–11:00 pm

CC-2011

Theme: *World Religions and the Interfaith Infrastructure*

You are invited to join us for our annual reception honoring Pluralism Project friends, affiliates, and advisors on the occasion of our 20th anniversary. This year's program will feature a presentation of our pilot project, *The Interfaith Infrastructure: Citizenship and Leadership in the Multi-Religious City*. We will also highlight new features and content developed for *On Common Ground: World Religions in America 2.0*, the online edition of our award-winning publication developed by our 2010-2011 Postdoctoral Fellow Ryan Overbey, set to launch in 2012.

M18-411**University of Virginia Reception**

Friday, 9:00 pm–11:00 pm

HI-Continental Ballroom 2

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P19-1

Journal of Feminist Studies in Religion Board Meeting

Saturday, 7:00 am–9:30 am

MM-Pacific H

A19-1

New Members' Breakfast

Saturday, 7:30 am–8:45 am

MM-Yerba Buena 5-6

New (first-time) AAR members in 2011 are cordially invited to a continental breakfast with members of the Board of Directors.

A19-2

Regional Officers' Breakfast

Saturday, 7:30 am–8:45 am

MM-Sierra F

By invitation. The AAR is happy to provide this opportunity for officers in the AAR's ten regions to network with one another and to hear reports from Regions Director Brian K. Pennington and AAR staff about AAR Board actions and deliberations and regional initiatives being undertaken by the AAR.

A19-5

Nominations Committee Meeting

Saturday, 7:30 am–9:00 am

MM-Pacific G

Rebecca Alpert, Temple University, Presiding

A19-6

Status of Racial and Ethnic Minorities in the Profession Committee Meeting

Saturday, 7:30 am–8:45 am

IC-Golden Gate

P19-2

Society for Hindu Christian Studies Board Meeting

Saturday, 7:30 am–8:30 am

HI-Golden Gate 2

M19-2

Friends of China Academic Consortium Breakfast

Saturday, 7:30 am–9:00 am

HI-Mason

This is a networking event for those interested in China, its religion, philosophy and worldview.

We have invited scholars from mainland China to share their academic work, as well as North American scholars to share their exchange experiences. CAC welcomes individuals, universities and seminars to participate in a dialogue between academics in North America and China.

M19-3

Dialog Editorial Council

Saturday, 7:30 am–11:00 am

HI-Franciscan D

A19-3



Muir Woods Tour

Saturday, 8:00 am–11:00 am

Offsite-Meet at CC-Howard Street Exit

Sponsored by the Sustainability Task Force

After a short ride from San Francisco over the Golden Gate Bridge, you will be awed by one of the most magnificent Redwood forests in the world — Muir Woods. Early winter is one of the best times to visit Muir Woods — the weather is cool and rainy; and Redwood Creek is full and melodious.

You will travel by bus and have an opportunity to walk through the forest and explore this magnificent National Monument. Bring rain gear!

M19-4



Dharma Academy of North America (DANAM)

Saturday, 8:00 am–10:30 am

IC-Sutter

Rita Sherma, Taksha University and ITBB, Presiding

Theme: *Book Review of Religion* and the Specter of the West: Sikhism, India, Postcoloniality, and the Politics of Translation by Arvind Mandair.

Panelists:

Purushottama Bilimoria, University of California, Berkeley

Gerry Larson, University of California, Santa Barbara

Joseph Prabhu, California State University, Long Beach

Michael McLaughlin, St. Leo University

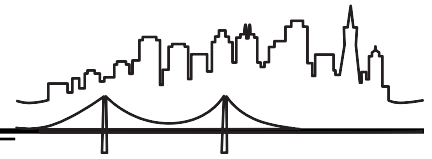
Morny Joy, University of Calgary

Responding:

Arvind Mandair, University of Michigan

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M19-5

Council on Graduate Studies of Religion

Saturday, 8:00 am–1:30 pm

HI-Franciscan C

M19-8

Consortium of Christian Study Centers

Saturday, 8:30 am–11:30 am

HI-Yosemite C

Those involved with a Christian Study Center at their university or who are interested in finding out about Christian Study Centers can attend this meeting but must register with the office of the Consortium of Christian Study Centers, 1530 Rugby Avenue, Charlottesville, Virginia, 22903 (Phone 434-296-3333; email info@studycentersonline.org; website www.studycentersonline.org). Registration cost for the annual meeting depends on a variety of factors, which we will be happy to discuss with you. Please contact us; you are very welcome.

M19-9

Phoenix Rising Academy

Saturday, 8:30 am–12:30 pm

HI-Continental Ballroom 2

Theme: *Demons In The Academy? Renouncing Rejected Knowledge, Again*

Join us for a special session exploring the transdisciplinary options for balanced and integrative approaches to Western Esotericism, while drawing attention to issues relating to the focus on disinterested empiricism as the sole acceptable method for the study of these topics. Integrative models and approaches combining scholarly rigor with imaginative and sympathetic engagement have been long established in many areas of the humanities and social sciences. Yet the question of scholarly overengagement with their topic continues to be a point of contention, while voices calling for channels of dialogue and mutual understanding between scholars and practitioners in order to better explore the application and potentials of such epistemologies are frequently met with suspicion in academic circles. In this session we seek to explore ways to build bridges of fruitful communication and mutual understanding between seemingly disparate voices and perspectives.

Topics include:

- Legitimate ways of knowing: experiential knowledge and/or symbolic perception.
- How can we learn from each other? Bridging the practitioner-scholar divide
- Is history and discourse analysis enough?
- Paradigms for integration and applied transdisciplinary methodology

Details: www.phoenixrising.org/gr/events

Saturday, 9:00 am–11:30 am

A19-100



Special Topics Forum

CC-3004

Laurel C. Schneider, Chicago Theological Seminary, Presiding

Theme: *Beyond Identity Politics*

Sponsored by the Status of LGBTIQ Persons in the Profession Committee

How do queer people move beyond identity-based politics, and how can or should we do so? This panel brings together five scholars and activists to offer their perspectives on this theme.

Panelists:

Mari E. Castellanos, United Church of Christ

Amanullah De Soudy, University of Miami

Jasbir Puar, Rutgers University

Sister Mora Lee D'Klined, Sisters of Perpetual Indulgence

Sister T'aint A. Virgin, Sisters of Perpetual Indulgence

A19-101



Special Topics Forum

IC-Intercontinental Ballroom A

Tim Jensen, University of Southern Denmark, Presiding

Theme: *The Mediterranean: Material Cultures and the Study of Religion — Understanding the Past*

Sponsored by the International Connections Committee

This is one of a two-panel session inviting scholars familiar with the Mediterranean World to analyze the materiality of religion. Focusing either on the implications for understanding the past (Session 1) or for interpreting the present (Session 2), the panelists will examine the uses of material culture — including research that considers art, artifacts, archaeology, or architecture. Among the questions they will consider are the following: 1) What are the diverse functions of artifacts in religious life?; 2) How do artifacts allow the religious to imagine the past and construct collective identity?; 3) How do they orient devotees in space and time?; 4) How do they compete with other artifacts and, thereby, negotiate power as they make meaning? 5) What do we gain and lose by focusing on artifacts? In other words, what do they illumine and obscure?; 6) To what extent are artifacts mute and in need of texts to give them voice? In that sense, what is the relation between materiality and textuality in religion?; and 7) How do literary texts function as material culture, and how does material culture function as text?

Panelists:

Maria Del Mar Marcos Sanchez, Universidad de Cantabria

Valeria Meirano, University of Turin

Peter Machinist, Harvard University

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A19-102



Special Topics Forum

MM-Willow

Michael Christensen, Drew University, Presiding

Theme: *Delicious Peace: Fair Trade, Religions, and the Academy*

Sponsored by the Sustainability Task Force

As part of the AAR Sustainability Task Force's focus on educating about sustainable food practices, and in recognition that San Francisco is a Fair Trade city, this session focuses on issues related to Fair Trade best practices. The international Fair Trade movement has involved over a million growers and countless consumers with its focus on ethical and environmentally-responsible economics. Religious groups have played an important role, both among the producers and in promoting Fair Trade products. This panel will present and discuss the award-winning film *Delicious Peace (Mirembe Kawomera) Grows in a Ugandan Coffee Bean*, which chronicles the Peace Kawomera cooperative with over 1,000 Jewish, Christian, and Muslim farmers/members. Panelists will also discuss Fair Trade and religious practice, the Fair Trade university movement, challenges that the Fair Trade movement faces, and the possible connections between the AAR and Fair Trade.

This Special Topics Forum welcomes discussion on all the ways that the AAR can take a greater role in incorporating environmental sustainability efforts.

Panelists:

Laurel D. Kearns, Drew University

Paul Katzeff, Thanksgiving Coffee Company

David Barnhill, University of Wisconsin, Oshkosh

A19-103



Special Topics Forum

MM-Yerba Buena 9

Michael Kessler, Georgetown University, Presiding

Theme: *Scholars and the Public Representations of Islam in the United States: The Park 51 Mosque Controversy and the Peter King Hearings on the Radicalization of American Muslims*

Sponsored by the Public Understanding of Religion Committee

This session focuses on the role of scholars — such as those consulted by reporters and government agencies — in shaping conversations about the public representations of Islam in the United States. Panelists will discuss the issues involved in two major controversies: the proposed Park 51 Mosque near Ground Zero in Manhattan and the recent hearing by Representative Peter King, head of the Committee on Homeland Security, on “The Extent of Radicalization in the American Muslim Community and that Community’s Response.” Panelists will also discuss their own experiences as scholars in being questioned by the media and government agencies.

Panelists:

John L. Esposito, Georgetown University

Najeeba Syeed-Miller, Claremont School of Theology

Ebrahim E. I. Moosa, Duke University

Jocelyne Cesari, Harvard University

A19-104



Special Topics Forum

IC-Howard

De Ane Lagerquist, St. Olaf College, Presiding

Theme: *An Open Conversation about Departments, Programs, and Institutions*

Sponsored by the Academic Relations Committee

This session is intended to provide new and continuing Department Chairs the space to explore the challenges and opportunities of their work, especially in the current context of shrinking funds and under-siege humanities programs.

Participants will: 1) Hear from present and former Chairs and consult with each other, and 2) Provide feedback on departmental needs and recommendations to the Academic Relations Committee as it contemplates its ongoing service to the discipline. Continental breakfast will be provided.

Panelists:

Steve Young, McHenry County College

Edwin David Aponte, New York Theological Seminary

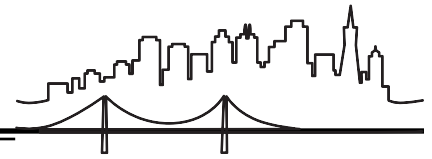
Joseph A. Favazza, Stonehill College

Rosetta E. Ross, Spelman College

David Harrington Watt, Temple University

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**A19-105****Arts, Literature, and Religion Section and Comparative Theology Group**

CC-2010

Loye Ashton, Tougaloo College, Presiding

Theme: *Art and Nontextual Media as Paradigms for Comparative Theology*Freek L. Bakker, Utrecht University
*Rama and Jesus in Cinema: A Comparison*N. Frances Hioki, Sophia University
*Mary-Kannon (Avalokitesvara) Statues and an Art of Comparative Theology*Miriam Perkins, Emmanuel School of Religion
*Islamic Images of Jesus in the Chester Beatty Manuscript Collection: Visual Art as a Framework for Comparative Christology*Jon Paul Sydnor, Emmanuel College
The Beauty of Religions: Art Critical Theory for Comparative Theology

Responding:

Thomas Cattoi, Graduate Theological Union

A19-106**Christian Systematic Theology Section and Kierkegaard, Religion, and Culture Group**

CC-3008

C. Stephen Evans, Baylor University, Presiding

Theme: *Christology and Kierkegaard*Emily Stetler, University of Notre Dame
*Kierkegaardian Kenosis: Christological and Anthropological Self-emptying as Self-fulfillment*Carl Hughes, Emory University
*Subversive Revelation: Kierkegaard on Unknowing Christ in Desire*Ian Panth, Baylor University, and Daniel Marrs, Baylor University
*Beyond the God-Man?: Exploring Kierkegaard's Christology in the Late Discourses*Jordan Rowan Fannin, Baylor University, and K. C. Flynn, Baylor University
*From Paradox to Prototype: Christology as Belief and Imitation in Kierkegaard's Christian Discourses (1848)***A19-107****Ethics Section**

MM-Golden Gate C2

Felicia George, Iliff School of Theology and University of Denver, Presiding

Theme: *Howard Thurman's Legacy for Contemporary Ethical Discourse*Daniel McKanan, Harvard University
Howard Thurman: A Mentor of the New Left

Jacob Robinson, Vanderbilt University

The Challenge of Reconciliation: Honoring the Vision of Howard Thurman

Amy Elizabeth Steele, Vanderbilt University

The Poetic "Vitality" of Religion in Howard Thurman

Larry Perry, University of Virginia

Howard Thurman: Not Color-blind but Color-concerned

Ridgeway Addison, Georgetown University

The "Apostolate of Sensitiveness": Howard Thurman's Pastoral Contributions to a Contemporary Ethic of Peace

Responding:

Vincent Harding, Veterans of Hope Project

A19-108**Philosophy of Religion Section**

CC-3006

Sarah Hammerschlag, Williams College, Presiding

Theme: *Spinoza and Religion: New Perspectives*James Carter, Oxford University
*Striving for New Perspectives: Spinoza and Contemporary Philosophy of Religion*Jenny Bunker, Roehampton University
*Purifying Theological Concepts: The Philosophical Significance of the "TTP"*Daniel Barber, Marymount Manhattan College
*The Conversion of Life: Religion and the Contemporaneity of Spinoza*Daniel Whistler, University of Oxford
Emendation as Spiritual Practice: On Spinoza and Cottingham

Responding:

Rocco Gangle, Endicott College

A19-109**Religion and the Social Sciences Section**

IC-Intercontinental Ballroom B

Marie Marquardt, Agnes Scott College, Presiding

Theme: *Rematerializing Religion: Critical Applications of Manuel A. Vázquez's More than Belief: A Materialist Theory of Religion (Oxford University Press, 2010)*

Chad Seales, University of Texas

*Keep Clean, and Sweet, and Pure: From Material Religion to Material Morality*Sean McCloud, University of North Carolina, Charlotte
*Toward a Materialist Theory of Metanoia: Reconsidering an "Impoverished Theory of Religious Change"*Elaine Peña, George Washington University
The Materiality of Guadalupean Devotion: Micropractices, Embodied Action, and Space Production

Responding:

Manuel A. Vázquez, University of Florida

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A19-110



Women and Religion Section

CC-3001

Karen Jo Torjesen, Claremont Graduate University, Presiding
Theme: *Feminist Theology and Globalization: A Review of Sheila Briggs's and Mary McClintock Fulkerson's Oxford Handbook of Feminist Theology (Oxford University Press, 2011)*

Panelists:

Anne Joh, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary
Teresa Mbari Hinga, Santa Clara University
Sylvia Marcos, Universidad Autonoma del Estado de Morelos, and Claremont Graduate University
Rosemary R. Ruether, Claremont Graduate University

Responding:

Sheila Briggs, University of Southern California, and Mary McClintock Fulkerson, Duke University

A19-111 (=S19-141)



Bible, Theology, and Postmodernity Group and SBL Use, Influence, and Impact of the Bible Group

IC-Laurel Hill

Roland Boer, University of Newcastle, Presiding

Theme: *Review/Discussion of Antonio Negri's The Labor of Job: The Biblical Text as a Parable of Human Labor (Duke University Press, 2009)*

Panelists:

James Harding, University of Otago
Erin Runions, Pomona College
Adam Kotsko, Shimer College
Hugh Pyper, University of Sheffield

A19-112



Bonhoeffer: Theology and Social Analysis Group

CC-3000

Victoria Barnett, United States Holocaust Memorial Museum, Presiding

Theme: *Discovering Bonhoeffer in Translation: New Insights from the Bonhoeffer Works, English Edition*

Panelists:

Lisa Dahill, Trinity Lutheran Seminary
Peter Frick, University of Waterloo
Reinhard Krauss, Presbyterian Church

Responding:

Katie Day, Lutheran Theological Seminary, Philadelphia

Business Meeting:

Joel Lawrence, Bethel Seminary, Presiding

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A19-113



Buddhist Philosophy Group

CC-2007

John D. Dunne, Emory University, Presiding

Theme: *Dialetheism in Buddhist Philosophy*

Edward Falls, Emory University
Modes of Apprehension in Tsong kha pa's Use of Parameterization

Yaroslav Komarovski, University of Nebraska, Lincoln
Shifting Levels of Reality: Alternative Parameterization Strategies in Tibetan Buddhism

Constance Kassor, Emory University
Nonimplicative Negation and Paraconsistency in Gorampa's "Freedom from Conceptual Elaborations" (spros pa dang bral ba)

Koji Tanaka, University of Auckland
Contradictions in Dōgen

Responding:

Jay Garfield, Smith College

Business Meeting:

Daniel A. Arnold, University of Chicago, Presiding

A19-114



Contemporary Islam Group and Middle Eastern Christianity Group

CC-2003

Anna Bigelow, North Carolina State University, Presiding

Theme: *Religion and Diversity in Practice: Christianity and Islam in the Middle East*

Jens Kreinath, Wichita State University
Interreligious Pilgrimages in Southern Turkey: Saint George/Khidr, Material Culture, and the Transforming Agency of Local Sacrifice Rituals

Paula Schrode, Heidelberg University
Sharing the Umma: The Ritual-making of Communities in Translocal Muslim Spheres

Sarah Albrecht, Freie Universität, Berlin
Dār al-Islām Revisited: Concepts of Territoriality in the Context of Fiqh al-Aqalliyāt

Alain Epp Weaver, University of Chicago
"If I Forget Thee, O Palestinian Jerusalem": The Performance of Palestinian Unity Amidst Political Fragmentation

Christian Krokus, University of Scranton
Deir Mar Musa al-Habashi: A Contemporary Example of Christian-Muslim Encounter

Responding:

Magdi Guirguis, American University, Cairo

**A19-115****Gay Men and Religion Group**

CC-3012

Jay E. Johnson, Pacific School of Religion, Presiding

Theme: *Scholars and Activists Talk Back: Responses to Mark Jordan's Recruiting Young Love: How Christians Talk About Homosexuality (University of Chicago Press, 2011)*

Panelists:

Elizabeth Leung, Pacific School of Religion
James Mitulski, New Spirit Community Church, Berkeley, CA
Penny Nixon, Congregational Church of San Mateo
Sharon Groves, Human Rights Campaign
Randall Miller, Evelyn and Walter Haas Jr. Fund and Pacific School of Religion

Responding:

Mark Jordan, Harvard University

Business Meeting:

J. Terry Todd, Drew University, Presiding

A19-116**Japanese Religions Group and New Religious Movements Group**

MM-Golden Gate C1

Marie W. Dallam, University of Oklahoma, Presiding

Theme: *Renewing a New Religion in Japan: The Case of Shinnyo-en*

Mark L. Blum, State University of New York, Albany
Back from Nirvana: Shinnyo-en Rescues a Dead Scripture in the Nirvana Sutra

Pamela D. Winfield, Elon University
Architectural, Iconographic, and Rhetorical Renovations in Shinnyo-en

Victoria Rose Pinto, University of Southern California
Floating Prayer: Syncretism, Symbolism, and Ritual in the Lantern Floating Ceremony in Hawai'i

Monika Schrimpf, Bayreuth University
Guidance to Living in Shinnyo-en: A Modern Way of Individualizing Traditions

Responding:

Jamie Hubbard, Smith College

A19-117**Qur'an Group**

CC-2005

Daniel A. Madigan, Georgetown University, Presiding

Theme: *Qur'anic Exegesis Outside the Classical Tafsir Genre*

Sarra Tlili, University of Florida
Egalitarian Neoplatonists?: Ikhwan al-Safa's Interpretation of Qur'anic Animal Themes

Elliott Bazzano, University of California, Santa Barbara
Moses and Khidr in the Imagination of Ibn al-'Arabi: The Fusus al-Hikam as Qur'anic Exegesis

Younus Mirza, Georgetown University
Ibn Taymiyya as a Mufasssir: Exploring Ibn Taymiyya Views on 'Isma of the Prophets

Isra Yazicioglu, Saint Joseph's University
"As Time Grows Older, the Qur'an Grows Younger": Said Nursi's Contemporary Reading of the Qur'an

Responding:

Maria Massi Dakake, George Mason University

Business Meeting:

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

A19-118**Religion, Media, and Culture Group**

IC-Telegraph Hill

Stewart M. Hoover, University of Colorado, Boulder, Presiding

Theme: *Surveying Our Understanding of Digital Religion*

Panelists:

Pauline Cheong, Arizona State University
Gregory Grieve, University of North Carolina, Greensboro
Mia Lövhelm, Karlstad University, Sweden, and University of Uppsala
Christopher Helland, Dalhousie University
Heidi Ann Campbell, Texas A & M University

Responding:

Knut Lundby, University of Oslo

Business Meeting:

Jenna Tiitsman, Auburn Media and University of North Carolina, and Lynn Schofield Clark, University of Denver, Presiding

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A19-119

Religions, Medicines, and Healing Group

IC-Stockton

Yvonne Chireau, Swarthmore College, Presiding

Theme: *Healing, Hegemony, and Making "Health"*

Connor Wood, Boston University
Dancing with the Dark: Social Hierarchy and Models of Health in Korean Shamanism

Justin Stein, University of Toronto
Hidden Treasures: Reiki Masters' Appeals to Vajrayana Buddhism

Donna Bowman, University of Central Arkansas
Magic Blankets and Angel Hugs: Grassroots Theologies of Healing in the Prayer Shawl Ministry Movement

Lance D. Laird, Boston University
Religious Health Assets of Urban "Black" Congregations: A Mosque, a Church, and a Neighborhood

Responding:

Brett Esaki, University of California, Santa Barbara

A19-120

Tillich: Issues in Theology, Religion, and Culture Group

CC-3018

Sharon Peebles Burch, Interfaith Counseling Center, Presiding

Theme: *Ultimate Concern After the Post-Secular Age*

John Robichaux, Harvard University
The Religiosity of the Secular and the Secularity of the Religious: Tillich, Murray, and Rawls

Daniel Miller, Mount Allison University
Ultimate Concern and Postmodern Theology: Two Competing Legacies

Adam Pryor, Graduate Theological Union
God as Still Living: An Analysis of Paul Tillich's Concept of the Divine Life in Light of Mark Taylor's Infinitization of the Finite

Business Meeting:

Russell Re Manning, University of Cambridge, Presiding

A19-121

World Christianity Group

IC-Intercontinental Ballroom C

Jayachitra Lalitha, Tamilnadu Theological Seminary, Presiding

Theme: *Women, Theological Education, and Pastoral Formation in World Christianity*

Adelaide Boadi, Drew University
Beyond the "Rocking of Cradles" — Christianity's Unsung Heroines: The Case of Ghana/West Africa

William Yoo, Emory University
Battle Hymn of a Korean Tiger Mother: Theological Education and Christian Formation in the Life and Writings of Kim Hwal-lan (Activist, Educator, Liberationist, and Methodist)

Katie Schubert, Claremont Graduate University
Cambodian Women Pastor Training: Empowerment or Colonization?

Sathianathan Clarke, Wesley Theological Seminary
Dalit Theological Education: Feminist, Postcolonial, and Inner-colonial Perspectives

Responding:

Elaine Padilla, New York Theological Seminary

Business Meeting:

Jane Carol Redmont, Guilford College, Presiding

A19-122

Religion and the Literary in Tibet Seminar

MM-Yerba Buena 8

Kurtis Schaeffer, University of Virginia, Presiding

Theme: *Religion and the Literary in Tibet Seminar, Year Two: Poetry, Eleventh to Thirteenth Centuries*

Lara Braitstein, McGill University
Kye bo!: Translation, Genre, and the Poetics of Phyag Chen

Jonathan Gold, Princeton University
Sakya Pandita's Introduction to Poetics
Panelists:

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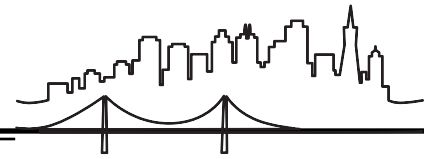
Benjamin Bogin, Georgetown University
José I. Cabezón, University of California, Santa Barbara
Bryan J. Cuevas, Florida State University
Jacob Dalton, University of California, Berkeley
Brandon Dotson, Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität, München
Holly Gayley, University of Colorado
Frances Garrett, University of Toronto
David Germano, University of Virginia
Janet Gyatso, Harvard University
Roger Jackson, Carleton College
Sarah Jacoby, Northwestern University
Nancy Lin, Dartmouth College
Jann Ronis, University of Virginia
Antonio Terrone, Northwestern University
Nicole Willock, University of Denver
Carl Yamamoto, Towson University

Business Meeting:

Kurtis Schaeffer, University of Virginia, Presiding

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African Diaspora Religions Group

MM-Nob Hill A

Maha Marouan, University of Alabama, Presiding

Theme: *From "Double Consciousness" to the "Black Atlantic": Theorizing the African Diaspora and African Diaspora Subjectivities*

Torin Alexander, Saint Olaf College

African Diaspora Subjectivities and Religious Experience: The Pursuit of Wholeness

Karyna Do Monte, Boston University

Brazilian Candomblé Meets Ecology: A Samba Plot in the Rio de Janeiro Carnival

Michelle Gonzalez Maldonado, University of Miami

Translator of the Afro-Cuban Religious World: Lydia Cabrera

Mary Diggin, Pacifica Graduate Institute

Damballah and Maman Brigitte: The Irish Influence on Vodou Lwás

Responding:

Charles Long, Chapel Hill, NC

Business Meeting:

Maha Marouan, University of Alabama, Presiding

A19-124



Buddhism in the West Group

CC-2006

Wakoh Shannon Hickey, Alfred University, Presiding

Theme: *Buddhism in the West: Past and Present*

Peter M. Romaskiewicz, University of California, Santa Barbara
Through the Eyes of Daibutsu: Early Popular American Perceptions of Buddhism

Jørn Borup, Aarhus University

Cultural Buddhism and Spiritual Buddhism: Religion, Ethnicity, and the Subjective Turn

Constance A. Jones, California Institute of Integral Studies, and J. Gordon Melton, Institute for the Study of American Religion
Reflections on American Buddhist Demographics from the 2010 Buddhist Census

Ann Gleig, Millsaps College

"This Could Only Happen in California": Dharma Diversity and Queer Buddhist Utopias at the East Bay Meditation Center

Laura Harrington, Wesleyan University

Exorcising the Mandala: Evangelical Christian "Warriors" and the Kalachakra Tantra

Business Meeting:

David McMahan, Franklin and Marshall College, Presiding

A19-125



Christianity and Academia Group

CC-3010

Darby Kathleen Ray, Millsaps College, Presiding

Theme: *The Role of Theology in the Shape of the Academy*

Lake Lambert, Mercer University

Theologies of Academic Freedom

Elissa McCormack Cutter, Saint Louis University

A Historical Theologian Among Historians: A Case Study of the Revolt of the Vendée

Anthony Mansueto, University of Alaska, Southeast

Towards a Theology of Administration: An Interfaith Approach

Matthew Moser, Baylor University

Incarnational Logic and the Revitalization of the Humanities

Business Meeting:

David S. Cunningham, Hope College, Presiding

A19-126 (=S19-135)



Cognitive Science of Religion Group and SBL Religious Experience in Early Judaism and Early Christianity Group

CC-3016

Frances Flannery, James Madison University, Presiding

Theme: *Responses to Colleen Shantz's Paul in Ecstasy: The Neurobiology of the Apostle's Life and Thought (Cambridge University Press, 2009)*

Pieter Craffert, University of South Africa

Is It Really Silly to Call Paul a Shaman?: A Constructive Engagement with Colleen Shantz's Paul in Ecstasy: The Neurobiology of the Apostle's Life and Thought (Cambridge University Press, 2009)

Michael L. Spezio, Scripps College

Neuroscientific Inference in New Testament Studies: Can Paul, and "Paul's Brain," Be Reembodied this Way?

Ann Taves, University of California, Santa Barbara

New Approaches to the Psychology of Experience

Rodney Werline, Barton College

Parsing Possibilities for Moving from Ancient Text to Experience

Responding:

Colleen Shantz, Toronto School of Theology

Location Key:

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Saturday, 9:00 am–11:30 am

A19-127

New! ★

Contemplative Studies Group

CC-2012

Harold D. Roth, Brown University, Presiding

Theme: *Shaping the Field of Contemplative Studies*

Doug Oman, University of California, Berkeley
Similarity in Diversity?: Four Shared Features of Contemplative Practice Systems

Christopher Kelley, Columbia University
Empathy, Altruism, and the Self: The Abnormal Moral Psychology of the Bodhicaryāvatāra

Matthew Haar Farris, Graduate Theological Union
Resuscitating Philosophy as Contemplative Practice: Pierre Hadot and the History of Western Philosophy as a Spiritual Exercise

Jared Lindahl, Indiana University–Purdue University
Problems and Prospects in the Cognitive Science of Contemplative Traditions

Brock Bingham, Wesleyan College
Contemplative Common Ground: John Cassian and Al-Ghazali on the Mystical Life

Responding:

Andrew O. Fort, Texas Christian University

Business Meeting:

Louis Komjathy, University of San Diego, and Anne C. Klein, Rice University, Presiding

A19-128

New! ★

Critical Approaches to Hip-Hop and Religion Group

MM-Yerba Buena 12

John L. Jackson, University of Pennsylvania, Presiding

Theme: *Salvation for Sale: Hip-Hop as Religious Commodity*

Wilfred Gomez, University of Pennsylvania
I Never Prayed to God, I Prayed to Gotti: Jesus Pieces, Jesus' People, and the Religious Quest for Critical Distance in Hip-Hop

Devin Singh, Yale University
Irreplaceable?: Beyoncé, Hip-Hop, and the Logic of Commodification

Biko Gray, Rice University
Selling Salvation: A Phenomenology of Hip-Hop's Manufacturing of Religious Materials

Ebony Utley, California State University, Long Beach
The Jesus Piece

Responding:

Russell T. McCutcheon, University of Alabama

Business Meeting:

Christopher Driscoll, Rice University

Monica Miller, University of Pennsylvania

Symbol Key:

🏆 AAR Award Winners

★ Business Meeting

🎨 Arts Series

📖 Books Under Discussion

🎓 Especially for Students

🎬 Films

🐘 Focus on California

🏛️ Focus on Empire and Religion

🌍 Focus on the Mediterranean

New! New Program Unit

🏢 Professional Practices and Institutional

📍 Location Sessions

🍷 Receptions and Breakfasts

🌱 Sustainability and Religion

🚌 Tours

🔥 Wildcard Sessions

A19-129



Latina/o Critical and Comparative Studies Group

IC-Nob Hill

Lara Medina, California State University, Northridge, Presiding

Theme: Religion at the Corner of Bliss and Nirvana: Politics, Identity, and Faith in New Migrant Communities (*Duke University Press, 2009*), *Authors Meet Critics*

Panelists:

Carolyn Chen, Northwestern University

Rudy V. Busto, University of California, Santa Barbara

Responding:

Lois Ann Lorentzen, University of San Francisco

Kevin Chun, University of San Francisco

Jay Gonzalez, University of San Francisco

Luis Leon, University of Denver

Business Meeting:

Laura Perez, University of California, Berkeley, Presiding

A19-130



Mormon Studies Group

IC-Grand Ballroom A

Colleen McDannell, University of Utah, Presiding

Theme: *Mormon Women and Modernity*

Ann Duncan, Goucher College
The Mommy Wars, Mormonism, and the "Choices" of American Motherhood

Jennifer Meredith, University of Utah
Western Pioneer Mythos in the Negotiation of Mormon Feminism and Faith

Jill Peterfeso, University of North Carolina
Scripting, Performing, Testifying: Giving Faithful "Seximony" through The Mormon Vagina Monologues

Doe Daughtrey, Arizona State University
"Further Light and Knowledge": Ways of Knowing in Mormonism and the New Spirituality

Responding:

R. Marie Griffith, Harvard University

Business Meeting:

James M. McLachlan, Western Carolina University

Grant Underwood, Brigham Young University



A19-131



Religion in Southeast Asia Group

IC-Cathedral Hill

Jason Carbine, Whittier College, Presiding

Theme: *Southeast Asian Religion in Two Perspectives: Women and Colonialism*

Douglas Irvin, Rutgers University; Kunthy Seng, Documentation Center of Cambodia; and Samphoas Huy, Rutgers University
Rebirth and the Golden Lotus: Midwives and the Reconciliation of Cambodia after the Khmer Rouge Genocide

Cuong Mai, University of Vermont
Avalokiteśvara Bodhisattva (Quan âm) in Medieval Vietnam: Rhetorical and Ritual Contestation in the Realm of Women's Religions

Muhamad Ali, University of California, Riverside
"Verandahs of Mecca and Medina": Colonialism and Islamic Knowledge in South Sulawesi and Kelantan

Erik Braun, University of Oklahoma
The Science of Buddhism and the Buddhism in Science: Shwe Zan Aung's Representation of Buddhist Thought and Practice

Responding:

John Clifford Holt, Bowdoin College

Business Meeting:

Jason Carbine, Whittier College, Presiding

A19-132



Religion, Memory, History Group

MM-Sierra H

Gina Cogan, Boston University, Presiding

Theme: *Devotion, Coercion, Restoration: Community and Memory in Asia and Eastern Europe*

Jon Keune, Columbia University
"Sant" to Social Reformer and Back Again: The Changing Portrayals of Eknath on the Twentieth Century Marathi Stage and Screen

Wilburn Hansen, San Diego State University
Changing Cultural Memories of a Divine Writing System

Denise Thorpe, Duke University
Memory on Fire: Death and Re-Membering the Lithuanian Body (Politic)

Dragos Stoica, Concordia University
From "Autobiographical Animal" to the "Beast in Human Form": The Totalitarian Model of Forced Autobiography and Public Confession of Sins — A Case Study of the Pitesti Phenomenon 1949–1951

Responding:

Björn Krondorfer, Saint Mary's College, Maryland

Business Meeting:

David Reinhart, University of Wisconsin, Whitewater, and Yuki Miyamoto, De Paul University, Presiding

A19-133



Religions in Chinese and Indian Cultures: A Comparative Perspective Group

MM-Yerba Buena 3

Chakravarthi Ram-Prasad, Lancaster University, Presiding

Theme: *Engagement of Bhagavad Gita and Chinese Thought*

Alexus McLeod, University of Dayton
Moral Personhood and Roles in the Analects and Bhagavad Gita

Ithamar Theodor, Chinese University, Hong Kong
The Chinese Term "Ren" Compared to the Indian Term "Sattva" According to the Bhagavad Gita

David Kratz Mathies, Missouri Western State University
Shining Heaven's Light on the Qualities of Maya: The Purpose and Pursuit of Equanimity in the Bhagavad Gita and the Zhuangzi

John M. Thompson, Christopher Newport University
The Bhakta and the Sage

Michael Allen, Harvard University
Devotion and Knowledge in the Bhagavad Gita: A Suggestive Parallel from Chinese Buddhism

Responding:

Laurie Louise Patton, Duke University

Tao Jiang, Rutgers University

Business Meeting:

Tao Jiang, Rutgers University, and Chakravarthi Ram-Prasad, Lancaster University, Presiding

A19-134



Sikh Studies Group

MM-Yerba Buena 14

Karen Leonard, University of California, Irvine, Presiding

Theme: *Sikh Identity Politics: Text and Community*

Charles Preston, University of Chicago
The Rāmavtār in the Dasam Granth and Modernity: Politics, Vernaculars, and Multivocality

Randi Clary, University of California, Santa Barbara
Gender and Sikh Reform in the Tracts of Bhai Vir Singh

Simran Singh, Columbia University
Farid Bani: Sufi Verses in Early Sikh Literature

Katy Sian, University of Leeds
Understanding Inter-Asian Conflict: Sikhs and Muslims in the Diaspora

Business Meeting:

Michael Hawley, Mount Royal University, Presiding

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Saturday, 9:00 am–11:30 am

A19-135

Theology and the Political Group and Transformative Scholarship and Pedagogy Group

MM-Yerba Buena 2

Melissa Snarr, Vanderbilt University, Presiding

Theme: *The Struggle is Our School: What the San Francisco Hospitality Industry Can Teach Us about the Possibilities for Social Transformation*

Panelists:

Adam Barnes, Union Theological Seminary

Charon Hribar, Drew University and Union Theological Seminary

Israel Alvaran, Graduate Theological Union

A19-136

Publications Committee Meeting

MM-Sierra G

Kimberly Rae Connor, University of San Francisco, Presiding

A19-137



Historic Castro District Tour

Offsite-Meet at CC-Howard Street Exit

Explore a diverse neighborhood that you only thought you knew. You will walk through the area taking in the sights and sounds of the lively and ever-changing Castro/Eureka Valley neighborhood. What were once dairy farms and dirt roads is now one of the city's most vibrant and cohesive communities, saturated with popular and stylish shops, restaurants, and bars. Some of the highlights of the Castro/Eureka Valley tour will include Harvey Milk Plaza, Pink Triangle Memorial Park, and the famous Castro Theatre. Those who wish may also tour the GLBT History Museum for an additional \$5 admission fee. You will ride public transportation as a group to the Castro neighborhood.

P19-100



Society for the Arts in Religious and Theological Studies Business Meeting and Luce Fellow Presentation

Saturday, 9:00 am–10:00 am

HI-Franciscan B

From 9:00 am–9:30 am, business meeting of the Society for the Arts in Religious and Theological Studies. All are welcome.

9:30 am–10:00 am, presentation by Sara Patterson, Hanover College, 2010–11 Luce Fellow:

"A Gimme Mountain:" Religious Expression and Experience at Salvation Mountain

P19-101

Association of Practical Theology

PW-Cyril Magnin III

Theme: *Practical Theology Online: Issues in Pedagogy and Formation*

Jeffery Tribble, Columbia Theological Seminary, Presiding

Marilyn Naidoo, University of South Africa

Spiritual Formation through Distance Education in Developing Contexts

Melinda McGarrah Sharp and Mary Ann Morris, Phillips Theological Seminary

Virtual Empathy? Assessing Authentic Connections and Real Conflicts in Teaching and Learning Pastoral Care Online

Mary Hess, Luther Seminary

A New Culture of Learning: What are the Implications for Theological Education?

Responding:

Israel Galindo, Baptist Theological Seminary at Richmond

P19-102



Colloquium on Violence and Religion

PW-Fillmore

Theme: *Book Discussions*

COV&R 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.

9:00 am–10:10 am Charles Bellinger's, *The Trinitarian Self: The Key to the Puzzle of Violence*

Panelist:

Charles Bellinger, Brite Divinity School

Responding:

Jim Fodor, St. Bonaventure University

10:10 am–10:20 am Break

10:20 am–11:30 am Anthony Bartlett's *Virtually Christian: How Christ Changes Human Meaning and Makes Creation New*

Panelist:

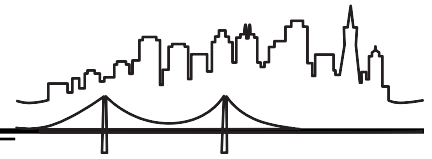
Anthony Bartlett, Theology and Peace

Responding:

Diana Pasulka, University of North Carolina

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P19-105

North American Association for the Study of Religion

HI-Yosemite A

Thomas Tweed, University of Texas, Presiding

Theme: *The "Evidence" of Religion in North America: A Roundtable*

Kelly J. Baker, University of Tennessee
The Good, the Bad, the (Un)Dead: The Klan, Zombies, and the Problem of Legitimate Evidence

Lauren F. Winner, Duke University
Reading Recipes for Religion: Cookbooks and the Sensory History of American Religion

Jennifer Hughes, University of California, Riverside
The Object as Evidence in American Religion

Laura Levitt, Temple University
Juridical Evidence and the Question of History, Or Justice and Empiricism

P19-106

Polanyi Society

HI-Taylor

Theme: *The Moral Person—Psychology, Neuroscience, and Polanyi*

P19-107



Psychology, Culture, and Religion

HI-Continental Ballroom 3

Kathleen Bishop, Drew University, Presiding

Theme: *Business Meeting/Works in Progress*

P19-108



Society for Buddhist Christian Studies

IC-Union Square

Miriam Levering, University of Tennessee, Presiding

Theme: *Christian Readings of Buddhist Texts*

This panel provides a critical look at the theological and buddhalogical issues raised when Christians and Buddhists read one another's religious texts.

Catherine Cornille, Boston College
Reading the Religious Other

Leo Lefebure, Georgetown University
Reading the Dhammapada

Francis X. Clooney, Harvard University
Reading (Inter)religiously as a Theologically Necessary Act

11:00 am–11:30 am Business Meeting

P19-109



Society for the Study of Christian Spirituality

MM-Yerba Buena 15

Ann Astell, University of Notre Dame, President-elect, Presiding

Theme: *Presidential Address and Business Meeting*

9:00 am 2011 Presidential Address

Janet Ruffing, Yale University
Spiritual Identity and Narrative: Fragmentation, Coherence, and Transformation

10:30 am Business Meeting

All are welcome. For more information, please visit the SSCS website, sscs.press.jhu.edu, or contact Anita Houck, Secretary, at ahouck@saintmarys.edu.

P19-110



La Comunidad of Hispanic Scholars of Religion

Saturday, 9:00 am–10:30 am

HI-Yosemite B

Efrain Agosto, Hartford Seminary, Presiding

In this panel and workshop, the participants will offer advice about how to apply for grants and fellowships along with providing concrete information about grant and fellowship opportunities currently available for scholars working on U.S. Latino/a Religions and Latin American Religions.

Panelists:

Stephen R. Graham, Director of Faculty Development and Grants, Association of Theological Schools (ATS)

James W. Lewis, Director, Louisville Institute for the Study of American Religion

Paul O. Myhre, Associate Director, Wabash Center for Teaching in Theology and Religion

Gaston Espinosa, Cesar Chavez Dissertation Year Fellowship Program, Dartmouth College

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Saturday, 9:00 am–11:30 am

P19-137

Society of Christian Ethics

HI-Continental Ballroom 4

Richard Hays, Duke University, Presiding

Theme: *Spirit, Scripture, Ethics: Pneumatological Engagements with Knotty Ethical Issues Part I*

This is the first of two SCE Themes offering pneumatological explorations of the intersection of Scripture and ethics. Ethicists and exegetes offer constructive proposals and display their entailments for one particular 'knotty' ethical issue.

Discussion following the papers will be actively directed by the Theme moderator in order to stimulate conversation across disciplinary boundaries.

Paul Jersild, Lutheran Theological Southern Seminary
Biblical/Ethical Reflections on the Enspirited Life

Katherine Grieb, Virginia Theological Seminary
"The Lord is the Spirit": The Location of Freedom in the Spirit of the Lord

Paul Alexander, Eastern University
Jesus (mis)Shaped and Spirit (dis)Empowered: Christomorphic Nonviolence from one White Male's Perspective

P19-191



Karl Barth Society of North America

Saturday, 9:00 am–10:30 am

CC-3005

George Hunsinger, Princeton Theological Seminary, Presiding

Theme: *Book Panel Discussion: Paul D. Molnar, Thomas F. Torrance: Theologian of the Trinity (Ashgate, 2009)*

Panelists:

Gary Deddo, InterVarsity Press

Ivor Davidson, University of St. Andrews

Alan J. Torrance, University of St. Andrews

Responding:

Paul D. Molnar, St. John's University, New York

P19-192



Niebuhr Society

MM-Club Room

John D. Carlson, Arizona State University, Presiding

Theme: *Reinhold Niebuhr and the Economic Order*

Christopher Evans, Colgate Rochester Crozer Divinity School
Ties That Bind: The Christian Economics of Walter Rauschenbusch and Reinhold Niebuhr

Thomas Ogletree, Yale University
Facilitating Human Freedoms and Constraining Persistent Abuses: Reinhold Niebuhr's Quest for Balance in the Public Oversight of Market Economies

Scott Paeth, DePaul University
The Great Recession: Some Niebuhrian Reflections

Business Meeting

P19-193

Society for Pentecostal Studies

HI-Golden Gate 6

April Westbrook, Vanguard University of Southern California, Presiding

Theme: *Charismatic Perspectives on the Hebrew Bible*

Rickie Moore, Lee University
Old Testament Apocalyptic and the Beginning and End of Wisdom

Rich Israel, Vanguard University of Southern California
Spirit, Wind and Fire: Agents of Divine Presence in Numbers 11

Willie Wessels, University of South Africa
True and False Prophecy: A Perspective from the Book of Jeremiah

M19-115

Theology for the Presbyterian Church (USA)

Saturday, 9:00 am–10:30 am

MM-Pacific E

Theme: *The Future of the Presbyterian Church (USA)*

Presbyterian Church (USA) pastors and scholars are invited to this session dedicated to doing theology for the church. How can we think biblically and theologically about our denomination's future? Will there be denominations at all? Should there be? What place ought denominational structure play in the future church.

Panelists:

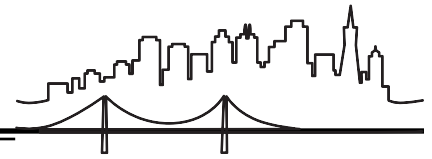
Bruce Reyes-Chow, Moderator of the 218th General Assembly and founding pastor of Mission Bay Presbyterian Church

Amy Plantinga Pauw, Henry P. Mobley Professor of Doctrinal Theology at Louisville Presbyterian Theological Seminary

Charles Wiley, Associate Director for Theology Worship and Education of the Presbyterian Church (USA)

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The panel will offer presentations, which will be engaged in discussion by the panel, other invited respondents, and those in attendance. Presbyterian Scholars are also invited to attend the Westminster John Knox Press reception later during the annual meeting. For further information: Catherine Reuning, Office of Theology and Worship, (888) 728-7228 x5732, catherine.reuning@pcusa.org.

M19-100

Theopoetics Working Group

Saturday, 9:00 am–11:00 am

HI-Executive Boardroom

The theopoetics working group will gather to address implications and applications of poetic perspectives in the field of theology. Does the use of poetics in theological reflection yield slippery language or does it allow for greater engagement with robust, embodied experiences? Papers will be shared in advance and will be available on *theopoetics.net*. All are welcome.

M19-102



Mennonite Scholars and Friends Forum

HI-Plaza Ballroom A

Theme: *The Prophetic Role of Anabaptism in the Academy, the Church and the World*

Hosted by Fresno Pacific Biblical Seminary (formerly MBBS) and Fresno Pacific University Biblical and Religious Studies Division

Presenters:

Miguel A. de la Torre, Iliff School of Theology

Greg A. Camp, Fresno Pacific University

Additional presenter to be confirmed.

Business Meeting: Formation of program committee for future forums. More information/nominations to Jeremy Bergen at jbergen@uwaterloo.ca.

M19-103



Sopher Press

HI-Golden Gate 2

Mari Kim, University of Washington, Presiding

Theme: *Empire and Religious Transformation: A Cross-Cultural Conversation*

9:30 Panel and Discussion

Nathaniel S. Murrell, University of North Carolina, Wilmington
Chanting Down Babylon with a 400-year Old Colonial Text: KJV, Reggae-Rasta Identity and Subversive Reconstruction

Sharada Sugirthajah, University of Birmingham
Hinduism and Colonialism

Franz Kogelmann, University of Bayreuth
Sacred Spaces of Muslim Communities in Durban-Preliminary Research Result

Annie Vocature Bullock, Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary

Cultural Hybridity and the Hadrianic Renaissance at Eleusis

11:20 Closing Discussion/Future Plans

M19-104



American Association for the Advancement of Science

Saturday, 9:00 am–12:00 pm

HI-Continental Ballroom 8

Theme: *Seminaries and Science: From Principles to Practice*

Please join us for a lively exploration of the role of science in theological education as we seek to inform tomorrow's clergy. Presentations by top scientists will be followed by small and large group discussions about moving forward with this endeavor. Emphasis will be on practical solutions with special attention to core courses. Participants may also join us at the related panel discussion, Seminaries and Science: Challenges and Opportunities, on Friday afternoon. This event is sponsored by the Association of Theological Schools (ATS) and the American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS).

P19-104a

Adventist Society for Religious Studies

Saturday, 9:00 am–12:00 pm

Offsite

Theme: *Gates and Walls: Inclusivity and Exclusivity and the People of God Part IV*

M19-105

Society for the Study of Anglicanism

Saturday, 9:00 am–12:30 pm

HI-Golden Gate 4

Theme: *Christianity, Politics, Nationhood and Society*

The Center for Anglican Communion Studies at Virginia Theological Seminary and Ripon College Cuddesdon partner each year to host the annual Society for the Study of Anglicanism meeting. The Society is a research-led body that is committed to excellence in promoting the study of Anglicanism. The scholarly presentations inform dynamic discussions on varied topics. Martyn Percy and Rob Slocum serve as Co-Conveners of the Society.

This year's topic is *Christianity, Politics, Nationhood and Society*.

Professor Grace Davie, University of Exeter Professor of Sociology, will present the main paper *Evolving Establishment: Challenges and Opportunities*. Using the Church of England as a test case, this paper will look at the challenges and opportunities brought about by changes in the English/European context. Dr. Paula Nesbitt, Visiting Professor of Sociology at the University of California, Berkeley, will offer a shorter paper entitled, *Ministry in Occupational Transformation: Challenges and Opportunities for the Church in a Time of Trial*. This paper examines changes in ministry in the (U.S.) Episcopal Church brought on by growing economic constraints and demographic change over the latter half of the twentieth century. The presentations of papers will be followed by responses, general discussion, and a reception. All are welcome.

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Saturday, 9:00 am–11:30 am

A19-140



Student Lounge Roundtable

Saturday, 10:00 am–11:00 am

MM-Pacific C

Leah Payne, Vanderbilt University, and Tim Lin, Regent University, Presiding

Theme: *Finding a Delicate Balance in Graduate Studies: Trans-cultural Conversations*

Sponsored by the Graduate Student Committee

Can we excel in our graduate studies and still enjoy life? This one-hour forum explores how students balance graduate schoolwork with other life commitments. Let's love life and people even as we devour monographs, write book reviews, and present papers!

P19-111

Society for the Arts in Religious and Theological Studies

Saturday, 10:00 am–11:30 am

HI-Franciscan A

Theme: *Poetry, Art, and Inclusion: Presentation by Poet Jane Hirshfield*

Jane Hirshfield, award winning poet and essayist, explores art as a borderland of the imagination and poetry as an attentive way of indwelling our lives. Open to the public. Book signing to follow.

P19-190



Christian Theological Research Fellowship

Saturday, 10:00 am–12:00 pm

HI-Golden Gate 1

Theme: *Sarah Coakley's God, Sexuality, and the Self: An Essay On the Trinity (CUP, 2011)*

Therese Lysaught, Marquette University, Presiding

This session will discuss Sarah Coakley's forthcoming and much-anticipated publication, *God, Sexuality, and the Self: An Essay On the Trinity* (CUP, 2011), the first installment of her highly anticipated four volume systematic theology.

Panelists:

Alan Padgett, Luther Seminary

Danielle Nussberger, Marquette University

Responding:

Sarah Coakley, Cambridge University

Business Meeting:

Bernie Van De Walle, Ambrose University College, Presiding

M19-106

Study of Islam Section

Saturday, 10:00 am–11:30 am

HI-Continental Ballroom 1

Theme: *Charles J. Adams (1924–2011) and the Study of Islam at AAR*
Colleagues and students of Charles J. Adams (1924–2011) gather to commemorate this eminent scholar of Islam, to evaluate his legacy and to discuss the status of the study of Islam at AAR over the past several decades.

M19-107



Art/s of Interpretation Group

Saturday, 10:00 am–12:30 pm

PW-Mission I

Theme: *Symbolic Worlds in Collision: Environment and Religion in a Postcolonial World*

Phil Arnold, Syracuse University, Presiding

Mary N. MacDonald, Le Moyne College

The Symbolism of Country: Australian Perspectives on Land

Jennifer Reid, University of Maine, Farmington

Ideology as Religious Symbol: Louis Riel's Trial Speeches, 1885

Jonathan B. Edelmann, Mississippi State University

Problems in Representing the Land During the British Raj

Patrizia Granziera, Universidad Autonoma del Estado de Morelo-Cuernavaca Mexico

The Virgin Immaculate Catholic Images and Spiritual Conquest in Mexico and South India

Jason Busic, Saint Michael's College

Conflict and Convivencia: Al-Andalus and Hispania as Religious Symbol

Responding:

Lisa Poirier, DePaul University

P19-114



La Comunidad of Hispanic Scholars of Religion

Saturday, 10:30 am–12:00 pm

HI-Yosemite B

Gaston Espinosa, Claremont McKenna College, Presiding

Theme: *Annual Reception and Meeting*

This meeting will discuss important updates on U. S. Latino Religions, the Hispanic Theological Initiative (HTI), the Hispanic Summer Program (HSP), and the AAR, elect new La Comunidad officers, set the agenda for the 2012–2013 year, and discuss the La Comunidad LifeTime Achievement Awards. This will also be a wonderful time of fellowship and reconnecting with scholars working on Latino/a religions. We will also celebrate Otto Maduro's appointment as President-Elect of the AAR.

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M19-108

Dharma Academy of North America (DANAM)

Saturday, 10:30 am–12:30 pm

IC-Sutter

Theme: *Bhakti and Yoga*

Brian Black, Lancaster University, Presiding

Brian Black, Lancaster University
Yoga in the Upanishads

Graham M. Schweig, Christopher Newport University
Yoga and Bhakti: Married or Divorced?

