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ONLINE PROGRAM BOOK
A complete listing of all AAR, SBL, and Additional Meetings session information, including participant names, paper titles, and abstracts are available in the Online Program Book on the AAR website at http://papers.aarweb.org/program_book and on the SBL website at http://sbl-site.org/meetings/congresses_ProgramBook.aspx?MeetingID=27. The keyword search feature will allow you to find the sessions you're most interested in attending!

ANNUAL MEETING ONSITE AT-A-GLANCE
The printed onsite At-a-Glance will be distributed to all attendees onsite in Atlanta. This will include complete session listings for the AAR, SBL, and Additional Meetings with updated room locations, an exhibitor index, and hotel maps.

INTERNATIONAL ATTENDEES
It is necessary for those entering the United States to clear customs and immigration. Visitors from Canada and Mexico must present a passport in order to enter the United States. Please be prepared. Non-U.S. citizens should inquire about possible visa requirements from their own country. Official letters of invitation to the Annual Meeting to support visa applications are available. E-mail reg@aarweb.org or annualmeeting@sbl-site.org with your name, address, and the full contact information of the consulate of your country.

TRAVEL DISCOUNTS
Delta and United Airlines are the official carriers of the AAR and SBL Annual Meeting and Avis is the preferred rental car supplier. For the benefit of our conference attendees, a discount is available and is valid a few days before and after the Annual Meeting ends, depending on carrier. To take advantage of these special discounted fares, you can call or make reservations directly through their respective websites listed below. Discounts do not apply to certain restricted fares and exclude sale fare inventories.

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If you book through your own travel agency, be sure to give them the appropriate discount code above.

ANNUAL MEETING SOAP DRIVE
Please bring your unused hotel soaps, shampoos, conditioners, lotions, and other personal hygiene products that families and homeless in need might find useful. There will be a container located in the registration area in the Hyatt Regency where you may drop off your new items for donation.

The AAR and SBL have selected Our House (http://www.ourhousega.org/index.php/history-and-our-mission) to receive your donated items. The mission of Our House is to break the chains of homelessness by providing quality early childhood education and comprehensive support services for families who are experiencing homelessness. Our House is a full-day, year-round, nationally-accredited early childhood education center, serving up to 81 children daily and offering services to parents that help them to improve their situations and attain greater self-sufficiency. Our House’s vision is “a self-sufficient family for every child.” Our House’s holistic approach to assisting homeless families empowers them to achieve long-term stability and independence. Help us make our third annual soap drive an even bigger success!

IMPORTANT DATES
2015 Annual Meetings Employment Center registration is open! Within the online registration process, you will find the link to register for the Employment Center. You must be registered as an Annual Meetings attendee to sign up for the Employment Center option.

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Remember: You must be registered to secure housing!
AIRPORT TRANSFERS
ATLANTA INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT (ATL)
Rapid Transit Train—MARTA

Arriving air travelers should follow the Ground Transportation signs to MARTA (Metro Atlanta Rapid Transit Authority). The fare gates are just a few feet from the baggage claim areas. Take the MARTA train to the Peachtree Center Station. You may either take the Doraville Gold Line or the North Springs Red Line. At Peachtree Center, exit to the Food Court and follow signs to the Hyatt Regency or Marriott Marquis Hotel. People who are staying in other properties may get more specific directions from their hotels. For more information, visit itsmarta.com/rail-schedules-or-route.aspx. MARTA fare is $5 for a round trip ticket, and $1 more if you don’t already have a Breeze Card.

Taxis
A set fee prevails between the airport and downtown of $30. There is a $2 charge for each additional person and a $1.50 flag drop fee. Taxis can be found in the Yellow Bus aisle.

Shared-Ride Vans

The AAR and SBL are partnering with Super Shuttle this year for dates between November 18 and 28. Shared shuttle service is available 24 hours a day with a reservation. They are offering a discount of $1 off one-way trips ($15.50), or $4 per roundtrip ($29). There are two ways to book Super Shuttle:

Call 1-800-258-3826, and give the discount code VSBT4. Attendees will be charged $2 each way if you choose to call in your reservation. Please have the address of your hotel ready.

Go to groups.supershuttle.com/americanacademy ofreligion/societyofbiblicalliterature.html to book your shuttle. Note that only AAR & SBL hotels are listed on this link.

Upon arrival, follow signs to the baggage claim area and collect your luggage. Proceed to the Super Shuttle ticket counter to speak with a uniformed Customer Service Representative. The counter is located in the Domestic Terminal’s south-side baggage claim area, in the corridor immediately to the left of the escalator from the inter-terminal train. The ticket counter is staffed from 6:00 AM to 2:00 AM daily. Most shared-ride shuttles pick up on the Green Bus Aisle, which is located outside in the Ground Transportation Center between the Domestic North and South Terminals.

Arriving International Passengers

The Atlanta airport has a relatively new (2012) International Terminal. If you are arriving directly from an international flight, you cannot access secured areas of the Airport after you pick up your luggage at the international terminal baggage claim. The airport has a complimentary 24-hour shuttle service that goes from the international terminal to the main terminal (15 minute ride). From the main terminal, you have access to the domestic terminal’s ground transportation center at the west of the building, which includes MARTA. If you are flying back directly to an international location, you must go to this terminal to check in as well.

Hanging signs will assist you with identifying loading and unloading zones for each ground transportation service:

- **Taxis:** Yellow/Zone 1
- **Local Shuttles:** Green/Zone 4
- **International Shuttle Connector (to main airport terminal):** Red/Zone 3

PARKING AT THE ANNUAL MEETING

Since we will have multiple locations for the AAR and SBL sessions, each hotel has different parking rules and rates. Please check at the property that is most convenient for you for accurate information. If you are planning on driving in, and would like a more economical choice, you might want to park at an outlying MARTA station and take the rail in. From itsmarta.com/rail-schedules-or-route.aspx, you can click on individual train stations to view their parking information. See above for more MARTA information.

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COMPUTER AND INTERNET ACCESS
Free wifi will be available in meeting rooms and public areas of the Hyatt Regency, Marriott Marquis, Hilton Downtown, and Sheraton Downtown. Wifi will not be available at the Westin Peachtree Plaza.
A free Cyber Café will be available in the Hyatt Regency. Access to computers, the Internet, and e-mail is available (possibly for a fee) at the business centers of each Annual Meeting hotel. In-room Internet connections are also available in each hotel (see in-room literature for more details and pricing).

FIND A FRIEND
Please note the box on the registration form that gives permission for your name, institution, and hotel (if any), which will be available on our mobile app. If you do not check the box, your information will not be listed.

EXHIBIT HALL
Visit over 150 publishers in the AAR & SBL Exhibit Hall located in the Hyatt Regency’s Centennial Ballroom and Grand Hall. AAR & SBL’s Exhibit Hall features books on a wide spectrum of subjects from religious studies to hermeneutics to philosophy, often at deep discounts on cover price. Don’t miss out!

MOBILE APP
We will again provide a Mobile Meeting Guide. The mobile app will provide members with a technically-reliable, intuitive, and functional solution. At no cost, this mobile app provides attendees with all of the data an attendee could ever need.

KOSHER ARRANGEMENTS
For information regarding Kosher arrangements, please contact Joseph Weinstein at shabbat@sbl-site.org.

HOURS OF OPERATION

AAR and SBL Program Schedule
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Sheraton Downtown—Grand Ballroom (3rd Floor)
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CHILDCARE
Child care will be offered for an hourly fee during this year’s Annual Meeting. Please visit www.kiddiecorp.com/aarsblkids.htm for information and pricing details.

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HOTEL INFORMATION AND CITY MAP

HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS
To receive the specially negotiated room rates, you must make your reservation with the AAR or SBL Housing Department. You may obtain housing when completing your Annual Meeting registration, or by using the link in your registration confirmation email. Be sure to follow the instructions carefully and provide all requested information. Special rates may not be available after October 29, 2015. DO NOT contact the hotels prior to November 13, 2015.

HOTEL RATES
Note: All rates are subject to local taxes, which currently have an average of 16% tax per room per night plus a $5.00 surcharge. For example, a $139 rate is $166.24 with tax included.

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HOUSING CONFIRMATION
You will receive an email confirmation (same as your registration confirmation) when you make your hotel reservation with the AAR or SBL Housing Department. If you do not complete registration with payment and receive a confirmation email, your housing reservation is not complete.

If you receive an email confirmation that is incorrect, you may use the link on your confirmation email to go back into the system and correct it.

HOUSING CANCELLATIONS OR CHANGES
All hotel accommodation questions, changes, and cancellations should be directed to the AAR or SBL Housing Department throughout the meeting year. Note that cancellations must be received in writing (email) at least 72 hours prior to arrival date to ensure you are not charged your first night’s stay.

SUITE REQUESTS
Some hotels have suites available at a discounted rate. Contact the AAR or SBL Housing Department for more information: 1-855-836-0001 (U.S. & Canada); +1-404-727-7972 (outside U.S. & Canada); housing@aarweb.org or annualmeeting@sbl-site.org. Suites are not to be used for interviewing purposes. Employers who plan to use the Annual Meeting Employment Center may request a Private Interview Room when they register for the Employment Center. For additional information about the Employment Center, please see www.aarsbl.org.

ATTENDEES WITH ACCESSIBILITY NEEDS
All meeting rooms are accessible by elevator (doors are wide enough to accommodate wheelchairs) or wheelchair lift. A limited number of guest rooms are set aside for the physically challenged. If you need special accommodations, please indicate your specific needs in the special requests field on the online housing form page.

Attendees with disabilities who need information regarding special assistance during the meeting should contact the AAR or SBL Housing Department by phone at 1-404-727-7972 or via e-mail at housing@aarweb.org or annualmeeting@sbl-site.org. Please also visit our Accessibility Information page here: www.aarweb.org/annual-meeting/accessibility-information-for-annual-meetings.
TOUR INFORMATION

ATLANTA CITY TOUR
Friday, 1:00 PM–5:00 PM
This bus tour begins on Atlanta’s longest and most famous street—Peachtree Street. Guests will see downtown’s soaring skyscrapers, midtown’s “Fabulous” Fox Theatre, the High Museum of Art, and “The Dump”, where Margaret Mitchell wrote *Gone With the Wind*. Next stop: Buckhead—an area of exquisite homes, often called the Beverly Hills of the South. Nested in this exclusive area are the Governor’s Mansion, the Atlanta History Center, and the Swan House.

On the way back to town, guests will see the shopping and entertainment district—Atlantic Station, the Georgia Tech campus, and many Olympic venues. Guests will also see the Georgia Aquarium, World of Coca-Cola, Centennial Olympic Park, and the CNN Center. Guests will then enjoy a driving tour of Sweet Auburn Avenue—the first, and for a long time the most thriving black business district in the south and an important landmark of the Civil Rights movement. Guests will visit Martin Luther King’s Center and Ebenezer Baptist Church where Dr. King and his father were pastors.

No tour in Atlanta would be complete without a look at Turner Field, the home of the Braves, and the golden-domed State Capitol building. Guests will be both entertained and enlightened on this panoramic tour of Atlanta.

KING CENTER TOUR
Friday, 2:00 PM–5:00 PM
This walking tour will start with a ride on Atlanta’s new streetcar to the Martin Luther King, Jr. Center for Nonviolent Social Change, which was envisioned by Coretta Scott King to be, “no dead monument, but a living memorial filled with all the vitality that was his, a center of human endeavor, committed to the causes for which he lived and died.” The King Center uses diverse communications media to educate people all over the world about Dr. King’s life, work, and his philosophy and methods of nonviolent conflict-reconciliation and social change.

Participants will see the International World Peace Rose Garden, Dr. and Mrs. King’s Crypt, the Eternal Flame, the Freedom Walkway, and the Reflecting Pool. Guests will then have the opportunity to visit Dr. King’s birth home and the Historic Ebenezer Baptist Church. Ebenezer Baptist Church has been a spiritual home to many citizens of the “Sweet Auburn” community.

After giving a trial sermon to the congregation at the age of 19, Martin Luther King Jr. was ordained a minister, a position he maintained until his death.

YOGA CLASS
Saturday, 7:00 AM–8:00 AM
Join us for a 50-minute yoga class, appropriate to all levels of practitioners. Fun flow will incorporate the whole body—stretching into the legs, releasing tension in the shoulders, and opening up the heart with some gentle back bending. And, of course, a great playlist to get you ready for the day. Towels will be provided. Please wear comfortable clothing.

HIGH MUSEUM OF ART
Saturday, 9:30 AM–11:30 AM
The High Museum of Art’s collections consist of more than 11,000 pieces and include nineteenth- and twentieth-century American and decorative art, significant European pieces, modern and contemporary art, photography, African art, and folk art. Participants will take the MARTA train and then walk 0.3 miles to the museum. We are offering five different docent-led tours for 45 minutes, and then you’ll have the opportunity to explore the museum on your own and come back to the Meeting at your leisure. Select one of the options below.

- Habsburg Splendor Special Exhibition: www.high.org/Art/Exhibitions/Habsburg-Splendor.aspx
- Women in Art: Learn about the female artists in the permanent collection
- Celebrate Black History: Discover permanent collection works created by artists of African descent
- Howard Finster and “Outsider Art”: www.high.org/Art/Exhibitions/Howard-Finster.aspx

Those interested in the Finster exhibition will also have the opportunity to visit a special collection in a little-known warehouse. The Arnett warehouse of outsider art is perhaps the largest and most important collection of southern self-taught/outside African American art in the United States and represents the work of Bill Arnett, his sons, and the Souls Grown Deep Foundation. A nominal fee for group transportation will apply to all participants.

CENTER FOR CIVIL AND HUMAN RIGHTS
Saturday, 1:45 PM–4:00 PM
Opened in 2014, the Center for Civil and Human Rights has proven to be a cultural attraction that connects the achievements of the civil rights movement in the United States and today’s global human rights movement. The purpose of the museum is to create a safe space for visitors to explore the fundamental rights of all human beings so that they leave inspired and empowered to join the ongoing dialogue about human rights in their communities. Participants will walk 0.4 miles to the museum and participate in a self-guided tour, returning at their leisure.

JIMMY CARTER PRESIDENTIAL LIBRARY AND MUSEUM
Sunday, 2:45 PM–5:00 PM
The Jimmy Carter Presidential Library and Museum is home to the Presidential papers of the Carter administration. An exhibit of significant events occurring during Carter’s life and political career includes photographs with interpretative text. Several exhibitions focus on important twentieth-century issues such as war and peace, disarmament, and the economy. Participants will take a bus to the museum and participate in a self-guided tour.
**MICHAEL C. CARLOS MUSEUM**

*Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM*

The Michael C. Carlos Museum of Emory University boasts the largest ancient art collection in the Southeast. Its priceless treasures span a variety of ancient cultures, customs, and legacies. Some 17,000 artifacts from ancient Egypt, the Near East, Greece, Rome, the Americas, Asia, and Africa, as well as works on paper from the Renaissance to the present day provide visitors with a glimpse into the art and history of world cultures.

Two special exhibitions on display are Spider Woman to Horned Serpent: Creation and Creativity in Native North American Art and Indigenous Beauty: Masterworks of American Indian Art from the Diker Collection. Participants will take a bus to the museum and have a one hour docent-led tour with an additional 30 minutes to explore the museum on your own.

**PITTS THEOLOGY LIBRARY SPECIAL COLLECTIONS**

*Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM*

The Pitts Theology Library is among America’s largest and most distinguished theological libraries and offers unusually rich resources for Candler School of Theology, Emory University, and the larger world of scholarship. Its collections include more than 610,000 volumes, 135,000 of which are in its special collections. In August of 2014, the library moved into a new facility, which includes an exhibit gallery with 22 custom cases.

Participants will tour the library and the fall exhibit on the “Ten Commandments.” The exhibit will include texts and images from materials in the Richard C. Kessler Reformation Collection relating to the Ten Commandments, including early printed Bibles, catechisms, hymnals, sixteenth-century sermons, and commentaries. Guests will take a bus to the library and have a one hour docent-led tour with an additional 30 minutes to explore the library on your own.

**WILLIAM BREMAN JEWISH HERITAGE MUSEUM**

*Monday, 12:30 PM–4:00 PM*

The Breman Museum’s vivid exhibits use the personal remembrances of Atlantans to explain seminal moments in the Jewish experience. Participants will have a 90 minute docent led tour and a 90 minute Holocaust survivor talk. The two exhibitions below will be on display. Participants will take the MARTA train and then walk 0.5 miles to the museum, returning at your leisure.

*Absence of Humanity: The Holocaust Years, 1933–1945* was designed by local architect and Holocaust survivor Ben Hirsch, and features historic photographs, personal memorabilia, family documents, and videotaped interviews with Atlanta area survivors.

*Eighteen Artifacts: A Story of Jewish Atlanta* This exhibition explores the history of Jews in Atlanta through artifacts, images, and oral histories. The story of Jewish Atlanta began as it did in many other Southern towns, but its narrative would take dramatic turns as Atlanta became a stage for regional, national, and international events over the next 170 years. Jews played a role in every significant event in Atlanta’s history, and in many cases Jewish men and women were instrumental in creating essential social, business and educational organizations. By showcasing important artifacts representing major turning points in this story, we hope all who visit will leave with a sense of the significant ways the Jewish community has shaped the city of Atlanta. As visitors encounter these eighteen artifacts they are encouraged to consider and share their own connections to the selected people, places or events.

**PONCE DE LEON AVENUE HOUSES OF WORSHIP TOUR**

*Monday, 1:00 PM–5:00 PM*

This bus tour will explore landmark houses of worship amid the changing religious ecology of Atlanta’s Ponce de Leon Avenue. Many of these buildings have served multiple purposes as Atlanta’s population has changed and moved. A major east–west avenue, “Ponce” passes through several distinct neighborhoods. The street begins in Midtown, travels through Virginia–Highlands and Poncey–Highland, and into Druid Hills, where it is lined with parks first planned by landscape architect Frederick Law Olmstead. Stops may include St. Paul Presbyterian Church, a 100-year-old Gothic revival building that has served three congregations and a restaurant; Druid Hills Baptist Church, a neoclassical church in a rapidly redeveloping neighborhood; St. John’s Lutheran Church, an octagonal Gothic church whose parish house was originally the Stonehenge Mansion; St. John Chrysostom Melkite Catholic Church, which occupies the neo-classical mansion built by Coca-Cola owner Asa Candler; and the Atlanta ISKCON Temple. We will also visit the neighboring campus of Emory University to see its Canon Chapel designed by modernist architect Paul Rudolph, and the Glenn Memorial Church, a colonial revival building. Other architectural treats along the route include the Moorish Revival Fox Theatre and modernist Moorish Ya’arab Shrine.
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**ANNUAL MEETING HOTEL VENUES**

The Hyatt Regency Atlanta is the winner of the City of Atlanta Better Buildings Challenge, and recognized by U.S. Dept. of Energy for water savings and energy reduction. The Hyatt has reduced energy consumption by 36%, saving 57.4 billion BTUs and reducing CO2 emissions by 8,267 metric tons. The hotel has reduced water use by 35%, and saves 8 million gallons of water each year. And its recycling and composting program recycles some 2 million lbs. of paper and other materials each year. Hyatt Regency Atlanta is proud to be a Platinum level TripAdvisor Green Leader.

The Marriott Marquis Atlanta was awarded the Marriott Environmentally Conscious Hospitality Operations (ECHO) Award for its improvements since 2005. This commodation recognized environmental advances that included recycling five million gallons of water annually from laundry usage, reducing energy consumption 28%, a 30% improvement in Energy Star® rating, and a 34% reduction in natural gas usage.

Hilton Atlanta has made significant improvements to its sustainability while delivering positive guest experiences. Energy usage has decreased by 18% since 2011 due to the usage of energy efficient lightbulbs throughout the hotel to provide bright, warm light using 75% less energy than standard lighting. Through LightStay, Hilton’s sustainability measurement platform, Hilton Atlanta is able to record a 28% decrease in CO2 Emissions since 2009. Waste output has decreased by 64% due to the usage of recycled paper products and bulk dispensers and reusable containers since 2009.

In 2012, the Westin Peachtree Plaza was recognized as a Green Seal Certified—Silver Level Hotel. The largest convention hotel in the Southeast to be Green Seal™ certified, the Westin Peachtree Plaza earned this recognition for waste minimization, water and energy efficiency, hazardous substance handling, and embraces environmentally conscience hotel initiatives, including the $13 million environmental upgrade to the hotel’s central plant heating and cooling system in 2011. The Westin Peachtree Plaza is committed to providing a clean environment for its guests and associates, protecting the environment, and promoting sustainability.

The Sheraton Atlanta has improved its sustainabilities in numerous ways including engineering a laundry water recycling system that reduces 127 cubic tons of carbon emissions and saves 4.5 million gallons of water each year; a new water heating system that increases efficiency by more than 50%; low -energy lighting in all permanent light fixtures that require 75% less energy and last about 10 times longer than incandescent bulbs; and double-paned, high-efficient SolarBan window system in the rooms surrounding the Garden Courtyard, reducing energy cost by 40% in the guest rooms.

**PROGRAM BOOK AND AT-A-GLANCE**

Paper used in the Program Book and At-A-Glance is certified by the globally-recognized Sustainable Forest Initiative, which ensures that wood and paper products are from well-managed forests and is backed by a rigorous third-party certification audit. Use of recycled paper equates to a 40 percent reduction in energy versus paper made with unrecycled pulp. Recycling all Program Books would prevent over 15.8 cubic meters of landfill space; it would also save over 80 mature trees, nearly 36,667 gallons of water, 10.38 barrels of oil, and 21,297 kilowatt-hours of electricity — enough energy to power the average American home for almost two years. Also, abstracts are available online. Printing the abstracts would have used 3.3 million sheets of paper (equal to 198 trees) and added 2,970 tons of CO2 to the atmosphere — all at an additional cost (estimated conservatively) to AAR and SBL of $30,000.

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TECHNOLOGICAL INITIATIVES

AAR and SBL are committed to being on the cutting edge with innovative new event technology and to offering attendees an exceptional program experience.

We will again provide a Mobile Meeting Guide powered by Event Pilot. This mobile app provides members with a technically-reliable, intuitive, and functional solution. At no cost, this mobile app provides attendees with:

- The entire event program, including SBL, AAR, and Additional Meetings sessions
- Exhibitor information, including an interactive Exhibit Hall map
- Maps of the Annual Meetings hotels
- Find-a-Friend functionality to allow you to locate your colleagues
- Ability to add sessions and personal events to your Annual Meetings calendar

Attendees will be able to create and customize their own schedule, make notes about sessions, and share information and their schedule with colleagues and friends via built-in social networking. Because Event Pilot features an intuitive offline program that is native to Android, iPhone, iPad, and iPod Touch devices, there is no waiting for schedule downloads or web pages to load and no dealing with slow or nonexistent Wi-Fi connections. Schedule changes are downloaded in the background, allowing attendees immediate access to event information. A similar web-based app will be accessible via Blackberry and personal computers.

You can search for the app in the App Store for iOS or the Google Play store for Android using the keyword AARSBLAM15.

BEST PRACTICES FOR SOCIAL MEDIA USE AT THE 2015 ANNUAL MEETING

AAR and SBL promote the academic study of religion and sacred texts across many channels: print, online, and the Annual Meeting. Social media outlets, especially “live-tweeting,” can be an important means for continuing the conversation beyond the audience of an Annual Meeting session. These guidelines are intended to craft a forum that encourages an open discussion while maintaining the integrity of the scholar’s work.

1. Attendees are encouraged to live-tweet at the Annual Meeting using the official 2015 Annual Meeting hashtag (#aarsbl15).
2. Program unit chairs are invited to create hashtags for their units.
3. Presenters may request that the presentation not be broadcast across social media. Similar to a presenter’s requests not to be filmed or recorded, attendees are asked to respect the presenters’ wishes.
4. Attribution is key. List the speaker’s name and presentation title; refer to a social media handle, if known.
5. Clearly define where the idea originated. Note direct quotes within quotation marks. Make it clear when you are summarizing an argument and when you respond with your own opinion or interpretation of it. Note when the presentation is over.
6. Be respectful, even if you disagree.
7. Keep the dialogue going—bring responses from social media into the meeting session (e.g., ask questions posed to the author from the Twittersphere) and remember to use the meeting hashtag (#aarsbl15) so you can see who is responding to the same session you are.
EMPLOYMENT CENTER

The Annual Meetings Employment Center provides job candidates and employers with current job listings, candidate credentials for review, a message service, and interview facilities.

CANDIDATE SERVICES
All registered candidates receive:
- Annual Meetings edition of Employment Listings.
- Opportunity to submit a CV for employer review.
- Access to the Employment Center e-mail Message Center to send and receive confidential communication with registered employers.

All candidates have the option of submitting a CV to the Employment Center. Organized by job classification, online CVs are available to registered employers electronically from July 6, 2015 through February 15, 2016, and onsite at the Annual Meetings Employment Center.

Please see http://www.aarsbl.org/content/candidate-services for more information.

Candidate Fees
The American Academy of Religion and the Society of Biblical Literature have eliminated all Employment Center fees for candidates. Beginning in 2015, all active members of the American Academy of Religion or the Society of Biblical Literature who have registered for the Annual Meeting will be able to register as candidates with the Employment Center free of charge.

EMPLOYER SERVICES
All registered employers receive:
- Job advertisements included in the Annual Meeting Edition of Employment Listings, available on-site to all candidates.
- An Employment Center Icon next to online advertisements indicating that the position is registered for the Employment Center.
- Access to candidate credentials online from July 6, 2015, through February 15, 2016.
- An interview booth and the ability to invite any candidate to an interview.
- Ability to reserve a Private Interview Room for an additional fee.
- Access to the Employment Center e-mail Message Center to send and receive confidential communication with registered candidates.

Employer Fees
- First Job: $275 ($325 after October 30)
- Each additional job: $60 ($85 after October 30)

LOCATION AND HOURS OF OPERATION

November 20–23, 2015
Sheraton Atlanta, Grand Ballroom, 3rd Floor

Saturday, November 21  8:00 AM–7:00 PM
Sunday, November 22   8:00 AM–7:00 PM
Monday, November 23    8:00 AM–7:00 PM

REGISTRATION AND ADVERTISEMENT

Employment Center registration for both candidates and employers is currently open. Candidates must first register for the Annual Meetings before they can register for the Employment Center. Employers can register for the Employment Center when they post an online ad listing.

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FOCUS ON EMPLOYMENT

The AAR and SBL have teamed up to present a series of sessions focused on academic, alt-ac, and post-academic employment. The goal of these sessions is to open a dialogue about the changing nature of academic employment and to reflect on the realities of the current job market.

A21-144/S21-153
Dealing with The Dossier: A Proactive Approach to Documenting Your Teaching
Saturday, 10:30 AM–12:00 PM
Hyatt–Hanover A (Exhibit Level)

This roundtable is geared towards graduate students at any stage of their studies who intend on eventually applying to academic jobs. One key aspect of the application process is “the teaching dossier”, which consists of your statement of teaching philosophy, along with documentation of the efficacy of your approach. Utilized for honing and showcasing effectiveness as an educator, the teaching dossier is a vital tool for ongoing professional development. We will explore the process of articulating a teaching philosophy, and avenues of proactively procuring documentation of your teaching at every stage of your studies.

A21-201
Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Marriott-M301-302 (Marquis Level)

Marc Bousquet’s How the University Works is one of the first explorations of what is like to work in the modern university with the increasing casualization of labor in higher education. Despite popular stereotypes of high-earning, high-prestige professors, most campus employees work in the low-wage, low-prestige sphere of the service economy. Tenure-track positions are increasingly rare while adjuncts and graduate students teach the majority of courses. Non-tenure track jobs are now the norm. Adjucts commonly earn about $2700 a course without benefits, office space, or much-needed technology. Undergraduates are also a part of this low-cost, disposable workforce. Bousquet is a major figure in the academic labor movement, and he exposes exploitative labor in higher education, in which faculty, graduate students, and undergraduates work long hours for low wages.

This panel engages Bousquet’s book on labor by applying his insights and analysis to our discipline of religious studies. What does this increasing reliance on contingent labor mean for religious studies? What are the dominant forms of labor for religious studies scholars? What are the conditions of labor at our institutions and in our departments? What about scholars who lack affiliation and institution? How has the increasing reliance on contingent labor impacted not only how and what we teach, but also how we produce scholarship? What might we learn when we pay attention to how the working conditions of scholars impact our discipline as a whole?

In short presentations, our panelists discuss what it is like to work in religious studies at their own institutions, what it is like to lack institutional support, how this relates to religious studies, and the larger trends of contingency in higher education. Marc Bousquet will respond.

A21-303/S21-319
Envisioning Academic Alternatives
Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Sheraton-Valdosta (Level 2)

This will be a workshop for graduate students and PhDs in Religious Studies, Humanities or Theology that will help them identify their skills and consider a range of possible career options that can fit holistically into wider life strategies.

The shift away from tenure-track positions has and will continue, creating new financial, social, and emotional challenges for those who entered academia hoping for professorships. This new academic job market demands a creative, entrepreneurial approach to making a living.

This workshop is designed to help academics and graduates approach academic work as only one part of a wider picture that potentially integrates a variety of income streams while still being able to pursue research goals and interests. Participants will examine their own history and relationships to academia, and become more empowered through discovering marketable skill sets they may not know they possess.

During the workshop we will discuss sustainable life strategies, considering what activities and relationships bring us real joy and can therefore be maintained in the long term. Participants will have the opportunity to reframe the issue of work/life balance in the context of an academic career, describe their abilities in terms of marketable skill sets and consider alternatives to traditional research, teaching, publishing and academic engagement.

A22-240
Another Plan “A”: Religious Studies Education and Careers Beyond the Academy
Sunday, 1:00 PM–2:30 PM
Marriott-A703 (Atrium Level)

Worried about the job market? Thinking that a career in higher ed no longer matches your interests and goals? Or just wondering about options? Join this discussion of career paths outside the academy. Panelists hold masters and doctoral degrees from a variety of religious studies, theology, and other humanities programs and have worked in fields including:

- publishing and editing
- journalism
- nonprofits and foundations
- government
- consulting

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• religious communities
• academic administration
• social work and health care
• marketing

Come hear more about how graduate education in religious studies prepares us for — and enhances our practice of — various careers. The panel discussion will be followed by an open conversation with the audience and group table discussions led by the panelists. Come tell us what AAR can do to better serve members who are exploring non-academic careers and to support those who have moved beyond the academy!

A22-252/S22-253
Developing a Public Voice and Making a Living from It
Sunday, 3:00 PM–4:30 PM
Sheraton-Valdosta (Level 2)
This is a workshop for all who went into academia wanting to change the world — those who, to borrow the words of the jailed Chinese dissident Liu Xiaobo, “made the mistake of acting on impulses of sympathy or of justice.” We are many who have pursued studies of religion and related fields in hopes of developing a public voice and perhaps providing moral leadership.

Is this a quixotic dream? For those who have not found secure university employment — or who have found it and are disappointed — is it possible instead to work as a public intellectual/activist/artist? The workshop builds on participatory exercises: What might you be willing to give up in order to follow your dream — how simply can you live? What combinations of jobs might be acceptable to you? If you could become a public voice, what would you want to tell the world?

A22-300/S22-342
Networking Like the Job Is in Hand
Sunday, 4:00 PM–5:30 PM
Hyatt–Hanover A (Exhibit Level)
We make the most out of networking opportunities in graduate school by behaving like we are one of “them,” that is the professors, administrators, and other professionals with whom we seek to meet or interact. This panel will discuss methods of introduction, language, and perhaps most importantly, ways to make your own opportunities for networking as a form of professional development. For example, organizing speaker series and other events can create the networks you want to have, rather than just waiting for these opportunities to come to you. We will also discuss networking internationally through language and study abroad programs. We will discuss strategies on how to make the most of these important connections once you have developed them. Additionally, we will work on creating opportunities for yourself though receptions and other events even before you are on the job market.

A22-335
Religious Studies and Nonprofit Management
Sunday, 5:00 PM–6:30 PM
Sheraton-Valdosta (Level 2)
Recent research data indicates that students who study religion often pursue careers in nonprofit administration. Given the historical connection between religious communities and nonprofit organizations, it is natural to consider how religious studies as an academic field can collaborate with the professional training offered in nonprofit management education. This workshop, led by the Chair of the Department of Religious Studies at Georgia State University will reflect upon possible collaborations, using their own department’s Concentration in Religion and Nonprofit Management program as a model for students seeking employment outside of the academy. In addition, the Director of Development for International Rescue Committee (Atlanta offices) will discuss how his religious studies background informs his nonprofit work with IRC.

A23-146/S23-151
Alt-Ac Employment: Hiring from an HR Perspective
Monday, 10:30 AM–12:00 PM
Hyatt–Hanover A (Exhibit Level)
This session will introduce some aspects of the non-academic hiring process from both a potential employee and potential employer standpoint, drawing from my experience with recruitment and HR processing in several job positions. It will explore how to transfer skills from graduate school to an alt-ac or non-academic resume and job search. Depending on the interests of the participants, it could also touch on how to prep for interviews, how to negotiate salary, or what to look out for in the recruitment processes.

A23-334/S23-320a
PhD Transitions Over 40
Monday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Sheraton-Valdosta (Level 2)
This workshop will focus on career transitions specifically for people who are 40 or over and also are getting or already have a PhD. Middle aged professionals, particularly those with advanced degrees, face unique challenges when changing careers. This workshop will provide an overview of the specific circumstances that over 40s with a PhD face in making career transitions, either into or outside of academia. Participants will discuss the conditions and concerns that people at midlife face in a supportive environment. We will also do some exercises to help identify skills, discuss strategies for talking about one’s varied career history confidently to prospective employers and also to others. We will work on advanced job seeking skills such as elevator pitches designed for people in career transition. We will discuss the importance of networking and continuing education and discuss ways to leverage these resources in the community. Finally we will look at some case studies of individuals who have been successful with career transitions at midlife and hear their inspiring stories and tips.
AAR or SBL members with disabilities or any attendees who may have difficulty getting around the meeting are encouraged to note this during registration, as well as on the housing section of registration if applicable. AAR and SBL will make every reasonable attempt to accommodate you, whether by arranging services such as sign language interpreters, assigning accessible hotel room space, or through the AAR and SBL’s taxi reimbursement policy.

**Getting to the Annual Meeting**

**MARTA – Rapid Transit Train**
The MARTA Station is located directly in the airport and is easily accessible. Tickets can be purchased as you enter the station ($2.50 fare, one-way plus $1 card charge). The MARTA station at the airport has a staffed kiosk, as well as accessible ticket machines. The elevator at the MARTA station is in the center of the platform. Trains have wheelchair seating available. Trains provide station information via audio announcements and via visual message boards.

Take the MARTA train to the Peachtree Center Station. (All trains departing from the airport go to Peachtree Center Station.) Once you reach the station, there is an elevator to Peachtree Street that is left of the platform. That will bring you to roughly 218 Peachtree St. (to the right of Jalapeño Charlie’s.) The Hyatt entrance is 1.5 blocks north, and across John Portman Street.

More detailed information can be found here: [https://www.aarweb.org/annual-meeting/hotels-and-local-transportation-information](https://www.aarweb.org/annual-meeting/hotels-and-local-transportation-information).

**Getting Around the Annual Meeting**

**Primary Meeting Location**

AAR and SBL sessions will be held in three locations—the Hyatt Regency, the Marriott Marquis, and the Hilton Downtown. The Employment Center will be located in the Sheraton Downtown. Additional meetings and receptions will be held in the Sheraton Downtown and the Westin Peachtree Plaza.

The Hyatt, Marriott, and Hilton are all connected via a wheelchair accessible skybridge. The skybridge connects the Hyatt (Lobby Level) to the Marriott (Atrium Level). The Marriott (Marquis Level) then connects with the Hilton (second floor).

At the Marriott, the skybridges are on different levels; the Atrium Level is two floors up from the Marquis Level. The skybridge from the Hyatt to the Marriott is 130 feet long, and the Marriott to Hilton is 158 feet long.

The most accessible way to get to the Westin is from the Hyatt. You’ll exit the front doors and travel south, crossing John Portman and Andrew Young. Once you have crossed Andrew Young, cross Peachtree St. and continue west to the accessible entrance just past the loading docks. (The street becomes quite hilly just beyond the accessible entrance.)

The most accessible way to get to the Sheraton is from the Hilton. There is an accessible ramp on the first floor to the left (if standing inside, looking outside the main doors) by the gift store. Travel south on Courtland and cross Andrew Young. Once you have crossed the street, take a left on Andrew Young and look for the accessible entrance to the left of the UPS Store. (The main entrance, located on Courtland, is also accessible. However, it has a steeper ramp and sidewalk access is somewhat impeded by tree roots.)

In general, roads running north and south tend to be relatively level, but roads that are east and west often have steep hills. Attendees might want to plan their routes accordingly.

**No Shuttle Service between the Convention Center and Other Hotels**

AAR and SBL no longer provides shuttle bus service at the Annual Meeting.

**Taxi Reimbursement**

AAR and SBL will reimburse attendees with disabilities for the cost of a private taxi or ride-share service to travel between official meeting locations, if needed. To receive the reimbursement, please submit all receipts with a letter detailing the nature of your disability, your departure point, and your destination. Only travel between official Annual Meeting locations (i.e., hotels and convention center) will be covered. Questions may be directed to Shahrak@aarweb.org.

**Wheelchair or Electric Scooter Rental**

Attendees who wish to rent a wheelchair or electric scooter for use during the Annual Meeting are welcome to contact the following provider to arrange for service:

**Atlanta Scooter Rentals** ([http://atlantascooterrentals.net](http://atlantascooterrentals.net)) is offering attendees a special rate for the Annual Meeting. Please be sure to tell them that you are with the AAR and SBL to get $5 off your reservation. Manual wheelchairs are $125 for your entire visit. Rates for renting an electric scooter vary, depending on length of your stay. Please click the link for details: [http://atlantascooterrentals.net/1213195.html](http://atlantascooterrentals.net/1213195.html). Atlanta Scooter Rentals will deliver the wheelchair or scooter to your hotel and will pick up the scooter from the front desk at your hotel once you depart. Please call Atlanta Scooter Rentals at 770-309-3699 to make individual arrangements. They suggest that you make your reservation as soon as possible to ensure availability.
Onsite Accessibility Issues
Should you encounter an accessibility issue at the Annual Meeting, please notify the hotel’s front desk so they can get the issue resolved. You may also report the problem at the AAR and SBL Registration Desk (located in the Hyatt Regency) or email reg@aarweb.org or annualmeeting@sbl-site.org.

Food at the Annual Meeting
During weekdays, two food courts provide fast and inexpensive meal options for attendees during business hours. The SunTrust Food Court can be accessed via an indoor walkway in between the Marriott Marquis Atrium Level and the Hyatt Lobby Level. Access is fully accessible via wheelchair. The Hyatt is connected by an indoor walkway to the Mall at Peachtree Center. The Hyatt walkway is NOT accessible; to use this path, you must navigate three steps. There is an alternate accessible but circuitous route that leads from the Hyatt, through the Marriott, and back around to the mall.

Accessible Dining Guide
Warm thanks to the Emory Disability Studies Initiative, particularly Sam Van Horn and a team of undergraduates, who created this accessible restaurant guide: http://disstudies.org/downloads/FINALSDS_uDSI_AccessibilityAssessment%20wit%20OCR.pdf. Please confirm the restaurant hours with them prior to making plans, as hours of operation and other details are subject to change.

Annual Meeting Program Accessibility
ASL Interpreter Services
AAR provides interpreter services for attendees who request ASL interpretation in advance of the meeting. To request interpreter service, contact AAR at annualmeeting@aarweb.org no later than September 1 to ensure that AAR has sufficient time to arrange for appropriate interpreters. If members inform AAR about their anticipated attendance at particular sessions, AAR staff will coordinate with presenters and session presiders to secure advance copies of papers for interpreters.

Assisted Listening System
We can equip any room in the Marriott Marquis with an assisted listening system. AAR and SBL will provide receivers to attendees who request them in advance. If you would like to make use of this service, please email Soraya Shahrak at SShahrak@aarweb.org by November 14.

Assisted listening services will be available in Marriott Marquis A707, the room designated for sessions sponsored by the Religion and Disability Studies Group and the Committee on the Status of People with Disabilities. Advance notice is needed to provide assistive listening device support in other Marriott rooms. If you would like to use the system, please provide us with a schedule of sessions and their room numbers as soon as possible so that the technology can be set up in advance for the sessions.

Accessible Presentations
AAR and SBL encourage all presenters and presiders to make their presentations fully accessible to attendees with disabilities. The following guidelines suggest best practices for accessible presentations: https://www.aarweb.org/annual-meeting/guidelines-for-accessible-presentations.

Materials in Alternative Format
Attendees who need materials in alternative formats should contact the presenters directly. If you need contact information, please email annualmeeting@aarweb.org or annualmeeting@sbl-site.org. If members inform AAR or SBL about their needs and their anticipated attendance at particular sessions, AAR or SBL staff will do their best to coordinate with presenters and session presiders to facilitate the availability of handouts or other session materials in alternative formats.

Accessibility for Presenters
The room format at AAR and SBL sessions commonly includes a podium with a microphone designed for standing presentations. The Hyatt Regency-Regency Ballroom and the Marriott Marquis-Marquis Ballroom AB have a riser for the head table. The rest of the head tables will be on the floor. Presenters who need an alternative format (such as a tabletop microphone or podium) or who anticipate a problem with the riser should contact annualmeeting@aarweb.org to arrange for appropriate presentation technology.

Meeting Room Accessibility
All sessions at the AAR and SBL are accessible to attendees using wheelchairs. Meeting room chairs will be arranged to ensure two open spaces for attendees using wheelchairs.

Designated Room for Religion and Disability Studies Group Sessions
AAR has scheduled all sessions sponsored/cosponsored by the Religion and Disability Studies Group and the AAR Status of People with Disabilities in the Profession Committee in the same room at the Marriott Marquis, A707.

Sighted Guide or Mobility Assistance
Attendees who need a sighted guide or other mobility assistance to navigate the annual meeting should email Soraya Shahrak at SShahrak@aarweb.org by November 14.

Volunteer to Assist Your Colleagues
Are you able to devote a few hours of your time at the annual meeting to assist a colleague? Please contact Soraya Shahrak at SShahrak@aarweb.org if you are able to serve as a sighted guide or to provide mobility assistance during a portion of the meeting.

Employment Center Accessibility
AAR and SBL are committed to maximizing accessibility for employers and job seekers who are making use of the Employment Center. AAR and SBL can arrange for a quiet booth, to minimize noise or distraction from adjacent booths, or may be able to arrange for a private interview room if space is available. If you need a quiet room or have other accessibility needs, please contact careers@aarsbl.org by October 27 so that we can adequately accommodate you.
HOW TO USE THE PROGRAM BOOK

In response to comments from previous years’ Annual Meetings surveys, and in order to better serve the needs of Annual Meetings attendees, we changed our Annual Meetings publications in a number of ways:

The Program Book is being mailed to all Annual Meeting attendees who did not opt out registered by August 13.

This Program Book contains the room assignments for all sessions. A location key is provided on the bottom of each odd numbered page. We anticipate that there will be very few changes from the time of this publication until the meeting. Any updated room assignments will be noted in the onsite At-A-Glance, which will be stuffed into attendee tote bags, and in the Mobile App.

All AAR, SBL, Related Scholarly Organizations (RSOs), Program Affiliates, and Additional Meetings sessions are listed in this Program Book. The sessions have been divided into three sections:

- AAR sessions (designated by an A#) and AAR RSO sessions (designated by a P#)
- SBL sessions (designated by an S#) and SBL Program Affiliate sessions (designated by a P#)
- Additional Meetings sessions (designated by an M#)

There is some overlap between the AAR’s RSOs and SBL’s Program Affiliates, and in these cases, the sessions are listed in both the AAR and SBL sections. To determine in which section to look for a session, please consult the Session Index at the back of the book.

The A/S/P/M numbers will tell you the date and time of a session. For example, A22-102 occurs on Sunday, November 22 and takes place between 9:00 AM–12:59 PM.

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Each page has a tab marker on the side indicating the dates located on that page. Additionally, a gray header bar denotes start times.

Symbols located adjacent to the session number indicate sessions which highlight special subjects in the AAR program. A symbol key is provided on the bottom of each even numbered page.

**Please remember to bring your Program Book to Atlanta with you. We will have a very limited supply for those who forget their books at home or in their hotel room.**
CONVENTION FOOTPRINT MAP
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HYATT: BALLROOM LEVEL

CENTENNIAL BALLROOM
(EXHIBIT HALL)

REGENCY BALLROOM
(AAR PLENARY BALLROOM)

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HYATT: CONFERENCE LEVEL

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Gender Neutral Restroom located to the left of suite 219 near the service elevator.

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MARRIOTT MARQUIS

ATRIUM LEVEL

Skywalk to the Hyatt Regency

ATRIUM BALLROOM
A600’S
A700’S
PULSE
SEAR
HIGH VELOCITY

LOBBY LEVEL

HEALTH CLUB
SPA
FRONT DESK
CONCIERGE
L400’S
L500’S
STARBUCKS
M:STORE

MARQUIS LEVEL

MARQUIS BALLROOM
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FEDEX KINKO’S
IMPERIAL BALLROOM

INTERNATIONAL LEVEL

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COURTLAND STREET

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MARRIOTT: ATRIUM LEVEL

Atrium Ballroom

Atrium

Pulse

Media Room

High-Velocity

Sear Restaurant

Sear Bar

Pool

Marquis Tower I

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WESTIN PEACHTREE PLAZA: ANSLEY LEVEL

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Membership in the American Academy of Religion can be established by mailing or faxing the form on page 66, by using our online membership system at www.aarweb.org/membership/join-or-renew, or by calling our offices at 1-404-727-3049.

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Much of the work of the Academy is accomplished through its board, committees, and program units. These groups are composed of individuals who contribute their time and talents to the AAR’s mission of fostering excellence in teaching and scholarship in religion. For the ongoing vitality of the Academy’s work, it is important to welcome new voices into the conversation and to achieve a broad and diverse range of member participation in these leadership positions.

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Each year the Nominations Committee nominates persons for election by members. Because terms of office vary, not every position is open every year. The Nominations Committee seeks the participation of the membership in its processes. Please send your suggestions for nominations for elective office (along with a rationale) to the Nominations Committee in care of the AAR executive offices at nominations@aarweb.org.

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Appointments to working groups are made by the president in consultation with the executive director. If you want to nominate a colleague or yourself, please send a letter explaining interest in serving on a particular committee, participation in the AAR, academic and professional interests, and a C.V. to nominations@aarweb.org. Calls for nominations to elective office and committee appointments are published regularly on the AAR Web site at www.aarweb.org, and in the AAR e-Bulletins.
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The African Association for the Study of Religions is an academic association of the scholars of religions posted in universities in Africa, and of scholars of the religions of Africa posted in universities outside Africa. It was founded at an IAHR (International Association for the History of Religions) conference in Harare, Zimbabwe, in September 1992 for the purpose of promoting the academic study of the religions of Africa more generally through the international collaboration of all scholars whose research has a bearing on the subject. The AASR seeks to stimulate the academic study of religions of Africa in a variety of ways: providing a forum for multilateral communications between scholars of African religions; facilitating the exchange of resources and information; encouraging the development of linkages and research contacts between scholars and institutions in Africa, and between scholars in Africa and those overseas. The AASR also endeavors to assist scholars to publish their work and travel to professional meetings. The AASR is an affiliate of the IAHR since 1995. It meets at the IAHR quinquennial congress and organizes conferences in Africa. Its members participate in panels at conferences outside of Africa. The AASR publishes the bi-annual AASR Bulletin and maintains a web site: www.a-asr.org. AASR plans for an online journal are at an advanced stage.

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The purpose of the Association of Practical Theology (APT) is to promote critical reflection on theology and practice. Reconstituted from its predecessor organizations in 1984, the APT was sparked by the understanding of practical theology as an integrative hermeneutical endeavor at the heart of theological education that includes critical examination of religious traditions and practices and exploration of the contributions of ministerial sub-disciplines. The APT meets annually in conjunction with the AAR and biennially for a comprehensive conference. APT meetings at the AAR draw national and international scholars from a variety of disciplines (members of APT and non-members) and the biennial meeting allows for more in depth study of specific issues and the conduct of official business. The APT posts proceedings, membership information, and other news on its website (www.practicaltheology.org) and welcomes new members from all areas of religious and theological study.
Association of Social Scientists of Religion of MERCOSUR

The ACSRM was founded in Montevideo in 1994, in the framework of the IV Conference on Religious Alternatives in Latin America under the name “Asociación de Científicos Sociales de la Religión en el Mercosur” (ASCRM - Association of Social Scientists of Religion of MERCOSUR*). Progressively the ACSRM was expanding their borders and now includes researchers and professors of the entire Latin America and also from other parts of the world. The ACSRM is a not-for-profit entity of an academic nature, and is independent from political, religious or economic groups. At present, it is a point of reference for all those in Latin America and the Caribbean who take an interest in studies about the religious phenomenon. Its purposes are:

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*MERCOSUR is the Common Market of the South (of Latin America)

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The Society's peer-reviewed journal, Horizons, first appeared in 1974 and is currently published biannually through Cambridge University Press (http://journals.cambridge.org/action/displayJournal?jid=HOR). Members receive a copy of the annual volume and Horizons as part of their dues. The College Theology Society remains committed to its role as a professional society that welcomes all those who serve as professors of theological and religious studies at colleges and universities.

Colloquium on Violence and Religion

The Colloquium on Violence and Religion is an international association of scholars founded in 1990. It is dedicated to the exploration, criticism, and development of René Girard's mimetic model of the relationship between violence and religion in the genesis and maintenance of culture. In promoting research in mimetic theory, COV&R welcomes scholars and others from diverse fields and theoretical orientations who are interested in the foundational role of imitation in individual human lives and cultures. In addition to gathering at the annual meeting of the American Academy of Religion, the Colloquium meets each summer, alternating between North American and European venues. COV&R's publications include a website (http://www.uibk.ac.at/thed/over/), a book series, Studies in Violence, Mimesis, and Culture, published by Michigan State University Press, the journal Contagion and a biannual newsletter (Bulletin of the Colloquium on Violence and Religion). COV&R membership information: http://www.uibk.ac.at/thed/over/aboutover/membership.html. The coordinator of COV&R at the AAR is Professor Martha Reineke, University of Northern Iowa (martha.reineke@uni.edu). COV&R membership information: http://www.uibk.ac.at/thed/over/aboutover/membership.html.

Consortium of Christian Study Centers

The Consortium of Christian Study Centers (CCSC) exists to advance the growth and effectiveness of Christian Study Centers at colleges and universities around the world. In pursuit of its mission, CCSC has the following goals: to promote collaboration among Study Centers and other like-minded organizations, to provide mutual stimulation and resources to existing Study Centers, to encourage and support the development of new Study Centers, and to raise awareness of the Study Center movement. For more information, please visit our website at http://www.studycentersonline.org.

European Society for the Study of Western Esotericism

The European Society for the Study of Western Esotericism (ESSWE) was established in 2005 to advance the academic study of the various manifestations of Western esotericism from late antiquity to the present, and to secure the future development of the field. To these ends, the ESSWE holds an international conference every two years in a major European city; publishes an affiliated journal, Dries, a related book series, and a Newsletter (normally appearing twice a year), and provides various resources on its website (http://www.eswe.org/). Occasional workshops, prizes and travel bursaries are also used to advance the ESSWE's objectives. Full membership is open to scholars of Western Esotericism based at European institutions and to scholars based elsewhere who are interested in Western Esotericism in Europe, and non-voting associate membership is open to all. Membership provides free access to some of the ESSWE's activities and discounted access to some other activities. Student members and scholars from economically disadvantaged countries receive further discounts.
European Society of Women in Theological Research

Founded in 1986 in Switzerland, the ESWTR is a scholarly network of women scholars in theological and religious studies. Currently, the Society has more than 500 members who come from different religious, denominational, national, and academic backgrounds. The ESWTR provides the opportunity for women researchers from the European continent to meet and to dialogue with each other at biannual international conferences held in different European countries. Conference themes raise important issues in feminist theological and religious research. During the year in which no international meeting takes place, members meet nationally or regionally. Currently, country or regional groups exist in Austria, Belgium, Britain, Bulgaria, Croatia, Czech Republic, Denmark, Finland, France, Republic of Georgia, Greece, Germany, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, The Netherlands, Norway, Northern America, Palestine, Poland, Romania, Slovakia, Spain, Sweden, and Switzerland. Membership is open to women engaged in the academic study of theology, religious studies, and related areas. They may live and work in Europe, hold a European passport, or may be admitted after special consideration by the Board. Members receive the ESWTR Newsletter and the annually published Journal of the ESWTR.

Evangelical Philosophical Society

The mission of the Evangelical Philosophical Society is to glorify God through the faithful practice of philosophy, fostering a deeper understanding of God and the world he created while both encouraging and enabling Christian philosophers to engage philosophical and spiritual issues in the academy, church, and culture.

Institute for American Religious and Philosophical Thought

The Institute for American Religious and Philosophical Thought is a community of productive scholars contributing to the academic study of religion and philosophy through interpretive, critical, and constructive reflections on distinctly American religious and philosophical thought. It fosters broad discussion through its sponsorship of conferences, seminars, workshops, and publications (including the American Journal of Theology & Philosophy). The work of the Institute emphasizes: (1) the interface between theology and philosophy, especially as shaped by American empiricist, naturalist, process and pragmatic traditions; (2) the development of liberal religious thought in America, the interface between theology and philosophy, especially as shaped by American empiricist, naturalist, process and pragmatic traditions; and (3) the development of liberal religious thought in America.

International Association for the Cognitive Science of Religion

The International Association for the Cognitive Science of Religion (IACSR) was founded in 2006. The IACSR is an interdisciplinary association, including scholars from a wide variety of disciplines in the human, social, natural and health sciences that are interested in the academic, scientific study of religious phenomena. The objective of the IACSR is to promote the cognitive science of religion through international collaboration of all scholars whose research has a bearing on the subject. The IACSR pursues this objective through a wide range of scholarly activities and venues such as biennial conferences, interim local meetings, the facilitation of research networks, and by directing the Journal for the Cognitive Science of Religion: http://www.equinoxpub.com/JCSR/. For more information about the IACSR, please visit: http://www.iacr.com.

International Association of Shin Buddhist Studies

The International Association of Shin Buddhist Studies (IASBS) has as its aim the development of international Shin and Pure Land Buddhist studies and the facilitation of exchange among its members. IASBS was founded in the spring of 1982 by a group of scholars in Kyoto in response to the mounting international attention to Shin Buddhism. The members include not only academics, priests, and laypersons affiliated with Shin Buddhism but also those of other academic expertise and religious tradition. IASBS welcomes participation of those with a wide range of interests and specializations within and beyond Pure Land Buddhism. IASBS annually publishes The Pure Land, an academic journal in English that contains articles (many from papers presented at IASBS conferences), essays, translations, and book reviews. This is the only scholarly journal specifically dedicated to the study of Pure Land Buddhism. The association also publishes a newsletter twice a year, in the spring and fall. For more information, visit http://www.iabs.net/.

International Bonhoeffer Society–English Language Section

The International Bonhoeffer Society: English Language Section is an interfaith scholarly organization. It was founded in 1971 to promote research in the theology, ethics, and life of the German theologian, Dietrich Bonhoeffer (1906–1945). The English Language Section has members in the United States, Canada, United Kingdom, Australia, New Zealand, South Africa, and other lands. It is governed by an elected board and society officers. Society membership is open to all persons interested in the theology, life, and spiritual influence of Dietrich Bonhoeffer and in constructive theological and pastoral studies inspired by his legacy.

International Society for Chinese Philosophy

The International Society for Chinese Philosophy (ISC) is a non-profit organization formed for the purpose of uniting persons affiliated with the study and research of Chinese Philosophy or interested in promoting the study and research of Chinese Philosophy in both academic and non-academic circles. By “Chinese Philosophy” is meant the whole philosophical tradition and heritage within the span of Chinese history and the spectrum of Chinese civilization. The term “Chinese Philosophy” also connotes the areas of logical, metaphysical, ethical, aesthetic, and epistemological thinking and reflection in reference to the Chinese philosophical tradition and heritage, Chinese language, Chinese society, and Chinese civilization. The society organizes and sponsors conferences and conference panels on Chinese philosophy. Its official journal is the Journal of Chinese Philosophy (Blackwell Publishers, Inc.). ISC also sponsors and co-sponsors philosophical, educational, cultural or scientific activities in cooperation with educational, cultural, philosophical, or scientific institutions or organizations associated with the study and research of Chinese Philosophy.

Jack, Joseph and Morton Mandel Center for Advanced Holocaust Studies

The Mandel Center for Advanced Holocaust Studies of the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum supports scholarship and publications in the field of Holocaust studies, promotes the growth of Holocaust studies at American universities, seeks to foster strong relationships between American and international scholars, and initiates programs to ensure the ongoing training of future generations of scholars specializing in the Holocaust. The Mandel Center accomplishes its mission through sponsorship of fellowship opportunities; seminars for teaching faculty at the college and university levels; research projects and publications; summer research workshops, conferences, lectures, and symposia; and the evaluation, collection, and making available of Holocaust-related archival materials.

The Program on Ethics, Religion, and the Holocaust, an integral part of the Mandel Center, serves as a resource for individuals and groups grappling with the ethical and philosophical issues raised by the Holocaust and contemporary antisemitism, and through its panels, symposia, and workshops investigates the relationship of the Holocaust to the past history and future potential of Jewish/Christian relations. Please contact eri@ushmm.org for more information.

See the full Annual Meetings program online at papers.aarweb.org/program_book and www.sbl-site.org/meetings/Congresses_ProgramBook.aspx?MeetingId=27

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Karl Barth Society of North America
The Society’s membership is open to all interested parties: scholars, students, pastors, laypersons. A Newsletter is published twice a year, edited by Dr. Paul D. Molnar, Department of Theology and Religious Studies, St. John’s University, 8000 Utopia Parkway, Queens, NY 11439. Annual dues are $25 (students $15). Information is available at http://kbarth.org. Also visit the website (http://www.ptsem.edu/library/barth/) that contains substantial articles as well as information about events, posted by the Center for Barth Studies at Princeton Theological Seminary (contact: barth.studies@ptsem.edu). Two sessions are held each year as Additional Meetings at the AAR Annual Meeting: one on Friday afternoon, the other on Saturday morning. As perhaps is only appropriate, the Society is always more of an event than an institution, whose irregular activities have earned it the well-known Barthian motto: providentia dei, confusione hominum.

La Comunidad de Hispanic Scholars
La Comunidad is an ecumenical association of Hispanic scholars of religion. La Comunidad proactively advances the interests and scholarship of Latinas and Latinos in biblical, theological, and religious studies. For more information, please contact Efrain Agosto, eagosto@nyts.edu, or Theresa Torres, torrestb@umkc.edu.

Niebuhr Society
The Niebuhr Society was organized in 2003 as a non-profit organization. “The Society is dedicated to historical, critical, and constructive study of the thought of Reinhold Niebuhr (1892–1971) and . . . scholarly engagement with the moral, political, and theological questions that were central to his work. The Niebuhr Society serves these purposes through presentations and discussion at its annual meeting, dissemination of information about relevant programs and activities, and support for the collection, preservation, and publication of material related to Reinhold Niebuhr’s life and work . . . . The Society encourages participation by persons from a wide variety of religious backgrounds, academic disciplines, and political viewpoints and seeks to develop a program that reflects the breadth of Niebuhr’s interests and concerns.” The Society remains in contact not only through its annual meetings but also through occasional emails updating membership on recent developments in Niebuhr studies, and through our Society webpage (http://niebuhrsociety.typepad.com/).

North American Association for the Study of Religion
The North American Association for the Study of Religion (NAASR) was founded in 1985 to encourage historical, comparative, structural, theoretical, and cognitive approaches to the study of religion; to represent North American scholars of religion at the international level; and to sustain communication between North American scholars and their international colleagues engaged in the study of religion. NAASR was affiliated to the IAHR at the XVII congress in 1990. NAASR holds meetings concurrently with the American Academy of Religion (AAR) and Society of Biblical Literature (SBL) and has been a Related Scholarly Organization of the AAR since 1998. NAASR sponsors a quarterly journal published by Brill, Method & Theory in the Study of Religion (MTSR), which is the only international periodical devoted exclusively to methodological and theoretical topics in the academic study of religion. NAASR also sponsors a book series, Key Thinkers in the Study of Religion, which is published by Equinox.

North American Paul Tillich Society
Founded in 1975, the 250-member NAPTS is concerned with Paul Tillich’s (1886–1965) philosophical-theological thought, with its analysis, critique, and revision; with the implications and the use of this thought in political, social, psychotherapeutic, scientific, artistic, and ethic-religious spheres; the application of Tillich’s thought to questions he himself could never have imagined in his lifetime; finally, with the impact and the creative extension of Tillich’s legacy. The Society meets annually in conjunction with AAR, organizes international conferences, collaborates with the German, French speaking, and several other Tillich societies, awards an annual student paper prize, and sponsors publications. The quarterly Bulletin carries papers from meetings and other information on Tillich, publication, letters, et al. Dues $50/year. Membership: Frederick Parrella, Religious Studies, Santa Clara University, Santa Clara, CA, 95053-0335 or fparrella@scu.edu.

Polanyi Society
The Polanyi Society, formed in 1972, includes in its membership scholars and students who, inspired by the thought of Michael Polanyi (1891–1976), seek to explore and expand upon his seminal ideas. A Hungarian by birth, Polanyi began his distinguished career as a physical chemist in Germany and England, but it is his later work in economics, social thought, and especially philosophy that continues to be influential today. Polanyi’s Gifford Lectures, Personal Knowledge, was a pioneer work demonstrating the contextual, theory-laden, faith-shaped, and passionate character of all human endeavors, including theology and religious practice as well as science and the arts. The Polanyi Society holds its Annual Meeting Friday evening and Saturday morning at the beginning of the AAR Annual Meeting. Papers to be discussed are posted prior to the meeting on the Society website, http://www.polanyisociety.org/. Archived copies and current issues of the Polanyi Society’s peer-reviewed journal, Tradition and Discovery (three issues a year), information about joining the Society, upcoming meetings, and links to Polanyi essays will be found on the website. Personal Knowledge is subtitled “Towards a Post-Critical Philosophy,” and the Society invites all those who are interested in exploring postfoundational versions of epistemology, philosophy of religion, ethics, and theology to join with us. Polanyi’s notions of tacit knowing, heuristic passion, and conviviality are among the many contributions he makes to this ongoing venture.

Psychology, Culture, and Religion
The Psychology, Culture, and Religion Group is an informal association of scholars and practitioners in the fields of religion and psychology broadly defined, who share common interests in the relationship between religion, psychology, and contemporary cultures. Working at the intersections of religion and psychology, the group enables participants to contextualize religious studies in relationship to the theory and practice of psychotherapy and pastoral counseling, PCRs location on the boundary of academic study and applied professions like clinical psychology and pastoral psychotherapy results in rich, varied, and stimulating interdisciplinary conversations of a kind uncommon in the AAR generally. Elements of the dialogue have included modern and postmodern developments in psychology, counseling, cultural, and social anthropology, sociology, feminist studies, critical literary theory, and other forms of interpretive theory.

Public Religion Research Institute
Public Religion Research Institute (PRRI) is a nonprofit, nonpartisan organization dedicated to research at the intersection of religion, values, and public life. PRRI’s mission is to help journalists, opinion leaders, scholars, clergy, and the general public nationwide better understand debates on public policy issues and the role of religion and values in American public life by conducting high quality public opinion surveys and qualitative research.

Since its founding in 2009, PRRI research has become a standard source of trusted information among journalists, scholars, policy makers, clergy, and the general public. PRRI research has been cited in thousands of media stories and academic publications, and plays a leading role in deepening public understanding of the changing religious landscape and its role in shaping American politics. In addition to our monthly PRRI/RNS Religion News Survey conducted in partnership with Religion News Service and our annual flagship American Values Survey, PRRI conducts a number of major national surveys focused on a range of issues at the intersection of religion, values, and public life. Each year, the PRRI research team and growing group of affiliated scholars also publish peer-reviewed articles based on our research in leading academic journals and books.
Religious Education Association
In 1903, the Religious Education Association (REA) was established “to inspire the educational forces of our country with the religious ideal; to inspire the religious forces of our country with the educational ideal; and to keep before the public mind the ideal of Religious Education, and the sense of its need and value.” For over a century, REA has been a community of vision and reflective conversation, composed of peoples from diverse faiths and cultures, focused on scholarship, research, teaching and leadership in religious education—which is now commonly called religious formation. Although predominantly Protestant in the beginning, its membership includes those from the Bahá’í, Catholic, Eastern Orthodox, Jewish, Muslim, Mormon, and other traditions involved in all aspects of religious formation. Its membership is 80% professors and researchers but includes clergy, directors of religious education, public leaders, and teachers in elementary and secondary schools. Thus it maintains its commitment to scholarship informed by and accountable to practitioners. Please contact secretary@religiouseducation.net for more information.

REA has sustained and inspired rigorous reflection and research on religious education, formation, and moral development. Its journal, Religious Education, published continuously since 1906, is a leading scholarly education publication. In 2012, a new book series, Horizons in Religious Education, was launched with Wipf and Stock Publishers, with the first volume on interreligious learning published Spring 2014. REA meets annually on the first weekend in November, in addition to its session at the AAR & SBL Annual Meetings.

Société internationale d'études sur Alfred Loisy
The Société is a non-profit association formed to foster study of the French exegete and scholar of religion, Alfred Loisy (1857-1940) and of the Roman Catholic Modernist movement in which he figured so prominently. It was formed to foster international communication and contact among scholars from a variety of disciplines as well as other interested parties whose work and interests bear upon issues that surfaced in the latter decades of the nineteenth century and remain of enduring religious significance.

Society for Asian and Comparative Philosophy
The SACP was established in 1967 as a nonprofit organization aimed at advancing the development of the disciplines of Asian and comparative philosophy in the international academic arena, and bringing together Asian and Western philosophers for a mutually beneficial exchange of ideas. It holds panels in conjunction with the American Philosophical Association, the Association of Asian Studies, and the American Academy of Religion. Annual individual membership dues for the SACP are $35 ($20 for students and professors emeriti) and include a subscription to the SACP Forum. The Society also sponsors a monograph series on specialized topics published by the University of Hawai’i Press. For more information about the SACP and about the Journal, Philosophy East and West, please see our website at http://www.sacpweb.org.

Society for Buddhist–Christian Studies
The Society for Buddhist-Christian Studies was founded in 1967 to provide an ongoing organization for those committed to study, reflection, interchange, and practice arising out of Buddhist-Christian encounters. The purposes of the Society are 1) To serve as a coordinating body supporting activities related to the comparative study of, and the practical interaction between, Buddhism and Christianity, by groups and individuals; 2) To encourage those who report on Buddhist-Christian dialogue and comparative study to employ analytical and theoretical tools and to set their discussion within the framework of our larger human history; 3) To be as inclusive as possible in all its activities, seeking a balance with regard to geography, ethnicity, age, sex, denomination or lineage, cultural tradition, and leadership in both academic and religious institutions, and in the public and private sectors. The Society meets annually in conjunction with the national AAR meeting, having its board meeting and a program session one day prior (Friday) to the start of the AAR schedule (Saturday), and an additional program session during the AAR conference proper.

The Society publishes a scholarly journal, The Journal for Buddhist-Christian Studies (Univ. of Hawaii) and a biannual newsletter. The Society’s website, www.society-buddhist-christian-studies.org, includes membership information, upcoming dialogue events, conference summaries, newsletters, and links, including one to the newly launched Buddhist-Christian Studies Database housed at Boston College.

Society for Comparative Research on Iconic and Performative Texts (SCRIPT)
The Society for Comparative Research on Iconic and Performative Texts (SCRIPT) was founded in 2010 to foster academic discourse about the social functions of books and texts that exceed their semantic meaning and interpretation, such as their display as cultural artifacts, their ritual use in religious and political ceremonies, their performance by recitation and theater, and their depiction in art. The society sponsors programming at existing regional and international scholarly meetings and at colleges and universities. We welcome new members and ideas for programs and venues to host them.

Society for Hindu-Christian Studies
The Society for Hindu-Christian Studies was founded in November, 1994 as a logical extension to the dialogue and scholarship being carried on in the Hindu-Christian Studies Bulletin (now the Journal of Hindu Christian Studies), which first appeared in 1988 under its founding editor, Dr. Harold Coward. The society is dedicated to the study of Hinduism and Christianity and their interrelationships. It seeks to create a forum for the presentation of historical research and studies of contemporary practice for the fostering of dialogue and interreligious conversation carried forward in a spirit of openness, respect, and true inquiry. Committed to scholarly interchange according to accepted traditional and contemporary methods, the society understands its scope broadly, so as to include issues related to religious practice, spirituality, and education; it is interested in supporting activities related to the comparative study of Hinduism and Christianity. Our membership includes Christians interested in the study of Hinduism, Hindus interested in the study of Christianity, and scholars — Hindu, Christian, and other — interested in the historical and contemporary interactions of Hinduism and Christianity.

Society for the Arts in Religious and Theological Studies
SARTS is a community of scholars and artists who seek to understand the deepest levels of relationship between works of art and religious sensibility. Our focus is concrete aesthetic encounter with the arts and their religious, ethical and theological interpretation. While originating in the Christian traditions of theological reflection, we seek constructive conversation and critical inquiry that will make sense of a world of increasing cross-influences, both in art and among religious traditions.

Through scholarly exchange we explore how art shapes human ways of being in the world. At the same time we explore how the study of art at the intersection of religious and theological traditions leads to artistic vision and to aesthetic modes of perception, practice, and thought. The Society is committed to the implications of these discussions for the teaching of theological and religious approaches to art, and for the nurturing of both recognized and emerging artists and scholars whose work will shape the future of theological and religious understandings of human existence.

Society for the Study of Chinese Religions
The annual membership dues for the Society are $30 ($15 for students and retired). In order to become a new member of SSCR, send a check payable in U.S. dollars to the SSCR treasurer: Dr. Gil Raz, Department of Religion, Thornton Hall, Dartmouth College, Hanover, New Hampshire, 03755; e-mail: gil.raz@dartmouth.edu. Alternatively, you can pay the membership fee via the online electronic payment system PayPal via the link from our website (http://sites.harvard.edu/ish/isch.do?keyword=70272&epage=isch.page=43819). The membership fee pays for the receipt of the annually produced Journal of Chinese Religions. Additional information on published works (books or articles), recently read papers or presentations, and work in progress is also useful and welcome.
Society for the Study of Christian Spirituality
The Society for the Study of Christian Spirituality promotes research and dialogue within the growing community of people interested in spirituality. Formed in 1991, the SSCS is ecumenical and strives to be inclusive of the widest possible range of expressions of Christian spirituality. It is interdisciplinary and welcomes the application of diverse disciplines to the study of spirituality. While the emphasis of the SSCS is clearly on Christian spirituality, it seeks to foster creative dialogue with other traditions of spirituality. Although the Society is comprised of people from diverse, academically oriented communities, the SSCS also appeals to nonscholars such as pastors, practitioners, and those in the helping professions. For more information please contact Anita Houck at ahouck@saintmarys.edu.

Society for the Study of Japanese Religions
The Society for the Study of Japanese Religions (SSJR) is an international association of approximately 200 scholars committed to the academic study of the religions of Japan. Membership is open to students and scholars of Japanese religions or related fields. In addition to the AAR, the Society is also affiliated with the Association for Asian Studies (AAS); our website can be accessed at http://sites.google.com/site/ssjrhome/. The Society publishes newsletters in the fall and spring of each year notifying members of upcoming meeting schedules, recent member news, publications of interest, and so forth. In addition, the Society publishes an annual Supplement based on sponsored presentations at the AAR and AAS.

Society of Christian Philosophers
The Society of Christian Philosophers was organized in 1978 to promote fellowship among Christian Philosophers and to stimulate study and discussion of issues which arise from their Christian and philosophical commitments. One of its chief aims is to go beyond the usual philosophy of religion sessions at the American Philosophical Association and to stimulate thinking about the nature and role of Christian commitment in philosophy. Informal discussion among several Christian philosophers led them to believe that it was possible to form a group designed to promote philosophizing and fellowship among philosophers who shared a commitment to Christianity. Past Presidents include William Alston, Robert Merrihew Adams, Alvin Plantinga, Marilyn McCord Adams, George Mavrodes, Nicholas Wolterstorff, Eleonore Stump, C. Stephen Evans, and Robert Audi. Peter van Inwagen, University of Notre Dame is the current President of the SCP, and Christina Van Dyke of Calvin College is the Executive Director. The Society is open to anyone interested in philosophy who considers himself or herself a Christian. Membership is not restricted to any particular “school” of philosophy or to any branch of Christianity, nor to professional philosophers.

Søren Kierkegaard Society
Founded by Robert L. Perkins in 1979, the Søren Kierkegaard Society (SKs) exists to encourage study and discussion of the thought of Søren Kierkegaard in all its dimensions and ramifications, including its sources, influences, and implications for contemporary thought. SKs is affiliated with the American Academy of Religion and the American Philosophical Association and usually holds a business meeting at the AAR, though sometimes at the APA. The Society normally host a dinner meeting on the Friday evening at the start of the AAR annual convention; this includes a distinguished guest speaker. The Society also normally organizes a session at the AAR, and encourages scholarship on Kierkegaard in connection with meetings of the AAR, SBL, and APA through an annual convention. SKs is open to all who are interested in Kierkegaard, and we have members and speakers from around the world. An annual newsletter, a website, and emails inform members of calls for papers and upcoming programs. To join the SKS, please contact the Society’s Secretary-Treasurer, Carl Hughes, Texas Lutheran University, at c Hughes@tlu.edu.

Theta Alpha Kappa
Founded in 1976 at Manhattan College, Theta Alpha Kappa is the only national honor society for religious and/or theological studies to be accredited by the Association of College Honor Societies. Governed by a national Board of Directors, Theta Alpha Kappa currently comprises more than 300 chapters in diverse institutions around the country. Theta Alpha Kappa’s dedication to the recognition of excellence is manifest in programs including the publication of a journal, an annual fellowship competition, and annual award programs for outstanding undergraduates. For more information, please write to the current president, C. David Grant, at d.grant@tct.edu.

Thomas F. Torrance Theological Fellowship
This distinctively Christian research organization is devoted to the exploration, development, and dissemination of the theology of T. F. Torrance and other theologians contributing to this endeavor. The society exists to promote and sustain fellowship and truth-seeking (ides quaerens intellectum) in theological reflection upon the Christian faith, within the mainstream of the Christian Church and tradition in light of the theological legacy of Thomas F. Torrance. We are a Christian Fellowship serving the Christian faith and the renewal of the Church of Jesus Christ. Membership is open to all scholars, pastors and laypersons who are interested in research in Christian theology and related disciplines, and are in accord with the above mentioned Mission Statement. We support free inquiry and critical examination of the many facets of theology and religion, especially as these relate to issues that concerned Torrance himself, such as the relationship between Science and Religion and how to interpret specific Christian doctrines and their implications for today. We seek to bring T. F. Torrance’s important thinking into conversation with other significant theologians in an academic way so as to advance a better understanding of the nature and meaning of contemporary Christian theology. Our website, http://www.tftorrance.org/, contains information about membership, meetings, the Board of Directors and about T. F. Torrance himself. An online peer reviewed journal, Participatio, edited by Todd Speidel, is published annually. At present we are planning to meet as an Additional Meeting at the AAR Annual Meeting on Friday afternoon. Please check our website for the most up-to-date information.

Forget the Dogs — AAR Is Going to the Cats!
Catlanta has partnered with AAR and designed some unique designs for the 2015 Annual Meeting! Follow the AAR Facebook and Twitter feeds during the Annual Meeting to learn clues that will lead you to a special take-home souvenir.

Catlanta cats, to be specific. Catlanta is a local Atlanta street artist who creates cute and funky cat art to scatter in locations around the city. A social media scavenger hunt takes place after each “kitten drop” as people follow the clues to discover a cat artwork.

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Enrich your professional life by attending workshops specially designed to assist you at every level of your career. AAR provides the best resource for jobs within the field.

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Plenary Panel: Racial Injustice and Religious Response from Selma to Ferguson (A21-145)
Saturday, 11:45 AM–12:45 PM • Hyatt–Regency (Ballroom Level)

Thomas A. Tweed, University of Notre Dame, Presiding

The Annual Meeting theme, “Valuing the Study of Religion,” includes pondering how religion has been valued—and devalued—in the public sphere. Addressing a variety of social contexts from the legislature to the streets, panelists will analyze religious responses to racial injustice. In 2015, the fiftieth anniversary of the historic march across the Edmund Pettus Bridge in Selma, attending to injustice seems more morally urgent than ever. Encompassing both the historical trajectory that led us to this painful moment and the religious resources activists have employed, this conversation brings together notable voices to offer their assessments of the contemporary situation. Ruby Sales, the human rights activist and public theologian who joined the Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee (SNCC) in the 1960s and later founded a non-profit organization dedicated to racial, economic, and social justice, will join Cornel West, distinguished scholar and intellectual, in a conversation with Professor Imani Perry, a celebrated scholar of African American Studies and Law who has written eloquently about racial injustice and “pathways to freedom, equality, and enriched democracy.”

Cornel West, Union Theological Seminary

Cornel West is a prominent and provocative democratic intellectual. He is a Professor of Philosophy and Christian Practice at Union Theological Seminary and Professor Emeritus at Princeton University. He has also taught at Yale, Harvard, and the University of Paris. Cornel West graduated Magna Cum Laude from Harvard in three years and obtained his M.A. and Ph.D. in Philosophy at Princeton. He has written over twenty books and has edited thirteen. Though he is best known for his classics, Race Matters and Democracy Matters, and for his memoir, Brother West: Living and Loving Out Loud, his most recent releases, Black Prophetic Fire and Radical King, were received with critical acclaim.

Dr. West has made three spoken word albums including Never Forget, collaborating with Prince, Jill Scott, Andre 3000, Talib Kweli, KRS-One and the late Gerald Levert. His spoken word interludes were featured on Terence Blanchard’s Choices (which won the Grand Prix in France for the best Jazz Album of the year of 2009), The Cornell West Theory’s Second Rome, Raheem DeVaughn’s Grammy-nominated Love & War: Masterpeace, and most recently on Bootsy Collins’ The Funk Capital of the World. In short, Cornel West has a passion to invite a variety of people from all walks of life into his world of ideas in order to keep alive the legacy of Martin Luther King, Jr. — a legacy of telling the truth and bearing witness to love and justice.

Ruby Nell Sales, SpiritHouse Project, Atlanta, GA

Ruby Nell Sales looks at her work as a calling rather than a career. She answered the call to social justice at Tuskegee Institute where she joined the Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee (SNCC) and worked on voter registration in Lowndes County, Alabama.

Sales received a B.A. degree from Manhattanville College and attended graduate school at Princeton University. Sales received a Masters of Divinity degree from the Episcopal Divinity School where she was an Absalom Jones Scholar. While there, she developed a reputation as a preacher and has preached at churches and cathedrals around the nation. After divinity school, she founded a national nonprofit organization, the SpiritHouse Project, which she continues to direct.

Sales has received numerous awards and honors. She was selected and honored as a HistoryMaker (www.HistoryMaker.com) and a Veteran of Hope by Vincent G. Harding. She was inducted into the Morehouse College Martin Luther King Jr. Board of Preachers and is the recipient of the Beautiful Are Their Feet Award from the Samuel DeWitt Proctor Conference. An oral history of her is housed at the Library of Congress. In May 2015, Sales received an Honorary Doctorate Degree from West Chester University in Pennsylvania.

Sales is well regarded for her work with young people. As a social justice activist, Sales’ work is cited in several books, journal articles and films such as Broken Ground: A Film on Race Relations in the South and Dan Rather’s American Dream Segment. Sales is one of the founders of SAGE Magazine: A Scholarly Journal on Black Women. As a social critic, Sales has published works in several journals, newspapers and magazines and is a frequent guest on Pacifica Radio. Sales lives and works in Atlanta, Georgia.

Imani Perry, Princeton University

Imani Perry is the Hughes Rogers Professor of African American Studies at Princeton University. She is the author of two books: More Beautiful and More Terrible: The Embrace and Transcendence of Racial Inequality in the United States (NYU, 2011) and Prophets of the Hood: Politics and Poetics in Hip Hop (Duke, 2004). She is also editor of the Barnes and Noble Classics edition of the Narrative of Sojourner Truth, and the author of numerous scholarly articles in the fields of Law, Literary and Cultural Studies. In addition to providing radio and television commentary, Perry has written book reviews for the New York Times, the San Francisco Chronicle and the London School of Economics book review blog.
Presidential Address — Valuing the Study of Religion (A22-150)

Sunday, 11:45 AM–12:45 PM • Hyatt-Regency (Ballroom Level)

Serene Jones, Union Theological Seminary, Presiding

In this plenary Thomas Tweed addresses urgent issues we face within and beyond the academy by asking about how the study of religion is valued. That means, first, analyzing how it is valued—and devalued—in the public arena, and discerning what can tell us about how to refine the usual arguments for the importance of the study of religion and, thereby, help endangered programs fare better in negotiations with administrators and stakeholders. Second, attending to this theme also encourages us to identify the epistemic, moral, and aesthetic values we enact in our work. Gaining more clarity about those values, Tweed proposes, can help us more effectively confront two challenges we face in the AAR: how to advance the divisive conversation about divergent approaches and how to enhance our ongoing discussion about professional obligations. Thinking about our obligations can begin by identifying the commitments encoded in AAR policies and procedures, but we must go farther. Tweed suggests that we have to think more about professional ethics—from institutions’ duty to report graduate student placement rates to individual researchers’ obligation to adhere to standards of professional conduct—and we must remain vigilant in addressing trends that violate shared commitments and endanger professional life—from the recent rise in contingent faculty to the chilling challenges to academic freedom. Finally, a focus on values allows us to address divisions within the academy by reframing the stale debate about the relation between Religious Studies and Theology. By frankly acknowledging our guiding values—and concomitant normative judgments—we will not resolve all differences, but we might gain more clarity about what we share and what we don’t.

Thomas A. Tweed, University of Notre Dame

Thomas A. Tweed is the Harold and Martha Welch Professor of American Studies and Professor of History at the University of Notre Dame. He is also Faculty Fellow in the Institute of Latino Studies and the Kroel Institute for International Peace Studies. Previously, he taught at the University of Texas, the University of Miami, and the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill. At UNC he was Chair of the Department of Religious Studies, Zachary Smith Distinguished Professor, Associate Dean of Arts and Sciences, and founding director of the First Year Seminar Program. Tweed’s research has been supported by several grants and fellowships, including three from the National Endowment for the Humanities. He edited Retelling U.S. Religious History and co-edited Asian Religions in America: A Documentary History, which Choice named an “outstanding academic book.” He also wrote The American Encounter with Buddhism, 1844–1912: Victorian Culture and the Limits of Disent and Our Lady of the Exile: Diasporic Religion at a Cuban Catholic Shrine in Miami, which won the American Academy of Religion’s book award. Tweed’s Crossing and Dwelling: A Theory of Religion was published in 2006, and his most recent book, America’s Church: The National Shrine and Catholic Presence in the Nation’s Capital, also received the AAR’s book award for historical studies.

His professional service has included work as external reviewer, expert witness, blog contributor, and media consultant. He has led workshops for high school teachers and been on the editorial board of journals, including Church History and History of Religions. Tweed had served on several AAR committees and juries and co-chaired the North American Religions Section before being elected to the Board of Directors in 2012 and serving as president in 2015.

The Moral Challenges of Research: A Panel on the AAR’s Draft Statement on Responsible Research Practices (A22-200)

Sunday, 1:00 PM–2:30 PM • Hyatt-Dunwoody (Atlanta Conference Level)

Thomas A. Tweed, University of Notre Dame, Presiding

The American Academy of Religion has issued guidelines on many practices, including teaching and hiring. But, unlike most other ACLS organizations, we have no guidelines regarding research. A group of ten scholars led by AAR President Thomas Tweed and Executive Director Jack Fitzmier has drafted proposed guidelines on responsible research practices. That proposal has emerged from the group’s discussions, as well as from conversations with members at a public session in 2014 and an online forum in 2015. This session aims to continue that wider conversation and solicit more comments about the draft. Toward those ends, the group that wrote the document will be present to listen to suggestions and questions from the audience and the panelists. The historians, translators, and fieldworkers on the panel have been asked to identify moral dilemmas they have faced in their own research and to assess the effectiveness of the newly drafted statement in dealing with those challenges. After hearing the panelists’ reflections, we will invite members of the audience to offer their own comments. We hope that this final conversation will refine our understanding of researchers’ responsibilities and lead to a more nuanced and comprehensive final draft, which the group plans to submit to the AAR Board of Directors for its consideration in 2016.

Wendy Cadge, Brandeis University

Wendy Cadge is a Professor of Sociology and Chair of Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies at Brandeis University. She teaches and writes about religion in the contemporary United States, especially as it relates to healthcare, immigration and sexuality. She is the author of Paging God: Religion in the Halls of Medicine (University of Chicago Press, 2012) and Heartwood: the First Generation of Theravada Buddhism in America (University of Chicago Press 2005). She is also a co-editor of Religion on the Edge: De-Centering and Re-centering the Sociology of Religion (Oxford University Press).
Kathryn Lofton, Yale University

Kathryn Lofton is Chair of the Department of Religious Studies and Professor of American Studies, Religious Studies, History and Divinity at Yale University. She is a historian of religion with a focus on the cultural and intellectual history of the United States. She has published on a variety of subjects, including American celebrity, Protestant fundamentalism, office cubicles, Oprah Winfrey, religious modernism, nineteenth-century ritual theory and the relationship between religious history and religious studies. Her current research projects focus on the culture concept of the Goldman Sachs Group and the religious contexts of Bob Dylan. For her work at Yale, she won the 2010 Poorvu Family Award for Interdisciplinary Teaching, the 2013 Saraib Ribicoff Award for the Encouragement of Teaching at Yale College, and the 2013 Graduate Mentor Award in the Humanities.

Afe Adogame, University of Edinburgh

Afe Adogame holds a PhD in History of Religions from the University of Bayreuth, Germany (1998). He serves as an Associate Professor of Religious Studies and World Christianity and Director International and Convener of School’s Research Ethics Committee at New College, University of Edinburgh, UK. His most recent publications include: (ed.) The Public Face of African New Religious Movements in Diaspora: Imagining the Religious ‘Other’ (Ashgate, 2014); (eds.) Africa in Scotland, Scotland in Africa: Historical Legacies and Contemporary Hybridities (Brill, 2014); and The African Christian Diaspora: New Currents and Emerging Trends in World Christianity (Bloomsbury Academic, 2013). He is the General Secretary of the African Association for the Study of Religions (AASR); serves on the Steering Committees of the AAR’s Sociology of Religion and Religion and Migration Groups. He received the AAR Collaborative International Research Grant in 2013/2014 on the theme: The Feminization of New Immigrant African Pentecostal Diasporic Religious Cultures.

Laurie L. Patton, Middlebury

Laurie Patton became President of Middlebury July 1, 2015. Previously she was Dean of Arts & Sciences at Duke University and the Robert F. Durden Professor of Religious Studies and Professor of Cultural Anthropology. Dr. Patton came to Duke in 2011 from Emory University, where she was the Charles Howard Candler Professor of Religion. A graduate of Harvard (BA) and the University of Chicago (Ph.D.), Dr. Patton is an accomplished scholar and the author or editor of nine books on South Asian history, culture, and religion. In addition, she has translated the classical Sanskrit text, the Bhagavad Gita, and has published two books of poetry. She has lectured widely on interfaith issues and religion and public life, and consulted with White House offices on faith-based initiatives and civic engagement. Dr. Patton is completing two further monographs — one on scholars in the public sphere and another on women, Sanskrit, and religious identity in postcolonial India.

“Normativity” and the Academic Study of Religion: Reframing the Conversation about Theology and Religious Studies (A23-147)

Monday, 11:45 AM–12:45 PM • Hyatt-Regency (Ballroom Level)

Thomas A. Tweed, University of Notre Dame, Presiding

This conversation focuses on one of the most enduring and difficult issues facing the Academy: what is the relation between Theology and Religious Studies? Tom Tweed will initiate the an exchange between Ann Taves, a distinguished scholar of Religious Studies, and Graham Ward, a distinguished scholar of Theology, by asking each to identify the epistemic, moral, and aesthetic values that inform their work. They then will explore what they share and what they don’t. The session will end with the panelists proposing how we might reframe the conversation in more useful ways.

Ann Taves, University of California, Santa Barbara

Ann Taves is Professor of Religious Studies at the University of California at Santa Barbara. She received her Ph.D. from the University of Chicago in 1983. She has held faculty appointments at the Claremont School of Theology and Claremont Graduate University. She is the author of numerous books and articles, including Fits, Trances, and Visions: Experiencing Religion and Explaining Experience from Wesley to James (Princeton 1999) and Religious Experience Reconsidered: A Building Block Approach to the Study of Religion and Other Special Things (Princeton 2009). She held a fellowship at the Center for Advanced Study in the Behavioral Sciences at Stanford in 2008–2009 and was elected a Fellow of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences in 2011. She is a past president of the American Academy of Religion and president elect of the International Association for the Cognitive Science of Religion. She is currently working on a book titled Revelatory Events: Experiences and Appraisals in the Emergence of New Spiritual Paths and supervising the interdisciplinary Religion, Experience, and Mind Lab Group at UCSB.

Graham Ward, University of Oxford

Graham Ward is the Regius Professor of Divinity at the University of Oxford and former Head of the School of Arts, Histories and Cultures at the University of Manchester. Among his books are Cities of God (Routledge), Cultural Transformation and Religious Practice (CUP), True Religion (Blackwell), Christ and Culture (Blackwell), The Politics of Discipleship (Baker Academic) and Unbelievable (I.B.Tauris). Along with Michael Hoelzl, he is also the translator of two of Carl Schmitt’s works: Political Theology II (Polity) and Dictatorship (Polity). He edits three book series: Christian Theologians in Context (OUP), Illuminations (Blackwell) and Studies in Theology and Political Culture (Continuum). Currently he is engaged in a four-volume work entitled Ethical Life. The first volume, How the Light Gets In is to be published by Oxford University Press in 2016.
THATCAMP

The Humanities and Technology Camp 2015 (A20-106)

Friday, November 20, 9:00 AM–5:00 PM
Marriott Marquis–L504-L505 (Lobby Level)

John Crow, Florida State University, Michael Hemenway, Iliff School of Theology, and Eric Smith, Iliff School of Theology, Presiding

The advent of digital technology and social media has not only transformed how today’s religious communities function, but also how scholars teach and research religion more broadly. If you are interested in exploring how technology is changing—or can change—the work of religious studies scholars, then we invite you to attend the AAR’s third annual THATCamp!

THATCamp stands for “The Humanities and Technology Camp,” and it exists to bring scholars and technologists of every skill level together to learn how to integrate digital technology into their teaching and research.

THATCamps are unconferences, which means this learning and building occurs not through formal presentations but in hands-on workshops or sessions that participants propose on the spot. Topics we will cover could include academic blogging, social media in the classroom, digital research methods, web-based class projects, online publishing, and countless others.

The cost for the workshop is $15, which includes an entire day of sessions. There will be time for lunch on your own. Registration is limited to the first 100 participants. THATCamp attendees also must register and create profiles on the aar2015.thatcamp.org blog in the fall, where they will receive instructions and be able to propose sessions.

Religion and Media Workshop

Law, Public Culture, and Religion (A20-108)

Friday, November 20, 11:00 AM–6:00 PM
Marriott Marquis–A703 (Atrium Level)

Ann Burlein, Hofstra University, Kathleen Foody, College of Charleston, and M. Gail Hamner, Syracuse University, Presiding

The Religion and Media workshop, one of the most popular sessions at the AAR annually, is a day-long seminar designed to foster conversation at the cutting edge of the study of religion, media, and culture. In 2015, the workshop will explore how law mediates religion.

How do legal regimes organize and produce structures of feeling? How might aesthetics form spaces of counter-legality?

How do debates about law mediate minoritization? How might legal formations shape the religious identities and life possibilities of citizens?

How do conversations about law and religious freedom frame global understandings and misunderstandings of religion?

The workshop will not be structured as a traditional paper session, but rather as a workshop exploring the mediation of religion by and through law. Three to five readings will be circulated to participants before the event. Because of the nature of this workshop, it is essential that all participants commit to doing the readings ahead of time and prepare to participate for a seminar-style conversation.

Panelists:

Allison Fish, Indiana University
Laying Claim to Yoga: Intellectual Property, Cultural Rights, and the Digital Archive in India

Elizabeth Shakman Hurd, Northwestern University
Beyond Religious Freedom: The Limits of Law and the Politics of Global Religious Difference

Sylvester Johnson, Northwestern University
Religion, Biopolitics, and State Violence: The Police State and the Politics of Racial Threat

Andrew Ventimiglia, University of California, Davis
Spirited Possessions: Intellectual Property and Media in the American Spiritual Marketplace

Isaac Weiner, Ohio State University
Sound Law: The Politico-Aesthetics of Public Space

Tisa Wenger, Yale University
Mapping Religion in the Philippines: Religious Freedom and the Unsettled Secularisms of U.S. Empire

The cost for the workshop is $75, which includes lunch and the entire afternoon of sessions. Registration is limited to the first 75 participants.
Religion & Ecology Workshop

Journey of the Universe: Hope for the Future (A20-201)
Friday, November 20, 2:00 PM–5:00 PM
Hilton Atlanta–Crystal ABEF (Level 1)

Heather Eaton, Saint Paul University, Nancy Menning, Ithaca College, and Mary Evelyn Tucker, Yale University, Presiding

Journey of the Universe narrates the history of the cosmos as myth informed by contemporary science, bringing religion and science together in compelling ways. In this workshop, we will explore the pedagogical potential of this universe story, in cosmological as well as more localized scales. We will examine how this narrative shapes our understanding of the long arc of history, defines our human place in the grander cosmological journey, and suggests possibilities for ethical action. The goal of the workshop is to strengthen our capacity to awaken awe and wonder in the classroom and equip students to participate effectively in environmental activism. Working with the Journey of the Universe curricular materials we will analyze the emotional resonance of this narrative structure, how the materials will engage students, and how this contributes to an effective pedagogy.

The cost for the workshop is $35, which includes the entire afternoon of sessions and a coffee break. Registration is limited to the first 120 participants.

Ethnography and Theology Workshop

A Multi-Disciplinary Orientation and Consultation on Using Ethnographic Research Methods for Theological Scholarship from Experts in Social Science and Theology (A20-202)
Friday, November 20, 1:00 PM–5:00 PM
Hilton Atlanta–Crystal CD (Level 1)

Natalie Wigg-Stevenson, Emmanuel College, Presiding

Featuring a multi-disciplinary array of scholars from the social sciences and theology, this workshop will focus on the methodological orientation and the unresolved issues inherent in using ethnographic research methods to develop theological scholarship.

The workshop will provide:

1. Orientation and suggested resources for using ethnography to explore theology,
2. Consultation with experienced scholars on participants’ research proposals and projects,
3. Critical dialogue on ambiguities and controversies arising from current practices,
4. Opportunity for dialogue and exploration of research methods and theological work, and
5. Networking with colleagues from a variety of fields and institutions interested in this work.

Participants will include:

Luke Bretherton, Duke University
Kathleen Garces-Foley, Marymount University
Jonas Idestrom, Church of Sweden Research Unit
Kathleen Jenkins, College of William and Mary
Tone Stangeland Kaufman, MF Norwegian School of Theology
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Ann B. McClenahan, Boston Theological Institute
Mary McClintock Fulkerson, Duke University
Christian Scharen, Auburn Theological Seminary
James Spickard, University of Redlands
Peter Ward, MF Norwegian School of Theology

The cost for the workshop is $35, which includes the entire afternoon of sessions and a coffee break. Registration is limited to the first 80 participants.
Rethinking Islamic Studies Workshop

Teaching Islamic Studies: Key Topics and Best Practices (A20-203)

Friday, November 20, 1:00 PM–5:00 PM
Hilton Atlanta—404-405 (Level 4)

Danielle Widmann Abraham, James Madison University, and Caleb Elfenbein, Grinnell College, Presiding

We will focus on pedagogy that enhances student learning and critical thinking about the complexities of modern colonial and postcolonial histories—and their effects—in Muslim contexts. The breadth and diversity of modern European forms of colonialism in Muslim communities creates a variety of challenges in the undergraduate classroom. How do we begin to specify content? Do we privilege breadth, providing students with an overview of colonial encounters and their aftermaths from West Africa to Southeast Asia? Or do we privilege depth, digging deeply into colonial and postcolonial histories in a limited range of settings? Which approach most effectively illuminates colonial and postcolonial debates about the reconfiguration of Islamic traditions—especially those regarding the relationship between Islamic devotional practices, forms of community life, and the state?

How do we provide students with sufficient background in premodern Islamic traditions so that they can appreciate the nature and extent of change during the modern period? What concepts or themes are most essential to analyzing the effects of modern colonialism in diverse Muslim communities? Modernity? Secularization? Gender? Power? And how can we set the stage for understanding contemporary forms of Islamism and political Islam in relationship to the experience of colonization?

The format will consist of presentations by experienced instructors combined with small group discussion. Our aim is to provide an opportunity for reflection on effective teaching and student-centered learning. The workshop is intended both for graduate students and professors of Islamic studies, as well as scholars from other fields in religious studies who are looking to incorporate more Islam material in their courses.

The cost of the workshop is $35, which includes the entire afternoon of sessions and a coffee break. Registration limited to the first 75 participants.

Theological Education Workshop

Teaching Global Theologies: Internation Perspectives (A20-206)

Friday, November 20, 1:45 PM–5:00 PM
Hilton Atlanta—305 (Level 3)

Kwok Pui Lan, Episcopal Divinity School, Presiding

This workshop will focus on the challenges and opportunities of teaching theology from a variety of international perspectives. We will discuss how theology can be taught to go beyond tokenism to honor diverse theological voices.

The goals of this workshop are:

- To learn about the construction of global theology and the practice of teaching theology with global and local.
- To share pedagogical insights and concrete classroom examples of engaging theological materials from other contexts.
- To understand teaching theology in a comparative mode, using examples from China and the United States.
- To envision a theological curriculum, staff, and cultural ethos necessary for theological instruction to address the global challenges of the twenty-first century.
- To encourage networking among scholars from diverse Christian backgrounds and different faith traditions.

The first panel will survey the challenges and practices of teaching theology in the Global South and Global North. The second panel will offer insights from scholars who have taught in a variety of global contexts. The workshop will include ample time for dialogue and networking.

Participants will include:

- Beverley Haddad, University of KwaZulu-Natal
- Teresia Mbari Hinga, Santa Clara University
- Veli-Matti Kärkkäinen, Fuller Theological Seminary
- Volker Küster, Johannes Gutenberg-Universität, Mainz
- Jung Mo Sung, Universidade Metodista, São Paulo
- Susan Brooks Thistlethwaite, Chicago Theological Seminary
- Francis Ching-Wah Yip, Chinese University of Hong Kong

The cost for the workshop is $35, which includes the entire afternoon of sessions and a coffee break. Registration is limited to the first 75 participants.
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Which Type of Program Unit to Propose?

**GROUPS** are established to encourage the exploration of an emergent area of study or methodology, to cultivate the relation between the study of religion and a cognate discipline, or to pursue a long-range and broad research project. More focused than Sections and less restricted in participation than Seminars, Groups are expected to experiment with the format of sessions at the Annual Meeting.

All proposals for new Groups must begin as Exploratory Sessions. An Exploratory Session is a complete prearranged session that provides a platform for a group of members to announce a line of inquiry new to the AAR program and to seek out others interested in pursuing it further. The proposal can be for a papers session, roundtable session, or other creative type of session format. Exploratory sessions are submitted through the Program Administration Proposal, Evaluation, and Review System (PAPERS), and must be submitted before March 2, 2016. Notification of program acceptance will be announced by April 1, 2015. Exploratory sessions that are accepted onto the program are then invited to submit an application by December 1, 2015 at [https://aar.wufoo.com/forms/new-group-proposal-form/](https://aar.wufoo.com/forms/new-group-proposal-form/). The Program Committee meets each January to review and approve proposals. Samples of successful proposals are available from annualmeeting@aarweb.org.

**SEMINARS** are for an already-identified group of up to twenty members who want to work together on a defined research project with a view to publication. Seminars have a five-year non-renewable term. Seminar proposals do not require Exploratory Sessions preliminary to the new unit application. Applications must be received via the web form at [https://aar.wufoo.com/forms/new-seminar-proposal-form/](https://aar.wufoo.com/forms/new-seminar-proposal-form/) by December 1, 2015. The Program Committee meets each January to review and approve proposals. Samples of successful proposals are available from annualmeeting@aarweb.org.

**New Program Unit Proposal**

The proposal is your opportunity to make the case for the new program unit by presenting a clear rationale, analytical focus, approaches, and objectives of the unit. In the online form you will be asked to:

- Provide a title for the new unit.
- Provide an intellectual rationale for the unit’s creation: what questions and conversations will the new unit foster?
- Provide a practical rationale for the new unit’s creation: why can’t the questions/conversations discussed above be hosted in an existing unit? If there is overlap with any existing unit or units, please submit letter(s) of support from those units’ chair(s) to annualmeeting@aarweb.org.
- Note the purpose, scope, direction, and approaches the unit might take, and explain how they contribute to the broader mission of the AAR Annual Meeting program.
- Demonstrate the demand for a new unit

Additional information required:

- List the AAR members who will chair the unit (1–2) and serve on the steering committee (3–5).
- Compile a short annotated bibliography of published works on the topic, with an introductory paragraph explaining the status of publications in the subfield.
- Solicit letters of support from AAR members who are interested in, and support the work of, the proposed unit.
- Propose a Call for Papers for the new unit, should it be approved.
- For Group proposals, give a description of the Exploratory Session, including an attendance count.
- For Seminar proposals, propose a five-year plan, including plans regarding publication of the completed project

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

For more detailed information, please visit [www.aarweb.org/annual-meeting/proposing-new-program-unit](http://www.aarweb.org/annual-meeting/proposing-new-program-unit).
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Meet Kristy Slominski, 2014–2015 AAR Student Director

Kristy L. Slominski is a historian of American religion and sexuality. She received her Ph.D. in Religious Studies from the University of California, Santa Barbara in March 2015. Her dissertation is entitled An American Religious History of Sex Education. She received her MA in religious studies from UCSB in 2009 and her BA in religious studies and interdisciplinary studies from Michigan State University in 2007. She is currently teaching courses at Georgia State University.

Since she joined the AAR in 2006, Slominski has served the organization in multiple leadership capacities. On the national level, she currently serves on the Board of Directors, the Planning Committee, and the Graduate Student Committee. Within the AAR Western region, she has served as elected student representative and board member (2010–present), chair of the Nineteenth Century Section (2009–2012), and founder and chair of the Graduate Student Professional Development Section (2012–present). In addition to her research presentations at regional and national conferences, she has organized and led workshops on professional development for regional and national AAR meetings, as well as for her department and university. For further details, visit http://kristyslominski.wordpress.com.
Attending the Annual Meeting, delivering papers, serving on panels, and interviewing at the Employment Center afford valuable opportunities for scholarly development. Yet in recent years, declining access to external sources of funding has made the cost of attendance prohibitive for many who would benefit from these activities. Students, contingent faculty, and the unemployed/underemployed experience this hardship most acutely. If they cannot attend, not only they, but the Academy as a whole suffers from the loss of their involvement. To broaden participation in the Annual Meeting, AAR has developed a generous grant program to defray costs and make attending the Annual Meeting a reality for members who would otherwise struggle to attend.

The American Academy of Religion is pleased to award twenty-five travel grants worth $500 each, plus complimentary Annual Meeting registration, on a competitive basis to members who demonstrate both financial need and a desire to participate in the Annual Meeting. Special consideration is given to applicants from underrepresented minorities.

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2015 WINNER
- Matthew Lynch, University of North Carolina
MANDALA SAND PAINTING
Marriott-Imperial B (Marquis Level)

Tibetan Buddhist monks from Drepung Loseling Monastery will construct a Mandala Sand Painting Saturday, November 21 to Monday, November 23 in the Marriott Marquis Imperial B (Marquis Level) from 8:00 AM–7:00 PM.

From all the artistic traditions of Tantric Buddhism, that of painting with colored sand ranks as one of the most exquisite. Millions of grains of sand are painstakingly laid into place on a flat platform over a period of days or weeks to form the image of a mandala.

Mandalas can be created in various media, such as watercolor on canvas, wood carvings, and so forth. However, the most spectacular and enduringly popular are those made from colored sand.

The mandala sand painting begins with an opening ceremony, during which the lamas consecrate the site. This is done by means of chanting, music and mantra recitation, and will be held on Saturday, November 21, at 8:30 AM.

The lamas begin the exhibit by drawing an outline of the mandala on the wooden platform. On the following days they lay the colored sands. Each monk holds a traditional metal funnel called a chakpur while running a metal rod on its grated surface. The vibration causes the sands to flow like liquid onto the platform.

Traditionally most sand mandalas are destroyed shortly after their completion. This is done as a metaphor for the impermanence of life. The sands are swept up and placed in an urn; half is distributed to the audience at the closing ceremony, while the remainder is carried to a nearby body of water, where it is deposited. The waters then carry the blessing to the ocean, and from there it spreads throughout the world. The closing ceremony will be held on Monday, November 23, at 6:30 PM.

ATLANTA RELIGIOUS SOUNDS MAP PROJECT
Marriott-Imperial A (Marquis Level)

The Religious Sounds Map Project installation provides an opportunity for attendees to interact with a web-based “sound map” of religious communities throughout Atlanta. By archiving sounds, this map (created by the Religious Studies Department at Georgia State University) provides users an opportunity to listen to formal sounds of religious institutions (such as prayers, sermons, and hymns) as well as the informal/spontaneous sounds (such as the sounds of coffee hours, spontaneous conversations, and day-to-day lived community experiences). The sound map also provides a way to take note of communities and events without fixed geographic locations (e.g., communities meeting in private homes or rented facilities; occasional religious holiday celebrations). The goal is to create a resource that provides access to lived religious experience in a new dimension. For more information email kmcclymond@gsu.edu. Drop-in visits to the installation are welcome throughout the Annual Meeting.

A22-401
Arti–Facts/Divorcing the Demons: A Collaborative Gallery Installation and Storytelling Performance with Babylonian Incantation Bowls
Sunday, 8:00 PM–9:30 PM
Marriott–Imperial A (Marquis Level)

During late antiquity in Babylonia, a variety of different faith communities shared a ritual to expel demons from their domestic environments. Although there are few clues as to the actual process, inscribed earthenware vessels were deliberately buried in thresholds, interior rooms, and cemeteries from the fifth-late seventeenth centuries CE.

Over 2000 examples of ceramic vessels with texts have been unearthed since the late nineteenth century. The bowl texts name specific clients, representing many diverse religious groups, seeking respite from discord. In many cases, the inscriptions address specific demons suspected of causing strife. The bowls were then buried inverted.

These bowls demonstrate a ritual that might just help today: expelling the demons that plague us all. Past and present, human communities share similar anxieties. The list might include disease, dangers in childbirth, loss of livelihood, familial discord, war, famine. One might add arrogance, violence, senseless hatred, hypocrisy, stupidity, and malice to our contemporary anxieties. As artists and scholars, we view the ancient act of sharing a ritual across faith traditions as one worth reconsidering for the present.

And so we present this exhibition of some of these ancient bowls and a storytelling performance as a beginning of this reconsideration. The bowls will be on display for the duration of the Annual Meeting. The storytelling performance, featuring Rabbi Daniel Rosenberg, will take place on Sunday at 8:00 PM.

A22-403
The Snare Is Broken and We Are Set Free
Sunday, 7:00 PM–8:00 PM
Hyatt-Learning Center (Ballroom Level)

Sponsored by the Death, Dying, and Beyond Group

The storytelling performance, featuring Rabbi Daniel Rosenberg, will take place on Sunday at 8:00 PM.

A22-402
Pushing the Bear: The 1848–49 Cherokee Trail of Tears
Sunday, 8:30 PM–9:30 PM
Hyatt-Learning Center (Ballroom Level)

A staged reading of Pushing the Bear, a 30-minute play about the 1848–49 Cherokee Trail of Tears. Emory University students read the script, followed by a question and answer session with the author.
A21-307: Race, Ferguson, and the Future of American Democracy
Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM
National Center for Civil and Human Rights
100 Ivan Allen Jr. Blvd NW
The tragic realities of racism in the United States — most recently embodied in the events in Ferguson — remind us about the dangers of the myth of a “post-racial” America. Recognizing that “race” today encompasses complex social realities far beyond the black-white dichotomy that has historically characterized race relations in the U.S., the Status of Racial and Ethnic Minorities in the Profession Committee has invited a diverse panel of distinguished scholars to reflect on the future of American democracy through the lens of racial and ethnic particularity in order to articulate a road map for future engagement that emphasizes social justice and reconciliation.

The panel includes:
- Naris Virani, Harvard University
- Elaine Padilla, New York University
- Ruben Rosario Rodriguez, Saint Louis University
- David Sanchez, Loyola Marymount University
- Angella Son, Drew University
- Andrea C. White, Emory University

A21-401: Racial and Ethnic Minorities Reception
Saturday, 6:30 PM–8:00 PM
National Center for Civil and Human Rights
100 Ivan Allen Jr. Blvd NW
Visit with friends and colleagues at this informal reception hosted at the National Center for Civil and Human Rights. The Center is located a short walk away from the Hyatt Regency Atlanta Hotel.

A22-151: Women’s Mentoring Lunch
Sunday, 11:45 AM–12:45 PM
Marriott-A703 (Atrium Level)
Status of Racial and Ethnic Minorities in the Profession Committee and Status of Women in the Profession Committee invite women who are graduate students and new scholars to a luncheon with over thirty womanist, feminist, and LGBTQ+ midcareer and senior scholars. Women will have the opportunity to mentor and be mentored in a context where every question is valued. The lunch costs $13 per person; sorry, no refunds. Registration is limited to 100. Go to https://aar.wufoo.com/forms/2015-womens-mentoring-luncheon/ to register.

A23-107: Disability Justice and Racial Justice: Intersections and Imperatives
Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Marriott-A707 (Atrium Level)
This year marks landmark anniversaries for civil rights and disability rights: 50 years since the passage of the Voting Rights Act and 25 years since the Americans with Disabilities Act. Yet these legislative victories are increasingly insecure. As activists protest the social and structural violence that threatens communities of color and people with disabilities, this panel examines the intersections that link disability justice and racial justice. How might scholars and activists better recognize the kinships between these and other justice movements—and challenge barriers of racism and ableism that have often framed these issues as separate struggles? What issues are central to the justice priorities of disabled people of color, especially to disabled women of color? How might the intersections and imperatives of disability justice and racial justice inform our work in the classroom, the academy, and the streets?
AAR’s Status of Women in the Profession Committee cordially invites you to:

A20-404: Al-Nisa: Black Muslim Women in Atlanta’s Gay Mecca
Friday, 8:00 PM–10:00 PM
Marriott-International 6 (International Level)
This film is a documentary by filmmaker Red Summer of black women who discuss their triple identity as black Muslim lesbians. Film will be followed by a panel of respondents.

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Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Marriott-M104 (Marquis Level)
This panel is a part of a multi-year work/life balance project of the Committee on Status of Women in the Profession. The conversation will center around the possibilities and challenges of changing institutional culture and practices. As leaders of academic institutions, panelists will examine structural issues that prohibit and enhance work/life balance at the workplace and the academy. For more information on this project, go to: https://www.aarweb.org/worklife-balance-project.

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WOMEN’S LOUNGE ROUNDTABLE SERIES
Sponsored by the AAR Women’s Caucus and the Status of Women in the Profession Committee.
All events occur in the Women’s Lounge — Hyatt Hanover B.

Friday, 1:30 AM–3:30 PM:
A20-205: Leveling the Landscape: Women’s Caucus Gathering and Workshop on Valuing the Feminist Study of Religion

Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM:
A21-106: Cultivating Minds: New Directions in Feminist Pedagogy

Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM:
A21-202: Beyond Down and Dirty: From Good to Great Sex

Sunday, 1:00 PM–2:30 PM:

Sunday, 5:00 PM–7:00 PM:
A22-333: Enriching the Field: Publishing New Books on Gender and Religion

Monday, 11:45 AM–12:45 AM:
A23-150: Women’s Caucus Business Meeting

Visit the SWP Committee’s webpage at www.aarweb.org for more information about our initiatives and Annual Meeting Events.
AAR’s LGBTIQ Persons in the Profession Committee invites you to join us at the following Annual Meeting events:

A20-404: Film: Al-Nisa: Black Muslim Women in Atlanta’s Gay Mecca
Friday, 8:00 PM–10:00 PM
Marriott-International 6 (International Level)
The Afro-American Religious History Group, Contemporary Islam Group, Islam, Gender, and Women Group, Lesbian-Feminist Issues in Religion Group, Religion and Cities Group, Religion and Sexuality Group, Queer Studies in Religion Group, Status of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Intersex, & Queer Persons in the Profession Committee, Status of Women in the Profession Committee, and the Study of Islam Section want to co-sponsor showing the film Al-Nisa: Black Muslim Women in Atlanta’s Gay Mecca. The film is a documentary of black women that filmmaker Red Summer brought together to discuss their triple identity as black Muslim lesbians.

A21-146: Roundtable Lunch
Saturday, 11:45 AM–12:45 PM
Hyatt-International South (International Tower Level LL1)
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; a lunch station is available in the lobby area of the Hyatt. The roundtable leaders listed were confirmed attendees as of April; other senior scholars in the field may be joining us as well.

A21-306: Engaging Trans Studies in Religion: Scholarship, Teaching, and the Intersectionalities of Trans Lived Experience
Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Hilton-201 (Level 2)
The experience of trans persons and perspectives in the academic study of religion presents an important moment in the development of an emerging field of trans studies in religion. This Special Topics Forum, sponsored by the Status of LGBTIQ Persons in the Profession, articulates and analyzes the issues and debates present in this developing area. A panel of trans scholars in religion will seek to articulate, both critically and concretely, the contours of their efforts to integrate their research, teaching and lived experience. Presentations will take up the following questions: How do we define the emerging field of trans studies in religion? What are some of the critical issues in gender-queering religious studies? How does trans studies in religion, as well as trans lived experience, interface with other current issues, conflicts, and questions in the academic study of religion?

A21-408: LGBTIQ Scholars / Scholars of LGBTIQ Studies Reception
Saturday, 9:00 PM–11:00 PM
Marriott-Marquis C (Marquis Level)
LGBTIQ scholars, scholars of LGBTIQ studies, and friends are invited to a reception. Come network, see old friends, and make new ones! Sponsored by the Status of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Intersex, and Queer Persons in the Profession Committee.

Visit the LGBTIQ Committee’s webpage at www.aarweb.org for more information about our initiatives and Annual Meeting events.

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Encountering Religion: Responsibility and Criticism after Secularism by Tyler Roberts (A23-211)

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Adventist Society of Religious Studies Reception
Thursday, 6:30 PM–7:30 PM
Hyatt-Embassy AB (International Tower Level LL2)

**P19-402**

Adventist Society of Religious Studies Meeting
Thursday, 7:30 PM–9:30 PM
Hyatt-Embassy EF (International Tower Level LL2)
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Olive J. Hemmings, Washington Adventist University, Presiding
Nicholas Miller, Andrews University
Ellen White, Natural Law, Civil Rights, and Social Activism
Richard Rice, Loma Linda University
Tempered Enthusiasm: Adventists and the Temperance Movement
Zane Yi, Loma Linda University
“Christ and Culture” Revisited: Towards an Adventist Theology of Culture
Zack Plantak, Loma Linda University
Liminality and Responsibility of a Prophetic Movement

Business Meeting:
Teresa Reeve, Andrews University

**FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 20**

**A20-100**

Status of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Intersex, and Queer Persons in the Profession Committee Meeting
Friday, 8:00 AM–12:00 PM
Marriott-L507 (Lobby Level)
Patrick S. Cheng, Chicago Theological Seminary, Presiding

**P20-1**

Adventist Society of Religious Studies Meeting
Friday, 8:00 AM–12:00 PM
Hyatt-International North (International Tower Level LL1)
8:00 AM – Devotional
8:15 AM Business Session II
Teresa Reeve, Andrews University, Presiding
8:30 AM – Paper Session II Biblical and Theological Voices
Bruce Boyd, Burman University, Presiding
Leo Ranzolin, Loma Linda University
Adventism in the Public Square? A Model from Paul’s Areopagus Speech?
Janis Lowry, Adventist University of Health Sciences
Matthew 26 in the Public Square: Can 10 Bridesmaids with Talent and Extra Olive Oil Serve the Least of These
Charles Scriven, Dayton, Ohio
Apocalypse and the Public Square, A Theo-Philosophical Renovation of Premillennialism
Martin Weber, Logos/Faithlife Corporation
Inter-faith Isolationism Squanders the Adventist Advantage

10:00 AM – Paper Session III – Adventist Institutions in the Public Square
Teresa Reeve, Andrews University, Presiding
Adventist Health Care and the Public Square
Gorden Doss, Andrews University
The Adventist Missionary in the Public Square
Simlen Saliba, Florida Hospital
Adventist Health Care and the Public Square
Larry Geraty
Adventist Higher Education and the Public Square
11:45 AM – Business Session III
Teresa Reeve, Andrews University, Presiding
12:00 PM – Lunch

**A20-101**

Status of Women in the Profession Committee Meeting
Friday, 8:00 AM–1:00 PM
Marriott-M106 (Marquis Level)
Su Yon Pak, Union Theological Seminary, Presiding

**P20-100**

North American Association for the Study of Religion Executive Council Meeting
Friday, 9:00 AM–11:00 AM
Hilton-314 (Level 3)

**A20-110**

Teaching and Learning Committee Meeting
Friday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hyatt–AAR Suite
Lerone Martin, Washington University, Saint Louis, Presiding
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P20-101
North American Paul Tillich Society
Theme: Pedagogy and Paulus
Friday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hyatt-Hanover G (Exhibit Level)

P20-102
Society for Buddhist-Christian Studies Board Meeting
Friday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Marriott-International C (International Level)

Public Understanding of Religion Committee Meeting
Friday, 9:00 AM–12:00 PM
Marriott-L406 (Lobby Level)
Michael Kessler, Georgetown University, Presiding

Status of Racial and Ethnic Minorities in the Profession Committee Meeting
Friday, 9:00 AM–1:00 PM
Marriott-M103 (Marquis Level)
Nargis Virani, New York, NY, Presiding

International Connections Committee Meeting
Friday, 9:00 AM–2:00 PM
Hyatt-Chicago C (Exhibit Level)
Amy L. Allocco, Elon University, Presiding

Regional Coordinators Meeting
Friday, 9:00 AM–5:00 PM
Hilton-402 (Level 4)
Susan E. Hill, University of Northern Iowa, Presiding

P20-106
THATCamp — The Humanities and Technology Camp
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Friday, 9:00 AM–5:00 PM
Marriott-L504-505 (Lobby Level)
Eric Smith, Iliff School of Theology, John Crow, Florida State University, and Michael Hemenway, Iliff School of Theology, University of Denver, Presiding
See page 72 for details.

P20-107
American Lectures in the History of Religions Meeting
Friday, 10:00 AM–1:00 PM
Marriott-L503 (Lobby Level)
Louis A. Ruprecht, Georgia State University, Presiding

North American Association for the Study of Religion
Theme: Theory in a Time of Excess: On the Restraint of Theory
Friday, 11:00 AM–1:00 PM
Hilton-311 (Level 3)
According to some, theory ensures the integrity of religious studies as an academic discipline: it is the development and application of theory to explain religion that distinguishes critical scholarship from the apologetics of theology (and, allegedly, the covert apologetics of phenomenology of religion). I acknowledge the necessity of theoretically-grounded explanation of religion, not as a levy to be paid for entrance into the academy or the public university, but as an essential dimension of the task of analyzing the collection of phenomena that we, for better or worse, call religion. Theories are, in short, a good thing. Acknowledging the necessity of theory, however, does not tell us when and how theory should be deployed. I argue that just as theory should be deployed in the task of explaining religion (briefly: identifying the causes, origins, and/or functions of religion), it should be withheld in the task of interpreting religion (briefly: identifying the meaning of religion for the religious subject). If, as many have argued, it is true that interpretation entails explanation, then understanding the religious subject's perspective on, or experience of, religion necessarily means unearthing his explanation of religion. And if this is true, then the interpolation of the scholar's own explanatory theory as an interpretive tool almost certainly obscures or eisegetically reshapes the subject's perspective; in other words, it corrupts the data.

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Theory must be restrained in the interpretive phase of the analysis of religion, or else the scholar risks losing the very phenomenon she seeks to study. The legitimacy and integrity of research in religious studies therefore rests not only on the proper application of theory, but on the proper restraint of it as well.

Panelist:
Jason N. Blum, American University in Cairo

Responding:
Michael Altman, University of Alabama
Richard Newton, Elizabethtown College
Tara Baldrick-Morrone, Florida State University

A20-108

Religion and Media Workshop
Theme: Law, Public Culture, and Religion
Friday, 11:00 AM–6:00 PM
Marriott-A703 (Atrium Level)
Ann M. Burlein, Hofstra University, Kathleen Foody, College of Charleston, and M. Gail Hamner, Syracuse University, Presiding
See page 72 for details.
Allison Fish, Indiana University
Laying Claim to Yoga: Intellectual Property, Cultural Rights, and the Digital Archive in India
Elizabeth Shakman Hurd, Northwestern University
Beyond Religious Freedom: The Limits of Law and the Politics of Global Religious Difference
Sylvester Johnson, Northwestern University
Religion, Biopolitics, and State Violence: The Police State and the Politics of Racial Threat
Andrew Ventimiglia, University of California, Davis
Spirited Possessions: Intellectual Property and Media in the American Spiritual Marketplace
Isaac Weiner, Ohio State University
Sound Law: The Politico-Aesthetics of Public Space
Tisa Wenger, Yale University
Mapping Religion in the Philippines: Religious Freedom and the Unsettled Secularisms of U.S. Empire

A20-109

Academic Relations Committee Meeting
Friday, 12:00 PM–5:00 PM
Hyatt-Heritage Boardroom (Atlanta Conference Level)
Theodore Trost, University of Alabama, Presiding

A20-200

Traditions of Eastern Late Antiquity Group and IQSA Qur’an and Late Antiquity Group
Theme: Towards a “Long Late Antiquity”: Continuities from the Pre-Islamic to the Islamic Era
Friday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Marriott-M104 (Marquis Level)
Michael Pregill, Boston University, Presiding
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A20-202

Ethnography and Theology Workshop
Theme: A Multi-Disciplinary Orientation and Consultation on Using Ethnographic Research Methods for Theological Scholarship from Experts in Social Science and Theology
Friday, 1:00 PM–5:00 PM
Hilton-Crystal CD (Level 1)
Natalie Wigg-Stevenson, Emmanuel College, Presiding
See page 73 for details.
Panelists:
  - Ann B. McClenahan, Boston Theological Institute
  - Nancy Ammerman, Boston University
  - Mary McClintock Fulkerson, Duke University
  - James Spickard, University of Redlands
  - Kathleen Jenkins, College of William and Mary
  - Luke Bretherton, Duke University
  - Kathleen Garces-Foley, Marymount University
  - Gerardo Marti, Davidson College
  - Christian A. B. Scharen, Auburn Theological Seminary
  - Jonas Idestrom, Church of Sweden Research Unit
  - Tone Stangeland Kaufman, MF Norwegian School of Theology
  - Peter Ward, MF Norwegian School of Theology

A20-203

Rethinking Islamic Studies Workshop
Theme: Teaching Islamic Studies: Key Topics and Best Practices
Friday, 1:00 PM–5:00 PM
Hilton-404-405 (Level 4)
Danielle Widmann Abraham, James Madison University, and Caleb Elfenbein, Grinnell College, Presiding
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A20-204

Atlanta City Tour
Friday, 1:00 PM–5:00 PM
Hyatt-Meet at corner of Baker Street (Honorary Xernona Clayton Way) and Peachtree Street
See page 8 for details.