Barbara A. Holdrege, University of California, Santa Barbara
Kṛṣṇa Bhakti and Classical Yoga: The Gauḍiṃya Challenge to Patañjali

David L. Haberman, Indiana University
The Place of Emotions in Yoga: Suppression or Expression?

Jonathan Edelmann, Mississippi State University
By the Grace of God: Bhakti-Yoga as Unobtainable by Personal Effort

Ramdas Lamb, University of Hawai'i
Yoga . . . for God's Sake

Christopher Key Chapple, Loyola Marymount University
California Dreaming: Bhakti Fest in Joshua Tree, 2011

M19-109

Reform in Islamic Thought: Challenges and Prospects

Saturday, 11:00 am–1:00 pm

HI-Continental Ballroom 9

Abdul Karim Soroush, Presiding

The work of Professor Abdul Karim Soroush on Islamic reform, and more recently on Quranic hermeneutics, has raised much discussion mostly inside Iran and to a lesser extent in Afghanistan and the Arabic speaking world. His *Expansion and Contraction of Religious Knowledge* (1989) has dominated the discourse of religious as well as political reform in Iran. In this session, panelists will engage the line of reform that he has advocated over the past three decades.

Panelists:

Forough Jahanbakhsh, Queens University, Canada

Mahmoud Sadri, Texas Women's College

Arash Naraghi, Moravian College

Responding:

Ahmad Sadri, Lake Forest College

Hossein Kamaly, Columbia University

M19-110

Society for Mormon Philosophy and Theology

Saturday, 11:30 am–1:00 pm

HI-Sutter B

Theme: *Mormonism and Peace*

James McLachlan, Western Carolina University, Presiding

Patrick Mason, Claremont Graduate University
Religion, Violence, and the State: A Mormon Argument

Responding:

Robert Rees, Graduate Theological Union

M19-113

Christian Scholarship Foundation Luncheon

Saturday, 11:30 am–1:00 pm

MM-Golden Gate A

M19-114

Wesley Works Board Meeting Luncheon

Saturday, 11:30 am–1:00 pm

MM-Pacific D

A19-138



Plenary Address

Saturday, 11:45 am–12:45 pm

MM-Yerba Buena 9

Kwok Pui Lan, Episcopal Divinity School, Presiding

Theme: *Walking with the Unmourned*



Trinh T.
Minh-Ha

"What is it that makes both talks and silences stained with shame? Sometimes the mind freezes and the heart goes on fasting: name, nation, identity, citizenship disappear. With every step, the world comes to the walker, and all around, on the immense screen of life, every event speaks." In the dense jungle of events, doings, and happenings, history comes in interrelated fragments to be sniffed out, tracked, swallowed, held on, or vomited while walking for survival. The spirit of the walk has led the writer to a whole tradition of independent walkers in ancient Asia, at the same time as it provides her with a link to struggles around the world, more specifically to the transnational struggles of women in the U.S., Argentina, Mexico, China and Tibet.

Panelists:

Trinh T. Minh-Ha, University of California, Berkeley

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Saturday, 9:00 am–11:30 am

A19-139



Special Topics Forum

Saturday, 11:45 am–12:45 pm

MM-Yerba Buena 5-6

Melissa M. Wilcox, Whitman College, Presiding

Theme: *LGBTIQ Mentoring Lunch*

Sponsored by the Status of LGBTIQ Persons in the Profession Committee

All 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.

Mentors:

- Rebecca Alpert, Temple University
- Rudy V. Busto, University of California, Santa Barbara
- Patrick S. Cheng, Episcopal Divinity School
- Monica A. Coleman, Claremont School of Theology
- Horace Griffin, Pacific School of Religion
- W. Scott Haldeman, Chicago Theological Seminary
- Jennifer Harvey, Drake University
- Mary E. Hunt, Women's Alliance for Theology, Ethics, and Ritual
- Janet R. Jakobsen, Barnard College
- Jay E. Johnson, Pacific School of Religion
- Mark Jordan, Harvard University
- Helene T. Russell, Christian Theological Seminary
- Laurel C. Schneider, Chicago Theological Seminary
- Claudia Schippert, University of Central Florida
- Roger A. Sneed, Furman University
- Emilie M. Townes, Yale University
- Traci C. West, Drew University
- Heather White, New College of Florida

P19-115



North American Association for the Study of Religion Business Meeting

Saturday, 11:45 am–12:45 pm

HI-Yosemite A

M19-112



Tony Blair Faith Foundation

Saturday, 12:00 pm–1:00 pm

HI-Powell

Theme: *Human Rights and Religious Minorities Working Lunch*

While globalisation is bringing the world closer together, the role of religion in shaping and informing a multitude of globalisation processes is becoming increasingly complex. The Tony Blair Faith Foundation's "Faith and Globalization Initiative," a partnership between Yale University, McGill University, Durham University, Tecnológico de Monterrey, Peking University, University of Western Australia, National University of Singapore, and University of Sierra Leone – Fourah Bay College, is committed to exploring a wide array of issues relating to this intersection through collaborative teaching, research and public events.

The question of the human rights of religious minorities is one of pressing immediate concern for most societies, yet it is also widely misunderstood by the public. What does it mean for societies to provide reasonable accommodation for religious groups whose customs might challenge prevailing social and civic commitments? This Theme will address this question and more.

Saturday, 1:00 pm–3:30 pm

A19-200



Special Topics Forum

IC-Intercontinental Ballroom A

Manuel A. Vasquez, University of Florida, Presiding

Theme: *The Mediterranean: Material Cultures and the Study of Religion — Interpreting the Present*

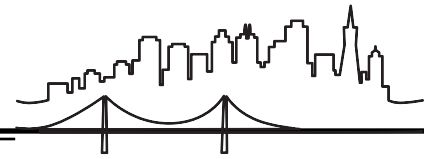
Sponsored by the International Connections Committee

This is one of a two-panel session inviting scholars familiar with the Mediterranean World to analyze the materiality of religion. Focusing either on the implications for understanding the past (Session 1) or for interpreting the present (Session 2), the panelists will examine the uses of material culture — including research that considers art, artifacts, archaeology, or architecture.

Among the questions they will consider are the following: 1) What are the diverse functions of artifacts in religious life?; 2) How do artifacts allow the religious to imagine the past and construct collective identity?; 3) How do they orient devotees in space and time?; 4) How do they compete with other artifacts and, thereby, negotiate power as they make meaning? 5) What do we gain and lose by focusing on artifacts? In other words, what do they illumine and obscure?; 6) To what extent are artifacts mute and in need of texts to give them voice? In that sense, what is the relation between materiality and textuality in religion?; and 7) How do literary texts function as material culture, and how does material culture function as text?

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Panelists:

Yucel Demirel, Kocaeli University
 Yael Munk, Open University of Israel
 Magdi Guirguis, American University, Cairo
 David Morgan, Duke University
 Jeanne Halgren Kilde, University of Minnesota

A19-201



Special Topics Forum

MM-Yerba Buena 15

Almeda Wright, Pfeiffer University, Presiding

Theme: *Student Town Hall Meeting — Stepping Stones: Finding Your Footing in the Academy*

Sponsored by the Graduate Student Committee

Comprising one-third of the total AAR membership, student members bring innovative scholarship and fresh ideas to the table, but navigating the field as a budding scholar can be a daunting task! Please join the Graduate Student Committee and the AAR Student Director for an informal conversation about our place in the Academy. In addition to open dialogue regarding student issues, we will have members from various Task Forces and Committees speak to us about the work they do on behalf of the students. The Town Hall meeting provides an important opportunity to meet your student representatives, learn about student programming, and voice your concerns and needs as undergraduate and graduate student members of the American Academy of Religion. Come for camaraderie, conversation, and coffee!

Panelists:

Elizabeth Lawson, Temple University
 Steven Barrie-Anthony, University of California, Santa Barbara
 Elaine Padilla, New York Theological Seminary
 Ben Sanders, Iliff School of Theology and University of Denver
 Kristy Slominski, University of California, Santa Barbara

A19-202



Special Topics Forum

MM-Yerba Buena 9

Gustavo Benavides, Villanova University, Ebrahim E. I. Moosa, Duke University, and Louis A. Ruprecht, Georgia State University, Presiding

Theme: *A Noble Tradition: On the Meaning and Relevance of the History of Religions Lectureship in Its Second Century*

Sponsored by the American Lectures in the History of Religions and the History of Religions Jury



Caroline Walker Bynum

In this, the third panel discussion organized by the History of Religions Jury of the AAR, we have invited several of our most distinguished colleagues to reflect on their experiences as fellows with the American Council of Learned Societies History of Religions Lecture Series. This series, which dates back to 1893, was traditionally designed to provide a venue for prominent scholars in what was then exclusively known as the History of Religions, to share their work with a wider audience in a year-long series of public speaking events. Contractual support from Columbia University Press ensured that a great many of these remarkable speaking engagements reached even wider audiences subsequently as books of great and lasting value to many subfields. Caroline Walker Bynum's *The Resurrection of the Body in Western Christianity, 200–1336* (1995), Wendy Doniger's *The Implied Spider: Politics and Theology in Myth* (1998), and Bruce B. Lawrence's *New Faiths, Old Fears: Muslims and Other Asian Immigrants in American Religious Life* (2002) all appeared within this important scholarly imprint. The History of Religions Jury imagines this panel as a prelude to the relaunching of the History of Religions Lectureship in 2012–2013.



Wendy Doniger



Bruce B. Lawrence

To that end, this year we have elected these distinguished ACLS Lecturers to share their reflections on the Lecture Series, as well as the books that came of this year-long intellectual journey.

Panelists:

Caroline Walker Bynum, Institute for Advanced Study
 Wendy Doniger, University of Chicago
 Bruce B. Lawrence, Duke University

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A19-203



Arts, Literature, and Religion Section and Nineteenth Century Theology Group

CC-3016

Todd Gooch, Eastern Kentucky University, Presiding

Theme: *Religious Thought in the Nineteenth Century Novel*

Frances Henderson, University of Edinburgh
Schleiermacher and Narrative: Theology as "Roman" in the Christmas Eve Dialogue (G. Reimer, 1826)

Christa Shusko, York College, Pennsylvania
"The Strike of a Sex": Oneida Community Theology and Nineteenth Century Social Reform

Charles J. T. Talar, University of Saint Thomas
The Conversions of a Catholic Intellectual: Joseph Malegus's Augustin ou le Maître est là (1935)

Ryan Marr, Saint Louis University
Dinah Morris as Second Eve: The Fall and Redemption in George Eliot's Adam Bede (John Blackwood, 1859)

Responding:

Elisabeth Jay, Oxford Brookes University

Business Meeting:

Lori K. Pearson, Carleton College, Presiding

A19-204



Buddhism Section

CC-2001

Antonio Terrone, Northwestern University, Presiding

Theme: *Buddhism and Sacred Mountains*

Sarah Jacoby, Northwestern University
Wild Yak Mountain: Revelation, Mountain Gods, and Territorial Politics in Golok, Eastern Tibet

Susan Andrews, Columbia University
The Stupa of the Prince's Autocremation and the Making of Mount Wutai

Dominick Scarangelo, University of Virginia
Mountain Cult?: A Cautionary Tale of the Shifting Locus of the Mountain in a Japanese Deity Cult

Paul Kocot Nietupski, John Carroll University
Amye Nyenchen: Mountain Residence and Resident Deity

Darui Long, University of the West
Mount Emei and Samantabhadra Worship

Responding:

Gray Tuttle, Columbia University

Business Meeting:

Lori Meeks, University of Southern California, and Christian K. Wedemeyer, University of Chicago, Presiding

A19-205



North American Religions Section

CC-2006

Jon Butler, Yale University, Presiding

Theme: *Narrativity in the Study of North American Religions*

Panelists:

Thomas Tweed, University of Texas

Janet R. Jakobsen, Barnard College

R. Marie Griffith, Harvard University

Mark Hulsether, University of Tennessee

Business Meeting:

Rudy V. Busto, University of California, Santa Barbara, and Julie Byrne, Hofstra University, Presiding

A19-206

Religion and Politics Section

IC-Grand Ballroom B

Erik Owens, Boston College, Presiding

Theme: *Citizenship, Religion, and the State: Contemporary Developments around the World*

Janis Lee, Vanderbilt University
Muslim Immigrants and the Challenge of Multiculturalism: Bill 94 and the Reasonable Accommodation of the Veil in Quebec

Francis Ching-Wah Yip, Chinese University of Hong Kong
Protestantism and Politics in Contemporary China: A Study of the Theological Discourse of the Official Chinese Protestant Church

Derrick Muwina, Boston University
The Making of A Christian Nation: Religion and Politics in Third Republic Zambia, 1991–2001

Valerie Lykes, University of Nevada, Reno, and James T.

Richardson, University of Nevada, Reno
The European Court of Human Rights, Minority Religions, and New Versus Original Member States: Why the Double Standard?

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**A19-207****Religion in South Asia Section**

CC-3018

Richard King, University of Glasgow, Presiding

Theme: *The Textual Past, the Indological Present, and "Future Philology": New Avenues for Classical Textual Studies*

Panelists:

Elizabeth Mary Rohlman, University of Calgary

Jonathan Geen, King's University College

Maria Heim, Amherst College

Responding:

Steven Lindquist, Southern Methodist University

Business Meeting:

Donald R. Davis, University of Wisconsin, and M. Whitney

Kelting, Northeastern University, Presiding

A19-208 (=S19-244)**Teaching Religion Section and SBL Academic Teaching and Biblical Studies Section and the Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion**

HI-Continental Ballroom 5-6

Paul Myhre, Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion, Presiding

Theme: *Teaching Roundtable*

In response to member requests for extended conversations about teaching successes and challenges, you are invited to join a sustained conversation on an issue or topic proposed and facilitated by AAR and SBL members who are committed to excellence in teaching. Drinks and snacks are provided for participants.

Kathlyn A. Breazeale, Pacific Lutheran University
Enhancing Critical Thinking: Theories from Art and Theological Reflection

Joanne Maguire Robinson, University of North Carolina, Charlotte
"Uncovering" the Introductory Course in Religion

Todd Walatka, University of Notre Dame
Hub-and-Spoke Blogging in Introductory Courses

Karen Derris, University of Redlands
Supporting Discussion Based Teaching in Courses with Large Enrollments

Brent Hege, Butler University
Worship Field Study in Introductory Theology Courses: A Comparative Approach to the Study of Theology

Adam Porter, Illinois College
Teaching Bible in a Small Liberal Arts Context

Colleen Conway, Seton Hall University
On Teaching "The Bible" in One Semester

David Carr, Union Theological Seminary
Issues in Teaching Old Testament/Hebrew Bible/Tanach

Jane S. Webster, Barton College
Teaching Biblical Literacy

Taylor Halverson, Brigham Young University
Teaching the Bible with Technology

A19-209**Women and Religion Section**

CC-3007

Kate Ott, Drew University, Presiding

Theme: *Collaborating across Boundaries: Challenges and Possibilities of Women's Alliances*

Mara Brecht, St. Norbert College
Rethinking Interreligious Epistemology through Women's "Idle Chatter"

Charon Hribar, Drew University and Union Theological Seminary
Truth-telling and the Variegated Realities of Women in the Civil Rights Movement

Carolyn Roncolato, Chicago Theological Seminary
Troubling the Absence: Why White Feminist Theologians Don't Talk about Whiteness

Beth Ritter-Conn, Graduate Theological Union
Pitching Our Tent: Meditations on a Portable Feminist Theology

Responding:

Zareena Grewal, Yale University

A19-210**Chinese Religions Group**

MM-Sierra A

James A. Benn, McMaster University, Presiding

Theme: *Bodies Present and Absent in Premodern Chinese Religious Practice*

Ian Chapman, University of Alabama
Water Gods and Floating Bodies in Medieval China

Jessey J. C. Choo, University of Missouri
The Missing Body and Summoned Soul in Mortuary Rituals and Culture of Remembrance in Medieval China

Li Yuhang, University of Chicago
Embodying Guanyin through Hairpins as a Means of Transcendence

Jimmy Yu, Florida State University
Bodies of Sanctity in the Late Ming: Blood-writing and the Developable Body

Responding:

Paul Copp, University of Chicago

Business Meeting:

James A. Benn, McMaster University, and Mark Halperin,
University of California, Davis, Presiding

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Saturday, 1:00 pm–3:30 pm

A19-211



Christian Spirituality Group

CC-3000

Claire Wolfteich, Boston University, Presiding

Theme: *Michel de Certeau and Mysticism/Spirituality: Twenty-five Years Later*

Panelists:

Charlotte Radler, Loyola Marymount University

Brenna Moore, Fordham University

Douglas Burton-Christie, Loyola Marymount University

Amy M. Hollywood, Harvard University

Responding:

Philip F. Sheldrake, Cambridge Theological Federation and Westcott House

Business Meeting:

Elizabeth Liebert, San Francisco Theological Seminary, Presiding

A19-212



Eastern Orthodox Studies Group

MM-Golden Gate C1

Paul Gavriluk, University of Saint Thomas, Presiding

Theme: *Syriac Patristic Literature and Spirituality*

Thomas Cattoi, Graduate Theological Union

A Garment of Metaphors?: Incarnation as "Borrowed Speech" in the Poetry of Ephrem the Syrian

David Belcher, Church of the Holy Innocents Episcopal Church
The Veiled Mysteries in the Testamentum Domini

Liza Anderson, Yale University

The Interpretation of Dionysius the Areopagite in the Works of John of Dara

Christopher Johnson, University of Alabama

"Base, but Nevertheless Holy": Lessons in Liminality from Symeon of Emessa

Business Meeting:

Aristotle Papanikolaou, Fordham University, and Eve Tibbs, Saint Katherine College, Presiding

A19-213



Ecclesiological Investigations Group

CC-3001

Michael Attridge, University of Saint Michael's College, Presiding

Theme: *Ecclesiology and Church Law: Ecumenical Investigations*

Sandra Mazzolini, Pontificia Università Urbaniana

The Code of Canon Law. The "Dark Side" of Ecclesiology?

Joshua Davis, Vanderbilt University

On Law and Reception: Ladislav Orsy in Dialogue with Richard Hooker

Scott MacDougall, Fordham University

Questioning "Communion": Eschatological Ecclesiology and the Anglican Covenant Debate

Andrew Pierce, Trinity College, Dublin

Policing Koinonia: Anglicanism's Managerial Turn

Business Meeting:

Gerard Mannion, University of San Diego, Presiding

A19-214

Hinduism Group

MM-Sierra I

Sucharita Adluri, Cleveland State University, Presiding

Theme: *Authorizing Theologies*

Jonathan Edelman, Mississippi State University

Defining and Doing Theology: Jīva Gosvāmin's and Viśvanātha Cakravartin's Justification of the Bhāgavata Purāṇa as Vedāntic Commentary

Timothy Lubin, Washington and Lee University

Varṇāśramadharmā for Śūdras: Śaiva and Vaiṣṇava Revisions

Somadeva Vasudeva, Columbia University

Hamsamīṭṭhu's Ideologies of Gender and Caste

Kiyokazu Okita, Kyoto University

Who Are the Mādhvas?: A Controversy between ISKCON and the Mādhva Sampradāya

Amanda Huffer, Austin College

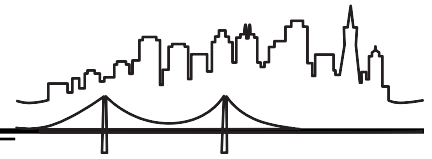
Hinduism without Religion: The Rhetoric of Spirituality in Amma's Global Guru Movement

Responding:

John Nemec, University of Virginia

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**A19-215****Islamic Mysticism Group**

CC-2003

Vernon James Schubel, Kenyon College, Presiding

Theme: *"It's Not Made by Great Men": Sufism Understood from the Side of the People*Erik S. Ohlander, Indiana University–Purdue University
*Travel and Exchange in the Sufi Mediterranean: The Extraordinarily Ordinary Case of Ibn al-Qastallani*Noah Salomon, Carleton College
*"The People of Sudan Love You, Oh Messenger of God": Sufi Pop and the Problem of Religious Pluralism in Prepartition Sudan*Sarwar Alam, Fayetteville, AR
*Neglecting the Holy, Risking the Heaven: Rethinking the Analogy of Corpse and Corpsewasher Between the Disciples and Sufi Masters in the Politics of Modern Bangladesh*Brannon Ingram, University of North Carolina
Anyone Can Be a Saint: Sufi Ethics and Mass Sainthood among the Deobandi 'Ulama

Business Meeting:

Omid Safi, University of North Carolina, and Laury Silvers,
University of Toronto, Presiding**A19-216****Law, Religion, and Culture Group**

CC-2004

Kathleen Flake, Vanderbilt University, Presiding

Theme: *The Politics of Religious Freedom: Historical Perspectives from Egypt and South Asia*Hussein Agrama, University of Chicago
*The Shape of Religious Freedom: France and Egypt*Cassie Adcock, Washington University, Saint Louis
*Indian Secularism as "Tolerance": Religious Freedom Debates of the 1920s*Asad Ahmed, Washington University, Saint Louis
*Colonial Governmentality and Religiopolitics: The Case of the Ahmadiyya Inclusion and Exclusion from Islam in South Asia*Saba Mahmood, University of California, Berkeley
Politics of Religious Freedom and the Minority Question: A Geopolitical Problem?

Responding:

Winnifred Sullivan, State University of New York, Buffalo

Business Meeting:

Kathleen M. Sands, University of Hawai'i, Manoa, Presiding

A19-217**Platonism and Neoplatonism Group**

IC-Potrero Hill

John Peter Kenney, Saint Michael's College, Presiding

Theme: *Christian Platonism*Derek Michaud, Boston University
*Saint Bonaventure on Divine Unity and the Inner Life of the One*Marco Andreacchio, University of Cambridge
*Dante's Platonic Reading of the Incarnation*Alexander Hampton, University of Cambridge
*Imagination, Identity, and Difference in the Platonic Expression of the Absolute*James Bryson, University of Cambridge
*Sources for and Influence of Thomas Jackson's Neoplatonism: Nicolas of Cusa, Thomas Jackson, and Henry More***A19-218****Psychology, Culture, and Religion Group**

CC-2020

Kirk A. Bingaman, Fordham University, Presiding

Theme: *Evolutionary Psychology and Primate Studies: What has Religion Got to Do with It?*Marsha Hewitt, Trinity College
*Religious Experience: Mysticism and the "Occult" from Psychoanalytic and Neuroscience Perspectives*David A. Hogue, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary
*The Ritualizing Mind: Recent Evolutionary and Neuroscientific Insights into Doing Religion*Dorothy Dean, Vanderbilt University
*Baboon Morality: How Primatology Impacts the Doctrine of Original Sin*Dorte Hvidtjorn, University of Southern Denmark
*To What Extent is Religiousness Heritable?: Genetic and Environmental Influences on Existential Values and Religiousness in a Secular Society. A twin study***Location Key:**

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A19-219 (=S19-232)

Qur'an Group and SBL Qur'an and Biblical Literature Group

CC-2014

Michael Pregill, Elon University, Presiding

Theme: *What has Mecca to Do with Jerusalem?: Approaching the Intersections of Biblical, Qur'anic, and Islamic Traditions*

Panelists:

- Gordon D. Newby, Emory University
- Kathryn M. Kueny, Fordham University
- Alford T. Welch, Michigan State University
- Daniel A. Madigan, Georgetown University

A19-220



Religion and Ecology Group

CC-2011

Caleb Simmons, University of Florida, Presiding

Theme: *Natural Disasters in Tibetan Buddhist Traditions: Prevention, Perception, and Response through a Gendered Lens*

- Kalzan Dorjee Bhutia, University of Alabama
Rediscovering Indigenous Tibetan Environmentalisms: Injunctions from Dakinis for Avoiding Ecological Disaster and Increasing Environmental Awareness in Tibetan Buddhist Literature
- Ruth Gamble, Australian National University
The Gendered, Geopolitical Geography of Natural Disasters in the Tibetan Buddhist World
- Amy Holmes-Tagchungdarpa, University of Alabama
Dialectics of Devastation and Liberation: The Transformative Power of Natural Disasters as Signs on the Path and as Ethical Pedagogical Tools in Tibetan Biographical Literature
- Leah Weiss Ekstrom, Boston College
Tibetan Buddhist Resources for Survivors of Natural Disasters and Direct Care Providers

Business Meeting:

- Whitney Bauman, Florida International University, and A. Whitney Sanford, University of Florida, Presiding

A19-221

Religion and Popular Culture Group

CC-2005

Aimee Hamilton, Butler University, Presiding

Theme: *Karma Chameleon: Continuities and Transformations in Popular Culture*

- Anne E. Monius, Harvard University
From Spidey to Snake-Woman: Reimagining Karma in the New Indian Comic Book
- Heather Blair, Indiana University
Kame Kame Kame Chameleon: Karmic Transformations from Xuanzang to Dragonball
- Justin R. Ritzinger, Oberlin College
"It's a Bird! It's a Plane! It's a Monk?": Agency and Theodicy in Running on Karma
- Beverley Foulks, University of North Carolina, Wilmington
Karma is a Funny Thing: Cross-cultural Consumption in My Name is Earl

Responding:

- Gregory Grieve, University of North Carolina, Greensboro

A19-222



Roman Catholic Studies Group

CC-2012

J. Michelle Molina, Northwestern University, Presiding

Theme: *Roundtable: Latino Catholicism — Materiality and Theology in Recent Scholarship*

Panelists:

- Timothy M. Matovina, University of Notre Dame
- Michael E. Lee, Fordham University
- Jennifer Scheper Hughes, University of California, Riverside

Responding:

- Virgilio Elizondo, University of Notre Dame

Business Meeting:

- Jeannine Hill Fletcher, Fordham University, and Amy Koehlinger, Florida State University, Presiding

A19-223



Theology and Continental Philosophy Group

CC-3006

Forrest Clingerman, Ohio Northern University, Presiding

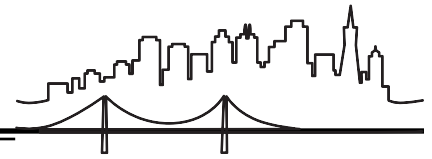
Theme: *Conceiving Communities through the Post-theistic Sacred*

Panelists:

- Kevin Hart, University of Virginia
- William Robert, Syracuse University

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Bradley Onishi, University of California, Santa Barbara
Daniel Boscaljon, University of Iowa

Business Meeting:

Bruce Ellis Benson, Wheaton College, Presiding

A19-224



Womanist Approaches to Religion and Society Group

CC-2018

Tracey Hucks, Haverford College, Presiding

Theme: *Womanist Nurturing from Womb to Society*

Sharon Jacob, Drew University, and Jennifer Kaalund, Drew University

Flowing from Breast to Breast: An Examination of Displaced Motherhood in Black and Indian Wet Nurses

Megan Dowdell, Graduate Theological Union
And What about the Doctors?: Searching for Respect for the Human Dignity of Black Pregnant Women

Wylin Dassie Wilson, Auburn, AL
Examining the Relationship between Food Insecurity and Economic Justice in the Rural South Using a Womanist Economic Ethic

Melva L. Sampson, Emory University
Raising Womanish Girls!: The Implications of Womanist Posturing and the Performance of Mothering

Business Meeting:

Pamela Lightsey, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary, Presiding

A19-225



Liberation Theologies Group

IC-Telegraph Hill

Ivan Petrella, University of Miami, Presiding

Theme: *New Perspectives on Liberation Theologies*

Jeremy Kirk, Union Theological Seminary
Popular Messianism, Complicity, and the Continued Relevance of Liberation Theology

Erica Kierulf, Union Presbyterian Seminary
Doing the Work of Justice: The Revelatory Works of Resistance Artists

Charlene Sinclair, Union Theological Seminary, New York
Toward a Twenty-first Century Black Liberation Ethic: A Marxist Reclamation of Ontological Blackness

William Walker, Claremont Graduate University
A Christian Liberationist Approach to International Economic Responsibility and the Crisis at the United States-Mexico Border

Malik Sales, Graduate Theological Union
Doing Liberation Theology as a Resistive Performance

Business Meeting:

Thia Cooper, Gustavus Adolphus College, Presiding

A19-226



Martin Luther and Global Lutheran Traditions Group

CC-2009

Deanna A. Thompson, Hamline University, Presiding

Theme: *Luther and the Jews*

Hans J. Hillerbrand, Duke University
Luther and Christian Antisemitism: Reflections

Derek Nelson, Thiel College
Finding Torah Hidden in Law: Luther on God's Mandates to Israel

Christopher Probst, Howard Community College and University of Maryland
Demonizing the Jews: Luther and the Protestant Church in Nazi Germany

Marit Trelstad, Pacific Lutheran University
Luther and Lutheran Theology: A Force of Political Social Rebellion?

Responding:

Kirsi Irmeli Stjerna, Lutheran Theological Seminary, Gettysburg
Brooks Schramm, Lutheran Theological Seminary, Gettysburg

Business Meeting:

Kirsi Irmeli Stjerna, Lutheran Theological Seminary, Gettysburg, and Deanna A. Thompson, Hamline University, Presiding

A19-227



Music and Religion Group

MM-Sierra C

Katy Scrogin, University of Texas, Presiding

Theme: *Music and Religion on the Edge*

Shannon Berry, Catholic University of America
As for Our Friends: Patriotism and Peace in William Billings's Anthem Lamentation Over Boston

Jonathan Blumhofer, Worcester, MA
"I Believe in God, but Does God Believe in Me?": Leonard Bernstein, the 1960s, and the "Crisis of Faith"

Samuel Hamilton-Poore, San Francisco Theological Seminary
The John Coltrane Quartet's A Love Supreme: A Contemporary "Spiritual Classic"

Gerald Liu, Vanderbilt University
Twig and Tafash: HIV/AIDS, Hip-Hop, and Ugandan Female MCs

Ferdia Stone-Davis, Ely, United Kingdom, and Jason Dixon, University of East Anglia
The Given Note: Language, Music, and the Enactment of Meaning

Business Meeting:

Theodore Trost, University of Alabama, Presiding

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Saturday, 1:00 pm–3:30 pm

A19-228



Pentecostal–Charismatic Movements Group and World Christianity Group

CC-2002

Philip Jenkins, Pennsylvania State University, Presiding

Theme: *Healing in Global Pentecostalism*

Panelists:

- Candy Gunther Brown, Indiana University
- Simon Coleman, University of Toronto
- R. Andrew Chesnut, Virginia Commonwealth University
- Catherine Bowler, Duke University
- Angela Tarango, Trinity University
- Arlene Sanchez Walsh, Azusa Pacific University

Responding:

- Amanda Porterfield, Florida State University
- Harvey Cox, Harvard University

Business Meeting:

- Katherine Attanasi, Regent University, and Valerie C. Cooper, University of Virginia, Presiding

A19-229



Queer Studies in Religion Group and the North American Association for the Study of Religion

CC-2010

Melissa M. Wilcox, Whitman College, Presiding

Theme: *Implications of Jasbir K. Puar's Terrorist Assemblages: Homonationalism in Queer Times (Duke University Press, 2007) for the Study of Religion*

Panelists:

- Rosemary R. Hicks, Tufts University
- Joseph A. Marchal, Ball State University
- Nayan Shah, University of California, San Diego
- Brock Perry, Chicago Theological Seminary
- Maia Kotrosits, Union Theological Seminary

Responding:

- Jasbir Puar, Rutgers University

A19-230



Religion and Cities Group

CC-2008

Monica Miller, University of Pennsylvania, Presiding

Theme: *Religion Makes the City: Boundary Work and the Production of Urban Life*

Jo Jangho, Baylor University

Blurring the Boundary: Augustinian Deconstruction of Religiopolitical Identity of the City

Chris Shannahan, University of Birmingham

God Doesn't Live Round Here!

Mark Wild, California State University

Ecclesiology and Radicalism in the Urban Protestant Missions of the Post-World War II United States

Todd Green, Luther College

The Swiss Minaret Ban, the De-Islamization of Public Space, and the Ongoing Quest for a European Identity

Responding:

Helene Slessarev-Jamir, Claremont School of Theology

Business Meeting:

Omar McRoberts, University of Chicago, Presiding

A19-231



Religion and Colonialism Group

IC-Grand Ballroom C

Caleb Elfenbein, Grinnell College, Presiding

Theme: *Defining Religion in Imperial, Colonial, and Postcolonial Contexts*

Ilyse Morgenstein Fuerst, University of North Carolina

"Religion" and Intellectual Empires: Precolonial, South Asian Definitions, and the Study of Religion

Mitch Numark, California State University, Sacramento

Hebrew School in Nineteenth Century Bombay: Protestant Missionaries, Cochon Jews, and the Hebraization of India's Bene Israel Community

Adrian Hermann, University of Basel

Differentiating "Buddhism": The Proliferation of Semantics and Organizations of "Religion" in Nineteenth and Early Twentieth Century Buddhist Asia

Syed Adnan Hussain, University of Toronto

Three Transformations: The Evolution of Pakistan's Blasphemy Law

Business Meeting:

Mark Elmore, University of California, Davis, Presiding

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**A19-232****Religion and Humanism Group**

IC-Laurel Hill

Glenn Whitehouse, Florida Gulf Coast University, Presiding

Theme: *A Humane Turn in Philosophy?: The Recurrence of Humanistic Themes in Western Thought*Ian Christie-Miller, Lewes, United Kingdom
*Conscience: How It Escaped from the Classical World into All the World*Willemien Otten, University of Chicago
*The Dignity of the Human in Twelfth Century Humanism*Matthew Haar Farris, Graduate Theological Union
*Practicing Philosophy as a Spiritual Way of Life: Pierre Hadot's Greco-Roman Reorientation of Philosophy*Maria Antonaccio, Bucknell University
The "Humane Turn" in Recent Philosophy of Religion

Responding:

William Schweiker, University of Chicago

Business Meeting:

W. David Hall, Centre College, Presiding

A19-233 (=S19-220) CANCELLED**Sociology of Religion Group and SBL Ideological Criticism Group****A19-234****Transhumanism and Religion Group**

IC-Union Square

Calvin Mercer, East Carolina University, Presiding

Theme: *Perspectives on Human Enhancement*Brian Green, Graduate Theological Union
*Could Transhumanism Change Natural Law?*Michael Burdett, University of Oxford
*New Jerusalem or the Tower of Babel?: Transhumanist Visions of the Future in Kurzweil, Rees, and Bostrom*Amy Michelle DeBaets, Emory University
*The Transhuman Mystique: Feminism and the Discourses of Democratic Transhumanism*Abbas Rattani, Johns Hopkins University
Transhumanism, Cosmetic Neurology, and Suffering

Business Meeting:

Calvin Mercer, East Carolina University, Presiding

A19-235**Yogācāra Studies Group**

IC-Nob Hill

A. Charles Muller, University of Tokyo, Presiding

Theme: *Analyzing Vasubandhu's Twenty Verses (Viṃśatikā): Causes, Objects, Appearances, Aspects*

Panelists:

Christian Coseru, College of Charleston

William S. Waldron, Middlebury College

Dan Lusthaus, Harvard University

Mario D'Amato, Rollins College

Business Meeting:

A. Charles Muller, University of Tokyo, Presiding

A19-236**Religion, Food, and Eating in North America Seminar**

MM-Yerba Buena 8

Reid L. Neilson, Latter-Day Saints Church, Presiding

Theme: *Religion, Food, and Eating in North America*Leonard Norman Primiano, Cabrini College
*"The Abundance of the Fullness": Mother Divine's Theology of Food*Todd LeVasseur, University of Florida
*Koinonia Partners: A "Demonstration Plot" for Food, Fellowship, and Sustainability*Nora L. Rubel, University of Rochester
*The Feast at the End of the Fast: The Emergence of a New American Jewish Practice*Benjamin Zeller, Brevard College
*Quasireligious American Foodways: The Cases of Vegetarianism and Locavorism*Sarah Robinson, Claremont Graduate University
*Refreshing the Concept of Halal Meat in Muslim American Context in Taqwa Ecofood Cooperative*Derek Hicks, Lancaster Theological Seminary
An Unusual Feast: Gumbo and the Complex Brew of Black Religion

Business Meeting:

Benjamin Zeller, Brevard College, Presiding

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A19-237



Philosophy of Religion Section

PW-Market Street

Michael Rea, University of Notre Dame, Presiding

Theme: *The Power of Narrative: Feminist Responses to Eleonore Stump's Wandering in Darkness: Narrative and the Problem of Suffering* (Oxford University Press, 2010)

J. Cayenne Claassen-Luttner, Emory University
Narrating from Darkness: Can Feminists Do Theodicy?

Lindsay Cleveland, Baylor University
The Loss and Redemption of Heart's Desires: A Critical Defense of Eleonore Stump's Answer to the Problem of Suffering

Aaron Klink, Duke University
In the Darkness but Secure: Rethinking Rejections of Suffering in Feminist Theology after Stump

Cristian Mihut, Bethel College, Indiana
Stump on Love and Forgiveness

Responding:

Eleonore Stump, Saint Louis University

P19-200

North American Paul Tillich Society

HI-Golden Gate 1

Theme: *Philosophical and Mystical Aspects of Tillich's Thought*

Rob James, University of Richmond, and Durwood Foster, Graduate Theological Union
Tillich's 'Killer Mistake' regarding His 'One Unsymbolic Statement'? It Never Happened

Jari Ristiniemi, University of Gävle
Differential Thinking and the Possibility of Faith-Knowledge; Tillich and Kierkegaard Between Negative and Positive Philosophy

Stephen Butler Murray, Endicott College
The Beauty of a Union with God through Dangerous Obedience: A Christian Mysticism of Social Activism

P19-241

Society of Christian Ethics

HI-Continental Ballroom 4

Jacqueline Lapsley, Princeton Theological Seminary, Presiding
Theme: *Spirit, Scripture, Ethics: Pneumatological Engagements with Knotty Ethical Issues Part II*

This is the second of two SCE Themes offering pneumatological explorations of the intersection of Scripture and ethics. Ethicists and exegetes offer constructive proposals and display their entailments for one particular 'knotty' ethical issue. Discussion following the papers will be actively directed by the Theme moderator in order to stimulate conversation across disciplinary boundaries.

Christopher Holmes, University of Otago
"Let us also be Guided by the Spirit:" The Promise of the Abrahamic Blessing for Human Sexuality Today

Coleman Fannin, Baylor University
Indwelling the Church and Reconciling Creation: Toward a Pneumatological Theology of Ecology

Guenther "Gene" Haas, Redeemer University College
Scripture, Spirit and the 'Ethical' Behaviour of Autonomous Military Robots

P19-291

African Association for the Study of Religion

Saturday, 1:00 pm–2:30 pm

HI-Continental Ballroom 2

Lilian Dube, University of San Francisco, Presiding

Rachel Schneider Vlachos, Rice University
"There is Something In Me:" Narratives of Lesbian and Transgender Sangomas in Contemporary South Africa

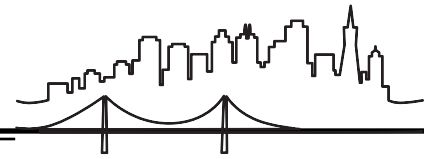
Pascal Bokar Thiam, University of San Francisco
African Music; How West African Standards of Aesthetics in Music and Religion Helped Shape the American Gospel Revolution from the "Negro Spirituals"

Responding:

Bolaji Olukemi Bateye, Obafemi Awolowo University

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P19-292

Søren Kierkegaard Society

Saturday, 1:00 pm–4:00 pm

MM-Yerba Buena 1

Jason Mahn, Augustana College, Presiding

Theme: *Kierkegaard and the Work of Edward Mooney*

Rick Anthony Furtak, Colorado College
Examples of Socratic Faith

Sharon Krishek, Ben Gurion University of the Negev
In Search of a Personal Philosophy: Some Reflections on Lost Intimacy in American Thought

Sheridan Hough, Colgate University
Grooves, Moves, and Mozartian Darks

Responding:

Edward F. Mooney, Syracuse University

M19-201

College Theology Society Board Meeting

Saturday, 1:00 pm–6:00 pm

HI-Golden Gate 2

P19-202

International Association for the Cognitive Science of Religion

Saturday, 2:00 pm–5:00 pm

HI-Plaza Ballroom A

Robert McCauley, Emory University, Presiding

Theme: *Venturing into New Terrain: The Advantages and Perils of Working with New Method*

Part I - *New Approaches to Ethnography*

This workshop addresses the challenges of adding surveys and experiments to qualitative research. Tanya Luhrmann discusses her latest book, *When God Talks Back* (Knopf 2012), which combines ethnographic and quantitative methods to explore how congregations in Chicago experience God. Ann Taves whose recent book, *Religious Experience Reconsidered*, combines historical scholarship with models from cognitive science, will respond.

Tanya Luhrman, Stanford University
Measuring While Doing Fieldwork

Responding:

Ann Taves, University of California, Santa Barbara

Part II - *New Approaches to Textual Analysis*

Joseph Bulbulia, Victoria University of Wellington, New Zealand,
Presiding

This workshop explores alternative approaches to religious texts that have been inspired by work in the cognitive science of religion, and that employ new methods for analyzing texts (large-scale sampling, coding, statistical analysis) borrowed from the natural sciences.

Justin Lane, Queen's University Belfast

New Approaches to the New Testament: The Ritual Form Hypothesis and the Jewish-Christian Schism

Toby Johnson, University of California, Riverside

Pedagogy in Sikh Narratives: Modeling Whitehouse's Doctrinal Mode in the Janam-sakhis

Edward Slingerland, University of British Columbia

Are the Early Chinese Mind-Body Holists? A Large-Scale Corpus Analysis

Responding:

Uffe Schjoedt, Aarhus University

M19-204

Coexist Foundation

Friday, 2:30 pm–4:00 pm

HI-Golden Gate 4

Theme: *Interactive Teaching and Learning about Islam, Christianity and Judaism*

"Understanding Faiths" is a new series of groundbreaking on-line education programmes produced by the Coexist Foundation. It is designed to give an accessible, objective and comprehensive introduction to what it means to be Muslim, Christian or Jewish in today's globalised world. The interactive courses use leading-edge technology to ensure a dynamic, engaging learning experience across all major platforms including iPhones, iPads and Android devices. Participants will have opportunity to use the completed Islam programme and contribute to the Christianity programme.

M19-203

Feminism and Religion Project

Saturday, 3:00 pm–5:00 pm

HI-Golden Gate 5

Networking and information session for those interested in learning about and/or participating in the Feminism and Religion Project. Launched in June of this year, this blogging project brings together a diversity of feminist voices in religion with the aim of creating a place where feminist scholarship, activism, and community can intersect across generations, interests, and passions for our mutual enrichment. Stop by, pick up some information, and meet our contributors. For more information, please visit us at <http://feminismandreligion.com>.

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Saturday, 4:00 pm–6:30 pm

A19-300



Special Topics Forum

PW-Mission I

Kimberly Rae 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.

Panelists:

Amir Hussain, Loyola Marymount University

Karen Jackson-Weaver, Princeton University

Jacob Kinnard, Iliff School of Theology

Anne E. Monius, Harvard University

Theodore Vial, Iliff School of Theology

Cynthia Read, Oxford University Press

Michael Murphy, University of San Francisco

A19-301



Women's Lounge Roundtable

MM-Pacific B

Theme: *Women in Second Careers*

Sponsored by the Status of Women in the Profession Committee and the Women's Caucus

An informal discussion session for and about women making the transition from church to academy or vice versa, or making the transition from some other field (including homemaking) into religious studies.

A19-302



Gender Theory, Intersectionality, and Justice

CC-2004

Christine E. Gudorf, Florida International University, Presiding
Sponsored by the Women and Religion Section; Feminist Theory and Religious Reflection Group; Gay Men and Religion Group; Men, Masculinities, and Religions Group; Womanist Approaches to Religion and Society Group; and Queer Studies in Religion Consultation

A complex array of social structures of inequality and oppression, both overt and internalized, sustain persistent patterns of injustice and, conversely, hegemony. We will discuss four papers that expose the intricacy, convolution, and density at the intersections of gender theory and other postmodern discourses as they seek to articulate persuasive and powerful understandings of justice.

Katherine K. Bain, Davenport, IA

The Role of Socioeconomic Analysis in Theorizing Gender and Religious Status

Rosemary Blackburn-Smith Kellison, Florida State University
Feminism and Imperialism as Just Causes for War?: Assessing the Justice of the War in Afghanistan

Wesley Barker, Emory University

Sexual Difference and the Crisis of Representation in Postcolonial Discourse: Reading Justice, Dispossession, and Resistance in Spivak's "Echo"

Jared Vazquez, Phillips Theological Seminary

I am ____: Queer/Ethnic Identity in Contemporary Western Contexts

Responding:

Pamela Lightsey, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary

A19-303



Christian Systematic Theology Section and Comparative Theology Group

IC-Union Square

Grace Ji-Sun Kim, Moravian Theological Seminary, Presiding

Theme: *Divine Embodiment in Comparative Perspective*

Panelists:

Bede Bidlack, Saint Anselm College

Christian Krokus, University of Scranton

Karen Enriquez, Xavier University

Jeffery D. Long, Elizabethtown College

Responding:

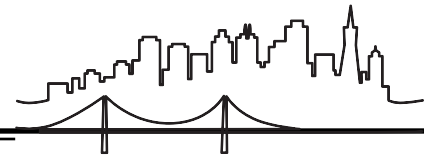
Francis X. Clooney, Harvard University

Business Meeting:

S. Mark Heim, Andover Newton Theological School, Presiding

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**A19-304****History of Christianity Section and Augustine and Augustinianisms Group**

CC-3003

Paul R. Kolbet, Wellesley, MA, Presiding

Theme: *Lewis Ayres's Augustine and the Trinity (Cambridge University Press, 2010) and the History of Our Shifting Understandings of the Christian Trinity*

Panelists:

Michel Rene Barnes, Marquette University

John Slotemaker, Boston College

Sarah Coakley, University of Cambridge

Responding:

Lewis Ayres, Durham University

Business Meeting:

Kari Kloos, Regis University, Presiding

A19-305**North American Religions Section**

CC-2006

Jeff Wilson, University of Waterloo, Presiding

Theme: *Rethinking Key Paradigms in American Religion: "Black Church," "Queering Religion," "Nature Religion," and "Material Culture"*

Josef Sorett, Columbia University

The Problem of the "Black Church": Church and Spirit(s) in the American Religious Imaginary, 1923–1940

Megan Goodwin, University of North Carolina

Captive Bodies, Queer Religions: Scripting North American Religious Difference

Bron Taylor, University of Florida

Gaia's Earth Religion: Vanishing Divine Being(s) and the Mod-God of Nature

Jennifer Scheper Hughes, University of California, Riverside

Material Religion: On the Agency of Objects

Responding:

Linda L. Barnes, Boston University

A19-306**Religion and Politics Section and Religion Education in Public Schools: International Perspectives Group**

IC-Grand Ballroom B

Andrew Fiala, California State University, Fresno, Presiding

Theme: *Ethics, Religion, and Civil Discourse in California Public Education*

Panelists:

Bruce Grelle, California State University, Chico

Jon R. Stone, California State University, Long Beach

Vincent Biondo, California State University, Fresno

A19-307**Religion and the Social Sciences Section**

CC-2003

Ann B. McClenahan, Washington, D.C., Presiding

Theme: *Neoliberal Religiosities: Globalization and New Modes of Religious Practice*

Panelists:

Kevin O'Neill, University of Toronto

Kathryn Lofton, Yale University

Tanya Erzen, Ohio State University

Daromir Rudnykij, University of Victoria

Business Meeting:

Kelly Bulkeley, Graduate Theological Union, Presiding

A19-308**Study of Islam Section**

CC-3005

Kecia Ali, Boston University, Presiding

Theme: *Agency and Subjectivity in Islamic Law and Theology*

Linda G. Jones, University of Barcelona

No Preaching to the Converted?: A Juridical Dilemma Concerning the Conversion to Islam in the Medieval Mediterranean

Anthony Byrd, Emory University

The Moral Economy of Sin and Repentance in 'Abd al-Jabbar and al-Ghazali

Faraz Sheikh, Indiana University

Nasiba or "Advice" as Cultivation of Self in Early Muslim Thought: Al-Muhasibi's Moral Anthropology

Nathan French, University of California, Santa Barbara

The "I" of the "Decider": The Role of Intention (Niyya) and the Shaping of Subjectivity in Classical and Contemporary Martyrdom Discussions

Responding:

Rumee Ahmed, University of British Columbia

Business Meeting:

Ahmet T. Karamustafa, Washington University, Saint Louis, Presiding

A19-309**Teaching Religion Section and Native Traditions in the Americas Group**

MM-Club Room

Michael Zogry, University of Kansas, Presiding

Theme: *Teaching about Native Traditions: Pedagogical Insights for Specialists and Nonspecialists Alike*

Panelists:

Micheline Pesantubbee, University of Iowa

Michael McNally, Carleton College

Ines Hernandez-Avila, University of California, Davis

Philip P. Arnold, Syracuse University

Ines M. Talamantez, University of California, Santa Barbara

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A19-310



Theology and Religious Reflection Section

CC-2009

Anne Joh, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary, Presiding

Theme: *Trinh T. Minh-ha's* When the Moon Waxes Red: Representation, Gender and Cultural Politics (*Routledge, 1991*) and Woman, Native, Other: Writing Postcoloniality and Feminism (*Indiana University Press, 1989*)

Panelists:

- Susan Abraham, Harvard University
- Sigrídur Gudmarsdóttir, Evangelical Lutheran Church of Iceland
- Nami Kim, Spelman College
- Wong Wai-Ching Angela, Chinese University of Hong Kong

Responding:

Trinh T. Minh-Ha, University of California, Berkeley

A19-311



African Religions Group

MM-Walnut

Danoye Oguntola-Laguda, Lagos State University, Presiding

Theme: *Contemporary Transformations of Indigenous Religious Culture in West Africa*

- Joseph Hellweg, Florida State University
Words as Icons: Lived Religion, Ideology, and Visual Culture in the N'ko Alphabet and Movement of West Africa
- Albert K. Wuaku, Florida International University
"Sakawa": Transforming the Internet into Ritual Space in Ghana and Expanding the African Indigenous Religious Landscape Globally
- Seth Tweneboah, Florida International University
Pentecostalism, Witchcraft Accusation, and Symbolic Violence in Ghana: An Analysis of Pierre Bourdieu's Concept of Habitus

Responding:

Sodiq Yushau, Texas Christian University

Business Meeting:

Tapiwa Mucherera, Asbury Theological Seminary, Presiding

A19-312



Bible in Racial, Ethnic, and Indigenous Communities Group

IC-Potrero Hill

Fernando F. Segovia, Vanderbilt University, Presiding

Theme: *Latino/a Theology and the Bible*

Panelists:

- Orlando Espin, University of San Diego
- Natalie Lee, Manhattan College
- Jose D. Rodriguez, Lutheran School of Theology, Chicago
- Nancy A. Pineda-Madrid, Boston College
- Chris Tirres, DePaul University

Business Meeting:

Valerie Bridgeman, Lancaster Theological Seminary

Fernando F. Segovia, Vanderbilt University, Presiding

A19-313

Confucian Traditions Group and Korean Religions Group

MM-Nob Hill B

Joseph Adler, Kenyon College, Presiding

Theme: *Korean Confucianism in a Modern Context: A Challenge to the Twenty-first Century*

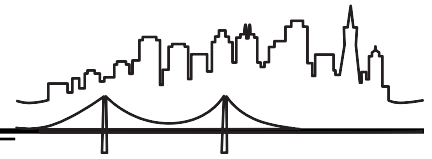
- Jung-Yeup Kim, Kent State University
The Religious Significance of Confucian Ritual Propriety Education in Twenty-first Century South Korea
- Un-sunn Lee, Sejong University
Korean Confucianism and Women's Subjectivity in the Twenty-first Century
- Young-chan Ro, George Mason University
Confucianism and Democracy in Korea
- Marion Eggert, Ruhr-Universität Bochum
Ultimate Pursuits: Religion, Knowledge, and Epistemology in Early Modern Korean Confucianism (Mid-nineteenth Century)

Responding:

Robert C. Neville, Boston University

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**A19-314 (=S19-308a)****Cultural History of the Study of Religion Group and SBL Bible and Cultural Studies Group and North American Association for the Study of Religion**

MM-Yerba Buena 9

Tomoko Masuzawa, University of Michigan, Presiding

Theme: *Biblical Studies and the Modern Invention of "Religion"*

Each member of this panel will analyze the mutual influence and interrelation of modern biblical studies and the academic study of "religion" more generally. How has the "biblical" been constituted as an object of analysis over time, and how has this shifting constitution implied, inferred, and affected modes of studying "religion"? As academic topics, what are the institutional, social, and intellectual webs of relations whereby "the biblical" and "the religious" have been inextricably linked, whether within the study of traditions imagined as inheritors of a biblical legacy or those counting as outsiders to it?

Panelists:

Elizabeth A. Clark, Duke University

Karen L. King, Harvard University

Suzanne Marchand, Louisiana State University

Halvor Moxnes, University of Oslo

Brent Nongbri, Oberlin College

Yvonne Sherwood, University of Glasgow

A19-316**Kierkegaard, Religion, and Culture Group**

CC-3004

Avron Kulak, York University, Presiding

Theme: *Kierkegaard, the Religious Imagination, and Esthetics*

Joakim Garff, Søren Kierkegaard Research Centre

Kierkegaard's Christian Bildungsroman

Christopher Barnett, Berry College

Painting with Words: Kierkegaard and the Esthetics of the Icon

Jennifer Veninga, Saint Edward's University

Loving the Ugly and Imagining the Impossible: Kierkegaard's Paradoxical Esthetics

Peder Jothen, Saint Olaf College

Aesthetics and Becoming: Kierkegaard's Ambiguous Aesthetic

Business Meeting:

Sylvia Walsh, Stetson University, Presiding

A19-317**Practical Theology Group**

MM-Sierra B

Evelyn L. Parker, Southern Methodist University, Presiding

Theme: *Practical Theology, Economics, Labor, and Class Relations*

Joerg Rieger, Southern Methodist University

Why Engage Labor and Worker Justice Issues in Church and Theology?

Claire Wolfteich, Boston University

"Time Famine" and Women Worker-Mothers: A Practical Theological Analysis and Critique

Joe Blosser, University of Chicago

Opportunities after Babel: The Importance of Faith at Work in a Post-Great Recession World

Cyndi Jones, Episcopal Divinity School

Because No One has Hired Us: The Story of Employment Issues of People with Disabilities

Responding:

Pamela Couture, University of Toronto

A19-315**Daoist Studies Group**

MM-Willow

Gil Raz, Dartmouth College, Presiding

Theme: *Belvedere, Bureaucrats, and Believers: Daoism, Temple Networks, and Local Society in Later China*

Panelists:

Shin-yi Chao, Rutgers University

Neil McGee, Columbia University

Richard G. Wang, University of Florida

Xun Liu, Rutgers University

Responding:

Robert Hymes, Columbia University

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Xun Liu, Rutgers University

Gil Raz, Dartmouth College, Presiding

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Saturday, 4:00 pm–6:30 pm

A19-318

Pragmatism and Empiricism in American Religious Thought Group

MM-Yerba Buena 15

Deborah Whitehead, University of Colorado, Presiding

Theme: *Cornel West and Prophetic Pragmatism*

Jason N. Blum, Ithaca, NY

The Prophet in the Public Square: Cornel West's Pragmatist "Correction" of Prophetic Discourse

Louis A. Ruprecht, Georgia State University

Jeffrey Stout and Cornel West in the Emersonian Tradition

Steven H. Schroeder, University of Chicago

The Halo of a Vale of Tears: On Mysticism and Reason

Philip Francs, Harvard University

The Haunting Quest for What is Lost

A19-319

Reformed Theology and History Group

IC-Telegraph Hill

Sheldon W. Sorge, Pittsburgh Presbytery, Presiding

Theme: *Reformed Public Theology and Reformed Apologetics*

Bradford Littlejohn, University of Edinburgh

Natural Law and Which Two Kingdoms?

John Wood, Saint Louis University

Making the Private Church Public: The Church in Abraham Kuyper's Public Theology

Christo Lombard, University of the Western Cape

Reformed Responses to the Challenge of Accra as a Confessional Faith Reaction to Globalization: Signs of Confusion or Vitality?

Shelli Poe, University of Virginia

Friedrich Schleiermacher and John Calvin: Locating Reformed Theology in Public

Business Meeting:

Kang-Yup Na, Westminster College, Presiding

A19-320

Religion and Popular Culture Group

CC-2005

Rachel Wagner, Ithaca College, Presiding

Theme: *Finding Meaning in the Space Between: Religion and Transmedia, an Interactive Panel*

Panelists:

Mara Einstein, Queens College

J. Sage Elwell, Texas Christian University

Rubina Ramji, Cape Breton University

Ted Friedman, Georgia State University

Business Meeting:

Lisle Dalton, Hartwick College, Presiding

A19-321

Roman Catholic Studies Group

CC-2012

Amy DeRogatis, Michigan State University, Presiding

Theme: *Finding a Place for Spatial Theory in American Catholic Studies*

Panelists:

Catherine Osborne, Fordham University

Arthur Remillard, Saint Francis University

Michael Pasquier, Louisiana State University

James Deutsch, Smithsonian Institution

Katie Oxx, Saint Joseph's University

Responding:

Vincent J. Miller, University of Dayton

A19-322

Sacred Space in Asia Group

MM-Sierra I

Cynthia Col, Bibliography of Asian Studies, Presiding

Theme: *Memorialization and Rejuvenation*

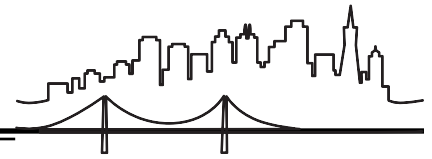
William P. Harman, University of Tennessee, Chattanooga
Embracing the Martyred Dead: Sacramental Resting Places of Sri Lankan Tamil Tigers

Walter H. Conser, University of North Carolina, Wilmington
Erasure and Revitalization in Contemporary China

Marcie Middlebrooks, Cornell University
Shaping Sacred Space(s): Geographic Imaginings and Architectural Interventions of a South Korean Buddhist Group

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Donna S. Mote, Emory University
Cleaning Gravestones, Chanting Prayers: Identities of the Living Among the Dead Before and During Obon in a Rural Hiroshima Cemetery

Responding:

Pamela D. Winfield, Elon University

Business Meeting:

Eve Mullen, Emory University, Presiding

A19-323

Tantric Studies Group and Body and Religion Group

MM-Pacific E

Barbara A. Holdrege, University of California, Santa Barbara, Presiding

Theme: *Problematizing Bodies in Tantra: Radically Other "Understandings of Body/Bodies of Understanding"*

John Nemec, University of Virginia
The Body and Consciousness in Early Pratyabhijna Philosophy: Amurtatva in Somananda's Srvadrsti

Sthaneshwar Timalisina, San Diego State University
Embodiment and Ritual Transformation in Mahesvarananda's Kulayaga

Loriliai Biernacki, University of Colorado
Rethinking the Body: The Magical Hybrid Tantric Body

Kerry Martin Skora, Hiram College
Kundalini's Body: The Concealing and Revealing of the Primordial Energy of Being

Responding:

Jeffrey Stephen Lidke, Berry College

A19-324



Tibetan and Himalayan Religions Group

CC-2020

José I. Cabezon, University of California, Santa Barbara, Presiding

Theme: *The Age of Fragmentation and the Reconstruction of Tradition*

Kammie Morrison Takahashi, Washington University
Contribution, Attribution, and Selective Lineal Amnesia

Joel Gruber, University of California, Santa Barbara
The Reintroduction of the Life and Teachings of Vimalamitra

Jacob Dalton, University of California, Berkeley
Forging Orthodoxy Out of Darkness: The Newly Discovered Edicts of King Yeshe Ö

Daniel Hirshberg, Harvard University
Reincarnation in the Tibetan Renaissance

Responding:

David Germano, University of Virginia

Business Meeting:

Frances Garrett, University of Toronto, and Andrew Quintman, Yale University, Presiding

A19-325

Tillich: Issues in Theology, Religion, and Culture Group

CC-3020

Russell Re Manning, University of Cambridge, Presiding

Theme: *Faith, Betrayal, and Disenchantment: Paul Tillich in Dialogue with Contemporary Philosophy and Theology*

Hollis Phelps, Mount Olive College
Evental Fidelity, Ultimate Concern, and the Subject: Reading Alain Badiou with Paul Tillich

Thomas A. James, Union Presbyterian Seminary
Can There be a Theology of Disenchantment?: Unbinding the Nihil in Tillich

Blake Huggins, Boston University
Tillich and Ontotheology: On the Fidelity of Betrayal

Carl-Eric Gentes, Lutheran School of Theology, Chicago
The Courage to Be(tray): An Emerging Conversation between Paul Tillich and Peter Rollins

A19-326



Wesleyan Studies Group

CC-2011

F. Douglas Powe, Saint Paul School of Theology, Presiding

Theme: *Eschatology in Wesleyan and Methodist Traditions*

Jason Vickers, United Theological Seminary, and John Drury, Indiana Wesleyan University
Resurrection and Reform: Christological Eschatology in the Wesleyan Tradition

David Clough, University of Chester
God's Deliverance of Animals: Future Belief and Present Challenge

Lisa Powell, Saint Ambrose University
The Eschatological Significance of Work for Justice within History: A Contribution from Wesleyan Conceptions of Sanctification

Michael Lodahl, Point Loma Nazarene University
The Creative Eschatological Tension in John Wesley's Sermon "The General Spread of the Gospel"

Business Meeting:

Rex D. Matthews, Emory University, Presiding

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A19-327

Western Esotericism Group

MM-Sierra C

Christa Shusko, York College of Pennsylvania, Presiding

Theme: *Politics and Western Esotericism*

Daniel McKanan, Harvard University
George Lippard and Ignatius Donnelly: Two Novelists of Esoteric Socialism

Colin Duggan, University College, Cork
Cooperation, Suffrage, and Revolution: Esotericism and Politics in the Irish Context

Julian Strube, University of Heidelberg
Esotericism in German Far-Right Circles: Recent Developments Under the Sign of the Black Sun

Francisco Silva, Universidade Nova de Lisboa
Fifth Empire: Catholic Millenarian Esotericism and Postcolonial Politics in Contemporary Portuguese Pop Culture

Sasha Chaitow, University of Exeter
A Different Delphi: Contemporary Hellenic Paganism and Nationalist Politics in Modern Greece

A19-328

Comparative Philosophy and Religion Seminar

MM-Yerba Buena 8

Morny Joy, University of Calgary, Presiding

Theme: *Desire*

Katrin Froese, University of Calgary
Awakening with Desire in Chan Buddhism and Daoism

Purushottama Bilimoria, Deakin and Melbourne
The Work of Desire

Jay Johnston, University of Sydney
Material Desire: Cross-cultural Bodies, Ontology, Ethics

Fei Lan, University of Toronto
Desire: The Hunger of the Poor — A Conversation between Dai Zhen and Levinas

Business Meeting:

Morny Joy, University of Calgary, Presiding

A19-329

Animals and Religion Group and Science, Technology, and Religion Group

IC-Grand Ballroom C



Donna Haraway

Laura Hobgood-Oster, Southwestern University, Presiding

Theme: *Animality, Hybridity, Divinity: Donna Haraway's Technoscientific Revisioning of the Religious Subject*

Jennifer Thweatt-Bates, Newark, NJ
Cyborgs, Dogs, and Jesus: The Worldly and Religious Figures of Donna Haraway

Sam Mickey, California Institute of Integral Studies
Farfetchings for Respecting Species: Postsecular Posthumanities and the SF Mode

Amy Brown, University of Florida
Donna Haraway's Philosophy as a Challenge to Individualism in Evolutionarily-derived Environmental Ethics

Marti Kheel, University of California, Berkeley
Donna Haraway's "Species Encounter": Reciprocity or Dominion?

Responding:

Donna Haraway, University of California, Santa Cruz

Business Meeting:

David Aftandilian, Texas Christian University, Presiding

A19-330

Ricoeur Group

CC-2008

Michael De Lashmutt, Sarum College, Presiding

Theme: *Paul Ricoeur after Memory, History, Forgetting (Paris: Seuil, 2000)*

Daniel Rober, Fordham University
Ricoeur, Metz, and the Future of Dangerous Memory

Joel Schmidt, University of Notre Dame
A Mediating Discourse: Christian Preaching in Light of Ricoeur's Analyses of the Memorial and Historiographical Representation of the Past in Memory, History, Forgetting (Paris: Seuil, 2000)

John Crowley-Buck, Loyola University, Chicago
Memory, Justice, and Narrative: Addressing the Sexual Abuse Crisis in the Catholic Church Through a Ricoeurian Hermeneutic

Alana Vincent, Swedish Theological Institute
Reading Ricoeur as a Jew

Business Meeting:

Jeffrey F. Keuss, Seattle Pacific University, Presiding

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Scriptural/Contextual Ethics Group

PW-Fillmore

David P. Gushee, Mercer University, Presiding

Theme: *Scripture versus Scripture: Moral Conflicts over Sacred Texts*

Gavril Andreicut, Marquette University
The Role of Interest and Circumstances in the Reading of a Text

Stephanie Day Powell, Chicago Theological Seminary
Amalek v. Amalek: Probing a Traumatic Memory in Order to Read Beyond Polarizing Interpretations

Steven Sherman, Regent University
Diversity in Evangelical Hermeneutics: A Case Study — Genesis 9:6

Emily Filler, University of Virginia
Depth Interpretation: Abraham Joshua Heschel and the Challenge of the Bible

Business Meeting:

Elizabeth Phillips, Westcott House, Presiding

A19-332



Theology of Martin Luther King Jr. Group

PW-Davidson

Johnny B. Hill, Foundation for Reconciliation and Dialogue, Presiding

Theme: *Theologies of Nonviolent Resistance*

Howard Pickett, University of Virginia
"The End is Preexistent in the Means": Theology, Virtue, and Martin Luther King Jr.'s Rationale for Nonviolent Resistance

Aaron Howard, Los Angeles, CA
Casting Out Demons of Injustice: A Pneumatological Interpretation of Martin Luther King Jr.'s Nonviolent Passive Resistance

Business Meeting:

Johnny B. Hill, Foundation for Reconciliation and Dialogue, Presiding

A19-333



Transformative Scholarship and Pedagogy Group

CC-2024

Ajit Abraham, Graduate Theological Union, Presiding

Theme: *Another Classroom is Possible: Examples from Transformative Educators*

Forrest Clingerman, Ohio Northern University; Swasti Bhattacharyya, Buena Vista University; and Jamii Claiborne, Buena Vista University
Open Classrooms: Spaces for Critical Debate, Activism, and Civically-engaged Action

Ann Lutterman-Aguilar, Augsburg College
Transformed and Transforming: Research Findings from Educational Encounters Involving United States Students and Mexican Activists

Roy Whitaker, Claremont Graduate University
Hip-Hop Scholar: The Activist Dimension of Hip-Hop Pedagogy with Special Reference to Michael Eric Dyson

Business Meeting:

Gabriella Lettini, Graduate Theological Union and Starr King School for the Ministry, Presiding

A19-334



Yoga in Theory and Practice Group

CC-2010

Stuart R. Sarbacker, Oregon State University, Presiding

Theme: *Reconstructing Yoga: Perspectives on Mark Singleton's Yoga Body: The Origins of Modern Posture Practice (Oxford University Press, 2010)*

Panelists:

Andrea Jain, Indiana University-Purdue University

Ellen Goldberg, Queen's University

Beatrix Hauser, Karl Jasper's Centre for Advanced Transcultural Studies

Meera Nanda, Indian Institute of Science Education and Research, Mohali

Jason Birch, Oxford University

James Mallinson, Lavasa Institute of Classical Studies

Responding:

Mark Singleton, Saint John's College, Santa Fe

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A19-335



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Stand-alone MA Programs in Religion Seminar

MM-Nob Hill D

Kathryn McClymond, Georgia State University, Presiding

Theme: *Present Challenges and Future Opportunities*

Panelists:

Stephen C. Berkwitz, Missouri State University

Martha Finch, Missouri State University

Holly Gayley, University of Colorado

Mark D. Given, Missouri State University

Erik Larson, Florida International University

Kevin Lewis, University of South Carolina

Carolyn Medine, University of Georgia

Lisa J. M. Poirier, Miami University

John C. Reeves, University of North Carolina, Charlotte

Jarrod L. Whitaker, Wake Forest University

Liz Wilson, Miami University of Ohio

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Kathryn McClymond, Georgia State University, Presiding

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Student Lounge Roundtable

Saturday, 4:00 pm–5:00 pm

MM-Pacific C

Beth Stovell, St. Thomas University, and Jon Stovell, McMaster University, Presiding

Theme: “I Can Hold up TWO Books as I Hop on a Ball... But That Is Not All! Oh, No. That Is Not All!”: *Balancing Family and Work in the Academic World*

Sponsored by the Graduate Student Committee

Academic life is often a struggle to find a balance between one’s academic and “real world” responsibilities. Beth and Jon Stovell have spent their marriage learning this fine art of balance as they studied together for their Masters and then PhD. Now standing at the conclusion of their studies and commencement of their careers, Beth and Jon will draw on their difficult (and often humorous) experiences.

P19-329

Journal of Feminist Studies in Religion

IC-Marina

Melanie Johnson-DeBaufre, Drew University, Presiding

Theme: *The Future of Feminist Method*

What makes an interpretation feminist? Is it the method or the hermeneutical lens used or both? Given the diversity of feminist scholarship in biblical studies, is it possible or desirable to speak of a feminist method? What are the different, accents, goals, and outcomes of methods such as e.g. the study of women, reading as a woman, gender analysis, or intersectional analysis? How are these methods used in concert with standard methods such as e.g. historical, literary, ideology critical, cultural, postcolonial biblical studies?

Panelists:

- Wil Gafney, Lutheran Theological Seminary at Philadelphia
- Jennifer Bird, Greensboro College
- Musa Dube, University of Botswana
- Adele Reinhartz, Université d’Ottawa - University of Ottawa
- Jorunn Oekland, Universitetet i Oslo
- Seung-Ai Yang, Chicago Theological Seminary

M19-200

Phenomenology and Scripture Group

Saturday, 4:00 pm–5:30 pm

HI-Lombard

Kevin Hart, University of Virginia, Presiding

What would it mean to treat theology as a phenomenon? How do theological texts give themselves? This panel will explore the possibility of a phenomenological approach to theological texts.

Anyone interested is encouraged to attend.

Kevin Hart, University of Virginia, Presiding

Chris Hackett, Australian Catholic University
Apocalypse and Word: Aspects of Divine Metaphors

Petra Turner Harvey, University of Virginia
The Temporality of Desire: A Phenomenological Examination of Augustine’s Theology of Love

Adam Wells, University of Virginia
Bracketing Dasein: Crescas and Heidegger on Finitude

Responding:

Jason Smick, Santa Clara University

M19-305

HarperOne

Saturday, 4:00 pm–5:30 pm

MM-Golden Gate A-B

Michael Maudlin, HarperOne, Presiding

Theme: *Confronting Islamophobia: How to Prevent a Holy War*

Philip Jenkins, Pennsylvania State University

Stephen Prothero, Boston University

Omid Safi, University of North Carolina

Miroslav Volf, Yale University

Join the discussion on Twitter #Islamophobia.

M19-307

Chiara Press

Saturday, 4:00 pm–5:30 pm

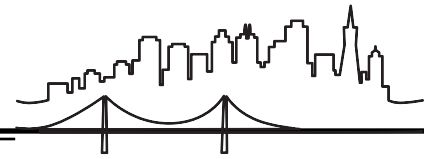
HI-Continental Ballroom 2

Theme: *Emerging from Fundamentalism - Conversation with Randall Balmer and Andrew Himes*

Andrew Himes, author of *The Sword of the Lord: The Roots of Fundamentalism in an American Family* and Randall Balmer, author of *Growing Pains: Learning to Love My Father’s Faith*, have both struggled with the challenge of moving beyond their fundamentalist heritage, critiquing what was amiss in the tradition while rediscovering its strengths. Randall Balmer, professor of American religious history at Barnard College, Columbia University, earned the Ph.D. from Princeton University in 1985. Balmer has published widely both in academic and scholarly journals and in the popular press; he is an editor for *Christianity Today* and has written a number of books on the history of American evangelicalism and Protestantism. Andrew Himes is the grandson of twentieth century fundamentalist leader John R. Rice who founded the *Sword of the Lord* newspaper and mentored many younger preachers such as Billy Graham and Jerry Falwell. Himes co-founded Poets Against the War in 2003, and then produced the acclaimed documentary *Voices in Wartime*. Himes is president of the Voices Education Project. For more information or to RSVP, contact andrewhimes1@gmail.com. Event sponsored by Chiara Press, Seattle, WA (www.chiararess.com).

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Publishers Weekly

Saturday, 5:00 pm–6:30 pm

HI-Continental Ballroom 3

Theme: *Writing for a General Audience: Tips from Scholar-Authors*

In this special publishing session, scholars who have written successful books for a general audience will describe the process of writing and publishing a general trade book. It isn't a matter of dumbing down your work, but rather making it accessible while maintaining its integrity. Commercial publishing houses also have different expectations and processes; these authors will talk about how to work with publishers, drawing on their experiences. They will also share ideas about hot topics. Time will be available for questions and answers.

Panelists:

Michael Coogan, Harvard University
Kristin Swenson, University of Virginia
Lauren Winner, Duke University
Phil Zuckerman, Pitzer College

M19-301

Institute for the Study of Asian American Christianity

Saturday, 5:30 pm–7:00 pm

HI-Van Ness

Theme: *Institute for the Study of Asian American Christianity's Fifth Year Symposium*

ISAAC (Institute for the Study of Asian American Christianity) is celebrating its 5th anniversary. Tim Tseng (founding and executive director) will share about ISAAC's achievements, and will discuss its future opportunities. Russell Yee, editor of the *SANACS (Society of Asian North American Christian Studies) Journal*, will introduce its latest issue and lead a discussion with its authors. (*SANACS* is a program of ISAAC).

Saturday, 6:00 pm and Later

A19-337



Religion Beyond the Boundaries

Saturday, 6:00 pm–8:00 pm

California Institute for Integral Studies, 1453 Mission Street (www.ciis.edu). Room 307

Steven Barrie-Anthony, University of California, Santa Barbara, Presiding

Theme: *American Religious and Spiritual Innovation: Marketing, the Law, and Marriage*

Sponsored by the Graduate Student Committee

The AAR is committed to fostering the public understanding of religion. Inspired by this goal, the Graduate Student Committee has organized two evenings of public talks in San Francisco. 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. Plan to join us for these stimulating talks and discussions!

Donald Westbrook, Claremont Graduate University
"I am a Mormon" and "I am a Scientologist": Recent Marketing Efforts in Mormonism and Scientology

Andrew Ventimiglia, University of California, Davis
Circulating Religion, Owning Belief: Intellectual Property in the American Spiritual Marketplace

Erika B. Seamon, Georgetown University
Redefining Religion through the Lens of Interfaith Marriage

M19-306

John C. Danforth Center on Religion and Politics Reception

Saturday, 6:00 pm–8:00 pm

HI-Yosemite C

The John C. Danforth Center on Religion and Politics at Washington University in St. Louis was created for the twin purposes of encouraging rigorous scholarship and civil public discourse in the area of American religion and politics. Join new Center faculty Marie Griffith and Leigh Schmidt, advisory board members, staff, and students in celebrating this new venture and learning how you may get involved. We'll have information about events, faculty hires, postdoctoral fellowship opportunities, and the online journal soon to be launched.

A19-400

JAAR Editorial Board Meeting

Saturday, 6:30 pm–7:30 pm

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A19-401



Friends of the Academy Reception

Saturday, 6:30 pm–7:30 pm

MM-AAR Suite

Individuals whose generosity allows us to continue many of our special programs are invited to a reception hosted by the AAR Board of Directors.

A19-402



Racial and Ethnic Minorities' Reception

Saturday, 6:30 pm–8:00 pm

HI-Cityscape

Sponsored by the Status of Racial and Ethnic Minorities in the Profession Committee

M19-302



Notre Dame Center for Philosophy of Religion

Saturday, 6:30 pm–8:00 pm

HI-Yosemite A

Theme: *Analytic Theology Lecture: Philosophical Reflections on the Atonement*

In this first of a series of lectures on analytic theology. Eleonore Stump and Richard J. Henle, Professor of Philosophy at Saint Louis University, examine various theories of the atonement. All are invited to attend.

M19-303

Explorations in Theology and the Apocalyptic

Saturday, 6:30 pm–9:00 pm

PW-Sutro

Doug Harink, King's University College, Presiding

Theme: *The Gospel of Mark*

Our panelists will examine various aspects of the nature and role of apocalyptic motifs in the Gospel of Mark, and consider their theological significance.

Panelists:

Joel Marcus, Duke University

Ched Myers, Bartemaues Co-operative Ministries

Craig Keen, Azusa Pacific University

Laura C. Sweat, Seattle Pacific University

M19-304

Unitarian Universalist Scholars and Friends Discussion

Saturday, 6:30 pm–9:00 pm

HI-Continental Ballroom 2

Myriam Renaud, University of Chicago, Presiding

Theme: *Celebrating Embodied and Transformative Worship and Ritual*

Our annual conversation will explore ritual practices that build multi-religious, justice-loving beloved communities. Unitarian Universalists have long struggled to transcend both the cultural and class privileges of our forebears and our inherited skepticism about ritual and the body. In this event we will celebrate the new possibilities that open up when we join these two struggles together. A diverse group of panelists will share both specific case studies and general principles drawn from the fields of theology and ritual studies. Our emphasis will be on what is now working well within and beyond Unitarian Universalist communities, as well as on ritual strategies for turning failures into opportunities for growth.

Panelists:

Dorsey Blake, Starr King School for the Ministry

Clyde Grubbs, Throop Unitarian Universalist Church, Pasadena, CA

Emily Mace, Brevard College

Robert McCauley, Emory University

Responding:

Nancy Palmer Jones, First Unitarian Church of San Jose

A separate reception will be held Sunday evening.

Sponsored by Starr King School for the Ministry, Meadville Lombard Theological School, Harvard Divinity School, Beacon Press, and UUA Panel on Theological Education.

P19-400



Society for Pentecostal Studies and Wesleyan Theological Society Reception

Saturday, 7:00 pm–8:30 pm

HI-Continental Ballroom 4

P19-491

Evangelical Philosophical Society

Saturday, 7:00 pm–10:00 pm

MM-Pacific E

Paul Copan, Palm Beach Atlantic University, Presiding

Theme: *Prospects for Body/Soul Dualism Today*

Panelists:

J. P. Moreland, Talbot School of Theology

Angus Menuge, Concordia University

Kevin Corcoran, Calvin College

Discussion with audience.

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P19-492

Polanyi Society

Saturday, 7:00 pm–9:30 pm

HI-Taylor

Theme: *Polanyi and Philosophy of Mind*

M19-415



Korean North American Theology Association

Saturday, 7:00 pm–8:00 pm

HI-Golden Gate 8

Theme: The Holy Spirit, Chi and the Other (*Palgrave, 2011*)

The Holy Spirit, Chi and the Other (Palgrave, 2011) by Grace Ji-Sun Kim will be reviewed and discussed by Anselm Min (Claremont Graduate University) and Jane Naomi Iwamura (University of California, Los Angeles). Koo Dong Yun's *Holy Spirit and Ch'i* (Ki) will be introduced.

M19-416



King's College London Reception

Saturday, 7:00 pm–8:30 pm

HI-Plaza Ballroom A

Following the highly successful SBL International Meeting held at King's College London in July 2011, we are delighted to invite King's alumni, students, prospective students, friends and guests to a reception at the Annual Meeting in San Francisco. As well as updating on news from the Department of Theology and Religious Studies and the Department of Education and Professional Studies, the reception will in part celebrate recent publications by members of the Departments, including Dr. Edward Adams, Dr. Luke Bretherton, the Revd. Prof. Richard Burridge, and Dr. Carool Kersten. Everyone is welcome to join us to hear news of developments within both Departments since last year's Annual Meeting.

M19-417



Indiana University Reception

Saturday, 7:00 pm–9:00 pm

PW-Cyril Magnin I

M19-400

Bahá'í Studies Colloquy

Saturday, 7:00 pm–8:30 pm

HI-Golden Gate 2

Robert Stockman, DePaul University, Presiding

Stephen Lambden, University of California, Merced
The Term Ridwān in Islamic Sacred Literatures and in the Sūrat al-Ridwān and Other Writings of Sayyid `Ali Muhammad Shirazi, the Báb (1819-1850 CE)

Anthony A. Lee, University of California, Los Angeles
African Servants in the Household of the Báb

Sholeh Quinn, University of California, Merced
Interpreting the Mir'aj in Shakhbī, Bábī, and Bahá'í Texts

For additional information about the Bahá'í Studies Colloquy, contact Robert Stockman at rstockman@usbnc.org or 847-337-7750 (cell).

M19-401



Brigham Young University and Friends Reception

Saturday, 7:00 pm–8:30 pm

HI-Golden Gate 5

M19-402



Georgetown University Reception

Saturday, 7:00 pm–8:30 pm

HI-Franciscan D

M19-403

Common English Bible Editorial Board Meeting

Saturday, 7:00 pm–9:00 pm

HI-Executive Boardroom

M19-404



Science and Religion Hospitality Event Sponsored by CTNS, IRAS and ZCRS

Saturday, 7:00 pm–10:00 pm

HI-Continental Ballroom 1

The Center for Theology and the Natural Sciences (CTNS) supports research, provides MDiv and doctoral courses through the Ian G. Barbour Chair in Residence at the Graduate Theological Union, and publishes the peer-reviewed quarterly journal *Theology and Science*; www.ctns.org.

The Institute on Religion in an Age of Science (IRAS) is an open-membership Session that holds annual summer conferences and co-publishes the peer-reviewed journal *Zygon: Journal of Religion and Science*; www.iras.org.

Through research, teaching, and outreach, the Zygon Center for Religion and Science (ZCRS) relates religious traditions and scientific knowledge in order to gain insight into the origins, nature, and destiny of humans and their environment. ZCRS offers courses through the Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago, sponsors the annual Student Symposium on Science and Spirituality, and shares offices with the peer-reviewed *Zygon: Journal of Religion and Science*; zygoncenter.org.

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M19-421

Institute for Ancient Near Eastern and Afroasiatic Cultural Research

Saturday, 7:00 pm–8:30 pm

IC–Russian Hill

This year's Colloquium will be a roundtable discussion exploring the implications of the so-called Authorized (or King James) Version of the Bible on Afroasiatic research and those communities that have been empowered and marginalized by both biblical translations and the constellation of disciplines that focus on the critical study of Scripture, the ancient Near East, and Afroasiatic languages and cultures. For additional information, please visit the IAACR website at www.iaacr.org or contact Dr. Hugh R. Page, Jr. (poeto@me.com).

A19-403

JAAR Reception for Authors and Board Members

Saturday, 7:30 pm–8:30 pm

MM–Sierra F

Reception for *JAAR* Editorial board members and *JAAR* authors.

A19-404

Plenary Address

Saturday, 8:00 pm–9:00 pm

MM–Yerba Buena 9

Otto A. Maduro, Drew University, Presiding

Theme: *Presidential Address — Empire and the Study of Religion*



Kwok Pui Lan

The academic study of religion emerged in the nineteenth century was shaped by the cultural imaginary of empire. How has this legacy impacted the field in today's postmodern and postcolonial world? With the rise of China and other emerging markets and the shift of geopolitics, what will religious studies look like in the future? Kwok, author of the critically acclaimed volume *Postcolonial Imagination and Feminist Theology* and editor

of the award-winning book *Hope Abundant: Third World and Indigenous Women's Theology*, will offer her reflections, drawing examples from the study of Christianity and Asian religious traditions.

Panelist:

Kwok Pui Lan, Episcopal Divinity School

A19-405

LGBTIQ Scholars/Scholars of LGBTIQ Studies Reception

Saturday, 8:00 pm–10:00 pm

Offsite - GLBT History Museum, 4127 18th Street

Sponsored by the HAAS Foundation

LGBTIQ scholars of religion, scholars of LGBTIQ studies in religion, and friends are invited to a reception. Come network, see old friends, and make new ones! The reception will be held at the new GLBT History Museum at 4127 18th Street (between Castro Street and Colingwood Street), in the heart of the Castro district. The Museum is a block away from both MUNI and the streetcar line that runs up Market Street; get off of either service at the Castro Street stop and you'll be at the intersection of Castro, 17th, and Market. Walk downhill on Castro to 18th and turn right. After the reception, you'll find the delights of the Castro district all within walking distance!

A19-406

Film: *Enlighten Up!*

Saturday, 8:00 pm–10:00 pm

MM–Nob Hill A

Stuart R. Sarbacker, Oregon State University, Presiding

Sponsored by the Yoga in Theory and Practice Consultation

Filmmaker Kate Churchill's *Enlighten Up!* is a documentary that explores a range of contemporary yoga traditions through the lens of the personal journey of a skeptical would-be modern yogi. The film follows Nick Rosen, a writer and yoga novice, as he experiments with a range of contemporary traditions, encountering a number of prominent figures in modern yoga, such as B.K.S. Iyengar and Pattabhi Jois. The film examines the potential for spiritual transformation in yoga, while keeping an eye on the commodification of yoga and the often-skeptical perspectives of scholars of yoga's history in India and in the transnational context.

Panelists:

Shreena Gandhi, Kalamazoo College

Eric Shaw, California Institute of Integral Studies

Mark Singleton, St. John's College, Santa Fe

Stefanie Syman, Brooklyn, NY

A19-407

Film: *"NO!" Breaking Silences Around Black Women and Rape*

Saturday, 8:00 pm–10:00 pm

MM–Nob Hill C

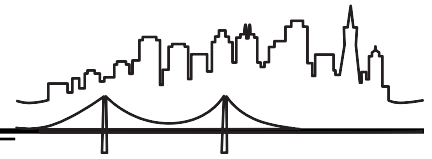
Carla Jean-McNeil Jackson, Independent Scholar, Presiding

Sponsored by the Black Theology Group and the Womanist Approaches to Religion and Society Group

Speak with an intergenerational panel following the screening of *NO!*, the internationally acclaimed, award-winning, feature-length documentary that unveils the reality of rape, other forms of sexual violence, and healing in African-American communities. *NO!* also explores how rape is used as a weapon of homophobia.

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The featured panelists will discuss how religion, race, and politics can both negatively and positively influence attitudes and solutions to end rape and other forms of sexual violence. They will engage in a conversation that will explore some of the issues highlighted in the documentary: 1) Black feminist/womanist Christian and Islamic perspectives that address the wrongfulness of the rape of women; 2) Black men as profeminist/womanist allies in rape prevention; 3) Rape as a community issue that reinforces interlocking systems of oppression, such as racism, sexism, classism, and heterosexism; and 4) Activism and spirituality as healing modalities. Gender-based violence is an international atrocity that knows no boundary. This panel will address these global acts of violence through the first-person testimonies, scholarship, activism, and cultural work of African-Americans. As Alice Walker, the Pulitzer Prize-winning author of *The Color Purple* says, "If the Black community in the Americas and in the world would save itself it must complete the work *NO!* begins."

Panelists:

Aishah Shahidah Simmons, AfroLez® Productions
Traci C. West, Drew University
Gwendolyn Zoharah Simmons, University of Florida
Obery M. Hendricks, New York Theological Seminary

A19-408



Film: *UMEMULO: A Girl's Rite of Passage in the Context of AIDS in South Africa*

Saturday, 8:00 pm–10:00 pm

MM-Nob Hill B

Jone Salomonsen, University of Oslo, Presiding

Sponsored by the Anthropology of Religion Group and the Religion, Film, and Visual Culture Group

This ethnographic film documents how a township family in KwaZulu Natal and their extended kin and community adapt an old Zulu rite of passage to protect a 16 year old girl from the risk of being infected with HIV. Women cross customary norms and take ritual leadership by reference to the authority of Dr. Jesus and the calling from the ancestors, transmitted in dreams. Animal sacrifice and the mediated exchange of meat, blood, skin, grass, herbs, blessings, and honorary song and dance movements are integral to the rite which culminates in a big feast. The overall aim is to forge protection for the girl by invoking and memorizing a new-old bond between ancestors, humans, animals, plants and the land, and alternatively celebrating life and community.

M19-405



Dallas Theological Seminary Alumni Reception

Saturday, 8:00 pm–9:00 pm

HI-Golden Gate 7

Dallas Theological Seminary invites their alumni to a reception with Dr. Mark Bailey. Come and fellowship with other DTS alumni.

M19-406



Graduate Theological Union Reception

Saturday, 8:00 pm–11:00 pm

HI-Imperial Ballroom B

M19-419

African Religions Group

Saturday, 8:00 pm–9:30 pm

MM-Golden Gate C2

Theme: *Documentary Films on African Christianity's Explosive Growth and Filmmaker's Discussion*

Award-winning documentary filmmaker and author, James Ault, will show clips from his two-part series *African Christianity Rising*, shot in Ghana and Zimbabwe, called "striking, powerful and clarifying," by Andrew Walls, founding editor of the *Journal of Religion in Africa*. Among other things, it explores Christianity's becoming rooted more authentically in local cultures and worldview. Terence Ranger hailed it "the most penetrating and informative material I have ever seen on African Christianity, bringing out its vitality and variety without ever sensationalizing or exoticising."

Ault will discuss the power of YouTube to bring text to life by using documentary footage to teach cross-cultural realities of religious life. Drawing on his forthcoming book, which includes embedded video links, he will demonstrate how mixed-media vividly communicates the place of the body, song and dance in African religious and spiritual life.

Ault's first film, *Born Again*, a portrait of a fundamentalist Baptist church, won a Blue Ribbon at the American Film Festival and was broadcast nationally on PBS, in the UK and around the world. His associated book, *Spirit and Flesh* (Knopf 2004), was named one of the five best nonfiction books of the year.

M19-418



Baker Academic and Brazos Press Reception

Saturday, 8:00 pm–10:00 pm

PW-Embarcadero

M19-413



Hispanic Theological Initiative and Hispanic Summer Program Reception

Saturday, 8:00 pm–11:00 pm

HI-Continental Ballroom 6-9

P19-404



Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion Reception

Saturday, 8:30 pm–10:00 pm

IC-Pacific Terrace

A reception for all past and future participants of Wabash Center workshops, colloquies, consultations, gatherings, and grants. Everyone is welcome to come and learn about our programs and opportunities. Sign up for an appointment to discuss your ideas for a Wabash Center grant or stop by our booth in the Moscone Center.

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M19-408

Notre Dame Center for Philosophy of Religion

Saturday, 8:00 pm–9:30 pm

HI-Yosemite B

Theme: *Analytical Theology Reception*

M19-409

Swiss Reception

Saturday, 8:30 pm–11:00 pm

Offsite

The Faculties of Theology and Religion of the Universities of Basel, Bern, Fribourg, Geneva, Lausanne, and Zurich along with the Embassy of Switzerland warmly welcome friends, colleagues, alumni/ae, as well as prospect graduate and doctoral students to present their institutions, learn about programs, and meet members of staff. Our host will be the swissnex San Francisco (730 Montgomery Street, San Francisco, CA 94111, 415-912-5901, www.swissnexsanfrancisco.org), which is located in walking distance from the Union Square area, the location of the conference hotels. For additional information and requests (i.e., for flyers including directions), please contact *Gabriella.Gelardini@unibas.ch*.

M19-410

Asbury Theological Seminary and Azusa Pacific University Reception

Saturday, 9:00 pm–10:00 pm

HI-Powell

Alumni/ae and friends of Asbury Theological Seminary and Azusa Pacific University are welcome to attend.

M19-411

De Gruyter Reception

Saturday, 9:00 pm–11:00 pm

HI-Imperial Ballroom A

M19-412

Fortress Press Reception

Saturday, 9:00 pm–11:00 pm

HI-Continental Ballroom 5

AAR and SBL members, students, and colleagues are invited to join the staff of Fortress Press for an evening food, drink, and conversation and to celebrate the latest books published in 2011.

M19-414

New Religious Movements Group and *Nova Religio* Reception

Saturday, 9:00 pm–11:00 pm

HI-Golden Gate 3

M19-423

Coexist Foundation Reception

Saturday, 9:00 pm–11:00 pm

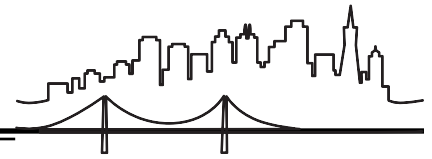
HI-Franciscan A-B

Theme: *New Tools for Advancing Jewish, Christian, and Muslim Understanding through Education, Research, and Dialogue*

You are invited to join us for our reception honoring Coexist Foundation friends, partners, and advisors in our debut appearance at the AAR and SBL Annual Meetings. Among other things, the program will feature presentations on: 1) our new apps Understanding Islam and the Understanding Faith series through our partnership with MicroBooks; 2) our new near real-time Arabic-English scriptural reasoning digital dialogue, Nurani, and its public news source cousin, news.meedan.net through partnership with Meedan; and 3) our research on Muslims and global interfaith activity through partnership with Gallup. Special guests will include Mr. James Kidner, International Director of the Coexist Foundation and Mr. Ed Bice, CEO of Meedan. To learn more, visit www.coexistfoundationusa.net and stop by our booth #622. Join the discussion on Twitter #coexistfdn."

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A20-1

Status of Women in the Profession Committee Meeting

Sunday, 7:00 am–8:45 am

MM-Pacific B

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Church of Christ Professors Breakfast

Sunday, 7:00 am–8:00 am

CC-2001

M20-2

Center of Theological Inquiry Breakfast Reception

Sunday, 7:00 am–8:30 am

HI-Golden Gate 2-3

We welcome all CTI members and scholars interested in learning more about our exciting three-year research project on New Approaches in Theological Inquiry. We are currently accepting applications for eight research fellowships and two postdoctoral fellowships on the topic of “Evolution and Human Nature” for year one of the project (2012–2013 academic year). For more information, see www.ctinquiry.com.

M20-3

New York Theological Seminary/ *Journal of World Christianity* Breakfast

Sunday, 7:00 am–8:45 am

HI-Continental Ballroom 8

New York Theological Seminary invites all Alumnae/i to our breakfast for an update on the seminary and future plans. Also, all *Journal of World Christianity* members are invited for an update on the journal and future volumes.

M20-6

Temple University Breakfast

Sunday, 7:00 am–8:45 am

HI-Golden Gate 6

A20-2

International Members' Breakfast

Sunday, 7:30 am–8:30 am

MM-Golden Gate C2

Sponsored by the International Connections Committee

Breakfast, including a question and answer session, for international members of the AAR.

A20-3

AAR Annual Business Meeting

Sunday, 7:30 am–8:45 am

MM-Club Room

Join the AAR Board of Directors for a continental breakfast and a brief business meeting.

M20-7

Coexist Foundation Scholars Breakfast I

Sunday, 7:30 am–9:00 am

HI-Franciscan A

By Invitation Only

M20-4

Symposium on Early Methodism: Texts, Traditions, Theologies

Sunday, 8:00 am–11:30 am

HI-Powell

Andrew J. Cheadle, Liverpool Hope University, Presiding

Theme: *Early Methodists, Methodism, and the Enlightenment in Britain and North America*

Panelists:

Jonathan Dodrill, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary

Brett McNelly, Brigham Young University

Phyllis Mack, Rutgers University

Charles Wallace, Willamette University

David Wilson, George Fox Evangelical Seminary

Questions and Round-table discussion.

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Sunday, 9:00 am–11:30 am

A20-100



Special Topics Forum

MM-Yerba Buena 13

Teresa Mbari Hinga, Santa Clara University, Presiding

Theme: *Religion and Constructions of the Mediterranean*

Sponsored by the International Connections Committee

Located at the intersection of three continents — Africa, Europe, and Asia — and considered the historical home of three major religions — Christianity, Islam, and Judaism — the “Mediterranean” has long been characterized by immense differences and disputed meanings, religious and otherwise. In addition, it is a center of unsettled global politics where ancient and modern cultures play a fundamental role in defining social reality. This panel interrogates the complex forms, trajectories, processes, ideologies, and power dynamics in — among others — religious, historical, social, cultural, ecological, aesthetic, and literary constructions of the “Mediterranean” as an open, contested, and fluid category. Scholars are invited to examine how the “Mediterranean” has been and can be constructed and interpreted from and through particular identity factors like race, religion, gender, or sexuality. Using different methods and tropes of analysis, panelists will address how the “Mediterranean” is imagined and reimagined in the name of memory, identity, power, and religion in various contexts. They will inquire into what these imaginaries signify; how they have changed; and how — both negatively and positively, as well as both historically and currently — they continue to affect and contribute to the production of different religious and sociopolitical realities.

Panelists:

Marinos Pourgouris, University of Cyprus

Yael Munk, Open University of Israel

Adriana Destro, University of Bologna

Patrice Brodeur, University of Montreal

A20-101



Arts, Literature, and Religion Section

MM-Sierra K

S. Brent Plate, Hamilton College, Presiding

Theme: *The Arts of the Book: Reading Images, Looking at Words*

Panelists:

Dorina Miller Parmenter, Spalding University

Diane Apostolos-Cappadona, Georgetown University

Yohan Yoo, Seoul National University

Emily Neumeier, University of Pennsylvania

Yun Woncheol, Seoul National University

Business Meeting:

Diane Apostolos-Cappadona, Georgetown University

Eric Ziolkowski, Lafayette College, Presiding

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A20-102



Buddhism Section

IC-Sutter

Sanjyot Mehendale, University of California, Berkeley, Presiding

Theme: *Greco-Roman Cultures and Buddhism*

Stefan Baums, University of California, Berkeley

Greek Buddhists in Gandhāra: Epigraphic Self-representation and Literary Appropriation

Jason Neelis, Wilfrid Laurier University

Hellenistic Afterlives in Gandhāran Buddhist Material Culture

Mariko Namba Walter, Harvard University

Indo-Greek Bactrian Buddhist Documents: Remnants of Greek Culture in Afghan Buddhism

Georgios Halkias, Oxford University

The Greek Buddhists of Asia: Interpretations of Sources and Speculations about “Stimulus Diffusion”

Thomas R. Martin, College of the Holy Cross

Encountering the Buddha and Pythagoras: Teaching Comparative Religion with Ancient India and Greece

Responding:

Todd T. Lewis, College of the Holy Cross

A20-103



Christian Systematic Theology Section

CC-3018

David Stubbs, Western Theological Seminary, Presiding

Theme: *Jewish Jesus, Cosmic Christ*

Jennifer Rosner, Fuller Theological Seminary

Jewishness without Judaism?: A Critical Challenge to Karl Barth's Christology

Kayko Driedger Hesslein, Graduate Theological Union

Incorporating the Particularity of Jesus's Jewishness into Christology

Brooks Barber, Catholic University of America, and Daniel Wade McClain, Catholic University of America

The Cosmic Mirror: Divine Image in the Theological Anthropologies of Ibn al-'Arabi and Bonaventure

Thomas A. James, Union Presbyterian Seminary

Incarnation, Embodiment, and Repetition: Toward a Christology of Multiplicity

Business Meeting:

Gerard Loughlin, Durham University, Presiding



A20-104

North American Religions Section and Body and Religion Group

CC-3004

Ann M. Burlein, Hofstra University, Presiding

Theme: *The Past, Present, and Future of Body Studies*

Adam Park, Florida State University
Body Studies: A Nature/Culture Problem

Adam Ware, Florida State University
In the Air There's a Feeling of Christmas: On the Discursive Deafness of Body Studies

Joshua Fleer, Florida State University
Spectator versus Participant: The Gaze of the Historian in the Field of Sports and Religion

Lauren Gray, Florida State University
On Embodiment and Lived Religion

Responding:

Martha Finch, Missouri State University

A20-105

Philosophy of Religion Section

CC-3005

Tamsin Jones, Harvard University, Presiding

Theme: *Reading "Passions": Jacques Derrida and the Study of Religion*

Panelists:

Ryan Coyne, University of Chicago

Sarah Hammerschlag, Williams College

Amy M. Hollywood, Harvard University

Carlos Manrique, Universidad de los Andes

Responding:

Thomas A. Carlson, University of California, Santa Barbara

A20-106



Religion and Politics Section and Contemporary Islam Group

MM-Yerba Buena 9

Mona Hassan, Duke University, Presiding

Theme: *Egypt and Liberation (Square) Theologies*

Beginning on January 25, 2011, thousands upon thousands of Egyptians took to the streets to express their deep-seated grievances against the ruling regime, and their non-violent display of courage riveted the world's attention for nearly three weeks. The centrally located Liberation Square in Cairo became a major locus and symbol of the popular movement promoting an alternative vision for Egyptian society and demonstrating the participants' regained sense of dignity, cooperation, civic pride, and interreligious harmony. Within eighteen days, the popular demonstrations succeeded in deposing President Mubarak, after thirty years in office, and initiated a transition process to chart a new political future. This discussion panel brings Muslim and Christian intellectuals in conversation with each other and the audience about how they and others understand these pivotal events through their respective religious traditions and the lens of social justice and explores the dynamics of religion, the state, and contemporary aspirations for political, economic, and social liberation.

Panelists:

Cornel West, Princeton University

Zaid Shakir, Zaytuna College

Febe Armanios, Middlebury College

Mohammad Fadel, University of Toronto

Business Meeting:

Erik Owens, Boston College, Presiding

A20-107

Study of Islam Section

CC-2003

Kecia Ali, Boston University, Presiding

Theme: *Islamic/Muslim Marriage in Discourse and Practice*

Saadia Yacoob, Duke University

Marriage to Minor Girls: Mapping Intercourse in the Sexual Imaginary of Islamic Law

Sarah Eltantawi, Harvard University

Ijbār (Child Marriage), Polygamy, and Divorce in the Post-1999 Shar'ia Order in Northern Nigeria

Debra Majeed, Beloit College

Giving Them a Way Out: What American Muslim Women Can Do About Polygyny

Shannon Dunn, Florida State University

Justice in the Family: The Challenge of Muslim Family Law in the United States

Nadia Khan, Duke University

Beyond Bar-Dāsht: Examining the Support Networks for Raleigh-Durham's Muslim Intimate Partner Violence (IPV) Victims

Responding:

Juliane Hammer, George Mason University

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A20-108



Teaching Religion Section and Sacred Space in Asia Group

IC-Intercontinental Ballroom C

Wendy Wiseman, Ozyegin University, Istanbul, Presiding

Theme: *Teaching Religious Studies Abroad in Theory and Practice*

Elijah Siegler, College of Charleston
Working Through the Problems of Study Abroad Using the Methodologies of Religious Studies

Norris Palmer, Saint Mary's College of California
Inverting the Object of Study: Recalibrating the Frame of Reference in Study Abroad Experiences

Kerry Mitchell, Long Island University
The Immersion Experience: Lessons from Studying Abroad in Religion

Andrew B. Irvine, Maryville College
From Experience to Text: Assignments in Comparative Religion and Study Abroad

Responding:

John D. Barbour, Saint Olaf College

A20-109



Women and Religion Section and Asian North American Religion, Culture, and Society Group

CC-2006

David Kyuman Kim, Connecticut College, Presiding

Theme: *The Future of Solidarity Work in the Academy across Program Units Divided by Race, Ethnicity, and Gender*

Panelists:

Rita Brock, Faith Voices for the Common Good

Rudy V. Busto, University of California, Santa Barbara

Jane Naomi Iwamura, University of Southern California

Judith Plaskow, Manhattan College

Responding:

Kwok Pui Lan, Episcopal Divinity School

Business Meeting:

Mimi Khuc, University of California, Santa Barbara, and Michael Masatsugu, Towson University, Presiding

A20-110



Afro-American Religious History Group

IC-Intercontinental Ballroom A

Rosemary R. Hicks, Tufts University, Presiding

Theme: *New Research in African American Islam*

Spencer Dew, Iowa State University

"This Nationalistic Topic": Internal Debates about the Nationality and Citizenship in the Moorish Science Temple of America, 1925–1935

Andrew Polk, Florida State University

The Best Knower: Mythmaking, Fard Muhammad, and the Lost-Found Nation of Islam

Emily S. Clark, Florida State University

Noble Drew Ali's "Clean and Pure Nation": The Moorish Manufacturing Corporation and Identity

Responding:

Edward E. Curtis, Indiana University-Purdue University

Business Meeting:

Kathryn Lofton, Yale University

Josef Sorett, Columbia University, Presiding

A20-111



Bonhoeffer: Theology and Social Analysis Group

CC-2011

Jennifer McBride, Emory University, Presiding

Theme: *Popular Perceptions and Close Readings: How the Bonhoeffer Works, English Edition, Prompts New Conversations*

Robert David Nelson, University of Aberdeen

Metaxas on "Religionless Christianity": A Test Case of Bonhoeffer's Reception

Stephen R. Haynes, Rhodes College

The Metaxas Phenomenon: A New Chapter in Bonhoeffer's Evangelical Reception

Joseph McGarry, University of Aberdeen

Dietrich Bonhoeffer and Apocatastasis: A Challenge to Evangelical Reception

Brant Himes, Fuller Theological Seminary

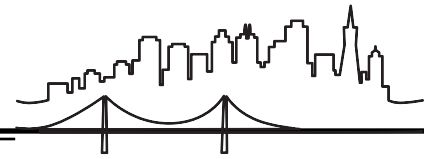
The Place of the Sermon on the Mount in Dietrich Bonhoeffer's "Religionless Christianity"

Matthew Puffer, University of Virginia

Three Rival Visions of Bonhoeffer's Ethics: Interpreting Bonhoeffer in Light of DBWE

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A20-112



Buddhist Critical–Constructive Reflection Group

MM-Yerba Buena 2

Christopher Ives, Stonehill College, Presiding

Theme: *Buddha, Buddhism, and Conflict*

Elizabeth Harris, Liverpool Hope University
Buddhism and Postwar Reconciliation in Sri Lanka: The Use and Misuse of Symbolism

Hu Hsiao-Lan, University of Detroit, Mercy
Complicity and Conscientization

Mahinda Deegalle, Bath Spa University
Buddhist Justifications of Violence in Sri Lanka

Koenraad Elst, Mortsel, Belgium
The Sapta-Shila as a Summary of Buddha's Sociopolitical Views

Business Meeting:

Roger Jackson, Carleton College, and John Makransky, Boston College, Presiding

A20-113

Chinese Religions Group and Confucian Traditions Group

MM-Yerba Buena 1

Thomas A. Wilson, Hamilton College, Presiding

Theme: *Cosmology in Action: Cosmology–building and Application in Early China*

Tao Jin, University of Illinois
The Awkward Position of “Earth” in the Chinese Trinity of “Heaven, Earth, and Man”

Keith Knapp, The Citadel
Cosmology in Service of Hierarchy: The Natural Basis for Secular and Familial Authority in the Chunqiu Fanlu

Cai Liang, University of Arkansas
Confucians as Politicians: Correlative Cosmology and Factional Struggles in the Western Han Dynasty

Stephan N. Kory, Indiana University
Cosmological Continuity and Change in Han and Medieval Chinese Pyroplastronomy

Responding:

On-cho Ng, Pennsylvania State University

A20-114

Comparative Religious Ethics Group

MM-Yerba Buena 11

James Broucek, Florida State University, Presiding

Theme: *The Self and the Other in Comparative Religious Ethics*

David Decosimo, Princeton University
Suppressing the Truth: Al-Ghazali, Thomas Aquinas, and Religious Diversity

Paul Heck, Georgetown University, and Diane Yeager, Georgetown University
On Conscience: Islamic Insights for a Western Controversy

Joshua Schapiro, Harvard University
The Solitary Solution: Asceticism as Religious Rhetoric

Mara Benjamin, Saint Olaf College
Maternal Caregiving in Theological and Ethical Perspective

Responding:

Irene Oh, George Washington University

A20-115

Comparative Studies in Hinduisms and Judaisms Group

MM-Yerba Buena 3

Michael D. Swartz, Ohio State University, Columbus, Presiding

Theme: *Games, Toys, and Ritual in Religion: Playing Seriously*

Heather C. Ohaneson, Columbia University
Ritual Spinning and the Well-Turned Phrase: Aristotle's Eutrapelia and Yehuda Amichai's Unspun Dreidel

Daniel Michon, Claremont McKenna College
Discerning Ritual from Games in the Material Record: Dicing and Oracular Gambling in Early Historic India

Rebecca Sachs Norris, Merrimack College
Are We Toying with God When We Put the Sacred into Play?: Dissolving the Boundaries Between Religion and Fun

Nikki Bado, Iowa State University
Let the Die Be Cast: Divining Whom the Gods Favor

Responding:

Philippe Bornet, University of Lausanne

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A20-116



Contemporary Pagan Studies Group and Religion and Ecology Group

CC-2001



Starhawk

Whitney Bauman, Florida International University, Presiding

Theme: *Elemental Theology and Feminist Earth Practices*

Panelists:

Rosemary R. Ruether, Claremont Graduate University

Starhawk, Earth Activist Training

Responding:

Marion S. Grau, Graduate Theological Union

Jone Salomonsen, University of Oslo

Heather Eaton, Saint Paul University



Rosemary R. Ruether

A20-117



Hinduism Group

CC-2005

Steven W. Ramey, University of Alabama, Presiding

Theme: *Changing Conceptions and Configurations of Hindu Communities*

Richard S. Weiss, Victoria University

Debating Community: A Controversy in South Indian Shaivism in the Nineteenth Century

Joel Dubois, California State University, Sacramento

The Modernization of Traditional Brahmin Communities

Tulasi Srinivas, Emerson College

Globalization and Emotion: Hindu Priests, Ritual Innovation, and Building New Moral Communities within Temples in Bangalore City

Joanne Punzo Waghorne, Syracuse University

Alone Together: The Reemerging Person and Reconfigurations of "Community" in Guru-centered Movements in Singapore

Responding:

Nanette Spina, University of Waterloo

Business Meeting:

Timothy Lubin, Washington and Lee University, and Vijaya Nagarajan, University of San Francisco, Presiding

A20-118

Native Traditions in the Americas Group

CC-2009

Gabrielle Tayac, Smithsonian National Museum of the American Indian, Presiding

Theme: *Landscapes of Identity: Native Traditions of the Pacific*

Suzanne J. Crawford O'Brien, Pacific Lutheran University

"Salmon is Our Sacrament": The Revival of First Salmon Ceremonies in the Pacific Northwest

Regina Pfeiffer, Chaminade University

More than Language: The Similarity of Hawai'ian and Maori Indigenous Religions

Mary Louise Stone, California Institute of Integral Studies

Sacred Female Authority Among the Inkas: Hurin Moiety

Matthew Casey, University of California, Davis

Indigenismo and the "Reindianization" of Cusco, Peru

Responding:

Fritz Detwiler, Adrian College

A20-119

Psychology, Culture, and Religion Group

IC-Union Square

Lisa M. Cataldo, Fordham University, Presiding

Theme: *Mourning the American Dream: Psychological and Religious Dimensions of the Sociocultural Malaise*

Jessica Van Denend, Union Theological Seminary

Neoliberal Subjectivity's Eschewal of Dependency: What Might Religion and Psychology Have to Offer?