P20-213

International Bonhoeffer Society Board of Directors Meeting
Friday, 1:00 PM–6:00 PM
Hyatt-Kennesaw (Atlanta Conference Level)

M20-203 (#womanists@aar)

Womanist Approaches to Religion and Society Group
Theme: Womanist In-Gathering
Friday, 1:30 PM–4:30 PM
Hyatt-Baker (Atlanta Conference Level)

A20-205

Women’s Lounge Roundtable
Theme: Leveling the Landscape: Women’s Caucus Gathering and Workshop on Valuing the Feminist Study of Religion
Friday, 1:30 PM–3:30 PM
Hyatt-Hanover B (Exhibit Level)
Theresa Ann Yugar, California State University, Los Angeles, Presiding
See page 74 for details.

P20-214

Adventist Society of Religious Studies Meeting
Friday, 1:30 PM–5:30 PM
Hyatt-International North (International Tower Level LL1)
1:30 PM – Paper Session IV - Issues of Race and Ethnicity
Reymar Vetne, Pacific Union College, Presiding
Ramona Hyman, Oakwood University
Jesus and Civil Rights in Alabama as Poetic Activism
Keith Burton, Oakwood University
Why is Obama America’s First Black President?
Doug Morgan, Washington Adventist University
Adventism’s Promise for Black Liberation

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- AAR Award Winners
- Especially for Students
- Focus on Employment
- New Program Unit
- Professional Practices and Institutional Location Sessions
- Receptions and Breakfasts
- Sustainability and Religion
- Tours
- Wildcard Sessions

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3:10 PM – Business Session IV
Teresa Reeve, Andrews University, Presiding

3:30 PM – Sectional Meetings
- Christian Theology and History: Martin Hanna, Andrews University, convener
- New Testament: Erhard Gallos, Andrews University, convener
- Old Testament: Alden Thompson, Walla Walla University, convener
- Philosophy and Ethics: Zane Yi, Loma Linda University, and Timothy Golden, West Chester University of Pennsylvania, conveners
- Practical Theology: Ernie Furness, Southeastern California Conference, convener
- World Religions/Missiology: Paul Dybdahl, Walla Walla University, convener

4:30 PM – Special Meetings
- Black Theology Group: Leslie Pollard, Oakwood University, convener
- Women in Theology Group: Ginger Hanks-Harwood, conveners

Friday Evening, Nov. 20

ASR
S-ATS Unity Meal and Presidential Addresses
Olive Hemmings, Washington Adventist University, and Lael Caesar, Adventist Review, Presiding

Dinner

ASR
S Presidential Address
Mark Carr, Alaska Conference
ATS Presidential Address
Felix Cortez, Andrews University

A20-206

Theological Education Workshop
Theme: Teaching Global Theologies: International Perspectives
Friday, 1:45 PM–5:00 PM
Hilton-305 (Level 3)
Kwok Pui Lan, Episcopal Divinity School, Presiding
See page 74 for details.

Panelists:
- Beverley Haddad, University of KwaZulu-Natal
- Teresia Mbari Hinga, Santa Clara University
- Veli-Matti Karkkainen, Fuller Theological Seminary
- Volker Kuester, Kampen Theological University
- Francis Ching-Wah Yip, Chinese University of Hong Kong
- Jung Mo Sung, Universidade Metodista de Sao Paulo
- Susan B. Thistlethwaite, Chicago Theological Seminary

A20-201

Religion and Ecology Workshop
Theme: Journey of the Universe: Hope for the Future
Friday, 2:00 PM–5:00 PM
Hilton-Crystal ABEF (Level 1)
Nancy Menning, Ithaca College, and Mary Evelyn Tucker, Yale University, and Heather Eaton, Saint Paul University, Presiding
See page 73 for details.

A20-207

Graduate Student Committee Meeting
Friday, 2:00 PM–5:00 PM
Hyatt-Hanover A (Exhibit Level)
Kristy Slominski, Georgia State University, Presiding

P20-215

North American Association for the Study of Religion
Friday, 2:00 PM–3:50 PM
Hilton-311 (Level 3)
Over the past decade or so there has been an exponential growth in research in the Cognitive Science of Religion (CSR). Yet despite this, there continues to be a lack of understanding, and sometimes blatant misunderstanding, about what characterizes the field. This state of affairs is due, in part, to the reluctance of those within the field to commit to a precise definition. CSR is a broad in scope. It is also a relatively young academic approach to the study of religion and consequentially, is ever-expanding and often in a state of flux. Scholars have often characterized CSR by what it is not rather than what it is. In this paper, I argue that at heart of CSR is a theory that human cognition is necessary (but not sufficient) to explain the presence, persistence and prevalence of human ideas and behaviors deemed “religious.” It is thus distinguished from its often-atheoretical academic counterparts in the study of religion because of the attempt to explain, rather than describe, religion and because of the centrality of the role of the human mind in this explanation. Finally, I demonstrate the fruitfulness of this theory by presenting selected case studies of what CSR has actually explained since its inception.

Panelist:
- Claire White, California State University, Northridge
Responding:
- Monica R. Miller, Lehigh University
- Brad Stoddard, Florida State University
- Matt Sheedy, University of Manitoba

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P20-208

Martin Luther King, Jr. Center for Nonviolent Social Change Tour
Friday, 2:00 PM–5:00 PM
Hyatt-Meet at corner of Baker Street (Honorary Xernona Clayton Way) and Peachtree Street
AnneMarie Mingo, Pennsylvania State University, Presiding
See page 8 for details.

P20-219

Society for Asian and Comparative Philosophy
Theme: Special Symposium on the Lasting Legacy of Raimon Panikkar
Friday, 2:00 PM–7:00 PM
Hilton-312 (Level 3)
Intercultural dialogical dialogue is a viable alternative in this globalized world to the conflict model of major world civilizations. In this special mini-symposium, panelists reflect on the philosophical and theological legacy of Raimon Panikkar (1918–2010) and to foster our understanding of this alternative path. A reception will follow the symposium.

Panelists:
Kim Seungchul, Nanzan Institute for Religion and Culture
Erik Ranstrom, Elms College
Fred Dallmayr, University of Notre Dame
Mark Banas, Georgia Perimeter College
Aaron Fehir, Saint Leo University
Young-chan Ro, George Mason University
Michiko Yusa, Western Washington University

P20-220

Society for the Study of Christian Spirituality
Theme: Exclusion and Embrace: The Challenge of Racism Today
Friday, 3:00 PM–5:30 PM
Martin Luther King Jr. Center, 449 Auburn Avenue NE
Diana L. Hayes, Georgetown University, Presiding
3:00 PM–4:00 PM – Tour of the Martin Luther King, Jr. Center 449 Auburn Avenue NE
4:00 PM–5:30 PM – Conversation and Reflection at Ebenezer Baptist Church, Horizon Campus, 101 Jackson Street NE
All are welcome! Our session begins with a tour of the Martin Luther, King, Jr. Center, during which we will invite participants to reflect on the experience of racism in its many forms. At 4:00 PM we will proceed to the adjacent Horizon Campus of Ebenezer Baptist Church for a video reflection prepared for this event by Miroslav Volf and for shared reflection facilitated by Diana Hayes. The Museum and Horizon Campus are accessible by taxi and walking. Please visit http://sscs.press.jhu.edu/annual_meeting/annual_meeting.html for more details on this program, as well as information on the Society dinner and our evening session, “Spirituality and Pedagogy: An Intercultural Perspective” (7:30 PM–8:30 PM, also at the Horizon campus). Return shuttles, sessions, and reception are free; tax-deductible contributions are welcome. For additional information, please contact Anita Houck, Secretary, at ahouck@saintmarys.edu.
Panelist:
Miroslav Volf, Yale University
**P20-216**

**Association of Practical Theology**

**Theme:** Practical Theology for Politically Charged Situations  
Friday, 3:00 PM–6:00 PM  
Marriott-M101 (Marquis Level)

Boyung Lee, Pacific School of Religion, Presiding

Presentations will be short so as to allow for plenty of discussion. Please visit www.practicaltheology.org for further session description, advance copies of the papers, and other material.

- Reginald Blount, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary, and Virginia Lee, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary  
  *We Who Believe in Freedom Cannot Rest: Pedagogies of Justice*

- Mai-Anh L. Tran, Eden Theological Seminary, and Leah Gunning Francis, Eden Theological Seminary  
  *Taking it to the Streets: Practicing Theology at the Intersections of Ferguson and Faith*

**P20-217**

**Karl Barth Society of North America**

**Friday, 3:30 PM–6:00 PM**  
Marriott-M301–302 (Marquis Level)

George Hunsinger, Princeton Theological Seminary, Presiding

- Jinhyok Kim, Torch Trinity Graduate University  
  *Karl Barth's Doctrine of the Holy Spirit*

- Andrea C. White, Union Theological Seminary  
  *The Political Theology of Karl Barth: Why a Womanist Theologian Should Care*

**P20-218**

**European Society for the Study of Western Esotericism**

**Theme:** Western Esotericism and Cognition  
Friday, 3:30 PM–6:30 PM  
Marriott-International 1 (International Level)

The purpose of this ESSWE meeting is to explore how modern developments in cognitive studies could be made relevant to the study of Western Esotericism, for instance in view of the role of alterations of consciousness as facilitators of “gnosis,” practices of imaginations/visualization, meditation, and so on.

- Leonard George, Capilano University  
  *A Biopsychological Perspective on Theurgical Ecstasy*

- John MacMurphy, University of Amsterdam  
  *Onciropoiesis in Ecstatic Kabbalah*

- Simon Magus, University of Exeter  
  *Austin Osman Spare and the Conquest of the Imaginal*

- Massimo Introigne, Center for Studies on New Religions, Turin, Italy  
  *Visualization, Scientology, and the Arts*

- Egil Asprem, University of California, Santa Barbara  
  *A Theoretical Framework for the Generation of Experiential Knowledge*

- Adam Klin-Oron, Van Leer Institute  
  *Channeled Consciousness*

**P20-313**

**North American Paul Tillich Society**

**Theme:** Harvey Cox: The Legacy of Paul Tillich  
Friday, 4:00 PM–5:30 PM  
Marriott-M102 (Marquis Level)

**P20-314**

**North American Association for the Study of Religion**

**Theme:** Theory in a Time of Excess: Of Cognitive Science, Bricolage, and Brandom  
Friday, 4:00 PM–5:50 PM  
Hilton-311 (Level 3)

The chief glory of the Study of Religion is its theoretical eclecticism. As a field it should resist programmatic theoretical approaches. Its use and development of theory should be driven by specific questions that arise in particular studies of religious phenomena. Metatheoretical reflection should generally be closely tethered to works of first-order scholarship. The use of Robert Brandom’s analysis of existential commitments to illuminate so-called narrative theology illustrates these claims and bears implications for the cognitive science of religion.

**Panelist:**  
Matthew Bagger, Auburn University

**Responding:**  
Rebekka King, Middle Tennessee State University  
James Dennis LoRusso, Princeton University  
Robyn Walsh, University of Miami

**P20-221**

**Polanyi Society**

**Theme:** Polanyian Applications  
Friday, 4:00 PM–6:00 PM  
Sheraton-Atlanta 5 (Level 1)

Walter B. Gulick, Montana State University Billings, Presiding

Matthew Sandwisch, Baylor University  
*Connections between Michael Polanyi and Virtue Epistemology*

Andrew Johnson, Fort Mill, SC  
*Credible to Know: A Comparison of the Epistemologies of Michael Polanyi and Francis Schaeffer*

Stan Scott, University of Maine  
*Presque Isle, The Tacit Dimension in Biblical Metaphor: “The Kingdom”*

Robert Hyatt, Whittier, NC  
*Polanyian Philosophical Resources for Mental Health Professionals Dealing with Trauma Related Pathologies*

Jon Fennell, Hillsdale University  
*Polanyi’s Illumination: Aristotelian Induction or Peircean Abduction?*

Francesco Poggiani, Pennsylvania State University  
*Polanyi and Pierce on Truth and Responsibility*
**P20-315**  
**Society for Buddhist-Christian Studies**  
**Theme:** What Is Wrong with Us? What Is Wrong with the World?  
**Friday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM**  
**Marriott-A702 (Atrium Level)**  
Alice Keefe, University of Wisconsin, Stevens Point, Presiding  
Christianity and Buddhism, in diverse ways, assert a fundamental flaw in the human condition expressed by terms like “sin” and “delusion” — a flaw that we are largely unconscious of, which prevents us from noticing the extent to which we ourselves as individuals and societies contribute to the harms we see around us. In what ways are Christian or Buddhist diagnoses of a basic human flaw critical for understanding the causality of current world problems, such as growing social and economic inequalities, religious animosities, racism, environmental degradation, and violence? Can any of these problems be addressed without adequate consideration of such traditional diagnoses? If not, what specific Christian or Buddhist understandings of the human condition need to be raised up today to shed light on such problems? How might Buddhist and Christian perspectives challenge or complement each other? And how might these traditional perspectives on the human condition undergo reinterpretation when relating them to current problems?  
**Panelists:**  
- Thomas Cattoi, Jesuit School of Theology at Santa Clara University  
- Glenn Willis, Misericordia University  
- Roger Haight, Union Theological Seminary  
- Hsiao-Lan Hu, University of Detroit Mercy  
**Responding:**  
Kristin Johnston Largen, Lutheran Theological Seminary

**A20-300**  
**Department Chairs’ Reception**  
**Friday, 5:30 PM–7:00 PM**  
**Marriott-AAR Suite**  
Chairs of Religious Studies Departments are invited to this reception to mingle with and ask questions of other chairs and members of the AAR’s Academic Relations Committee.

**P20-316**  
**Bible, Theology, Postmodernity Group**  
**Theme:** Book Discussion: Divine Enjoyment: A Theology of Passion and Exuberance  
**Friday, 6:00 PM–8:30 PM**  
**Marriott-M102 (Marquis Level)**  
Jacob Erickson, St. Olaf College, Presiding  
This panel will offer a critical and constructive review of Elaine Padilla’s Divine Enjoyment: A Theology of Passion and Exuberance (Fordham University Press, 2014). Paradigms of divine pathos have emphasized, for good reasons, the significance of suffering. This panel presses beyond this argument to offer a dialog on its complement, enjoyment, and in particular, the experience of jouissance or pleasure as a mode of becoming reciprocally. Having as its foreground the book’s main theme of divine enjoyment and exuberance, and employing interpretative lenses such as feminism, queer thought, and aesthetics, it will take a fresh look at discourses that focus on bodied imaginings. The goal of the session is not just to bring panelists and author together in conversation but to collaborate in envisioning a way forward for future projects likewise seeking to break free from philosophical and theological constructs on divine love lacking in porosity, intensity, multiplicity, or impropriety.  
**Panelists:**  
- Maaike De Haardt, Tilburg University  
- Benjamin Valentin, Andover Newton Theological School  
- Lisa Isherwood, University of Winchester  
- Monica A. Coleman, Claremont School of Theology  
- Marcia Pally, New York University  
**Responding:**  
Elaine Padilla, New York Theological Seminary

**M20-307**  
**Feminist Studies in Religion Boards Preconference Meeting**  
**Friday, 6:00 PM–8:30 PM**  
**Hyatt-Dunwoody (Atlanta Conference Level)**

**M20-400**  
**New Religious Movements Group Mentoring Workshop**  
**Friday, 7:00 PM–8:30 PM**  
**Hyatt-Marietta (Atlanta Conference Level)**  
Are you a graduate student or junior scholar whose work relates to the study of new or alternative religions? If so, this mentoring workshop may be for you. Mentees will be paired with more advanced scholars to discuss issues relevant to their particular work and/or academic situation. The workshop is free, but advance registration is required. To register, send an email of inquiry to Marie Dallam no later than Oct. 15, 2015 at mwdallam@ou.edu.
P20-405
Society for Hindu–Christian Studies and Dharma Academy of North America (DANAM)
Theme: Rebirth: Hindu and Christian Perspectives
Friday, 7:00 PM–9:00 PM
Marriott-M101 (Marquis Level)
Stephanie Corigliano, Boston College, Presiding
Bradley Malkovsky, University of Notre Dame
Reincarnation and Christianity: An Historical and Theological Overview
Francis X. Clooney, Harvard University
The Early Jesuit Critique of Rebirth: What Can We Learn from History?
Ankur Barua, University of Cambridge
Revisiting the Rationality of Reincarnation
Jonathan Edelmann, University of Florida
One-life and Many-life Theisms: A Philosophical Discussion
Responding:
Chakravarthi Ram-Prasad, Lancaster University

P20-406
Society for the Study of Christian Spirituality
Theme: Spirituality and Pedagogy: An Intercultural Perspective
Friday, 7:00 PM–9:15 PM
Ebenezer Baptist Church, Horizon Campus, 101 Jackson Street NE
All are welcome for a discussion of the teaching of spirituality in different international contexts, with a light reception to follow. Ebenezer Baptist Church is accessible by taxi and walking; free shuttles will be provided back to the Convention area after the session (tax-deductible contributions are welcome). Please visit http://sscs.press.jhu.edu/annual_meeting/annual_meeting.html for more details on this program and earlier events, including a tour of the King Center; our afternoon program, “Exclusion and Embrace: The Challenge of Racism Today,” with Miroslav Volf and Diana Hayes; and the Society dinner. For additional information, please contact Anita Houck, Secretary, at ahouck@saintmarys.edu.

P20-407
Søren Kierkegaard Society Banquet
Friday, 7:00 PM–10:00 PM
Paschal’s Restaurant, 180-B Northside Drive SW
For more information or to register, please contact Carl Hughes at chughes@tlu.edu.
Panelist:
Rick A. Furtak, Colorado College

P20-408
Society of Christian Philosophers
Theme: Author Meets Critics: Christine Helmer’s Theology and the End of Doctrine
Friday, 7:00 PM–10:00 PM
Marriott-L401 (Lobby Level)
Andrew Chignell, Cornell University, Presiding
Panelists:
Jesse Couenhoven, Villanova University
Stephen T. Davis, Claremont McKenna College
Amber Griffioen, University of Konstanz
Jacqueline Marina, Purdue University
Responding:
Christine Helmer, Northwestern University

A20-400
Film: Un Prophète
Friday, 8:00 PM–10:00 PM
Marriott-International 1 (International Level)
A young Arab man is sent to a French prison where he becomes a mafia kingpin.
Panelist:
Syed Adnan Hussain, Saint Mary’s University, Halifax

A20-401
Films: The Howard Finster Legacy: Three Short Films about a Stranger from North Georgia and Other Planets (I Can Feel Another Planet in my Soul, An End Time Interview with Howard Finster, and Paradise Garden: Howard Finster’s Legacy)
Friday, 8:00 PM–10:00 PM
Marriott-International 2 (International Level)
Norman J. Girardot, Lehigh University, Presiding
This session features three short documentary films about Howard Finster (1915/16–2001), probably the most celebrated contemporary folk, self-taught, outsider, and visionary artist of the last quarter of the 20th century. The screening of the three films were made at three different periods in Finster’s career and afterlife: 2001, 2001–2004, 2013–14 by three quite different filmmakers (Matt Nawada, music producer; David Fetcho and Susan English Felcho, the creative director of Foundlight TV; and Ava Leigh Stewart and Jeremy Miller of ArtWest films). The screening of the films (about 50 minutes total) will be followed by a discussion with the filmmakers and Jordan Poole, Director of the Paradise Garden Foundation of Summerville GA, the group in charge of preserving Finster’s greatest artwork, his multi-acre environmental simulacrum of the biblical Eden.
Panelists:
David Fetcho, New College, Berkeley
Susan Fetcho, New College, Berkeley
Ava Leigh Steward, ArtWest Films
Jeremy Miller, ArtWest Films
Matt Nawada, Stupid Genius LLC
Jordan Poole, Paradise Garden Foundation, Summerville, GA
Steven Pattie, Steven Pattie, Inc.
A20-402

**Film: Pariah**
Friday, 8:00 PM–10:00 PM
Marriott-International 3 (International Level)
A Brooklyn teenager juggles conflicting identities and risks friendship, heartbreak, and family in a desperate search for sexual expression.

Panelists:
- Kutter Callaway, Fuller Theological Seminary
- Samantha Curley, Level Ground, Pasadena, CA
- Chelsea McInturff, Level Ground, Pasadena, CA

A20-403

**Film: Zen Noir**
Friday, 8:00 PM–10:00 PM
Marriott-International 7 (International Level)
A nameless “noir” detective, still mourning the loss of his wife, investigates a mysterious death in a Buddhist temple, but his logical, left-brained crime-solving skills are useless in the intuitive, non-linear world of Zen.

Panelist:
- Edward Godfrey, Temple University

A20-404

**Film: Al-Nisa: Black Muslim Women in Atlanta’s Gay Mecca**
Friday, 8:00 PM–10:00 PM
Marriott-International 6 (International Level)
The film is a documentary of black women that filmmaker Red Summer brought together to discuss their triple identity as black Muslim lesbians.

Panelist:
- Red Summer, Washington, DC

Responding:
- Monique Moultrie, Georgia State University
- Juliane Hammer, University of North Carolina
- Aishah Shahidah Simmons, AfroLez Productions, Philadelphia, PA
- Farah Zeb, University of Exeter
- Marie Cartier, California State University, Northridge

A20-405

**AAR and SBL Welcome Reception**
Friday, 8:00 PM–10:00 PM
Marriott-Atrium Ballroom (Atrium Level)
Come join the party with your friends and colleagues for fun and conversation at the AAR and SBL Members’ Reception. Light refreshments, cash bar, and a DJ combine to make this a great way to catch up with old friends or dance the night away with new ones.

M20-404

**Feminist Studies in Religion Reception**
Friday, 8:30 PM–10:30 PM
Hyatt-Techwood (Atlanta Conference Level)

S21-1

**Yoga Class**
Saturday, 7:00 AM–8:00 AM
Marriott-L504-505 (Lobby Level)
Join us for a 50-minute energizing and waking yoga class, appropriate to all levels of practitioners. Fun flow that will incorporate the whole body — stretching into the legs, releasing tension in the shoulders, opening up the heart with some gentle back bending. And, of course, a great playlist to get you ready for the day. Towels will be provided. Please wear comfortable clothing.

M21-1

**Feminist Studies in Religion JFSR Editorial Board Meeting**
Saturday, 7:00 AM–9:00 AM
Marriott-International C (International Level)
Mandalas can be created in various media, such as watercolor on canvas, wood carvings, and so forth. However, the most spectacular and enduringly popular are those made from colored sand. Millions of grains of sand are painstakingly laid into place on a flat platform over a period of days or weeks to form the image of a mandala. Mandalas are created by striking the edge of a chakpur (a container of colored sand) against another chakpur, causing the sand to flow like liquid onto the platform. The vibration causes the sand to go up and down on the wooden platform. On the following days they lay the colored sand in their pattern.
A21-102

Arts, Film, Literature, Media, Popular Culture, Visual Culture, and Religion Cluster

Theme: The Birth of a Nation a Century Later  
Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:00 AM  
Marriott-M301-302 (Marquis Level)

Derek Hicks, Wake Forest University, Presiding

The year 2015 marks the centenary of the release of D.W. Griffith’s troubling cinematic masterpiece, The Birth of a Nation. Based on Thomas Dixon’s racist novel The Clansman, Griffith raised the stakes of the cinematic arts through highly developed editing approaches and other technical advances. At the same time, the film retains many of the racist portrayals found in the novel. This raises questions about the relations of aesthetics and ethics, about visual representation, and about the ongoing connections of race and religions in the United States. This session will explore the film, its cultural context, and its aftermath by exploring related artistic productions and cultural movements connected with the film.

Panelist:
Carolyn Medine, University of Georgia
Judith Weisenfeld, Princeton University
Rachel Lindsey, Washington University, Saint Louis
Kelly J. Baker, Tallahassee, FL

Business Meeting:
S. Brent Plate, Hamilton College, Presiding

A21-103

Reformed Theology and History Group and Wesleyan Studies Group

Theme: Arminius in Wesleyan and Reformed Traditions
Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:00 AM
Hilton-206 (Level 2)

John Thompson, Fuller Theological Seminary, Presiding

Susan Moudry, Baylor University
Abhorrence, Appreciation, or Perhaps a Little of Both: Mr. Wesley’s Commentary on Mr. Calvin

David Hunsicker, Fuller Theological Seminary
The Westminster Confession and the Possibility of a Reformed-Arminian Consensus

Tamara Lewis, Southern Methodist University
Wesley’s Legacy: Early Modern English Reformed and Arminian Counter-Narratives of Literary and Racial Blackness

A21-104

Ritual Studies Group

Theme: Etiquette and Religion
Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:00 AM
Hyatt-Williams (Atlanta Conference Level)

Christopher Jensen, McMaster University, Presiding

Christopher Handy, McMaster University
Indian Buddhist Lavatory Rituals and the Aesthetics of Etiquette in Early India

Peder Gedda, University of British Columbia
On the Quest for Divine Manners: The Sikh Khalsa and the Eighteenth Century Codification of Religious Etiquette in North India

Hans Harmakaputra, Boston College
Between Etiquette and Religious Precept: A Comparison of the Islamic Discourse of Shaking Hands between the Sexes in the United States of America and Indonesia

A21-105

Theological Education Committee

Theme: Intersectionality in Theological Education: Continuing the Conversation
Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Marriott-L405-406 (Lobby Level)

Jeanne Stevenson-Moessner, Southern Methodist University, Presiding

This session deepens a crucial conversation begun in the 2015 Spotlight on Theological Education titled, “Intersectionality in Theological Education: Engaging Complexity, Activism, and Multiple Consciousness.” Several contributors to the Spotlight will be joined by others to engage in dialogue with one another and with attendees about the ways intersectionality shapes research, teaching, and advocacy in theological education.

Panelists:
Nancy J. Ramsay, Brite Divinity School
Robyn Henderson-Espinoza, Pacific School of Religion
Heike Peckruhn, Daemen College
Traci C. West, Drew University
Kirk VanGilder, Gallaudet University
Maaraidzo Mutambara, Africa University
A21-106

Women’s Lounge Roundtable
Theme: Cultivating Minds: New Directions in Feminist Pedagogy
Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hyatt-Hanover B (Exhibit Level)
Marcelle Grano, California Institute of Integral Studies, Presiding
Feminist pedagogy transforms students from passive recipients of knowledge to active agents of social change. This year the AAR/SBL Women’s Caucus is again collaborating with the Feminist Liberation Theologian’s Network (FLTN). Caucus panelists will offer fresh perspectives on feminist pedagogy when educating students or religious communities about feminist theology and the arts, the theme of the 2015 FLTN session. Panelists from this Women’s Caucus session will attend the pre-conference FLTN session on Friday afternoon, and the Caucus session on Saturday morning will continue the conversation. Panelists will include reflections on the FLTN session in their presentations, as well as present their own work. A representative from the FLTN session will be a responder at this Women’s Caucus session.

Kathryn Common, Boston University
Forging Voice: Feminist Theology, Theopoetics and Film
Meredith Minister, Shenandoah University
Trigger Warnings in the Feminist Religious Studies Classroom
Marsha Thrall, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary
“What’s Going On?” Using Music and Feminist Pedagogy to Bridge Racial and Class Divides between Congregations

A21-107

Buddhism Section
Theme: Formations of Doctrine in Buddhist Modernity
Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Marriott-International 2 (International Level)
Jason Josephson, Williams College, Presiding
Eyal Aviv, George Washington University
A Well-Reasoned Dharma: Buddhist Logic in Republican China
Jimmy Yu, Florida State University
Chan as Dependent on Words and Language: A New “Doctrinal Classification” (Panjiao) within Chan Buddhism
Hwansoo Kim, Duke University
Propagation (P’ogyo) as a Site of Buddhist Governmentality in Colonial Korean Buddhism (1910–1945)
Holly Gayley, University of Colorado, and Baimacuo Baimacuo, Southwest Nationalities University
Buddhist Modernism and Ethical Reform on the Tibetan Plateau: New Articulations of Non-Violence

A21-108

Comparative Studies in Religion Section
Theme: Mothers, Motherhood, and the Maternal Body in Comparative Contexts II
Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Marriott-L506-507 (Lobby Level)
David Mozina, Boston College, Presiding
Vijaya Nagarajan, University of San Francisco
Mothering Tamil Daughters in Hindu Mythology, Ritual, and Everyday Life
Kyrah Daniels, Harvard University
Ritual Centers and Love Turned Sour: Mothers’ Rooted Births and Spiritual Vulnerability in Haiti and the Democratic Republic of Congo
Vasiliki Limberis, Temple University
“…Through a Glass Darkly,” Cappadocian Motherhood
Kimberley C. Patton, Harvard University
Motherhood and Micro-Chimeras: The Challenge of Dyadic Identity
Responding:
Rachel Fell McDermott, Barnard College
Business Meeting:
Kathryn McClymond, Barnard College and Eric D. Mortensen, Guilford College, Presiding

A21-109

Ethics Section
Theme: Black Lives Matter: The Ethics and Politics of Contemporary Protest
Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hilton-Grand Ballroom A (Level 2)
Christophe D. Ringer, Chicago Theological Seminary, Presiding
Daniel A. Morris, Augustana College
Eric Garner on the Jericho Road: Just War Thought, Police Brutality, and Black Resistance
Rima Vesely-Flad, Warren Wilson College
Faith in Ferguson: Grassroots Challenges to the U.S. Penal State
Sallie M. Cuffee, Medgar Evers College
The Brooklyn African American Clergywomen Oral History Project: Engendering Ethical Discourse Among Clergywomen, the Black Church, and Male Leadership
Melanie Jones, Chicago Theological Seminary
Ain’t Gonna Let Nobody Turn Me ’Round: The Politics of Embodied Protest from Selma to Ferguson
A21-110

Philosophy of Religion Section and Theology and Continental Philosophy Group
Theme: Between Philosophy and a Phenomenological Hard Place: New Materialism as a Methodology in the Study of Religion
Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hilton-401-402 (Level 4)
John Modern, Franklin and Marshall College, Presiding
Panelists:
- Sonia Hazard, Duke University
- Peter Anthony Mena, Phillips Theological Seminary
- Karen Bray, Drew University
- Hillary Kaell, Concordia University, Montreal
Responding:
- Whitney Bauman, Florida International University

A21-111

Religion and the Social Sciences Section and Ecclesial Practices Group
Theme: Can Ethnography Serve Theological Purposes?
Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hilton-304 (Level 3)
Gerardo Marti, Davidson College, Presiding
Panelists:
- Luke Bretherton, Duke University
- Jeffery L. Tribble, Columbia Theological Seminary
- Kathleen Jenkins, College of William and Mary
- James Spickard, University of Redlands

A21-112

Religion in South Asia Section and Hinduism Group
Theme: Proclaiming Power: The Ritual Uses of Flags in South Asia
Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Marriott-International 3 (International Level)
David Brick, Yale University, Presiding
Panelists:
- Marko Geslani, Emory University
  * An Omen Made to Please: Military and Astrological Sources of Indra’s Banner
- Ellen Gough, Emory University
  * Even the Gods Worship the Jina: The History of the Jain Festival of Indra
- Gudrun Bühnemann, University of Wisconsin
  * Royal Flags, Standards, and Pillars (Dhvaja) in the Late Malla Period of Nepal
- Michael C. Baltutis, University of Wisconsin, Oshkosh
  * The Public Life of a Royal Scribe: Displaying Indra’s Flag in Eighteenth Century Kathmandu
Responding:
- Richard H. Davis, Bard College

A21-113

Teaching Religion Section and North American Hinduism Group
Theme: Teaching About Hinduism through Dance and Embodied Knowledge
Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hilton-Crystal CD (Level 1)
Vasudha Narayanan, University of Florida, Presiding
Panelists:
- Arthi Devarajan, University of Miami
  * An Embodied Appeal: Indian Dance and Theory-Practice Learning as an Invitation to the Religious Studies Classroom
- Katherine C. Zubko, University of North Carolina, Asheville
  * Utilizing Embodied Pedagogy to Explore Textual Authority in Relation to Practice and Seeing the Hindu Gods
- Harshita Mruthinti Kamath, Middlebury College
  * Embodied Transformations: The Creative Possibilities of Dancing Krishna in an American College Classroom
- Sasikala Penumarthi, Academy of Kuchipudi Dance, Duluth, GA
  * Angabhinayam: Conveying Emotion and Aesthetics through the Dancing Body
Responding:
- Joyce Burkhalter Flueckiger, Emory University

A21-114

Theology and Religious Reflection Section
Theme: Opportunities and Challenges of Teaching Islamic Studies in Theological Seminaries
Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Marriott-M106-107 (Marquis Level)
Serene Jones, Union Theological Seminary, Presiding
Panelists:
- Nazila Isgandarova, University of Toronto
- Munir Jiwa, Graduate Theological Union
- Jerusha Lamptey, Union Theological Seminary
- Nevin Reda, University of Toronto

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Feryal Salem, Hartford Seminary
Ermin Sinanovic, International Institute of Islamic Thought, Herndon, VA
Responding:
    Amir Hussain, Loyola Marymount University

A21-115
Bible in Racial, Ethnic, and Indigenous Communities Group and SBL African-American Biblical Hermeneutics Section, and SBL LGBTI/Queer Hermeneutics Section
Theme: Honoring the Scholarship of Randall Bailey
Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hyatt-Harris (Atlanta Conference Level)
Love Sechrest, Fuller Theological Seminary, Presiding
Panelists:
    Eric Thomas, Drew University
    Rodney Sadler, Union Presbyterian Seminary
    Valerie Bridgeman, Methodist Theological School in Ohio
    Hugh Rowland Page, University of Notre Dame

A21-116
Buddhist Critical–Constructive Reflection Group
Theme: Buddhist Responses to Religious Pluralism
Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hilton-302 (Level 3)
Francisca Cho, Georgetown University, Presiding
    Rita M. Gross, University of Wisconsin, Eau Claire
    Religious Diversity: Finding the Real Questions
    Douglas S. Duckworth, Temple University
    Buddhism and Beyond: The Question of Pluralism
    Rachel Pang, Davidson College
    The Contemporary Relevance of Shabkar’s (1781–1851) Response to Religious Pluralism
    Abraham Velez de Cea, Eastern Kentucky University
    Are Buddhist Supremacist Claims Really Buddhist?
Responding:
    Paul Knitter, Union Theological Seminary
Business Meeting:
    Christopher Ives, Stonehill College, and Grace G. Burford, Prescott College, Presiding

A21-117
Chinese Religions Group
Theme: Sending Off the Dead: Funerary and Burial Practices in China
Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Marriott-L508 (Lobby Level)
Mark Halperin, University of California, Davis, Presiding
    Keith Knapp, The Citadel
    Clay Roasters Cannot Lord over Mornings: The Religious Aspects of Auster Burials in Early Medieval China
    Claire Yi Yang, University of California, Berkeley
    Death Ritual of the Tang Dynasty (618–907): Time, Space, and Family
    Fan Zhang, Florida State University
    Afterlife Matters: Burial Practices and Ancestral Rites in Twelfth-Century Pingyang
    Karin Myhre, University of Georgia
    Disposition of the Dead: The Corpse and the Spirit in Chinese Dramas
    Benjamin Brose, University of Michigan
    Xuanzang, Psychopomp: Journey to the West as Mortuary Rite

A21-118
Cognitive Science of Religion Group
Theme: Morality Without Religion: Empathy, Fairness, and Prosocial Primates
Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hyatt-Regency (Ballroom Level)
Dimitris Xygalatas, University of Connecticut, Presiding
Dr. Frans B. M. de Waal is one of the world’s leading primatologists, known for his work on the behavior and social intelligence of primates. His book, The Bonobo and the Atheist, examines the origins and evolution of morality and the role of religion in human society. He is C. H. Candler Professor in the Psychology Department of Emory University and Director of the Living Links Center at the Yerkes National Primate Center, in Atlanta. He has been elected to the National Academy of Sciences (US), the American Academy of Arts and Sciences, and the Royal Dutch Academy of Sciences. In 2007, he was selected by Time as one of The Worlds’ 100 Most Influential People Today, and in 2011 by Discover as among 47 (all time) Great Minds of Science.
Panelist:
    Frans de Waal, Emory University
Responding:
    Sarah Brosnan, Georgia State University
    Robert N. McCauley, Emory University
    Edward Slingerland, University of British Columbia
    Azim Shariff, University of Oregon
    Frans de Waal, Emory University
A21-119

Contemplative Studies Group

Theme: Listening Closely: Toward an Interdisciplinary Ethnographic Neuroscience of Contemplative Practice
Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hilton–Grand Ballroom C (Level 2)

Jeffrey C. Ruff, Marshall University, Presiding

Michael Spezio, Scripps College
“Bridge Laws and the “Neural Encoding” of Mindfulness: Ethnographic Neuroscience and Opportunities for Interdisciplinary Contemplative Studies”

Jennifer Mascaro, Emory University
The Neural Mediators of Kindness-based Meditation

Brendan Ozawa-de Silva, Emory University
Contemplative Science, Secular Ethics, and the Lojong Tradition: A Case Study

Jeffrey Stephen Lidke, Berry College
The Potential of the Bi-Directional Gaze: A Call for Neuroscientific Research on the Activation of the Autonomic Nervous System through Tantric Practice

Responding:
Andrea Hollingsworth, Boston University

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

A21-120

Contemporary Islam Group

Theme: Rethinking Muslim Politics
Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Marriott–A601 (Atrium Level)

Edith Szanto, American University of Iraq, Presiding

Kathleen Foody, College of Charleston
Every Place is Karbala: Muslim Reflections on Cosmopolitanism, Modernity, and Imperialism

Mashal Saif, Clemson University
Insulting Muhammad: State, Sovereignty, and Pakistan’s Blasphemy Laws Controversy

Nadeem Mahomed, University of Johannesburg
The Ahmadi Cases: Religion and Identity in Apartheid South Africa

Mohamed Shaid Mathee, University of Johannesburg
What Is ISIS’s Link to the Muslim Religious-Intellectual Tradition?

Responding:
Emann Allebban, McGill University
What is Islamic in Islamic Political Theology? A Genealogy of Reformist Discourses on the Political and the Theological

Responding:
Mohammad Fadel, University of Toronto

A21-121

Contemporary Pagan Studies Group

Theme: Valuing Paganism in Public and Open Spaces
Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hilton–201 (Level 2)

Jone Salomonsen, University of Oslo, Presiding

Gwendolyn Reece, American University
Pagan Clergy and Leaders: A Quantitative Snapshot

Daniela Cordovil, Pará State University
Political Engagement of Feminist and Ecological Pagans: A Comparison between Brazil and Portugal

Clara Schoonmaker, Syracuse University
The Fight for the Pentacle: Pagans, Veterans, and the Limitations of American Religious Pluralism

Paul B. Rucker, Minneapolis, MN, and Alison Beyer, Cherry Hill Seminary
Creating Sacred Space with Art Exhibitions: Another Approach to Interfaith Work

Responding:
Shawn Arthur, Wake Forest University

Business Meeting:
Chas Clifton, Colorado State University, Pueblo, Presiding

A21-122

PRE-POSTED PAPERS SESSION

Cultural History of the Study of Religion Group and Religion, Affect, and Emotion Group

Theme: Genealogies of Religion and Affect
Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hyatt–Edgewood (Atlanta Conference Level)

Tam Parker, University of the South, Presiding

Randall Styers, University of North Carolina
David Hume on the Passions, Affect, and Religion

Kent Brintnall, University of North Carolina, Charlotte
Heterogeneity and/as Affect in Georges Bataille’s Sacred Sociology

Joseph Winters, University of North Carolina, Charlotte
Adorno, Aesthetic Experience, and the Shuddering Subject

Christine Libby, Indiana University
Melancholic Lovesickness in Pre-Modern Religious Literature

Responding:
J. Barton Scott, Montana State University

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A21-123

Feminist Theory and Religious Reflection Group


Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hilton-205 (Level 2)
Sarah Bloesch, Southern Methodist University, Presiding

Panelists:
- Kathryn Blanchard, Alma College
- Susannah Laramee Kidd, ACLS Public Fellow, Los Angeles County Arts Commission
- Julie Mavity Maddalena, Brooks School
- Kevin Minister, Shenandoah University
- Jeremy Posadas, Austin College

Responding:
- Kathi Weeks, Duke University

A21-124

Gay Men and Religion Group

Theme: Progress and Perils in the Queer-Evangelical Sea Change

Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hilton-Grand Salon A (Level 2)
Deborah Jian Lee, Beacon Press, Chicago, IL, Presiding

Panelists:
- David P. Gushee, Mercer University
- Richard Cizik, New Evangelical Partnership for the Common Good, Oak Ridge, TN
- Joshua Wolff, Adler University
- Haven Herrin, Soulforce, Abilene, TX
- Paul Southwick, On God’s Campus

This roundtable will examine the complex shift toward LGBTQ acceptance among certain evangelical communities, specifically exploring the areas of evangelicism where the most robust conversations and transformations are taking place.

A21-125

Law, Religion, and Culture Group


Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hilton-Grand Salon B (Level 2)
Noah Salomon, Carleton College, Presiding

Panelists:
- Winnifred Sullivan, Indiana University
- Elizabeth Shakman Hurd, Northwestern University
- Saba Mahmood, University of California, Berkeley

Responding:
- Laura Dudley Jenkins, University of Cincinnati
- M. Christian Green, Emory University
- Michael Kessler, Georgetown University
- Ivan Strenski, University of California, Riverside
- Elizabeth Ann Pritchard, Bowdoin College

Business Meeting:
- Bronwyn Roantree, Harvard University, Presiding

A21-126

Liberation Theologies Group and Contingent Faculty Task Force

Theme: Liberation and Charlatanry in Academia

Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Marriott-A702 (Atrium Level)
Santiago H. Slabodsky, Claremont Graduate University, Claremont School of Theology, Presiding

To approach the questions of knowledge, its production, institutions of knowledge, and the role of education in the 21st century, this session explores both the challenges illuminated by contemporary events—such as the struggle at General Theological Seminary that was widely reported in the *New York Times* and elsewhere—and creative approaches for responding to today’s institutional and educational needs. From critical analyses of contingent labor and student debt through proposals for innovative pedagogy and formation, the papers offer provocative views on some of the central questions facing theological education today.

Panelists:
- Jennifer Buck, Azusa Pacific University
- Richard Cizik, New Evangelical Partnership for the Common Good, Oak Ridge, TN
- Joshua Wolff, Adler University
- Haven Herrin, Soulforce, Abilene, TX
- Paul Southwick, On God’s Campus

Business Meeting:
- Hannah Hofheinz, Harvard University, Presiding
A21-127

Martin Luther and Global Lutheran Traditions Group
Theme: Women and the Reformation
Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Marriott-International 6 (International Level)
Vitor Westhelle, Lutheran School of Theology, Chicago, Presiding
Austra Reins, Missouri State University
The Historia vom Leiden, Sterben, Aufferstehung vnd Himelfart Christi of Margarettes, Princess of Anhalt (1473–1530)
Arnfriedr Gudmundsdottir, University of Iceland
Katharina Zell and the Role of Experience in Her Theological Endeavors
Terra Rowe, Drew University
Disorientation and Envelopment: An Aesthetic Interpretation of Luther’s “Freedom of a Christian”
Mary Philip, Waterloo Lutheran Seminary, Wilfrid Laurier University
Dandelions, Thistles, Lotuses
Responding:
Kirsi Stjerna, Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary
Business Meeting:
Vitor Westhelle, Lutheran School of Theology, Chicago, and Kirsi Stjerna, Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary, Presiding

A21-128

Middle Eastern Christianity Group
Theme: Modern Arab Christianity and the Complexity of Identity
Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Marriott-International 7 (International Level)
Mark Swanson, Lutheran School of Theology, Chicago, Presiding
Hiroko Miyokawa, National Institutes for the Humanities, Tokyo, Japan
Modern Sons of Pharaohs? Racism, Pharaonism, and the Copts in Early Twentieth Century Egypt
Stanley John, Alliance Theological Seminary
Migrant Vulnerabilities that Shape Migrant Religious Experience: Kerala Christians in Kuwait
Melanie Trexler, Valparaiso University
Arab and Baptist? Creating Identities in Washington, D.C.
Alistair Hunter, University of Edinburgh
Fiona McCallum, University of Saint Andrews
Stick or Twist? The Tradition/Innovation Dilemma Facing Diasporic Middle Eastern Churches in Competitive Religious Marketplaces
Responding:
Kirsi Stjerna, Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary
Business Meeting:
Michel Andaos, Catholic Theological Union, and Jason R. Zaborowski, Bradley University, Presiding

A21-129

Moral Injury and Recovery in Religion, Society, and Culture Group
Theme: Virtue Ethics as a Lens on Moral Injury: Possibilities and Limits
Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hyatt-Roswell (Atlanta Conference Level)
Rita Brock, Brite Divinity School, Presiding
Brian Powers, Emory University
Distorted Willing and Moral Injury: Augustine and the Wounded Combatant
Aristotle Papanikolaou, Fordham University
Moral Injury as the Undoing of Virtue
Brandy Daniels, Vanderbilt University
Kate Ward, Boston College
Moral Injury and Virtue Ethics: Understanding the Moral Impact of Poverty
Business Meeting:
Elizabeth Margaret Bounds, Emory University, and Rita Brock, Brite Divinity School, Presiding

A21-130

New Religious Movements Group
Theme: Theorizing the Study of New Religions
Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hilton-208 (Level 2)
Jeremy Rapport, College of Wooster, Presiding
Ata Anzali, Middlebury College
The Making of a New Religious Movement in Iran: The Case of “Inter-Universal Mysticism” (‘Tfan-i Kayhani)
Eileen Barker, London School of Economics and Political Science
The Method-Illogical Limits of Sociological Enquiry? Inclusiveness and Exclusiveness in “The Cult Scene”
Jennifer Hahn, University of California, Santa Barbara
Theorizing Contemporary American Spirituality: Alcoholics Anonymous, A Case Study
Song-Chong Lee, University of Findlay
The Violence of the Sinchunji Church and the Entrepreneurial Model
Responding:
David Feltmate, Auburn University, Montgomery
A21-131

Pentecostal–Charismatic Movements Group
Theme: After Marie Griffith’s God’s Daughters (University of California Press, 1997): Narrating the Power of Submission in Contemporary Pentecostalism
Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hyatt-Dunwoody (Atlanta Conference Level)
Leah Payne, George Fox University, Presiding
Panelists:
Kate Bowler, Duke University
Margaret Bendroth, Congregational Library and Archives, Boston, MA
Elaine Lawless, University of Missouri
Arlene Sanchez Walsh, Azusa Pacific University
Catherine Brekus, Harvard University
Marla Frederick, Harvard University
Responding:
R. Marie Griffith, Washington University, Saint Louis
Business Meeting:
Michael J. McClymond, Saint Louis University, Presiding

A21-132

Qur’an Group
Theme: The Qur’an Translated and Performed
Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Marriott-M103 (Marquis Level)
Kristin Sands, Sarah Lawrence College, Presiding
SherAli Tareen, Franklin and Marshall College
Qur’an Translations and Commentaries in South Asia
Shankar Nair, University of Virginia
A Hindu Qur’an? Sanskrit-to-Persian Translation as Qur’anic Commentary in Mughal South Asia
Kristian Petersen, University of Nebraska, Omaha
“For People Who Understand”: Chinese Translation as Interpretation of the Qur’an
Tesfain Thaver, Bard College
Performing the Qur’an: Text, Ritual, and Religious Identity in Medieval Islam
Responding:
Travis Zadeh, Haverford College
Business Meeting:
Walid Saleh, University of Toronto, and Anna M. Gade, University of Wisconsin, Presiding

A21-133

Religion and Science Fiction Group
Theme: Cthulhu’s Many Tentacles
Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hyatt-Piedmont (Atlanta Conference Level)
George Faithful, Seton Hall University, Presiding
Benjamin Zeller, Lake Forest College
Altar Call of Cthulhu: Religion in H.P. Lovecraft’s Cthulhu Mythos
David McConkey, Chapman University
The Monstrous Other: Enchantment and Secularism in the Cthulhu Mythos
Justin Mullis, University of North Carolina, Charlotte
Playing Games with the Great Old Ones: A Look at Ritual, Play, and “Recreational Religion” in the Cthulhu Mythos Fandom
Jeremy Hanes, University of California, Santa Barbara
Oh R’yleh? Internet Performances and the Parodic Potential of the Cthulhu Aesthetic
Responding:
Laura Ammon, Appalachian State University
Business Meeting:
Rudy V. Busto, University of California, Santa Barbara, and Bruce M. Sullivan, Northern Arizona University, Presiding

A21-134

Religion in Europe Group
Theme: Muslim Identity and European Media from the Danish Muhammad Cartoons to Charlie Hebdo
Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hilton-Grand Salon E (Level 2)
Kocku von Stuckrad, University of Groningen, Presiding
Jennifer Veninga, Saint Edward’s University
Je Suis Charlie, Je Suis Ahmed, Je Suis Jyllands-Posten: Identities and Solidarities Ten Years after the Danish Cartoon Crisis
Carol Ferrara, Boston University
Je (Ne) Suis (Pas) Charlie: French Muslim Identity Politics in the Aftermath of the Charlie Hebdo Attacks
Kirsten Wesselhoeft, Harvard University
On the “Front Lines” of the Classroom: Muslim and Non-Muslim Media Representations of State Pedagogy in the Aftermath of the January 2015 Paris Attacks
Matthew Robinson, Northwestern University
European Tolerance: A Fragile Treasure?
Business Meeting:
Elissa Cutter, Saint Louis University, Presiding

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A21-135
Religion in Latin America and the Caribbean Group
Theme: Latin American and Caribbean Christianities: Evangelization, Repentance, Conversion, and Public Religion
Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hilton-307 (Level 3)
Jessica Delgado, Princeton University, Presiding
Kelsey Moss, Princeton University
Instructions in Faith: Constructing Religious and Racial Difference through Evangelizing Discourse in the Early Americas
Ann Hidalgo, Claremont School of Theology
A Church Covering Itself in Ashes: Repenting for Sins against the Indigenous Peoples of Brazil
Nathaniel Samuel, Saint Thomas University
The Flower Festivals of Saint Lucia: Exploring the Significance of the Creative Imagination in Caribbean Religiosity and Theology
Brandon Bayne, University of North Carolina
"Willy Nilly Baptisms" and "Chichimeca" Freedoms: Ambivalent Rituals and the 1695 O'odham Revolt

Business Meeting:
Jalane D. Schmidt, University of Virginia, Presiding

A21-136
Religions in Chinese and Indian Cultures: A Comparative Perspective Group
Theme: Monasticism: Body, Community, and the State
Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hyatt-Lenox (Atlanta Conference Level)
Maria Heim, Amherst College, Presiding
Antoinette DeNapoli, University of Wyoming
Gender, Monasticism, and the Reimaging of Sangha in Indian Traditions of Renunciation: Hindu Sadsas’ Creation of Women’s-Only Mandalas in Rajasthan
Amy P. Langenberg, Eckerd College
Blood Matters: A Comparison of Female Impurity in Chinese and Indian Monastic Buddhism
Ann Heirman, Ghent University
Bodily Care in Buddhist Monastic Life of Ancient India and China: An Advancing Purity Threshold
Chengzhong Pu, Leiden University
State Intervention in Buddhist Ordination in Early History of Chinese Buddhism

Responding:
James Robson, Harvard University

A21-137
Religions, Social Conflict, and Peace Group
Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Marriott-International 1 (International Level)
Atalia Omer, University of Notre Dame, Presiding
Panelists:
Scott Appleby, University of Notre Dame
Susan Hayward, Georgetown University, United States Institute of Peace, Washington, D.C.
Slavica Jakelic, Valparaiso University
John Kelsay, Florida State University
David Little, Harvard University
Cecelia Lynch, University of California, Irvine
Peter Ochs, University of Virginia
Ellen Ott Marshall, Emory University
Najeeba Syeed-Miller, Claremont School of Theology

Business Meeting:
Lane Van Ham, Metropolitan Community College, Penn Valley, Presiding

A21-138
PRE-POSTED PAPERS SESSION
Schleiermacher Group
Theme: Schleiermacher and Contemporary Constructive Theology: Christine Helmer’s Theology and the End of Doctrine (Westminster John Knox Press, 2014)
Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hilton-Grand Salon D (Level 2)
Ed Waggoner, Brite Divinity School, Presiding
Shelli Poe, Millsaps College, Presiding
Shelli Poe, Millsaps College, and Ed Waggoner, Brite Divinity School, Presiding

Responding:
Bruce L. McCormack, Princeton Theological Seminary
Barth, Schleiermacher, and Constructive Theology Today
Julia A. Lamm, Georgetown University
Schleiermacher’s Writing as Spiritual Exercise: The Speeches and the Christmas Dialogue
Christine Helmer, Northwestern University
Theology after the End of Doctrine

Business Meeting:
Shelli Poe, Millsaps College, and Ed Waggoner, Brite Divinity School, Presiding

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- Professional Practices and Institutional Location Sessions
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**A21-139**

**Vatican II Studies Group**

Theme: *Catholicism vis-à-vis Modernity and Beyond: Religious Liberty, Other Faiths and “Signs of the Times”*

Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Marriott-A705 (Atrium Level)

Kathleen Cummings, University of Notre Dame, Presiding
Francesca Cadeddu, John XXIII Foundation for Religious Sciences, Bologna

*Debate on Religious Freedom in the Light of Dignitatis Humanae and Its Reception*

Nancy Dallavalle, Fairfield University

*The Risk of Catholicity: Dignitatis Humanae Comes to the Synod on the Family*

Jutta Sperber, University of Rostock

*The Debate on Religious Liberty in the Context of Catholic-Muslim Dialogue*

Dries Bosschaert, University of Leuven

*Beyond Meeting the Modern World: The Diffusion of Louvain Christian Anthropology Between Malines and Zurich (September 1963–February 1964)*

Eugene Schlesinger, Marquette University

*Saecula Saeculorum: Church and World in Gaudium et Spes*

Responding:
Massimo Faggioli, University of Saint Thomas, Minnesota

Business Meeting:
Peter De Mey, University of Leuven, Presiding

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**A21-140**

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**Womanist Approaches to Religion and Society Group**

Theme: *Womanist and Black Feminist Responses to Tyler Perry’s Productions*

Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Marriott-A706 (Atrium Level)

LeRhonda Manigault-Bryant, Williams College, Presiding

Panelists:
Tamura A. Lomax, Virginia Commonwealth University
Carol B. Duncan, Wilfrid Laurier University
Emilie M. Townes, Vanderbilt University
Nyasha Junior, Howard University
Andrea C. White, Union Theological Seminary
Lisa M. Allen, Interdenominational Theological Center
Cheryl A. Kirk-Duggan, Shaw University

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**A21-141**

**PRE-POSTED PAPERS SESSION**

**Chinese Christians Seminar**

Theme: *Crossing Regional Boundaries*

Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hyatt-Marietta (Atlanta Conference Level)

Jonathan Tan, Case Western Reserve University, Presiding

Christopher D Smeller, King’s College London

*The Role of Union Theological Seminary (New York) in Indigenizing Christianity in Twentieth-Century China*

Stephanie Wong, Georgetown University

*Towards A Responsive Urbanizing Church: Chinese Catholics Crossing the Rural-Urban Boundary*

Mu-tien Chiou, Trinity Evangelical Divinity School

*Pluralism and Christian Ecumenism: A Theological Reflection on Post-Sunflower Movement Taiwan*

Di Kang, Lutheran School of Theology, Chicago

*Historiography and Community Identity: Hong Kong Christians and the Recording of the 2014 Pro-Democracy Protest*

Justin Tse, University of Washington

*A Tale of Three Bishops: Chineseness and the Global City in Vancouver’s Anglican Realignment*

Responding:
Jonathan A. Seitz, Taiwan Theological Seminary

Business Meeting:
Alexander Chow, University of Edinburgh, Presiding

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**A21-142**

**PRE-POSTED PAPERS SESSION**

**New Perspectives on Religion in the Philippines Seminar**

Theme: *New Perspectives on Contested Communities and Religious Organizations in the Modern Philippines*

Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hyatt-222 (2nd Level)

Deirdre de la Cruz, University of Michigan, Presiding

Arun W. Jones, Emory University

*Filipino Protestantism under American Colonial Rule*

Marybeth Acac, Temple University

*Migrating South: American Sponsored Christian Settlements in Mindanao*

Scott MacLochlainn, University of Michigan

*Of Corporations and Congregations: A Christian Schism in the Philippines*

Alexander Blechschmidt, University of Zurich

*“Keep Your Theology Out of My Biology”: The Catholic Church, Reproductive Health and the Socio-Political Dimension of Organized Nonreligion in the Philippines*

Business Meeting:
Adrian Hermann, University of Hamburg, Presiding
P21-103

Colloquium on Violence and Religion

Theme: Rene Girard and Catherine Keller: Engaging Process Cosmology and Mimetic Theory

Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Marriott-M102 (Marquis Level)

Thomas Ryba, University of Notre Dame and Purdue University, Presiding

COV&R is an international association founded in 1990 which is dedicated to the exploration, criticism, and development of Rene Girard’s mimetic model of the relationship between violence and religion in the genesis and maintenance of culture.

Katelynn Carver, University of Saint Andrews

No Thing Outside: Affirming an Interconnected Reality to Reverse Patterns of Violence within a Whiteheadian-Girardian Paradigm

Martha J. Reineke, University of Northern Iowa

An Unfathomable God: Mimesis, Apocalypse, and the Process Theology of Catherine Keller

Responding:
Daniel London, Graduate Theological Union

Business Meeting:
A brief meeting to plan the 2016 COV&R sessions at the AAR will conclude Session I.

P21-104

Karl Barth Society of North America

Theme: Book Panel

Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Marriott-L401-403 (Lobby Level)

Garrett Green, Connecticut College, Presiding

Kevin Diller, Taylor University

Barth and Rationality according to D. Paul La Montagne

D. Paul La Montagne, Presbytery of New Brunswick

Theology’s Epistemological Dilemma according to Kevin Diller

P21-105

Society for Hindu-Christian Studies

Theme: God and Evil in Hindu and Christian Theology, Myth, and Practice

Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hilton-407 (Level 4)

Lance Nelson, University of San Diego, Presiding

Andrew J. Nicholson, Stony Brook University

Hindu Disproofs of God: The Sāṃkhya Sūtras on God’s Psychology and the Problem of Evil

Rico Gabriel Monge, University of San Diego

The Good and the Bad, the Beautiful and the Ugly: An Eastern Orthodox Perspective on Theodicy

Lance Nelson, University of San Diego

Creation, God, and Evil in Plotinus, Augustine, Śaṅkara, and Abhinavagupta

Graham M. Schweig, Christopher Newport University

From “Angry Curse” to “Poetic Verse”: Aspects of Good and Evil in Bhakti Traditions

Lavanya Vemsani, Shawnee State University

Narasimha, No Boundaries: Evil and Good in Myth and Practice

James Ponniah, University of Madras

Subaltern Encounter of Evil: Subverting the Dominant and Appropriating the Indigenous

Chad Bauman, Butler University, Presiding

P21-106

Søren Kierkegaard Society

Theme: Kierkegaard and Religious Belief

Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Marriott-M101 (Marquis Level)

J. Aaron Simmons, Furman University, Presiding

Kevin Hart, University of Virginia

Spiritual Acoustics

Genia Schönbaumsfeld, University of Southampton

Conceptual Schemes, Existence Spheres and Forms of Life

Jeffrey Hanson, Fitzroy, Australia

Response to Hart and Schönbaumsfeld
**P21-109**

**Society for the Study of Christian Spirituality**  
**Theme:** Presidential Address and Annual Meeting  
Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM  
Sheraton-Georgia 10 (Level 1)  
Claire Wolfteich, Boston University, Presiding

9:00 AM–10:15 AM - 2014 Presidential Address  
Lisa E. Dahill, California Lutheran University  
*Into Local Waters: Rewilding the Study of Christian Spirituality*

10:30 AM–11:30 AM - Annual Meeting  
All are welcome.

For more information on the Society and its events, please visit https://sscs.press.jhu.edu or contact Anita Houck, Secretary, at ahouck@saintmarys.edu.

**P21-110**

**Polanyi Society**  
**Theme:** Symposium on Thomas Pfau’s *Minding the Modern: Human Agency, Intellectual Traditions, and Responsible Knowledge* (Notre Dame Press, 2015)  
Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM  
Hilton-309 (Level 3)  
Andrew Grosso, Nashotah House Theological Seminary, Presiding

Panelists:  
- Martin X. Moleski, Canisius College  
- Philip Rolnick, University of Saint Thomas

Responding:  
- Thomas Pfau, Duke University

**P21-111**

**Niebuhr Society**  
**Theme:** From Ferguson to Charleston and Beyond: Race and Niebuhrian Ethics in the Age of Obama  
Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM  
Sheraton-Capitol North (Level 1)  
Mark Douglas, Columbia Theological Seminary, Presiding  
Niebuhr Society Business Meeting will follow the discussion.

Panelists:  
- Thelathia Young, Bucknell University  
- Peter J. Paris, Princeton Theological Seminary  
- Gary J. Dorrien, Columbia University, Union Theological Seminary

Responding:  
- James H. Cone, Union Theological Seminary

Business Meeting:  
- K. Healan Gaston, Harvard University, Presiding

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**P21-107**

**Society for Buddhist-Christian Studies**  
**Theme:** Buddhist and Ignatian Spiritualities: Points of Intersection and Dialogue  
Saturday, 9:00 AM–12:00 PM  
Hyatt-Hanover D (Exhibit Level)  
Sandra Costen Kunz, Trinity Theological Seminary, Legon, Ghana, Presiding

In Buddhist traditions we find various forms of meditative practice that lead an individual through an inner transformation in stages of development to a life of wisdom and compassion that reaches out to other beings. Among the forms of contemplation found in the Christian tradition, the Ignatian path of *The Spiritual Exercises* describes different stages culminating in the Contemplation on Divine Love, which grounds the practitioner in a life of selfless dedication to the service of others. This panel will highlight points of intersection and dialogue between Buddhist and Ignatian contemplative practices and spiritualities, seeking deeper appreciation of aspects of each in light of the other, with possible implications for our current lives and world.

Panelists:  
- Sarita Tamayo-Moraga, Santa Clara University  
- Andre L. Delbecq, Santa Clara University  
- Ruben L. F. Habito, Southern Methodist University

Responding:  
- Karen Enriquez, Xavier University  
11:30 AM Business Meeting:  
- Alice Keefe, University of Wisconsin, Stevens Point, Presiding
**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 21**

**A21-143**

High Museum of Art Tour and Optional Tour of Bill Arnett’s Warehouse of African American Vernacular Art
Saturday, 9:30 AM–11:30 AM
Hyatt—Meet at corner of Baker Street (Honorary Xernona Clayton Way) and Peachtree Street
Diane Apostolos-Cappadona, Georgetown University, Norman J. Girardot, Lehigh University, and Susan Crawley, Former Curator of Folk Art at High Museum of Art, Atlanta, Presiding
See page 8 for details.

**P21-112**

Society of Christian Philosophers
Theme: The Testimony of the Spirit
Saturday, 10:00 AM–12:00 PM
Hilton-313 (Level 3)
R. Douglas Geivett, Biola University, Presiding
This session features three speakers addressing the Christian doctrine of the testimony of the Spirit. They have authored chapters for a forthcoming volume of new cross-disciplinary essays on the doctrine of The Testimony of the Spirit (Oxford University Press, forthcoming).

Paul W. Gooch, University of Toronto
Conscience and the Voice of God
C. Stephen Evans, Baylor University
Moral Guidance and the Testimony of the Spirit
Craig A. Evans, Acadia Divinity College
Divine Testimony in the New Testament

**A21-144**

Student Lounge Roundtable
Theme: Dealing with The Dossier: A Proactive Approach to Documenting Your Teaching
Saturday, 10:30 AM–12:00 PM
Hyatt-Hanover A (Exhibit Level)
This roundtable is geared towards graduate students at any stage of their studies who intend on eventually applying to academic jobs. One key aspect of the application process is "the teaching dossier," which consists of your statement of teaching philosophy, along with documentation of the efficacy of your approach. Utilized for honing and showcasing effectiveness as an educator, the teaching dossier is a vital tool for ongoing professional development.

We will explore the process of articulating a teaching philosophy, and avenues of proactively procuring documentation of your teaching at every stage of your studies.
Panelists:
Raj Balkaran, University of Calgary

**P21-113**

North American Association for the Study of Religion Business Meeting
Saturday, 11:00 AM–12:00 PM
Hilton-311 (Level 3)

**A21-145**

Plenary Panel: Racial Injustice and Religious Response from Selma to Ferguson
Saturday, 11:45 AM–12:45 PM
Hyatt-Regency (Ballroom Level)
Thomas A. Tweed, University of Notre Dame, Presiding
The annual meeting focuses on "Valuing the Study of Religion," which includes pondering how religion has been valued — and devalued — in public spaces. Addressing a variety of social spaces from the legislature to the streets, this panel analyzes religious responses to racial injustice. In 2015, the fiftieth anniversary of the historic march across the Edmund Pettus Bridge in Selma, attending to injustice seems more morally urgent than ever. Considering both the historical trajectory that led us to this painful moment and the religious resources activists have employed, this conversation brings together notable voices to offer their assessments of the contemporary situation. Ruby Sales, the human rights activist and public theologian who joined the Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee (SNCC) in the 1960s and later founded a non-profit organization dedicated to "racial, economic, and social justice," will join Cornel West, distinguished religion scholar and democratic intellectual, in a conversation with Professor Imani Perry, a celebrated scholar of African American Studies and Law who has written eloquently about racial injustice and "pathways to freedom, equality, and enriched democracy."

Panelists:
Imani Perry, Princeton University
Cornel West, Union Theological Seminary
Ruby Nell Sales, SpiritHouse Project, Atlanta, GA
A21-146

Status of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Intersex, and Queer Persons in the Profession Committee

Theme: Roundtable Lunch
Saturday, 11:45 AM–12:45 PM
Hyatt-International South (International Tower Level LL1)

Patrick S. Cheng, Chicago Theological Seminary, Presiding

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; a cash-and-carry station will be available near the room for those wishing to buy their lunches onsite. The roundtable leaders listed were confirmed attendees as of April; other senior scholars in the field may be joining us as well.

Roundtable Leaders:
Ellen T. Armour, Vanderbilt University
Anna Blaedel, Drew University
Kent Brintrall, University of North Carolina, Charlotte
Jennifer Harvey, Drake University
Richard McCarty, Mercyhurst University
Randall Miller, Arcus Foundation, New York, NY
Cameron Partridge, Harvard University
Max Strassfeld, University of Arizona
Kathleen T. Talvacchia, New York University
Linn Tonstad, Yale University
Heather White, New College of Florida
Melissa M. Wilcox, Whitman College
Thelathia Young, Bucknell University

P21-114

Society for the Study of Christian Spirituality International Relations Committee Meeting
Saturday, 11:45 AM–12:45 PM
Sheraton-Atlanta 2 (Level 1)

P21-202a

Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion

Theme: Faculty of Color Luncheon
Saturday, 12:00 PM–1:00 PM
Hyatt-Hanover F (Exhibit Level)

We invite you to attend our Faculty of Color luncheon to connect with, share with, and learn from others in a supportive environment. The luncheon is an opportunity to build upon our work of empowering faculty in the teaching of religion and theology within a network of mutual care and concern for the successful navigation of the classroom, your institution, and academic career. This mealtime event is an informal setting for us to gather together and better understand how we can harness the power of our common commitments. Open Invitation but RSVP to Trish Overpeck by October 1, 2015 (overpecp@wabash.edu).

A21-200

Student Lounge Roundtable

Theme: Conquering Qualifying Exams
Saturday, 1:00 PM–2:30 PM
Hyatt-Hanover A (Exhibit Level)

This roundtable session addresses the needs of students in the early to mid-stages of their graduate career, specifically those who are preparing for their qualifying exams either at the MA or PhD level. In this session, I aim to discuss the following questions: (1) What factors should one consider when drafting lists for the qualifying exams? (2) How can one most effectively use the qualifying exam as a means of preparing for one’s dissertation as well as the job market (i.e. one’s teaching specialties)? (3) What are effective ways of preparing for the exams? This session will conclude with a discussion of tips for maintaining work-life balance, good health and overall well-being during this time period. Through this session, I hope to create an open space for alleviating some of the anxieties associated with exam preparations.

Panelist:
Bhakti Mamtora, University of Florida

A21-201

Academic Relations Committee and Contingent Faculty Task Force

Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Marriott-M301-302 (Marquis Level)

David Harrington Watt, Temple University, Presiding

Marc Bousquet’s How the University Works is one of the first explorations of what is like to work in the modern university with the increasing casualization of labor in higher education. Despite popular stereotypes of high-earning, high-prestige professors, most campus employees work in the low-wage, low-prestige sphere of the service economy. Tenure-track positions are increasingly rare while adjuncts and graduate students teach the majority of courses. Non-tenure track jobs are now the norm. Adjuncts commonly earn about $2700 a course without benefits, office space, or much-needed technology. Undergraduates are also a part of this low-cost, disposable workforce.

Bousquet is a major figure in the academic labor movement, and he exposes exploitative labor in higher education, in which faculty, graduate students, and undergraduates work long hours for low wages. This panel engages Bousquet’s book on labor by applying his insights and analysis to our discipline of religious studies. What does this increasing reliance on contingent labor mean for religious studies? What are the dominant forms of labor for religious studies scholars? What are the conditions of labor at our institutions and in our departments? What about scholars who lack affiliation and institution? How has the increasing reliance on contingent labor impacted not only how and what we teach, but also how we produce scholarship? What might we learn when we pay attention to how the working conditions of scholars impact our discipline as a whole?
In short presentations, our panelists discuss what it is like to work in religious studies at their own institutions, what it is like to lack institutional support, how this relates to religious studies, and the larger trends of contingency in higher education. Marc Bousquet will respond. We encourage the audience to read *How the University Works* and come ready to discuss labor trends in not only in academia, but also our own discipline.

Panelists:
- Sean McCloud, University of North Carolina, Charlotte
- Shreena Gandhi, Kalamazoo College
- Charles Haws, Society of Biblical Literature
- Kelly J. Baker, Tallahassee, FL

Responding:
- Marc Bousquet, Emory University

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### A21-203

**Arts, Literature, and Religion Section**

**Theme:** New Directions in the Study of Art and Religion: Norman Girardot's *Envisioning Howard Finster* (University of California Press, 2015) and Brent Plate's *A History of Religion in 5½ Objects* (Beacon Press, 2014)

**Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM**

**Hilton-310 (Level 3)**

Diane Apostolos-Cappadona, Georgetown University, Presiding

Panelists:
- Philip Francis, Manhattan College
- Colin Rhodes, University of Sydney
- Bryan S. Rennie, Westminster College
- Jerry Cullum, Free Lance Art Critic and Curator
- Susan Andrews, Saint Joseph's University

Responding:
- S. Brent Plate, Hamilton College
- Norman J. Girardot, Lehigh University

Business Meeting:
- Yolanda Pierce, Princeton Theological Seminary, and Richard M. Carp, Saint Mary's College of California, Presiding

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### A21-204

**Christian Systematic Theology Section**

**Theme:** The Gift of Theology: The Contribution of Kathryn Tanner to Contemporary Theology

**Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM**

**Hilton-Grand Ballroom A (Level 2)**

Serene Jones, Union Theological Seminary, Presiding

Panelists:
- Paul DeHart, Vanderbilt University
- Charles Mathewes, University of Virginia
- Ian A. McFarland, Cambridge University
- Hilda Koster, Concordia College, Moorhead
- Mary McClintock Fulkerson, Duke University
- Rosemary P. Carbine, Whittier College

Responding:
- Kathryn Tanner, Yale University
A21-205 ( rpc )

North American Religions Section and Religion and Popular Culture Group

Theme: Islamophobia, Civil Religion, and the Limits of Tolerance
Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Marriott-International 6 (International Level)

Lance D. Laird, Boston University, Presiding
Rosemary R. Corbett (Hicks), Bard College
Sher Afgan Tareen, Florida State University
Brandon Dean, University of Iowa
Morgan Shipley, Michigan State University

For God and Country: Muslims Striving for National Belonging through Community Service
Bilalian Affect: Race, Immigration, and Civil Religion in the Nation of Islam
"Infiltrate...Populate...Legislate...Decimate...Eliminate": Islamophobia in the Cartoon Tracts of Jack T. Chick
More than a Caricature: Youth Muslim Movements and the Boundaries of Religious Tolerance in Post-9/11 America

Business Meeting:
Sylvestre Johnson, Northwestern University, Presiding

A21-206

Philosophy of Religion Section

Theme: Emotion and Religious Experience
Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Marriott-International 1 (International Level)

Michael Rea, University of Notre Dame, Presiding
Evan Morse, Yale University
Sameer Yadav, Westmont College
Niki Clements, Rice University
Julian Perlmutter, University of Cambridge

Experience Itself: The Private Religion Argument
Wonder and the Apophatic Attitude
Emotions and Imitation in Cassian’s Reading Practices
Sacred Music, Religious Emotion, and Knowledge about God

A21-207

Religion and Politics Section and International Development and Religion Group

Theme: The Politics of Engagement: Religious NGOs and the United Nations
Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Marriott-International 2 (International Level)

Daniel Perell, Baha’i International Community, Presiding
Julia Berger, University of Kent
Mar Griera, University Autònoma de Barcelona
Ines Michalowski, WZB Berlin Social Science Center

Organization-Specific Opportunity Structures of Religious Accommodation: European Armed Forces in Focus

Responding:
Richard Callahan, University of Missouri

A21-208

Religion and the Social Sciences Section and Sociology of Religion Group

Theme: Negotiating Religiosity in Public Institutions: Comparative Perspectives from the United States and Europe
Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Hilton-Grand Ballroom C (Level 2)

Gerardo Martí, Davidson College, Presiding

Mary Ellen Koniecny, University of Notre Dame
Anna Clot, Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona
Wendy Cadge, Brandeis University

What Should a Multifaith Room Look Like? Negotiating Religious Diversity in Hospital Settings in Spain
God on the Fly? The Work of Airport Chaplains in the United States

Responding:
Richard Callahan, University of Missouri

A21-209

Religion in South Asia Section

Theme: New Directions in the Study of Religion in South Asia
Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Marriott-International 3 (International Level)

Harshita Mruthinti Kamath, Middlebury College, Presiding

Ilanit Loewy Shacham, University of Chicago
Michael Allen, Hampden-Sydney College

Geography, History, and Myth in Krsnadevaraya’s Narration of Srivaisnavism
New Directions in the Study of Vedanta: Lessons from The Ocean of Inquiry

Responding:
John Hawley, Barnard College, Columbia University
A21-210  
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**Study of Islam Section**  
Theme: **Boundaries, Borders, Crossings**  
Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM  
Marriott-L401-403 (Lobby Level)  
Shankar Nair, University of Virginia, Presiding  

Samuel Kigar, Duke University  
* Acquisition (Kaib) and the Construction of Borders in Pre-modern Islamic Thought  

William Sherman, Stanford University  
* Why Did Bayazid Go to War? Rethinking a Mughal-Afghan Borderland  

Patrick DSilva, University of North Carolina  
* "Finding Fortune in the Breath of the Master": Situating Sufi and Yogic Exchanges in a Nineteenth-Century Persian Manuscript  

Markus Dressler, Göttingen University  
* Comparing Marginalized Alid Traditions from the Balkans to Western Iran: Toward a New Research Agenda  

Responding:  
Ilyse Morgenstein Fuerst, University of Vermont  

A21-211  

**Theology and Religious Reflection Section**  
Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM  
Marriott-L405-406 (Lobby Level)  
Tamsin Jones, Trinity College, Presiding  

Panelists:  
Daniel A. Arnold, University of Chicago  
Amy M. Hollywood, Harvard University  
Brenna Moore, Fordham University  
Mary Corley Dunn, Saint Louis University  

Responding:  
Tyler T. Roberts, Grinnell College  

Business Meeting:  
Tamsin Jones, Trinity College, and Brenna Moore, Fordham, Presiding  

A21-212  

Theme: **Enter the State: Revisiting the Making of Post-1965 Asian American Religion**  
Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM  
Marriott-International 7 (International Level)  
Isaac Weiner, Ohio State University, Presiding  

Ren Ito, Emmanuel College, University of Toronto  
* Reconstituting the Nation: Immigration, Discourses of State, and Asian North American Religiosity  

Paul Chang, University of Chicago  
* "There Is No Authority Except from God": Witness Lee and the Local Church Movement between Asceticism and Authority  

Melissa Borja, City University of New York  
* Resettling Religion: Refugee Resettlement Policy and Vietnamese and Hmong Religious Life  

Justin Tse, University of Washington  
* Restructuring the Church: Cantonese Protestant Organizations and Economistic States  

Philip Deslippe, University of California, Santa Barbara  
* The Interpretive Fiction of 1965: Constructing Conventional Wisdom about Asian-Influenced Metaphysical Religious Traditions in the United States  

Responding:  
Carolyn Chen, Northwestern University  

A21-213  

**Augustine and Augustinianisms Group**  
Theme: **Augustine Theorizing the Many Facets of Human Poverty and Need**  
Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM  
Hyatt-Roswell (Atlanta Conference Level)  
Paul R. Kolbet, Yale University, Presiding  

Joshua Nunziato, Villanova University  
* The Price of Wisdom? Voluntary Poverty and Sacrificial Community in Augustine’s Monastery  

Joseph Clair, George Fox University  
* Christ in the Poor: Augustine’s Preaching and Teaching on Wealth  

Kevin Grove, University of Notre Dame  
* Placing the Poor: Augustine’s “In-Corporating” Rhetoric and the Enarrationes in Psalmos  

Gerald Boersma, Saint Bonaventure University  
* Epistemic Poverty: Augustine on Seeing the Back of God  

Responding:  
Matthew Drever, University of Tulsa, Presiding  

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|           |                               |                                            |               |                  |                                   | Erinn Staley, Wellesley College  
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|           |                               |                                            |               |                  |                                   | Marcella Norling, Orange Coast College, Presiding |
| A21-215   | Body and Religion Group       | Body and Social Protests                  | Saturday      | 1:00 PM–3:30 PM  | Marriott-A601 (Atrium Level)       | George Pati, Valparaiso University, Presiding  
|           |                               |                                            |               |                  |                                   | Nina Hoel, University of Oslo  
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|           |                               |                                            |               |                  |                                   | Body Attack: On the Liturgical (De)formations of Women's Bodies through Fitness  
|           |                               |                                            |               |                  |                                   | Katherine Merriman, University of North Carolina  
|           |                               |                                            |               |                  |                                   | Muhammad Ali and the Ritualization of the Muslim Body as Social Protest  
|           |                               |                                            |               |                  |                                   | David Crawley, Laidlaw College  
|           |                               |                                            |               |                  |                                   | Resistance to Religious Authority and the (Re)Appearing Body  
|           |                               |                                            |               |                  |                                   | Melanie Jones, Chicago Theological Seminary  
|           |                               |                                            |               |                  |                                   | Liz Alexander, She Dreams of Freedom  
|           |                               |                                            |               |                  |                                   | When Caged Bodies Testify: Continental and Diasporan African Women's Memoirs as Sacred Texts |
| A21-216   | Buddhist Philosophy Group and Yogācāra Studies Group | The Buddhist Philosophical Conception of Intersubjectivity | Saturday      | 1:00 PM–3:30 PM  | Hyatt-Lenox (Atlanta Conference Level) | Robert Sharf, University of California, Berkeley, Presiding  
|           |                               |                                            |               |                  |                                   | Jake Davis, Brown University  
|           |                               |                                            |               |                  |                                   | Roy Tzohar, Tel-Aviv University  
|           |                               |                                            |               |                  |                                   | Catherine Prueitt, Emory University  
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|           |                               |                                            |               |                  |                                   | Yogācāra and the Extent of Inner Space |
| A21-217   | Christian Spirituality Group and Mysticism Group | The Life and Times of a Modern Mystic: On the Centenary of the Birth of Thomas Merton | Saturday      | 1:00 PM–3:30 PM  | Hyatt-Dunwoody (Atlanta Conference Level) | Thomas Cattoi, Jesuit School of Theology at Santa Clara University, Presiding  
|           |                               |                                            |               |                  |                                   | Jack Downey, La Salle University  
|           |                               |                                            |               |                  |                                   | We Drank Many Gin and Tonics?: Desire and Enchantment in Merton's Buddhist Pilgrimage  
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|           |                               |                                            |               |                  |                                   | Is Thomas Merton a Saint? Does it Matter? Mysticism, Postmodernity, and the Limits of Sanctity  
|           |                               |                                            |               |                  |                                   | Katelynn Carver, University of Saint Andrews  
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Comparative Approaches to Religion and Violence Group and SBL Violence and Representations of Violence among Jews and Christians Group

Theme: Children, Religion, and Violence

Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hyatt-Harris (Atlanta Conference Level)

Philip Tite, University of Washington, Presiding

Joel LeMon, Emory University

"Violence against Children and Girls in the Reception History of Psalm 137"

Diane Fruchtman, Washington and Lee University

"Instructive Violence: Educated Children as Victims and Aggressors in Late Antique Latin Martyr Poetry"

Paul Middleton, University of Chester

"Suffer Little Children": Child-sacrifice, Martyrdom, and Jewish and Christian Identity Formation

Michael Heyes, University of South Florida

"Like an Innocent Lamb": Accusations of Ritual Murder in English Martyrological Narratives

Susan Ridgely, University of Wisconsin, Oshkosh

"When Pain Becomes Symbolic of Commitment: The Practice of Spanking among Adults and Children Who Focus on the Family Childrearing Literature"

Responding:

Sarah Iles Johnston, Ohio State University

A21-219

Critical Approaches to Hip-Hop and Religion Group

Theme: B(l)ack to the Future: Afrofuturism and Making Worlds with Words

Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Marriott-L508 (Lobby Level)

Brett Esaki, Georgia State University, Presiding

DeAnna Daniels, Lehigh University

Afrofuturist Architectonic Texts: Resituating Sites of Knowledge Production as Source Material

Kamasi Hill, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary

AfroFunkFuturisticHipHopJazzySoul: The Afrofuturist Legacy of Atlanta’s Funk Jazz Kafe

Carl Petter Opsahl, University of Oslo

"Dark Matter Moving at the Speed of Light": Exploring Afrofuturism and Hybrid Spirituality in Hip-Hop

A21-220

Daoist Studies Group

Theme: Medicine and Religion in East Asia

Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton-Crystal CD (Level 1)

David Mozina, Boston College, Presiding

C. Pierce Salguero, Abington College

"Toward a Global History of the Crosscultural Exchange of Buddhism and Medicine"

Michael Stanley-Baker, Max Planck Institute for the History of Science

Situating Medicine and Religion in Early Imperial China

Ori Tavor, University of Pennsylvania

Defying Aging and Restoring Vigor: Technologies of the Gendered Body in Early China

Benedetta Lomi, University of Virginia

Caring with Ox-Bezoars: Empowerment and Materiality in Heian-Period Therapeutic

Responding:

Elena Valussi, Loyola University Chicago

A21-221

Death, Dying, and Beyond Group

Theme: What Are Near Death Experiences? Social Movement, Contested Category

Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton-208 (Level 2)

Candi Cann, Baylor University, Presiding

Pieter Craffert, University of South Africa

"Is There Really Such a Thing as a Near-Death Experience? Rethinking the Concept"

Michael Kinsella, University of California, Santa Barbara

The Aging New Age: Baby Boomers, Near-Death Experiences, and the Emergence of the Afterlife Movement

Joshua Wright, University of Colorado


Kamini Gogri, University of Mumbai, and Anne Vallely, University of Ottawa

Messengers of Moksha: Jainism and the Near Death Experience

Michael Thate, Princeton University

Reaping Profits and Weeping Prophets: Jeremiah, Tupac, and the Posturings of "Peace"

Business Meeting:

Christopher Driscoll, Rice University, Presiding
A21-222

**Eastern Orthodox Studies Group and Religion and Sexuality Group**

**Theme:** Orthodoxy and Eros: Gender, Sexuality, and Embodiment in the Eastern Orthodox Tradition  
Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM  
Hilton-206 (Level 2)

Vera Shevzov, Smith College, Presiding  
Hans Boersma, Regent College  
**Putting On Clothes: Body, Sex, and Gender in Gregory of Nyssa**  
Crystal Lubinska, University of Massachusetts, Dartmouth  
*What’s in a Name? The Transvestite or Andromimetic Saints of Eastern Christendom*  
Maria McDowell, Portland, OR  
*Common Particularity: Theodore the Studite and Symeon the New Theologian on the Diversity of Embodiment*  
Ashley Purpura, Purdue University  
*Beyond the Binary: Hymnographic Constructions of Eastern Orthodox Gender Identities*  
Responding:  
Edith Mary Humphrey, Pittsburgh Theological Seminary

A21-223

**Ecclesiological Investigations Group**

**Theme:** What's the Point of Synods?  
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Hilton-201 (Level 2)

Miriam Perkins, Emmanuel Christian Seminary, Presiding  
Luigi Gioia, Pontificio Ateneo S. Anselmo  
*The Recent Practice of Synodality and its Ecclesiological Significance in the Light of Pope Francis’ Evangelii Gaudium*  
Bryan Kevin Brown, Boston College  
*Synodality in Communities of Ministerial Women Religious: Sandra M. Schneider’s Contribution to a Dialogical Ecclesiology*  
JK Melton, Fordham University  
*Relationship as Sign of Communion: Anglican Relationships in the Aftermath of Lambeth 1998*  
Responding:  
Vladimir Latinovic, University of Tübingen  
Business Meeting:  
Mark Chapman, Ripon College Cuddesdon, and Bradford E. Hinze, Fordham University, Presiding

A21-224

**Feminist Theory and Religious Reflection Group**

**Theme:** Unfamiliar Spaces: Critical Perspectives on Ethics, Sexuality, Pedagogy, and Erotics  
Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM  
Hyatt-Marietta (Atlanta Conference Level)

Molly Hadley Jensen, Southwestern University, Presiding  
Wendy Farley, Emory University  
*Courage Unparalleled Opened Her Utterly* Maternal Ethics: Eros, Ambiguity, and Power  
Jeremy Posadas, Austin College  
*Queering and De-Protestantizing “Religion and Sex/uality” Courses*  
Stefanie Knauss, Villanova University  
*Let’s Talk about Celibacy! An Analysis of Popular and Scholarly Discourses*  
Meredith Minister, Shenandoah University  
*Cripping Responses to Sexual Violence*  
Responding:  
Elizabeth Gish, Western Kentucky University  
Business Meeting:  
Mary Keller, University of Wyoming, and Carol White, Bucknell University, Presiding

A21-225

**Kierkegaard, Religion, and Culture Group**

**Theme:** The Relevance of Kierkegaard’s Thought for Catholic Theology  
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Hilton-Grand Salon A (Level 2)

Helene Russell, Christian Theological Seminary, Presiding  
Joshua Furnal, Dartmouth College, Radboud University  
*Kierkegaard’s Catholic Reception and the Legacy of Vatican II*  
Lee Barrett, Lancaster Theological Seminary  
*Kierkegaard and Catholic Spiritual Writers on Faith, Love, and Natural Desire for God: A Way Beyond the Protestant/Catholic Impasse*  
Christopher Barnett, Villanova University  
*Rest as Unio Mystica? Kierkegaard, Augustine, and the Spiritual Life*  
Responding:  
C. Stephen Evans, Baylor University  
Business Meeting:  
Marcia C. Robinson, Syracuse University, and Avron Kulak, York University, Presiding

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Latina/o Critical and Comparative Studies Group and Liberation Theologies Group and Religion in Latin America and the Caribbean Group

Theme: Political Spirituality at the Crossroads of Religious Studies and Liberation Theology

Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton-Grand Salon E (Level 2)

David Carrasco, Harvard University, Presiding

Panelists:

- Luis Leon, University of Denver
- Chris Tirres, DePaul University
- Michelle Gonzalez Maldonado, University of Miami

Responding:

- Jorge A. Aquino, University of San Francisco
- Timothy Matovina, University of Notre Dame

A21-227

Lesbian-Feminist Issues and Religion Group

Theme: Lesbians, Dykes, Feminists, and Queers: Who Really Is Part of the “L-Word” Today?

Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton-302 (Level 3)

Jennifer Rycenga, San Jose State University, Presiding

- Raedora Stewart, Washington, DC
- Queer Femmes: Lipstick on My Dipstick and Other Womanist Lesbian Poems
- Amey Victoria Adkins, Duke University
- Hail, Mary: Intimacy, Ecstasy, and the Lesbian Relation of Annunciation
- Myrna Perez Sheldon, Rice University
- Against Nature and God: The Evangelical Use of Biology Against Feminists and Lesbians, 1980–2015
- Sarah Bloesch, Southern Methodist University
- Lesbians in Space and Out of Time: Sexuality on Display from Museums to Prisons

Responding:

- Amy Milligan, Elizabethtown College

Business Meeting:

- Marie Cartier, California State University, Northridge, Presiding

A21-228

Mormon Studies Group

Theme: Mormons and Anti-Mormons without Borders: Transnational Places, Practices, and People

Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Marriott-L506-507 (Lobby Level)

J. Spencer Fluhman, Brigham Young University, Presiding

- David Howlett, Skidmore College
- John-Charles Duffy, Miami University
- American Zion, Global Church: Reimagining Sacred Space in Two U.S.-Centered Mormon Denominations
- Taunajyn Rutherford, Claremont Graduate University
- Colonialism and Caste in the LDS Church in India
- Philipp Gollner, University of Notre Dame
- Crossing “Our Country” to the Salt Lake: Mormon Otherness as a Foil for Immigrant Belonging

Responding:

- Melissa Inouye, University of New Zealand

Business Meeting:

- Quincy Newell, Hamilton College, Presiding

A21-229

Religion and Ecology Group

Theme: The Religion and Politics of Sacred Space

Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton-Crystal BE (Level 1)

James Miller, Queen’s University, Presiding

- Luke Whitmore, University of Wisconsin, Steven’s Point
- Understanding the Destructive Dance of Nature
- Muazu Shedu, University of Sheffield
- Varieties of Religious Environmentalism: Understanding the Spiritual Motivation for Pro-Environmental Action among Christian and Muslims in Northeastern Nigeria
- Jonas Idestrom, Church of Sweden Research Unit, Uppsala, Sweden
- Encounters with God in Rural Landscapes: “Nature-Based” Spirituality in Northern Sweden
- Todd LeVasseur, College of Charleston
- Grow the Scorched Ground Green: Values and Ethics in the Transition Movement
- Chris Crews, The New School

Responding:

- Christopher Ives, Stonehill College
A21-230

Native Traditions in the Americas Group
Theme: Resilience, Recovery and Innovation: Surviving the Trail of Tears
Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Hyatt-Piedmont (Atlanta Conference Level)
Michelene Pesantubbee, University of Iowa, Presiding
Margaret McMurrrey, University of California, Santa Barbara
Native American Hymns and the Trail of Tears: Resistance, Resilience, and Recovery
R. Alfred Vick, University of Georgia
Overcoming the Loss of Culturally Significant Plant Species after the Trail of Tears
Sarah Dees, University of Tennessee
Chronicles of Cultural Perseverance: The Legacy of the Trail of Tears in Public History and Anthropology
Michael Zogry, University of Kansas
Wide Open Spaces Revisited: The Trail of Tears and National Memories
Responding:
Mary Churchill, Sonoma State University

A21-231

Open and Relational Theologies Group
Theme: Open and Relational Hope — with Jurgen Moltmann
Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Hyatt-International North (International Tower Level LL1)
Thomas Oord, Northwest Nazarene University, Presiding
Jacob Erickson, St. Olaf College
A Shimmering Planet: Climate Despair, Affect Theory, and the Spirit of Hope
Ryan Patrick McLaughlin, Siena College
Between Open and Process Theologies: The Hope of God and the Origin of Evolutionary Disvalues
Bethany Sollereder, University of Oxford
Open Theism and the Foundations of Hope
Johanne Stubbe Teglbjærg Kristensen, Copenhagen University
Hope and the Body: Jurgen Moltmann’s Eschatology of Resurrection from the Perspective of the Phenomenology of the Body
Luke Higgins, Savannah, GA
Hope Without Providence: God-World Reciprocity and Time in Whiteheadian Eco-Process Theology
Responding:
Jürgen Moltmann, Eberhard-Karls-Universitat, Tübingen, Germany

A21-232

Practical Theology Group
Theme: Postcolonializing Practical Theology: Methods, Issues, and Practices
Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Hilton-Grand Salon B (Level 2)
Katharine Lassiter, Mount Saint Joseph University, Presiding
Hee-Kyu Heidi Park, Xavier University
Postcolonializing Practical Theological Methodology: Cartography of Boundary Dynamics
Emmanuel Larrey, Emory University
Postcolonializing Practical Theology: Responding to the Reality and Challenge of Multiple Religious Belonging
Fulgence Nyengele, Methodist Theological School in Ohio
Reclaiming a Marginalized Voice: Ubuntu As a Resource for Postcolonializing Practical Theology
Melinda McGarrah Sharp, Phillips Theological Seminary
Postcolonializing Role Dramas in Practical Theology: Implications for Theological Anthropology from Intake to Interpretation
Cedric Johnson, Wesley Theological Seminary
Postcolonializing Congregations: Emerging Practical Theological Practices in the Neoliberal Age
Responding:
Kwok Pui Lan, Episcopal Divinity School

A21-233

Pragmatism and Empiricism in American Religious Thought Group
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Joseph Winters, University of North Carolina, Charlotte, Presiding
Daniel Wyche, University of Chicago
Dewey As Genealogist: Pragmatism, the “Genetic Method,” and Philosophical Reconstruction
Kevin Wolfe, Carleton College
Genealogy and Nietzsches’s Pragmatism
Joshua Mauldin, Center of Theological Inquiry, Princeton, NJ
Genealogy as Faith Seeking Understanding: The Case of Winnifred Fallers Sullivan’s The Impossibility of Religious Freedom
Responding:
William David Hart, Macalester College

Business Meeting:
Beth Eddy, Worcester Polytechnic Institute, Presiding
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Quaker Studies Group
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Hyatt-Edgewood (Atlanta Conference Level)
Stephen Angell, Earlham College, Presiding
Panelists:
Emma Lapsansky-Warner, Haverford College
Randall Balmer, Dartmouth College
Lon Fendall, George Fox University
Isaac May, University of Virginia
Responding:
H. Larry Ingle, University of Tennessee, Chattanooga
Business Meeting:
Carole Dale Spencer, Earlham College, and Jon Kershner, University of Lancaster, Presiding

A21-235

Religion and Food Group
Theme: Culinary Conversion and Consumption in Contemporary Culture
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Rachel Gross, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University, Presiding
Aldea Mulhern, University of Toronto
Why Pay More to Eat Less? Value, Values, and Religious Economics in Toronto, Canada
Deborah Whitehead, University of Colorado
Secrets of a Food Storage Mom: Motherhood and Food Storage Practices in the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints
Catherine Newell, University of Miami
Food Faiths: Religion, Science, and the World of Spiritual Eating
Kathleen M. Self, Saint Lawrence University
Self-Transformation in Conversion Narrative and Weight-Loss Memoir: Facing the Christian and the Secular
Responding:
R. Marie Griffith, Washington University, Saint Louis
Business Meeting:
Nora L. Rubel, University of Rochester, Presiding

A21-236

Religion and Humanism Group
Theme: Religious Humanism and Human Rights
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National Center for Civil and Human Rights, 100 Ivan Allen Jr Blvd NW
J. Sage Elwell, Texas Christian University, Presiding
Human rights, it has often been asserted, cannot exist without a robust understanding of the idea of human dignity. The study of religious humanisms can play an important role in the current debates about the relationship between the ideals of human dignity, flourishing, and rights. This panel explores the following questions: What is the place of various religious humanisms in the grounding of human dignity? How has religion both supported and suppressed human rights? Can the contemporary articulations of religious humanisms address the critiques and rejections of human dignity and human rights?
Juan Floyd-Thomas, Vanderbilt University
"A Relatively New Discovery in the Modern West:" The Origins and Varieties of Black Humanism
Thurman Willison, Union Theological Seminary
An Integrative Theory of Human Dignity
James E. Helmer, Xavier University
Dignity, Rank, and Rights: A Critical Reappraisal
Responding:
Verna Marina Ehret, Mercyhurst University
Business Meeting:
Slavica Jakelic, Valparaiso University, Presiding

A21-237

Religion and Public Schools: International Perspectives Group
Theme: Public School Teacher Preparation to Teach About Religion: International Perspectives on Teacher Training
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Jenny Berglund, Södertörn University, Presiding
Joanne Maguire Robinson, University of North Carolina, Charlotte
Unnatural Exclusion: Devaluing Domestic Religious Diversity in Teacher Training for Social Studies
Isabelle Saint-Martin, École Pratique des Hautes Études
Teaching about Religion in France: What Training for the Teachers?
Tim Jensen, University of Southern Denmark
Religion Education and Citizenship Education — A Perfect Match or a Mismatch? A Danish Perspective
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Religion in Southeast Asia Group
Theme: Cultivating Authenticity, Efficacy, and Identity in Southeast Asia
Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM
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Vivienne Angeles, La Salle University, Presiding

Annette Hornbacher, University of Heidelberg
*In Search of Spirituality: Religious Dynamics in Post-Suharto Bali*

Nathan McGovern, Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München
*Thai Brahmans, Buddhist Brahmans*

Thomas Patton, City University of Hong Kong
*The Wizard King and His Grandchildren: Intimate Bonds Between a Buddhist Saint and His Burmese Devotees*

Seb Rumsby, University of London
*The Changing Dynamics of Millenarian Movements in the Ethnic Politics of South East Asia*

Responding:
Anne R. Hansen, University of Wisconsin

Business Meeting:
Richard Fox, Universität Heidelberg, Presiding

A21-239

Religion, Colonialism, and Postcolonialism Group
Theme: The Security of the State and the Regulation of Religion
Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Hilton-213 (Level 2)

Jeffrey Wheatley, Northwestern University, Presiding

Tara Baldrick-Morrone, Florida State University
*"It Is Just as Easy to Police the Portals of Heaven from Cappadocia as from Constantinople": The Regulation of Religion in Late Antiquity*

Cara Burnidge, University of Northern Iowa
*Regulating Religions of the World at the End of Empire: Or the Value of Religion in Early Twentieth Century Diplomacy*

Michael Graziano, Florida State University
*Regulating Religion in the Postcolonial Intelligence State: The CLA and World Religions*

Matt Sheedy, University of Manitoba
*Representations of Native Spirituality at the Canadian Museum for Human Rights and the Discourse on World Religions*

Responding:

Brent Nongbri, Macquarie University

Business Meeting:
Kathleen Foody, College of Charleston, and Syed Adnan Hussain, Saint Mary’s University, Halifax, Presiding

A21-240

Space, Place, and Religion Group
Theme: The Production and Destruction of Religious Space in Urban Contexts
Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Hilton-211 (Level 2)

David Bains, Samford University, Presiding

Benjamin Kirby, University of Leeds
*Prayer Walks and the Geopolitics of Urban Space: African Pentecostal Churches in Hong Kong*

Stephen Wehmeyer, Champlain College
*Saints Who Cast Shadows: Vernacular Sanctity, Subversion, and Space in New Orleans*

Ariel Schwartz, Northwestern University
*Clearing Religious Rubble: Rebuilding after Arson*

David Le, Brown University
*Memorialization and Martyrdom in Tabrîr Square*

Responding:
Jeanne Halgren Kilde, University of Minnesota

A21-241

Theology and Continental Philosophy Group
Theme: The Future of Debt: Theology, Economy, and the Political
Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Marriott-M106-107 (Marquis Level)

Amaryah Jones-Armstrong, Vanderbilt University, Presiding

Sean Capener, Claremont Graduate University
*The Price of Charity: "Christian Love" and Credit Banking*

Devin Singh, Dartmouth College
*The Sovereign Logic of Jubilee*

Lucia Hulshter, Yale University
*The Multicultural Ethic and the Spirit of Microcredit*

Stephen Keating, Chicago Theological Seminary
*Debt: The Last Few Years*

Responding:

Vincent Lloyd, Syracuse University

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Ellen T. Armour, Vanderbilt University, Presiding

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Tibetan and Himalayan Religions Group
Theme: Female Lives and Narratives in Tibet: New Materials and New Perspectives
Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Marriott-A705 (Atrium Level)
Sarah Jacoby, Northwestern University, Presiding

Michael Sheehy, Tibetan Buddhist Resource Center, Cambridge, MA
The Bibliographic Scope of Buddhist Women Literati in Tibet
Jue Liang, University of Virginia
Garland of Seven Strands: An Early Corpus of Yeshé Tsogyel’s Hagiographies
Elizabeth Angowski, Harvard University
Intimate Relationships in the Early Lives of Yeshé Tsogyel
Alison Melnick, Bates College
Female Authority and the Lives of Women in Eighteenth Century Tibet: Reading Hagiography as History
Holly Gayley, University of Colorado
Situating Female Religious Authority: Gender, Genre, and Geography in Eastern Tibet

Responding:
Janet Gyatso, Harvard University

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Benjamin Bogin, Skidmore College, and Sarah Jacoby, Northwestern University, Presiding

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Transformative Scholarship and Pedagogy Group
Theme: Religion on/from the Edge
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Johnny B. Hill, Claflin University, Presiding

James W. Perkinson, Ecuménical Theological Seminary
Susan Reynolds, Boston College
Educating for Life in Ecclesial Borderlands: Transformative Pedagogy and Religious Practice in U.S. Multicultural Parishes
Tina Pippin, Agnes Scott College, Judith Jones, Agnes Scott College, Andie Sweetman, Agnes Scott College, and Ugonna Ume, Agnes Scott College
Disruptive Students: Unruly Ramblings for Social Change in Atlanta

A21-244

World Christianity Group
Theme: Reconfiguring Mission? Diasporic Technologies, South-South Outreach, Colonial Comparisons, and the Business of Migrating Christianity
Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Hilton-308 (Level 3)
Jane Carol Redmont, Episcopal Diocese of Massachusetts, Presiding

Sue Rodelius Dickson, Ashland University
Mission From Africans to Africans: A Case Study of an African Independent Church
Hyunwoo Koo, Harvard University
Missionaries and Colonialism in Zambia: A Comparative Approach to the Motivations of the Nineteenth Century British and Contemporary Korean Missionaries
Rachel Erickson-Rui, South Seattle College
Wenzhou Christians: Mission and Business through Migration
Geomon George, City Seminary of New York
The Appropriation of Technology and the Dissemination of the Gospel among the Diaspora Kerala South Indian Pentecostals in the United States

Responding:
Elaine Padilla, New York Theological Seminary

Business Meeting:
Jane Carol Redmont, Episcopal Diocese of Massachusetts, Presiding

A21-245

Economics and Capitalism in the Study of Buddhism Seminar
Theme: Health Care Institutions and Economics: Transforming Buddhist Practice
Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Marriott-International C (International Level)
Richard K. Payne, Graduate Theological Union, Presiding

Candy Gunther Brown, Indiana University
Marketing Mindfulness-Based Stress Reduction and Reiki to Hospitals and Hospices as Secular, Scientific, Cost-Effective Therapies
Susan Zakin, University of Chicago
Buddhist Practices and/as Medicine in Contemplative Studies Programs: Mental Labor and the Corporatization of Health and Wellbeing

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A21-249

African Diaspora Religions Group
Theme: The Symbolism of Water in the African Diaspora
Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Hilton-307 (Level 3)
Rachel E. Harding, University of Colorado, Denver, Presiding

An Yountae, Lebanon Valley College
From Trauma to Future: Reinventing the Collective Identity from the Depth of the Ocean
Danielle Clausnitzer, University of Georgia
Water Symbolism and the Almuseri: An Analysis of Double-Conscious Identity in African Americans
Oluwatomiisin Oredin, Duke University
Monsters on Board: The Ontological Baptism of Blackness
Kendra Marie Busby, University of Georgia
The Bayou Saint John: The Water That Healed a People
Anisah Bagasra, Clalin University
The Sheedis and the Shrine of Manghopir

Business Meeting:
Rachel E. Harding, University of Colorado, Denver, Presiding

P21-200

Art/s of Interpretation Group
Theme: Honoring Charles H. Long: The Art/s of Interpretation Group Celebrates his Retirement
Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Hyatt–Greenbriar (Atlanta Conference Level)
Jennifer Reid, University of Maine, Farmington, Presiding

This will be the first of two sessions recognizing the work and legacy of Charles H. Long, eminent Historian of Religions and Past-President of the AAR, who is formally retiring from the AAR this year.

Panelists:
Jennifer Reid, University of Maine, Farmington
Tatsu Murakami, Sophia University
Raymond Carr, Pepperdine University
Tracey Hooks, Haverford College
Philip P. Arnold, Syracuse University
Lisa Poirier, DePaul University
Victor Anderson, Vanderbilt University
Vincent L. Wimbush, Claremont Graduate University
Jualynne E. Dodson, Michigan State University
Jay Geller, Vanderbilt University

A21-247

PRE-POSTED PAPERS SESSION

Material Islam Seminar
Theme: The Islamic Sensorium
Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Hilton–Grand Salon C (Level 2)
Kambiz GhaneaBassiri, Reed College, Presiding

Charles Hirschkind, University of California, Berkeley
Reflections from Granada on the Place of Islam in Europe
Esra Almas, Hralic University
Women, Coffee, and Prayers: Islam and the Practice of Everyday Life in Sāmīha Ayverdi’s Ibrahim Efendi’s Mansion
Richard McGregor, Vanderbilt University
Viewing Practices and Pharaonic Objects in Medieval Egyptian Culture
Karen Ruffle, University of Toronto
Sensate Devotion: Invoking the Alam in Qub Shabi Somatic Shi’ism

Business Meeting:
Anna Bigelow, North Carolina State University, Presiding
P21-203

North American Association for the Study of Religion
Theme: Presidential Panel
Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Hilton-311 (Level 3)

In consultation with the Program Committee and Craig Martin (NAASR Executive Secretary and Treasurer), Russell McCutcheon (NAASR President) has invited Greg Johnson and Leslie Dorrough Smith to address us concerning where NAASR has been and what, at this particular moment, ought to be our focus when trying to continue pressing the field in novel, rigorous, and interesting directions. Greg (who is a former Department Chair, a former member of NAASR’s Executive Council, and the American Academy of Religion’s current Chair of their Program Committee) and Leslie (University of Santa Barbara PhD graduate in the study of religion, who also directs Women’s and Gender Studies on her campus, and who works on religion in the United States, with an eye toward studying scholars as well) to help us think through where the cutting edges may now be in the field. As preparation for this particular panel all attendees will be asked to have already read Don Wiebe and Luther Martin’s co-written but as yet unpublished essay on NAASR’s history (posted as a PDF on the NAASR website’s “About” page: http://naasr.com/about-2). It is not apparent that all members necessarily know the ground covered by NAASR but it is also not necessarily apparent that past is always prologue. (Don and Luther’s paper was written after NAASR hit the 20 year mark and we are now, in 2015, hitting our 30th.)

Panelists:
- Greg Johnson, University of Colorado
- Leslie Dorrough Smith, Avila University

P21-204

North American Paul Tillich Society
Theme: Tillich and Lutheranism
Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Marriott-International A (International Level)

Panelists:
- Derek Nelson, Wabash College
- Curtis L. Thompson, Thiel College
- Anne Marie Reijnen, Faculté Universitaire de Théologie Protestant, Bruxelles
- Thomas G. Bandy, Thriving Church

P21-205

Evangelical Philosophical Society
Theme: Just War as Deterrence Against Terrorism: Options from Theological Ethics
Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Hilton-405 (Level 4)

Terrorism can be characterized as asymmetrical, indiscriminate, unconventional, and destabilizing violence. Given the threat of conventional warfare, Christian pacifists and just war proponents alike would not disagree with efforts at “just peacemaking” to minimize hostilities. Even so, just war advocates would claim that force would still be required when such good-faith efforts are not only rejected and scorned but when aggressors do their worst against the innocent and defenseless. But how should Christian just war theorists and pacifists alike proceed in their response to terrorism? What particular approaches are called for in light of this growing phenomenon by both Christian just war theorists and pacifists? This panel discussion of Christian just war theorists and pacifists will engage this weighty, relevant topic.

P21-206

Society for the Arts in Religious and Theological Studies
Theme: The Arts, Race, and Activism: From the Classroom to the Streets
Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Westin-Chastain H (Level 6)

Willie J. Jennings, Yale University, Maureen O’Connell, La Salle University, and Paul Myhre, Wabash College, Presiding

The past year saw a wave of movements across the country attempting to address issues of racial justice for communities of color. This 90-minute session will feature a conversation about the ways in which the arts not only provide pedagogical avenues for engaging the challenging subject matter of these movements, but also spur creative student activism on our campuses and in the streets of our communities. Brief reflections by five “conversation starters” selected for their work in the area of visual culture and the arts, religion, and activism will spark a free-flowing conversation about the role of imagery and creative expression in contemporary social justice movements. Facilitators and participants will also share teaching tactics for channeling undergraduate creativity and interest in visual culture into concrete expressions of social engagement. The presentation will be 1:00 PM–2:30 PM. After that there will be continued conversation.

Panelists:
- Stacey Floyd-Thomas, Vanderbilt University
- Ralph Watkins, Columbia Theological Seminary
- Cláudio Carvalhaes, McCormick Theological Seminary
P21-246

Society for Pentecostal Studies
Theme: Pentecostal Readings of Old Testament Texts
Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Hilton-210 (Level 2)
Rebecca Idestrom, Tyndale University College and Seminary, Presiding
  - Meghan Musy, McMaster Divinity College
    A Pentecostal Hearing of Psalms Voices
  - David Hymes, Northwest University
    The Message of Qoheleth and Pentecostal-Charismatic Spirituality
  - Dongsoo Kim, Pyongtaek University
    The Jewish Origin of Glossolalia

A21-248

Center for Civil and Human Rights Tour
Saturday, 1:45 PM–4:00 PM
Hyatt-Meet at corner of Baker Street (Honorary Xernona Clayton Way) and Peachtree Street
See page 8 for details.

Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:00 PM

A21-300

Women and Religion Section
Theme: Problematizing Agency and Subversion: New Directions in the Study of Women and Religious Activism
Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:00 PM
Hyatt-Harris (Atlanta Conference Level)
K. Christine Pae, Denison University, Presiding
  - Elissa Cutter, Saint Louis University
    Does Women’s Agency Need to Be Subversive? The Example of Angélique Arnauld and Early Modern Convent Reform
  - Emily Crews, University of Chicago
    Manipulating (In)visibility in Colonial Namibia: Loide Shikongo and “The Song of Chief Iipumbu”
  - Nicholas Rademacher, Cabrini College
    Disrupting Assumptions: Mary Elizabeth Walsh’s Integration of Secular and Religious Strategies for Racial Justice at Midcentury
  - Scott Brown, University of Colorado
    Made in Her Image? The Problems of Imagining Women as Goddesses, and Goddesses as Women
Responding:
  - Debra Majeed, Beloit College
  - Business Meeting:
    Susan Abraham, Loyola Marymount University, Presiding

A21-301

Evangelical Studies Group
Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:00 PM
Marriott-L405-406 (Lobby Level)
Amos Yong, Fuller Theological Seminary, Presiding
Jason Sexton, California State University, Fullerton, Presiding
Panelists:
  - Douglas (Jake) Jacobsen, Messiah College
  - Beth Felker Jones, Wheaton College
  - Paul Louis Metzger, Multnomah Biblical Seminary
  - Anna Robbins, Acadia Divinity College
Responding:
  - Robert K. Johnston, Fuller Theological Seminary

A21-302

Korean Religions Group
Theme: The Politics of Mourning: Religious Responses to the Sewol Ferry Tragedy
Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:00 PM
Marriott-M301-302 (Marquis Level)
Namsoon Kang, Brite Divinity School, Texas Christian University, Presiding
  - Ja Woo Nyung, Video and Film Artist
    Showing of a Video on the Sewol Ferry Disaster
  - Min-Ah Cho, Saint Catherine University
    The Illusion of Religious Neutrality and the Korean Catholic Leadership
  - Ju Hui Judy Han, University of Toronto
    Landscapes of Grief and Solidarity: Faith, Family, and Political Activism
  - Kyongil Jung, Saegil Christian Institute for Society and Culture
    Hostility Virus and Love Antibody: The Korean Church After Sewol
  - Hiheon Kim, Sungkonghoe Episcopal University
    A New Christian Wave for Truth and Love in Praxis
  - Hyekyung Jee, University of Virginia
    An Examination of Two Buddhist Responses to the Sewol Ferry Incident: The Ways of Traditional Korean Buddhism and the Jungto Society
Business Meeting:
  - Debernierre Torrey, University of Utah, Presiding
P21-303

European Society of Women in Theological Research
Theme: In Memory of Luise Schottroff (1934-2015)
Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:00 PM
Hyatt-Williams (Atlanta Conference Level)
Susanne Scholz, Southern Methodist University, Presiding
Everyone is welcome to our panel discussion. For additional information, please contact Susanne Scholz at sscholz@smu.edu.
Panelists:
- Kahl Brigitte, Union Theological Seminary
- Martin Rumscheidt, Dove, NH
- Bernadette Brooten, Brandeis University
- Sean D. Burke, Luther College

P21-305

Society for the Study of Christian Spirituality Board of Directors Meeting
Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:00 PM
Sheraton-Atlanta 4 (Level 1)

A21-303

Employment Workshops
Theme: Envisioning Academic Alternatives
Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Sheraton-Valdosta (Level 2)
This will be a workshop for graduate students and PhDs in Religious Studies, Humanities or Theology that will help them identify their skills and consider a range of possible career options that can fit holistically into wider life strategies. The shift away from tenure-track positions has and will continue, creating new financial, social, and emotional challenges for those who entered academia hoping for professorships. This new academic job market demands a creative, entrepreneurial approach to making a living. This workshop is designed to help academics and graduates approach academic work as only one part of a wider picture that potentially integrates a variety of income streams while still being able to pursue research goals and interests. Participants will examine their own history and relationships to academia, and become more empowered through discovering marketable skill sets they may not know they possess. During the workshop we will discuss sustainable life strategies, considering what activities and relationships bring us real joy and can therefore be maintained in the long term. Participants will have the opportunity to reframe the issue of work/life balance in the context of an academic career, describe their abilities in terms of marketable skill sets and consider alternatives to traditional research, teaching, publishing and academic engagement.

Panelists:
- Amy Hale, Helix Education, Oakland, CA

A21-304

Graduate Student Committee
Theme: Dehumanized vs. Holistic Scholars: How Academia Impacts Our Lives
Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Marriott-A702 (Atrium Level)
B. J. Parker, Baylor University, and Bhakti Mamtora, University of Florida, Presiding
Scholars in academia at all levels perform many roles such as teacher, researcher, author, counselor, advocate, and activist, to name a few. In addition to the numerous hats that we wear in the academy, we also juggle personal identities such as being parents, partners, friends, and members of communities. Mediating the pressures of being productive and the desire to maintain one’s humanity and beliefs often leaves the individual confused, diminished, and/or fractured. How does one go about incorporating the various components of the self (ethics, beliefs, family, personal and professional goals, etc.) into a balanced whole? What does a “holistic scholar” or “holistic scholarship” look like? Which aspects of the discipline support a holistic self, and which undermine such an ideal? This panel features a range of scholars interested in exploring the tensions, resolutions, and possibilities that lie between the “holistic” and “dehumanizing” poles of our work.
Panelists:
- T. Laine Scales, Baylor University
- Rosemary R. Ruther, Claremont Graduate University
- Brian Palmer, Uppsala University
- Donna Yarri, Alvernia University
- Joshua Canzona, Georgetown University
- Nicholas Verse, Baylor University

A21-305

Publications Committee
Theme: How to Get Published
Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Marriott-M106-107 (Marquis Level)
Theodore Vial, Iliff School of Theology, Presiding
Panel of experienced editors will field questions about getting published.
Panelists:
- Cynthia Eller, Montclair State University
- Amir Hussain, Loyola Marymount University
- Aaron W. Hughes, University of Rochester
- Karen Jackson-Weaver, Harvard University
- John Nemec, University of Virginia
- Cynthia Read, Oxford University Press
- Robert A. Yelle, University of Munich
A21-306

Status of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Intersex, and Queer Persons in the Profession Committee

Theme: Engaging Trans Studies in Religion: Scholarship, Teaching, and the Intersectionalities of Trans Lived Experience

Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Hilton-201 (Level 2)

Cameron Partridge, Harvard University, Presiding

The experience of trans persons and perspectives in the academic study of religion presents an important moment in the development of an emerging field of trans studies in religion. This Special Topics Forum articulates and analyzes the issues and debates present in this developing area. A panel of trans scholars in religion will seek to articulate, both critically and concretely, the contours of their efforts to integrate their research, teaching and lived experience. Presentations will take up the following questions: How do we define the emerging field of trans studies in religion? What are some of the critical issues in gender-queering religious studies? How does trans studies in religion, as well as trans lived experience, interface with other current issues, conflicts, and questions in the academic study of religion?

Panelists:
- Robyn Henderson-Espinoza, Pacific School of Religion
- Jacob Lau, University of California, Los Angeles
- Max Strassfeld, University of Arizona
- Justin Tanis, Graduate Theological Union
- Erin Swenson, Atlanta, GA

A21-307

Status of Racial and Ethnic Minorities in the Profession Committee

Theme: Race, Ferguson, and the Future of American Democracy

Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM
National Center for Civil and Human Rights, 100 Ivan Allen Jr Blvd NW

Elaine Padilla, New York Theological Seminary, Presiding

The tragic realities of racism in the United States — most recently embodied in the events in Ferguson — remind us about the dangers of the myth of a "post-racial" America. Recognizing that "race" today encompasses complex social realities far beyond the black-white dichotomy that has historically characterized race relations in the U.S., the Status of Racial and Ethnic Minorities in the Profession Committee has invited a diverse panel of distinguished scholars to reflect on the future of American democracy through the lens of racial and ethnic particularity in order to articulate a road map for future engagement that emphasizes social justice and reconciliation.