Joseph Kramp, Drew University

Symbolic Loss in American Adolescents: Mourning in Teenage Cinema

Flora A. Keshgegian, Church Divinity School of the Pacific

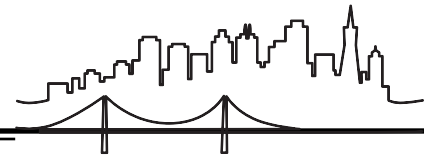
Is Trauma Ever Good?: A Theological and Critical Analysis of Post-traumatic Growth

Lee Hayward Butler, Chicago Theological Seminary

Do You Dream in Color?: Mourning a Monochromatic American Dream

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A20-120



Religion and Disability Studies Group

CC-3006

Molly Haslam, Decatur, GA, Presiding

Theme: *Engaging Theological Anthropology and Deborah Creamer's Disability and Christian Theology: Embodied Limits and Constructive Possibilities* (Oxford University Press, 2009)

Michael Mawson, University of Notre Dame
Subjectivity and Embodied Limits

David Scott, Iliff School of Theology and University of Denver
Capabilities, Limits, and the Manifestation of Humanity

Sandra Sullivan-Dunbar, Loyola University, Chicago
Abilities, Limits, and Justice: Tensions and Synergies Between Feminist "Dependency-based" Approaches to Justice and Christian Theologies of Disability

Responding:

Deborah Creamer, Iliff School of Theology

Business Meeting:

Julia Watts Belser, Missouri State University, Presiding

A20-121

Religion in Latin America and the Caribbean Group

CC-2022

Jill De Temple, Southern Methodist University, Presiding

Theme: *Saints, Stones, and Bones: Material Religion in Latin America*

Todd Ramón Ochoa, University of North Carolina
A Materiality for Sorcery in Central Cuban Bemé

Karin Velez, Macalester College
"Casas a la Santísima Virgen": The Multiplying and Refracting Seventeenth Century Holy Houses of Loreto Conchó (Baja California) and Loreto Moxos (Bolivia)

Michelle Gonzalez Maldonado, University of Miami
The Quinceañera and the Traje Tipico: Religion, Ritual, and the Mercado

Jalane D. Schmidt, University of Virginia
The Effigy's Emotion: Cuban Interpretations of the Virgin of Charity

Jennifer Scheper Hughes, University of California, Riverside
Cradling and Presentation: Affection and Tenderness for the Object in Meso-American Religion

Responding:

Colleen McDannell, University of Utah

A20-122

Religion, Film, and Visual Culture Group and the Colloquium on Violence and Religion

IC-Grand Ballroom C

Nikolaus Wandinger, University of Innsbruck, Presiding

Theme: *Film and Mimetic Theory: Probing the Depths of Contemporary Film with Rene Girard's Insights*

Brian Collins, University of Chicago
The Sacrificial Ram and the Swan Queen: The Surrogate Victim Mechanism and Mimetic Rivalry in The Wrestler and Black Swan

David Humbert, Thorneoloe University
Hitchcock and the Scapegoat: A Girardian Reading of The Wrong Man

Una Stroda, Lutheran School of Theology, Chicago
No Country for Old Men, Rene Girard, and Georges Bataille: Can Violence Make Sense?

Nicholas Bott, Christ Community Church
"How Can Satan Cast Out Satan?": Violence and the Birth of the Sacred in Christopher Nolan's The Dark Knight

A20-123



Schleiermacher Group

CC-3000

Daryll Ward, Kettering College, Presiding

Theme: *Author Meets Critics: Andrew Dole*

Panelists:

Kevin Schilbrack, Western Carolina University

Sarah Coakley, University of Cambridge

Cynthia Rigby, Austin Theological Seminary

Peter Grove, Leuphana University, Germany

Walter Wyman, Whitman College

Responding:

Andrew Dole, Amherst College

Business Meeting:

Andrew Dole, Amherst College, Presiding

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Sunday, 9:00 am–11:30 am

A20-124



Theology and Continental Philosophy Group

CC-3014

Anthony Paul Smith, University of Nottingham, Presiding

Theme: *The Secular and the Speculative: Exploring Themes from Anthony Paul Smith's and Daniel Whistler's After the Postsecular and the Postmodern: New Essays in Continental Philosophy of Religion* (Cambridge Scholars Publishing, 2010)

Panelists:

Brad Johnson, Alameda, CA
Rocco Gangle, Endicott College
Daniel Whistler, University of Oxford
Daniel Barber, Marymount Manhattan College

Responding:

Kenneth Surin, Duke University, and Peter Graffton, University of San Diego, Presiding

A20-125



Religion in the American West Seminar

PW-Sutro

James B. Bennett, Santa Clara University, Presiding

Theme: *Land, Identity, and Transnational Wests*

Sarah Imhoff, Indiana University
City Jew, Country Jew: Immigration, Masculinity, and American Zionism

Konden Smith, Arizona State University
Civilizing the American Frontier: Utah, Kansas, Nicaragua, and American Millenarianism 1856–1858

Brandi Denison, University of North Carolina
"Playing Indian": Defining American Religion through Ute Land Religion, 1910–1940

Katherine Moran, University of Wisconsin, Stevens Point
Faith, Place, and Power: Catholicism and the Making of the United States Pacific

Responding:

Greg Johnson, University of Colorado

Business Meeting:

Quincy Newell, University of Wyoming, Presiding

A20-126



Childhood Studies and Religion Group

IC-Nob Hill

Marcia Bunge, Valparaiso University, Presiding

Theme: *Religion and Spirituality in the Moral Lives of Children*

Lisa Sideris, Indiana University
Children's Nature Study, Empathy, and Wonder: 1900–Present

Kevin Taylor, Boston University
Parenting, Religion, and American Culture: A Comparative Look at Visions of the Good Life for Children among Hindu and Mainline Protestant Communities

Kathryn Moles, Graduate Theological Union
Making Sense of Sexual Education in the Context of Lived Experiences: Why Current Models Fail Youth and Providing Suggestions for a New Approach Responsive to Youth Concerns

Kate Ott, Drew University
Agency and Racism in Children: Accidental Acquisition or Moral Choice?

Responding:

John Wall, Rutgers University

Business Meeting:

John Wall, Rutgers University, and Laurie Zoloth, Northwestern University, Presiding

A20-127



Death, Dying, and Beyond Group

MM-Yerba Buena 15

Diana Pasulka, University of North Carolina, Wilmington, Presiding

Theme: *Death in Popular Culture*

Jamie Brummitt, Duke University
The Power of Death and Dying: Images as a Means of Conversion and Modes of Shaping Afterlife Beliefs in Nineteenth Century America

Daniel McCluskey, University of North Carolina, Wilmington
The Guide of Souls: Characteristics of the Psychopomp in Modern American Media

Patrick McCauley, Chestnut Hill College
Shimmering Between the Symbolic and Real in Pan's Labyrinth and The Fisher King

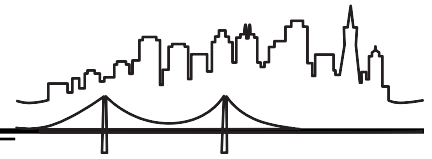
Christopher Moreman, California State University, East Bay
Jewish Ghosts: A Content Analysis of Some Jewish Folklore

Business Meeting:

Lucy Bregman, Temple University, Presiding

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Jain Studies Group

MM-Yerba Buena 5

Nathan R. B. Loewen, Vanier College, Presiding

Theme: *Global Perspectives on Teaching Jaina Studies: Strategies, Pitfalls, and Changing Paradigms*

Panelists:

Christian Haskett, Utah State University

Sherry Fohr, Converse College

Peter Flügel, University of London

Martin T. Adam, University of Victoria

Responding:

John E. Cort, Denison University

Business Meeting:

Anne E. Monius, Harvard University, Presiding

A20-129



Middle Eastern Christianity Group and World Christianity Group

CC-2012

Jason R. Zaborowski, Bradley University, Presiding

Theme: *Engaging the History of Middle Eastern Christians: New Studies on the Coptic Papacy*

Panelists:

Vincent Cornell, Emory University

Robert J. Schreiter, Catholic Theological Union

James C. Skedros, Holy Cross Greek Orthodox School of Theology

Stephen J. Davis, Yale University

Magdi Guirguis, American University, Cairo

Maged S.A. Mikhail, California State University, Fullerton

Mark Swanson, Lutheran School of Theology, Chicago

David W. Johnson, Jesuit School of Theology, Berkeley

Nelly Van Doorn-Harder, Wake Forest University

Business Meeting:

Nelly Van Doorn-Harder, Wake Forest University, Presiding

A20-130



Open and Relational Theologies Group

CC-2008

Thomas Oord, Northwest Nazarene University, Presiding

Theme: *Creatio Ex Nihilo: Arguments For and Against*

Panelists:

Philip Clayton, Claremont School of Theology

Michael Lodahl, Point Loma Nazarene University

Catherine Keller, Drew University

Marit Trelstad, Pacific Lutheran University

Monica A. Coleman, Claremont School of Theology

Richard Rice, Loma Linda University

Business Meeting:

Thomas Oord, Northwest Nazarene University, Presiding

A20-131



Religion and Sexuality Group

CC-3020

Sal'diyya Shaikh, University of Cape Town, Presiding

Theme: *Contesting Bodies, Configuring Sexuality*

Jill Peterfeso, University of North Carolina

"I Am a Daughter of My Heavenly Father": Transsexual Mormons and Performed Gender Essentialism

Nadeem Mahomed, University of Johannesburg

Sexual Diversity, Islamic Jurisprudence, and Sociality

Samira Mehta, Emory University

Negotiating the Interfaith Marriage Bed: Religious Difference and Sexual Intimacies

Jason James Kelly, University of Ottawa

Ecstatic Desire: The Evolution of the "Erotic" in the Work of Jeffrey J. Kripal

Business Meeting:

Heather White, New College of Florida, Presiding

A20-132



Religious Conversions Group

MM-Sierra C

Chad Bauman, Butler University, Presiding

Theme: *Religious Conversions*

Maithili Thayanithy, University of Toronto

"An Enemy Within": Subjugating Women to Win the Battle against Christianity

Lynn B. E. Jencks, Northwestern University

Jon Sobrino's Conversion: Transformed Heart, Transformed Theology

Jufang Tseng, Catholic University of America

Emotional Conversion in Taiwan: A Study of Christian Proselytes from Buddhist, Daoist, and Confucian Backgrounds

David Ogungbile, Obafemi Awolowo University

Space Contestation and Religious Identity Among Christian and Muslim Students in Nigerian University Campuses

Responding:

Lewis R. Rambo, San Francisco Theological Seminary

Business Meeting:

Alexander Y. Hwang, Vanderbilt University, and Linda A.

Mercadante, Methodist Theological School, Ohio, Presiding

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Sunday, 9:00 am–11:30 am

A20-133

Sociology of Religion Group

IC-Laurel Hill

Ipsita Chatterjea, Vanderbilt University, Presiding

Theme: *Civil Religion: Critical Debates*

Margit Warburg, University of Copenhagen
Civil War and Civil Religion: An Analysis of a Civil Religious Victory Feast in Denmark

Jennifer Caplan, Syracuse University
Civil Religion in a Brave New World

Jermaine McDonald, Emory University
The Fourth Time of Trial: American Civil Religion in the Age of Global Terrorism

Eileen Barker, London School of Economics
Nonreligious Civil Religion in Contemporary Society

Robert A. Segal, University of Aberdeen
Bellah's Attempted Revival of Evolution in the Study of Religion

A20-134



Space, Place, and Religious Meaning Group

MM-Yerba Buena 6

John Corrigan, Florida State University, Presiding

Theme: *Spatial Theory and Religion*

Andrew Salzmann, Boston College
Sacred Thirdspace: Recapturing the Urgency of Arranging Places of Worship with Edward Soja and Hugh of Saint Victor

Gerhard van den Heever, University of South Africa
"Spatial Stories": Reimagined Sacred Space and Identity Formation in First Century Western Asia Minor

Rose Aslan, University of North Carolina
The Museumification of a Saint's Tomb: (De)constructing Sacred Space at the Mevlana Museum

Responding:

Jeanne Halgren Kilde, University of Minnesota

Business Meeting:

Leonard Norman Primiano, Cabrini College, and Jeanne Halgren Kilde, University of Minnesota, Presiding

A20-135



Women of Color Scholarship, Teaching, and Activism Group

MM-Nob Hill C

Katie G. Cannon, Union Presbyterian Seminary, Presiding

Theme: *Visceral Texts of Women of Color Scholarship and Creative Expression*

Mary Churchill, Sonoma State University
Ditchwater in Her Veins: Paula Gunn Allen and the American "Indian" Dream

Grace Ji-Sun Kim, Moravian Theological Seminary
Dancing with Sophia and Spirit

Carla Jean-McNeil Jackson, Richmond, VA
Abstract for Rap and Redemption: The Theotics of Women Hip-Hop

Erica Kierulf, Union Presbyterian Seminary
Visions of Radical Transcendence: Exploring the Religious in Kara Walker's Black Paper Silhouettes

Responding:

Micheline Pesantubbee, University of Iowa

Business Meeting:

Katie G. Cannon, Union Presbyterian Seminary, and Andrea Smith, University of California, Riverside, Presiding

P20-121

Institute for Religion and Civic Values

MM-Sierra B

Maria Massi Dakake, George Mason University, Presiding

Theme: *Self and Other in the Qur'an*

The Qur'an is often understood specifically within an Islamic communal context, with its teachings interpreted primarily with reference to their meaning for the Islamic community as a whole, and sometimes to the exclusion of other communities. This panel will explore the ways in which the Qur'an speaks more broadly to universal religious realities that transcend individual communities and presents God as standing beyond human religious differences. At the same time, the Qur'an addresses itself more personally to the religious psychology of the individual soul, and the panel will also examine the ways in which the Qur'an presents the interior nature of human moral life, as well as the Qur'anic understanding of the moral destiny of the human soul as ultimately independent of its social context.

Canar Dagli, College of the Holy Cross
The Question of Religious Pluralism and Violence in the Qur'an

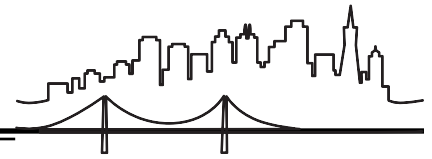
Maria Massi Dakake, George Mason University
The Qur'anic View of the Self: Moral Reflexivity and Judgment in the Qur'an

Joseph Lumbard, Brandeis University
Covenant and Sacred History in the Qur'an

Mohammed Rustom, Carleton University
Qur'anic Psychology: The Heart and the Intellect

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P20-140



Society for Pentecostal Studies

MM-Yerba Buena 10

Theme: *Review of Frederick J. Gaiser, Healing in the Bible: Theological Insight for Christian Ministry (Baker, 2010)*

Lee Roy Martin, Pentecostal Theological Seminary, Presiding

Panelists:

Rebecca Idestrom, Tyndale University College and Seminary

John Christopher Thomas, Pentecostal Theological Seminary

Responding:

Frederick Gaiser, Luther Seminary

P20-191

Søren Kierkegaard Society

MM-Nob Hill D

Theme: *Kierkegaard and Hermeneutics*

Timothy Polk, Hamline University, Presiding

Rebecca Skaggs, Patten University
Kierkegaard's Use of Scripture in Relation to His Concepts of Reason and Understanding

Kyle Roberts, Bethel University
Kierkegaard and Lazarus

Lee Barrett, Lancaster Theological Seminary
Kierkegaard and Pietist Hermeneutics

Brian Barlow, Anderson University
Søren Kierkegaard and Karl Barth on Theological Interpretation

P20-192

Theta Alpha Kappa Board of Directors Meeting

IC-Mission

M20-101

New Religious Movements Group

HI-Continental Ballroom 2

Theme: *The People of Peoples Temple: A Conversation*

Rebecca Moore, San Diego State University, Presiding

On this 33rd anniversary weekend, please join us in reflecting on the tragic events of Jonestown and their meaning for us today.

A20-138



Student Lounge Roundtable

Sunday, 10:00 am–11:00 am

MM-Pacific C

Sponsored by the Graduate Student Committee

Ryan Cumming, Loyola University, Presiding

Theme: *Preparing for Teaching*

Teaching is a great responsibility; while student-instructors may have the opportunity to improve on a class in future semesters or quarters, our students get one shot to learn what we have to teach them. I will focus on several vital considerations for instructors as they prepare for courses, especially developing substantive syllabi and fair classroom policies, preparing lesson plans, learning technology and grading systems, and balancing teaching responsibilities with research priorities.

M20-111

Biblical Theology Bulletin Editorial Board Meeting

Sunday, 10:00 am–11:30 am

PW-Ashbury

M20-102



Social Science Research Council

Sunday, 10:30 am–12:30 pm

MM-Nob Hill A

Jonathan VanAntwerpen, Social Science Research Council, Presiding

Theme: *Rethinking Secularism*

A discussion of *Rethinking Secularism*, a recently published volume co-edited by Craig Calhoun, Mark Juergensmeyer, and Jonathan VanAntwerpen. The so-called “resurgence” of religion in the public sphere has forced scholars to reconsider both classical theories of secularization and a range of contemporary secular assumptions. Presenting groundbreaking work from an interdisciplinary group of leading scholars, *Rethinking Secularism* surveys these efforts and helps to reframe discussions of religion in the social sciences by drawing attention to the central issue of how “the secular” is constituted and understood.

Panelists:

Robert N. Bellah, University of California, Berkeley

Saba Mahmood, University of California, Berkeley

Respondents:

Craig Calhoun, Social Science Research Council and New York University

Mark Juergensmeyer, University of California, Santa Barbara

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Sunday, 9:00 am–11:30 am

Coffee Break

Sponsored by Eisenbrauns
Sunday, 11:00 am
CC-Exhibit Hall

M20-103

Hebrew Union College — Jewish Institute of Religion Annual Alumni Luncheon

Sunday, 11:30 am–1:00 pm
PW-Embarcadero

M20-104

Inter-religious Liberation Theology Project

Sunday, 11:30 am–1:00 pm
HI-Franciscan B

The Cohort II of the Luce Seminar on Theologies of Religious Pluralism and Comparative Theology is meeting to think/plan/explore a book project around emergent inter-religious liberation theology/ies. If you are not part of the group and want to receive more information please contact Dr. Claudio Carvalhaes at ccarvalhes@lpts.edu.

M20-105

North American Levinas Society

Sunday, 11:30 am–1:00 pm
MM-Yerba Buena 13

James McLachlan, Western Carolina University, Presiding
Theme: *Levinasian Meditations: Totality and Infinity at Fifty*
Panelists:

Martin Kavka, Florida State University
Michael Paradiso-Michau, North Central College
Dara Hill, Indiana University

Responding:

Richard Cohen, State of New York University, Buffalo

M20-110

Biblical Interpretation Editorial Board Meeting

Sunday, 11:30 am–1:00 pm
MM-Sierra D

M20-115

Zaytuna College Luncheon

Sunday, 11:30 am–1:00 pm
MM-Atrium Lobby

Zaytuna College is the first Muslim liberal arts college in the United States. Join Zaytuna's cofounders, faculty, students, and staff for lunch to learn more about our undergraduate and summer programs. Please assist our staff in the planning of the event by submitting an RSVP in advance at the following URL: www.zaytunacollege.org/event/AAR. Feel free drop-in to pick up a course catalog or other merchandise and literature if you are unable to stay for lunch.

A20-136

Plenary Panel

Sunday, 11:45 am–12:45 pm
MM-Yerba Buena 9

Kwok Pui Lan, Episcopal Divinity School, Presiding

Theme: *Envisioning the Study of Religion in the Twenty-first Century*



Laura E.
Donaldson



Donald S.
Lopez

The panelists will offer, from different perspectives, their reflections on how the field of religious studies has changed during their career, some of the issues the field needs to address, the turns and twists in their own scholarship, the challenges and changing roles of the American Academy of Religion, and the visions and constraints for change in the study of religion in the United States and Europe.

Panelists:

Laura E. Donaldson, Cornell University
Richard King, University of Glasgow
Donald S. Lopez, University of Michigan



Richard King

A20-137

Special Topics Forum

Sunday, 11:45 am–12:45 pm
MM-Golden Gate C2

Judith Plaskow, Manhattan College, Presiding

Theme: *SWP, REM, and LGBTIQ Women's Mentoring Lunch*

Sponsored by the Status of Women in the Profession Committee; Status of Racial and Ethnic Minorities in the Profession Committee, and the Status of LGBTIQ Persons in the Profession Committee

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The annual Women's Mentoring Lunch provides an opportunity for graduate students and junior faculty members to meet informally with faculty mentors to discuss professional questions and concerns.

Mentors:

Rebecca Alpert, Temple University
 Rita Brock, Faith Voices for the Common Good
 Melanie L. Harris, Texas Christian University
 Susan E. Henking, Hobart and William Smith Colleges
 Mary E. Hunt, Women's Alliance for Theology, Ethics, and Ritual
 Namsoon Kang, Brite Divinity School
 Zayn Kassam, Pomona College
 Grace Ji-Sun Kim, Moravian Theological Seminary
 Cheryl A. Kirk-Duggan, Shaw University
 Rebecca Todd Peters, Elon University
 Nargis Virani, The New School
 Traci C. West, Drew University

M20-101



Center for Advanced Holocaust Studies

Sunday, 11:45 am–12:45 pm

HI-Franciscan A

Theme: *Consultation on Multifaith Models for Teaching Holocaust/Genocide Studies*

This will be a "best practices" conversation for colleagues who are active in multifaith education, dialogue, and/or pedagogy, either in an academic setting or in interfaith work. Academic and public audiences are increasingly diverse and bring a variety of questions, insights, and resources to the study of the Holocaust and genocide. Participants are encouraged to bring syllabi, case studies, and other resources that offer potential new models for teaching. For more information please contact Victoria Barnett, Center for Advanced Holocaust Studies, 202-488-0469 or vbarnett@ushmm.org.

M20-108

North American Hindu Association of Dharma Studies

Sunday, 11:45 am–12:45 pm

HI-Continental Ballroom 3

Jeffrey Long, Elizabethtown College, Presiding

Theme: *Is Yoga Hindu?*

Panelists:

Christopher Chapple, Loyola Marymount University
 Rita Sherma, Binghamton College
 Ian Whicher, University of Manitoba
 Edwin Bryant, Rutgers University

For additional information, please contact arvind.sharma@mcgill.ca.

M20-112

Journal for the Study of the New Testament Editorial Board Meeting

Sunday, 11:45 am–1:15 pm

PW-Ashbury

Sunday, 1:00 pm–2:30 pm

A20-200



Special Topics Forum

CC-3006

Colleen McDannell, University of Utah, Presiding

Theme: *The Marty Forum: Jonathan Sarna*

Sponsored by the Public Understanding of Religion Committee



Jonathan Sarna

The recipient of the 2011 Martin E. Marty Award for contributions to the public understanding of religion is Jonathan Sarna, Joseph H. and Belle R. Braun Professor of American Jewish History in the department of Near Eastern and Judaic studies at Brandeis University. Sarna has authored, coauthored, or edited numerous influential books and articles on American Jewish history, including *American Judaism: A History* (Yale University Press, 2004), *A Time to Every Purpose: Letters to a Young Jew* (Basic Books, 2008), *Jews and the Civil War: A Reader* (New York University Press, 2010), *The American Jewish Experience* (Holmes and Meier, 1986), and *The History of the Jewish People: A Story of Tradition and Change — Ancient Israel to 1880s America* (Behrman House, 2006). The Marty Forum provides an informal setting in which Sarna will talk about his work with Diane Winston, Knight Chair in Media and Religion at the Annenberg School for Communication at the University of Southern California.

Panelists:

Jonathan D. Sarna, Brandeis University
 Diane Winston, University of Southern California

A20-201



Special Topics Forum

MM-Nob Hill C

Melanie L. Harris, Texas Christian University, Presiding

Theme: *Getting Published!*

Sponsored by the Status of Racial and Ethnic Minorities in the Profession Committee

Panelists:

Peter C. Phan, Georgetown University
 Jacob K. Olupona, Harvard University
 Cheryl A. Kirk-Duggan, Shaw University
 Kwok Pui Lan, Episcopal Divinity School
 Gastón Espinosa, Claremont McKenna College

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Sunday, 1:00 pm–2:30 pm

A20-202



Wildcard Session

CC-2024

Karen Teel, University of San Diego, Presiding

Theme: *Embodying Radical Democracy: Pauli Murray's Centennial and Resources for a Common Freedom Struggle*

The panel explores how embodiment informs Pauli Murray's theology, legal theory, and her efforts at building political coalitions. Pauli Murray (1910–1985) was a poet, lawyer, and priest, as well as a significant figure in the Civil Rights and women's movements. Our interdisciplinary session demonstrates Murray's foundational contributions to critical race theory and black feminist theology, recognizes how her poetry articulates crucial ideas about justice and hope, and analyzes her constructions of intersectional identities, including transgender, sexual, and racial identities. We invite the audience to consider with us how Murray's legacy provides contemporary scholars and democratic activists with resources to envision a common freedom struggle that takes seriously realities of racism and heterosexism.

Panelists:

Sarah Azaransky, University of San Diego
Doreen Drury, University of Massachusetts, Boston
Christiana Peppard, Yale University
Traci C. West, Drew University

Responding:

Anthony B. Pinn, Rice University

A20-203



Wildcard Session

MM-Yerba Buena 9

Mark Juergensmeyer, University of California, Santa Barbara, Presiding

Theme: *A Conversation with Robert Bellah on Religion in Human Evolution* (Harvard University Press, 2011)



Robert N. Bellah

The distinguished sociologist of religion, Robert Bellah, will respond to comments on his massive new book *Religion in Human Evolution* (Harvard University Press, 2011), which traces the development of human culture from the Paleolithic period to the Axial Age and offers a new theory on the origins of religion.

Panelists:

Jonathan Z. Smith, University of Chicago
Luke Timothy Johnson, Emory University
Wendy Doniger, University of Chicago

Responding:

Robert N. Bellah, University of California

A20-204

Arts, Literature, and Religion Section

IC-Potrero Hill

Terrence E. Dempsey, Saint Louis University, Presiding

Theme: *Building Religion: Space, Architecture, and Morality*

Rachel Gross, Princeton University

Morality in Stone: The Moral Imperative of the Cloisters Museum

Rana Choi, University of Chicago

Le Corbusier and Monastic Architecture

Nicole Kirk, Princeton Theological Seminary

Moral Architecture: John Wanamaker's 1911 Philadelphia Store

A20-205



Comparative Studies in Religion Section

CC-2001

Rachel Fell McDermott, Barnard College, Presiding

Theme: *Divine Reflexivity in Kimberley C. Patton's Religion of the Gods: Ritual, Paradox, and Reflexivity* (Oxford University Press, 2009)

Panelists:

Lawrence E. Sullivan, University of Notre Dame

David Mozina, University of North Carolina, Charlotte

Eric D. Mortensen, Guilford College

Responding:

Kimberley C. Patton, Harvard University

A20-206

History of Christianity Section

MM-Yerba Buena 12

Karen Bruhn, Arizona State University, Presiding

Theme: *Negotiating Identities in the Early Modern Christian Americas*

Adrian Weimer, Providence College

The "Worke of Cain's Offspring": Elizabeth Hooten and Provocation of Identity in Early New England

Brandon Bayne, Harvard University

"The Chalice of His Suffering": Martyred Identity, Nostalgia, and the Jesuit Expulsion from New Spain

Veronica Gutierrez, University of California, Los Angeles

"Que me Entierren con el Hábito del Bienaventurado San Francisco": A Nahua Woman Negotiates a Medieval Spanish Death Ritual

Mary Corley Dunn, Saint Louis University

"But an Echo"? Claude Martin, Marie de l'Incarnation, and Female Religious Identity in Seventeenth Century New France

Responding:

Constance Furey, Indiana University

Symbol Key:

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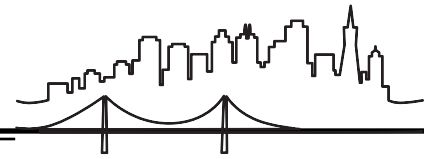
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A20-207

Religion and Politics Section

CC-2006

Robert P. Jones, Public Religion Research Institute, Presiding

Theme: *The Front Lines of the Culture Wars*

Helene Slessarev-Jamir, Claremont School of Theology
Interreligious Activism in Support of Marriage Equality

Richard Amesbury, Claremont School of Theology
Is Islam a Religion?: "American Religion" as a Contested Political Status in Estes v. Rutherford County

Jenna Reinbold, Colgate University
Aggressive Reverence: The Peculiar Role of Religion in Glenn Beck's "Restoring Honor" Speech

A20-208

Religion and the Social Sciences Section and Afro-American Religious History Group

CC-2009

Jane Naomi Iwamura, University of Southern California, Presiding

Theme: *Theory and Method in the Study of Race and Religion in Twentieth Century America*

Panelists:

Andre Key, Temple University

John L. Jackson, University of Pennsylvania

Judith Weisenfeld, Princeton University

Responding:

Rebecca Alpert, Temple University

A20-209

Religion in South Asia Section

IC-Union Square

Chad Bauman, Butler University, Presiding

Theme: *Religious Encounters in Colonial South Asia*

Will Sweetman, University of Otago
Empire and Mission in an Early Nineteenth Century "Pamphlet War"

Ulrike Schroeder, University of Heidelberg
Mapping the Fields of Harvest: Missionary Theories of Religion and Ritual in Colonial South India

Richard S. Weiss, Victoria University
Conflicts of Authority in Colonial South Asia

Responding:

Eliza Kent, Colgate University

A20-210

Teaching Religion Section

IC-Telegraph Hill

Karen Derris, University of Redlands, Presiding

Theme: *Time to Bring Religion to Life: Teaching Religion at the Crossroads of Textual Study and "Thick Description"*

Panelists:

Joel Dubois, California State University, Sacramento

Matthew Myer Boulton, Harvard University

Jeffrey Brodd, California State University, Sacramento

Kristin Scheible, Bard College

Responding:

Kara Ellis Skora, University of Virginia

A20-211

Theology and Religious Reflection Section

IC-Twin Peaks

Krista Hughes, Hanover College, Presiding

Theme: *Exploring Desire and Religion*

An Yountae, Drew University

"O Love, You Ever Burn and Are Never Extinguished": Decolonial Love and the Lustful Resurrection of Displaced Desires/Bodies

Kevin Minister, Southern Methodist University
Christian Desire and Economic Power: On the Production of Desire in Economics and Religion

Kelly Denton-Borhaug, Moravian College
Detranscendentalizing War, Decentering Sacrifice

Alan Van Wyk, Claremont Graduate University
Rupturing Desire: The Theopolitical Possibilities of Judith Butler

A20-212

African Religions Group

MM-Sierra C

Afe Adogame, University of Edinburgh, Presiding

Theme: *African Traditions and Peacemaking in Situations of Political Conflict*

Mari Pontinen, Finnish Evangelical Lutheran Mission
Botho and Modernization

Danoye Oguntola-Laguda, Lagos State University and Enoch Gbadegehin, Rice University
African Traditions and Peacemaking in Situations of Political Conflict: Nigeria as a Case Study

Jude Aguwa, Mercy College
Boko Haram: The "Nigerian Taliban" and Its National and Global Consequences

Responding:

Isabel Apawo Phiri, University of KwaZulu-Natal

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Sunday, 1:00 pm–2:30 pm

A20-213

Anthropology of Religion Group and Ritual Studies Group

MM-Sierra K

Don Seeman, Emory University, Presiding

Theme: *Ritual and the Construction of Sacred Space*

El-Sayed El-Aswad, United Arab Emirates University
Religious Rituals in the Making of Sacred Space: An Ethnographic and Cross-Cultural Study of Sunni and Shi'i Communities in the Middle East

Istvan Keul, Norwegian University of Science and Technology
Ritual Morphology and Ritual Syntax in the Consecration of a Temple Image

Donna S. Mote, Emory University
A Trip to the Spring: A Four-Generation Water Ritual at Shingleroot Camp Meeting

Responding:

Michael Houseman, École Pratique des Hautes Études

A20-214

Augustine and Augustinianisms Group and Platonism and Neoplatonism Group

MM-Yerba Buena 10

Douglas Hedley, University of Cambridge, Presiding

Theme: *From Middle Platonism to Neoplatonism*

John Dillon, Trinity College, Dublin
The Transition from "Middle Platonism" to "Neoplatonism"

Responding:

Kevin Corrigan, Emory University

John Peter Kenney, Saint Michael's College

A20-215

Buddhist Philosophy Group

CC-2014

John D. Dunne, Emory University, Presiding

Theme: *On the Reality of the Mind in Yogācāra: A Constructive Debate over Vasubandhu's Trisvabhāvanirdeśa*

Panelists:

Jay Garfield, Smith College

Jonathan Gold, Princeton University

A20-216

Chinese Religions Group

CC-2003

Terry Kleeman, University of Colorado, Presiding

Theme: *Chinese Religions through the Medical Gaze: Salvific Therapies, Social Identities*

Gil Raz, Dartmouth College

Pharmaca and Ritual: Herbal Practices in Medieval Daoist Ritual

Michael Stanley-Baker, University College London

Rethinking Medicine and Religion: Medical Repertoires in the Early Shangqing Scriptures

C. Pierce Salguero, Abington College

"Byo" and Beyond: The Creation and Limitations of the Canon of Buddhist Medicine

Jonathan Pettit, Indiana University

Artifacts, Ruins, and Recipes: The (Re)construction of Medieval Medicine in Contemporary China

Responding:

Donald Harper, University of Chicago

A20-217

Christian Spirituality Group

CC-3005

Peter A. Huff, Xavier University, Presiding

Theme: *Calvinism Deep and Green: A Review of Belden C. Lane's Ravished by Beauty: The Surprising Legacy of Reformed Spirituality (Oxford University Press, 2011)*

Panelists:

William A. Dyrness, Fuller Theological Seminary

Barbara Brown Taylor, Piedmont College

Lauren F. Winner, Duke University

Randall C. Zachman, University of Notre Dame

Responding:

Belden Lane, Saint Louis University

A20-218

Contemporary Islam Group

MM-Yerba Buena 3

Peter Wright, Colorado College, Presiding

Theme: *The Passing of Tradition: A Philosophical Requiem for Nasr Abu Zayd, Mohammed Arkoun, and Muhammad Abid al-Jabiri*

M. Amine Tais, University of Washington

Beyond Reform: Rethinking Islam and the Qur'an in the Works of Arkoun and Abu Zayd

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Kristian Petersen, University of Washington
The Scions of Tradition: Interpretations of Heritage
 Karel Peter Leonard Gerard Kersten, King's College
Mohammed Abed al-Jabiri, Nasr Abu Zayd, and Mohammed Arkoun in Indonesia: A Study in Reception Theory

Responding:

Ebrahim E. I. Moosa, Duke University

Business Meeting:

Kambiz GhaneaBassiri, Reed College

A20-219



Contemporary Pagan Studies Group

MM-Yerba Buena 6

Graham Harvey, Open University, Presiding

Theme: *West Coast Pagan Practices and Ideas*

Kerry Noonan, California State University, Northridge
"Wish They All Could Be California Grrrls?": The Influence of California Women on the Goddess Movement and Neo-Paganism

Christopher W. Chase, Iowa State University
Building a California Bildung: Theodore Roszak's and Alan Watts's Contributions to Pagan Hermeneutics

Kristy Coleman, Santa Clara University and San Jose State University
Re-riting Woman: Dianic Wicca

Responding:

Fritz Muntean, *Pomegranate: The International Journal of Pagan Studies*

A20-220



Critical Theory and Discourses on Religion Group

MM-Sierra A

Refika Sarionder, University of Bielefeld, Presiding

Theme: *Heresy in Islam*

Yunus Wesley, Emory University
Reading Heresiography: The Salimiyya as Pseudo-Other in Hanbali Polemics

Adil Khan, University College, Cork
Contesting the Crucifixion of Christ: The Case of the Ahmadi Controversy in Islam

Ajay Chaudhary, Columbia University
Religions of Doubt: Reluctant Theology and Historical Materialism in Walter Benjamin and Jalal Al-e Ahmad

Responding:

Anouar Majid, University of New England

Business Meeting:

Jorunn J. Buckley, Bowdoin College, Presiding

A20-221

Evangelical Theology Group and Pentecostal-Charismatic Movements Group

CC-2012

Michael J. McClymond, Saint Louis University, Presiding

Theme: *Music, Praise, and Worship in Pentevangelical Christianity*

Ibrahim Abraham, University of Bristol
Contradiction and Compromise in Pentecostal Punk Rock

Wen Reagan, Duke University
"I am a Friend of God": The Prosperity Gospel of Contemporary Worship Music Superstar Israel Houghton

Peter Slade, Ashland University
Why Should the Charismatics Have All the Good Music?: The Unintended Consequence for Evangelicals of the Rise of Contemporary Worship

Ryan R. Gladwin, University of Edinburgh
Latin American Evangelical Music Scene: Customary or Transformative?

Responding:

Donald Miller, University of Southern California

A20-222

Hinduism Group

MM-Yerba Buena 4

Shana Sippy, Carleton College, Presiding

Theme: *Yoga Debates: Old and New*

Frederick M. Smith, University of Iowa
Religion in Search of a Philosophy: A Brief History of the Goals of Yoga

Joy Laine, Macalester College
Contemporary Yoga and Its Contested Domains

Mark Singleton, Saint John's College, Santa Fe
Ownership, Lineage, and the Yoga Free Market: Tracing Modern Yoga's Cultural Politics

Responding:

James W. Laine, Macalester College

A20-223



Law, Religion, and Culture Group

IC-Sutter

Winnifred Sullivan, State University of New York, Buffalo, Presiding

Theme: *Author Meets Readers: Kathleen Davis's Periodization and Sovereignty: How Ideas of Feudalism and Secularization Govern the Politics of Time (University of Pennsylvania Press, 2008)*

Panelists:

Annika Thiem, Villanova University

Larisa Reznik, University of Chicago

Stephanie Frank, University of Chicago

David Albertson, University of Southern California

Responding:

Kathleen Davis, University of Rhode Island

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A20-224

Nineteenth Century Theology Group

IC-Grand Ballroom B

Arie Molendijk, University of Groningen, Presiding

Theme: "Oriental Religions" and "Mystery Cults" in Franz Cumont's *Interpretation of Early Christianity*

Corinne Bonnet, Université de Toulouse, II-Le Mirail
Les Dernières Volontés du Paganisme Expirant: *Franz Cumont and the "Decline and Fall" of Roman Paganism*

Annelies Lannoy, Ghent University
"The Great Mystic of Tarsus": *The Views of Franz Cumont about Saint Paul's Relation to the Pagan Mystery Cults in His Correspondence with Alfred Loisy*

Danny Praet, Ghent University
Franz Cumont, the Oriental Religions, and Christianity in the Roman Empire: A Hegelian View on the Evolution of Religion, Politics, and Science

A20-225



Practical Theology Group

MM-Yerba Buena 14

Dale P. Andrews, Vanderbilt University, Presiding

Theme: *Panel on The Wiley Blackwell Companion to Practical Theology, Edited by Bonnie Miller-McLemore*

Panelists:

Serene Jones, Union Theological Seminary
Emilie M. Townes, Yale University
Tom Beaudoin, Fordham University

Responding:

Bonnie Miller-McLemore, Vanderbilt University

Business Meeting:

Mary McClintock Fulkerson, Duke University, Presiding

A20-226

Religion, Media, and Culture Group

CC-2022

Jenna Tiitsman, Auburn Media and University of North Carolina, and Lynn Schofield Clark, University of Denver, Presiding

Theme: *Productions of Religion: Making Nations, Technologies, Ideologies, and Other Spectacles*

David Walker, Yale University
Between Bacon and Barnum: Spiritualist Ritual and Religious Theory in Nineteenth Century America

Jacqueline Brinton, University of Kansas
Television, Religious Scholars, and New Configurations of Nationhood in Egypt

Jill Dierberg, Iliff School of Theology and University of Denver
Searching for Truth(iness): Mapping the Religiopolitical Identity and Landscape of Christian Emerging Adults through a Reception Study of The Colbert Report

Michael Burdett, University of Oxford

Singularity University: Silicon Valley's Ideological/Religious Vision of Education

A20-227

Science, Technology, and Religion Group

IC-Intercontinental Ballroom B

James Haag, Suffolk University, Presiding

Theme: *The Entangled Universe: Physical Explications, Theological Complications*

Panelists:

Catherine Keller, Drew University

Responding:

Kirk Wegter-McNelly, Boston University

Mary-Jane Rubenstein, Wesleyan University

A20-228

Scriptural Reasoning Group

MM-Sierra J

Nicholas Adams, University of Edinburgh, Presiding

Theme: *Age and Aging in the Abrahamic Traditions*

Panelists:

Rachel Muers, University of Leeds
Peter Ochs, University of Virginia
Ayesha Chaudhry, University of British Columbia

A20-229

Theology and Continental Philosophy Group and Ricoeur Group

CC-2011

Jeffrey F. Keuss, Seattle Pacific University, Presiding

Theme: *Paul Ricoeur and Jean Luc-Marion: An Elective Affinity*

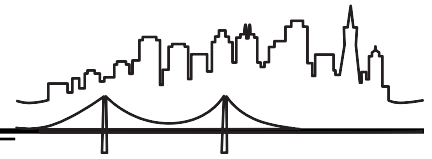
Jacob Myers, Emory University
Loving Oneself as Another: Ricoeur and Marion as Simultaneous Supplement

Darren Dahl, McMaster University
No Pure Religion: Phenomenology, Hermeneutics, and Revelation in Paul Ricoeur and Jean-Luc Marion

Claire Jones, University of Pennsylvania
Performing the Subject: Liturgy through Marion and Ricoeur

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A20-230

Tillich: Issues in Theology, Religion, and Culture Group and the Niebuhr Society

CC-3000

K. Healan Gaston, Harvard University, Presiding

Theme: *Tillich and Niebuhr: Conversations and Legacies*

Panelists:

Ronald Stone, University of Pittsburgh

Andrew Finstuen, Pacific Lutheran University

Responding:

Jonathan Rothchild, Loyola Marymount University

Kevin Carnahan, Central Methodist University

A20-231

Animals and Religion Group

MM-Nob Hill A

Aaron Gross, University of San Diego, Presiding

Theme: *Thinking Animals and Religion, Rethinking Ethics: Farley, Midgley, Nussbaum, and Singer*

Charles Camosy, Fordham University

Peter Singer and Christian Ethics on Nonhuman Animals: Unexpected Rapprochement?

Mary Ashley, Graduate Theological Union

Extending Margaret Farley's "Just Love" to the Animal Other: To Place Being in Affirmation of Being

Thomas Leenders, Harvard University

Buddhist Approaches to Martha Nussbaum's Capabilities Approach: Dignified Animals, Indignant Buddhists, and Other Apparent Paradoxes

Gregory S. McElwain, University of Florida

Mary Midgley and the Mixed Community in Religious Studies

Responding:

Grace Kao, Claremont School of Theology

A20-232



Christianity and Academia Group and Open and Relational Theologies Group

CC-3001

Charles Mathewes, University of Virginia, Presiding

Theme: *Faithful Presence: A Response to James Hunter's To Change the World: The Irony, Tragedy, and Possibility of Christianity in the Late Modern World (Oxford University Press, 2010)*

Panelists:

Karen Vernice Guth, Emory University

Glen Stassen, Fuller Theological Seminary

Ron Sanders, Fuller Theological Seminary

Responding:

Willis Jenkins, Yale University

A20-233



Queer Studies in Religion Group and Religion and Cities Group

CC-2005

L. Benjamin Rolsky, Drew University, Presiding

Theme: *Queer Practices in San Francisco*

Sharon Fennema, Graduate Theological Union

Strategies of Theodicy in an Epidemic: Worship, HIV/AIDS, and the Intimacy of God at the Metropolitan Community Church, San Francisco

Anthony Hoshaw, Chicago Theological Seminary

The Apostle Paul's "Queer Politics"?

Jeff Wilson, University of Waterloo

"All Beings are Equally Embraced by Amida Buddha": Jodo Shinshu Buddhism and Same-Sex Marriage in North America

Responding:

Drew Bourn, Stanford University

A20-234



Girls in Trouble and Contemporary Jewish Museum

Sunday, 1:00 pm–3:30 pm

736 Mission St.

Leave the confines of the conference scene and take a short stroll over to the Contemporary Jewish Museum for an invigorating Sunday afternoon break of music, discussion, and contemporary Jewish culture. A concert by indie-folk-rock band *Girls in Trouble* blazes the way with their poetic interpretations of the inner worlds of biblical women.

Lead singer, songwriter, poet, and fiddler Alicia Jo Rabins gives plangent voice to the stories of Judith, Tamar, Sotah, Chana, Bat Yiftach, and Miriam. Afterwards, SBL members Carol Bakhos (UCLA) and Alan Cooper (JTS) engage the artist in a discussion on midrash, biblical women, poetry, and music. Audience questions and comments are encouraged. After the discussion, registrants may tour the museum for free.

Coffee Break

Sponsored by Templeton Press

Sunday, 1:00 pm

CC-Exhibit Hall

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Sunday, 1:00 pm–2:30 pm

A20-235



Wildcard Session

CC-3008

Sarah Robinson, Claremont Graduate University, Presiding

Theme: *Voices of Feminist Liberation: Writings in Celebration of Rosemary Radford Ruether*



Rosemary R. Ruether

This panel will explore the influence of Ruether's work on two generations of her doctoral students in celebration of her 75th Birthday. The panel will illuminate many aspects of Ruether's wide ranging work from Liberation, Feminist, Womanist, Mujerista, Queer Theologies, Eco-Feminism, Inter-Religious Dialogue, and Social Justice in the Middle East. These reflections are drawn together in 13 chapters that will be published by Equinox Press in early 2012, *Voices of Feminist Liberation: Writings in Celebration of Rosemary Radford Ruether*. This volume shows the dynamic potential of Ruether's groundbreaking, prophetic thinking and pedagogy to mobilize critical theologies, social theories and cultural practices that liberate humanity from oppressive forces of colonization and patriarchy in the name of religion.

Panelists:

Emily Silverman, Graduate Theological Union

Whitney Bauman, Florida International University

Dirk von der Horst, Claremont Graduate University

Responding:

Rosemary R. Ruether, Claremont Graduate University

A20-236



Special Topics Forum

CC-3010

Stacey M. Floyd-Thomas, Vanderbilt University, Presiding

Theme: *Mentoring Matters: Part I*

Sponsored by the Status of Women in the Profession Committee

Graduate students and faculty members will address a range of topics related to mentoring: 1) Mentoring of graduate students and junior faculty; 2) Different types of mentoring, such as institutional and noninstitutional, or formal and informal; 3) Inequalities in mentoring, both in terms of who gets mentored and who carries the burden of mentoring; and 4) Parameters and boundaries of mentoring. Come and raise your questions and concerns.

Panelists:

Kecia Ali, Boston University

Anne Joh, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary

Elizabeth Lawson, Temple University

Melva L. Sampson, Emory University

M. Shawn Copeland, Boston College

A20-237

Special Topics Forum

Sunday 1:00 pm–2:30 pm

PW-Divisadero

Theme: *Open Forum about Disabilities and the AAR*

P20-200



Christian Theological Research Fellowship

Sunday, 1:00 pm–3:00 pm

HI-Continental Ballroom 2

Joel Scandrett, Trinity Evangelical Divinity School, Presiding

Theme: *Peter Leithart's Defending Constantine (IVP, 2010)*

This meeting of the Christian Theological Research Fellowship will focus on Peter Leithart's *Defending Constantine* (IVP, 2010) and his contention that much of what has been believed about Constantine's involvement in the shaping of Christianity and Christendom is left wanting.

Panelists:

Stanley Hauerwas, Duke University

Vigen Guroian, University of Virginia

Respondent:

Peter Leithart, New Saint Andrews College

P20-201



Colloquium On Violence And Religion

Sunday, 1:00 pm–3:30 pm

PW-Cyril Magnin II

Martha Reineke, University of Northern Iowa, Presiding

Theme: *Mimetic Theory and Apocalypse*

COV&R 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.

Kevin Miller, Huntington University

The Jewish Mirror: Double Mimesis in the Apocalyptic Narratives of the Christian Identity and Christian Zionist Movements

William Johnsen, Michigan State University

Achebe's Apocalypse

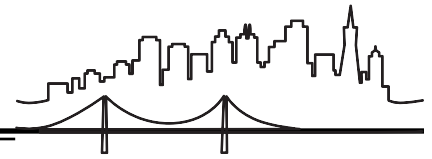
Kevin Lenehan, Catholic Theological College, Melbourne

Living Faithfully Where Danger Threatens: Christian Discernment in Escalating Times

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M20-201

Social Science Research Council

Sunday, 1:00 pm–3:00 pm

HI-Continental Ballroom 3

Jonathan VanAntwerpen, Social Science Research Council, Presiding

Theme: *Frequencies: A Collaborative Genealogy of Spirituality*

This meeting will revolve around a presentation of and critical reflection on *Frequencies: A Collaborative Genealogy of Spirituality*, curated by Kathryn Lofton and John Lardas Modern. *Frequencies* is an assemblage of texts and images about spirituality from eminent scholars, writers, and artists. Conceived of as an experiment, *Frequencies* (<http://freq.uci.es/>) does not define the terms of spirituality.