Panelists:
- Emilie M. Townes, Vanderbilt University
- Daisy L. Machado, Union Theological Seminary
- Kwok Pui Lan, Episcopal Divinity School
- Omid Safi, Duke University
- Santiago H. Slabodsky, Claremont Graduate University, Claremont School of Theology

A21-308

Arts, Literature, and Religion Section

Theme: Binding Practices: Relational Connection in Visual and Performing Art

Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Hilton-310 (Level 3)

Richard M. Carp, Saint Mary's College of California, Presiding

Cia Sautter, College of Saint Scholastica

Smart Girls Are Beautiful: The Researcher as Performer

Christina Carnes Ananias, Charleston Southern University

Picasso's Visual Irony: The Nude and African Primitivism as Theological Critique in Les Demoiselles d'Avignon

Anne-Marie Korte, Utrecht University

Queer Iconoclasm and Queer Iconoclash: From the Christas to Madonna

Andrew Westover, J. Paul Getty Museum, Los Angeles, CA

Communing with Objects: Scholarship, Experience, and the Museum

A21-309

Buddhism Section and Buddhist Philosophy Group

Theme: Dṛṣṭi: The Problems of Views and Beliefs in Buddhism

Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Marriott-M103 (Marquis Level)

Masahiro Shimoda, University of Tokyo, Presiding

A. Charles Muller, University of Tokyo

A Comparative Philosophical Approach to a Universal Problem: Views and Beliefs in Epistemology, Psychology, and Buddhism

Rafal Stepien, Columbia University

From the "Cessation of Conceptualization" to the "Abandonment of All Views": An Ultimate Reading of Nāgārjuna's Mūlamadhyamaka-kārikā

Paul Fuller, Bristol, United Kingdom

Actions Speak Louder Than Words: The Danger of Attachment to Views in the Pāli Canon and Engaged Buddhism

Akira Saito, University of Tokyo

On Satkāyadṛṣṭi

Responding:
- Daniel A. Arnold, University of Chicago
A21-310

Christian Systematic Theology Section
Theme: Thinking Divine Attributes
Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Hilton-Grand Salon A (Level 2)
Oliver Crisp, Fuller Theological Seminary, Presiding
  Tyler Wittman, University of Saint Andrews
  “Roomy without a Roof”: Modern Theology, Aquinas, and the
  Therapeutic Retrieval of God’s Happiness
  Eugene Schlesinger, Marquette University
  Closing the Gap: The Divine Missions and Divine Immutability
  James Gordon, Wheaton College
  Rethinking Divine Spatiality: Divine Omnepresence in Theological
  and Philosophical Perspective
  Joseph Lenow, University of Virginia
  Timelessness and Four-Dimensionalism

A21-311

Philosophy and Religion Section and Body and Religion
Group and Hinduism Group and Tantric Studies Group
Theme: “Affective Blooms”: Feelings, Intimacies, and Bodies in
Hindu Traditions
Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Hyatt-Marietta (Atlanta Conference Level)
Glen Hayes, Bloomfield College, Presiding
  Shubha Pathak, American University
  Making Divine Love: Kālīdāsa’s Creation of Śiva and Pārvatī’s
  Consumption in the Kumārasambhava
  Loriliai Biernacki, University of Colorado
  The Affect of Tantric Bodies
  Alexander Rocklin, Willamette University
  “All the World Loves a Lover”: Gender, Affect, and Discipline in the
  Physical Cultural Program of the Hindu Mahasabha in Colonial
  Trinidad
  Amanda Lucia, University of California, Riverside
  Haptic Logics: The Transmission of Affect in the Guru-Disciple
  Relationship
Responding:
  Chakravarthi Ram-Prasad, Lancaster University

A21-312

Religion and Politics Section
Theme: Guns, Climate, Contraception, and Marriage: How
Religion is Shaping American Politics Heading into 2016
Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Hyatt-Piedmont (Atlanta Conference Level)
Robert P. Jones, Public Religion Research Institute, Washington,
D.C., Presiding
  Michael Chan, Luther Seminary, and Katie Day, Lutheran
  Theological Seminary, Philadelphia
  Faith and Firearms: The Role of Religion in the Construction of
  Meanings around Guns
  Jame Schaefer, Marquette University
  Catholic Influence on Climate Policy: Pope Francis, the U.S. Bishops,
  and Advocacy Organizations
  Shannon Dunn, Gonzaga University
  Problematizing the Idea of Corporate Conscience in Religious Liberty
  Arguments
  Marie Cartier, California State University, Northridge
  Spouses for Life: How the Fight for Gay Marriage is Changing
  Religion and Politics

Business Meeting:
  Najeeba Syeed-Miller, Claremont School of Theology, Presiding

A21-313

Religion and the Social Sciences Section and Cognitive
Science of Religion Group and Psychology, Culture, and
Religion Group
Theme: Cross-Cultural and Cognitive Approaches to Changes in
Sense of Self
Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Hilton-Grand Ballroom C (Level 2)
Albert Silva, University of California, Santa Barbara, Presiding
  Robert N. McCauley, Emory University, and George Graham,
  Georgia State University
  Religious Experience, Schizophrenia, and Disownership of Self
  Jared Lindahl, Brown University
  Meditation-Induced Changes in Sense of Self Reported by American
  Buddhists: History and Phenomenology
  Willoughby Britton, Brown University
  Meditation-Induced Changes in Sense of Self Reported by American
  Buddhists: Neurobiology and Cross-cultural Psychiatry
  Ann Taves, University of California, Santa Barbara
  Shifts in Sense of Self in the Production of the Book of Mormon and A
  Course in Miracles

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A21-314

Religion in South Asia Section
Theme: Transnational Dimensions of Religions in Contemporary India
Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Marriott-International 2 (International Level)
Chad Bauman, Butler University, Presiding
Afgar Mohammad, University of Texas
So Far, So Near: Local Sufism, Trans-Local Sufi Poetics, and Urban Islam
Claire Robison, University of California, Santa Barbara
Inscribing a Global Vaisnava Culture on the Indian Nation-State
Drew Thomases, Columbia University
Camel Fair Kaleidoscopic: Religion and Color in Pushkar
Jon Keune, Michigan State University
Dhamma, Dalitness, and Diversity: Transnational Buddhist Collaborations in Nagpur
Responding:
Andrea Marion Pinkney, McGill University

A21-315

Study of Islam Section
Theme: Performing Sufism
Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Marriott-A601 (Atrium Level)
Vincent Cornell, Emory University, Presiding
Matthew Lynch, University of North Carolina
Recite the Masnavi, Excite the Community: The Role of the Masnavi-Keewan in the Nascent Stages of the Mevlevi Order
Mohsin Ali, University of California, Los Angeles
The Social Life of a Sufi Hagiography: Sayyid Abul Hasan ‘Ali Nadwī’s Use of Sayyid Ahmad Shabīd
Jessica Chen, Stanford University
Five Pillars, Five Senses: The Practicing Body in Chinese Sufi Thought
Oladamini Ogunkuaye, Harvard University
Performing Realization, Performing Sainthood: The Sufi Music Videos of the Taalibe Baay of Dakar
Responding:
Syed Rizwan Zamir, Davidson College
Business Meeting:
Juliane Hammer, University of North Carolina, and Frederick Colby, University of Oregon, Presiding

A21-316

Teaching Religion Section
Theme: Teaching Sexuality and Religion: Contextual, Affective, and Trans/formative Aspects of Classroom Pedagogy
Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Hilton-213 (Level 2)
Darryl Stephens, Lancaster Theological Seminary, Presiding
Amanullah De Sondy, University College Cork
Teaching Traditions in a Different World: Masculinity and Femininity in Islam
Kate Ott, Drew University
Front and Center in the Classroom: Inviting Sexual Histories and Bodies to Be Seen
Edward V. Vacek, Loyola University New Orleans
From Catholic Seminarians to Undergraduate Nones
Stephanie M. Crumpton, Lancaster Theological Seminary
Trigger Warnings, Covenants of Presence and More: Cultivating Safe Space for Theological Discussions About Sexual Trauma
Responding:
Patricia Beattie Jung, Saint Paul School of Theology

A21-317

Theology and Religious Reflection Section and Black Theology Group and Bonhoeffer: Theology and Social Analysis Group and Christian Theological Research Fellowship
Theme: Author Meets Critic: Reggie Williams’ Bonhoeffer’s Black Jesus: Harlem Renaissance Theology and an Ethic of Resistance (Baylor University Press, 2014)
Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Marriott-L401-403 (Lobby Level)
Stephen R. Haynes, Rhodes College, Presiding
Panelists:
J. Kameron Carter, Duke University
Keri Day, Brite Divinity School
Jennifer McBride, Wartburg College
Clifford Green, Hartford Seminary
Responding:
Reggie Williams, McCormick Theological Seminary
A21-318
African Religions Group and Men, Masculinities, and Religion Group
Theme: Men in Focus: Negotiating Masculinity and Religion in Africa
Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Marriott-A705 (Atrium Level)
Mary Nyangweso, East Carolina University, Presiding
Johanneke Kroesbergen-Kamps, Justo Mwale University
Stephen Lloyd, Boston University
John Calvin, Oscar Pistorius, and the Contest for Afrikaner Masculinity
Ayodeji Ogunaika, Harvard University
Managing Multiple Masculinities: Traditional Perspectives on Masculinity Drawn from Yoruba Mythology
John Blevins, Emory University, and Alexander Plum, Emory University
"I’ll Be Prepared to Be a Man": The Effects of a Faith-Based Program on Perceptions of Masculinity among Adolescent Kamba Males in Kenya
Lilly Phiri, University of Kwa-Zulu Natal
Queer Masculinities in Contemporary Protestantism in Zambia: Paradoxes and Possibilities
Responding:
Adriaan van Klinken, University of Leeds

A21-319
Buddhism in the West Group and Contemplative Studies Group
Theme: Toward an Ethics-Based Mindfulness: Rationales and Resistances
Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Hilton-309 (Level 3)
David McMahan, Franklin and Marshall College, Presiding
Justin Whitaker, University of London
Sati, Sammā-sati, and Sila: An Historical Examination of Mindfulness in the Early Texts
Candy Gunther Brown, Indiana University
Explicit Ethics Essential to Skillful Speech, Right Intention, and Informed Consent

A21-320
Chinese Religions Group
Theme: Academic Legacies of the Study of Chinese Religions
Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Hilton-304 (Level 3)
Anna Sun, Kenyon College, Presiding
From Missionary to Sinologist: The Impact of James Legge’s Search for Authority on the Academic Study of Chinese Christianity
Gregory Adam Scott, University of Edinburgh
Water from Native Wells: Depictions of Chinese Sacred Spaces in Late Nineteenth and Early Twentieth-Century Western Publications
Thomas DuBois, Australian National University
The Mind of Empire: Japanese Ethnographic Studies of Religion in China
Lucas Carmichael, University of Chicago
Historical and Scriptural Approaches to the Daode Jing
Business Meeting:
James A. Benn, McMaster University, and Megan Bryson, University of Tennessee, Presiding

A21-321
Comparative Approaches to Religion and Violence Group
Theme: Ethnographic Approaches to Religion and Violence
Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Hyatt-Dunwoody (Atlanta Conference Level)
Michael Jerryson, Youngstown State University, Presiding
Ryan Williams, University of Calgary
Islam and Violence in UK Maximum-Security Prisons: An Ethnographic Approach
Amarnath Amarasingam, Dalhousie University
Foreign Fighters in Syria: Understanding the Whys and the Hows

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### A21-322

**Comparative Religious Ethics Group**

**Theme:** Moral Theory and Comparative Religious Ethics

**Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM**

**Hilton-205 (Level 2)**

- David Clairmont, University of Notre Dame, Presiding
- Simeon O. Ilesanmi, Wake Forest University
  
  De-Centering Culture: Comparative Religious Ethics and Normative Inquiry from an African Perspective

- Kevin Jung, Wake Forest University
  
  Normativity in Comparative Religious Ethics

- Bharat Ranganathan, University of Notre Dame
  
  On the Limits of the Ethnographic Turn

**Business Meeting:**

- Elizabeth Bucar, Northeastern University, and Beverley Foulks McGuire, University of North Carolina, Wilmington, Presiding

### A21-323

**Critical Theory and Discourses on Religion Group and Cultural History of the Study of Religion Group**

**Theme:** The Medicalization of Religion: Bodies and Brains as Loci of Control

**Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM**

**Marriott-International 6 (International Level)**

- Ann M. Burlein, Hofstra University, Presiding
- Andrew Aghapour, University of North Carolina
  

- Daniel Moseson, Syracuse University
  
  The Medicalization of “Religious Experience” in Contemplative Studies

- Shin Kwon Kim, University of Oxford
  
  Purge Away Alcohol for Cleanliness: Cleanliness in Mind and Body, Individual and Society, and Secular and Sacred Realms

- Arlene Macdonald, University of Texas Medical Branch
  
  Organs as “Sensational Forms”: Transplant Advocacy and the Transformation of Religious Experience

**Business Meeting:**

- Randall Styers, University of North Carolina, and Ann M. Burlein, Hofstra University, Presiding

### A21-324

**Death, Dying, and Beyond Group and Religion and Popular Culture Group**

**Theme:** The Grateful Undead: Afterlife and Sacrificial Narratives in Popular Culture

**Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM**

**Hilton-208 (Level 2)**

- Mohamed S. Hassan, Temple University, Presiding
- Matt Friedrich, Vanderbilt University Medical Center
  
  The Terror of Resurrection: Representation and Theologies of (Un)Death in Cinema Horror

- Andrea Dara Cooper, University of North Carolina
  
  Alternative Sacrificial Narratives: Death Is Your Gift

- Michael Amoruso, University of Texas
  
  The Life of Dead Souls: What Representations of Afterlife and the Dead Tell Us about Religious Consensus in Brazil

- Courtney Tepera, Temple University
  
  Heaven in the Real World? The Many Uses and Meanings of “Heaven” in Christian Contemporary Music

### A21-325

**Eastern Orthodox Studies Group**

**Theme:** The Legacy of John Zizioulas: Thirty Years after Being as Communion (Saint Vladimir’s Seminary Press, 1985)

**Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM**

**Hilton-206 (Level 2)**

- Brandon Gallaher, University of Exeter, Presiding
- Vera Shevzov, Smith College, and Aristotle Papanikolaou, Fordham University, Presiding

**Panelists:**

- Karen Kilby, University of Durham
- Khaled Anatolios, Boston College
- Aristotle Papanikolaou, Fordham University
- Paul S. Fiddes, Regents Park College

**Business Meeting:**

- Vera Shevzov, Smith College, and Aristotle Papanikolaou, Fordham University, Presiding
A21-326

Ecclesial Practices Group and the Society for the Study of Anglicanism

Theme: Conflict and Reconciliation in Ecclesial Practice

Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Marriott-A706 (Atrium Level)

Tone Stangeland Kaufman, MF Norwegian School of Theology, Presiding

Christopher C. Brittain, University of Aberdeen
  Lent and Ramadan under the Same Roof
Jesse Zink, University of Cambridge
  Debating the Sacraments in a War Zone: Conflict and Reconciliation among Anglicans during Sudan’s Civil War
Joyce Ann Mercer, Virginia Theological Seminary
  Conflicting Identities: An Ethnographic Account of Conflict and Schism in an Episcopal Parish
Kyle Lambelet, University of Notre Dame
  Crossing the Line: Liturgical Protest and the Tasks of Deliberation

Business Meeting:
  Natalie Wigg-Stevenson, Emmanuel College, Presiding

Responding:
  Lynne Huffer, Emory University

A21-327


Theme: Author Meets Critics: The Relevance of Lynne Huffer’s Mad for Foucault (Columbia University Press, 2009) and Are the Lips a Grave? (Columbia University Press, 2013) for Theology and the Study of Religion

Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Hyatt-Roswell (Atlanta Conference Level)

Mary Keller, University of Wyoming, Presiding
  Serene Jones, Union Theological Seminary
    The Walking Cure
Jeremy R. Carrette, University of Kent
  “Dazzlement”: Foucault, Experience and Huffer’s Erotic Ethics
Wesley Barker, Mercer University
  Tracing Lips: Reading Erotics Beyond Ethics in the Work of Lynne Huffer
Jason Frey, Chicago Theological Seminary
  A Queer Vulnerability: Body Ethics and Foucauldian Relationality
Brandy Daniels, Vanderbilt University
  The Bar/Bedroom as Liturgy’s Rectum/Lips: In Search of Christianity’s Catachrestic Heterotopias

Responding:
  Bronwyn Roantree, Harvard University

A21-328

Law, Religion, and Culture Group and Secularism and Secularity Group

Theme: The Economics of Secularism

Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Hilton-308 (Level 3)

Daniel Vaca, Brown University, Presiding
  Jotham Parsons, Duquesne University
    Early Modern Political Economy and the Formation of the Secular
Andrew Ventimiglia, University of California, Davis
    The Profit in Prophecy: Intellectual Property and the Economics of Evangelical Publishing
Kolby Knight, University of California, Santa Barbara
    “The Scythe of Secularity”: Schools, Capitalism, and the Decapitation of Religion in 1894
Shannon Trosper Schorey, University of North Carolina
    “All Knowledge for All!” Intellectual Property, Piracy, and Religion in an Information Age

Responding:
  Bronwyn Roantree, Harvard University

A21-329

Religion and Ecology Group

Theme: Affect and Moral Emotions in Religion and Ecology

Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Hilton-Grand Salon B (Level 2)

Luke Higgins, South University
  Affective Experimentation in Eco-Religious Practice: Insights from Whitehead and Latour

Responding:
  Christopher Carter, University of San Diego
**A21-330**  
**PRE-POSTED PAPERS SESSION**

**Religion in the American West Group**  
Theme: Religious Promotion and Sacred Space in the American West  
Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM  
Hilton-307 (Level 3)

Brandi Denison, University of North Florida, Presiding

- Jenna Gray-Hildenbrand, Middle Tennessee State University  
  *Religion, Fraud, and the American West: The "I AM" Activity and Defining the Limits of Religious Freedom*

- Justin Doran, University of Texas  
  *Bayou Revival: Houston as the Contact Zone between the New South and the American West*

- Megan Goodwin, Bates College  
  *“This Is Not About Religion”: The State of Texas v. Yearning For Zion*

- Angela Tarango, Trinity University, and Isaiah Ellis, University of North Carolina  
  *Hunting Buffalo in Oklahoma: Native American Casinos, Sacred Land, and Portrayals of Native Culture and Religion*

Responding:  
Sarah M. Pike, California State University, Chico

Business Meeting:  
Brandi Denison, University of North Florida, Presiding

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A21-331  

**Religion, Film, and Visual Culture Group**  
Theme: Pedagogy and Visual Culture  
Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM  
Marriott-International 7 (International Level)

Ken Derry, University of Toronto, Presiding

- Omar Shaukat, University of Johannesburg  
  *Teaching Sacrifice in Gran Torino, True Grit and Django Unchained: Thinking through Civil Religion in Films*

- Edward Godfrey, Temple University  
  *Zen Noir vis-a-vis Myers-Briggs Personality Typology: Semiotic Multivulnerality as Grounds for Dialog*

- Syed Adnan Hussain, Saint Mary’s University, Halifax  
  *Gangland Prophets: Un Prophète (2009) as a Tool for Teaching Islam*

- Takushi Odagiri, New York University  
  *Depicting Religious Awareness in Documentary Modes: Global Japanese Cinema*

- Kutter Callaway, Fuller Theological Seminary, Chelsea McIntuff, Level Ground, Pasadena, CA, Samantha Curley, Level Ground, Pasadena, CA  
  *On Level Ground: Pedagogical Advances in Religion and Film*

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A21-332  

**Religion, Media, and Culture Group and World Christianity Group**  
Theme: The Medium Is the Mission: Christianity and Technology in Colonial and Postcolonial Contexts  
Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM  
Marriott-L506-507 (Lobby Level)

- Alia Wegner, University of Edinburgh  
  *Wonders Mistaken for Signs: The British and Foreign Bible Society and Bible Shortage in Madras, May 1817*

- Jenna Supp-Montgomerie, University of Iowa  
  *A Telegraph for the Sultan and Other Spectacular Technology: Material Media in Colonial Christian Mission*

- Adam T. Shreve, University of Edinburgh  
  *White Jesus Speaking Shona: Campus Crusade’s The Jesus Film (1979) and Newcolonialism in Zimbabwe Today*

Responding:  
Kathleen Foody, College of Charleston

Business Meeting:  
Sarah McFarland Taylor, Northwestern University, and Jenna Supp-Montgomerie, University of Iowa, Presiding

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A21-333  

**Ricoeur Group**  
Theme: Ricoeur, Pluralism, and Interreligious Dialogue  
Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM  
Marriott-International 3 (International Level)

Michael Sohn, Cleveland State University, Presiding

- Mark Godin, University of Chester  
  *Ricoeur and Human Plurality: Broadening Theological Visions*

- Darryl Ferguson, University of Chicago  
  *“Truth” in the Political: Ricoeur’s “Truth and Falsehood” and the Protection of Plurality*

- Brian A. Butcher, Saint Paul University  
  *Naming the Unnameable (?) Liturgical (Un)Translatability and the Challenge of Interreligious Dialogue*

- Wanjoong Kim, Graduate Theological Union  
  *Non-Self as Another: Reading Prajñāpāramitā Concept of Non-Self from Ricoeur’s Dialectical Hermeneutics*

Business Meeting:  
Kenneth A. Reynhout, Bethel Seminary, Presiding
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A21-334

Roman Catholic Studies Group

Theme: Critique of Family Discourses in the Catholic Church
Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Marriott-A704 (Atrium Level)
Karen Enriquez, Xavier University, Presiding
    John Slattery, University of Notre Dame
        The Dogmatic Depravity of Adoption: Changing the Language of “Open to Life”
    Colleen Carpenter, Saint Catherine University
        “But I Thought Love Was Supposed to Endure All Things”: Domestic Violence, Discernment, and the Indissolubility of Marriage
    Julia Enxing, University of Muenster
        The Role of “Gender-Ideology” in the Documents of the Synods of Bishops on the Family Seen through Pope Francis’ Call for Misericordia
    Mauricio Najarro, Graduate Theological Union
        Codependence and Familiar Idolatry: Liberation, Critique, and the Demands of Compassion in Catholic Discourse
Responding:
    Jeannine Hill Fletcher, Fordham University
Business Meeting:
    Amy Koehlinger, Oregon State University, and Michael Pasquier, Louisiana State University, Presiding

A21-335

Space, Place, and Religion Group

Theme: Examining Japanese Mountain Asceticism through the Lens of Space and Place
Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Hilton-211 (Level 2)
Barbara Ambros, University of North Carolina, Presiding
    Carina Roth, University of Geneva
        Variations of Symbolic Topography: The Shaping of Japan’s Mountains in Shugendo
    Diane E. Riggs, Western Michigan University
        Shrank, Folded, and Hidden: Imagined Space in the Shugendo Yuigesa
    Caleb Carter, University of California, Los Angeles
        Imagined Spaces and Encoded Places in the Historical Formation of Shugendo
    Frank W. Clements, University of Pennsylvania
        Summit, Foot, and Parish: Space and Authority in Early Modern Haguro Shugendo
Responding:
    Heather Blair, Indiana University

A21-336

Tillich: Issues in Theology, Religion, and Culture Group

Theme: Tillich’s Theological Legacies
Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Hyatt–Regency (Ballroom Level)
Sharon Peebles Burch, Interfaith Counseling Center, San Anselmo, CA, Presiding
    Fifty years ago, on October 22, 1965, Paul Tillich died, just days after having given his final public lecture. Consideration of the theological endeavor between then and now highlights how seminal his thought has been within the field of religion. In contemporary parlance, it could be said that in many ways today’s Academy is Tillich gone viral. On this panel, leading scholars address how Tillich’s ideas have contributed to their work in religion and science, theology and culture, theology and psychology, black liberation theology, feminist theology, ground of being theologies, and theology and world religions. The vibrancy of Tillich’s contribution to the constructive work of these scholars indicates the lasting nature of his influence on the field.
    Panelists:
        Harvey Cox, Harvard University
        Robert Russell, Center for Theology and Natural Sciences, Berkeley, CA
        Pamela Cooper-White, Union Theological Seminary
        Willie J. Jennings, Yale University
Responding:
    Mary Ann Stenger, University of Louisville
    John Thatamanil, Union Theological Seminary

A21-337

Transhumanism and Religion Group

Theme: Transhumanism and the Enhancement of Religion
Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Hilton-Grand Ballroom A (Level 2)
Tracy J. Trothen, Queen's University, Presiding
    Alan Murphy, Vanderbilt University
        “Have You Believed Because You Have Seen?”: Medical and Technological Alterations to the Visual Field as Possible Vehicles for Transhuman Enhancement of Religious Experience
    Wesley J. Wildman, Boston University
        Hacking the Religious Mind through Computer Simulation
    Richard McCarty, Mercyhurst University
        Transhumanism, Postmillennialism, and Queer Visions of Eschatology
Responding:
    Paul Tillich

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Megan Leverage, Florida State University
Second Creation and Procreation: Gender, Sexuality, and the Family in Transhumanist New Religious Movements
Responding:
Ted Peters, Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary
Business Meeting:
Ronald S. Cole-Turner, Pittsburgh Theological Seminary, Presiding

A21-338 PRE-POSTED PAPERS SESSION ❀

Folklore and Religion Seminar
Theme: Vernacular Miracles: Folklore and Religion in Everyday Life
Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Marriott-International 1 (International Level)
Stephen Wehmeyer, Champlain College, Presiding
Kate Kelley, University of Missouri
Myth at the Intersection of Folkloristics and Religious Studies
Tom Mould, Elon University
The Social Life of Sacred Stories among Latter-Day Saints
Robert Glenn Howard, University of Wisconsin
A New Age Apocalypse: Digitally Driven Vernacular Religion
Sarah Riccardi-Swartz, New York University
"To Me They're Relics": Vernacular Religion in Ozarkian Orthodox Devotional Practices
Joseph Sciorra, City University of New York
Creativity, Polyphony, and Catholic Vernacular Arts of Italian Americans in New York City
Sabina Magliocco, California State University, Northridge
Beyond the Rainbow Bridge: Vernacular Cosmologies of Animal Afterlives
Business Meeting:
Leonard Norman Primiano, Cabrini College, and Stephen Wehmeyer, Champlain College, Presiding

A21-339

Global Perspectives on Religion and HIV/AIDS Seminar
Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Marriott-International C (International Level)
Lynee Gerber, University of California, Berkeley, Presiding
Christopher A. House, Ithaca College
African Students Researching Religion and HIV: Addressing Issues of Stigma and Sexuality?
Beverley Haddad, University of KwaZulu-Natal
Rethorics of the Black Church: Sex, Religion, and HIV/AIDS Across the African Diaspora
Business Meeting:
Anthony Petro, Boston University, Presiding

A21-340

Religion and US Empire Seminar
Theme: Conceptualizing American Empire: Theoretical and Methodological Approaches
Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Marriott-A602 (Atrium Level)
Tisa Wenger, Yale University, Presiding
Panelists:
Cara Burnidge, University of Northern Iowa
Sylvester Johnson, Northwestern University
Terrence Johnson, Georgetown University
Elaine Peña, George Washington University
Keith Feldman, University of California, Berkeley
Business Meeting:
Tracy Leavelle, Creighton University, Presiding

A21-341

Wildcard Session
Theme: From Tolerance to Recognition: Recognition and the Acceptance of Otherness
Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Hilton-Grand Salon E (Level 2)
Risto Saarinen, University of Helsinki, Presiding
Aku Visala, University of Helsinki, and Olli-Pekka Vainio, University of Helsinki
Tolerance or Recognition? What Can We Expect?
Panu-Matti Pöykkö, University of Helsinki
Levinas on Recognition and Metaphorality
Minna Hietamäki, University of Helsinki
Recognition: One-Minded Agreement or Positive Toleration of Differences?
Elina Hellqvist, University of Helsinki
Recognition, Toleration and Identity: LGBTQ in the Lutheran Church
Ritva Palmén, University of Helsinki, and Heikki J. Koskinen, University of Helsinki
Mediated Recognition and Agreement in Conflict: Peter Alfonsi’s Dialogi contra Iudaeos
Anna-Lisa Tolonen, University of Helsinki
A Meaning and Many Visions: John Chrysostom in Conflict and Dialogue
Joona Salminen, University of Helsinki
Divine Mediation and Mediated Recognition: A Case Study of Marcellus of Ancyra
Timothy Riggs, University of Jyväskylä
In Search of the Good: Gnosis as Recognition in Proclus and Maximus the Confessor
Responding:
Jan-Olav Henriksen, MF Norwegian School of Theology
Robert A. Orsi, Northwestern University

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AAR Board of Directors Subcommittee on Academic Freedom
Theme: Open Session on the AAR's Revised Statement on Academic Freedom
Saturday, 4:00 PM–5:30 PM
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Thomas A. Tweed, University of Notre Dame, and Jack Fitzmier, American Academy of Religion, Presiding
A sub-Committee of the AAR's Board has been working on revisions to our Statement on Academic Freedom. The first draft of the new Statement was posted online, and the sub-Committee invited members to submit comments. Based on the helpful comments we received, the sub-Committee will craft a second draft of the revised Statement before the Annual Meeting. This time around, we will not solicit online comments. But we will post the second draft on the AAR website in advance of the Annual Meeting. We invite all members who would like to discuss the latest draft to attend this session with the sub-Committee.
Panelists:
Susan E. Hill, University of Northern Iowa
Jin Y Park, American University
Melanie L. Harris, Texas Christian University
Asma Afsaruddin, Indiana University

Art/s of Interpretation Group
Theme: Honoring Charles H. Long: The Art/s of Interpretation Group Celebrates his Retirement II
Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Hyatt-Greenbriar (Atlanta Conference Level)
Randal Cummings, California State University, Northridge, Presiding
Panelists:
Randal Cummings, California State University, Northridge
Richard A. Gardner, Sophia University
Claudine Michel, University of California, Santa Barbara
James Anthony Noel, San Francisco Theological Seminary
Karen Fields, Richmond, VA
Corey D. B. Walker, Winston Salem State University
Rachel E. Harding, University of Colorado, Denver
David Carrasco, Harvard University
Responding:
Charles H. Long, Chapel Hill, NC

African Association for the Study of Religions
Theme: Issues in African-Initiated Churches and African Diaspora Christianity
Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Hyatt-Baker (Atlanta Conference Level)
Jehu J. Hanciles, Emory University, Presiding
Bernard Appiah, University of Birmingham
Integration Strategies of Pentecostal Churches in the African Diaspora
Lovenmore Togarasei, University of Botswana
Obed Ndeya Kealotswe, University of Botswana
Sana Mmolai, University of Botswana
Quinine, Ditaola, and the Bible: Investigating Botswana Health Seeking Practices
Janice McLean-Farrell, City Seminary of New York
Singleness, Marriage, and the Second-Generation: Charting the Future of African and African Diasporan Immigrant Families in the West
JoAnn D’Alisera, University of Arkansas
Afterlife Exiles: Death and Dying in the Sierra Leonian Diaspora
Responding:
Jehu J. Hanciles, Emory University

College Theology Society Liturgical Celebration
Saturday, 6:00 PM–7:00 PM
Sheraton-Atlanta 5 (Level 1)

International Members’ Reception
Saturday, 6:30 PM–7:30 PM
Amy L. Allocco, Elon University, Presiding
A reception for international members of the AAR. Winners of the Collaborative International Research Grants will be announced. By invitation only.
2014–2015 Collaborative International Research Grant Winners
Chad Bauman, Butler University, USA, and James Ponniah, University of Madras, India
Christians and Religious Violence in Sri Lanka
Amber L. Griffioen, University of Konstanz, Germany, and Mohammad Sadegh Zahedi, Imam Khomeini International University, Iran
Longing, Suffering, and Love in Medieval Christian and Islamic Mysticism
Christian Haskett, Centre College, USA, and Rana P.B. Singh, Banaras Hindu University, India
Varanasi’s Tiny Temples and the Making of Hinduism

John J. McGraw, Aarhus University, Denmark, Ronald Fischer, Victoria University of Wellington, New Zealand, and Dimitris Xygalatas, University of Connecticut, USA
Divination & Decision-Making: Ritual Techniques of Distributed Cognition in the Guatemalan Highlands

SherAli Tareen, Franklin and Marshall College, USA, and Waris Mazhari, Maulana Azad National Urdu University, India
The Politics and Poetics of Islamic Law in Contemporary South Asia

P21-406
Public Understanding of Religion Committee and the Religious Freedom Center of the Newseum Institute
Theme: Reception to Introduce a New Initiative on Public Scholarship and the Media
Saturday, 6:30 PM–7:30 PM
Westin-Chastain C (Level 6)

A21-401
Racial and Ethnic Minorities Reception
Saturday, 6:30 PM–8:00 PM
National Center for Civil and Human Rights, 100 Ivan Allen Jr Blvd NW

P21-403
Religious Education Association
Theme: Valuing the Teaching of Religion: Connecting, Disrupting, Transforming Power
Saturday, 6:30 PM–8:00 PM
Hyatt-International North (International Tower Level LL1)
Kathy Winings, Unification Theological Seminary, Presiding

Connecting to the theme of this year’s presidential address by Dr. Thomas A. Tweed, “Valuing the Study of Religion,” this session is a panel discussion among scholars of religious studies, theology, and religious education on the challenges and possibilities of teaching religion in times of social tension, conflict, protest, and resistance. The teaching of religion takes place in a variety of settings and for varied aims — be it for lifelong and life-wide religious formation, for broadened religious knowledge, or for advancement of responsible participation in public life. How do teachers of religion understand the power of religious knowing and learning? How do we imagine the connecting, disrupting, and transforming potentials of teaching religion? This session is an opportunity to connect with the Religious Education Association, a related scholarly organization of the AAR. We value interdisciplinary and intercultural research at the intersections of religion and education. You can also connect with us at www.religiouseducation.net.

Panelists:
Judith L. Bishop, Mills College
Andre E. Johnson, Memphis Theological Seminary
Boyung Lee, Pacific School of Religion
Sarah Tauber, Jewish Theological Seminary

P21-405
Metropolitan Andrey Sheptytsky Institute of Eastern Christian Studies and Eastern Orthodox Studies Group
Theme: Vespers (Evening Prayer) in the Byzantine Rite
Saturday, 6:30 PM–8:00 PM
Hilton-206 (Level 2)
All are welcome to join in this traditional liturgical service, common to both Eastern Orthodox and Byzantine-Rite Catholic Churches, which inaugurates the Lord’s Day. Entirely chanted in English, with some Greek and Slavonic.

A21-407 (#islamaar)
Study of Islam Section and Islamic Studies Groups Reception
Saturday, 6:30 PM–8:30 PM
Marriott-L504-505 (Lobby Level)

A21-402
Journal of the American Academy of Religion (JAAR) Editorial Board Meeting
Saturday, 7:00 PM–8:00 PM
Marriott-International C (International Level)
Amir Hussain, Loyola Marymount University, Presiding

A21-403
Friends of the Academy Reception
Saturday, 7:00 PM–8:00 PM
Hyatt-AAR Suite
Individuals who have been members of the AAR for 40 years or more and those whose generosity allows us to continue many of our special programs are invited to a reception hosted by the AAR Board of Directors.

A21-404
Contingent Faculty and Applied Religious Studies Professionals Reception
Saturday, 7:00 PM–8:30 PM
Marriott-AAR Suite
AAR members who work at colleges and universities on a contingent or contractual basis or who apply their degrees to work outside of the academy are welcome to meet and greet each other at this reception hosted by the AAR’s Contingent Faculty Task Force and Applied Religious Studies Working Group. Please RSVP by Friday, November 6, by e-mailing Sarah Levine (slevine@aarweb.org).
Evangelical Philosophical Society

Theme: The Philosophical Basis for Religious Liberty
Saturday, 7:00 PM–10:00 PM
Marriott-M301-302 (Marquis Level)

What precisely justifies religious liberty? Some scholars argue that religion is not special, that it is not entitled to any unique status in the panoply of civil and/or natural rights, and that whatever goods that religious liberty was supposed to protect can be protected by subsuming “religious liberty” under a more general right to autonomy on questions of ultimate concern. Still other thinkers argue that because religious belief is irrational it should receive no more protection from the law than what is given to personal hobbies, theories about the universe, etc. Consequently, in order to enter this conversation, there are two questions the panelists will address: “What is religious liberty?” and “How is it justified?”

A21-406

Film: Jingū Kirin
Saturday, 8:00 PM–10:00 PM
Marriott-International 1 (International Level)

Asuka Sango, Carleton College, Presiding

Thanks to the generous support from the Center for Information on Religion, Japan, we will be able to bring from Japan the director and the producer of the film, Keshi Fushihara and Katsuhiko Abuno. In addition, two American scholars (a Japanese religion specialist and a Japanese film specialist) will join the panel. The film centers on the Japanese actress Kiki Kirin’s first pilgrimage to the Ise Jingū shrine complex in 2013 during its shikinen sengū (i.e., the process of rebuilding its major shrines, which occurs every twenty years). Through participating in various ceremonies surrounding the shikinen sengū as a pilgrim, Kiki explores what this shrine and its shikinen sengū mean to different people, all the while pondering on the meanings of life and death, as a 10-year cancer survivor.

Panelists:
- Fabio Rambelli, University of California, Santa Barbara
- Ryan M. Cook, Emory University

Responding:
- Keshi Fushihara, Tokai Television Broadcasting, Ltd., Nagoya, Japan
- Katsuhiko Abuno, Tokai Television Broadcasting, Ltd., Nagoya, Japan

Polanyi Society

Theme: Polanyi: Theological and Ethical Implications
Saturday, 8:00 PM–10:00 PM
Hyatt-Harris (Atlanta Conference Level)

David Rutledge, Furman University, Presiding
- Walter Mead, Illinois State University
  Theological Implications of Polanyi’s Philosophy of Knowing and Being
- Lucila Crena, Regent College
  A Polanyian Witness in an Age of Mistrust: A Majority World Perspective
- Matthew O’Sullivan, Hillsdale College
  Rules of Right Practice or Contact with Reality? Michael Polanyi and George Lindbeck on the Purpose of Theological Propositions
M21-412
Society for Pentecostal Studies and Wesleyan Theological Society Joint Reception
Saturday, 8:00 PM–9:30 PM
Westin-Chastain D (Level 6)

M21-417
New Religious Movements Group and Nova Religio Reception
Saturday, 8:00 PM–10:00 PM
Westin-Piedmont 4 (Level 12)

A21-405
JAAR Reception for Authors and Board Members
Saturday, 8:30 PM–9:30 PM
Hyatt-AAR Suite

A21-408
LGBTIQ Scholars / Scholars of LGBTIQ Studies Reception
Saturday, 9:00 PM–11:00 PM
Marriott-Marquis C (Marquis Level)
LGBTIQ scholars, scholars of LGBTIQ studies, and friends are invited to a reception. Come network, see old friends, and make new ones! Sponsored by the Status of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Intersex, and Queer Persons in the Profession Committee.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 22

A22-1
AAR Annual Business Meeting
Sunday, 7:30 AM–8:45 AM
Marriott-L503 (Lobby Level)
Thomas A. Tweed, University of Notre Dame, Presiding
Join the AAR Board of Directors for a continental breakfast and a brief business meeting.

A22-2
Contingent Faculty Task Force Meeting
Sunday, 7:30 AM–8:45 AM
Marriott-Sear Restaurant
Kelly J. Baker, Tallahassee, FL, Presiding

M22-4
Feminist Studies in Religion Web Board Meeting
Sunday, 7:30 AM–9:00 AM
Hyatt-Auburn (Atlanta Conference Level)

A22-100
Graduate Student Business Meeting and New Member Welcome
Sunday, 9:00 AM–9:30 AM
Hyatt-Hanover A (Exhibit Level)
Kristy Slominski, Georgia State University, Presiding
Like most “business meetings” at the Annual Meeting, this one is open to all students (both graduate and undergraduate) and is an opportunity to share your ideas and feedback. What events would you like to see the Graduate Student Committee plan in the future? What are your main concerns as a student member within the American Academy of Religion? How can the Graduate Student Committee better represent student needs? This is also an opportunity to ask questions and to learn more about student resources and initiatives. You will have an opportunity to meet the regionally elected student directors who serve on the Graduate Student Committee and represent students on their regional board of directors. This is also a great opportunity to network with other student members and to learn tips for making the most of your Annual Meeting experience and AAR membership.

Business Meeting:
B. J. Parker, Baylor University, Presiding

P22-105
Colloquium on Violence and Religion
Theme: Karen Armstrong’s Fields of Blood: Religion and the History of Violence
Sunday, 9:00 AM–10:30 AM
Marriott-M103 (Marquis Level)
Martha J. Reineke, University of Northern Iowa, Presiding
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.
Panelists:
Chelsea King, University of Notre Dame
David Humbert, Thorneloe University
Brian Collins, Ohio University
William Johnsen, Michigan State University
John D. Dadosky, University of Toronto
A22-101

Indigenous Religious Traditions Group

Theme: Critical Analysis of Gender and Transgender in Indigenous Cultures

Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:00 AM

Marriott-International 7 (International Level)

Suzanne Owen, Leeds Trinity University, University of Chester, Presiding

Gabriel Estrada, California State University, Long Beach

Robert M. Baum, Dartmouth College
From a Male to a Female Prophetic Tradition among the Diola of Senegambia

Gregory D. Alles, McDaniel College
The Gendering of Being Possessed in Eastern Gujarat

Business Meeting:
Robert M. Baum, Dartmouth College, Presiding

A22-102

Queer Studies in Religion Group and Religion and Disability Studies Group

Theme: Queer Disability Theory and Theology

Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:00 AM

Marriott-A707 (Atrium Level)

Kirk VanGilder, Gallaudet University, Presiding

Deborah Creamer, Association of Theological Schools, Pittsburgh, PA
Cripping Religion

Heike Peckruhn, Daemen College
Crippening Disability

Max Thornton, Drew University
Trans/Criptions: Gender, Disability, and Liturgical Experience

Brian Blackmore, Temple University
Towards a Crip Theology: Biblical Foundations of the Queer Disability Drive

Cassie Houtz, Harvard University
Saving the Unsavable: A Queer Redemption

Karen Bray, Drew University
Willfully Unredeemed: The Mad Cripping of Liberal Queerdom

A22-103

Wildcard Session

Theme: God’s a White Racist: Ferguson, Black Death, and Racing Religion

Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:00 AM

Marriott-International 1 (International Level)

Daniel White Hodge, North Park University, Presiding

Travis Harris, College of William and Mary
Performing Resistance: Hip Hop’s Fight Against Institutional Racism in Saint Louis, Missouri

Ralph Watkins, Columbia Theological Seminary
The Generational Divide in the Black Church: The Future of the Prophetic Witness in a Time of Crisis

Andre E. Johnson, Memphis Theological Seminary
Race, Ruckus, and the Color of God: A Spirituality of Ferguson

Monica R. Miller, Lehigh University
When God Ain’t Good and Humans Ain’t Better: Ferguson, Black Death and the Monstrosity of Religious Rhetoric

Responding:
Najeeba Syeed-Miller, Claremont School of Theology

A22-104

Publications Committee Meeting

Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hyatt-222 (2nd Level)

Theodore Vial, Iliff School of Theology, Presiding

A22-105

Academic Relations Committee

Theme: Academic Freedom in Peril — And What to Do About It

Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hyatt-Dunwoody (Atlanta Conference Level)

Edward E. Curtis, Indiana University-Purdue University, Indianapolis, Presiding

The academic freedom of too many scholars of religion is in peril. Threats to the academic freedom of AAR members include the dramatic rise in the use of contingent laborers and a lack of protection for their free speech; outright violation of university procedures and due process of law in hiring, promotion, and tenure processes; organized efforts by various interest groups to deny public or private funding for the academic study of religion; and organized campaigns to smear or discredit individual scholars based on false accusations of undue bias, dishonesty, and/or disloyalty to the state. This special topics forum examines the state of academic freedom for scholars of religious studies both in the United States and abroad.
In addition to offering analysis of the problem, panelists will outline what can be done, especially by the AAR, to strengthen this bedrock principle of our work together.

Panelists:
- Kelly J. Baker, Tallahassee, FL
- Omid Safi, Duke University
- Daniel Boyarin, University of California, Berkeley
- Elizabeth Castelli, Barnard College

A22-106

Public Understanding of Religion Committee
Theme: Religious Liberty, the Supreme Court, RFRA, and RLUIPA
Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hyatt-Regency (Ballroom Level)

Using the Hobby Lobby and Holt v. Hobbs Supreme Court decisions as a starting point, the panel will discuss the challenges of valuing religion in law, addressing such questions as: Do court decisions in cases such as Hobby Lobby and Holt v. Hobbs serve or undermine religious pluralism? When are religious exemptions to laws that apply generally to everyone warranted? How ought religious liberty be weighed against other rights (e.g., equal protection of the laws — LGBT rights)? How do the Supreme Court Justices’ opinions reflect the broader societal arguments about what counts as “religious exercise” and whether or how religion is valued in public spaces?

Panelists:
- Kent Greenwalt, Columbia University
- Winnifred Sullivan, Indiana University
- Barbara A. McGraw, Saint Mary's College of California
- Mark Silk, Trinity College

A22-107

AAR Status of Women in the Profession Committee and SBL Status of Women in the Profession Committee
Theme: What Next? Institutional Changes in Work/Life Balance
Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Marriott-M104 (Marquis Level)

This panel is a part of a multi-year work/life balance project of the Committee on Status of Women in the Profession. The conversation will center around the possibilities and challenges of changing institutional culture and practices. As leaders of academic institutions, panelists will examine structural issues that prohibit and enhance work/life balance at the workplace and the academy. In 2014, the Committee on Status of Women in the Profession hosted a conversation on navigating “relationships” in academic life. Papers from this session are published in the Religious Studies News “Not for Women Only” section. For more information on this project, go to: http://www.aarweb.org/worklife-balance-project.

Panelists:
- Emilie M. Townes, Vanderbilt University
- Denise K. Buell, Williams College
- Elizabeth Conde-Frazier, Eastern University
- Angela Bauer-Levesque, Episcopal Divinity School
- April D. DeConick, Rice University
- Serene Jones, Union Theological Seminary

A22-108

Buddhism Section
Theme: Data-Driven Approaches in Contemporary Buddhist Studies: Perspectives on Textual and Praxis Lineages
Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hilton-Crystal CD (Level 1)

Wendi Adamek, University of Calgary, Presiding
- James B. Apple, University of Calgary
  Phylegentic Analysis in the Study of Tibetan Kanjurs
- Christopher Handy, McMaster University
  Mahāyāna by Number: An Experiment in Automated Genre Analysis
- Christopher Jensen, McMaster University
  Mapping Oneiric Practice in Medieval Chinese Buddhism: Using Geographic Information System (GIS) Software to Analyze Historical Trends in the Biographies of Eminent Monks Corpus
- Joseph Walser, Tufts University
  When Even the Devil Can Quote Sutra: A Data-Guided Approach to an Old Exegetical Problem

Panelists:
- Kent Greenwalt, Columbia University
- Winnifred Sullivan, Indiana University
- Barbara A. McGraw, Saint Mary's College of California
- Mark Silk, Trinity College

A22-109

Comparative Studies in Religion Section
Theme: Navigating the Boundaries of the “Religious” and “Secular” in Contemporary Social and Political Circumstances
Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Marriott-L506-507 (Lobby Level)

Christopher Patrick Parr, Webster University, Presiding
- Jacques Berlinerblau, Georgetown University
  “The Secular” and “the Religious” Are Not Opposites, nor Necessarily Adversarial
- Ingrid Anderson, Boston University
  Teaching Jewish Studies in a Secular University
- Fred Abong, Salve Regina University
  Eagleman and Malabou: Prophets of Contemporary Neurobiological Practice as Postsecular Remedy to Subjective Anosognosia
- Jordan Miller, Salve Regina University
  Idle No More and the Ecology of Protest: Indigeneity, Spirituality, and Politics

Responding:
- Jeffrey W. Robbins, Lebanon Valley College

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A22-110

History of Christianity Section
Theme: Albert Raboteau’s *Slave Religion* (Oxford University Press, 1978): A Retrospective
Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hilton-Grand Ballroom C (Level 2)
Daniel Ramirez, University of Michigan, Presiding

Panelists:
- Jason Young, State University of New York, Buffalo
- Michelle Gonzalez Maldonado, University of Miami
- Marla Frederick, Harvard University
- Terrence Johnson, Georgetown University

Responding:
- Albert J. Raboteau, Princeton University

Business Meeting:
- Daniel Joslyn-Siemiatkoski, Seminary of the Southwest, Presiding

A22-111

North American Religions Section
Theme: Protesting Catholics: The “New Anti-Catholicism” and the Politics of Public Religion in North America
Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Marriott-International 2 (International Level)
Amy Koehlinger, Oregon State University, Presiding

Panelists:
- Anthony Petro, Boston University
- Hillary Kaell, Concordia University, Montreal
- Kathleen Holscher, University of New Mexico

Responding:
- Robert A. Orsi, Northwestern University

A22-112

Philosophy of Religion Section
Theme: Description, Prescription, and Value in the Study of Religion
Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hyatt-Edgewood (Atlanta Conference Level)
Derrick Alan Woodard-Lehman, Lutheran Theological Seminary, Philadelphia, Presiding

Travis Cooper, Indiana University
Valuable Categories, Evaluative Taxonomies: Re-Reading Functionalist and Structuralist Classification Paradigms after Jonathan Z. Smith

Bharat Ranganathan, University of Notre Dame
Atrocity and Intelligibility in the Study of Religion

Anil Mundra, University of Chicago
The Natural, The Normative, and the Study of Religion

Gary Slater, Saint Edwards University
Substituting “Implicit/Explicit” for “Prescriptive/Descriptive”: A Pragmatic Response to Inquiry into Religious Values

A22-113

Religion and Politics Section and Critical Theory and Discourses on Religion Group and Cultural History of the Study of Religion Group and Religion, Colonialism, and Postcolonialism Group
Theme: Empire and the Raw Materials of Religious Concern
Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hilton-Grand Salon E (Level 2)
Duane Jethro, University of Utrecht, Presiding

Ilyse Morgenstein Fuerst, University of Vermont
Defining Islam after the 1857 Sepoy Rebellion

Michael Thate, Princeton University
*Albert Schweitzer, W.E.B. Du Bois, and Colonial Africa*

Adam H. Becker, New York University
Empire, Imperial Engines, and the Raw Material of the Theory of Religion: A Non-Colonial Missionary Perspective

Responding:
- David Chidester, University of Cape Town
- Peter Gottschalk, Wesleyan University

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- Especially for Students
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- Arts Series
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- Focus on Valuing the Study of Religion
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A22-114

Religion and the Social Sciences Section
Theme: Shifting Forms of Religious Practice and Identity: Four Studies
Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Marriott-A601 (Atrium Level)
C. Melissa Snarr, Vanderbilt University, Presiding
Sara Williams, Emory University
The Haunting of CabbageTown Park: Black Church Presence in Atlanta’s Milltown
Dilara Üsküp, University of Chicago
Politics from the Pulpit?
Deborah Berho, George Fox University
Cantando Our Own Songs: Worship Music in Evangelical Latino Churches
C. Lynn Carr, Seton Hall University
How Can You Be Both ____ and Lukumi? Reconciling Multiple Religious Attachments in the U.S.
Responding:
Nichole Phillips, Emory University
Business Meeting:
Gerardo Marti, Davidson College, and Ann B. McClenahan, Boston Theological Institute, Presiding

A22-115

Religion in South Asia Section and Space, Place, and Religion Group
Theme: Tomb and Mortuary Relic Worship in South Asia
Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hilton-302 (Level 3)
Valerie Stoker, Wright State University, Presiding
Tilto Detige, Ghent University
Absence, Agency, and Immanence: The Ritual Veneration of Deceased Ascetics as a Technology of the Self in Digambara Jainism
Carl W. Ernst, University of North Carolina
Islamic Norms and Local Identity in the South Asian Sufi Shrine
Mark McLaughlin, College of William and Mary
Pre-Dargah Roots of Hindu Samadhi Burial Practice
Dean Accardi, Connecticut College
Politics Enshrined: Governing the Sacred Landscape through the Tombs of Sufi Saints
Responding:
Carla Bellamy, City University of New York

A22-116

Study of Islam Section and Animals and Religion Group
Theme: To Kill or Not to Kill: Islamic Perspectives on Animal Ethics
Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Marriott-A702 (Atrium Level)
Dalia Abo-Haggar, Harvard University, Presiding
Nuri Friedlander, Harvard University
Can Pain Be Good? Muslim Theologians and Jurists on the Problem of Animal Pain
Ghazala Anwar, Graduate Theological Union
From Animal Welfare to Animal Rights: The Basmalah of Vegetarianism
Magfirah Dahlan-Taylor, Craven Community College
Beyond Barbarity and Concealment: Islamic Responses to Postdomesticity
Sarra Tlili, University of Florida
Between the Letter and the Spirit of the Prophet's Word: al-Nafrawi on the Treatment of Insects
Responding:
Kecia Ali, Boston University

A22-117

Teaching Religion Section and Qur'an Group
Theme: Aesthetics, Authority, and Audience: New Directions in Teaching the Qur'an
Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Marriott-L508 (Lobby Level)
Roshan Iqbal, Georgetown University, Presiding
Youshaa Patel, Lafayette College
Texts and Contexts
Justine Howe, Case Western Reserve University
Translation as Interpretation
Lauren Osborne, Whitman College
Hearing the Qur'an
Elliott Bazzano, Le Moyne College
Reading the Qur'an through a TED Talk
Responding:
Anna M. Gade, University of Wisconsin
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**A22-118**

**Afro-American Religious History Group**

Theme: *The Work, Life, and Legacy of Vincent Harding: Reflections on Activism and Afro-American Religious History*

Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM  
Hyatt-Piedmont (Atlanta Conference Level)

Valerie C. Cooper, Duke University, Presiding  
Tobin Shearer, University of Montana  
*Vincent Harding's Academic/Activist Union: The Mennonite Roots, 1960–1965*  
Juan Floyd-Thomas, Vanderbilt University  
*That's Not How the Story Ends: Vincent Harding's Liberating Vision of African-American Religious History*

Responding:  
Rachel E. Harding, University of Colorado, Denver  
Business Meeting:  
LeRhonda Manigault-Bryant, Williams College, and Josef Sorett, Columbia University, Presiding

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**A22-119**

**Anthropology of Religion Group**

Theme: *Phenomenological Anthropology and the Study of Religion*

Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM  
Hyatt-Lenox (Atlanta Conference Level)

David Amponsah, University of Missouri, Presiding  
Don Seeman, Emory University  
*Between Phenomenological Anthropology and the Phenomenology of Religion*  
Kate DeConinck, Harvard University  
*Negotiating Religion in the Wake of Mass Tragedy: An Existential, Phenomenological, and Anthropological Analysis of the 9/11 Tribute Center*  
George Gonzalez, Monmouth University  
*Towards an “Existential Archaeology” of Corporate Spirituality*  
Marc Loustau, Harvard University  
*“Making a Little (Christian) Friendship”: What Do Phenomenological Anthropology and Christian Ethics Have to Say to Each Other about Friendship?*

Responding:  
Devaka Premawardhana, Colorado College

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**A22-120**

**Asian North American Religion, Culture, and Society Group**

Theme: *Asian American Christian Ethics*  
Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM  
Marriott-M106-107 (Marquis Level)

Rachel A. R. Bundang, Stuart Hall and Convent of the Sacred Heart, Presiding

Panelists:  
Kwok Pui Lan, Episcopal Divinity School  
Rita Brock, Brite Divinity School  
Traci C. West, Drew University  
Andrew Park, United Theological Seminary  
Patrick S. Cheng, Chicago Theological Seminary

Responding:  
Grace Kao, Claremont School of Theology  
Ilisu Ahn, North Park University  
Business Meeting:  
Devin Singh, Dartmouth College, and Rachel A. R. Bundang, Stuart Hall and Convent of the Sacred Heart, Presiding

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**A22-121**

**Bonhoeffer: Theology and Social Analysis Group and SBL Theological Interpretation of Scripture Group**

Theme: *Bonhoeffer as Theological Interpreter of Scripture*  
Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM  
Marriott-A704 (Atrium Level)

Myk Habets, Carey Baptist College, Presiding  
R. Walter Moberly, University of Durham  
*Bonhoeffer’s “Creation and Fall” Revisited*  
Tyler Atkinson, Bethany College  
*Bonhoeffer, Qoheleth, and the “Natural Joy of Bodily Life”*  
Chris Dodson, University of Aberdeen  
“The Person Who Receives Blessing... Must Also Suffer Much”: Dietrich Bonhoeffer, Wilhelm Hermann, and a Hermeneutic of Suffering  
Derek Taylor, Duke University  
*Nonreligious and yet Theological: Bonhoeffer’s Interpretation in a World Come of Age*
A22-122
Childhood Studies and Religion Group
Theme: Children’s Religious Education: Schools, Temples, and Beyond
Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hilton-307 (Level 3)
Zayn Kassam, Pomona College, Presiding
Zahra Ayubi, Dartmouth College
Raising the Gendered Soul: Childhood and Prescribed Gender Roles in Premodern Islamic Ethics
Sailaja Krishnamurti, York University
Children’s Texts and Pedagogies of Religion and Identity in Toronto Area Hindu Temples
Leslie Ribovich, Princeton University
“Loving Thy Neighbor” in 1950s New York City Public Schools: Students’ Understandings of Morality and Religion
Responding:
Vanessa R. Sasson, Marianopolis College
Business Meeting:
Susan Ridgely, University of Wisconsin, Oshkosh, Presiding

A22-123
Class, Religion, and Theology Group and SBL Poverty in the Biblical World Group
Theme: Class, Religion, and the Bible
Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Marriott-L401-403 (Lobby Level)
Ken Estey, Brooklyn College, Presiding
Joerg Rieger, Southern Methodist University
Why We Cannot Afford to Study Religion and Theology (or Anything Else) without Class
Keri Day, Brite Divinity School
From Atlanta to Africa: Class, Globalized Gospels of Success, and the New Black South
Monica Melanchthon, University of Divinity
“Tapping” the Hebrew Bible for Life in Just Social Relations – the Subaltern Way
Richard A. Horsley, University of Massachusetts, Boston
Class Conflict: What the Gospels Are All About
Responding:
Roland Boer, University of Newcastle

A22-124
Comparative Theology Group
Theme: The Liturgical Turn in Comparative Theology: Methods and Cases
Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hyatt-Marietta (Atlanta Conference Level)
Martha L. Moore-Keish, Columbia Theological Seminary, Presiding
Marianne Moyaert, VU University Amsterdam
From Inter-Texting to Inter-Riting: Opportunities and Challenges
Jon Paul Sydnor, Emmanuel College
Phenomenological Analysis of Interreligiously Shared Monoreligious Rites
James Farwell, Virginia Theological Seminary
Not-Two with Christ
Francis X. Clooney, Harvard University
Deep Ritual Thinking: Challenge and Opportunity for the Comparative Theologian
Joshua Ralston, University of Edinburgh
Ritual Embodiment after Iconoclasm: A Sunni and Protestant Comparative Liturgical Theology
Business Meeting:
Hugh Nicholson, Loyola University Chicago, and Kristin Johnston Largen, Lutheran Theological Seminary, Presiding

A22-125
Confucian Traditions Group
Theme: The Ambiguous Place of Xiao (Filial Piety) in Premodern Chinese Thought
Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hyatt-Williams (Atlanta Conference Level)
Pauline Lee, Saint Louis University, Presiding
Liang Cai, University of Arkansas
The Master Kept a Distance from His Own Son: Is Confucian Xiao孝 Consanguinism?
Keith Knapp, The Citadel
Punishing the Unfilial: A Confucianization of Early Chinese Law?
Wei Zhang, University of South Florida
Xiao in Early Confucian Texts and Later Imperial Discourses
Business Meeting:
Yong Huang, Chinese University of Hong Kong, Presiding

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A22-126

Daoist Studies Group

Theme: Historical Models of Daoism and State Authority

Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott-International 3 (International Level)

Joshua Capitanio, University of the West, Presiding

Mark Csikszentmihalyi, University of California, Berkeley
The Eastern Han State and Daoist Heterodoxies

Terry Kleman, University of Colorado
Daoism and the State under the Northern Dynasties

Stephen R. Bokenkamp, Arizona State University
Bringing the Periphery to the Center: The Myths of Han Ziming

Jonathan Pettit, Purdue University
The Daoist Conversion of Yi guan Dao in Mid-Twentieth Century Taiwan

Business Meeting:

David Mozina, Boston College, and Elena Valussi, Loyola University Chicago, Presiding

A22-127

Hinduism Group

Theme: Hinduism, Science, and the Modern Indian Nation

Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hyatt-Roswell (Atlanta Conference Level)

Patton Burchett, New York University, Presiding

Claire Robison, University of California, Santa Barbara
"A Scientific and Systematic Religion": Representations of Gaudiya Vaishnava Hindu Tradition in Contemporary Mumbai

Robert Geraci, Manhattan College
Narendra Modi and the Revelation of Vedic Science

Daniel Cheifer, Syracuse University
Science, Ritual, Affect, and Community in the Gayatri Pariwar

Antoinette DeNapoli, University of Wyoming
"God's and Humans' DNA are the same": The Rhetoric of Technoscience and the Reimagining of the Modern in the Practices of Hindu Sādhus in North India

Responding:

Loriliai Biernacki, University of Colorado

A22-128

Japanese Religions Group

Theme: Conceiving Esoteric Buddhism in Medieval Japan

Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott-International 6 (International Level)

Asuka Sango, Carleton College, Presiding

Matthew McMullen, University of California, Berkeley
Reconsidering the Exoteric–Esoteric Paradigm in Medieval Japanese Buddhism

Mikael Bauer, University of Leeds
Conceiving the Esoteric–Esoteric in the Writings of Kojima no Shinkō (934–1004)

Yeonjoo Park, University of Illinois
Winding-Snake Mind: Tendai Esoteric Understanding of Non-duality and the Dynamic Structure of Enlightenment in the Keiran Shūyōshū

Brian Ruppert, University of Illinois
The Turning-the-Dharma-Wheel Rite and Its Manuals: Constructing the Esoteric Buddhist Sovereign and Kami–Buddhist Multiverse of Medieval "Japan" (Nihon)

Aaron Proffitt, University of Michigan
Déban (1179–1252) and the "Esoteric Pure Land" Culture of Early-Medieval Kōya san

Responding:

Fabio Rambelli, University of California, Santa Barbara

Business Meeting:

Mark Rowe, McMaster University, Presiding

A22-129

Latina/o Religion, Culture, and Society Group and La Comunidad of Hispanic Scholars of Religion

Theme: Honoring Justo González: Latino/a Christian Thought Past, Present and Future

Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton-304 (Level 3)

Jean-Pierre Ruiz, Saint John’s University, New York
Santa Biblia and Beyond: The Promise of Latino/a Biblical Interpretation

Responding:

Loriliai Biernacki, University of Colorado
Loida I. Martell-Otero, Palmer Theological Seminary

Mañana: Constructing Latina/o Theologies — Issues and Opportunities

Carlos Cardoza-Orlandi, Southern Methodist University

Interreligious Dialogue and Christian Mission and Ministry: Revisiting Our Theological Agenda in Light of World Christianity Studies

Joanne Rodríguez, Hispanic Theological Initiative, Princeton, NJ

Hispanic Summer Program (HSP), Asociación para la Educación Teológica Hispana (AETH), and Hispanic Theological Initiative (HTI): Latino/a Theological Education since 1989

Responding:

Justo L. Gonzalez, Decatur, GA

Business Meeting:

Efrain Agosto, New York Theological Seminary, Teresa Delgado, Iona College, Theresa Torres, University of Missouri, Kansas City, and Joanne Rodríguez, Hispanic Theological Initiative, Princeton, NJ, Presiding

A 22-130

Liberal Theologies Group

Theme: Liberal Perspectives on Climate Change

Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton-201 (Level 2)

Sarah Morice Brubaker, Phillips Theological Seminary, Presiding

Panelists:

Myriam Renaud, University of Chicago

Laurel D. Kearns, Drew University

Mark I. Wallace, Swarthmore College

Sofia Betancourt, Yale University

Daniel McKanan, Harvard University

Business Meeting:

Daniel McKanan, Harvard University, and Sarah Morice Brubaker, Phillips Theological Seminary, Presiding

A 22-131

Music and Religion Group

Theme: Like You Mean It: Religious Sincerity in American Popular Music

Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton-401-402 (Level 4)

Stephen A. Marini, Wellesley College, Presiding

Anne E. Monius, Harvard University

Get Up, Stand Up: Bob Marley in Performance

Chad Seales, University of Texas

For Africa With Love: U2’s Bono and the Religious Sincerity of Millennial Capitalism

Harold Attridge, Yale University

Seeing the Invisible, Knowing the Unknowable: Philo’s Assent To God

Kevin Corrigan, Emory University

Eros and Ascent in Platonism

Passing Religion: Bob Dylan and the Musical Politics of Difference

Responding:

Jason C. Bivins, North Carolina State University

Business Meeting:

Philip Stoltzfus, University of Saint Thomas, Minnesota, Presiding

A 22-132

Nineteenth Century Theology Group and Schleiermacher Group

Theme: Schleiermacher and Mediating Theology

Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton-205 (Level 2)

Annette G. Aubert, Westminster Theological Seminary, Presiding

Matthias Gockel, Friedrich-Schiller-Universitat, Presiding

David Chao, Princeton Theological Seminary

Eutychpro and the Doctrine of God: Isaak Dorner’s Reconstruction of Divine Immutability in Ethical Terms

Darren Sumner, Fuller Theological Seminary, Northwest

Kenosis as a Mediating Christology: The Erlangen School and the Logic of Incarnation

Kevin Vander Schel, Villanova University

Mediating Christ: The Christocentric Theologies of Neander and Ullmann

Zachary Purvis, University of Edinburgh

Mediating Theology, Historicism, and the Sociology of Knowledge

A 22-133

Platonism and Neoplatonism Group

Theme: Ascent and Eros in the Platonic Tradition

Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton-206 (Level 2)

John Kenney, Saint Michael’s College, Presiding

Mark Edwards, Oxford University

Solomon’s Kiss from Origen to the Later Middle Ages

Harold Attridge, Yale University

Seeing the Invisible, Knowing the Unknowable: Philo’s Assent To God

Kevin Corrigan, Emory University

Eros and Ascent in Platonism
A22-134

Psychology, Culture, and Religion Group

Theme: Help, Harm, or Resistance? Psychological and Religious Practices of Caregiving in a Neo-Liberal Society
Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton-Grand Salon D (Level 2)

Pamela Cooper-White, Union Theological Seminary, Presiding

Jessica Van Denend, Union Theological Seminary
Neoliberalism’s Empathy and the Denial of Complicity and/or Commonality with the Suffering Other

Richard Coble, Vanderbilt University
Chaplain as Cyborg: Negotiating Care in a Neoliberal Age

Melinda McGarrah Sharp, Phillips Theological Seminary
Locked in Disbelief: Reading Michelle Alexander and Jessica Benjamin to Loosen Resistance in the Bonds of Love

Cecid Johnson, Wesley Theological Seminary
Fanon, Freud, and Foucault: Towards an Integrative Approach to Soul Care in the Neoliberal Age

Mary Clark Moschella, Yale University
Joyful, Spiritual Resistance: A Case Study

A22-135


Theme: Laudato Si’: Realities are Greater than Ideas?
Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton-Grand Ballroom A (Level 2)

Ivan Strenski, University of California, Riverside, Presiding

Pope Francis much anticipated encyclical ‘Laudato Si’ includes an appeal for “Dialogue among the various sciences . . . [which] can tend to become enclosed in [their] own language, while specialization leads to certain isolation and the absolutization of [their] own field of knowledge.” From the perspective of six AAR Program Units with overlapping interests in the themes developed by Francis, this roundtable responds to the Pope’s request for “An open and respectful dialogue that looks to the common good, . . . always keeping in mind that “realities are greater than ideas”.

Panelists:
Christopher Duncanson-Hales, University of Sudbury
Heather Eaton, Saint Paul University
Barbara Muraca, Oregon State University

A22-136

Religion and Sexuality Group

Theme: Bodies that Matter: Exploring Dynamic Disabilities, Holy Children, Black Nuns, and the Virgin Mary
Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott-A705 (Atrium Level)

Robyn Henderson-Espinoza, Pacific School of Religion, Presiding

Shannen Williams, University of Tennessee

Leonard Curry, Vanderbilt University
Ordinary Aesthetics or Disabling Sightlines in Theological Personhood

Johanna Hurtig, University of Helsinki
Religious Community and Sexual Violence against Children: Conservative Laestadianism, a Revival Movement in the Evangelical Lutheran Church of Finland

Elina Vuola, University of Helsinki
Finnish Eastern Orthodox Women, the Virgin Mary, and Gender

Responding:
Sharon Fennema, Pacific School of Religion
Business Meeting:
Nina Hoel, University of Oslo, Presiding

A22-137

Religion in Premodern Europe and the Mediterranean Group

Theme: Medieval Christian Conceptions of Muslims and Jews
Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton-308 (Level 3)

Martha Newman, University of Texas, Presiding

Ryan Strickler, Australian Catholic University
Christian and Jewish Apocalyptic Responses to Seventh-Century Cries

Michael Heyes, University of South Florida
Circumcising oblirius: Threatening Sexuality and Religious Alterity in the Life of Saint Margaret

David Freidenreich, Colby College
Muslim Christ-Killers in Medieval Iberian Art

Responding:
Sharon Fennema, Pacific School of Religion
Business Meeting:
Nina Hoel, University of Oslo, Presiding

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Deana Klepper, Boston University
*Christian Hebraism in a Changing Iberian Landscape: Ponce Carbonell, Pablo de Santa Maria, and Christian Engagement with Jewish Tradition*

Erika Tritle, University of Chicago
*On Choosing to Live without Dew or Hoarfrost in Late Medieval Spain*

**Business Meeting:**
Brian Catsos, University of California, Santa Cruz, University of Colorado, and David Freidenreich, Colby College, Presiding

**A22-138**

**Religion, Affect, and Emotion Group**

**Theme:** *Affect and the Politics of Religious Conviction*

Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton-208 (Level 2)

Liane Carlson, Columbia University, Presiding

Valentina Napolitano, University of Toronto
*On an Affective Return: Francis, the Criollo Pope*

Jessica Johnson, University of Washington
*Coming under Conviction Online to Bodily Affect and Political Effect*

Eleanor Craig, Harvard University
*Being the Promise: Happiness and Exhaustion in a Service Economy*

Responding:
Abigail Kluchin, Ursinus College

Business Meeting:
Donovan Schaefer, University of Oxford, Presiding

**A22-139**

**Religion, Memory, History Group**

**Theme:** *The Work of Material Memory: Nostalgia, (Dis-)Comfort, and Identity Construction in Religious Practice*

Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott-M301-302 (Marquis Level)

Matthew King, University of California, Riverside, Presiding

Katja Rakow, Heidelberg University
*Materiality and Memory: The Bound Bible as Material Anchor for Nostalgia*

Alexandra Kaloyanides, Yale University
*American Jesus in Burma: The Religious Face of Ethnic Difference*

Sean McCloud, University of North Carolina, Charlotte
*The Discomfort of Things: Materiaally Purging Memory through Object Destruction*

David Walker, University of California, Santa Barbara
*The Silent Missionary: Stereoscopic Tourism in the Mormon Imaginary*

Responding:
Pamela Klassen, University of Toronto

Business Meeting:
Jodi Eichler-Levine, Lehigh University, and Mona Hassan, Duke University, Presiding

**A22-140**

**Religious Conversions Group**

**Theme:** Discussion of *The Oxford Handbook of Religious Conversion* (2014)

Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton-309 (Level 3)

Chad Bauman, Butler University, Presiding

Panelists:
Lewis R. Rambo, San Rafael, CA
Charles E. Farhadian, Westmont College
Eliza Kent, Skidmore College
Reid Locklin, University of Toronto
Ezra Ozurek, London School of Economics
Anne Spencer, College of Idaho

**Business Meeting:**
Charles J. Scalise, Fuller Theological Seminary, Presiding

**A22-141**

**Sacred Texts and Ethics Group**

**Theme:** *Activism, Exegesis, and Prison Theology: Religion and Biblical Interpretation in the Campaign for a Georgia Death Row Inmate*

Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton-211 (Level 2)

Reggie Williams, McCormick Theological Seminary, Presiding

Jennifer McBride, Wartburg College
*Freedom and Hope on the Inside: The Transformative Power of Prison Theology*

Letitia M. Campbell, Emory University
*Motives, Messaging and Messengers: Religious Rhetoric and Persuasion in the #KellyOnMyMind Campaign*

Jeania Ree Moore, University of Cambridge
*Scripture as Primary, Secondary, and Tertiary: A Substantial and Shifting Resource in Political Engagement*

Kimberly Jackson, Absalom Jones Episcopal Center
*Preaching Justice and the Bible: A Case Study and Pastoral Reflection*

Melissa Browning, Mercer University
*Single Stories, Complex Issues, and the Ethics of Solidarity*

Responding:
Elizabeth Margaret Bounds, Emory University

**Business Meeting:**
Emily Filler, Earlham College, Presiding

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A22-142

Yoga in Theory and Practice Group
Theme: Yoga and Nationalism: Identity and Destiny
Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hilton-213 (Level 2)
Andrew J. Nicholson, Stony Brook University, Presiding
Andrea Jain, Indiana University-Purdue University, Indianapolis
Where Yoga, Homophobia, and Nationalism Intersect: Baba Ramdev and the Sexual Politics of Yoga
Sravana Borkatks Varma, Rice University
Stirring the Teapot: Saffron vs. Red
Christa Schwind, Iliff School of Theology, University of Denver
Imagining an American Yoga: Sridiva #Buckthebuck

Responding:
Hugh B. Urban, Ohio State University

Business Meeting:
Andrea Jain, Indiana University-Purdue University, Indianapolis, Presiding

A22-143

Occupying Latino Male Bodies Seminar
Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hyatt-Hanover C (Exhibit Level)
Miguel A. De La Torre, Iliff School of Theology, Presiding
By invitation only.
Panelists:
Santiago H. Slabodsky, Claremont Graduate University, Claremont School of Theology
Chris Tirres, DePaul University
Elias Ortega-Aponte, Drew University
Luis Leon, University of Denver
Manuel A. Vasquez, University of Florida

A22-144

Exploratory Sessions
Theme: The State of Political Theology Today
Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hilton-Grand Salon A (Level 2)
Inese Radzins, Pacific School of Religion, Presiding
Panelists:
Abbas Barzegar, Georgia State University
Alex Dubilet, Vanderbilt University
Ruth Marshall, University of Toronto
Erin Runions, Pomona College
Ted A. Smith, Emory University
Andrea C. White, Union Theological Seminary
Responding:
Annika Thiem, Villanova University

A22-145

Exploratory Sessions
Theme: Marian Apparitions and Theoretical Problems in Religious Studies
Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hyatt-Baker (Atlanta Conference Level)
Jill Krebs, McDaniel College, Presiding
Panelists:
J. Gordon Melton, Baylor University
Massimo Introvigne, Center for Studies on New Religions, Turin, Italy
Jeffrey J. Kripal, Rice University
Leonard Norman Primiano, Cabrini College
Sandra Zimdars-Swartz, University of Kansas
Kristy Nabhan-Warren, University of Iowa
Emily Suzanne Clark, Gonzaga University
Ann Taves, University of California, Santa Barbara
Joseph Laycock, Texas State University

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Wildcard Session

**Theme:** How to Do Things with Scripture: Case Studies in Performing the Word

*Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM*

*Marriott-L405-406 (Lobby Level)*

*Maria Doerfler, Duke University, Presiding*

*Rebecca Rine, University of Virginia*

*How Scripture (and Commentary) Can Transform Its Hearers: Language and Linguistics in Gregory of Nyssa*

*Mark James, University of Virginia*

*Learning the Language of Scripture: Origen, Analogy, and the Logic of Performativity*

*Sean Moberg, Catholic University of America*

*Making Scripture Present: Meditation in Monasticism and Ancient Philosophy*

*Robin Darling Young, Catholic University of America*

*Scriptural Symbola and the Monastic Habit in the Fourth Century*

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**Karl Barth Society of North America**

**Theme:** Theological Theology — Engagements with the Work of John Webster

*Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM*

*Hilton-Grand Salon C (Level 2)*

*R. David Nelson, Grand Rapids, MI, Presiding*

In a number of significant monographs and essays, John Webster has advocated for a more theological theology. To claim that Christian theology should in fact be thoroughly theological means that theological discourse gains little by conforming to the canons of inquiry that govern other disciplines. Theology, rather, should focus its attention on its own unique subject, God and all things in relation to God, and should follow procedures that allow it to access and bear witness to these realities. This panel explores various aspects of Webster’s program for theological theology. The session concludes with a response from Webster.

*Kevin J. Vanhoozer, Trinity Evangelical Divinity School*

*Exegesis I know, and Theology I know, but who are you? Acts 19 and the Theological Interpretation of Scripture*

*Katherine Sonderegger, Virginia Theological Seminary*

*The Sinlessness of Christ*

*Francis Watson, Durham University*

*Does Historical Criticism Exist? A Contribution to Debate on the Theological Interpretation of Scripture*

**Responding:**

*John B. Webster, University of Saint Andrews*

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**Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion**

**Theme:** Grant Writing Conversations

*Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM*

*Hyatt-Centennial Ballroom Booth #1311 (Ballroom Level)*

Do you have a grant idea for a project on teaching and learning? Have you ever thought about applying for a Wabash Center grant? Do you have questions about our grant procedures and protocols, whether your project would qualify, or how your ideas might be shaped into an appropriate Wabash Center proposal? Come see us at our booth in the exhibit area on Sunday, Nov. 22 from 9:00 AM–11:30 AM to meet with one of the Wabash Center Staff. We are scheduling appointments ahead of time. Please write Trish Overpeck (overpeck@wabash.edu) to schedule a time to meet with us.

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**Student Lounge Roundtable**

**Theme:** Making Grading and Assessment Work for You

*Sunday, 9:30 AM–11:00 AM*

*Hyatt-Hanover A (Exhibit Level)*

This roundtable will cover best practices for a variety of assessments: papers, class presentations, quizzes, final exams, fieldwork, and portfolios. We will also draw on education research and our own experiences to discuss some of the difficult questions around grading: How to be consistent? How to be fair? How to provide meaningful feedback when time is limited? How to craft assessments that reflect the wide range of goals in a religion course? The presider will provide participants with a packet of sample assessments and other practical tools for classroom use.

**Panelist:**

*Joshua Canzona, Georgetown University*
P22-109

International Association for the Cognitive Science of Religion
Theme: Current Approaches to Religious Cognition
Sunday, 10:00 AM–12:30 PM
Marriott-M102 (Marquis Level)

P22-112

Christian Theological Research Fellowship
Theme: Theosis: Protestant and Ecumenical Possibilities
Saturday, 10:00 AM–12:00 PM
Sheraton-Atlanta 1–2 (Level 1)
Esther Acolatse, Duke University, Presiding
Protestant and Ecumenical Possibilities “Ye are gods” (Ps 82:6); “God became man so that men can become gods” (Saint Athanasius). These are words to make the average Protestant squirm. While very familiar in Eastern Orthodoxy, theosis continues to be a much misunderstood and overlooked concept in Protestant circles.

Yet it expresses the biblical promise that believers will come to participate in the divine nature (2 Pet 1:4). Christ’s command to be perfect as God is perfect (Matt 5:48) can be obeyed only by those who have become like God. “He said (in the Bible) that we were ‘gods’ and He is going to make good His words” (C. S. Lewis). This panel of presentations on theosis range from a Lutheran/ecumenical perspective through Anabaptist and Wesleyan perspectives. A business meeting will follow.

Veli-Matti Karkkainen, Fuller Theological Seminary
An Ecumenical Perspective
Brenda Colijn, Ashland Theological Seminary
An Anabaptist Perspective
Randy L. Maddox, Duke University
A Wesleyan Perspective

A22-148

Student Lounge Roundtable
Theme: Double-Dipping: Or, Maximizing Your Time
Sunday, 11:00 AM–12:30 PM
Hyatt-Hanover A (Exhibit Level)

As faculty members, our responsibilities seem to increase at an ever-increasing rate. In addition to teaching, scholarship, and service, we must mentor, advise, assess, and promote our institutions in a wide variety of ways. A key to maximizing the little time that we do have left for creative endeavors is the concept of “double-dipping.” This means that one take on a project or theme, and develop it in numerous formats so that one’s energy and time is not so disjointed and ineffectual. It is something that numerous faculty do, sometimes consciously and sometimes unconsciously, in order to try to connect the various roles we must play in such a way that allows us to be more focused. I would use examples from my own work to demonstrate how I have successfully done this.

Panelist:
Donna Yarri, Alvernia University

P22-110

Society for Asian and Comparative Philosophy
Theme: Integrating Intercultural Philosophy and Theology into Academic Curriculum
Sunday, 11:30 AM–12:55 PM
Hilton-408 (Level 4)

Intercultural philosophy/theology has been catching the attention and interest of the North American undergraduate students for some time now. This panel shares some food for thought as to how we may expand our teaching curriculum and incorporate intercultural dimensions. Papers will be presented followed by questions and answers.

Anna Lannstrom, Stonehill College
Cross-Cultural Philosophy as a University Curriculum
Joseph Johnson, Roswell, GA
The Tendency to Distort in Cross-Cultural Philosophy: The Case of Tominaga Nakamoto
Daniel Coyle, Birmingham-Southern College
Nietzsche’s Cross-Cultural Philosophy for a Trans-Asiatic Curriculum of the Future
A22-149

Public University Department Chairs Meeting
Sunday, 11:30 AM–1:00 PM
Hyatt-222 (2nd Level)
Manuel A. Vasquez, University of Florida, Presiding
This session provides a forum for the chairs of religion/religious studies departments/programs at public universities to discuss issues related to teaching about and conducting research on religion in this particular context.

A22-150

Presidential Address
Theme: Valuing the Study of Religion
Sunday, 11:45 AM–12:45 PM
Hyatt-Regency (Ballroom Level)
Serene Jones, Union Theological Seminary, Presiding
In this plenary Thomas Tweed addresses urgent issues we face within and beyond the academy by asking about how the study of religion is valued. That means, first, analyzing how it is valued — and devalued — in the public arena, and discerning what that can tell us about how to refine the usual arguments for the importance of the study of religion and, thereby, help endangered programs fare better in negotiations with administrators and stakeholders. Second, attending to this theme also encourages us to identify the epistemic, moral, and aesthetic values we enact in our work. Gaining more clarity about those values, Tweed proposes, can help us more effectively confront two challenges we face in the AAR: how to advance the divisive conversation about divergent approaches and how to enhance our ongoing discussion about professional obligations. Thinking about our obligations can begin by identifying the commitments encoded in AAR policies and procedures, but we must go farther. Tweed suggests that we have to think more about professional ethics — from institutions' duty to report graduate student placement rates to individual researchers' obligation to adhere to standards of professional conduct — and we must remain vigilant in addressing trends that violate shared commitments and endanger professional life — from the recent rise in contingent faculty to the chilling challenges to academic freedom. Finally, a focus on values allows us to address divisions within the academy by reframing the stale debate about the relation between Religious Studies and Theology. By frankly acknowledging our guiding values — and concomitant normative judgments — we will not resolve all differences, but we might gain more clarity about what we share and what we don’t.
Panelist:
Thomas A. Tweed, University of Notre Dame

A22-151

Status of Racial and Ethnic Minorities in the Profession Committee and Status of Women in the Profession Committee Women’s Mentoring Lunch
Sunday, 11:45 AM–12:45 PM
Marriott-A703 (Atrium Level)
Elaine Padilla, New York Theological Seminary, Presiding
Michele Saracino, Manhattan College, Presiding
Women who are graduate students and new scholars are invited to a luncheon with over thirty womanist, feminist, and LGBTQ midcareer and senior scholars. Women will have the opportunity to mentor and be mentored in a context where every question is valued. The lunch costs $13 per person; sorry, no refunds. Registration is limited to 100. Go to https://aar.wufoo.com/forms/2015-womens-mentoring-luncheon/ to register.

Mentors:
Kecia Ali, Boston University
Rebecca Alpert, Temple University
Ellen T. Armour, Vanderbilt University
Lorilai Biernacki, University of Colorado
Socorro Castañeda-Liles, Santa Clara University
Monica A. Coleman, Claremont School of Theology
Stephanie M. Crumpton, Lancaster Theological Seminary
Melanie L. Harris, Texas Christian University
Mary E. Hunt, Women’s Alliance for Theology, Ethics, and Ritual, Silver Spring, MD
Jane Naomi Iwamura, University of the West
Namsoon Kang, Brite Divinity School, Texas Christian University
Jung Ha Kim, Georgia State University
Nami Kim, Spelman College
Cheryl A. Kirk-Duggan, Shaw University
Insook Lee, New York Theological Seminary
Michelene Pesantubbee, University of Iowa
Angela Sims, Saint Paul School of Theology
Angella Son, Drew University
Emilie M. Townes, Vanderbilt University
Andrea C. White, Union Theological Seminary

P22-111

International Association of Shin Buddhist Studies Steering Committee Programming Meeting
Sunday, 12:00 PM–2:00 PM
Hilton-409 (Level 4)
A22-201

Student Lounge Roundtable
Theme: Balancing Graduate School with Life: Work, Life, Identity, and Family
Sunday, 1:00 PM–2:30 PM
Hyatt–Hanover A (Exhibit Level)
Graduate students often struggle with the relationship between scholarship, personal identity, relationships, and other commitments. While we find meaning in scholarly pursuits enough to put on hold some vocational and relational opportunities, many of us have chosen to pursue deep relationships, develop hobbies, and participate in meaningful communities while shouldering scholarly responsibilities. Led by two students currently juggling the demands of being a parent while pursuing a PhD, this roundtable discussion respectfully inquires as to how to live a holistic and sustainable life. Andrew Ike Shepardson will focus on “Balancing Graduate School with Other Dimensions of Life and Identity” and Elissa Cutter will speak to “Balancing Academia and Family.”
Panelists:
Andrew Shepardson, Trinity College, University of Toronto
Elissa Cutter, Saint Louis University

A22-202

Teaching and Learning Committee
Theme: Conversation with 2015 Excellence in Teaching Award Winner Judith Bishop
Sunday, 1:00 PM–2:30 PM
Hyatt–Marietta (Atlanta Conference Level)
Lerone Martin, Washington University, Saint Louis, Presiding
Judith L. Bishop, the 2015 Excellence in Teaching Award Winner will offer comments on this year’s annual meeting Theme: Valuing Religion, followed by responses from former award winners Caroline Jones Medine (2013) and Bobbi Patterson (2010)
Panelist:
Judith L. Bishop, Mills College
Responding:
Barbara A. B. Patterson, Emory University
Carolyn Medine, University of Georgia

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**Women's Lounge Roundtable**

**Theme:** New Hands Tilling: Emerging Scholars’ Visions of the Future of Feminist Theology

Sunday, 1:00 PM–2:30 PM

Hyatt-Hanover B (Exhibit Level)

Theresa Ann Yugar, California State University, Los Angeles, and Francesca Tronetti, California Institute of Integral Studies, Presiding

This session invites early career researchers and emerging scholars to debate the future(s) of feminist theology in light of their own research. It provides a platform for upcoming scholars to reflect upon how their own work is shaping and re-shaping feminist discourse in religion and to speak about their own personal and professional formation. As such, this session encourages the creative work of weaving new visions. It invites panelists to discuss the direction of feminist scholarship in the 21st century — to name areas of scholarship and debate which they believe may need extending, transforming, reworking or redefining in light of global and contemporary challenges — and to do this with reflection on how their own thinking has been challenged.

- **Julia Berger, University of Kent**
  *Towards a New Discourse on Gender Equality: A Study of the Bahá'í Community’s Engagement with the United Nations*

- **Ann Duncan, Goucher College**
  *From the ‘Mommy Wars’ to the Mother of God: Motherhood, Faith and New Directions for Feminist Scholarship*

- **Melissa Pagan, Emory University**
  *Providing Sanctuary for La/os Indocumentada/os: Toward a Decolonialista Theology and Ethics*

### A22-204

**Arts, Literature, and Religion Section**

**Theme:** Cosmopolitan Modes of Religious Literature in South Asia: Modeling Local and Global

Sunday, 1:00 PM–2:30 PM

Marriott-International 7 (International Level)

Charles Preston, University of Chicago, Presiding

- **Philip Friedrich, University of Pennsylvania**
  *Religious Space and Political Sociability in Late Medieval Sinhala Sandesas*

- **Justin Henry, University of Chicago**
  *Negotiating the Past: Vernacular Historiography in Sri Lanka from the Fourteenth Century*

- **Sarah Pierce Taylor, University of Pennsylvania**
  *Jinaasen's Parsvabhyudaya and the Making of Jain Cosmopolitanism*

Responding:

- **Stephen C. Berkwitz, Missouri State University**

### A22-205

**Buddhism Section and Buddhist Critical–Constructive Reflection Group and Buddhist Philosophy Group and Feminist Theory and Religious Reflection Group**

**Theme:** Women And Buddhist Philosophy

Sunday, 1:00 PM–2:30 PM

Marriott-A704 (Atrium Level)

Sara L. McClintock, Emory University, Presiding

- **Jin Y. Park, American University**
  *Women, Buddhism, and Philosophy: Where and How Do They Meet?*

- **Karma Lekshe Tsomo, University of San Diego**
  *Buddhist Women’s Ways of Knowing: Gender and Philosophical Analysis in the Tibetan Tradition*

- **Constance Kassor, Smith College**
  *Rhetoric and Marginalization through a Tibetan Buddhist Perspective*

- **Joy Brennan, Kenyon College**
  *Gender and Karma Then and Now*

### A22-206

**Comparative Studies in Religion Section**

**Theme:** God Is Not One (HarperCollins, 2011): Author Meets Critics

Sunday, 1:00 PM–2:30 PM

Hyatt-Piedmont (Atlanta Conference Level)

Jonathan Herman, Georgia State University, Presiding

Panelists:

- **Kenny Smith, Louisiana State University**
- **Nathan Rein, Ursinus College**

Responding:

- **Stephen Prothero, Boston University**

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North American Religions Section and Psychology, Culture, and Religion Group and Religions, Medicines, and Healing Group and Secularism and Secularity Group

Theme: Healing Between Religion and the Secular in North America

Sunday, 1:00 PM–2:30 PM

Hilton-Grand Ballroom C (Level 2)

Emily Wu, Dominican University of California, Presiding

Shenandooh Nieuwsma, University of North Carolina

Between “Religion” and “the Secular:” Negotiating Healthcare “Spirituality’s” Place in the Twenty-First Century

Ira Helderman, Vanderbilt University

“Religion” and “Secular” in U.S. Psychotherapists’ Interface with Buddhist Traditions

Justin Stein, University of Toronto

The Impact of Different Framings of Reiki’s “Spirituality” on Access to U.S. Healthcare Sites

Katie Givens Kime, Emory University

The Buffered Addict: Beneath the “Religious or Not?” of Twelve-Step Programs

Responding:

Albert Silva, University of California, Berkeley

A22-208

Study of Islam Section and Contemporary Islam Group and Islamic Mysticism Group and Islamic Studies Group and Gender, Women Group and Qur’an Group

Theme: Mentoring Session for Scholars Studying Muslims/Islam

Sunday, 1:00 PM–2:30 PM

Hyatt-International South (International Tower Level LL1)

Aysha Hidayatullah, University of San Francisco, Presiding

This networking session will provide an opportunity for graduate students, faculty, and independent scholars engaged in the study of Islam and Muslims, especially those studying women and/or gender, to connect with others and receive tailored mentoring and professional advice. Attendees can choose tables based on particular interests; each table will have one or two mentors to lead a conversation on topics including publishing, the tenure process, job searches, discrimination, balancing work with family responsibilities, AAR and professional service, and discussing Islam with the media and general public.

A22-209

Theology and Religious Reflection Section

Theme: God and Religion in the Next U.S. War

Sunday, 1:00 PM–2:30 PM

Hilton-Crystal CD (Level 1)

Ed Waggoner, Brite Divinity School, Presiding

Joshua Jeffery, Vanderbilt University

“Never Been So Thoroughly Policed”: Systematic United States Government Surveillance and Suppression of Religious Dissent during the Great War, 1917–1918

Laura Alexander, University of Virginia

International Law and Humanitarian Intervention: Theological Ethics in Public Deliberation over the “Next War”

Responding:

George Hunsinger, Princeton Theological Seminary

A22-210

Women and Religion Section and Men, Masculinities, and Religions Group and Religion in Southeast Asia Group

Theme: Contesting Authority, Reclaiming Traditions: Religion and Gender in Southeast Asia

Sunday, 1:00 PM–2:30 PM

Marriott-M301-302 (Marquis Level)

Emma Tomalin, University of Leeds, Presiding

David Brian Esch, Florida International University

The World’s First Transgender Mosque: Javanese, Gendered, and Religious Embodiments

Norbani Ismail, Herndon, VA

Muslim Religious Authority and the Mass Media in Malaysia: Reaffirming Orthodoxy through Female Preachers (Pendakwah)

Tyler A. Lehrer, University of Colorado

Reframing Authority: Buddhist Blogging and the Theravāda Bhikkhuni Ordination Dispute

Lara K. Schubert, Claremont Graduate University

Restraint Over Freedom: Empowerment of Cambodian Buddhist Nuns and Female Christian Pastors
A22-211

African Diaspora Religions Group and Indigenous Religious Traditions Group and Native Traditions in the Americas Group

Theme: Decolonization through Therapeutic and Culinary Practices

Sunday, 1:00 PM–2:30 PM

Hyatt-Roswell (Atlanta Conference Level)

Gregory D. Alles, McDaniel College, Presiding

Natalie Avalos Cisneros, University of California, Santa Barbara

*Healing as Liberation: Native American and Tibetan Decolonization*

Andrea Smith, University of California, Irvine

*Indigeneity, Gender, and Anti-Blackness: Decolonizing Decolonization through Spiritual Healing and Transformation*

Scott Alves Barton, New York University

*Race, Faith, and Cake: Foodways and a Festa de Divino Espírito Santo*

Responding:

Kathleen J. Martin, California Polytechnic State University

A22-212

African Religions Group and Lesbian-Feminist Issues and Religion Group and Religions, Social Conflict, and Peace Group

Theme: Violence against Women in Africa: Politics, War, and Religion

Sunday, 1:00 PM–2:30 PM

Marriott-A705 (Atrium Level)

Dianna Bell, Vanderbilt University, Presiding

Laura Grillo, Pacifica Graduate Institute

*An Intimate Rebuke: Female Genital Power in Civil War*

Won Chul Shin, Emory University

*The Liberian Mothers’ Journey to Peace: Gendered Violence during the Liberian Civil Wars and the Liberian Women’s Mass Action for Peace as Ritual in Protest*

Michelle Wolff, Duke University

*The “Corrective” Rape of Black Lesbians in South Africa: Locating the Failure of Progressive Politics within Secular Democracy*

David Tombs, University of Otago

*Breaking the Silence: The Role of the Churches in Responding to Sexual Violence in South Africa*

Responding:

Sarojini Nadar, University of KwaZulu-Natal

A22-213

Afro-American Religious History Group

Theme: Researchin’ Our History, Tellin’ Our Truths: Afro-Jewish Studies from Insider Perspectives

Sunday, 1:00 PM–2:30 PM

Hyatt-Roswell (Atlanta Conference Level)

Sarah Azaransky, Union Theological Seminary, Presiding

Walter Isaac, Marquette University

*Cooperian Reflections on Afro-Jewish Artifacts*

Andre Key, Paine College

*Situating Black Judaism in the South: Stories of Migration and Reorientation*

Sholomo Levy, Northampton Community College

*From Out of Zion: Arnold Josiah Ford and Black Jewish Nationalism*

Responding:

Khadijah Miller, Norfolk State University

A22-214

Asian North American Religion, Culture, and Society Group

Theme: Resistance through Interpretation: Pedagogy, Memory, and Narrative Identity

Sunday, 1:00 PM–2:30 PM

Hilton-309 (Level 3)

Melissa Borja, City University of New York, Presiding

Courtney T. Goto, Boston University

*Teaching to Decenter Assumptions about Context: An Asian North American Contribution to Practical Theology*

Min-Ah Cho, Saint Catherine University

*Becoming Wisdom Woman and Strange Woman: Asian and Asian-American Women’s Pedagogy in Coping with Stereotypes*

Henry Kuo, Graduate Theological Union

*The Dangerous Memory of 1965: Immigration Legislation as Asian-American Ecclesiological Challenge*

Anne Blankenship, North Dakota State University

*Reshaping the American West: Japanese American Pioneers during World War II*
**A22-215**

**Bible, Theology, and Postmodernity Group**

**Theme:** Biblical and Theological Hermeneutics “After Postmodernity”

Sunday, 1:00 PM–2:30 PM

Marriott-A702 (Atrium Level)

Marion S. Grau, Church Divinity School of the Pacific, Presiding

Brock Perry, Drew University

Surface Reading: Affective Encounters with the Bible after Postmodernism

Brett Potter, Toronto School of Theology

Film as Midrash: Postmodern Hermeneutics and Visual Theology

Michael Sohn, Cleveland State University

Word, Writing, Tradition: Ricoeur’s Post-Modern Retrieval of Religion

Richard Livingston, Claremont Graduate University

Divining the Event Horizon

Business Meeting:

Jacob Erickson, St. Olaf College, Presiding

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**A22-217**

**Body and Religion Group and Tillich: Issues in Theology, Religion, and Culture Group**

**Theme:** Body as Ultimate Concern

Sunday, 1:00 PM–2:30 PM

Marriott-L405-406 (Lobby Level)

Shawn Arthur, Wake Forest University, Presiding

Panelists:

Russell Re Manning, Bath Spa University

Mark Lewis Taylor, Princeton Theological Seminary

Courtney Wilder, Midland University

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**A22-218**

**PRE-POSTED PAPERS SESSION**

**Black Theology Group**

**Theme:** Black Theology, The Arts, and Popular Culture

Sunday, 1:00 PM–2:30 PM

Marriott-International 1 (International Level)

Brian Bantum, Seattle Pacific University, Presiding

Jeania Ree Moore, University of Cambridge

Beauty, Ugliness, and Black Theology: A Theological Aesthetics for Black Experience

Rufus Burnett Jr., Duquesne University

Afro-Christian, Afro-Blue: Land-Based Autonomy and the Making of Blues Identities at the Turn of the Twentieth Century

Daniel White Hodge, North Park University

Yeezus is Jesuz: Examining the Socio-Hermeneutical Transmediated Images of Jesus Employed by Kanye West

Responding:

Cornel West, Union Theological Seminary

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**A22-219**

**Comparative Religious Ethics Group and Religion and Humanism Group**

**Theme:** The Future of Human Dignity

Sunday, 1:00 PM–2:30 PM

Hyatt-Edgewood (Atlanta Conference Level)

Slavica Jakelic, Valparaiso University, Presiding

Panelists:

Jennifer A. Herdt, Yale University

Matthew Puffer, University of Virginia

Chad Wellmon, University of Virginia

Responding:

Elizabeth Bucar, Northeastern University

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A22-220

Confucian Traditions Group
Theme: Roundtable Discussion on Anna Sun’s *Confucianism as a World Religion: Contested Histories and Contemporary Realities* (Princeton University Press, 2013)
Sunday, 1:00 PM–2:30 PM
Hilton-Crystal AF (Level 1)
Filippo Marsili, Saint Louis University, Presiding
Responding:
Anna Sun, Kenyon College

A22-221

Critical Theory and Discourses on Religion Group
Theme: Class, Cohort, and Aesthetics in the Study of Religion
Sunday, 1:00 PM–2:30 PM
Marriott-L508 (Lobby Level)
Laurens de Rooij, Durham University
*Influences of Social Class on the Practice of Islam*
Helena Kupari, University of Helsinki
*Sense of Beauty* and Minority Experience: The Case of Elderly Finnish Orthodox Christian Women
Sean McCloud, University of North Carolina, Charlotte
*Class, Religious Aesthetics, and Force of Habit*
Responding:
Katja Rakow, Heidelberg University
Business Meeting:
David Walker, University of California, Santa Barbara, Presiding

A22-222

Hinduism Group
Theme: Sacred Sites in Urban India: Changing Temples, Changing Hinduisms
Sunday, 1:00 PM–2:30 PM
Marriott-International 2 (International Level)
Leela Prasad, Duke University, Presiding
Jennifer Ortegren, Emory University
*Self and the City*: Constructing Middle Class Identity in the Urban, Neighborhood Temple
Emilia Bachrach, Millsaps College
*Re*constructing Krishna’s Home: Changing Temple Spaces in Gujarat and Rajasthan
Deonnie Moodie, University of Oklahoma
*Kolkata: A Modern Day Temple City?*
Joyce Burkhalter Flueckiger, Emory University
*Expanding Goddess Shrines, Changing Urban Landscapes: Hyderabad*

A22-223

Interreligious and Interfaith Studies Group and Quaker Studies Group
Theme: Quaker Spirituality and Interfaith Dialogue: Practical, Pedagogical and Ethical Dimensions
Sunday, 1:00 PM–2:30 PM
Marriott-International 3 (International Level)
Jon Kershner, University of Lancaster, Presiding
Ann Riggs, Loyola University Chicago
*The Multiple Strands of Quaker Ethics of Interfaith Dialogue*
Rebecca Mays, The Dialogue Institute, Philadelphia, PA
*Will Interfaith Study and/or Activism Compromise Individual Faith and/or Religious Communal Identity?*
Rebecca Tatum, Union Theological Seminary
Russell CD Arnold, Regis University
*Cultivating Parker Palmer’s Habits of the Heart in an Integrative Course on Israel/Palestine*
Julie Meadows, Generous Reader Editing, Clinton, SC
*A Quaker Approach to Interreligious Dialogue: Michael Birkel’s Qur’an in Conversation*
Responding:
Jennifer Howe Peace, Andover Newton Theological School

A22-224

Japanese Religions Group
Theme: Selling Spirituality, Buying Buddhism, Commercializing Kami, Marketing Merit, Delivering Doctrine: Economic Aspects of Religious Traditions in Japan
Sunday, 1:00 PM–2:30 PM
Marriott-International 6 (International Level)
Levi McLaughlin, North Carolina State University, Presiding
Fabio Rambelli, University of California, Santa Barbara
Creative Religiosity: Religious Performances and Religious Marketing in Edo Period Popular Religion
Matthew Mitchell, Duke University
Skwering Fortune: Temple Fundraising Lotteries in Early Modern Japan, with a Focus on Ōzen-jō’s Daibongan Convant
Elishava Perelman, College of Saint Benedict and Saint John’s University
*Peons of Immortality: The Consequences of Soteriological Care in Japan’s Modern Tuberculosis Epidemic*
Jessica Starling, Lewis and Clark College
*Selling Doctrine: Buddhist Women’s Associations and the Production of Religious Literature for Women (Fuujin Kyokoku) in Modern Japan*
Responding:
Stephen G. Covell, Western Michigan University

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A22-225

Middle Eastern Christianity Group
Theme: Middle Eastern Christianity and Islam: Areas for Dialogue?
Sunday, 1:00 PM–2:30 PM
Hilton–Grand Salon B (Level 2)
Michel Andraos, Catholic Theological Union, Presiding
Joshua Mugler, Georgetown University
How the Churches of Classical Baghdad Were Built
Andrew M. Sharp, University of Virginia
Orthodox Christians, Muslims, and the Environment: Ecology as Fertile Ground for Dialogue in the Middle East
Deanna Womack, Emory University
Muslim–Christian Dialogue, Past and Present: Lessons from Nineteenth–Century Ottoman Syria
Melanie Trexler, Valparaiso University
Educating the Americanes: Arab Baptist–Muslim Dialogue in Lebanon

A22-226

Music and Religion Group and Religion and Migration Group
Theme: Belief and Blessings: Migration, Music, and Affect
Sunday, 1:00 PM–2:30 PM
Hilton–208 (Level 2)
Philip Stoltzfus, University of Saint Thomas, Minnesota, Presiding
Alemayehu Bahta, Duke University
Bäsdät ’ägär Mänor: An Analysis of Ethiopian Sacred Music and the Changing Definition of Migration
Lisle Dalton, Hartwick College
“The Gospel Train to Heaven”: Technology and Salvation in Railroad Songs
Alison Marshall, Brandon University
Affective Tetherings: Blessings and Bayanihan in Filipino Canada
Business Meeting:
Alison Marshall, Brandon University, and Rubina Ramji, Cape Breton University, Presiding

A22-227

Mysticism Group
Theme: Spiritual but Not Religious: Mysticism and the “Nones”
Sunday, 1:00 PM–2:30 PM
Hilton–307 (Level 3)
Ann Gleig, University of Central Florida, Presiding
Jane A. Shaw, Stanford University
The Mystical Turn and the “Spiritual but Not Religious” Phenomenon in Early Twentieth–Century Britain
Stephanie Yuhas, University of Colorado
Seeking Non–Dual Experience: The Spiritual but Not Religious Approach to Mysticism
Linda Ceriello, Rice University
Contemporary Narratives of the SBNR and Nones: Toward a Metamodern Reading of Millennial Mysticsm
Responding:
Linda A. Mercadante, Methodist Theological School, Ohio

A22-228

Nineteenth Century Theology Group
Theme: Neo–Kantianism and Religious Thought
Sunday, 1:00 PM–2:30 PM
Hilton–304 (Level 3)
James Swan Tuite, Indiana University, Presiding
Robert Erlewine, Illinois Wesleyan University
The Philosopher as Interpreter: Hermann Cohen’s Critique of the History of Religions School
Todd Gooch, Eastern Kentucky University
Paul Natorp “Between the Times”
Peter Woodford, University of Cambridge
The Very Idea of a “Science of Religion”: Ernst Troeltsch and Heinrich Rickert in Conversation
A22-229

Pentecostal–Charismatic Movements Group
Theme: Reframing Gender and Pentecostalism in the Global and New South
Sunday, 1:00 PM–2:30 PM
Hilton-310 (Level 3)
Michael J. McClymond, Saint Louis University, Presiding
Kijan Bloomfield Maxam, Princeton University
In, But Not Of the World: Pentecostal Faith and Belonging for Women and Girls in Urban Jamaica
Judith Casselberry, Bowdoin College
Running For Jesus: Gender Mobility in Black American Pentecostalism
Justin Doran, University of Texas
The Heartfelt Spirit: A Pentecostal Dialectic between the New and the Global South

A22-230

Religion and Sexuality Group
Theme: Author Meets Critics: Erin Runions’s The Babylon Complex: Theopolitical Fantasies of War, Sex, and Sovereignty (Fordham University Press, 2014)
Sunday, 1:00 PM–2:30 PM
Marriott-M106-107 (Marquis Level)
Edward Silver, Wellesley College, Presiding
Panelists:
Ken Stone, Chicago Theological Seminary
John Howell, University of Chicago
Larisa Reznik, Bowdoin College
Cynthia Ruth Chapman, Oberlin College
Responding:
Erin Runions, Pomona College

A22-231

Science, Technology, and Religion Group
Theme: Science Fiction, Science and Religion
Sunday, 1:00 PM–2:30 PM
Marriott-International 9 (International Level)
Ted Peters, Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary, Presiding
Catherine Newell, University of Miami
Single Vision: The Wages of Scientific Materialism and Resurgence of Nature Religion in LeGuin’s “Newton’s Sleep”
Lisa L. Stenmark, San Jose State University
Developing an Apocalyptic Vision: Postcolonial and Indigenous Science Fiction and Hope for a New World
Neela Bhattacharya Saxena, Nassau Community College
All as Awakened Intelligence: Technological Singularity and the Buddhist Bard in the Film Her

A22-232

Theology and Continental Philosophy Group
Theme: Thinking Critically about the Future(s) of the Human
Sunday, 1:00 PM–2:30 PM
Marriott-L506-507 (Lobby Level)
Stefan Skrimshire, University of Leeds, Presiding
Agata Bielik-Robson, University of Nottingham
Another Ecology: Adornos Reconciliation with Nature
Thomas Lynch, Chichester University
Seeking a Philosophy for the End of the World? Religion, Hope, and Nihilism between Hegel and Bloch
Responding:
Anthony Paul Smith, La Salle University

A22-233

Traditions of Eastern Late Antiquity Group
Theme: Bordering Others: Examining Religious Community in Eastern Late Antiquity
Sunday, 1:00 PM–2:30 PM
Hilton-211 (Level 2)
James McGrath, Butler University, Presiding
Jennifer Hart, Elon University
Fixing Ritual to Fix Community: Using Orthopraxy to Define “True” Mandaism
Scott McDonough, William Paterson University
...And No Trace Left of Their Bones: Conversion and Continuity in Early Armenian Christianity
Sara Ronis, Harvard University
Seeing the Other in Sasanian Babylonia
Christina Grobmeier, Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary
Don't Bowl Me Over: An Examination of Aramaic Curse Bowls and the Suba Cave Inscriptions
Todd Godwin, University of London
The Word “Tajik”/ “Daqing” in Chinese Sources and What It Tells Us about the Islamicization of Central Asia during the Early Abbasid Caliphate

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A22-234

Wildcard Session
Theme: From Post-Apartheid Cape Town to Post-Racial Ferguson: Black Death, Public Protests, and the Recasting of White Shamelessness
Sunday, 1:00 PM–2:30 PM
Hilton–Grand Salon E (Level 2)
Rachel C. Schneider, Rice University
Prophetic Politics and Police Brutality in Urban South Africa
Christopher Driscoll, Rice University
From ‘Big Men’ Back to White Boys: The Shameful Path of White Male American Identity Formation
Elonda Clay, VU University Amsterdam
Burn This Bitch Down! Protest Space, Apocalyptic Envisioning, and Media Representations of Racial Unrest in Ferguson, Missouri
Tiffany Trent, Arizona State University
Scripturalism, Abrahamic Patriarchy, and the Tenth Commandment: Contemporary Constructions and Criminalizations of Black Advancement as Theft

A22-235

Wildcard Session
Theme: Moltmann and the Future of Theology
Sunday, 1:00 PM–2:30 PM
Hilton–Grand Ballroom A (Level 2)
M. Douglas Meeks, Vanderbilt University, Presiding
Over the past 60 years the theology of Jurgen Moltmann has found resonance throughout the world, perhaps more than any other Protestant theologian. His theology combines biblical inspiration, sensitivity to church tradition, attention both to spirituality and political engagement, and it addresses central questions of human existence in the light of the “coming of God.” Academic theology today is in a crisis. If we judge by the sales of theological books or reputation of theologians in the scholarly and non-scholarly public, neither the church nor the world seems to need academic theology. What would be required for theology to become authentically public again? The purpose of this session is to explore ways in which Moltmann’s theology, both its style and content, can provide resources for revitalization of theology today.
Willie J. Jennings, Yale University
Jürgen Moltmann, The First Postcolonial Theologian?
Catherine Keller, Drew University
Earth-Hope: Moltmann, Political Theology, and Global Warming
Christopher L. Morse, Union Theological Seminary
Accounting for the Hope

Miroslav Volf, Yale University
What I Wish I Could Learn from Moltmann
Amos Yong, Fuller Theological Seminary
The Future Spirit of Theology: Moltmann, Pneumatology, and Trinitarian Theology for the Third Millennium
Responding:
Jürgen Moltmann, Eberhard-Karls-Universitat, Tübingen, Germany

A22-240

Applied Religious Studies Working Group
Theme: Another Plan “A”: Religious Studies Education and Careers Beyond the Academy
Sunday, 1:00 PM–2:30 PM
Marriott–A703 (Atrium Level)
Cristine Hutchison-Jones, Harvard Law School, Presiding
Worried about the job market? Thinking that a career in higher ed no longer matches your interests and goals? Or just wondering about options? Join the new Applied Religious Studies Working Group for a discussion of career paths outside the academy. Panelists hold masters and doctoral degrees from a variety of religious studies, theology, and other humanities programs and have worked in fields including: publishing and editing journalism nonprofits and foundations government consulting religious communities academic administration social work and health care marketing Come hear more about how graduate education in religious studies prepares us for — and enhances our practice of — various careers. The panel discussion will be followed by an open conversation with the audience and group table discussions led by the panelists. Come tell us what AAR can do to better serve members who are exploring non-academic careers and to support those who have moved beyond the academy!
Panelists:
Patton Dodd, H.E.B. Family Foundation
Chris Hutchison-Jones, Pine Street Inn Men’s Stabilization Unit at the Lemuel Shattuck Hospital, Jamaica Plain, MA
Rodney Knowles, Research Now, Dallas, TX
J. Shawn Landres, Quality and Productivity Commission, Los Angeles County
Randall Miller, Arcus Foundation, New York, NY
Hussein Rashid, Hofstra University
P22-219

Society for Ancient Mediterranean Religions
Theme: New Approaches in Social Sciences and the Study of Ancient Religion
Sunday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Hyatt-Kennesaw (Atlanta Conference Level)
Jeffrey Brodd, California State University, Sacramento, Presiding
Megan Daniels, Stanford University
Religion, Cultural Evolution, and Axial Age Transitions: Investigating the Queen of Heaven in the Iron Age Mediterranean
Sung Soo Hong, University of Texas
A Hybrid Agency in the Making of Hellenistic Judaism: 2 Maccabees as a Test Case
Carmen Palmer, University of Toronto
The Language of “Brotherhood” in Ancient Mediterranean Groups: A Sign of Shared Kinship
David Jorgensen, Colby College
Methodological Approaches to Orthodoxy and Heresy in Recent Scholarship

A22-236

Status of Persons with Disabilities in the Profession Committee Meeting
Sunday, 1:00 PM–4:00 PM
Marriott-L501 (Lobby Level)
Julia Watts Belser, Georgetown University, Presiding

A22-237

Graduate Student Committee
Theme: Undergraduate Workshops at Georgia State University
Sunday, 2:00 PM–5:00 PM
Hyatt-Meet at AAR Membership Desk (Exhibit Level)
Rupa Pillai, University of Oregon, Presiding
Meet at 1:30 PM at the AAR Membership Desk to walk from the Hyatt to the 17th floor of 25 Park Place. In coordination with the AAR’s Graduate Student Committee, GSU’s Religious Studies Department invites undergraduates to attend an afternoon of free workshops on its campus, a 10-minute walk from the Hyatt. The event will start with a session from 2:00 PM–3:15 PM on “Navigating the Discipline: Understanding and Making the Most of the Study of Religion.” A meet-and-greet reception will follow from 3:15 PM–3:45 PM. The event will conclude with a workshop on “Applying Skills of Religious and Theological Studies after Undergrad,” which will focus on applying to graduate school — in both religion and other fields. It will also include tips on how to market skills learned in the study of religion to pursue other career opportunities. All undergraduates are welcome to attend. For questions, contact kslominski@gsu.edu.
Panelists:
Kristy Slominski, Georgia State University
Brett Esaki, Georgia State University
Molly Bassett, Georgia State University

A22-238

Student Lounge Roundtable
Theme: Writing in Community: How a Writing Group Can Enhance Your Thesis or Dissertation
Sunday, 2:30 PM–4:00 PM
Hyatt-Hanover A (Exhibit Level)
Dissertation and thesis writing can be an isolating experience — sometimes by design, sometimes by seeming necessity. The built-in community of seminars is over, and the demands of the project leave little time for friends. Conventional wisdom suggests that forced isolation is the only way to complete a dissertation in a reasonable amount of time. Yet, for many the prospect of spending months in the solitary confinement of a library cubicle can be daunting. Moreover, for those (like us) with families, such isolation is simply untenable. In this workshop we explore an alternative to writing in isolation: the writing group. After writing in isolation ourselves, we have found that the support of writing in community not only keeps us sane but also enhances our projects. Based on our own experiences, we will discuss such matters as finding the right writing partners, keeping each other accountable, peer-reviewing chapters, sharing meals, balancing writing with family, and avoiding potential pitfalls of communal writing.
Panelists:
David Cramer, Baylor University
Jennifer Howell, Baylor University
Jordan Rowan Fannin, Baylor University

A22-239

Jimmy Carter Presidential Library and Museum Tour
Sunday, 2:45 PM–5:00 PM
Hyatt-Meet at corner of Baker Street (Honorary Xernona Clayton Way) and Peachtree Street
Ellen Ott Marshall, Emory University, Presiding
See page 8 for details.

A22-250

Theological Education Committee
Theme: Committee Meeting
Sunday, 3:00 PM–4:30 PM
Hyatt-222 (2nd Level)
Jeffrey Williams, Brite Divinity School, Presiding

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A22-251

Contingent Faculty Task Force
Theme: Creative Responses to Contingency
Sunday, 3:00 PM–4:30 PM
Hyatt-Edgewood (Atlanta Conference Level)
Hussein Rashid, Hofstra University, Presiding

Last year, the AAR's Contingent Faculty Task Force hosted a forum to allow scholars who work in contingent positions to discuss the conditions of life and labor off the tenure track. This year, we're hosting a forum to discuss how individuals, departments, institutions, and unions can creatively respond to the contingency crisis. What can you do about the adjunct crisis if you are an adjunct, a graduate student, a faculty member, a department chair or a dean? What can your department and institutions do? What are the steps necessary to make employment equitable and fair for contingent faculty? The four panelists approach the over-reliance on contractual work in academia from different perspectives. The panel includes adjuncts, current and former, a department chair, and a dean, faculty both non-tenured track and tenured, to discuss not only the treatment of contingent workers and current unionization efforts, but also suggestions of what departments and institutions can do about the increasing casualization of higher education.

Panelists:
- Kerry Danner-McDonald, Georgetown University
- Russell T. McCutcheon, University of Alabama
- Kathleen Roberts Skerrett, University of Richmond

A22-252

Employment Workshops
Theme: Developing a Public Voice and Making a Living from It
Sunday, 3:00 PM–4:30 PM
Sheraton-Valdosta (Level 2)

This is a workshop for all who went into academia wanting to change the world — those who, to borrow the words of the jailed Chinese dissident Liu Xiaobo, "made the mistake of acting on impulses of sympathy or of justice." We are many who have pursued studies of religion and related fields in hopes of developing a public voice and perhaps providing moral leadership. Is this a quixotic dream? For those who have not found secure university employment — or who have found it and are disappointed — is it possible instead to work as a public intellectual/activist/artist? The workshop builds on participatory exercises: What might you be willing to give up in order to follow your dream — how simply can you live? What combinations of jobs might be acceptable to you? If you could become a public voice, what would you want to tell the world?

Panelist:
- Brian Palmer, Uppsala University

A22-253

Program Committee and Regional Coordinators
Theme: Expanding the Possibilities for Scholarly Conference Presentations: Alternatives, Innovations, Enhancements
Sunday, 3:00 PM–4:30 PM
Hilton-211 (Level 2)
Allen Redmon, Texas A&M University, Central Texas, Presiding

The purpose of this special topics session is to foster thoughtful and creative conversation about the possibilities of alternative modes of academic conference presentations. Although the traditional model of paper presentation will continue to have value in the academy, we seek to find ways to infuse more voices, more styles of presentation, and more perspectives into the traditional conference. A number of AAR Regional meetings have been experimenting with session formats that break the traditional mold by creating opportunities for more discussion, interaction and engagement among attendees. Brief presentations/demonstrations of some alternative conference session formats will be followed by conversation and brainstorming.

Panelists:
- Sally Smith Holt, Belmont University, Southeast Region
- B. J. Parker, Baylor University, Southwest Region
- Jacob Kinnard, Iliff School of Theology, Rocky Mountains–Great Plains Region

A22-254

Public Understanding of Religion Committee
Theme: Marty Forum: Ziba Mir-Hosseini
Sunday, 3:00 PM–4:30 PM
Hyatt-Regency (Ballroom Level)
Michael Kessler, Georgetown University, Presiding

Scholar and filmmaker Ziba Mir-Hosseini, a specialist in Islamic law, gender and development and Professorial Research Associate at the Centre for Middle Eastern and Islamic Law, University of London, is the recipient of the 2015 Martin E. Marty Award for the Public Understanding of Religion. At the Marty Forum, Professor Mir-Hosseini will be interviewed by Diana L. Eck, Harvard University. The Marty Award recognizes extraordinary contributions to the public understanding of religion.

Panelists:
- Ziba Mir-Hosseini, University of London
- Diana L. Eck, Harvard University
A22-255
Ethics Section and Comparative Approaches to Religion and Violence Group and Comparative Religious Ethics Group and Religion and Humanism Group
Theme: Religion, Law, and Violence: Comparative Approaches to the Critique of Humanitarianism, Intervention, and War
Sunday, 3:00 PM–4:30 PM
Marriott-M106-107 (Marquis Level)
Henrik Syse, Peace Research Institute Oslo, Oslo, Norway, Presiding

To this time, relatively few commentators challenge genealogies of religion and morality and their relationship to contemporary discourses of international law and humanitarian intervention. In part, this has been due to an enduring notion of intervention as divorced from historical conversations on Christian just war theory. For many, thought on intervention is best summarized by Michael Walzer, who, writing in his *Just and Unjust Wars* (1977), suggested “humanitarian intervention involves military action on behalf of oppressed people, and it requires that the intervening state enter, to some degree, into the purposes of those people” (104). Absent from Walzer’s discussion of intervention, however, are the possible genealogical inheritances such discourses retain from Christian just war discourses, among others. This panel will explore the approaches to formulating a critique humanitarian intervention, international legal norms, and the role of religious communities and discourses in the construction and deconstruction of each.

John Corrigan, Florida State University
*Religious Violence and American Foreign Policy*

Troy Mack, Drew University
*The Atrocities of Carl Schmitt: Issues for Law, Religion, and Humanitarian Intervention*

Gregory M. Reichberg, Peace Research Institute Oslo
*The Relation of Just War to International Law: Two Competing Catholic Approaches*

Responding:
Nathan French, Miami University

A22-256
History of Christianity Section
Theme: The Civil War and Its Legacy in American Religion
Sunday, 3:00 PM–4:30 PM
Hyatt-Roswell (Atlanta Conference Level)
Dale T. Irvin, New York Theological Seminary, Presiding

Katharine Batlan, University of Texas
*Christ is on Our Side: Christianity and Constitutions in the American Civil War*

Priscilla Eppinger, Graceland University
*The Religious Context of the Civil War and the Development of Liberal Theology: Lucretia Mott as Exemplar of Theological Liberalism*

Louis A. Ruprecht, Georgia State University
*Beyond the Birth of a Nation, or, The Limits of Liberal Tolerance*

A22-257
North American Religions Section and Latina/o Religion, Culture, and Society Group and Liberation Theologies Group and Theology of Martin Luther King Jr. Group
Theme: Prophetic Pulpits: The Influence and Legacies of MLK Jr. among Latina/o Activists
Sunday, 3:00 PM–4:30 PM
Hilton-Grand Ballroom C (Level 2)
Carlos Decena, Rutgers University, Presiding

Panelists:
Michael Humphreys, Bethune-Cookman College
Maria T. Davila, Andover Newton Theological School
Altagracia Perez-Bullard, Episcopal Diocese of New York, New York, NY

A22-258
Religion and Politics Section
Theme: Politics and Piety: New Perspectives on the Influence of Theology and Churches on African-American Political Activism
Sunday, 3:00 PM–4:30 PM
Marriott-A702 (Atrium Level)
Robert P. Jones, Public Religion Research Institute, Washington, D.C., Presiding

Sam Speers, University of Virginia
Kristopher Norris, University of Virginia
*America’s Freedom Church: The Politics of Piety at Ebenezer Baptist Church*

Crystal DesVignes, Duke University
*How God’s House Influences the State House: The Importance of Faith to African American Women’s Political and Social Activism*

Dilara Üsküp, University of Chicago
*Blue Bible, Red Bible: Sin or Right? Examining the Impact of Theology on Morality-Based Opinions among Faith-Centered African Americans*

A22-259
Religion and the Social Sciences Section
Theme: Contributions to Social Scientific Theory in the Study of Religion
Sunday, 3:00 PM–4:30 PM
Hilton-208 (Level 2)
Ann B. McClenahan, Boston Theological Institute, Presiding

Trine Anker, MF Norwegian School of Theology, and Geir Afdal, MF Norwegian School of Theology
*In a Hybrid Voice: Latour on Religion*

Cyril Orji, University of Dayton
*The Contributions of C.S. Pierce to the Social Scientific Methodologies and the Academic Study of Religions*
A22-262
Anthropology of Religion Group and Roman Catholic Studies Group
Theme: Moving Bodies: Ethnographies of Latin American Devotional Communities
Sunday, 3:00 PM–4:30 PM
Marriott-A705 (Atrium Level)
Manuel A. Vasquez, University of Florida, Presiding
Eric Hones del Pinal, University of North Carolina, Charlotte
Bearing the Collective Cross: Piety, Shared Experience, and Intercorporeality in Guatemala's Semana Santa Processions
Seth Schermerhorn, Hamilton College
O'odham Walkers and their Staffs: Walking Sticks by Way of Calendar Sticks and Scraping Sticks
Jill DeTemple, Southern Methodist University
Santa Rita, Juan XXIII, the New Mission Movement, and the "Domestic Church": Negotiating Catholic Families in Rural Ecuador

A22-263
Chinese Religions Group and Confucian Traditions Group and Daoist Studies Group and Religions in Chinese and Indian Cultures: A Comparative Perspective Group
Theme: Author Meets Critics: Conceiving the Indian Buddhist Patriarchs in China (University of Hawai'i Press, 2015)
Sunday, 3:00 PM–4:30 PM
Hilton-206 (Level 2)
Tao Jiang, Rutgers University, Presiding
Benjamin Brose, University of Michigan
Elizabeth Morrison, Middlebury College
C. Pierce Salguero, Abington College
Responding:
Stuart Young, Bucknell University

A22-264
Christian Spirituality Group
Theme: Preaching and Spirituality in the Work of Barbara Brown Taylor
Sunday, 3:00 PM–4:30 PM
Hyatt-Dunwoody (Atlanta Conference Level)
Lauren F. Winner, Duke University, Presiding
Panelists:
Peter S. Hawkins, Yale University
Thomas G. Long, Emory University
Donyelle McCray, Virginia Theological Seminary
### A22-265

**Theme:** Religion, Emotion, and Cognition  
**Sunday, 3:00 PM–4:30 PM**  
**Marriott-International 9 (International Level)**  
Whitney Bauman, Florida International University, Presiding  
Mark Graves, Fuller Theological Seminary, Warren Brown, Fuller Theological Seminary, Kevin Reimer, University California, Irvine, Andrea Beckum, Fuller Theological Seminary, Shaina Smith, Fuller Theological Seminary, and Michael Spezio, Scripps College  
Religion, Emotion, and Belief in Self-Identity Narratives of L’Arche Caring Exemplars  
Niki Clements, Rice University  
Ritual Reading and Affective Shaping: John Cassian and Late Antique Technologies of the Self  
Zaid Adhami, Williams College  
Reflexive Self-Awareness in Religious Belief? American Muslim Responses to Cognitive Dissonance

### A22-266

**Comparative Theology Group**  
**Theme:** Comparative Spiritualities of Violence and Healing  
**Sunday, 3:00 PM–4:30 PM**  
**Hilton-308 (Level 3)**  
Jeannine Diller, University of Toledo, Presiding  
Brooks Barber, Catholic University of America  
Can Christ Serve Two Masters? Jesus as Religious Authority on Poverty in the Works of al-Ghazali and Bonaventure  
Ryan Kuratko, Emory University  
Defeat and Dope Slaps: the Shape of Ambiguity in the Rhetorics of Healing and Violence of the Pali Vinaya and the Rule of Saint Benedict  
Maureen Walsh, Rockhurst University  
Memorializing Pregnancy Loss in Contemporary American Catholicism and Japanese Buddhism  
Responding:  
Kristin Johnston Largen, Lutheran Theological Seminary

### A22-267

**Contemporary Pagan Studies Group**  
**Theme:** Tradition and Resistance in Paganisms  
**Sunday, 3:00 PM–4:30 PM**  
**Hilton-201 (Level 2)**  
Chas Clifton, Colorado State University, Pueblo, Presiding  
Laurel Zwisslers, Central Michigan University  
In Memoriam Multicurum: Contemporary Pagan Mobilizations of the Burning Times  
Mary Hamner, University of North Carolina, Charlotte  
Constructing an Authentic Witchcraft: Traditional Witchcraft, Wicca, and the Normalization of the Craft  
Mariya Lesiv, Memorial University  
Bread Brothers or Blood Enemies: Tradition and Ukrainian Pagan Responses to the Ukraine-Russia Crisis

### A22-268

**Critical Approaches to Hip-Hop and Religion Group and Religion, Film, and Visual Culture Group**  
**Theme:** Sightings and Visions of Hip Hop and Religion  
**Sunday, 3:00 PM–4:30 PM**  
**Marriott-International 1 (International Level)**  
Syed Adnan Hussain, Saint Mary’s University, Halifax, Presiding  
Roy Whitaker, San Diego State University  
“He Has Showed Up More Fully by Disappearing”: Tupac Shakur, Afrofuturism, and Transhumanism  
Tara Baldrick-Morrone, Florida State University  
Adam Miller, University of Chicago  
Cindi and the Beast: Self and Collective in Opposing Visions of the Future  
Jon Gill, Claremont Graduate University  
Apocalyptic Science Fiction: Bigg Jus and the ATL Afro-Futuristic Destruction of “Blackness”

### A22-269

**Eastern Orthodox Studies Group**  
**Theme:** Religion and the Crisis in Ukraine  
**Sunday, 3:00 PM–4:30 PM**  
**Hilton-Grand Salon E (Level 2)**  
George Demacopoulos, Fordham University, Presiding  
Cyril Hovorun, Saint Ignatios Theological Academy  
Ukrainian Churches in and after Maidan  
Nicholas Denysenko, Loyola Marymount University  
In Search of a Religious Identity: Sources for the Study of Intra-Orthodox Conflict in Ukraine  
Pavlo Smytsnyuk, University of Oxford  
Greek Wine for Ukrainian Wineskins: Insights from Contemporary Greek Theologians and the Crisis in Ukraine  
Tikhon Vasilyev, Oxford University  
The Mission of the Christian Church in Times of War and Humanitarian Crisis: Ethical Reflection

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A22-270
Pre-Posted Papers Session

Evangelical Studies Group
Theme: Author Meets Critics; John G. Stackhouse’s Need to Know: Vocation as the Heart of Christian Epistemology (Oxford University Press, 2014)
Sunday, 3:00 PM–4:30 PM
Marriott-L405-406 (Lobby Level)
Myron A Penner, Trinity Western University, Presiding
Panelists:
- Richard J. Mouw, Fuller Theological Seminary
- Lynn H. Cohick, Wheaton College
- Paul Martens, Baylor University
- Oliver Crisp, Fuller Theological Seminary
Responding:
- John G. Stackhouse Jr., Crandall University

A22-271
Islamic Mysticism Group
Theme: Walls and Bridges: Situating the “Islamic” in Islamic Mysticism
Sunday, 3:00 PM–4:30 PM
Marriott-International 2 (International Level)
Vernon James Schubel, Kenyon College, Presiding
- Rubina Salikuddin, Harvard University
  Prohibitions and Proper Etiquette: Regulating Ziyārat in the Timurid Period
- William Sherman, Stanford University
  Rituals of Revelation: Dhikr on the Afghan Frontier
- Shobhana Xavier, Wilfrid Laurier University
  From Jaffna to Pennsylvania: Piety and Practice at the Shrines of Bawa Muhaiyaddeen
- Sam Houston, Florida State University
  “Soldiers of God”: Tarbiya, Virtue, and Islamist Activism
Responding:
- Marcia Hermansen, Loyola University, Chicago

A22-272
Kierkegaard, Religion, and Culture Group and Yogācāra Studies Group
Theme: Kierkegaard and Buddhism
Sunday, 3:00 PM–4:30 PM
Marriott-International 6 (International Level)
Joseph Westfall, University of Houston-Downtown, Presiding
- Sheridan Hough, College of Charleston
  Kierkegaardian selves, Buddhist No-Selves, and the “Will to Suffer”
- David Wisdo, Columbus State University
  The Self: Kierkegaard and Buddhism in Dialogue

A22-273
Practical Theology Group and Womanist Approaches to Religion and Society Group
Sunday, 3:00 PM–4:30 PM
Marriott-A601 (Atrium Level)
Carolyn McCrary, Interdenominational Theological Center, Presiding
Panelists:
- Trina Armstrong, United Theological Seminary of the Twin Cities
- Candice Benbow, Princeton Theological Seminary
- Beverly Wallace, Shaw University
Responding:
- Chanequa Walker-Barnes, Mercer University
A22-274

Pragmatism and Empiricism in American Religious Thought Group
Theme: Wayne Proudfoot: Thirtieth Anniversary of Religious Experience (University of California Press, 1985)
Sunday, 3:00 PM–4:30 PM
Hilton-Grand Ballroom A (Level 2)
William David Hart, Macalester College, Presiding
Panelists:
  - Matthew Bagger, Auburn University
  - Cornel West, Union Theological Seminary
  - G. Scott Davis, University of Richmond
Responding:
  - Wayne Proudfoot, Columbia University

A22-275

Queer Studies in Religion Group
Theme: Reimagining Religion as Queer Resistance
Sunday, 3:00 PM–4:30 PM
Marriott-International 7 (International Level)
Linn Tonstad, Yale University, Presiding
  - Sonia Crasnow, University of California, Riverside
    Talking About Transition: Addressing Transgender Inclusion in Judaism
  - Drake Konow, Meriden, CT
    The Cathedral Project: Protest, Liturgy, and AIDS Activism at Saint Patrick's Cathedral
  - Mara Block, Harvard University
    "Baudelaire's Dream": Queer Writing and Parodies of Clinical Discourse
Responding:
  - Heather White, New College of Florida
Business Meeting:
  - Kent Brintnall, University of North Carolina, Charlotte, and Thelathia Young, Bucknell University, Presiding

A22-276

Religion, Holocaust, and Genocide Group
Theme: Religion and Genocide in the Balkans: Memory and Perspective
Sunday, 3:00 PM–4:30 PM
Marriott-A707 (Atrium Level)
Benjamin Sax, Institute for Christian and Jewish Studies, Baltimore, MD, Presiding
  - M. Christian Green, Emory University
    Religion and Gender in the Balkan Genocides: Unlearned Lessons for Twenty-First Century Conflicts
  - Joseph Wiinikka-Lydon, Emory University
    Analyzing Violence through Virtue: The Bosnian Case

A22-277

Religion, Sport, and Play Group and Yoga in Theory and Practice Group
Theme: Buying (into) Yoga: Perspectives on Andrea Jain's Selling Yoga: From Counterculture to Pop Culture (Oxford University Press, 2014)
Sunday, 3:00 PM–4:30 PM
Marriott-International 3 (International Level)
Ellen Goldberg, Queen's University, Presiding
Panelists:
  - Christopher Chapple, Loyola Marymount University
  - Anna Pokazanyeva, University of California, Santa Barbara
  - Hugh B. Urban, Ohio State University
  - Christa Schwind, Iliff School of Theology, University of Denver
  - Lola L. Williamson, Millsaps College
Responding:
  - Andrea Jain, Indiana University-Purdue University, Indianapolis

A22-278

Scriptural Reasoning Group
Theme: Scriptural Reasoning, Philosophy, and the Formation of Readers
Sunday, 3:00 PM–4:30 PM
Hilton-205 (Level 2)
Laurie Zoloth, Northwestern University, Presiding
  - Geoffrey Claussen, Elon University
    Socrates and the Golden Calf: Being “Stiff-Necked” and the Formation of Torah Scholars
  - Jacob Goodson, Southern Methodist University
    Applying Scriptural Reasoning Reading Strategies to the Philosophy of Religion: Five Hermeneutical Models for Bringing Scripture into the Undergraduate Classroom
  - M M Nauman Faizi, University of Virginia
    Interpretation as Restoration: Exploring Sir Sayyid Ahmed Khan's Argument for the Modernity of the Qur'an
Business Meeting:
  - Simeon Zahl, University of Oxford, Presiding
A22-279

Tantric Studies Group
Theme: Weaving Traditions, Casting Spells: Tantra, Magic, and Folk Religion
Sunday, 3:00 PM–4:30 PM
Marriott-L508 (Lobby Level)
John Nemec, University of Virginia, Presiding
Xenia Zeiler, University of Helsinki
Exorcising Evil: The Interweaving of Tantra and Ojähä (Ghost Exorcism and Healing Rituals)
Sivana Borkataky Varma, Rice University
Spells: Intersection of Magic with Tantra in Assam
June McDaniel, College of Charleston
Tantric Magic in Bengal and Bali: From Psiacha Tantrikas to Dukuns
Meera Kachroo, McGill University
Professional Prayoga: Marketing Yantras in Contemporary Srividya
Gordan Djurdjevic, Simon Fraser University
The Kosmic Gnosis of the Left Hand Path: The Place of Hindu Theories and Practices within Esoteric Voudon

A22-280

World Christianity Group
Sunday, 3:00 PM–4:30 PM
Marriott-L506-507 (Lobby Level)
Malik Muhammad, Fordham University, Presiding
Meg Stapleton Smith, Yale University
Redefining Martyrdom: Jon Sobrino’s Christology of Witness
Michael VanZandt Collins, Boston College
Spiritual Space and Christian Witness in Syria: The Case of Frans van der Lugt, S.J.
Christine McCarthy, Fordham University
M/othering Peace: Toward a Theological Anthropology for Engendered Peacebuilding

A22-281

Exploratory Sessions
Theme: Religious Hybridities and Multiple Religious Belonging: A Contested Concept?
Sunday, 3:00 PM–4:30 PM
Hyatt-Piedmont (Atlanta Conference Level)
Catherine Cornille, Boston College, Presiding
Andre van der Braak, VU University Amsterdam
Multiple Religious Belonging as a Contested Approach to Religious Hybridity
Manuela Kalsky, Dominican Research Center for Theology and Society, Amsterdam, VU University Amsterdam
Multiple Religious Belonging: A Paradigm Shift from Theological Unity to Transreligious Multiplicity
Abraham Velez de Cea, Eastern Kentucky University
Discipleship and the Possibility of Buddhist–Christian Belonging
Responding:
Ruben L. F. Habito, Southern Methodist University
Emily Sigalow, Brandeis University

M22-203

AAR Mid-Atlantic Region
Theme: Race Relationships in Baltimore and NYC through the Lens of Religious and Theological Scholarship
Sunday, 3:30 PM–4:30 PM
Hyatt-Marietta (Atlanta Conference Level)
Sabrina MisirHiralall, Montclair State University, Presiding
The MAR-AAR will host a short panel discussion and then facilitate small group discussions about the racially significant events that have occurred in the Mid-Atlantic this year. There will be a fifteen minute presentation by Dr. Douglas, describing the landscape of these events and reflecting on the responses among religious communities to them. Then the respondents will offer remarks, one from an ethics perspective, and one from an activist perspective. Next, the moderator will open it up for 20 minutes of small group discussion among the attendees. At least one question on the table will be how to introduce topics, such as race relations in a fair and helpful way to students.
Panelists:
Kelly Brown Douglas, Goucher College
Responding:
Carl Garrison, Community of Hope Ministries, New York City
Foster Pinkney, University of Chicago
A22-300

Student Lounge Roundtable

Theme: Networking Like the Job Is in Hand
Sunday, 4:00 PM–5:30 PM
Hyatt-Hanover A (Exhibit Level)

We make the most out of networking opportunities in graduate school by behaving like we are one of “them,” that is the professors, administrators, and other professionals with whom we seek to meet or interact. This panel will discuss methods of introduction, language, and perhaps most importantly, ways to make your own opportunities for networking as a form of professional development. For example, organizing speaker series and other events can create the networks you want to have, rather than just waiting for these opportunities to come to you. We will also discuss networking internationally through language and study abroad programs. We will discuss strategies on how to make the most of these important connections once you have developed them. Additionally, we will work on creating opportunities for yourself though receptions and other AAR events even before you are on the job market.

Panelist:
Candace Mixon, University of North Carolina

Sunday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

S22-333

North American Association for the Study of Religion and SBL Metacriticism of Biblical Scholarship
Sunday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Hilton-303 (Level 3)
Theme: When Is the Big Tent Too Big?

James Linville, University of Lethbridge, Presiding
Sarah E. Rollens, University of Alabama
Tents and Canopies: When the “Big Tent” Becomes a “Sacred Canopy” in Biblical Studies
Stephen L. Young, Brown University
Is the Tent So Big that it Hides Ideology?
Patrick McCullough, University of California, Los Angeles
Big Tent, Smaller Tents, Blue Tent, and the Specter of the Red Tent: What Do We Do and Does Anyone Outside of the Tent Know We Are Doing It?

Responding:
Edward Silver, Wellesley College

P22-326

Journal of Feminist Studies in Religion
Theme: Sacred Scriptures and Violence Against Women
Sunday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Marriott-A708 (Atrium Level)
Elisabeth Schüssler Fiorenza, Harvard University, Presiding

The sacred scriptures of all three monotheistic religions: Judaism, Christianity, and Islam inscribe not only violence against wo/men and the culture of feminine subordination but also values of self-affirmation, justice, and well-being. Feminist scholars in religion are well versed in analyzing and interpreting sacred texts in critical, historical, literary, religious and cultural terms. However, we also need to develop methods of religious consciousness-raising and empowerment which seek to enable religious wo/men who have experienced violence and abuse both to critically name the rhetoric of violence inscribed in sacred texts and to identify resources for well-being and for resisting the culture of feminine subordination, objectification, and dehumanization. The panel will continue our conversation, across religious interpretive boundaries, about the search for methods of Scriptural interpretation that foster wo/men’s religious agency and the ability to reject violence and subordination on religious grounds.

Panelists:
Julia Watts Belser, Georgetown University
Angela Parker, Chicago Theological Seminary
Mika Ahuvia, University of Washington
Karri Whipple, Drew University
Juliane Hammer, University of North Carolina
Jerusha Lampety, Union Theological Seminary

P22-347

Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion
Theme: Thinking about Writing and Teaching
Sunday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Hyatt-Hanover G (Exhibit Level)
Eugene V. Gallagher, Connecticut College, Martha Ellen Stortz, Augsburg College, and Thomas Pearson, Wabash Center, Presiding

Participants in this interactive and hands-on session will think together about how and why various types of writing about teaching become valuable for authors as well as readers who are reflecting on their teaching and student learning. Participants will be led through a hands-on, small group interactive process to reflect on their teaching practice and begin to “workshop” an idea for a writing project about teaching. How can writing and reading about teaching support your reflective teaching practice?

A22-301

Employment Services Advisory Committee Meeting
Sunday, 5:00 PM–6:30 PM
Marriott-L501 (Lobby Level)
**A22-302**

**Academic Relations Committee and Public Understanding of Religion Committee**  
**Theme:** The Value of Religious Studies in an Age of Budget Cuts  
**Sunday, 5:00 PM–6:30 PM**  
**Hyatt-Regency (Ballroom Level)**

Kathleen Roberts Skerrett, University of Richmond, Presiding

Pressure on humanistic disciplines like religious studies is enormous in the modern academy. From budget cuts and threats of downsizing, the professionalization of students and the instrumentalization of higher ed, to the adjunctification of faculties and STEM orientations that demand ever-increasing career-oriented outcomes for graduates, religious studies departments are no longer self-justifying in many colleges and universities. This Special Topic Forum explores how religious studies departments have been and can be successful in defending their programs in the face of budget cuts or other pressures, and thus how we articulate the “value” of the study of religion to administrators and boards, to the broader academy, to funding sources like donors and legislators, and to the public at large. Panelists, from community colleges, and private and public institutions, will share their experiences of navigating funding crises and share strategies for how to articulate the many “values” of the study of religion.

**Panelists:**
- Susan E. Hill, University of Northern Iowa  
- Charles A. Kimball, University of Oklahoma  
- Vasudha Narayanan, University of Florida  
- Grant H. Potts, Austin Community College

**A22-303**

**How to Propose a New Program Unit**  
**Sunday, 5:00 PM–6:30 PM**  
**Hyatt-222 (2nd Level)**

Greg Johnson, University of Colorado, and Robert N. Puckett, American Academy of Religion, Presiding

Join the Director of Meetings and the Program Unit Director for an informal chat about upcoming Annual Meeting initiatives as well as the guidelines and policies for proposing a new program unit.

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A22-306

History of Christianity Section and Latina/o Religion, Culture, and Society Group and Practical Theology Group and Transformative Scholarship and Pedagogy Group

Theme: New Directions in Theological Education: Pedagogical and Epistemological Models from Latino U.S.A.

Sunday, 5:00 PM–6:30 PM
Hyatt-Roswell (Atlanta Conference Level)

Christian A. B. Scharen, Auburn Theological Seminary, Presiding

Panelists:
- Justo L. Gonzalez, Decatur, GA
- Edwin David Aponte, The Louisville Institute, Louisville, KY
- Elizabeth Conde-Frazier, Eastern University

A22-307

North American Religions Section and African Diaspora Religions Group and Afro-American Religious History Group and Latina/o Critical-Comparative Studies Group

Theme: Feeling Santería: Ethnographies of Affect, Mobility, and MicropRACTICES of Afro-Cuban Religion

Sunday, 5:00 PM–6:30 PM
Hilton-Grand Ballroom C (Level 2)

Solimar Otero, Louisiana State University, Presiding

Panelists:
- Aisha Beliso-De Jesus, Harvard University
- Elizabeth Perez, Dartmouth College

Responding:
- Tracey Hucks, Haverford College
- Todd Ramón Ochoa, University of North Carolina

A22-308

Philosophy of Religion Section

Theme: Continental Philosophy of Religion and Religious Studies: Past, Present, and Future

Sunday, 5:00 PM–6:30 PM
Hyatt-Edgewood (Atlanta Conference Level)

Samantha Copping, Santa Barbara, CA, Presiding

Panelists:
- Mary-Jane Rubenstein, Wesleyan University
- Sarah Hammerschlag, University of Chicago
- Tyler T. Roberts, Grinnell College
- Bradley Onishi, Rhodes College

A22-309

Bible in Racial, Ethnic, and Indigenous Communities Group

Theme: Biblical Interrogations of Identity, Culture, and Social Location

Sunday, 5:00 PM–6:30 PM
Hyatt-Marietta (Atlanta Conference Level)

Valerie Bridgeman, Methodist Theological School in Ohio, Presiding

Lynn B. E. Jencks, Northwestern University
- "For God So Loved The World": Latina/o Charismatic Catholics and the Transformative Experience of Encountering God’s Love
- Re-Inventing the Human: Martin Luther King, Jr., C.L.R. James, and the New Jerusalem

Angeline M.G. Song, University of Otago
- Not Just Hearing, but Feeling aScream: Connecting with Esther through a Hermeneutic of Empathy

Matthew W. Dougherty, University of North Carolina
- Reading Chosenness, Reading Race: Cherokee Uses of Biblical Narrative and Covenant Theology, 1819-1838

Responding:
- Ariella Werden-Greenfield, Temple University

A22-310

Buddhist Critical–Constructive Reflection Group

Theme: Buddhism as a Remedy for American Suffering: Issues in the Application of Buddhist Teachings

Sunday, 5:00 PM–6:30 PM
Marriott-International 7 (International Level)

Grace G. Burford, Prescott College, Presiding

Brooke Dodson-Lavelle, Emory University
- Against One Method: Toward a Critical-Constructive Approach to the Adaptation and Implementation of Buddhist-Based Contemplative Programs in America
- Buddhism in America After Ferguson: Privilege, Diversity and Inclusion in American Convert Buddhism

Responding:
- Sid Brown, University of the South
A22-313
Contemplative Studies Group and Mysticism Group
Theme: Mystics and Contemplatives in the Academy Today: Religious Experience from the Outside In and Inside Out
Sunday, 5:00 PM–6:30 PM
Marriott-International 3 (International Level)
June McDaniel, College of Charleston, Presiding
Panelists:
- Anne C. Klein, Rice University
- Lola L. Williamson, Millsaps College
- Christopher Chapple, Loyola Marymount University
- Barbara A. B. Patterson, Emory University
- Jay Michaelson, Chicago Theological Seminary
- Frederick Colby, University of Oregon
Responding:
- Jeffrey J. Kripal, Rice University
Business Meeting:
- Stuart R. Sarbacker, Oregon State University, Presiding

A22-314
Ecclesiological Investigations Group and Interreligious and Interfaith Studies Group and Vatican II Studies Group and SBL Jewish-Christian Dialogue and Sacred Texts Group
Theme: Inter-Religious Dialogue in Our Times: The Legacy of Nostra Aetate
Sunday, 5:00 PM–6:30 PM
Hilton-Crystal CD (Level 1)
Homayra Ziad, Institute for Christian and Jewish Studies, Baltimore, MD, Presiding
- Thérèse Martine Andrevon Gottstein, Institut Catholique Paris
- To What Extent Did the Shoah Really Influence the Redaction of Nostra Aetate § 4?
- Adam Gregerman, Saint Joseph's University
- Not All Blessings Are Equal: Post-Nostra Aetate Catholic Interpretations of the Biblical Blessings to the Jews and to the Nations
- Katharina von Kellenbach, Saint Mary's College of Maryland
- Nostra Aetate’s Urgent Call to Forget the Past
- Christopher Denny, Saint John's University, New York
- Religiones Antiquae: Reviving Nostra Aetate to Expand the Scope of Salvation History
Responding:
- John T. Pawlikowski, Catholic Theological Union
**A22-315**  
PRE-POSTED PAPERS SESSION

Gay Men and Religion Group and Men, Masculinities, and Religion Group and Religion, Sport, and Play Group  
Theme: Male Aesthetics and Muscle Gods  
Sunday, 5:00 PM–6:30 PM  
Hyatt-Lenox (Atlanta Conference Level)  
Brett Krutzsch, College of Wooster, Presiding  
Jeffrey F. Keuss, Seattle Pacific University  
*Crosfit and Muscular Christianity Resurrected*  
Jason Smith, Vanderbilt University  
*Foucault for Heisman: Normalizing Power and the "Gym-Built" Amateur Athlete*  
Scott Strednak Singer, Temple University  
*From Muscular Christianity to Hard-Body Christianity: The Power Team and the Meaning of Muscle in Sports Evangelism*  
Jared Vazquez, Iliff School of Theology, University of Denver  
*When This Boy is Not a Bottom: Effeminate Men and the Failure of Masculine Performances*

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**A22-317**  
New Religious Movements Group and Religion and Food Group and Western Esotericism Group and European Society for the Study of Western Esotericism  
Theme: New Religious Movements, Western Esotericism and Food  
Sunday, 5:00 PM–6:30 PM  
Hilton-Grand Salon D (Level 2)  
Benjamin Zeller, Lake Forest College, Presiding  
Daniel McKanan, Harvard University  
*Biodynamics, Community Supported Agriculture, and Slow Food: An Ecological Approach*  
Dusty Hoelsy, University of California, Santa Barbara  
*They Will Be 'Attracted to Us by Our Fruits': Organic Farming as Spiritual Practice and Practical Spirituality at Sunburst Farms*  
Susannah Crockford, London School of Economics  
*We Are What We Eat: Dietary Regulations in "New Age" Spirituality*

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**A22-316**  
Martin Luther and Global Lutheran Traditions Group and Religion, Holocaust, and Genocide Group  
Theme: Christian Theology and Jewish Persecution with Martin Luther's Writing  
Sunday, 5:00 PM–6:30 PM  
Hilton-Grand Salon B (Level 2)  
Kirsti Stjerna, Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary, Presiding  
Brigitte Kahl, Union Theological Seminary  
*Luther and the Jews: Is Paul the Problem or Solution?*  
R. Ward Holder, Saint Anselm College  
*Martin Luther and the Jews: A Theological-Historical Exploration of the Roots of Persecution*  
Ryan Taflowski, University of Edinburgh  
*"Dark, Depressing Riddle": The Dreadful Vocation of the Jews in the Theology of Paul Althaus*

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**A22-318**  
Psychology, Culture, and Religion Group  
Sunday, 5:00 PM–6:30 PM  
Marriott-A601 (Atrium Level)  
Storm Swain, Lutheran Theological Seminary, Philadelphia, Presiding  
Carrie Doehring, Iliff School of Theology  
*A Critical Phenomenological Pastoral Theological Method for Responding to Suffering in Ways That Respect Religious Differences*  
Jonathan Stotts, Vanderbilt University  
*Homo Religiosus, Homo Proiciendus: Meaning-Making as Projection or Sublimation?*  
Annhild Tofte Haga, University of Oslo  
*Dialogues and Conflicts between Images of Jesus and Experiences of Being Oneself in Life Story Narratives: An Example of Diadiologial Self Theory as an Analytical Tool in Empirical Research on Images of God*

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**A22-319**  
Reformed Theology and History Group  
Theme: Resistance and Submission in the Reformed Tradition  
Sunday, 5:00 PM–6:30 PM  
Hilton-206 (Level 2)  
Cynthia Rigby, Austin Theological Seminary, Presiding  
Matthew Tuininga, Oglethorpe University  
*Because of Your Hardness of Heart: Calvin, Moral Pluralism, and the Politics of Submission*  
Rachel Sophia Baard, Villanova University  
*Belligerent Public Theology: The Confessional Theology of Dirk J. Smit*  
Christina Larsen, University of Saint Andrews  
*Jonathan Edwards’ “Humble Inquiry”: Resistance and Submission as the Visibility of Love in the Church*
A22-320
Religion and Cities Group  
Theme: Illegality and Criminalization in the City  
Sunday, 5:00 PM–6:30 PM  
Hilton-201 (Level 2)  
Irene Stroud, Princeton University, Presiding

- Michael R. Fisher, Vanderbilt University  
  To Catch A Criminal: The Illegality of Homelessness in the Neoliberal City and the Politics of Theological Legitimation
- Casey Crosbie, Claremont School of Theology  
  Criminalizing Charity: Social Control and “Illegitimate” Assistance to the Homeless in Atlanta and Los Angeles
- Andrew Krinks, Vanderbilt University  
  Property, Trespass, and the Spatial Delineations of Personhood: From Theologies of Criminalization to Counter-Theologies of Spatial Reclamation

Responding:  
Omar McRoberts, University of Chicago

Business Meeting:  
Helene Slessarev-Jamir, Claremont School of Theology, and Elise Edwards, Baylor University, Presiding

A22-321
Religion and Disability Studies Group  
Theme: Violence, Dignity, and Resistance: Disability Representation in Comics and on Screen  
Sunday, 5:00 PM–6:30 PM  
Marriott-A707 (Atrium Level)  
Leigh Ann Hildebrand, Graduate Theological Union, Presiding

- Hajung Lee, Boston University  
  The Social Perception of Disabled Women in the Film Oasis (2002)
- Kirk VanGilder, Gallaudet University  
  Beyond the SuperCrip: How The 99 Turns Disability Narratives Upside Down and Inside Out
- Kimberly Humphrey, Boston College  
  Fracturing the Myth of the Holistic Self: Persons with Dementia, Caregiving, and a Model for Ecclesial Response

A22-322  
Religion and Popular Culture Group  
Theme: Between Sacred and Secular: Media, Performance, and Popular Religion  
Sunday, 5:00 PM–6:30 PM  
Marriott-International 2 (International Level)  
Rabia Gregory, University of Missouri, Presiding

Mandy McMichael, Huntingdon College  
Pageant Prayers: When Responding to God’s Call Requires a Stage and a Crown

Jessica Carr, Lafayette College  
Graphic Women: Gender in Jewish Comics

Erika Gault, Hilbert College  
Youth, Religion, and New Media: The Rise of Gospel Rap and a New Black Church Aesthetic

A22-323
Religion, Media, and Culture Group  
Theme: Third Spaces, Media, and Hybrid Subjects  
Sunday, 5:00 PM–6:30 PM  
Marriott-A705 (Atrium Level)  
Andrew Aghapour, University of North Carolina, Presiding

Stewart M. Hoover, University of Colorado, and Nabil Echchaibi, University of Colorado  
The Third Spaces of Digital Religion

Emad Hamdeh, Embry Riddle Aeronautical University  
The Internet and Religious Authority in Modern Sunnism

Andrew Polk, Middle Tennessee State University  
Free-Market Religion: Selling America after the Second World War

Lucia Hulscheter, Yale University  
Becoming into the Dream: Utopian Subjects at the National Center for Civil and Human Rights

A22-324
Science, Technology, and Religion Group  
Theme: Experiencing Land and Body: Cultivating Lived Narratives of Science and Religion  
Sunday, 5:00 PM–6:30 PM  
Marriott-International 1 (International Level)  
Robert Geraci, Manhattan College, Presiding

Cara Rock-Singer, Columbia University  
My Body is a Temple and a Laboratory

Tamar Novick, Tel Aviv University  
Milk, Dance, and Dig: Techniques of Making a Holy Land in Palestine

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Adrienne Krone, Duke University  
Sacred Soil: The Contemporary Cultivation of Sustainable Jewish Agriculture in the United States  
Responding:  
Evan Berry, American University

A22-325

Sikh Studies Group  
Theme: Sikh Encounters with Others: Comparative and Interreligious Engagements  
Sunday, 5:00 PM–6:30 PM  
Hilton-Crystal AF (Level 1)  
Michael Hawley, Mount Royal University, Presiding  
Rahuldeep Singh Gill, California Lutheran University  
In Comparison a Power Dwells: Rethinking Communal Taxonomy in Early Sikh Literature  
Amanda Randhawa, Ohio State University  
Negotiations of Religion, Ritual, and Gender in Tamilnadu  
Purushottama Bilimoria, University of California, Berkeley, University of Melbourne  
Sikhs in Australia: Indentured Trysts, Religious Demography, and Street Assaults  
Responding:  
Harjeet Grewal, University of Michigan  
Business Meeting:  
Anne Murphy, University of British Columbia, Presiding

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Study of Islam Section  
Theme: Debating Concubinage: Regulating Sexual Slavery in Islamicate Contexts, Past and Present  
Sunday, 5:00 PM–6:30 PM  
Hyatt–Dunwoody (Atlanta Conference Level)  
Bernadette Brooten, Brandeis University, Presiding  
Craig Perry, Princeton University  
Legal Pluralism and Slave Concubinage in the Medieval Egyptian Jewish Community (1150–1250 CE)  
Younus Mirza, Allegheny College  
"The Slave Woman Will Give Birth to Her Master": Ibn Rajab al-Hanbali’s Refutation of the Sale of the Umm al-Walad  
Kecia Ali, Boston University  
Redeeming Slavery, Rewriting History: The "Islamic State," Muslim Tradition, and Debates over Concubinage  
Responding:  
Gail Labovitz, American Jewish University

A22-327

Tantric Studies Group and Tibetan and Himalayan Religions Group  
Theme: Ritual (and) Practice in Hindu and Buddhist Tantrism  
Sunday, 5:00 PM–6:30 PM  
Marriott–L508 (Lobby Level)  
Jacob Dalton, University of California, Berkeley, Presiding  
Rae Erin Dachille-Hey, University of California, Berkeley  
Tantric Ritual and the Problem of Imagination  
Patricia Sauthoff, University of London  
Controlling Death to Control Perceptions: Understanding How Kashmiri Sāiva Death Rituals Lead to Social Influence  
Michael Reading, Claremont School of Theology  
Brahmacarya in Focus: Tantric and Advaita Vedantic Perspectives on the Spiritual Utility of Celibacy

A22-328

Tillich: Issues in Theology, Religion, and Culture Group  
Theme: New Appropriations of Tillich’s Thought  
Sunday, 5:00 PM–6:30 PM  
Marriott–L405–406 (Lobby Level)  
Frederick J. Parrella, Santa Clara University, Presiding  
Mike Grimshaw, University of Canterbury  
God Is in the Details: Reading ‘Mies van der Rohe’s Modern Architecture through Tillich’s Theology of Culture and Technology  
Jari Ristinemi, University of Gävle  
Clashes of Justice in Finding Life, Justice in General, and Expressive/ Creative Justice in Modern Cinema  
Jon Gill, Claremont Graduate University  
Grounds of Being Becoming: The Possibility of a Tillichian-Inspired Process Theology as Displayed by Underground Rap  
Business Meeting:  
Sharon Peebles Burch, Interfaith Counseling Center, San Anselmo, CA, and Stephen G. Ray, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary, Presiding

A22-329

Wesleyan Studies Group  
Theme: Wesleyan Culture and the Public Square since the Mid-Twentieth Century  
Sunday, 5:00 PM–6:30 PM  
Hilton–Grand Salon E (Level 2)  
Edgardo Colon-Emeric, Duke University, Presiding  
Dion Forster, Stellenbosch University  
Nelson Mandela and the Methodist Church of South Africa: An African Christian Humanist Approach to Social Holiness  
Mark Gorman, Centre United Methodist Church, Forest Hill, MD  
The "Iconic" Methodist: George W. Bush and the State of Contemporary United Methodism  
Natalya Cherry, Southern Methodist University  
Rev. James M. Lawson, Jr., Called by King “The Greatest Teacher of Nonviolence in America”  
Responding:  
Rebekah Miles, Southern Methodist University

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Yogācāra Studies Group
Theme: Reading the Tattvārtha Chapter
Sunday, 5:00 PM–6:30 PM
Hilton-307 (Level 3)
William S. Waldron, Middlebury College, Presiding
Eyal Aviv, George Washington University
Ulrich Timme Kragh, University of Copenhagen
Ligeia Lugli, Mangalam Research Center for Buddhist Languages, Berkeley, CA
Joy Brennan, Kenyon College

Business Meeting:
C. John Powers, Australian National University, and Roy Tzohar, Tel-Aviv University, Presiding

A22-331

Exploratory Sessions
Theme: Negative Theologies and Apophaticism
Sunday, 5:00 PM–6:30 PM
Hilton-208 (Level 2)
Richard McGregor, Vanderbilt University, Presiding
Panelists:
Wendy Farley, Emory University
William Franke, Vanderbilt University
Eric Perl, Loyola Marymount University
Sajjad Rizvi, University of Exeter
Responding:
Elliot R. Wolfson, New York University

A22-332

Exploratory Sessions
Theme: Spirits of Capitalism: Exploring Religion and Economy
Sunday, 5:00 PM–6:30 PM
Marriott–International 6 (International Level)
Daniel Vaca, Brown University, Presiding
Panelists:
Janine Giordano Drake, University of Illinois
George Gonzalez, Monmouth University
Elayne Oliphant, New York University
Responding:
Kathryn Lofton, Yale University

P22-300

Theta Alpha Kappa Annual Meeting and Reception
Sunday, 5:00 PM–6:30 PM
Sheraton–Georgia 5 (Level 1)
Theta Alpha Kappa, the National Honor Society for Religious Studies and Theology, invites chapter sponsors and members to attend the Annual Meeting, which will be preceded by a brief reception.

P22-350

African Association for the Study of Religions
Theme: Religion, Social Space, and Development
Sunday, 5:00 PM–6:30 PM
Hyatt–Hanover D (Exhibit Level)
Esther Acolatse, Duke University, Presiding
Panelists:
Franz Kogelmann, University of Bayreuth, and Magnus Echtler, University of Bayreuth
Komi Ahiatroga Hiagbe, Global Theological Seminary, Ghana
Maaraidzo Mutambara, Africa University
Responding:
Elias Kifon Bongmba, Rice University

Business Meeting:
Elias Kifon Bongmba, Rice University, Presiding
To be followed by dinner at an African restaurant.
P22-353

Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion

Theme: Dinner for New Teachers (Invitation only event)

Sunday, 6:00 PM–8:00 PM
Hyatt–Hanover F (Exhibit Level)

Each year the Wabash Center invites a group of new faculty for an elegant dinner and directed table conversations about the first years of teaching. If you know of someone whom we should invite or you are in your first year of teaching, please send us a name and email address. Include the academic discipline, graduate program and the number of years teaching full-time. Send nominations by October 1st to: Paul Myhre, Associate Director of the Wabash Center, myhrep@wabash.edu or 800-655-7117.

A22-334

Religion and the Social Sciences Section, Teaching Religion Section, Women and Religion Section, African Diaspora Religions Group, Anthropology of Religion Group, Religion in Latin America and the Caribbean Group, and Sociology of Religion Group

Theme: Special Session in Honor of Karen McCarthy Brown

Sunday, 6:30 PM–8:00 PM
Hyatt–Regency (Ballroom Level)

Jalane D. Schmidt, University of Virginia, Presiding

The 1991 publication of Karen McCarthy Brown’s Mama Lola: A Vodou Priestess in Brooklyn, now in its third edition, was a watershed contribution to the field of Religious Studies and became a perennial favorite among assigned textbooks. Brown’s exemplary ethnographic treatment of the religious practices of a Haitian immigrant humanized the adepts of this much-maligned African diaspora religion, and made social science methodology accessible to Religious Studies, a field theretofore dominated by (and still largely defined by) textual studies. Brown’s feminist scholarship valued women’s accounts of their religious practices and life experiences as data for research, and provided a self-reflexive interpretation of the relationships she established with field subjects who became her own religious family. Panelists will reflect upon the influence of Karen McCarthy Brown’s scholarship on their own research and teaching, and how her work marked, and helped to produce, the “ethnographic turn” in the Study of Religion.

Panelists:

Robert A. Orsi, Northwestern University
Pamela Klassen, University of Toronto
Aisha Beliso-De Jesus, Harvard University
Claudine Michel, University of California, Santa Barbara

Karen McCarthy Brown

A22-333

Women’s Lounge Roundtable

Theme: Enriching the Field: Publishing New Books on Gender and Religion

Sunday, 5:00 PM–7:00 PM
Hyatt–Hanover B (Exhibit Level)

Elizabeth Ursic, Mesa Community College, Presiding

This session presents scholars who have published books in the discipline of Gender and Religion, in 2014 and 2015. The panel of AAR and SBL authors will provide an overview of their books as well as share their perspectives on current research being published in gender and religion. The scholars will also share their experiences regarding strategies and mechanics for getting books on gender and religion published.

Karma Lekshie Tsomo, University of San Diego
Eminent Buddhist Women (State University of New York Press, 2014)

Grace Ji-Sun Kim, Earlham College
Embracing the Other, A Transformative Spirit of Love (W. B. Eerdmans, 2015)

Jennifer Hockenbery, Mount Mary College
Thinking Woman: A Philosophical Approach to the Quandary of Gender (Cascade, 2015)

Elishava Baumgarten, Hebrew University of Jerusalem
Practicing Piety in Medieval Ashkenaz: Men, Women and Everyday Observance (University of Pennsylvania Press, 2014)

Julie Neuffer, Eastern Washington University
Helen Andelin and the Fascinating Womanhood Movement (University of Utah Press, 2014)

Mary Beth Fraser Connolly, Purdue University North Central

Elizabeth O’Donnell Gandolfo, Wake Forest University
Everyday Observance: Practicing Piety in Medieval Ashkenaz (Cascade, 2015)

Jennifer Hockenbery, Mount Mary College
Thinking Woman: A Philosophical Approach to the Quandary of Gender (Cascade, 2015)

P22-301

American Journal of Theology and Philosophy and the Institute for American Religious and Philosophical Thought

Theme: William E. Connolly – Annual AJTP Lecture

Sunday, 5:45 PM–8:45 PM
Hyatt–Hanover B (Exhibit Level)

William David Hart, Macalester College, and Michael Hogue, Meadville Lombard Theological School, Presiding

5:45 PM–6:15 PM — Business Meeting of the Institute for American Religious and Philosophical Thought

6:30 PM–8:00 PM — Annual Lecture of the American Journal of Theology and Philosophy, William E. Connolly

This lecture is open to the public but seating is limited. If you are not registered for the AAR and SBL Annual Meeting, but wish to attend the lecture, please contact Michael Hogue (mhogue@meadville.edu).

Panelist:

William E. Connolly, Johns Hopkins University
**P22-400**

**Société Internationale d’Études sur Alfred Loisy**

**Theme:** Contexts and Criticisms of Loisy’s Ecclesiology

Sunday, 7:00 PM–9:30 PM

Marriott-L504-505 (Lobby Level)

David Schultenover, Marquette University, Presiding

Jeffrey Morrow, Seton Hall University

*The Kingdom of God and the Church: A Look at Loisy’s Ecclesiology*

Charles J. T. Talar, University of Saint Thomas, Houston

*Creating Critical Distance: Pierre Batiffol and Alfred Loisy on the Church*

Danny Praet, Ghent University

*The Church in the Correspondence of Franz Cumont and Alfred Loisy*

Responding:

Mark Chapman, Ripon College Cuddesdon

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**P22-401**

**Arts Series: Anti-Facts/Divorcing the Demons: A Collaborative Gallery Installation and Storytelling Performance with Babylonian Incantation Bowls**

Sunday, 8:00 PM–9:30 PM

Marriott-Imperial A (Marquis Level)

During late antiquity in Babylonia, a variety of different faith communities shared a ritual to expel demons from their domestic environments. Although there are few clues as to the actual process, inscribed earthenware vessels were deliberately buried in thresholds, interior rooms, and cemeteries from the fifth-late seventh centuries CE.

Over 2000 examples of ceramic vessels with texts have been unearthed since the late nineteenth century. The bowl texts name specific clients, representing many diverse religious groups, seeking respite from discord. In many cases, the inscriptions address specific demons suspected of causing strife. The bowls were then buried inverted.

These bowls demonstrate a ritual that might just help today: expelling the demons that plague us all. Past and present, human communities share similar anxieties. The list might include disease, dangers in childbirth, loss of livelihood, familial discord, war, famine. One might add arrogance, violence, senseless hatred, hypocrisy, stupidity, and malice to our contemporary anxieties. As artists and scholars, we view the ancient act of sharing a ritual across faith traditions as one worth reconsidering for the present.

And so we present this exhibition of some of these ancient bowls and a storytelling performance as a beginning of this reconsideration. The bowls will be on display for the duration of the Annual Meeting.

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Panelists:
Laurel Robinson, Georgia Southwestern State University
Keaton Wynn, Georgia Southwestern State University
Daniel Rosenberg, Chicago, IL

A22–404
Film: *African Christianity Rising*
Sunday, 8:00 PM–10:00 PM
Marriott–International 1 (International Level)
Mary Nyangweso, East Carolina University, Presiding
Christianity’s explosive growth in Africa is part of a startling reversal in world history. Christianity is no longer the religion of the West. Over two-thirds of the world’s Christians now live in the global South — with Africa growing the fastest. What does it mean? What developments will it foster? With guidance from leading scholars in the field the film documents the vitality and changing nature of Christianity in Africa, exploring the ways in which it has become increasingly popular by becoming increasingly African — that is, becoming more rooted in local cultures as Christianity has wherever it has effectively spread. The stories filmed bring viewers into these African worlds through the personal dramas of people wrestling with ordinary, yet gripping, human problems. Such stories are illuminated by leading thinkers on the subject, including Archbishop Peter Sarpong of the Catholic Church in Ghana, a pioneer in introducing African culture into Christian worship.
Panelists:
- Birgit Meyer, Utrecht University
- Adriaan van Klinken, University of Leeds
- J. Kwabena Asamoah-Gyadu, Trinity Theological Seminary
Responding:
- James Ault, Filmmaker, *African Christianity Rising*

A22–405
Film: *Gurukulam*
Sunday, 8:00 PM–10:00 PM
Marriott–International 2 (International Level)
In vivid and sensuous detail, *Gurukulam* follows a group of students and their teacher as they confront fundamental questions about the nature of reality and self-identity at a remote forest ashram in southern India. Daily chores, meditation, ritual, and rigorous study are woven together connecting the natural and religious worlds in moments of surprising revelation and comic contradiction. Deeply observational and experiential, *Gurukulam* evokes the presence of the place and a tactile sense of the sacred. The richly layered soundscape and the intimate imagery bring us into a place of extraordinary beauty and simplicity. From Swami Dayananda’s first lesson: “Saying is only an expression of what you see,” *Gurukulam* is a rare invitation to look, listen, and experience a contemplative rhythm of life as old as the Bhagavad Gita and as new as present-day India. Co-directed by Neil Dalal and Jillian Elizabeth.
Panelist:
- Neil Dalal, University of Alberta

A22–406
Film: *The Muslims Are Coming*
Sunday, 8:00 PM–10:00 PM
Marriott–International 3 (International Level)
Directed by Negin Farsad and Dean Obeidallah. This comedy-documentary follows a group of Muslim comedians as they travel across the United States on a goodwill tour designed to increase understanding and combat Islamophobia through giving free comedy shows. By dealing in a humorous way with stereotypes and religious and cultural differences, they humanize Muslims and “give America a big Muslim hug.” Scenes of their standup alternate with street events such as “Ask a Muslim” and the “Name that Religion” game which are both educational and entertaining, and which serve to deconstruct essentialist and uninformed views of Islam. The differences among the comedians also show the diversity within Islam, and the impossibility of presenting a monolithic image of Muslims.
Panelist:
- John Lyden, Grand View University

A22–407
Film: *César Chávez*
Sunday, 8:00 PM–10:00 PM
Marriott–International 6 (International Level)
Directed by Diego Luna (2014). This film presents the life of Cesar Chavez, a civil rights activist and labor organizer. The 2014 film Cesar Chavez is the first non-documentary, feature-length film to focus on the life of Mexican American labor leader, César Chávez. Because 2015 is the 50th anniversary of the grape strike, led by Chávez and Larry Itliong, a strike that became a major training ground and inspiration for Chicana/os and other Latina/os who participated in different civil rights actions and organizations around the United States, the Latina/o Religion, Culture, and Society Group is organizing a panel that critically examines the legacies and cultural memory that surrounds Chávez.
Panelists:
- Sammy Alfaro, Grand Canyon University
- Jacqueline Hidalgo, Williams College

Arts Series Performance — *Pushing the Bear: The 1848-49 Cherokee Trail of Tears*
Sunday, 8:30 PM–9:30 PM
Hyatt–Learning Center (Ballroom Level)
Diane Glancy, Macalester College, Presiding
A staged reading of *Pushing the Bear*, a 30-minute play about the 1848–49 Cherokee Trail of Tears. Emory University students read the script, followed by a question and answer session with the author.
Panelist:
- Michael Evenden, Emory University
John R. Fitzmier, American Academy of Religion, Presiding
Celebrate the achievements of the 2015 AAR award winners at the ceremony and reception held in their honor.

**Martin E. Marty Award for the Public Understanding of Religion**
Ziba Mir-Hosseini, University of London

**Excellence in Teaching Award**
Judith Bishop, Mills College

**Religion and the Arts Award**
Marilynne Robinson, Iowa City, Iowa

**2015 Best In-depth Reporting on Religion Awards**

- **First Place:** Elizabeth Dias, *Time*
- **Second Place:** Daniel Burke, *CNN*
- **Third Place:** David Ovalle, *Miami Herald*

**2015 Excellence in the Study of Religion Book Awards**

- **Analytical–Descriptive**
  Winnifred Fallers Sullivan
  *A Ministry of Presence: Chaplaincy, Spiritual Care, and the Law* (University of Chicago Press, 2014)

- **Constructive–Reflective**
  Michelle Voss Roberts

- **Historical Studies**
  Claudia Brosseder
  *The Power of Huacas: Change and Resistance in the Andean World of Colonial Peru* (University of Texas Press, 2014)

- **Textual Studies**
  Tariq Jaffer
  *Rāzī: Master of Quranic Interpretation and Theological Reasoning* (Oxford University Press, 2014)

**2015 Best First Book in the History of Religions**
Cécile Fromont
Individual Research Grants

Anna Bigelow, North Carolina State University
Objects of Devotion: Islam, Material Religion, and Interreligious Relations in India

Lee H. Butler, Jr., Chicago Theological Seminary
Introducing Africana Pastoral Theology: A Narrativized Historiography

Jill DeTemple, Southern Methodist University
Contemporary Catholic Missions in Rural Ecuador

Rebekka King, Middle Tennessee State University
Judaism, Jesus, and Evangelical Rabbis: A Study of Jewish Affinity Christians

Kevin O’Neill, University of Toronto
For Christ’s Sake: Crack, Christianity, and Captivity

Storm Swain, Lutheran Theological Seminary at Philadelphia
Case Studies for Teaching Disaster Spiritual Care

Heather R. White, New College of Florida
Gay Liberation at the Church of the Holy Apostles

Collaborative Research Grant

Whitney A. Bauman, Florida International University, Robert N. Puckett, American Academy of Religion, and Mary Grace DuPree, Emory University
Mapping the Field of Religious Studies

International Dissertation Research Grant

Elizabeth Anderson, Yale University
Research Destinations: Rome, London, and India

Selva J. Raj Endowed International Dissertation Research Fellowship

Rakesh Peter Dass, Harvard University
Research Destinations: United Kingdom

2015 Regional Development Grants

Elizabeth Allison, California Institute of Integral Studies Religion and Ecology
Network for Scholar-Practitioners in the San Francisco Bay Area

Sabrina D. Misri, Montclair State University, and Matthew Vaughan, Union Theological Seminary
Colloquium Speaker Series on Teaching and Learning in the Religious Studies Learning Space

Jack Hill, Texas Christian University; Allen Redmon, Texas A&M University, Central Texas; Jens Kreinath, Wichita State University; Marc DiPaolo, Oklahoma City University; Paul Martens, Baylor University; B.J. Parker, Baylor University; and Katherine Downey, The Hockaday School
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A23-1
Program Unit Chairs’ Breakfast
Monday, 7:15 AM–8:45 AM
Hyatt-International South (International Tower Level LL1)
Greg Johnson, University of Colorado, Presiding
Program Unit Chairs are invited to a breakfast featuring information on upcoming program initiatives and celebrating their contributions to the AAR Annual Meeting.

A23-2
Membership Task Force Meeting
Monday, 7:30 AM–9:00 AM
Marriott-Sear Restaurant
Warren G. Frisina, Hofstra University, Presiding

A23-100
Student Lounge Roundtable
Theme: Humility, Solidarity, and Mutuality: Three Holistic Methodological Goals for Comparative Religious Study
Monday, 9:00 AM–10:30 AM
Hyatt-Hanover A (Exhibit Level)
To effectively engage difference and commonality in comparative religious scholarship, this presentation coalesces holistic feminist insights to support the following three epistemological goals: humility, solidarity, and mutuality. In the words of feminist postcolonial thinker Trinh T. Minh-ha, “Despite our desperate, eternal attempt to separate, contain, and mend, categories always leak.” Despite the mantle of scholarly authority and common linguistic exclusion, I will report on the usefulness of engaging in qualitative research with feminist methods, which I employed in interview research and writing for the dissertation. These methodological tools may enable other scholars to deal responsibly with difference in comparative study by enacting humility, solidarity, and mutuality when engaging with the content of study, and when applicable, with interview participants in qualitative research.
Panelist:
Sarah Robinson, Claremont Graduate University

Monday, 9:00 AM–11:00 AM

A23-101
Study of Judaism Section
Theme: Regulating Sexuality in Postwar American Jewish Communities: Navigating Queer Bodies, Heteronormativity, and Hegemonic Christianity
Monday, 9:00 AM–11:00 AM
Hyatt-Lenox (Atlanta Conference Level)
Laura S. Levitt, Temple University, Presiding
Rachel Gordan, Brandeis University
Alfred Kinsey and the Making of a Post-WWII Orthodox Jewish Sexuality
Brett Krutzsch, College of Wooster
Jewish in Life, Christianized in Death: The Jewishness of Harvey Milk’s Gay Activism
Gregg Drinkwater, University of Colorado
AIDS Was Our Earthquake: American Judaism in the Age of AIDS
Jonathan Jackson, Maxwell School of Syracuse University
Useful and Inhuman: Inversions of Queer and Corrections of the Jewish Body

A23-102
Confucian Traditions Group
Theme: How the Changes Changed: Yijing Exegesis in Post-Imperial China
Monday, 9:00 AM–11:00 AM
Hilton-308 (Level 3)
Michael Lackner, Friedrich-Alexander University of Erlangen-Nuremberg, Presiding
Geoffrey Redmond, Columbia University
Doubting Antiquity and the Reconstruction of the Ancient Zhuzi
Tze-ki Hon, State University of New York, Geneseo
Reading the Hexagrams for the New Nation: Yijing Studies in Twentieth-Century China
Dennis Cheng, Hong Kong Institute of Education
Tian (天, Heaven) and Yijing Philosophy
Stéphanie Homola, Collège de France, École des Hautes études en Sciences Sociales
A Cultural Encounter between the Yijing and Modern Astronomy: The Case of Liu Zihua 刘子华 (1899–1992)
Responding:
On-cho Ng, Pennsylvania State University

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A23-103
Ecclesiological Investigations Group
Theme: The Church and the Environmental Crisis
Monday, 9:00 AM–11:00 AM
Hilton-205 (Level 2)
Bradford E. Hinze, Fordham University, Presiding
Andrew Spencer, Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary
Southern Baptists and the Environment: Divergence Between Theology and Praxis
Henry Kuo, Graduate Theological Union
The Dangerous Memory of Acre: Hope for a Unified Reformed Response to the Ecological Crisis
John Shelton, Duke University
Sacramental Imagination: Forming an Ecological Conscience at the Lord’s Table
Jennifer Krysak, Saint Thomas University, Miami Gardens
Serving the Dear Neighbor through the Earth: A Mission for Ecological and Social Justice

A23-104
Gay Men and Religion Group
Theme: Queer Utopias and Dystopias
Monday, 9:00 AM–11:00 AM
Hyatt-Marietta (Atlanta Conference Level)
Roger A. Sneed, Furman University, Presiding
Allison Covey, University of Toronto
Comic-Con International as Performance of Queer Utopia
Christopher Ashley, Union Theological Seminary
A Kind Angel’s Thesis: Religion, Technology, and Queer Humanism in Neon Genesis Evangelion
Andrea Tucker, Vanderbilt University
Desiring Earthseed: Teaching Octavia Butler’s Parable of the Sower behind the Gate
Anthony Hoshaw, Chicago Theological Seminary
Trash Animals, Queers, and the City
Responding:
Marco Derks, Utrecht University
Business Meeting:
W. Scott Haldeman, Chicago Theological Seminary, Presiding

A23-105
Roman Catholic Studies Group
Theme: Race and White Supremacy in the Construction of American Catholicism
Monday, 9:00 AM–11:00 AM
Marriott-L405-406 (Lobby Level)
Matthew Cressler, College of Charleston, Presiding
Panelists:
Emma J. Anderson, University of Ottawa
Shannen Williams, University of Tennessee
Felipe Hinojosa, Texas A&M University

A23-106
Public Understanding of Religion Committee
Theme: Media Representations of ISIS/ISIL
Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hyatt-Regency (Ballroom Level)
Ayesha S. Chaudhry, University of British Columbia, Presiding
A recent article in The Atlantic by Graeme Wood — “What ISIS Really Wants” — and the controversy it has given rise to, has brought once again to the fore questions about the kind of role scholars of religion can legitimately and usefully play in “defining” religion in the public square. Wood, citing heavily the work of the Princeton Scholar of religion Bernard Haykel, is of the view that ISIS is Islamic, rooted in the textual tradition its supporters employ to authenticate their actions. In a response to this article, also in The Atlantic, Caner K. Dagli, associate professor of religious studies at the College of the Holy Cross, is sharply critical of Wood, writing, “On what grounds do non-Muslim journalists and academics tell Muslims that their judgment that ISIS does not take a full and fair view of the Quran and Sunnah (the example and teachings of the Prophet Muhammad) amounts to a “cotton-candy” view of Islam, while these non-Muslims retain the right to judge how “serious” ISIS is in its understanding of core Islamic texts?” However, it is not just non-Muslim academics and journalists and their critics who are engaging in the formation of representations of what is and is not Islamic through different media channels (responses and counter responses to “What ISIS Really Wants” are being played out across new social media, Twitter, blogs etc). ISIS/ISIL itself makes use of social networking to also engage in a process of making a claim on what counts as Islam and Islamic. This is a very public strategy that has involved the production and the global dissemination of videos of beheadings as well as the use of Twitter and Facebook to apparently lure young Muslim women, including those from North America and Europe, to travel to the Middle East to join ISIS and engage in “radical” “jihadist” activities. This in turn has received no small amount of media interest and some emergent academic commentary from those wishing to document and better understanding the way that young women might be “radicalized” in this way via new media. This panel brings together experts from both academia and journalism that have engaged with: 1) The recent controversies over the way in which ISIS/ISIL is represented in the public square by academics and journalists; and 2) How ISIS supporters represent ISIS via different forms of new social media, including the rising concern over the radicalization of young women.
Panelists:
Kecia Ali, Boston University
Caner Dagli, College of the Holy Cross
Sohaira Siddiqui, Georgetown University School of Foreign Service, Qatar

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A23-108

Arts, Literature, and Religion Section

Theme: Between: Liminality as Creative (Re)Source in American Religion, Literature, and Art

Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hilton-208 (Level 2)

Yolanda Pierce, Princeton Theological Seminary, Presiding

Jason Bartulis, University of Chicago
  Between Photographic Naturalism and Literary Religion: Flannery O’Connor’s Modernist Graces

Matthew Potts, Harvard University
  Remaking American Monsters: Race and Religion in Cormac McCarthy’s Fiction

Andrew Smith, Tennessee Technological University
  Banjo and Bread: Hippie Christian Liturgy as New Left Liberation

Joy R. Bostic, Case Western Reserve University
  Justice Making and the Beloved Community: The Underground Railroad, Toni Morrison’s Beloved, and Mapping Emancipatory Landscapes

A23-109

Christian Systematic Theology Section

Theme: Apophasis and Its Limits: Speech, Language, and Reasoning about God

Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hilton-Grand Salon A (Level 2)

Holly Taylor Coolman, Providence College, Presiding

David Wilmington, Baylor University
  Toward a Harmonious Silence: An Argument for Relational Apophaticism

Brendan McInerny, Fordham University
  A Concrete Mystery: Apophatic Theology and Trinitarian Discourse in the Thought of Hans Urs von Balthasar

Deborah Caswell, University of Edinburgh
  Between Suffering and Reason: Jungel as a Corrective to Modern Theology

Kirsten Heacock Sanders, Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary
  What Seeing Jesus Offers for the Doctrine of Impassibility

Business Meeting:
  David Stubbs, Western Theological Seminary, Presiding

Panelists:
  Raedorah Stewart, Washington, DC
  Willie J. Jennings, Yale University
  Jeremy Schipper, Temple University
  Allyssa Green, Jonesboro, GA
  Mary McClintock Fulkerson, Duke University
  Monica A. Coleman, Claremont School of Theology
  Mary Jo Iozzio, Boston College

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A23-110

Ethics Section
Theme: **Fiftieth Anniversary Remembrance of the Voting Rights Act of 1965**
Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hilton-Grand Ballroom A (Level 2)
Keri Day, Brite Divinity School, Presiding
James McBride, New York University
*Black Votes Matter: Shelby v. Holder and the Moral Impoverishment of the United States Supreme Court*
Marc Rugani, Catholic University of America
*Clamo Ergo Sum: Establishing the Fundamental Right to Protest out of Christian Theologies of Liberation*
Jonathan Rothchild, Loyola Marymount University
*Why the Voting Rights Act Still Matters Fifty Years Later*

A23-111

Religion and Politics Section
Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Marriott-M301-302 (Marquis Level)
Jason Springs, University of Notre Dame, Presiding
Panelists:
Peter Ochs, University of Virginia
Cecelia Lynch, University of California, Irvine
Amir Hussain, Loyola Marymount University
Shaul Magid, Indiana University
Responding:
Atalia Omer, University of Notre Dame

A23-112

Religion in South Asia Section and Study of Islam Section and North American Hinduism Group and Sikh Studies Group
Theme: **Teaching the “Asian Religions” Survey: Challenges and Opportunities**
Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Marriott-International 3 (International Level)
Richard H. Davis, Bard College, Presiding
Panelists:
Michael Altman, University of Alabama
Pashaura Singh, University of California, Riverside
Christian Haskett, Centre College
Judson Murray, Wright State University
Carole Barnsley, Transylvania University
Jonathan H. X. Lee, San Francisco State University
Annabella Pitkin, Barnard College, Columbia University

A23-113

Teaching Religion Section and Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion
Theme: **Demonstrating a Teaching Tactic: Engaging Students in Learning**
Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Marriott-A703 (Atrium Level)
David B. Howell, Ferrum College, Presiding
The session will be present teaching tactics in a timed format on engaging students in active learning. Each tactic will be distributed and the author will clarify its content. There will be time for discussion for each tactic as well as time for general discussion.

Brent Hege, Butler University
*Crafting a “Big Picture” Assignment: Interviews as Teaching Tool*
Umesh Patel, University at Buffalo
*Speed Dating*
Kristy Slominski, Georgia State University
*Using Chicks to Start Discussions in the Religious Studies Classroom*
Kyle Schiefelbein, Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary
*Engaging Historical-Theological Sources in the Digital Classroom*
Rose Aslan, California Lutheran University
*Drama in the Classroom*
David Jorgensen, Colby College
*Coffee-Hour Role Play*

Business Meeting:
David B. Howell, Ferrum College, Presiding

A23-114

Theology and Religious Reflection Section and Class, Religion, and Theology Group and Liberation Theologies Group and Religion and Cities Group
Theme: **How Class, Religion, and Theology Shape Academia and Academics**
Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Marriott-M106-107 (Marquis Level)
Robert O. Smith, University of Notre Dame, Presiding
Stacey M. Floyd-Thomas, Vanderbilt University
*Phenomenal Women: Black Female Embodiment and American Iconic Power*
Mark Wood, Virginia Commonwealth University
*From Neoliberal Diversity to Deep International Solidarity: Reclaiming the University for Democracy and the Public Good*
James W. Perkinson, Ecumenical Theological Seminary
*The “Place” of Animist Theologies of Liberation: “Learning to Learn” From Gayatri Spivak’s “Impossible Vision” of Global Ecological Justice*
Joerg Rieger, Southern Methodist University
*Class and Power in the Classroom and beyond*

Business Meeting:
Ken Estey, Brooklyn College, and Joerg Rieger, Southern Methodist University, Presiding
A23-115

African Religions Group
Theme: African Values and Ethics on the Global Stage: Critical Perspectives on Religious Cosmopolitanism
Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Marriott-A601 (Atrium Level)
Teresia Mbiri Hinga, Santa Clara University, Presiding
Dianna Bell, Vanderbilt University
Islam in African Values: The Qu’ranic Basis of Muslim Merit-Making in Posthumous Sacrifices in Mali
Erin Nourse, University of Denver
‘Make My Hands Holy’: How Gift-Giving (Hasin-Tanana) and the Malagasy Ethic of Respect (Fihevanana) Equips Traditional Healers with Much-Needed Therapeutic Resources in Regions of Medical Scarcity
David Ngong, Stillman College
Implications of the Spirituality of the Twin among the Venge of Cameroon
Beddingfield Meghan, Princeton Theological Seminary
Reempowerment for the Family Man: Reestablishing the Okpara in the Igbo Second Burial Rite in Contemporary Nigerian Christianity
Joseph Hellweg, Florida State University
Hunting Values in an African State: Religion, Human Rights, and Post-Conflict Realities in Côte d’Ivoire
Responding:
Simeon O. Ilesanmi, Wake Forest University
Business Meeting:
Joseph Hellweg, Florida State University, and Mary Nyangweso, East Carolina University, Presiding

A23-116

Augustine and Augustinianisms Group and Scriptural Reasoning Group
Theme: New Research on the Practice of Early Christian Psalm Interpretation
Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hyatt-Dunwoody (Atlanta Conference Level)
Simeon Zahl, University of Oxford, Presiding
Charles Stang, Harvard University
Psalmody in the Origenist Tradition
Rachel Muers, University of Leeds
Who Speaks and Who Hears? First, Second and Third Persons in the Harp of Prophecy
Responding:
Carl Hughes, Texas Lutheran University

A23-117

Bible, Theology, and Postmodernity Group and Kierkegaard, Religion, and Culture Group
Theme: Kierkegaard and the Staging of Desire (Fordham University Press, 2014): A Discussion of Carl Hughes’ Book on Rhetoric and Performance in a Theology of Eros
Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hilton-304 (Level 3)
Céline Léon, Grove City College, Presiding
Panelists:
Don E. Saliers, Emory University
Helene Russell, Christian Theological Seminary
Edward Phillip Antonio, Iliff School of Theology
Sylvia Walsh, Stetson University
Responding:
Carl Hughes, Texas Lutheran University

A23-118

Buddhism in the West Group
Theme: Converts, Immigrants, Social Movements, and Mindfulness
Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Marriott-International 2 (International Level)
Wakoh Shannon Hickey, Notre Dame of Maryland University, Presiding
Philip Deslippe, University of California, Santa Barbara
The Fortuneteller and the Freemason: Two Western Buddhist Converts and Their Influence on the Buddhist Churches of America in the Early Twentieth Century
Courtney Brunz, Oregon State University
Dharma in the Heartland: An Exploration of Immigrant Buddhists in Nebraska
Jason Ellsworth, Dalhousie University
Reinvigorating the Market: Taiwanese Buddhist Ethical Food Projects on Prince Edward Island
Daniel Weiss, University of Cambridge
Rabbinic Reasoning and Psalms of Salvation: Rejection of the Idea of Redemption by Human Hands
Anthony Dupont, University Leuven
Voice of the Whole Christ: Augustine's Hermeneutics of the Psalms
Responding:
Paul R. Kolbet, Yale University

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Buddhist Critical-Constructive Reflection Group and Moral Injury and Recovery in Religion, Society, and Culture Group
Theme: Buddhist Approaches to Moral Injury and Recovery
Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hilton-Grand Ballroom C (Level 2)
Christopher Ives, Stonehill College, Presiding
Grace G. Burford, Prescott College
Buddhist Teachings and Practices as Resources for Understanding and Treating Moral Injury
John M. Thompson, Christopher Newport University
Aṅgulimāla’s Redemption: Narrating a Buddhist Way beyond Moral Injury
Brendan Ozawa-de Silva, Emory University
Theoretical and Practical Resources of the Tibetan Lojong (Blo Sbyong) Tradition for Addressing Moral Injury
Jennifer Wade, Boston College
Mind Training Informed by the Transformational Anger of Judith Butler as Resource to Support Recovery from Moral Injury
Responding:
Zachary Moon, Iliff School of Theology

A23-120

Contemporary Islam Group
Theme: Connecting Islam in Africa: Patterns of Islamic Reform and Politics of Change
Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Marriott-International 7 (International Level)
Farid Esack, University of Johannesburg, Presiding
Ahmed Khalid Ayong, University of Bayreuth
From the Jauleru to the Jamiah: The Life and Activities of Sheikh Abdurrahman Nasrou (1933–2003)
Brannon Ingram, Northwestern University
True Sufis Don’t March in the Streets: Desbandi Political Ethics from South Asia to South Africa
Alexander Thurston, Georgetown University
Teaching Hadith in Northern Nigeria
Ann Wainscott, Saint Louis University
Religious Regulation as Foreign Policy: The Case of Morocco
Matthew Steele, Harvard University
Shafi’i Students, Maliki Scholars, and Hanafi Laws: The Making of Juridical Authority in Early Twentieth Century Sudan
Responding:
Terje Ostebo, University of Florida

A23-121

Contemporary Pagan Studies Group and Indigenous Religious Traditions Group
Theme: The Problem of “Religion” in the Study of Indigenous and Polytheistic Traditions
Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Marriott-International 7 (Atrium Level)
Rachel Mikva, Chicago Theological Seminary, Presiding
Panelists:
Jerusha Lamptey, Union Theological Seminary
Joanne Marie Terrell, Chicago Theological Seminary
Rachel Heath, University of Chicago
Nina Hoel, University of Oslo
Robyn Henderson-Espinoza, Pacific School of Religion

A23-122

Interreligious and Interfaith Studies Group
Theme: Religious Pluralism and Feminist/Womanist/Mujerista Theologies
Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Marriott-A702 (Atrium Level)
Rachel Mikva, Chicago Theological Seminary, Presiding
Panelists:
Jerusha Lamptey, Union Theological Seminary
Joanne Marie Terrell, Chicago Theological Seminary
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Korean Religions Group
Theme: Meaning, Memory, and Message: New Approaches to Seminal Issues in Korean Religions
Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Marriott-L508 (Lobby Level)
Debernere Torrey, University of Utah, Presiding
Franklin Rausch, Lander University
Humble but Wise: Papal and Korean Leadership during Pope Francis’s 2014 Visit to Korea
Young Woon Ko, Lorain Community College
Masculinities, Confucianism, and Sexual Identity in the New Paradigm of Korean Yijing
Timothy S. Lee, Brite Divinity School
Jeremiad against Korean Evangelicalism, 1990–2015: Denunciations and Prescriptions
Haewon Yang, Claremont, CA
Contextualization and Spiritualization: A Paradoxical Combination in the Korean Translation of Eugene H. Peterson
Seong-nae Kim, Sogang University
Cultural Memory of the Cheju Massacre and the Korean War: Moral Practices of Spirit Possession and Kinship Rites
Responding:
Richard D. McBride, Brigham Young University, Hawaii

A23-124
Latina/o Religion, Culture, and Society Group
Theme: The Legacy of César Chávez after Fifty Years
Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hyatt-Roswell (Atlanta Conference Level)
Theresa Torres, University of Missouri, Kansas City, Presiding
Lloyd Barba, University of Michigan
Activists and Aleluyas: The Politicization of Pentecostal Farmworkers
Jason Steidl, Fordham University
César Chávez and the Dangerous Rhetoric of Ecumenism
Jeremy Cruz, Saint John’s University, New York
César Chávez and Faith-Based Egalitarianism: Source or Stumbling Block?
Responding:
Luis Leon, University of Denver
Business Meeting:
Jacqueline Hidalgo, Williams College, Presiding

A23-125
Men, Masculinities, and Religions Group
Theme: Performative and Discursive Masculinities: Intersecting Race, Religion, Ethnicity, and Sexuality
Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Marriott-International 1 (International Level)
Amanullah De Sondy, University College Cork, Presiding
David Newman, Syracuse University
Playing the Second Skin: Mormon Men, Sexuality, and the Holy Garments
Myoung hun Yun, Vanderbilt University
Darrius Hills, Rice University
Reciprocal Masculinities in Alice Walker’s The Color Purple
Alyssa Maldonado, Princeton University
“They Give the Feast Their Hearts, These Faithful and Honest Men”: Manhood and Masculinity at the Feast of Our Lady of Mount Carmel
Business Meeting:
Adriaan van Klinken, University of Leeds, Presiding

A23-126
Nineteenth Century Theology Group
Theme: Aesthetics and the Religious Imagination in the Nineteenth Century
Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hyatt-Piedmont (Atlanta Conference Level)
Zachary Purvis, University of Edinburgh, Presiding
Liane Carlson, Columbia University
The Poetics of Pantheism in Early German Romanticism
David Le, Brown University
The End of Art and the Non-End of Religion: Hegel on Aesthetics and Religion
Devon Abts, King’s College London
An Incomprehensible Certainty: Exploring A Sacramental Approach to the Religious Imagination in Nineteenth Century Britain
Responding:
Douglas Hedley, University of Cambridge
Business Meeting:
Todd Gooch, Eastern Kentucky University, Presiding
A23-127
Practical Theology Group
Theme: Dismantling Mass Incarceration
Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hilton-213 (Level 2)
Christine Hong, Louisville Presbyterian Theological Seminary, Presiding
Hannah Adams Ingram, University of Denver
Letters Like Prayers: Appealing to the Gods of the Parole Board
Brandy Daniels, Vanderbilt University
Practical Theology and the Shift from Prison Reform to Prison Abolition: The Liberation of Theo-Ethical Reflections on Incarceration
Jason Sexton, California State University, Fullerton
Transforming the Hardest of Hearts: Criminality and a Theology of Prison Education
Amy Levad, University of Saint Thomas, Minneapolis
The Eucharist, Justice, and Dismantling Mass Incarceration
Matthew Eaton, University of Saint Michael’s College
From Idolatry to Infinity: Transitional Christology Following Emmanuel Levinas and the New Materialism
Responding:
Heather Eaton, Saint Paul University

A23-128
Qur’an Group
Theme: Legal, Ethical, and Mystical Readings of the Qur’an
Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Marriott-L506-507 (Lobby Level)
Tariq Jaffer, Amherst College, Presiding
Yousef Casewit, American University of Sharjah, New York University, Abu Dhabi
What Ambiguity? Ibn Barrajān’s (d. 536/1141) Treatment of the Muḥkamāt and Mutashābihāt
Hamilton Cook, Emory University
‘From the Wombs of Absence:’ Rūzbihān Baqlī’s “Theology of Absence” in his ‘Arā’is al-Bayān fi hāqā’iq al-Qur’ān
Ayat Agah, Claremont Graduate University
Recovering Walayah as an Ethic of Concern
Responding:
Joseph Lumbard, American University of Sharjah

A23-129
Religion and Ecology Group
Theme: New Directions in Ecotheology
Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Marriott-International 6 (International Level)
Anne Marie Dalton, Saint Mary’s University, Halifax, Presiding
Panu Pihkala, University of Helsinki
Rediscovery of Early Twentieth Century Ecotheology
Daniel Horan, Boston College
Decolonizing Creation: A Postcolonial Critique of Ecological Stewardship
David Larrabee, Union Theological Seminary
Process Thought and Environmental Ethics
Lily Oster, Emory University
Bound in Being: An Obliged Ontology

A23-130
Religion and Popular Culture Group and Religion and Science Fiction Group and Tibetan and Himalayan Religions Group and Yoga in Theory and Practice Group
Theme: (Re)presentations of Science and Yogic Religion in Pop Culture
Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hilton-Grand Salon B (Level 2)
Rudy V. Busto, University of California, Santa Barbara, Presiding
Anna Pokazanyeva, University of California, Santa Barbara
The Turbaned Superman: Popular Depictions of Yogi Figures and the Shift to a Scientific Universalism
Joel Gruber, University of California, Santa Barbara
Tibetan Yogic Practices in the Batman Epic: The Dark Yoga of the Dark Knight
Adam Krug, University of California, Santa Barbara
‘I’ll See You Again in Twenty-Five Years:’ Tibetan Buddhism in David Lynch’s Twin Peaks and in American Pop Culture in the 90s
Paul G. Hackett, Columbia University
The Future Is Not What It Used To Be: Religion, Yoga, and Tibet in Star Trek and Doctor Who
Rex Barnes, Columbia University
The Implied Spider-Man: Transcreating Religious Imagery, Symbol, and Meaning in Spider-Man India
Responding:
Jane Naomi Iwamura, University of the West

A23-131
Religion, Film, and Visual Culture Group
Theme: Muslims, Film, and Visual Culture
Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hilton-Grand Salon E (Level 2)
Jeanette Reedy Solano, California State University, Fullerton, Presiding
Candace Mixon, University of North Carolina
In Fatima’s Footsteps: Commemorating the Daughter of the Prophet
Susie Paulik Babka, University of San Diego
“Los Hamas, More Hummus”: The World of Street, Mural, and Graffiti Art by Muslim Artists
Kristian Petersen, University of Nebraska, Omaha
New American Muslim Cinema: A Transnational Critique of Hollywood
Responding:
John Lyden, Grand View University
Business Meeting:
Ken Derry, University of Toronto, Presiding
A 23-132

Religion, Sport, and Play Group

Theme: Religious Studies Pedagogies for Sport and Play

Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton-211 (Level 2)

Arthur Remillard, Saint Francis University, Presiding

Panelists:
- Rebecca Alpert, Temple University
- Patton Burchett, New York University
- Katherine C. Zubko, University of North Carolina, Asheville
- Annie Blazer, College of William and Mary
- Randall Balmer, Dartmouth College

Business Meeting:
- Annie Blazer, College of William and Mary, and Arthur Remillard, Saint Francis University, Presiding

A 23-133

Science, Technology, and Religion Group

Theme: Technology and the Sacred

Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton-401-402 (Level 4)

Sarah Fredericks, University of Chicago, Presiding

John Allison, Princeton Theological Seminary
- The Question Still Concerning Technology: Imagining Ontology with Eliade and Heidegger

Takeshi Kimura, University of Tsukuba
- Hybridity of Robotics and Mahayana Buddhism: The Mahayana Buddhist Philosophy of Robot in the Case of Masahiro Mori

Jordan Brady Loewen, Syracuse University
- "Welcome to a New Reality": Digital Shamanism and Its Embodied Consequences

Yasmin Cho, Duke University
- Taking Photos of Sacredness: Technology, (In)Visibility, and the Production of Sacredness in the Practice of Tibetan Buddhism

Business Meeting:
- Sarah Fredericks, University of Chicago, and Whitney Bauman, Florida International University, Presiding

A 23-134

Sociology of Religion Group and Critical Research on Religion

Theme: The Sociology of Religious Experience

Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott-A705 (Atrium Level)

Rebekka King, Middle Tennessee State University, Presiding

Philip Wexler, Hebrew University of Jerusalem
- Resacralizing Critical Social Theory: An Example from Jewish Mysticism

Jill Krebs, McDaniel College
- Chitchatting with Our Lady, or What Sociology Can Learn from Marian Visionaries

Scott Muir, Duke University
- The Spirit of The Scene: Music Festivals, Collective Effervescence, and the Cult of the Individual

Jeremy Hamilton-Arnold, Yale University
- Native Appropriation in Hipster Heterotopia: The Plains Indian Headdress and (In)Authentic Identities at Indie Music Festivals

Responding:
- Warren S. Goldstein, Harvard University

Business Meeting:
- Rebekka King, Middle Tennessee State University, Presiding

A 23-135

Theology of Martin Luther King Jr. Group

Theme: Creating Community and Consciousness: New Perspectives on the Significance of Martin Luther King, Jr.

Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton-Grand Salon D (Level 2)

Karen Jackson-Weaver, Harvard University, Presiding

Dominic Erdozain, King’s College London
- King and the American Conscience: The Challenge to the "Thermometer" Church

Miriam Perkins, Emmanuel Christian Seminary
- The Praxis of Prophetic Voice: Martin Luther King, Jr. and Communication Strategies of Resistance

Raimundo César Barreto, Princeton Theological Seminary
- The Significance of Martin Luther King, Jr. for Latin America: A Brazilian Perspective

James H. Evans, Colgate Rochester Crozer Divinity School
- A New Creation: Spiritual and Social Transformation in the Sermons of Martin Luther King, Jr.
A23-136

Tillich: Issues in Theology, Religion, and Culture Group
Theme: “A” Body Revealing Ultimate Concern
Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hilton-302 (Level 3)
Sharon Peebles Burch, Interfaith Counseling Center, San Anselmo, CA, Presiding

Panelists:
- Kayko Driedger Hesslein, Graduate Theological Union
- Shonda Nicole Gladden, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary
- Beth Ritter-Conn, Belmont University
- Devan Stahl, Saint Louis University
- Adam Pryor, Bethany College

A23-137

Wesleyan Studies Group
Theme: Unity/Disunity in the Wesleyan Family
Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Marriott-A706 (Atrium Level)
Priscilla Pope-Levison, Southern Methodist University, Presiding

Kevin Watson, Emory University
Embodying Methodist Theology: Competing Visions of Holy Living within the Methodist Episcopal Church and the Rise of Free Methodism

Jared Maddox, Southern Methodist University
The 1844 General Conference and the Politicization of the Methodist Episcopal Church

Nell Becker Sweeden, George Fox Evangelical Seminary
(Dis)Unity in Social Holiness: Complexities of Race, Class, and Gender

Robert Doyle Smith, Olivet Nazarene University
Conflicting Concepts of Pentecost: The Nazarene Response to the Azusa Street Revival Shapes Their Future Relations with Pentecostalism

Responding:
- Steven T. Hoskins, Trevecca Nazarene University

Business Meeting:
- Grace Ji-Sun Kim, Earlham College, Presiding

A23-138

Women of Color Scholarship, Teaching, and Activism Group
Theme: Sin, Suffering, and Spatiality: Exploring Culture, Caste, and Critique
Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hilton-201 (Level 2)
Eboni Marshall Turman, Duke University, Presiding

Oluwatomisin Oredein, Duke University
The Propensity of Stains: Suffering as Dirty

Sailaja Krishnamurti, York University
Hindu Religiosity at the Margins of Diaspora: Queer and Feminist Activism, South Asian Diaspora Communities, and the Critique of Caste

Nikia Robert, Claremont School of Theology
Is Purple the New Orange? A Womanist Ethic of Survival in an Age of Mass Incarceration

Elyse Ambrose Minson, Drew University
Liberative Ethics at “The Pier”: Environmental Transphobia and the Christopher Street Pier, New York City

Grace Ji-Sun Kim, Earlham College, and Joseph Cheah, University of Saint Joseph
Theological Reflections on “Gangnam Style”: A Racial, Sexual, and Cultural Critique

Business Meeting:
- Grace Ji-Sun Kim, Earlham College, Presiding

A23-139

Emerging Church, Millennials, and Religion Seminar
Theme: What Is the Emerging Church? Definitions and Constructions
Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Marriott-International C (International Level)
Randy Reed, Appalachian State University, Presiding

Terry Shoemaker, Arizona State University
Deconstructing Westphalia: The Emerging Church, Citizen Pilgrims, and Globalization

Steven Studebaker, McMaster Divinity College
From Monks to Punks: Emerging Christianity in Canada

Lee Beach, McMaster Divinity College
Heresy, Betrayal, Magic, and Insurrection: Theology, Philosophy, and Politics in the Work of Peter Rollins

Brandon Daniel-Hughes, John Abbott College
The Emergent Church Movement as Experimental Program: Embodied Hypotheses in Cognition and Value

Adam Sweatman, Florida State University
A Generous Heterodoxy: A History of the Emerging Church Milieu

Responding:
- Xochitl Alvizo, California State University, Northridge
- Shenandoah Nieuwsma, University of North Carolina

Business Meeting:
- Michael Zbaraschuk, Pacific Lutheran University, Presiding

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A23-140 PRE-POSTED PAPERS SESSION ⭐️ New!

Global-Critical Philosophy of Religion Seminar
Theme: Categories for Comparative Philosophy of Religion
Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hilton-307 (Level 3)
Timothy D. Knepper, Drake University, Presiding
Jacob Sherman, University of Cambridge
      From “Faith and Reason” to the Post-Colonial Re-Evaluation of Religious Epistemologies
Nariman Aavani, Harvard University
Rethinking the Categories of Philosophy of Religion Through the Particularities of Shabistari and Sarasvati’s Epistemologies of the Self
Nathaniel Holmes, Florida Memorial University
      Philosophy of Religion and Disabilities
Steven G. Smith, Millsaps College
      Scripture as a Topic in Global-Critical Philosophy of Religion: A Preliminary Survey of Major Questions
Lawrence Whitney, Boston University
      The Problem of Religious Language
Business Meeting:
      Gereon Kopf, Luther College, Presiding

A23-141

Responsible Research Practices Seminar Meeting
Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hyatt-222 (2nd Level)
Thomas A. Tweed, University of Notre Dame, and Jack Fitzmier, American Academy of Religion, Presiding
Private meeting of Seminar members to edit draft.

A23-142

Stand-alone MA Programs in Religion Seminar
Theme: The Future of MA Programs in Religion: Where Do We Go from Here?
Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hilton-Grand Ballroom D (Level 2)
Stephen C. Berkowitz, Missouri State University, Presiding
Panelists:
      Eric Bain-Selbo, Western Kentucky University
      Molly Bassett, Georgia State University
      Martha Finch, Missouri State University
      Greg Johnson, University of Colorado
Dennis Kelley, University of Missouri
David T. Stewart, California State University, Long Beach
Oren Baruch Stier, Florida International University
Jarrod Whitaker, Wake Forest University
Brian Wilson, Western Michigan University
Molly Zahn, University of Kansas
Jonathan Ebel, University of Illinois
Business Meeting:
      Jarrod Whitaker, Wake Forest University, and Stephen C. Berkowitz, Missouri State University, Presiding

A23-143 ⭐️ New!

Video Gaming and Religion Seminar
Theme: Crafting the Study of Religion and Video Games: A Roundtable Discussion of Key Perspectives
Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hyton-206 (Level 2)
Heidi Ann Campbell, Texas A&M University, Presiding
Panelists:
      Jason Anthony, Brooklyn, NY
      Ian Bogost, Georgia Institute of Technology
      Gregory Grieve, University of North Carolina, Greensboro
      Owen Gottlieb, Rochester Institute of Technology
      Kerstin Radde-Antweiler, University of Bremen
      Michael Waltemathe, Ruhr Universität Bochum
      Rachel Wagner, Ithaca College
      Xenia Zeiler, University of Helsinki
Responding:
      Michael Houseman, Ecole Pratique des Hautes Etudes
Business Meeting:
      Gregory Grieve, University of North Carolina, Greensboro, and Kerstin Radde-Antweiler, University of Bremen, Presiding

A23-144

Michael C. Carlos Museum Tour
Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hyatt-Meet at corner of Baker Street (Honorary Xernona Clayton Way) and Peachtree Street
See page 9 for details.

A23-145

Pitts Theology Library Special Collections Tour
Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hyatt-Meet at corner of Baker Street (Honorary Xernona Clayton Way) and Peachtree Street
See page 9 for details.
P23-100
Society for Buddhist-Christian Studies and Society for Hindu-Christian Studies
Theme: Thomas Merton at 100: His Influence on the Study of Hinduism and Buddhism
Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Marriott-M104 (Marquis Level)
George Kilcourse, Bellarmine College, Presiding
Francis X. Clooney, Harvard University
‘All the Way from India: Merton in the Mirror of Hinduism
Thomas Forsthoefel, Mercyhurst University
Merton and the Axes of Dialogue
Judith Simmer-Brown, Naropa University
Communicating In Depth: Merton’s Practice Dialogue with Tibetan Buddhism
John P. Keenan, Middlebury College
Thomas Merton’s Unfinished Journey: From Encounter to Sharing

P23-143
Society for Pentecostal Studies
Theme: Pentecostal Readings of New Testament Texts
Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hilton-405 (Level 4)
Blaine Charette, Northwest University
The Whence and Whither of Those Born of the Spirit: John 3.8 and the Correlation between Son of God and Children of God
Adam White, Alphacrucis College
Spirit-filled, Educated Morons: The Calling of the Twenty-first Century Pentecostal in Light of the “New Atheism”
Daniel I. Morrison, McMaster Divinity College
Presentations of Parlance and Performance as Seen by Thyatira
David R. Johnson, Bangor University
The Mark of the Beast or the Seal of God: Pneumatic Discernment, Effective History, and Early Pentecostal Periodical Literature

A23-147
Plenary Panel: “Normativity” and the Academic Study of Religion: Reframing the Conversation about Theology and Religious Studies
Monday, 11:45 AM–12:45 PM
Hyatt-Regency (Ballroom Level)
Thomas A. Tweed, University of Notre Dame, Presiding
This conversation focuses on one of the most enduring and difficult issues facing the Academy: what is the relation between Theology and Religious Studies? Tom Tweed will initiate the exchange between Ann Taves, a distinguished scholar of Religious Studies, and Graham Ward, a distinguished scholar of Theology, by asking each to identify the epistemic, moral, and aesthetic values that inform their work. They then will explore what they share and what they don’t. The session will end with the panelists proposing how we might reframe the conversation in more useful ways.
Panelists:
Ann Taves, University of California, Santa Barbara
Graham Ward, Oxford University

A23-148
Program Committee Meeting
Monday, 11:45 AM–12:45 PM
Marriott-L504-505 (Lobby Level)
Greg Johnson, University of Colorado, Presiding

A23-149
Status of Persons with Disabilities in the Profession Committee
Theme: Connecting Conversations Luncheon
Monday, 11:45 AM–12:45 PM
Marriott-A703 (Atrium Level)
Julia Watts Belser, Georgetown University, Presiding
The Status of People with Disabilities in the Profession Committee (PWD) will host a luncheon for scholars and students with disabilities, as well as anyone interested in disability issues in the Academy. The luncheon will also offer opportunities for mentoring and informal connections with colleagues. Registration for the luncheon costs $13 and is limited to 100 people. If you would like to add this event to your registration, please contact the AAR Registration Bureau at reg@aarweb.org for assistance.

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A23-150

Women’s Caucus Business Meeting
Monday, 11:45 AM–12:45 PM
Hyatt-Hanover B (Exhibit Level)

Elizabeth Ursic, Mesa Community College, and Theresa Ann Yugar, California State University, Los Angeles, Presiding

Come participate in the Women’s Caucus Business Meeting — We will be reviewing feedback this year’s panels, discussing our ongoing projects, and making plans for the 2016 conference. All are welcome!

Panelists:
- Marcelle Grano, California Institute of Integral Studies
- Alicia Besa-Panganiban, Princeton Theological Seminary
- Kathryn Common, Boston University
- Marsha Thrall, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary
- Natalie Terry, Santa Clara University
- Kathy McCallie, Phillips Theological Seminary
- Julia Berger, University of Kent
- Janice Poss, Claremont Graduate University
- Francesca Tronetti, California Institute of Integral Studies
- Hannah Bacon, University of Chester

A23-151

William Breman Jewish Heritage Museum Tour
Monday, 12:30 PM–4:00 PM
Hyatt-Meet at corner of Baker Street (Honorary Xernona Clayton Way) and Peachtree Street

Jill Petersen Adams, Emory University, Presiding

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A23-200

Student Lounge Roundtable
Theme: The Dissertation Distance Dilemma
Monday, 1:00 PM–2:30 PM
Hyatt-Hanover A (Exhibit Level)

As increasing numbers of graduate students move away from their “home base” for job/life opportunities, staying connected with dissertation advisers, readers, and/or graduate resources are becoming more difficult. How can we stay on top of our studies when we no longer live near our school? How can we ensure that our dissertation advisers continue to give our projects priority when we no longer physically see them?

Panelist:
- Brandon Turner, Catholic University of America

How do we convince another school to let us use their library when we are not a student there? What tips and tools can we utilize to stay on track? If you are a scholar that faces the “distance dilemma,” come share your experience with other students and learn how we can continue to thrive in our studies regardless of where we live.

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A23-203

Latina/o Critical and Comparative Studies Group

Theme: Latina/o Religious Iconoclasms

Monday, 1:00 PM–3:00 PM

Hilton-307 (Level 3)

Chris Tirres, DePaul University, Presiding

Adrian Emmanuel Hernandez-Acosta, Harvard University

On Queer Religion, Nationalism, and Sex: A Response by Caribbean (Theological) Bottoms

Alejandro Escalante, Union Theological Seminary

God in Drag: An Indecent Approach to the Sacrament of Protest

Patrick Polk, University of California, Los Angeles

Deconstruction and Reconstruction: Making Mexican Folk Saints for the Twenty-first Century

Daisy Vargas, University of California, Riverside

Patrolling Borderland Religion: the Surveillance and Criminalization of Mexican Devotion

Business Meeting:

Jennifer Scheper Hughes, University of California, Riverside, Presiding

A23-204

Religions, Medicines, and Healing Group

Theme: We Came to Believe: Spiritual Healing in Alcoholics Anonymous and Related Groups

Monday, 1:00 PM–3:00 PM

Hilton-308 (Level 3)

Jed Forman, University of California, Santa Barbara, Presiding

Jennifer Hahn, University of California, Santa Barbara

A Power Greater Than Ourselves: Alcoholics Anonymous' Spiritual Solution to Modern Suffering

Dennis Kelley, University of Missouri

Having Had a Spiritual (Re)Awakening: Traditional Spirituality and Sobriety in Indian Country

Ed Van Herik, Georgia State University

Moral Injury on the Home Front: Can a New Approach Provide Fresh Insight into Spirituality and Alcoholism?

Responding:

Michael Kuhar, Emory University

Business Meeting:

Lance D. Laird, Boston University, Presiding

A23-208

Christian Systematic Theology Section

Theme: Eberhard Jüngel on the Doctrine of God: Trinity, Metaphysics, Analogy

Monday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton-Grand Ballroom A (Level 2)

Piotr Malysz, Samford University, Presiding

Robert David Nelson, Baker Academic and Brazos Press, Presiding

David Congdon, InterVarsity Press Academic

God's Being Is in Self-Contradiction: Eberhard Jüngel and the Contemporary Debate over Divine Simplicity

Kathryn Reinhard, Fordham University

The Augustinian Logic of Jüngel's Pneumatology and Ecclesiology

Robert Saler, Christian Theological Seminary

Jüngel's Contribution to a Christian Grammar of Death and Suffering

Paolo Gamberini, Berkeley, CA

Jüngel's Concept of Analogy as an Apologia for the Humanity of God

David Bruner, Princeton Theological Seminary

God's Being is in Coming: Jüngel's Demythologized Doctrine of the Trinity
A23-209

Comparative Studies in Religion Section
Theme: Methodical Aspects of Comparison
Monday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Hilton-211 (Level 2)
Eric D. Mortensen, Guilford College, Presiding
Panelists:
Oliver Freiberger, University of Texas
Barbara A. Holdrege, University of California, Santa Barbara
David Freidenreich, Colby College
Francis X. Clooney, Harvard University
Jens Kreinath, Wichita State University
Responding:
Kathryn McClymond, Georgia State University

A23-210

Ethics Section and Black Theology Group
Theme: Beyond Ontological Blackness (Continuum, 1995): A Twenty Year Retrospective
Monday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Hilton-Grand Ballroom C (Level 2)
Tyson-Lord J. Gray, New York, NY, Presiding
Panelists:
Roger A. Sneed, Furman University
Stacey M. Floyd-Thomas, Vanderbilt University
Adam Clark, Xavier University
Barbara Holmes, United Theological Seminary of the Twin Cities
Responding:
Victor Anderson, Vanderbilt University
Business Meeting:
Victor Anderson, Vanderbilt University, and Stacey Floyd-Thomas, Vanderbilt University, Presiding

A23-211

North American Religions Section
Theme: Discourses of Race and Religion in American History
Monday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Hilton-302 (Level 3)
Lerone Martin, Washington University, Saint Louis, Presiding
Emily Suzanne Clark, Gonzaga University
Black Bodies, Bright Spirits: Afro-Creole Spiritualism and Race

M. Cooper Harriss, Indiana University
Resurrecting Nat Turner: History, Fiction, and Changing Discourses of Race and Religion after the Styron Affair
Rachel Lindsey, Washington University, Saint Louis
Born Free and Equal: Americanism in Ansel Adams’s Manzanar Photographs
Brad Stoddard, McDaniel College
Hebrew Israelites: Encountering Race in Faith-Based Prisons
Responding:
Curtis Evans, University of Chicago

A23-212

Philosophy of Religion Section
Theme: Race and the Practice of the Philosophy of Religion
Monday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Hilton-Grand Salon A (Level 2)
Jonathon Kahn, Vassar College, Presiding
Monica A. Coleman, Claremont School of Theology
Multiple Religious Belonging Theorized through African American Studies: Redressing a Challenge in Theories of Religious Pluralism
Vincent Lloyd, Syracuse University
Anti-Blackness as Radical Evil
Sonia Sikka, University of Ottawa
Is Philosophy of Religion Racist?
Josef Sorett, Columbia University
Secular Compared to What? African American Religion and the Tropes of Black Sacred/Secular Fluidity
Business Meeting:
Michael Rea, University of Notre Dame, and Mary-Jane Rubenstein, Wesleyan University, Presiding

A23-213

Religion in South Asia Section
Theme: Theorizing Spirit Possession in South Asia
Monday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Hilton-Grand Salon E (Level 2)
John E. Cort, Denison University, Presiding
Jeremy Saul, College of Religious Studies, Mahidol University, Thailand
When a Celibate Male God Occupies a Female Body: A Native Theory of Spirit Possession
Anne Vallee, University of Ottawa, and Kamini Gogri, University of Mumbai
Negotiating with Worldliness: A Jain Spirit Medium and the Healing Power of the Goddess
Nirmal Selvamony, Central University of Tamil Nadu
Possession and Community

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Kristin Bloomer, Carleton College

*When a Macho Hindu God Occupies a Female Christian Body: Spirit Possession as Assisted Reproductive Technology in South India*

Responding:
Michael Slouber, Western Washington University

Business Meeting:
Valerie Stoker, Wright State University, and Carla Bellamy, City University of New York, Presiding

**A23-214**

**Women and Religion Section and Quaker Studies Group**

**Theme: Women, Religion and Reform in the Nineteenth Century**

Monday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton-205 (Level 2)

Carole Dale Spencer, Earlham College, Presiding

Jone Salomonsen, University of Oslo

*First Wave Feminist Religious Critique: Elizabeth Cady Stanton (USA) and Aasta Hansteen (Norway)*

Priscilla Eppinger, Graceland University

*"All of These Subjects of Reform Are Kindred in Their Nature": Lucretia Mott’s Praxis-Oriented Theology*

Lydia Willsky-Ciollo, Fairfield University

*Death or Dishonor?* Caroline Dall, Transcendental-Unitarianism, and the Spiritual Crisis of Prostitution

Courtney VanLacy, Southern Methodist University

*Jarena Lee and Her Mystical Permeability*

Amy Easton-Flake, Brigham Young University

*Constructing Womanhood: Collective Biographies of Mormon Women*

Responding:
Deborah Whitehead, University of Colorado

**A23-215**

**African Religions Group and Anthropology of Religion Group and Religion, Colonialism and Postcolonialism Group and Religion, Film, and Visual Culture Group and World Christianity Group**


Monday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Marriott-International 2 (International Level)

Adrian Hermann, University of Hamburg, Presiding

Panelists:
Stefanie Knauss, Villanova University
J. Kwabena Asamoah-Gyedu, Trinity Theological Seminary
Rosalind I. J. Hackett, University of Tennessee
David Morgan, Duke University
Don Seeman, Emory University

Responding:
Birgit Meyer, Utrecht University

**A23-216**

**Animals and Religion Group**


Monday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton-206 (Level 2)

David Clough, University of Chester, Presiding

Beatrice Marovich, University of North Dakota

*Animals in the Theory of Religion and the Mystification of Solidarity: A Response to Aaron Gross*

Donovan Schaefer, University of Oxford

*Animal Method: The Materialist Shift in Aaron S. Gross’s The Question of the Animal and Religion*

Matthew Eaton, University of Saint Michael’s College

*The Question of the Animal and Theology: Re-imagining Theory and Incarnation*

Responding:
Aaron Gross, University of San Diego

Business Meeting:
David Clough, University of Chester, and Barbara Ambros, University of North Carolina, Presiding

**A23-217**

**Bible, Theology, and Postmodernity Group**


Monday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton-304 (Level 3)

Jacob Erickson, Saint Olaf College, Presiding

Panelists:
Tat-siong Benny Liew, College of the Holy Cross
M. Shawn Copeland, Boston College
Elias Ortega-Aponte, Drew University
Laurel C. Schneider, Vanderbilt University

Responding:
Mayra Rivera, Harvard University
A23–218

Buddhist Philosophy Group
Theme: Siddha-Scholars and Scholar-Siddhas: Tantra and Philosophy in Indian Buddhism
Monday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Hyatt-Roswell (Atlanta Conference Level)

Christian K. Wedemeyer, University of Chicago, Presiding

Kammie Takahashi, Muhlenberg College
_Birds and Fishes: View and Method in the Mahāyoga Texts of Buddhaguhya_

Adam Krug, University of California, Santa Barbara
_Physics and Polemics in Indrabhūti’s Jñānasiddhi_

Davey Tomlinson, University of Chicago
_The Tantric Context of a Philosophical Debate About Consciousness: Ratnakarasānti’s Nirākārāvāda_

Alexander Yiannopoulos, Emory University
_Continuity and Convergence in Epistemology and Meditation: Ratnakarasānti’s Synthesis of Sūtra and Tantra_

Responding:
John D. Dunne, University of Wisconsin

Business Meeting:
Richard Nance, Indiana University, and Sara L. McClintock, Emory University, Presiding

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A23–219

Chinese Religions Group and Daoist Studies Group
Theme: Querying “Buddho-Daoism”
Monday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Marriott-International 6 (International Level)

Stephen F. Teiser, Princeton University, Presiding

Gil Raz, Dartmouth College
_Buddhists, Daoists, or Both? Buddho-Daoist Stelae of the Northern Dynasties and the Lived Religion of Local Communities_

Kwi Jeong Lee, Princeton University
_A Barbarian Ancestor or an Honorable Patriarch: Buddho-Daoist Debates over the Image of the Buddha in Medieval China_

Joshua Capitanio, University of the West
_Transformations of Sanskrit and Pseudo-Sanskrit Incantations in Daoist Thunder Ritual Manuals_

Stephanie Balkwill, University of Southern California
_The Way of the Lotus: Finding the Lotus Sūtra in the Daoist Canon_

Responding:

Stephen R. Bokenkamp, Arizona State University

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A23–220

Christian Spirituality Group
Theme: Perspectives on Teresa of Avila on the Five-Hundredth Anniversary of Her Birth
Monday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Hilton-Grand Salon D (Level 2)

Mary Früholch, Catholic Theological Union, Presiding

Jean-Pierre Fortin, Université de Sherbrooke
_Prayerful Spirituality as Experiential Theology: Teresa of Avila’s Mystical Transposition of Augustine’s Confessions_

Tara Soughers, Plainville, MA
_The More He Loves Them the Greater the Tribulation: Teresa of Avila’s Spirituality of Suffering_

Ryan Kuratko, Emory University
_Attending to Others: Iris Murdoch and Teresa of Avila on Attention, Consolation, and Transformation_

Mauricio Najarro, Graduate Theological Union
_Hematological Linguistic and Itinerant Practice: Spirituality and Tradition in Teresa of Ávila_

Responding:

Bernard McGinn, University of Chicago

Business Meeting:
Glenn Young, Rockhurst University, Presiding

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A23–221

Cognitive Science of Religion Group
Theme: How We Got This Way: Cognitive and Evolutionary Approaches to Religious Ideology
Monday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Hilton-Crystal CD (Level 1)

Robert C. Neville, Boston University, Presiding

Jonathan Morgan, Boston University, Sevil Hacaoglu, Istanbul University, Catherine Caldwell-Harris, Boston University, and Ayşe Ayçiçeği Dinn, Istanbul University
_Cosmopolitan Ideology and Religiosity in Istanbul: How Cultural Context Shapes the Relationship between Cognitive Style and Religion_

Wesley J. Wildman, Boston University
_Introducing the Multidimensional Religious Ideology Scale_

Connor Wood, Boston University
_The Biotechnology of Group Formation: A Durkheimian Account of Conservative and Liberal Morals in Religion_

Aimee Radom, New York Psychoanalytical Society and Institute
_Religious Analogs of Secular Ideology: An Empirical Validation of a Three-Factor Model_
Business Meeting:
   Claire White, California State University, Northridge, and Travis Chilcott, Iowa State University, Presiding

A23-222

Contemporary Islam Group and Religion in Southeast Asia Group
Theme: Tensions in the Study of Islamic Piety, Affect and Self-Formation: Views from Indonesia
Monday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Marriott-A601 (Atrium Level)
Richard Fox, Universität Heidelberg, Presiding
   Webb Keane, University of Michigan
   Mediating Piety: A Qur'anic Quarrel in Indonesia
   Mun'im Sirry, University of Notre Dame
   The Politics of Forbidding Wrong: Defining Piety and Contending Authority
   James Hoesterey, Emory University
   Sincerity, Scandal, and the "Authentic Fake" in Indonesian Islam
   Carla Jones, University of Colorado
   Style on Trial: Visibility and Sincerity in Gendered Critiques of Piety in Indonesia
   Robert W. Hefner, Boston University
   Shariah Law and Ethical Subjectivity: Selfhood and Sensibility in Indonesian Muslim Women's Morality
Responding:
   Charles Hirschkind, University of California, Berkeley

A23-223

Critical Approaches to Hip-Hop and Religion Group and Music and Religion Group
Theme: Re-"Shaping" Music, Race, and Religion: From Sacred Harp to Southern Rap
Monday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Sheraton-Athens (Level 2)
Christopher Driscoll, Rice University, Presiding
   Jesse P Karlsberg, Emory University
   The Black in "White Spirituals": Sacred Harp's Nineteenth-Century Black Belt Roots
   Timothy Eriksen, Wesleyan University
   Shape Note Music, Postmillennialism, and Antislavery: Black and White "Old Folks' Concerts" in Western New England
   Christopher Rapko, Marietta, GA
   "I Cannot See Heaven Being Much Better Than This": Prosperity Gospel and Conceptions of Heaven in Country Rap Lyrics
   Kendall Marchman, Young Harris College
   What's Good for Hip-Hop May Not be Good for My Soul: The Dilemma of Big K.R.I.T.

A23-224

Evangelical Studies Group
Monday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Marriott-L405-406 (Lobby Level)
Jason Sexton, California State University, Fullerton, Presiding
Panels:
   Margaret Bendroth, Congregational Library and Archives, Boston, MA
   Amanda Porterfield, Florida State University
   Joy J. Moore, Fuller Theological Seminary
   Fred Sanders, Biola University
Responding:
   Matthew A. Sutton, Washington State University
Business Meeting:
   Joy J. Moore, Fuller Theological Seminary, Presiding

A23-225

Gay Men and Religion Group and Lesbian-Feminist Issues in Religion Group
Theme: Pray the Gay Away (New York University Press, 2012): An Author-Meets-Critics Session
Monday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Marriott-L508 (Lobby Level)
Marie Cartier, California State University, Northridge, Presiding
   John Erickson, Claremont Graduate University
   The Power of Interview: Deconstructing the Geographical, Temporal, and Current Experiences of Gay Men and Lesbians in the Bible Belt
   Aaron Klink, Duke University
   Praying after the Gay Wouldn't Go: Ethnography, Theology, and Spiritual Practice
   Daniel Tidwell, Seattle University
   We Pray What Our Bodies Know: A Formational Response to Bernadette Barton's Pray the Gay Away
   David Bos, University of Amsterdam, VU University
   Perseverance of the Saints: The Short but Meaningful Life of "the Ex-Gay" in the Dutch Bible Belt
Responding:
   Bernadette Barton, Morehead State University
A23-226

International Development and Religion Group

Theme: Between Theology and Religious Studies: Normativity and the Academic Study of International Development

Monday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hyatt-Marietta (Atlanta Conference Level)

Christopher Duncanson-Hales, University of Sudbury, Presiding

Christine McCarthy, Fordham University

Capability and Capax Dei: Human Nature and Justice in Elizabeth Johnson and Martha Nussbaum

Spencer Bogle, Southern Methodist University

Saving Progress: A Critical Analysis of Enduring Enlightenment Notions of Progress through Soga Expression of Salvation

Kathryn Kraft, University of East London

Jonathan D Smith, University of Leeds

Connectors, Normalizers and Buffers: The Role of Mediating Actors in the Responses of Local Faith-based Organizations to the Syrian Refugee Crisis

Kristy Bergman Schroeder, University of Winnipeg

Religion, Gender, and Rights-based Development

Responding:

Roland Robertson, University of Aberdeen, University of Pennsylvania

Business Meeting:

Jill DeTemple, Southern Methodist University, Presiding

A23-227

Interreligious Reflections on Immigration Seminar

Monday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton-Crystal AF (Level 1)

Alexander Y. Hwang, Saint Leo University, Presiding

Casey Strine, University of Sheffield

Mother, Sister, Liar, Breadwinner? An Analysis and Comparison of the Mother/Sister Stories in the Book of Genesis

Ilseup Ahn, North Park University

Parareligious Cooperation to Provide Justice to Undocumented People: A Christian-Buddhist Engagement on Offering Hospitality to Strangers

Gurbet Sayilgan, Georgetown University

The Ur-Migrants: The Qur’anic Narratives of Adam and Eve and Their Contribution to a Constructive Islamic Theology of Migration

Responding:

Adis Duderija, University Malaya

Toward Scriptural Hermeneutics of Islamic Feminism

Zayn Kassam, Pomona College, Facilitator

Ellen McEnaney, Duke University

Soft Force: Women in Egypt’s Islamic Awakening

Caleb Elfenbein, Grinnell College, Facilitator

Sarah Eltantawi, Evergreen State College

Colonial Feminism or Good Ethnography? Untying the Ethical Knot

Justine Howe, Case Western Reserve University, Facilitator

Aisha Geissinger, Carleton University

Exegetical Gazes, Interpretive Authority, and Gender: Methodological and Ethical Questions

Jerusha Lamptey, Union Theological Seminary, Facilitator

Matthew Jantzen, Duke University

Immigration and the Theological Problem of Sovereignty: Catholic Social Teaching, Carl Schmitt, and the Theopolitical Foundations of the Modern State

Daniel Campana, University of La Verne

Dislocation and Immigrant Experience as Resources for Interreligious Discourse

Silas Allard, Emory University

Crossing Borders: Religion, Migration, and a Critique of the Legal Subject

Responding:

Michael Canaris, Loyola University Chicago

Laura Alexander, University of Virginia

Business Meeting:

Hussam S. Timani, Christopher Newport University, Presiding
A23-229

Middle Eastern Christianity Group and SBL Syriac Literature and Interpretations of Sacred Texts Section and SBL Religious Competition in Late Antiquity Section

Theme: Wisdom Literature in Middle Eastern Christian Communities

Monday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Hilton-315 (Level 3)

Jason R. Zaborowski, Bradley University, Presiding
Ilaria L. E. Ramelli, Pontifical University of Saint Thomas Aquinas, Rome (Angelicum)
‘Bardaisan of Edessa’s Wisdom Christology: Roots, Parallels, Meanings’

Jacob Lollar, Florida State University
‘Listen, My Son, and Understand Me’: The Translation and Arrangement of the Proverbs of the Syriac Legend of Abiقار

Hans Moscicke, Marquette University
Prodigal Reunion: Tattianic Developments in the Syriac Hymn of the Soul

Mourad Takawi, University of Notre Dame
Asceticism as Resistance: The Ishmaelities, Monastic Practice, and Orthopraxy in the Virtues of Saint Macarius of Egypt

Jason R. Zaborowski, Bradley University
The Arabic Renditions of the Sayings of the Desert Fathers: Greek and Syriac Wisdom, Arabic Culture

Mark Swanson, Lutheran School of Theology, Chicago
Edifying Anecdotes of Alexander the Great in Medieval Copto-Arabic Literature

A23-230

Native Traditions in the Americas Group

Theme: Theorizing Native American Religions: Thought and Practice Through Time and Space

Monday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Hilton-201 (Level 2)

Ines M. Talamantez, University of California, Santa Barbara, Presiding

Erich Fox Tree, Wilfrid Laurier University
The Cultural and Religious Implications of Tribal–Maya Collaboration in a Diasporically Indigenous Homeland

Tammy Heise, University of Wyoming
Nowhere to Call Home: How the 1870 Ghost Dance Inspired the Modoc War

Dana Lloyd, Syracuse University

Timothy A. Brown, Randolph-Macon College
Minimalist Religion in the Works of Sherman Alexie

Responding:
Suzanne J. Crawford O’Brien, Pacific Lutheran University

Business Meeting:
Michelene Pesantubbee, University of Iowa, and Michael Zogry, University of Kansas, Presiding

A23-231

Open and Relational Theologies Group

Theme: Open and Relational Hermeneutics

Monday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Hilton-Grand Salon B (Level 2)

Krista E. Hughes, Newberry College, Presiding

John Paul Syndor, Emmanuel College
The Openness of Christ: A Plea for an Open, Agapically Relational Biblical Hermeneutic

Mary Rebecca Hsu-Jolly, CPE Center, Saint Francis Hospital, Columbus, GA
Opening Scripture and Mending the World: Applying Cognitive Linguistic Tools within Open and Relational Hermeneutics

John Sanders, Hendrix College
Conceptual Metaphor Theory as Support for Open Theistic Hermeneutics

John Holloway, Regent University
“I Am the Lord! If I Say It, It Will Happen”: Open Theist Approaches to Biblical Prophecy in the Eighteenth Century

Amanda Brobst-Renaud, Baylor University
The Anunciation and Magnificat as a Theological Hermeneutic: Scripture and Human Experience in Dialogue

David H. Nikkel, University of North Carolina, Pembroke
The Wildness of Creation: An Interpretation of the Voice from the Whirlwind in Job

Daniel Ott, Monmouth College
Engaging Scripture as Myth: Revisiting Bernard Meland and (Re) Mythologizing Process Theology

Business Meeting:
Thomas Oord, Northwest Nazarene University, Presiding

A23-232

Religion and Disability Studies Group

Theme: Disability Theology: Religious Reflection and Ethnography with/in Intellectually Disabled, Deaf, and Autistic Communities

Monday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Marriott-A707 (Atrium Level)

Rebecca Spurrier, Emory University, Presiding

Elizabeth Antus, John Carroll University
“Body” as Disruption: Intellectual Disabilities, Butlerian Ethics, and Dismantling the Christian Regime of the Ableist Body

Peter Capretto, Vanderbilt University
Caring Without Condescension, or On Not Operationalizing Disability in Theology

Lorraine Cuddeback, University of Notre Dame
Working Friendships: An Ethnography of Different Agencies among Adults with Intellectual Disabilities

Jason Hays, Naropa University
Embodied Poetics: Deaf Religious Resistance to Logocentrist Hermeneutics
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Olivia Bustion, University of Chicago
"God Speaks Aspergian": An Online Ethnography of Autistic Christians

Business Meeting:
Julia Watts Belser, Georgetown University, and Mary Jo Iozzio, Boston College, Presiding

A23-233

Religion and Ecology Group and Transformative Scholarship and Pedagogy Group
Theme: Teaching Climate Change and Climate Justice in Religion/Religious Studies Classrooms
Monday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Hilton-208 (Level 2)
Laura Stivers, Dominican University of California, Presiding
Kevin O’Brien, Pacific Lutheran University
Teaching Climate Controversies as Theological Conflicts
Melanie L. Harris, Texas Christian University
Ecowomanism and Ecological Reparations
James Martin-Schramm, Luther College
Daniel T. Spencer, University of Montana, Missoula
Using a Case Method Approach and Unique Pedagogical Techniques to Teach about Climate Change
Cynthia Moe-Lobeda, Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary
Teaching Climate Change for Moral Agency, Eco-Justice, and Structural Analysis

A23-234

Religion and Popular Culture Group
Monday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Marriott-International 7 (International Level)
John Lyden, Grand View University, Presiding
Sheila J. Nayar, University of North Carolina
Eric Mazur, Virginia Wesleyan College
Rodger Payne, University of North Carolina, Asheville
Responding:
Richard Callahan, University of Missouri
Business Meeting:
Chad Seales, University of Texas, Presiding

A23-235

Ritual Studies Group and Western Esotericism Group
Theme: The Ritual Dimension in Western Esotericism: Between Normativity and Transgression
Monday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Marriott-International 3 (International Level)
Grant H. Potts, Austin Community College, Presiding
Elizabeth Lowry, Arizona State University
Ritual Dirt: Discourses of Purity and Pollution in the Nineteenth-Century Seance
Ellen Randolph, Florida International University
Gnosticism, Transformation, and the Role of the Feminine in the Gnostic Mass of the Ecclesia Gnostica Catholica (E.G.C.)
Cimminnee Holt, Concordia University, Montreal
Magic and Media: Centralizing the Material in Satanic Ritual
Madeline Duntley, Bowling Green State University
Esoteric in the Amphitheater: Transgressive Reenactment and Metaphysical Re-embodiment in Ritual Pageantry
Business Meeting:
Claire Fanger, Rice University, Presiding

A23-236

Secularism and Secularity Group
Theme: Future Directions in the Study of the Secular
Monday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Marriott-M106-107 (Marquis Level)
Joseph Blankholm, University of California, Santa Barbara, Presiding
Finbarr Curtis, Georgia Southern University
Securing the Secular
Mayanthi Fernando, University of California, Santa Cruz
The Materiality of Secularity: Secular Bodies and Secular Space
Noreen Khawaja, Yale University
The Existential Ethic: Reconsidering the Secular in Modern European Thought
Devin Singh, Dartmouth College
Secularity and the Money Economy
Responding:
Saba Mahmood, University of California, Berkeley
Business Meeting:
Jonathan VanAntwerpen, Henry Luce Foundation, New York, NY, Presiding

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A23-237

Traditions of Eastern Late Antiquity Group and SBL Religious World of Late Antiquity Group
Theme: “Christianization” and “Islamization”: Terminologies, Categories, Case Studies
Monday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Marriott-A702 (Atrium Level)
Wendy Mayer, Australian Catholic University, Presiding

Nathan Schumer, Columbia University
Disaster and Christianization: The Earthquake of 363 CE and the Christianization of the Cities of Roman Palestine

Adam Bursi, Cornell University
"Sprinkle the Place with This Water": Christianization and Islamification of Religious Space in Late Antiquity

Rebecca Falcasantos, Providence College
By the World Forgot: Sabbatians and the Manipulation of Memory in Fifteenth-Century Constantinople

John Zaleski, Harvard University
Forming a Muslim Understanding of Celibacy: The Case of al-Junayd al-Baghdadi

Jessica Lee Ehinger, University of Oxford
Living and Dying a Christian under Islam: Martyrologies and the Islamification of Late Antique Palestine

A23-238

Wildcard Session
Theme: Exploring Protestantization
Monday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Marriott-A706 (Atrium Level)
Tarald Rasmussen, University of Oslo, Presiding

Panelists:
Helge Årsheim, University of Oslo
Oddbjørn Leirvik, University of Oslo
Aud Valborg Toennesen, University of Oslo
Marius Timmann Mjaaland, University of Oslo
Vebjorn Horsfjord, University of Oslo
Trygve Wyller, University of Oslo

Responding:
Winnifred Sullivan, Indiana University

A23-239

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Womanist Approaches to Religion and Society Group
Theme: Contestable or Acceptable: Representations of Black Women on Television and in Fictional Literature
Monday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Marriott-A705 (Atrium Level)
Pamela Lightsey, Boston University, Presiding

Lakisha Lockhart, Boston College
Being Scandal-Less: Re-Imagining the Narrative of the Successful Black Woman

Chanqua Walker-Barnes, Mercer University
What Manner of Woman Is This? Images of Black Womanhood in the Art of Shonda Rhimes

Lacette Cross, Union Presbyterian Seminary
Frieda’s ‘Ruined’ Resistance

Andriette Jordan-Fields, Iliff School of Theology
Valerie L. Jackson, Iliff School of Theology
Vixen, Gladiator, or The Help!

Business Meeting:
Tracey Hucks, Haverford College, Presiding

P23-241

Society for Comparative Research on Iconographic and Performative Texts
Theme: Sensing Books, Sensing Scriptures
Monday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Hilton-404 (Level 4)

Dorina Miller Parmenter, Spalding University, Presiding
SCRIPT fosters academic discourse about the social functions of books and texts that exceed their semantic meaning and interpretation, such as their display as cultural artifacts, their ritual use in religious and political ceremonies, their performance by recitation and theater, and their depiction in art.

Natalia Suit, University of North Carolina
How Printing Created Manuscripts: Aesthetic and Historical Approaches to Quranic Manuscripts

Anne Clark, University of Vermont
Sensing Scripture in a Medieval Illustrated Prayer Book

Yohan Yoo, Seoul National University
Sensory Readings of Classics: A Neo-Confucian Form of Spiritual Cultivation

Richard Newton, Elizabethtown College
Sculpting 'Source-Places:' Alex Haley "Wroughts" a Scripture

Steve A. Wiggins, Routledge
Sensing the Bible in the TV Series Sleepy Hollow

Business Meeting:
S. Brent Plate, Hamilton College, and Dorina Miller Parmenter, Spalding University, Presiding

A23-240

Ponce de Leon Avenue Houses of Worship Tour
Monday, 1:00 PM–5:00 PM

Jeanne Halgren Kilde, University of Minnesota, and David Bains, Samford University, Presiding

See page 9 for details.
A23-241

**Student Lounge Roundtable**

**Theme:** Kickstarter and Pinterest? Creating a Web of Support for Dissertation Writing Through Popular Social Media Technology

Monday, 2:30 PM–4:00 PM

Hyatt-Hanover A (Exhibit Level)

In this presentation, doctoral candidate will demonstrate successes using crowdfunding to supplement institutional and grant funding for a dissertation and the technology of Pinterest to bookmark and showcase popular articles for a creative scholarly visual web presence. Mueller’s work focuses on gender and LGBTQ+ issues although these methods could apply in other areas. She will touch on some frequently asked questions when introducing crowdfunding for dissertation research. For example, crowdfunding raises the most support from close friends and family members. This method of fundraising for a dissertation draws in fiscal contributions from community in addition to emotional support that comes when someone donates!

We all know that writing a dissertation is a tough road. Forming ties through popular social media helps us create a “web” of support and work around feelings of fracturedness.