Rather, it is an attempt to collect parts of a cultural technology with obscure mechanics.

Panelists:

Julie Byrne, Hofstra University

Susan Harding, University of California, Santa Cruz

Ari Y. Kelman, University of California, Davis

Jeffrey Kripal, Rice University

Responding:

Kathryn Lofton, Yale University

John Lardas Modern, Franklin & Marshall College

M20-204



HarperOne

MM-Golden Gate A-B

Mark Tauber, HarperOne, Presiding

Theme: *Inside the Media: What Journalists Want Religion Scholars to Know About the Media*

Featuring: ABC's *Nightline*, CNN, NPR, *Newsweek*, and the *Washington Post*

Jeanmarie Condon, Executive Producer, ABC's *Nightline*

Dan Gilgoff, co-editor of CNN's *Belief Blog* and Newsdesk Editor for CNN Wires

Michael Krasny, host of NPR's *Forum* and professor of English at San Francisco State University

Lisa Miller, Senior Editor, *Newsweek*

Sally Quinn, *Washington Post* religion correspondent and cofounder of *On Faith*

Join the discussion on Twitter #religion&media

M20-206

National Endowment for the Humanities

Sunday, 1:00 pm–4:00 pm

IC-Golden Gate

Theme: *NEH Grant Opportunities*

Participants interested in conducting summer seminar and institutes and other grant opportunities from the National Endowment for the Humanities please join Jinlei Augst, Senior Program Officer in the Division of Education, to discuss ideas for grant proposals. To help me better answer your questions, please send a short (up to one page) description of your project (check out our guidelines at www.neh.gov/grants/guidelines/seminars.html). Please also suggest a time slot you would like to meet. See you soon!

A20-251



Special Topics Forum

Sunday, 3:00 pm–4:30 pm

MM-Yerba Buena 9

Mary Evelyn Tucker, Yale University, Presiding

Theme: *Conversation with Gary Snyder, 2011 AAR Religion and the Arts Award Winner*

Sponsored by the Religion and the Arts Award Jury



Gary Snyder

Gary Snyder has been named the 2011 Religion and the Arts Award winner. He is a Pulitzer Prize winning poet, essayist, and environmental activist. He has published eighteen books, which have been translated into more than twenty languages. Snyder's work and thinking has been featured in video specials on BBC and PBS, and in every major national print organ. He is the recipient of multiple grants and awards, including the Ruth Lilly Poetry Prize, the

Bollingen Prize for Poetry, American Poetry Society Shelley Memorial Award, a Guggenheim Foundation Fellowship, and in 1975 he won the Pulitzer Prize for Poetry.

A key member of the mid-twentieth century San Francisco Renaissance literary movement, Snyder is currently professor emeritus at the University of California, Davis, and lives in Northern California.

Born in San Francisco, Snyder has traveled the world, working as a logger, a carpenter, and on a steam-freighter crew, among other things. He has spent ongoing time in Japan, undertaking extensive training in the Rinza school of Zen Buddhism.

In announcing the 2008 Lilly Poetry Prize, chair of the jury selection Christian Wiman said, "Gary Snyder is in essence a contemporary devotional poet, though he is not devoted to any one god or way of being so much as to Being itself. His poetry is a testament to the sacredness of the natural world and our relation to it, and a prophecy of what we stand to lose if we forget that relation."

Snyder and his ongoing work and words open up many conversations across the AAR constituency.

Panelists:

Gary Snyder, University of California, Davis

Christopher Patrick Parr, Webster University

Bron Taylor, University of Florida

Christopher Ives, Stonehill College

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M20-202

Theology Today Editorial Board Meeting

Sunday, 2:00 pm–4:00 pm

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Sunday, 3:00 pm–4:30 pm

A20-250

Special Topics Forum

CC-3010

Stacey M. Floyd-Thomas, Vanderbilt University, Presiding

Theme: *Mentoring Matters: Part II*

Sponsored by the Status of Women in the Profession Committee



A20-252

Special Topics Forum

IC-Telegraph Hill

Tina Pippin, Agnes Scott College, Presiding

Theme: *Fearing the Future: Challenges in Developing Online Programs in Religious Studies*

Sponsored by the Teaching and Learning Committee and the Teaching Religion Section



It is here — online teaching — but many are trying to avoid or argue it out of existence. What happens to “community,” when you teach online? What about those great ecstatic intellectual moments in the classroom — will they be gone forever? Won’t teaching online destroy the traditional role of a professor? Will I lose my status? Teaching online can’t be quality education, can it? Are they going to replace us with adjuncts? Then what...? The academy will be ruined. Presentations and discussion will highlight organizational structure, creative audiovisual aids, testing, discussing, cheating, projects, and more. Presenters will share their creative successes and failures in ways that will be helpful to the audience.

Marla J. Selvidge, University of Central Missouri
The Politics of Religious Studies Online and On Campus

Helen Hye-Sook Hwang, University of California, Los Angeles
The Challenges of a Long-distance Adjunct

Richard Adams, Emory University
Downloading Pedagogy: Online and Face-to-Face Classes

Guy Beck, Tulane University
Words and Music in Online Teaching: A Report from Louisiana after Katrina

A20-253



Wildcard Session

CC-2005

William Storrar, Center of Theological Inquiry, Presiding

Theme: *Public Theology and the “Postsecular” Condition: Politics, Plurality, and Public Discourse*

Globalized societies on all continents find themselves caught in a series of contradictory socio-cultural trends, with continuing (and varying) trajectories of secularization alongside the growing deprivatization of faith and its re-emergence as a shaper of cultural, political, economic processes. This seemingly paradoxical co-existence of the religious and the secular takes us into unprecedented territory, sociologically and theologically, and is giving rise to talk of the emergence of a ‘post-secular’ society.

The aims of this wildcard session are to examine the implications of the global emergence of the post-secular condition for public theology as it has emerged within a diversity of cultural and political contexts.

The session will aim to draw together a range of perspectives from North America, Europe, Oceania, African and Asia, in order to determine the differential dynamics and trajectories of religious revival as a critical and constructive phenomenon, and its implications for future debate in public theology.

Panelists:

J. Jayakiran Sebastian, Lutheran Theological Seminary, Philadelphia

Elaine Graham, University of Chester

Katie Day, Lutheran Theological Seminary, Philadelphia

Andrew Bradstock, University of Otago

A20-254



Wildcard Session

CC-3006

Lerone Martin, Eden Theological Seminary, Presiding

Theme: *Race, Religion, and the Military*

This panel explores the various ways that concepts of race and religion have functioned within the confines of the military, an institution dedicated to violence. Presenters will also take seriously the notion that the military is a sub-culture with its own mores, values, and traditions. This panel also seeks to address questions such as: What is the dominant religious ideology of the certain military branch? Does it matter? Does the military as a state sanctioned institution ineluctably co-opt dominant or mainstream discourses about race and religion? In honor of our host city presenters have been asked to discuss race, religion, and the military within the context of the Pacific Islands and/or Asia.

Robert Green, College of the Holy Cross
Black United States Army Chaplains in the Pacific: Race and Religion during the Philippine–American War, 1898–1902

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Chih-Yin Chen, Saint Louis University
Soldier-Monks: Vincent Lebbe and His Little Brothers of Saint John the Baptist

Niccole L. Coggins, University of California, Santa Barbara
"Onward Christian Soldiers!": The United States Military's Religious Identity in the Territory of Hawai'i, 1898-1959

Responding:

Tara Villaba Munson, University of California, Santa Barbara

A20-255



Wildcard Session

CC-2014

Kimberly Rae Connor, University of San Francisco, Presiding

Theme: *Religion/Science/Fiction: Beyond the Final Frontier*

Science Fiction (SF) is the genre of limitless possible worlds with a unique ability to pose, examine, and suggest answers to the most profound questions and to envision transcendence beyond realist literature.

Along with religion, SF is where large numbers of the American public go to explore the meanings and purposes of human existence. Why this is so has to do with the construction of SF narratives upon scientific facts about the world and spun through the inexhaustible possibilities of the human imagination.

SF's technique of "making strange" the world so that we can better see ourselves and our predicaments allows us to reflect on our most basic questions about what it means to be human. This session takes the genre, modes, themes and techniques of SF as launching points for examining religion through a critical idiom that asks similar questions and suggests alternatives to traditional understandings of religion.

Panelists:

Rudy V. Busto, University of California, Santa Barbara

Bruce M. Sullivan, Northern Arizona University

Susan L. Schwartz, Muhlenberg College

James McGrath, Butler University

Robert Geraci, Manhattan College

A20-256



Wildcard Session

MM-Yerba Buena 10

Thomas A. Lewis, Brown University, Presiding

Theme: *Disembodied Knowledge as Bodily Practice*

This session explores — from a multidisciplinary perspective — the bodily disciplines that constitute the epistemic ideal of the disembodied knower in modern North Atlantic epistemic practices. Given the importance of the idealization of this type of knowledge, the panel follows insights from the fields of postcolonial theory and anthropology by asking how this normative and hegemonic subject is construed via body disciplines. After an introductory statement from the perspective of postcolonial and feminist studies, the panelists will analyze different cultural or historical contexts as sites for the construction of this disembodied body. These sites include the nexus between religion and science, with a particular focus on cosmologies; contemporary philosophical theology; and Christian ecclesiology, analyzed from the perspective of performance studies.

Panelists:

Mary-Jane Rubenstein, Wesleyan University

Karmen MacKendrick, Le Moyne College

Shannon Craigo-Snell, Yale University

Ludger Viefhues-Bailey, Le Moyne College

A20-257



Wildcard Session

CC-2022

Scott Mitchell, Institute of Buddhist Studies, Presiding

Theme: *Revisiting the Pure Land: New Research in Pure Land Buddhist Studies*

Bringing together an international group of established and younger scholars, this panel presents ongoing research on Pure Land Buddhism, a foundational yet often misunderstood branch of Mahayana Buddhism. Discussion on foundational Pure Land concepts such as neinfo and shinjin complement more historically contextualized doctrinal considerations including the possibility of children's birth in the Pure Land, and the Buddhist Marxist humanism of pre-World War Two Japanese Buddhist thinkers. The panel seeks to balance doctrinal and textual considerations with the specificity of history and place, thereby demonstrating how Pure Land Buddhist ideas have played a key role in Buddhism's doctrinal development across Asia.

Presentation topics will act as starting points for discussion and conversation regarding the current and future state of Pure Land Buddhist scholarship with the hope of generating new work in this subfield.

Panelists:

Mark L. Blum, State University of New York

Kenneth Tanaka, Musashino University

Eisho Nasu, Ryukoku University

Jessica Main, University of British Columbia

Location Key:

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Sunday, 3:00 pm–4:30 pm

A20-258



Wildcard Session

CC-2024

Kathryn Reklis, Yale University, Presiding

Theme: *The Blog that Dares Not Speak Its Name: New Media and Collaborative Scholarship*

This panel will explore engagements with new media as a potential horizon in the academic scholarship of religion both in terms of content (what is studied/written about), form (how it is studied/written), and audience (for whom it is studied/written). In particular, we will examine the interactive, ad hoc, immediate nature of blogging as a new form of collaborative scholarship and a form particularly suited to the analysis of and engagement with new objects of study. The panelists, all working in academic fields of theology or philosophy, converse about their collaborative work exploring the core questions of their disciplines and experimenting in new forms of trans-disciplinary scholarship by writing a blog about popular visual culture together. This practice of commenting on popular culture via blog is not an alter-identity from our scholarly lives, but, in fact, has become constitutive of how we understand ourselves as scholars.

Panelists:

Natalie Wigg Stevenson, Emmanuel College

Martin Shuster, Hamilton College

Travis Ables, Eden Theological Seminary

Responding:

Shelly Rambo, Boston University

A20-260

Philosophy of Religion Section and Kierkegaard, Religion, and Culture Group

MM-Sierra H

Patricia Huntington, Arizona State University, Presiding

Theme: *Faith and Knowledge in Kierkegaard*

Marilyn Piety, Drexel University

In the Footsteps of the Fathers: Kierkegaard and the Early Church on the Knowledge that Comes from Faith

Noel Adams, Marquette University

A Skeptical Theist Before "Skeptical Theism": Kierkegaard and Pyrrhonism

Sheridan Hough, College of Charleston

What is a "Good and Perfect Gift," and How Can We (Faithfully) Know It?

A20-261

Religion in South Asia Section

IC-Union Square

Deepak Sarma, Case Western Reserve University, Presiding

Theme: *Performing the Divine in Indian Classical Dance*

Katherine C. Zubko, University of North Carolina, Asheville
Dancing the Bhagavad Gita: Embodiment as Commentary

Harshita Mruthinti Kamath, Emory University
Half Man, Half Woman: Performing Ardhanareeswara in Kuchipudi Dance

Arthi Devarajan, Northeastern University
Outside the Studio: Landscape and Performative Interpretation in the Transnational Practice of Bharata Natyam

Responding:

Vasudha Narayanan, University of Florida

A20-262

Study of Islam Section

CC-2003

Marcia Hermansen, Loyola University, Chicago, Presiding

Theme: *Legitimacy and Islamic Knowledge in Germany, the United States, and the Web*

Danijel Cubelic, University of Heidelberg
Transcultural Governance of Islamic Knowledge in Germany: Creating New Religious Spheres of Discourse in a Postmulticulturalist Setting

Sajida Jalalzai, Columbia University
Becoming Muslims: Theorizing the Construction of a North American Moral Landscape

Responding:

Nargis Virani, The New School

A20-263

Study of Judaism Section

IC-Twin Peaks

Aryeh Cohen, American Jewish University, Presiding

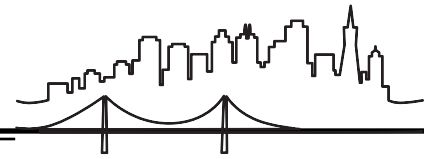
Theme: *Texts and Contexts in Premodern Judaism*

Ryan Dulkan, Jewish Theological Seminary of America
The Hijacked Serpent: The Association of the Serpent with Satan in Pirke Rabbi Eliezer in the Light of Antecedent Rabbinic Sources and the Early Islamic Tradition

Ellen Haskell, University of North Carolina, Greensboro
Cleaving to the Other Side: The Zohar's Perspective on Conversion to Christianity

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Barry Wimpfheimer, Northwestern University
*Panopticism, Performativity, Passing, and Peering: Maris Ayin as a
 Complex Site of Religious Meaning*

A20-264



Women and Religion Section

CC-2006

Evelyn L. Parker, Southern Methodist University, Presiding

Theme: *Religion in the Lives of Incarcerated Women*

Claudia Schippert, University of Central Florida
*Changing Minds and Bodies Behind Bars: Negotiating Religion
 While Teaching Mindfulness to Incarcerated Women*

Elizabeth Margaret Bounds, Emory University
*"This Is God's World": Some Thoughts on the Religious Lives of
 Incarcerated Women*

Garen Murray, Graduate Theological Union
Two and a Half Stories: Narratives of Karla Faye Tucker

Business Meeting:

Nami Kim, Spelman College

Rosetta E. Ross, Spelman College, Presiding

Michele Verma, Rice University
*How Transnational Education Shapes Indo-Caribbean Hindu
 Traditions in the United States*

Sharon A. Suh, Seattle University
New Euro-American Dharma Protectors: Jodoshinshu in Transition

Responding:

Russell Jeung, San Francisco State University

A20-267



Black Theology Group

IC-Intercontinental Ballroom B

Pamela Lightsey, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary,
 Presiding

Theme: *(In)Visible Lives: A Critical Conversation on Roger A. Sneed's
 Representations of Homosexuality: Black Liberation Theology and
 Cultural Criticism (Palgrave Macmillan, 2010)*

Panelists:

Ronald Neal, Wake Forest University

Patrick S. Cheng, Episcopal Divinity School

Margaret Aymer, Interdenominational Theological Center

Almeda Wright, Pfeiffer University

Responding:

Roger A. Sneed, Furman University

A20-265

Anthropology of Religion Group and Science, Technology, and Religion Group

MM-Pacific H

Sarah McFarland Taylor, Northwestern University, Presiding

Theme: *There's an App for That?!?: Three Religious Appropriations of
 Technology*

Katherine Dugan, Northwestern University
*Forgive Me, iPhone, for I Have Sinned: Catholic's Engagement with
 the Confession App*

Justine Howe, Northwestern University
*"Where I Go to Connect with Spirituality": Young Muslims and
 Islamic Smartphone Applications*

Michal Raucher, Northwestern University
Orthodox Jewish Women: Ruling the Internet One Question at a Time

A20-268

Buddhist Critical-Constructive Reflection Group

MM-Yerba Buena 3

Roger Jackson, Carleton College, Presiding

Theme: *Buddhism and Contemporary Theory*

Jennifer Wade, Boston College
*The Healing Wisdom of Judith Butler and Buddhist Meditation:
 Informing Meditation Instruction with Critical Psychoanalytic
 Gender Theory*

Stephen Dominick, Emory University
The Four Faces of Self-relation: A Rethinking of Buddhist Ethics

David R. Brockman, Brite Divinity School
*An All-pervading Self: The Challenge of Tathaagatagarbha Tradition
 to Contemporary Political-Economic Discourse*

A20-266

Asian North American Religion, Culture, and Society Group

IC-Potrero Hill

Courtney T. Goto, Boston University, Presiding

Theme: *Evangelism, Education, and Leadership: Transnational
 Strategies and Local Adaptations in Asian North American Religious
 Communities*

Justin Tse, University of British Columbia
*Evangelism, Eternity, and the Everyday: Ambivalent Reconciliation
 in a Chinese Canadian Christian Church in Metro Vancouver, BC*

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Sunday, 3:00 pm–4:30 pm

A20-269

Comparative Theology Group

IC-Grand Ballroom B

Daniel Joslyn-Siemiatkoski, Graduate Theological Union, Presiding

Theme: *Postmetaphysical Comparative Theology*

Kristin Beise Kiblinger, Winthrop University
From Ontological to Soteric: John D. Caputo and Vasubandhu

Hugh Nicholson, Loyola University, Chicago
The Two Truths as Hermeneutical Categories in Shankara's Vedanta

Michelle Voss Roberts, Wake Forest University
The Metaphysics of Inculturation and the Praxis of Fury

David Clairmont, University of Notre Dame
Practically Metaphysical Comparative Theology: Theravada Buddhist Abhidhamma and Thomistic Virtue Ethics

A20-270

Eastern Orthodox Studies Group

MM-Yerba Buena 6

Stephen R. Lloyd-Moffett, California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo, Presiding

Theme: *Religious Architecture in Eastern Orthodox Christianity*

Patricia McKee, Graduate Theological Union
Oakland Greek Orthodox Cathedral of the Ascension: A Modern American Appropriation of Hagia Sophia

Nicholas Denysenko, Loyola Marymount University
Contemporary Orthodox Architecture in America and Theology: Four Parish Profiles

Radu Bordeianu, Duquesne University
The Sistine Chapel of the East: The Fresco of the Last Judgment at the Voronet Monastery, Romania

A20-272

Japanese Religions Group

MM-Yerba Buena 4

Barbara Ambros, University of North Carolina, Presiding

Theme: *Recontextualizing Japanese Religions in Popular Cultures*

Michihiro Ama, University of Alaska, Anchorage
Shiga Naoya and Buddhism

Jolyon Thomas, Princeton University
The Horrific and Comic in Post-Aum Manga Depictions of Religion

Melissa Anne-Marie Curley, University of Iowa
Ken Friedman's Zen Vaudeville

Kimberly Beek, McMaster University
"Unpacking Zen Shorts and Ties": Jon J. Muth's Recontextualization of Zen in the West

Responding:

Mark Rowe, McMaster University

A20-273



Latina/o Religion, Culture, and Society Group

CC-2009

Néstor Medina, University of Toronto, Presiding

Theme: *Violence, Evangelism, and Diaspora: Interrogating History through the Work of Luis Rivera Pagán, A Celebration*

Panelists:

Carmen Marie Nanko-Fernandez, Catholic Theological Union

Santiago Pinon, University of Chicago

Ruben Rosario Rodriguez, Saint Louis University

Responding:

Luis Rivera-Pagan, Princeton University

Business Meeting:

Neomi De Anda, Loyola University, Chicago, Presiding

A20-274



Law, Religion, and Culture Group and Native Traditions in the Americas Group

IC-Sutter

Michael Zogry, University of Kansas, Presiding

Theme: *Land, Sovereignty, and Religion in Native North America*

Lisa Dellinger, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary
The Christian Doctrine of Discovery: Illusions of Grandeur

Kathleen M. Sands, University of Hawai'i, Manoa
Territory, Wilderness, Property, and Reservation: Land and Religion in Native American Supreme Court Cases

Nicholas Shrubsole, University of Waterloo
Property, Religion, and the Legal Relationship between Indigenous Peoples and the Canadian State: Historical Roots and Contemporary Issues

Responding:

Steve Newcomb, Indigenous Law Institute

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A20-275

Lesbian-Feminist Issues and Religion Group and Religion and Disability Studies Group

MM-Yerba Buena 12

Marie Cartier, California State University, Northridge, Presiding

Theme: *Lesbian-Feminisms in Conversation with Disability Studies*

Julia Watts Belser, Missouri State University
Brides and Blemishes: Queering Women's Disability in the Babylonian Talmud

Heike Peckruhn, Iliff School of Theology and University of Denver
Sensing Limitations and/in Constructive Body Theologies

Marion S. Grau, Graduate Theological Union
Redeeming Bodies: Cyborgs, Transhumanist Fantasies, Disability, and the Ends of Embodiment

Responding:

Janet R. Jakobsen, Barnard College

A20-276

Mysticism Group

MM-Yerba Buena 14

June McDaniel, College of Charleston, Presiding

Theme: *Revisiting Ineffability Across Traditions*

Darryl A. Smith, Pomona College
"The Darkness of Lightness": Negative Theology and Apophatic Language in the African American Literary Tradition

Regina Walton, Boston University
Sighs, Groans, and the Mystical Paradox of Wordless Speech in the Poetry of George Herbert

Annette Wilke, University of Münster
Learning Nonduality. The Teaching Method of Traditional Advaita-Vedanta

Responding:

Robert K. C. Forman, Forge Institute

A20-278

Qur'an Group

CC-2011

Anna M. Gade, University of Wisconsin, Presiding

Theme: *Aspects of Qur'anic Interpretation*

Stephen Burge, Institute of Ismaili Studies
Beyond Tafsir: Interpretative Material in Non-Tafsir Works

Liyakat Takim, McMaster University
Myth or Reality: Ayatullah al-Khu'i and the Ten Readers of the Qur'an

Dalia Abo-Haggag, Harvard University
Similarity in the Qur'an

Shadaab Rahemtulla, Oxford University
Tafsir and Praxis: Exploring the Qur'anic Hermeneutic of Farid Esack

A20-279

Religion and Popular Culture Group

MM-Nob Hill A

Mara Einstein, Queens College, Presiding

Theme: *Varieties of Religious Branding: Intervangelist Ministries, Rebel Megachurches, and Transnational Yoga*

Denis Bekkering, University of Waterloo
The Diversity of Intervangelist Ministries: From Online "Start-ups" to Internet Campuses

Peter Schuurman, University of Waterloo
The Rebel Brand in Evangelical Megachurches: A Canadian "Emerging Church"

Andrea Jain, Indiana University and Purdue University
Can the Sanctity of Yoga be Contained in a Brand?: The Commodification and Counter-commodification of Modern Yoga

A20-280

Roman Catholic Studies Group

MM-Sierra C

James McCartin, Seton Hall University, Presiding

Theme: *American Catholic Women: Engagement, Resistance, Transformation*

Karen Park, Saint Norbert College
"Gather the Children in this Wild Country": Boundaries and Borders at a Frontier Marian Apparition Site

Rebecca Davis, Graduate Theological Union
"More than a Hyphen": The Contributions of E. Charlton Fortune, California Liturgical Artist of the Early Twentieth Century Liturgical Movement

Jennifer Naccarelli, Claremont Graduate University
Crossing Borders: The Triumphs and Trials of Two Catholic Suffragists

Responding:

Tracy Fessenden, Arizona State University

A20-281

Wesleyan Studies Group

CC-3000

Priscilla Pope-Levison, Seattle Pacific University, Presiding

Theme: *What Makes Biblical Interpretation "Wesleyan"?*

Panelists:

Cheryl B. Anderson, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary

Linda Day, Pittsburgh, PA

Robert Wall, Seattle Pacific University

David F. Watson, United Theological Seminary

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A20-282

Western Esotericism Group and Mormon Studies Group

MM-Yerba Buena 13

Allison P. Coudert, University of California, Davis, Presiding

Theme: *Mormonism and Esotericism*

James M. McLachlan, Western Carolina University
The Personal and the Impersonal Divine in Mormonism and Bohemianism

Ian Fowles, Claremont Graduate University
The Enoch Figure: Pre- and Post-Joseph Smith

Victoria Nelson, Goddard College
"For Death was That — and This — is Thee": Stephanie Meyers, Thesis, and the Twenty-first Century Vampire Romance

Responding:

Cathy N. Gutierrez, Sweet Briar College

A20-283

Cognitive Science of Religion Group

CC-2012

Carl Seaquist, Bethel University, Presiding

Theme: *Cognitive Science of Ritual*

Joseph Bulbulia, Ronald Fischer, Paul Reddish, and Rohan Callander, Victoria University, New Zealand
Differential Effects on Cooperation from Rituals Varying in Body Synchrony and Sacred Values

Kristoffer Laigaard Nielbo, Jesper Sørensen, and Uffe Schjoedt, Aarhus University
Cognitive Resource Depletion in Religious Interactions

Responding:

Gustavo Benavides, Villanova University

A20-284

Ecclesiological Investigations Group

CC-3008

Julie Clague, University of Glasgow, Presiding

Theme: *Ecclesiology and Islam: Comparative Explorations in Religion and Community*

Joshua Ralston, Emory University
The Comeback of Christendom?: Political Ecclesiology and the Challenge of Muslim Immigration

Jakob Wirén, Lund University
The Consummation of the Community: Eschatological Perspectives on the Umma and the Church with Regard to the Religious Other

John O'Brien, University of San Diego
Muslim–Christian Interfaith Encounter in Pakistan

Miroslav Volf, Yale University
Allab: A Christian Response

Responding:

Mona Siddiqui, University of Glasgow

A20-285

Student Lounge Roundtable

MM-Pacific C

Sunday, 3:00 pm–4:00 pm

Sponsored by the Graduate Student Committee

Elaine Padilla, New York Theological Seminary, Presiding

Theme: *Tricks of the Trade for Students Seeking Acceptance into PhD Programs*

The process of getting into a PhD program can seem shrouded in mystery. Candidates often face seemingly innumerable questions, and venture into the unknown without the tools needed to succeed. In this roundtable we will have an informal discussion over coffee and cookies with selected directors, faculty, and students who are currently a part of several doctoral and/or funding programs to explore the dynamics or "tricks" involved in pursuing the "trade" of applying for a PhD.

Panelists:

Monica Coleman, Claremont School of Theology

Dwight Hopkins, University of Chicago

Dhawn Martin, Drew University

Peter Phan, Georgetown University

Joanne Rodriguez, Hispanic Theological Initiative

P20-202

Society for the Study of Christian Spirituality Governing Board Meeting

PW-Davidson

M20-205

African Diaspora Religions Group, African Religions Group, and the Museum of the African Diaspora

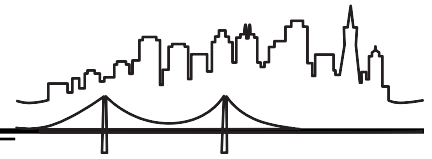
Museum of the African Diaspora (MoAD), 685 Mission Street, at Third—one block from the Marriott Marquis

Theme: *"The Sons of Bambara": Sub-Saharan African Diasporas in North African Context*

Professor Maha Marouan will explore the complex origins of Gnawa, a Moroccan Muslim brotherhood, their religious practices, and the role they play in Morocco's cultural politics. Their presence dates back to the Trans-Saharan slave trade that, from the 18th century till early 20th century, brought thousands of Sub-Saharan Africans to Morocco.

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Like the majority of Moroccans, Gnawa adhere to Sufi Islam, but place particular emphasis on music and trance. Many refer to themselves as “the sons of Bambara” and their music and ceremonies evoke Muslim saints as well as spirits of Fulani and Housa origins. This talk is part of the Museum’s program series, “Migrations of the Sacred: Spiritual Practices Across the Diaspora.”

The Museum will offer a discounted admissions rate of \$5 for anyone wearing a conference badge.

M20-207

The Psalm of Howard Thurman

Sunday, 3:00 pm–5:00 pm

CC–3016

Johnny B. Hill, Foundation for Reconciliation and Dialogue, Presiding

Arleigh Prelow, Harvard University
The Psalm of Howard Thurman Documentary Film

Dorsey Blake, Starr King School for The Ministry
Howard Thurman and The Church of the Fellowship of All People

Liza J. Rankow, OneLife Institute
The OneLife Institute and Legacy of Howard Thurman

Responding:

Vincent Harding, Veterans of Hope Project

M20-203



Wiley-Blackwell and the Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion

Sunday, 3:30 pm–6:00 pm

HI–Powell

Theme: *Are Research and Teaching Mutually Exclusive?*

An invitation-only panel discussion aiming to bring together academics and administrators for an open conversation about the balance between research and publishing, and teaching; followed by a networking reception.

P20-339

Society for Pentecostal Studies

Sunday, 4:00 pm–6:30 pm

MM–Sierra F

Jeffrey Lamp, Oral Roberts University, Presiding

Theme: *Spirit and Community in the Gospel of John*

Blaine Charette, Northwest University
Spirit, Glory and Sonship in the Gospel of John

Reed Anthony Carlson, Luther Seminary
The Spirit in the Body: Pneumatology of Creation in John 20:19–23

Jonathan Bernier, McMaster University
“Community” in Johannine and Pentecostal Hermeneutics

P20-391

African Association for the Study of Religion

Sunday, 4:00 pm–5:30 pm

HI–Continental Ballroom 2

Lilian Dube, University of San Francisco, Presiding

Theme: *Biblical Studies*

Celucien L. Joseph, University of Texas, Dallas
Toward a Senghorian Negritude and African Postcolonial Theology

Mutombo Nkulu-N’Sengha, California State University, Northridge
Biblical Foundation for the Recognition of African Traditional Religions: Prolegomenon for an Interreligious Dialogue

M20-300



Oxford University Press

Sunday, 4:00 pm–5:00 pm

CC–3009

Theme: *Publication of The Jewish Annotated New Testament and Jewish/Christian Relations*

The Jewish Annotated New Testament is a complete edition of the New Testament in the New Revised Standard Version, with scholarly comment and contextualizing essays by Jewish New Testament scholars, Greco-Roman historians, and theologians. It aims to open up new perspectives on this text for Jewish and Christian readers, and for all who are interested in expanding their reading of the New Testament.

Panelists:

Amy-Jill Levine, Vanderbilt University

Marc Zvi Brettler, Brandeis University

Adele Reinhartz, University of Ottawa

M20-301

Journal of Inter-religious Dialogue

Sunday, 4:00 pm–6:00 pm

HI–Yosemite A

Theme: *Challenges and Possibilities in Interreligious Education with Paul Knitter*

Together with Paul Knitter, Leah Weiss Ekstrom and the *Journal of Inter-Religious Dialogue* seek to write and share a volume of curriculum, teaching strategies, and best practices around inter-religious instruction. The panel discussion seeks to jump-start the process by inviting querying and practice sharing around the challenges presented by inter-religious illiteracy, and the promise of the coming generation of scholars and practitioners who are increasing in religious pluralism and diversity.

Location Key:

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Sunday, 3:00 pm–4:30 pm

M20-311

Harvard University Reception

Sunday, 4:00 pm–6:00 pm

Restaurant Lulu, 816 Folsom Street

Just one block from the Moscone Convention Center. Colleagues, students, alumni, and friends are warmly invited to join us.

M20-303

Tutku Tours

Sunday, 4:30 pm–5:30 pm

HI-Continental Ballroom 1

Theme: *New Archaeological Discoveries in the Seven Churches*

Archaeological excavations are ongoing at the sites of the Seven Churches of Revelation. This program will present the latest discoveries at these sites as well as recent publications related to them that help to illuminate the biblical text. New finds at Laodicea and Smyrna will be highlighted especially.

M20-304

Journal of Religious Ethics Editorial Board Meeting

Sunday, 4:30 pm–6:30 pm

HI-Franciscan B

Sunday, 5:00 pm–6:30 pm

A20-300



Women's Lounge Roundtable

MM-Pacific B

Theme: *Women and Self-care*

Sponsored by the Status of Women in the Profession Committee and the Women's Caucus

This session will discuss common experiences of mental and psychological health risks that accompany a career as an academic and/or clergy person; the need to name anxiety, depression, etc. as health issues; and seek support from those who have experienced such issues.

A20-301



Special Topics Forum

CC-3005

Tina Pippin, Agnes Scott College, Presiding

Theme: *Conversation with Katie Geneva Cannon, 2011 Excellence in Teaching Award Winner*

Sponsored by the Teaching and Learning Committee



Katie Geneva Cannon

The Teaching and Learning Committee is pleased to announce that Katie Geneva Cannon is the recipient of the 2011 Excellence in Teaching Award winner. Cannon is the Annie Scales Rogers Professor of Christian Ethics at Union Theological Seminary in Virginia. She will make remarks and engage questions and answers from the audience.

Panelists:

Katie Geneva Cannon, Union Presbyterian Seminary

A20-302

Special Topics Forum

CC-2003

Ebrahim E. I. Moosa, Duke University, Presiding

Theme: *Reflections: The Study of Religion in the Decade after 9/11*

Sponsored by the *Journal of the American Academy of Religion*

This panel is sponsored by the *Journal of the American Academy of Religion* to reflect on the tenth anniversary of the terrorist attacks on September 11, 2001.

Panelists will reflect on their personal, academic, political, and transatlantic experiences over the past decade. In addition to the voices of religious studies scholars, the panel will also include the reflections of theologians and artists whose work have been shaped by and is in response to the events of the past decade.

Panelists:

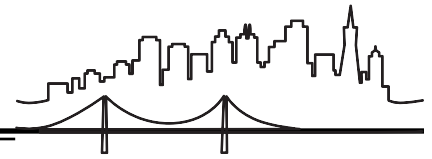
Jack Miles, University of California, Irvine

Mona Siddiqui, University of Glasgow

Kate DeConinck, Harvard University

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A20-303

Special Topics Forum

IC-Marina

Robert Puckett, American Academy of Religion, Presiding

Theme: *How to Propose 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.

A20-304



Wildcard Session

CC-2011

Paul Oslington, Australian Catholic University, Presiding

Theme: *Promise and Perils of Interdisciplinary Research*

Some of the most significant contributions to our understanding of religion have come from collaborations with scholars in other disciplines. This session considers the potential of interdisciplinary research programs, together with some of the intellectual, organisational and incentive problems in making them happen. Our panel includes distinguished scholars with experience of successfully facilitating collaboration between religion scholars and historians, philosophers, scientists, and economists.

Some of the research programs have attracted significant support from funding agencies. The panellists will reflect briefly on the enterprise from their own experience, and there will be plenty of time for discussion.

Robert Russell, Graduate Theological Union
Science and Theology at CTNS

Thomas Hastings, Center of Theological Inquiry
Facilitating Interdisciplinary Theological Inquiry

Neil Ormerod, Australian Catholic University
Bernard Lonergan's Economics: A Case Study — Economists and Theologians Working Together in the Shadow of the Financial Crisis

Miroslav Volf, Yale University
Divinity and Business School Cooperation: The Experience of the Yale University Faith and Globalization Program

A20-305



Wildcard Session

IC-Telegraph Hill

Craig Hovey, Ashland University, and Cyrus Olsen, University of Scranton, Presiding

Theme: *The Hermeneutics of Tradition*

A religious tradition's development requires ongoing study as our appreciation for historical context and complexity increases. The hermeneutics of tradition seminar shall address the dynamics of assimilating difference through text and culture as we navigate the shifting boundaries of interpretation that capture the self-understanding of religious groups.

Our particular focus is upon Christianity and its varied embodiments in the traditions of Catholic, Anglican, Orthodox, Methodist, and Lutheran polities. As a diverse ecumenical group of North American, European, and Australian scholars of Christianity, we shall increase understanding of how tradition and self-understanding intertwine in a developmental context. We thus aim to present our work in order to engage in dialogue with a wider scholarly community as we attend together to the shapes, discourse, and practices of religious traditions so that such shared insight can become a part of our collectively published research.

Panelists:

Teresa Swan Tuite, Oberlin College

Hans Boersma, Regent College

Robert Koerpel, Saint Catherine University

Will Cohen, University of Scranton

A20-306

North American Religions Section

CC-2001

S. Brent Plate, Hamilton College, Presiding

Theme: *Artifacts of Crisis: Religion and the Material Culture of Cataclysm*

This panel examines the material and visual culture associated with cataclysms endured, imagined, and feared and the myriad ways these objects, images, and structures have expressed and shaped the religious beliefs and practices of Americans from the mid-nineteenth century to the present day.

Taken together, these papers argue that the material and visual culture of cataclysm is an ideal source base for examining the religious nature of American attempts both to control and shape memories of cataclysms and to master "the cataclysmic." Panelists ask how objects and images are constitutive of American religions in moments of crisis, and what work these things do for those experiencing cultural calamity in the face of colonial power, "witnessing" famine half a world away, and "remembering" fallen Americans. They also point to the material and visual interconnectedness of America's Christianities with global geographies and faiths.

Jennifer Graber, College of Wooster
Between Two Worlds: Kiowa Ledger Art and the Narration of Cultural Calamity

Heather D. Curtis, Tufts University
"Famine Horrors": North American Missionary Photographs and the Visual Culture of Cataclysmic Suffering

Jonathan Ebel, University of Illinois
Monumental Failures: Visual Culture, War Memories, and the Limits of American Civil Religion

Responding:

Sally M. Promey, Yale University

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Sunday, 5:00 pm-6:30 pm

A20-307



Wildcard Session

CC-2007

Rebecca Alpert, Temple University, Presiding

Theme: *Religion and Sport: The State of the Field*

While other academic disciplines have well established studies of sport, the field of Religion and Sport is in an earlier developmental stage. Yet engagement with this field has grown substantially over the past few years. This panel brings together leading and emerging scholars who study religion and sport in a dialogue about the state of the field and emergent research directions. The panel will examine religion and sport from the perspectives of its various sub-specializations: the popular culture/civil religion discourse on how sport functions as religion in different societies; how various religions understand and engage with sport and athleticism historically and contemporarily, including intersections with race, gender, nationality, and ethnicity; the confluence between religion and sport in the realm of the mystical and spiritual; and the study of sport and religion as it intersects with the larger emergent emphasis on embodiment and materiality in religious experience.

Panelists:

Eric Bain-Selbo, Western Kentucky University

Linda J. Borish, Western Michigan University

Amy Koehlinger, Florida State University

E. Carter Turner, Radford University

Responding:

Joseph L. Price, Whittier College

A20-308



Wildcard Session

IC-Union Square

Jennifer Howe Peace, Andover Newton Theological School, Presiding

Theme: *Institutionalizing Interfaith: Emerging Models for Educating Religious Leaders in a Multireligious Context*

How do we train the next generation of spiritual leaders, rooted in their own religious tradition with the skills and motivation to work across faith lines? What are the underlying assumptions of the various models for training seminarians for a multireligious context? What are the benefits and challenges of training seminarians alongside students from other traditions?

This panel will focus on emerging models for training Jewish, Christian and Muslim seminarians. We will explore the growing emphasis on interfaith in seminaries and rabbinical schools along with the theological, educational and institutional implications. Scholars, educators, and practitioners from Andover Newton Theological School, Claremont School of Theology, Graduate Theological Union, Hartford Seminary, Hebrew College, and the Reconstructionist Rabbinical College will share their insights, reflections, and analysis of the emerging trend toward interfaith at each of these institutions.

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Panelists:

Or Rose, Hebrew College

Judith A. Berling, Graduate Theological Union

Garfield Swaby, Hartford Seminary

Nancy Fuchs Kreimer, Reconstructionist Rabbinical College

Responding:

Najeeba Syeed-Miller, Claremont School of Theology

A20-309



Wildcard Session

MM-Yerba Buena 9

Forough Jahanbakhsh, Queen's University, Presiding

Theme: *Discussion with Abdul Karim Soroush on Revelation, Reform, and Secularism*



Abdul Karim Soroush

This session is a conversation with Abdul Karim Soroush, based on his latest book *The Expansion of Prophetic Experience: Essays on Historicity, Contingency, and Plurality in Religion* (Brill Academic Publishing, 2009). Discussions will revolve around two major themes. First, we will explore Soroush's thinking on the "historicity and contingency of Revelation" and its implications for Islamic reform. Second, we will discuss what kind of Muslim religiosity may accommodate pluralism and secularism. The session will allow for a question-and-answer period.

Panelists:

Abdul Karim Soroush, Princeton University

Andrew Rippin, University of Victoria

A20-310

Buddhism Section and Anthropology of Religion Group

IC-Intercontinental Ballroom B

Jacqueline I. Stone, Princeton University, Presiding

Theme: *State-of-the-Field Roundtable: Ethnographic Approaches to Buddhism*

Panelists:

Gareth Fisher, Syracuse University

Daniel Kent, Whitman College

Jessica Starling, University of Virginia

Thomas Borchert, University of Vermont

Mark Rowe, McMaster University



A20-311

Christian Systematic Theology Section

CC-2014

Holly Taylor Coolman, Providence College, Presiding

Theme: *The Second Person of the Trinity*

Matt Paulson, Graduate Theological Union
Christology, Trinity, and Divine Affectivity: Rethinking Hans Urs von Balthasar's Theology of Holy Saturday

Alyssa Pitstick, Hope College
Balthasar's Christology: Advance in Orthodoxy or Return of Heresy?

Todd Walatka, University of Notre Dame
Trinitarian Theology and Christology: Kathryn Tanner and Hans Urs von Balthasar on the Concrete Life of Jesus

A20-312

Ethics Section

CC-2009

Alexandra Chambers, Vanderbilt University, Presiding

Theme: *Sex, Scandal, and Sexuality and the Crisis of Religious Leadership*

Donald Matthews, Naropa University
They Don't Care About Black Women: Abuse of Power in the Black Church

Jeanine Viau, Loyola University, Chicago
"With Her Hands on the Threshold": Examining Judges 19–21, Sexual Violence, and Magisterial Culpability

Monique Moultrie, Western Kentucky University
Don't Ask Until I Tell: Leadership through Sexual Confession

Katherine Hennessey, Graduate Theological Union
Sex Ed in Catholic Schools: An Interdisciplinary, Virtue-based Approach

Responding:

Cheryl A. Kirk-Duggan, Shaw University

A20-313



Religion and the Social Sciences Section and Psychology, Culture, and Religion Group

CC-2002

Hetty Zock, University of Groningen, Presiding

Theme: *Book Panel on Jeremy R. Carrette's Religion and Critical Psychology: Religious Experience in the Knowledge Economy (Routledge, 2007)*

Panelists:

Kelly Bulkeley, Graduate Theological Union

Ann Taves, University of California, Santa Barbara

Bonnie Miller-McLemore, Vanderbilt University

Responding:

Jeremy R. Carrette, University of Kent

A20-314



Theology and Religious Reflection Section

CC-3000

Paul Lim, Vanderbilt University, Presiding

Theme: *Marion Grau's Rethinking Mission on the Postcolony: Salvation, Society and Subversion (T & T Clark International, 2011)*

Panelists:

Jeannine Hill Fletcher, Fordham University

Mary-Jane Rubenstein, Wesleyan University

Willie J. Jennings, Duke University

Gerald West, University of KwaZulu-Natal

Responding:

Marion S. Grau, Graduate Theological Union

Business Meeting:

Anne Joh, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary

A20-315



Bible, Theology, and Postmodernity Group

MM-Yerba Buena 10

Danielle Elizabeth Tumminio, Boston University, Presiding

Theme: *Performing Love and Embodiment*

Elaine Padilla, New York Theological Seminary
Words Made Flesh: Explorations of the Divine Embodiment of Erotic Love

Jacob Myers, Emory University
Before the Gaze Ineffable: A Postmodern Reading of Song of Songs

Justine Smith, Harvard University
Performative Absences: Creating Indigenized Christianities and Indigenous Sovereignty Systems through Erasure

Adriaan van Klinken, Utrecht University
The Body of Christ as a Queer Community

A20-316

Black Theology Group and Science, Technology, and Religion Group

MM-Pacific H

Monica A. Coleman, Claremont School of Theology, Presiding

Theme: *Reimagining Black Theology after Google*

Ralph Watkins, Columbia Theological Seminary
The Virtual Becomes the Real via a Connected Africa and African Diaspora as Africana Theology Becomes Public Theology: A Method of Sharing Our Story and Recovering Our History Real Virtually

Elonda Clay, Lutheran School of Theology, Chicago
Your Ancestors are Waiting in Cyberspace!: Genealogy, DNA, and Diasporic Mediascapes

Ebony Utley, California State University, Long Beach
Cyberreligion, Conspiracy, and the Twenty-first Century

Responding:

Philip Clayton, Claremont School of Theology

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A20-317



Comparative Studies in Hinduisms and Judaisms Group and Animals and Religion Group

IC-Laurel Hill

Tamar C. Reich, Indiana University, Pennsylvania, Presiding

Theme: *Animals and Religion — Beyond Sacrifice*

Purushottama Bilimoria, Deakin and Melbourne University
Animal Justice and Moral Mendacity: Between Hinduism and Judaism

Maria Lindquist, Harvard University
Eat or Be Eaten: Animals as Agents of Yhwh's Retaliatory Justice in the Elijah Narrative

Veena Howard, University of Oregon
Animal Narratives in the Mahābhārata: Lessons of Compassion and Justice from the Hawk and the Dog

Responding:

Amy L. Allocco, Elon University

Business Meeting:

Karen Pechilis, Drew University, Presiding

A20-318

Daoist Studies Group

MM-Nob Hill C

Terry Kleeman, University of Colorado, Boulder, Presiding

Theme: *On the National Endowment for the Humanities Seminar: "An Introduction to Daoist Literature and History"*

Panelists:

Robert Campamy, Vanderbilt University

Ng Zhiru, Pomona College

Stephen R. Bokenkamp, Arizona State University

Responding:

Lewis Lancaster, Stinson Beach, CA

A20-319

Gay Men and Religion Group

IC-Nob Hill

W. Scott Haldeman, Chicago Theological Seminary, Presiding

Theme: *Slippery Texts/Queer Hermeneutics*

Christopher Ashley, Union Theological Seminary
Practices of Discernment and Prophecy in Angels in America

Devan Hite, Chicago Theological Seminary
"That They Might Have Joy": Toward a Postheteronormative, Gay Mormon Hermeneutic

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Karen Bray, Drew University

Don't Cry for Me Walter Brueggemann: Camp as Queer Lament

Responding:

Catherine Roach, University of Alabama

A20-320



Indigenous Religious Traditions Group

MM-Yerba Buena 3

Jace Weaver, University of Georgia, Presiding

Theme: *Behind Enemy Lines*

Lee Gilmore, California State University, Northridge, and Sabina Magliocco, California State University, Northridge
Pagans at the Parliament: Interfaith Dialogue between Pagan and Indigenous Communities

Carmen Lansdowne, Graduate Theological Union
"Dances with Dependency": An Indigenous Theological Exploration of Dependency and Development Theories and Their Influence on Liberation Theology for the Twenty-first Century

Comfort Max-Wirth, Florida International University
The Occult and Politics in Ghana: Tapping into the Pentecostal Discourse of Demonizing African Traditional Religion as a Political Strategy

Orenda Boucher, Concordia University
Violence and the Grotesque of Sacred Bodies: Iconography of Blessed Kateri Tekakwitha

A20-321

Islamic Mysticism Group

MM-Yerba Buena 13

Laury Silvers, University of Toronto, Presiding

Theme: *The Fall of the Image: Finding and Losing Oneself through Iconoclasm*

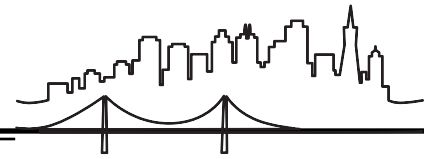
Mohammed Rustom, Carleton University
Mulla Sadra on Idol-Smashing

Elizabeth R. Alexandrin, University of Manitoba
"Kill or Cure": Corporeality in the Sufi Works of Shams al-Din al-Daylami

Richard McGregor, Vanderbilt University
Images and Others: Sufi Iconoclasm and the Problem of Comparative Religion

Responding:

Jamal J. Elias, University of Pennsylvania



A20-322

New Religious Movements Group

MM-Yerba Buena 6

Benjamin Zeller, Brevard College, Presiding

Theme: *Strategies of Legitimation in New Religions*

Erik Hammerstrom, Pacific Lutheran University
The Heart-of-Mind Method: Legitimizing a Buddhist New Religious Movement in 1930s China

Carrie Dohe, University of Chicago
Jungian Archetypes, Metagenetics, and Kennewick Man: Scientific Discourses and Racial Theory in American Folkish Asatru

Spencer Allen, University of Pennsylvania
Tony Alamo and His New Testament Brand of Christian Polygyny

A20-323

Reformed Theology and History Group

PW-Mason

J. Todd Billings, Western Theological Seminary, Presiding

Theme: *Divine Attributes*

Panelists:

Kevin J. Vanhoozer, Trinity Evangelical Divinity School

Laura Smit, Calvin College

C. Stephen Evans, Baylor University

Christopher Holmes, University of Otago

A20-324



Religion and Ecology Group

CC-2006

David Haberman, Indiana University, Presiding

Theme: *Author Meets Critics: Bron Taylor's Dark Green Religion: Nature Spirituality and the Planetary Future (University of California Press, 2009)*

Panelists:

Sarah M. Pike, California State University, Chico

Lisa Sideris, Indiana University

Laurel D. Kearns, Drew University

John Baumann, University of Oregon

Responding:

Bron Taylor, University of Florida

A20-325

Religion in Latin America and the Caribbean Group

MM-Yerba Buena 12

Néstor Medina, University of Toronto, Presiding

Theme: *Santa Muerte: The Mexican Saint Death in Theory and Practice*

R. Andrew Chesnut, Virginia Commonwealth University
Devoted to Death: Santa Muerte, the Skeleton Saint

Rafael Gamboa, University of California, Santa Barbara
Santa Muerte: Love, Luck, and Life

Stanley Brandes, University of California, Berkeley
Day of the Dead in Mexico and Beyond

Responding:

Lois Ann Lorentzen, University of San Francisco

A20-326



Religion, Holocaust, and Genocide Group

MM-Yerba Buena 4

Laura S. Levitt, Temple University, Presiding

Theme: *Responses to Michael Rothberg's Multidirectional Memory: Remembering the Holocaust in the Age of Decolonization (Stanford University Press, 2009)*

Juan Floyd-Thomas, Vanderbilt University
Deep Dark Truthful Mirror: Racial Representations, Multidirectional Memory, and the Nature of White Supremacy

Rachael Kamel, Temple University
Multidirectional Memory Offering Safe Passage through Torturous Terrain

Responding:

Michael Rothberg, University of Illinois

A20-327

Religions, Social Conflict, and Peace Group

MM-Yerba Buena 14

Megan Shore, University of Western Ontario, Presiding

Theme: *Secular, Faith-based, Grassroots Peacebuilding?*

Robert Gonzalez, Azusa Pacific University
Secular and Faith-based or Sectarian and Worldly?: Divergent Approaches to Peacemaking among the American Friends Service Committee and Evangelical Friends

Alain Epp Weaver, University of Chicago
Brushing History against the Grain: Religious/Secular NGOs and Palestinian Refugee Remembrance and Return

Frida Kerner Furman, DePaul University
Religion and Reconciliation: Grassroots Peacebuilding by Israelis and Palestinians

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A20-328



Ritual Studies Group

IC-Potrero Hill

Barry Stephenson, Wilfrid Laurier University, Presiding

Theme: *Case Studies in Ritual Practice*

Holly Grether, University of California, Santa Barbara
Homa: An Exemplary Asian Fire Sacrifice

Jonathan Cahana, Hebrew University, Jerusalem
Dismantling Gender: Between Ancient Gnostic Ritual and Modern Queer BDSM

Ori Tavor, University of Pennsylvania
Ritual as a Technology of the Body in Early Confucianism

Business Meeting:

Barry Stephenson, Wilfrid Laurier University, Presiding

A20-329

Sacred Space in Asia Group

IC-Twin Peaks

Tsering Wangchuk, University of San Francisco, Presiding

Theme: *Empowering Presence: Identity Construction in Indian and Tibetan Sacred Spaces*

Rohit Singh, University of California, Santa Barbara
Sacred Displacement: Shifting Sacred Centers and the Reconstruction of Tibetan Muslim Identity

Alexander Gardner, Shelley and Donald Rubin Foundation
The Enthronement of Jamgon Kongtrul: Tibetan Treasure Revelation as a Ritual of Site Sanctification

Luke Whitmore, Toronto, ON
Many Facets, One Power: Shiva's Abode of Kedarnath at the Beginning of a New Millennium

James M. Hastings, Wingate University
Marching to Drumbeats: Processions and the Delineation of Jain Identity in a South Indian Pilgrim Center

Responding:

Patricia Berger, University of California, Berkeley

A20-330



Tantric Studies Group

MM-Sierra A

Loriliai Biernacki, University of Colorado, Presiding

Theme: *Tantra Out of the Box: Young Scholars Looking at Tantra across Disciplines and from Outside Perspectives*

Chip Horner, University of Colorado
Scientific Embodiment: Affective Dimensions of Knowledge in Peircean Abduction, Neurocognitive Science, and the Trika Saivism of Kashmir

Alberta Ferrario, University of Pennsylvania
The Place of Devotion in Tantric Saivism: Reflections on "Tantra" and "Bhakti"

Jason Schwartz, University of California, Santa Barbara
Kaulas in the Courts of the Kings: Tantric Sādhana in Situ in Two Early Modern Works of Sanskrit Literature

Responding:

Glen Alexander Hayes, Bloomfield College

Business Meeting:

Sthaneshwar Timalina, San Diego State University, and Loriliai Biernacki, University of Colorado, Presiding

A20-331

North American Hinduism Group

MM-Yerba Buena 11

Shreena Gandhi, Kalamazoo College, Presiding

Theme: *Constructions of Hindu Selves and Hindu Others in North America*

Michele Verma, Rice University
Indo-Caribbeans in the United States: Cracking the Conflation of "Hindu" and "Indian"

Anya Pokazanyeva, University of California, Santa Barbara
Faith on the Mat: Hindus, Protestants, and the Construction of Yoga

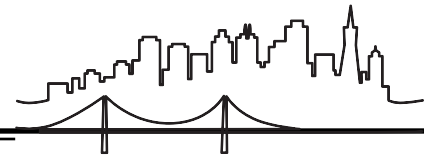
Michael Altman, Emory University
Sightings and Blind Spots: The "Protestant Lens" and the Construction of Hinduism

Responding:

Steven W. Ramey, University of Alabama

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A20-332



Feminist Theory and Religious Reflection Group

CC-3006

Christine E. Gudorf, Florida International University, Presiding

Theme: *Comparative Reflections on Women's Agency Under Feminist Scrutiny*

Kathleen Flake, Vanderbilt University
Female Priestly Subjectivity and Dynasty in Early Mormonism

Jennifer E. Beste, Xavier University
Sexist Norms on Steroids: College Women's Social and Sexual Reality

Sara Ababneh, Center for Strategic Studies
Female Islamists Under Feminist Scrutiny: How to Examine Nonfeminist Groups in Terms of Women's Empowerment in Occupied Palestine

Business Meeting:

Christine E. Gudorf, Florida International University, Presiding

M20-314

Pacific School of Religion Reception in Honor of Mary Tolbert

Sunday, 5:00 pm–6:30 pm

HI–Plaza Ballroom A

M20-310

Religion in South Asia Section and Dharma Association of North America

Sunday, 5:00 pm–7:00 pm

PW–Cyril Magnin I

Theme: *Kumaré: Film Screening and Q & A with Director Vikram Gandhi*

Kumaré is an enlightened guru from the East who builds a following of disciples in the West. But Kumaré is not real. He is an American filmmaker named Vikram Gandhi, who has transformed himself into Kumaré as the centerpiece of a social experiment designed to explore and test one of the world's most sacred taboos. Concealing his true identity from all he meets, Kumaré forges profound, spiritual connections with real people from all walks of life. At the same time, in the absurdity of living as an entirely different person, Vikram the filmmaker is forced to confront difficult questions about his own identity. At the height of his popularity he reveals his greatest teaching: his true self. A playful yet genuine and insightful look at belief and spirituality, the film crosses a line few have dared to cross, all to discover: from illusion comes truth. Screening and Q & A with Vikram Gandhi.

P20-393



North American Association for the Study of Religion

Sunday, 5:00 pm–6:30 pm

CC–2024

Rosalind Hackett, University of Tennessee, Presiding

Theme: *Panel Discussion of After Secular Law (Stanford University Press, 2011), ed. by Winnifred Sullivan, Robert Yelle, and Mateo Taussig-Rubbo*

Panelists:

Jason Bivins, North Carolina State University

Elizabeth Castelli, Barnard College

Janet Jakobsen, Barnard College

Randall Styers, University of North Carolina

Respondents:

Winnifred Sullivan, State University of New York, Buffalo

Robert Yelle, University of Memphis

P20-300



Theta Alpha Kappa Annual Members' Meeting and Reception

Sunday, 5:00 pm–7:00 pm

HI–Continental Ballroom 3

All chapter moderators, members, and those 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. The Kathleen Connolly-Weinert Leader of the Year Award will be presented and new officers will be elected.

M20-316

Catholic Biblical Association and Confraternity of Christian Doctrine Joint Reception

Sunday, 5:00 pm–7:00 pm

HI–Continental Ballroom 5

The Catholic Biblical Association and the Confraternity of Christian Doctrine invite CBA members and other interested biblical scholars to a reception to celebrate, in particular, the publication of the New American Bible, revised edition. Please join us to learn more about the CBA and to honor the completion of this significant contribution to biblical scholarship in the Church.

P20-301



Highlands Institute for American Religious and Philosophical Thought Business Meeting

Sunday, 5:45 pm–6:15 pm

IC–Howard

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John R. Fitzmier, American Academy of Religion, Presiding
Celebrate the achievements of the 2011 AAR award winners at the ceremony and reception held in their honor.

Martin E. Marty Award for the Public Understanding of Religion

Jonathan Sarna, Brandeis University

Excellence in Teaching Award

Katie Geneva Cannon, Union Presbyterian Seminary

Religion and the Arts Award

Gary Snyder



Katie Geneva Cannon



Gary Snyder

2011 Best In-depth Reporting on Religion Awards

First Place: John Blake, *CNN.com*

Second Place: Dan Gilgoff, *CNN.com*

Third Place: Jason Berry, *National Catholic Reporter*



John Blake



Dan Gilgoff



Jason Berry

2011 Excellence in the Study of Religion Book Awards

Analytical-Descriptive

Amira Mittermaier

Dreams that Matter: Egyptian Landscapes of the Imagination
University of California Press, 2011

Constructive-Reflective

Willie James Jennings

The Christian Imagination: Theology and the Origins of Race
Yale University Press, 2010

Historical

Johan Elverskog

Buddhism and Islam on the Silk Road
University of Pennsylvania Press, 2011

Textual

Ross Shepard Kraemer

Unreliable Witnesses: Religion, Gender, and History in the Greco-Roman Mediterranean
Oxford University Press, 2011

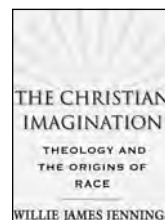
2011 Best First Book in the History of Religions

Andrew Nicholson

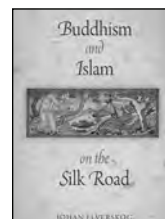
Unifying Hinduism: Philosophy and Identity in Indian Intellectual History
Columbia University Press



Dreams That Matter,
Amira Mittermaier



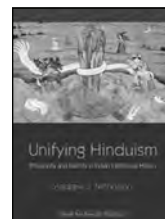
The Christian Imagination, Willie James Jennings



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Unifying Hinduism,
Andrew Nicholson



G. William Barnard



Shin-yi Chao



Connie Lasher



Cuong Mai



Martin Nguyen



Michael Penn

Individual Research Grants

G. William Barnard, Southern Methodist University

The Sacred Drink of the Forest: An Exploration of the Santo Daime Tradition in Brazil

Shin-yi Chao, Rutgers University

The Revival of Communal Religion in Present Northern Rural China: The Worship of Lady Wei (251–334 AD) as a Case Study

Connie Lasher, Santa Clara University

“Ignatian Humanism” and Ecological Identity: Extending the Legacy of Jesuit Higher Education

Cuong Mai, University of Vermont

The Cult of the Goddess Quan Am in Medieval Vietnam

Martin Nguyen, Fairfield University

The Social and Textual Landscape of a Medieval Muslim Scholarly Community

Michael Penn, Mount Holyoke College

The Automated Scribal Identification Project



Christina Traina



Beth Katz



Charles Mathewes



Philip Lorish

International Dissertation Research Grant

Mashal Saif, Duke University

Research Destination: Sana'a, Yemen and Lahore, Pakistan

Selva J. Raj Endowed International Dissertation Research Fellowship

Mudgha Yeolekar, Arizona State University

Research Destination: Dattatreya Temples, Main Libraries and Audumbar Trees within Pune, India



Christina McRorie



Kristopher Norris

Regional Development Grants

Midwest Region

Cristina Traina, Northwestern University

Graduate Conference on “Religion and the Trans...”

Rocky Mountain–Great Plains Region

Beth Katz, Project Interfaith

Community Mosaic Video Project

Southeast Region

Charles Mathewes, Philip Lorish, Christina McRorie, and

Kristopher Norris, University of Virginia

Virginia Graduate Colloquium on Theology, Ethics, and Culture

Sunday, 6:00 pm and Later

M20-312

Immigration and Theology Group

Sunday, 6:00 pm-7:00 pm

MM-Pacific E

The Immigration and Theology Group invites all those interested in the issues involving the relationship between immigration and theology to attend our meeting. Presenters will include: Chaviva Levin (Yeshiva University; Hussam Tumani (Christopher Newport University); and Shalahudin Kafrawi (Hobart and William Smith Colleges).

M20-315

The Jewish Annotated New Testament Reception

Sunday, 6:00 pm-8:00 pm

MM-Atrium Lobby

P20-392

Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion

Sunday, 6:00 pm-8:00 pm

HI-Golden Gate 1

Theme: *New Teachers' Dinner*

Each year the Wabash Center invites a group of new faculty for a fine dinner and directed table conversations about the first years of teaching.

Dinner is by invitation only.

If you know someone whom we should invite, please send us their name and email address. Please include their academic discipline, their graduate program, and the number of years they have been teaching full-time.

Send nominations by October 1 to:

Paul Myhre

Associate Director of the Wabash Center

myhrep@wabash.edu

800-655-7117

P20-303

Highlands Institute for American Religious and Philosophical Thought

Sunday, 6:30 pm-8:00 pm

IC-Howard

Theme: American Journal of Theology and Philosophy *Annual Lecture*

Wayne L. Proudfoot, Columbia University

Pragmatism and Naturalism in the Study of Religion

M20-306

Western Esotericism Group Business Meeting

Sunday, 6:30 pm-7:30 pm

IC-Russian Hill

M20-307

Fund for Theological Education Annual Reception Honoring Fellows and Alumni

Sunday, 6:30 pm-8:00 pm

HI-Imperial Ballroom A

M20-308

Explorations in Theology and the Apocalyptic

Sunday, 6:30 pm-9:00 pm

MM-Sierra C

Christopher Morse, Union Theological Seminary, Presiding

Theme: *Jacob Taubes and Christian Theology*

Each of these four papers will engage in constructive theological reflection on the themes and arguments of Taubes' *Occidental Eschatology* (Stanford University Press, 2009) and the essays collected in *From Cult to Culture: Fragments toward a Critique of Historical Reason* (Stanford University Press, 2009).

Sam V. Adams, St. Andrews University, Scotland

The Apocalyptic Cosmic Imaginary: Time and Space in Taubes, Moltmann, and Barth

Ben Myers, Charles Sturt University, Australia

Jacob Taubes: Apocalyptic Time and the Retreat from History

David Congdon, Princeton Theological Seminary

Eschatologizing Apocalyptic: A Reconsideration of the Messianic Event

Virgil Bower, Chicago Theological Seminary/Northwestern University

Embodied Eschatology: Jacob Taubes on Paul, Marx & Kierkegaard

M20-309

IVP Academic

Sunday, 6:45 pm-8:45 pm

CC-2022

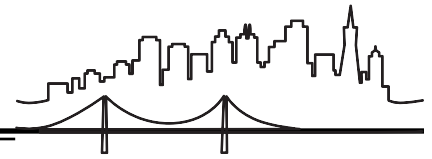
Theme: The Reformation Commentary on Scripture *Series Lecture with Timothy George*

In October 2011, IVP Academic launched the *Reformation Commentary on Scripture*, a 28 volume series of exegetical commentary spanning the entire canon and gathered from the writings of sixteenth-century reformers.

To commemorate this landmark publishing event, series general editor and Beeson Divinity School Dean Timothy George will deliver a brief lecture on the theological exegesis of the reformers. Light refreshments will be provided.

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A20-400

Templeton Lecture — Martin J. Rees

Sunday, 7:00 pm–8:00 pm



Martin J. Rees

MM–Golden Gate A-B

Theme: *Our Final Hour: Can Our Species Determine the Fate of the Earth?*

Martin J. Rees, Master of Trinity College, Cambridge and Astronomer Royal, is one of the world's leading theoretical astrophysicists. His contributions to our understanding of cosmic phenomena have been exceptionally broad-based, and his pioneering research has engaged with the origin of cosmic structures and the long-term future. He has also speculated about concepts of multiverse, complexity, apparent “fine tuning,” and other fundamental questions where science interfaces with philosophy and theology. Rees has spent much of his career as professor of astrophysics and cosmology in Cambridge, and served as president of the Royal Society from 2005 to 2010. He has been an eloquent presenter of scientific ideas to general audiences, with numerous articles, books, and broadcasts to his credit, and has increasingly engaged with issues of science policy. Most recently he delivered the 2010 Reith Lectures for the BBC, a series of talks exploring the ethical challenges facing science in the 21st century.

M20-444

Bible and Africana Life Initiative (BALI)

Sunday, 7:00 pm–8:30 pm

PW–Ashbury

Authors who contributed to *True to Our Native Land* (Fortress, 2007) or *The Africana Bible* (Fortress, 2010); and those interested in either further exploring the feasibility of an Africana biblical translation or contributing to a planned *Handbook on the Bible in the African Diaspora* are invited to participate in a brainstorming and strategic visioning session. For additional information, please contact Dr. Hugh R. Page, Jr. at poeto@me.com.

P20-400

Société Internationale d'Études sur Alfred Loisy

Sunday, 7:00 pm–8:30 pm

HI–Union Square 22

Benjamin Peters, St. Joseph College, Presiding

Theme: *Part I* – Loisy's *Carnets*

Frederic Amsler, Université de Lausanne
Alfred Loisy as Himself

Theme: *Part II* – Loisy's *Firmin Articles*

Andrew Pierce, Trinity College, Dublin
According to Cardinal Newman? The Sources and Targets of A. Firmin

Jeffrey Morrow, Seton Hall University
Doctrinal Development: Alfred Loisy, Biblical Criticism and the "Firmin" Articles

P20-401

Society for the Study of Chinese Religions

Sunday, 7:00 pm–8:30 pm

HI–Taylor

P20-402

Society of Asian and Comparative Philosophy

Sunday, 7:00 pm–8:30 pm

HI–Continental Ballroom 2

James Heisig, Nanzan University, Presiding

Theme: *Current Themes in the Philosophy of Nishida Kitaro*

Michiko Yusa, Western Washington University
Unraveling the Kyoto School's 'Logic of Soku'—How 'Negation qua Affirmation' is Possible

Takushi Odagiri, Stanford University
Nishida's System of Universals and His Concept of Religious Consciousness

Gereon Kopf, Luther College
Critical or Topological: Reading Nishida as Subversive Philosopher

M20-400

Garrett–Evangelical Theological Seminary Reception

Sunday, 7:00 pm–9:00 pm

HI–Continental Ballroom 7

M20-401

Bahá'í Studies Colloquy

Sunday, 7:00 pm–8:00 pm

HI–Mason

Susan Maneck, Jackson State University, Presiding

Mike McMullen, University of Houston – Clear Lake
Bahá'í Participation in FACT: Ten Years of Data 2000–2010

Robert H. Stockman, DePaul University, Chicago
Race, Religion, and Progress in the Discourse of Swami Vivekananda, Anagarika Dharmapala, and 'Abdu'l-Bahá 'Abbás

For additional information about the Bahá'í Studies Colloquy, contact Robert Stockman at rstockman@usbnc.org or 847-337-7750 (cell).

M20-402

Denver University/Illiff School of Theology Joint PhD Program Reception

Sunday, 7:00 pm–8:30 pm

HI–Golden Gate 6

Location Key:

CC–Moscone Center West • MM–Marriott Marquis • IC–InterContinental • PW–Parc 55 Wyndham • HI–Hilton Union Square

Sunday, 6:00 pm and Later

M20-403

Oxford University Reception

Sunday, 7:00 pm–8:30 pm

HI-Golden Gate 4-5

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 and www.admin.ox.ac.uk/postgraduate.

M20-405

Unitarian Universalist Scholars and Friends Reception

Sunday, 7:00 pm–8:30 pm

HI-Lombard

Persons connected to the Unitarian Universalist tradition are invited to gather for conversation and to plan next year's events. Sponsored by Starr King School for the Ministry, Meadville Lombard Theological School, Harvard Divinity School, Beacon Press, and UUA Panel on Theological Education.

M20-406

University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill Reception

Sunday, 7:00 pm–8:30 pm

MM-Club Room

M20-407

University of Notre Dame Reception

Sunday, 7:00 pm–8:30 pm

HI-Continental Ballroom 9

M20-408

University of Otago Reception

Sunday, 7:00 pm–8:30 pm

HI-Van Ness

The Department of Theology and Religion at the University of Otago welcomes alumni/ae, prospective graduate students, and friends for drinks and to meet current faculty members and graduate students. Otago is New Zealand's oldest university and the first to establish programmes in Theology and Religion. For further information see www.otago.ac.nz/religion/research.html or www.otago.ac.nz/theology/research.

M20-409

Yale Divinity School Alumni Reception

Sunday, 7:00 pm–8:30 pm

HI-Continental Ballroom 4

M20-410

Accordance Bible Software Reception

Sunday, 7:00 pm–9:00 pm

HI-Plaza Ballroom B

Accordance warmly welcomes you to an informal reception, whether you are a user of the software or just interested. This is an opportunity to meet the Accordance scholars and staff, and get to know other users in a relaxed setting.

M20-411

Association of Theological Schools Presentation and Reception

Sunday, 7:00 pm–9:00 pm

IC-Grand Ballroom B

This event, sponsored by The Association of Theological Schools, will honor Dr. Glen H. Stassen, Lewis B. Smedes Professor of Christian Ethics at Fuller Theological Seminary, for his career as a theological educator. Dr. Stassen will speak about his vocation as a theological educator serving in a theological seminary and how his work as a scholar fits within that vocation. A reception will follow the presentation.

M20-412

University of Wales Trinity Saint David Reception

Sunday, 7:00 pm–9:00 pm

HI-Yosemite B-C

The School of Theology, Religious Studies and Islamic Studies at the University of Wales Trinity Saint David welcomes friends, colleagues, alumni, and prospective graduate students to this reception. Members of staff will provide news and information about recent developments. Information is also available at www.tsd.ac.uk.

M20-413

Princeton Theological Seminary Reception

Sunday, 7:00 pm–10:00 pm

PW-Embarcadero

Join faculty, staff, alumni/ae and friends as Princeton celebrates the work of the Academy and the Society in a reception for all. Food and cash bar will be provided. Welcome to all.

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M20-415



Youth Theological Initiative (YTI) Reception

Sunday, 7:30 pm–9:00 pm

PW–Mission III

All past participants, former staff and friends of the Youth Theological Initiative (YTI) at Emory University are invited to gather to reunite and network, as well as hear updates from the director about the YTI program, as it prepares for its 20th anniversary. Please contact Beth Corrie at ecorrie@emory.edu for further information.

M20-416



Jewish Theological Seminary Graduate School Reception

Sunday, 7:30 pm–9:30 pm

PW–Sutro

The Graduate School of JTS invites you to a kosher reception for current and prospective students, faculty, alumni and friends of the Jewish Theological Seminary. Feel free to spread the word and bring your colleagues. No RSVP required.

M20-417



University of Iowa Alumni/Friends Reception

Sunday, 7:30 pm–9:30 pm

HI–Sutter

A20-402



Plenary Address

Sunday, 8:00 pm–9:00 pm

MM–Yerba Buena 9

Kwok Pui Lan, Episcopal Divinity School, Presiding

Theme: *New Thoughts on Solidarity*



Judith Butler

This lecture will consider the relationship between sexual and religious minorities in the context of the right to appear in public. Additionally, the lecture will address the affiliative meanings of queer in light of new efforts to separate queer politics from anti racist and anti colonial struggles.

Panelist:

Judith Butler, University of California, Berkeley

M20-435



Union Presbyterian Seminary Alumni/ae Dessert Reception

Sunday, 8:00 pm–9:30 pm

IC–SoMa

Union Presbyterian Seminary alumni/ae, faculty, staff and students are invited to join together for dessert and fellowship. Please RSVP to Jessi Bullard Young, jessi.young@upsem.edu or (804) 278-4245. Cost is \$10. You may pay in advance to Jessi Bullard Young (3401 Brook Rd, Richmond, VA 23227) or you may pay at the door.

M20-440



Center and Library for the Bible and Social Justice Reception

Sunday, 8:00 pm–9:30 pm

PW–Hearst

This is a reception honoring the formal opening of the Center and Library for the Bible and Social Justice and the publication of its inaugural volume, *Liberating Biblical Study: Scholarship, Art, and Activism*. The mission of this project is to provide biblical resources for those committed to the study and practice of social justice in contemporary church and society. The Center and Library, located at the Stony Point Conference Center in Stony Point, NY, will connect theologically-informed social activists and justice-oriented scholars through a research library and accompanying educational programs. Our website is www.clbsj.org.

Contact Norman Gottwald, Treasurer, at ngrejoice@comcast.net or 765 Hilldale Ave., Berkeley CA 94708 for information on donations of appropriate books and financial contributions.

A20-404



Film: *Of Gods and Men*

Sunday, 8:00 pm–10:00 pm

MM–Nob Hill A

Antonio D. Sison, Catholic Theological Union, Presiding

Sponsored by the Religion, Film, and Visual Culture Group

This film is the cinematic retelling of the true story of eight French Cistercian Trappist monks who were caught in the eye of the protracted civil war in Algeria during the 1990s. In the crossfire between the authoritarian government and brutal Islamic extremists, the monks came to the difficult, altruistic decision of remaining with their impoverished Muslim flock at the risk of their own lives. The film evinces the delicate dance between the monastic call to solitude and contemplation and the Christian imperative to love one's neighbor, here expressed in profound interreligious solidarity and sociopolitical engagement. Based largely on John Kiser's *The Monks of Tibhirine: Faith, Love, and Terror in Algeria* (Saint Martin's Press, 2002), the film has been applauded in religious and critical circles and won the Prize of the Ecumenical Jury at the 2010 Cannes Film Festival.

Location Key:

CC–Moscone Center West • MM–Marriott Marquis • IC–InterContinental • PW–Parc 55 Wyndham • HI–Hilton Union Square

Sunday, 6:00 pm and Later

A20-405



Film: *Poetry*

Sunday, 8:00 pm–10:00 pm

MM-Nob Hill B

Craig Detweiler, Pepperdine University, Presiding

Sponsored by the Religion, Film, and Visual Culture Group

Mija has been diagnosed with early on-set Alzheimer's. She enrolls in a poetry class, perhaps eager to put words to life before they fail her. Mija's grandson is implicated in a horrible crime. Can Mija find poetry amidst tragedy? Prior to making movies, director Lee Chang-dong served as South Korea's culture minister.

He coaxed legendary actress Yun Jung-hee out of retirement to play Mija. This award-winning picture awakens our senses. Shocking, mesmerizing, and rewarding, *Poetry* lives up to its title.

A20-406



Film: *Syrian Bride*

Sunday, 8:00 pm–10:00 pm

MM-Nob Hill C

Ken Derry, University of Toronto, Presiding

Sponsored by the Religion, Film, and Visual Culture Group

The *Syrian Bride* (2004) is a romantic comedy that considers the Arab-Israeli conflict through the lens of two families that are about to be joined by an arranged marriage. Mona, the bride-to-be, must cross the demilitarized zone that lies between her Druze home in Golan Heights and Syria, where her husband and his family wait for her. The problem is that, according to Syria, Mona's home is in fact Syrian, while Israel claims the territory as its own. The focus of the narrative is thus Mona's attempt to overcome both sides' refusal to agree on where the border lies, so that she can cross it.

Along the way the film has a very good time exploring issues of family, relationships, commitment, and history. Directed by Eran Riklis, *The Syrian Bride* is the winner of several international awards, including the "Grand Prix" for best film at the 2004 Montréal World Film Festival.

A20-407



Film: *Connected*

Sunday, 8:00 pm–10:00 pm

MM-Nob Hill D

Jeanette Solano, California State University, Fullerton, Presiding

Sponsored by the Religion, Film, and Visual Culture Group

With wonderful heart and an impressive sense of scale, Tiffany Shlain's vibrant and insightful documentary, *Connected*, explores the visible and invisible connections linking major issues of our time — the environment, consumption, population growth, technology, human rights, the global economy — while searching for her place in the world during a transformative time in her life. Employing a splendidly imaginative combination of animation and archival footage, plus several surprises, Shlain constructs a chronological tour of Western modernization through the work of her late father, Leonard Shlain, a surgeon and best-selling author of *Art and Physics* and *The Alphabet Versus the Goddess*. With humor and irony, the Shlain family life merges with philosophy to create both a personal portrait and a proposal for ways we can move forward as a civilization. *Connected* illuminates the beauty and tragedy of human endeavor while boldly championing the importance of personal connectedness for understanding and coping with today's global conditions.

M20-418



Princeton University Reception

Sunday, 8:00 pm–10:00 pm

HI-Golden Gate 7-8

M20-441

Synousia

Sunday, 8:00 pm–10:30 pm

MM-Pacific G

Theme: *Lucretius, Marcus Aurelius, Marx*

This *Synousia* session will involve a collective analysis of selected texts by Lucretius, Marcus Aurelius, and Marx on the theme of *Matter and the Gods*. All interested parties are welcome.

M20-436



Durham University Reception

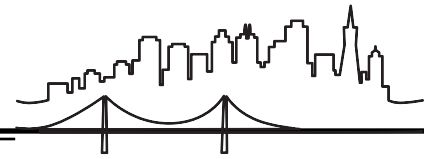
Sunday, 8:00 pm–10:30 pm

IC-Grand Ballroom C

You are warmly invited to a drinks reception hosted by staff and research students from the Department of Theology and Religion at Durham University (U.K.). We look forward to welcoming former and prospective students, along with other friends.

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A20-408



Arts Series: Miri Hunter Haruach and Sheba's Caravan

Sunday, 8:30 pm–9:30 pm

CC-2001



Miri Hunter Haruach

Miri Hunter Haruach, is a scholar, actor, and a singer/songwriter. She is currently adjunct professor in women's spirituality at the California Institute of Integral Studies, San Francisco, lecturer at Saint Mary's College, Moraga, CA, and founder of Project Sheba. She is also past president of the AAR's Western Region and presents at conferences around the world, speaking on topics such as women's spirituality, diversity and multiculturalism, social activism, and various topics related to the Jewish and

African diasporas. Her musical CD, based on the Book of Psalms, is entitled *The Ways of Love*. The song *My Soul Will Be Restored*, from that CD, was voted International Folk Song of the Year in 2007 by *Toronto Exclusive Magazine*. Haruach currently lives in Hollywood where she writes, performs, and teaches workshops on the wisdom of the Queen of Sheba and the Tree of Life. She also facilitates workshops and meditation groups on kundalini energy.

A20-409



Arts Series: Amalia Mesa-Bains: *Circle of Ancestors*

Sunday, 8:30 pm–9:30 pm

CC-3024



Amalia Mesa-Bains

Be sure to visit Amalia Mesa-Bains' art installation, *Circle of Ancestors*, on display throughout the Annual Meeting in Moscone Center West-3024.

Amalia Mesa-Bains is a psychologist, curator, author, and artist. She received a BA in painting from San Jose State University before earning a MA in interdisciplinary education from San Francisco State University and a PhD in clinical psychology from the

Wright Institute of Berkeley, California. She has worked for the San Francisco Unified School District as a psychologist. During the period between 1965 and 1985 she was the regional committee chair for Northern California for the exhibition *Chicano Art: Resistance and Affirmation*. She is the author of *Ceremony of Spirit: Nature and Memory in Contemporary Latino Art* (Mexican Museum, 1993). Mesa-Bains has received the San Francisco Mission Cultural Center's Award of Honor (1989), the Association of American Cultures' Artist Award, the Chicana Foundation of Northern California's Distinguished Working Women Award (1990), the INTAR-Hispanic Arts Center's Golden Palm Award (1991), and the MacArthur Fellowship award (1992). Her first exhibit was at the 1967 Phelan Awards show, which took place in the Palace of the Legion of Honor in San Francisco. Mesa-Bains began creating altar installations in 1975. Her artistic work is often autobiographical, relating to her Mexican Catholic heritage. Although these works take the form of an altar, they are not specifically intended for religious use. According to Kristin G. Congdon and Kara Kelley Hallmark, authors of *Artists from Latin American Cultures: A Biographical Dictionary* (Greenwood, 2002), "Mesa-Bains's altars often honor women who have broken social barriers."

Using techniques related to found art, Mesa-Bains has incorporated "dried leaves, rocks, pre-Columbian ceramic fragments" and other unusual materials to construct artworks, such as her 1987 work *Grotto of the Virgins*, which is dedicated to painter Frida Kahlo (1907–1954), actor Dolores del Río (1905–1983), and to the artist's grandmother.

M20-419



Vanderbilt University Alumni/ae and Friends Reception

Sunday, 9:00 pm–10:30 pm

HI-Continental Ballroom 6

M20-420



Brite Divinity School Reception

Sunday, 9:00 pm–10:30 pm

HI-Continental Ballroom 5

M20-421



Brown University Reception

Sunday, 9:00 pm–11:00 pm

HI-Plaza Ballroom A

M20-422



Concordia Seminary Reception

Sunday, 9:00 pm–11:00 pm

HI-Golden Gate 1

M20-423



Drew University Gathering

Sunday, 9:00 pm–11:00 pm

HI-Continental Ballroom 1

M20-424



Duke University Reception

Sunday, 9:00 pm–11:00 pm

HI-Imperial Ballroom B

M20-425



Emory University Reception

Sunday, 9:00 pm–11:00 pm

PW-Cyril Magnin

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Sunday, 6:00 pm and Later

M20-427



Nordic Universities Reception

Sunday, 9:00 pm–11:00 pm

HI-Franciscan A-B

Welcome to the Nordic Universities Reception!

Representatives from Denmark, Finland, Iceland, Norway, and Sweden will be presenting information about their latest research and educational possibilities at their respective universities and colleges.

M20-428



Southern Methodist University and Perkins School of Theology Reception

Sunday, 9:00 pm–11:00 pm

HI-Powell

M20-429



Scottish Universities' Reception

Sunday, 9:00 pm–11:00 pm

HI-Franciscan C-D

Colleagues at the sponsoring Scottish Universities (Aberdeen, Edinburgh, Glasgow, St. Andrews, Highland Theological College, and International Christian College) warmly invite their alumni/ae and friends, and prospective students as well, to this reception. Academic staff will be present, with news and information about the participating universities.

M20-430



Union Theological Seminary Reception

Sunday, 9:00 pm–11:00 pm

HI-Imperial Ballroom A

M20-431



University of California, Santa Barbara Reception

Sunday, 9:00 pm–11:00 pm

HI-Cityscape

M20-432



University of Chicago Reception

Sunday, 9:00 pm–11:00 pm

IC-Pacific Terrace

M20-437



Center For Process Studies Reception

Sunday, 9:00 pm–11:00 pm

IC-Sutter

Join us for wine, cheese, and conversation. Friends and members of CPS and anyone interested in process-relational approaches to religious studies, theology, biblical hermeneutics, and philosophy of religion are invited. Greet CLU Provost and CST Dean Philip Clayton, network, discuss, and schmooze. Informal, fun!

M20-438



Columbia University Reception

Sunday, 9:00 pm–11:00 pm

MM-Golden Gate C3

M20-442



Johns Hopkins University Reception

Sunday, 9:00 pm–11:00 pm

HI-Continental Ballroom 3

M20-433



Boston University Reception

Sunday, 9:00 pm–11:30 pm

HI-Continental Ballroom 8

M20-434



Florida State University Reception

Sunday, 9:00 pm–12:00 am

HI-Yosemite A

M20-446



Templeton Foundation Reception

Sunday, 9:00 pm–11:00 pm

MM-Golden Gate C1

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M20-445

There is a Mystery Planning Meeting

Sunday, 9:30 pm–11:00 pm

PW–Ashbury

The editors of the volume tentatively entitled “*There is a Mystery*”: *Esotericism, Gnosticism, and Mysticism in African American Religious Experience* invite authors attending the Annual Meetings of the AAR and SBL to gather for a discussion of the scope and timetable for the project. For additional information, please contact any member of the editorial team: Dr. Stephen C. Finley (sfinley@lsu.edu), Dr. Margarita S. Guillory (mls2@rice.edu), or Dr. Hugh R. Page, Jr. (hpage@nd.edu).

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A21-1

Status of LGBTIQ Persons in the Profession Task Force Meeting

Monday, 7:00 am–8:30 am

MM–Pacific D

A21-2

Program Unit Chairs’ Breakfast

Monday, 7:15 am–8:45 am

MM–Golden Gate C1-C2

Program Unit Chairs are invited to a continental breakfast featuring information on upcoming program initiatives.

M21-1

Friends of Regent College Breakfast

Monday, 7:00 am–8:30 am

HI–Continental Ballroom 8

M21-2

Fuller Seminary Alumni and Friends Breakfast

Monday, 7:00 am–8:30 am

HI–Continental Ballroom 6

Fuller Seminary Alumni and Friends Breakfast will feature Fuller’s President and Professor of Christian Philosophy, Richard J. Mouw. For more information contact Fuller Theological Seminary, Office of Alumni and Church Relations by calling 626-584-5498 or by email alumni@fuller.edu.

M21-3

Restoration Quarterly Breakfast

Monday, 7:00 am–8:30 am

HI–Golden Gate 2

M21-6

Dead Sea Discoveries Journal Board Meeting

Monday, 7:30 am–9:00 am

HI–Continental Ballroom 7

M21-7

Coexist Foundation Scholars Breakfast II

Monday, 7:30 am–9:00 am

PW–Ashbury

By Invitation Only

M21-4

Trinity Evangelical Divinity School Fellowship Breakfast

Monday, 7:30 am–9:30 am

HI–Mason

M21-8

University of Chicago Divinity School Coffee with the Dean for Prospective Students

Monday, 8:00 am–9:00 am

PW–Powell I

A21-3

Vedanta Society of Northern California Tour

Monday, 8:00 am–11:00 am

Offsite–Meet at CC–Howard Street Exit

Sponsored by the North American Hinduism Consultation

The Vedanta Society of Northern California was founded in 1900 by Swami Vivekananda. It is spiritually affiliated with the Ramakrishna Order, which today is considered to be one of the foremost important religious institutions in India. The New Temple, located at the corner of Fillmore and Vallejo Streets in San Francisco, is the Society’s headquarters. Dedicated in 1959, the New Temple houses a variety of activities. The Altar of the New Temple has been designed to represent, as fully as possible, the Vedantic concept of God. On the upper part is the Sanskrit word OM, which is looked upon as the word symbol of Divinity in all its aspects. Beneath OM are enshrined Lord Buddha, Jesus Christ, and Sri Ramakrishna. Also enshrined on the altar are Sri Sarada Devi, Ramakrishna’s first disciple, and Swami Vivekananda, Sri Ramakrishna’s foremost apostle.

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Monday, 7:00 am–8:30 am

M21-5

Alpha Christianity

Monday, 8:00 am–9:00 am

MM-Sierra F

Theme: *The Earliest Jesus Tradition and Christian Experience*

An open planning meeting, moderated by Paul Elbert.

Several extant documents (the Epistle of James, the Didache, Luke's Sermon on the Plain, the Philippians 2 hymn) attest, and others (Paul in Romans, Hebrews, Jude, 1 John) oppose, a form of Christianity here called Alpha; which is not based on the Resurrection, but seemingly on the early teachings of Jesus in Galilee.

This open meeting offers an opportunity to assess the research potential of considering these documents together, along with the contemporary movement of John the Baptist, and the later Ebionites. For background information, see www.umass.edu/wsp/biblica/alpha/index.html or contact ebb Brooks@research.umass.edu.

Monday, 9:00 am–11:30 am

A21-100



Special Topics Forum

Paul Lim, Vanderbilt University, Presiding

MM-Yerba Buena 9

Theme: *Beyond Atheistic and Religious Fundamentalisms: Imagining the Common Good in the Public Sphere*

Sponsored by the Theological Education Steering Committee

In recent debates about the place of religion and belief in the public square, the loudest voices on both sides of the argument are fundamentalists — of both the atheistic and theistic stripe. Can this conversation move beyond the charges and caricatures of “godless relativists” or “genocidal religionists,” to one where a diversity of belief- and practice-formed communities, religious and otherwise, can contribute to imagining and realizing the common good? This panel will explore this question from discrete locations of practice-shaped communities and communities of religious belief.

Panelists:

Miroslav Volf, Yale University

Roger Jackson, Carleton College

Julia Watts Belser, Missouri State University

Reza Aslan, University of California, Riverside

A21-101

Buddhism Section

CC-2001

Benjamin Bogin, Georgetown University, Presiding

Theme: *India in the Asian Buddhist Imagination*

Regan Murphy-Kao, University of California, Berkeley
India: A Vexed Signifier in the Early Modern Japanese Buddhist Imagination

Stuart Young, Bucknell University
Conceiving the Indian Patriarchs in China: Buddhist Sainthood across the Sino-Indian Divide

Nancy Lin, Dartmouth College
Ocean in a Vase: Condensing Canonical Birth-stories in Seventeenth Century Tibet

Michael R. Sheehy, New School and the Tibetan Buddhist Resource Center

A Buddhist Hermeneutic of Time: Tibetan Recalculations of the Buddhist Councils and Zhentong Literary History in India

Responding:

Richard M. Jaffe, Duke University

A21-102



Comparative Studies in Religion Section

CC-3003

Timothy D. Knepper, Drake University, Presiding

Theme: *Comparative Grammars of Ineffability*

Panelists:

Louis Komjathy, University of San Diego

Yaroslav Komarovski, University of Nebraska, Lincoln

Jerome Gellman, Ben-Gurion University, Negev

Matthew Hotham, University of North Carolina

Leah Kalmanson, Drake University

Responding:

Matthew Bagger, Auburn University

Business Meeting:

Kimberley Patton, Harvard University, and Tracy Pintchman, Loyola University, Chicago, Presiding

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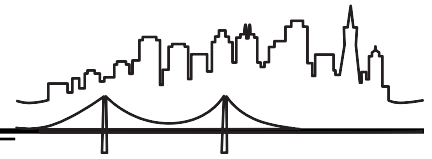
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A21-103



Ethics Section and Womanist Approaches to Religion and Society Group

MM-Yerba Buena 1

Angela Sims, Saint Paul School of Theology, Presiding

Theme: Womanist Theological Ethics: A Reader (*Westminster John Knox Press, 2011*)

Panelists:

Katie G. Cannon, Union Presbyterian Seminary
 Emilie M. Townes, Yale University
 Karen Baker-Fletcher, Southern Methodist University
 M. Shawn Copeland, Boston College
 Kelly Brown Douglas, Goucher College
 Cheryl Townsend Gilkes, Colby College
 Marcia Y. Riggs, Columbia Theological Seminary

A21-104

History of Christianity Section

CC-3007

Matthew A. Sutton, Washington State University, Presiding

Theme: *State of the Field: Fundamentalism*

Panelists:

David Harrington Watt, Temple University
 Randall Stephens, Eastern Nazarene College
 Mary Beth Mathews, University of Mary Washington
 Tona Hangen, Worcester State University

A21-106

Religion and Politics Section

CC-2009

Hamid Mavani, Claremont Graduate University, Presiding

Theme: *Anti-Islamic Populism in the United States*

Edward E. Curtis, Indiana University and Purdue University
The Perils of Public Scholarship on Islam after 9/11
 Susan B. Thistlethwaite, Chicago Theological Seminary
McCarthyism in the Age of Twitter: Islamophobia, Politics, and the Role of New Media
 Ken Estey, Brooklyn College
Islam and State in Brooklyn, New York: The Vortex on Voorhies Avenue
 Devin Kuhn, California Polytechnic State University
Doing the "Sharia Creep": Obscuring Religious Rule, Gender Oppression, and Violence in Anti-Islamic Populism

A21-107



Religion and the Social Sciences Section

CC-2024

D. Michael Lindsay, Rice University, Presiding

Theme: *Responses to Robert D. Putnam's and David E. Campbell's American Grace: How Religion Divides and Unites Us (Simon and Schuster, 2010)*

Panelists:

Jean Bethke Elshtain, University of Chicago
 Michael Hout, University of California, Berkeley
 Charles Mathewes, University of Virginia

Responding:

Robert Putnam, Harvard University
 David Campbell, University of Notre Dame

A21-108

Study of Islam Section and Islamic Mysticism Group

CC-2022

Carl W. Ernst, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, Presiding

Theme: *Sufism after the "Linguistic Turn"*

Panelists:

Vincent Cornell, Emory University
 Scott A. Kugle, Emory University
 Rkia Cornell, Emory University
 Amanullah De Soudy, University of Miami
 Sa'diyya Shaikh, University of Cape Town

Responding:

Dale B. Martin, Yale University

A21-109

Study of Judaism Section

MM-Yerba Buena 10

Sarah Imhoff, Indiana University, Presiding

Theme: *American Judaism*s

Robert Erlewine, Illinois Wesleyan University
From Exclusivity to Partnership: Abraham Joshua Heschel and the Legacy of Liberal Judaism
 Rachel Gordan, Harvard University
The Judeo-Christian Tradition In the Post-World War II Years: A Spur to Jewish Distinctiveness
 Yaakov Ariel, University of North Carolina
What's in a City?: San Francisco as a Hub of New Jewish Religious Movements
 Kristen Tobey, University of Pittsburgh
An Identity Project in Flux: Rhetorical Negotiation of Gentile Involvement in the Nineteenth Century Jewish Agrarian Movement

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A21-110



Anthropology of Religion Group

IC-Grand Ballroom B

Margarita M. W. Suarez, Meredith College, Presiding

Theme: *Religion and Social Change*

Zeynep Akbulut Kuru, University of Washington
The Headscarf Ban and Women's Production of New Islamic Discourses

Richard Fox, Harvard University
All the Better to Govern You: Domestic Rites, Capitalism, and the Changing Family in a Southern Balinese Community

Rebekka King, University of Toronto
The Cybersocial Sanctuary: The Performance of the Christian Subject Online and In Church

Responding:

Gerardo Marti, Davidson College

Business Meeting:

Margarita M. W. Suarez, Meredith College, Presiding

A21-111



Bible in Racial, Ethnic, and Indigenous Communities Group

IC-Nob Hill

Francisco Lozada, Brite Divinity School, Presiding

Theme: *Bible and Colonization in the Mediterranean*

Panelists:

Adriana Destro, University of Bologna

Safwat Marzouk, Associated Mennonite Biblical Seminary

Marinos Pourgouris, University of Cyprus

Yael Munk, Open University of Israel

Michel Andraos, Catholic Theological Union

A21-112

Bioethics and Religion Group

MM-Yerba Buena 13

Swasti Bhattacharyya, Buena Vista University, Presiding

Theme: *Reproductive Justice: Crossing Borders, Crossing Bodies*

Panelists:

Charlene Galarneau, Wellesley College

Laurie Zoloth, Northwestern University

Aline Kalbian, Florida State University

Suzanne Holland, University of Puget Sound

A21-113

Critical Theory and Discourses on Religion Group

PW-Mission II-III

Kocku von Stuckrad, University of Groningen, Presiding

Theme: *The Frankfurt School and the Study of Religion*

Drew Thomases, Columbia University
"Same, Same, but Different": The Mimetic Faculty and Similarity in Pushkar, India

Klaus Yoder, Harvard University
Ritualization in the Age of Technical Reproducibility

Jeremy Fackenthal, Claremont Graduate University
Through the Obliquely Angled Camera: Adorno and Benjamin's Inverse Theology as a Materialist Approach to Religion

Bryan Wagoner, Harvard University
Rethinking Religion in the Frankfurt School

Christopher C. Brittain, University of Aberdeen
The "Return of Religion" in the Thought of Jürgen Habermas: Back to Horkheimer and Adorno

Responding:

Jay Geller, Vanderbilt University

A21-114

Ecclesiological Investigations Group and Wesleyan Studies Group

CC-2005

Peter De Mey, Catholic University, Leuven, Presiding

Theme: *What is Distinctive about Methodist Ecclesiology?*

Robert Martin, Saint Paul School of Theology
Toward a Wesleyan Sacramental Ecclesiology

Miriam Haar, Yale University and Trinity College, Dublin
Ecumenical Dialogue on Apostolicity with Churches of the Wesleyan Traditions: A Promising Chaos?

Justus Hunter, University of Dayton
Toward a Methodist Communion Ecclesiology

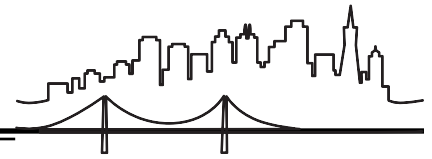
Responding:

Kenneth B. Wilson, Canterbury Christ Church University and
Chichester University

Russell E. Richey, Emory University

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A21-115

Feminist Theory and Religious Reflection Group and Pentecostal–Charismatic Movements Group

CC-3016

Sammy Alfaro, Grand Canyon University, Presiding

Theme: *Holy Spirit, Power, and Feminist Subjectivity in Pentecostalism*

Janice Rees, Charles Sturt University and Sydney College of Divinity

Subject to Spirit: The Promise of Pentecostal Feminist Pneumatology and Its Witness to Systematics

Saunia Powell, Graduate Theological Union
Pentecostal Articulations of Feminist Theory

Lisa Stephenson, Lee University
An Emerging Pentecostal–Feminist Theological Anthropology: North America and Beyond

Pamela Holmes, Queen's School of Religion
Towards Useable Categories of "Women's Experiences" and "Power": A Canadian Pentecostal Feminist Considers the Work of Margaret Kamitsuka and Kwok Pui Lan

Responding:

Yolanda Pierce, Princeton University

A21-116

Gay Men and Religion Group and Lesbian–Feminist Issues and Religion Group

CC-3000

Yvonne Zimmerman, Methodist Theological School, Ohio, Presiding

Theme: *Queer Eclipses: The Future of Gendered Sexual Identities in the Study of Religion*

Thelathia Young, Emory University; Sara Rosenau, Drew University; and Robyn Henderson-Espinoza, University of Denver and Iliff School of Theology

Intersectional Bodies: Disrupting Queerness in Religious Discourse

John Howell, University of Chicago
Stonewalled: Orthodoxy, Heresy, and Rhetorical Violence in the Gay Generation Gap

E. L. Kornegay, Chicago Theological Seminary
Baldwin on Top: Towards a Heteroanomalous Queer Calculus

Responding:

Mary E. Hunt, Women's Alliance for Theology, Ethics, and Ritual
Patrick S. Cheng, Episcopal Divinity School

A21-117

Indigenous Religious Traditions Group and Roman Catholic Studies Group

IC-Union Square

Mary N. MacDonald, Le Moyne College, Presiding

Theme: *The Doctrine of Christian Discovery and Conversations with the Vatican*

Panelists:

Philip P. Arnold, Syracuse University

Steve Newcomb, Indigenous Law Institute

Chris Peters, Seventh Generation Fund for Indian Development

Theresa Reeder, Syracuse University

A21-118

Korean Religions Group

CC-2020

A. Charles Muller, University of Tokyo, Presiding

Theme: *Adaptation of Christianity to the Korean Context*

Debernieri Torrey, University of Utah

From Syncretism to Separation: The Changing Emphasis in Early Korean Catholic Literature

Lee-Ellen Strawn, Seoul Foreign School

Sharing the Anbang: Korean Bible Women and North American Women Missionaries, 1888–1930

Hee An Choi, Boston University

Korean Women and the Ambiguous Legacy of the Indigenization of Korean Protestantism

Heup Young Kim, Kang Nam University

Confucianism as Old Testaments: Confucian–Christian Relations in the Thought of Dasuk Yu Yŏng-mo

Kee Boem So, New York Presbyterian Theological Seminary
Mystical Union with God: A Dialogue between Yu Yŏng-mo and Jacques Derrida

Responding:

Seo Bomyung, Chicago Theological Seminary

Business Meeting:

Jin Y. Park, American University, and Timothy S. Lee, Brite Divinity School, Presiding

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A21-119



Mysticism Group

CC-2006

Charlotte Radler, Loyola Marymount University, Presiding

Theme: *Combining the Inner and Outer Worlds: Women's Uses of Tibetan Buddhist Mystical Practice for Dealing with Trauma*

Karma Lekshe Tsomo, University of San Diego
Knowing the Unknowable: Mystical Experience from a Tibetan Buddhist Perspective

Ruth Gamble, Australian National University
Healing Trauma's Faultlines: Gendered Approaches to the Use of Mysticism in Preparing for Natural Disasters

Amy Holmes-Tagchungdarpa, University of Alabama
Violent Visions of Enlightenment: Experiences of Wartime, Violent Trauma, and Mystical Healing in Tibetan Buddhist Women's Literature

Business Meeting:

Laura Weed, College of Saint Rose, Presiding

A21-120



New Religious Movements Group

IC-Grand Ballroom C

Jeremy Rapport, College of Wooster, Presiding

Theme: *Religious Appropriation of Secular Culture*

Darryl Victor Catherine, Le Moyne College
Haunted Ground: Nature's Nation from the American Metaphysical Perspective

Ann Duncan, Goucher College
Summer Camp and New Paradigms of Sacred Space in New Religious Movements

Bryan Barkley, University of Tennessee, Chattanooga, and C.A. Burriss, University of Tennessee, Chattanooga
From Hippie Crits an' Jesus Freaks to the Twelve Tribes: The Integration and Reinterpretation of Vietnam Era Pop-culture into a Fundamentalist Communitarian Movement's Ideology

Shannon Harvey, University of North Carolina
"Eat Your Way Back to the Godhead": Reducing Karma and Calorie-intake Using International Society for Krishna Consciousness Cookbooks

Martha Smith Roberts, University of California, Santa Barbara, and Jenna Gray-Hildenbrand, University of California, Santa Barbara
Hoop Spiritualities: The Hula-Hoop and Embodied Spiritual Practice

Business Meeting:

Marie W. Dallam, University of Oklahoma, Presiding

A21-121



Platonism and Neoplatonism Group

MM-Willow

Douglas Hedley, University of Cambridge, Presiding

Theme: *Plotinus and Islamic Platonism*

John Bussanich, University of New Mexico
Plotinus on Karma and Rebirth

Shatha Almutawa, University of Chicago
Religiophilosophical Narratives: Plato in Rasa'il Ikhwan Al-Safa

Samir Mahmoud, University of Cambridge
The Problem of the One and the Many: Ibn Arabi's Divine Names and Proclus's Henads

Martyn Smith, Lawrence University
Ibn Khaldun and Neoplatonic Views of the Soul

Business Meeting:

Douglas Hedley, University of Cambridge

John Peter Kenney, Saint Michael's College, Presiding

A21-122

Religion and Popular Culture Group and Childhood Studies and Religion Group

MM-Nob Hill A

Rabia Gregory, University of Missouri, Presiding

Theme: *Children and Popular Culture: Interreligious Perspectives*

Karen Derris, University of Redlands
Bedtime Story Buddhists: English Language Picturebooks and the Formation of Children's Buddhist Worldviews

Samira Mehta, Emory University
Seeking and Dwelling in Judy Blume's Are You There God? It's Me, Margaret (1970)

Maureen Walsh, Georgetown University
Material Witnesses: Manifesting the Unborn in the American Pro-life and Pregnancy Loss Support Movements

Todd Brenneman, University of Central Florida
"You are Special": Constructing Sentimental Children in Evangelical Popular Culture

Responding:

Vanessa Rebecca Sasson, Marianopolis College and McGill University

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A21-123**Religion in Latin America and the Caribbean Group and Religion and Migration Group**

CC-2007

Jorge A. Aquino, University of San Francisco, Presiding

Theme: *"Papers? We Don't Need No Stinkin' Papers!": Religious Activism in the Dark Age of Arizona's New Immigration Enforcement Regime*

Panelists:

Leah Sarat, Arizona State University

Norma A. Price, Samaritans, Tucson

Ilsup Ahn, North Park University

Responding:

John Fife, Southside Presbyterian Church, Tucson

Business Meeting:

Jorge A. Aquino, University of San Francisco, and Jennifer Scheper Hughes, University of California, Riverside, Presiding