Panelist:
Michelle Mueller, Graduate Theological Union

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A23-301

**Christian Systematic Theology Section and Eastern Orthodox Studies Group and Middle Eastern Christianity Group and Roman Catholic Studies Group**

**Theme:** The Legacy of Chalcedon (451): Christology, Ecclesiology, and the Communions of Middle Eastern Churches

Monday, 4:00 PM–6:00 PM

Hilton-Grand Salon B (Level 2)

Jason R. Zaborowski, Bradley University, Presiding

Paul Pasquesi, Marquette University

Narsai and Babai on Two Qumé: The East Syriac Defense of Two Natures Christology and Acceptance of a Modified Seal of Chalcedon

Nathaniel Wood, Fordham University

Defacement and Divine-Humanity: The Legacy of Chalcedon in Modern Russian Orthodox Theology

Brendan McInerney, Fordham University

Disordered Dyophysitism: An Ecumenical Critique of Chalcedon in Contemporary Catholic Theology

Mark Yenson, King’s University College

Is There Such a Thing as “Pure Chalcedonism”? Correcting Selective Memory in Western Christology

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A23-302

**Ethics Section**

**Theme:** Visions of Justice

Monday, 4:00 PM–6:00 PM

Hilton-Grand Salon A (Level 2)

Fred Simmons, The Center for Theological Inquiry, Princeton, NJ, Presiding

Richard Oxenberg, Endicott College

Retributivism and Outraged Love: A Search for the Heart of Retributive Justice

Michael Humphreys, Bethune-Cookman College

Restorative Justice as a Theology of Liberation

Dallas Gingles, Southern Methodist University

Justice Denied Is Justice Delayed: Bonhoeffer, King, and the Politics of Martyrdom

Jacob Robinson, Vanderbilt University

Liberation, Reconciliation, and Beyond: The Politics and Ethics of Howard Thurman and Desmond Tutu

Responding:
Candida Moss, University of Notre Dame

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### A23-303

**North American Religions Section and Religion, Memory, History Group**

Theme: **Materiality, Memory, and North American Religions**  
Monday, 4:00 PM–6:00 PM  
Hilton-302 (Level 3)  

Jennifer Scheper Hughes, University of California, Riverside, Presiding

- Lauren Kerby, Boston University  
  *Disruptive Objects: Challenging Evangelical Narratives of the American Past and Present on Tours of Washington, D.C.*

- Erika W. Dyson, Harvey Mudd College  
  *A Discontinuous Chant of Amiabilities: Emma Dunham Kelley-Hawkins, Photography, and the Return of the Author*

- Vaughn Booker, Princeton University  
  *In Protestation of this Great National Sin*: The Star of Zion and America's Lynching Crisis

- Kati Curts, Yale University  
  *Harrowing Histories: The Relics and Reliquaries of Henry Ford*

### A23-304

**Religion and Politics Section and Religion and Public Schools: International Perspectives Group**

Theme: **Religion and Freedom of Expression: Teaching about Activism and Terrorism in Liberal Societies**  
Monday, 4:00 PM–6:00 PM  
Marriott-International 1 (International Level)  

Erik Owens, Boston College, Presiding

- Will Livingston, Florida State University  
  *Hashtag Humanism: An Ethico-Political Analysis of #BlackLivesMatter and #JeSuisCharlie*

- Marie von der Lippe, University of Bergen  
  *Teaching Terrorism: A Discussion of 22 July and Religion Education in Norway*

- Elizabeth Barre, Rice University  
  *The Politics of Valuing (in) the Religious Studies Classroom*

### A23-305

**Study of Judaism Section**

Theme: **Ritual as Tradition, Ritual as Innovation**  
Monday, 4:00 PM–6:00 PM  
Hilton-Grand Ballroom D (Level 2)  

Robert Erlewine, Illinois Wesleyan University, Presiding

- Vadim Putzu, Missouri State University  
  *Two Kabbalists Walk into a Bar: Attitudes toward Wine among Sixteenth-Century Jewish Mystics*

- Barbara Thiede, University of North Carolina, Charlotte  
  *The Tie That Binds: How Jewish Women of Ashkenaz Subverted the Rabbi, Changed the Liturgy, and Created a New Material Culture*

- Shira Schwartz, York University  
  *Passover Objects: How to Be/Have Them*

- Daniel Weiss, University of Cambridge  
  *Actual Israel and Ideal Israel: Tensions between Ethnographic Approaches to Jews and Judaism and the Jewish Textual Tradition's Theological Stance towards Empirical Jewish Communities*

### A23-306

**Theology and Religious Reflection Section and Asian North American Religion, Culture and Society Group and Women of Color Scholarship, Teaching, and Activism Group**

Theme: **Engaging Asian/Asian North American Feminist Theologies**  
Monday, 4:00 PM–6:00 PM  
Hilton-201 (Level 2)  

Boyung Lee, Pacific School of Religion, Presiding

- Anne Joh, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary  
- Nami Kim, Spelman College  
- Eboni Marshall Turman, Duke University  
- Jacqueline Hidalgo, Williams College  
- Neomi De Anda, University of Dayton  
- Kate Ott, Drew University  
- Rachel A. R. Bundang, Stuart Hall and Convent of the Sacred Heart

### A23-307

**Afro-American Religious History Group and Queer Studies in Religion Group and Religion and Sexuality Group and Religions, Social Conflict, and Peace Group**

Theme: **Protest, Performance, and Prophecy: Resisting Violence against Black Queer Bodies**  
Monday, 4:00 PM–6:00 PM  
Marriott-International 6 (International Level)  

Whitney Bond, Emory University, Presiding

- Adriaan van Klinken, University of Leeds  
  *Queer Prophecy and Afro-Cosmopolitan Imagination: Kenyan Writer Binyavanga Wainaina’s Coming Out and Religious Critique*

- Thelathia Young, Bucknell University  
  *“Dying” to Live: Protest and the Radical Performativity of Black Queer Bodies*

- Jennifer Rycenga, San Jose State University  
  *Enraged Against Us: African-American Women Students Practicing Non-Violence at Prudence Crandall’s Academy, 1833–34*

- Indhira Udofoa, Duke University  
  *Whoring the Madonna, Virginizing the Jezebel: Black Women’s Gender Performance*
A23-308

Religion and Popular Culture Group

Theme: Made for TV: The Popular Religion of Television Shows, Real or Not

Monday, 4:00 PM–6:00 PM
Marriott-International 7 (International Level)

Elijah Siegler, College of Charleston, Presiding
Sarah McFarland Taylor, Northwestern University
Myev Rees, Northwestern University
Monique Moultrie, Georgia State University
Courtney Wilder, Midland University

Broadchurch: Exploring Theodicy in Contemporary Crime Drama

A23-309

Buddhism Section and Japanese Religions Group

Theme: Ears and Eyes: Audiences in East Asian Buddhist Ritual, Eighth-Thirteenth Centuries

Monday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Hilton-Grand Ballroom A (Level 2)

Bryan Lowe, Vanderbilt University, Presiding
Kristina Buhrman, Florida State University
Bryan Lowe, Vanderbilt University
Amanda Goodman, University of Toronto
Heather Blair, Indiana University

Looking Up to See: The Audience as Reflected in Instructions for Star-Related Rituals in the Asabashō Manual
Who’s the King? Ritualized Writing and Celestial Audience in Ancient Japanese Buddhism
“Call Down the Assembly”: Reflections on “Local” Ritual and Ritual Audience in Chinese Buddhist Invocation Texts from Tenth-Century Dunhuang
Reverently I Pray: Ritual and Literary Audiences for Liturgical Prayers in Heian Japan

Responding:
Daniel B. Stevenson, University of Kansas

A23-310

Comparative Studies in Religion Section and Comparative Theology Group

Theme: Sacrifice, Holiness and Worship in Hinduism and Judaism
Monday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Hilton-211 (Level 2)

Barbara A. Holdrege, University of California, Santa Barbara, Presiding
Rachel Fell McDermott, Barnard College
Ian Campbell, University of Chicago

Image Worship and Sacrifice: Legitimacy, Illegitimacy, and Theological Debate
The Ladder of Ethics in Vishvanatha Chakravarti and the Rambal
The Guru and the Zaddik and the Testimony of the Holy Ones
Shakti Garbha as Ark of the Covenant at an American Hindu Goddess Temple

Responding:
Yudit K. Greenberg, Rollins College

A23-311

Study of Islam Section

Theme: (Re) presenting Islam and Muslims: Performance, Gender, and Media
Monday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Hilton-Grand Ballroom C (Level 2)

SherAli Tareen, Franklin and Marshall College, Presiding
Sophia Arjana, Iliff School of Theology

Dracula’s Wives: The Female Muslim Monster in Modernity
“That’s Not Islam”: Muslim Women Using YouTube to Create New Subjectivities
Beyond Victims and Heroines: Gender, Religion, and the Syrian Conflict
Performing the Words of God

Responding:
Saadia Yacoob, Williams College
### A23-312

**Teaching Religion Section**

**Theme:** Practical Uses of Technology in the Classroom  
Monday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM  
Hyatt-Marietta (Atlanta Conference Level)  
Molly Bassett, Georgia State University, Presiding  
Raleigh Heth, University of Georgia, Tyler Kelly, University of Georgia, and Scott Brevard, University of Georgia  
*iReligion: A Proposal for the Use of Podcasts as an Educational Medium in the Field of Religion*  
Amad Lele, Boston University  
*Promoting Collaborative Learning in the Study of Religion: A Case Study Using Google Apps and WordPress Blogs*  
Michael McGrawey, Duquesne University  
*Complement Student Learning with Mobile Tech*  
Michael Ostling, University of Queensland  
*Drawing on the Board*  
Responding:  
David McConeghy, Chapman University

### A23-313

**Women and Religion Section and Religions, Medicines, and Healing Group**

**Theme:** Gender, Health, and Healing: Women's Bodies, Religious Cures, and Productions of Medical Knowledge  
Monday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM  
Hilton-205 (Level 2)  
Linda L. Barnes, Boston University School of Medicine, Presiding  
Michelle M. LeLwica, Concordia College, Moorhead  
*Vulnerable Bodies, Controlling Discourses: A Critical Analysis of Christian and Cartesian Legacies Embedded in the Commercial Pursuit of Women's Health*  
Lynn B. E. Jencks, Northwestern University  
*The Gendering and Healing of Depression in Latina/o Immigrant Charismatic Catholicism*  
Cara Curtis, Harvard University  
*In Search of a Full Account of Mothers' Spiritual Response to Depression: Using a Womanist Phenomenological Approach across Boundaries*  
Yasmin Cho, Duke University  
*Buddhist Medical Nuns: Gender, Monastic Education, and the Production of Medical Knowledge in Tibetan Buddhism in Contemporary China*  
Responding:  
Jacob K. Olupona, Harvard University

### A23-315

**African Religions Group and African Association for the Study of Religion**

**Theme:** Ebola, Africa, and Beyond: An Epidemic in Religious and Public Health Perspectives  
Monday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM  
Hyatt-Regency (Ballroom Level)  
Joseph Hellweg, Florida State University, Presiding  
Epidemics always highlight or exaggerate the power relations and inequalities that characterize everyday life — no less so in the case of the West African Ebola epidemic. The epidemic has revealed the inadequacy of medical infrastructures in Africa, the influence that international institutions have over African public health crises, and the prejudices that inform popular understandings of the continent. Religion has played a key role in these dynamics. Not only have ritual practices allegedly contributed to the epidemic's spread, but religious leaders have tried to educate their followers in collaboration with public health authorities to stem the epidemic. This roundtable brings together public health experts and religion scholars to ask what we can learn from the epidemic in relation to the potential of religion to help or hinder effective responses to threats like Ebola, both in and beyond Africa, and how religious studies can nuance public health understandings of African realities.  
Panelists:  
Elias Kifon Bongmba, Rice University  
Scott Santibañez, Center for Disease Control and Prevention, Atlanta, GA  
John Kpahun Yambasu, Religious Leaders Task Force on Ebola in Sierra Leone, Freetown, Sierra Leone  
John Blevins, Emory University  
Ellen Idler, Emory University  
Responding:  
Jacob K. Olupona, Harvard University

### A23-316

**Animals and Religion Group**

**Theme:** Animals as Harbingers of Fortune, Disaster, and Power in Asian Religions  
Monday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM  
Hilton-206 (Level 2)  
Grace Kao, Claremont School of Theology, Presiding  
Huiayu Chen, Arizona State University  
*Living with Tigers in Medieval Chinese Religions*  
Brandon Dotson, Ludwig Maximilians Universität München  
*Wild Animals, Fortune, and the Hunt in Old Tibetan Dice Divination*  
Takashi Miura, University of Arizona  
*How to Deify a Catfish: The Significance of “Earthquake Catfish” as a World-Renewing Deity in Japanese Religion*  
Zhange Ni, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University  
*Animal Spirits, Chinese Religion, and the Problem Space of Chinese Secularism*  
Responding:  
Barbara Ambros, University of North Carolina
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A23–317

Anthropology of Religion Group
Theme: Transnational Flows and Cultural Borrowing:
Ethnographies of Influence
Monday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Hyatt-Lenox (Atlanta Conference Level)
Donna S. Mote, University of the South, Presiding
Rebekka King, Middle Tennessee State University
Affinity and Intimacy: Representational Economies in Jewish Affinity
Christianity
Drew Thomases, Columbia University
Camel Fair Kaleidoscopic: Religion, Value, and Color in Pushkar
Nalika Gajaweera, University of Southern California
Mindfulness: A Buddhist Modernist Innovation for the “Spiritual but
Not Religious” Age
Responding:
Ellen Badone, McMaster University
Business Meeting:
Laurel Zwissler, Central Michigan University, Presiding

A23–318

Bible in Racial, Ethnic, and Indigenous Communities
Group and Christian Spirituality Group and Music and
Religion Group and Pentecostal-Charismatic Movements
Group
Theme: Gendering Gospel Music
Monday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Hilton-Crystal CD (Level 1)
David Stowe, Michigan State University, Presiding
Cheryl Townsend Gilkes, Colby College
I Opened My Mouth to the Lord: Authoritative Women’s Voices and
Prophetic-Apocalyptic Biblical Discourse in Gospel Music
Alisha L. Jones, Toyota University
Singing High: Black Countertenors and Treble Timbres of
Transcendence in Gendered Gospel Performance
Charrise Barron, Harvard University
Cory Hunter, Princeton University
Gospel Love Albums: Sex, Sensuality, and Spirituality

A23–319

Black Theology Group
Theme: Black Theology and Sacred Texts
Monday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Marriott–International 2 (International Level)
Monica A. Coleman, Claremont School of Theology, Presiding
Christopher Duncanson–Hales, University of Sudbury
Dread Hermeneutics: Bob Marley, Paul Ricoeur, and the Productive
Imagination
Richetta Amen, Graduate Theological Union
A Womanist Interpretation of the Lukran Parable of the Great Supper
Butler
Timothy McGee, Southern Methodist University
Living Beyond Death: Engaging the Christo-logics of God of the
Oppressed after Sisters in the Wilderness
James H. Evans, Colgate Rochester Crozer Divinity School
A Hermeneutic of the Cross: Religion and Racialized Discourse in the
Thought of James Baldwin
Claudio Carvalhaes, McCormick Theological Seminary
Yourubá and Black Theologies, a Dialogue
Business Meeting:
Andrea C. White, Union Theological Seminary, Presiding

A23–320

Body and Religion Group
Theme: Bodily Touch and Modes of Knowledge
Monday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Marriott–A706 (Atrium Level)
Nikki Bado, Iowa State University, Presiding
Stephanie N. Arel, Boston University
Haptic and Somatic Knowing in Religious Practice: Ethical
Dimensions of Touching the Traumatized Body
Rebecca Spurrer, Emory University
Take My Hand: The Reading and Touching of Common Prayer
Erinn Staley, Wellesley College
This Is My Body: Christian Traditions and the Work of Breastfeeding
Christa Shusko, York College of Pennsylvania
Touching the Divine: The Haptic Theology of Ida Craddock
Business Meeting:
George Pati, Valparaiso University, and Nikki Bado, Iowa State
University, Presiding
A23-321

Critical Theory and Discourses on Religion Group and Cultural History of the Study of Religion Group
Theme: Critical Perspectives on the Cognitive Science of Religion
Monday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Hilton-401-402 (Level 4)
Egil Asprem, University of California, Santa Barbara, Presiding
  Ruth Marshall, University of Toronto
  Genealogical Reflections
  Arthur McCalla, Mount Saint Vincent University
  Ideologies on Religion: Toward a Genealogy of the Cognitive Science of Religion
  Matt Williams, Stanford University
  The Architecture of Orthodoxy: Toward a Religious Theory of Cognitive Science
  John Modern, Franklin and Marshall College
  Paranoia Is All in Your Head
Responding:
  Mary-Jane Rubenstein, Wesleyan University

A23-322

Hinduism Group
Theme: Textual Commentary in Colonial South Asia: Innovations, Adaptations, Continuities
Monday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Marriott-L405-406 (Lobby Level)
Anne E. Monius, Harvard University, Presiding
  Knut Axel Jacobsen, University of Bergen
  The Context of Haribarananda Aranya’s Commentaries on the Yogasastra and Their Reception as “Authentic” by Scholars
  Joel Bordeaux, Colgate University
  Devotion Through Double Entendre: Bilingual Poetry and Bitextual Commentary in Colonial Bengal
  Arun Brahmbhatt, University of Toronto
  Envisioning and Engaging a Scholastic Public: Swaminarayan Vedanta Commentaries
  Eric Steinschneider, University of Toronto
  The Child Saint and the False Philosopher: Comacuntara Nayakar, the Periyapuranam, and “Tamil Religion”
Business Meeting:
  Timothy Dobe, Grinnell College, and Amanda Lucia, University of California, Riverside, Presiding

A23-323

Islamic Mysticism Group
Theme: The Sufi Tradition in Formation
Monday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Marriott-L508 (Lobby Level)
Elizabeth R. Alexandrin, University of Manitoba, Presiding
  Jeremy Farrel, Emory University
  Canon and Counter-Canon in Early Sufi History
  Jason Welle, Georgetown University
  Clarifying Companionship: How Adab al-Suhba Function for al-Sulami
  Nicholas Boylston, Georgetown University
  Islam from the Inside Out: ‘Ayn al-Qudat on the Nature and Significance of Islamic Doctrine and Practice
  Arjun Nair, Harvard University
  From Mystical Poetry to Sufi Path: Understanding Ibn al-Farid’s Nazm al-suluk as a Work of Theoretical Sufism
  Shifa Noor, University of Virginia
  Tawhid as Thirdness: Ibn Arabi’s Phenomenology of Tanzib and Tasbih
Responding:
  Cyrus Zargar, Augustana College
Business Meeting:
  Martin Nguyen, Fairfield University, and Omid Safi, Duke University, Presiding

A23-324

Jain Studies Group
Theme: Jain Modernities
Monday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Hilton-Crystal AF (Level 1)
Lisa Owen, University of North Texas, Presiding
  M. Whitney Kelting, Northeastern University
  The Shifting Terrain of Jain Modernity and Gendered Religious Practices
  Andrea Luithle-Hardenberg, Tubingen University
  Ascetic Child Initiations among the Jains: Defending Religious Freedom and Minority Rights of Svetambar Jains
  Anne Valley, University of Ottawa
  Jain Food and Modernity: The Eclipse of Metaphysics and Rise of Identity Politics
  Tine Vekemans, Ghent University
  Jain Digital Modernities: (Re)presenting Jainism in New Media
Responding:
  John E. Cort, Denison University
Business Meeting:
  Lisa Owen, University of North Texas, and John E. Cort, Denison University, Presiding
A23–325
Kierkegaard, Religion, and Culture Group and Religious Conversions Group
Theme: Religious Conversions and Søren Kierkegaard
Monday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Hilton-308 (Level 3)
Jennifer Veninga, Saint Edward’s University, Presiding
Jeffrey Hanson, Australian Catholic University
The “Main Point” in the Merman’s Life: Continuity as Conversion in Fear and Trembling and The Concept of Anxiety
Grant Poettcker, Briercrest College and Seminary
Socrates, Nicodemus, and Zacchaeus: Kierkegaard and Halik on Conversion and Offense
Deidre Nicole Green, Søren Kierkegaard Research Centre, Copenhagen, Denmark
Christianity Becomes You: Conversion, Atonement, and Love in the Thought of Søren Kierkegaard
Andrew Torrance, University of Saint Andrews
Can a Person Prepare to Become a Christian?

A23–326
New Religious Movements Group
Theme: New Religions and Popular Culture
Monday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Hyatt-Roswell (Atlanta Conference Level)
Megan Goodwin, Bates College, Presiding
Leonard Norman Primiano, Cabrini College
The Complexion of God: The Vernacular Photography of Father Divine’s Peace Mission Movement
Satoko Fujiwara, University of Tokyo
Explaining Japanese Youth Religiosity after Aum: An Alternative or a New Mainstream?
David Krueger, Philadelphia, PA
Straight Edge Religion: Hardcore Punk and the Sober Revolution
Responding:
W. Michael Ashcraft, Truman State University
Business Meeting:
Marie W. Dallam, University of Oklahoma, Presiding

A23–327
Platonism and Neoplatonism Group
Theme: Lloyd Gerson and the Relevance of Platonism
Monday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Hyatt-Piedmont (Atlanta Conference Level)
Kevin Corrigan, Emory University, Presiding
Panelist:
Lloyd Gerson, University of Toronto
Responding:
Willemmien Otten, University of Chicago
John Kenney, Saint Michael’s College
Douglas Hedley, University of Cambridge
Business Meeting:
Douglas Hedley, University of Cambridge, Presiding

A23–328
Reformed Theology and History Group
Theme: Engaging the Work of B.A. Gerrish
Monday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Hilton-Grand Salon D (Level 2)
Joshua Ralston, University of Edinburgh, Presiding
Panelists:
Bruce L. McCormack, Princeton Theological Seminary
Martha L. Moore-Keish, Columbia Theological Seminary
Roger Haight, Union Theological Seminary
Dawn A. De Vries, Union Presbyterian Seminary
Business Meeting:
Cynthia Rigby, Austin Theological Seminary, and J. Todd Billings, Western Theological Seminary, Presiding

A23–329
Religion and Ecology Group
Theme: Local and Transnational Religious Environmental Discourses
Monday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Hilton-Grand Salon E (Level 2)
Laurel D. Kearns, Drew University, Presiding
Rose Caraway, Iowa State University
The Spiritual Dimensions of Cuban Permaculture Ethics
Emma DeVries, Duke University
Climate Ethics from the Site of the Wound: Exploring Race, Bodies, and Resistance in the Alberta Tar Sands

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A23-330

Religion, Holocaust, and Genocide Group
Theme: Religious Reflections on the One-Hundredth Anniversary of the Armenian Genocide
Monday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Marriott-A702 (Atrium Level)
Alana Vincent, University of Chester, Presiding
Noelle Vahanian, Lebanon Valley College
Between Denialism, Revisionism, and Memorializing: Rethinking the Victim of Genocide through Laruelle’s General Theory of Victims and Marion’s "Saturated Phenomenon"
Tamar Wasoian, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary, McCormick Theological Seminary
Armenian Women and Post-Genocide Collective Memory
Wendy Wiseman, Brykent University
One Hundred Years of Oblivion: The Task of Witnessing at the Centennial of the Armenian Genocide
Responding:
Sarah K. Pinnock, Trinity University
Business Meeting:
Alana Vincent, University of Chester, Presiding

A23-331

Religion, Media, and Culture Group
Theme: Lessons in Jewish Resistance and Reconstruction of New Media from Digital Judaism
Monday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Marriott-A601 (Atrium Level)
Heidi Ann Campbell, Texas A&M University, Presiding
Menahem Blondheim, Hebrew University
The Jewish Communication Tradition and Its Encounters with the New Media
Wendi Bellar, Texas A&M University
Sanctifying the Internet: Aish HaTorah’s Use of the Internet for Digital Outreach
Oren Golan, University of Haifa
Legitimation of New Media and Community Building among Jewish Denominations in the USA
Michele Rosenthal, University of Haifa
On Pomegranates and Etrogs: Internet Filters as Practices of Media Ambivalence among Israeli National Religious Jews
Owen Gottlieb, Rochester Institute of Technology
Jewish Games for Learning: Renewing Heritage Traditions in the Digital Age

A23-332

Ritual Studies Group
Theme: Improvising and Performing Gender and Media
Monday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Marriott-International 3 (International Level)
Sarah M. Pike, California State University, Chico, Presiding
Cara Rock-Singer, Columbia University
Improvisational Reading: The Silent Dramatics of Kohenet Hebrew Priestesses’ Torah Service
Perundevi Srinivasan, Siena College
"Disrobing Draupadi:" Gender in Text, Theatre, and Life
Elena Kravchenko, University of Texas
Ethics of Gender: Cultivating Christian Womanhood with the Help of Soviet and Eastern Orthodox Technologies of Self
John ‘Hibdeau, University of California, Santa Barbara
Performing Egyptian Mawlid Festivals: Ethical Implications of Fractured Soundscapes
Torang Asadi, Duke University
Touching the Murtis, Seen by God: The Distant Touch and the Material Gaze in BAPS Temples
Neil Dalal, University of Alberta
Approaching Ritual Embodiment through the Senses: Visual Ethnography in a South Indian Advaita Vedânta Gârukulam
Responding:
Jens Kreinath, Wichita State University
Business Meeting:
Grant H. Potts, Austin Community College, Presiding

A23-333

Tantric Studies Group
Theme: Fear and Loathing in Samsara: a Study in Terror across Tantric Literature and Practice Systems
Monday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Marriott-L506-507 (Lobby Level)
Gudrun Bühnemann, University of Wisconsin, Presiding
John R. B. Campbell, University of Virginia
Awake and Terrified: Buddhist Tantric Commentators on the Subtle States of Mind at Death
David Gray, Santa Clara University
Laughing in the Face of Fear: Horror and Terror in Yogini Tantras
Katarina Turpeinen, University of Virginia
Going beyond Fear: The Cutting Practices in Rindzin Gödem’s Dzokchen Anthology
Elaine Fisher, University of Wisconsin
When Tantra Becomes Orthodoxy: Samayin Śrividya the Sanitization of Fear-Based Technology
Responding:
Christian K. Wedemeyer, University of Chicago
Business Meeting:
Loriliai Biernacki, University of Colorado, and John Nemec, University of Virginia, Presiding
EMPLOYMENT WORKSHOPS

Theme: PhD Transitions over 40
Monday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Sheraton-Valdosta (Level 2)

This workshop will focus on career transitions specifically for people who are 40 or over and also are getting or already have a PhD. Middle aged professionals, particularly those with advanced degrees, face unique challenges when changing careers. This workshop will provide an overview of the specific circumstances that over 40s with a PhD face in making career transitions, either into or outside of academia. Participants will discuss the conditions and concerns that people at midlife face in a supportive environment. We will also do some exercises to help identify skills, discuss strategies for talking about one’s varied career history confidently to prospective employers and also to others. We will work on advanced job seeking skills such as elevator pitches designed for people in career transition. We will discuss the importance of networking and continuing education and discuss ways to leverage these resources in the community. Finally we will look at some case studies of individuals who have been successful with career transitions at midlife and hear their inspiring stories and tips.

Panelist:
Amy Hale, Helix Education, Oakland, CA

MANDALA SAND PAINTING CLOSING CEREMONY

Monday, 6:30 PM–7:30 PM
Marriott-Imperial B (Marquis Level)

Tibetan Buddhist monks from Drepung Loseling Monastery will construct a Mandala Sand Painting from Saturday, November 21, 8:30 AM–Monday November 23, 6:30 PM.

Traditionally most sand mandalas are destroyed shortly after their completion. This is done as a metaphor for the impermanence of life. The sands are swept up and placed in an urn; to fulfill the function of life. The sands are swept up and placed in an urn; to fulfill the function of healing, half is distributed to the audience at the closing ceremony, while the remainder is carried to a nearby body of water, where it is deposited. The waters then carry the healing blessing to the ocean, and from there it spreads throughout the world for planetary healing.
A23–403
Program Unit Chairs’ and Steering Committee Members’ Reception
Monday, 8:00 PM–10:00 PM
Marriott-AAR Suite
Program Unit Chairs and steering committee members are invited to a reception celebrating their contributions to the AAR Annual Meeting.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 24

A24-100
Ethics Section
Theme: Political Asceticism: Practices of Disobedience and Imagination
Tuesday, 8:30 AM–10:00 AM
Hyatt-Edgewood (Atlanta Conference Level)
Sarah Coakley, University of Cambridge, Presiding
    Karline McLain, Bucknell University
    Gandhi’s Ashrams: Residential Experiments in Spiritual and Political Asceticism
    Alda Balthrop-Lewis, Princeton University
    Thoreau’s “Free Labor”: Asceticism against Slavery in Walden
    Brian Hamilton, University of Notre Dame
    Barefoot and Angry: Poverty as Provocation in Medieval Religious Movements
Responding:
    David Brakke, Ohio State University

A24-101
Religion and the Social Sciences Section
Theme: Developments in Ecclesial and Congregational Relationships in Belgium, Latin America, and the US
Tuesday, 8:30 AM–10:00 AM
Hyatt-Auburn (Atlanta Conference Level)
Ann B. McClenahan, Boston Theological Institute, Presiding
Emily Sigalow, Brandeis University, Presiding
    Jelle Creemers, Evangelische Theologische Faculteit
    Robert Haynes, Durham University
    Pilgrimage to the Other: Exploring U.S. American Short-Term Missioners’ Views of Their Latin American and Caribbean Hosts as Objects of Pilgrimage
    Paul D. Numrich,Methodist Theological School in Ohio, Trinity Lutheran Seminary
    Sacred Assemblies under the Same Roof: How Groups Share Common Space for Religious Purposes

A24-102
Teaching Religion Section
Theme: Service Learning 2.0: New Models for Collaborative Learning
Tuesday, 8:30 AM–10:00 AM
Marriott-M301-302 (Marquis Level)
David B. Howell, Ferrum College, Presiding
    Donna Yarri, Alvernia University
    Service Learning in “The Ethical Treatment of Animals” Course
    Meghan T. Sweeney, Boston College
    What’s Next? Service Learning Meets Social Entrepreneurship: Possibilities and Cautions
    Mara Brecht, Saint Norbert College
    Serving by Storytelling: Teaching Muslim and Christian Theologies Dialogically

A24-103 (#animalsaar15)
Animals and Religion Group and Contemplative Studies Group and Religion and Ecology Group and Space, Place, and Religion Group
Theme: The Value of Religious Studies in 21st Century Higher Education: Place-Based Pedagogy in the Southern U.S.
Tuesday, 8:30 AM–10:00 AM
Hyatt-Hanover D (Exhibit Level)
Isabel Mukonyora, Western Kentucky University, Presiding
Panelists:
    Joseph Witt, Mississippi State University
    David Aftandilian, Texas Christian University
    A. Whitney Sanford, University of Florida
    Barbara A. B. Patterson, Emory University
    Lucas Johnston, Wake Forest University

A24-104
Bonhoeffer: Theology and Social Analysis Group
Theme: Aesthetics and Modernity with Bonhoeffer
Tuesday, 8:30 AM–10:00 AM
Hyatt-Piedmont (Atlanta Conference Level)
Craig J. Slane, Simpson University, Presiding
    Joseph McGarry, St Margaret’s Anglican Church, Aukland, New Zealand
    Bonhoeffer, Cervantes, and The Real: Don Quixote and Its Contemplative Influence on Bonhoeffer’s Theology
    Winston Persaud, Emory University
    Life as Art in the Immanent Frame: Dietrich Bonhoeffer and Charles Taylor in Conversation
    Javier Garcia, University of Cambridge
    Key Questions for Latino Pentecostals: Negotiating Race, Pluralism, and Ecumenism in Dialogue with Dietrich Bonhoeffer
Business Meeting:
    Jennifer McBride, Wartburg College, Presiding
### A24-105

**Mysticism Group and Western Esotericism Group**  
**Theme:** A Twentieth Century Mystic and Esotericist: Valentin Tomberg  
**Tuesday, 8:30 AM–10:00 AM**  
**Hyatt-Harris (Atlanta Conference Level)**

Marco Pasi, University of Amsterdam, Presiding  
- Glenn McCullough, University of Toronto  
  *The Gnostic Christian: Valentin Tomberg’s Integration of C.G. Jung’s Gnostic Psychology with Catholic Orthodoxy*  
- Michael Stoeber, University of Toronto  
  *Reincarnation in Christian Hermeticism: Valentin Tomberg’s View of Soul-Making Rebirth and Roman Catholicism*  
- Helmut Zander, University of Fribourg  
  *Esoteric Catholic Spirituality: The Tomberg-Network and the Spirituality of Reincarnation and Grace*

### A24-106

**Religions, Social Conflict, and Peace Group**  
**Theme:** Religious Practices for Nonviolence, Social Healing, and Peacebuilding  
**Tuesday, 8:30 AM–10:00 AM**  
**Marriott-L402 (Lobby Level)**

Lane Van Ham, Metropolitan Community College, Penn Valley, Presiding  
- Trelawney G. Grenfell-Muir, University of Massachusetts, Boston  
  *Strategies in the Minefield: The Effect of Leadership Style, Personality, Social Power, and Context on Activism Levels in Northern Ireland Clergy Peacebuilders*  
- Siti Sarah Muwahidah, Emory University  
  *Everyday Peacebuilding and Sunni-Shi‘i Coexistence in Indonesia*  
- Mehmet Salih Sayilgan, Catholic University of America  
  *Said Nursi’s Ethics of Non-Violence: Implications to Rene Girard’s Mimetic Scapegoat Theory*  
- Ross Kane, University of Virginia  
  *Social Healing through Hybrid and Syncretic Sacrifice in South Sudan*

### A24-107

**Religion and Politics Section**  
**Theme:** Critical Perspectives on Middle East Political Movements: Human Rights in Historical and Contemporary Contexts  
**Tuesday, 9:00 AM–11:00 AM**  
**Marriott-L405 (Lobby Level)**

Vincent Biondo, California State University, Fresno, Presiding  
- Rachel Scott, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University  
  *The Egyptian Constitution of 2014: Islamic Law, Christians, and the Return of the Milliet?*  
- Doug Rossinow, Metropolitan State University  
  *Writing the History of American Zionism: National, Transnational, and Postnational Perspectives*  
- Sarah Eltantawi, Evergreen State College  
  *Nabda vs. Sunna: Tracing the Genealogy of the Muslim Brotherhood Movement in Egypt from 1928–Today to Understand Contemporary Islamic Movements*

### A24-108

**Study of Judaism Section**  
**Theme:** Catastrophe! Judaism and Disasters  
**Tuesday, 9:00 AM–11:00 AM**  
**Hyatt-Williams (Atlanta Conference Level)**

Benjamin Sax, Institute for Christian and Jewish Studies, Baltimore, MD, Presiding  
- David Gottlieb, University of Chicago  
  *How to Remember a Catastrophe: Sacrifice as a Template for "Midrashic Memory"*  
- Tim Langille, University of Pittsburgh  
  *Affective Collective Memory in Second Temple Judaism*  
- Una Stroda, Lutheran School of Theology, Chicago  
  *Inferno by Yael Bartana — Is This a Joke?*  
- Jennifer Caplan, Syracuse University  
  *Tza‘ar Ba’alei Chayim? Jews as Predators and Prey in the Zombie Apocalypse*

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A24-109

Roman Catholic Studies Group
Theme: Public Catholicism and the American Experience
Tuesday, 9:00 AM–11:00 AM
Hyatt-Roswell (Atlanta Conference Level)
Amy Koehlinger, Oregon State University, Presiding
Bradley Kime, University of Virginia
Religious Outsiders and the Catholic Critique of Protestantism in America
Michael Pfeifer, City University of New York
The Strange Career of New Orleans Catholicism: Race and the Transformation of Our Lady of Lourdes Parish in the Twentieth Century
Claire Wolfeitech, Boston University
Public Leadership, Mothering, and Catholic Spirituality: Analyzing Life Writing of Dorothy Day and Dolores Huerta
Kathleen Garces-Foley, Marymount University
Reframing Cultural Diversity in the Church
Responding:
Anthony Burke Smith, University of Dayton

A24-110

Status of Persons with Disabilities in the Profession Committee
Theme: Cultivating Cultures of Accessibility in the Academy and the Classroom: An Interactive Workshop with Margaret Price
Tuesday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Marriott-A707 (Atrium Level)
Julia Watts Belser, Georgetown University, Presiding
In this interactive workshop, acclaimed disability studies scholar Margaret Price invites participants to think about the spaces, both physical and virtual, of academic life. Focusing on the concepts of "space" and "time," Price asks us to reconsider certain long-held values of academic life, including notions of productivity, participation, collegiality, and independence. College classrooms, job interviews, and academic conferences assume certain habits of mind that can be deeply exclusionary. Combining insightful critique with concrete strategies for transforming pedagogy and policy, Price offers us an opportunity to reimagine how we teach and learn together. How might faculty, administrators, and students work together to fashion educational spaces that are more broadly accessible? How can we cultivate academic cultures that promote human flourishing, that make space for diverse bodies and minds? And finally, how can we move past a model of individual "accommodation" to design participatory and just spaces in which to work together? Margaret Price is an Associate Professor of English at Spelman College.
Her book, Mad at School: Rhetorics of Mental Disability and Academic Life (University of Michigan, 2011), won the Conference on College Composition and Communication Outstanding Book Award in 2013. She is now at work on a mixed-methods study of disabled faculty and disability disclosure in higher education.
Panelist:
Margaret Price, Spelman College

A24-111

Arts, Literature, and Religion Section
Theme: A Story of One's Own: Authorizing Mosaics of American Women's Religious Experience
Tuesday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hyatt-Lenox (Atlanta Conference Level)
Alexis S. Wells, Vanderbilt University, Presiding
Laura McTighe, Columbia University
"In Search of Our Mothers' Gardens": The Spiritual Work of History-Making in Post-Katrina New Orleans
Meredith Coleman-Tobias, Emory University
Audre and Africa: Reconsidering Lorde's Rites/Rights
Jessica B. Davenport, Rice University
Multiplicity in Text and Image: Carrie Mae Weems's Kitchen Table Series as a Quest for Complex Subjectivity
Meredith Doster, Emory University
Dancing with Dissidence: Sue Monk Kidd's Secret Life of Self
Responding:
Rosetta E. Ross, Spelman College

A24-112

Buddhism Section and Tibetan and Himalayan Religions Group
Theme: Tibetan Teachers, Tibetan Performers: Can Performance Theories Help Us Understand Buddhist Pedagogical Practices?
Tuesday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Marriott-A702 (Atrium Level)
Michael Sheehy, Tibetan Buddhist Resource Center, Cambridge, MA, Presiding
Joshua Schapiro, Fordham University
Performative Framing and Reflexivity: Patrul Rinpoche's Teachings about Teaching
Elizabeth Monson, Harvard University
The Performance of Truth Telling: Spiritual Transformation in the Writings of Drukpa Kunle (1455–1529)
Annabella Pitkin, Barnard College, Columbia University
Dazzling Displays and Mysterious Departures: Bodhisattva Pedagogy as Performance in the Biographies of Two Twentieth Century Tibetan Buddhist Masters
Ryan Jones, McGill University
Performativity and Personhood between Teachers and Students in Tibetan Buddhist Preliminary Practices (Sgon 'Gro)
A24-113
Comparative Studies in Religion Section
Theme: Digitally Mapping Religion through the Senses
Tuesday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Marriott-Imperial A (Marquis Level)
David Stowe, Michigan State University, Presiding
Digital mapping platforms offer exciting possibilities for representing how religions “take place” in particular geographic contexts. The four panelists in this session are all working on projects that aim to map the shifting religious landscapes of the regions in which they work (the American Midwest, Southeast, and upstate New York) by focusing on the sights and sounds of religious life. They are each leading collaborative research projects that make use of photography, audio recording, and digital mapping as tools for interpreting the diverse and changing character of their local religious environments. In this session, panelists will offer examples of their works-in-progress and will reflect on the significance of engaging the senses for research, teaching, and, more broadly, the comparative study of religion. This session has also created a companion stand-alone “soundscape station” installed in the conference space, open to all AAR attendees throughout the conference.

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Isaac Weiner, Ohio State University
Amy DeRogatis, Michigan State University
S. Brent Plate, Hamilton College
Kathryn McClymond, Georgia State University

A24-115
Philosophy of Religion Section
Theme: Sacrifice and Secularism: Embodied Economies of Value
Tuesday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Marriott-L508 (Lobby Level)
Jill Petersen Adams, Emory University, Presiding
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A24-116
Study of Islam Section
Theme: Assessing the Role of Sunna and Hadith
Tuesday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Marriott-L401 (Lobby Level)
Frederick Colby, University of Oregon, Presiding
Digital mapping platforms offer exciting possibilities for representing how religions “take place” in particular geographic contexts. The four panelists in this session are all working on projects that aim to map the shifting religious landscapes of the regions in which they work (the American Midwest, Southeast, and upstate New York) by focusing on the sights and sounds of religious life. They are each leading collaborative research projects that make use of photography, audio recording, and digital mapping as tools for interpreting the diverse and changing character of their local religious environments. In this session, panelists will offer examples of their works-in-progress and will reflect on the significance of engaging the senses for research, teaching, and, more broadly, the comparative study of religion. This session has also created a companion stand-alone “soundscape station” installed in the conference space, open to all AAR attendees throughout the conference.

Panelists:
Isaac Weiner, Ohio State University
Amy DeRogatis, Michigan State University
S. Brent Plate, Hamilton College
Kathryn McClymond, Georgia State University

Symbol Key:
- AAR Award Winners
- Especially for Students
- Focus on Employment
- New Program Unit
- Receptions and Breakfasts
- Arts Series
- Exploratory Sessions
- Focus on Valuing the Study of Religion
- Tours
- Books Under Discussion
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- Business Meeting
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**A24-117**

**Theology and Religious Reflection Section**  
Theme: *Public and Counterpublic Theologies: Methods Amidst Fracture and Plurality*  
Tuesday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM  
Marriott-A703 (Atrium Level)  
Dwight N. Hopkins, University of Chicago, Presiding  
Olivia Bustion, University of Chicago  
*Particularity without Provincialism: Public Theology as Dramaturgy*  
Julius Crump, University of Chicago  
*Evil as (a) Good: Public Theology, Public Conversation, and a Language of Faith*  
Jessica Smith, Emory University  
*Articulating, De-articulating, Re-articulating: Theology Going Public with Its Capitalist Bedfellows*  
Rick Elgendy, Wesley Theological Seminary  
*On Keeping Public Theology Both “Public” and “Theological”: Liturgical Participation and the Production of Knowledge*

**A24-118**

**Women and Religion Section**  
Theme: *Who’s a Sinner, Who’s a Slave? Sex Trafficking and the Rescue Industry*  
Tuesday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM  
Marriott-International 1 (International Level)  
SueJeanne Koh, Duke University, Presiding  
Panelists:  
Amey Victoria Adkins, Duke University  
Yvonne Zimmerman, Methodist Theological School in Ohio  
Letitia M. Campbell, Emory University

**A24-119**

**Childhood Studies and Religion Group**  
Theme: *Child Theologies: Rethinking Doctrines and Practices with Attention to Childhood*  
Tuesday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM  
Marriott-A705 (Atrium Level)  
Sally Stamper, Seton Hall University, Presiding  
Joseph Morgan-Smith, Duquesne University  
*Toward a Lutheran Program of Moral Education: Or, Why Luther Bribed Children to Pray*  
Natalie Carnes, Baylor University  
*Children and the Mysteries of Habituation*  
Marcia Bunge, Gustavus Adolphus College  
*Diverse Approaches to Child Theologies: Exploring Child Theology Projects in England, South Africa, and the United States*  
DJ Konz, Aberdeen University  
*Barth’s Child: The Concept and Challenge of the Child in and to the Theology of Karl Barth, with Constructive Proposals for Doctrine and Practice*  
Responding:  
Mary Ann Hinsdale, Boston College  
Amy Marga, Luther Seminary, Saint Paul

**A24-120**

**Comparative Approaches to Religion and Violence Group**  
Theme: *Religion, Violence, and the Social Imaginary*  
Tuesday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM  
Marriott-International 3 (International Level)  
Margo Kitts, Hawaii Pacific University, Presiding  
M. Christian Green, Emory University  
*Questionable Martyrdom: Contemporary Disputes over Its Nature and Scope*  
Kelly Denton-Borhaug, Moravian College  
*Is It Sweet to Die? Sacrificial Rhetoric and Discipline in U.S. Ways of War*  
Sharmin Sadequee, Michigan State University  
*Islam in “Guantanamo North”: Communications Management Units (CMU) and Questions of Disjuncture and Violence*  
James G. Kroemer, Concordia University, Mequon  
*“Fight for the Cause of Christ”: Bernard of Clairvaux's Rationale for Sacred Violence*  
Elizabeth Margaret Bounds, Emory University  
Georgette Ledgister, Emory University  
*Priests and Practices: Religion as a Social Imaginary for War and Sustainable Peace in Liberia*

**A24-121**

**Interreligious and Interfaith Studies Group**  
Theme: *Sharing the Sacred? On the Ritual Dimension of Interreligious Encounters*  
Tuesday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM  
Marriott-International 9 (International Level)  
Ruben L. F. Habito, Southern Methodist University, Presiding  
Jeannine Hill Fletcher, Fordham University  
*When Practice Precedes Theory: A Study of Interfaith Ritual*  
John Thatamanil, Union Theological Seminary  
*Interreligious Learning vs. Interreligious Misappropriation: Gandhian Criteria for Assessing Forms of Multiple Religious Participation*  
Richard Kearney, Boston College  
*Sharing the Sacred: Towards an Open Eucharist*  
Marianne Moyaert, VU University Amsterdam  
*On Ritual Boundaries: Inter-Riting and Its Limits*  
Samuel Etikpah, University of Oslo  
*Festival as Diapraxis: Interreligious Convivance and Community Development in Ghana*
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A24-122

Latina/o Critical and Comparative Studies Group
Theme: Fieldwork and Methodologies in the Study of Latina/o Religious Communities
Tuesday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Marriott-M104 (Marquis Level)
Theresa Torres, University of Missouri-Kansas City, Presiding
Panelists:
  Neomi De Anda, University of Dayton
  Lara Medina, California State University, Northridge
  Gastón Espinosa, Claremont McKenna College

A24-123

Theology and Continental Philosophy Group
Theme: Micrologics of the Postsecular
Tuesday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Marriott-International 7 (International Level)
Stephen Keating, Chicago Theological Seminary, Presiding
An Yountae, Lebanon Valley College
Poetics of Civilization: Rethinking the Spiritual beyond the Secular Coloniality/Modernity
Amaryah Jones-Armstrong, Vanderbilt University
Disinheriting Supercession: Black Theology and the Politics of the Flesh
Beatrice Marovich, University of North Dakota
In the Wreckage of Life’s Sanctity: Death and Postsecularity
Alex Dubilet, Vanderbilt University
Undecidable Acts of Subversion: Thinking the Postsecular with Pussy Riot’s “Punk Prayer”
Responding:
Anthony Paul Smith, La Salle University

P24-141

Søren Kierkegaard Society
Theme: Kierkegaard and Biblical Hermeneutics in Conversation
Tuesday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hyatt-Embassy F (International Tower Level LL2)
Kyle Roberts, United Theological Seminary of the Twin Cities, Presiding
Hugh Pyper, University of Sheffield
"I, Nebuchadnezzar, Am No Longer Nebuchadnezzar": Decolonizing the Mind in Kierkegaard, Fanon, and Glissant

A24-124

Christian Systematic Theology Section
Theme: Knowing and Speaking of God
Tuesday, 10:30 AM–12:00 PM
Marriott-M106 (Marquis Level)
Junius Johnson, Baylor University, Presiding
Devon Abts, King’s College London
"Christ Plays in Ten Thousand Places": A Study in Poetry, Imagination, and Trinitarian Theology
Daniel Robinson, Graduate Theological Union
Clement of Alexandria’s Strategy of Symbiosis with Hellenistic Epistemology
Won Jae Hur, Boston College
“In Lively Sentience with Another”: An Embodied Model of Knowing God in Edith Stein’s Later Works

A24-125

North American Religions Section and Mormon Studies Group and Ritual Studies Group
Theme: Women and Healing in Nineteenth-Century Mormonism
Tuesday, 10:30 AM–12:00 PM
Marriott-International 6 (International Level)
Kate Holbrook, LDS Church History Department, Salt Lake City, UT, Presiding
Susanna Morrill, Lewis and Clark College
Women, Health, and Identity in Early Mormonism
Kristine Wright, Guelph, ON
“I Have Had Seasons of Being Better but Never Well”. Chronicity, Ritual Failure, and Mormon Identity
Responding:
Samuel Brown, University of Utah School of Medicine

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A24-126

Religion in South Asia Section
Theme: The Religious in Sanskrit Drama: A City, a Story, a Lesson
Tuesday, 10:30 AM–12:00 PM
Marriott-A706 (Atrium Level)
Bruce M. Sullivan, Northern Arizona University, Presiding

Seth Ligo, Duke University
Stories of Kāśī: Narrative and the Realization of Sacred Space

Nell Hawley, University of Chicago
"Behave like Rāma, Not like Rāvaṇa:" Theorizing Conflict between
Epic Stories and Moral Lessons

Aleksandra Gordeeva, Yale University
Religion and Literary Theory in Jain and Hindu Dramas

Responding:
Laurie Louise Patton, Middlebury College

A24-127

Contemporary Islam Group
Theme: Forgetting the Indic for the “Islamic”: Exploring the
Development of Khōjā Caste Memory
Tuesday, 10:30 AM–12:00 PM
Marriott-International 2 (International Level)

Nargis Virani, New York, NY, Presiding

Iqbal Akhtar, University of Edinburgh
The Chronicle of Light: Khōjā Cosmology in the Periphery of Indic
Islam

Karim Gillani, University of Alberta
The Contestation of Indic Khōja Oral Literature (Ginans) as “Islamic”

Responding:
Bruce B. Lawrence, Duke University

A24-128

Law, Religion, and Culture Group and Religion,
Colonialism, and Postcolonialism Group
Theme: Negotiating the Religious-Secular Distinction in the
Colonial Marketplace
Tuesday, 10:30 AM–12:00 PM
Hyatt-Marietta (Atlanta Conference Level)

Richard Amesbury, Universität Zürich, Presiding

Kenneth Richards, University of North Carolina
Sovereign Exchange: The Force of Religious Freedom in Eighteenth
Century Maine

Alexander Rocklin, Willamette University
Making Laborers into Sadhus: The Politics of the Category Religion in
a Plantation Economy

J. Brent Crosson, University of Texas
Religion against the Law: Re-Valuing Obeah in the Caribbean

Stephanie Wright, University of California, Santa Barbara
Islam Incorporated: Halal Foods and the Anxieties of Secular
Consumption

A24-129

Sociology of Religion Group and Critical Research on
Religion
Theme: Cultural Warriors and Counter-Publics: Redescribing
Identity in the Sociology of Religion
Tuesday, 10:30 AM–12:00 PM
Marriott-A601 (Atrium Level)

Warren S. Goldstein, Harvard University, Presiding

Sorcha Brophy, Yale University
Orthodoxy as Project: Maintaining Ideological Identity in an
American Protestant Denomination

Brian Carwana, University of Toronto
Evangelicalism and Secularism: Christian Lobbyists Confront the
Affective Regimes of a Liberal Public Square

Amy McDowell, University of Mississippi
Challenging Islamophobia: Images of Muslim Masculinity and
Femininity in Taqwacore Punk Rock

Jin Sook Kim, Graduate Theological Union
Performing Gender and the Death Drive: A Lacanian Interpretation
of Gender Practice

Responding:
David Feltmate, Auburn University, Montgomery
The mission of the Society of Biblical Literature is to foster biblical scholarship. This mission is accomplished through seven strategic goals:

- Collaborate with educational institutions and other appropriate organizations to support biblical scholarship and teaching
- Develop resources for diverse audiences, including students, religious communities and the general public
- Encourage study of biblical literature and its cultural contexts
- Facilitate broad and open discussion from a variety of perspectives
- Offer members opportunities for mutual support, intellectual growth, and professional development as teachers and scholars
- Organize congresses for scholarly exchange
- Publish biblical scholarship

These strategic goals are, in turn, pursued through a number of SBL programs and initiatives under the leadership of SBL volunteers and staff.

Programs and Initiatives

Congress
The Society’s meetings bring together scholars from around the world to foster biblical scholarship by:

- showcasing the latest in biblical research
- fostering collegial contacts
- advancing research
- highlighting a wide range of professional issues

Annual Meeting
The North American Annual Meeting is the largest international gathering of biblical scholars in the world. Each meeting highlights the study of the Bible, archaeology, related languages and literatures, theology, religion, and contemporary issues such as the Bible in American public education. The Annual Meeting also features the world’s largest exhibit of books and digital resources for biblical studies—all of which are also for sale at this congress. Members benefit from the meetings of other organizations that convene at the same time.

International Meeting
The International Meeting is held annually outside North America. Drawing between 500 and 800 attendees from over 40 countries, the size and varying locales of this meeting provide a unique and intimate forum for scholarly discourse across continents. The program draws attention to the regional interests of biblical scholarship, both in our host institution and as represented in the institutions of our attendees. The meeting usually takes place between the beginning of July and the middle of August.

Publications and Technology
SBL Publications offers a wide variety of resources for biblical studies specialists as well as students in colleges, universities, and seminaries; leaders in church and synagogue settings; and members of the general public. Books published include major reference works, commentaries, text editions and translations, scholarly monographs, tools for teaching and research, and works of general interest. In addition, the SBL serves as the exclusive distributor of all Brown Judaic Studies volumes and as the North American distributor of works by Sheffield Phoenix Press. The Journal of Biblical Literature is one of the oldest and most distinguished journals in biblical scholarship, while the online Review of Biblical Literature offers the most comprehensive review of biblical studies publications. The Society also sponsors the online journal TC: A Journal of Biblical Textual Criticism and The Online Critical Pseudepigrapha. Finally, the Society continues to provide leadership for font development, markup standards, and digitization of primary sources through partnerships with museums and related institutions.

The Profession

Career Resources
The Society provides resources for employment and professional development information in a variety of ways. Through its Annual Meeting, the Society offers career development and job listing and interview resources, with which employers are able to list job openings online for member access, and members are able to register to display their Curriculum Vitae and interview with employers. Beginning in 2011, SBL and AAR held their Annual Meetings concurrently, as well as one jointly sponsored Employment Center at the Annual Meetings. The Center includes all of the services AAR and SBL have offered independently, including the ability to list jobs online and to display candidate credentials and register for interviews. Plans are underway to create a single job-listing site, which will be managed jointly by SBL and AAR. The societies also offer helpful events such as panel reviews of pertinent topics that focus on the “how to” of the application and job-interview process.
Career Development Committee

The SBL Professional Development Committee addresses the variety of needs that arise throughout the career life cycle of all the society’s members. Its major responsibilities are to:

- focus on all aspects of the career landscape and life cycle, including the ways in which our members’ identities and personal lives intersect with their careers
- develop resources for members in all institutional locations
- educate members regarding professional issues, especially when new concerns arise (e.g., the rise of adjunct positions over tenure track, cultural taxation, retirement planning in a depressed economy)
- advocate with other organizations on behalf of the interests and needs of members

International Cooperation Initiative

The Society’s International Cooperation Initiative (ICI) was launched in 2007, and each year SBL has seen growth in participation and interest from scholars and students from all over the globe. From the initial organizational meeting in Vienna to this 2014 gathering in the same city, ICI has established an online depository of published resources available freely to anyone in ICI countries; initiated two online, open-access monograph series; set up a communications network of liaisons; sponsored a database of scholars to facilitate scholarly exchange, mentoring programs, and possibilities for collaborative teaching; provided over four hundred students and scholars in ICI countries with special rates for SBL membership; and maintained a calendar of events covering biblical studies and related conferences all over the world.

ICI Online Books


Open-Access Monograph Series

Ancient Near East Monographs (ANEM) is a co-publication effort between SBL and the Centro de Estudios de Historia del Antiguo Oriente at the Universidad Católica Argentina. The series currently has seven published titles available online, with five of the titles available through print-on-demand.

International Voices in Biblical Studies (IVBS) is guided by an editorial board comprised of international scholars. The series is designed to provide a venue for publication and distribution of scholarly work from all areas of the world, and to particularly make the excellent scholarship from underresourced areas available to the more traditional centers of biblical scholarship. The five titles published to date are all available online or through print-on-demand.

ICI Liaison Network

In order to facilitate worldwide communications, the Liaison Network engages scholars in ICI countries to facilitate the two-way flow of information pertaining to SBL and global biblical studies. A monthly newsletter serves the ICI liaisons and other interested parties by providing updates to conferences, publications, and other SBL news.

ICI Scholarly Exchange

SBL hosts two databases that allow scholars, students, and institutions to establish contact and make arrangements for various types of scholarly exchange. Members have discovered opportunities to teach in other countries and have found creative ways to use technology in order to share teaching experiences with classrooms on other continents.

Global Participation in the SBL Annual Meeting

SBL has committed to engage scholars and students who would not otherwise have opportunities to participate in the Annual Meeting by transmitting live broadcasts of selected sessions. In 2013, sessions were broadcast from the Baltimore meeting to groups in Bolivia, Brazil, Egypt, Ghana, India, Nigeria, Peru, Poland, South Africa, and Ukraine. Plans for the 2014 San Diego meeting include a continuation of this program, with hopes of engaging audiences from additional countries.

Status of Women in the Profession Committee

The Status of Women in the Profession Committee encourages the participation of women in all areas of biblical studies. In pursuit of this mandate, the committee focuses its efforts in the areas of mentoring, networking, and opening biblical studies to greater participation by women. Funding is given for a limited number of non-North American women to attend congresses.

Student Advisory Board

Started in 2005, the purpose of this advisory group is to coordinate student participation across all Society activities, committees, and programs in an effort to foster greater opportunities for student participation and leadership development. The explicit goals of this group are to:

- facilitate a greater connection between students and the Society with a view toward lifetime membership, volunteer involvement, and leadership
- provide resources and programming specifically geared toward student members
- to develop and groom the next generation of leaders
**Underrepresented Racial and Ethnic Minorities Committee**
The Underrepresented Racial and Ethnic Minorities in the Profession Committee has long supported the recruitment and mentoring of racial and ethnic minority students from among the African American, Asian, Hispanic, and Native American populations.

**Regions**
Throughout the academic year, the regions coordinate lectures and conferences that keep the regions active and up to date in the latest biblical research and teaching. These meetings provide an intimate setting for scholarly exchange.

**Regional Scholars Program**
The eleven regions identify exemplary new scholars, particularly women and underrepresented minorities, for consideration and selection as one of the Society’s Regional Scholars. A maximum of six regional scholars are selected each year and given stipends to cover a portion of the cost of attending the Annual Meeting.

**Administration**
The work of the Society is guided by its Council and is administered through SBL's professional staff and key volunteers who serve on various committees.

The **Council** consists of fourteen members of the Society and the Executive Director. This board approves general policies.

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**Committees**
The **Annual Meeting Program Committee** approves program units and program unit chairs, evaluates the Annual Meeting program, and recommends strategic directions for the growth and improvement of the program.

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The **Educational Resources and Review Committee** works in public contexts, including congregations and K-12 schools, to develop curricular guidelines in order to vet and approve resources brought to SBL for review. It also publishes guidelines for teaching the Bible, tracks public policy discussion and legislation, and advocates for religious literacy as a core outcome of a broad and liberal education.

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The **Finance/Audit/Investment Committee** advises the Executive Director in preparing the annual budget for recommendation to the Council and oversees the societal investments.

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The **Nominating Committee** nominates the President, Vice-President, and Council members for election by the Society, and members of standing committees and other representatives for election by Council.

- Marc Brettler
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The **Professional Development Committee** is concerned with career issues throughout the life cycle of the Society’s members both within and beyond the classroom.

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The **Regional Coordinators Committee** consists of liaisons from the eleven regions in North America. Coordinators oversee regional activities and award Regional Scholar grants.

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The **Research and Publications Committee** works with the Editorial Director, reviews publishing activities, recommends policies, and approves editors and editorial boards.

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The **Status of Women in the Profession Committee** works in areas of mentoring and networking, opening the Society to greater participation by women and calling attention to the ways in which the Society speaks to and about women through its various activities.

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The **Underrepresented Racial and Ethnic Minorities in the Profession Committee** encourages the participation of minorities in all areas of biblical studies through mentoring, networking, and other forms of support.

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The **Bible Odyssey Editorial Board** advises on the direction and development of an interactive website, “The World of the Bible,” that would improve public understanding of the Bible and its contexts.

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The **International Cooperation Initiative Executive Board** facilitates mutual cooperation among colleagues from around the globe in the effort to foster biblical scholarship.

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Regional Scholars’ Program

The Regional Scholars’ Program has been developed by the Society of Biblical Literature’s Council of Regional Coordinators to recognize promising younger scholars in the field of biblical studies. Its objective is to encourage their intellectual development through a mentoring program and to provide practical assistance in securing a place to present their work at the Society’s Annual Meeting.

Information on the application process is available from the Regional Coordinator of each region. For more information about regions, including a list of Regional Coordinators and the Regional Scholar Award program policy, visit the SBL website at http://www.sbl-site.org/meetings/regionalMeetings.aspx.

James Barker

James Barker is currently Assistant Professor of New Testament and Early Christianity at Rhodes College in Memphis, Tennessee. His research focuses on the production and reception of the Gospels, and he received his Ph.D. from Vanderbilt University in 2011. His revised dissertation, John’s Use of Matthew, was directed by Amy-Jill Levine and is forthcoming from Fortress Press. In 2014 James received the Paul J. Achtemeier Award for New Testament Scholarship for his essay, “Ancient Compositional Practices and the Gospels: A Reassessment,” which is forthcoming in the Journal of Biblical Literature. He has also published “The Reconstruction of Kaige/Quinta Zechariah 9,9” in Zeitschrift für die Alttestamentliche Wissenschaft.

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Ian Douglas Wilson

Ian Douglas Wilson is a Ph.D. candidate at the University of Alberta. His dissertation, which he will defend in March 2015, is entitled “Kingship Remembered and Imagined: Monarchy in the Hebrew Bible and Postmonarchic Discourse in Ancient Judah.” In 2013, he received the Andrew Stewart Memorial Graduate Prize in recognition of his research at the University of Alberta, and the Zita and John Rosen Teaching Award, the University’s top honor for graduate student instructors. His primary research interests are social remembering, identity formation, and sociopolitics in ancient Judah, especially in the early Second Temple era. Other interests include historical theory and historiography, theories of religion, and Near Eastern archaeology and the interpretation of material artifacts. His scholarly articles have appeared in publications such as Harvard Theological Review, Journal for the Study of the Old Testament, and Zeitschrift für die alttestamentliche Wissenschaft.

Paul J. Achtemeier Award for New Testament Scholarship

We are pleased to announce that the 2015 Paul J. Achtemeier Award for New Testament Scholarship has been awarded to Andrew W. Pitts (Chair, Biblical Studies Department and Assistant Professor of Biblical Studies, Arizona Christian University) for his paper entitled, “The Genre of the Third Gospel and Greco-Roman Historiography: A Reconsideration.” Andrew, a member of SBL since 2005, received his Ph.D. from McMaster Divinity College in 2014. He serves as an editor for Early Christianity in its Hellenistic Context (Brill, 2013–present), an ongoing series of edited volumes devoted to advancing understanding of Christian origins.

The goal of the Achtemeier Award is to stimulate the finest and most penetrating work in New Testament studies and to foster the future of biblical scholarship. To that end, the award is given to a member who has completed her/his doctorate within the last ten years. There is a cash award of $1,000. Papers for this award are evaluated on the basis of three categories:

- a persuasive thesis that engages the New Testament and demonstrates quality of scholarship and significance in the field,
- clarity of expression and thought, and
- originality and creativity.

The 2015 Achtemeier Award Committee consisted of Warren Carter (Brite Divinity School), and Adela Yarbro Collins (Yale Divinity School), and Laurence L. Welborn (Fordham University). The call for papers for the 2016 Paul J. Achtemeier Award will open by October 15, 2015.
David Noel Freedman Award for Excellence and Creativity in Hebrew Bible Scholarship

We are pleased to announce that the 2015 David Noel Freedman Award for Excellence and Creativity in Hebrew Bible Scholarship has been awarded to Jonathan Kaplan (Assistant Professor, Department of Middle Eastern Studies faculty affiliate, Department of Religious Studies, Schusterman Center for Jewish Studies, and Medieval Studies Program, The University of Texas at Austin) for his paper entitled, “Sefer Mosheh or Sefer Morashah? Reconsidering the Torah in 4QMMT.” Jonathan is the author of the forthcoming monograph My Perfect One: Typology and Early Rabbinic Interpretation of Song of Songs (Oxford University Press, 2015). He has published articles in JBL, HUCA, HTR, and JNES. He has been a member of SBL since 1999 and will attend the 2015 Annual Meeting in Atlanta. Please join us in congratulating Jonathan for this honor.

The goal of the Freedman Award is to promote excellence and creativity in Hebrew Bible scholarship. The award is given to a member who has received a Ph.D. or Th.D., in biblical studies or related field since 2003. There is an award of $1,000.00. Papers for this award are evaluated on the basis of three categories:

➤ persuasive thesis that engages the Hebrew Bible,
➤ clarity of expression and thought, and
➤ originality and creativity.

The 2015 award committee is comprised of John Huddlestun (College of Charleston), Mark Wade Hamilton (Abilene Christian University), and Cynthia Chapman (Oberlin College). The call for papers for the 2016 David Noel Freedman Award will open by October 15, 2015.

The Society of Biblical Literature – De Gruyter Prize for Biblical Studies and Reception History

In partnership with the Society of Biblical Literature, De Gruyter is delighted to announce Dr. David Jorgensen as the winner of this year’s SBL–De Gruyter Prize for Biblical Studies and Reception History. Dr. Jorgensen’s manuscript, “Treasure Hidden in a Field: Early Christian Exegesis of the Gospel of Matthew,” was selected as the 2015 winner by the prize committee.

De Gruyter supports this award with an annual cash prize of $1,500 for the best recent unpublished dissertation or first monograph in biblical studies with special attention to submissions in the field of reception history. Winning manuscripts are published in an appropriate De Gruyter book series or, if no appropriate series exists, as stand-alone titles. The prize promotes the study of the reception history of the Bible and aims to highlight the broad impact of the Bible in a wide variety of historical contexts and cultural settings.

The 2016 Call for Papers for the SBL—De Gruyter Prize is currently open. More information on deadlines and eligibility can be found on the SBL website at sbl-site.org/membership/DeGruyterAward.aspx.

Travel Grants

Congratulations to the 2015 SBL Travel Grant recipients:

Annual Meeting Participant Grant Winners

Doris Udoka Enede
Kogi State University
(Nigeria)

Inbar Graiver
Tel Aviv University
(Israel)

Annual Meeting Attendee Grant Winners

Laurentiu Mot
Institutul Teologic Adventist (Romania)

Ruth Oluwakemi Oke
Federal College of Education, Abeokuta
(Nigeria)

The SBL Travel Grants offer opportunities to current SBL members to attend the Annual Meeting, participate in the program, enhance their professional development, and build their network with fellow scholars. These grants help facilitate the work of Program Units, the International Cooperation Initiative, Status of Women in the Profession Committee, Underrepresented Racial and Ethnic Minorities in the Profession Committee, and other SBL Committees representing scholars in the field. These grants are intended to support underrepresented and underresourced scholars. As such, preference will be given to women, ethnic/racial minorities, and members from ICI-qualifying countries. A key criterion is an applicant’s demonstrable financial need.

The Travel Grant Committee members are representatives from the International Cooperation Initiative, Status of Women in the Profession Committee, Underrepresented Racial and Ethnic Minorities in the Profession Committee, and other SBL Committees representing scholars in the field. This year’s committee included: Ehud Ben Zvi, Mignon Jacobs, Susanne Scholz, Uriah Kim, and Rodney Sadler. We would like express our sincere thanks to all applicants and donors of the Society. Your contributions to the Society of Biblical Literature strengthen our mission to foster biblical scholarship globally.

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Criticism in Critical Times: Reflections on Vision and Task

Saturday, November 21, 7:00 PM–8:00 PM • Marriott Marquis, Marquis A-B (Marquis Level)

Athalya Brenner-Idan, Professor Emerita of the Hebrew Bible/Old Testament Chair at the Faculty of The Humanities, Universiteit van Amsterdam, The Netherlands, and Research Associate at the Biblia Arabica Project, Tel Aviv University, will deliver the 2015 SBL Presidential Address.

Athalya Brenner, Tel Aviv University, Presiding

Athalya Brenner-Idan (formerly Brenner) is a first generation Israeli, born to Ostjuden parents who emigrated just before the Second World war to the then British Mandate of Eretz Yisrael/Palestine. She was born and grew up in Haifa, Israel, in a socialist, non-religious if somewhat a traditional home and school environment. She had her primary and secondary education in Haifa. The obligatory army service in the IDF, membership in a Kibbutz, and a year’s stay in the Cape Province, South Africa, followed. She studied for the BA in biblical studies and English language and literature at Haifa University, for the MA in biblical studies at the Hebrew University in Jerusalem, and for the PhD in biblical studies at the department of near eastern studies, Manchester University, England. The subject of her PhD dissertation, later published by JSOT Press (1972), was Colour Terms in the Old Testament, and her PhD supervisor was the late Prof. James Barr. She holds an honorary PhD degree from the Protestant Faculty of Bonn University, Germany.

Brenner-Idan started, like many of her contemporaries, by occupying herself mainly by textual criticism. However, she soon discovered that she was interested first and foremost in the linguistic aspects of biblical texts, such as the semantics of biblical language and later strata of Hebrew, and cognate Semitic languages. This interest grew further during her graduate studies years. Simultaneously, she developed an interest in literary criticism of the Hebrew bible, using tools and methods from her English studies. In the early 1980’s, following a wave of feminist grass activity in Israel, she began to study feminist criticism. This led to an awareness of the lack of feminist criticism of biblical texts: such works were very rare at the time. This interest in feminist criticism, or rather criticisms, has remained a major motivation for her work in decades to come. The combination of literary and feminist criticism led to the wish to anchor biblical scholarship in cultural studies. This led to studying and developing tools to study contextual approaches to biblical texts.

Brenner-Idan’s publications follow her interests. She is the editor of A Feminist Companion to the Bible, the first nineteen volumes of which were published 1993–2001 (the first 10 volumes were translated into Portuguese; three volumes were edited together with Carole R. Fontaine), and whose last and twentieth volume has appeared this year (2015). Another series is the Texts@Contexts, in which she collaborated with Gale Yee and Archie Lee on producing four volumes so far (2010–2014), with a fifth and sixth volumes in preparation. In total, Brenner-Idan has edited over thirty books. Other books were edited within the framework of the Amsterdam Studies in the Bible and Religion series, and elsewhere. Her own writing includes: Colour Terms in the Old Testament (1982, also translated into Japanese); On Gendering Texts (1993, with the late Fokkelien van Dijk–Hemmes); The Intercourse of Knowledge (1997); I Am: Biblical Women Tell their Own Stories (2005); The Israelite Woman (1985, translated into Portuguese, and 2014). She has been on the editorial boards of the Journal of Biblical Literature, Journal for the Study of the Old Testament, Semeia, and the Review of Biblical Literature, among others.

Within the SBL Brenner-Idan has been chair and committee member of the Feminist Criticism and Contextual Biblical Interpretation (SBL and ISBL) units, as well as the editorial boards of JBL and Semeia.
FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 20

S20-101
SBL Status of Women in the Profession Committee
9:00 AM–5:00 PM
Marriott - L502 (Lobby Level)

S20-102/A20-106
THATCamp 2015
9:00 AM–5:00 PM
Marriott - L504-L505 (Lobby Level)
Theme: The Humanities and Technology Camp

S20-103
SBL Nominating Committee
10:00 AM–1:00 PM
Hyatt - SBL Suite

P20-111
Westar Institute
10:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hyatt - Embassy (International Tower Level LL2)
Theme: Young Leaders in Religion Forum Orientation
Meet and greet fellow members and advisors of the Young Leaders in Religion Forum (YLRF). Get some tips on how to take full advantage of the week's events. Hear an update on future directions of the YLRF program and share your much-needed insights and ideas about what you'd like to see happen with the program.
Open to clergy and other leaders ages 20 to 45.

S20-201
SBL Finance Committee
1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Hyatt - SBL Suite

P20-202
Institute for Biblical Research
1:00 PM–3:45 PM
Marriott - A707 (Atrium Level)
Theme: Scripture and Hermeneutics Seminar (SAHS)
The Scripture and Hermeneutics Seminar (SAHS) works with like-minded scholars to facilitate a renewal of biblical interpretation in the academy that will help reopen the Book for our cultures. It does so from an academic, ecumenical, interdisciplinary, communal, and Christian foundation. For further information contact Heath Thomas (jthomas@sebts.edu) and see http://www.paideiacentre.ca/what-we-do/scripture-and-hermeneutics-seminar/history as well as the Institute of Biblical Research website: http://www.ibr-bbr.org/ (click on Research Groups). The SAHS/SADS Dinner will take place on Saturday at 7:15 PM.

P20-203
Institute for Biblical Research
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Marriott - L507 (Lobby Level)
Theme: Board of Directors Meeting

S20-204
SBL Regional Coordinators Committee
1:00 PM–5:00 PM
Marriott - L506 (Lobby Level)

P20-205/A20-200
The Qur'an and Late Antiquity (IQSA)
1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Marriott - M104 (Marquis Level)
Theme: Towards a “Long Late Antiquity”: Continuities from the Pre-Islamic to the Islamic Era
Co-sponsored by the AAR Traditions of Eastern Late Antiquity group.
Michael Pregill, Boston University, Presiding
Emran El-Badawi, University of Houston
Law and Tradition in the Long Seventh Century (570–705) – Between Qur’an and Church Canon (20 min)
Walter D. Ward, University of Alabama at Birmingham
The Pre-Islamic Image of the Word ‘Saracen’ and its Implications for Early Christian and Islamic Interactions (20 min)
Cecilia Palombo, Princeton University
"Why Do the Rabbis and Religious Authorities Not Forbid them from Uttering Sinful Words?": Qur’anic and Late Antique Attitudes towards Religious Scholars (20 min)
The papers will be posted on the Westar website [www.westarinstitute.org](http://www.westarinstitute.org). SBL and AAR attendees are welcome to audit Westar's seminar meetings.

**Session One: 1:00–2:45 PM**

Christine R. Shea, Ball State University, Presiding

Maia Kotrosits, Denison University, Introduction (10 min)

Arthur Dewey, Xavier University
Switchback Codes: Paul, Apocalyptic, and the Art of Resistance (30 min)

Lane C. McGaughy, Willamette University
God, ReTALIation, and the Apocalyptic Scenario (30 min)

Hal Taussig, Union Theological Seminary in the City of New York
Integrative Issues and Voting (35 min)

**First proposition:** The state-sponsored violence of the Roman Empire was a primary factor in the formation of “Christ groups” and early Christianity.

Break (30 min)

**Session Two: 3:15–5:00 PM**

Ruben R. Dupertuis, Trinity University, and Glenna S. Jackson, Otterbein University, Presiding

Heidi Wendt, Wright State University Main Campus
*From the Herodians to Hadrian: The Shifting Status of Judean Religion in Post-Flavian Rome* (45 min)

Bernard Brandon Scott, Phillips Theological Seminary
*Review and Evaluation of Martin Goodman’s Rome and Jerusalem: Impact on the Rise of Christianity* (30 min)

Nina Livesey, University of Oklahoma
Integrative Issues and Voting (30 min)

**Second proposition:** Diaspora theory provides the clearest frameworks for understanding the history of the Christ groups of the first two centuries.

**Third proposition:** Jesus’s violent death served as an image for community belonging for some Christ and early Christian groups in the face of systemic and widespread imperial violence, nuancing their simultaneous belonging to and difference from some

Break (90 min)

**Session Three: 6:30–8:00 PM**

Jason D. BeDuhn, Northern Arizona University, and Stephen J. Patterson, Willamette University, Presiding

John Marshall, University of Toronto
*Judean War and Judean Diaspora: Class and Networks* (45 min)

Hal Taussig, Union Theological Seminary in the City of New York
Integrative Issues and Voting (45 min)

**Fourth proposition:** “Belonging” and “identity” are more complex analytical categories, and offer more social traction, than “religion” and “faith” for describing the process and content of the emergence of early Christianity.

**Fifth proposition:** Christ-groups should be understood primarily through their connection with and belonging to ancient Israel.
P20-206a

Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion
2:00 PM–7:30 PM
Marriott - M304 (Marquis Level)
Theme: Pre-Meeting workshop for ATS, FTE, HTI and NAIITS Doctoral Students on Teaching and Learning (By invitation only)
A gathering of doctoral students associated with ATS, FTE, HTI, and NAIITS in their final year of studies or at the dissertation writing stage to discuss particular issues about teaching and learning such as: What do you want your teaching to do in the world?; Community teaching and learning; Vocation and institutional contexts; Evaluation and assessment as ways for celebration and reflection on mutual growth; Collaboration in the first year(s) of teaching; Gifts we leave one another.
Elizabeth Conde-Frazier, Esperanza College, Terry LeBlanc, NAIITS, Tat-siong Benny Liew, College of the Holy Cross, and Stephen Ray, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary, Presiding

P20-207

Anglican Association of Biblical Scholars
3:00 PM–9:00 PM
Hilton - 315 (Level 3)
Theme: Studying Scripture Together as Anglicans and Lutherans
All parts of the AABS meeting will be held at St. Luke’s Episcopal Church, 435 Peachtree St. NE, Atlanta, GA 30308 (an 8-minute walk from the Marriott Marquis in the convention center). All are welcome. Our Lutheran colleagues are especially invited to participate fully for this year’s theme. Advance reservations are required for the catered dinner. Information and cost will be posted at a later date on the AABS website: www.aabs.org. Contact Elizabeth Struthers Malbon (malbon@vt.edu) if you have questions in the meantime.
3:00 PM – Executive Committee Meeting
Henrietta Wiley, Notre Dame of Maryland University, Presiding
4:00 PM – Gathering and Greeting
Frank Hughes, Diocese of Western Louisiana School of Theology, Presiding
5:00 PM – General Business Meeting
Henrietta Wiley, Notre Dame of Maryland University, Presiding
6:00 PM – Holy Eucharist
7:00 PM – Dinner
7:45 PM – Studying Scripture Together as Anglicans and Lutherans
Elizabeth Struthers Malbon, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University, Presiding
Panelists:
Walter Bouzard, Wartburg College
Cynthia Kittredge, Seminary of the Southwest
Raymond Pickett, Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago

S20-208

SBL Professional Development Committee
3:00 PM–5:00 PM
Hyatt - 223 (Level 2)

S20-209

SBL Student Advisory Board
3:00 PM–5:00 PM
Hyatt - Dunwoody (Atlanta Conference Level)

P20-311

Institute for Biblical Research
4:00 PM–6:00 PM
Hilton - 212 (Level 2)
Theme: Research Group: Wisdom and Prophecy in the Hebrew Bible
The Wisdom and Prophecy in the Hebrew Bible research group focuses on the relationship between wisdom and prophecy and how these two aspects of Hebrew literature overlap and interact within the Scriptures. All are invited to attend and take part in the discussion.
For further information, contact Russell L. Meek (rmeek@mbts.edu) and William R. Osborne (wrosborne@cofo.edu) and see the Institute of Biblical Research website: http://www.ibr-bbr.org/ (click on Research Groups).
William Osborne, College of the Ozarks, Presiding
William R. Osborne, College of the Ozarks
Wisdom Gets 'Tyred' in the Book of Ezekiel (20 min)
Discussion (10 min)
Richard Schultz, Wheaton College (Illinois)
Qohelet as Eschatological or Anti-apocalyptic Sage? HEBEL, the Evil Day, and Divine Judgment in the Book of Ecclesiastes (20 min)
Discussion (10 min)
John Hilber, Grand Rapids Theological Seminary
The Relationship of Prophecy and Wisdom in the Ancient Near East (20 min)
Discussion (10 min)
Daniel Timmer, University of Sudbury
Where Shall Wisdom Be Found (in the Book of the Twelve)? (20 min)
Discussion (10 min)
P20-301
Institute for Biblical Research
4:00 PM–6:00 PM
Hyatt - Hanover E (Exhibit Level)
This group examines the connections between Greco–Roman historiographical literature, Jewish historiography (including the LXX), and early Christian literature (primarily the NT). Given the importance of history for Christianity (and Judaism), we look forward to exploring questions about the form, function, interpretation, and development of historiographical literature in the ancient world. If you are interested in joining us or have any questions, please contact Sean Adams (adams.sean@gmail.com) or Daniel Smith (domit133@slu.edu). For further information see the Institute of Biblical Research website: http://www.ibr-bbr.org/ (click on Research Groups).

Sean Adams, University of Glasgow, Presiding
J. Andrew Cowan, University of St. Andrews
The Old Is Good? Antiquity in Josephus’ Antiquitates Judaicae and the Writings of Luke (25 min)
Susanne Luther, Johannes Gutenberg-Universität Mainz
Indicators of Reality and Authenticity in John’s Narrative Historiography (25 min)
Break (5 min)
Ben Sutton, Ridley Melbourne
Suetonius, Asconius, and Luke: Roman Authors and the Consultation of News Reports (25 min)
Oswaldo Padilla, Samford University
The Speeches in Acts: Seventy One Years After (25 min)
Business Meeting (15 min)

P20-302
Institute for Biblical Research
4:00 PM–6:00 PM
Hyatt - University (Atlanta Conference Level)
Theme: Research Group: Biblical Theology, Hermeneutics, and the Theological Disciplines
This research group brings into conversation the related enterprises of biblical theology and biblical interpretation, with an eye also to the broader connection between biblical studies and the work of theologians (systematic, historical, contextual etc). For further information, please contact Darian Lockett (darian.lockett@biola.edu) or Stephen Presley (spresley@asbury.edu). For further information see the Institute of Biblical Research website: http://www.ibr-bbr.org/ (click on Research Groups).

Darian Lockett, Biola University, Presiding
Andrew J. Schmutzer, Moody Bible Institute
The Suffering of God: Love in Willing Vulnerability (20 min)
J. Richard Middleton, Northeastern Seminary at Roberts Wesleyan College
A Psalm against David? A Canonical Reading of Psalm 51 as a Critique of David’s Inadequate Repentance in 2 Samuel 12 (20 min)
Break (5 min)
J. David Stark, Faulkner University
Paul, Apostle of Torah Obedience: Rethelogizing Torah Obedience in the Letter to the Romans (20 min)
Discussion (35 min)
Break (5 min)
Business Meeting (15 min)

P20-303
Institute for Biblical Research
4:00 PM–6:00 PM
Hyatt - Vinings (Atlanta Conference Level)
Theme: Research Group: Book of the Twelve Prophets in Biblical Scholarship
The purpose of this IBR research group is to provide a diverse professional forum to examine the Book of the Twelve Prophets. While a broad variety of approaches will be accepted and encouraged, this study session will be particularly interested in synchronic readings of the Book of the Twelve, including, but not limited to, discourse analysis, linguistic analysis, and literary analysis. This year’s topic is ”Theodicy and Hope in the Book of the Twelve.” For further information contact Beth M. Stovell at bstovell@ambrose.edu and Colin Toffelmire at CToffelmire@ambrose.edu. For further information see the Institute of Biblical Research website: http://www.ibr-bbr.org/ (click on Research Groups).

Colin Toffelmire, Ambrose University College, Welcome (5 min)
Joel Barker, Heritage College & Seminary
Where Does My Hope Come From? The Rhetorical Significance of Exod 34:6–7 in the Book of the Twelve (15 min)
Discussion (20 min)
Anthony Petterson, Morling College, Sydney
Exile and Re-exile in Zechariah and the Twelve (15 min)
Discussion (20 min)
Jason LeCureux, Trinity College Queensland
Restored Hope? The Function of the Temple and Cult as Restoration in the Book of the Twelve (15 min)
Discussion (20 min)

P20-304
Institute for Biblical Research
4:00 PM–6:00 PM
Hilton - 210 (Level 2)
Theme: Emerging Scholarship on the New Testament
This session showcases emerging New Testament scholars sponsored by Fellows of the Institute of Biblical Research. All are welcome to attend the session. Summaries of the papers will be available here no later than October 1, 2015. For information on this session please contact Ruth Anne Reese (ruthanne.reese@asburyseminary.edu). For further information see the Institute of Biblical Research website: http://www.ibr-bbr.org/ (click on Research Groups).

Ruth Anne Reese, Asbury Theological Seminary, Presiding
J. Andrew Cowan, University of St. Andrews
The Speeches in Acts: Seventy One Years After (25 min)
J. Richard Middleton, Northeastern Seminary at Roberts Wesleyan College
A Psalm against David? A Canonical Reading of Psalm 51 as a Critique of David’s Inadequate Repentance in 2 Samuel 12 (20 min)
Break (5 min)
J. David Stark, Faulkner University
Paul, Apostle of Torah Obedience: Rethelogizing Torah Obedience in the Letter to the Romans (20 min)
Discussion (35 min)
Break (5 min)
Business Meeting (15 min)
P20-305

Institute for Biblical Research
4:00 PM–6:00 PM
Marriott - L403 (Lobby Level)

Theme: Emerging Scholarship on the Old Testament

This session showcases emerging Old Testament scholars sponsored by Fellows of the Institute of Biblical Research. All are welcome to attend the session. Summaries of the papers will be read at the session leaving opportunity for discussion. Full papers will be available here no later than October 1, 2015. For this information on this session please contact M. Daniel Carroll R. (danny.carrollr@denverseminary.edu). For further information see the Institute of Biblical Research website: http://www.ibr-bbr.org/ (click on Research Groups).

M. Carroll R., Denver Seminary, Presiding
Moisés López, Fuller Theological Seminary (Pasadena) Disability and Daily Living (10 min)

Discussion (20 min)
Lance Higginbotham, Trinity Evangelical Divinity School Wisdom and the Building of the Tabernacle: Holmab and Hakam in Exodus 25–40 (10 min)

Discussion (20 min)
Michelle Knight, Wheaton College Graduate School The Judging Prophetess: Reading Judges 4–5 in Light of Deuteronomy 18:9–22 (10 min)

Discussion (20 min)
Alexander Breitkopf, McMaster Divinity College (Re)Signifying Creation: Viewpoint in Job as a Basis for a Christian Environmental Ethics (10 min)

Discussion (20 min)

P20-306

Institute for Biblical Research
4:00 PM–6:00 PM
Hilton - 204 (Level 2)

Theme: Research Group: Identity Formation in the Pauline Letters

This research group focuses on identity formation in the Pauline letters and welcomes methodological diversity for that investigation. This year’s session addresses cultural anthropology and identity in Paul’s letters. Our presentations will address key methodological issues, biblical texts, and contested scholarly constructs related to the use of this analytic as a framework for reading Paul. For further details about our session in Atlanta please contact Brian Tucker (brian.tucker@moody.edu) or Jim Miller (james.miller@asburyseminary.edu).

James Miller, Asbury Theological Seminary, Presiding
Sue Russell, Asbury Theological Seminary Mimesis, Alterity, and Liminality: Envisioning In–Christ Identity as the Social Dimension of Pauline Eschatology (25 min)
Chang Seon An, Boston University ‘Let Us Celebrate the Festival’: Paul’s Placement of Jewish Ritual Language in 1 Corinthians 5:1–8 (25 min)

Break (5 min)

Ryan Heisch, University of Aberdeen Contrast or Comparison? Rethinking Dominant Group Identity Categories in Galatians (25 min)
J. Brian Tucker, Moody Theological Seminary–Michigan Paul’s Eschatology, Jewishness, and Identity Formation Approach to Existing Identities in Christ: A Response (25 min)

Discussion (15 min)

P20-307

Institute for Biblical Research
4:00 PM–6:00 PM
Hyatt - Roswell (Atlanta Conference Level)

Theme: Research Group: Old Testament Theology of Prayer

The Old Testament Theology of Prayer research group will explore Old Testament prayers and texts related to prayer to discern what these texts reveal about the God of Israel, about Israel’s understanding of what prayer “does,” and how such texts can speak to Christian communities. Explorations may be done on the levels of the entire OT corpus, canonical sections, individual books, or individual texts. For further information, contact Phillip Camp (phiilp.camp@lipscomb.edu) and Elaine Phillips (Elaine Phillips@gordon.edu) and see the Institute of Biblical Research website: http://www.ibr-bbr.org/ (click on Research Groups).

Phillip G. Camp, Lipscomb University, Welcome
Phillip G. Camp, Lipscomb University The Study of the Theology of Prayer in the Old Testament: Retrospectives (20 min)

Elaine Phillips, Gordon College Where Do We Go Next? Boundaries and Connections (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)
Daniel I. Block, Wheaton College (Illinois) Wrestling with God: The Role of Prayer in the Life of Moses, the Paradigmatic Prophetic (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)
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Ralph K. Hawkins, Averett University
‘O LORD, Is This Not What I Said?’ Soundings in Reception History of Prayers in Exodus (20 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Ted Hildebrandt, Gordon College
Solomon’s Temple Prayer (1 Kgs 8) (20 min)
Discussion (5 min)

P20-308
Institute for Biblical Research
4:00 PM–6:00 PM
Marriott - M107 (Marquis Level)
Theme: Research Group: A Pneumatic Hermeneutic—The Role of the Holy Spirit in Biblical Scholarship
The purpose of this research group is to provide a diverse professional forum to examine the role of the Holy Spirit in hermeneutics and biblical scholarship. These meetings will examine various approaches throughout the history of biblical scholarship and the reception of Scripture pertaining to the work of the Holy Spirit in interpretation. To foster the continual scholarly discussion of this topic this seminar welcomes the development of not only previous analyses and practices but also new concepts and procedures. For information contact Kevin Spawn (kspawn@regent.edu) and Archie Wright (awright@regent.edu) and see the Institute of Biblical Research website: http://www.ibr-bbr.org/ (click on Research Groups).

Archie Wright, Regent University, Presiding
Panelists:
   Peter Enns, Eastern University (15 min)
   Edith Humphrey, Pittsburgh Theological Seminary (15 min)
   Blaine Charette, Northwest University (Washington) (15 min)
   Ronald Herms, Fresno Pacific University (10 min)
Responding:
   John Levison, Southern Methodist University (20 min)
Discussion (45 min)

P20-309
Institute for Biblical Research
4:00 PM–6:00 PM
Marriott - L401 (Lobby Level)
This research group focuses on the relationship between the Old Testament and the New Testament. For further information contact Creig Marlowe (wcreigmarlowe@cs.com) and Gareth (Gary) Cockerill (gcockerill@pbs.edu) and see the Institute of Biblical Research website: http://www.ibr-bbr.org/ (click on Research Groups).
   Gareth Cockerill, Wesley Biblical Seminary, Introduction (5 min)

Christopher Wright, Langham Partnership
“Live such good lives among the nations”: The Missional Impact of OT Ethics in the New (35 min)
Responding:
   Creig Marlowe, Evangelische Theologische Faculteit (15 min)
   Christopher Wright, Langham Partnership (5 min)
   W. Edward Glenny, University of Northwestern – St. Paul (MN) (15 min)
   Christopher Wright, Langham Partnership (5 min)
Discussion (20 min)
Business Meeting (20 min)

P20-310
Institute for Biblical Research
4:00 PM–6:00 PM
Marriott - International A (International Level)
Theme: Research Group: Scripture in Global Context
One effect of globalization is an increasing consensus that biblical and theological discourse can no longer be a solely Western phenomenon. As Christianity continues to expand in the global South and East, demand has grown for thoughtful theological analysis that addresses the concerns of the majority of Christians. This study group, in collaboration with “Theology in Global Context” group in ETS and with Eerdmans (first volume on Christology is published), aims to harness this promising moment by addressing both classical and non-traditional theological loci through engagement with the best resources from non-Western Christianity, bringing them into dialog with each other and Western thought. For information contact Gene Green (gene.green@wheaton.edu) and K. K. Yeo (kkyeo@garrett.edu).

See further http://www.ibr-bbr.org (Research Groups: Scripture in Global Context). This year’s session is focused on Soteriology.
Presenters will summarize their papers followed by discussion. Copies of the papers will be available from November 1 at https://www.ibr-bbr.org/scripture-global-context.

Presentations
   KhioK-Khng Yeo, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary, Presiding
   Milton Acosta, Seminario Biblico de Colombia
   What Do We Need to Be Saved From? (20 min)
   Elaine Wei Fun Goh, Seminarı Teoloji Malaysia
   Qoheleth’s Gospel in Ecclesiastes: Excl 3:1-15, 7:15-22 and 11:1-6 Considered (20 min)
   Rosinah Gabaitse, University of KwaZulu-Natal
   Luke 4:18-19 and Salvation: In the Context of Marginalization of Women within Pentecostal Church in Botswana (20 min)

Panel Dialogue and Q&A
   Gene Green, Wheaton College (Illinois), Presiding
   Milton Acosta, Seminario Biblico de Colombia
   Elaine Wei Fun Goh, Seminarı Teoloji Malaysia
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P20-312
International Qur’anic Studies Association
4:00 PM–5:15 PM
Marriott - M104 (Marquis Level)
Theme: Keynote Lecture

Gene Green, Wheaton College (Illinois), Presiding

Dialogue (60 min)
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S20-313
SBL Semeia Studies Editorial Board
4:00 PM–6:00 PM
Marriott - M202 (Marquis Level)

S20-313a
SBL Orality, Memory, Performance Criticism, and Related Disciplines
4:30 PM–6:00 PM
Hyatt - Courtland (Atlanta Conference Level)
Theme: A Networking Event
An informal gathering to hear reports about progress in promoting orality and related studies. Meet others with common scholarly interests and organize in small groups to discuss developments in key fields: Ancient storytelling (Gospels); Memory and delivery (Letters); Soundmapping; Performance exegesis; Ancient theater and biblical performances; The new textual criticism; Translation as exegesis; and more. Refreshments. This networking event follows the related workshop, does not require preregistration or fees, and provides an opportunity to meet with scholars who share common interests. To assist us (and to receive pre-event updates), please let us know of your plan to attend: Richard Swanson at richard.swanson@augie.edu.

P20-317
International Qur’anic Studies Association
5:15 PM–6:30 PM
Marriott - M105 (Marquis Level)
Theme: Reception

P20-314a
International Qur’anic Studies Association
6:30 PM–8:30 PM
Marriott - L508 (Lobby Level)
Theme: Film Screening: Jesus in the Quran
Jesus in the Qur’an is a recent documentary commissioned by the French-German television channel Arte and led by filmmakers Gerard Mordillat and Jerome Prieur. It explores how Jesus is presented in the Islamic scripture, and how the Qur’anic passages about Jesus were understood by successive generations of Muslim believers. The documentary features interviews with Mehdi Azaiez, Katholieke Universiteit Leuven; Angelika Neuwirth, Freie Universität Berlin; Shawkat Toorawa, Cornell University; and Holger Zellentin, University of Nottingham and many more. “We look to highlight the structural and inseparable link between Judaism, Christianity and Islam,” says Gerard Mordillat. “If we dig deeply, we can explore the complex nature of the words and texts. Jesus is one of the important characters of the Qur’an, who is mentioned by name even more often than Muhammad. And Mary is the only woman mentioned in the Koran.”—Gerard Mordillat and Jerome Prieur (from French, June 2012)
Gabriel Reynolds, University of Notre Dame, Nicolai Sinai, University of Oxford, and Emran El-Badawi, University of Houston, Presiding

S20-315
SBL Council and AAR Board Reception
6:30 PM–7:30 PM
Hyatt - AAR Suite

P20-401
Institute for Biblical Research
7:00 PM–9:00 PM
Marriott - Marquis A-B (Marquis Level)
Theme: Annual Lecture
The Institute for Biblical Research, Incorporated (IBR) is an organization of evangelical Christian scholars with specialties in Old and New Testament and in ancillary disciplines. Its vision is to foster excellence in the pursuit of Biblical Studies within a faith environment. The achievement of this goal is sought primarily by organizing annual conferences, conducting seminars and workshops, and by sponsoring academic publications in the various fields of biblical research. IBR’s conferences, seminars and workshops are open to the public and its publications are available for purchase. For further information go to http://www.ibr-bbr.org.

Tremper Longman, Westmont College, Welcome (10 min)
Milton Eng, William Paterson University, Scripture Reading and Prayer (5 min)
Mark Boda, McMaster Divinity College, Introduction
Annual Lecture
Craig Bartholomew, Redeemer University College
Old Testament Origins and the Question of God (40 min)
Responding:
Sandra Richter, Wheaton College (Illinois) (10 min)
N. T. Wright, University of St. Andrews (10 min)
Discussion (20 min)
Presentation by Zondervan Publishing Company
The IBR Reception follows the Annual Lecture and is sponsored by Zondervan

S20–402/A20–405
SBL & AAR Members Welcome Reception
8:00 PM–10:00 PM
Marriott - Atrium Ballroom (Atrium Level)

P20-403
Institute for Biblical Research
9:00 PM–11:00 PM
Marriott - Imperial A-B (Marquis Level)
Theme: Annual Reception Sponsored by Zondervan
The Annual Reception, following the IBR Annual Lecture, is generously sponsored by Zondervan. For further information go to http://www.ibr-bbr.org.
S21-102
SBL Early Christianity and Its Literature Editorial Board
7:30 AM–8:30 AM
Marriott - M202 (Marquis Level)

P21-101
Institute for Biblical Research
7:30 AM–8:45 AM
Hilton - Crystal A-F (Level 1)
Theme: IBR Breakfast for Women Scholars
For further information contact Carol Kaminsky (carolmkaminski@aol.com) or Beth Stovell (BSTovell@ambrose.edu), and see http://www.ibr-bbr.org. RSVP required to attend.

P21-101a
Institute for Biblical Research
7:30 AM–8:45 AM
Hilton - 409 (Level 4)
Theme: IBR Ethnic Minority Breakfast
A new initiative this year, the IBR invites members and potential members of ethnic minority background (Latino, Asian, African and/or Native American) to a continental breakfast for networking and brainstorming about future participation in the IBR. For further information, contact Danny Carroll (Danny.Carroll@denverseminary.edu) or Milton Eng (miltoneng@verizon.net).

S21-106
SBL International Cooperation Initiative Executive Board
7:30 AM–8:30 AM
Hyatt - 223 (Level 2)

S21-103
SBL Annual Meeting Orientation
8:15 AM–9:00 AM
Marriott - A707 (Atrium Level)
Theme: Hosted by the SBL Student Advisory Board
The Student Advisory Board invites all meeting attendees to an informal Q&A session to share practical tips for maximizing your experience of the SBL Annual Meeting and for full conference participation. The topics discussed at this session include networking opportunities, meeting strategies, and session etiquette. Discussion will be facilitated by experienced meeting attendees. Please join us with your questions.
Thomas Whitley, Florida State University, and Krista Dalton, Columbia University in the City of New York, Presiding

S21-104
SBL Ancient Near East Monographs Editorial Board
8:30 AM–9:30 AM
Marriott - L502 (Lobby Level)

S21-105
SBL Council
8:30 AM–11:00 AM
Hyatt - Hanover C (Exhibit Level)

S21-107
SBL International Voices in Biblical Studies Editorial Board
8:30 AM–9:30 AM
Marriott - L503 (Lobby Level)

Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

S21-108/A21-115
SBL African-American Biblical Hermeneutics Section / LGBTI/Queer Hermeneutics Section
9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hyatt - Harris (Atlanta Conference Level)
Theme: Honoring the Scholarship of Randall Bailey
This session is co-sponsored with the SBL LGBTI/Queer Hermeneutics Group and the AAR Bible in Racial, Ethnic, and Indigenous Communities Group.
Love Sechrest, Fuller Theological Seminary (Pasadena), Presiding
Panelists:
Valerie Bridgeman, Methodist Theological School in Ohio (25 min)
Herbert Marbury, Vanderbilt University (25 min)
Hugh Page, University of Notre Dame (25 min)
Rodney Sadler, Union Presbyterian Seminary (25 min)
Eric Thomas, Drew University (25 min)
Discussion (25 min)
S21-109

SBL Asian and Asian-American Hermeneutics Seminar / Islands, Islanders, and Scriptures Section
9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Marriott - A701 (Atrium Level)
Theme: Joint Session on Contextual Biblical Methodologies
Papers will be summarized and discussed in roundtable format. Papers will be available online ahead of time at: https://thefemalebiblescholar.wordpress.com/sbl-2015-contextual-biblical-interpretation/.
James Grimshaw, Carroll University, Presiding
Izaak J. de Hulster, University of Helsinki
- Literature Studies, Liberation Theology, and Impulses for Contextual Biblical Methodologies (15 min)
Discussion (15 min)
Stephen Lim, King’s College - London
- (Re-)Contextualising Contextual Methodologies from the Ground Up: Towards a Singaporeanisation of Asian Hermeneutics (15 min)
Discussion (15 min)
SungAe Ha, Graduate Theological Union
- Utilizing Cross-textual and Cross-cultural Readings as a Hermeneutical Tool for Asian Women (15 min)
Discussion (15 min)
J. Blair Wilgus, Hope International University
- What has Abraham to do with Jerry Springer? Reading the Hebrew Bible in light of Modern Views of Domestic and Family Abuse (15 min)
Discussion (15 min)
Klaas Spronk, Protestantse Theologische Universiteit, Amsterdam
- Judging Samson: Judges 16 in Intercultural Reading and the Arts after 9/11 (15 min)
Discussion (15 min)

S21-109a

SBL Bible and Film Section
9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Marriott - International B (International Level)
Theme: Ethnicity, Racism, and Conquest in the Bible, Film, and America
Matthew Rindge, Gonzaga University, Presiding
Meghan Alexander Beddington, Princeton Theological Seminary and Justin Michael Reed, Princeton Theological Seminary
- ‘Let Us Make Them in Our Image’: The Historical Context and Contemporary Effect of ‘Whitewashing’ Ancient Egypt (40 min)
Discussion (10 min)
L. Daniel Hawk, Ashland Theological Seminary
- Saviors and Savages: Hybrid Types at the Frontiers of Conquest and Identity (40 min)
Discussion (10 min)
Rebekah Eklund, Loyola University Maryland
- Hot Jesus, Tragic Superstar, Suffering Son of God: How Jesus Films Aim to Shape Our Moral Imagination (40 min)
Discussion (10 min)

S21-110

SBL Bible and Popular Culture Section
9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Marriott - A708 (Atrium Level)
Theme: The Medium is the Message
Valarie Ziegler, DePauw University, Presiding
Robin Galler Branch, North-West University (South Africa)
- Teaching Theology with Laughter, Song, Rap, and Dance via the Play, Funny Bone Finds a Home: A Musical Featuring the Body of Christ (30 min)
Eric M. Vanden Eykel, Ferrum College
- Spear Wounds and Sleigh Bells: Believing and Seeing in the Gospel of John and The Polar Express (30 min)
Leonard Greenspoon, Creighton University
- Quoth, Doth, and Iby: The Tritranslated Bible in Popular Culture (30 min)
Karl Jacobson, Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd
- Jets and Tittles on the Cutting Room Floor: Movie-making as Midrash (30 min)
Business Meeting (30 min)

S21-111

SBL Bible and Practical Theology Section
9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hilton - 306 (Level 3)
Theme: Interactive Readings Between Text and Human Situations II
Deborah Appler, Moravian College & Theological Seminary, Presiding
Terry Ann Smith, New Brunswick Theological Seminary and Raynard Smith, New Brunswick Theological Seminary
- The Mourning After: Leah, Loss and Melancholia in Genesis 29 (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Melanie A. Howard, Princeton Theological Seminary
- A Miscarried Messiah: The Lukan Jesus as a Source for Liturgy When Coping with Miscarriage (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Douglas Estes, South University - Columbia
- 7 Fallacies of Conflict Resolution: An Application of Matt 5:23–26 in Ecclesial Practice (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Fred N. Reiner, Wesley Theological Seminary
- Adonai Is My Shepherd: Theology, Values, and Sexism in Bible Translation (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Business Meeting (20 min)
**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 21**

**S21-112**

**SBL Bible, Myth, and Myth Theory Section**

*9:00 AM–11:30 AM*

Hilton - 305 (Level 3)

Austin Busch, SUNY Brockport, Presiding

Iaria I.E. Ramelli, Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore

*Origen, the Myths of Scripture, and the Myths of Plato* (30 min)

Spencer L. Allen, University of Pennsylvania

*Ishtar-of-Arbelah’s Mythological, Mystical, and Prophetic Independence from Ishtar-of-Nineveh* (30 min)

Abigail Rine, George Fox University

*Anagnorisis in the David Narrative* (30 min)

M. David Litwa, University of Virginia

*I am God*: The Primal Human as Primeval Self-deifier (30 min)

**S21-114**

**SBL Christian Apocrypha Section / Papyrology and Early Christian Backgrounds Section**

*9:00 AM–11:30 AM*

Marriott - International 4 (International Level)

Theme: *Papyrus Fragments of Apocryphal Writings: How Were They Used?*

Malcolm Choat, Macquarie University, Presiding (5 min)

Geoff S. Smith, University of Texas at Austin

*Preliminary Report on the “Willaughby Papyrus” of the Gospel of John and an Unidentified Christian Text* (25 min)

Kelley Coblentz Bautch, St. Edward’s University

*The Textual History of the Greek Book of the Watchers: Contextual Clues from Translation and the Value of Variant Readings* (25 min)

Ross P. Ponder, University of Texas at Austin

*A New Transcription of P Oxy. 5072: Observations from a Recent Autopsy Analysis* (25 min)

Thomas A. Wayment, Brigham Young University

*The Interaction between Apocrypha and Canon: A Case Study of Oxyrhynchus* (25 min)

Responding:

AnneMarie Luijendijk, Princeton University (25 min)

Discussion (20 min)

**S21-115**

**SBL Mysticism, Esotericism, and Gnosticism in Antiquity Section / Cognitive Linguistics in Biblical Interpretation Section**

*9:00 AM–11:45 AM*

Hilton - 207 (Level 2)

Theme: *The Cognitive Difference*

Athanasios Despotis, Rheinische Friedrich-Wilhelms-Universität Bonn, Presiding

April D. DeConick, Rice University

*Up, Down, In, Out and Back Again: Sensory Motor Schema and the Ascent of the Soul* (25 min)

Roger Beck, University of Toronto

*The Mithraeum as a Mechanism for Getting Down from Heaven and Back Up Again* (25 min)

Colleen Shantz, Toronto School of Theology

*I Do Not Understand My Actions*: Some Cognitive Bases for Natural Dualisms (25 min)

Vernon K. Robbins, Emory University

*The Visible and Invisible in Early Christian Literature: Imagistic Story-Lines that Run Cognitive Progressions* (25 min)

Robert von Thaden, Jr., Mercyhurst College

*Families, Children, and Askesis: Framing Christ-Believing Bodies* (25 min)

Grant Adamson, Rice University

*Christology and Cognitive Science* (25 min)

Discussion (15 min)

**S21-116**

**SBL Contextualizing North African Christianity Consultation**

*9:00 AM–11:30 AM*

Hilton - 303 (Level 3)

Theme: *The Afterlife of Cyprian*

William Tabbernee, University of Oklahoma, Presiding

Jesse Hoover, Baylor University

*Either a Forgery or a Damn Fine Original*: Cyprianus plebi Cartaginii and the Origins of Donatism (30 min)

Maureen A. Tilley, Fordham University

*What’s Wrong with Board Games: Context and Content of the pseudo-Cyprianic De aleatoribus* (30 min)

Geoffrey Dunn, Australian Catholic University

*Cyprian in the Homilies of Augustine* (30 min)

Responding:

Daniel Van Slyke, Holy Apostles College and Seminary (30 min)

Discussion (30 min)
S21-117

9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hilton - 204 (Level 2)

In the first paper Richard Weis will situate the Biblia Hebraica Quinta (BHQ), of which eight fascicles have now been published, within the diversity of editions of the Hebrew Bible both historically and in contemporary context. The distinctive character of the edition will be illustrated through examples from the newly published Genesis fascicle, edited by Abraham Tal.

Kay Joe Petzold will further explore the editorial concepts of the edited masorah of Biblia Hebraica Stuttgartensia (BHS) and Biblia Hebraica Quinta (BHQ). Whereas the masorah of BHS was merely the personal opus magnum of Gerard E. Weil with esoteric editorial principles, the representation of the masorah of L in BHQ is ‘essentially diplomatic.’ The paper will present a critical reassessment of both concepts as part of an exhaustive masorah research program at Heidelberg University.

The 28th edition of the Nestle-Aland and the 5th edition of the UBS Greek New Testament have been published just lately. Meanwhile a new editorial committee has taken up work, and plans for the further development of the editions are under way. In the session, two members of the committee will give a report. After an introduction by Holger Strutwolf, David Trobisch will give an account of the first meetings of the committee and will put their deliberations up for discussion.

Florian Voss, Deutsche Bibelgesellschaft, Presiding
Richard Weis, Lexington Theological Seminary
Biblia Hebraica Quinta Among the Editions as Seen in the New Genesis Fascicle (20 min)
Discussion (10 min)

S21-118

SBL Early Jewish Christian Relations Section / Paul Within Judaism Section
9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hyatt - Baker (Atlanta Conference Level)

Theme: Review of Paul within Judaism: Restoring the First-Century Context to the Apostle, Fortress 2015, ed. by Mark Nanos and Magnus Zetterholm

Pamela Eisenbaum, Iliff School of Theology, Presiding (5 min)
Panelists:
James Crossley, University of Sheffield (15 min)
Christine Hayes, Yale University (15 min)

Amy-Jill Levine, Vanderbilt University (15 min)
Shelly Matthews, Brite Divinity School (TCU) (15 min)
Emma Wasserman, Rutgers University (15 min)

Break (5 min)
Discussion (65 min)

S21-119

SBL Ecological Hermeneutics Section
9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Marriott - International A (International Level)

Theme: Epistles and Refrains

Barbara Rossing, Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago, Presiding
Haley Goranson, University of St. Andrews
The Purpose of Calling and the Groaning of Creation: Re‐considering the Grammar and Context of Romans 8:28 (30 min)
Vicky Balabanski, Flinders University
“Do not handle, Do not taste, Do not touch” (Col 2:21): Rediscovering Ourselves as Community, in Order to Re‐imagine Our Interconnectedness with Creation (30 min)
Timothy Milinovich, Dominican University
The Cosmic Christ in Roman Context: Ecology and Subaltern Identity in Colossians (30 min)
Micah D. Kiel, Saint Ambrose University
The Apocalypse’s Ecology among the Apocalypses (30 min)
Jeffrey S. Lamp, Oral Roberts University
Forbidden Vocation: Reading Idolatry Ecologically (30 min)

S21-120

SBL Economics in the Biblical World Section
9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hilton - 202 (Level 2)

Theme: Nehemiah 5

Roger Nam, George Fox University, Presiding
Richard Bautch, St. Edward’s University
Deuteronomy’s Brotherhood Ethic and Nehemiah 5 (25 min)
Marvin Lloyd Miller, University of Manchester
Shaking out the Skirt: Nehemiah’s Economic Vision (25 min)
Lisbeth Fried, University of Michigan-Ann Arbor
The Role of the Governor’s Meals in the Provincial Economy (25 min)
Charles Carter, Seton Hall University
The Captives’ Audience and (Dis)Interested Elite: Social and Economic Unrest in Nehemiah’s Jerusalem (25 min)

Responding:
Jon Berquist, Disciples Seminary Foundation (12 min)
Zipporah Glass, Vanderbilt University (12 min)

Discussion (25 min)
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S21-121

SBL Ethiopian Bible and Literature Section
9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hyatt - Inman (Atlanta Conference Level)
Theme: The THEOT (Textual History of the Ethiopic Old Testament) Project
The THEOT project has analysed large sets of Ethiopic manuscripts for several OT books, dating from the 14th-20th centuries CE. Texts including Deuteronomy, Judges, Ruth, 1-4 Kings, Esther, Psalms, Ecclesiastes, Song of Songs, Hosea, Joel, Obadiah, Jonah, Malachi, and the Biblical Canticles. Analysis is developing a picture of textual families, and the defining features of families, along with an emerging picture of the key factors that have influenced the development of the text. Papers presenting the current state of research, or papers that synthesis data and develop the picture of the textual history are invited. The session invites papers from those involved with the THEOT project, or from others working on Ethiopian manuscripts who can present research that builds the picture of the textual history.
Garry Jost, Marylhurst University, Presiding
Jeremy R. Brown, Catholic University of America
The Textual History of the Prayer of Jonah in the Ethiopic Manuscript Tradition (25 min)
Garry Jost, Marylhurst University and Daniel Assefa Kassaye, Independent Scholar
A Preliminary Report on the Families of Manuscripts for the Ethiopic Book of Ruth Garry Jost and Daniel Assefa (25 min)
Discussion (15 min)
Ralph Lee, Holy Trinity Theological College, Addis Ababa
The Textual History of Ethiopic Deuteronomy (25 min)
Garry Jost, Marylhurst University and Jarod Jacobs, University of Manchester
Orthographic Variation in Ethiopic Obadiah: A Test Case in Methodology (25 min)
Discussion (30 min)

S21-122

SBL Formation of Isaiah Section
9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hyatt - Kennesaw (Atlanta Conference Level)
Theme: The Meaning of the Future in Isaiah
Todd Hibbard, University of Detroit Mercy, Presiding
Christopher B. Hays, Fuller Theological Seminary (Pasadena)
Hope and History in Isaiah 24–27: Reassessing a ‘Proto-Apocalyptic’ Text (30 min)
Rodrigo F. de Sousa, Universidade Presbiteriana Mackenzie
Hopeful Responses: Visions of War and Peace as Keys to the Formation of Isaiah (30 min)
Archibald L.H.M. van Wieringen, Tilburg School of Catholic Theology
Shaping the Future in the Book of Isaiah: The ‘Beyond the Days’ (Isa 2:2), the ‘Day of the Lord’ and the ‘Days of the Kings’ (30 min)
Uta Schmidt, Universität Osnabrück
Communicating the Future – A Pragmatic Reading of Isaiah 49–55 (30 min)
Richard Schultz, Wheaton College (Illinois)
“They will not hurt or destroy on all my holy mountain” (Isa 11:9 and 65:25): Inter- and Intratextual Influences on the Vision of the Future Jerusalem in Isaiah 65:17–25 (30 min)

P21-123

GOCN Forum on Missional Hermeneutics
9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hyatt - Courtland (Atlanta Conference Level)
Theme: Biblical Formation of the Congregation for Missional Witness
This session of the GOCN Forum on Missional Hermeneutics includes papers on the theology and practice of biblical formation in the faith community: that is, the role of the Bible and its interpretation in the process of forming “Scripture-shaped communities” (Richard Hays) for mission in the world, in concrete contexts.
James C. Miller, Asbury Theological Seminary, Presiding (5 min)
Mark Glanville, Trinity College - Bristol
Radical Gratitude and the Mission of God: Nourishing Celebration and Inclusivism in Local Congregations in light of the Festival Calendar (Deut 16:1-17) (25 min)
Boaz Johnson, North Park University
Missional Theology and Congregation Formation in the Torah (25 min)
Michael Barram, Saint Mary’s College of California
To Serve God and Not Mammon: Reading Matthew 6 as Missionally Located Formation for Economic Discipleship (25 min)
Break (5 min)
Responding:
Mark Labberton, Fuller Theological Seminary (25 min)
Discussion (40 min)

S21-124

SBL Greco-Roman Religions Section / Society for Ancient Mediterranean Religions
9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hyatt - Spring (Atlanta Conference Level)
Theme: Healing Cults in the Mediterranean World from the Late Hellenistic to Early Imperial Period
Gerhard van den Heever, University of South Africa, Presiding
Stephen P. Ahearne-Kroll, University of Minnesota-Twin Cities
The Other Rituals at the Epidauran Asklepieion (25 min)
Barbette S. Spaeth, College of William and Mary
Cultic Continuity or Cultic Change? The Corinthian Asklepieion in the Greek vs. the Roman Period (25 min)
Pieter Botha, University of South Africa
Weakness and Imperfection in Early Christian Healing Practices: The Illusion of Inclusion (25 min)
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S21-125

SBL Historical Jesus Section
9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hilton - 209 (Level 2)

Robert Miller, Juniata College, Presiding

Michael Flowers, University of Manchester
“He Was NOT the Christ”: A Proposed Emendation to Josephus’ Testimonium Flavianum (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Nicholas Perrin, Wheaton Graduate School (Illinois)
The Grain of Truth behind the Parable of Salt (Or How Redaction Criticism Can Help Positively Identify the Words of Jesus) (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Olegs Andrejevs, Carthage College
Apocalyptic Jesus = a Violent Messiah? Revisiting Q’s Apocalyptic Idiom (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

S21-126

SBL Ideological Criticism Section
9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hilton - 312 (Level 3)

Theme: New Theoretical Perspectives
Janet Ross, McMaster University, Presiding

Sean Burt, North Dakota State University
The Animal World, Horror, and the Unimaginable in The Book of Job (25 min)

Davis Hankins, Appalachian State University and Brennan W. Breed, Columbia Theological Seminary
Making the Right Hole Appear in the Right Place: Ecc 4:17-5:6 in Text and Tradition (25 min)

Philip Yoo, University of Oxford
State-Sanctioned or Critiquing the State? Towards the Formation of the Pentateuch and the Promulgation of Torah (25 min)

Peter N. McLellan, Drew University
Growing Sideways on Gerizim: Refusing Logos and Imagining Otherwise in John 4 (25 min)

Bruce Worthington, Wycliffe College
Christianity Appears First, as Itself (25 min)

Business Meeting (25 min)

P21-127

Institute for Biblical Research
9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Marriott - A602 (Atrium Level)

Theme: IBR Unscripted

This session of the IBR annual meeting offers Biblical Scholars from throughout the academy the opportunity to present their new and innovative ideas in an engaging forum inspired by the famous TED talks. Scholars will speak without notes and are encouraged to use a variety of media to help the audience interact with their ideas. A generous discussion time will follow each presentation and refreshments will be served. For further information see https://www.ibr-bbr.org.

Katie Heffelfinger, Church of Ireland Theological Institute, Presiding

Peter Enns, Eastern University
On Not-Knowing When Knowing is All You Know (17 min)

Discussion (17 min)

Ruth Anne Reese, Asbury Theological Seminary
Remembering the Future, Shaping the Past: Memory, Narrative, and Identity (17 min)

Discussion (17 min)

Scott Hafemann, University of St. Andrews
The Unity of the Bible? Really? (17 min)

Discussion (17 min)

Bruce Worthington, Wycliffe College
Christianity Appears First, as Itself (25 min)

Break (17 min)

Rannfrid Thelle, Wichita State University, Presiding

Samuel E. Balentine, Union Presbyterian Seminary
“I Am God and Not a Human”: The Tension Between Divinized Ethics and Humanized Ethics (30 min)

Tyler R. Yoder, Ohio State University
“It Was the Best of Times, It Was the Worst of Times”: Fishing Imagery, Polarity, and Prophetic Literature (30 min)

Lacy K. Crocker, Baylor University
The Chaoskampf Motif and the King of Mount Zion: Isaiah 24 (30 min)

Ian Douglas Wilson, University of Alberta
Yahweh’s Historical Consciousness: Metahistoriography via Divine Speech in Isaiah 40–48 (30 min)

Discussion (30 min)
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S21-130

SBL John's Apocalypse and Cultural Contexts Ancient and Modern Section
9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hilton - 210 (Level 2)
Theme: Visual Contact with the Apocalypse
Deborah Prince, Bellarmine University, Presiding
Michelle Fletcher, King's College - London
"De/coding the Apocalypse": Contemporary Artistic Insights into the Past, Present, and Future of the Book of Revelation (30 min)
Responding:
Edward Adams, King's College - London (10 min)
Natasha O'Hear, University of St. Andrews (10 min)
Ben Quash, King's College - London (10 min)
Jonathan Redding, Vanderbilt University
A Haunted Apocalypse: Reading leukos in Revelation through a Racial-Ethnic Critical Lens (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Aaron Ricker, McGill University
Golden Ages, Golden Violence (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Sarah Shier, Trinity College - Dublin
"Girdled at the Breasts" (Rev 1:13): Motherhood, Magic, and Misogyny in the Portrayal of the Son of Man in the Apocalypse of John (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)

S21-131

SBL Joshua-Judges Section
9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hilton - 212 (Level 2)
Theme: Joshua 24 in Current Research
Papers in this session explore current theories of the social setting, composition, and literary context of Joshua 24.
Thomas Dozeman, United Theological Seminary, Presiding
Joachim J. Krause, University of Tübingen
Hexateuchal Redaction in Joshua (30 min)
Cynthia Edenburg, Open University of Israel
Joshua 24: A Diaspora Oriented Overriding of the Joshua Scroll? (30 min)
Konrad Schmid, Universität Zürich
Jews and Samaritans in Joshua 24 (30 min)
Responding:
Thomas Römer (30 min)
Discussion (30 min)

S21-132

SBL Meals in the HB/OT and Its World Section
9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hyatt - Vinings (Atlanta Conference Level)
Theme: Cultural Exchange between Greece and the Near East in the 1st Millennium BCE: Archaeological and biblical perspectives on meals and feasting in Achaemenid Period
Dorothea Erbele-Kuester, Johannes Gutenberg-Universität Mainz, Presiding
Ido Koch, Tel Aviv University
Archaeological Perspective on Food, Feasting, and Cultural Identity in Achaemenid Era Southern Levant in light of Preceding Developments in Local Foodways (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Peter Stone, Virginia Commonwealth University
The Missing Symposium in the Inland Levant (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Klaus-Peter Adam, Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago
The Term 'Liska' and Its Material Meaning: Reflections of Persian Time Meals and Offerings in 1 Samuel, Ezekiel, Nehemiah, and Ezra (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Stuart Weeks, University of Durham
Wisdom Has Set Her Table (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Carol Meyers, Duke University (20 min)
Discussing (10 min)

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S21-134
SBL Metaphor Theory and the Hebrew Bible Section
9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Marriott - International 10 (International Level)
Ryan Bonfiglio, Columbia Theological Seminary, Presiding
G. Brooke Lester, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary
Should You Bring Allusion to a Metaphor Fight? (30 min)
David Bernat, University of Massachusetts Amherst
Voke of the King or God: A Convergence of Metaphor and Metonym (30 min)
Lance Hawley, University of Wisconsin-Madison
The "Low-Life" Makers of Job: Job 30:1-8 as an Extended Animal Metaphor (30 min)
Jennifer Metten Pantoja, University of California-Los Angeles
The Metaphor of the Divine as Planter of the People in the Hebrew Bible (30 min)
Gillian Asquith, Melbourne School of Theology
Where Has All the Romance Gone? Blending Theory and the Divine Conjugal Metaphor (30 min)

S21-136
SBL Pauline Epistles Section
9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Marriott - International 8 (International Level)
Edward Adams, King's College - London, Presiding
David Wheeler-Reed, Yale University
Paging Dr. Paul: Reading Paul's use of Grief with Galen (25 min)
David A. Kaden, St. Olaf College
Rectifying Incongruity: Redescribing Paul and the Law with Roman Legal Fiction (25 min)
Stephen Chester, North Park Theological Seminary
Conflicting or Mutually Dependent Perspectives? Interpreting the Fleish, Sin, and the Human Plight in Paul (25 min)
Joshua Garroway, Hebrew Union College - Jewish Institute of Religion
Under Sin: Finding the Antecedent for Paul's Charge in Rom 3:9b (25 min)
Jee Hei Park, Fordham University
Paul, the Cosmopolitan (25 min)

S21-137
SBL Poverty in the Biblical World Section
9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hyatt - Hanover G (Exhibit Level)
Theme: Paul Impoverishment and Thriving
Sze-kar Wan, Southern Methodist University, Presiding
Ryan S. Schellenberg, Methodist Theological School in Ohio
Mutualism or Charity? Locating Paul's Economic Program (20 min)
Sylvia C. Keesmaat, Trinity College - Toronto
Economic Justice and Food Security in Romans (20 min)

Judith Gundry, Yale Divinity School
Where's the Beef? Paul, Poverty, and Love in 1 Corinthians 8 (20 min)
Diana Swancutt, Boston University
Paul's Rhetoric of Adoption and Inheritance as Israel's Promise to the Poor and Enslaved (20 min)
Responding:
Brigitte Kahl, Union Theological Seminary in the City of New York (15 min)

S21-138
SBL Q Section
9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Marriott - M104 (Marquis Level)
Sarah Rollens, University of Alabama, Presiding
Llewellyn Howes, University of Johannesburg
Food for Thought: Reading Q 12:42–44 as Part of the Formative Stratum (30 min)
Shane Patrick Gormley, Loyola University Chicago
The Necessity of Appropriate Fear: The Two-Fold Function of Q 12:4–5 (30 min)
Thomas Klampfl, Karl-Franzens Universität Graz
Searching and Finding in Q (30 min)
David Sloan, Malone University
A Passion Narrative in Q? (30 min)
Michael T. Zeddies, Chicago, IL
Evidence for Q from the Gospel of Peter (30 min)

P21-139
Qur'an Seminar (IQSA)
9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Marriott - M105 (Marquis Level)
Mehdi Azaiez, Katholieke Universiteit Leuven, and Clare Wilde, University of Auckland, Presiding
Panelists:
Mehdi Azaiez, Katholieke Universiteit Leuven
Anne-Sylvie Boisliveau, Sorbonne Universités (Paris)
Fred Donner, University of Chicago
Emran El-Badawi, University of Houston
Rahel Fischbach, Georgetown University
Daniel Madigan, Georgetown University
Gabriel Reynolds, University of Notre Dame
Sarra Tlili, University of Florida
Clare Wilde, University of Auckland
Hamza Zafer, University of Washington
S21-140

SBL Religious Competition in Late Antiquity Section
9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hilton - 301 (Level 3)
Theme: Martyrdom
Kevin McGinnis, Springfield College, Presiding (5 min)
Heather Barkman, University of Ottawa
Augustine and the Construction of Martyrs' Identities (20 min)
Sissel Undheim, Universitetet i Bergen
Double Martyrdom, Double Crown: Virgin Martyrs and Fourth-century Ascetic Hierarchies (20 min)
Lily Vuong, Valdosta State University
Intra-Christian Competition in the Acts of Thecla and the Acts of Xanthippe and Polyxena (20 min)
Jordan D. Rosenblum, University of Wisconsin-Madison
The Swine Suicides: On the Appearance and Disappearance of Pork-related Jewish Martyrdom in Antiquity (20 min)
Mary Joan Leith, Stonehill College and Allyson Sheckler, Stonehill College
Background as Foreground (20 min)
Responding:
Karl Shuve, University of Virginia (15 min)

S21-142

SBL Rhetoric of Religious Antiquity Seminar
9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Marriott - International 9 (International Level)
Theme: RRA Group Track 2: Analytical Seminar on the Sociorhetorical Interpretation of 2 Corinthians 10–13
Sheila McGinn, John Carroll University, Presiding (5 min)
Panelist:
B. J. Oropeza, Azusa Pacific University (60 min)
Break (10 min)
Discussion (75 min)

S21-144

SBL Slavery, Resistance, and Freedom Section
9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hilton - 406 (Level 4)
Chris de Wet, University of South Africa, Presiding
Nicholas Reid, New York University
Children and Child Slaves in Early Mesopotamia (30 min)
Brian Rainey, Princeton Theological Seminary
Is Deut 23:16 a "Fugitive Slave Law"? (30 min)
Jennifer S. Alexander, Vanderbilt University
Enslavement and Eunuchs: Matthew 19:12b in Narrative and Historical Context (30 min)

S21-146/A21-100

SBL Student Lounge Roundtable
9:00 AM–10:30 AM
Hyatt - Hanover A (Exhibit Level)
Theme: How to Establish and Maintain a Professional Online Presence
Hosted by the AAR Graduate Student Committee

S21-147

SBL Synoptic Gospels Section
9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Marriott - Marquis A-B (Marquis Level)
Robert Derrenbacker, Thorneloe University, Presiding
Francis Watson, Durham University, Introduction (10 min)
Panelists:
John Kloppenborg, University of Toronto (15 min)
Mark Matson, Milligan College (15 min)
Margaret Mitchell, University of Chicago (15 min)
Responding:
Francis Watson, Durham University (15 min)
Discussion (80 min)
S21-148

SBL Theological Interpretation of Scripture Seminar
9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hilton - Grand Ballroom B (Level 2)
Theme: Theological Interpretation of Daniel in the MT and LXX
All papers will be read in their entirety.
Thomas Holsinger-Friesen, Spring Arbor University, Presiding (5 min)
   Richard S. Briggs, University of Durham
   "The Epoch of Daniel’s Narrative: The Limits of Historical Knowledge in the Theological Reading of Daniel" (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)
   Tim Meadowcroft, Laidlaw College
   "One Like a Son of Man" in the Court of the Foreign King (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)
   Bogdan G. Bucur, Duquesne University
   "Christological and Trinitarian Exegesis of Daniel 7 in Early Christianity" (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)
   Jennie Grillo, Duke University
   "Reading Resurrection in the Additions to Daniel" (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)

P21-148a

Westar Institute
9:00 AM–3:30 PM
Hyatt - Embassy (International Tower Level LL2)
Theme: Retrieving the Radical Tillich
Westar’s Seminar on God and the Human Future will honor the 50th anniversary of Paul Tillich’s death by addressing the topic, “The Radical Tillich: Reclaiming Strategic Atheism.” Russell Re Manning, ed., Retrieving the Radical Tillich: His Legacy and Contemporary Importance (Palgrave Macmillan, 2015) will introduce the topic. Seminar members will respond to Manning’s presentations and two papers on the legacy of Tillich will be discussed. The papers will be posted on the Westar website www.westarinstitute.org. Westar is an independent research and educational organization and is not connected with any religious institution or denomination. AAR and SBL attendees are welcome to audit Westar’s seminar meetings.
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Session One: 9:00 AM–10:00 AM
David Galston, Brock University, Presiding
   Russell Re Manning, Bath Spa University
   "Retrieving the Radical Tillich" (20 min)
Responding:
   Joseph A. Bessler, Phillips Theological Seminary (10 min)
Discussion (30 min)

Session Two: 10:30 AM–11:30 AM
John C. Kelly, University of Nevada, Reno, Presiding
   Matthew J. Suriano, University of Maryland - College Park
   "Qoheleth, Gilgamesh, and Kingship as a Historical Ideal" (25 min)
   Thomas M. Bolin, Saint Norbert College
   "A Spy in Our Midst: Qohelet and the Slippage of Identity" (25 min)
Discussion (15 min)

S21-149

SBL Why do I want to be a mentor, and how do I get good at it?
9:00 AM–10:30 AM
Hilton - 405 (Level 4)
David Eastman, Ohio Wesleyan University, Presiding
Panelists:
   Elizabeth Clark, Duke University
   John Fitzgerald, University of Notre Dame
   Mikeal Parsons, Baylor University

S21-150

SBL Wisdom in Israelite and Cognate Traditions Section
9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hilton - 403 (Level 4)
Theme: The Biblical Wisdom Books
Samuel Adams, Union Presbyterian Seminary, Presiding
   Will Kynes, Whitworth University
   "The Death of the "Wisdom Genre" and the Rebirth of "Wisdom" Genre" (25 min)
   Bernd U. Schipper, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin - Humboldt University of Berlin
   "From Wisdom to Theology: Proverbs 10 as an Introduction to the "Solomonic Collection" (Prov 10:1–22:16)" (25 min)
   C.L. Seow, Vanderbilt University
   "YHWH’s Cosmology in Context" (25 min)
Break (10 min)
   Matthew J. Suriano, University of Maryland - College Park
   "Qoheleth, Gilgamesh, and Kingship as a Historical Ideal" (25 min)
   Thomas M. Bolin, Saint Norbert College
   "A Spy in Our Midst: Qohelet and the Slippage of Identity" (25 min)
Discussion (15 min)
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S21-151

SBL Women in the Biblical World Section
9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hilton - 404 (Level 4)
Theme: Reading the Bible with Women from the South and Other Biblical Afterlives in Literature
Shively Smith, Wesley Theological Seminary, Presiding
Amy Easton-Flake, Brigham Young University
Harriet Beecher Stowe’s Popular Exegesis: Window to Biblical Women and 19th-century Woman Question (30 min)
Vanessa L. Lovelace, Interdenominational Theological Center
Depicted White, Coded Black: The Biblical Figure Hagar in Nineteenth Century Southern Women’s Novels (30 min)
Amy Smith Carman, Pepperdine University
The Characterization of Women in Job and the Testament of Job (30 min)
Mary R. D’Angelo, University of Notre Dame
Susanna’s Choice: Susanna and Lucretia as Companions and Foils (30 min)
Gail P. Streete, Rhodes College
Herodias’ Daughter and Her Dance Recital (30 min)

S21-151a

SBL Writing/Reading Jeremiah Section
9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hilton - 408 (Level 4)
Theme: Body and Embodiment in Jeremiah and Beyond
Amy Kalmanofsky, Jewish Theological Seminary of America, Presiding
Mary Chilton Callaway, Fordham University
Prophetic Corpus: Jeremiah’s Body in Biblical and Postbiblical Tradition (30 min)
Elizabeth Boase, Flinders University
Mis-Placed Bodies: The Interpenetration of Body and Place in Jeremiah (30 min)
Jens Herzer, Universität Leipzig
Embodying Hope: The Function of Jeremiah and His Companions in the Later Baruch Literature (30 min)
Else K. Holt, Aarhus Universitet
And the Word Became Words: The Inscription of the Divine Word on Jeremiah the Prophet in Jeremiah the Book (30 min)
Discussion (30 min)

S21-152

SBL International Cooperation Initiative Forum
9:30 AM–10:30 AM
Hyatt - 223 (Level 2)
Current ICI participants and those who are interested in knowing more about the program are invited to attend this Advisory Board discussion.