A21-124**Religion, Film, and Visual Culture Group**

MM-Nob Hill B

Stefanie Knauss, Centro per le Scienze Religiose, Trento, Presiding

Theme: *Beyond Words: Diverse Modes of Film Analysis*Gerard Loughlin, Durham University
*Staying Put: Of Men and Their Gods*Kutter Callaway, Fuller Theological Seminary
*Film Music as "Echon": Religious Motifs in the Music of "There Will Be Blood"*Rebecca Moody, Syracuse University
*Sight Unseen: Seeing the Abject (Body) in The Syrian Bride*Spencer Dew, Iowa State University
*"It has Fallen Upon You to Finish What Began at Auschwitz": The Unborn, Holocaust Fictionalization, and the Responsibilities of Jewish Memory*Min-Ah Cho, Saint Catherine University
Poetics of the Body of Christ: Rethinking the Sacramental Nature of Writing in Light of Edward Schillebeeck's Sacramental Theology and Lee Chang-dong's Film Poetry

A21-125**Religions, Social Conflict, and Peace Group**

MM-Yerba Buena 15

Jon Pahl, Lutheran Theological Seminary, Philadelphia, Presiding

Theme: *Women, Gender, and Peacebuilding*Ellen Ott Marshall, Emory University
*Pacifism, Responsibility, and Feminist Peacebuilding*Annie Hardison-Moody, Emory University
*Beyond "Talk, Talk, Talk": Liberian Women's Everyday Practices of Peace*K. Christine Pae, Denison University
*Transnational Feminist Theoretical Reflection on Peacemaking: When Military Prostitution Matters*Audrey J. Krumbach, Reconciling Ministries Network
Believing Out Loud: Queer Narratives Transforming the United Methodist Church

Business Meeting:

Megan Shore, University of Western Ontario, and Jon Pahl, Lutheran Theological Seminary, Philadelphia, Presiding

A21-126**Scriptural Reasoning Group**

CC-3010

Steven D. Kepnes, Colgate University, Presiding

Theme: *Scriptural Reasoning, Evangelicalism, and Evangelical Theologies*Simeon Zahl, University of Cambridge
*The Pneumatology of Interfaith Text Study: A Johannine Perspective*Tom Greggs, University of Chester
*Peoples of the Covenants: Evangelical Theology and the Plurality of the Covenants in Scripture*Valerie C. Cooper, University of Virginia
*Between Revolution and Revelation: The Meaning of Scripture for African Americans*Mahan Mirza, Zaytuna College
Evangelicals Doing Islamic Theology: A New Trend in American Christianity

Business Meeting:

Rumee Ahmed, University of British Columbia, Presiding

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A21-127



Christian Zionism in Comparative Perspective Seminar

IC-Cathedral Hill

Robert O. Smith, Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, Presiding

Theme: *Christian Zionism, the Holy Land, and Identity Formation*

Elizabeth Phillips, Westcott House
Saying "Peace" When There is No Peace: An American Christian Zionist Congregation on Peace, Militarism, and Settlements

Sean Durbin, Macquarie University
"I Am an Israeli": Christian Zionism as American Redemption

Mae Cannon, University of California, Davis
Mischief-making in Palestine: American Protestant Perspectives about Israel and Palestine (1917–Today)

Curtis Hutt, University of Nebraska, Omaha, and University of the Holy Land, Jerusalem
Christian Zionist Pilgrimage in the Twenty-first Century: The "Holy" in the "Holy Land"

Aron Engberg, Lund University
Comforting the People? — Christian Zionist Volunteer Programs: Sociopolitical Implications for Society and for the Self

Responding:

Goran Gunner, Church of Sweden Research Unit

Business Meeting:

Robert O. Smith, Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, Presiding

A21-129



Body and Religion Group

MM-Yerba Buena 7

Rebecca Sachs Norris, Merrimack College, Presiding

Theme: *Somatospiritual Development: Matter, Symbol, Transformation*

Christine Demian-Boulos, University of South Florida
Constituting the Body and Gender in the Purusasukta and The Law Code of Manu

Dan Mathewson, Wofford College
Musled, Mean, and Sometimes Moral: Professional Wrestling and the Embodiment of Cultural–Ethical Tensions

Rhiannon Graybill, University of California, Berkeley
The Body as Medium: Moses and the Materiality of Prophecy

Edward Drott, University of Missouri
Buddhist Perspectives on the Aged Body in Japan

Carl Hughes, Emory University
"Touching" the "Glorified" Body, with Jean-Luc Nancy

Responding:

Richard M. Carp, Appalachian State University

Business Meeting:

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

A21-130



Cognitive Science of Religion Group

CC-2004

Edward Slingerland, University of British Columbia, Presiding

Theme: *Cognitive Perspectives on Religious History and Comparative Religion*

Jared Lindahl, Indiana University–Purdue University, Fort Wayne
Grounding the Comparative Study of Contemplative Paths in Experimental Cognitive Science

Travis Chilcott, Iowa State University
Using Comparative Methods for Investigating the Relationship between Religious Practices, Cognition, and Religious Experiences in Historical Contexts

Andrew Keitt, University of Alabama, Birmingham
Rethinking with Demons: Toward a Cognitive Approach to the Study of European Demonology

Business Meeting:

Ann Taves, University of California, Santa Barbara, Presiding

A21-131

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Contemplative Studies Group

MM-Pacific H

Fran Grace, University of Redlands, Presiding

Theme: *Contemplative Studies from a Participatory Perspective: Embodiment, Relatedness, and Creativity in Contemplative Inquiry*

Panelists:

Samuel Malkemus, California Institute of Integral Studies

Anne C. Klein, Rice University

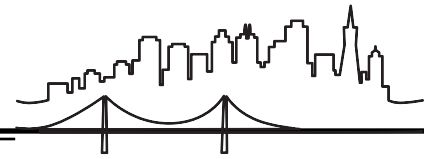
Beverly Lanzetta, University of New Mexico

Jorge Ferrer, California Institute of Integral Studies

Jacob Sherman, California Institute of Integral Studies

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A21-132

Death, Dying, and Beyond Group and Mormon Studies Group

MM-Yerba Buena 4

Lucy Bregman, Temple University, Presiding

Theme: *Death and Beyond in Mormon Tradition*

Airen Hall, Syracuse University
"When You're Here, We're Here": Encounters between the Living and the Dead at Latter-day Saint Pilgrimage Sites

John-Charles Duffy, University of North Carolina
The Cultural Logic of LDS Death-ritualization: Puzzles and Possibilities

Samuel Brown, University of Utah
Joseph Smith, Polygamy, and the Problem of the Levirate Widow

Sheila Taylor, Graduate Theological Union
Not the End of the Story: Theological Reflections on the Mormon Afterlife

Responding:

Alyson Prude, University of California, Santa Barbara

A21-133



Liberal Theologies Group

IC-Sutter

Ellen Umansky, Fairfield University, Presiding

Theme: *Post-Post-Liberalism: Constructive Proposals for Revitalizing Liberal Theologies and Liberal Institutions*

Michael Hogue, Meadville Lombard Theological School
Pragmatic Liberalizationist Public Theology

Shelli Poe, University of Virginia
Friedrich Schleiermacher and the United Church of Christ: Reformed, Liberal, Public

William Myatt, Loyola University, Chicago
The (Non)existence of Religious Rationality: David Tracy, "The Fragment", and Liberal Theological Discourse

Joshua Daniel, University of Chicago
Posture and Discourse: The Perfectionism of Liberalism in H. Richard Niebuhr

Responding:

Inese Radzins, Pacific School of Religion

Business Meeting:

Krista Duttonhaver, University of Notre Dame, and Daniel McKanan, Harvard University, Presiding

A21-134



Religion in Europe Group

IC-Intercontinental Ballroom A

Robert Alvis, Saint Meinrad School of Theology, Presiding

Theme: *Transcultural Perspectives on Religious Pluralism and Identity in Contemporary Europe*

Franz Winter, University of Vienna
New Religious Movements and the Limits of Religious Toleration: A Case Study in Two European Countries

Elisabeth Gerle, Church of Sweden and Uppsala University
Navigating between Neo-Nationalists and Neo-Atheists in Europe: A Challenge for the Future (Instrumentalization of Religion)

Kenneth B. E. Roxburgh, Samford University
Growth amidst Decline: Edinburgh's Churches and Scottish Culture, 1980-2010

Antonia Atanassova, Boston College
Faith for Hire: Introducing Religious Education in Post-Soviet Eastern Europe

Business Meeting:

Robert Alvis, Saint Meinrad School of Theology, and Andrii Krawchuk, University of Sudbury, Presiding

A21-135

Theology of Martin Luther King Jr. Group and the Howard Thurman Papers Project

MM-Yerba Buena 6

Walter Earl Fluker, Boston University, Presiding

Theme: *"What We May Learn From India": Howard and Sue Thurman, Martin Luther King Jr., and African American Civil Rights, 1936-1966*

Quinton H. Dixie, Indiana University-Purdue University
Visions of a Better World: Gandhian Ashrams and the Interracial Church Movement in the Interwar Period

Kai Jackson-Issa, Morehouse College
A Woman's Work is in the World: Sue Bailey Thurman and the Intercultural Workshop at the Church of the Fellowship of all Peoples

Peter Eisenstadt, Morehouse College
Blueprint for a Revolution: Martin Luther King Jr. and Jesus and the Disinherited

Responding:

Barbara D. Savage, University of Pennsylvania

Location Key:

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Monday, 9:00 am–11:30 am

A21-136



Edible Cityscapes — Religion, Justice, and Sustainable Food Culture Tour

Monday, 9:00 am–1:00 pm

Offsite—Meet at CC—Howard Street Exit

Sponsored by the Sustainability Task Force

This bus tour features leaders and community organizations working to bring fresh food to urban food deserts, to address global hunger and ecological degradation, and to educate children about gardening, cooking, and health. During site visits in Oakland and Berkeley, we will learn how committed community activists nourish a progressive, sustainable food culture in the East Bay Area, as well as contribute to international NGOs dealing with food security. The tour will include talks from and visits with local religious and secular leaders within these movements, who will share the specific religious and/or spiritual values and ethics that drive their sustainable food and policy activism.

Itinerary:

9:00 am–9:25 am

Drive from San Francisco to Oakland. Presentation from Renna Khuner-Haber, Bay Area Programs Associate of Hazon

9:30 am–10:15 am

Meet with Marilyn Borchardt, Development Director of Food First

10:30 am–11:15 am

Meet with Nikki Henderson, Executive Director of People's Grocery

11:30 am–12:30 pm

Meet with HuNia Bradley, Program Manager for Farm Fresh Choice, a program of the Ecology Center, and Wendy Johnson, Zen Buddhist teacher and master gardener involved with the College of Marin, Green Gulch Farm, and the Edible Schoolyard

12:30 pm–1:00 pm

Return to San Francisco to be dropped off at the Moscone Center or at the San Francisco Ferry Building for a sustainable lunch

*Participants who elect to have lunch will be responsible for their own transportation after lunch.

P21-100



Society for Hindu Christian Studies

HI-Golden Gate 1

Theme: *Yoga and Christianity*

Purushottama Bilimoria, Deakin and Melbourne and University of California, Berkeley, Presiding

Andrea R. Jain, Indiana University-Purdue University
Yogaphobia and Yoga Ownership: The Shared Fundamentalism of Christian and Hindu Criticisms of the Global Popularization of Yoga

Mark Singleton, St. John's College

Christian Influences in the Development of Modern Yoga

T. S. Rukmani, Concordia University

Isvara as Seen by Vijnanabhiksu

Gerald J. Larson, Indiana University

Yoga's Atheistic-Theism: An Interesting Contrast to the Triune God of Christianity

Harold Coward, University of Victoria

Christian Mysticism and Patanjali's Yoga Sutras I:41–51

Responding:

Graham M. Schweig, Christopher Newport University

Business meeting to follow.

A21-140



Student Lounge Roundtable

Monday, 10:00 am–11:00 am

MM-Pacific C

Kristy Slominski, University of California, Santa Barbara, and Amy Tiilikainen, Catholic University of America, Presiding

Theme: *Creating Syllabi Your Students Will (Really!) Use*

Sponsored by the Graduate Student Committee

A well-crafted syllabus can save a teacher time, increase student engagement, and decrease frustration for all, but how can you be sure your students will actually use your syllabus? At this roundtable discussion, you will learn how to transform your syllabus into a resource packet that helps students succeed in your course. Participants will view several syllabi and discuss the pros and cons of each design, and are encouraged to bring syllabi of their own to share.

M21-101



Open Door Productions

Monday, 11:30 am–1:00 pm

PW-Powell II

Theme: *Did Jehovah's Witnesses Really Save Gay Marriage?*

Documentary film screening, brown bag lunch and discussion (60 min. film, 30 min. Q&A with director)

See the award-winning PBS documentary *Knocking*.

Winner: Best Documentary USA Film Festival

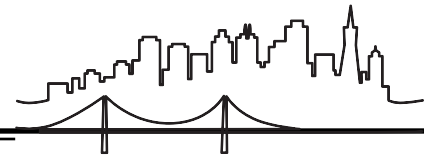
"Riveting and illuminating. Utterly surprising and moving."

— Anderson Cooper, CNN

At first glance, *Knocking* is about Jehovah's Witnesses, the door-to-door proselytizers we like to hide from. But there's a bigger story as the film asks whether they are a necessary annoyance in a free society. When a federal judge overturned California's ban on gay marriage, the key legal precedent he used was a case involving Jehovah's Witnesses. They've won a record 50 U. S. Supreme Court cases that helped define our constitutional rights.

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Knocking follows two families who wrestle with the contradictions of a controversial faith. How can moral conservatives expand freedom for others while restricting it for congregants? Why does a religion that refuses blood transfusions embrace the medical science of “bloodless” surgery? Should a group that objects to war fight for Hitler or choose the concentration camps? These unlikely and untold stories intersect in *Knocking* and draw striking parallels to the issues we face today.

M21-103

Society for Comparative Theology

Monday, 11:45 am–12:45 pm

HI-Continental Ballroom 2

This will be the second annual meeting of the Society for Comparative Theology. In addition to Sessional work, the Society will host presentations from scholars in Cohort One and Cohort Two of the AAR/Luce Summer Seminars in Theologies of Religious Pluralism and Comparative Theology. Topics will include comparative theological discussions of theologies of immigration and comparative theological approaches to apophysis. For more information, contact Loye Ashton at lashton@tougalo.edu.

M21-104

Journal for the Study of Judaism and its Supplements Board Meeting

Monday, 11:30 am–1:00 pm

MM-Pacific G

M21-105

Intercultural Interaction and Theologizing in Paul

Monday, 11:30 am–1:00 pm

HI-Continental Ballroom 3

Scholars interested in this developing area of interdisciplinary research are invited to participate in a consultation meeting and to share ideas to explore options for collaborative research projects and networks. For further information please contact Kathy Ehrensperger, University of Wales, Trinity Saint David, UK at k.ehrensperger@tsd.ac.uk.

A21-137

Plenary Panel

Monday, 11:45 am–12:45 pm

MM-Yerba Buena 9

Kwok Pui Lan, Episcopal Divinity School, Presiding

Theme: *Lifetime of Learning*



Katie Geneva Cannon

In this plenary, Katie Geneva Cannon, a trailblazer in womanist thought and ethics and Judith Plaskow, a pioneer in Jewish feminist theology and religious thought, will discuss lessons gleaned from learning of a lifetime. Cannon's books include *Black Womanist Ethics*, *Katie's Canon: Womanism and the Soul of the Black Community*, and *Teaching Preaching: Isaac Rufus and Black Sacred Rhetoric*. Plaskow is the author of *Sex, Sin and Grace: Women's Experience and the Theologies of Reinhold Niebuhr and Paul Tillich*, *Standing Again at Sinai: Judaism from a Feminist Perspective*, and *The Coming of Lilith: Essays on Feminism, Judaism, and Sexual Ethics 1972–2003*.



Judith Plaskow

Panelists:

Katie Geneva Cannon, Union Presbyterian Seminary

Judith Plaskow, Manhattan College

M21-106

Studies in Religion/Sciences Religieuses Editorial Board Meeting

Monday, 11:45 am–12:45 pm

HI-Continental Ballroom 7

A21-138

Program Committee Meeting

Monday, 11:45 am–12:45 pm

MM-AAR Suite

A21-139

Employment Services Advisory Committee Meeting

Monday, 11:45 am–12:45 pm

MM-Sierra D

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Monday, 9:00 am–11:30 am

P21-191



Christian Theological Research Fellowship

Monday, 12:00 pm–1:00 pm

HI-Golden Gate 1

Bernie A. Van De Walle, Ambrose University College, Presiding

Theme: Dictionary of Christian Spirituality

In honour of the recent release of the *Dictionary of Christian Spirituality*, (Zondervan 2011) the Christian Theological Research Fellowship is hosting a discussion on the topic, “Is there an Evangelical spirituality?” If there is, “What is it? What does it look like? What makes it distinctive? Is it legitimate?”

Panelists:

Glen G. Scorgie, Bethel University

Gordon T. Smith, Resource Leadership International

James D. Smith III, Bethel University

Responding:

Wendy M. Wright, Creighton University

M21-102

Tony Blair Faith Foundation

Monday, 12:00 pm–1:00 pm

HI-Golden Gate 2

Theme: *Religion and the Internet*

While globalisation is inexorably bringing the world closer together, the role of religion in shaping and informing a multitude of globalisation processes is becoming increasingly complex. The Tony Blair Faith Foundation’s “Faith and Globalization Initiative,” a partnership between Yale, McGill, Durham University, Tecnológico de Monterrey, Peking University, University of Western Australia, National University of Singapore, and University of Sierra Leone – Fourah Bay College, is committed to exploring a wide array of issues relating to this intersection through collaborative teaching, research and public events.

As the winds of political change are channeled through fiber-optic cables and wireless internet waves across North Africa and the Middle East, we are reminded once again of the remarkable paradigm shift ushered in by the internet.

This shift has impacted nearly every area of contemporary life, and religion is no exception.

A follow-up to a conference hosted by Durham University and the Tony Blair Faith Foundation called “Faith 2.0: Religion and the Internet,” this Theme will explore two of today’s most pressing questions: How has religion been impacted by information technology? How has the public sphere in turn been influenced by this interaction?

Monday, 1:00 pm–3:30 pm

A21-200



Special Topics Forum

CC-3016

Ben Sanders, Iliff School of Theology and University of Denver, and Kristy Slominski, University of California, Santa Barbara, Presiding

Theme: *Retooling for a New Job Market*

Sponsored by the Graduate Student Committee

In light of the economy’s impact on employment opportunities in religious studies, the Graduate Student Committee is dedicating this year’s Special Topics Forum to “Retooling for a New Job Market.” This event will consist of two parts. The first will feature a panel of recently hired professors, professors who have been active on search committees, and a representative from the nontraditional (i.e., nonprofessorial) job market.

The second part of this event will be a forum in which attendants will have the opportunity to engage in smaller, separate, roundtable conversations with the panelists. Each panelist will lead a conversation aimed at addressing particular issues, such as how to prepare for the on-campus interview, how to creatively present and market yourself, how to determine which type of teaching position is best for you, and how to negotiate once a job is offered. Please join us for what promises to be an important and informative time!

Panelists:

Timothy M. Renick, Georgia State University

Jeremy Posadas, Emory University

Jeffrey Kuan, Drew University

Eleanor J. Moody Shepherd, New York Theological Seminary

Brenda Bailey-Hainer, American Theological Library Association

A21-201



Wildcard Session

CC-2024

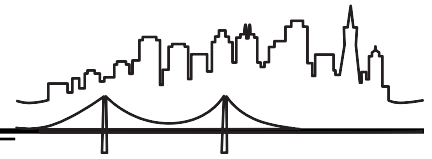
Graham M. Schweig, Christopher Newport University, Presiding

Theme: *What’s Wrong with Hindu Theology?*

Within the study of religion, specifically the comparative and history of religions disciplines, scholars have increasingly observed theological activity occurring in traditions other than those of Christianity and the Abrahamic faiths—perhaps primarily those of the Hindu Tradition. Since the earlier part of the last century, the word “theology” has been applied to traditions outside Christianity by Christian thinkers themselves.

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As the theologies of other traditions are examined within the AAR, here we too seek to begin a critical/constructive exploration of the structures and content of Hindu Theology. This panel seeks to examine how the term theology has been applied by scholars and practitioners; how it should and should not be applied, and the value to the field of Religious Studies and Comparative Theology of studying and understanding Hindu theology. This value lies in the new perspectives unlocked by Hindu theology with its very different theological approaches and categories.

Rita Sherma, University of Arizona

Does Hindu Theology Belong in the Religion Academy?

Gerald J. Larson, University of California, Santa Barbara, and Indiana University

Yoga's Atheistic-Theism: A Unique Answer to the Neverending Problem of God in Comparative Theology

Laurie Louise Patton, Duke University

Ritual Theologies of Hospitality: Possibilities for Collaboration in a Hindu Key

Francis X. Clooney, Harvard University

What's Right about "Hindu Theology"?

A21-202



Wildcard Session

CC-2022

Billie Jean Collins, Emory University, Presiding

Theme: *Gods and Monsters in the Ancient Mediterranean and Near Eastern Imagination*

Over the course of the last century, Biblical scholars, oral traditionalists, archeologists, and ancient historians increasingly have observed proof of ideological as well as material exchange among Greco-Roman, Anatolian, Mesopotamian and Levantine cultures. This panel is dedicated to exploring shared religious and mythological themes among these ancient civilizations around the Mediterranean Sea, extending as far east as Mesopotamia, as far west as Greece, and from Egypt in the south to Anatolia in the north. Gods and monsters are a particular focus, but the papers also address various artifacts of ancient Mediterranean religious imagination — art, archeology, poetry, prose, royal annals, law codes, ritual instructions, etc. — stemming from Bronze Age to late Roman civilizations. For future meetings we plan to include papers addressing comparative topics in later periods, such as the early Islamic period.

Margo Kitts, Hawaii Pacific University

Hearing the Chaotkampf in Iliad 21

Mary Bachvarova, Willamette University

Further Parallels in Greco-Anatolian Disappearing God Rituals: The Hittite Kurša Hunting Bag and the Dios Kōidion (Fleece of Zeus)

Robert Littman, University of Hawai'i

Syncretism and the Cult of Isis in the Greco-Roman World

Brian Doak, Harvard University

The Greek Gigantomachy and the Israelite Gigantomachy: Giants as Chaosmacht in Israel and the Iron Age Aegean

Carolina Lopez-Ruiz, Ohio State University

The God Aion in a Mosaic from Paphos and Helleno-Semitic Cosmogonies in the Roman East

A21-203

Arts, Literature, and Religion Section

IC-Nob Hill

Kelly J. Baker, University of Tennessee, Presiding

Theme: *Explorations of the Religious in Contemporary Art*

Ronald Bernier, Wentworth Institute of Technology

Screening God: Video, Viola, and the Theological Sublime

Leonora Onarheim, University of Oslo

Sites of Memory and Transcendence: Reflections on the Sculptures of Ruins by Anselm Kiefer

Emily S. Clark, Florida State University

New World, New Jerusalem, New Orleans: The Apocalyptic Art of Sister Gertrude Morgan

Brett Potter, Toronto School of Theology

Mystical Embrace: Barnett Newman, Primal Desire, and Apophysis

A21-204

Buddhism Section

MM-Yerba Buena 1

Charles D. Orzech, University of North Carolina, Greensboro, Presiding

Theme: *On the Margins of Buddhism in China*

Frederick Shih-Chung Chen, University of Oxford

Buddhist Passports to the Other World: A New Study on How Buddhists Appropriated the Concept of Bureaucratization in the Funeral Practice in Early Medieval Turfan

Warner Belanger, Georgia College and State University

State-Protection Buddhism in Khotan and Indic Mahāyāna Textual Practices in Central Asia in the Eighth–Tenth Centuries CE

Peter Faggen, Indiana University

Recentring the Sino-Tibetan Frontier: Power, Authority, and Conflict in the Gung ru Mkha ' 'gro ma Female Lineage Near Bla brang

Wu Hongyu, University of Pittsburgh

Sincerity, Morality, and Miracles in the Biographies of Good Women

Responding:

Luis O. Gomez, El Colegio de México and University of Michigan

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A21-205

Comparative Studies in Religion Section

MM-Sierra J

David Thomas, University of Birmingham, Presiding

Theme: *Other Peoples' Scriptures: The Use of Sacred Texts across Religious Boundaries*

Ilyse Morgenstein Fuerst, University of North Carolina
The Sufi Teachings of Krishna: Abd al-Rahman Chishti's Interpretive Translation of the Bhagavadgita

Nathan Hofer, University of Missouri
Scriptural Substitution as Political Strategy in a "Jewish Sufi" Text

Ryan Szpiech, University of Michigan
Of Scripture and of Script: Contextualizing the Hebrew Gospel Citations of Raymond Martini, O.P. (d. 1284)

Daniel Cheely, University of Pennsylvania
Whose Book is the Bible? Pasquier Quesnel's Reflexions Morales sur le Nouveau Testament (1687) in French and English, Catholic and Protestant

Responding:

David Vishanoff, University of Oklahoma

A21-206



Ethics Section

IC-Intercontinental Ballroom C

Stacey M. Floyd-Thomas, Vanderbilt University, Presiding

Theme: *Beyond the Pale: Reading Christian Ethics from the Margins*

Panelists:

Victor Anderson, Vanderbilt University
Andrea Smith, University of California, Riverside
Angela Sims, Saint Paul School of Theology
Miguel A. De La Torre, Iliff School of Theology

Responding:

Gary J. Dorrien, Columbia University and Union Theological Seminary

Business Meeting:

Miguel A. De La Torre, Iliff School of Theology, and Stacey M. Floyd-Thomas, Vanderbilt University, Presiding

A21-207



History of Christianity Section

MM-Pacific H

Virginia Burrus, Drew University, Presiding

Theme: *The Invention of Early Church History in Nineteenth Century America: Elizabeth Clark's Founding the Fathers: Early Church History and Protestant Professors in Nineteenth Century America (University of Pennsylvania Press, 2011)*

Panelists:

Derek Krueger, University of North Carolina, Greensboro
Elm Susanna K., University of California, Berkeley
Sheila Briggs, University of Southern California
Kathryn Lofton, Yale University
Leigh E. Schmidt, Harvard University

Responding:

Elizabeth A. Clark, Duke University

Business Meeting:

Daniel Joslyn-Siemiatkoski, Graduate Theological Union, and Nathan Rein, Ursinus College, Presiding

A21-208

North American Religions Section

CC-2009

Aaron Hahn Tapper, University of San Francisco, Presiding

Theme: *Muslims and Jews in America: Commonalities, Contentions, and Complexities*

Panelists:

Aysha Hidayatullah, University of San Francisco
Ebrahim Patel, Interfaith Youth Core
Michael Lerner, Beyt Tikkun Synagogue and *Tikkun Magazine*
Judith Plaskow, Manhattan College

Responding:

Reza Aslan, University of California, Riverside

A21-209



Religion in South Asia Section

MM-Yerba Buena 7

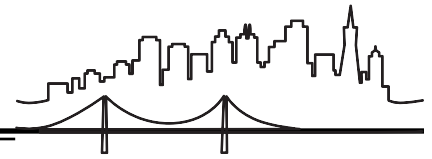
Peter Gottschalk, Wesleyan University, Presiding

Theme: *Law, Legislation, and Religious Formations in South Asian Nation-States*

Benjamin Schonthal, University of Chicago
Religious Rights at the End of Empire: Debates on Law and Religion in Late Colonial Sri Lanka

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Ginette Ishimatsu, University of Denver
The Judicialization of Hindu Temples in Tamil Nadu

James Ponniah Kulandai Raj, Jñana Deepa Vidyapeeth
Dreaming India and Being Indian

Kay K. Jordan, Radford University
Contemporary Sati Legislation: Changing the Hindu Ideal of Womanhood

Responding:

Robert Yelle, University of Memphis

A21-210

Study of Judaism Section

MM-Yerba Buena 10

Shaul Magid, Indiana University, Presiding

Theme: *Rethinking the Canon of Modern Jewish Thought*

Elias Sacks, Princeton University
Authority in Mendelssohn's Hebrew Works: Rethinking the Canon of Modern Jewish Thought

Samuel Brody, University of Chicago
God Against Messiah: Martin Buber's Anarchistic Theopolitical Inversion of Carl Schmitt

Yonatan Brafman, Columbia University
Religious Modernism in a Post-Newtonian World: Science and Religious Experience in Muhammad Iqbal and Joseph Soloveitchik

Gershon Greenberg, American University
Rethinking the Modern Jewish Philosophical Canon: A Response

A21-211



Teaching Religion Section

IC-Telegraph Hill

Eugene V. Gallagher, Connecticut College, Presiding

Theme: *Self, Other, and the Uses of Technology in the Religious Studies Classroom*

Kate McCarthy, California State University, Chico, and Patricia M. Lennon, California State University, Chico
New Media, Real World Research, and Student Engagement: Mapping Religious Diversity in the North State

Sue Rodelius Dickson, Ashland University
Muslim-Christian Dialogue: Using Technology to Connect Students Internationally and Interreligiously

Wakoh Shannon Hickey, Alfred University
www.Genealogy.com, Google Earth, and Grandma: Old and New Resources for Teaching American Religious History

Business Meeting:

Eugene V. Gallagher, Connecticut College, and Carolyn Medine, University of Georgia, Presiding

A21-212



Theology and Religious Reflection Section

CC-3010

Susan Abraham, Harvard University, Presiding

Theme: *Postcolonialism and Poststructuralism in the United States*

Panelists:

John C. Hawley, Santa Clara University

Nancy Bedford, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary

M. Gail Hamner, Syracuse University

Mark Lewis Taylor, Princeton University

A21-213

Women and Religion Section

CC-2001

Su Yon Pak, Union Theological Seminary, Presiding

Theme: *Virtues, Diets, and Rituals: Women's Interactions with Producing, Preparing, and Consuming Food*

Elizabeth Lee, Graduate Theological Union
The "Real Housewives" of Sustainable Food Choices

Stephanie May, Harvard University
A Feminist Who Bakes?: A Theoethical Discussion of Women, Food, and Paradise

Elizabeth Perez, Dartmouth College
Deities' Diets, Sexual Difference, and the Gendered Division of Ritual Labor in Afro-Cuban Lucumí

Jill DeTemple, Southern Methodist University
Culinary Capital: Food Production and Consumption in a Catholic Women's Development Cooperative

Responding:

Lynne Westfield, Drew University

A21-214



Bible, Theology, and Postmodernity Group

MM-Yerba Buena 13

Sharon V. Betcher, Vancouver School of Theology, Presiding

Theme: *Review/Discussion of Richard Kearney's Anatheism: Returning to God After God (Columbia University Press, 2009)*

Panelists:

Shelly Rambo, Boston University

John Thatamanil, Vanderbilt University

Edward Phillip Antonio, Iliff School of Theology

Tamsin Jones, Harvard University

Responding:

Richard Kearney, Boston College

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A21-215



Black Theology Group

CC-2020

Dianne Diakité, Emory University, Presiding

Theme: *Working the Spirits: Black Theology, the Holy Spirit, and Spirits in Dialogue*

Nixon Cleophas, Union Theological Seminary
Spirit the Liberator: Toward a Pneumatocentric Soteriology for Black Theology

Shonda Nicole Gladden, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary

Pneumatologically Speaking: Tongues, Dance, and Spirit Workings in Nineteenth and Twentieth Century African American Religious Experience

Kurt Buhning, Saint Mary's College
The Spirit of Resistance: Dwight N. Hopkins's Trinitarian Framework

Ben Cowan, Fuller Theological Seminary
The Role of the Spirit in the Life and Thought of William Seymour: Towards the Construction of a Black Christian Pneumatology in the Age of Globalization

Clifton Clarke, Regent University
Pan Africanism and Pentecostalism in Africa: Strange Bedfellows or Perfect Partners?

Business Meeting:

Anthony G. Reddie, Queens Theological Foundation, Presiding

A21-216



Confucian Traditions Group

CC-2005

Robert C. Neville, Boston University, Presiding

Theme: *Confucian Shame in Ancient and Modern Perspective*

Ryan Nichols, California State University, Fullerton
The Origins and Effects of Shame in Early Confucianism

Geoffrey Redmond, Center for Health Research
The Foreshadowing of the Confucian Ethical Concept of Chi (Shame) in the Zhouyi (Book of Changes) and Zuo Zhuan

Mark Berkson, Hamline University
A Confucian Perspective on Shame, Guilt, and the Self

Nathaniel Barrett, Institute for the Biocultural Study of Religion
Shame and the Confucian Community

Business Meeting:

Thomas A. Wilson, Hamilton College, Presiding

A21-217

Contemporary Islam Group and Liberal Theologies Group

IC-Sutter

Kambiz GhaneaBassiri, Reed College, Presiding

Theme: *Pious Publics/Critical Publics: Theologies of Self and State in Contemporary Islam*

Muhamad Ali, University of California, Riverside
"One and Many": Islam and Religious Pluralism in Contemporary Indonesia

Jon Armajani, College of Saint Benedict and Saint John's University

Mohammed Arkoun on Classic Islamic Reason and Applied Islamology: Analysis and Critique

Syed Rizwan Zamir, University of Virginia
Preaching Religious Reform and Reforming Religious Preaching: A Contemporary Shi'ite A'lim's Appropriation of the Karbala Paradigm

Kathleen Foody, University of North Carolina
Just Rulers and Critical Publics: Religious Leadership and Dissent in the Islamic Republic of Iran

Samaneh Oladi Ghadikolaei, University of California, Santa Barbara
Islamic Activism in Iran

Responding:

Zayn Kassam, Pomona College

A21-218



Contemporary Pagan Studies Group

MM-Nob Hill A

Shawn Arthur, Appalachian State University, Presiding

Theme: *Pagan Analysis and Critique of "Religion"*

Suzanne Owen, Leeds Trinity
Definitions, Decisions, and Druids: Presenting Druidry as a Religion

Christine Kraemer, Cherry Hill Seminary
Perceptions of Scholarship in Contemporary Paganism

Helen Berger, Brandeis University
Fifteen Years of Continuity and Change within the American Pagan Community

Caroline Tully, University of Melbourne
Researching the Past is a Foreign Country: Cognitive Dissonance as a Response by Practitioner Pagans to Academic Research on the History of Pagan Religions

Business Meeting:

Chas Clifton, Colorado State University, Pueblo, Presiding

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A21-219

Daoist Studies Group

MM-Yerba Buena 15

Gil Raz, Dartmouth College, Presiding

Theme: *Understanding Internal Alchemical (Neidan) Literature: Terminology, Pedagogy, and Rhetoric*

Clarke Hudson, University of Virginia
Meaning Events in Inner-chemical Writing

Sara Elaine Neswald, Mingchuan University
Why "Mind"? Exploring Concepts of "Mind" and "Reality" in Neidan

Stephen Eskildsen, University of Tennessee, Chattanooga
Wu Shouyang, Wu Zhenyang, and Liu Huayang: Their Interpretation and Criticism of Buddhism

Bede Bidlack, Saint Anselm College
Mountain and Map: A Graphic Example of Aesthetics in Alchemical Instruction

Responding:

Randall Nadeau, Trinity University

A21-221

Evangelical Theology Group and Religion and Sexuality Group

CC-2007

Amy DeRogatis, Michigan State University, Presiding

Theme: *Contemporary Evangelical Sexualities*

Erin E. Dufault-Hunter, Fuller Theological Seminary
"Porn Again": What Pornography Can Teach Christians about Good Sex

Sara Moslener, Augustana College
Saving Civilization: Sexual Purity and American Apocalypse

Emily Linthicum, University of California, Santa Barbara
AIDS and American Evangelicalism: Franklin Graham and the Reshaping of Evangelical Discourse on HIV/AIDS

Elizabeth Young Barstow, Harvard University
"You, Your Friend, and God": Dating as a Means of Developing Spiritual Maturity for Evangelical Young Adults

Responding:

R. Marie Griffith, Washington University, Saint Louis

A21-222



Men, Masculinities, and Religions Group

IC-Cathedral Hill

Garth Kasimu Baker-Fletcher, Texas College, Presiding

Theme: *Critical Theory and the Performance of Postmodern Masculinities*

Jon Coutts, University of Aberdeen
Relative Grit: The Reshaping of Gender and Honour in Film

Bernard Chris Dorsey, University of Chicago
Deity and Deviance: The Dissonance of Black Male Sexuality

Kelly Denton-Borhaug, Moravian College
War, Moral Injury, and the Construction of Masculinity

Young Woon Ko, Lorain County Community College
Masculinity and Confucianism in East Asian Society

Responding:

Amanullah De Soudy, University of Miami

Business Meeting:

Robert A. Atkins, Grace United Methodist Church, Naperville, IL, Presiding

A21-223



Native Traditions in the Americas Group

CC-2006

Natalie Avalos Cisneros, University of California, Santa Barbara, Presiding

Theme: *Resilience and Revitalization in Indigenous California*

Cutchá Risling Baldy, University of California, Davis
Xoc-itch'iswbalte (They Will Beat Time with Sticks Over Her): The Hupa Flower Dance Ceremony and Elements of Spirituality in Song

Melissa Leal, University of California, Davis
Asumpa (To Flow): Native American Language and Cultural Revitalization through Hip-Hop

Dennis Kelley, University of Missouri
Religion, American Indians, and Ecocriticism: Conceptualizing Indigenous Spirituality through Environmental Activism

Responding:

Chris Peters, Seventh Generation Fund for Indian Development

Ines M. Talamantez, University of California, Santa Barbara

Business Meeting:

Mary Churchill, Sonoma State University, and Michael Zogry, University of Kansas, Presiding

A21-224



Pragmatism and Empiricism in American Religious Thought Group

MM-Yerba Buena 6

Michael Hogue, Meadville Lombard Theological School, Presiding

Theme: *Pragmatism, Sexism, and the Environment*

Nathaniel Van Yperen, Princeton University
Pragmatic, Just, and Theological: Religious Reflection and Environmental Pragmatism

Ernest Rubinstein, Drew University
Does Sexism Meet its Match in the Paranormal?: Contrasting Evidence from William and Henry James

Sarah Fredericks, University of North Texas
Adaptable Ethical Ideals: Learning from Pragmatism

Business Meeting:

Eddie S. Glaude, Princeton University, Presiding

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A21-225

Reformed Theology and History Group and Martin Luther and Global Lutheran Traditions Group

CC-3008

Martha L. Moore-Keisha, Columbia Theological Seminary, Presiding

Theme: *Transformative Feminist and Womanist Trajectories in the Traditions of John Calvin and Martin Luther*

Panelists:

Mary J. Streufert, Evangelical Lutheran Church in America
Kristine A. Culp, University of Chicago
Mary McClintock Fulkerson, Duke University
Beverly Wallace, Evangelical Lutheran Church in America
Kathryn Kleinhans, Wartburg College
Cynthia Rigby, Austin Theological Seminary

A21-226

Religion, Film, and Visual Culture Group

IC-Grand Ballroom C

Jeanette Reedy Solano, California State University, Fullerton, Presiding

Theme: *Burning through the Celluloid Ceiling: Women Directors Discuss Challenges and Spirituality in Filmmaking*

Panelists:

Rosemary Rawcliffe, www.frameofmindfilms.com
Saraswati Clere, www.yogawoman.tv/home
Tiffany Shlain, www.tiffanyshlain.com/

Business Meeting:

John Lyden, Grand View University

A21-227

Religion, Holocaust, and Genocide Group

CC-2003

Gilya Gerda Schmidt, University of Tennessee, Presiding

Theme: *Ethics and the Limits of Holocaust Representation*

Mehnaz Afridi, Manhattan College
Shoah through Muslim Eyes: Jewish and Islamic Intersections
Jennifer L. Geddes, University of Virginia
Hannah Arendt and Sarah Kofman on the Ethics of Scholarly Representations of the Holocaust
Jill Petersen Adams, Syracuse University
Speaking the Unspeakable: Holocaust Witness and Testimony as Irreconcilable Mourning

Responding:

Liora Gubkin, California State University, Bakersfield

Business Meeting:

Sarah K. Pinnock, Trinity University, Presiding

A21-228



Science, Technology, and Religion Group

IC-Grand Ballroom B

Greg Peterson, South Dakota State University, Presiding

Theme: *The New Routledge Companion to Religion and Science (2011): Dialogue and Pluralism in the Twenty-first Century*

Panelists:

Laurie Zoloth, Northwestern University
Michael L. Spezio, Scripps College
Stephen Kaplan, Manhattan College
Francisca Cho, Georgetown University
Ahmed Ragab, Harvard University
James Haag, Suffolk University

Business Meeting:

James Haag, Suffolk University, Presiding

A21-229

Tantric Studies Group and Tibetan and Himalayan Religions Group

IC-Intercontinental Ballroom A

Richard K. Payne, Graduate Theological Union, Presiding

Theme: *Ritual, Time, and Magic Wheels: Studies in Indian and Tibetan Tantra*

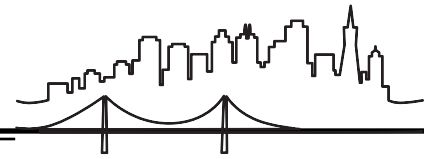
Ronald M. Davidson, Fairfield University
Early Buddhist Tantras and the Smārta Quotidian Manuals
Lewis Doney, University of London
Buddhist Time and Tantra in Early Tibetan Historiography

Manuel Lopez, University of Virginia
The Light at the End of the Tunnel: Buddhism During Tibet's Dark Age

Eric Fry-Miller, Indiana University
Dreaming of Magic Wheels, Flames, and Bliss: Understanding the Transformation of Candali Practice in the Drigung Kagyu

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A21-230

Theology and Continental Philosophy Group and Animals and Religion Group

MM-Nob Hill C

Stephen H. Webb, Wabash College, Presiding

Theme: *Religious Philosophy and Animal Death*

Dawne McCance, University of Manitoba
Passivity

Donald L. Turner, Nashville State Community College
Bataille's Theology and Animal Death

A. R. Bjerke, University of California, Santa Barbara
Animal Trials and the Operation of Law unto Death

Heidi Marx-Wolf, University of California, Santa Barbara
Porphyry and Animals: Spiritual Continuism or Metaphysical Separationism?

Responding:

Thomas A. Carlson, University of California, Santa Barbara

A21-231



International Development and Religion Group

CC-2002

Mary Baich, University of Wisconsin, Presiding

Theme: *Making Visible the Invisible: Religious Health Assets for Strengthening Health Systems*

Panelists:

James R. Cochrane, University of Cape Town

Gary Gunderson, Methodist Le Bonheur Healthcare

Ted Karpf, Boston University

Jill Olivier, University of Cape Town

Responding:

Katherine Marshall, Georgetown University

Business Meeting:

Nathan R. B. Loewen, Vanier College, Presiding

A21-232



North American Hinduism Group and Yoga in Theory and Practice Group

MM-Yerba Buena 5

Jeffery D. Long, Elizabethtown College, Presiding

Theme: *Mother India Meets the Golden State: California Gurus and West Coast Yoga*

Panelists:

F. X. Charet, Goddard College

Philip Goldberg, Spiritual Wellness and Healing Associates

DonnaLee Dox, Texas A & M University

Ann Gleig, Millsaps College

Lola L. Williamson, Millsaps College

Responding:

Stefanie Syman, Brooklyn, NY

A21-233



Religion and Migration Group

IC-Union Square

Jennifer B. Saunders, Stamford, CT, Presiding

Theme: *Sacred Worlds in Motion: A Roundtable Discussion of Religion and Stephen Castles's and Mark J. Miller's The Age of Migration* (Guilford Press, 4th ed., 2009)

Panelists:

Joanne Punzo Waghorne, Syracuse University

Manuel A. Vasquez, University of Florida

Susanna Snyder, Episcopal Divinity School

Michelle Tooley, Berea College

Business Meeting:

Marie Marquardt, Agnes Scott College

A21-234



Religion Education in Public Schools: International Perspectives Group

CC-2004

Bruce Grelle, California State University, Chico, Presiding

Theme: *Theory and Politics of Religion Education in Public Schools*

Bronwyn Roantree, Harvard University

Religion and Public Education in Postcolonial Tunisia: Histories and Opportunities

Daniel Cervan Gil, Saint Paul University

Religion in Education: A Contributing Factor to Polarization or Dialogue in the Socialization Process of Lebanese Youth? Insights from the Northern Irish Experience

Marilyn Naidoo, University of South Africa

Citizenship Education, Religion Education, and Religious Identity in Public Schooling in South Africa

Mark Sedgwick, University of Aarhus

The Construction of Islam in Danish Public Schools

Kaira Schachter, University of Colorado

Towards a More Democratic Pedagogy: A Pragmatic Approach to Religious Studies in American Public Education

Business Meeting:

Tim Jensen, University of Southern Denmark, Presiding

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A21-238



Special Topics Forum

MM-Yerba Buena 9

David Kyuman Kim, Connecticut College, Presiding

Theme: *Public Understanding and Education on Religion Roundtable*

Sponsored by the Public Understanding of Religion Committee
At the core of the AAR's mission is a commitment to engage the public on questions of religion, theological education, and civic life. These engagements take the form of education, broadly construed, including higher education but also critical considerations of issues of public policy, religious literacy, public education, civil society, international relations, and other pressing concerns. The AAR also understands that there is not one "public" to which it is responsible and accountable but rather multiple publics: AAR members; faculty and independent scholars; students; the reading public (news, trade publications, blogs); members of religious communities and their leaderships; and other academic disciplines. The AAR seeks to fulfill this mission of public engagement fully understanding that its members work in many spheres well outside of the academy. Just as a professional society we seek to be accountable to multiple publics, the AAR also views public engagement as "education," meaning teaching publics outside of the academy, including students of all ages, disciplines other than religious studies and theology, the press, policy makers, educators, and so on. Consider just one example: the students that many members of the AAR teach are not graduate students but rather undergraduates who will neither major in religious studies nor go on to graduate studies.

This roundtable brings together scholars, public intellectuals, and other thoughtful interlocutors of publics on issues of religion and theological education. The design of the session is a dialogue — in fact, the roundtable will mark the beginning of an ongoing conversation that the AAR has committed to taking up over the coming years as it comes to more fully appreciate its changing identity and constituencies as a learned society.

Panelists:

Craig Calhoun, Social Science Research Council and New York University

John R. Fitzmier, American Academy of Religion

Ada Maria Isasi-Diaz, Drew University

Ebrahim E. I. Moosa, Duke University

Krista Tippett, *Being*, American Public Media

A21-235



Religion in Europe Group and Sociology of Religion Group
CC-3009

Andrii Krawchuk, University of Sudbury, Presiding

Theme: *Panel Discussion of Phil Zuckerman's Society without God: What the Least Religious Nations Can Tell Us About Contentment (New York University Press, 2008)*

Panelists:

Grace Davie, University of Exeter

Titus Hjelm, University College London

Yucel Demirel, Kocaeli University

Responding:

Phil Zuckerman, Pitzer College

A21-236



Religion in Europe and the Mediterranean World, 500–1650 CE Group

MM-Yerba Buena 3

Constance Furey, Indiana University, Presiding

Theme: *Mapping Medieval Boundaries: Textual, Physical, and Institutional*

Katie Bugyis, University of Notre Dame

The Anachronistic Crone: Margery Kempe and the Hands that (Re/Un)Wrote Her Theology of History

Hartley Lachter, Muhlenberg College

Kabbalah for the Masses: Reconsidering the Elitism of Medieval Jewish Mysticism

Sherri Johnson, University of California, Riverside

From Dominican to Benedictine, from Benedictine to Dominican: Religious Women and Reform in Late Medieval Italy

Thomas Barton, University of San Diego

Core and Periphery in Christendom: The Malleability of Diocesan Formation

Responding:

Martha Newman, University of Texas

Business Meeting:

Constance Furey, Indiana University, Presiding

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A21-237



Sacred and Religious Sites of San Francisco Tour

Monday, 1:00 pm–5:00 pm

Offsite-Meet at CC-Howard Street Exit

Jeanne Halgren Kilde, University of Minnesota, and David Bains, Samford University, and Jonathan H. X. Lee, San Francisco State University, and Quincy Newell, University of Wyoming, Presiding

The tour will visit a number of sites that reflect the religious diversity of San Francisco. We will travel by bus to First Chinese Baptist Church — organized in 1880 — a multigenerational bilingual bicultural church.

We will then walk through Chinatown, stopping at two temples dedicated to the Empress of Heaven, Goddess of the Sea: 1) Tin Hou Temple, established in 1852, which is popular among Buddhist-Daoist Chinese/Chinese Americans; and 2) Ma-tsu Temple, founded in 1986, which is based on a Taiwanese/Taiwanese American representation of the goddess that informs different ritual traditions.

We will then reboard the bus for Misión San Francisco de Asís (better known as Mission Dolores), constructed in 1791 as a Franciscan mission intended to convert the native communities in the Bay Area. Today this Roman Catholic parish complex also includes a cemetery and basilica — completed in 1918. If time permits, we may explore one or two more sites in the Mission Dolores area.

P21-210



Christian Theological Research Fellowship

MM-Walnut

Bill T. Arnold, Asbury Theological Seminary, Presiding

Theme: *Review of Joel Green, ed., The Dictionary on Scripture and Ethics (Baker, 2011)*

Panelists:

Willie James Jennings, Duke University

Nicholas Perrin, Wheaton College

Allen Verhey, Duke University

Jacqueline E. Lapsley, Princeton Theological Seminary

Rebekah Miles, Southern Methodist University

P21-227

Journal of Feminist Studies in Religion

MM-Willow

Susanne Scholz, Southern Methodist University, and Dora Mbuwayesango, Hood Theological Seminary, Presiding

Theme: *Gender, Economics, and Context: Investigations in Biblical Studies Part II*

This panel explores the politics, histories, and rhetorics on gender and economics as produced in biblical studies. It aims to open up conversations among a wide range of feminist scholars from manifold contexts who are interested in dismantling structures of domination and exploitation in the past and present.

Panelists:

Jennifer Bird, Greensboro College

Stephanie Crowder, Belmont University

Cornelia Wunsch, University of London

Steven Friesen, University of Texas

Avaren Ipsen, Carleton College

Catherine Murphy, Santa Clara University

Responding:

Joerg Rieger, Southern Methodist University

P21-291

Society for Pentecostal Studies

MM-Golden Gate C2

Kenneth Archer, Pentecostal Theological Seminary, Presiding

Theme: *Prophecy and Apocalyptic in the New Testament*

Roger Stronstad, Summit Pacific College

The Prophethood of All Believers: Three Voices, One Message

Robby Waddell, Southeastern University

Choose Your Own Adventure: A Fresh Look at the Structure of the Book of Revelation

Melissa Archer, Pentecostal Theological Seminary

Worship in the Apocalypse: A Narrative Pentecostal Reading

Monday, 4:00 pm–6:30 pm

A21-300



Special Topics Forum

MM-Yerba Buena 9

Sarah M. Pike, California State University, Chico, Presiding

Theme: *Who Speaks for Us?: Responses to Representations of Islam and Christianity in America*

Sponsored by the Public Understanding of Religion Committee and the Religion, Media, and Culture Group

How do American Muslims and American Christians think about the challenges of public representation in journalism and entertainment media? Do Christian and Muslim leaders have different understandings of the place of religion in the public sphere? How do they judge the way their faith is portrayed in news and entertainment media? Are they passive in the face of these portrayals, or do they have deliberate media strategies to shape the way they are portrayed? Researchers raised these and related questions in a series of focus groups in a major Western city that gathered Muslim and Christian leaders, women, activists, social-media entrepreneurs, and young people. In this session they discuss the implications of their findings with practicing journalists.

Panelists:

Stewart M. Hoover, University of Colorado

Jeffrey H. Mahan, Iliff School of Theology

Nabil Echchaibi, University of Colorado

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Monday, 4:00 pm–6:30 pm

A21-301



Women's Lounge Roundtable

MM-Pacific B

Theme: *Women and Difference*

Sponsored by the Status of Women in the Profession Committee and the Women's Caucus

Join us for an informal discussion session for sharing experiences of hostility within an academic or religious institution due to racial, religious, sexual, or ethnic difference; including constructive proposals for dealing with such experiences and healing relationships among women along such lines of difference.

A21-302



Wildcard Session

IC-Union Square

Margaret Benefiel, Andover Newton Theological School, Presiding

Theme: *Quakerism beyond Borders: Community and Harmony in the Lives of Friends*

Diverse in focus and approach, these four papers are unified in their attempt to better understand the lived religion of Quakerism as expressed in the themes of harmony and community. Jon Kershner and Hayley Rose Glaholt discuss the theological concept of harmony as shaped by two limited historical moments in the eighteenth and nineteenth centuries. Focusing on John Woolman's apocalyptic rhetoric (Kershner) and Victorian Friends' conceptualizations of inter-species pacifism (Glaholt), this first set of papers explores Quaker visions of the "peaceable kingdom." The second set of papers addresses the creation and expansion of Quaker community in Britain and Burundi. Using the work of twentieth century Quaker theologian Maurice Creasey, Dr. David Johns analyzes this theologians understanding of ecumenism.

Lastly, Elizabeth Todd focuses on the "catechism of Friends" as a means of revealing the process of identity formation among Burundi Quakers during the American Friends' Mission to Burundi (1934-1949).