S21-153/A21-144

SBL Student Lounge Roundtable
10:30 AM–12:00 PM
Hyatt - Hanover A (Exhibit Level)
Theme: Dealing with The Dossier: A Proactive Approach to Documenting Your Teaching
Hosted by the AAR Graduate Student Committee

S21-201

SBL Women Student Members Networking Session
11:45 AM–12:45 PM
Marriott - A707 (Atrium Level)
Theme: Hosted by the Committee on the Status of Women in the Profession
Student women members of all levels are invited to participate in an hour of networking. Come and meet other women students of SBL and share your experiences, questions, and advice.

P21-202

Institute for Biblical Research
12:00 PM–3:00 PM
Hyatt - Hanover C (Exhibit Level)
Theme: Board of Directors Meeting

P21-202a

Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion
12:00 PM–1:00 PM
Hyatt - Hanover F (Exhibit Level)
Theme: Luncheon
We invite you to attend our Faculty of Color luncheon to connect with, share with, and learn from others in a supportive environment. The luncheon is an opportunity to build upon our work of empowering faculty in the teaching of religion and theology within a network of mutual care and concern for the successful navigation of the classroom, your institution, and academic career. This mealtime event is an informal setting for us to gather together and better understand how we can harness the power of our common commitments. Open Invitation but RSVP to Trish Overpeck by October 1, 2015 (overpep@wabash.edu).
Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

S21-203
SBL African Biblical Hermeneutics Section
1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Marriott - A706 (Atrium Level)
Theme: Navigating “Concepts of Marriage” in African Biblical Hermeneutics
Alice Yafeh-Deigh, Azusa Pacific University, Presiding
Dora Rudo Mbuwayesango, Hood Theological Seminary
Unmasking the Violence of Biblical Patriarchy: Towards Ethically Sound Concepts of Marriage in the African Contexts (25 min)
Adekunle Dada, University of Ibadan
Rereading Gen 2:22-24 in the Context of African (Yoruba) Kinship and Family (25 min)
Dorothy BEA Akoto, Interdenominational Theological Center
The Biblical Concept of Marriage as Practiced in an African, Socio-Cultural Context: The Ewe of Southeastern Ghana a Case in Point (25 min)

Responding:
Rosinah Gabaitse, University of KwaZulu-Natal (30 min)
Business Meeting (30 min)

S21-204
SBL African-American Biblical Hermeneutics Section
1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Marriott - Marquis A-B (Marquis Level)
Theme: King's Bible: Martin Luther King Jr. and African American Interpreters
Shanell Smith, Hartford Seminary, Presiding
Obery Hendricks, Columbia University in the City of New York
Venting, Anger toward God, and Spiritual Growth: Towards an Integrative Practical Theology of Pastoral Care (25 min)
Rodney Sadler, Union Presbyterian Seminary (30 min)
Monya Stubbs, United States Navy (30 min)
Lisa M. Bowens, Princeton Theological Seminary
Apocalyptic Reverberations in the Writings of Martin Luther King, Jr. (25 min)

Discussion (30 min)

S21-205
SBL Ancient Fiction and Early Christian and Jewish Narrative Section
1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Marriott - International 9 (International Level)
Theme: Selected works from the forthcoming Oxford Handbook to Biblical Narrative
Danna Nolan Fewell, Drew University, Presiding
Stephen D. Moore, Drew University
Biblical Narrative Analysis from the New Criticism to the New Narratology (25 min)
Robert D. Maldonado, California State University - Fresno
Reading Others As the Subject(s) of Biblical Narrative (25 min)
Martien Halvorson-Taylor, University of Virginia
Displacement, Diaspora, and Exile in Biblical Narrative (25 min)
Abraham Smith, Perkins School of Theology Southern Methodist University
Melanie Johnson-DeBraufre, Drew University
Narrative, Metanarrative, and the Letters of Paul (25 min)

Discussion (25 min)

S21-207
SBL Bible and Practical Theology Section
1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Marriott - L404 (Lobby Level)
Theme: Interactive Readings Between Text and Human Situations
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Randall Furushima, Pacific Rim Christian University, Presiding
Joseph Kim Paxton, Claremont School of Theology
Venting, Anger toward God, and Spiritual Growth: Towards an Integrative Practical Theology of Pastoral Care (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)
Niveen Sarras, Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary
The Daughter of Zion Shares the Pain of the Syrian and Iraqi Women (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)
Rebecca Poe Hays, Baylor University
Trauma, Remembrance, and Healing: The Pastoral Effect of Joining the Wisdom Tradition and Historical Reflection in Psalm 78 (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)
Sharon A. Brown, Moravian Theological Seminary
Healing Words: Spoken Words, Hip Hop Poetry, and Psalms of Lament (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

S21-208
SBL Bible and Visual Art Section / Teaching Biblical Studies in an Undergraduate Liberal Arts Context Section
1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Marriott - M108 (Marquis Level)
Theme: Teaching the Bible and the Arts in the Undergraduate Classroom
Ela Nutu, University of Sheffield, Presiding
Bobbi Dykema, Strayer University
Bible and the Arts for the Biblically and Visually Illiterate (25 min)
Jane S. Webster, Barton College
Using Art to Teach Information Fluency in the Undergraduate Biblical Studies Course (25 min)
J. Cheryl Exum, University of Sheffield
Teaching the Bible in the Arts as an Upper Level Undergraduate Class (25 min)

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David Howell, Ferrum College
The Bible and Art: Teaching an Undergraduate Honors Seminar (25 min)

Heidi Hornik, Baylor University
Teaching Biblical Art Using an Art Historical Method: Take What You Want (25 min)

Discussion (25 min)

S21-209

SBL Bible in Ancient and Modern Media Section
1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hyatt - University (Atlanta Conference Level)

Theme: Orality, Textuality, and Historiography

This session explores how notions and theories of orality can illuminate our understanding of historiography. In recent years, scholars working in a variety of geographical and historical fields have considered the role of historiography in ancient societies, especially since the level of literacy in these societies remained low and therefore the most common experience of historiography may have been the performance (reading aloud) of written texts. Therefore, although historiography is typically understood as a product of literate society, what might an understanding of historiography informed by studies of orality have to offer current scholarly discussions? What influence on the written texts of historiography might a practice of them being read aloud in public settings have on the composition and reception of the written texts? This panel will provide an opportunity for scholars specializing in different corpora of historiographic literature to enter into dialogue about these questions and explore the ways in which specific texts can inform the broader comparative conversation about the interplay of orality, textuality, power, and authority.

Raymond Person, Ohio Northern University, Presiding

Christine Mitchell, St. Andrew's College - Saskatoon
Chronicles as Oral Text (30 min)

Steve Mason, University of Groningen
Josephus' Recitation of His Judaean War: Some Implications (30 min)

Shem Miller, University of Mississippi
Historiography in the Dead Sea Scrolls: Orality, Performance, and Memory in the Pesherim (30 min)

Beth M. Sheppard, Duke University Divinity School

Discussion (30 min)

S21-211

SBL Biblical Ethics Section
1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hyatt - Hanover D (Exhibit Level)

Theme: The Moral Vision of the Bible - A Methodological Discussion

Volker Rabens, Friedrich-Schiller-Universität Jena, Presiding

Eryl W. Davies, Prifysgol Bangor - Bangor University

Discussion (5 min)

Responding:
Todd Still, Baylor University (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

David G. Horrell, University of Exeter

Discussion (5 min)

Responding:
Jacqueline Grey, Alphacrucis (25 min)

Discussion (35 min)

S21-212

SBL Biblical Law Section / Ritual in the Biblical World Section
1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Marriott - M101 (Marquis Level)

Theme: Sacrifice and Ritual

Hannah Harrington, Patten University, Presiding

William K. Gilders, Emory University
Disposal of the Flesh of the Sin/Purification Offering: Explicit, Implicit, and Conjectural Explanations for Ritual Instructions (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Ada Taggar-Cohen, Doshisha University
Ritual as Divine Law: The Case of Hittite Royal Cultic Rulings or ‘Royal Sacrifice’ and Its Biblical Correspondence (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)
Michael Hundley, Syracuse University
Addressing an Immaterial Problem in a Material World: Damage Control in Priestly and Other Ritual Systems (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Dan Belnap, Brigham Young University
The Case of Innocent Blood: The Relationship between the Cities of Refuge and the Ritual for the Unsolved Murder (Deut. 21:1-9) (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Discussion (30 min)

S21-213
SBL Recovering Female Interpreters of the Bible Section / Book of Psalms Section
1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Marriott - International 10 (International Level)
Theme: Reformation and Early Modern Women Interpreting the Psalms
Melody Knowles, Virginia Theological Seminary, Presiding
Andrew Witt, Wycliffe College at the University of Toronto
When David Strikes His Harp: The Work of Mary Anne Schimmelpennick on the Psalms (20 min)
Ramone R. Billingsley, Wycliffe College at the University of Toronto
A Recipe for a Feast: An Examination of Lady Hackett’s Reading of Psalm 25 (20 min)
Nathan Wall, Wycliffe College
Malady and Medicine: God’s Justice and Mercy in Anne Locke’s Sonnet Sequence on Psalm 51 (20 min)
J. Glen Taylor, Wycliffe College
Reading Psalms 51 and 130 with Protestant Reformer Katharina Schütz Zell (20 min)
B. J. Parker, Baylor University
Pembroke’s Persuasion: The Rhetoric of Mary Sidney’s Psalm 82 (20 min)
Elizabeth Ann R. Willett, SIL International
Mary Sidney’s Translation of “tsedeq” as “just” Rather Than “righteous” (20 min)
Hannahal Hamlin, Ohio State University
Translation as Interpretation in the Psalms of Mary Sidney Herbert, Countess of Pembroke (20 min)

S21-214
SBL Book of the Twelve Prophets Section
1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Hyatt - Hanover G (Exhibit Level)
Theme: The Writing of Malachi
The session will explore some important aspects of the writing of Malachi, which were brought up in the last decade of research.
Jakob Wührle, Carl von Ossietzky Universität Oldenburg, Presiding
Karl William Weyde, Norwegian School of Theology, Oslo
The Term Massa in Malachi 1:1 (30 min)

Corinna Körting, University of Hamburg
Between Cult-Practice and Literary Production: Priests and Levites in the Book of Malachi (29 min)
Lotta Valve, Abo Akademi
The Merging of Covenantal Traditions in Malachi (29 min)
Fanie Snyman, University of the Free State
Malachi’s Controversial Conclusion: Problems and Prospects (29 min)
Gunnar Magnus Eidsvåg, University of Stavanger
The Old Greek Translation of Malachi: Some Textual and Theological Developments (29 min)

S21-215
SBL Contextualizing North African Christianity Consultation
1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Hilton - 315 (Level 3)
Theme: The Life of Cyprian
Charles Bobertz, Saint John’s University, Presiding
Alexander Evers, Loyola University Chicago
Cyprian and Urban Life – A Development of Church Hierarchy: Construction or Consequence (30 min)
Kyle Harper, University of Oklahoma
Cyprian and His Plague: Taking the Pandemic Seriously (30 min)
Allison K. Ralph, Catholic University of America
Cyprian of Carthage Use of the Body Politic as a Model for the Body of Christ (30 min)
Responding:
Allen Brent, King’s College - London (30 min)
Discussion (30 min)

S21-217
SBL David Noel Freedman Award for Excellence and Creativity in Hebrew Bible Scholarship
1:00 PM–2:30 PM
Marriott - International 5 (International Level)
Theme: Honoring the 2015 Award Winner: Jonathan Kaplan
We are pleased to announce that the 2015 David Noel Freedman Award for Excellence and Creativity in Hebrew Bible Scholarship has been awarded to Jonathan Kaplan, The University of Texas at Austin, for his paper entitled, “Sefer Mosheh or Sefer Morashah? Reconsidering ‘the Torah’ in 4QMMT.” Jonathan is the author of the forthcoming monograph My Perfect One: Typology and Early Rabbinic Interpretation of Song of Songs (Oxford University Press, 2015). He has published articles in JBL, HUCA, HTR, and JNES. He has been a member of SBL since 1999. Please join us in congratulating Jonathan for this honor. For more information about the award, please visit http://www.sbl-site.org/membership/FreedmanAward.aspx.
Mark Hamilton, Abilene Christian University, Presiding
Jonathan Kaplan, University of Texas at Austin
Sefer Mosheh or Sefer Morashah? Reconsidering “the Torah” in 4QMMT (30 min)
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Responding:
Sidnie Crawford, University of Nebraska - Lincoln (15 min)
Devorah Dimant, University of Haifa (15 min)
Discussion (30 min)

S21-218
SBL Rhetoric of Religious Antiquity Seminar / Disputed Paulines Section
1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Marriott - M102 (Marquis Level)
Theme: Refining Rhetography; Review of Harry O. Maier, Picturing Paul in Empire: Imperial Image, Text and Persuasion in Colossians, Ephesians and the Pastoral Epistles (Bloomsbury, 2013)
RRA Group Track 3
Alexandra Gruca-Macaulay, Independent Scholar, Presiding (5 min)
Panelists:
Rosemary Canavan, Catholic Theological College / University of Divinity (20 min)
Brigitte Kahl, Union Theological Seminary in the City of New York (20 min)
Fredrick Long, Asbury Theological Seminary (20 min)
Jerry Sumney, Lexington Theological Seminary (20 min)
Responding:
Harry Maier, Vancouver School of Theology (30 min)
Discussion (35 min)

S21-219
SBL Economics in the Biblical World Section
1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Hilton - 209 (Level 2)
Theme: Land and Lend Tenure
Richard Horsley, University of Massachusetts Boston, Presiding
Kelly Murphy, Central Michigan University Field to Field, House to House: Land Tenure in the Prophets and Beyond (20 min)
Raj Nadelia, Columbia Theological Seminary The Jerusalem Temple and Its Role in Land Consolidation in the First Century (20 min)
Douglas Oakman, Pacific Lutheran University Elite Control of Food Production and Non-elite Food Security in First-Century Galilee (20 min)
Gildas Hamel, University of California-Santa Cruz Land Tenure, Labor, and Debt (20 min)
Break (5 min)
Responding:
Roland Boer, University of Newcastle, Australia (15 min)
Rainer Kessler, Philipps-Universität Marburg (15 min)
Discussion (35 min)

S21-220
SBL Egyptology and Ancient Israel Section
1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Hyatt - Inman (Atlanta Conference Level)
Theme: Ancient Egypt, Israel and the Hebrew Bible
John Huddleston, College of Charleston, Presiding
Shirly Ben Dor Evian, Tel Aviv University and University of Lausanne The Many Faces of Pharaoh in the Hebrew Bible (30 min)
Stefan Münger, Universität Bern - Université de Berne References to the Pharaoh in the Local Glyptic Assemblage of the Southern Levant during the 1st part of the 1st Millennium BCE (30 min)
Scott Morschauser, Rowan University “Do Not Look to Egypt!” Loyalty Oaths, Ancient Egypt, and the Old Testament (30 min)
John Gee, Brigham Young University “Put Off Thy Shoes From Off Thy Feet”: Sandals and Sacred Space (30 min)
Herbert B. Huffmon, Drew University Revolutionary Sacred Architecture: Akhenaten’s Sun Temples and Israel’s Tent (30 min)

S21-221
SBL Feminist Hermeneutics of the Bible Section
1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Hilton - 209 (Level 2)
Theme: Critical Explorations in Feminist Hermeneutics
Richard Weis, Lexington Theological Seminary, Presiding
Juliana Claassens, Universiteit van Stellenbosch - University of Stellenbosch Abigail’s Hospitality: Breaking the “Frames of War” in 1 Samuel 25 (30 min)
Lilly Nortje-Meyer, University of Johannesburg The Rhetorical Construction of Masculinities in the Letter of Jude (30 min)
Anne Létourneau, Université du Québec à Montréal Bathing Beauty: The Concealment of Bathsheba’s Rape and Counter-Power in 2 Samuel 11:1-5 (30 min)
Ashley Tate, University of Virginia “Turn Your Eyes Away From Me:” Irony, Gender, and the Power of the Female Gaze in the Song of Songs (30 min)
Charlene Van der Walt, Universiteit van Stellenbosch - University of Stellenbosch “Is there a man here?” The Iron Fist in the Velvet Glove in Judges 4 (30 min)
S21-222

SBL Formation of Isaiah Section
1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Hyatt - Techwood (Atlanta Conference Level)
Theme: Isaiah through the Lens of Trauma Studies
Paul Cho, Wesley Theological Seminary, Presiding
J. Blake Couey, Gustavus Adolphus College
The Image of Assyria in Isaiah from the Perspective of Trauma Studies (30 min)
Christopher Frechette, Saint Mary’s University (San Antonio)
The Image of YHWH’s Universal Reign as Moral Compass for the Traumatized “Servants of YHWH” in Third Isaiah (30 min)
Break (3 min)
Gerald West, University of KwaZulu-Natal
Co-opting Another’s Story: Isaiah and the TRC (Truth and Reconciliation Commission) (30 min)
David Garber, Mercer University
Remember, But Do Not Remember: The Trans-Generational Imprint of Trauma in Isaiah 40–66 (30 min)
Discussion (20 min)

S21-223

SBL Genesis Section
1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Hyatt - Hanover E (Exhibit Level)
Theme: Primeval Narratives
Joseph Ryan Kelly, Tempe Preparatory Academy, Presiding
Jim Linville, University of Lethbridge
The Priestly Creation Myth and Anti-Mythic Myth (25 min)
Jeffrey Paul Garcia, Nyack College
Of Image, Earth, and Dust: Genesis Creation Topoi in Second Temple Texts and the Lowliness of Humanity in the Hodayot (25 min)
Wilson de A. Cunha, LeTourneau University
The na☆agi in the Garden of Eden (Gen 2:4b–3:24): Malevolent or Benevolent? (25 min)
Tzemah Yoreh, University of Toronto
Noah’s Four Sons (25 min)
Mark McEntire, Belmont University
A More Coherent J (25 min)

S21-224

SBL Greco-Roman Religions Section
1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Hilton - 212 (Level 2)
Theme: Redescribing Cult Formation in the Early Imperial Era. Discourse, Invention, Material Religion
Please consult the full project description at https://unisouthafrica.academia.edu/GerhardvandenHeever or https://muohio.academia.edu/JamesConstantineHanges.
Please note: it is assumed that proposers of papers intend to contribute these papers to the planned book.
Papers will be made available online before the meeting at http://www.unisa.ac.za/Default.asp?Cmd=ViewContent&ContentID=20465.
Jill Marshall, Emory University, Presiding
James Constantine Hanges, Miami University
De Iside et Osiride and the Greek Creation of Egyptian Religion (20 min)
Frederick E. Brenk, Pontifical Biblical Institute, Rome
Theoretical Observations on the Isis Cult in the Early Imperial Period (20 min)
Richard Last, York University
The Folk Conception of Religion and the Myth of a Domestic Jesus Movement (20 min)
Markus Oehler, University of Vienna
Confession Inscriptions from Asia Minor: A Rural Form of Religion (20 min)
Gerhard van den Heever, University of South Africa
If Not ‘Faxed From Heaven’, Then Whence Do Cults Originate? (20 min)
Break (5 min)
Discussion (45 min)

S21-224a

SBL Healthcare and Disability in the Ancient World Section
1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Marriott - M109 (Marquis Level)
Laura Zuconi, Richard Stockton College of New Jersey, Presiding
S. Timothy Hyun, Faith Evangelical College & Seminary
Job the Disabled: Disability and Welfare in the Book of Job (20 min)
Discussion (10 min)
Douglas A. Hume, Pfeiffer University
Making Able the Disabled Christ: Reverse Kalokagathia in Phil 1:20–2:13 in light of Disability Studies (20 min)
Discussion (10 min)
Alexander Perkins, Fordham University
Going Viral: The Mechanics of Holy Contagion in Early Christian Ritual (20 min)
Discussion (10 min)
Michael Meerson, Princeton University
Caesarean Section and Lithopedion in Ancient and Medieval Literature (20 min)
Discussion (10 min)
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**P21-225**

**Institute for Biblical Research**

1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Hilton - 207 (Level 2)

Theme: **IRLBR Young Scholars Summit Showcase**

This session showcases the research of a collaborative group of junior scholars working at Tyndale House, Cambridge, under the leadership of senior IBR scholars and sponsored by IRLBR (http://irlbr.org).

Daniel C. Fredericks (Belhaven University) from IRLBR provided the overall direction. The senior scholar for 2015 was Richard A. Taylor (Dallas). For further information on the Institute of Biblical Research, go to http://ibr.org.

Theme: What Qualifies a Psalm to be ‘Messianic’? Considering Psalms 8, 16, 40 and 118

Richard A. Taylor, Dallas Theological Seminary, Presiding

Daniel Fredericks, Belhaven University, Introduction (5 min)

Panelists:
- Andrew Abernethy, Wheaton College (Illinois) (30 min)
- Brandon Crowe, Westminster Theological Seminary (30 min)
- Mariam Kamell, Regent College (30 min)
- Michael McKelvey, Reformed Theological Seminary (30 min)

Discussion (25 min)

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**S21-225a**

**SBL Islands, Islanders, and Scriptures Section**

1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Marriott - International B (International Level)

Theme: **Caribbean Readings: Rhythmic Bible Readings and the Riddims of Reading the Bible**

Randall Bailey, Interdenominational Theological Center, Presiding (5 min)

- Judith Soares, University of the West Indies
  *Bible, Music, and Social Justice in the Caribbean (25 min)*

Discussion (10 min)

- J. Richard Middleton, Northeastern Seminary at Roberts Wesleyan College
  *Resistance to “Babylon” in the Music of Bob Marley and the Wailers: Biblical and Theological Strategies (25 min)*

Discussion (10 min)

- A. Paige Rawson, Drew University
  *Reggae & the (Revolutionary) Rhythms of RastafarI Biblical Hermeneutics: A Poetics of Relation and the Dissident Dance of Diasporic Mov(emen)t (25 min)*

Discussion (10 min)

- Marlon Winedt, United Bible Societies
  *Salomon pa bende di Avor — A Rhythmic Translation of the Psalms in Papiamento: Bible Translation and the Acceptability Factor in Musical Performance (25 min)*

Discussion (10 min)

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**S21-226**

**SBL John’s Apocalypse and Cultural Contexts Ancient and Modern Section**

1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Hilton - 303 (Level 3)

Theme: **Gender, Slaves, Kings, and Soldiers**

Michelle Fletcher, King’s College - London, Presiding

- Nathan Leach, Yale Divinity School
  *Christian Participation in Revelation’s Violence (25 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

- Eliza Rosenberg, McGill University
  *Manumission and Marriage in Revelation 17–22 (25 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

- Justin Jeffcoat Schedtler, Augsburg College
  *Christ as King: Biblical, Hellenistic, and Imperial Kingship Discourse in Revelation’s Hymns (25 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

Business Meeting (45 min)

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**S21-227**

**SBL John, Jesus, and History Seminar**

1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Hyatt - Courtland (Atlanta Conference Level)

Theme: **A Review of the John, Jesus and History Project**

The John, Jesus, and History project has been contributing to the discussion of the Fourth Gospel and questions of history since 2002. This year a panel will reflect on the work that has been done, the contributions that have been made, and the questions that might set directions for the future.

Helen Bond, University of Edinburgh, Presiding (5 min)

- Jan van der Watt, Radboud Universiteit Nijmegen
  *A Critical Appraisal of Challenging and Critical Views on the Historicity of John (30 min)*

- Andrew Lincoln, University of Gloucestershire
  *What is “History” in John, Jesus and History? (30 min)*

- Michael Labahn, Martin-Luther-Universität Halle-Wittenberg
  *The “Johannine Lens” and Many Current Lenses on “John and Jesus”: A Review of John, Jesus and History Volume III (30 min)*

- Mark Goodacre, Duke University
  *“Strange, Restless and Unfamiliar”: The Character of the Fourth Gospel in the John, Jesus and History Project (30 min)*

Responding:

- Catrin Williams, Prifysgol Cymru, Y Drindod Dewi Sant - University of Wales, Trinity Saint David (10 min)

Discussion (15 min)
S21-228

SBL Joshua-Judges Section
1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Hyatt - Kennesaw (Atlanta Conference Level)
Theme: Geography and Power in Joshua
Papers in this session explore the meanings of territory in Joshua and the ways in which different terrain suggests the distribution of power.

J. Cornelis de Vos, Westfälische Wilhelms-Universität Münster, Presiding

Stephen Russell, City University of New York
The Hierarchy of Estates in Land in the Book of Joshua (25 min)

Francis Landy, University of Alberta
Rahab, Conquistadores, and Masquerades (25 min)

Rachel Havreluck, University of Illinois at Chicago
Politics and the Promised Land (25 min)

Nili Wazana, Hebrew University of Jerusalem
Geography and Power in Joshua (25 min)

Responding:
Ed Noort, Rijksuniversiteit Groningen (20 min)
Discussion (30 min)

S21-229

SBL Postcolonial Studies and Biblical Studies Section / Latino/a and Latin American Biblical Interpretation Section
1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Marriott - International 8 (International Level)
Theme: (Post?)colonial Readings from the Puerto Rican Diaspora

Jean-Pierre Ruiz, Saint John's University
"Come Out of Her, My People" (Rev 18:4): A Post(?)colonial Consideration of John's Apocalypse from the Puerto Rican Diaspora (30 min)

Efrain Agosto, New York Theological Seminary
Colonized Apostles: Paul of Tarus & Pedro Albizu Campos (30 min)

Responding:
Luis Rivera-Pagan, Princeton Theological Seminary (30 min)
Ediberto Lopez, Seminario Evangélico de Puerto Rico (30 min)
Discussion (30 min)

S21-230

SBL LGBTI/Queer Hermeneutics Section
1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Hilton - 313 (Level 3)
Theme: Queering Canons

James Hoke, Drew University, Presiding

Eric A. Thomas, Drew University
When Eunuchs Read: Black Queer Ambi–veil–ence, Matt 19:12, and Others (30 min)

Lynne Gerber, University of California-Berkeley
Queering the Sacred, Sacralizing the Queer: The Bible and/as Gay Literature at the Metropolitan Community Church of San Francisco, 1986–2001 (30 min)

Teresa J. Hornsby, Drury University
The Slender Man: A Trans Hermeneutic of the Apocalypse (30 min)

Responding:
Nicolai Sinai, University of Oxford (10 min)
Discussion (20 min)

S21-232

SBL Mark Seminar
1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Hyatt - Baker (Atlanta Conference Level)
Theme: "Who do you say I am?" Markan Christology: Jewish Prophet or Cosmic Lord?
The session will continue the debate over Markan Christology. Is Jesus characterized entirely within the human plane, for example as a prophet? Or does Mark present Jesus as somehow cosmic, divine? Presentations consist of a short summary followed by extended discussion among seminar members, and finally a general discussion among all present. Papers are sent to formal members to be read in advance. If you are not a member but wish to obtain copies of papers in advance, contact the seminar chair, Kelli O'Brien, after November 1.

Kelli O'Brien, Independent Scholar, Presiding

Ryan David Woloshen, Wayne State University
An Analysis of Shifting Rhymes in Sura 52 (20 min)

Responding:
Nicolai Sinai, University of Oxford (10 min)
Discussion (20 min)
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J. R. Daniel Kirk, Fuller Theological Seminary
Idealized Human or Identified as God? A Narratological Assessment of Mark’s Christology in Conversation with Jewish Precedents (10 min)
Discussion (20 min)
Delbert Burkett, Louisiana State University
Mark’s Jesus: Spirit-Filled Charismatic and Deified Human (10 min)
Discussion (20 min)
Michael Kok, The King’s University
Adoptionist Interpretations of Mark’s Gospel among Ancient and Modern Readers (10 min)
Discussion (20 min)
Rikk Watts, Regent College
Mark’s “Dappled” Christology (10 min)
Discussion (20 min)
General discussion, open to all
Discussion (30 min)

S21-233

SBL Meals in the Greco-Roman World Section
1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Hyatt - Spring (Atlanta Conference Level)
Theme: Libation and Meal - Wine, Offerings, and Ritual
In this session invited scholars will focus on the role of libations, particularly in relation to ancient meals. The papers will address issues including how and by whom wine is used, and discuss the theological, social and political significance of using wine during a libation. The presenters are asked to include a focus on methodology for approaching these rituals and the associated data.
Hal Taussig, Union Theological Seminary in the City of New York, Presiding
Jan Heilmann, Technische Universität Dresden
Libations in the New Testament: About a Forgotten Ritual (30 min)
Matthias Klinghardt, Technische Universität Dresden
Libation for the New Covenant (30 min)
Meredith Warren, University of Sheffield
Pouring Out God’s Wrath: Libation Imagery in the Book of Revelation (30 min)
Responding:
Jonathan Brumberg-Kraus, Wheaton College (Massachusetts) (20 min)
Discussion (40 min)

S21-234

SBL Metacriticism of Biblical Scholarship Section
1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Marriott - A707 (Atrium Level)
Theme: Imaginal Worlds and Biblical Studies
Frauke Uhlenbruch, Independent Scholar, Presiding
James McGrath, Butler University
Nerd Fundamentalism: What Do Space Can(n)ons Have To Do With Biblical Canons? (30 min)
Krista Dalton, Columbia University in the City of New York
A Hitchhiker’s Guide to Midrash: Fanfic Canons and Interpretive Communities (30 min)
Rebecca Raphael, Texas State University
Canonical Embarrassments: Modeling Textual Authoritarian Discourse (30 min)
Discussion (30 min)
Business Meeting (30 min)

S21-235

SBL Nag Hammadi and Gnosticism Section
1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Hilton - 301 (Level 3)
Theme: Coptic Gnostic Magic, Coptic Gnostic Texts
Geoffrey Smith, University of Texas at Austin, Presiding
Review and Discussion of Malcolm Choat and Iain Gardner, A Coptic Handbook of Ritual Power (Brepols, 2013). Panelists:
David Frankfurter, Boston University (20 min)
Lance Jenott, Universitetet i Oslo (20 min)
Responding:
Malcolm Choat, Macquarie University (20 min)
Discussion (15 min)

S21-236

SBL Paul and Politics Seminar
1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Marriott - A708 (Atrium Level)
Theme: Paul, Empire, and the Politics of Interpretation
Ronald Charles, St. Francis Xavier University, Presiding
Theodore W. Jennings, Chicago Theological Seminary
Paul’s Messianic Political Theology and the Deconstruction of Sovereignty (25 min)
Angela N. Parker, Chicago Theological Seminary and Karri L. Whipple, Drew University
Disrupting Oneness, Challenging Erasure: A Feminist-Womanist Dialogue on the Body of Christ (25 min)
Timothy Milinovich, Dominican University
Beyond the Anti-Imperial Dichotomy: Towards a Contrapuntal Reading of Romans 12–15 (25 min)
Responding:
Diana Swancutt, Boston University School of Theology (15 min)
Discussion (45 min)
S21-237

SBL Pauline Epistles Section
1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Hilton - 406 (Level 4)
Theme: Reviews of J. A. Harrill, Paul the Apostle and M. Novenson, Christ Among the Messiahs
Emma Wasserman, Rutgers University, Presiding
Panelists:
  John Barclay, University of Durham (20 min)
  Laura Dingeldein, University of Illinois at Chicago (20 min)
  Paula Fredriksen, Hebrew University of Jerusalem (20 min)
Break (5 min)
Responding:
  J. Albert Harrill, Ohio State University (25 min)
  Matthew Novenson, University of Edinburgh (25 min)

S21-238

SBL Philo of Alexandria Seminar / Corpus Hellenisticum Novi Testamenti Section
1:00 PM–3:45 PM
Marriott - A701 (Atrium Level)
Theme: Philo, Plutarch, and the New Testament
This joint session is the second in a three-part CHNT series on Plutarch and the New Testament that will conclude next year.
Rainer Hirsch-Luipold, Universität Bern - Université de Berne, Presiding
Gregory E. Sterling, Yale Divinity School
When East and West Meet: Eastern Religions and Western Philosophy in Philo of Alexandria and Plutarch (25 min)
Ronald Cox, Pepperdine University
“Through Others”: The Dirty Work of Heavenly Intermediaries in Philo, Plutarch, and Early Christianity (25 min)
Julian Elschenbroich, Protestant University Wuppertal/Bethel
The Mechanics of Death: Philo's and Plutarch's View on the Death of the Human (25 min)
Break (10 min)
Zlatko Plese, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
Ritual, Idolatry, and the Rational Norm in Plutarch and Philo (25 min)
Gretchen Reydams-Schils, University of Notre Dame
Philo and Plutarch on Philautia (25 min)
David T. Runia, University of Melbourne
Response to Papers on Philo and Plutarch (15 min)
Discussion (40 min)

S21-239

SBL Q Section
1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Marriott - M104 (Marquis Level)
Theme: Was There a “Q Community”?
This session considers whether a distinct Q community can be imagined on the basis of Q's genre as well as its theological, cultural, rhetorical, and geographical orientations. To what extent can sociological inferences be drawn from postulated literary, theological, and narrative markers of the work? What difference might reconceptions of the idea a Q community have on our ideas about Christian origins? Some participants will be invited, but proposals for papers on these and related lines of analysis are welcome.
Giovanni Bazzana, Harvard University, Presiding
Simon J. Joseph, California Lutheran University
InHee Park, Ewha Womans University
Can Tax Collectors Be Friends of Jesus? (20 min)
Wendy Cotter, Loyola University of Chicago
Can a Q Community Be Inferred from Q's Literary and Theological Profile? (20 min)
Break (10 min)
Discussion (40 min)

P21-240

Qur’anic Studies: Methodology and Hermeneutics (IQSA)
1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Marriott - M105 (Marquis Level)
Theme: The Qur’an and Politics: Hermeneutical Approaches
Farid Esack, University of Johannesburg, Presiding
Vanessa De Gifis, Wayne State University
Qur’anic Premises in Rhetorical Analogy: The Case of al-Ma’mun’s Mihna (20 min)
Omar Shaukat, University of Johannesburg
Hermeneutics and/as Politics: Defending the Qur’an (and Muslims) against the ‘Scandal’ of Abrogation (20 min)
SherAli Tareen, Franklin and Marshall College
Translating the Qur’an as a Manifesto for Revolution: ‘Ubaydullah Sindhi’s Qur’ani Shu’ur-i Inqilab (20 min)
Alexander Abbasi, University of Johannesburg
Rescuing the Revolution: Dr Ali Shariati’s Liberationist Approach to the Qur’an (20 min)
Rahel Fischbach, Georgetown University
Rereading the Qur’an – Challenging Traditional Authority: Political Implications of Contemporary Qur’an Scholarship (20 min)
Discussion (50 min)
S21-241
SBL Redescribing Early Christianity Seminar
1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Hilton - 312 (Level 3)
Theme: Anachronism, Genealogy, and Time-Displacement in Early Christian Texts
Please contact Christopher Matthews (christopher.matthews@bc.edu) to receive papers before the meeting.
Christopher Matthews, Boston College, Presiding
Jennifer Eyl, Tufts University
Cognitive Time-Travel in Paul’s Mythmaking (10 min)
Christopher B. Zeichmann, University of Toronto
Mark’s Jesus as Post-War Subject in Pre-War Galilee (10 min)
Panelist:
Andrew Tobolowsky, Brown University (10 min)
Responding:
Willi Braun, University of Alberta (30 min)
Break (15 min)
Discussion (75 min)

S21-242
SBL Speech and Talk in the Ancient Mediterranean World Section / Speech and Talk in the Ancient Mediterranean World Section
1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Hilton - 214 (Level 2)
Theme: Speech, Sight, and Space
Greg Carey, Lancaster Theological Seminary, Presiding
Philip Erwin, Graduate Theological Union
The Artist Speaks: Dio Chrysostom’s Defense of Images in His Twelfth Oration (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)
David P. Griffin, University of Virginia
Like Sees Like: Platonic Theories of Vision and Jesus’ Polymorphic Body in Early Christianity (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Sören Swoboda, Friedrich-Schiller-Universität Jena
The Visualization of Suffering in the Ancient Courtroom and in Josephus (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Alexander Stewart, Tyndale Theological Seminary (Amsterdam)
Ekphrasis, Emotions, and Motivation in the Apocalypse of John (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Jennifer Quigley, Harvard University
Investing in Salvation: Cyprian’s Assertion of Spiritual and Financial Authority in De Habitu Virginum (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)

S21-243
SBL Scripture in Early Judaism and Christianity Section
1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Hyatt - Vinings (Atlanta Conference Level)
Theme: Interpreting Biblical Land Texts
J. David Stark, Faulkner University
Abrahamic Land and Offspring Promises in Pauline Perspective (30 min)
Scott R. Moore, Regis University
Promise and Intertextual Logic: How Hebrews Get from A(bram) to Z(ion) (30 min)
Kenneth Atkinson, University of Northern Iowa
Biblical “Land” Texts in the Dead Sea Scrolls: The Wilderness Experience as Lived at Qumran (30 min)
Sarah Schreiber, Calvin Theological Seminary
Relocating the Witness: Predicting Israel’s Rebellion in Deuteronomy and Jubilees (30 min)
F. Stanley Jones, California State University - Long Beach
The “Land” in the Syriac and Latin Translations of Pseudo-Clementine Recognition 1.27-71 (30 min)

S21-244
SBL Slavery, Resistance, and Freedom Section
1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Hilton - 306 (Level 3)
Emerson Powery, Messiah College, Presiding
Marianne Bjelland Kartzow, Universitetet i Oslo
An Intersectional Approach to Metaphorical Slavery (30 min)
Bernadette J. Brooten, Brandeis University
Bishops versus Radical Egalitarians: The Synod of Gangra (343 CE) (30 min)
Chris L. de Wet, University of South Africa
Slavery and Sonship in Basil of Caesarea’s De spiritu sancto (30 min)
Midori E. Hartman, Drew University
The Limits of Trafficking in Augustine’s Letter 10* (30 min)
Discussion (30 min)

S21-245
SBL Social Scientific Criticism of the New Testament Section
1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Hilton - 204 (Level 2)
Theme: Physiognomy in Antiquity
Zeba Crook, Carleton University, Presiding
Davina Lopez, Eckerd College
Authentic Pauline Bodies: Between Representation and Reality (25 min)
Callie Callon, Queen’s University
“He had neither form nor beauty”: The Physiognomic Curiosity of the Negative Descriptions of the Physical Appearance of Jesus (25 min)
Todd Penner, Independent Scholar
Bodies of Evidence: Rhetoric of Movement in Acts (25 min)
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Break (10 min)

David Lincicum, University of Notre Dame
Josephus and the Physiognomic Tradition (25 min)
Responding:
Anthony Corbeill, University of Kansas (25 min)
Discussion (15 min)

P21-246

Society for Pentecostal Studies
1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Hilton - 210 (Level 2)
Theme: Pentecostal Readings of Old Testament Texts
Rebecca Idestrom, Tyndale University College and Seminary (Ontario), Presiding
Meghan Musy, McMaster Divinity College
A Pentecostal Hearing of Psalmic Voices (40 min)
David Hymes, Northwest University (Washington)
The Message of Qoheleth and Pentecostal-Charismatic Spirituality (40 min)
Break (15 min)
Dongsoo Kim, Pyongtaek University
The Jewish Origin of Glossolalia (40 min)
Discussion (15 min)

S21-247/A 21-200

SBL Student Lounge Roundtable
1:00 PM–2:30 PM
Hyatt - Hanover A (Exhibit Level)
Theme: Conquering Qualifying Exams
Hosted by the AAR Graduate Student Committee

S21-248

SBL Synoptic Gospels Section
1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Marriott - International 4 (International Level)
Theme: The Synoptic Problem, Literary Relationships, and Women in the Synoptic Tradition
Shawn Kelley, Daemen College, Presiding
Kathy Barrett Dawson, Duke University
Making a Greek, Syro-Phoenician Woman a Canaanite: Matthean Alterations of Mark 7:24–30 and Deuteronomistic History (30 min)
Kara J. Lyons-Pardue, Point Loma Nazarene University
A Syrophoenician Becomes a Canaanite: The Narrative Functions of Two Portrayals of One Woman (30 min)
Natalie K. Houghtby-Haddon, George Washington University
Seeing Double: John’s Gospel and the Women of Mark and Matthew (30 min)
Eric Vanden Eykel, Ferrum College
You Shall Die on the Mountain? On Moses’ Presence in the Synoptic Transfiguration Narratives (30 min)
Discussion (30 min)

S21-249

SBL Theological Interpretation of Scripture Seminar
1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Marriott - A602 (Atrium Level)
Theme: Trinity in/and the Bible
All papers will be read in their entirety.
Brent Laytham, Saint Mary’s Seminary and University, Presiding
Murray Rae, University of Otago
Biblical Foundations of a Trinitarian Hermeneutic (20 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Mark S. Gignilliat, Beeson Divinity School, Samford University
Wis Fulfillment or Real Presence? The Old Testament’s Trinity (20 min)
Andrea D. Saner, Eastern Mennonite University
Trinitarian Judgments in/and the Book of Exodus (20 min)
Discussion (10 min)
Break (5 min)
Matthew Bates, Quincy University
Christology of Divine Identity? Septuagintal Dialogues in the New Testament as Trinitarian Critique (20 min)
Wesley Hill, Trinity School for Ministry
Paul and the Narratable Divine Identity (20 min)
Discussion (10 min)
Discussion (20 min)

S21-250

SBL Use, Influence, and Impact of the Bible Section
1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Hilton - 202 (Level 2)
Andrew Mein, Westcott House, Presiding
Eric Covington, University of St. Andrews
Scholasticism and the Form of Medieval Biblical Commentary: Divisio Textus in Thomas Aquinas’ ad Ephesios (20 min)
Discussion (10 min)
Eugenia Scarvelis Constantinou, University of San Diego
The Chalcedonian and Non-Chalcedonian Divide: Fighting for Orthodoxy Through Apocalypse Interpretation as the Empire Faced Annihilation (20 min)
Discussion (10 min)
James E. Harding, University of Otago
Masculine Domination and the Anthropology of Biblical Commentary: The Case of Philo of Alexandria (20 min)
Discussion (10 min)
Matthew A. Collins, University of Chester
Professors of Religion and their Strange Wives: Diluvian Discord in Matthew Henry’s Bible Commentary (20 min)
Discussion (10 min)
Hilde Brekke Moller, MF Norwegian School of Theology
Strack-Billerbeck and Anti-Semitism (20 min)
Discussion (10 min)
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S21-251/A21-218

SBL Violence and Representations of Violence among Jews and Christians Section
1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Hyatt - Harris (Atlanta Conference Level)
Theme: Children, Violence, and Religion

Joint session with Comparative Approaches to Religion and Violence (AAR). This co-sponsored session explores violence by and toward children as represented in biblical poetry, Latin poetry, narratives describing the first Crusade and describing medieval English targeting of Jews for “blood libel,” and finally in child-rearing literature from Focus on the Family, which advocates spanking and other forms of corporal punishment. Whether real or imagined, the violence in these explorations evokes a number of themes which extend beyond conceptions of childhood to the interlacing of religion with violence more broadly. The panel is jointly sponsored by the AAR unit on Comparative Approaches to Religion and Violence and by the SBL unit on Violence and Representations of Violence among Jews and Christians.

Philip Tite, University of Washington, Presiding

Joel M. LeMon, Emory University
Violence Against Children and Girls in the Reception History of Psalm 137 (25 min)

Diane Shane Fruchtman, DePauw University
Instructive Violence: Educated Children as Victims and Aggressors in Late Antique Latin Martyr Poetry (25 min)

Paul Middleton, University of Chester
’Suffer Little Children’: Child sacrifice, Martyrdom, and Jewish and Christian Identity Formation (25 min)

Michael Heyes, Rice University
‘Like an Innocent Lamb’: Accusations of Ritual Murder in English Martyrological Narratives (25 min)

Susan Ridgely, University of Wisconsin, Oshkosh
When Pain Becomes Symbolic of Commitment: The Practice of Spanking among Adults and Children who Use Focus on the Family Childrearing Literature (25 min)

Responding:
Sarah Johnston, Ohio State University (25 min)

S21-252

SBL Women in the Biblical World Section
1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Hilton - 305 (Level 3)
Theme: Intersections of Gender, Race, and Class in Biblical Literature

Kimberly Russow, Vanderbilt University, Presiding

Naomi Steinberg, DePaul University
What is a Virgin? Gender and Genocide in the Holy War of Numbers 31 (30 min)

Wil Gafney, Brite Divinity School (TCU)
Saved By the Blood: A Womanist Reading of Zipporah (30 min)

Erin Fleming, Johns Hopkins University
Rethinking Abigail of Carmel: From Woman of Valor to Shrewed Diplomat (30 min)

Cecilia Wassen, Uppsala Universitet
Male and Female Impurities in the Late Second Temple Period (30 min)

Caryn Tamber-Rosenau, Vanderbilt University
Un-gendering Texts: A Queer Critique of Looking for “Male” and “Female” Voices (30 min)

S21-253

SBL Methods of Historiography in the Study of Ancient Israel and the Levant
2:00 PM–4:00 PM
Offsite - Offsite
Theme: Special Joint-Session with ASOR

Please especially note that the American Schools of Oriental Research (ASOR) is hosting this session. It is located offsite in Windsor A at The InterContinental Buckhead-Atlanta.

Jacqueline Vayntrub, Harvard University, Welcome (5 min)

Matthew Suriano, University of Maryland - College Park, Introduction (5 min)

Jacob Lauinger, Johns Hopkins University
Esarhaddon’s Succession Treaty as Literary Model for Deuteronomy: Some Thoughts on Method (15 min)

Sara Milstein, University of British Columbia
Nothing but the Truth? Near Eastern Scribes and the Production of Legal “Opinions” (15 min)

Seth Sanders, Trinity College - Hartford
Bondage as Liberation: The Political Theology of Slavery in Late Iron Age Law (15 min)

Responding:
Peter Machinist, Harvard University (10 min)

Bernard Levinson, University of Minnesota-Twin Cities (10 min)
S21-301
SBL Global Education and Research Technology Section / Academic Teaching and Biblical Studies Section
4:00 PM–6:00 PM
Marriott - International B (International Level)
Theme: Teaching the Bible with Technology
The world of technology continues to advance. We are seeking 10 minute presentations in which presenters demonstrate the use of how a technology could be used in the classroom. The emphasis is on the demonstration aspect of the presentation so that participants can visualize how to implement the technology being showcased. Whether it relates to Twitter, blogs, webcams, Oculus Rift, software, audience response systems, or other technologies, we welcome actual cases of specific technologies that improve student learning. After the session those interested are invited to join a group from GERT for a working meal & further discussion.
Richard Newton, Elizabethtown College, Presiding
Oliver Glanz, Andrews University
SHEBANQ in the Exegesis Classroom: Teaching Exegetical Research with the Receiver of the Digital Humanities Awards 2014 (10 min)
Erica L. Martin, Seattle University
Empowering the Exegete with Open Educational Resources (10 min)
Jill Hicks-Keeton, University of Oklahoma
Using ‘Genius’ to Teach Close Reading in Collaborative Learning Contexts (10 min)
Nicolai Winther-Nielsen, Fjellhaug International University
College Denmark
Prototyping Learning Technology in Word: the Hebrew Verb Cruncher (10 min)
Tyler J. Griffin, Brigham Young University
Bringing Ancient Texts to Life for Tech-Savvy Students (10 min)
Break (10 min)
Matthew Anstey, Charles Sturt University
"Write them on the tablet": Using Pen Tablets for Online Hebrew Teaching (10 min)
C. Jason Borders, Huntingdon College
Skype in the Biblical Studies Classroom: Using Social Media Platforms to Construct Practical Contexts for Biblical Interpretation (10 min)
Benjamin K. Forrest, Liberty University
"Unite the Pair So Long Disjoined": Theological Instruction and Qualitative Research (10 min)
Sean Boisen, Logos Bible Software
Teaching the Cultural Background of the Bible (10 min)
Bryan Bibb, Furman University
Using Bible Software to Teach Translation Theory (10 min)
Discussion (40 min)
P21-302
African Association for the Study of Religions
4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Hyatt - Baker (Atlanta Conference Level)
Theme: Issues in African Initiated Churches and African Diaspora Christianity
Jehu J. Hanciles, Emory University, Presiding
Bernard Appiah, University of Birmingham
Integration Strategies of Pentecostal Churches in the African Diaspora (30 min)
Sana Mmolai, University of Botswana, Obed Ndeya Kealotswe, University of Botswana and Lovemore Togarasei, University of Botswana
Quinine, Ditaola, and the Bible: Investigating Botswana Health Seeking Practices (30 min)
Janice McLean-Farrell, City Seminary of New York
Singleness, Marriage, and the Second-Generation: Charting the Future of African and African Diasporan Immigrant Families in the West (30 min)
JoAnn D’Alisera, University of Arkansas
Afterlife Exiles: Death and Dying in the Sierra Leonian Diaspora (30 min)
Responding:
Jehu J. Hanciles, Emory University (30 min)
S21-304
SBL Bible, Myth, and Myth Theory Section / Ancient Fiction and Early Christian and Jewish Narrative Section
4:00 PM–6:00 PM
Hilton - 405 (Level 4)
Theme: The Significance of Dennis MacDonald’s Scholarship to Interpreting the Bible as Myth
co-sponsored by Ancient Fiction and Early Christian and Jewish Narrative
Debra Ballentine, Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey, Presiding
Richard Pervo, Saint Paul, Minnesota
Degrees of Separation: A Mythic Sub-Structure (20 min)
Austin Busch, SUNY Brockport
Revisionary Interpretation of Homeric and Biblical Myth (20 min)
Paul Robertson, Colby-Sawyer College
Construction of Mythical Founders in the Ancient Mediterranean: Paul’s Jesus and Greco–Roman Philosophical Schools (20 min)
Kevin McGinnis, Springfield College
Reading Reception: Dennis MacDonald and the “End” of Historical Criticism (20 min)
Responding:
Dennis MacDonald, Claremont School of Theology (20 min)
Discussion (20 min)
S21-305
SBL Archaeology of Religion in the Roman World Section
4:00 PM–6:00 PM
Marriott - M109 (Marquis Level)
Theme: Artifacts as Interpretation: Biblical Images and Material Culture
Steven Friesen, University of Texas at Austin, Presiding
Mark D. Ellison, Vanderbilt University
Adam and Eve’s Labors and Marriage Ideals in Early Christian Relief Sculpture (30 min)
Lynn R. Huber, Elon University
Making Men in Revelation 2–3: Reading the Seven Messages in the Bath-Gymnasium of Asia Minor (30 min)
Jenn Strawbridge, University of Oxford
“If God Is For Us”: The Apotropaic Function of Rom 8:31 in Early Christian Epigraphy (30 min)
Discussion (30 min)

S21-306
SBL Art and Religions of Antiquity Section
4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Marriott - M101 (Marquis Level)
Theme: Art and Magic
Michael Peppard, Fordham University, Presiding
Erin Darby, University of Tennessee, Knoxville
Modeling “Magic”: Evaluating Archaeological Approaches to the Ritual Functions of Near Eastern Terracottas (30 min)
Nils H. Korsvoll, MF Norwegian School of Theology
What’s in a Cross? The Role and Function of Cruciform Decorations in Syriac Incantation Bowls (30 min)
Amy E. Meverden, Union Theological Seminary in the City of New York
Imperial Greency: Biblical Text Counter-Images of the Sacred Tree as an Eco-Critical Re-Imagination (30 min)
Sean V. Leatherbury, Getty Research Institute
Votive Offerings in Late Antique Christianity: Contexts, Rituals, Meanings (30 min)
Naama Vilozny, University of Haifa
Does It Look Threatening as Well? On the Relations between Drawings and Texts in the Babylonian Incantation Bowls (30 min)

S21-307
SBL Bible and Cultural Studies Section / Contextual Biblical Interpretation Section / Asian and Asian-American Hermeneutics Seminar / Islands, Islanders, and Scriptures Section
4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Hilton - 311 (Level 3)
Theme: Contextual Biblical Methodologies
Nicole Duran, Independent Scholar, Presiding
Panelists:
  Jione Havea, Charles Sturt University (30 min)
  Jacqueline Hidalgo, Williams College (30 min)
  Yak-Hwee Tan, Taiwan Theological College and Seminary (30 min)
Discussion (30 min)

S21-308
SBL Reading, Theory, and the Bible Section / Bible and Film Section
4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Marriott - A707 (Atrium Level)
Theme: Celebrating the Work of George Aichele: Bible, Film, Theory
The presenters, each a contributor to a Festschrift celebrating the work and influence of George Aichele, will be summarizing their contributions. Full papers will not be read. Dr. Aichele will respond.
Melissa Stewart, Adrian College, Presiding
Gary Phillips, Wabash College, Presiding (20 min)
Panelists:
  Fred Burnett, Anderson University (IN) (15 min)
  Scott Elliott, Adrian College (15 min)
  Tina Pippin, Agnes Scott College (15 min)
  Jennifer Koosed, Albright College (7 min)
  Robert Seesengood, Albright College (7 min)
  Richard Walsh, Methodist University (15 min)
Responding:
  George Aichele, Independent Scholar (20 min)

S21-309
SBL Bible in Ancient and Modern Media Section
4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Marriott - M102 (Marquis Level)
Theme: Bible and Biblical Interpretation in Ancient and Modern Media
BAMM invites papers related to the ancient and modern media contexts of biblical transmission and interpretation. We invite especially papers that address issues of literacy, textuality, scribality, and orality in Hebrew Bible/Old Testament research, New Testament and early Christianity research, and modern translation and pedagogy.
Ruth Ebach, Eberhard Karls Universität Tübingen
“The Mountain Was Burning with Fire”: The Burning Horeb in Illustrations of Late Antiquity and the Biblical Exodus Story (30 min)

Werner Kelber, Rice University
Orality, Scribality, and the Concept of the Early Jesus Tradition (30 min)

Break (5 min)

Emmanuel Nathan, Australian Catholic University
His Story: The Characterization of Paul in Acts from the Perspective of Reputational Entrepreneurship (30 min)

Chris Porter, Ridley College
Reputation and Christology: A Corinthian Case Study (30 min)

Discussion (25 min)

S21-310

SBL Biblia Arabica: The Bible in Arabic among Jews, Christians, and Muslims Consultation / The Qur'an and the Biblical Tradition (IQSA)
4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Marriott - L508 (Lobby Level)
Theme: “The Bible is at the same time nowhere and everywhere in the Arabic Qur'an” (Sidney H. Griffith)

Meira Polliack, Tel Aviv University, Presiding
Josey Bridges Snyder, Emory University
Selective Memory: Lot's Wife in the Qur'an and Later Islamic Interpretation (30 min)

Andrew Geist, University of Notre Dame
A Loan to God: Wealth, Charity, and Usury in the Qur'an (30 min)

Ilana Sasson, Sacred Heart University
Who Wrote the Book of Proverbs? A Medieval Karaite Approach (30 min)

Yousef Casewit, American University of Sharjah
Biblical Proof-Texts in the Qur'anic Exegesis of Ibn Barrajaj of Seville (d. 536/1141) (30 min)

Roy Michael McCoy III, University of Oxford
'Do not trust the people of the Book, but do not disbelieve them': Suspending Judgment on the Four Canonical Gospels in al-Biqa?i’s Tafsir (30 min)

S21-311

SBL Biblical Lexicography Section
4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Marriott - A701 (Atrium Level)
Theme: Coptic Biblical Lexicography

Malcolm Choat, Macquarie University, Presiding
Ewa Zakrzewska, University of Amsterdam
What's in a Lexeme? The Case of Coptic (30 min)

Sebastian Richter, Universität Leipzig
The Project Database and Dictionary of Greek Loanwords in Coptic (30 min)

Frank Feder, Universität Göttingen
The Coptic Lexicon of the Coptic Biblical Texts (30 min)

S21-312

SBL Book of Daniel Section
4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Marriott - M104 (Marquis Level)
Theme: Issues in the Study of Daniel

David Valeta, University of Colorado at Boulder, Presiding
Amanda Davis Bledsoe, Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München
A Patchwork Quilt: Pieces of Daniel among the Dead Sea Scrolls (20 min)

Melanie Lange, Universität Rostock
Translation as Theological Update: The Old Greek Version of the Book of Daniel Exemplified by Daniel 6–7 (20 min)

Justin L. Pannuk, Emory University
The Preface of Old Greek Daniel 5: A Formal Approach (20 min)

Break (10 min)

David J. Fuller, McMaster Divinity College
From Prophet to Waiter: Habakkuk's Cameo Appearance in the Apocryphal Additions to Daniel (20 min)

Andrew B. Perrin, Trinity Western University
Dream–Vision Discourse in the Book of Daniel and Ancient Jewish Aramaic Literature among the Qumran Library (20 min)

Discussion (40 min)

S21-313

SBL Book of Psalms Section
4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Hyatt - Hanover D (Exhibit Level)
Christine Jones, Carson-Newman University, Presiding

Matthias Millard, Kirchliche Hochschule Wuppertal/Bethel
The Hallel—Psalms in the Context of Worship (25 min)

Meghan D. Musy, McMaster Divinity College
Hearing Voices: Exploring Psalmic Multivocality as Lyric Poetry (25 min)

Beat Weber, Theologisches Seminar Bienenberg (Switzerland)
From the David of the Books of Samuel to the David in the Psalms and Back Again (2 Sam 22 // Ps 18): Some Canon-Hermeneutical Reflections (25 min)

Klaus-Peter Adam, Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago
The Terminology for Enemies in the Psalms: A Lexicographic Conundrum Revisited (25 min)

Kyle P. Padden, Westminster Theological Seminary
Penitential Prayer, Psalms 104–106 and the Shape and Shaping of Book IV of the Psalter (25 min)

Denise Dombkowski Hopkins, Wesley Theological Seminary
Ambiguities within Psalms 47 and 72: Women's Voices as Intertextual Clues (25 min)
S21-314
SBL Children in the Biblical World Section
4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Marriott - M303-M304 (Marquis Level)
Theme: Book Session on Children in the Biblical World: Research Shaping a New Field
In this session six scholars will present their recent works on children in the Biblical world, with respondents reflecting on the books, followed by panel and general discussions. The session aims at showing the breadth of topics, variety of approaches, and future prospects of this growing field of research.
John W. Martens, University of Saint Thomas (Saint Paul, MN), Presiding
Reidar Aasgaard, University of Oslo, Introduction (8 min)
Presentation of bibliographical resources for research on ancient childhood.
Panelist:
Kristine Henriksen Garway, Hebrew Union College - Jewish Institute of Religion (12 min)
Panelist:
Laurel Koepf Taylor, Eden Theological Seminary (12 min)
Panelist:
Julie Faith Parker, Colby College (12 min)
Responding:
Jon L. Berquist, Disciples Seminary Foundation (15 min)
Discussion (10 min)
Panelist:
A. James Murphy, South Dakota State University (12 min)
Panelist:
Sharon Betsworth, Oklahoma City University (12 min)
Responding:
Kathleen Gallagher Elkins, Saint Norbert College (15 min)
Discussion (10 min)
Discussion (20 min)

S21-315
SBL Christian Apocrypha Section
4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Hilton - 305 (Level 3)
Theme: The Monastic Production and Use of Christian Apocrypha
Brent Landau, University of Texas at Austin, Presiding (5 min)
Christoph Markschies, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin
What Do We Know About the “Sitz im Leben” of Ancient Christian Apocalypses? (25 min)
Hugo Lundhaug, Universitetet i Oslo
The Nag Hammadi Texts as Monastic Literature (25 min)
Geoffrey Smith, University of Texas at Austin
A Body Pure and Innocent: Anthropology and Anti-Origenism in the Sentences of Sextus (NHC XII,1) (25 min)
Brad F. King, University of Texas at Austin
The Garden a Prison: Sex, Gender, and Power in Eden (25 min)
Discussion (20 min)
Business Meeting (25 min)

S21-315a
SBL Corpus Hellenisticum Novi Testamenti Section
4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Hilton - 408 (Level 4)
Theme: Apostolic Fathers
This session addresses the Martyrdom of Polycarp, 1–2 Clement, and the Ignatian corpus.
Troy Martin, Saint Xavier University, Presiding
Clare K. Rothschild, Lewis University
Travelers as Christ-mongers in Did. 12:1-5 (30 min)
Hermut Loehr, Westfälische Wilhelms-Universität Münster
The Moral Thought of 1 Clement and the Hellenistic Philosophers (30 min)
David L. Eastman, Ohio Wesleyan University
“Ignatius” on Ignatius and the Construction of the New Paul (30 min)
Michael W. Holmes, Bethel University (Minnesota)
Dating the Martyrdom of Polycarp (30 min)
Discussion (30 min)

S21-316
SBL Current Historiography and Ancient Israel and Judah Section
4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Hilton - Grand Ballroom B (Level 2)
Theme: The Historian’s Craft
Daniel Pioske, Georgia Southern University, Presiding (5 min)
Seth Richardson, Oriental Institute - University of Chicago
Clio and Eros in Babylon: Historical Method and Theory for Canaanite Antiquity (60 min)
Responding:
Daniel Fleming, New York University (20 min)
Diana Edelman, University of Oslo (20 min)
Ehud Ben Zvi, University of Alberta (20 min)
Discussion (25 min)

S21-317

SBL Development of Early Christian Theology Section
4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Hilton - 312 (Level 3)
Theme: New Perspectives on the Cappadocian Fathers
Mark DelCogliano, University of Saint Thomas (Saint Paul, MN), Presiding
Seumas Macdonald, Macquarie University
Is Basil a pro-Nicene exegete? Patterns of Scriptural Usage in Basil's Against Eunomius (30 min)
Volker Henning Drecoll, Eberhard Karls Universität Tübingen
Basil's Origenism: Education by the Scripture (30 min)
Justin A. Mihoć, University of Durham
Returning to Paradise: A Cosmological Interpretation of the Church in Basil of Caesarea and Gregory of Nyssa (30 min)
Taylor Ross, Duke University
Reconsidering the Virtue of Diastema in Gregory of Nyssa: An 'Iconic' Approach (30 min)
Eric Lopez, Life Pacific College
A Paradeigma for Trinity & the Incarnation: Basil of Caesarea's Ep. 214.4.6-9 and Gregory of Nazianzus' Ep. 101.18–21 in the Post-Chalcedonian Era (30 min)

S21-318

SBL Early Jewish Christian Relations Section
4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Marriott - International A (International Level)
Theme: Material Culture and Early Jewish Christian Relations
Andrew Jacobs, Scripps College, Presiding
Petri Luomanen, University of Helsinki
Judaism, anti-Judaism, and anti-Judaeanism in Apocryphal Accounts of Jesus' Passion (25 min)
Lincoln H. Blumell, Brigham Young University
A New Jewish (?)/Christian (?) Inscription from Egypt (25 min)
Eric C. Smith, Iliff School of Theology
Through a Gold Glass Darkly: Reading Hybridity in Jewish and Christian Realia (25 min)
Joseph Sanzo, Hebrew University of Jerusalem and Ra'an
Boustan, University of California-Los Angeles
Christian Magicians, Jewish Magical Idioms, and the Shared Magical Culture of Late Antiquity (25 min)
Responding:
Shira Lander, Southern Methodist University (20 min)
Discussion (25 min)

S21-319/A21-303

SBL Employment Workshops
4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Sheraton - Valdosta (Level 2)
Theme: Envisioning Academic Alternatives

S21-320

SBL Ethiopic Bible and Literature Section
4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Hilton - 207 (Level 2)
Theme: The Encyclopaedia Aethiopica
marking the completion of this monumental work with an open session inviting papers that discuss the contribution of this work, we invite papers that draw on this tremendous resource, that map out new research directions that are now possible, and that assess and develop this work's contribution to Ethiopian Studies. In line with the encyclopaedia, papers are welcomed that deal with historical developments, places and geographical history, ethnology and sociology, religion and art, trade and economy, politics and important personalities, with a particular emphasis on the unit's of critical studies seeking to understand the ideology, sociology and the process of literary formation, of the Ethiopian tradition.
Jeremy Brown, Catholic University of America, Presiding
Alessandro Bausi, University of Hamburg
The Question of Ethiopian Late Antique, Medieval, and Later Literary Heritage with a Look at the TraCES Project (20 min)
Jacques van Ruiten, Rijksuniversiteit Groningen
The Use and Interpretation of the Book of Jubilees in the Ma??afa Berhan and the Ma??afa Milad (25 min)
James Prather, Abilene Christian University
Optical Character Recognition for Ethiopic Manuscripts (25 min)
Steve Delamarter, George Fox University, Ashlee Benson, George Fox Evangelical Seminary and Jonah Sandford, George Fox Evangelical Seminary
Further Research on the Recensions of the Ethiopic Song of Songs (25 min)
Yonatan Binyam, Florida State University
An Introductory Survey of the Ethiopic Books of Maccabees (25 min)
Alessandro Bausi, University of Hamburg
Late Antique Relics from the Ethiopian Highlands: The Ethiopic Version of the History of the "Episcopate" of Alexandria and Other Texts (30 min)
S21-321
SBL Exile (Forced Migrations) in Biblical Literature Seminar
4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Marriott - A708 (Atrium Level)
In Holy Resilience, David Carr argues that human trauma gave birth to the Bible and, further, that central tenets of biblical religion, including monotheism and the idea of suffering as God's retribution, are factors that provided Judaism and Christianity with the strength and flexibility to endure in the face of disaster. This panel will review Carr's important book and consider the contribution of trauma studies to the study of the Bible, Judaism, and Christianity.
Katherine Southwood, University of Oxford, Presiding (5 min)
Panelists:
Cynthia Chapman, Oberlin College (15 min)
Christopher Frechette, Saint Mary’s University (San Antonio) (15 min)
Martien Halvorson-Taylor, University of Virginia (15 min)
Shelly Rambo, Boston University School of Theology (15 min)
Daniel Smith-Christopher, Loyola Marymount University (15 min)
Responding:
David Carr, Union Theological Seminary in the City of New York (20 min)
Discussion (50 min)

S21-322
SBL Paul and Politics Seminar / Rhetoric and the New Testament Section / Feminist Hermeneutics of the Bible Section
4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Hyatt - Techwood (Atlanta Conference Level)
Theme: (Corinthian) Women Prophets: Past, Present, and Future
On the 25th Anniversary of the publication of The Corinthian Women Prophets: A Reconstruction through Rhetoric (1990), this panel reflects -- both retrospectively and prospectively -- on the innovations, impacts, and the remaining possibilities of Antoinette Clark Wire's work.
Todd Penner, Independent Scholar, Presiding (3 min)
Panelists:
Elizabeth Castelli, Barnard College (18 min)
Adela Collins, Yale University (18 min)
Yii-Jan Lin, Pacific School of Religion (18 min)
Joseph Marchal, Ball State University (18 min)
Mitzi Smith, Ashland Theological Seminary (18 min)
Sze-kar Wan, Southern Methodist University (18 min)
Responding:
Antoinette Wire, San Francisco Theological Seminary (25 min)
Discussion (14 min)

S21-323
SBL Formation of Luke and Acts Section
4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Hyatt - Spring (Atlanta Conference Level)
Theme: New Research on the Synoptic Problem and Other Conundra
The session aims to clarify issues in the formation of Luke as it relates to the Synoptic Problem, including work on the minor agreements and other features of demonstrable formative influence.
Patricia Walters, Rockford University, Presiding
Jeffrey Peterson, Austin Graduate School Of Theology
Luke's Transformation of Matthaean Motifs (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Jordash Kiffiak, Hebrew University of Jerusalem
"And it came to pass, when Jesus had finished these words...": Evaluating the Case for Luke's Direct Use of Matthew (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Hugo Mendez, Yale University
Did God "Speak Forever"? Reconsidering the Sources and Formation of the Lukan Infancy Hymns (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Chang Wook Jung, Chongshin University
Discussion (5 min)
Discussion (30 min)

S21-324
SBL Gender, Sexuality, and the Bible Section / Israelite Prophetic Literature Section
4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Hyatt - Vinings (Atlanta Conference Level)
Theme: The Male Prophetic Body
This session examines depictions of male/masculine embodiment in prophetic literature, in particular the body of male prophets. Papers will highlight and inspect portrayals of masculinity using a broad range of theoretical insights to draw attention to the undertheorized and unexamined representations of the male body in prophetic texts. Focus will also be paid to how masculinity advances/deters the prophetic message, as well as its significance for gender and/or sexuality.
Rhiannon Graybill, Rhodes College, Presiding
Susan E. Haddox, University of Mount Union
"In His Manhood He Strrove with God": Masculine Embodiment in Hosea (25 min)
Eric Wagner, Catholic University of America
The Servant and God Are Comparable: A Result of Reading the Body as Space in Second Isaiah (25 min)
Brian Charles DiPalma, Emory University
Doing Gender Differently: Scribal Masculinity and the Court Tales of Daniel (25 min)

Andrew Montanaro, The Catholic University of America
The Subversive Masculinity of the Suffering Servants (25 min)

Ryan Stephen Higgins, The Jewish Theological Seminary
Do Not Look at His Appearance, For I Have Rejected Him: Bodily Language and Reversal in 1 Samuel (25 min)

Discussion (25 min)

S21-326
SBL History of Interpretation Section
4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Hilton - 204 (Level 2)
Theme: Apocalyptic Themes in Modern Interpretation
Laura Lieber, Duke University, Presiding

Ana Valdez, University of Lisbon
Gog and Magog and the New Jerusalem: The Defeat of Habsburg Spain by the Portuguese in the 17th Century (25 min)

Rebecca K. Esterson, Boston University

Tucker Samson Ferda, Pittsburgh Theological Seminary
The Enlightenment, Deism, and the "Painful Prick" of the Second Advent Expectation (25 min)

Stephen Lawson, Saint Louis University
Franz Overbeck and the Invention of Apocalyptic Metaphysics (25 min)

Jonathan Downing, University of Bristol
Southcottians and Shiloh: Genesis 49:10 and the Morphology of a Messianic Hope (25 min)

Discussion (25 min)

S21-327
SBL Homiletics and Biblical Studies Section
4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Hyatt - Inman (Atlanta Conference Level)
Theme: The Preaching of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.
David Jacobsen, Boston University, Presiding

Panelists:
Dale P. Andrews, Vanderbilt University (20 min)
Dallas Gingles, Southern Methodist University (20 min)
Joy Moore, Fuller Theological Seminary (Pasadena) (20 min)
Karoline Lewis, Luther Seminary (20 min)

P21-329
Institute for Biblical Research
4:00 PM–7:00 PM
Hyatt - Courtland (Atlanta Conference Level)
Theme: Scripture and Doctrine Seminar (SADS)

Topic: Divine Fatherhood and Sonship
Craig Bartholomew, Redeemer University College, Welcome (5 min)

Panelists:
Craig Bartholomew, Redeemer University College (20 min)
Scott Hahn, Franciscan University of Steubenville (20 min)
Daniel Keating, Sacred Heart Major Seminary (20 min)

Break (10 min)
Discussion (70 min)

Break (15 min)

SAHS/SADS Dinner to follow at 7:15 PM.
### P21-330

**International Organization for Septuagint and Cognate Studies**

4:00 PM–6:30 PM  
Hilton - 313 (Level 3)  
**Theme:** The Septuagint: Laws and Histories  
Leonard Greenspoon, Creighton University, Presiding  
*Barbara Schmitz, Julius-Maximilians-Universität Würzburg*  
The Characterization of God in the Table Talk Section in the Book of Aristotle (25 min)  
*Robert J. V. Hiebert, Trinity Western University and David J. Sigrist, Trinity Western University*  
Some Noteworthy Linguistic Features in Septuagint Genesis (25 min)  
*James R. Covington, University of Chicago*  
Telling the Flood Stories in LXX-Genesis (25 min)  
*Jean Maurais, McGill University*  
Righteousness or Mercy: Rationale for Obeying the Torah in LXX Deuteronomy (25 min)  
*William A. Ross, University of Cambridge*  
Vocabulary and Recension: Lexical Features of Greek Judges (25 min)  
*Jan W. van Henten, Universiteit van Amsterdam*  
Space, Body, and Meaning in 2 Maccabees (25 min)  

### S21-331

**SBL Intertextuality in the New Testament Section**  
4:00 PM–6:30 PM  
Hyatt - Hanover G (Exhibit Level)  
**Theme:** Intertextuality and the Gospel of John  
Erik Waaler, NLA Høgskolen, Presiding  
*William M. Wright IV, Duquesne University*  
Illumining John's Use of Multivalent Biblical Images through Patristic Reception History (20 min)  
Discussion (10 min)  
Sheldon Steen, Florida State University  
*His Whom My Soul Loves: Song 3:1-5 as Narrative Framework for John's Resurrection Account* (20 min)  
Discussion (10 min)  
Andrew Byers, St John's College, University of Durham  
Jesus Prays the Shema as Ezekiel's Prophesied King: A Reassessment of Johannine Oneness (20 min)  
Discussion (10 min)  
*Chan Sok Park, College of Wooster*  
The Sapiential Traditions in the Fourth Gospel: Johannine Jesus as an Imitable Wisdom Incarnate (20 min)  
Discussion (10 min)  
*Paul Korchin, Briar Cliff University*  
Pontius Pilate as Anti-Moses in the Gospel of John (20 min)  
Discussion (10 min)  

### S21-332

**SBL Johannine Literature Section / Mark Seminar**  
4:00 PM–6:30 PM  
Marriott - International 4 (International Level)  
**Theme:** A Comparison of Johannine and Markan Characterization  
Chris Keith, St Mary's University, Presiding  
*Susan Miller, University of Glasgow*  
The Characterization of Women in the Gospel of Mark and the Gospel of John (30 min)  
*Adesola Akala, University of Durham*  
Symbolic Conversations and Characterizations: A Comparison and Contrast of the Samaritan Woman in John 4:1-42 with the Syrophoenician Woman in Mark 5:25-30 (30 min)  
*Daniel Frayer-Griggs, Duquesne University*  
Finding Lazarus in a Demonic's Tomb (30 min)  
*Tyler Smith, Yale University*  
Cognition and Character Building: Constructing the Mind of Jesus in Mark and John (30 min)  
Responding:  
*Elizabeth Struthers Malbon, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University* (15 min)  
Discussion (15 min)  

### S21-333

**SBL Letters of James, Peter, and Jude Section**  
4:00 PM–6:30 PM  
Hilton - 209 (Level 2)  
**Theme:** Letters of James, Peter, and Jude in the Context of Second Temple Jewish Literature  
Peter Davids, Houston Baptist University, Presiding  
*Matthew Ketterling, University of St. Andrews*  
Gaining a Hearing: Prayer, Purity, and the Reconceived Temple in 1 Peter (25 min)  
Discussion (5 min)  
*Benjamin J. Lappenga, Dordt College*  
Discussion (5 min)  
*Bryan R. Dyer, McMaster Divinity College*  
The Maccabean Martyr Tradition and The Epistle of James (25 min)  
Discussion (5 min)  
*Jeremiah Bailey, Baylor University*  
A Diptych of Destruction: Watchers and Sodomites in Second Temple Literature (25 min)  
Discussion (5 min)  
*Ryan E. Stokes, Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary*  
What Is Wrong with Moses’ Body? Jude and the Supposed ‘Assumption’ of Moses (25 min)  
Discussion (5 min)
**S21-333a**

**SBL Levites and Priests in History and Tradition Section**

4:00 PM–6:30 PM  
Hyatt - University (Atlanta Conference Level)

**Theme: The High Priesthood**

- Jacob Rennaker, Brigham Young University  
  *The High Priest’s New Clothes: Adam as Priest in Genesis 2–3* (30 min)
- Daniel Wang, University of Texas at Austin  
  *The Role and Status of the High Priest in Persian Period Yehud* (30 min)
- Claudia Losekam, Ruhr-Universität Bochum  
  *Priests on Hold – or Redefining the Image of Priests in Pseudo-Philo* (30 min)

Discussion (30 min)

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**S21-334**

**SBL Meals in the Greco–Roman World Section**

4:00 PM–6:30 PM  
Hyatt - Kennesaw (Atlanta Conference Level)

**Theme: Dietary Laws in the Bible and Their Ancient Reception**

This session, which includes an open call for papers, will focus on early Jewish and Christian reception of the laws concerning animals proper to eat, and those not. While the text of Leviticus 11 offers proscriptions that appear definitive, even ancient readers who accepted it as authoritative faced significant choices about how to interpret them. Papers are invited that address whether and how particular meats and other foods were included or excluded from diet (especially with reference to Lev 11), controversies about proper interpretation of this and related texts, and how these relate to other questions of identity and belief.

Meredith Warren, University of Sheffield, Presiding

- Peter Wick, Ruhr-Universität Bochum  
  *Rejection of Dietary Laws in the New Testament* (25 min)
- Andrew McGowan, Yale Divinity School  
  *Books for Cooks: Leviticus 11, Diet, and Exegesis in Early Christianity* (25 min)
- Jordan Rosenblum, University of Wisconsin-Madison  
  *The following you shall abominate among the birds*: Ancient Debates About Eating Fowl (25 min)
- Lillian Larsen, University of Redlands  
  *Desert Dining: Dietary Restrictions in Early Monasticism* (25 min)

Responding:

- Christophe Nihan, Université de Lausanne (30 min)

Discussion (20 min)

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**S21-335**

**SBL Metacriticism of Biblical Scholarship Section**

4:00 PM–6:30 PM  
Hilton - 406 (Level 4)

**Theme: Metacriticism of “the New Testament”**

Rebecca Raphael, Texas State University, Presiding

- Hector Avalos, Iowa State University  
  *On The Bad Jesus (Sheffield Phoenix, 2015)* (30 min)

Responding:

- Fernando Segovia, Vanderbilt University (30 min)
- Randall Reed, Appalachian State University (30 min)
- Charles Miller, University of North Dakota  
  *On the Teaching of Irrelevant Texts: Biblical Studies in the Public University* (30 min)
- Anne Moore, University of Calgary  
  *To Boldly Go Beyond the New Testament to the Study of Christianity* (30 min)

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**S21-336**

**SBL Mysticism, Esotericism, and Gnosticism in Antiquity Section / Religious Experience in Antiquity Section**

4:00 PM–6:30 PM  
Hilton - 404 (Level 4)

**Theme: Revisiting Shamanism**

Celia Deutsch, Barnard College, Presiding

- April D. DeConick, Rice University  
  *Shamanism and Gnostic Ritual* (25 min)
- James R. Davila, University of St. Andrews  
  *Hekhalot Mysticism and Jewish Shamanism: Where Do We Stand Now?* (25 min)
- Jeffrey Pettis, Fordham University  
  *Shamans in the Desert: Mark 1:12–13 Jesus and the Spirit World* (25 min)
- Pieter F. Craffert, University of South Africa  
  *Shamanism as a Cross-Cultural Interpretive Tool: Jesus, Paul, and Early Christianity* (25 min)

Responding:

- Dan Merkur, Independent Scholar (20 min)
- Michael Winkelman, Arizona State University (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)
S21-337  
SBL Paul Within Judaism Section  
4:00 PM–6:30 PM  
Marriott - International 8 (International Level)  
Dieter Mitternacht, Lutheran Theological Seminary, Hong Kong, Presiding (5 min)  
Jeremy Punt, Universiteit van Stellenbosch - University of Stellenbosch  
*Paul the Jew, Power of Evil and Rome* (25 min)  
Thomas Dixon, Princeton Theological Seminary  
*God of Wrath and Mercy: Is Paul’s God the ‘Old Testament God’?* (25 min)  
John Kincaid, John Paul the Great Catholic University and Michael Patrick Barber, John Paul the Great Catholic University  
*Where the Juridical and Participatory Unite: Christ as a Hilasterion and the Cultic Dimension of Pauline Justification* (25 min)  
Genevive Dibley, Rockford University  
*Why Bother with Redeeming Gentiles? The Project of Justifying the Oppression of the Righteous in the Second Age* (25 min)  

Break (5 min)  
Discussion (30 min)  
Business Meeting (10 min)  

S21-338  
SBL Performance Criticism of Biblical and Other Ancient Texts Section  
4:00 PM–6:30 PM  
Marriott - International 10 (International Level)  
Theme: Theory and Practice of Performance Criticism  
Lee Johnson, East Carolina University, Presiding  
Marvin Lloyd Miller, University of Manchester  
*Performances of Jeremiah 29: An Ethnopoetic Presentation* (30 min)  
Zvi Septimus, Cornell University  
*Musical Score Theory and the Performance of Ancient Texts* (30 min)  
Nicholas A. Elder, Marquette University  
*The Media Matrix of Mark and Matthew: From Gospel to Book* (30 min)  
Michael Whitenton, Baylor University  
*The Curious Case of the Teetotaling Jesus and Audience Inference in Mark 15:36 (30 min)*  
William D. Shiell, First Baptist Church of Tallahassee, Florida  
*I Will Give You a Mouth and Wisdom*: Prudent Speech in Luke 21:15 (30 min)  

S21-339  
SBL Philology in Hebrew Studies Consultation  
4:00 PM–6:30 PM  
Hilton - 306 (Level 3)  
Theme: Bilingualism and Translation in Antiquity  
Philology studies textual and linguistic communication; as part of the core procedures of the discipline, the boundaries between languages must be transgressed. But this linguistic “border-crossing” is not solely the project of modern philologists—it was already a common problem facing the peoples of antiquity, and was overcome in diverse and effective ways. We invite proposals that consider issues raised by the complications of inter-linguistic interaction, and that analyze the methods and contexts of translation in antiquity. Topics to be addressed potentially include: product- vs. process-oriented approaches in translation studies; bilingualism and/or translation in co-texts; and methods of assessing the translator’s technique in biblical and non-biblical translations. This long session combines papers on translation and bilingualism in antiquity with papers submitted for an open session.  
Charles Orte, University of Chicago, Presiding  
Translation and Bilingualism in Antiquity  
Alice Mandell, University of California-Los Angeles  
*At the Crossroads of Cuneiform Culture: Multilingualism and Translation in the Camaanite Amarna Letters—A Reassessment* (21 min)  
Jeremy M. Hutton, University of Wisconsin-Madison  
*Tracking Optimality in Translation at Tell Fekheriyeh* (21 min)  
Catherine E. Bonesho, University of Wisconsin-Madison  
*The Whole Theatre: An Analysis of the Latin (IRT 321) and Neo-Punic (IPT 24a) Inscriptions of the Theatre at Lepcis Magna* (21 min)  
Charles Huff, University of Chicago  
*Translating the Sacred* (21 min)  
Philological Studies in Northwest Semitic  
Aren M. Wilson-Wright, The University of Texas at Austin  
*A Star is Born: On the Etymology of *`Athtar-* and *`Athtart-* (21 min)  
Na’ama Pat-El, University of Texas at Austin  
*Dialects of Biblical Hebrew: A Re-examination* (21 min)  
Sigrid K. Kjær, University of Texas at Austin  
*Jeremiah the Skillful Scribe: Root Variation in Tautological Infinitives* (21 min)  

S21-340  
SBL Polis and Ekklesia: Investigations of Urban Christianity Section  
4:00 PM–6:30 PM  
Hilton - 212 (Level 2)  
Theme: The Cities of the Lycus Valley: Colossae, Hierapolis, and Laodicea  
Laurence Welborn, Fordham University, Presiding  
Angela Standhartinger, Philipps-Universität Marburg  
*A City with a Message: Colossae and Colossians* (25 min)  
Peter Arzt-Grabner, Universität Salzburg  
*Everyday Life in a Roman Town Like Colossae: The Papyrological Evidence* (25 min)
Michael Trainor, Australian Catholic University
*Rome's Market Economy in the Lycus Valley: Soundings from Laodicea and Colossae (25 min)*

Clinton E. Arnold, Talbot School of Theology (Biola University)
*Initiation, Vision, and Spiritual Power: The Hellenistic Dimensions of the Problem at Colossae (25 min)*

Allen Brent, King's College - London
*Has the Vita Abercii Mislead Epigraphists in the Reconstruction of the Inscription? (25 min)*

Discussion (25 min)

P21-341

Qur’anic Studies: Methodology and Hermeneutics (IQSA)
4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Marriott - M105 (Marquis Level)
Theme: The Current State of Qur’anic Studies and Its Future
A roundtable discussion on the state of the field of Qur’anic studies consisting of two sets of questions posed to the panellists. After their initial responses, we encourage an open debate and audience participation. The questions are:
1. Can you provide a definition of Qur’anic Studies? In your area of specialisation, what are the most significant strides that you think this field has made in the last two decades? Is there a difference between the study of the Qur’an and the study of its interpretation?
2. What are the presumptions of, and methods used in, different scholarly approaches to the Qur’an, and how have these changed in the past twenty years? Are there methodological differences between descriptive and normative approaches to the text, between ‘revisionism’ and ‘confessionalism’; or are these categorisations simplistic and/or ill-defined? Are contemporary and progressive methods of studying the text less rigorous than ‘Orientalist’-style text- and language-based study, traditional methods, and historical-critical methods? What do you say to the allegation that the field is increasingly burdened by the baggage of an attempt to be politically correct?

Farid Esack, University of Johannesburg, Presiding
Panelists:
- Kecia Ali, Boston University
- Herbert Berg, University of North Carolina at Wilmington
- Joseph Lumbard, Brandeis University
- Yusuf Rahman, Ushuluddin and Graduate School UIN Jakarta
- Nicolai Sinai, University of Oxford
- Devin Stewart, Emory University
- Shawkat Toorawa, Cornell University

S21-342

SBL Recovering Female Interpreters of the Bible Section
4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Marriott - L404 (Lobby Level)
Theme: Women Interpreters through the Ages
Christian de Groot, Calvin College, Presiding
*Scripture Embodied: Perpetua's Passion and the Pauline Story of Salvation (25 min)*

Catherine Sider Hamilton, University of Toronto
*Scripture Embodied: Perpetua's Passion and the Pauline Story of Salvation (25 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

Joy Schroeder, Trinity Lutheran Seminary and Capital University
*Retrieving the Voices of Female Biblical Interpreters in Early Christianity: Methodologies, Possibilities, and Limits (25 min)*

Nancy R. Bowen, Earlham School of Religion
*Women's Speaking Justified: Margaret Fell & Quaker Biblical Interpretation in the 17th Century (25 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

Amanda Russell-Jones, Independent Scholar
*Josephine Butler and the Woman’s Bible: Opposition to ‘the Sex-Bias’ of Commentaries Written by Only One Sex (25 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

Marion Taylor, Wycliffe College
*Biblical Criticism à la Femme (25 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

S21-344

SBL The Art of Journal Selection and Publishing
4:00 PM–5:30 PM
Hyatt - Hanover E (Exhibit Level)
Ellen White, Biblical Archaeology Society, Presiding
Panelists:
- Leslie Hoppe, Catholic Theological Union
- Tat-siong Benny Liew, College of the Holy Cross
- Adele Reinhartz, Université d’Ottawa - University of Ottawa
P21-344a
Westar Institute
4:00 PM–5:30 PM
Hyatt - Embassy (International Tower Level LL2)
Theme: Translating the Jewish Wars (Young Leaders in Religion Forum)
What do the Westar Seminar findings on the Jewish Wars mean for faith communities? How does it affect Jewish-Christian relations? Three Young Leaders in Religion Forum respondents will join scholars in offering responses to these and other questions emerging from Friday's Christianity Seminar sessions.
This forum, led by the Young Leaders in Religion, is open to all SBL-AAR and Westar national meeting attendees.

S21-345
SBL Wisdom and Apocalypticism Section
4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Marriott - International 9 (International Level)
Theme: The Letter of James
Emma Wasserman, Rutgers University, Presiding
- Benjamin Wold, Trinity College - Dublin
  Sin and Evil in James: Sapiential and Apocalyptic (25 min)
- Helen Cashell-Moran, Trinity College - Dublin
  The Significance of the Eschatological Restorative Imagery of James 1:1: Wisdom, Eschatology, and Apocalypticism in James (25 min)
- Andrew Guffey, Virginia Theological Seminary
  Faith without Works Is …Apocalyptic? Apocalyptic Wisdom between James and Paul (25 min)
Break (5 min)
- Timothy A. Gabrielson, Marquette University
  In Search of Common Ground: The Overlapping Ethics of Wisdom and Apocalypticism, with James and 2 Enoch as a Test Case (25 min)
Responding:
- Matthew Goff, Florida State University (10 min)
- Lawrence Wills, Episcopal Divinity School (10 min)
Discussion (25 min)

P21-401a
International Qur’anic Studies Association
6:30 PM–8:00 PM
Hilton – Crystal A-F (Level 1)
Theme: Graduate Student Reception
All graduate students in Quranic/Islamic Studies attending the IQSA sessions are welcome to join. Food/drink will be served. A number of senior professors in Quranic Studies will be in attendance for informal conversation/mentorship.
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S22-101a
SBL Emory Studies in Early Christianity and Rhetoric of Religious Antiquity Editorial Boards
7:00 AM–8:30 AM
Hyatt - 223 (Level 2)

P22-101
National Association of Professors of Hebrew
7:00 AM–8:45 AM
Hyatt - Hanover F (Exhibit Level)
Theme: Annual Breakfast and Business Meeting
Gilead Morahg, University of Wisconsin–Madison, Presiding

S22-102
SBL Journal of Biblical Literature Editorial Board
7:15 AM–8:45 AM
Marriott - International C (International Level)

S22-103
SBL Annual Business Meeting
7:30 AM–8:30 AM
Hyatt - Harris (Atlanta Conference Level)

S22-104
Institute for Biblical Research
7:30 AM–8:45 AM
Marriott - Marquis A-B (Marquis Level)
Theme: Worship Service
This worship service is sponsored by the Institute of Biblical Research. For further information go to http://www.ibr-bbr.org.
Temper Longman, Westmont College, Presiding
Wendy Porter, McMaster Divinity College, Worship
Lesson from the Hebrew Scriptures: Leviticus 19:30–37
Cynthia Wettfall, McMaster Divinity College, Introduction
M. Daniel Carroll R., Denver Seminary, "Welcoming the Stranger and Our Vocation"

P22-105
SBL Ancient Fiction and Early Christian and Jewish Narrative Section
9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hyatt - Inman (Atlanta Conference Level)
Theme: Letters in/as/with Narrative
Scott Elliott, Adrian College, Presiding
Patricia Duncan, Texas Christian University
The Epistolary Narrative Preface of the Pseudo-Clementine "Homilies" (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Troy M. Troftgruben, Wartburg Theological Seminary
The Gravitas of Letters: Intra-diegetic Epistles in Jewish, Greek, and Christian Narratives (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Meira Z. Kinsky, Coe College
Discussion (5 min)
Peter Anthony Mena, Phillips Theological Seminary
The Lives of Letters (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Business Meeting (30 min)

Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:00 AM

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Hyatt - Inman (Atlanta Conference Level)
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Discussion (5 min)
Business Meeting (30 min)

S22-107

SBL Aramaic Studies Section
9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hilton - 312 (Level 3)
Theme: Targum and Translation Techniques
Andrew Gross, Catholic University of America, Presiding
Leeor Gottlieb, Bar-Ilan University
A New Project in Targum Digitization (25 min)
Samuel Boyd, University of Chicago/University of Colorado
Abraham and the Rhetoric against Titus in an Expansion of Tg. Isa. 10:32 (25 min)
Adam Stewart Brown, McMaster Divinity College
The "Messiāb According to the Aramaic Meturgeman of the Isaiah Targum (25 min)
David L. Everson, Cincinnati Hills Christian Academy
A Comparative Vocabulary Analysis of the Pentateuch Targums (25 min)
Iosif Zhakevich, Harvard University
Apparent Contradictions between Pseudo-Jonathan and Its Hebrew Vorlage (25 min)
Andrew W. Litke, Catholic University of America
Late Jewish Literary Aramaic and the Lexicon of Targum Song of Songs (25 min)

S22-108

SBL Archaeology of Religion in the Roman World Section
9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hilton - 313 (Level 3)
Theme: Religious Dimensions of Late Ancient Domestic and Funerary Artifacts
Heidi Marx-Wolf, University of Manitoba, Presiding
Gregg E. Gardner, University of British Columbia
Domesticating the Holy: Ancient Israelite Artefacts in Late-Antique Judaism (30 min)
Alan Cadwallader, Australian Catholic University
One Grave, Two Women, One Man: Complicating Family Life at Colossae (30 min)
Eric C. Smith, Iliff School of Theology and Amy Erickson, Iliff School of Theology
Jonah and His Nineveh: Margin and Center in Canon, Material, and Narrative (30 min)
Discussion (60 min)

S22-109

SBL Assyriology and the Bible Section
9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Marriott - A706 (Atrium Level)
Theme: Ancient Commentaries and “the Stream of Tradition”
K. Lawson Younger, Jr., Trinity International University, Presiding (5 min)
Peter Machinist, Harvard University
Commentaries in the Mesopotamian Tradition and Some Biblical Reflections (30 min)
JoAnn Scurlock, Elmhurst College
From S&GIG to Ovid’s Metamorphosis: Commentaries in the Stream of Tradition (30 min)
Jeffrey Cooley, Boston College
Epistemic Novelty and Philological Elasticity: The Problem of New Knowledge and the Stream of Tradition (30 min)
Discussion (25 min)

S22-110

SBL Bible and Cultural Studies Section / Healthcare and Disability in the Ancient World Section
9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Marriott - M108 (Marquis Level)
Theme: Disability Studies and the Bible
Eric Thomas, Drew University, Presiding
SungAe Ha, Graduate Theological Union
A Cross-cultural Reading of Disability and Illness in Sacred Texts: A Subversive Vision in Job and in Zhuangzi (20 min)
David Pettit, Iliff School of Theology
Mapping God’s Movement on Eli’s Disabled Body in 1 Samuel 1–4 (20 min)
Myrick C. Shinall, Jr., Vanderbilt University
Were the Lepers Outcasts in the Synoptic Gospels? (20 min)
Nancy Tan, Chinese University of Hong Kong
Negotiating Interpretations of the “Image of God” in the Hebrew Bible for the Disabled and Special Needs (20 min)
William John Lyons, University of Bristol and Mike Gulliver, University of Bristol
An Eternity of Silence or Merely Half an Hour (Rev 8:1)? Spatial Conflict, the Radical Jesus, and Deaf Liberation (20 min)
S22-111

SBL Bible and Visual Art Section
9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hyatt - Kennesaw (Atlanta Conference Level)
Theme: Death and Destruction in Biblical Art
Christine Joyner, University of Oxford, Presiding
Ruth Clements, Orion Center for the Study of the Dead Sea Scrolls
“Your Son is Dead and my Son Lives!” (1 Kgs 3:22): Painting, Poetry, and Polemic in the North French Hebrew Miscellany (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Avron Kulak, York University
What Do We Look at When We Look at Art? Biblical Thought and the Redemption of the Finite (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Ela Nutu, University of Sheffield
Judith and Sexual Violence: The Bible in Art (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Linda A. Dietrich, Drew University
Forbidden Vistas: Henry Ossawa Tanner’s "Destruction of Sodom and Gomorrah" (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Geert Van Oyen, Université Catholique de Louvain
The Paradoxical Characterization of God in the Gospel of Mark and The Table of Silence of Constantin Brâncusi (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)

S22-112

SBL Bible in Ancient and Modern Media Section
9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hyatt - Spring (Atlanta Conference Level)
Theme: Difficult Reputations in Media and Memory: The Work of Gary Fine
Gary Alan Fine (Professor of Sociology, Northwestern University) has drawn attention to “difficult reputations,” the dynamics of and debates over the memory of figures such as Joseph McCarthy and Warren Harding. The social dynamics of remembering and invoking ambiguous and/or villainous figures differ from the use of heroic reputations. Sometimes the differences are striking. In this invited panel, Ray Person and Michelle Weedman apply Fine’s social theory of reputation-making to King David in Hebrew biblical historiography (Person) and Ephrem the Syrian's memory of Mary and Eve (Weedman), followed by responses from Gary Alan Fine and Barry Schwartz. This discussion advances the recent interest in social memory research and its potential for historical questions pertaining to ancient Judaism and Christian origins.
Raymond F. Person, Jr., Ohio Northern University
The Deuteronomist and the Chronicler as Reputational Entrepreneurs of King David (30 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Michelle Weedman, Maryville College
Eve’s Reputation in Ephrem the Syrian (30 min)
Break (5 min)
Responding:
Gary A. Fine, Northwestern University (20 min)
Barry Schwartz, University of Georgia (20 min)

S22-113

SBL Biblical Hebrew Poetry Section / Book of the Twelve Prophets Section
9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Marriott - International 4 (International Level)
Theme: The Role of Poetry in the Book of the Twelve
This joint session between the Biblical Hebrew Poetry Group and the Book of the Twelve Prophets Group explores poetic, rhetorical and other artistic uses of language in the book of the Twelve Prophets. Attention will be given to the role of poetry within the rhetoric of an individual book or the corpus as a whole as well as the role of poetic devices within particular passages or sections of the corpus.
Mark Boda, McMaster Divinity College, Presiding
Elie Assis, Bar-Ilan University
Jonah’s Prayer (2:3-10): An Integral Part of the Book of Jonah (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Helmut Utschneider, Augustana-Hochschule
Performance and Poetry in Prophetic Texts: Joel 1–2 as Performative Text (25 min)
Break (5 min)
Beth M. Stovell, Ambrose University
Poetry of Presence: Divine Presence and Divine Spirit in the Book of the Twelve (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Jutta Krispenz, Philipps-Universität Marburg
Poetic Structure and Polyphony in Hosea 7 (25 min)
Responding:
Michael Floyd, Independent Scholar (15 min)
Barry Jones, Campbell University (15 min)
Discussion (15 min)

S22-114

SBL Blogger and Online Publication Section
9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Marriott - A701 (Atrium Level)
Theme: Blogging Comes of Age
This session will feature two papers, followed by a panel of blogging scholars who will share their thoughts about the benefits and challenges, rewards and hardships, of academic blogging. The panelists will then participate in a Q&A with the audience.
James McGrath, Butler University, Presiding
Rick Brannan, Faithlife
From Blog, to Book, to the Larger Scholarly Discussion (20 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Christian Brady, Pennsylvania State University
The Life of a Blog from Cradle to Maturity (?) (20 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Responding:
Bart Ehrman, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill (10 min)
Wil Gafney, Brite Divinity School (TCU) (10 min)
Lawrence Schiffman, New York University (10 min)
Discussion (60 min)
Business Meeting (10 min)
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S22-115

SBL Ecological Hermeneutics Section
9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hilton - 214 (Level 2)
Theme: Gospels and Overtures
Elaine Wainwright, University of Auckland, Presiding
  Stanley P. Saunders, Columbia Theological Seminary
  On Earth as in Heaven: The Story of Creation in Matthew’s Gospel
  (30 min)
  Elizabeth Dowling, Australian Catholic University
  Offering All the Life They Have: Reading Luke 21:1-4 In Dialogue
  With Earth’s Impoverishment (30 min)
  Nicholas Bott, Stanford University; Palo Alto University
  Invention and Impoverishment: John Muir, Technology, and “Godful”
  Ecology (30 min)
  Anna Rebecca Solevåg, School of Mission & Theology and
  Tina Dykkesteen Nilsen, School of Mission & Theology
  (Misjonshogskolen i Stavanger) (Norway)
  Arctic Ecolonialism: The Bible, Ecology, and Colonialism in The
  Kaurokeino Rebellion (30 min)

Discussion (30 min)

S22-116

SBL Egyptology and Ancient Israel Section
9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Marriott - A708 (Atrium Level)
Theme: The Song of Songs and Egyptian Love Poetry
The session discusses the Song of Songs in light of Egyptian Love
Poetry 30 years after the groundbreaking study of Michael Fox “The
Song of Song and the Ancient Egyptian Love Songs” (1985).
Bernd Schipper, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin - Humboldt
University of Berlin, Presiding
  Bernd U. Schipper, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin - Humboldt
  University of Berlin
  Introduction: Michael V. Fox, “The Song of Song and the Ancient
  Egyptian Love Songs” (1985) Thirty Years Later (5 min)
  Michael Fox, University of Wisconsin-Madison
  Rereading My Song of Songs and the Ancient Egyptian Love
  (30 min)
  John C. Darnell, Yale University
  Love Aquatic in the Time of Pestilence (30 min)
  Joachim Friedrich Quack, University of Heidelberg
  “Where once was love, love is no more?” What Happens to Expressions
  of Love in Late Period Egypt? (30 min)
  Anselm Hagedorn, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin - Humboldt
  University of Berlin
  What Kind of Love Is It? Egyptian, Hebrew, or Greek? (30 min)

Discussion (25 min)

S22-117

SBL Feminist Hermeneutics of the Bible Section
9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hilton - 301 (Level 3)
Theme: Feminist Hermeneutics and Families
Feminist hermeneutics looks at biblical interpretation in relation to
created families, families of choice, and other family dynamics.
Margaret Aymer, Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary, Presiding
  Erin M. Heim, Denver Seminary
  The Inward Groaning of Adoption (Rom 8:12–25): Reimagining the
  Pauline Adoption Metaphor for Women in the Adoption Triad (30
  min)
  Jina Kang, Fuller Theological Seminary
  The “Law of Jealousy” in Num 5:11-31: The Issue of Jealousy and
  Presumed Guilt (30 min)
  Funlola Olojede, University of South Africa
  Miriam and Moses’ Wife: Sisterhood in Jeopardy? (30 min)
  Kyong-Sook Seo, Brite Divinity School, Texas Christian
  University
  A Woman’s Right to Choose? Ruth and Naomi – A Family of Choice
  (30 min)
  Taylor G. Petrey, Kalamazoo College
  Kinship, Sexual Difference, and the Angelic Resurrection (30 min)

S22-118

SBL Genesis Section
9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hyatt - Techwood (Atlanta Conference Level)
Theme: Ancestral Narratives
Gerald Klingbeil, Andrews University, Presiding
  Doris Enede, Kogi State University
  (16), the Wife of Joseph, Asenath (41 & 46), and the Wife of Potipher
  (49) (25 min)
  Michaela Geiger, Kirchliche Hochschule Wuppertal-Bethel
  The Development of the Mal’ak Yhwh and the Composition of the
  Ancestral Narratives (25 min)
  J. Richard Middleton, Northeastern Seminary at Roberts
  Wesleyan College
  Unbinding the Aqedah from the Straightjacket of Tradition: How
  Abraham Lost His Son (25 min)
  Dustin Nash, Muhlenberg College
  Good Fences Make Good Neighbors: Judah, Edom, and Converse
  Constructions of Israeliteness in Genesis 36 (25 min)
  David Tuesday Adamo, Kogi State University
  The African Joseph: His Contribution to Ancient Israel and Africa
  (Gen 41:41-45) (25 min)

Business Meeting (25 min)
S22-119

SBL Global Education and Research Technology Section
9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Marriott - International B (International Level)
Theme: Corpus-based Computing/Linguistics for Ancient Greek
This year's emphasis will be on "growing the corpus" of open data, including primary texts, metadata for morphology and syntax, semantic metadata, and other resources needed to consume them intelligently. After the session those interested are invited to join a group from GERT for a working meal & further discussion.
Jonathan Robie, biblicalhumanities.org, Presiding
Bruce Robertson, Mount Allison University
Biblical Greek OCR: Achievements, Opportunities, and Challenges (30 min)
Alan Bunning, Purdue University
Early New Testament Manuscripts and the Implications for Textual Criticism (30 min)
Robert J. Gorman, University of Nebraska–Lincoln
Syntactic Stylometry on the Basis of Ancient Greek Treebanks (30 min)
J. K. Tauber, MorphGNT
A Morphological Lexicon of New Testament Greek (30 min)
Josh Westbury, Logos Bible Software and Scott Fleischman
Modeling the Morphophonology of Ancient Greek: A Human-directed Computational Approach (30 min)

S22-120

SBL Gospel of Luke Section
9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Marriott - International 5 (International Level)
Theme: Aspects of Ethnic Portrayal in Luke
The session will conclude with open conversation about issues relating to ethnicity in the interpretation of Luke's Gospel (note the Luke Section’s joint session with Book of Acts Section and the joint session with Early Christianity and Ancient Economy Section which also address these issues).
John Carroll, Union Presbyterian Seminary, Presiding
Justin R. Howell, University of Chicago
Naaman the Syrian and Ethnic Perspective in Luke-Acts (35 min)
Jeremy D. Otten, Wheaton College Graduate School
Monique Cuany, University of Cambridge
Parochialism or Scepticism in Nazareth? Reconsidering Jesus’ Conflict with His Own People (Luke 4:16–30) (35 min)
Responding:
Love Sechrest, Fuller Theological Seminary (Pasadena) (15 min)
Discussion (30 min)

S22-121

SBL Greco-Roman Religions Section / Society for Ancient Mediterranean Religions
9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hilton - 315 (Level 3)
Theme: Book Review Panel: Cambridge Companion to Ancient Mediterranean Religions
Nancy Evans, Wheaton College (Massachusetts), Presiding (5 min)
Panelists:
Jeffrey Brodd, California State University - Sacramento (15 min)
Eric Orlin, University of Puget Sound (15 min)
Daniel Ullucci, Rhodes College (15 min)
Heidi Wendt, Wright State University Main Campus (15 min)
Responding:
Barbette Spaeth, College of William and Mary (15 min)
Kimberly Stratton, Carleton University (15 min)
Discussion (40 min)

S22-122

SBL Hebrew Scriptures and Cognate Literature Section
9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Marriott - M109 (Marquis Level)
Theme: Transforming Ancient Scribes: Review of Seth L. Sanders, From Adapa to Enoch: Scribal Culture and Religious Vision in Judea and Babylonia
Jonathan Ben-Dov, University of Haifa, Presiding
Panelists:
Naomi Janowitz, University of California-Davis (25 min)
Martti Nissinen, University of Helsinki (25 min)
Francesca Rochberg, University of California, Berkeley (25 min)
Benjamin Sommer, Jewish Theological Seminary of America (25 min)
Responding:
Seth Sanders, Trinity College - Hartford (25 min)
Discussion (25 min)
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S22-123

SBL History and Literature of Early Rabbinic Judaism Section
9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Marriott - International 8 (International Level)
Theme: The Feminist Commentary on the Babylonian Talmud
Alyssa Gray, Hebrew Union College - Jewish Institute of Religion, Presiding (5 min)
Panelists:
  Cecilia Biondi, Freie Universität Berlin (25 min)
  Tanja Hidde, Freie Universität Berlin (25 min)
  Tal Ilan, Freie Universität Berlin (25 min)
  Gail Labovitz, American Jewish University (25 min)
Discussion (15 min)
Discussion (30 min)

S22-124

SBL Homiletics and Biblical Studies Section
9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hyatt - University (Atlanta Conference Level)
Theme: Review of John by Karoline Lewis and Mark by David Schnasa Jacobsen in the Fortress Preaching Commentaries Series
This session will review two contributions to the Fortress Preaching Commentaries series. It will present reviews of John by Karoline M. Lewis and Mark by David Schnasa Jacobsen. Both commentaries offer exegetical, theological and rhetorical exposition of these Second Testament writings. Both commentaries attend to the concerns of the lectionary.
Charles Aaron, United Methodist Church, Presiding (5 min)
Panelists:
  Craig Koester, Luther Seminary (20 min)
  Gail O'Day, Wake Forest University (20 min)
Responding:
  Karoline Lewis, Luther Seminary (10 min)
Panelists:
  O. Wesley Allen, Lexington Theological Seminary (20 min)
  Dawn Ottoni-Wilhelm, Bethany Theological Seminary (20 min)
Responding:
  David Jacobsen, Boston University (10 min)

S22-125

SBL Islands, Islanders, and Scriptures Section
9:00 AM–11:15 AM
Hilton - 403 (Level 4)
Theme: Biblical Coastlands, Coastal Readings
Althea Spencer Miller, Drew University, Presiding (5 min)
Izaak J. de Hulster, University of Helsinki
The Iconography of ‘Coastlands’: A Historical Perspective (30 min)
Camilla Belfon, University of Denver
Islandspace in Acts 2: Identity and Mimicry in the Diasporic Ingathering at the Feast of Weeks (30 min)
Emmanuel Nathan, Australian Catholic University
From Coast to Coast in Acts 10: A Journey Turned Seaward (30 min)
Responding:
  Kenneth Ngwa, Drew University (20 min)
Discussion (20 min)

S22-126

SBL Jewish-Christian Dialogue and Sacred Texts Section
9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hilton - Grand Ballroom B (Level 2)
Theme: A Review of Amy-Jill Levine’s Short Stories by Jesus: The Enigmatic Parables of a Controversial Rabbi
Adele Reinhartz, Université d’Ottawa - University of Ottawa, Presiding
Adele Reinhartz, Université d’Ottawa - University of Ottawa, Introduction (5 min)
Panelists:
  Adam Gregerman, Saint Joseph’s University (25 min)
  Luke Timothy Johnson, Emory University (25 min)
  Annette Merz, Protestant Theological University Amsterdam (25 min)
  David Sandmel, Anti-Defamation League (25 min)
Responding:
  Amy-Jill Levine, Vanderbilt University (25 min)
Discussion (20 min)

S22-127

SBL John, Jesus, and History Seminar
9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Marriott - M303-M304 (Marquis Level)
Theme: Jesus Remembered in the Johannine Situation—Jewish-Johannine and Roman Johannine Dialogues
Paul N. Anderson, George Fox University, Presiding (5 min)
Meredith J. C. Warren, University of Sheffield
History, Memory, and Transculturality in the Gospel of John (25 min)
Sherri Brown, Creighton University
The Memory of Jesus through the Sabbath: Exploring Jewish-Johannine Dialogues in the Diaspora (25 min)
Warren Carter, Brite Divinity School (TCU)
*John, Jesus, and the Roman Empire* (25 min)

Travis Trost, Independent Scholar
*Jesus, Moses, and the Johannine Community after the Jewish Revolt* (25 min)

Responding:
David Rensberger, Decatur, GA (15 min)

Discussion (30 min)

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**S22-128**

**SBL Josephus Seminar**

9:00 AM–11:00 AM

Hilton - 305 (Level 3)

Theme: *Josephus and Political Thought*

Jan van Henten, Universiteit van Amsterdam, Presiding (5 min)

Sören Swoboda, Friedrich-Schiller-Universität Jena
*Josephus' Political Vision: Policy and Career Ambitions* (30 min)

Nathan Thiel, Marquette University
*Josephus and the Galileans: Imperialist Ambition and Ethnic Prejudice* (30 min)

Jacob Feeley, University of Pennsylvania
*Reassessing Josephus' View of Kingship* (30 min)

Discussion (15 min)

Business Meeting (10 min)

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**S22-129**

**SBL Joshua-Judges Section**

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hyatt - Vinings (Atlanta Conference Level)

Ed Noort, Rijksuniversiteit Groningen, Presiding

Ville Mäkipelto, University of Helsinki
*The Four Deaths of Joshua: A Lesson in the Necessity of the Septuagint in Redaction Criticism* (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Mary L. Conway, McMaster Divinity College
*Caleb Reproved, Achiab Approved: The Function of the Caleb-Achiab Vignette in the Structure of Judges 1:1–2:5* (25 min)

Break (5 min)

Rachelle Gilmour, University of Sydney
*Juxtaposition and Reinterpretation in the Book of Joshua* (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Lee Sui Hung Albert, Chinese University of Hong Kong
*Dialogue and UnFINALizability of Ideologies on Monarchy in the Gideon-Abimelech Narrative: An Interpretation of Judges 6–9 in light of Bakhtinian Dialogism* (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Marla Porter, Graduate Theological Union
*Storytelling Technique in the Song of Deborah* (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

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**S22-130**

**SBL LGBTI/Queer Hermeneutics Section**

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton - 303 (Level 3)

Theme: *Book Panel on Intersex, Theology, and the Bible: Troubling Bodies in Church, Text, and Society*

This session will use the publication of Susannah Cornwall’s *Intersex, Theology, and the Bible: Troubling Bodies in Church, Text, and Society* (Palgrave Macmillan, 2015) as an occasion to assess and suggest different critical, constructive, and prospective approaches to examining the relations between intersex bodies, the Bible, and biblical interpretations.

Joseph Marchal, Ball State University, Presiding

Panelists:
- Sean Burke, Luther College (20 min)
- Megan DeFranza, Boston University School of Theology (20 min)
- Teresa Hornsby, Drury University (20 min)
- Candida Moss, University of Notre Dame (20 min)
- Max Strassfeld, University of Arizona (20 min)

Responding:
Susannah Cornwall, University of Exeter (25 min)

Discussion (25 min)

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**S22-131**

**SBL Maria, Mariamne, Miriam: Rediscovering the Marys Consultation**

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton - 202 (Level 2)

Theme: *Recovering Receptions of Mary of Nazareth*

Sheila Briggs, University of Southern California, Presiding

Jo-Ann Badley, Ambrose University
What is Mary Doing in Acts? Reception History within the Synoptic Tradition (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Richard Freund, University of Hartford
Mary of Nazareth and Nazareth Archaeological Excavations 1997–2015 (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Ally Kateusz, University of Missouri - Kansas City
*Devotion to the Virgin Mary in Pre-Ephesian Hymnography* (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Kristina Zammit Endrich, C3 Saskatoon
*The Virgin Annunciate and Public Devotion in Renaissance Siena: The Devotional Function and Significance of Images of the Annunciation* (20 min)

Discussion (30 min)
S22-132
SBL Mark Seminar
9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Marriott - International A (International Level)
Theme: Hiddenness and Secrecy in Mark: From Wrede to Juel and Beyond
The session will examine the function of hiddenness and secrecy in Mark. Papers may engage with Wrede, Juel, or others, but are not required to do so. Presentations consist of a short summary followed by extended discussion among seminar members, and finally a general discussion among all present. Papers are sent to formal members to be read in advance. If you are not a member but wish to obtain copies of papers in advance, contact the seminar chair, Kelli O'Brien, after November 1.