Jon Kershner, University of Birmingham

"The Lamb's War" or "the Peaceable Government of Christ"?: John Woolman (1720–1772) and Quaker Apocalypses

Hayley Glaholt, Northwestern University

The Intersection of Quakerism and "the Animal": Moral Debates on Virtue, Healing, and the Definition of Violence

David L. Johns, Earlham School of Religion

Beyond Quaker Self-referentiality: Maurice Creasey's Vision of Ecumenism

D. Elizabeth Todd, University of Birmingham

Teachings for a Crowd of Friends: The Catechism of the Burundi Friends Church

Responding:

Stephen Ward Angell, Earlham School of Religion

A21-303

American Religion in the Age of AIDS

CC-2004

Randall Miller, Evelyn and Walter Haas Jr. Fund and Pacific School of Religion, Presiding

Sponsored by the Arts, Literature and Religion Section; North American Religions Section; Religions, Social Conflict and Peace Group; Queer Studies and Religion Consultation; and Religion and Sexuality Consultation

The year 2011 marks the thirtieth anniversary since the first cases of AIDS were discovered. While researchers have documented biomedical constructions of the disease, this panel refocuses on the question of religion in response to the epidemic. While religious leaders on the right have decried AIDS as God's wrath, many religious Americans have confronted the epidemic head-on, discussing the ramifications of sexual morality for AIDS education, calling for pastoral care, and organizing for a cure. But the role of religious rhetoric and religious actors in the epidemic's unfolding is often obscured or overly simplified.

By both illustrating the complicated roles that American religion has played in public life and detailing lived religious responses to this crisis, this panel shifts attention away from facile "culture wars" dichotomies, uncovering a broader range of public debates and religious practices that Americans have engaged in related to HIV/AIDS and the concomitant issues of sexuality, health, and morality.

Lynne Gerber, University of California, Berkeley

"Is Everyone Healed but Me?": AIDS at Thirty in a Queer San Francisco Church

Ezer Kang, Wheaton College

Ethnic Churches, Chinese Immigrants, and HIV in New York City: Inconvenient but Necessary Bedfellows

Debra Levine, New York University

The Four Questions and the Disintegrating Glue of Community

Amy Koehlinger, Florida State University

Passionate Play: Catholicism and Damien Ministries

Anthony Petro, New York University

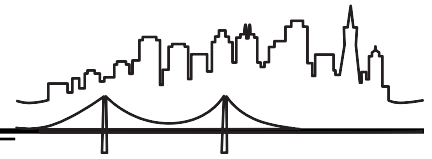
After the Wrath of God: American Christians and the Biopolitics of AIDS

Responding:

Mark Jordan, Harvard University

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A21-304

Christian Systematic Theology Section

CC-3001

James J. Buckley, Loyola College, Presiding

Theme: *Christology and the Undomesticated God: William C. Placher and Contemporary Theology*

Panelists:

Nadine S. Pence, Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion

Ronald F. Thiemann, Harvard University

Matthew Rose, Villanova University

Amy Plantinga Pauw, Louisville Presbyterian Theological Seminary

Responding:

William J. Werpehowski, Villanova University

A21-305

Comparative Studies in Religion Section

IC-Nob Hill

Christopher Patrick Parr, Webster University, Presiding

Theme: *Noncanonical/Nationalist Reinventions of Religions' Narratives of Origins*

Panelists:

Brian P. Bennett, Niagara University

Tiffany Hacker, National University, Singapore

Paul Morris, University of Wellington

Ni Zhange, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University

Franz Winter, University of Vienna

Responding:

Alexander van der Haven, Webster University

A21-306

Ethics Section

IC-Intercontinental Ballroom C

Todd Penner, Austin College, Presiding

Theme: *The Persistence of the Prophetic: Honoring and Engaging the Work of Marc Ellis*

Panelists:

Sharon D. Welch, Meadville Lombard Theological School

Rosemary R. Ruether, Claremont Graduate University

Cornel West, Princeton University

Stacey M. Floyd-Thomas, Vanderbilt University

Gary J. Dorrien, Columbia University and Union Theological Seminary

Richard Lichtman, Wright Institute, Berkeley, CA

Davina C. Lopez, Eckerd College

Responding:

Marc H. Ellis, Baylor University

A21-307

History of Christianity Section

MM-Pacific H

Kathleen M. Self, Saint Lawrence University, Presiding

Theme: *Interreligious Conflict in the History of Christianity: Premodern Examples*

Beringia Zen, Graduate Theological Union

Christian Mother, Jewish Traitor: The Disintegrating Body in the Life of William of Norwich

Philippa Townsend, Ursinus College

Christian Kinship and Blood Sacrifice in the Roman Empire

Joel Dowling Soka, Ohio State University

Silencing Artemis: The Conflict between Artemis and Theodore in the Life of Theodore of Sykeon

Todd Berzon, Columbia University

The Double Bind of Christianity's Judaism: Law and Polemic in the Fourth Century

Bradley Hendricks, Pennsylvania State University

Competitive Religious Honor in the Late Antique Mediterranean

A21-308



Philosophy of Religion Section

MM-Yerba Buena 5

Ryan Coyne, University of Chicago, Presiding

Theme: *Affect, Passion, and Rationality*

Liane Carlson, Columbia University

Critical Love: Nietzsche, Love, and the Will to Truth

Abigail Kluchin, Columbia University

Rigorous Unintelligibility: Irigaray on Freud, Affect, and "Styles" of the Unconscious

Jenna Tiitsman, Auburn Media and University of North Carolina

Affective Investment: Accounting for Difference in a Politics without Identity

Business Meeting:

Ludger Viefhues-Bailey, Le Moyne College, and Michael Rea, University of Notre Dame, Presiding

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A21-309

Religion and the Social Sciences Section and Practical Theology Group

MM-Yerba Buena 13

Kelly Bulkeley, Graduate Theological Union, Presiding

Theme: *Ethnography and Theology*

Annie Hardison-Moody, Emory University
At the Boundary of Research and Care: Toward a Feminist Practical Theological Research Agenda

Jan Holton, Yale University
How are You Blessed by God? Negotiating the Fluid Boundaries of Pastoral Theological Ethnography in Post-conflict Zones

Eileen Campbell-Reed, Luther Seminary, and Christian A. B. Scharen, Luther Seminary
Ethnography On Holy Ground: Practical Theology, Shared Silence, and Qualitative Interviewing

Eu Kit Lim, Iliff School of Theology and University of Denver
"Critics and Caretakers": Critiquing and Complementing Russell McCutcheon in Qualitative Approaches to the Study of Religion

Responding:

John Swinton, University of Aberdeen

A21-310

Religion in South Asia Section and Hinduism Group

MM-Yerba Buena 7

David Haberman, Indiana University, Presiding

Theme: *Mughal Bhakti: Devotees, Sufis, Yogis, and Literati in Early Modern North India*

Heidi R.M. Pauwels, University of Washington
When a Sufi Tells About Krishna's Doom

Patton Burchett, Columbia University
Bitten By the Snake of Love: Jogis, Tantra, and Mantra in the Poetry of the Bhakti Saints

Tony Stewart, North Carolina State University
Vaiṣṇava Narrative–Sufi Counternarrative in the Age of Decline

Carl W. Ernst, University of North Carolina
Indian Lovers in Arabic and Persian Guise: Azad Bilgrami's Depiction of Nayikas

Responding:

John S. Hawley, Columbia University

A21-311

Study of Islam Section

CC-2020

Vernon James Schubel, Kenyon College, Presiding

Theme: *The Matter of Bodies in Shi'i Religious Discourse and Practice*

Faegheh Shirazi, University of Texas
Women's Bodies and Sexuality: A View from the Iranian Shi'i Perspective

Elizabeth Bucar, University of North Carolina, Greensboro
Making Transsexuals in Tehran: Discourses, Performances, and the Ontology of Gender

Edith Szanto, University of Toronto
Healing Shi'i Bodies: Cupping, Flagellation, and Sainly Intercession in Contemporary Syria

Karen G. Ruffle, University of Toronto
Bodies of Pleasure: The Self-sacrificing Body in Shi'i Islam

Responding:

Janet Afary, University of California, Santa Barbara

A21-312

Study of Judaism Section

MM-Yerba Buena 10

Gary H. Gilbert, Claremont McKenna College, Presiding

Theme: *Agamben's Judaism*

Zdravko Planinc, McMaster University
Saving Levi from Agamben's Remnant

Oona Eisenstadt, Pomona College
Judaism as Trope: A Rereading of Agamben's "Potentialities"

Jeffrey Bernstein, College of the Holy Cross
The Paradoxical Transmission of Tradition: Agamben's Potential Reading of the Rishonim

Responding:

David Kangas, Graduate Theological Union

A21-313

Teaching Religion Section

IC-Telegraph Hill

Stephen Prothero, Boston University, Presiding

Theme: *Teaching Interreligious Engagement?: Exploring Models for Teaching Religion in Light of Religious Diversity*

Panelists:

Laurie Louise Patton, Emory University

Bobbi Patterson, Emory University

John Thatamanil, Vanderbilt University

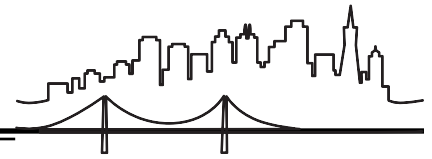
Najeeba Syeed-Miller, Claremont School of Theology

Responding:

Ebrahim Patel, Interfaith Youth Core

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Women and Religion Section and International Development and Religion Group

CC-2009

Nathan R. B. Loewen, Vanier College, Presiding

Theme: *The Engagement of International Development with Religion: Promoting or Inhibiting Women's Rights?*

Emma Tomalin, University of Leeds
International Development Engages with Religion: Positive or Negative Outcomes for Women?

Nida Yasmeen Kirmani, University of Birmingham
To Be or Not to Be "Islamic Feminist": Comparing the Strategies of Muslim Women's Rights Activists in India and Pakistan

Tamsin Bradley, London Metropolitan University
Negotiating with the Sacred: Spirituality, Religion, and Politics in the work of the Tibetan Buddhist Women's Association in Dharamsala

Martin Rew, University of Birmingham
Education for the Poor?: Gender, Class, and Educational FBOs in India

Zara Bhatewara, London Metropolitan University
Strategic Fundamentalism: Connections between Poverty, Gender, and Hindu Nationalism in an Indian Slum

A21-315

Asian North American Religion, Culture, and Society Group

MM-Nob Hill A

Devin Singh, Yale University, Presiding

Theme: *Coming Home: LGBTQ Asian Americans and Religious Communities*

Panelists:

Michael Sepidoza Campos, Graduate Theological Union
Elizabeth Leung, Pacific School of Religion
Gina Masequesmay, California State University, Northridge
Su Yon Pak, Union Theological Seminary

Responding:

Patrick S. Cheng, Episcopal Divinity School

A21-316

Buddhist Critical–Constructive Reflection Group and Womanist Approaches to Religion and Society Group

CC-3012

Dennis Hirota, Ryukoku University, Presiding

Theme: *Buddhist Resources for Womanist Reflection*

Panelists:

Melanie L. Harris, Texas Christian University
Jennifer S. Leath, Yale University
Carolyn Medine, University of Georgia
Charles Hallisey, Harvard University

Responding:

John Makransky, Boston College

A21-317

Chinese Religions Group

IC-Intercontinental Ballroom A

Chun-Fang Yu, Columbia University, Presiding

Theme: *Publishing Religion, Negotiating the Party-State: New Perspectives on Religion in Modern China*

Panelists:

J. Brooks Jessup, University of Minnesota, Morris
Paul Mariani, Santa Clara University
Joseph Tse-Hei Lee, Pace University
David Ownby, Université de Montréal
Rostislav Berezkin, Academia Sinica
Gregory Scott, Columbia University
Paul Katz, Academia Sinica
Philip Clart, University of Leipzig
George Kam Wah Mak, Hong Kong Baptist University

Responding:

Rebecca Nedostup, Boston College

A21-318

Christian Spirituality Group and Latina/o Religion, Culture, and Society Group

CC-2010

Timothy M. Matovina, University of Notre Dame, Presiding

Theme: *"Reconfigurando Contemporary Spirituality": The Contribution of Latino/a and Hispanic Cultures*

Panelists:

Gilberto Cavazos-González, Catholic Theological Union
C. Vanessa White, Catholic Theological Union
Arlene Sanchez Walsh, Azusa Pacific University
Edwin David Aponte, New York Theological Seminary

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Monday, 4:00 pm–6:30 pm

A21-319



Cultural History of the Study of Religion Group

MM-Nob Hill B

Ann M. Burlein, Hofstra University, Presiding

Theme: "Religion": Contexts for Its Emergence

Stephen A. Wilson, Hood College

Deriving is from Ought Not: The British Enlightenment's Lexicons of Illiberality and Selfishness and the Globalization of "Religion"

Diane Segroves, Vanderbilt University

Without a Trace?: Wilhelm Bousset, the History of Religion, and the Erasure of Judaism

Jeffrey Morrow, Seton Hall University

The Theological Politics of the Quest for Objectivity: The Common Origins of Modern Biblical Studies and the Academic Study of Religion

David Lambert, Harvard University

The Hebrew Bible and the Task of Genealogy

Responding:

Ward Blanton, University of Glasgow

Business Meeting:

Tomoko Masuzawa, University of Michigan, and Randall Styers, University of North Carolina, Presiding

A21-320



Evangelical Theology Group

CC-2007

Silas Morgan, Loyola University, Chicago, Presiding

Theme: *The Holy Spirit in Evangelical Theology: Truth, Life, and the Politics of Discipleship*

Panelists:

Veli-Matti Karkkainen, Fuller Theological Seminary

John (jack) Levison, Seattle Pacific University

Molly T. Marshall, Central Baptist Theological Seminary

Responding:

Rabbi Rachel Timoner, Leo Baeck Temple

Amos Yong, Regent University

Edmund Rybarczyk, Vanguard University

Business Meeting:

Michael J. McClymond, Saint Louis University, Presiding

A21-321



Indigenous Religious Traditions Group

IC-Sutter

Suzanne Owen, Leeds Trinity University College, Presiding

Theme: *Sacred Mountains in Indigenous Traditions*

Gregory D. Alles, McDaniel College

A Tale of Two Mountains: Vagasthal and Babo Tundvo in Chhotaudepur Taluka, Gujarat

Seth Schermerhorn, Arizona State University

Contextualizing Sacred Mountains: Place and Christianity in an Indigenous Landscape

Jace Weaver, University of Georgia

Places with Personality: Sacred Mountains, Sacred Geography

Mary Keller, University of Wyoming

Returning to Foretop's Father: A Sunrise Ceremony in Wyoming

Business Meeting:

Suzanne Owen, Leeds Trinity University College, Presiding

A21-322



Japanese Religions Group

MM-Yerba Buena 15

Joseph Prabhu, California State University, Los Angeles, and University of Chicago, Presiding

Theme: *Critical Reflections on Japanese Philosophy: A Sourcebook (University of Hawai'i Press, 2011)*

Panelists:

Robert N. Bellah, University of California

Erin McCarthy, Saint Lawrence University

Yasunari Takada, University of Tokyo

Mark Unno, University of Oregon

Responding:

Thomas P. Kasulis, Ohio State University

John C. Maraldo, University of North Florida

James W. Heisig, Nanzan Institute for Religion and Culture

Business Meeting:

Barbara Ambros, University of North Carolina, and Mark Rowe, McMaster University, Presiding

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A21-323



Law, Religion, and Culture Group and Religion in Europe and the Mediterranean World, 500–1650 CE Group

MM-Yerba Buena 3

Isaac Weiner, Georgia State University, Presiding

Theme: *Religion and Law in the Medieval Mediterranean World*

Andrew Salzmann, Boston College
Religion as Law in the Latin West: A Philological and Conceptual Study

Kevin Jaques, Indiana University
Prayer and the Apocalypse of 841/1438

Lena Salaymeh, University of California, Berkeley
Commanding Charity in the Medieval Mediterranean

Brian Catlos, University of Colorado, and University of California, Santa Cruz
Religious Orthodoxy, Ethnoreligious Plurality, and Legal Compromise in the Medieval Mediterranean

Gerard Wiegers, University of Amsterdam
Religious Polemics and Legal Boundaries in the Medieval Mediterranean World

Responding:

David Freidenreich, Colby College

A21-324



Lesbian-Feminist Issues and Religion Group

PW-Fillmore

Marie Cartier, Claremont Graduate University and California State University, Northridge, Presiding

Theme: *Borderlands and Lesbian Nation: Sacred Space?*

Kathleen Douglass, Iliff School of Theology and University of Denver
Vibrating Spaces: Transformational Relating in Borderland Space

An Yountae, Drew University
Amor Fronterizo y el Renacimiento de la Tierra Madre: Dialectics of Love in the Borderland/Homeland

Margaret Robinson, Centre for Addiction and Mental Health
Your Borders are Not My Boundaries: A Fence-sitting Halfbreed Reads La Frontera

Robyn Henderson-Espinoza, Iliff School of Theology and University of Denver
Must I be a Lesbian Feminist?: Borderlands as the Si(gh)te for a Queer Mestizo

Business Meeting:

Yvonne Zimmerman, Methodist Theological School, Ohio, Presiding

A21-325

Mysticism Group and Music and Religion Group

MM-Sierra J

LeRhonda Manigault-Bryant, Williams College, Presiding

Theme: *Music, Mysticism, and Religion*

Jonas Lundblad, Lund University
The Musical Self: A Nonemotive Reinterpretation of Schleiermacher's Aesthetics of Feeling

Kenneth Schweitzer, Washington College
"Drumming" Ritual Identity in Santería

Neil Douglas-Klotz, Edinburgh Institute for Advanced Learning
From Breath to Dance: Music as a Language of Experience in an American Sufi

Christopher Driscoll, Rice University
Taking Shape of Musical Theodicy: Monsters of Folk, the Roots, and Responses to Human Suffering

Paul Cassell, Boston University
What the "Strange Trip" of the Deadhead Community Can Teach Us about Religion

A21-326 (=S21-330)

Nineteenth Century Theology Group and SBL Recovering Female Interpreters of the Bible Group

CC-2016

Dawn A. De Vries, Union Presbyterian Seminary, Presiding

Theme: *Nineteenth Century Women, Biblical Criticism, and Progressive Revelation*

Marion Taylor, Wycliffe College
Women and Biblical Criticism in Nineteenth Century England

Christiana De Groot, Calvin College
Progressive Revelation in Two Nineteenth Century Women Interpreters

Claudia Setzer, Manhattan College
The Biblical Hermeneutics of Frances Willard

Alicia Batten, University of Sudbury
"The Giblews" and the Palimpsest

Ruth Tonkiss Cameron, Columbia University and Union Theological Seminary
Miss Briggs for the Pulpit?

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A21-327

Religion and Disability Studies Group

CC-2014

Darla Schumm, Hollins University, Presiding

Theme: *Metaphor, Language, and Corporeality*

Naomi Steinberg, Humboldt State University, and Devva Kasnitz,
Society for Disability Studies

*Inattentive Metaphors: Language and Thought on Disability in
Progressive Judaism*

Amy Ifátólú Gardner, University of California, Berkeley
*Of Gimps and Gods: Disability as Embodiment of the Divine in
Yoruba and Diasporic Religions*

Emma Brodeur, Syracuse University
*Signing Subjectivity: Derrida's Of Grammatology Meets Deaf
Studies*

Raedorah Stewart, ONE National Gay and Lesbian Archives
*Made by God, Broken by Life: Developing an African American
Hermeneutic for Redressing Disability Language, Metaphor of
Brokenness, and Differentials in Wholeness*

Devorah Greenstein, Starr King School for the Ministry
*Ableist Microaggressions in Religious Contexts: Considering
Brokenness and Disability*

A21-328

Religion and Ecology Group

IC-Grand Ballroom B

Matthew Riley, Drew University, Presiding

Theme: *Religion and Conservation in Context*

James Miller, Queen's University
Daoism and Sustainability in Contemporary China

Elizabeth Allison, California Institute of Integral Studies
*Liminal Beasts: Dogs, Pigs, and Other Challenges to Ecological and
Ritual Purity in Bhutan*

Steven Masters, Drew University
*Backpacking the Long Trail: Sacred Ritual in Vermont's Viridis
Montis*

George James, University of North Texas
*Indian Hermeneutics of Nature and the Hermeneutic of Nature of
Hindu Nationalism*

Suzanne Armstrong, Wilfrid Laurier University
*Understandings of Christian Stewardship in Farming Through the
Work of the Christian Farmers Federation of Ontario, Canada*

A21-329

Religions, Medicines, and Healing Group

MM-Yerba Buena 6

Emily Wu, University of San Francisco, Presiding

Theme: *Spirituality and the Medicalization of Religion in Mental
Health Care*

Johannes Quack, University of Heidelberg
*Pragmatic Religiosity: Analyzing the Role of Religion in Mental
Health Care (in North India)*

Shenandoah Nieuwsma, University of North Carolina
*Wounded Bodies, Wounded Souls: Questioning "Spiritual Fitness" in
the Modern Military*

Gabriella Lettini, Graduate Theological Union and Starr King
School for the Ministry
*Exploring Moral Injury and Religious Resources for Moral Repair in
War Veterans: "The Soul Repair Project"*

Responding:

Stephanie Y. Mitchem, University of South Carolina

Business Meeting:

Lance D. Laird, Boston University, Presiding

A21-330

Ritual Studies Group

CC-2011

Jone Salomonsen, University of Oslo, Presiding

Theme: *Redefining Religion through the Study of Ritual*

Panelists:

Donna L. Seamone, Acadia University

Graham Harvey, Open University

Shawn Arthur, Appalachian State University

Gwilym Beckerlegge, Open University

Amy Whitehead, Open University

Katy Soar, Open University

A21-331

Scriptural Reasoning Group and Ricoeur Group

MM-Club Room

Michael De Lashmutt, Sarum College, Presiding

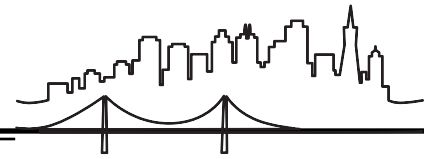
Theme: *The Hermeneutics of Paul Ricoeur and Scriptural Reasoning*

Kim Young Won, Graduate Theological Union
*Paul Ricoeur's Religious Hermeneutics: A Theory for Scriptural
Reasoning*

Brian A. Butcher, Pacific College
*Scriptural Reasoning According to a Liturgical Logic: Reading the
Song of Songs with Ricoeur and the Church Fathers*

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Jin Han, New York Theological Seminary
Allegory and Alterity in Ricoeur's Reading of the Song of Songs
 Rose Ellen Dunn, Drew University
Imagining Possibilities: "Thinking Biblically" with Paul Ricoeur

A21-332

Tibetan and Himalayan Religions Group

IC-Grand Ballroom C

Amy P. Langenberg, Auburn University, Presiding

Theme: *The Culinary in Buddhism: Miracles, Medicine, and Monstrosity*

Natalie Gummer, Beloit College
The Joy of Cooking with Words: Food, Fire, and Immortality in Two Mahāyāna Sūtras

Frances Garrett, University of Toronto
Eating Right with Tibetan Food Practices

Annabella Pitkin, Columbia University
The Inexhaustible Lump of Brown Sugar: Tibetan Buddhist Narratives of Miraculous Hospitality, Pleasure, and Meditative Abundance

Holly Gayley, University of Colorado
Eating Monkey Brains: Exoticizing the Han Banquet in a Tibetan Buddhist Argument for Vegetarianism

Responding:

James McHugh, University of Southern California

A21-333

Western Esotericism Group

CC-2001

Cathy Gutierrez, Sweet Briar College, Presiding

Theme: *Western Esotericism and Material Culture*

Egil Asprem, University of Amsterdam
Technofetishism, Instrumentation, and the Materiality of Esoteric Knowledge

Shawn Eyer, John F. Kennedy University
The Use of Tracing Boards and Other Art Objects as Physical Aids of Symbolic Communication in the Rituals and Practices of Freemasonry

Stephen Wehmeyer, Champlain College
Conjugal Contraptions: "Techno-gnosis," Mechanical Wizardry, and the Material Culture of African American Folk Magic

Henrik Bogdan, University of Gothenburg
"Objets d'Art Noir", Magical Engines, and Gateways to Other Dimensions: Understanding Hierophanies in Contemporary Occultism

Joseph Christian Greer, Harvard University
Storming the Citadel for Knowledge, Aesthetics, and Profit: The Dreamachine in Twentieth Century Esotericism

A21-334

Religion, Memory, History Group and Sikh Studies Group

CC-2006

Pashaura Singh, University of California, Riverside, Presiding

Theme: *Representing Sikh Traditions: Image, Word, and Place*

Nikky Singh, Colby College
Corporeal Mnemonics: Guru Nanak in the B-40 Janamsakhi

Nirinjan Khalsa, University of Michigan
Gurbani Kirtan Renaissance: Reviving Musical Memory in the Sikh Panth

Radhika Chopra, University of Delhi
A Shrine and Its Museum: Memory, History, and Politics in the Sikh Golden Temple

Tavleen Kaur, University of Michigan
Violence to and through Architecture: Revisiting the Operation Bluestar Genocide Via Victimized Buildings

Responding:

Anne Murphy, University of British Columbia

A21-335



Theology and the Political Group

CC-3002

Eddie S. Glaude, Princeton University, Presiding

Theme: *Democracy and Faith*

Panelists:

Vincent Lloyd, Georgia State University
 Ian Ward, University of Maryland
 Jonathon Kahn, Vassar College
 Melvin Lee Rogers, University of Virginia

Responding:

Joseph Winters, University of North Carolina, Charlotte

Business Meeting:

Corey D. B. Walker, Brown University, Presiding

A21-336



Student Lounge Roundtable

Monday, 4:00 pm–5:00 pm

MM-Pacific C

Leanna Fuller, Vanderbilt University, and Joshua Canzona, Catholic University of America, Presiding

Theme: *Teaching Portfolios: From the Classroom to the Job Market*

Sponsored by the Graduate Student Committee

Developing a teaching portfolio will help you generate materials often requested by potential employers and also prepare you to talk effectively about your teaching in interviews. In this round table session we will discuss the following questions: What, exactly, is a teaching portfolio? What should it include? To enrich our conversation, please bring your own questions about teaching portfolios. Resources for getting started with your teaching portfolio will be provided.

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Monday, 4:00 pm–6:30 pm

P21-308



Christian Theological Research Fellowship

MM-Walnut

Joy J. Moore, Duke University, Presiding

Theme: *Review of Matthew Schlimm*, From Fratricide to Forgiveness: The Language and Ethics of Anger in Genesis (*Eisenbrauns, forthcoming*)

David M. Moffitt, Duke University

Travis J. Bott, Emory University

Terence Fretheim, Luther Seminary

Responding:

Matthew R. Schlimm, University of Dubuque

Monday, 6:00 pm and Later

A21-337



Religion Beyond the Boundaries

Monday, 6:00 pm–8:00 pm

CIIS, 1453 Mission Street, Room 207

Steven Barrie-Anthony, University of California, Santa Barbara, Presiding

Theme: *Intersections of Spirituality, Healing, and Medicine*

Sponsored by the Graduate Student Committee

The AAR is committed to fostering the public understanding of religion. Inspired by this goal, the Graduate Student Committee has organized two evenings of public talks in San Francisco.

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. Plan to join us for these stimulating talks and discussions!

Elizabeth Gordon, Graduate Theological Union

The Public Space of Spirituality: Emerging Health Care Models

Kandace Geldmeier, Syracuse University

Death and Pregnancy: Religion, Ritual and the Hospital

Connor Wood, Boston University

Social Defeat and Korean Shamanism

P21-300



European Society for the Study of Western Esotericism and *Aries* Reception

Monday, 6:30 pm–7:30 pm

IC-Twin Peaks

The European Society for the Study of Western Esotericism and its associated journal *Aries* invite current and potential members of ESSWE and current or potential contributors to *Aries* to a reception to hear briefly about plans for ESSWE and *Aries*, and to renew or extend contacts within the field.

M21-301

Society for Comparative Research on Iconic and Performative Texts (SCRIPT) Annual Meeting

Monday, 6:00 pm–8:00 pm

Offsite

Library Bar, Hotel Rex, 562 Sutter Street (http://www.jdvhotels.com/dining/library_bar)

6:00 pm Dinner (paid by each attendee; please contact Dori Miller Parmenter dparmenter@spalding.edu to make a dinner reservation)

7:00 pm Business Meeting: S. Brent Plate, Presiding

More information about joining SCRIPT can be found at <http://script-site.net/index.html>.

M21-300



California Institute of Integral Studies

Monday, 6:45 pm–7:45 pm

HI-Continental Ballroom 1

Theme: *New Horizons in Religion and Ecology*

P21-400

Society of Asian and Comparative Philosophy

Monday, 7:00 pm–8:30 pm

HI-Golden Gate 1

Nona R. Bolin, Memphis College of Art, Presiding

Theme: *Freedom in Indian Philosophy*

Bina Gupta, University of Missouri

Freedom in Advaita Vedanta

Douglas Berger, Southern Illinois University

Conditioning and Grasping: A Reconsideration of Nagarjuna's Philosophical Vocabulary

Nona R. Bolin, Memphis College of Art

Freedom from Freedom: Surviving the Absurd in Madhyamika Buddhism

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M21-400

Buddhism Section

Monday, 7:00 pm–10:00 pm

HI-Continental Ballroom 5

Elizabeth Rohlman, University of Calgary, Presiding

Theme: *Leslie Kawamura Memorial Panel and Reception*

Please join us in remembering Dr. Leslie Kawamura (1935–2011), Numata Chair of Buddhist Studies at the University of Calgary and esteemed scholar of Yogācāra and Shin Buddhism. A panel featuring remembrances of some of those closest to Dr. Kawamura will be followed by a reception co-sponsored by the Department of Religious Studies at the University of Calgary, the Yogācāra Studies Group, and the International Association of Shin Buddhist Studies.

Panelists:

Charles Prebish, Utah State University

John Holt, Bowdoin College

Charles Willemen, International Buddhist College

Dan Lusthaus, Harvard University

Ken Tanaka, Musashino University

Chuck Muller, University of Tokyo

John Harding, University of Lethbridge

Sarah Haynes, Western Illinois University

Michelle Sorensen, Columbia University

James Apple, University of Calgary

A reformed inmate and recovering alcoholic, Che has worked hard to redeem his life and do right by his pride and joy: his only son, Jes, whom he has raised on his own after the death of his wife. Che's path to redemption is tested, however, when he discovers Jes is gay. To survive his neighborhood, Che has always lived with his fists. To survive as a complete man, he'll have to embrace a side of himself he's never shown.

A21-401



Film: *We Were Here: Voices from the AIDS Years in San Francisco*

Monday, 8:00 pm–10:00 pm

MM-Nob Hill A

Melissa Wilcox, Whitman College, Presiding

Sponsored by the Status of LGBTIQ Persons in the Profession Committee

We Were Here documents the coming of what was called the "Gay Plague" in the early 1980s. It illuminates the profound personal and community issues raised by the AIDS epidemic as well as the broad political and social upheavals it unleashed. It offers a cathartic validation for the generation that suffered through, and responded to, the onset of AIDS. It opens a window of understanding to those who have only the vaguest notions of what transpired in those years. It provides insight into what society could, and should, offer its citizens in the way of medical care, social services, and community support.

2011 marks 30 years since AIDS descended. *We Were Here* utilizes San Francisco's experience with AIDS to open up an overdue conversation both about the history of the epidemic, and the lessons to be learned from it.

M21-404



Film: *The Psalm of Howard Thurman*

Monday, 7:30 pm–9:30 pm

MM-Pacific H

The Psalm of Howard Thurman, is a feature-length documentary film on the life and wisdom of one of the nation's greatest spiritual treasures, Howard Thurman (1899–1981). *The Psalm of Howard Thurman* skillfully combines on-camera remembrances and mood-setting nature scenes with rare archival stills, audio and film footage, including that of Dr. Thurman himself. The documentary, by filmmaker Arleigh Prelow, introduces audiences to Thurman's uplifting story, his transcendent yet grounded presence, and his important voice for our times. Like a psalm, the film aspires to be a lyrical work of beauty and truth, a creative utterance that moves, touches and inspires. For additional information visit: www.howardthurmanfilm.com.

A21-400



Film: *La Mission*

Monday, 8:00 pm–10:00 pm

MM-Nob Hill C

Néstor Medina, University of Toronto, Presiding

Sponsored by the Latina/o Religion, Culture, and Society Group

Growing up in the Mission district of San Francisco, Che Rivera (Benjamin Bratt) has always had to be tough to survive. He's a powerful man respected throughout the Mission barrio for his masculinity and his strength, as well as for his hobby building beautiful lowrider cars.

A21-402



Film: *Mysteries of the Jesus Prayer*

Monday, 8:00 pm–10:00 pm

MM-Nob Hill B

Norris J. Chumley, Columbia University and New York University, Presiding

Sponsored by the Eastern Orthodox Studies Group

A Pilgrimage to the Heart of an Ancient Spirituality.

Mysteries of the Jesus Prayer, a new HarperOne book and documentary feature film from SnagFilms (Comcast and Fios On-Demand, iTunes, Amazon and YouTube Rentals), American Public Television (PBS station short version) and Passion River Films (Theatrical, DVD and CD), focuses on the mysteries behind the prayer that is thought to have first been practiced by the Apostles some 2,000 years ago. The prayer is still chanted by monks and nuns in far away caves and monasteries but is mostly unknown to the rest of the western world. Many say that with this prayer, it is possible to communicate directly with God.

Dr. Norris J. Chumley and Very Rev. Dr. John A. McGuckin bring you to ancient lands of peace and solitude, filming for the first time hermits, monks and nuns in caves, monasteries and convents who share this ancient mystical prayer. Visit JesusPrayerMovie.com for Study Guides and additional information.

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A21-403



Program Unit Chairs' and Steering Committee Members' Reception

Monday, 8:00 pm–10:00 pm

MM-AAR Suite

Program Unit Chairs and steering committee members are invited to a reception celebrating their contributions to the AAR Annual Meeting.

M21-401



Claremont School of Theology and Claremont Graduate University Reception

Monday, 9:00 pm–11:00 pm

HI-Plaza Ballroom B

M21-402

Sheffield Phoenix Press/University of Sheffield Reception

Monday, 9:00 pm–11:00 pm

HI-Yosemite Ballroom

By invitation only.

M21-403

Syracuse University Reception

Monday, 9:00 pm–11:00 pm

HI-Plaza Ballroom A

A22-100

Arts, Literature, and Religion Section

MM-Sierra E

James Thrall, Knox College, Presiding

Theme: *Endo Shusaku: Religion, Literature, and Missionary Endeavor*

Robert Overy-Brown, Fontana, CA

Of Warriors and the Cross: Missions and Encultured Theology in Shusaku Endo's The Samurai (Harper and Row, 1980)

Kim Jinhyok, University of Oxford

The Journey of the Suffering Servant: The Vulnerable Hero, the Feminine Godhead, and Spiritual Transformation in Endo Shusaku's Deep River (New Directions Publishing, 1995)

Jeffrey F. Keuss, Seattle Pacific University

Missionary Literature as Dōbansha: The Poetics of Christ in Endo Shusaku's Silence (Taplinger Publishing, 1979) and *Life of Jesus* (Paulist Press, 1973)

Maria Poggi Johnson, University of Scranton

Lost in Space: Jesuit Mission and Jesuit Despair in Silence (Taplinger Publishing, 1979) and *The Sparrow* (Villard, 1996)

Responding:

Ni Zhange, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University

A22-101

Buddhism Section and Japanese Religions Group

CC-2004

Robert Sharf, University of California, Berkeley, Presiding

Theme: *Buddhist Debate (Rongi) in Medieval Japan as a Means of Producing, Transmitting, and Contesting Doctrinal Knowledge and Social Relations*

Asuka Sango, Carleton College

Japanese Buddhist Debate in the Saishōkō (the Lecture on the Golden Light Sūtra) of the Medieval Period: Was It a Real Debate or Just Hot Air?

Kenryo Minowa, University of Tokyo

Buddhist Debate as a Means of Doctrinal Production in Medieval Japan: The Examination of Debate Topics Recorded in the Hosshōji Mibakkō Mondōki

Paul Groner, University of Virginia

The Social and Pedagogical Background of the Tendai Debate: Jitsudō Ninkū's (1309–1388) Rules

Matthew McMullen, University of California, Berkeley

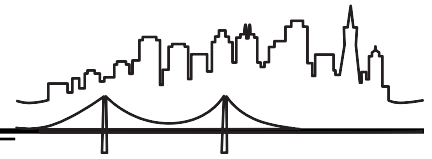
Maṇḍala as an Interpretative Language in Shingon Debate Texts

Responding:

Jacqueline I. Stone, Princeton University

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A22-102

Christian Systematic Theology Section

CC-2005

Rachel Muers, University of Leeds, Presiding

Theme: *The Body of Christ*

David Grumett, University of Cambridge
*Retrieving Christ's Body from de Lubac's Corpus Mysticum:
L'Eucharistie et l'Église au Moyen âge (1944)*

Jeannine Hill Fletcher, Fordham University, and Michele
Saracino, Manhattan College
*Breast-feeding Jesus: Incarnation, the Mothering Body, and the
Queering of Christ*

Timothy Gabrielli, University of Dayton
*At the Risk of the (Mystical) Body: Louis-Marie Chauvet and the
Prospects for a Mystical Body of Christ Retrieval*

Joyce Ann Mercer, Virginia Theological Seminary, and Ruthanna
Brinton Hooke, Virginia Theological Seminary
*Women (Per)Forming the Body of Christ: A Feminist Christological
Proposal*

A22-103



Comparative Studies in Religion Section

MM-Yerba Buena 2

Stephen Prothero, Boston University, Presiding

Theme: *Maps: Orientations and Disorientations*

Laura Elena Hinojosa, Instituto Nacional de Antropología e
Historia
*Traces of the Past: Spanish and Indigenous Perception of Space in
Colonial Maps*

Martha Finch, Missouri State University
The Whole Earth is the Lord's Garden: Mapping Early New England

Peter Gottschalk, Wesleyan University
*Mapping Boundaries: The Science of Knowing Communal Identity in
British India*

Responding:

Molly Bassett, Georgia State University

A22-104

Ethics Section

MM-Yerba Buena 1

Stephanie May, Harvard University, Presiding

Theme: *Economic Ethics and Political Reform*

Joe Pettit, Morgan State University
*A Just Economic Order: Evolutionary Economics and Biblical History
as Guides for a Way Out of Current Economic Disruptions*

Rodolfo Hernandez-Diaz, Iliff School of Theology and University
of Denver
Christian Social Ethics, Economic Heterodoxy, and Policy Reforms

William Schanbacher, University of South Florida
*Whole Foods or Whole People?: The Madness of Neoliberalism and the
Paradoxical Political Economy of Hunger*

Fred Glennon, Le Moyne College
*An End to Tyranny: Walzer and the Problem of Corporate Dominance
in Politics*

Rebecca Todd Peters, Elon University
Reforming Economic Excess: Towards a Solidarity Economy

A22-105

History of Christianity Section

CC-2006

Daniel Ramírez, University of Michigan, Presiding

Theme: *Interreligious Conflict in the History of Christianity: Modern
Examples*

Andrew Crome, University of Manchester
*An Atlantic Eschatology?: Early Modern Apocalyptic Expectation and
the Jews in a Transatlantic Context*

Emma J. Anderson, University of Ottawa
*"Who Killed Who?": Native Peoples and the Cult of the "North
American Martyrs"*

Douglas Jones, University of Iowa
*Frank Familist in the Seventeenth Century: Resurrecting the
Elizabethan Family of Love in the Context of Godly Anxieties over
Pantheism and Materialism*

Ralph Keen, University of Illinois, Chicago
*Divine Wrath in Old England and New: Quaker Responses to
Persecution, 1661–1700*

Anne Blankenship, University of North Carolina
*The Question of Ethnic Churches: A Case Study of Japanese
Integration after World War II*

Responding:

Ana Maria Bidegain, Florida International University

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A22-106

North American Religions Section

CC-2007

Randall Styers, University of North Carolina, Presiding

Theme: *Industrial Effervescence: Manufacturing Economic Selves and Producing Religious Collectivity in American History*

Merinda Simmons, University of Alabama
Colonizing Religion: Faith as Market Force in the American South

Lisle Dalton, Hartwick College
Gilded Age Railroad Brotherhoods as Industrial Religion

Chad Seales, University of Texas
Mechanics of Communication: Corporate Chaplaincy and the Discursive Formation of Industrial Religion

Evan Berry, American University
Parts of a Whole: Ecological Consumerism in a Global Age

Responding:

Jason C. Bivins, North Carolina State University

A22-107

Philosophy of Religion Section

MM-Yerba Buena 13

Stephen Bush, Brown University, Presiding

Theme: *The Viability of Metaphysical Realism*

Rose Ann Christian, Towson University
The Ethics of Belief and Belief About Ethics: William Kingdon Clifford at the Metaphysical Society

Laura Weed, College of Saint Rose
Metaphysical Realism after Quantum Field Theory: a New Look at No-thingness

William Lane Craig, Biola University
The Viability of Metaphysical Realism about Abstract Objects

Michael Slater, Georgetown University
Pragmatism, Theism, and the Viability of Metaphysical Realism

A22-108

Religion and Politics Section

CC-2009

Susan B. Thistlethwaite, Chicago Theological Seminary, Presiding

Theme: *Peacebuilding in the Global South: Practice and Theory*

Barbra Barnett, Chicago, IL
Religion and the Process of Internalizing International Human Rights Norms

Victoria Fontan, University for Peace
"South-South" Cooperation for Elicitive Conflict Transformation: Faith-based Diplomacy in Eastern Congo

Clayton Maring, Tanenbaum Center for Interreligious Understanding
The Impact of Global Religious Peacebuilding Practices in Nigeria: A Case for Local-International Partnership

Siti Sarah Muwahidah, Emory University
Interfaith Dialogue in Mindanao: Sharing A Common Hope and Mutual Fears

A22-109

Religion in South Asia Section

CC-2018

Rebecca Manring, Indiana University, Presiding

Theme: *The Impact of Print Technology in the Nineteenth Century*

James McHugh, University of Southern California
Ink, Leaves, and Time: The Material and Social Networks of Religious Manuscripts in Premodern Hindu South Asia

James P. Hare, Columbia University
Indian Publishers and Nabhadass's Bhaktamal

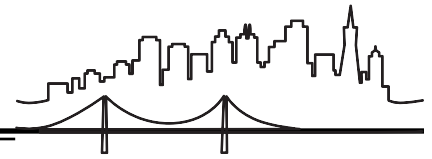
Peter Valdina, Emory University
The Mother of Yoga?: Print, Patanjali, and Colonial Calcutta

Paul B. Courtwright, Emory University
Satirizing the "Baboo" in Early Nineteenth Century Calcutta

Nancy M. Martin, Chapman University
From Bhakti Saint to National Heroine: Print and the Canonization of Mirabai

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Study of Islam Section

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Martin Nguyen, Fairfield University, Presiding

Theme: *The Islamic Commentary: Between Canon and Context*

Joel Blecher, Princeton University
Hadith Commentary, Canonical Culture, and the Interpretation of al-Bukhari's Sahih

Susan Gunasti, Princeton University
A Reexamination of the Role of al-Baydawi's Commentary Among the Ottomans

Matthew Ingalls, Yale University
Subversive Invisibility: Context and Change in Muslim Legal Commentaries

Responding:

Ebrahim E. I. Moosa, Duke University

A22-111



Study of Judaism Section

IC-Cathedral Hill

Steve Wasserstrom, Reed College, Presiding

Theme: *Rethinking Jewish Orientalism: Reform, Nationalism, and Cultural Zionism*

Rethelyi Maria, Loyola University, New Orleans
The Search for Oriental Identity in the Occident among Nineteenth Century Hungarian Jews

Ruchama Johnston-Bloom, University of Chicago
Jews, Muslims, and Bildung: The Case of Gustav Weil

Hanan Harif, Hebrew University
From Orientalism to Regionalism: Jews and Arabs in Palestine from a Pan-Asianist Perspective

Responding:

Suzanne Marchand, Louisiana State University

Business Meeting:

Aryeh Cohen, American Jewish University, and Shaul Magid, Indiana University, Presiding

A22-112



Teaching Religion Section

MM-Yerba Buena 5

Charlotte Moore, West Chester University, Pennsylvania, Presiding

Theme: *Documenting Diversity: Religious Perspectives in Oral History*

Panelists:

Karin Gedge, West Chester University

Helen Daley Schroepfer, West Chester University

Responding:

Timothy Miller, University of Kansas

A22-113

Theology and Religious Reflection Section

IC-Laurel Hill

Mark Scott, University of Missouri, Columbia, Presiding

Theme: *Religion: Inciting Violence, Inspiring Peace?*

Scott D. Dunbar, Saskatoon, Canada
Mahatma Gandhi's Impatience with Cowards: Ambivalent Warrior Ideals in Gandhi's Philosophy of Nonviolence

Justin Heinzekehr, Claremont School of Theology
Nonviolence as Grounds for the Possibility of Ethics: The Discovery of Transcendental Pacifism in the Radical Reformation

Alon Goshen-Gottstein, Elijah Interfaith Institute
Beyond Truth: Constructing a Contemporary Theology of Peace from Hassidic Resources

Craig Iffland, University of Saint Andrews
Evangelium Vitae, Thomas Aquinas, and Catholic Pacifism

Heather DuBois, Fordham University
An Introduction to Catholic Peacebuilding: Distinctive, Rooted, and Global

A22-114

Women and Religion Section

IC-Nob Hill

Rita Sherma, University of Arizona, Presiding

Theme: *Performing Gender and Identity through Song in South Asia*

Antoinette DeNapoli, University of Wyoming
"God, Eat or I'll Beat You!": The Construction of Female Renunciant Gender Roles through Bhajan Singing

Neelima Shukla-Bhatt, Wellesley College
Dancing with the Goddess, Singing for Ourselves

Karen Pechilis, Drew University
Seeking Gender in Devotional Song, Poetry, and Biography

Responding:

Ann Grodzins Gold, Syracuse University

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Afro-American Religious History Group

MM-Sierra I

Curtis Evans, University of Chicago, Presiding

Theme: *Out of Place: African American Religious Lives in Catholic, Mormon, and Orthodox Spaces*

Matthew John Cressler, Northwestern University
Black Priest for a Black Church: Race and Catholicism at the Turn of the Twentieth Century

Max Mueller, Harvard University
Jane Manning James: Reenacting and Reclaiming the “Black” and “Mormon” Past

Tshepo Morongwa Chéry, University of Pennsylvania
Racial (Un)Belonging and the Ethereal Homeland: South African Coloured Identity, Travel, and the Practices of Black Nationalism in the African Orthodox Church in America

Responding:

Marla Frederick, Harvard University

A22-116

Augustine and Augustinianisms Group

MM-Sierra K

Paul R. Kolbet, Presiding

Theme: *Decentered Readings of Augustine*

Stephanie Frank, University of Chicago
Using Theology to Undo Theology: Mauss’s Subversion of Augustinian Moral Psychology in The Gift: Forms and Functions of Exchange in Archaic Societies (Routledge, 2001)

Matthew Drever, University of Tulsa
Reassessing Augustine’s Anthropology in Light of Recent Scholarly Trends

Jeffrey McCurry, Duquesne University
De- and Re-centering Augustine: A Nietzschean Reading of Confessions beyond Platonism

Sean Larsen, Duke University
Augustine for Denaturalized Societies: Two Types of Decentered Augustinianisms

A22-117



Bioethics and Religion Group

MM-Nob Hill A

George D. Randels, University of the Pacific, Presiding

Theme: *Bodies, Babies, and Beginning of Life*

Ayman Shabana, Georgetown University
Sharia or DNA Tests: Negation of Paternity between Li’an and DNA Fingerprinting in Modern Islam

Mohammed Ghaly, Leiden University
The Debate on Determining the Beginning of Human Life in Islam: Whose Knowledge is More Authoritative — Religious Scholars or Physicians?

Cara Singer, Columbia University
Who Shall Be Born?: American Protestant Reactions to Reproductive Technologies and Eugenics

Michelle Harrington, University of Chicago
Transplantation and Resurrection: Incarnate Identity and the Graced Gift

Business Meeting:

Swasti Bhattacharyya, Buena Vista University, and Laura Kicklighter, Lynchburg College, Presiding

A22-118

Buddhist Philosophy Group and Yogācāra Studies Group

MM-Sierra H

Daniel A. Arnold, University of Chicago, Presiding

Theme: *New Directions in Buddhist and Yogācāra Philosophy*

Shenghai Li, University of Wisconsin
Conceiving a Concept of the Conceptual and Constructing a Buddhist Epistemology: The Uses of Abhidharma in Epistemology and Madhyamaka Thought

Daniel Stuart, University of California, Berkeley
The Saddharmasmṛtyupasthānasūtra and the Early History of Yogācāra-vijñānavāda Philosophy

Ching Keng, National Chengchi University
On the Notion of the “Transformation of the Basis” in the Yogācāra Tradition: A Reevaluation of Schmithausen’s Critique of Takasaki

Jakub Zamorski, National Chengchi University
“Against One’s Own Words”: Problem of Self-refuting Statements in Chinese Buddhist Logic

Ronald S. Green, Coastal Carolina University
Dōshō and Gyōki Considered in Light of the Bodhisattva-bhūmi Section of the Yogācārabhūmi-śāstra

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Comparative Religious Ethics Group

IC-Intercontinental Ballroom A

Beverley Foulks, University of North Carolina, Wilmington,
Presiding

Theme: *Exploring "Visual Ethics": Book Symposium on Kenneth George's
Picturing Islam: Art and Ethics in a Muslim Lifeworld (Wiley
Blackwell, 2010)*

Panelists:

Kenneth George, University of Wisconsin

Responding:

Elizabeth Bucar, University of North Carolina

Charles Hallisey, Harvard University

Anne R. Hansen, University of Wisconsin

Richard Miller, Indiana University

Jonathan Schofer, Harvard University

Business Meeting:

Irene Oh, George Washington University, Presiding

A22-120

Feminist Theory and Religious Reflection Group

CC-2001

Jens Kreinath, Wichita State University, Presiding

Theme: *Islam and Gender in Europe: Subjectivities, Politics, and Piety*

Nadia Fadil, Katholieke Universiteit, Leuven
On Not/Unveiling as a Practice

Jeanette Jouili, University of Amsterdam
*Beyond Emancipation: Subjectivities and Ethics among Women in
Europe's Islamic Revival Communities*

Christine M. Jacobsen, University of Bergen
*Troublesome Threesome: Feminism, Anthropology, and Muslim
Women's Piety*

Sarah Dornhof, European University, Viadrina
*Regimes of Visibility: Representing Violence Against Women in the
French Banlieue*

Sarah Bracke, Katholieke Universiteit, Leuven
*Subjects of Debate: Secular and Sexual Exceptionalism, and Muslim
Women in the Netherlands*

Schirin Amir-Moazami, Free University of Berlin
*Dialogue as a Governmental Technique: Managing Gendered Islam in
Germany*

Responding:

John O'Brien, University of California, Los Angeles

A22-121

Latina/o Religion, Culture, and Society Group

IC-Intercontinental Ballroom B

Elias Ortega-Aponte, Princeton University, Presiding

Theme: *Hot Rods, Cool Music, and the Queering of Familia: Perspectives
on the Film La Mission through Sexuality, Popular Religion, and
Violence*

Panelists:

Wendy Arce, Graduate Theological Union

Patrick Reyes, Boston University

Raul Rico, Boston University

Orlando Espin, University of San Diego

Jacqueline Hidalgo, Williams College

A22-122

Religion and Popular Culture Group

MM-Sierra A

John Lardas Modern, Franklin and Marshall College, Presiding

Theme: *Using Theory and Method to Study Religion and Popular Culture*

Robert Covolo, Fuller Theological Seminary
Fashion Culture and the Roots of Renewal

Brett Esaki, University of California, Santa Barbara
Consuming Origami, Silently Teaching Japanese American Religion

David Dault, Christian Brothers University
*"It Fell from Heaven": The United 93 Crash Site Bible as Icon and
Totemic Object*

Douglas Harrison, Florida Gulf Coast University
*Fundamentalists in Cyberspace: Or, Doing Religious Culture Studies
in the Digital Age*

Responding:

David Morgan, Duke University

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North American Hinduism Group

IC-Intercontinental Ballroom C

Vijaya Nagarajan, University of San Francisco, Presiding

Theme: *California Dreaming: South Asian Religions Encounter the Counterculture*

Smriti Srinivas, University of California, Davis
Utopian Settlements, Californian Vedanta, Huxley, Isherwood, and Friends

Michael Stoeber, University of Toronto
The Reception of Kundalini Yoga in California and Its Relation to Sikh Dharma/3HO

Eliza Kent, Colgate University
California Hinduism: The Shiva Lingam of Golden Gate Park, 1989–1994

Responding:

Jeffrey J. Kripal, Rice University

Shana Sippy, Carleton College

Business Meeting:

Jeffery D. Long, Elizabethtown College, Presiding

A22-124



Queer Studies in Religion Group

MM-Sierra C

Thelathia Young, Emory University, Presiding

Theme: *Queerly Rereading Texts and Traditions*

Ahmed Ragab, Harvard University
Bodies in Transformation: Castration and Castrates in Medieval Islamic Society

Jay Michaelson, Hebrew University
Queering Kabbalistic Gender Performance: Possibilities for a Contemporary Queer Theology

Lisa Brooks, University of Colorado
Karma as an "Apparatus": The Etiology of Queer Sexualities in Classical Ayurveda

Jessica A. Boon, Southern Methodist University
Intersex Theology?: Juana de la Cruz (1481–1534), Transgender Miracles, and Marian Authority

Business Meeting:

Kent Brintnall, University of North Carolina, Charlotte, and
Claudia Schippert, University of Central Florida, Presiding

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