James Voelz, Concordia Seminary, Presiding
Earl S. Johnson, Jr., Siena College

The Meaning of Mark: Messianic Secret or Pastoral Exhortation? (10 min)

Discussion (30 min)

Laura C. S. Holmes, Seattle Pacific University

Surprising Secrets and Hidden Proclamations: Gethsemane and the Empty Tomb (10 min)

Discussion (30 min)

Jocelyn McWhirter, Albion College

Messianic Exegesis of Mark 4:12 (10 min)

Discussion (30 min)

General Discussion, Open to All

Discussion (30 min)

S22-133
SBL Meals in the HB/OT and Its World Section
9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hilton - 404 (Level 4)
Theme: Just Desserts: Meals and Justice
Cynthia Shafer-Elliott, William Jessup University, Presiding

Gale A. Yee, Episcopal Divinity School

‘He Will Take the Best of Your Fields:’ Royal Feasts and Rural Extraction (25 min)

Discussion (15 min)

Cheryl Strimple, Southern Methodist University

“They will eat until they are satisfied”: Widows, Orphans, and Aliens and the Subversion of Justice in Deuteronomy (25 min)

Discussion (15 min)

Roger S. Nam, George Fox University

Food Fight: The Role of Meals in Warfare as Reflected in the Eliashib Archive (25 min)

Discussion (15 min)

Johnny Miles, Texas Christian University

The Purim Feast, Justice, and a Better World (25 min)

Responding:
Peter Altmann, Universität Zürich (20 min)

Discussion (25 min)

S22-134
SBL Metaphor Theory and the Hebrew Bible Section
9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hilton - 405 (Level 4)
Theme: Workshop for Graduate Students Working on Dissertations on Metaphors in the Hebrew Bible
Pierre Van Hecke, Katholieke Universiteit Leuven, Presiding

Tina Sherman, Brandeis University

Metafor Makers and Takers: Studies in Prophetic Oracles of Judgment (20 min)

Responding:
Ryan Bonfiglio, Columbia Theological Seminary (10 min)

Discussion (15 min)

Danilo Verde, Katholieke Universiteit Leuven

Warlike Imagery in the Song of Songs: A Cognitive Linguistic Inquiry (20 min)

Responding:
Andrea Weiss, Hebrew Union College - Jewish Institute of Religion (New York Branch) (10 min)

Discussion (15 min)

S22-135
SBL Mind, Society, and Religion in the Biblical World Section
9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hilton - 406 (Level 4)
Jutta Jokiranta, Helsingin Yliopisto - Helsingfors Universitet, Presiding

Risto Uro, University of Helsinki

A Socio-Cognitive Approach to Early Christian Rituals (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Rikard Roitto, Stockholm School of Theology

The Importance of Embodied Cognition for Cultural Evolution of Baptismal Theology (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Brett E. Maiden, Emory University

Psychological Essentialism in the Serek ha-Yahad and the Two Spirits Treatise (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Vojtech Kaše, University of Helsinki - Masaryk University

Quantifying Christianization of the Roman Empire: A Computational Replication and Extension (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)
### S22-136

**SBL Mysticism, Esotericism, and Gnosticism in Antiquity Section / Nag Hammadi and Gnosticism Section**

9:00 AM–11:30 AM  
Hilton - 204 (Level 2)

**Theme: Hermeticism**

John Turner, University of Nebraska - Lincoln, Presiding  
Jared C. Calaway, Illinois College  
Dylan M. Burns, Freie Universität Berlin  
Marla Segol, University at Buffalo, State University of New York

#### To See the Invisible One: Moses and Hermes in the Greek and Demotic Magical Papyri (20 min)

- John Turner, University of Nebraska - Lincoln

#### Alchemical Metaphor in the Paraphrase of Shem (NHC VII, 1) (20 min)

- Jared C. Calaway, Illinois College

#### Mystical Medicine: The Esoteric Genealogies of Hebrew Medical Texts (20 min)

- Marla Segol, University at Buffalo, State University of New York

#### Discussion (15 min)

- M. David Litwa, University of Virginia  
- John Turner, University of Nebraska - Lincoln  
- Christian H. Bull, University of Oslo  
- Marla Segol, University at Buffalo, State University of New York

#### The Stars of Hermes (20 min)

- Christian Wildberg, Princeton University

#### Discussion (15 min)

### P22-137

**National Association of Professors of Hebrew**

9:00 AM–11:15 AM  
Marriott - International 9 (International Level)

**Theme: Minding Letters: Current Approaches to Ancient Hebrew Palaeography in the United States, France, and Israel**

Avi Hurvitz, Hebrew University of Jerusalem, and Ziony Zevit, American Jewish University, Presiding  
Ziony Zevit, American Jewish University  
"Readin', Writin', and ‘Rithmatic' in Ancient Hebrew Palaeography (10 min)

#### Screenshots from a Young Epigrapher's Laptop: Israeli Palaeography Today (40 min)

- Anat Mendel, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

#### Ancient Hebrew Palaeography in the Digital Era (30 min)

- Christopher Rollston, George Washington University

#### An Albrightian Approach to Script Typology: The Nuts and Bolts of Palaeographic Methodology in the Johns Hopkins University Tradition (40 min)

- Michael Langlois, Université de Strasbourg

#### Discussion (15 min)

### S22-138

**SBL New Testament Textual Criticism Section**

9:00 AM–11:30 AM  
Marriott - International 10 (International Level)

Jennifer Knust, Boston University, Presiding  
J. Foerster, Universität Wien  
Matti M. Myllykoski, Helsinki University Library  
Sylvie Raquel, Trinity International University

#### Is Influence of Versions on the Greek Text of the NT Possible? (25 min)

- J. Foerster, Universität Wien

#### Jesus Baptizatus: A Textual History of Jesus’ Baptism to the End of the Second Century (25 min)

- Matti M. Myllykoski, Helsinki University Library

#### What Kind of Text Critic Was Origen? (25 min)

- Sylvie Raquel, Trinity International University

#### Discussion (10 min)

#### Break (5 min)

Matthew Solomon, New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary  
The Subordination of Apphia: An Orthoprax Corruption of Scripture (25 min)

#### Silencing Women, Raising the Dead: The Curious Origins of a Controversial Conjectural Emendation (25 min)

- Karin Neutel, VU University Amsterdam

#### Discussion (10 min)

### S22-139a

**SBL Paul J. Achtemeier Award for New Testament Scholarship**

9:00 AM–10:30 AM  
Marriott - A602 (Atrium Level)

**Theme: Honoring the 2015 Award Winner: Andrew W. Pitts**

Adela Yarbro Collins, Yale University, Presiding  
Andrew Pitts, Arizona Christian University  
The Genre of the Third Gospel and Greco-Roman Historiography: A Reconsideration (30 min)

#### Responding:

- Gregory E. Sterling, Yale Divinity School (15 min)  
- Richard Burridge, King’s College - London (15 min)
S22-140
SBL Pauline Epistles Section
9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hilton - 209 (Level 2)
Caroline Johnson Hodge, College of the Holy Cross, Presiding
Todd Berzon, Bowdoin College
Reading Galatians in Late Antiquity: An Ethno-History (25 min)
Sonja Anderson, Yale University
Are Idols Real? Demons, Christians, and Rabbis (25 min)
Mark A. Ellis, Faculdade Teológica Batista do Paraná, Brazil
The Augustinian Captivity of Rom 5:12 (25 min)
James Starr, Johannouel Theological Seminary
Second-Century Reception of Pauline Paraenesis (25 min)
Will Deming, University of Portland
Similarities between Paul and the Stoics on Ethics (25 min)

S22-139
SBL Philology in Hebrew Studies; Textual Criticism of the Hebrew Bible Section / Philology in Hebrew Studies Consultation
9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hilton - 207 (Level 2)
Theme: Theory and Practice in Textual Criticism: The HBCE Project
Ronald Hendel, University of California-Berkeley, Presiding
Sidnie White Crawford, University of Nebraska - Lincoln
Deuteronomy in the Temple Scroll and Its Use in a Critical Edition (25 min)
Leonard Greenspoon, Creighton University and Thomas Ferlic, Creighton University
Stumbling through the Book of Joshua: Is a Roadmap Possible? (25 min)
Ronald Troxel, University of Wisconsin-Madison
What Is the 'Text' in Textual Criticism? (25 min)
Ingrid E. Lilly, Pacific School of Religion
Comparative Genre in Textual Criticism of the Hebrew Bible: Reflections on Ezekiel and Modern Literature (25 min)

S22-141/A22-123
SBL Poverty in the Biblical World Section
9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Marriott - L401-L403 (Lobby Level)
Theme: Class, Religion, and the Bible
Joint session with Class, Religion, and Theology Group (AAR)
Ken Estey, Brooklyn College, City University of New York, Presiding
Joerg Rieger, Southern Methodist University
Why We Cannot Afford to Study Religion and Theology (or Anything Else) without Class (30 min)
Keri Day, Brite Divinity School
From Atlanta to Africa: Class, Globalized Gospels of Success, and the New Black South (30 min)
Monica Melanchthon, University of Divinity
‘Tapping the Hebrew Bible for Life in Just Social Relations — the Subaltern Way (30 min)
Richard Horsley, University of Massachusetts Boston
Class Conflict: What the Gospels Are All About (30 min)
Responding:
Roland Boer, University of Newcastle, Australia (10 min)
Discussion (20 min)

S22-142
SBL Pseudepigrapha Section
9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Marriott - L404 (Lobby Level)
John Levison, Southern Methodist University, Presiding
Katell Berthelot, CNRS (National Center for Scientific Research)
A New Perspective on the Kinship between Jews and Spartans in 1 and 2 Maccabees: The Issue of Ancestral Territory (30 min)
Veronika Hirschberger, University of Regensburg
Jeremiah 7 and 5 Ezra — An Underrated Connection? (30 min)
Jackie Wyse-Rhodes, Emory University
The Natural World as Sign in Early Jewish Apocalyptic Literature (30 min)
Ryan E. Stokes, Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary
Reading the Book of Watchers on the Origin of Evil (30 min)
John W. Fadden, Saint John Fisher College
God, the Lord, and Angels in the Sahidic Testament of Isaac (30 min)

S22-142a
SBL Religious World of Late Antiquity Section / The Qur’an and Late Antiquity (IQSA)
9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Marriott - M105 (Marquis Level)
Theme: Violence and Belief in the Qur’anic Milieu
This is the first of two planned panels commemorating the work of Thomas Sizgorich; the second will be held in 2017.
Ra’anan Boustan, University of California- Los Angeles, Presiding (5 min)
Christine Luckritz Marquis, Union Presbyterian Seminary
Violence and Community in Yemen: Narrativizing Religious Identity through Himyarite History (25 min)
Nicolai Sinai, University of Oxford
Militancy in the Medinan Qur’an (25 min)
Michael Pregill, Boston University
Scriptural Virtuosity and the Qur’an’s Imperial Context (25 min)
Discussion (70 min)
S22-143

SBL Rhetoric and the New Testament Section
9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hilton - 306 (Level 3)
Theme: Methodological Musings on Rhetoric and the New Testament
Davina Lopez, Eckerd College, Presiding
Mark D. Given, Missouri State University
Does the Study of Rhetoric Still Matter for the Integrity of 2 Corinthians? (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Amanda Furiasse, Florida State University
Smoke and Mirrors: Paul and the Politics of Class Conflict in 1 Corinthians (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Matthew R Malcolm, Trinity Theological College (Perth)
Paul and Plato: Rhetorically Astute Apologists (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Trevor Thompson, University of Chicago
Intentional Ambiguity: The Rhetoric of 2 Thessalonians (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Nina E. Livesey, University of Oklahoma
Avoiding a Hebdoian Reaction: Why the Study of the New Testament and Rhetoric Matters (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)

S22-144

SBL Sacrifice, Cult, and Atonement Section
9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hilton - 210 (Level 2)
Theme: Writing a Commentary on Leviticus: Cult Aspects in the Holiness Code (Leviticus 17–27)
This session follows up last year’s highly successful panel on writing commentary on the book of Leviticus in general.
Christian Eberhart, University of Houston, Presiding (5 min)
Panelists:
Hannah Harrington, Patten University (25 min)
Naphtali S. Meshel, Princeton University (25 min)
Christophe Nihan, Université de Lausanne (25 min)
Baruch J. Schwartz, Hebrew University of Jerusalem (25 min)
Responding:
Nicole J. Ruane, University of New Hampshire (25 min)
Discussion (20 min)

S22-145

SBL Social Scientific Criticism of the New Testament Section
9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hilton - 212 (Level 2)
Alicia Batten, Conrad Grebel University College, Presiding
Douglas E. Oakman, Pacific Lutheran University
The Political Meaning of a Cipher — John 21:11 (25 min)
Zeba A. Crook, Carleton University
Economy Scales, Honorific Inscriptions, and Paul’s Corinthian Patrons (25 min)
Ernest van Eck, University of Pretoria
An Unexpected Patron: A Social-Scientific and Realistic Reading of the Parable of the Vineyard Labourers (Matt 20:1–15) (25 min)
Break (10 min)
Eyal Regev, Bar-Ilan University
Early Christianity in light of New Religious Movements (25 min)
Sue Russell, Asbury Theological Seminary
Social-Scientific Criticism and the Postmodern Turn (25 min)
Discussion (15 min)

P22-146

Society for Pentecostal Studies
9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hyatt - Hanover B (Exhibit Level)
Theme: John Goldingay, The Theology of the Book of Isaiah
A Round Table Discussion of John Goldingay’s The Theology of the Book of Isaiah (IVP, 2014)
John Christopher Thomas, Pentecostal Theological Seminary, Presiding
Panelists:
Andrew Davies, University of Birmingham (15 min)
Chris E. W. Green, Pentecostal Theological Seminary (15 min)
Jacqueline Grey, Alphacrucis (15 min)
Rickie Moore, Lee University (15 min)
Break (15 min)
Responding:
John Goldingay, Fuller Theological Seminary (Pasadena) (30 min)
Discussion (45 min)
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S22-146a

SBL Syriac Literature and Interpretations of Sacred Texts Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hilton - Grand Salon B (Level 2)
Theme: Interpreting Texts, Producing and Performing Interpretations

Cynthia Villagomez, Winston-Salem State University, Presiding

Peter Martens, Saint Louis University
Rescuing God: Late Antique Exegetical Cultures in Alexandria and Antioch (20 min)

Erin Galgay Walsh, Duke University
The Elusive Esther: The Relationship of Esther and Mordecai within Syriac Biblical Interpretation (20 min)

Dina Boero, University of Southern California
Punctuated Progress: Narrative Organization in a Sixth-Century Version of the Syriac Life of Symeon the Stylite and Pilgrimage Performance at Symeon’s Cult Site (20 min)

Philip Michael Forness, Princeton Theological Seminary
Homilies in Circulation: Producers and Readers of Syriac Homily Collections in Late Antiquity (20 min)

David A. Michelson, Vanderbilt University
Syriac Monastic Reading: The Material Role of Texts in the Syriac Evagrian Tradition from John the Solitary to Isaac of Nineveh (20 min)

Responding:
Tina Shepardson, University of Tennessee, Knoxville (15 min)
Discussion (15 min)
Break (5 min)
Business Meeting (15 min)

S22-147/A22-121

SBL Theological Interpretation of Scripture Seminar

9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Marriott - A704 (Atrium Level)
Theme: Bonhoeffer as Theological Interpreter

This session is co-sponsored with the Bonhoeffer: Theology and Social Analysis Group (AAR). Papers will be read in their entirety. This session investigates aspects of Bonhoeffer as a theological interpreter of Christian scripture. Papers explore Bonhoeffer’s own exegetical practice and its application in particular cases, examine the role of exegesis in the construction of Bonhoeffer’s own distinctive theological positions, and consider Bonhoeffer’s understanding of scripture and its consequences for contemporary debates about theological exegesis.

Myk Habets, Carey Baptist College, Presiding (5 min)

R. Walter Moberly, University of Durham
Bonhoeffer’s “Creation and Fall” Revisited (25 min)

Tyler Atkinson, Bethany College (KS)
Bonhoeffer, Qoheleth, and the “Natural Joy of Bodily Life” (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Break (5 min)

Chris Dodson, University of Aberdeen
“The Person Who Receives Blessing... Must Also Suffer Much”: Dietrich Bonhoeffer, Wilhelm Herrmann, and a Hermeneutic of Suffering (25 min)

Derek W. Taylor, Duke University
Nonreligious and yet Theological: Bonhoeffer’s Interpretation in a World Come of Age (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)
Discussion (20 min)

S22-148

SBL Theological Perspectives on the Book of Ezekiel Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hyatt - Courtland (Atlanta Conference Level)
Theme: Heaven, Earth, and the Underworld: Spatial Conceptions in Ezekiel

This session is the first of a three year program on “Perspectives on Land, Landscape, and Cosmic Geography in Ezekiel”

Margaret Odell, Saint Olaf College, Presiding
Christopher B. Hays, Fuller Theological Seminary (Pasadena) and Sara Wells, Fuller Theological Seminary (Pasadena)
Gradations of Unholiness: The ‘Circles’ of Ezekiel’s Underworld (30 min)

Corrine Carvalho, University of Saint Thomas (Saint Paul, MN)
Ezekiel’s Sandbox: The Creation of Virtual Worlds in Ezekiel and Video Games (30 min)

Break (5 min)

Julia Rhyder, Université de Lausanne
Gates and Entrances in Ezekiel 40–48: The Mapping of Social Space (30 min)

Stephen L. Cook, Virginia Theological Seminary
The Shocking Severance from Sheol of Ezekiel’s Utopia (30 min)

Discussion (25 min)

P22-148a

Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion

9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hyatt - Centennial Ballroom Booth #1311 (Ballroom Level)
Theme: Grant Writing Conversations

Do you have a grant idea for a project on teaching and learning? Have you ever thought about applying for a Wabash Center grant? Do you have questions about our grant procedures and protocols, whether your project would qualify, or how your ideas might be shaped into an appropriate Wabash Center proposal? Come see us at our booth in the exhibit area on Sunday, Nov. 22 from 9:00 AM–11:30 AM to meet with one of the Wabash Center Staff. We are scheduling appointments ahead of time. Please write Trish Overpeck (overpecp@wabash.edu) to schedule a time to meet with us.
S22-149/A22-107

SBL What Next? Institutional Changes in Work/Life Balance
9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Marriott - M104 (Marquis Level)
Theme: Hosted by the SBL Committee on Status of Women in the Profession and the AAR Committee on Status of Women in the Profession

This panel is a part of a multi-year work/life balance project of the Committee on Status of Women in the Profession. The conversation will center around the possibilities and challenges of changing institutional culture and practices. As leaders of academic institutions, panelists will examine structural issues that prohibit and enhance work/life balance at the workplace and the academy.
In 2014, the Committee on Status of Women in the Profession hosted a conversation on navigating “relationships” in academic life. Papers from this session are published in the Religious Studies News “Not for Women Only” section. For more information on this project, go to: https://www.aarweb.org/worklife-balance-project.

Panelists:
- Angela Bauer-Levesque, Episcopal Divinity School
- Denise Buell, Williams College
- Elizabeth Conde-Frazier, Esperanza College
- April DeConick, Rice University
- Serene Jones, Union Theological Seminary in the City of New York
- Emilie Townes, Vanderbilt Divinity School

S22-150

SBL Writing/Reading Jeremiah Section
9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Marriott - M101 (Marquis Level)
Theme: Body and Embodiment in Jeremiah
Louis Stulman, University of Findlay, Presiding

Georg Fischer, Leopold-Franzens-Universität Innsbruck
The ‘Truth’ of the Body: Jeremiah’s Authentication as a Prophet by His Suffering (30 min)

Amy Kalmanofsky, Jewish Theological Seminary of America
Gender-Bending Jeremiah (30 min)

Mary Mills, Liverpool Hope University
Locating the Prophet: Political Geography in Jeremiah 26-28 (30 min)

Rhiannon Graybill, Rhodes College
When Bodies Meet: Fraught Companionship and Entangled Embodiment in Jeremiah (30 min)

Responding:
- Yvonne Sherwood, University of Kent at Canterbury (15 min)
- Discussion (15 min)

S22-151

SBL Review of Biblical Literature Editorial Board
9:30 AM–10:30 AM
Hyatt - 223 (Level 2)

S22-152/A22-147

SBL Student Lounge Roundtable
9:30 AM–11:00 AM
Hyatt - Hanover A (Exhibit Level)
Theme: Making Grading and Assessment Work for You
Hosted by the AAR Graduate Student Committee

P22-152a

Westar Institute
10:30 AM–11:30 AM
Hyatt - Embassy (International Tower Level LL2)
Theme: How to Read the Bible (Harvey Cox)
Please note that there is a $20 entry fee for this lecture. Many intelligent people do not know how to read the collection of songs, prayers, history, legend, annals, parables, poetry, and other genres we call the Bible. Though the Bible remains the world’s bestseller—frequently quoted, misquoted, interpreted and misinterpreted—it’s hard to know how many people actually read it. What is clear is that many who do find it frustrating and bewildering. And they often revert to an unreflective literal reading. Harvey Cox observes that the more educated one becomes, the less likely that is. He will explore the primary lenses—literary, historical, and practical—commonly used to bring the Bible into focus, revealing its rich diversity and meaning, and offering a contemporary activist version that wrestles with issues of feminism, war, homosexuality, and race.

S22-153/A22-148

SBL Student Lounge Roundtable
11:00 AM–12:30 PM
Hyatt - Hanover A (Exhibit Level)
Theme: Double-Dipping: Or, Maximizing Your Time
Hosted by the AAR Graduate Student Committee

S22-201

SBL Bible Odyssey Editorial Board
12:00 PM–1:30 PM
Hilton - 314 (Level 3)
S22-202
SBL Academic Teaching and Biblical Studies Section
1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Hyatt - University (Atlanta Conference Level)
Theme: Teaching Apocalyptic Literature
Apocalyptic literature is found in the Hebrew Bible, 2nd Temple Jewish Literature, the Christian New Testament, and in the writings of a variety of other religious and cultural groups both ancient and modern. Propose to present for 20 minutes on some aspect of teaching Apocalyptic literature. How do you help others learn in this topic area? Proposals should identify how pedagogical principles will be modeled and how audience members will be engaged in learning during the presentation experience. Please avoid simply reading a paper about pedagogy. Help the audience see and do how they can help others better learn with and about Apocalyptic literature.

Adam Porter, Illinois College, Presiding
Renate Hood, University of Mary Hardin-Baylor
Journeying through Heaven, Hail, and Hell with Jimmy Hendrix and Hollywood: Engaging Students in Apocalyptic Texts with Music and Movies (20 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Shayna Sheinfeld, Colgate University
Performing Apocalyptic Texts: A Case Study of the Eschatological Banquet from the Dead Sea Scrolls (20 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Anthony R. Petterson, Morling College
Teaching Apocalyptic Literature: Lessons from Zechariah (20 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Jeff Cate, California Baptist University
Learning from the Scribes: Using Variant Readings and Marginal Comments as Interpretive Tools for John's Apocalypse (20 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Gerald Stevens, New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary
Cognitive Dissonance as Pedagogical Strategy for John's Apocalypse (20 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Genevive Dibley, Rockford University
Using the Graphic Novel to Surface Students Latent Midrash (20 min)
Discussion (5 min)

Love L. Sechrest, Fuller Theological Seminary (Pasadena)
Knowing and Being Known: Hierarchy, Epistemic Injustice, and Paul's First Letter to Corinth (35 min)
Break (10 min)
Business Meeting (30 min)

S22-204
SBL Ancient Fiction and Early Christian and Jewish Narrative Section
1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Hilton - 214 (Level 2)
Theme: Exile, Alienation, and Travel

Janet Spittler, University of Virginia, Presiding
Jason S. Sturdevant, North Carolina State University
Going Places? Itineraries in the Apocryphal Acts (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Jennifer Barry, University of Michigan-Ann Arbor
Exilic Afterlives (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Andrew Knight-Messenger, McMaster University
Early Jewish Court Tale Narratives in light of the Dead Sea Scrolls (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)

S22-205
SBL Ancient Near Eastern Iconography and the Bible Section
1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Marriott - L404 (Lobby Level)
Theme: Broader Issues and Themes

Martin Klingbeil, Southern Adventist University, Presiding
Brent A. Srawn, Emory University
The Historical Psalms Iconographically Considered (30 min)
Discussion (15 min)
Christina Bosserman, Catholic University of America
Iconographic Illiteracy in the Hebrew Bible (30 min)
Discussion (15 min)

S22-203
SBL African-American Biblical Hermeneutics Section
1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Marriott - M303-M304 (Marquis Level)
Shively Smith, Wesley Theological Seminary, Presiding
Olugbenga Olagunju, Nigerian Baptist Theological Seminary
Jesus' Healing in Mark 8:22-26 in African Context (35 min)
Stacy Davis, Saint Mary's College (Notre Dame)
Beyond Male and Female: Same-Sex Imagery in Malachi 2 (35 min)

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Sunday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM
S22-206

**SBL Applied Linguistics for Biblical Languages Seminar / Global Education and Research Technology Section**

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Marriott - International B (International Level)

Theme: **Computer-Aided Language Acquisition for Greek and Hebrew**

After the session those interested are invited to join a group from GERT for a working meal & further discussion.

Helene Dallaire, Denver Seminary, Presiding

Daniel Streit, Houston Baptist University

Survey of Language Learning Software in the Acquisition of Ancient Languages (Greek & Hebrew) (30 min)

Oliver Glanz, Andrews University and Nicolai Winther-Nielsen, Fjellhaug Internasjonale Høgskole

The Bible Online Learner as an Effective and Open Source Biblical Language Learning Environment for Seminaries and Faculties of Theology (30 min)

Jonathan Robbie, B-Greek: The Biblical Greek Forum and Michael Palmer, Greek-Language.com

Systematically Generating Examples from a Syntactic Treebank for Internalizing Language (30 min)

David Joseph Sigrist, Trinity Western University

Overcoming Obstacles: Exploring Proposed Technological Solutions for Perceived Problems with Ancient Language Learning through Communicative Methods (30 min)

Discussion (30 min)

S22-207

**SBL Aramaic Studies Section / Syriac Literature and Interpretations of Sacred Texts Section**

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton - 403 (Level 4)

Theme: **Interpretations in the Jewish and Christian Traditions**

Ute Possekel, Harvard University, Presiding

James D. Moore, Brandeis University

"Pure and Peshitta": Leviticus and a Possible Proto-Syriac Dead Sea Scroll Manuscript (25 min)

Jonathan Loopstra, Capital University

Between a ‘Hard Rock’ and ‘Leviathan’: Syriac Writers Wrestle with the Peshitta of Job (25 min)

Miriam-Simma Walfish, Harvard University

The Eclipsing of Abraham in Syriac and Jewish Late Antique Liturgical Poetry (25 min)

Kristian Heal, Brigham Young University

‘As it is Written’: The Text of the Bible in the Syriac Narrative Poems on Joseph (25 min)

Jonathan Henry, Princeton University

Shubhalmaran’s Missing Apocalypses (25 min)

S22-208

**SBL Art and Religions of Antiquity Section**

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hyatt - Harris (Atlanta Conference Level)

Theme: **Book Review Panel Honoring Lee I. Levine’s, Visual Judaism in Late Antiquity: Historical Contexts of Jewish Art**

Lee Jefferson, Centre College, Presiding (5 min)

Panelists:

Marc Bregman, University of North Carolina at Greensboro (20 min)

Robin Jensen, Vanderbilt University (20 min)

Jodi Magness, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill (20 min)

Tom McCollough, Centre College (20 min)

Zeev Weiss, Hebrew University of Jerusalem (20 min)

Responding:

Lee Levine, Hebrew University of Jerusalem (10 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Business Meeting (25 min)

S22-209

**SBL Bible and Popular Culture Section**

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hyatt - Courtland (Atlanta Conference Level)

Theme: **Judgment, Castration, and Dying: Pop Goes Public**

Linda Schearing, Gonzaga University, Presiding

Sara M. Koenig, Seattle Pacific University

SERIAL: How the Story of Balaam Resembles That of Adnan Syed (30 min)

Spencer L. Allen, University of Pennsylvania

Logos and LEGO: Everything’s Not Awesome — The Brick Bible Controversy (30 min)

Charles M. Rix, Oklahoma Christian University

Deviance and Deliverance: Reading Rahab through Alan Turing’s Imitation “Game” (30 min)

Marvin Williams, Independent Scholar

Beyond Interpretive Boundaries: The Bible and Popular Music (30 min)

Phil Quanbeck, Augsburg College

The Closest Thing to a Bible: The Fault in Our Stars As Biblical Interpretation without a Bible (30 min)

S22-210

**SBL Bible in Secondary Schools Advisory Board**

1:00 PM–3:00 PM

Hyatt - Hanover C (Exhibit Level)
S22-211

SBL Christian Theology and the Bible Section
1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Marriott - International 5 (International Level)
Theme: Special Session on C.S. Lewis and the Bible

This session concentrates upon the relationship between biblical scholarship and the figure of C.S. Lewis. Lewis himself was a specialist in medieval and Renaissance English literature, yet he was well known even before his death (on the same day as John F. Kennedy) as an apologist for Christianity, an author of semi-popular theological studies, and a writer of fiction informed by the Bible. His work on the Bible and academic biblical scholarship appears mainly in essays and letters, in passing throughout his fiction and monographs, and in biblical imagery and allusions in various works. Of particular interest is his use of polyvalence and narrative to explore debated or complex questions, his reactionary dismissal of quests for the historical Jesus and much of the historical-critical method, and his integration of biblical themes with symbols and concepts from various diverse contexts. Lewis is a writer whose continuing impact upon various readerships is undeniable, though he is less celebrated among biblical scholars and theologians than among those outside these guilds. Investigation into how he both confirms and challenges the assumptions of standard biblical scholarship provides a helpful bridge between biblical scholars and the broader constituency that continues to appreciate his work.

Michael J. Gorman, Saint Mary’s Seminary and University, Presiding
Leslie Baynes, Missouri State University
Lewis vs. Bultmann: Myth as Fact or Fiction? (30 min)
Patrick Gray, Rhodes College
C.S. Lewis and the Historical Jesus in the Screwtape Letters (30 min)
Myk Habets, Carey Baptist College
Mere Christianity for Mere Gods: C.S. Lewis and Theosis (30 min)
Edith M. Humphrey, Pittsburgh Theological Seminary
Checking the Demon and Saying What’s to Be Said (30 min)

Responding:
Kevin Vanhoozer, Trinity Evangelical Divinity School (15 min)
Discussion (15 min)

S22-212

SBL Postcolonial Studies and Biblical Studies Section / Chronicles-Ezra-Nehemiah Section
1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Marriott - International 8 (International Level)
Theme: Postcolonial Perspectives on Ezra-Nehemiah

Sean Burt, North Dakota State University Main Campus, Presiding

Mark Brett, Whitley College
Imperial Authority and Exclusive Politics (15 min)
Daniel Smith-Christopher, Loyola Marymount University
Ezra, Mixed Marriage, and Contemporary Readings (15 min)
Tamara Cohn Eskenazi, Hebrew Union College - Jewish Institute of Religion (California Branch)
Ezra–Nehemiah and the Construction of Community (15 min)

Andrew E. Allgood, Brown University
"Thus I Purified Them from Everything Foreign": Purity Traditions and Postcolonial Perspectives in Ezra–Nehemiah (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Christopher M. Jones, Augustana College (IL)
Embedded Written Documents as Colonial Mimicry in Ezra–Nehemiah (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

S22-213

SBL Cognitive Linguistics in Biblical Interpretation Section
1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Hilton - 209 (Level 2)

Bonnie Howe, Dominican University of California, Presiding
Richard A. Rhodes, University of California-Berkeley
Metaphor, Collocation, and the Problem of ORTHOTOMEW (25 min)

Fredrick J. Long, Asbury Theological Seminary
Vital Relations and Major Structural Relationships: A Heuristic Approach to Observe and Explore Biblical and Other Discourse (25 min)

Elizabeth Currier, University of Wisconsin-Madison
More than Words: A Conceptual Approach to Wealth and Poverty and the Rich and the Poor in the Book of Proverbs (25 min)

Frederick S. Tappenden, McGill University
Embodying Resurrection: The Realism of Metaphor in Paul’s Somatic Ideals (25 min)

S22-214

SBL Current Historiography and Ancient Israel and Judah Section
1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Marriott - International 10 (International Level)

Ian Wilson, University of Alberta, Presiding
Andrew B. Tobolowsky, Brown University
"Knowledge Problems" and the Future of the Biblical Past (30 min)

Erin Fleming, Johns Hopkins University
Acusations of Sexual Misconduct in the David Narrative (30 min)

Ellen Lerner, Vanderbilt University
East Manasseh as a Historiographical Category (30 min)

William Luther Martin, Jr., University Presbyterian Church, Austin, TX
Reaction against Imperial Epistemological Influence as an Explanation of the Indictment of David (30 min)

Discussion (30 min)
S22-215

SBL Ecological Hermeneutics Section
1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Marriott - M108 (Marquis Level)

Theme: Hebrew Bible and Themes

Peter Trudinger, Flinders University, Presiding

Lubungu W’Ehusha, University of KwaZulu-Natal
Moving at the Pace of the Cattle: A Pastoralist Way of Relating to Nature in Genesis (30 min)

Brad Crowell, Drake University
King Solomon and the Biocolonialism of the Ancient Empires (30 min)

Daniel J. Stulac, Duke University
“Land, land, land!” Hearing Jeremiah’s Agrarian Lament in the Critique of Kings (30 min)

Laurie J. Braaten, Judson University (Elgin, Illinois)
Violence to Earth: Oppression and Impoverishment of Earth Community in Habakkuk (30 min)

Johannes Kleiner, Emory University
Resilience Thinking and the Hebrew Bible: A Pragmatic Dialogue in Times of Ecological Crises (30 min)

S22-216

SBL Extent of Theological Diversity in Earliest Christianity Seminar
1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Marriott - A706 (Atrium Level)

Theme: Orthodoxy and Heresy Reconsidered


James Ware, University of Evansville, Presiding (5 min)

Panelists:
Robert Royalty, Wabash College (20 min)
Paul Hartog, Faith Baptist Theological Seminary (20 min)

Responding:
Judith Lieu, University of Cambridge (15 min)
Jeffrey Peterson, Austin Graduate School of Theology (15 min)
Greg Carey, Lancaster Theological Seminary (15 min)

Discussion (60 min)

S22-217

SBL Formation of Isaiah Section
1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Hilton - 305 (Level 3)

Theme: The Making of the Book of Isaiah

Jacob Stromberg, Duke University, Presiding

Hugh G. M. Williamson, University of Oxford
The Josianic Edition of Isaiah: A Critical Examination (30 min)

Reinhard G. Kratz, Georg-August-Universität Göttingen
Too Many Hands? Isaiah 65–66 and the Formation of the Book of Isaiah (30 min)

Ronnie Goldstein, Hebrew University of Jerusalem
On Some Small Collections within Isaiah 1–39 and Their Composition (30 min)

Johannes Kleiner, Emory University
Resilience Thinking and the Hebrew Bible: A Pragmatic Dialogue in Times of Ecological Crises (30 min)

S22-218

SBL Gender, Sexuality, and the Bible Section
1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Hyatt - Spring (Atlanta Conference Level)

Harold Short, Florida State University
‘O Mother, Where Art Thou?’ On the Disappearance of the Mother from Julian’s Hymn to the Mother of the Gods (25 min)

Mika Ahuvia, University of Washington
Why Be an Angel When You Can Be a Goddess? Jewess Magic in Antiquity (25 min)

Ilona Rashkow, Stony Brook University
The Biblical Phallus... Who Wants It, Who Has It, Who Gets It, and How (25 min)

Abigail Rine, George Fox University
Genesis and Gender in the Work of Luce Irigaray (25 min)

David J. A. Clines, University of Sheffield
The Scandal of a Male Bible (25 min)

Discussion (25 min)
S22-219/P22-219

SBL Greco-Roman Religions Section / Society for Ancient Mediterranean Religions
1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Hyatt - Kennesaw (Atlanta Conference Level)
Theme: New Approaches in Social Sciences and the Study of Ancient Religion
Jeffrey Brodd, California State University - Sacramento, Presiding (5 min)
Megan Daniels, Stanford University
Religion, Cultural Evolution, and Axial Age Transitions: Investigating the Queen of Heaven in the Iron Age Mediterranean (20 min)
Sung Soo Hong, University of Texas at Austin
A Hybrid Agency in the Making of Hellenistic Judaism: 2 Maccabees as a Test Case (20 min)
Carmen Palmer, University of Toronto
The Language of "Brotherhood" in Ancient Mediterranean Groups: A Sign of Shared Kinship (20 min)
David Jorgensen, Colby College
Methodological Approaches to Orthodoxy and Heresy in Recent Scholarship (20 min)
Discussion (20 min)
Business Meeting (15 min)

S22-220

SBL Hellenistic Judaism Section
1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Marriott - A708 (Atrium Level)
Theme: Corpus Papyrorum Judaicarum, Part IV: Discussing Work in Progress on a New Volume of an Important Edition
Lutz Doering, Westfälische Wilhelms-Universität Münster, Presiding
Panelists:
Tal Ilan, Freie Universität Berlin (15 min)
Sofia Torallas Tovar, University of Chicago (20 min)
Peter van Minnen, University of Cincinnati (20 min)
Break (5 min)
Panelists:
Robert Kraft, University of Pennsylvania (20 min)
Robert Kugler, Lewis & Clark College (20 min)
Responding:
Noah Hacham, Hebrew University of Jerusalem (20 min)
Discussion (20 min)
Business Meeting (10 min)

S22-221

SBL International Meeting Program Committee
1:00 PM–3:00 PM
Hyatt - 223 (Level 2)

S22-222

SBL Intertextuality and the Hebrew Bible Consultation / Megilloth Consultation
1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Marriott - International A (International Level)
Theme: Review of Michael Fishbane’s Commentary on the Song of Songs
This is a joint session of the Megilloth consultation and Intertextuality and the Hebrew Bible consultation hosting a Book Review Panel on Michael Fishbane’s JPS Commentary on Song of Songs.
Paul Kim, Methodist Theological School in Ohio, Presiding (5 min)
Panelists:
Jonathan Kaplan, University of Texas at Austin (20 min)
Laura Lieber, Duke University (20 min)
Annette Schellenberg, Universität Wien (20 min)
Break (5 min)
Panelists:
Hava Samuelson, Arizona State University (20 min)
Barry Walfish, University of Toronto (20 min)
Responding:
Michael Fishbane, University of Chicago (20 min)
Discussion (20 min)

S22-223

SBL Intertextuality in the New Testament Section
1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Hilton - 306 (Level 3)
Theme: Intertextuality in Mark, Matthew and Galatians
Alice Yafeh-Deigh, Azusa Pacific University, Presiding
Julie M. Smith, Independent Scholar
A Double Portion: An Intertextual Reading of Hannah (1 Samuel 1–2) and Mark’s Greek Woman (Mark 7:24–30) (20 min)
Discussion (10 min)
Mateus de Campos, University of Cambridge
The ‘Sign from Heaven’ and the ‘Bread from Heaven’: Echoes of the Manna Tradition in Mark 8:10–13 (20 min)
Discussion (10 min)
Gary A. Phillips, Wabash College
Eye for an I: Intertextuality, Lex Talionis, and the Call of Justice (20 min)
Discussion (10 min)
Gary Michael, University of Aberdeen
Divorce and Remarriage in Deut 24:1–4 and Matt 19:3–9 (20 min)
Discussion (10 min)
S22-224

SBL Israelite Religion in Its West Asian Environment Section
1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Marriott - M109 (Marquis Level)
Simeon Chavel, University of Chicago, Presiding
Jessie DeGrado, University of Chicago
*The qedeshot in Hos 4:14 and the Myth of the Sacred Prostitute* (25 min)
Discussion (10 min)
Helen Dixon, North Carolina State University
*Cakes for the Queen(s) of Heaven: Women’s Worship in Phoenicia and Israel* (25 min)
Discussion (10 min)
Adam Strich, Harvard University
*Recasting the Sea: The Weaponization of Water in Exodus 15* (25 min)
Discussion (10 min)
Brian R. Doak, George Fox University
*Aniconic Non-Images in Iron Age Phoenicia and Israel: Theoretical Considerations and Comparative Avenues* (25 min)
Discussion (10 min)

S22-225

SBL Jesus Traditions, Gospels, and Negotiating the Roman Imperial World Section
1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Hilton - 202 (Level 3)
Theme: Resistance and Accommodation to Roman Rule
Elizabeth Arnold, Emory University
*Humanity’s Native Son: A Postcolonial Reading of Luke 8.26–39* (30 min)
Nicholas Perrin, Wheaton Graduate School (Illinois)
*What Caesar Has Coming to Him: Another Look at Mark 12:13–17* (30 min)
Gilberto A. Ruiz, Loyola University New Orleans
*What Is Pilate So Afraid of in John 19:8?* (30 min)
Robert D. Heaton, University of Denver / Iliff School of Theology
*Christian Heresiology in Context: Religio, Supersticio, and Roman Rhetoric of Difference* (30 min)
John Rogers, Union Theological Seminary in the City of New York
*Persecuted Healers: The Letter of Peter to Philip and Its Roman Imperial Context* (30 min)

P22-228

Linguistic, Literary, and Thematic Perspectives on the Qur’anic Corpus (IQSA)
1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Marriott - M105 (Marquis Level)
Theme: Surat al-Baqara (Q2)
Anne-Sylvie Boisliveau, Sorbonne Universités (Paris), Presiding
Shawkat M. Toorawa, Cornell University
*Rhyme and Soundscape in Q Baqarah 2* (20 min)
Marianna Klar, SOAS University of London
*Structural Seams in Surat al-Baqarah* (20 min)
Joseph E. Lowry, University of Pennsylvania
*Law and Literary Form in Sura 2/al-Baqara, Considered with Reference to Other Long Medinan Suras* (20 min)
Break (10 min)
Sarra Tlili, University of Florida
*The Gnat and the Elephant* (20 min)
Hamza M. Zafer, University of Washington
*The Ummah Pericope (Q2:104-123)* (20 min)
Responding:
Mehdi Azaiez, Katholieke Universiteit Leuven (30 min)
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S22-229
SBL Mind, Society, and Religion in the Biblical World Section
1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Hyatt - Hanover D (Exhibit Level)
Theme: Cooperation, Manipulation, and Violence: Evolutionary Perspectives on Ancient Texts
Risto Uro, University of Helsinki, Presiding
Yitzhaq Feder, University of Haifa
Defilement and Moral Discourse in the Hebrew Bible: An Evolutionary Framework (40 min)
Istvan Czachesz, Ruprecht-Karls-Universität Heidelberg
Morality after Empathy? Current Trends in the Cognitive and Neuroscientific Study of Empathy and Their Implications for Biblical Interpretation (40 min)
Break (5 min)
Responding:
Thomas Kazen, Stockholm School of Theology (20 min)
Colleen Shantz, Toronto School of Theology (20 min)
Discussion (25 min)

S22-230
SBL Nag Hammadi and Gnosticism Section
1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Hilton - 204 (Level 2)
Theme: Eros and Ascent
John Turner, University of Nebraska - Lincoln, Presiding
Harold Attridge, Yale University
Seeing the Invisible, Knowing the Unknowable: Philo's Ascent to God (30 min)
Zeke Mazur, Université Laval
The Orphic Eros–Phanes, Platonizing Sethian Ascent Tractates, and the Mysterious Figure of Amelius Gentilianus (30 min)
Mark Edwards, University of Oxford
Solomon's Kiss from Origen to the Later Middle Ages (30 min)
Discussion (30 min)

P22-231
National Association of Professors of Hebrew
1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Hyatt - Baker (Atlanta Conference Level)
Theme: Prophetic Literature
Marvin Sweeney, Claremont School of Theology, Presiding
Matthew Hamilton, Carson-Newman College in Tennessee
The Role of the Divine Warrior: Isaiah 42:13–17 in light of the Comparative Literature (25 min)
Emmanuel Ukagbu-Onuoha, Claremont Graduate University
Coping with Multi-Roles in Prophetic Traditions: The Case of Jeremiah Literature (25 min)
Soo J. Kim, Claremont School of Theology
Was Ezekiel a Messenger? A Manager? Or a Moving Sanctuary? A Beckettian Reading in the Inquiry of the Divine Presence (25 min)
Penelope Barter, University of St. Andrews
Inquiring of YHWH in the Book of Ezekiel (25 min)
Kyoung Sik Park, Claremont School of Theology
Assyria Cannot Save Us: Socio-Political Reading of Hosea's Metaphors and Proclamations (25 min)
Jeffery M. Leonard, Samford University
The Prophets and Israel's Early Historical Traditions (25 min)

S22-232
SBL Navigating the Alternative Academic Job Market
1:00 PM–2:30 PM
Hyatt - Hanover E (Exhibit Level)
Hilary Lipka, University of New Mexico, Presiding
Panelists:
Dan Alig, Upper School Principal, The Lovett School
Joanne Brzinski, Senior Associate Dean for Undergraduate Education, College of Arts and Sciences, Emory University
Sarah Peterson, Program Coordinator for Academic & Student Affairs, Laney Graduate School, Emory University

S22-233
SBL Papyrology and Early Christian Backgrounds Section
1:00 PM–3:45 PM
Hyatt - Inman (Atlanta Conference Level)
Theme: Miscellanea Papyrologica
Lincoln Blumell, Brigham Young University, Presiding
Michael Theophilos, Australian Catholic University
Marginalia in New Testament Greek Papyri: Implications for Scribal Practice and Textual Transmission (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)
AnneMarie Luijendijk, Princeton University
Demography, Onomastics, and the Christian Population of Oxyrhynchus in the Third and Fourth Centuries (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Hans Foerster, Universität Wien
Rethinking P.Hev/Se 13 and P.Yadin 18 and the Social and Legal Contexts of Mark 10:12 (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Matthias H. O. Schulz, Universität Wien
Where Past and Present Meet: Papyri and Parchments Illuminating Coptic–Orthodox Liturgical Traditions (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)
### S22-234

**SBL Pauline Epistles Section**

1:00 PM–3:30 PM  
Hilton - 207 (Level 2)

Emma Wasserman, Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey, Presiding

- Torsten Jantsch, Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München  
- Katy E. Valentine, First Christian Church (Chico, CA)  
  *Marriage of Self-Control? Rereading 1 Corinthians 7* (25 min)
- Stephen C. Carlson, Australian Catholic University  
  *Creation and Head Coverings: Another Look at 1 Corinthians 11:15* (25 min)
- Brian J. Robinson, Fuller Theological Seminary  
  *“Be a [subordinate] man”: Paul’s Subordinate Masculinity in 1 Corinthians within a Hellenistic Jewish Milieu* (25 min)
- Michael Flexsenhar III, The University of Texas at Austin  
  *Echoes in the Praetorium: Place, People, and Prospects in Phlm 1:13* (25 min)

### S22-235

**SBL Pauline Soteriology Seminar**

1:00 PM–3:30 PM  
Marriott - A602 (Atrium Level)

Theme: **Paul, Poverty, and the Powers**

Richard Hays, Duke University, Presiding

- Bruce W. Longenecker, Baylor University  
  *Malignant Forces, Perpetual Poverty, and the Body of Christ: Theologizing toward an Eschatological Reality* (30 min)
- Robert Moses, High Point University  
  *Paul, Poverty, and the Powers: The Body of Christ as Response* (30 min)

 **Break** (10 min)

Responding:  
- A. Grieb, Virginia Theological Seminary (15 min)
- Luke Bretherton, Duke University (15 min)

 **Discussion** (50 min)

### S22-236

**SBL Pentateuch Section**

1:00 PM–3:30 PM  
Marriott - A701 (Atrium Level)

Theme: **Perspectives on the Hagar and Ishmael Stories**

Athalya Brenner-Idan, Universiteit van Amsterdam, Presiding

- Yairah Amit, Tel Aviv University  
  *Hagar and Ishmael: The Importance and the Meaning of Their Stories* (25 min)
- Robert Moses, High Point University  
  *Paul, Poverty, and the Powers: The Body of Christ as Response* (30 min)
- Shalom M. Paul, Hebrew University of Jerusalem  
  *The Legal Dossier of the Ishmael Periscopes* (25 min)

 **Break** (10 min)

- Yael Shemesh, Bar-Ilan University  
  *The Stories about Abraham, Sarah, and Hagar (Genesis 16 and 21) from a Gender Perspective* (25 min)

 **Discussion** (50 min)

### S22-237

**SBL Philo of Alexandria Seminar**

1:00 PM–3:30 PM  
Marriott - International 4 (International Level)

Theme: **Philo & the History of Interpretation**

Seminar papers will be available on-line at [http://torreys.org/philo_seminar_papers/](http://torreys.org/philo_seminar_papers/)

Sarah Pearce, University of Southampton, Presiding

- Nelida Naveros Cordova, Loyola University of Chicago  
  *The Greek Philosophical Tradition in Philo’s Ethical Teaching: Eusebeia for the Service of God and Human Beings* (25 min)
- Frank Shaw, Ashland University  
  *An Onomastic History: What Can Philo Provide?* (25 min)
- Michael Francis, University of Notre Dame  
  *Voluntary and Involuntary Sin and the Allegory of the Soul in Philo* (25 min)

 **Break** (10 min)

- Ludovica De Luca, Università degli studi Roma Tre  
  *The Bronze Snake according to Philo of Alexandria in Legum allegoriae II, 79–81* (25 min)
- Justin M. Rogers, Freed-Hardeman University  
  *The Reception of Philonic Arithmetical Exegetics in Didymus the Blind’s Commentary on Genesis* (25 min)

 **Discussion** (15 min)
S22-238

SBL Poverty in the Biblical World Section
1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Hilton - 210 (Level 2)

Theme: Biblical Law Codes: Aiding or Manipulating the Poor?
This is a round table “working session” to enable a more critical discussion of key HB texts on issues of poverty, such as Deuteronomy 15:1-11 and Leviticus 25 in literary and historical context. The session is open. Speakers are invited.

Katharine Sakenfeld, Princeton Theological Seminary, Presiding (5 min)

Douglas A. Knight, Vanderbilt University
“There will never cease to be poor in the land”: The Politics of Poverty in Ancient Israel (30 min)

Jack M. Sasson, Vanderbilt University
Reflections on Royal Economic Interventions in the Mari Age (15 min)

Stephen Cook, Virginia Theological Seminary
Reflections on Deuteronomy, Dearth, and Debt (15 min)

Responding:
Harold V. Bennett, Morehouse College (5 min)
Marvin Chaney, San Francisco Theological Seminary (5 min)
Kelly Jean Murphy, Central Michigan University (5 min)

Discussion (70 min)

S22-239

SBL Prophetic Texts and Their Ancient Contexts Seminar
1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Hilton - 212 (Level 2)

Theme: Prophecy and Ritual Dimensions

Hanna Tervanotko, Helsingin Yliopisto - Helsingfors Universitet, Presiding

Mark Leuchter, Temple University
Ritualising Levitical Prophets (15 min)

Marian Broida, Gustavus Adolphus College
Prophetic Intercession: What Do We Think the Prophets Were Doing? (15 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Discussion (15 min)

Jonathan Stökl, King’s College London
Ready or Not, Here I Come: Triggering Prophecy in the Hebrew Bible (15 min)

Discussion (5 min)

John Hilber, Grand Rapids Theological Seminary
Prophetic Ritual in the Egyptian Royal Cult (15 min)

Discussion (15 min)

Zohar Hadromi-Allouche, University of Aberdeen
Perennial Ritual: The Prophet Adam, Founder of Islam (15 min)

Discussion (25 min)

S22-240

SBL Pseudepigrapha Section
1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Marriott - M101 (Marquis Level)

Theme: Pseudepigrapha and Method
Randall Chesnutt, Pepperdine University, Presiding

Uta Heil, Universität Wien
A Mixture of Error and Purpose: Pseudepigrapha among the Writings of the Church Fathers (25 min)

Nicholas A. Elder, Marquette University
On Transcription and Oral Transmission in Aseneth: A Study of the Narrative’s Conception (25 min)

Gavin McDowell, Ecole Pratique des Hautes Etudes
A New Perspective on the Pseudepigrapha: The “Matter of Israel” (25 min)

Benjamin Wright III, Lehigh University
Old Testament Pseudepigrapha, the Scrolls, and Early Judaism as a Scholarly Category (25 min)

Eva Mroczek, Indiana University (Bloomington)
How the Forger Became an Exegete: Value Judgments and Publishing the Pseudepigrapha (25 min)

Matthias Henze, Rice University
How Do the Pseudepigrapha Change the Way We Read Early Jewish Literature? (25 min)

S22-241

SBL Reading, Theory, and the Bible Section
1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Hilton - 301 (Level 3)

Theme: Trauma, Sovereignty and the Political Body
Jason Coker, Albertus Magnus College, Presiding (3 min)

Sarah Emanuel, Drew University
Trauma and Counter Trauma in the Book of Esther: Reading the Megillah in the Face of the Post-Shoah Sabra (25 min)

Lindsey M. Guy, Drew University
Walled City, Waning Sovereignty: The New Jerusalem and the Process of Unbelonging (25 min)

Robert J. Myles, University of Auckland
The Rhetorical Quest of “Subversion” in New Testament Studies (25 min)

Matthew James Ketchum, Rutgers
Haunting Empty Tombs: Specters of Empire and Jesus in the Gospel of Mark (25 min)

Karen Langton, Brite Divinity School/Texas Christian University
Contours of the pregnant female body in the childbirth metaphor (25 min)

Discussion (20 min)
S22-242

SBL Redescribing Early Christianity Seminar
1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Hyatt - Hanover G (Exhibit Level)
Theme: The Concept of Time in the Study of Early Christianity
Please contact Barry Crawford (barry.crawford@washburn.edu) to receive papers before the meeting.
Barry Crawford, Washburn University, Presiding
Erin Roberts, University of South Carolina
Social Theory, the Concept of Time, and Early Christian Discourse (10 min)
Patrick G. McCullough, University of California, Los Angeles
Origins and Eschaton: Theological Problems of “the End” in Christian Beginnings among New Testament Scholars (10 min)
Robyn Walsh, University of Miami
Jesus and the Anachronistic Origins of Christianity (10 min)
Responding:
William Arnal, University of Regina (30 min)
Break (15 min)
Discussion (75 min)

S22-243

SBL Sabbath in Text and Tradition Seminar
1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Hilton - 313 (Level 3)
Theme: Sabbath, Rest, and Holiness
Denis Fortin, Andrews University, Presiding
    Mathilde Frey, Adventist International Institute of Advanced Studies
    The Sabbath as Revelation of God (20 min)
Responding:
    Ginger Hanks Harwood, La Sierra University (10 min)
Discussion (10 min)
    Moon Kwon Chae, Baylor University
    The Elevation of the Sabbath by the Holiness Writers: The Juxtaposition of the Sabbath with the Sanctuary and Its Further Development in relation to the Holy Land and People (20 min)
Responding:
    Daniel Timmer, University of Sudbury (10 min)
Discussion (10 min)
    Erhard H. Gallos, Andrews University
    What “Rest” Remains? A Close Reading of Hebrews 4 (20 min)
Responding:
    Carl Mosser, University of Notre Dame (10 min)
Discussion (10 min)
Discussion (30 min)

S22-244

SBL Scripture in Early Judaism and Christianity Section
1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Hilton - 303 (Level 3)
Theme: Land, Promise, and Apocalypse
Mark Reagon, Marian University (Indianapolis)
Michael T. Graham Jr., Southern Baptist Theological Seminary
An Examination of Paul’s Use of Ps 51:4 in Rom 3:4 and Its Implications on Rom 3:1–8 (30 min)
Scott C. Ryan, Baylor University
Apocalyptic Conflict and the Divine Warrior in the Letter to the Romans: An Inquiry into Paul’s Use of a Motif (30 min)
Carla Swafford Works, Wesley Theological Seminary
The Galatian Heirs: “Children of the Promise” (30 min)
Christine Landau, University of Virginia
Scripture and Agriculture in Early Rabbinic and Christian Monastic Communities (30 min)

S22-245

SBL Social History of Formative Christianity and Judaism Section / Religious World of Late Antiquity Section
1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Hilton - 315 (Level 3)
Blake Leyerle, University of Notre Dame, Presiding (5 min)
Panelists:
    Shahzad Bashir, Stanford University (25 min)
    Naomi Kolunt-Fromm, Haverford College (25 min)
    Erich Gruen, University of California-Berkeley (25 min)
    Elaine Pagels, Princeton University (25 min)
Responding:
    Robert Gregg, Stanford University (20 min)
Discussion (25 min)

S22-246/A22-201

SBL Student Lounge Roundtable
1:00 PM–2:30 PM
Hyatt - Hanover A (Exhibit Level)
Theme: Balancing Graduate School with Life: Work, Life, Identity, and Family
Hosted by the AAR Graduate Student Committee

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### S22-247

**SBL Texts and Traditions in the Second Century Consultation**

1:00 PM–3:30 PM  
Hyatt - Techwood (Atlanta Conference Level)

**Theme:** Texts and People in the Second Century

Benjamin White, Clemson University, Presiding  
Chris Keith, St Mary’s University (Twickenham)

*Early Christian Identity and Public Reading of the Gospels* (25 min)

**Discussion (5 min)**

- H. Clifton Ward, Durham University  
  *‘The Scriptures Are Not Insignificant’: Reading Techniques in the Epistle to Diognetus and Alexandrian Textual Culture* (25 min)

**Discussion (5 min)**

- Stephanie Cobb, University of Richmond  
  *Funny Martyrs: Examining the Function of Humor in Early Christian Martyr Texts* (25 min)

**Discussion (5 min)**

- B. Diane Lipsett, Salem College  
  *Subverting Households to Form Them: Ignatius and Tertullian on Consent to Marry* (25 min)

**Discussion (5 min)**

- Julia Konstantinovsky, University of Oxford  
  *Justin Martyr in Modern Historiography: A Case of Patristic Retrieval in the 21st Century* (25 min)

**Discussion (5 min)**

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### S22-247a

**SBL Textual Criticism of the Hebrew Bible Section**

1:00 PM–3:30 PM  
Marriott - L401-L403 (Lobby Level)

**Theme:** Biblical Quotations and Allusions in the War Scroll

Ingrid Lilly, Pacific School of Religion  
*The Book of Ezekiel in the War Scroll* (15 min)

Russell E. Fuller, University of San Diego  
*Quotations of the Minor Prophets in the War Scroll* (15 min)

Bennie Reynolds, Millsaps College  
*The Text of Torah Books in the War Scroll* (15 min)

Donald Parry, Brigham Young University  
*The Book of Isaiah in the War Scroll* (15 min)

Brian Schultz, Fresno Pacific University  
*Redaction and Quotation in the War Scroll* (15 min)

Armin Lange, Universität Wien  
*Quotations and Allusions to the Book of Jeremiah in the War Scroll* (15 min)

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### P22-249

**The Qur’an and the Biblical Tradition (IQSA)**

1:00 PM–3:30 PM  
Marriott - M103 (Marquis Level)

**Presiding:** Cornelia Horn, Eberhard Karls Universität Tübingen  
**Presiding:** Holger Zellentin, University of Nottingham

Gabriel Said Reynolds, University of Notre Dame  
*Noah’s Lost Son* (30 min)

George Archer, Georgetown University  
*And on the Seventh Day, He Sat Down: The Qur’an, the Sabbath, and the Throne of God* (30 min)

Holger Zellentin, University of Nottingham  
*Repetition, Structure, and Meaning in the Talmud and in the Quran* (30 min)

Thomas Hoffman, Københavns Universitet  
*"In God’s Way": A Path-breaking Metaphor in the Qur’an and Its Biblical Genealogies* (30 min)
P22-249a

Westar Institute  
1:00 PM–3:30 PM  
Hyatt - Embassy (International Tower Level LL2)  
Theme: If Jesus is God, what God is he? (Jack Miles)  
Please note that there is a $40 entry fee for this event. After 9/11/2001, certain fundamentalist Christians denied that the Allah of the Qur'an could be equated with the God of the Bible. Nineteen hundred years earlier, as the biblical canons were coming into being, Marcion of Sinope denied that the God of the Jewish Scriptures could be equated with the God of Jesus Christ. The nascent church rejected Marcion's own rejection of what became the Old Testament as well as much of what became the New Testament. Later Christianity, however, has never come to terms with his reasoning—namely, that the character of the deity is so different in these two scriptures as to be incompatible. Jack Miles will explore how we might address that disparity today, though doing so, he warns, must entail a kind of farewell to the Jesus of history.

S22-250

SBL Women in the Biblical World Section  
1:00 PM–3:30 PM  
Marriott - M102 (Marquis Level)  
Yolanda Norton, Vanderbilt University, Presiding  
Doris Enede, Kogi State University  
The Nameless African Wife of Potiphar: An African Reading of Genesis 39 (30 min)  
Yigal Levin, Bar-Ilan University  
Understanding Athaliah (30 min)  
Rachel Adelman, Hebrew College  
“The Distaff of Silence”: A Gender Reading of the Esther and Joseph Narratives in the Hebrew Bible (30 min)  
Kerry M. Sonia, Brown University  
The Exclusion of Women from Israelite Ancestor Cult: Some Considerations (30 min)  
Dorothea Bertschmann, University of Durham  

S22-250a

SBL Educational Resources and Review Committee  
2:00 PM–4:00 PM  
Marriott - L502 (Lobby Level)

S22-251

SBL Writings from the Ancient World Editorial Board  
2:00 PM–4:00 PM  
Hyatt - 223 (Level 2)

S22-252/A22-238

SBL Student Lounge Roundtable  
2:30 PM–4:00 PM  
Hyatt - Hanover A (Exhibit Level)  
Theme: Writing in Community: How a Writing Group Can Enhance Your Thesis or Dissertation  
Hosted by the AAR Graduate Student Committee

S22-253/A22-252

SBL Employment Workshops  
3:00 PM–4:30 PM  
Sheraton - Valdosta (Level 2)  
Theme: Developing a Public Voice and Making a Living from It

S22-254/A22-265

SBL Religious Experience in Antiquity Section  
3:00 PM–4:30 PM  
Marriott - International 9 (International Level)  
Theme: Religion, Emotion, and Cognition  
Joint session with Cognitive Science of Religion Group (AAR) and Religion, Affect, and Emotion Group (AAR) and Science, Technology, and Religion Group (AAR). How can recent approaches from the natural and social sciences help scholars of religion to better understand the crossing of emotion, belief, and experience? How do cultural forces interact with the cognitive and emotive dimensions of religion to shape it? How do religions use emotion to cultivate the believing religious subject? Is there room for a model of self and subjectivity that goes beyond self-cultivation? What are the distinct benefits and limitations to conceptualizing religious belief in these ways? The papers in this session explore interactions between religion, cognition, and emotion from a variety of perspectives rooted in the empirical sciences.

Whitney Bauman, Florida International University, Presiding  
Michael Spezio, Scripps College, Andrea Beckum, Fuller Theological Seminary (Pasadena), Warren Brown, Fuller Theological Seminary (Pasadena), Mark Graves, Fuller Theological Seminary (Pasadena), Kevin Reimer, University of California-Irvine and Shaina Smith, Fuller Theological Seminary (Pasadena)  
Religion, Emotion & Belief in Self-Identity Narratives of L’Arche Caring Exemplars (15 min)  
Niki Clements, Rice University  
Ritual Reading and Affective Shaping: John Cassian and Late Antique Technologies of the Self (15 min)  
Zaid Adhami, Duke University  
Reflexive Self-Awareness in Religious Belief? American Muslim Responses to Cognitive Dissonance (15 min)
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Sunday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

S22-301

SBL “A Wild Patience Has Taken Me this Far”: Future Avenues of Feminist Scholarship
4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Marriott - A602 (Atrium Level)
Theme: Hosted by the Student Advisory Board
Scholars employing a feminist hermeneutic have advanced the fields of Jewish Studies and Early Christianity while pioneering the new field of Late Antiquity. This session hopes to foster a conversation about the various ways that the feminist lens has been applied to Jewish and Christian texts of Late Antiquity while keeping an eye to what future avenues lie still unexplored. What questions have not been answered? What challenges remain for female scholars in these fields? How can our scholarship speak to Feminist political causes today and in the future? It is our hope that this panel can provide graduate students and young scholars with an opportunity to engage established scholars from a variety of backgrounds to engage these pressing concerns.

Erin G. Walsh, Duke University, and Krista Dalton, Columbia University in the City of New York, Presiding
Panelists:
   Elizabeth Castelli, Barnard College
   Kate Cooper, University of Manchester
   Sarit Kattan Gribetz, Fordham University
   Marjorie S. Lehman, Jewish Theological Seminary of America
   Caroline Schroeder, University of the Pacific
   Kimberly Stratton, Carleton University
Responding:
   Elizabeth A. Clark, Duke University
   Charlotte Fonrobert, Stanford University

S22-302

SBL African Biblical Hermeneutics Section
4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Marriott - A704 (Atrium Level)
Theme: Celebrating the Scholarship of Late Professor Justin Ukpong
Kenneth Ngwa, Drew Theological School, Presiding
Gregory Cuellar, Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary
Madipoane Masenya (ngwan'a Mphahlele), University of South Africa
Ruminating on Ukpong’s Inculturation Hermeneutics and Its Implications for the Study of African Biblical Hermeneutics (30 min)
R.S. Wafula, Luther College
What Will Justin S. Ukpong Say Today? Contemporizing African Contextual Hermeneutics (30 min)
Andrew M. Mbui, Shaw University
African Biblical Hermeneutics: Retrospect and Prospect (30 min)

S22-302a

SBL Bible and Cultural Studies Section / African-American Biblical Hermeneutics Section / Minoritized Criticism and Biblical Interpretation Seminar
4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Marriott - M109 (Marquis Level)
Theme: The Bible, Immigration Detention and Mass Incarceration in the New South
Horacio Vela, University of Notre Dame, Presiding
Gregory Cuellar, Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary
Art Therapy and the Biblical Exile: Detained Refugee Central American Children and Youth Draw Their Homeland and Journey Experiences (20 min)
Arminta Fox, Drew University
Decentering Paul, Contextualizing Crimes (20 min)
Stephen Breck Reid, Baylor University
The Trouble with Remembering Zion: A Look at Psalm 137 (20 min)
Erin Runions, Pomona College
In Whose Interest? Biblical Christianity and the Prison Industrial Complex (20 min)
Asante Todd, Vanderbilt University
The Bible in the Regime of Mass Incarceration: Reflections on the Bible from a Christian Ethicist (20 min)

S22-303

SBL Asian and Asian-American Hermeneutics Seminar
4:00 PM–5:45 PM
Hyatt - Hanover C (Exhibit Level)
Monica Melanchthon, University of Divinity, Presiding (5 min)
Panelists:
   Maia Kotrosits, Denison University (20 min)
   Tat-siong Benny Liew, College of the Holy Cross (20 min)
   Mitzi Smith, Ashland Theological Seminary (20 min)
   Seung-Ai Yang, Chicago Theological Seminary (20 min)
Responding:
   Jin Young Choi, Colgate Rochester Crozer Divinity School (20 min)
S22-304

SBL Assyriology and the Bible Section
4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Marriott - International A (International Level)
Theme: Mesopotamian Literature and the Bible I
JoAnn Scurlock, Elmhurst College, Presiding (5 min)
Bronson Brown-deVost, Brandeis University
the Use of Reference Works in Mesopotamian and Qumran Commentaries (20 min)
Zackary Wainer, Brown University
Canonization and the Cuneiform Commentary Tradition Reconsidered (20 min)
Ryan Conrad Davis, University of Texas at Austin
Dangerous Audience Scenes in the Hebrew Bible and Mesopotamia as Background to Dingiršadibba Prayers (20 min)
Amy L. Balogh, University of Denver & Iliff School of Theology
Circumcising the Mouth of Moses: A New Comparative Method for the Fields of Assyriology and Biblical Studies (20 min)
J. N. Reid, New York University
Sumerian Love Poetry: A New Manuscript of Šu-Suen B (20 min)
Bezalel Porten, Hebrew University of Jerusalem
Akkadian Names in Aramaic Documents from Ancient Egypt (20 min)
Discussion (25 min)

S22-305

SBL Bible and Emotion Section
4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Marriott - A706 (Atrium Level)
Theme: Toward a Biblical Theology of Joy
Matthew Croasmun, Yale University, Presiding
Gary Anderson, University of Notre Dame (25 min)
Samuel Balentine, Union Presbyterian Seminary (25 min)
Stephen Barton, University of Durham (25 min)
Michal Beth Dinkler, Yale Divinity School (25 min)
Responding:
Miroslav Volf, Yale University (25 min)
Discussion (25 min)

S22-306

SBL Bible and Film Section
4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Marriott - International B (International Level)
Theme: From Genesis to Revelation: Rethinking the Field of Bible and Film
Matthew Rindge, Gonzaga University, Presiding
Anne Moore, University of Calgary
How to Define the Bible within the Study of Bible and Film? (40 min)
Ruth A. Broyer, University of Wisconsin
The Contribution of Prototype Theory and Diachrony to a Synchronic Understanding of Prepositions (30 min)
Constantine R. Campbell, Trinity Evangelical Divinity School
Greek Prepositions and New Testament Exegesis (30 min)
Discussion (45 min)

S22-307

SBL Biblical Ethics Section
4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Hilton - 305 (Level 3)
Theme: Law and Love - Justice and Mercy
Mariam Kamell, Regent College, Presiding
Erbele-Kuester Dorothea, Johannes Gutenberg-Universität Mainz
Love by Order? The Concept of Love in Law Texts in the Hebrew Bible (20 min)
Jens-Christian Maschmeier, Ruhr-Universität Bochum
Love and Justice/Judgement in Paul and in Matthew (20 min)
Pieter G. R. de Villiers, University of the Free State
Love and Law in the Letter to the Romans (20 min)
Discussion (10 min)

S22-308

SBL Biblical Greek Language and Linguistics Section
4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Hilton - 202 (Level 2)
Theme: A Preposition You Can’t Refuse
This session is dedicated to Greek prepositions. The history of preposition scholarship, linguistic theories, and issues of exegesis will be addressed.
Jonathan M. Watt, Geneva College
From Adams (1885) to Zimmerman (2003): In, With, and Under the Elements of Prepositions (15 min)
Stanley E. Porter, McMaster Divinity College
Greek Prepositions, Processes, and Cases in an SFL Framework (30 min)
Steven E. Runge, Logos Bible Software
The Contribution of Prototype Theory and Diachrony to a Synchronic Understanding of Prepositions (30 min)
Constantine R. Campbell, Trinity Evangelical Divinity School
Greek Prepositions and New Testament Exegesis (30 min)
Discussion (45 min)
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S22-309

SBL Biblical Hebrew Poetry Section
4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Hilton - 204 (Level 2)
Carol Dempsey, University of Portland, Presiding
May Young, Trinity International University
The Function of Lamentations 5: A New Proposal (30 min)
Elaine James, Saint Catherine University
The Loud World: Silence and Speech in Psalm 65 (30 min)
Nicholas R. Verse, Baylor University
Polysemy and Hidden Nuances in the opening of Obadiah’s Oracle Against Edom (30 min)
Jeffery M. Leonard, Samford University
Prosaic Poetry: Considering the Poetic Styles of Israel’s Historical Psalms (30 min)
Aaron Demsky, Bar-Ilan University
The Abecedary as a Literary Device in Biblical Poetry (30 min)

S22-310

SBL Book of Acts Section / Gospel of Luke Section
4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Marriott - M303-M304 (Marquis Level)
Brittany Wilson, Duke University, Presiding
Gay Byron, Howard University
Carl Holladay, Emory University
Acts, Christians, and the Third Race: Harnack Revisited (25 min)
Matthew Thiessen, Saint Louis University
Indices of Ethnicity in Modern Constructions of ‘Luke’ (25 min)
Responding:
Eric Barreto, Luther Seminary (15 min)
Jonathan Tran, Baylor University (15 min)
Discussion (45 min)

S22-311

SBL Book of Deuteronomy Consultation
4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Hyatt - Inman (Atlanta Conference Level)
Theme: Rhetorical Strategies in the Framework of Deuteronomy
Cynthia Edenburg, Open University of Israel, Presiding
Carly Crouch, University of Nottingham
The Rhetoric of Identity in the Deuteronomistic Framework of Deuteronomy (25 min)
Jean-Pierre Sonnet, Pontificia Università Gregoriana
“I was in that time that...”: The Rhetorical Use of the Formula b’t bbe’ in Deuteronomy (25 min)
Dominik Markl, Pontifico Istituto Biblico
Chosen Place Versus Missing Temple: Reconsidering the Historical Implications of the Centralization Formula in Deuteronomy (25 min)
Bill T. Arnold, Asbury Theological Seminary
Reexamining the ‘Fathers’ in Deuteronomy’s Framework (25 min)
Responding:
Reinhard Achenbach, Westfälische Wilhelms-Universität Münster (20 min)
Discussion (30 min)

S22-312

SBL Construction of Christian Identities Seminar
4:00 PM–6:45 PM
Marriott - M102 (Marquis Level)
Sandra Hübenthal, Universität Passau, Presiding
Stephan Witetschek, Albert-Ludwigs-Universität Freiburg
Local Subcultures: Or, Why Date and Place Matter (25 min)
David Creech, Concordia College – Moorhead
Break (15 min)
Philip Esler, University of Gloucestershire
The Birth of the Maccabean Ethnic State: Ethnic Groups Not “Empire” in the Meaning of 1 Maccabees (45 min)
Bas van Os, Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam
Probability and Preservation of Early ‘Christian’ Identity Formation (25 min)
Business Meeting (30 min)

S22-313

SBL Corpus Hellenisticum Novi Testamenti Section
4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Hyatt - Vinings (Atlanta Conference Level)
Theme: Ancient Greek Sexuality
This session focuses on masculine themes including the death of beautiful boys, male prostitution, and circumcision.
Clare Rothschild, Lewis University, Presiding
Troy W. Martin, Saint Xavier University
Christianity and Conflicting Cultural Conceptions Concerning Circumcision (30 min)
Radcliffe G. Edmonds III, Bryn Mawr College  
Putting Him on a Pedestal: (Re)collection and the Use of Images in Plato’s Phaedrus (30 min)

Holt N. Parker, University of Cincinnati  
Death and the Boy or Teen Angel (30 min)

James Robson, The Open University  
Male Prostitution in Classical Athens (30 min)

Discussion (30 min)

S22-314

SBL Development of Early Christian Theology Section  
4:00 PM–6:00 PM  
Marriott - L404 (Lobby Level)

Theme: Scholarly Tools and Aids for Exegesis in Early and Late-Antique Christianity

Mark DeCologniano, University of Saint Thomas (Saint Paul, MN), Presiding

Matthew R Crawford, Australian Catholic University  
Reading the Gospels Canonically in Late Antiquity: Eusebius of Caesarea’s Canon Tables as a Hermeneutical Key to the Fourfold Gospel (30 min)

Alden Lee Bass, Saint Louis University  
Biblical Study Aids in the Donatist Tradition (30 min)

Joseph K. Gordon, Marquette University  
“Rule(s) as Tools: The Functions and Features of the Rule of Faith as Hermeneutical Criterion in Patristic Exegesis (30 min)

T.J. Lang, Durham University  
The Origins of Pauline Theology: Priscillian of Avila’s Canons on the Letters of Paul (30 min)

S22-315

SBL Disputed Paulines Section  
4:00 PM–6:30 PM  
Hilton - 306 (Level 3)

Gail Streete, Rhodes College, Presiding (5 min)

Rony Kozman, University of Toronto  
The Sapientialization of Creation: Adam’s Wisdom in Sirach, the Dead Sea Scrolls, and Colossians (27 min)

Stephen Fowl, Loyola University Maryland  
Greed Is Idolatry: A Proposal for Reading Eph 5:3 and Col 3:5 (27 min)

Break (5 min)

James Ware, University of Evansville  
Intertextual Christology: Biblical Echoes and Incarnational Christology in 2 Thess 1:7–10 (27 min)

David Trobisch, Museum of the Bible (Green Collection)  
Listening to Paul: A Literary Approach to Pseudepigraphy (27 min)

S22-316

SBL Ethics and Biblical Interpretation Section  
4:00 PM–6:30 PM  
Hyatt - University (Atlanta Conference Level)

Theme: Change

Carolyn J. Sharp, Yale Divinity School, Presiding

Guy Nave, Luther College  
Clamoring for Change (25 min)

Carl N. Toney, Hope International University  
A Spirit of Change: Ethics and the Love Command in Gal 5:13–26 (25 min)

Break (10 min)

Chandra Wim, Wycliffe College  
Hermeneutics of Love and Conversion: Augustine on the Character of the Interpreter (25 min)

Responding:

Willis Jenkins, University of Virginia (30 min)

Discussion (35 min)

S22-317

SBL Genesis Section  
4:00 PM–6:30 PM  
Hyatt - Spring (Atlanta Conference Level)

Theme: Forthcoming Commentaries on Genesis

A preview from the authors of several forthcoming Genesis commentaries discussing method, early insights, and the future of interpreting Genesis.

Christopher Heard, Pepperdine University, Presiding

Panelists:

Richard Clifford, Boston College (30 min)

Ronald Hendel, University of California-Berkeley (30 min)

Kathleen O’Connor, Columbia Theological Seminary (30 min)

Discussion (60 min)
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P22-318

GOCN Forum on Missional Hermeneutics
4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Marriott - Marquis A-B (Marquis Level)

As a leading voice among Pauline scholars, Michael J. Gorman has written a number of significant books and articles on Paul's theology in recent years, including Cruciformity: Paul’s Narrative Theology of the Cross (2001) and Inhabiting the Cruciform God (2009). His most recent contribution, Becoming the Gospel: Paul, Participation, and Mission (Eerdmans, 2015), extends and develops some of the themes highlighted initially in earlier works, and places particular emphasis on mission as an interpretive rubric for the Pauline epistles—an outgrowth, in part, of his work with the GOCN Forum on Missional Hermeneutics. In the introduction to Becoming the Gospel, Gorman calls his “affiliation with the Forum” “one of the most important professional developments for me in recent years,” noting that “learning to read Paul missionally—not merely as the quintessential ‘missionary’ but as a formator of missional communities—has been an exhilarating experience” (p. 10). Specifically, Gorman argues that “theosis—Spirit-enabled transformative participation in the life and character of God revealed in the crucified and resurrected Messiah Jesus—is the starting point of mission and is, in fact, its proper theological framework” (p. 4). Please join us for what promises to be a fascinating panel discussion—including responses by a fellow Pauline scholar, a congregational pastor, a missiologist, and a theologian—followed by an open-ended conversation about the missiological dimensions of Paul's theology as illuminated in Gorman's work.

Sylvia Keesmaat, Trinity College, University of Toronto, Presiding (5 min)

Panelists:
- Michael J. Gorman, Saint Mary's Seminary and University (20 min)
- J. Ross Wagner, Duke University (15 min)
- Eunice McGarrah, First Presbyterian Church, Colorado Springs (15 min)

Break (5 min)

Panelists:
- George Hunsberger, Western Theological Seminary (15 min)
- John Franke, Evangelische Theologische Faculteit, Leuven (15 min)
- Michael Gorman, Saint Mary's Seminary and University (20 min)

Discussion (40 min)

S22-319

SBL Hebrew Bible, History, and Archaeology Section
4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Marriott - A701 (Atrium Level)
Theme: Special Joint-Session with ASOR: Historiography and Identity between Text and Artifact

A special joint-session held with the American Schools of Oriental Research.

- Jeremy Smoak, University of California-Los Angeles
  Historiography and Identity (10 min)
- Christoph Uehlinger, Universität Zürich
  Should Historians of Ancient Levantine Societies Play the Identity Game, and to What End? (20 min)
- Stefania Mazzoni, Università degli studi di Firenze
  Artifacts, Artisans, and Patrons: Questioning Identity in the Iron Age Arts of Northern Levant (20 min)
- Ido Koch, Tel Aviv University
  On Pots and (Sea-)Peoples: Colonial Encounters in Iron Age I Southwestern Canaan (20 min)
- Thomas Römer, Collège de France - University of Lausanne
  The Creation of a Collective Identity and the Composition of Foundation Stories in the Ancient Israel and Judah (20 min)
- Omer Sergi, Tel Aviv University
  State Formation and Identity: The Chicken and the Egg (15 min)

S22-320

SBL Hebrews Section
4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Marriott - International 5 (International Level)
Theme: Theology and Ethics in Hebrews

Harold Attridge, Yale University, Presiding (5 min)

Panelists:
- Cynthia Kittredge, Seminary of the Southwest
  Feminist Interpretation of Hebrews and Feminist Theology (30 min)
- Amy Peeler, Wheaton College (Illinois)
  “Leading Many Sons to Glory”: Implications of Exclusive Language in the Epistle to the Hebrews (30 min)
- Douglas Farrow, McGill University
  The Gift of Fear (30 min)
- D. Stephen Long, Marquette University
  The Political Theology of the Priest-King in Hebrews (30 min)

Discussion (25 min)

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S22-321

SBL Pseudepigrapha Section / Hellenistic Judaism Section
4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Hilton - 404 (Level 4)
Theme: The Letter of Aristeas and Its Interpretation
We will pay particular attention to the new commentary on the Letter of Aristeas by Benjamin Wright (CEJL 2015).
René Bloch, Universität Bern - Université de Berne, Presiding
Panelists:
   Francis Borchardt, Lutheran Theological Seminary, Hong Kong (25 min)
   Sylvie Honigman, Tel Aviv University (25 min)
   Timothy Michael Law (25 min)
   Maren Niehoff, Hebrew University of Jerusalem (25 min)
Responding:
   Benjamin Wright, Lehigh University (30 min)
Discussion (20 min)

S22-322

SBL History and Literature of Early Rabbinic Judaism Section
4:00 PM–6:15 PM
Hilton - 209 (Level 2)
Theme: Rabbis and Their Natural and Cultural Surroundings
Michael Rosenberg, Hebrew College, Presiding
   John Mandsager, University of South Carolina - Columbia
   The Sabbath Year in Tannaitic Literature: Halakha, the Borders of Rabbinic Identity, and Ecological Principle? (25 min)
   Richard Kalmin, Jewish Theological Seminary of America
   Observation in Rabbinic Literature of Late Antiquity (25 min)
   Natalie C. Polzer, University of Louisville
   Bathing in Babylonia: Jewish Ritual Immersion and Bathing Practice as Represented in the Bavli (25 min)
   Libby Ballard, Baylor University
   Choosing between Moses and Abraham: A Rhetorical Analysis of Mic 7:14–20 (25 min)
   Diandra E. Chretain, Graduate Theological Union
   External and Internal Displacement: Reframing Notions of Exile, Space, and Place in Jeremiah 29 and 42 (25 min)
   Discussion (20 min)

P22-323

International Organization for Septuagint and Cognate Studies
4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Marriott - L401-L403 (Lobby Level)
Theme: The Septuagint: Poetical Books and Prophecies
Leonard Greenspoon, Creighton University, Presiding
   Claude E. Cox, McMaster Divinity College
   Translator as Author: The Old Greek Translator of Job (25 min)
   Rodrigo F. de Sousa, Universidade Presbiteriana Mackenzie
   The Righteous King in LXX Isa 32:1–8: Hope and Ideology in Translation (25 min)
   Anna Angelini, Lausanne University
   Ruins, Zion, and the Animal Imagery in the Septuagint of Isaiah 34 (25 min)
   James S. Adcock, University of St. Andrews
   The Words of Jeremiah or the Words of God? Attempting to Make Sense of the Divine Name Variation in the Septuagint and Masoretic Texts of Jeremiah (25 min)
   Miika Tucker, University of Helsinki
   What Can Doubts Tell Us About the Septuagint Translation of Jeremiah? (25 min)
   Kevin J. Youngblood, Harding University Main Campus
   Addition, Subtraction, and Equivalency: The Significance of Expansions and Omissions in LXX Lamentations (25 min)
   Discussion (20 min)

S22-324

SBL Israelite Prophetic Literature Section
4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Hyatt - Hanover E (Exhibit Level)
This session features papers on a broad range of topics dealing with prophetic literature. Papers that fall within the scope of other thematic sessions may also be presented here.
Corrine Carvalho, University of Saint Thomas (Saint Paul, MN), Presiding
   Nathan Hays, Baylor University
   What Hath Babylon to Do with Jerusalem? Isaiah 54:13 in light of the Contrast between Lady Babylon and Lady Zion (25 min)
   Discussion (5 min)
   Sarah Lynn Baker, University of Texas at Austin
   "What Do You See?": Zechariah 4:1–5:4 through the Lens of Conversation Analysis (25 min)
   Discussion (5 min)
   Ekaterina Kozlova, University of Oxford
   Grave-Marking and Wailing: Mortuary Responses to the Babylonian Crisis in Jeremiah's Poetry (Jer 31:21) (25 min)
   Discussion (5 min)
   Libby Ballard, Baylor University
   Choosing between Moses and Abraham: A Rhetorical Analysis of Mic 6:8 (25 min)
   Discussion (5 min)
   Diandra E. Chretain, Graduate Theological Union
   External and Internal Displacement: Reframing Notions of Exile, Space, and Place in Jeremiah 29 and 42 (25 min)
   Discussion (5 min)
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S22-325
SBL John's Apocalypse and Cultural Contexts Ancient and Modern Section
4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Hyatt - Baker (Atlanta Conference Level)
Theme: Review Session, Fortress Commentary on the Bible, Apocalypses
The Fortress Commentary on the Bible (2 volumes, 2014) gives significant attention to biblical and apocryphal apocalyptic writings and their multilayered interpretive history over the centuries. The most distinctive feature of the commentary is the three-level organizational approach followed for each text: The Text in Its Ancient Context, The Text in Interpretive Tradition, and The Text in Contemporary Discussion. This panel will review essays or commentaries by Anathea Portier-Young (“Daniel,” Volume 1), Robin Darling Young (“2 Esdras,” Volume 1), David Sanchez (“The Apocalyptic Legacy of Early Christianity,” Volume 2), and Barbara Rossing (“Revelation,” Volume 2).

Leslie Baynes, Missouri State University, Presiding
Neil Elliott, Fortress Press, Welcome (10 min)
Scott Tunseth, Fortress Press, Welcome (10 min)
Daniel and the Apocalyptic Legacy of Early Christianity
Panelist:
Richard Horsley, University of Massachusetts Boston (25 min)
Responding:
Anathea Portier-Young, Duke University (10 min)
David Sánchez, Loyola Marymount University (10 min)
2 Esdras and Revelation
Panelist:
Jean-Pierre Ruiz, Saint John’s University (25 min)
Responding:
Robin Darling Young, Catholic University of America (10 min)
Barbara Rossing, Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago (10 min)
Discussion (40 min)

P22-326
Journal of Feminist Studies in Religion
4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Marriott - A708 (Atrium Level)
Theme: Sacred Scriptures and Violence Against Women
The Sacred Scriptures of all 3 monotheistic religions: Judaism, Christianity, and Islam inscribe not only violence against wo/men and the culture of feminine subordination but also values of self-affirmation, justice, and well-being. Feminist scholars in religion are well versed in analyzing and interpreting sacred texts in critical, historical, literary, religious and cultural terms. However, we also need to develop methods of religious consciousness-raising and empowerment which seek to enable religious wo/men who have experienced violence and abuse both to critically name the rhetoric of violence inscribed in sacred texts and to identify resources for well-being and for resisting the culture of feminine subordination, objectification, and dehumanization. The panel will continue our conversation, across religious interpretive boundaries, about the search for methods of Scriptural interpretation that foster wo/men's religious agency and the ability to reject violence and subordination on religious grounds.

Elisabeth Schüssler Fiorenza, Harvard University, Presiding (5 min)
Panelists:
Mika Ahuvia, University of Washington (20 min)
Julia Watts Belser, Georgetown University (20 min)
Juliane Hammer, University of North Caroline at Chapel Hill (20 min)
Angela Parker, Chicago Theological Seminary (20 min)
Jerusha Tanner, Union Theological Seminary (20 min)
Karri Whipple, Drew University (20 min)

P22-327
Korean Biblical Colloquium
4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Hilton - 210 (Level 2)
Immediately following the papers, we will have a brief business meeting. Afterwards, we invite members (and guests) to dinner at a nearby restaurant (TBA).

John Ahn, Howard University, Presiding
Sok-Chung Chang, Catholic Kwandong University
The Korean Translation of “Two Stones” in Exod 1:16 (30 min)

Baek Hee Kim, Brite Divinity School (TCU)
Whose Offspring Are Worthy of Honor? Ben Sirah’s Honor and Shame Matrix as a Counter-Colonial Discourse (30 min)

Donald Kim, Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary
Faith(fulness) of Christ within Paul’s Judaism (30 min)

Hyun Ho Park, Graduate Theological Union
Minjung in the Sinking of the Sewol Ferry: A Reading of Luke 10:25–42 from Minjung Theology’s Perspective (30 min)

Business Meeting (30 min)
S22-328

SBL Linguistics and Biblical Hebrew Section
4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Marriott - International 8 (International Level)
Theme: Topics on Verb Phrase Argument Structure
John A. Cook, Asbury Theological Seminary, Presiding
  Peter Bekins, Hebrew Union College - Jewish Institute of Religion
  The Difficulty with Diagnosing Lamed Objecti (20 min)
  Frank H. Polak, Tel Aviv University
  Object Suffix and 'et with Suffix: Toward a Typology (20 min)
  Reinoud Oosting, Eep Talstra Centre for Bible and Computer, University of Amsterdam
  Variation in Valence Patterns of Motion Verbs in Biblical Hebrew (20 min)
Discussion (15 min)
  John C. Beckman, Harvard University
  Is the Hebrew D-Stem Factitive/Resultative? An Examination of Virtually Every D-Stem Occurrence and Corresponding G-Stem in the Hebrew Bible (20 min)
  Ken M. Penner, Saint Francis Xavier University
  Biblical Hebrew Verb Form Semantics (20 min)
  Bo Isaksson, Uppsala Universitet
  The Importance of Word Order for the Biblical Hebrew Verbal System (20 min)
Discussion (15 min)

S22-329

SBL Pentateuch Section / Literature and History of the Persian Period Section
4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Marriott - International 4 (International Level)
Theme: The Ancestors in the Persian Period
Mark Leuchter, Temple University, Presiding
  Megan Warner, King’s College - London
  Abraham — The Prequel (20 min)
  Konrad Schmid, University of Zurich
  The Religious History and Politics of the Levant according to the Priestly Ancestor Tradition (20 min)
  Mark Brett, Whitely College
  The Politics of Divine Naming in the Ancestral Traditions (20 min)
Discussion (15 min)
  Jakob Wöhrle, Carl von Ossietzky Universität Oldenburg
  Being Good Neighbors: Coexistence with Foreigners according to the Priestly and Post-Priestly Passages of the Ancestors’ Narratives (20 min)
  Diana Edelman, University of Oslo
  Two Likely Instances of Hidden Ancestor Polemics in Genesis Reflecting Persian-Era Religious Debate (20 min)
  Ehud Ben Zvi, University of Alberta
  Chronicles' Reshaping of Memories of the Ancestors Populating Genesis Among (late) Persian-Period Literati (20 min)
Discussion (15 min)

S22-330

SBL Maria, Marianne, Miriam: Rediscovering the Marys Consultation
4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Hilton - 212 (Level 2)
Theme: Which Mary Revisited
Holly Hearon, Christian Theological Seminary, Presiding
  Anna Cwikla, University of Toronto
  Magdalene, Mother, Martha’s Sister, or None of the Above? The Mary in the Dialogue of the Savior (20 min)
  Kara J. Lyons-Pardue, Point Loma Nazarene University
  Two Mary Magdalenes: Eusebius and the Questionable Reliability of Gospels’ Female Witnesses (20 min)
  Judith Hartenstein, Universität Koblenz - Landau
  Why Mary? The Gospel of Mary and Its Heroine (20 min)
  Mary Stomer Hansen, Denver Seminary
  Mary of Bethany: Her Leadership Uncovered (20 min)
  Mary Ann Beavis, St. Thomas More College
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  Diana Edelman, University of Oslo
  Two Likely Instances of Hidden Ancestor Polemics in Genesis Reflecting Persian-Era Religious Debate (20 min)
  Ehud Ben Zvi, University of Alberta
  Chronicles’ Reshaping of Memories of the Ancestors Populating Genesis Among (late) Persian-Period Literati (20 min)
Discussion (30 min)

S22-331

SBL Markan Literary Sources Seminar
4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Marriott - International C (International Level)
Theme: General Studies
Matthew Hauge, Azusa Pacific University, Presiding
  E. Bruce Brooks, University of Massachusetts Amherst
  Mark as a Source for Mark (10 min)
  Craig E. Anderson, Azusa Pacific University
  Jericho on the Road to Regime Change in Jesus’ Encounter with Bartimaeus (10 min)
  Kenneth Cardwell, Saint Mary’s College of California
  Doubling Claimants (10 min)
Discussion (35 min)
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S22-332

SBL Masoretic Studies Section
4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Hilton - 312 (Level 3)
Daniel Mynatt, University of Mary Hardin-Baylor, Presiding
Robert Vanhoff, TorahResource Institute
Qere or Ketiv: Did the Talmud Reject Scribal "Oral Tradition"? (30 min)
David Marcus, Jewish Theological Seminary of America
Using the Masorah to Appreciate a Hebrew Text (30 min)
Samuel Blapp, University of Cambridge
Non-Standard Features in Codex Leningradensis B19a and Other So-Called Standard Tiberian Manuscripts (30 min)
Fred N. Reiner, Wesley Theological Seminary
Christian David Ginsburg in Moab (30 min)
Business Meeting (15 min)

S22-333

SBL Metacriticism of Biblical Scholarship Section / North American Association for the Study of Religion
4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Hilton - 303 (Level 3)
Theme: When Is the Big Tent Too Big?
James Linville, University of Lethbridge, Presiding
Sarah E. Rollens, University of Alabama
Tents and Canopies: When the "Big Tent" Becomes a "Sacred Canopy" in Biblical Studies (30 min)
Stephen L. Young, Brown University
Is the Tent So Big that it Hides Ideology? (30 min)
Patrick McCullough, University of California-Los Angeles
On Not Letting Confessions Tell Us What to Do: Reading New Testament Texts without "Origins" (30 min)
Ipsita Chatterjea, Independent Scholar
Big Tent, Smaller Tents, Blue Tent, and the Specter of the Red Tent: What Do We Do and Does Anyone Outside of the Tent Know We Are Doing It? (30 min)
Responding:
Edward Silver, Wellesley College (30 min)

S22-334

SBL Midrash Section
4:00 PM–6:45 PM
Hilton - 207 (Level 2)
Rivka Ulmer, Bucknell University, and W. David Nelson, Groton School, Presiding
Katie J. Woolstenhulme, University of Durham
Leab: The "Lost Matriarch" in Genesis Rabhah (20 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Katharina Keim, University of Manchester
The "Anticipation Principle" in the Biblical Commentary of R. Joseph Bekhor Shor (20 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Jonathan Jacobs, Bar-Ilan University
Why the Camel Has the Hump: Studying the Reception of Genesis Rabha (20 min)
Discussion (20 min)

P22-335

National Association of Professors of Hebrew
4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Hilton - 313 (Level 3)
Theme: Post-Missionary Messianic Judaism (Brazos 2005) 10 Years Later: Assessing the Value and Viability of Mark Kinzer's Proposal for the Role of Jewish Followers of Jesus in the Jewish-Christian Relations
In his 2005 volume, Mark Kinzer argued that the New Testament, read canonically and in light of the last two thousand years of history, warranted a bilateral ecclesiology in which the church is constituted as a twofold reality composed of a multinational community joined to a corporate Jesus-believing expression of Jewish life. The Jewish ekklesia (i.e., the body of "Messianic Jews") would endeavor to observe the Torah, honor Jewish tradition, and live as a faithful branch of the Jewish people. This would enable the multinational ekklesia (i.e., the Christian church) to develop a natural affinity for Judaism and a closer attachment to the Jewish people. Kinzer argued that such an ecclesiology was necessary if the church was determined to affirm both the universal mediation of Jesus and the enduring validity of the election of the Jewish people.
While Postmissionary Messianic Judaism had a major impact on the Messianic Jewish world and received positive reviews in a number of religious journals, the volume's thesis has not been seriously engaged by many in the world of academic theology. Ten years after its publication, the conveners of this session believe that it is time to reflect constructively and critically upon this provocative proposal.
Zev Garber, Los Angeles Valley College, Presiding
  David J. Rudolph, Messianic Jewish Theological Institute
  The Impact of Post-Missionary Messianic Judaism on the Messianic
  Jewish Movement (20 min)
  Peter Ochs, University of Virginia
  Patterns of Scriptural Interpretation in Postmissionary Messianic
  Judaism (20 min)
  R. Kendall Soulen, Wesley Theological Seminary
  “Mostly dead is slightly alive” (Miracle Max) (20 min)
  Zev Farber, Project TABS - TheTorah.com
  Messianic Judaism: Jewish and/or Christian? (20 min)

Responding:
  Mark Kinzer, Congregation Zera Avraham (20 min)
  Zev Garber, Los Angeles Valley College (20 min)

Discussion (30 min)

S22-336

SBL Novum Testamentum Graecum: Editio Critica Maior
Seminar
4:00 PM–6:45 PM
Hyatt - Courtland (Atlanta Conference Level)
Holger Strutwolf, Westfälische Wilhelms-Universität Münster,
Presiding (8 min)
  Michael Clark, University of Birmingham
  Constructing a Stemma for Nicetas of Heraclea's Johannine Catena
  (28 min)
  Georg Gäbel, Westfälische Wilhelms-Universität Münster
  Versional and Patristic Evidence in the Apparatus of ECM Acts (28 min)
  Gunnar Büsch, Westfälische Wilhelms-Universität Münster
  The Western Text of Acts Evidenced by Chrysostom? (28 min)
  Garrick Allen, University of St. Andrews
  Textual History and/or Reception History: Textual Variation in the
  Greek Manuscript Tradition of Revelation 4–5 (28 min)

Business Meeting (45 min)

S22-337

SBL Polis and Ekklesia: Investigations of Urban
Christianity Section
4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Hilton - 311 (Level 3)
Theme: The Cities of the Lycus Valley: Colossae, Hierapolis, and
Laodicea
James Harrison, Sydney College of Divinity, Presiding
  Ulrich Huttner, University of Siegen
  Early Christianity in the Lycus Valley (30 min)
  Panel Discussion of Ulrich Huttner, Early Christianity in the Lycus
  Valley (Brill, 2014)
  Panelists:
    Alan Cadwallader, Australian Catholic University (30 min)
    Rosemary Canavan, Catholic Theological College, University of
    Divinity (30 min)
    Harry Maier, Vancouver School of Theology (30 min)
  Discussion (30 min)

S22-338

SBL Qumran Section
4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Marriott - International 10 (International Level)
Theme: The Hellenistic Context of the Dead Sea Scrolls
Hindy Najman, University of Oxford, Presiding
  Benedikt Eckhardt, Universität Bremen
  The 'Semitic thiasos': Reconsidering a Model (30 min)
  Kimberley Czajkowski, Westfälische Wilhelms-Universität
  Münster
  Literary and Law in the Documentary Finds from the Judaean Desert
  (30 min)
  Jonathan Ben-Dov, University of Haifa
  Jerusalem and Alexandria: Greek Text Criticism and Judean Biblical
  Texts (30 min)
  Armin Lange, Universität Wien
  The Textual Standardization of the Hebrew Bible and Alexandrian
  Scholarship (30 min)
  Pieter B. Hartog, KU Leuven
  Peshar and Hypomnema: The Dead Sea Scrolls Commentaries in Their
  Hellenistic-Roman Context (30 min)

S22-339

SBL Religious World of Late Antiquity Section
4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Hyatt - Kennesaw (Atlanta Conference Level)
Theme: Demons and Demonology in Late Antiquity
David Brakke, Ohio State University, Presiding (5 min)
  Heidi Marx-Wolf, University of Manitoba
  Evil Assemblages: Demonology in Porphyry of Tyre (25 min)
  Jonathan Young, Lenoir-Rhyne University
  Jesus as Daimon: An Exploration of Celsus’s Understanding of
  “Daimones” in Origen’s Contra Celsum (25 min)
  Travis W. Proctor, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
  Demons in the “Flesh”: Christian Conflict and Demonic Bodies in Late
  Antiquity (25 min)
  Sara Ronis, Harvard University
  Demonic Dangers and Religious Responses in the Sasanian East (25
  min)
  Discussion (30 min)

Business Meeting (15 min)
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S22-340
SBL Sacrifice, Cult, and Atonement Section
4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Hilton - 403 (Level 4)
Theme: Sacrificial Themes in Biblical Narrative
Achitha John, University of Aberdeen
The Struggle and the Sacrifice: Exploring Exod 4:24–26 through Liminality (25 min)
Yonatan Miller, Harvard University
Sacred Slaughter: A Sacrificial Understanding of Narrative Priestly Violence (25 min)
Elizabeth Shively, University of St. Andrews
The Body Matters: Atonement in Mark’s Gospel in light of Leviticus 12–15 (25 min)
David M. Moffitt, University of St. Andrews
Elizabeth Shively, University of St. Andrews
The Body Matters: Atonement in Mark’s Gospel in light of Leviticus 12–15 (25 min)
Discussion (20 min)

S22-341
SBL Social History of Formative Christianity and Judaism Section
4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Hilton - 315 (Level 3)
Theme: Book Review Session for Mira Balberg’s Purity, Body, and Self in Early Rabbinic Literature (Berkeley: UC Press, 2014)
Gil Klein, Loyola Marymount University, Presiding (5 min)
Martha Himmelfarb, Princeton University
Purity and Self with and without the Temple (25 min)
Andrew Jacobs, Scripps College
Whose Body? The Subject of Conversion in Late Antiquity (25 min)
Ellen Muehlberger, University of Michigan-Ann Arbor
The Third Person: Finding the Self in Ancient Regulation (25 min)
Moulie Vidas, Princeton University
Between Literature, Law, and the Function of the Mishnah: On Mira Balberg’s Interpretation of the Order of Purities (25 min)
Responding:
Mira Balberg, Northwestern University (20 min)
Discussion (25 min)

S22-342/A22-300
SBL Student Lounge Roundtable
4:00 PM–5:30 PM
Hyatt - Hanover A (Exhibit Level)
Theme: Networking Like the Job Is in Hand
Hosted by the AAR Graduate Student Committee

S22-343
SBL Teaching Biblical Studies in an Undergraduate Liberal Arts Context Section
4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Hilton - 214 (Level 2)
Theme: Addressing the Needs and Goals of Liberal Arts Institutions
Glenn Holland, Allegheny College, Presiding
Susan E. Haddox, University of Mount Union
Taking the LEAP: Biblical Studies across an Integrative General Education Curriculum (25 min)
Gary A. Herion, Hartwick College
Bible Literacy, Public Discourse, and the Challenge to the Liberal Arts (25 min)
Robin Gallaher Branch, North-West University (South Africa)
Garden Variety: Genesis 3 as a Dramatic Teaching Tool (25 min)
Break (10 min)
Benjamin Laugelli, University of Virginia
Teaching at the Intersection of Biblical Studies and Monster Theory (25 min)
Sylvie Raquel, Trinity International University
Acts and the Amazing Race: Developing Academic Responsibility in a Freshman Course (25 min)
Discussion (15 min)

S22-344
SBL Texts and Traditions in the Second Century Consultation
4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Hyatt - Techwood (Atlanta Conference Level)
Theme: Paul in the Second Century
Christopher Hays, Fundación Universitaria Seminario Bíblico de Colombia, Presiding
John Kincaid, John Paul the Great Catholic University
The Saving Righteousness of God at Philipp: Paul, Polycarp, and the Question of Dikaiosyne (25 min)
Ben Edsall, Australian Catholic University
(Not) Baptizing Thecla: Early Interpretive Efforts on 1 Cor 1:17 (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)
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Discussion (5 min)
Ben C. Blackwell, Houston Baptist University
Discussion (5 min)
Jenn Strawbridge, University of Oxford
A Preacher of the Truth: The Apostle Paul and Irenaeus (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Thomas McGlothlin, Duke University
Resurrection as Conformity to Christ through the Spirit: Second-Century Struggles with a Pauline Motif (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)
S22-344a

SBL Textual Criticism of Samuel – Kings Section
4:00 PM–6:15 PM
Hyatt - Auburn (Atlanta Conference Level)
Theme: Kaige: What Is It? How to Recognize It and Where to Find It
Andres Piquer Otero, Universidad Complutense de Madrid
Smoky Mirrors: Kaige and Its Boundaries in the Secondary Versions of Kingdoms (30 min)
Tuukka Kauhanen, University of Helsinki
Diagnosing Kaige (30 min)
Break (15 min)
Pablo Torijano, Universidad Complutense de Madrid
A Possible New Witness of the Antioquean Text: The Ms. 460 (30 min)
Julio Trebolle, Universidad Complutense de Madrid
Antiochean Readings in 3–4 Reigns Witnessed by the Manuscript 158: Their Pre-Lucianic/Old Greek Character (30 min)

P22-345

The Qur'an and the Biblical Tradition (IQSA)
4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Marriott - M103 (Marquis Level)
Cornelia Horn, Eberhard Karls Universität Tübingen, and Holger Zellentin, University of Nottingham, Presiding
Zohar Hadromi-Allouche, University of Aberdeen
Eve and Sons: Ambivalent Motherhood (30 min)
Andrew O'Connor, University of Notre Dame
Qur'anic Covenant Reconsidered: Mithaq and 'Ahd in Polemical Context (30 min)
Maria Enid Rodriguez, Catholic University of America
Shari Lowin, Stonehill College
The Son of Noah and the Daughter Who Flew Away: Did the Qur'an Inspire a Midrash? (30 min)

S22-346

SBL Use, Influence, and Impact of the Bible Section
4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Hilton - 301 (Level 3)
Lesleigh Cushing, Colgate University, Presiding
Penelope Barter, University of St. Andrews
The Novelist and the Chronicler: The Reception of Issachar in Literature (20 min)
Discussion (10 min)
Elisabeth Birnbaum, Catholic Private University Linz
Rebuffing Solomon: The Intertwining of Culture, Exegesis, and Art in the Drama Theory of the Song of Songs (20 min)
Discussion (10 min)
Susanne Gillmayr-Bucher, Catholic Private University Linz
Solomon – A Mirror of Political Criticism (20 min)

P22-347

Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion
4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Hyatt - Hanover G (Exhibit Level)
Theme: Thinking about Writing and Teaching
Participants in this interactive and hands-on session will think together about how and why various types of writing about teaching become valuable for authors as well as readers who are reflecting on their teaching and student learning. Participants will be led through a hands-on, small group interactive process to reflect on their teaching practice and begin to "workshop" an idea for a writing project about teaching. How can writing and reading about teaching support your reflective teaching practice?
Eugene Gallagher, Connecticut College, Thomas Pearson, Wabash College, and Martha Stortz, Augsburg College, Presiding

S22-348

SBL Warfare in Ancient Israel Section
4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Marriott - M108 (Marquis Level)
Theme: Responses to Warfare and Violence in Iron Age Israel and Hellenistic Judea
Brad Kelle, Point Loma Nazarene University
Moral Injury as a New Lens for Reading Biblical Warfare Texts (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Jason A. Riley, Fuller Theological Seminary (Pasadena)
Views of Violence: The Use of Visually Displayed Violence in the Lachish Reliefs and Iron Age Warfare (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Naomi Graetz, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev
The Effect of the Conquering of Laish on Future Generations (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)
M. Tong, Fordham University
A Maccabean Red Wedding: The Massacre of the Family of Jambri in 1 Macc 9:37–42 (25 min)
Discussion (35 min)
P22-348a
Westar Institute
4:00 PM–5:00 PM
Hyatt - Embassy (International Tower Level LL2)
Theme: New Interpretations of Paul
Scholars have chipped away at the conventional construct of Paul for the past generation. This session is a panel discussion of Bernard Brandon Scott, The Real Paul: Recovering His Radical Challenge (Polebridge Press, 2015) in which Scott offers his synthesis of the new interpretations of Paul that have emerged since Krister Stendahl first challenged the conventional construct in 1963.

S22-349
SBL Writings from the Greco-Roman World Editorial Board
4:00 PM–5:30 PM
Hyatt - 223 (Level 2)

P22-350
African Association for the Study of Religions
5:00 PM–6:30 PM
Hyatt - Hanover D (Exhibit Level)
Theme: Religion, Social Space, and Development
To be followed by dinner at an African restaurant.
Esther Acolatse, Duke University, Presiding
Franz Kogelmann, Universität Bayreuth and Magnus Echtler, Universität Bayreuth
Religion(s) and Sacred Space(s) in Africa and Beyond (20 min)
Komi Ahiatroga Hiagbe, Global Theological Seminary, Ghana
An Investigation into Some African Endogamous Models of Development (20 min)
Maaraidzo Mutambara, Africa University
African Ethics and Disability: Case Study of the Shona of Zimbabwe (20 min)
Responding:
Elias Kifon Bongmba, Rice University (15 min)
Business Meeting (15 min)

S22-351/A22-301
SBL Employment Services Advisory Committee
5:00 PM–6:30 PM
Marriott - L501 (Lobby Level)

S22-352/A22-314
SBL Jewish-Christian Dialogue and Sacred Texts Section
5:00 PM–7:30 PM
Hilton - Crystal C-D (Level 1)
Theme: Inter-Religious Dialogue in Our Times: The Legacy of “Nostra Aetate”
The Second Vatican Council (1962–1965) represents a shift in the attitude of the Catholic Church towards non-Christian religions both at the theological and existential level. This was manifest especially in the declaration Nostra Aetate, approved and promulgated fifty years ago, on October 28, 1965: “The Catholic Church rejects nothing that is true and holy in these religions” (Vatican II, Nostra Aetate, par. 2). The Vatican II Studies Group (AAR), the Ecclesiological Investigations Group (AAR), the Interfaith and Interreligious Studies Group (AAR) and the Jewish-Christian Dialogue and Sacred Texts Group (SBL) discuss the legacy of “Nostra Aetate” on the theology of non-Christian religions and on interreligious studies.
Homayra Ziad, Institute for Christian and Jewish Studies, Baltimore, MD, Presiding
Therese Andrevon Gottstein, Institut Catholique Paris
To What Extent Did the Shoah Really Influence the Redaction of Nostra Aetate §4? (30 min)
Adam Gregerman, Saint Joseph’s University
Not All Blessings Are Equal: Post-Nostra Aetate Catholic Interpretations of the Biblical Blessings to the Jews and to the Nations (30 min)
Katharina von Kellenbach, St. Mary’s College of Maryland
Nostra Aetate’s Urgent Call to Forget the Past (30 min)
Christopher Denny, Saint John’s University
Religiones Antiquae: Reviving Nostra Aetate to Expand the Scope of Salvation History (30 min)
Responding:
John T. Pawlikowski, Catholic Theological Union (30 min)

P22-353
Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion
6:00 PM–8:00 PM
Hyatt - Hanover F (Exhibit Level)
Theme: Dinner for New Teachers (Invitation-Only Event)
Each year the Wabash Center invites a group of new faculty for an elegant dinner and directed table conversations about the first years of teaching. If you know of someone whom we should invite or you are in your first year of teaching, please send us a name and email address. Include the academic discipline, graduate program and the number of years teaching full-time. Send nominations by October 1st to: Paul Myhre, Associate Director of the Wabash Center, myhrep@wabash.edu or 800-655-7117.
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<td>Join us for a viewing and brief discussion of this 57-minute documentary produced in 2014 by Yoram Sabo. From the film's distributor: “70 years before the discovery of the Dead Sea Scrolls, Jerusalem antiques dealer Moses Shapira traveled to London with what he hoped to present to the British Museum as the original version of the Book of Deuteronomy. But the assessment that the scrolls were fake devastated him, and Moses Shapira put an end to his life. For more than 30 years, filmmaker Yoram Sabo has been obsessed with clearing Shapira’s name and finding out the fate of the scrolls. The labyrinth of this baffling affair makes for a fascinating detective documentary.”</td>
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### S23-104
**SBL Aramaic Studies Section**

**Time:** 9:00 AM–11:30 AM  
**Location:** Hilton - 403 (Level 4)  
**Theme:** Aramaic Dialects

**Speakers**

- Leecor Gottlieb, Bar-Ilan University, Presiding
- Devorah Dimant, University of Haifa  
  *Aramaic Texts at Qumran (25 min)*
- William Fullilove, Reformed Theological Seminary  
  *The Representation of Definiteness in Qumran Aramaic: Unsolving the Son of Man Problem (25 min)*
- Seth A. Bledsoe, Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München  
  *Make Heavy the Heart: An Egyptian Idiom in Aramaic (25 min)*
- Vincent Skemp, St. Catherine University  
  *Jerome as Secondary Witness to JPA, CPA, and Syriac (25 min)*
- Binyamin Y. Goldstein, Yeshiva University  
  *Aramaic Dialectal Awareness in Late Antiquity (25 min)*
- Willem Smelik, University College London  
  *Why Aramaic in the Yerushalmi? (25 min)*

### S23-105
**SBL Archaeology of the Biblical World Section**

**Time:** 9:00 AM–11:30 AM  
**Location:** Hilton - 305 (Level 3)  
**Theme:** Religion in Jordan

**Speakers**

- Erin Darby, University of Tennessee, Knoxville, Presiding
- Joel S. Burnett, Baylor University  
  *Religion in Iron Age Jordan (20 min)*
- Douglass R. Clark, La Sierra University  
  *The Gods Must Be Crazy: Iron Age Religion at Tall al-Umayri, Jordan (20 min)*
- Michele Daviau, Wilfred Laurier University  
  *Bulls, Horses, Gods, and Goddesses: The Religious Iconography of Israel’s Neighbors (20 min)*
- Chang-Ho Ji, La Sierra University  
  *The Khirbat Ajaruz Temple: Architecture, Cultic Objects, and Interpretation (20 min)*
- Jeremy M. Hutton, University of Wisconsin-Madison  
  *Textual Data for the Study of Religion in the Transjordanian Kingdoms (20 min)*
- Ziony Zevit, American Jewish University  
  *Discussion (15 min)*

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S23-106
SBL Art and Religions of Antiquity Section / Violence and Representations of Violence among Jews and Christians Section
9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hilton - 209 (Level 2)
Theme: The Arts of Violence
Christine Luckritz Marquis, Union Presbyterian Seminary, Presiding
Sarah Madole, Borough of Manhattan Community College (CUNY)
A New View of the Rape of Persephone on Roman Sarcophagi (25 min)
Christina Harker, Yale University
Tattooing as a Violent Art in the Ancient Mediterranean (25 min)
Felicity Harley-McGowan, Yale University
The Iconography of Beheading in Roman Imperial Art: Some Ramifications for Christianity in Its Representation of Suffering (25 min)
John J. Herrmann, Jr., Museum of Fine Arts, Boston and Anniewies van den Hoek, Harvard University
Mythical Parody and Gruesome Death: Representations of Executions in Late Antiquity (25 min)
Discussion (25 min)
Business Meeting (25 min)

S23-107
SBL Asian and Asian-American Hermeneutics Seminar
9:00 AM–11:15 AM
Hilton - Crystal A-F (Level 1)
Julius-Kei Kato, King’s University College, Presiding (5 min)
Young Ra Rhee, Harvard University
“By what authority?”: An Egalitarian Imagination of Mark 11:27-33 from Asian Feminist Perspective – A Critical Analysis of Maria Raja’s Dualistic Interpretation (20 min)
Clement Tong, Carey Theological College
The Roman Connection: The Latin Vulgate’s Influence on the Chinese Bible (20 min)
Hye Kyung Park, Chang Jung Christian University
The Encounter between Hosea’s YHWH (Hosea 11) and Taiwanese Matsu (20 min)
Hyun Ho Park, Graduate Theological Union
Stigmatization, Violence, and the Symbolic World: Death of Stephen, Khmer Rouge Genocide, and April 3rd Jeju Massacre (20 min)
Responding:
Henry Rietz, Grinnell College (20 min)
Discussion (20 min)

S23-108
SBL Bible and Visual Art Section / Use, Influence, and Impact of the Bible Section
9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hilton - 204 (Level 2)
Theme: The Politics of Biblical Art
Andrew Mein, Westcott House, Presiding
Micah D. Kiel, Saint Ambrose University
The Apocalypse and Ecological Imagination: A Visual Investigation (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Christine Joynes, University of Oxford
A Gender Agenda? Exploring the Politics of Biblical Art (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Amanda Russell-Jones, Independent Scholar
“The Light of the World’ and the Levite’s Concubine: Josephine Butler’s Feminist Reading of Art and Scripture (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Jan W. van Henten, Universiteit van Amsterdam
Hannah and Her Sons Re-Interpreted (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Robert M. Royalty Jr., Wabash College
An American New Jerusalem: Biblical Art at the Holy Land Experience (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)

S23-109
SBL Biblical Lexicography Section
9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hilton - 212 (Level 2)
Theme: Biblical Hebrew Lexicography
Erik Eynikel, Universität Regensburg, Presiding
Reinier de Blois, United Bible Societies
Biblical Lexicography and the Semantic Structure of the Target Language: The Case of ‘Abh (30 min)
Daniel Rodriguez, Universiteit van Stellenbosch - University of Stellenbosch
How Are the Noun, Verb, and Adverb/Preposition Usages of pnh Related? (30 min)
Jeremy Thompson, Logos Bible Software and Kris Lyle, Universiteit van Stellenbosch - University of Stellenbosch
Word Sense Disambiguation Aided by Frame Analysis: A Case Study on Qadash (30 min)
David E. S. Stein, Freelance Editorial Services
Agency: Making Sense of Anomalous Usages of the Hebrew Noun “ish” (30 min)
Albert Wolters, Redeemer University College
The Meaning of BD (30 min)
S23-110

SBL Biblical Literature and the Hermeneutics of Trauma Consultation
9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Marriott - A701 (Atrium Level)
Theme: Contextual Approaches to Reading Biblical Literature through a Hermeneutics of Trauma
Elizabeth Boase, Flinders University, Presiding
William A. Andrews Jr., Chicago Theological Seminary
How to Survive an Execution: The Trauma of Crucifixion, Incarceration, and Contemporary State-Sanctioned Killing (30 min)
Gary A. Phillips, Wabash College and Henry F. Knight, Keene State College
Fraught with Responsibility: Trauma-Informed Pedagogy, Teaching the Holocaust, and Biblical Texts of Terror in the Religious Studies and Theology Classroom (30 min)
Jennifer Koosed, Albright College
Echoes of How: Lamentations in Jewish Liturgy (30 min)
Michael Trainor, Australian Catholic University
Trauma's Unfathomability in the Markan Household and the Story of Jesus' Passion (Mark 14–16) (30 min)
Discussion (30 min)

S23-111

SBL Book of Deuteronomy Consultation
9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Marriott - M108 (Marquis Level)
Theme: Rhetoric and the Art of Persuasion in Deuteronom(ist)ic Law
Richard Nelson, Southern Methodist University, Presiding
Dale Patrik, Drake University
The Mosaic Voicing of Divine Law (25 min)
Assnat Bartor, Tel Aviv University
Lawgiver-Response and Rhetorical Stratagems in the Deuteronomic Legislation (25 min)
Jeffrey Stackert, University of Chicago
The Impact of Narrative Claims in Deuteronomic Legal Composition (25 min)
Harald Samuel, Georg-August-Universität Göttingen
Fragmented Rhetoric: Diachronic Challenges to a Synchronic Concept (25 min)
Responding:
Reinhard Müller, Westfälische Wilhelms-Universität Münster (20 min)
Discussion (30 min)

S23-112

SBL Book of the Twelve Prophets Section
9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Marriott - A701 (Atrium Level)
Theme: Fresh Approaches to the Book of the Twelve
Jason Radine, Moravian College & Theological Seminary, Presiding
(5 min)
Catherine M. Murphy, Santa Clara University
New Evidence for and a New Critical Edition of 4QXIIg (4Q82) (29 min)
Roy E. Garton, Baylor University
The Odd Man In': Reassessing Jonah's Entry into the Twelve (29 min)
Steven Tuell, Pittsburgh Theological Seminary
The Psalm in Habakkuk 3 (29 min)
Michaela Geiger, Kirchliche Hochschule Wuppertal-Bethel
Mediation for the Mediator: The Encounter of Mal'ak and Prophet in Zechariabi's Night Visions (29 min)

S23-113

SBL Children in the Biblical World Section
9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hilton - 207 (Level 2)
Theme: The Perils of Childhood and Children in the Epistles
John W. Martens, University of Saint Thomas (Saint Paul, MN), Presiding
(5 min)
Heath D. Dewrell, Princeton Theological Seminary
Children at the Intersection of Sacrifice, Prophecy, and Inner-Biblical Interpretation (25 min)
Maria E. Doerfler, Duke University
Good Grief: Parental Bereavement in Biblical Literature and Its Late Ancient Reception (25 min)
David A. Bosworth, Catholic University of America
Ignoring Infant Cries: Religious and Medical Influence on Infant Neglect (25 min)
Jennifer Houston McNeel, Union Presbyterian Seminary
Paul as Orphan: Exploring Metaphor and Rhetoric in 1 Thess 2:17 (25 min)
Sean Winter, University of Divinity, Melbourne
Children, Fathers, Sons and Daughters: Exploring Familial Imagery in 2 Cor 6:11–7:4 (25 min)
Amy Lindeman Allen, Vanderbilt University
Babys and Building Blocks: A Re-Constructive Reading of God's Household in 1 Peter (25 min)
S23-114
SBL Digital Humanities in Biblical, Early Jewish, and Christian Studies Consultation / Papyrology and Early Christian Backgrounds Section
9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Marriott - International A (International Level)
Theme: Papyrology and Digital Humanities
Caroline T. Schroeder, University of the Pacific, Presiding
Stephen J. Davis, Yale University
Manuscripts, Monks, and Mufattishin: Digital Access and Concerns of Cultural Heritage in the Yale Monastic Archaeology Project (30 min)
Roger T. Macfarlane, Brigham Young University
Damaged Papyri Rendered Accessible Through Multi-Spectral Imaging: An Update and Prospectus (30 min)
Rodney Ast, University of Heidelberg
A Digital Corpus of Literary Papyri (30 min)
Claire Clivaz, Swiss Institute of Bioinformatics
Does Any Fragment Count? Considering the Digital Culture from a Papyrological Point of View (30 min)
Laurie E. Pearce, University of California-Berkeley
Digital Tools Supporting Prosopographical Research in Texts and Manuscripts (30 min)

S23-115
SBL Gospel of Luke Section / Early Christianity and the Ancient Economy Section
9:00 AM–11:00 AM
Marriott - International 9 (International Level)
Theme: Contested Ethnicities and Images: Studies in Acts and Arts
John Fitzgerald, University of Notre Dame, Presiding (5 min)
Panelists:
Jasper Gaunt, Emory University (15 min)
Erich Gruen, University of California-Berkeley (15 min)
Claudia Setzer, Manhattan College (15 min)
Gregory Sterling, Yale Divinity School (15 min)
L. Michael White, University of Texas at Austin (15 min)
Responding:
David Balch, Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Katy E. Valentine, First Christian Church (Chico, CA)
Disrupting the Binary: Creating a GNC and Transgender Hermeneutic (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Steed Vernyl Davidson, McCormick Theological Seminary
Women’s Bodies and the Interrogation of National Liberation: Reading Judges with Beloved in light of a Black Nationalist Liberation Discourse (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Beatrice Lawrence, Seattle University
Rape Culture: Witnessing and Teaching (25 min)
Discussion (20 min)
Business Meeting (15 min)
Darrell Guder, Princeton Theological Seminary, Presiding (5 min)
Laura R. Levens, Baptist Seminary of Kentucky
Many Voices, Many Contexts, One Faith: Engaging the Breadth of Scripture to Form Discerning, Missional Congregations (25 min)
Luke Ben Tallon, LeTourneau University and Aaron Kuecker, LeTourneau University
A Liturgy of Ascent and a Life of Ascent: Conforming Congregations to Christian Scripture (25 min)
Derek W. Taylor, Duke University
Forming Faithful Readers: Dietrich Bonhoeffer’s Missional Hermeneutic (25 min)

Break (5 min)
Responding:
    Benjamin T. Conner, Western Theological Seminary (25 min)
Discussion (40 min)

S23-119
SBL Hebrew Bible and Philosophy Consultation
9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hyatt - Inman (Atlanta Conference Level)
Theme: Philosophical Criticism as a Form of Biblical Criticism
    Jaco Gericke, North-West University (South Africa)
    Analytic vs. Continental Varieties of Philosophical Criticism (30 min)
    Mark Sneed, Lubbock Christian University
    A Response to Jaco Gericke’s Thesis in The Hebrew Bible and Philosophy of Religion (30 min)
    Oliver Crisp, Fuller Theological Seminary
    An Analytic Theologian’s Response to Jaco Gericke’s Thesis (30 min)
    Craig Bartholomew, Redeemer University College
    A Biblical Theologian’s Response to Philosophical Criticism (30 min)
Discussion (30 min)

S23-120
SBL Hebrew Bible and Political Theory Section
9:00 AM–11:00 AM
Marriott - M109 (Marquis Level)
Karoline Lewis, Luther Seminary, Presiding (5 min)
Amanda Brobst-Renaud, Baylor University
Preaching the Epistle of Straw: Luther’s Homiletical Hermeneutics and James (20 min)
Frank Dicken, Lincoln Christian University
New Testament Narrative Criticism and the Preacher: The Beginning of a Discussion (20 min)
Sonia Shetty Cronin, Florida State University
Potential Anti-Judaism in Gospel of John: How Biblical Interpretation Affects Homiletics (20 min)
Jennifer Garcia Bashaw, East Texas Baptist University
Preaching Paul's Letters as Narrative: Philippians and Empathetic Imagination (20 min)
Discussion (30 min)

P23-122
International Organization for Septuagint and Cognate Studies
9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hilton - 214 (Level 2)
Theme: The Septuagint: Across the Corpus
    Jan Joosten, University of Oxford, Presiding
    John Lee, Macquarie University
    The Puzzle of τὸ δοῦ: Solved (25 min)
    James A. E. Mulroney, The University of Edinburgh
    Interpretative Translational Choices for Conditional Sentences in the Septuagint (25 min)
    Martin Rösel, Universität Rostock
    A Theology of the Septuagint? (25 min)
    Patrick Pouchelle, Centre Sèvres
    Neologisms in the Septuagint, Case Studies, and Criteria (25 min)
    James Aitken, University of Cambridge and Sigfried Kreuzer, Kirchliche Hochschule Wuppertal/Bethel
    Two New Handbooks of the Septuagint: Purposes and Future Prospects (25 min)
    Business Meeting (25 min)
P23-123

International Syriac Language Project
9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hilton - 404 (Level 4)
Theme: Lexicography: Selected Issues and Improved Tools (1)
Richard A. Taylor, Dallas Theological Seminary, Presiding
George A. Kiraz, Gorgias Press
SEDRA IV: Online Lexical Tools for Syriac (30 min)
David J. A. Clines, University of Sheffield
The Holy and the Clean: Category Confusion in Semitic? (30 min)
Jesus Pelazo, Universidad de Cordoba
The Lexeme aletheia in the Pauline Letters: Definition and Translation in Context (30 min)
Michael Theophilos, Australian Catholic University
The Numismatic Background of “character” in Heb 1:5 (30 min)
Kristian S. Heal, Brigham Young University and David M. Calabro, Brigham Young University
The Digitization of Jesse Payne Smith’s Compendious Syriac Dictionary and the Development of JPS 2.0 (30 min)

S23-124

SBL Intertextuality in the New Testament Section
9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Marriott - L404 (Lobby Level)
Theme: Intertextuality, Rhetorical Criticism, and the Pauline Letters
Max Lee, North Park Theological Seminary, Presiding
A. Andrew Das, Elmhurst College
An Audience-Oriented Approach to Paul’s Use of Scripture in Galatians: Reader Competence and Differing Target Audiences (20 min)
Discussion (10 min)
Raymond Morehouse, University of St. Andrews
Diatribe and Deuteronomy: Romans 3:1–6 as Guided Reflection on Deut 32:4 (20 min)
Discussion (10 min)
Douglas C. Mohrmann, Cornerstone University
Paul’s Use of Scripture in Romans 9–11 as Palimpsest: Literature in the Second Degree (20 min)
Discussion (10 min)
Jason A. Myers, Asbury Theological Seminary
Paul and the Rhetoric of Obedience: A Rhetorical Reading of Obedience (20 min)
Discussion (10 min)
G. Brooke Lester, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary
No, Seriously: A Unifying Theory of Allusion (20 min)
Discussion (10 min)

S23-125

SBL Inventing Christianity: Apostolic Fathers, Apologists, and Martyrs Section
9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Marriott - M303-M304 (Marquis Level)
Theme: Martyrdom and Persecution: Frend at 50
In honor of the 50th anniversary of William Frend’s Martyrdom and Persecution, this session will explore the legacy of Frend and the current state of scholarship on the issue of martyrdom in early Christianity.
Paul Middleton, University of Chester, Presiding
Judith Perkins, University of Saint Joseph
What a Difference Fifty Years Make: Frend’s Martyrdom and Persecution (30 min)
William Horbury, University of Cambridge
W.H.C. Frend on Jewish Martyrdom and Persecution? (30 min)
David L. Eastman, Ohio Wesleyan University
The Innovation of Death: The Rhetoric of Martyrdom and Christian Identity (30 min)
Discussion (30 min)
Responding:
Michael Holmes, Bethel University (Minnesota) (30 min)

S23-126

SBL Johannine Literature Section
9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Marriott - International 8 (International Level)
Urban Von Wahlde, Loyola University of Chicago, Presiding
Ronald Charles, St. Francis Xavier University
Aseneth, the Samaritan Woman, and the Trope of Travel (30 min)
Lori Baron, Duke University
The Shema in John and Jewish Restoration Eschatology (30 min)
Elizabeth Schrader, General Theological Seminary
Was Martha of Bethany Added to the Fourth Gospel in the Second Century? (30 min)
Seungwoo Shim, Brite Divinity School (TCU)
Reading Gender Ideology in the Johannine Shepherd Discourse (John 10:1–21) (30 min)
Hugo Mendez, Yale University
Revisiting the Origins and Underlying Genre of John 21 (30 min)

S23-127

SBL Josephus Seminar
9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hilton - 312 (Level 3)
Theme: Brill Project Commentary
James McLaren, Australian Catholic University, Presiding
Chris Seeman, Walsh University
Romancing the Past: Josephus’ Bagoses Reconsidered (40 min)
Discussion (20 min)
Break (10 min)
David Levenson, Florida State University
Consulting and Evaluating the Latin Translations of Josephus' Antiquities and War: A Report on the Manuscript Tradition (40 min)
Discussion (20 min)
Business Meeting (10 min)

S23-128

SBL Latino/a and Latin American Biblical Interpretation Section
9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hilton - 406 (Level 4)
Theme: Race and Class Conflict (Struggle) in Biblical Interpretation
Alejandro Botta, Boston University, Presiding
Panelists:
  - Pablo Andiñach, Instituto Universitario ISEDET (20 min)
  - Eric Barreto, Luther Seminary (20 min)
  - Julián Andrés González, Southern Methodist University
  - Alejandro Botta, Boston University, Presiding
  - Pablo Andiñach, Instituto Universitario ISEDET (20 min)
  - Corinna Guerrero, Graduate Theological Union
  - A Mujerista Reading of Judges 19 (20 min)
  - Gilberto Ruiz, Loyola University New Orleans (20 min)
  - Discussion (30 min)

S23-129

SBL Linguistics and Biblical Hebrew Section / National Association of Professors of Hebrew
9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Marriott - A708 (Atrium Level)
Theme: Editing the Hebrew Bible and Historical Linguistics
Jared S. Klein, University of the Free State, Presiding
Panelists:
  - Jared S. Klein, University of the Free State
  - Historical Linguistics and Ancient Religious Texts (20 min)
  - Daniel Carroll R., Denver Seminary (20 min)
  - Discussion (5 min)
  - A. Dean Forbes, University of the Free State
  - The Diachrony Debate: A Tutorial on Methods (20 min)
  - Martijn Naaij, Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam and Dirk Roorda,
    Royal Netherlands Academy of Arts and Sciences
  - Measuring Syntax: New Ways of Researching Linguistic Variation in
    relation to "Historical Linguistics and Biblical Hebrew" (20 min)
  - Discussion (10 min)
  - Ian Young, University of Sydney
    Ancient Hebrew without Authors (20 min)
  - Aaron D. Hornkohl, University of Cambridge
    Historical Linguistics and Biblical Hebrew: Observations from the
    Perspective of 4Q Reworked Pentateuch (20 min)
  - Discussion (10 min)
  - Nili Samet, Bar-Ilan University
    The Question of LBH Syntax: The Case of Ecclesiastes 1–2 (20 min)
  - Discussion (5 min)

S23-130

SBL Minoritized Criticism and Biblical Interpretation Seminar
9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hyatt - Hanover G (Exhibit Level)
Theme: Migration-Economics, Ecology, Militarization
Janette Ok, Azusa Pacific University, Presiding
Panelists:
  - Diane Chen, Palmer Theological Seminary (Eastern University)
  - Gregory Cuellar, Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary (20
    min)
  - Althea Spencer Miller, Drew University (20 min)
  - Van Thanh Nguyen, Catholic Theological Union (20 min)
  - M. Daniel Carroll R., Denver Seminary (20 min)
  - Discussion (30 min)

S23-131

SBL New Testament Textual Criticism Section
9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hyatt - Courtland (Atlanta Conference Level)
Juan Hernandez, Bethel University (Minnesota), Presiding
Matthew David Larsen, Yale University
Accidental Publication, Post-Publication Revision, Textual Fluidity and the
Implications for the Traditional Tools of Textual Criticism (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Elijah Hixson, University of Edinburgh
Real or Perceived Scribal Habits? Assessing the 'Singular Readings
Method' with Codex Sinopensis (O 023) (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Darius Müller, Protestant University Wuppertal/Bethel
The Text of Revelation in GA 2329 and 2331 (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Jessica Shao, University of Minnesota-Twin Cities
Family 1 in Mark: New Evidence on the Stemma of the Venice Group
(25 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Business Meeting (25 min)
### MONDAY, NOVEMBER 23

#### P23-131a

**Nida Institute for Biblical Scholarship at the American Bible Society**

9:00 AM–11:00 AM  
Marriott - L401-L403 (Lobby Level)

**Theme: Translating Alterity, Translating Silence**

Roy E. Ciampa, Nida Institute for Biblical Scholarship at the American Bible Society, Presiding  
Carolyn J. Sharp, Yale Divinity School  
*Translating Alterity: Conflict, Undecidability, and Complicity* (40 min)

**Responding:**

- Philip H. Towner, Nida Institute for Biblical Scholarship (12 min)
- Gerald O. West, University of KwaZulu-Natal (12 min)
- Deborah Shadd, Nida Institute for Biblical Scholarship at the American Bible Society (12 min)
- David Gunn, Texas Christian University (10 min)

#### S23-132

**SBL Paul Within Judaism Section**

9:00 AM–11:30 AM  
Marriott - Marquis C (Marquis Level)

**Theme:** For Paul, Do Jews Have to Become Christians to be Saved?  
Paula Fredriksen, Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Presiding (5 min)

- John Marshall, University of Toronto  
  *Deixis and Scope: Reading Romans in Time and Place* (25 min)
- Mark D. Nanos, University of Kansas - Lawrence  
  *Are Jews Outside of the Covenants if Not Confessing Jesus as Messiah?: Questioning the Questions, the Options for the Answers Too* (25 min)
- Jason Staples, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill  
  *Who is Israel? Understanding Paul's Restoration Eschatological Hopes* (25 min)

**Responding:**  
Larry Hurtado, University of Edinburgh (25 min)

Break (5 min)  
Discussion (40 min)

#### S23-133

**SBL Pauline Soteriology Seminar**

9:00 AM–11:30 AM  
Marriott - Marquis A-B (Marquis Level)

**Theme:** Review of John Barclay, Paul and the Gift (Eerdmans 2015)

Alexandra Brown, Washington and Lee University, Presiding  
Panelists:  
Joel Marcus, Duke University (20 min)  
Margaret Mitchell, University of Chicago (20 min)  
Miroslav Volf, Yale University (20 min)  
Break (10 min)  
Responding:  
John Barclay, University of Durham (40 min)  
Discussion (40 min)

#### S23-134

**SBL Pentateuch Section**

9:00 AM–11:30 AM  
Marriott - International B (International Level)

**Theme:**  
Angela Roskop Erisman, Hebrew Union College - Jewish Institute of Religion, Presiding
- Juerg Hutzli, Université de Lausanne  
  *The Distinct Literary Profile of P's Abraham Narrative* (25 min)

**Discussion:**  
Aron Freidenreich, Union Theological Seminary in the City of New York  
*Reconceptualizing the Development of Genesis 17 within the Priestly Work* (25 min)

Break (10 min)  
Discussion (40 min)

### S23-135

**SBL Performance Criticism of Biblical and Other Ancient Texts Section**

9:00 AM–11:30 AM  
Marriott - A704 (Atrium Level)

**Theme:** Performance and Performativity of Patristic and Other Texts

Jin Han, New York Theological Seminary, Presiding  
C. Rebecca Rine, Catholic University of America  
*Performing Scripture: Biblical Quotation in Patristic Commentary* (30 min)

- Mark Randall James, University of Virginia  
  *Ancient Antecedents to Performance Criticism: Origen, Stoic Logic, and the Bible as Utterance* (30 min)
- Jared W. Ludlow, Brigham Young University  
  *Eusebius and the Performances of the Gospel Stories* (30 min)
- Bogdan G. Bucur, Duquesne University  
  *Performative Exegesis in Anastasius the Sinaite's Homily on The Transfiguration* (30 min)
T. Michael W. Halcomb, Conversational Koine Institute
Sound Matters: The Role and Function of Pronunciation in Ancient Performance (30 min)

S23-136

SBL Philo of Alexandria Seminar
9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Marriott - International 4 (International Level)
Theme: Historical and Intellectual Traditions in Philo
Seminar papers will be available on-line at http://torreys.org/philo_seminar_papers/.
Ellen Birnbaum, Cambridge, Massachusetts, Presiding
- Miriam Ben Zeev, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev
  Philo as Historian: His Testimony on the Beginning of the Jewish Settlement at Rome as a Case Study (25 min)
- Michael Pope, Brigham Young University
  Opportunistic Stoicism: Philo’s Quad Omnis Probus Liber Sit and Cicero’s Tusculan Disputations Book 2 (25 min)
- Courtney Friesen, University of Oxford
  Dying Like a Woman: Philo on the Tragic Death of Polyxena (25 min)

Break (10 min)
- Angela Standhartinger, Philipps-Universität Marburg
  Philo in Ethnographic Discourse: Some Observations to the Literary Context of De Vita Contemplativa (25 min)

Discussion (15 min)

S23-137

SBL Philology in Hebrew Studies Consultation
9:00 AM–10:45 AM
Hilton - Grand Ballroom B (Level 2)
Jacqueline Vayntrub, Harvard University, Presiding (5 min)
Panelists:
- Gary Anderson, University of Notre Dame (15 min)
- Bart Ehrman, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill (15 min)
- James Kugel, Bar Ilan University (15 min)

Responding:
- David Lambert, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill (15 min)

Panelists:
- Carol Newsom, Emory University (15 min)
- Baruch Schwartz, Hebrew University of Jerusalem (15 min)

S23-138

SBL Prayer in Antiquity Consultation
9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Marriott - M102 (Marquis Level)
Theme: Rethinking Ancient Prayer: Cross Cultural Perspectives
Mark J. Boda, McMaster Divinity College, Presiding
- Alan Lenzi, University of the Pacific
  Ancient Mesopotamian Prayer: Evidence and Methodological Issues (30 min)
- Daniel K. Falk, Penn State University
  Reading Material Culture of Ancient Prayer (30 min)
- Judith H. Newman, University of Toronto
  Prayer Practices and the Transformation of Early Jewish Texts (30 min)
- Rodney A. Werline, Barton College
  Foregrounding the Jewish Context of New Testament Prayers (30 min)
- Angela Kim Harkins, University of Birmingham
  Thinking about Prayers and the Practice of Prayer from the Past to the Present (30 min)

S23-140

SBL Religious Competition in Late Antiquity Section
9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hyatt - Techwood (Atlanta Conference Level)
Theme: The Rhetoric of Foreign
Saul Olyan, Brown University, Presiding (5 min)
- Debra Scoggins Ballentine, Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey
  The (Mis)Foreignization Problem in Hebrew Bible Studies (20 min)
- Nathaniel Levitow, University of Montana
  ‘Making the Foreign Native and the Native Foreign’: Ritual Violence in Levantine Imperial and Civil War Contexts (20 min)
- Tim Wardle, Furman University
  The Rhetoric of Boundary Making: The Case of Jews and Samaritans (20 min)

Responding:
- Brian Rainey, Princeton Theological Seminary (15 min)
- Eric Orlin, University of Puget Sound
  Sacra Peregrina: “Foreignness” in Roman Rites (20 min)
- Paul Robertson, Colby-Sawyer College
  Individualized Appellation as Polemic in Late Antiquity (20 min)

Responding:
- Daniel Ullucci, Rhodes College (15 min)

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S23-141
SBL Religious Experience in Antiquity Section
9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hyatt - Harris (Atlanta Conference Level)
John Levison, Southern Methodist University, Presiding
Job Y. Jindo, The Tikvah Fund
On the Phenomenology of Hearing and Experience in Biblical Literature (30 min)
Sarah Berns, Brown University
How and Why Does Cedar Purify? An Inhabited Approach to Ancient Ritual Texts (30 min)
Brigida Bell, University of Toronto
Affect and Embodiment in the Body of the Pythia (30 min)
Aldo Carlo Fernando Tagliabue, Heidelberg University
Embodied Religious Experience in Aelius Aristides' Sacred Tales (30 min)
Discussion (30 min)

S23-142
SBL Senses and Culture in the Biblical World Section
9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hilton - 306 (Level 3)
Theme: Sensory Encounters and Encountering the Sensory in the Song of Songs and Its Reception
Arguably the most sensual book in the Hebrew Bible, the Song of Songs calls for sensory analyses to make sense of this enigmatic love poem. The papers in this panel explore sensory elements in the Song of Songs itself or in instances of its reception history.
Greg Schmidt Goering, University of Virginia, Presiding (5 min)
Barat Ellman, Fordham University
The Sensation of Love: Song of Songs 4:9-16 and the Simulation of Emotion (25 min)
Ellen van Wolde, Radboud Universiteit Nijmegen
Uncertainty Management in the Song of Songs (25 min)
Dominika Kurek-Chomycz, Liverpool Hope University
The King's Fragrance and the Spiritual Sense of Smell: Reading Song 1:12 with Origen and Gregory of Nyssa (25 min)
Fiona C. Black, Mount Allison University
Affecting Pink: Chagall, the Song of Songs, and the Senses (25 min)
Responding:
Cheryl Exum, University of Sheffield (20 min)
Discussion (25 min)

S23-142a
SBL Social History of Formative Christianity and Judaism Section
9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hilton - 301 (Level 3)
Theme: Ritual in the City: Imperial Spaces of Conflict
Philippa Townsend, University of Edinburgh, Presiding
Mary R. D'Angelo, University of Notre Dame
Material Gods (25 min)
Todd Berzon, Bowdoin College
Spatializing Heresy in Late Antiquity (25 min)
Sarah Kattan Gribetz, Fordham University
"Lead Me Forth in Peace": Rabbinic Rituals of Travel in the Roman World (25 min)
Gil Klein, Loyola Marymount University
Purity and Politics: The Roman Landscape of Intra-Rabbinic Conflict (25 min)
Cavan Concannon, University of Southern California
In the Great City of the Ephesians: Contestations over Apostolic Memory and Ecclesial Power in the Acts of Timothy (25 min)
Discussion (25 min)

P23-143
Society for Pentecostal Studies
9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hilton - 405 (Level 4)
Theme: Pentecostal Readings of New Testament Texts
Melissa Archer, Southeastern University, Presiding
Blaine Charette, Northwest University (Washington)
The Whence and Whither of Those Born of the Spirit: John 3:8 and the Correlation between Son of God and Children of God (30 min)
Chris E. W. Green, Pentecostal Theological Seminary
'Does Not Nature Itself Teach You?' Theological Meditations on a Troubled/Troubling Text (30 min)
Break (15 min)
Daniel I. Morrison, McMaster Divinity College
Presentations of Parlance and Performance as Seen by Thyatira (30 min)
David R. Johnson, Bangor University (UK)
The Mark of the Beast or the Seal of God: Pneumatic Discernment, Effective History, and Early Pentecostal Periodical Literature (30 min)
Discussion (15 min)
S23-144/A23-100
SBL Student Lounge Roundtable
9:00 AM–10:30 AM
Hyatt - Hanover A (Exhibit Level)
Theme: Humility, Solidarity, and Mutuality: Three Holistic Methodological Goals for Comparative Religious Study
Hosted by the AAR Graduate Student Committee

S23-145
SBL Synoptic Gospels Section
9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hyatt - Spring (Atlanta Conference Level)
Theme: Rethinking Familiar Motifs through Narrative Function, Literary Arrangement, and Audience Inference
Elizabeth Struthers Malbon, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University, Presiding
David A. Burnett, Criswell College
The Sword and the Servant: Reframing the function of the “two swords” of Luke 22:35-38 in Narrative Context (30 min)
Tobias Ålöw, Göteborgs Universitet
The Kingdom of Heaven in the Gospel of Matthew and Rabbinic Tradition (30 min)
Geert Van Oyen, Université Catholique de Louvain
The “Messianic Mystery” as Part of the Paradoxical Characterization of God in the Gospel of Mark (30 min)
Andrew J. Kelley, University of Edinburgh
Jesus as an Autonomous Miracle-Worker in Mark (30 min)
Michael Patrick Barber, John Paul the Great Catholic University
Jesus’ Vow at the Last Supper in the Synoptic Gospels: A Study in Divergent Narrative Strategies (30 min)

S23-147
SBL Textual Criticism of the Hebrew Bible Section
9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hyatt - Vinings (Atlanta Conference Level)
Theme: Textual Criticism of the Pentateuch and Daniel
Russell E. Fuller, University of San Diego, Presiding
Drew Longacre, University of Helsinki
The Collective Transmission of the Pentateuch: Documentary Evidence from the Judean Desert (35 min)
David Rothstein, Ariel University Center of Samaria
The Textual History of Deut 11:4a and Its Role in Biblical and Post-Biblical Traditions of the Reed Sea Crossing (35 min)
Break (10 min)
Dan McClellan, The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints
The Textual Utility of the Mal’ak YHWH in Biblical Narrative (35 min)
J. Amanda McGuire, Andrews University
A Text-Critical Look at Dan 9:27 in the Masoretic Text and the Septuagint (35 min)

S23-148
SBL Theology of the Hebrew Scriptures Section
9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Marriott - A602 (Atrium Level)
Theme: Divine Hiddleness in the Hebrew Bible
Dalit Rom-Shiloni, Tel Aviv University, Presiding (5 min)
Panelists:
Dexter Callender, University of Miami (20 min)
Steven Kepnes, Colgate University (20 min)
Marvin Sweeney, Claremont School of Theology (20 min)
Beth Tanner, New Brunswick Theological Seminary (20 min)
Responding:
Kathleen O’Connor, Columbia Theological Seminary (20 min)
Discussion (45 min)

P23-149/A23-113
Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion
9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Marriott - A704 (Atrium Level)
Theme: Demonstrating a Teaching Tactic: Engaging Students in Learning
Joint session with the Teaching Religion Section (AAR). The session will be present teaching tactics in a timed format on engaging students in active learning. Each tactic will be distributed and the author will clarify its content. There will be time for discussion for each tactic as well as time for general discussion.
David B. Howell, Ferrum College, Presiding
Brent Hege, Butler University
Crafting a “Big Picture” Assignment: Interviews as Teaching Tool (20 min)
Umesh Patel, University at Buffalo, State University of New York
Speed Dating (20 min)
Kristy Slominski, University of California-Santa Barbara
Using Clickers to Start Discussions in the Religious Studies Classroom (20 min)
Kyle Schiefelbein, Graduate Theological Union
Reading Primary Source Documents as History and Theology (20 min)
Rose Aslan, California Lutheran University
Drama in the Classroom (20 min)
David Jorgensen, Colby College
Coffee-Hour Role Play (20 min)
Discussion (10 min)
Business Meeting (20 min)
S23–150

**SBL Wisdom and Apocalypticism Section**

9:00 AM–11:30 AM  
Hilton - 202 (Level 2)

**Theme:** *Concepts of Time and History in Sapiential and Apocalyptic Texts*

Karina Martin Hogan, Fordham University, Presiding  
Matthew Neujahr, Marquette University  
*Historical Time in Late Babylonian and Early Jewish Ex Eventu Texts* (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Jonathan Ben-Dov, University of Haifa  
*Competing Temporalities in Early Jewish Apocalypses* (25 min)

S23–151/A23–146

**SBL Student Lounge Roundtable**

10:30 AM–12:00 PM  
Hyatt - Hanover A (Exhibit Level)

**Theme:** *Alt-Ac Employment: Hiring from an HR Perspective*

Hosted by the AAR Graduate Student Committee

S23–152

**SBL What I'm Telling My Graduate Students**

11:00 AM–12:45 PM  
Hyatt - International North (Level 3)

**Theme:** *Hosted by the Student Advisory Board*

Preregistration is required for this luncheon because of limited space.  
This session provides graduate students with an opportunity to learn from the academic experiences of established scholars through short presentations of their academic autobiographies and smaller group discussions. Each panelist will have 5–7 minutes to talk about their graduate school experience and discuss what they are telling their current students about navigating the field of biblical and religious studies. These presentations will be followed by smaller group discussions over lunch.

S23–152a

**SBL Brown Judaic Studies Editorial Board**

11:30 AM–1:00 PM  
Hyatt - 223 (Level 2)

S23–153

**SBL Underrepresented Racial and Ethnic Minorities in the Profession Committee Luncheon**

11:30 AM–1:00 PM  
Hilton - Grand Salon C (Level 2)

**Monday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM**

S23–201

**SBL Qumran Section / Aramaic Studies Section**

1:00 PM–3:30 PM  
Marriott - International 10 (International Level)

**Theme:** *Aramaic Language and Literature in the Dead Sea Scrolls*

Tawny Holm, Pennsylvania State University, Presiding  
Edward Cook, Catholic University of America  
*Ambiguity, Polysemy, and Contextual Variation in the Qumran Aramaic Lexicon* (30 min)

Loren Stuckenbruck, Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München  
*Form and Vocabulary in Dead Sea Aramaic Texts and Their Translation into Greek* (30 min)

Jan Joosten, University of Oxford  
*Remarks on the Language of the Genesis Apocryphon* (30 min)

Daniel Machiela, McMaster University  
*Wisdom Motifs in the Compositional Strategy of the Genesis Apocryphon and Other Aramaic Texts from Qumran* (30 min)

Michael Segal, Hebrew University of Jerusalem  
*Rewriting 'in' and 'of' Daniel* (30 min)

S23–202

**SBL Art and Religions of Antiquity Section**

1:00 PM–3:30 PM  
Hilton - 311 (Level 3)

**Theme:** *Art and Empire*

Zsuzsanna Gulacsí, Northern Arizona University, Presiding  
Uta Heil, Universität Wien  
*Imperial or Christological Art? Constantine's Churches in the Holy Land* (30 min)

Richard Freund, University of Hartford  
*Imperial Herod? The Temple of Apollo in Rhodes and the Temple of Jerusalem's Herodian Stones* (30 min)

Jacob A. Latham, University of Tennessee  
*Parading the Imperial Cult* (30 min)

Douglas Boin, Saint Louis University  
*The Memory of “Peter” in Fourth-Century Rome: Church, Mausoleum, and Jupiter on the Via Praenestina* (30 min)
Lee M. Jefferson, Centre College
*Revisiting the Emperor Mystique: The Traditio Legis as an Anti-Imperial Image* (30 min)

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**S23-203**

**SBL Assyriology and the Bible Section**
1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Hyatt - Courtland (Atlanta Conference Level)
Theme: *Mesopotamian Literature and the Bible II*
Jeffrey Cooley, Boston College, Presiding (5 min)
Kathleen McCaffrey, Independent Scholar
*The Bird Bridegroom Story (Gilg. VI: 48-50): Wordplay and Ancient Commentary* (20 min)
Rannfrid Thelle, Wichita State University
*The Bible and the Enuma Elish: The Case of Rigma* (20 min)
Ryan N. Roberts, Cornerstone University
*Storm Imagery and Environmental Descriptions of the Divine* (20 min)
Jordan Jones, Hebrew Union College - Jewish Institute of Religion
*The Image of the Ideal King in the Psalm of David: An Analysis of 2 Sam 23:1-7 in light of Ancient Near Eastern Parallels* (20 min)
Andrew Geist, University of Notre Dame
*Wealth in the Šamaš Hymn and Psalms* (20 min)
Samuel Greengus, Hebrew Union College - Jewish Institute of Religion
*A New Appraisal of Abigail’s Brave Actions in 1 Sam 25:2-42* (20 min)

Discussion (25 min)

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**S23-204**

**SBL Bible and Film Section**
1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Marriott - M301-M302 (Marquis Level)
Theme: *Hebrew Bible and Film: Death, Ecology, and Evil in Noah, Slasher Films, and 2012*
Rhonda Burnett-Bletsch, Eastern University, Presiding
Jeffrey S. Lamp, Oral Roberts University
*Noah (2014) as Paradigm for Reading the Bible Ecologically* (40 min)
Discussion (10 min)
Laura Copier, Universiteit Utrecht and Caroline Vander Stichele, Universiteit van Amsterdam
*Death and Disaster: 2012 Meets Noah* (40 min)
Discussion (10 min)
J. Blair Wilgus, Hope International University
*Jason Voorhees – Slasher Villain or Zealous Priest? Analyzing Responses to Purgig Evil in the Hebrew Bible and Friday the 13th* (40 min)
Discussion (10 min)

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**S23-205**

**SBL Bible in Ancient and Modern Media Section / Nida Institute for Biblical Scholarship at the American Bible Society**
1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Marriott - International 4 (International Level)
Theme: *Intersemiotic Translation: a new media approach*
Our present new media age (mobile technologies in particular) is enacting an intersemiotic translation of the book as a material cultural phenomenon. Bible and book are inextricably bound, so how is this intersemiotic translation of book shaping the way bible is imagined and practiced? This session is not looking primarily at how the content of the bible is translated from one language to another but how the material media translation of the bible as book shapes the way we make meaning of its stories.
Michael Hemenway, Iliff School of Theology, Presiding
James Maxey, Nida Institute for Biblical Scholarship at the American Bible Society, Presiding
Panelists:
- Timothy Beal, Case Western Reserve University
- Pamela Eisenbaum, Iliff School of Theology
- Holly Hearon, Christian Theological Seminary
- Yancy Smith, Bible League International
- Gerald West, University of KwaZulu-Natal

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**S23-206**

**SBL Biblical Ethics Section**
1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Marriott - M108 (Marquis Level)
Theme: *Justice and Mercy*
Jacqueline Grey, Alphacrucis, Presiding
Luke Ben Tallon, LeTourneau University
*Forgiveness as the Image of the Merciful and Just God* (20 min)
Discussion (10 min)
Glenn Pemberton, Abilene Christian University
*Justice and Mercy in Proverbs: Can It Be?* (20 min)
Discussion (10 min)
Dorothea H. Bertschmann, University of Durham
*‘Revenge Is Mine, I Will Pay Back’: Has Mercy Not the Last Word, after All? Reading Rom 12:19 as a Hidden Discourse of Justice and Mercy* (20 min)
Discussion (10 min)
Volker Rabens, Friedrich-Schiller-Universität Jena
*Justice and Mercy in 1 Peter* (20 min)
Discussion (10 min)

Discussion (30 min)
S23-207

SBL Biblical Law Section
1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Hyatt - University (Atlanta Conference Level)
Andrew Gross, Catholic University of America, Presiding
Shalom E. Holtz, Yeshiva University
Psalm 109 and the Legal Meaning of Prayer (20 min)
Discussion (10 min)
Elaine Goodfriend, California State University - Northridge
"... He Laid a Hand to the Other's Property": The Suspected Wrongdoing in Exod 22:7, 10 (20 min)
Discussion (10 min)
Yael Landman, Yeshiva University
"Gerîm as gôyîm in 4QOrdinances A: Restoring Lacunae in the Slave Law of 4Q159 fr. 2-4 and 8 1-3a (20 min)
Discussion (10 min)
Daniel Vos, Boston College
Moving the Boundary: The Metaphorical Use of a Literal Prohibition in the Second Temple Period (20 min)

S23-208

SBL Biblical Lexicography Section
1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Hilton - 207 (Level 2)
Theme: Biblical Greek Lexicography
Michael Theophilos, Australian Catholic University, Presiding
Chris Fresch, University of Cambridge
Discourse Markers in Lexica and the Benefit of Functional Descriptions: A Case Study of De (30 min)
Christoph Heilig, Universität Zürich
The Lexical Semantics of thriambeuein in Greek Literature: Building the Interpretation of 2 Cor 2:14 and Col 2:15 on a Firm Foundation (30 min)
Damaris Romero Gonzalez, Universidad de Córdoba (España)
Anger in the New Testament (30 min)
Stephen C. Carlson, Australian Catholic University
The Polysemy of Pálin (30 min)
Israel Muñoz Gallarte, Universidad de Córdoba (España)

S23-209

SBL Book of Acts Section
1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Marriott - M303-M304 (Marquis Level)
Theme: Acts in the Discourses of Ethnicity
Steve Walton, St Mary's University, Twickenham (London), Presiding
Aaron Kuecker, LeTourneau University
A Lukan House of Prayer (for All Nations?): Ethnicity, Spirit, and Temple in Acts (30 min)
Susan Wendel, Briercrest College and Seminary
Whose Promises Are They? An Exploration of Script (30 min)
David A. Smith, Duke University
Jewish Attitudes toward Gentile (Im)purity and the Evidence for a Jewish-Christian Sitz im Leben in Acts (30 min)
Christopher Stroup, Boston College
Ethnic Rhetoric in Jerusalem and Ephesus: the Jerusalem Council, the Salutaris Foundation, and the “Religious” Legitimation of Ethnic Identity in the Roman Era Polis (30 min)
Joshua W. Jipp, Trinity Evangelical Divinity School

S23-210

SBL Book of Daniel Section
1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Marriott - A602 (Atrium Level)
Amy Merrill Willis, Lynchburg College, Presiding
Panelists:
Anathea Portier-Young, Duke University (20 min)
Shalom Paul, Hebrew University of Jerusalem (20 min)
C. L. Seow, Princeton Theological Seminary (20 min)
Break (10 min)
Responding:
Carol Newsom, Emory University (20 min)
Brennan Breed, Columbia Theological Seminary (20 min)
Discussion (40 min)

S23-211

SBL Christian Apocrypha Section
1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Hilton - 313 (Level 3)
Theme: “Lived Contexts” of Christian Apocrypha
Eric Vanden Eykel, Ferrum College, Presiding (5 min)
Alexander Kocar, Princeton University
Saints, Sinners, and Apostates: Moral, Salvific, and Anthropological Difference in the Shepherd of Hermas and the Apocryphon of John (25 min)
S23-212

SBL Contextual Biblical Interpretation Section
1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Marriott - International C (International Level)
Theme: Revelation
Papers will be summarized and discussed in roundtable format. Papers will be available online ahead of time at https://thefemalebiblescholar.wordpress.com/sbl-2015-contextual-biblical-interpretation/.

Jennifer McNeel, Union Presbyterian Seminary, Presiding

‘The Devil, the Lake of Fire and the Beast’, Otherwise Known as, ‘Our Employing Company, Spontaneous Combustion, and the Mine Itself’: An Explosive Interpretation of Rev 20:1-15 by South Derbyshire (15 min)

Discussion (15 min)

Marsha A. Thrall, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary

To Whore or Not to Whore? The Question of Gender-Specific Moral Identity Within the Language of Revelation (15 min)

Discussion (15 min)

Kent Jackson, Brigham Young University

Joseph Smith Reading the Apocalypse: God, Man, Angels, and Eternity (15 min)

Discussion (15 min)

Responding:

James Grimshaw, Carroll University (15 min)

Business Meeting (30 min)

S23-213

SBL Corpus Hellenisticum Novi Testamenti Section
1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Marriott - L404 (Lobby Level)
Theme: The New Testament in the Greco–Roman World
This session investigates the relationships among several early Christian writings and the Greco–Roman world.

Donald Walker, University of Chicago, Presiding

John Granger Cook, LaGrange College

Resurrections of Greco–Roman Figures and the Resurrection of Jesus (30 min)

S23-214

SBL Early Judaism and Its Literature Editorial Board
1:00 PM–2:00 PM
Hyatt - 223 (Level 2)

S23-216

SBL Exile (Forced Migrations) in Biblical Literature Seminar
1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Marriott - International B (International Level)

In this important volume, Pearce and Wunsch provide translation, transliteration, commentary, copies and photographs of 103 cuneiform documents of the exiled Jews and others in Babylonia, mostly from the 6th century BCE. This panel will review Pearce and Wunsch’s important book and consider what these texts, individually and collectively, reveal about the Judean community in Babylonia.

Mark Leuchter, Temple University, Presiding (5 min)

Panelists:

Pamela Barmash, Washington University (15 min)

Peter Bedford, Union College (15 min)

Dalit Rom-Shiloni, Tel Aviv University (15 min)

Katherine Southwood, University of Oxford (15 min)

David Vanderhooft, Boston College (15 min)

Responding:

Laurie Pearce, University of California–Berkeley (15 min)

Cornelia Wunsch, University of London (15 min)

Discussion (40 min)
S23-217

SBL Function of Apocryphal and Pseudepigraphal Writings in Early Judaism and Early Christianity Section
1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Hilton - 204 (Level 2)
  Karina Martin Hogan, Fordham University  
  *Mother Zion or Mother Church? The Use of Baruch in 5 Ezra* (25 min)
  James H. Charlesworth, Princeton Theological Seminary  
  *God as Nursing Father: Tracing an Image from Isaiah through the Hodayoth and Odes of Solomon to Patristic Writings* (25 min)
  Dongshin Chang, Univ. of Manchester  
  *Phinehas: A Source for High Priests in the Second Temple Judaism* (25 min)
  Ted M. Erho, Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München  
  *De facto Canonicity in Ethiopia* (25 min)
  D. Jeffrey Bingham, Wheaton College (Illinois)  
  *Conceptions of Scripture in the Second Century: Irenaeus and Non-Canonical Christian Texts* (25 min)

Business Meeting (25 min)

S23-218

SBL Gospel of Luke Section
1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Marriott - International A (International Level)
  Theme: *Literary Features in Luke’s Gospel*
  Mark Matson, Milligan College, Presiding
  John Vonder Bruegge, Northwestern College  
  Discussion (10 min)
  Daniel Frayer-Griggs, Duquesne University  
  *Reading Ezekiel on the Way to Jerusalem* (25 min)
  Discussion (10 min)
  Robyn J. Whitaker, Union Theological Seminary in the City of New York  
  *Jesus’ Death as Failed Spectacle in Luke 23* (25 min)
  Discussion (10 min)
  James C. Henriquez, University of Texas at Austin  
  *Behind Every Holy Man Is a Narrator: The Narrator’s Role in Shaping the Reader’s Opinion in the Gospel of Luke and Lucian’s Alexander the False Prophet* (25 min)
  Discussion (20 min)

S23-219

SBL Hebrew Bible and Philosophy Consultation
1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Marriott - M109 (Marquis Level)
  Theodore A. Perry, University of Connecticut  
  *Always Already: Philosophical Exegesis and the Beat of Time Primordial in Job 38* (30 min)
  Ying Zhang, East China Normal University  
  *Biblical Exegesis as Way of Philosophizing: The Beginning and the End of Maimonides’ Guide of the Perplexed* (30 min)
  Sarah Zhang, GETS Theological Seminary  
  *Lyrical Slippages, Meaning-Making and Proximity in Song 2:10–13* (30 min)
  Dru Johnson, The King’s College (New York) and Allen Jones, Corban University  
  *Response: Methodological Considerations in Pursuing Bible and Philosophy* (30 min)

Discussion (30 min)

S23-220

SBL Hebrew Bible and Political Theory Section
1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Hyatt - Piedmont (Atlanta Conference Level)
  Shani Tzoref, Georg-August-Universität Göttingen, Presiding
  Tim Langille, University of Pittsburgh  
  *Imagined Genocide in Joshua* (30 min)
  Discussion (5 min)
  Kyong-Jin Lee, Fuller Theological Seminary (Pasadena)  
  *“Our Flesh Is the Same as That of Our Kindred”: Political-Economic Perspectives on Equality and Property* (30 min)
  Discussion (5 min)
  Ekaputra Tupamahu, Vanderbilt University  
  *Nebuchadnezzar 5, Biopolitics, and the State of Exception* (30 min)
  Discussion (5 min)
  Daniel Pioske, Georgia Southern University  
  *Saul and the Problem of Sovereignty* (30 min)
  Discussion (5 min)
  Discussion (10 min)

S23-221

SBL Hellenistic Judaism Section
1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Marriott - A708 (Atrium Level)
  Sandra Gambetti, The College of Staten Island - CUNY, Presiding  
  Jonathan Numada, McMaster Divinity College  
  *Legends of the Septuagint: Alexandria as Date with Jewish Destiny* (20 min)
Ashley Bacchi, Graduate Theological Union
*The Muses’ Birdcage: Book III of the Sibylline Oracles and Alexandrian Intellectual Competition* (20 min)
Patrick O’Kernick, Marquette University
*Stelae, Elephants, and Irony: The Battle of Raphia and Its Import as Historical Context for 3 Maccabees* (20 min)

Discussion (15 min)

Alexandrian-Jewish Politics and Society
Tyler A. Stewart, Marquette University
*Jewish Paideia: Greek Education and Torah in Alexandria* (20 min)
Patrick Pouchelle, Centre Sèvres
*Was the Greek Pentateuch Intended to Be Used by Non-Jewish Greek Courts?* (20 min)
Julia Wilker, University of Pennsylvania
*Networks to the Top: The Alabarch’s Family and the Restructuring of the Jewish Elite in Alexandria* (20 min)

Discussion (15 min)

S23-222

SBL Historical Jesus Section
1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Marriott - International 9 (International Level)
Theme: *The Future for Historical Jesus Studies*
This session on historiography, method, and criteria in historical Jesus research includes one invited main paper, three offered papers, and a response
Robert Webb, McMaster University, Presiding

Main Paper
Paul Foster, University of Edinburgh
*Recent Trends and Future Prospects: Will We Get Any Further?* (40 min)

Short Offered Papers
Stephen D. Black, Vancouver School of Theology
*The Meta-Historical Jesus: Or, What Has the Historical Jesus Done for Me Lately (and How Did He Do It?)* (20 min)
Jordan Ryan, McMaster University
*Imagining Jesus: R.G. Collingwood's Philosophy of History and Method in Historical Jesus Research* (20 min)
Brant Pitre, Notre Dame Seminary, Graduate School of Theology
*Beyond the Criteria of Authenticity: Where Do We Go From Here?* (20 min)

Responding:
Annette Merz, Protestant Theological University Amsterdam Groningen (30 min)

Discussion (20 min)

S23-223

SBL Intertextuality and the Hebrew Bible Consultation
1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Hyatt - Baker (Atlanta Conference Level)
Theme: *Intertextuality and Hebrew Bible: Whence and Whither?*
This consultation’s inaugurating theme is “Intertextuality and Hebrew Bible: Whence and Whither?” in which panelists will discuss where the field of Intertextuality and the Hebrew Bible has been and what potentials/pitfalls it holds for the future of biblical studies.
Carleen Mandolfo, Colby College, Presiding

Marvin A. Sweeney, Claremont School of Theology
*The Literary-Historical Dimensions of Intertextuality in Exodus—Numbers* (30 min)
Patricia K. Tull, Louisville Presbyterian Theological Seminary
*Bakhtin, Dialogue, and Biblical Interpretation* (30 min)
Lawrence Schiffman, New York University
*Intertextuality in the Dead Sea Scrolls* (30 min)
Marianne Grohmann, Universitát Wien
*Intertextuality and Canonical Criticism* (30 min)
Benjamin D. Sommer, Jewish Theological Seminary of America
*The Study of Inner-Biblical Exegesis and Allusion: Genealogies and Implications* (30 min)

S23-224

SBL Johannine Literature Section
1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Marriott - A701 (Atrium Level)
Theme: *Characterization and Genre*
Kasper B. Larsen, Aarhus Universitet, Presiding

Characterization
Mitchell Alexander Esswein, Princeton Theological Seminary
*The New Isaac: The Characterization of Jesus as the Fulfillment of the Patriarch Isaac* (30 min)
Mary L. Coloe, Yarra Theological Union
*The Identity and Significance of the Hellenes John 12:12–43* (30 min)

Genre
Lindsey M. Trozzo, Baylor University (Institution) and Texas Christian University (Employer)
*Genre and Moral Utility: A Rhetorical Approach to Johannine Ethics in light of Genre Participation* (30 min)
Jason J. Ripley, Saint Olaf College
*Bend It Like Socrates: Genre Bending and Jesus’ Death in the Gospel of John* (30 min)
Jill Hicks-Keeton, University of Oklahoma
*Seeing and Believing: The Genre of Anagnorisis and the Johannine Signs* (30 min)
### S23-225

**SBL Latter-day Saints and the Bible Section**
1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Hyatt - Inman (Atlanta Conference Level)

**Theme: What Is LDS Biblical Studies?**
Jared Ludlow, Brigham Young University, Presiding

- Taylor G. Petrey, Kalamazoo College
  *After Historical Criticism: Mormon Biblical Studies in Post-Modernity (25 min)*
- David Rolph Seely, Brigham Young University
  *The Book of Deuteronomy and the Book of Mormon (25 min)*
- Joseph M. Spencer, University of New Mexico
  *The Book of Mormon as Biblical Interpretation (25 min)*
- Dan Belnap, Brigham Young University
  *Some Thoughts on LDS Scholarship from the Perspective of a Religious Educator (25 min)*

Break (5 min)
Discussion (40 min)

### S23-226

**SBL Letters of James, Peter, and Jude Section**
1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Hyatt - Harris (Atlanta Conference Level)

**Theme: The Contribution of Modern Methodologies and Heuristics to the Study of the Letters of Peter, James, and Jude**
Duane Watson, Malone University, Presiding

- Troy W. Martin, Saint Xavier University
  *Emotional and Consolatory Arguments for Future Rejoicing in 1 Pet 1:6 (25 min)*
- Travis B. Williams, Tusculum College
  *Reading Charis in Its Ancient Social Context: The Language of Reciprocity in 1 Pet 2:19-20 (25 min)*
- David M. Shaw, University of Exeter
  *Isaiah 53 and Social Creativity in 1 Pet 2:18-25 (25 min)*
- George van Kooten, University of Groningen
  *Greek Philosophical Anthropology and Ethics in the Letter of James (25 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

### S23-227

**SBL Linguistics and Biblical Hebrew Section**
1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Marriott - International 8 (International Level)

**Theme: The Syntax of “Edge” Constructions**
Tania Notarius, Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Presiding

- Adina Moshavi, Bar-Ilan University
  *Is There an Exclamative ek and eka in Biblical Hebrew? (25 min)*
- Scott Redd, Reformed Theological Seminary
  *Subject-Postponement and Information Structure in Biblical Hebrew Verse (25 min)*
- Josh Westbury, Logos Bible Software
  *Left-Dislocation in Biblical Hebrew: Towards a Unified Syntactic-Semantic and Discourse-Pragmatic Profile (25 min)*
- Phillip Marshall, Houston Baptist University
  *(Case-)Marked Left-Dislocations: The Case of Qoheleth (25 min)*
- Cynthia L. Miller-Naude, University of the Free State and Jacobus A. Naude, University of the Free State
  *Negation and Edge Constructions (25 min)*

Discussion (5 min)
S23-228

SBL Literature and History of the Persian Period Section
1:00 PM–3:00 PM
Hyatt - Greenbriar (Atlanta Conference Level)
Christine Mitchell, St. Andrew’s College - Saskatoon, Presiding

Marcus Ziemann, Ohio State University
Floods and Kings: Reconciling Herodotus’ Babylonian Logos with Near Eastern Accounts of the Fall of Babylon to Cyrus the Great (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)
Daniel Bodi, Université Paris 8 Vincennes à Saint-Denis - University of Paris 8
The Builders in Nehemiah 3 and the Craftsmen’s Charter in a Cuneiform Tablet from Persian Times (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)
Gard Granerød, MF Norwegian School of Theology
The Orientation of the Temple of YHWH in Elephantine: Reflecting the Concept of Sacred Direction? (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)
Louis Jonker, Universiteit van Stellenbosch - University of Stellenbosch
Chronicles in an (Un)changing World: The “Persian Context” in Biblical Studies (20 min)

S23-229

SBL Masoretic Studies Section
1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Hilton - 209 (Level 2)
Theme: Electronic Resources for the Study of the Masorah
This session is a workshop for non-specialists. The presenters will demonstrate how to use various electronic and web-based tools for the study of the Masorah.

Daniel Mynatt, University of Mary Hardin-Baylor, Presiding (5 min)

Tim Hegg, TorahResource Institute
How to Use the Dotan/Reich Thesaurus of the Leningrad Codex (30 min)

Elvira Martin-Contreras, Consejo Superior de Investigaciones Científicas
Web Resources for the Masorah (30 min)

David Delauro, Jewish Theological Seminary of America
Using Computer Search Tools in Masorah Research (30 min)

Christopher Dost, Alliance Theological Seminary
The Electronic Version of the Keter (30 min)

S23-230

SBL Matthew Section
1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Hilton - 210 (Level 2)
Theme: A Dialogue with Francis Watson’s Gospel Writing: A Canonical Perspective
Joel Willitts, North Park University, Presiding

Mark Goodacre, Duke University
What Does Thomas Have to Do with Q? The Afterlife of a Sayings Gospel (20 min)

Richard A. Burridge, King’s College - London
Ancient Biography, Matthew’s Genre and the Development of the Canonical Collection (20 min)

Jonathan Pennington, Southern Baptist Theological Seminary
Theological Epistemology in the Gospel according to Matthew: A Watsonian “Canonical Perspective” (20 min)

Jens Schroeter, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin - Humboldt University of Berlin
The Place of Matthew’s Gospel among the (Canonical and Apocryphal) Gospels in the Second Century (20 min)

Break (5 min)
Responding:
Francis Watson, University of Durham (25 min)
Discussion (30 min)

S23-231

SBL Midrash Section
1:00 PM–3:45 PM
Hyatt - Techwood (Atlanta Conference Level)
Theme: The Senses in Midrashic Interpretation
W. David Nelson, Groton School, and Rivka Ulmer, Bucknell University, Presiding

Kris Lindbeck, Florida Atlantic University
Weeping at the Aqedah: The Tears of Abraham and the Angels (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)
Rebecca Scharbach Wollenberg, University of Michigan-Ann Arbor
Visual Midrash or the Bible as Image: Gematria, Netikaron and other Forms of ‘Textual’ Wordplay as Visual Interpretation (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)
Yonatan Feintuch, Bar-Ilan University
Redefining Affliction (inuy): The Role of the Senses of Taste, Sight, and Touch and the Relationship between Them in a Babylonian Talmud Aggadic Midrash (20 min)

Discussion (20 min)
Nicholas Schaser, Vanderbilt University
Exile in Eden: A Reappraisal of Midrashic Atomization Based on Gen. Rab. 19:9 (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)
Jonathan Pomeranz, Yale University
The Humility of God in Rabbinic Judaism: A Rabbinic Myth in Context (20 min)

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Discussion (5 min)
Matthew Kraus, University of Cincinnati
Trumpets and Brothels: Rabbinic Traditions in Jerome’s Translation of the Book of Numbers (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

S23-232

SBL Minoritized Criticism and Biblical Interpretation Seminar
1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Hilton - 405 (Level 4)
Theme: Reading in These Times: The Critical Task
Fernando Segovia, Vanderbilt University, Presiding
Panelists:
Hector Avalos, Iowa State University (15 min)
Leticia Guardiola-Sáenz, Seattle University (15 min)
Yii-Jan Lin, Pacific School of Religion (15 min)
Vanessa Lovelace, Interdenominational Theological Center (15 min)
Roger Nam, George Fox University (15 min)
Hugh Page, University of Notre Dame (15 min)
Shanell Smith, Hartford Seminary (15 min)

Break (5 min)
Discussion (40 min)

S23-233

SBL Mysticism, Esotericism, and Gnosticism in Antiquity Section
1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Hilton - 406 (Level 4)
Theme: General Open Session
Catherine Playoust, Catholic Theological College, Presiding
Kevin Sullivan, Illinois Wesleyan University
Angelic Bodies and the Body of Christ (25 min)
William Babcock, Duke University
‘Loud Snap... Blackness Dumped on Thetan’: Scientology and the Western Esoteric Tradition as a Comparative Model for Enochic Literature (25 min)
Paul M. Pasquesi, Marquette University
Visual and Verbal Expressions of Transformation: Olmec Were-Jaguars and Angelification in Ascension of Isaiah Compared (25 min)
Eduard Iricinschi, Ruhr-Universität Bochum
’It is shameful even to mention what such people do secretly’ (Eph 12:5): The Function of Secrecy in Epiphanius’ Depiction of the Nicolaitans and the Gnostics (25 min)
Rebecca Lesses, Ithaca College
Esterah and Lilith: Mythical Women and Ascent (25 min)
Pieter G.R. de Villiers, University of the Free State
A Mystical Perspective on the Christophany in Revelation 1 (25 min)

S23-234

SBL Paul and Politics Seminar
1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Marriott - Marquis A-B (Marquis Level)
Theme: Queer Approaches to Pauline Epistles and Interpretations
Jeremia Punt, Universiteit van Stellenbosch - University of Stellenbosch, Presiding
Ben Dunning, Fordham University
Romans 1, Queer Theory, and the History of Sexuality (20 min)
Robert Paul Seesengood, Albright College
Queers, Jews, and Paul: Struggling with a Pauline “Universal Subjectivity” (20 min)
Jay Twomney, University of Cincinnati
Stranger in a Strange Pauline World (20 min)
Tyler M. Schwaller, Harvard University
‘A Slave to All’: First Corinthians 9 and Paul’s Performance in Slave Drag (20 min)
Timothy Luckritz Marquis, Moravian Theological Seminary
Dionysus, Disidentifications, and Wandering Pauline Epiphanies (20 min)

Responding:
Lynn Huber, Elon University (15 min)
Will Stockton, Clemson University (15 min)
Discussion (20 min)

S23-236

SBL Postcolonial Studies and Biblical Studies Section
1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Marriott - International 5 (International Level)
Theme: Evangelicals and Postcolonial Studies
Christopher Stanley, Saint Bonaventure University, Presiding (5 min)
Kay Higuera Smith, Azusa Pacific University
The Postcolonial Roundtable: Evangelicals Engaging Postcoloniality (30 min)
L. Daniel Hawk, Ashland Theological Seminary
Contrapuntal Reading and the Grammatical-Historical Method: Provocations and Possibilities (30 min)
Safwat Marzouk, Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary
The Nations Marching to the Mount of Zion: A Postcolonial Reading Beyond Imperialism and Universalism (30 min)

Responding:
Steed Davidson, McCormick Theological Seminary (15 min)
Todd Penner, Independent Scholar (15 min)
Discussion (25 min)
**S23-236a**

**SBL Provenance in an eBay World: Does the Provenance of Ancient Artifacts Matter?**

1:00 PM–3:30 PM  
Hilton - 303 (Level 3)  
Theme: Hosted by the Student Advisory Board  

From Gospel of John papyrus fragments appearing on eBay to debates surrounding the origins of modern fragments (e.g., the Gospel of Jesus’s Wife, or the new Sappho fragments), the provenance of antiquities has emerged as a challenging issue for scholars and students who work with material culture. This session aims to illuminate some of the stakes around the debate for graduate students. The panel will examine issues of working on materials kept in public and private collections, and highlight the individuals and institutions who are working to create policies and practices that address the issue of provenance. As of now, SBL has no formal policy on the provenance of antiquities, but is actively formulating one. It is the hope of the panel that graduate students will find this panel to be a networking opportunity and source of support for their future academic work.  
Ross P. Ponder, University of Texas at Austin, Presiding  
Panelists:  
Malcolm Choat, Macquarie University  
Brice C. Jones, Concordia University - Université Concordia  
Robert Kraft, University of Pennsylvania  
Christine M. Thomas, University of California-Santa Barbara  
Sofia Torallas Tovar, University of Chicago

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**S23-237/A23-229**

**SBL Syriac Literature and Interpretations of Sacred Texts Section / Religious Competition in Late Antiquity Section**

1:00 PM–3:30 PM  
Hilton - 315 (Level 3)  
Theme: Wisdom Literature  

Joint session with Middle Eastern Christianity Group (AAR)  

Ilaria L.E. Ramelli, Sacred Heart Major Seminary  
**Bardaisan of Edessa’s Wisdom Christology: Roots, Parallels, Meanings** (20 min)  
Jacob Lollar, Florida State University  
**“Listen, My Son, and Understand Me”: The Translation and Arrangement of the Proverbs of the Syriac Legend of Ahiqar** (20 min)  
Hans Moscicke, Marquette University  
**Prodigal Reunion: Tatianic Developments in the Syriac Hymn of the Soul** (20 min)  
Discussion (10 min)  
Break (5 min)  
Mourad Takawi, University of Notre Dame  
**Asceticism as Resistance: The Ishmaelites, Monastic Practice, and Orthopraxy in the Virtues of St. Macarius of Egypt** (20 min)  
Jason Zaborowski, Bradley University  
**The Arabic Renditions of the Sayings of the Desert Fathers: Greek and Syriac Wisdom and Arabic Culture** (20 min)  
Mark Swanson, Lutheran School of Theology in Chicago  
**Edifying Anecdotes of Alexander the Great in Medieval Copto-Arabic Literature** (20 min)  
Discussion (15 min)  

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**S23-238/A23-237**

**SBL Religious World of Late Antiquity Section**

1:00 PM–3:30 PM  
Marriott - A702 (Atrium Level)  
Theme: Christianization and Islamization: Terminologies, Categories, Case Studies  

Joint session with Traditions of Eastern Late Antiquity Group (AAR)  

Wendy Mayer, Australian Catholic University, Presiding (5 min)  
Lillian Larsen, University of Redlands  
**Monastic Rhetorics of Speech, Sight, and Space** (25 min)  
Inbar Graiver, Tel Aviv University  
**“I Think” vs. “The Thought Tells Me”: What Grammar Teaches Us about the Monastic Self** (25 min)  
Discussion (5 min)  
Daniel Schriever, Yale University  
**When Eyes Fail: The Invisible Curse and the Legible Body** (25 min)  
Cavan Concannon, University of Southern California  
**‘Honor Flits Away as Though It Were a Dream’: Statues, Honor, and Favorinus’ Corinthian Oration** (25 min)  
Discussion (5 min)  
Mark Swanson, Lutheran School of Theology in Chicago  
**Language, Leakiness, and Loose Lips in the Gospel of Mark** (25 min)  
Discussion (5 min)

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S23-242
SBL Space, Place, and Lived Experience in Antiquity Section
1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Hyatt - Vinings (Atlanta Conference Level)
Theme: Space, Place, and Lived Experience in Antiquity: Retrospect and Prospect
This panel will discuss the edited volumes produced by this unit over the last decade in order to provide a retrospective and prospective review of the study of space, place, and lived religion in antiquity.
Christl Maier, Philipps-Universität Marburg, Presiding (10 min)
Panelists:
  - Mark George, Iliff School of Theology (25 min)
  - Eric Stewart, Augustana College (IL) (25 min)
  - Jacob Kinnard, Iliff School of Theology (25 min)
  - Melanie Johnson-DeBaufre, Drew University (25 min)
Discussion (30 min)

S23-243/A23-200
SBL Student Lounge Roundtable
1:00 PM–2:30 PM
Hyatt - Hanover A (Exhibit Level)
Theme: The Dissertation Distance Dilemma
Hosted by the AAR Graduate Student Committee

S23-244
SBL Systematic Transformation and Interweaving of Scripture in 1 Corinthians Seminar
1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Marriott - International 10 (International Level)
Theme: Scripture and Eschatology in 1 Corinthians
Erik Waaler, NLA University College, Presiding
Panelist:
  - Raymond Collins, Brown University (15 min)
Responding:
  - Matthew Malcolm, Trinity Theological College (Perth) (10 min)
Discussion (25 min)
Break (2 min)
Panelist:
  - Ben Witherington, Asbury Theological Seminary (15 min)
Responding:
  - Roy Ciampa, Nida Institute for Biblical Scholarship at the American Bible Society (10 min)
Discussion (25 min)
Break (2 min)
Panelist:
  - Craig Keener, Asbury Theological Seminary (15 min)
Responding:
  - Linda Belleville, Grand Rapids Theological Seminary (10 min)
Discussion (21 min)
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| S23-244a | SBL Textual Criticism of Samuel – Kings Section | 1:00 PM–3:30 PM | Hyatt - Auburn (Atlanta Conference Level) | Anneli Aejmelaeus, University of Helsinki  
Raimund Wirth, Ruprecht-Karls-Universität Heidelberg  
Frank Ueberschaer, Universität Zürich  
Katja Kujanpää, University of Helsinki |
| | Theme: Kaige in Sam and Kings | | | | Anneli Aejmelaeus, University of Helsinki  
Kaige Readings in a Non-Kaige Section in 1 Samuel (30 min)  
Raimund Wirth, Ruprecht-Karls-Universität Heidelberg  
The Kaige Section of 2 Samuel (30 min) |
| | Break (15 min) | | | | Frank Ueberschaer, Universität Zürich  
What's Up with 1Reigns 12:24a-z? (30 min)  
Katja Kujanpää, University of Helsinki  
Kaige and Paul: Romans 11 as a Witness for Hebrewizing Readings in 3 Kgdms 19:10 and 18? (30 min) |
| | Business Meeting (15 min) | | | | |
| P23-246 | The Qur'an: Manuscripts and Material Culture (IQSA) | 1:00 PM–3:30 PM | Marriott - M104 (Marquis Level) | Nicolai Sinai, University of Oxford, Presiding |
| | | | | Keith Small, London School of Theology  
A Parchment Discovery From the Stacks: A 10th Century Qur'an Fragment with a Pious Attribution (25 min)  
Alba Fedeli, University of Birmingham  
Traces of Reading in the Writing of Early Qur'anic Manuscripts (25 min)  
Luke Treadwell, Oxford University  
Quranic Usage on Coins in the Early Islamic World: Basic Truths and Polemical Declarations (25 min)  
Ghali Adi, University of Edinburgh  
The Qur'an in light of Prosopography (25 min) |
| S23-247 | SBL Theological Perspectives on the Book of Ezekiel Section | 1:00 PM–3:30 PM | Hilton - 202 (Level 2) | Brad Kelle, Point Loma Nazarene University, Presiding |
| | | | | | | Panelists:  
T. M. Lemos, Huron University College, University of Western Ontario (15 min)  
Christoph Levin, Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München (15 min)  
Aren Maeir, Bar-Ilan University (15 min)  
Mark Smith, New York University (15 min)  
Jacob Wright, Emory University (15 min)  
Discussion (60 min) |
| S23-248 | SBL Ugaritic Studies and Northwest Semitic Epigraphy Section | 1:00 PM–3:00 PM | Hilton - 305 (Level 3) | Eric Reymond, Yale Divinity School, Presiding |
| | Theme: Epigraphic and Philological Studies | | | | Andrew R. Burlingame, University of Chicago  
A New Interpretation of Line Five of the Amman Citadel Inscription (25 min) |
| | Discussion (5 min) | | | | Jan Dušek, Univerzita Karlova v Praze  
Aramaic Inscription Sefire III: What Kind of Treaty Is It? (25 min) |
| | Discussion (5 min) | | | | Joseph Lam, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill  
The Adaptation of the Alphabetic Cuneiform Script to Write Hurrian at Ugarit (25 min) |
| | Discussion (5 min) | | | | Matthieu Richelle, Ecole Pratique des Hautes Etudes (Sorbonne)  
The Qeiyafa Ostracon as a List of Names (25 min) |
| S23-249 | SBL Warfare in Ancient Israel Section | 1:00 PM–3:30 PM | Hilton - 214 (Level 2) | Brad Kelle, Point Loma Nazarene University, Presiding |
| | Theme: Warfare in Early Israel: The State of the Question | | | | | Panelists:  
T. M. Lemos, Huron University College, University of Western Ontario (15 min)  
Christoph Levin, Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München (15 min)  
Aren Maeir, Bar-Ilan University (15 min)  
Mark Smith, New York University (15 min)  
Jacob Wright, Emory University (15 min)  
Discussion (60 min) |
S23-250
SBL What is a Philosophy of Teaching and How Do You Develop One?
1:00 PM–2:30 PM
Marriott - M102 (Marquis Level)
Bruce C. Birch, Wesley Theological Seminary, Presiding
Panelists:
   Nancy Bowen, Earlham School of Religion
   Francisco Lozada, Brite Divinity School (TCU)
   Nadine Pence, Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion

S23-251
SBL Wisdom in Israelite and Cognate Traditions Section
1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Hilton - 312 (Level 3)
Theme: Wisdom and Revelation
This session is devoted to the relationship between the concept of wisdom and revelation, which are often viewed as incompatible media of knowledge, the former being natural and attained through observation and the other being supernatural and attained through visions and oracles. This session will attempt to problematize the consensus view, either by nuancing it, or more radically by suggesting alternative ways to conceptualize the relationship. In other words, this topic essentially engages the question of the epistemology of wisdom and revelatory literature (e.g., the prophetic literature) and whether they represent distinct epistemologies or not.
Stuart Weeks, University of Durham, Presiding
Mark Sneed, Lubbock Christian University
The Relationship between Wisdom and Revelation: The Doctrine of Retribution as a Divinatory (15 min)
Annette Schellenberg, Universität Wien
Wisdom and Revelation (15 min)
Raymond C. Van Leeuwen, Eastern University
Wisdom, Farming, and Revelation in the Ancient Near East and Israel (15 min)
Break (10 min)
Michael V. Fox, University of Wisconsin-Madison
Wisdom and Revelation (15 min)
Richard J. Clifford, Boston College
Wisdom and Revelation (15 min)
Break (5 min)
Discussion (60 min)

S23-252
SBL Wisdom of the Ages
1:00 PM–2:30 PM
Hilton - 212 (Level 2)
We welcome you to a discussion of the myriad professional issues represented among SBL members. With the hope of establishing recurring sessions, this group will focus on the academic and professional wisdom of SBL’s elders and provide opportunities for transferring such wisdom, cultivating mentoring relationships, and engaging the generational gamut in the processes of reflection and preparation. Our hope is that scholars and teachers “wise in years” would join us to discuss the current state of the profession, sharing information and techniques across generations, and mentoring scholars and teachers as they shape their own insights and felt-needs.
Teaching the Historical Jesus in his Jewish context to students of varied religious backgrounds presents instructors with not only challenges, but also opportunities to sustain interfaith dialogue and foster mutual understanding and respect. A diverse group of seasoned Jewish and Christian scholars reflects on their own classroom experiences and explicates crucial issues for teaching Jesus, providing practical case studies for scholars working on Jewish-Christian relations.
Isaac W. Oliver, Bradley University, Presiding (10 min)
Leonard Greenspoon, Creighton University
Teaching the Historical Jesus: One Text, Many Contexts (20 min)
Peter Zaas, Siena College
Teaching the Teacher in the Gospel of Mark: Jesus as Sadducee and Pharisee (20 min)
John Pawlikowski, Catholic Theological Union
Why the Pharisees Are Important for Christian Self-Understanding (20 min)
Zev Garber, Los Angeles Valley College
Teaching Jesus in the Context of Jewish Studies Taught at a Two-Year Public College (20 min)

S23-253/A23-241
SBL Student Lounge Roundtable
2:30 PM–4:00 PM
Hyatt - Hanover A (Exhibit Level)
Theme: Kickstarter and Pinterest? Creating a Web of Support for Dissertation Writing Through Popular Social Media Technology
Hosted by the AAR Graduate Student Committee

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### S23-301

**SBL Academic Teaching and Biblical Studies Section**

*4:00 PM–6:00 PM*

**Marriott - M101 (Marquis Level)**

**Theme:** Addressing the Affective Domain in Teaching Biblical Studies

Papers for this session will demonstrate what quests for individual and corporate development look like in the context of a religion course. Personal formation encompasses longitudinal growth in students of which our classrooms are microcosms. It involves both affective competencies and academic learning. In this session we will focus on how students learn best to develop relational capacities, aiming at affective maturity in terms of social, spiritual, and civic responsibilities. How might one best facilitate the learning process of studying the biblical texts in terms of, but not limited to, human dignity, social justice emphases, global citizen matters, environmental concerns, servitude, empathy, and community thinking? Successful submissions will propose to present for 20 minutes and include a description of specific audience takeaways for application and course design.

Renate Hood, University of Mary Hardin-Baylor, Presiding  
Stephan Taeger, Brigham Young University  
*Using Fred Craddock’s “Overhearing” Homiletic in Biblical Studies Classrooms to Invite Affective Change in Students (20 min)*

Discussion (5 min)  
John Hilton III, Brigham Young University, Tyler Griffin, Brigham Young University  
*Teaching with Spiritual Impact: An Analysis of Student Comments Regarding the Spiritual Influence of Religion Classes (20 min)*

Discussion (5 min)  
Seth Heringer, Fuller Theological Seminary (Pasadena)  
*Using the Stanley Parable to Teach Narrative Reading of the Gospels (20 min)*

Discussion (5 min)  
Laura C. S. Holmes, Seattle Pacific University  
*Questioning the Status Quo: Freedom to Debate in the Gospel of John (20 min)*

Discussion (5 min)  
Viktor Roudkovski, LeTourneau University  
*Travelocity, Biblical Literature, and Personal Formation: Study Tours Abroad as Part of Affective Domain Teaching in Bible Courses (20 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

### S23-302/A23-315

**African Association for the Study of Religions**

*4:00 PM–6:30 PM*

**Hyatt - Hanover D (Exhibit Level)**

**Theme:** Ebola, Africa, and Beyond: An Epidemic in Religious and Public Health Perspectives

Epidemics always highlight or exaggerate the power relations and inequalities that characterize everyday life―no less so in the case of the West African Ebola epidemic. The epidemic has revealed the inadequacy of medical infrastructures in Africa, the influence that international institutions have over African public health crises, and the prejudices that inform popular understandings of the continent. Religion has played a key role in these dynamics. Not only have ritual practices allegedly contributed to the epidemic’s spread, but religious leaders have tried to educate their followers in collaboration with public health authorities to stem the epidemic. This roundtable brings together public health experts and religion scholars to ask what we can learn from the epidemic in relation to the potential of religion to help or hinder effective responses to threats like Ebola, both in and beyond Africa, and how religious studies can nuance public health understandings of African realities. Joint session with African Religions Group (AAR).

Joseph Hellweg, Florida State University, Presiding  
Panelists:  
John Blevins, Emory University  
Elias Kifon Bongmba, Rice University  
Ellen Idler, Emory University  
Scott Santibañez, Center for Disease Control and Prevention, Atlanta, GA  
John Kpahun Yambasu, Religious Leaders Task Force on Ebola in Sierra Leone

### S23-303

**SBL African Biblical Hermeneutics Section**

*4:00 PM–6:30 PM*

**Marriott - A602 (Atrium Level)**

**Theme:** Narratology and Orality in African Biblical Hermeneutics

Gilbert Ojwang, Oakwood University, Presiding  
Berekiah Olugbemiro, University of Ibadan  
*Cross-Cultural Intertextuality, Orality, and an Indigenous African Provenance of Gen 8:6–17 (25 min)*

Ndikho Mtshiselwa, University of South Africa  
*Narratology and Orality in African Biblical Hermeneutics: Reading the story of Naboth’s Vineyard and Jehu’s Revolution in light of Intsomi yamaXhosa (25 min)*

Funlola O. Olojede, University of South Africa  
*Oral Tradition and the Fusion of Prose and Poetry in the Sea Event: An African Feminist Reading (25 min)*

Huli Ramantswana, University of South Africa  
*Beware of the (Westernized) African Eyes: Decolonizing Biblical Hermeneutics in Africa (35 min)*

Discussion (25 min)
S23-304
SBL Annual Meeting Program Committee
4:00 PM–6:00 PM
Marriott - L502 (Lobby Level)

S23-305
SBL Archaeology of Religion in the Roman World Section
4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Hyatt - Courtland (Atlanta Conference Level)
Theme: The Graffiti at Smyrna, Informal Writing, and the Social Location of the Early Christians
Christine Thomas, University of California-Santa Barbara, Presiding
Akin Ersoy, Dokuz Eylül Üniversitesi
Recent Excavations at Ancient Smyrna (40 min)
Cemil Tanriver, Aegean University, Turkey
The Graffiti of the Smyrna Agora (30 min)
Carrie Duncan, University of Missouri - Columbia
Christ in the Barhouse: A Chi-Rho Graffito at the Roman Port of ‘Ayn Gharandal (30 min)
Thomas A. Wayment, Brigham Young University and Matthew J. Grey, Brigham Young University
Jesus Followers in Pompeii: The “Hotel of the Christians” and the Christian Graffiti Reconsidered (30 min)
Discussion (20 min)

S23-306
SBL Archaeology of the Biblical World Section
4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Hilton - 303 (Level 3)
Theme: Archaeology, the Ancient Near East, and the Hebrew Bible
Margaret Cohen, W. F. Albright Institute of Archaeological Research, Presiding
Chris McKinny, Bar-Ilan University and Itzhak Shai, Ariel University Center of Samaria
Late Bronze Age Cultic Activity in Ancient Canaan: A View from Tel Burna (30 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Cynthia Shafer-Elliott, William Jessup University
Religious Feasting in the Hebrew Bible: A View from Tell Halif (30 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Avraham Faust, Bar-Ilan University
The Bounded Landscape: Israelite Perceptions of Space in Bible and Archaeology (30 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Norma Franklin, University of Haifa
An Ancient Winery Complex at Jezreel (30 min)
Discussion (15 min)

S23-307
SBL Babel: The Role of Primary Languages in Graduate Programs
4:00 PM–6:00 PM
Hilton - 204 (Level 2)
Theme: Hosted by the Student Advisory Board
This session seeks to address the issue of languages as a part of graduate education in Bible-related programs. Many Bible-related programs have reduced requirements for primary language study. Reasons for this include the increased use of Bible software, cost, the rising importance of “practical” ministry courses, and a greater emphasis on methodology. This raises the question, “What will be the role of primary languages in Bible related graduate programs in the future?” In fact, in a recent book review, Na’ama Pat-El stated, “If [the author] wishes to restore Semitic Philology to its glory days, he is fighting a valiant but ultimately hopeless battle... Very few Bible programs in the U.S. require their students to study more than Hebrew and a semester of Aramaic, not because they fail to see the significance of a broad and thorough education, but because they cannot afford it... It is high time we recognize that traditional philology is not coming back and seek to address our students’ education accordingly, without compromising their knowledge of primary sources.” How, then, do graduate programs address students’ education accordingly, without compromising their knowledge of primary sources? What level of mastery should graduate students be expected to achieve? How many languages should graduate students take? How should graduate students balance knowledge of primary source languages with that of modern research languages (e.g., German, French, Modern Hebrew)? And what about marketability: Are students who possess research knowledge in many languages more marketable than those who have less? The invited speakers will attempt to address the issue of the future of primary language study in Bible related grad programs, and will offer graduate students their perspectives on how to best prepare themselves for future research and marketability, navigate the current constraints of graduate education, and ensure that they can access primary sources.

S23-308
SBL Biblical Hebrew Poetry Section
4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Hilton - 204 (Level 2)
Kevin Chau, University of the Free State, Presiding
Na’ama Pat-El, University of Texas at Austin
Philology and the Study of the Bible: Shifting Foci (20 min)
Ronald Hendel, University of California-Berkeley
Future Philology (20 min)
J. Ross Wagner, Duke University
The End of Philology (20 min)
Jacqueline Vayntrub, Harvard University
Teaching Philology: Its Ideals and Its Practice (20 min)
Emmylou Grosser, University of Wisconsin-Madison (20 min)
John Hobbins, University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh (20 min)
Tod Linafelt, Georgetown University (20 min)
Mark Smith, New York University (20 min)
Discussion (20 min)

S23-309
SBL Biblical Law Section
4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Hyatt - Inman (Atlanta Conference Level)
Michael Hundley, Syracuse University, Presiding
Robert Kawashima, University of Florida
Sacrifice in the Pentateuch: Four Views (20 min)
Discussion (10 min)
Melissa Ramos, University of California-Los Angeles
Making the Cut: Covenan, Curse, and Oath in Deuteronomy 29–30 and the Incantation Plaques of Arslan Tash (20 min)
Discussion (10 min)
David P. Wright, Brandeis University
The Hermeneutics of Ritual Innovation: Hand Placement in Leviticus 24 (20 min)
Discussion (10 min)
Erin Villareal, The Johns Hopkins University
'Jealousy" and the Juridical: A Reexamination of the Hebrew Root QN' (20 min)
Discussion (10 min)
Stewart Moore, Fairfield University
An Oath of Things Undone: An Example of an Appropriation of Biblical Law in Hellenistic Egypt (20 min)
Discussion (10 min)

S23-310
SBL Biblical Literature and the Hermeneutics of Trauma Consultation
4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Hilton - Grand Ballroom B (Level 2)
Theme: Ethical and Moral Dimensions of Reading Texts from the Perspective of Trauma
Christopher Frechette, Saint Mary’s University (San Antonio), Presiding
Metra Poliack, Tel Aviv University
Esther’s Trauma and the Annihilating Experience of the Exploitation of Her ‘True’ Self (30 min)
Mary Jo Iozzio, Boston College School of Theology and Ministry
Hospitality for Legion: A Disability Interpretation of Mark 5:1–20 (30 min)
Christl M. Maier, Philipps-Universität Marburg
Jeremiah, the Traumatized Prophet (30 min)
David Tombs, University of Otago
Trauma, Denial, and Memory: Reading Crucifixion as Sexual Violence (30 min)
Discussion (30 min)

S23-311
SBL Book History and Biblical Literatures Consultation
4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Marriott - M102 (Marquis Level)
Theme: Paratexts
Eva Mroczek, University of California-Davis, Presiding
Liv I. Lied, Det Teologiske Menighetsfakultet
Do Paratexts Matter? Transmission, Re-Identification, and New Philology (20 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Francis Borchardt, Lutheran Theological Seminary, Hong Kong
The Prologue to Sirach and the “Book” of Sirach in a Chain of Text Traditions (20 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Gregory Fewster, University of Toronto
From Paul’s Letter Collection to the Euthalian Apparatus: An Archival Perspective on Pauline Paratexts (20 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Malcolm Choat, Macquarie University
Text and Paratext in Documentary Papyri from Roman Egypt (20 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Discussion (25 min)

S23-312
SBL Book of Daniel Section / Theology of the Hebrew Scriptures Section
4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Marriott - Marquis A-B (Marquis Level)
Theme: Theology/Theologies of the Book of Daniel
Donald Polaski, Randolph-Macon College, Presiding
Frances Flannery, James Madison University
Commitment Mechanisms in the Book of Daniel: Fostering Loyalty in Antiquity and the Terrorist Present (25 min)
Michael Chan, Luther Seminary
Poetry as Commentary in the Danielic Court Tales (25 min)
Break (10 min)
Uta Schmidt, Universität Osnabrück
Theology in the Visions of Daniel 8–12 (25 min)
Responding:
Lawrence Wills, Episcopal Divinity School (25 min)
Discussion (40 min)
S23-313

SBL Book of the Twelve Prophets Section
4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Marriott - International B (International Level)
Theme: The Book of Haggai: Theological, Historical and Literary Perspectives

Review of: Martin Leuenberger, Haggai, HThKAT, Freiburg: Herder 2015

James Nogalski, Baylor University, Presiding
James Nogalski, Baylor University, Introduction (5 min)
Jakob Wührle, Carl von Ossietzky Universität Oldenburg
The Formation of the Book of Haggai (25 min)
Rainer Kessler, Philipps-Universität Marburg
The Historical Background of the Book of Haggai (25 min)
John Kessler, Tyndale Seminary, Toronto
The “Theology” of the Book of Haggai (25 min)

Mark Boda, McMaster Divinity College/McMaster University
The Book of Haggai and the Twelve (25 min)

Responding:
Martin Leuenberger, Eberhard Karls Universität Tübingen (25 min)

Discussion (20 min)

S23-314

SBL Christian Theology and the Bible Section
4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Hyatt - Hanover E (Exhibit Level)
Theme: Spiritual Interpretation of Scripture

This panel will consider the relationship between spirituality and the Bible. Each panelist will respond briefly to the question, “What are the hallmarks of the spiritual interpretation of Scripture?” There will be time for discussion among the panelists as well as substantial time for Q&A and discussion between the panelists and those attending the session.

Pieter De Villiers, University of the Free State, Presiding (15 min)

Panelists:
Gordon McConville, University of Gloucestershire (15 min)
Bo Karen Lee, Princeton Theological Seminary (15 min)
Andrew Lincoln, University of Gloucestershire (15 min)
Kathryn Greene-McCreight (15 min)

Discussion (75 min)

S23-315

SBL Deuteronomistic History Section
4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Hyatt - Spring (Atlanta Conference Level)
Theme: Second Samuel 7:11-16 and Its Place within the Wider Composition

Juha Pakkala, University of Helsinki, Presiding
Sonja Ammann, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin - Humboldt University of Berlin
Multiple Narratives of God, King and People in 2 Samuel 7: On More and Less “Deuteronomistic” Versions of the History of Israel (25 min)

William Schniedewind, University of California-Los Angeles
Inner-Biblical Exegesis in 2 Sam 7:12-13 and the Deuteronomistic History (25 min)

Michael Pietsch, Augustana-Hochschule
King and Temple: The Nathan Oracle in the Deuteronomistic Historiography (25 min)

Tuukka Kauhanen, University of Helsinki
Yahweh’s Promise to David and Textual Criticism (25 min)

Responding:
Reinhard Müller, Westfälische Wilhelms-Universität Münster (20 min)

Discussion (30 min)

S23-316

SBL Development of Early Christian Theology Section
4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Hilton - 210 (Level 2)
Theme: The Practical Christology of Philoxenos of Mabbug by David A. Michelson (Review Discussion)

Mark DelCoglano, University of Saint Thomas (Saint Paul, MN), Presiding

Peter Martens, Saint Louis University, Introduction (10 min)

Panelists:
Robin Darling Young, Catholic University of America (20 min)
Andrew Radde-Gallwitz, University of Notre Dame (20 min)
Ute Possekel, Harvard University (20 min)
Robert Kitchen, Knox-Metropolitan United Church, Regina, SK (20 min)

Responding:
David Michelson, Vanderbilt University (20 min)

Discussion (30 min)
### S23-317
**SBL Disputed Paulines Section**
4:00 PM–6:30 PM  
Marriott - M108 (Marquis Level)

**Theme:** Intersection of Politics & Religion
J. Ayodeji Adewuya, Pentecostal Theological Seminary, Presiding (3 min)

- Lisa Marie Belz, Ursuline College  
  *Proper Household Relations in Whose Basileia? Examining Ephesians’ Subtle Revisions to the Household Code of Colossians (30 min)*

- Douglas Campbell, The Divinity School, Duke University  
  *Reframing 2 Thessalonians: Paul’s Response to the Gaian Crisis (30 min)*

- Chris Hoklotubbe, Harvard University  
  *The Rhetoric of PIETAS: First Timothy and the Negotiation of Roman Imperial Pictas (30 min)*

- Edward Pillar, University of Wales, Trinity Saint David  
  *Insisting on a Gospel of Resurrection in the Face of Suffering: An Initial Exploration of the Intersection of Religion and Politics in the Context in 2 Tim 2:8 (30 min)*

Discussion (20 min)

### S23-318
**SBL Early Christianity and the Ancient Economy Section**
4:00 PM–6:30 PM  
Hilton - 209 (Level 2)

**Theme:** The Ancient Church and the Ancient Economy
David Hollander, Iowa State University, Presiding

- Michelle Christian, University of Toronto  
  *Spotting the Bronze under the Silver: The Art of Money Changing and Early Christian Interpretation (30 min)*

- D. Jeffrey Bingham, Wheaton College (Illinois)  
  *Heresy and Catholicity in Economic Perspective: Irenaeus on Money (30 min)*

- Andrew M. Harmon, Marquette University  
  *Rhetorical Renunciations of Extravagance: Ambrose’s Educated Simplicity (30 min)*

- Sue Russell, Asbury Theological Seminary  
  *Follow the Money: Realignment of Authority in Christian Communities through Constantine’s Patronage (30 min)*

- Coleman M. Ford, Southern Baptist Theological Seminary  
  *Eschatology and Ethics: Basil of Caesarea’s Use of Matthew in His Homilies on Wealth and Poverty (30 min)*

### S23-319
**SBL Early Exegesis of Genesis 1 Consultation**
4:00 PM–6:30 PM  
Hilton - 313 (Level 3)

**Theme:** Genesis 1 in Philo and Apocryphal Writings
Christoph Markschiefs, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin - Humboldt University of Berlin, Presiding

- Michaela Bauks, Universität Koblenz - Landau  
  *The Rising of a Disembodiment of Creation by the doctrine of creatio ex nihilo. Alternative Readings of Gen 1,1–3(, 21) in Ancient Jewish Texts of the Second Temple Period (30 min)*

- Beatrice Wyss, Universität Bern - Université de Berne  
  *Philo of Alexandria and the fifth day of creation (De opificio mundi 62–68) (30 min)*

- Ekaterina Matusova, Moscow, Russia  
  *Gen 1 in Philo of Alexandria and Related Literature (30 min)*

### S23-320
**SBL Early Jewish Christian Relations Section**
4:00 PM–6:30 PM  
Marriott - International 8 (International Level)

**Theme:** Blood and Early Jewish Christian Relations
Marcie Lenk, Shalom Hartman Institute, Presiding

- Eyal Regev, Bar-Ilan University  
  *Early Christian Baptism in light of Qumranic Purification Liturgies: From Washing to Atonement (30 min)*

- Claudia Setzer, Manhattan College  
  *Sinai, Covenant, and Innocent Blood Traditions in Matthew’s Blood Curse (25:27) (30 min)*

- Shlomo Wadler, University of Notre Dame  
  *The Comparative Martyrdom of R. Hanina b. Teradion (30 min)*

- Michael Rosenberg, Hebrew College  
  *Bloody Branches and Divine Voices: Female Virginity, Interpretation, and the Assertion of Difference (30 min)*

Business Meeting (30 min)

### S23-320a/A23-334
**SBL Employment Workshops**
4:00 PM–6:30 PM  
Sheraton - Valdosta (Level 2)

**Theme:** PhD Transitions over 40

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### S23-321

**SBL Extent of Theological Diversity in Earliest Christianity Seminar**

4:00 PM–6:30 PM  
Marriott - M303-M304 (Marquis Level)

**Theme: Interactive Diversity**

A discussion of “Interactive Diversity: A Proposed Model of Christian Origins” by Larry Hurtado (The Journal of Theological Studies, 64 [October 2013]: 445-462). Hurtado critiques the “trajectories” model proposed by J. Robinson and H. Koester and proffers another model which he thinks accounts more adequately for the diversity and complex nature of the interactions evident in early Christian sources.

- **David Capes**, Houston Baptist University, Presiding (5 min)
- **Larry Hurtado**, University of Edinburgh, Introduction (25 min)
- **Paula Fredriksen**, Hebrew University of Jerusalem (15 min)
- **Carl Holladay**, Emory University (15 min)
- **Pheme Perkins**, Boston College (15 min)
- **Larry Hurtado**, University of Edinburgh (15 min)

**Discussion** (60 min)

### S23-322

**SBL Function of Apocryphal and Pseudepigraphal Writings in Early Judaism and Early Christianity Section**

4:00 PM–6:30 PM  
Hyatt - Kennesaw (Atlanta Conference Level)

- **Ken Olson**, Duke University  
  *The Anti-Canonical Gospel of Thomas* (25 min)
- **Shaily Shashikant Patel**, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill  
  *Vanishing Magic: Corrective Discourses of the Supernatural in the Acts of Peter* (25 min)
- **Amy Marie Fisher**, University of Toronto  
  *Mythic Cartography: The Righteous Loci of the Latin Apocalypse of Paul* (25 min)
- **John Rogers**, Union Theological Seminary in the City of New York  
  *The Fight Against the Inner Person: Soteriology, Suffering, and The Letter of Peter to Philip* (25 min)
- **Bill Warren**, New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, Allyson Presswood Nance, New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary and Katie Unsworth, New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary  
  *Canon and Scripture Development in light of the Infancy Gospels* (25 min)

**Business Meeting** (25 min)

### S23-323

**SBL Global Education and Research Technology Section**

4:00 PM–6:30 PM  
Marriott - International 4 (International Level)

**Theme: Evaluating the Tiberias Project: A Web Application for the Stylistic Analysis of the Hebrew Scriptures**

Utilizing cutting edge technologies in the field of computational linguistics, Joshua Berman (Hebrew Bible) and Moshe Koppel (Computer Science) of Bar-Ilan University are in the beta stage of creating a tool that will enable scholars to conduct their own experiments in fields such as linguistic dating and authorship of the biblical texts. Berman and Koppel will demonstrate Tiberias’s capacities and an invited panel will dialogue with them about the applicability of their work to biblical research. After the session those interested are invited to join a group from GERT for a working meal & further discussion.

- **Nicolai Winther-Nielsen**, Fjellhaug International University College Denmark, Presiding
- **Joshua Berman**, Bar-Ilan University and Moshe Koppel, Bar-Ilan University  
  *Introducing: The Tiberias Project - A Web Tool for the Text Categorization and Analysis of Hebrew Scriptures* (60 min)

**Responding**

- **Edward Greenstein**, Bar-Ilan University (20 min)
- **Dirk Roorda**, Royal Netherlands Academy of Arts and Sciences (10 min)
- **Martijn Nuijter**, Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam (10 min)

**Discussion** (50 min)
S23-325/A23-300
SBL Healthcare and Disability in the Ancient World Section
4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Marriott - A707 (Atrium Level)
Theme: Narrating Disability and Illness in Christian and Jewish Literature, Bioethics, and Theology
Joint session with Arts, Literature, and Religion Section (AAR) and Bioethics and Religion Group (AAR) and Religion and Disability Studies Group (AAR). This session examines illness and disability narratives in Jewish and Christian literature, focusing on narrations of disability in late antiquity and considering their implications for contemporary bioethics and interreligious theology. From Gregory of Nyssa’s accounts of lepers and virgins, Symeon the New Theologian’s approach to monasticism and rabbinic narratives of illness and disability, narratives of bodily difference, disability, and corporeality play a critical role in shaping religiosity in late antiquity. Recognizing that the stories we tell about health, illness, and disability profoundly shape the meaning of embodied experience, this session probes the way ancient writers, contemporary bioethicists, and ordinary practitioners understand the spiritual dimensions of health, illness, and disability through narrative.

George D. Randels, University of the Pacific, Presiding
Brent Cline, Spring Arbor University
Monasticism and the Disabled Body (30 min)
Mark Lambert, University of Chicago
Majestic and Macabre Mirrors: Virginity and Leprosy in the Thought of Gregory of Nyssa (30 min)
Jonathan Crane, Emory University
Please be Patient: Jewish Narratives of Embracing Pain and Finitude (30 min)
John Berkman, University of Toronto
Redemptive vs. Non-Redemptive Suffering: Christian Theological Narratives as Spiritual Boot Camp (30 min)
Responding:
Candida Moss, University of Notre Dame (30 min)

S23-326
SBL Hebrew Scriptures and Cognate Literature Section
4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Hilton - 305 (Level 3)
Martti Nissinen, University of Helsinki, Presiding
Will Briggs, Baylor University
The Textualization of Prophecy: The Lachish Letters in light of Evidence from Mari, Nineveh, and Literacy in Judah (30 min)
Daniel Fleming, New York University
Prophecy Books in House-Based Scribal Schools (30 min)
Discussion (15 min)
Mahri Leonard-Fleckman, University of Scranton
Proverbs or Prophets? A Scribal Light on the Dangerous Woman in Prophet Writing (30 min)
Hanna Tervanotko, University of Helsinki
Seeing What Others Cannot See: Tragic Prophets in the Hebrew Bible and Ancient Greek Literature (30 min)
Discussion (15 min)

S23-327
SBL Hebrews Section / Wisdom and Apocalypticism Section
4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Hyatt - Baker (Atlanta Conference Level)
Theme: Time and Space in Hebrews: Sapiential and Apocalyptic Perspectives
Matthew Goff, Florida State University, Presiding
Jared C. Calaway, Illinois College
Spatiotemporality in Hebrews, 4 Ezra, and Revelation (25 min)
Catherine Playoust, University of Divinity
The Location of the Cloud of Witnesses: Complexities of Time and Space in Hebrews (25 min)
Kevin B. McCruden, Gonzaga University
Heavenly Realities and Habits of the Heart: Apocalyptic and the Cultivation of Common Life in the Epistle to the Hebrews (25 min)
Madison N. Pierce, Durham University
The Wilderness Space in Hebrews and Wisdom of Solomon (25 min)
Eric F. Mason, Judson University (Elgin, Illinois)
Hebrews 1 as Apocalyptic Revelation (25 min)

S23-328
SBL History of Interpretation Section
4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Hilton - 207 (Level 2)
Theme: Apocalyptic Texts and the Psalter in Early and Medieval Interpretation
Shawn Wilhite, Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Presiding
Kyle R. Hughes, Radboud Universiteit Nijmegen
The Eschatology of Barnabas: Transforming Biblical Apocalyptic (25 min)
Stephen Presley, Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary
Advent and Apocalypse: Reading Zechariah in Early Christian Reflection (25 min)
Robert G. T. Edwards, Wycliffe College
The First Advent of Christ in Victorinus of Pettau’s Commentary on Revelation (25 min)
Michael Graves, Wheaton College (Illinois)
Jerome’s Epistle 106: Text-Critical and Exegetical Studies in the Psalter (25 min)
Eugenia Scarvelis Constantinou, University of San Diego
The Triumph of Orthodoxy: Andrew of Caesarea’s Commentary and the Standardization of Eastern Apocalypse Interpretation (25 min)
Andrew Mein, Westcott House
Trajectories in the Interpretation of Ezekiel’s Gog Prophecy (25 min)
Business Meeting
S23-329

SBL Human Trafficking and the Bible: Linking the Past to the Present
4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Hilton - 406 (Level 4)
Theme: Hosted by the Student Advisory Board

The aims of this session is to connect the past to the present about an important and current topic - human trafficking. While this has elements that relate to other areas of scholarship within the academy (i.e. culture, Hebrew Scripture, forced exile, liberation, enslavement, redemption etc), there is no direct relationship to ay other panel or session. This panel's focus is unique, timely, and important. In fact, the presenters and other people either invited or consulted with are in support of this panel and quite excited about the prospect of this topic being introduced and presented at the annual meeting.

Because of the huge issue and attention of human trafficking and the narratives as well as traditions that existed in the Ancient Near East, are we able to make a connection to the present day?

This session will focus on the connection of the Biblical Narratives (or text) to modern day human trafficking and forced migration through the lens of current theological implications, focusing on that of the victim and/or survivor. The panel will explore whether biblical narratives in books such as Genesis, Numbers, Judges, among others, as well as other writings and traditions from the Ancient Near East and elsewhere, can be used to better understand the plight of the victims. Ultimately, the question explored is whether the texts and related traditions, by linking the past to the present, provide any promise of redemption or hope theologically?

Michele Stopera Freyhauf, University of Durham, Presiding

Panelists:
- Hector Avalos, Iowa State University
- Carole R. Fontaine, Andover Newton Theological School
- Shelley Long, North Central College
- Tammi Schneider, Claremont Graduate University
- Diana M. Swancutt, Boston University

Responding:
- Sheila E. McGinn, John Carroll University

S23-331

SBL Inventing Christianity: Apostolic Fathers, Apologists, and Martyrs Section
4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Marriott - International 5 (International Level)
Theme: The Acts of Paul and the Reception of the Pauline Tradition

Stephanie Cobb, University of Richmond, Presiding

Benjamin L. White, Clemson University
- Tertullian on the Author of the Acts of Paul: Paul's Reputational Entrepreneurs at the Turn of the Third Century (30 min)
- Richard Pervo, Saint Paul, Minnesota
- From the Lion’s Mouth (2 Tim 4:17): Paul Plays Defense (30 min)
- Diane Lipsett, Salem College
- Household Piety in the Acts of Paul (30 min)
- Glenn E. Snyder, Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis
- Acts of Paul in the 'W' Materials of Acts (30 min)

Business Meeting (30 min)

S23-332

SBL Jewish-Christian Dialogue and Sacred Texts Section
4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Hilton - 202 (Level 2)
Barat Ellman, Fordham University, Presiding

James W. Barker, Western Kentucky University
- Christians and Torah Obscurrence in Second-Century Perspective (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Chris Seeman, Walsh University

Discussion (5 min)

Deborah Forger, University of Michigan-Ann Arbor
- Employing the Pseudo-Clementine Homilies to Better Define Ancient Jewish Christianity (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Michael Meerson, Princeton University
- Illegitimate Jesus: Family Matters with Toledot Yeshu (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Erica L. Martin, Seattle University
- “Other-ing” Jesus: The Dregs of Anti-Judaism (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)
S23-333

SBL Johannine Literature Section
4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Marriott - Marquis C (Marquis Level)
Theme: The Gospel of John as Genre Mosaic
Jo-Ann A. Brant, Goshen College, Presiding
Kasper B. Larsen, Aarhus Universitet
Genre Criticism and the Gospel of John: Status and Goals (20 min)
Harold Attridge, Yale University
The Fourth Gospel: Genre Matters? (20 min)
Colleen Conway, Seton Hall University
John, Gender, and Genre: Revisiting the Woman Question after Masculinity Studies (20 min)
Break (10 min)
Jörg Frey, Universität Zürich
Miracle Stories, Semeia Narratives, and the Gospel as a Significant Story: Genre Bending and Epistemology in John (20 min)
Responding:
Tom Thatcher, Cincinnati Christian University (30 min)
Discussion (30 min)

S23-334

SBL Latter-day Saints and the Bible Section
4:00 PM–6:00 PM
Hyatt - Vinings (Atlanta Conference Level)
Theme: Approaches of LDS Biblical Studies
Jennifer Lane, Brigham Young University Hawaii Campus, Presiding
Julie M. Smith, Independent Scholar
Five Impulses of the Joseph Smith Translation of Mark and Their Implications for LDS Hermeneutics (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Dana M. Pike, Brigham Young University
Interpretation / Application of the Biblical ‘Breath of Life’ in the Latter-day Saint Religious Tradition (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Noel B. Reynolds, Brigham Young University
Biblical Merismus in Book of Mormon Gospel References (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Business Meeting (30 min)

S23-336

SBL Linguistics and Biblical Hebrew Section
4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Marriott - M301-M302 (Marquis Level)
Adina Moshavi, Bar-Ilan University, Presiding
Matthew Anstey, Charles Sturt University
Augments in Biblical Hebrew: A Neglected Area of Study (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Øyvind Bjørn, University of Texas at Austin
Loss of Initial /n/ in Biblical Hebrew in Its Northwest-Semitic Context (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)
JoAnna Hoyt, Graduate Institute of Applied Linguistics
Pondering Micah's Structure: A Syntactical Discourse Approach to Micah's Problems (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Randall Garr, University of California-Santa Barbara
The Infinitive Absolute in light of African Linguistic Phenomena (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)

S23-337

SBL Markan Literary Sources Seminar
4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Marriott - International C (International Level)
Theme: Literary Sources for Mark 14–16
Adam Winn, Azusa Pacific University, Presiding
Dennis MacDonald, Claremont School of Theology
Iliad 22 and 24 (the Death and Burial of Hector) as Mark’s Model for the Death and Burial of Jesus (10 min)
Discussion (35 min)
Justin M. Smith, Azusa Pacific University
Famous (or Not So Famous) Last Words: Mark 15:34 and the Tradition of Dying (Last) Words in Greco-Roman Biography (10 min)
Discussion (35 min)
Andrew Pitts, Arizona Christian University
Papias, Peter, and Mark, Yet Again: A Reevaluation of Petrine Speech Material as a Source for Mark's Gospel (10 min)
Discussion (35 min)
S23-339

National Association of Professors of Hebrew
4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Marriott - A708 (Atrium Level)
Theme: Biblical Hebrew Narrative
Serge Frolov, Southern Methodist University, Presiding

Yisca Zimran, Bar-Ilan University
*Divine-Human Relations in Exod 3:1–4:17* (30 min)

Hanne Loeland Levinson, University of Minnesota-Twin Cities
*“If This is the Way You are Going to Treat Me, Then Kill Me Now”* (Num 11:4–34) (30 min)

Sok-Chung Chang, Catholic Kwandong University
*Israel’s YHWH Worship in Judges* (30 min)

Sonya Cronin, Florida State University
*Childbearing as Reward and Punishment for Women in Hebrew Bible* (30 min)

Peter Boeckel, Southern Methodist University
*The Book of Which Covenant? Intertextuality, Josiah’s Reform, and the Enneateuch* (30 min)

S23-338

National Association of Professors of Hebrew
4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Marriott - A704 (Atrium Level)
Theme: Methods for Teaching Particular Types of Content or Skills
Pamela Scalise, Fuller Theological Seminary (Northwest), Presiding

Pamela Scalise, Fuller Theological Seminary
*Methods for Teaching Particular Types of Content or Skills* (5 min)

Dennis R. Magary, Trinity Evangelical Divinity School
*Engaging the Text of the Hebrew Bible—How Prezi Can “Take You There”* (35 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Robert Stallman, Northwest University (Washington)
*When Less Is More: Applying ‘Focus on Form Instruction’ in the Biblical Hebrew Classroom* (35 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Paul Overland, Ashland Theological Seminary
*As Was the Custom in Those Days*: Teaching Language through Culture (35 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Discussion (25 min)

S23-340

SBL Papyrology and Early Christian Backgrounds Section
4:00 PM–6:45 PM
Marriott - International 9 (International Level)
Theme: Biblical and Early Christian Manuscripts
Peter Arzt-Grabner, Universität Salzburg, Presiding

Lincoln H. Blumell, Brigham Young University
*A New New Testament Papyrus in the J. Rendel Harris Collection* (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Brent Nongbri, Macquarie University
*A Lost Leaf of P.Bodmer XIII and the Construction of the Bodmer “Composite” or “Miscellaneous” Codex* (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Peter Malik, University of Cambridge
*A Fresh Look at P.Beatty III (P47): Towards an Integrative Study of an Early Christian Codex* (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Break (5 min)

Charles E. Hill, Reformed Theological Seminary
*Textual Division in Early Gospel Manuscripts Part II: Matthew, Mark, and Luke, with Some Further Reflections on the Numbering System in Vaticanus* (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Don Barker, Macquarie University
*P.Oxy. 7.1007 Christian or Jewish?* (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

S23-341

SBL Philo of Alexandria Seminar
4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Marriott - A701 (Atrium Level)
Theme: Philo’s De Plantatione
Seminar papers will be available on-line at http://torreys.org/philo_seminar_papers/.

Thomas Tobin, Loyola University of Chicago, Presiding

Albert C. Geljon, Christelijk Gymnasium Utrecht
*Sample Translation and Commentary on Philo De Plantatione* (10 min)

Maren Niehoff, Hebrew University of Jerusalem
*Writing a Commentary on a Philonic Allegorical Treatise* (20 min)

David Runia, Queen’s College University of Melbourne
*The Place of the Treatise De plantatione in Philo’s Allegorical Commentary* (20 min)

Discussion (20 min)

Break (10 min)

James R. Royse, Claremont, California
*The Text of Philo’s De plantatione* (20 min)

Sami Yli-Karjanmaa, University of Helsinki
*Plant. 1–27: The Significance of Reading Philonic Parallels* (20 min)

Discussion (20 min)

Business Meeting (10 min)
**S23-342**

**SBL Poverty in the Biblical World Section**  
4:00 PM–6:30 PM  
Marriott - M109 (Marquis Level)  
Theme: **Was There an Ancient ‘Safety Net’?**  
Francisco Lozada, Jr., Brite Divinity School (TCU), Presiding  
Ronald A. Simkins, Creighton University  
*Social Security, Insurance, and Bankruptcy: Is There a Safety-Net in Ancient Israel?* (20 min)  
David Pleins, Santa Clara University  
*Lamentations as Howl: Biblical Poetry as Safety Net* (20 min)  
Gregg E. Gardner, University of British Columbia  
*Knitting the Safety Net: The Evolution of the Soup Kitchen* (tambur) in Rabbinic Judaism (20 min)  
Scott Barchty, University of California-Los Angeles  
*Having All Things in Common—Only In Your Dreams?* (20 min)  
Responding:  
LeAnn Snow Flesher, Graduate Theological Union (15 min)  
Discussion (55 min)

**S23-343**

**SBL Psychology and Biblical Studies Section**  
4:00 PM–6:30 PM  
Marriott - L404 (Lobby Level)  
Theme: **Biblical Selves in Public and Private**  
Barbara Leung Lai, Tyndale University College and Seminary (Ontario), Presiding (5 min)  
Mette Bundvad, University of Copenhagen  
*At Play in Potential Space: Reading King Qohelet's Building Experiment with Winnicott* (25 min)  
Stuart Lasine, Wichita State University  
*Jonah’s Complexes and Our Own: The Roles of Character and Situation in Judging Biblical Personages* (25 min)  
Jim Wilson, Asbury Theological Seminary  
*Dualing Daniels: Evidence Favoring the Unity of the Book of Daniel* (25 min)  
Ilona Rashkow, Stony Brook University  
*Inclusion, Exclusion, and Group Stability in Jewish Rituals: Biblical and Contemporary* (25 min)  
Kamila Blessing, Blessing Transitions Consulting and Mediation Services  
*Feminity in the Gospel of John* (25 min)  
Discussion (20 min)

**S23-344**

**SBL Q Section**  
4:00 PM–6:30 PM  
Hilton - 212 (Level 2)  
Theme: **Q and Violence**  
This session addresses the topic of the rhetorical use of tropes of violence within Q, as well as the way that violence contributes to identity formation for the authors, while avoiding simplistic questions such as whether Jesus/early Christians promoted or resisted violent acts.  
Daniel Smith, Huron University College, Presiding  
Peter J. Judge, Winthrop University  
*The Beatitude for the Persecuted (Q 6:22–23): Hate Speech, Threats of Violence, and Response* (20 min)  
Giovanni Bazzana, Harvard University  
*The Violence of the Kingdom in Q* (20 min)  
Dieter T. Roth, Johannes Gutenberg-Universität Mainz  
*Violent Masters in Q: Parables or Anti-Parables of God?* (20 min)  
Sarah E. Rollens, University of Alabama  
*Identity, Violence, and the Body in Q* (20 min)  
Break (10 min)  
Responding:  
Philip Tite, University of Washington (20 min)  
Discussion (40 min)

**S23-345**

**SBL Qumran Section**  
4:00 PM–6:30 PM  
Marriott - International 10 (International Level)  
Esther Chazon, Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Presiding  
Jutta Jokiranta, University of Helsinki  
*Paratextuality of Pesher Habakkuk: Case with the Prophet and the Teacher* (30 min)  
Yonder Moynihan Gillihan, Boston College  
*Inspired Interpretation of Inspired Texts: The Habakkuk Pesher’s Doctrine of Exegesis (1QpHab 7:1–5a) in Hellenistic–Roman Context* (30 min)  
Molly Zahn, University of Kansas  
*Exegesis, Ideology, and Literary History in the Temple Scroll: The Case of the Temple Plan* (30 min)  
Joseph Angel, Yeshiva University  
*Probing the Jewish Setting of Matt 11:25–30* (30 min)  
Alison Schofield, University of Denver  
*Literary Units in Dialogue: Knowledge, Materiality, and the Intertextual Function of Lists in The Community Rule* (30 min)
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 23

S23-346

SBL Sabbath in Text and Tradition Seminar
4:00 PM–6:45 PM
Hilton - 312 (Level 3)
Theme: The Sabbath in Second Temple Judaism and the Greco-Roman World
Sarit Kattan Gribetz, Fordham University, Presiding
Dulcinea Boesenberg, Creighton University
The Construction of Jewish Identity in Philo’s Defense of Sabbath Observance (20 min)
Responding:
Robert Johnston, Andrews University (10 min)
Discussion (10 min)
Malka Z. Simkovich, Catholic Theological Union
The Role of the Sabbath in Jewish Universalist and Particularist Literature of the Second Temple Period (20 min)
Responding:
Jonathan Klawans, Boston University (10 min)
Discussion (10 min)
Joshua Ezra Burns, Marquette University
Fasting on the Sabbath: An Ancient Jewish Stereotype Deconstructed (20 min)
Responding:
Shaye Cohen, Harvard University (10 min)
Discussion (10 min)
Gerbern Oegema, McGill University
The Sabbath During and After the Maccabean Revolt (20 min)
Responding:
Sarit Kattan Gribetz, Fordham University (10 min)
Discussion (15 min)

S23-347

SBL Sacrifice, Cult, and Atonement Section
4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Hilton - 214 (Level 2)
Jeremiah Cataldo, Grand Valley State University, Presiding
Vanessa Avery, Sacred Heart University
Humans Left Alone: The Book of Esther and the Vicious Cycle of Scapegoating (22 min)
Discussion (5 min)
John Ahn, Howard University
A Laborantian Perspective: Communicating Damascus (22 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Line Søgaard Christensen, Aarhus Universitet
The Axial Age and Cult Criticism in the Hebrew Bible (22 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Philip Esler, University of Gloucestershire
"All That You Have Done... Has Been Fully Told Me": The Power of Gossip and the Story of Ruth (22 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Terry Smith, New Brunswick Theological Seminary
Roots of Resistance: Re-Imagining the Distribution of Power in the Book of Daniel (22 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Business Meeting (30 min)

S23-348

SBL Social Sciences and the Interpretation of the Hebrew Scriptures Section
4:00 PM–6:45 PM
Hilton - 214 (Level 2)
Jeremiah Cataldo, Grand Valley State University, Presiding
Vanessa Avery, Sacred Heart University
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S23-349

SBL Ugaritic Studies and Northwest Semitic Epigraphy Section
4:00 PM–6:00 PM
Hilton - 311 (Level 3)
Robert Holmstedt, University of Toronto, Presiding
Bryan Estelle, Westminster Seminary California
Weapons for War (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Tania Notarius, Hebrew University of Jerusalem
Participle Phrase in the Language of Ugaritic Poetry (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Andres Piquer Otero, Universidad Complutense de Madrid
Narrative Infinitives: Discursive and Literary Dimensions — From Ugaritic Poetry to Phoenician and Biblical Hebrew? (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)
John Gee, Brigham Young University and Aaron Schade, Brigham Young University
The Phoenician/Luwian Bilingual Inscription of Azatiwada: The Use of the Optative Form (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)

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S23-350
SBL Violence and Representations of Violence among Jews and Christians Section
4:00 PM–6:30 PM
Marriott - A705 (Atrium Level)
Theme: Violence and Representations of Violence Section at 10: Retrospect & Prospect
Chris Frilingos, Michigan State University, Presiding
Panelists:
  Shelly Matthews, Brite Divinity School (TCU)
  Elizabeth Castelli, Barnard College
  David Frankfurter, Boston University
  Shira Lander, Southern Methodist University
  Laura Nasrallah, Harvard University

S23-351
SBL Research and Publications Committee
4:30 PM–6:00 PM
Hyatt - 223 (Level 2)

S23-352
SBL Press Authors and Editors Reception
6:30 PM–7:30 PM
Marriott - L503 (Lobby Level)

P23-401
Ethnic Chinese Biblical Colloquium
7:00 PM–9:15 PM
Marriott - International A (International Level)
Theme: New Tools and Pedagogy for the Biblical Languages
Two new publications this year by our members have inspired our theme for 2015. One is a review tool for students of biblical Hebrew but also a pedagogical tool for teachers. The other is an entirely new lexicon of biblical Greek for the Chinese language. Our third presenter will discuss the dynamics of teaching biblical Hebrew in a cross-cultural, cross-linguistic and trans-continental setting. All are invited and welcome.
Milton Eng, William Paterson University, Presiding
  Kevin Chau, University of the Free State
    Teaching Biblical Hebrew in an International Setting: An Approach through Language Typology (20 min)
  Discussion (5 min)
  M. Daniel Carroll R., Denver Seminary
    A Review of Eng and Fields, “Deviations on the Hebrew Bible” and Some Further Thoughts (20 min)
  Discussion (5 min)
  Eric Kun-chun Wong, Chinese University of Hong Kong
    A New Greek–Chinese Lexicon of the Greek New Testament (Hong Kong Bible Society): Principles and Examples (20 min)
  Discussion (5 min)
  Ryan Korstange, Western Kentucky University
  Problem Based Learning as a Method of Revitalizing Introductory Courses (10 min)
  Discussion (15 min)
  Melinda Cousins, Tabor Adelaide
  Re-Structuring for Engagement: An Experiment in Changing How Class Time Is Allocated in Old Testament Survey (10 min)
  Discussion (15 min)
  Carl N. Toney, Hope International University
  A Great Books Approach to New Testament Survey (10 min)
  Discussion (15 min)
  Jennifer M. Shepherd, Engage Consulting, Masters College and Seminary
  Bible 101: Getting to Know the Story and the Story You Will Tell (10 min)
  Discussion (15 min)

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 24

S23-402
SBL Former Presidents Forum
7:30 PM–8:30 PM
Hyatt - 223 (Level 2)

S24-101
SBL Program Unit Chairs Meeting
7:30 AM–8:45 AM
Marriott - Atrium C (Atrium Level)
Both Annual Meeting and International Meeting program unit chairs for the current year are invited to attend.

S24-102
SBL Academic Teaching and Biblical Studies Section
9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Marriott - M101 (Marquis Level)
Theme: Redesigning Survey Courses
This workshop-style session promotes conversation about reimagining how we teach the Bible. We invite proposals especially from those who have redesigned a traditional introductory course (in Hebrew Bible/Old Testament, New Testament, or Bible). Each presenter will offer a brief, 5-10 minute overview of some aspect of the new course (outcomes, assessments, structure, coverage, etc.). Attendees will then spend about 20 minutes responding.
G. Lester, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary, Presiding
  Ryan Korstange, Western Kentucky University
  Problem Based Learning as a Method of Revitalizing Introductory Courses (10 min)
  Discussion (15 min)
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**Responding:**
- Jin Young Choi, Colgate Rochester Crozer Divinity School (20 min)

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**SBL Archaeology of the Biblical World Section**

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<td>G. Anthony Keddie, University of Texas at Austin</td>
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**SBL Bible and Emotion Section**

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**Juliana Claassens, Universiteit van Stellenbosch - University of Stellenbosch**

- From Fear’s Narcissism to Participatory Imagination: Martha Nussbaum on Religion, Law, and Justice (25 min)

**Discussion (5 min)**

**Naomi Graetz, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev**

- Aaron’s “Silence” Upon Hearing of His Sons’ Death by Fire (25 min)

**Discussion (5 min)**

**Sébastien Doane, Université Laval**

- Rachel Weeping: Intertextuality as a Means of Transformation of the Reader’s Worldview (25 min)

**Discussion (5 min)**

**Sigrid Eder, Catholic-Theological Private University Linz**

- “...And clothed me with joy” (Ps 30:12): Emotions in Psalm 30 (25 min)

**Discussion (5 min)**
S24-107
SBL Biblical Greek Language and Linguistics Section
9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Marriott - International A (International Level)
Michael E. Hayes, St. John's Lutheran/Concordia Seminary
_An Analysis of the Attributive Participle and the Relative Clause in the Greek New Testament (30 min)
Hughson T. Ong, McMaster Divinity College
_Ethnography of Communication: Linking Text and Context in 1 Pet 2:11—3:12 (30 min)
Jimmy Parks, Logos Bible Software
_Internal Headed Relative Clauses in the Greek New Testament (30 min)
Laurentiu Florentin Mot, Institutul Teologic Adventist
_Semitic Influence in the Use of NT Greek Prepositions: The Case of the Book of Revelation (30 min)
Phillip Marshall, Houston Baptist University
_An Analysis of the Function of Greek Anarthrous Participles in Oblique Cases (30 min)

S24-108
SBL Biblical Hebrew Poetry Section
9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hyatt - Embassy C (International Tower Level LL2)
Theme: _Parallelism in the Hebrew Bible_
Elizabeth Hayes, Fuller Theological Seminary (Pasadena), Presiding
Susanne Gillmair-Bucher, Catholic Private University Linz
_Two Sides of the Same Coin: Blending Distinct Perspectives through Parallelism (25 min)
Sarah Zhang, GETS Theological Seminary
_Interrupting an Established Parallelism (25 min)
Simon P. Stocks, South East Institute for Theological Education
_Parallelism, Enjambment, and Tricola in Book V of the Psalter (25 min)
Jason M. H. Gaines, College of the Holy Cross
_Epic Law? Parallelism and Other Poetic Constructions in the Holiness Legislation (Leviticus 17–26) (25 min)
Responding:
James Kugel (10 min)
Knut Heim, Trinity College - Bristol (10 min)
Discussion (10 min)
Business Meeting (20 min)

S24-109
SBL Book History and Biblical Literatures Consultation
9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Marriott - International 10 (International Level)
Theme: _Paratexts_
Eva Mroczek, Indiana University (Bloomington), Presiding
Jacqueline Vayntrub, Harvard University
_The Titles of Proverbs and the Shaping of a Tradition (20 min)
Discussion (5 min)
David Willgren, Lund University
_Gathering Psalms: Paratexts and Poetics in the 'Book' of Psalms (20 min)
Discussion (5 min)
AJ Berkovitz, Princeton University
_Paratextuality and the Aramaic Psalm Titles (20 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Mark McEntire, Belmont University, Tim Crawford, University of Mary Hardin-Baylor and Danny Mynatt, University of Mary Hardin-Baylor
_A Book that Controls Itself: The Masorah of Hebrew Bible Manuscripts (20 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Jeffrey S. Siker, Loyola Marymount University
_From Paratext to Hypertext: Liquid Boundaries in Digital Bibles (20 min)
Discussion (5 min)

S24-110
SBL Book of Psalms Section
9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Marriott - A701 (Atrium Level)
Theme: _Differences in the Numbering and Ordering of the Psalter: The Fluidity through the 16th Century AD_
Karl Jacobson, Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd, Presiding
William Yarchin, Azusa Pacific University
_The Shaping of the Biblical Psalter: Reconsidering the Status Questionis in light of Medieval Manuscript Evidence (45 min)
Responding:
Rolf Jacobson, Luther Seminary (25 min)
Stephen Breck Reid, Baylor University
_Recognizing the Plasticity of the Psalter: A Response to William Yarchin (25 min)
Responding:
Nancy deClaissé-Walford, Mercer University (25 min)
**S24-111**

**SBL Christian Apocrypha Section**

9:00 AM–11:30 AM  
Marriott - International 4 (International Level)

**Theme:** Ancient Texts, New Questions: New Directions in Christian Apocrypha Studies

Lily Vuong, Valdosta State University, Presiding (5 min)

Bradley Rice, McGill University  
*Collecting Christian Apocrypha in Eastern Europe* (25 min)

Jörg Röder, Universität Basel  
*Miracle Stories in the Acts of Pilate* (25 min)

Cambry Pardee, Loyola University Chicago  
*The Levi Defender Tradition: From Joseph and Aseneth to the Gospel of Mary* (25 min)

Justin M. Glessner, DePauw University  
*Joseph of Nazareth in the Protevangelium of James* (25 min)

**Discussion** (45 min)

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**S24-112**

**SBL Christian Theology and the Bible Section**

9:00 AM–11:30 AM  
Hyatt - Hanover F (Exhibit Level)

**Theme:** The Anagogical Interpretation of Scripture

This session will focus on the anagogical interpretation of Scripture; it is the fourth and final session in our series exploring the traditional four senses of Scripture (literal, allegorical, tropological, anagogical). In brief, anagogical sense of Scripture is the exegesis of Scripture in relation to eschatological hope and the life to come. Each of the invited panelists will respond to the following questions: respond to the following questions: “What is the role of the anagogical sense of Scripture in the figure or area that you study? And, why is the anagogical sense a significant and important way to read Scripture?”

Arthur M. Sutherland, Loyola University Maryland, Presiding

Hans Boersma, Regent College  
*Purity, Perfection, and Beatific Vision: The Upward Journey to Christ in Gregory of Nyssa* (30 min)

Kevin L. Hughes, Villanova University  
*Escclesia contemplativa: On the Relationship between the Mystical and Eschatological in St. Bonaventure’s Anagogia* (30 min)

Eboni Marshall Turman, Duke University  
*Black, Life, Matter: Toward A Black Feminist/Womanist Eschatology* (30 min)

Francesca Murphy, University of Notre Dame  
*The Bible and the Analogical Imagination* (30 min)

**Discussion** (30 min)

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**S24-113**

**SBL Chronicles-Ezra-Nehemiah Section**

9:00 AM–11:30 AM  
Marriott - International B (International Level)

Matthew Lynch, Westminster Theological Centre, Presiding

David A. Glatt-Gilad, Ben–Gurion University of the Negev  
*Genealogy Lists as a Window to Historiographic Periodization in the Book of Chronicles* (25 min)

**Discussion** (5 min)

J.H. Price, The Ohio State University  
*The Crime and Punishment of the Chronicler’s Uzziah: Antecedents, Contrasts, Correlations, and Critique* (25 min)

**Discussion** (5 min)

Laura Carlson, Yale University  
*Archive, Imitation, and the Search for Identity in Ezra 1–6* (25 min)

**Discussion** (5 min)

Aubrey E. Buster, Emory University  
*“Chaining Out” on Deuteronomy: Fantasy Theme Analysis of Prayers in Ezra-Nehemiah* (25 min)

**Discussion** (5 min)

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**S24-114**

**SBL Contextual Biblical Interpretation Section**

9:00 AM–11:30 AM  
Marriott - International C (International Level)

**Theme:** Paul’s Undisputed Letters

Papers will be summarized and discussed in roundtable format. Papers will be available online ahead of time at https://thefemalebiblescholar.wordpress.com/sbl-2015-contextual-biblical-interpretation/.

Tiffany Webster, University of Sheffield, Presiding

Greg Carey, Lancaster Theological Seminary  
*Was Paul Happy? A Contextual Reading of Phil 3:1–4:1 in Conversation with North American Psychology and Its Limitations* (15 min)

**Discussion** (15 min)

Menghun Goh, Vanderbilt University  
*The Cruciform Faith and Freedom in Galatians: A Dialogue with Chinese Churches* (15 min)

**Discussion** (15 min)

Sung Uk Lim, Vanderbilt University  
*An Ecofeminist Reading of Rom 8:18–25 in an Asian American Context* (15 min)

**Discussion** (15 min)

Matt O’Reilly, University of Gloucestershire  
*Resurrecting the Body: Paul, Social Identity, and Racial Reconciliation in First Century Rome and Twenty-first Century Alabama* (15 min)

**Discussion** (15 min)
Marlon Winedt, United Bible Societies
Paul’s Appeal for a Would-be Maroon Slave: Reading and Translating Philemon from the Perspective of Caribbean Maroon Societies (15 min)

Discussion (15 min)

S24-115

SBL Deuteronomistic History Section
9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Marriott - L403 (Lobby Level)
Mahri Leonard-Fleckman, University of Scranton, Presiding
Rachel Toombs, Baylor University
A Closer Kinship? David’s Prayer in 2 Samuel 7 and 1 Chronicles 17 (30 min)
Stephen Germany, Emory University
The Compositional Horizon of the Verb “yarah” (Qal and Hiphil) in Deuteronomy and Joshua: A Re-Evaluation (30 min)
Flemming A.J. Nielsen, University of Greenland
Prophecy in Deuteronomy and the Former Prophets with Special Emphasis on the Elijah-Elisha Narrative (30 min)
Daniel Oden, Harding University Main Campus
Northern Exposures: Huldah’s Oracle and the Dynastic Doom Oracles of Kings (30 min)
Kyle Greenwood, Colorado Christian University
Ahab’s Death Twice Told: The Identity of the “King of Israel” in 1 Kings 22 (30 min)

S24-116

SBL Digital Humanities in Biblical, Early Jewish, and Christian Studies Consultation
9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Marriott - L404 (Lobby Level)
Theme: Data Visualization, Digital Paleography and Images
David Hamidovic, Université de Lausanne, Presiding
Liv Ingeborg Lied, Det Teologiske Menighetsfakultet
Digitization and Manuscripts as Visual Objects: Reflections from a Media Studies Perspective (30 min)
Heather Dana Davis Parker, Johns Hopkins University and Christopher A. Rollston, George Washington University
Teaching Epigraphy in the 21st Century: The Epigraphic Digital Lab (30 min)
Peter M. Phillips, University of Durham
Is “Millennial Christianity” Changing the Public Face of the Bible through Online Searching and Social Media Messaging (30 min)
Drayton C. Benner, University of Chicago
A Novel Visualization of Biblical Texts Aligned at the Word-Level (30 min)
Joshua L. Mann, University of Durham
(Re)Presenting Biblical Texts Online: Luke 19 as Test Case (30 min)

S24-117

SBL Disputed Paulines Section
9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hyatt - Hanover C (Exhibit Level)
Theme: Pastoral Epistles
Christopher Hutson, Abilene Christian University, Presiding (3 min)
Derek Brown, Lexham Press
Satan: The Author of False Teaching in the Pastoral Epistles (30 min)
Daniel K. Darko, Gordon College
Kinship and Leadership in 1 Timothy: A Study of Filial Framework and Model for Early Christian Communities in Asia Minor (30 min)
Isaiah Luke Allen, Asbury Theological Seminary
The Cretan Quote of Titus 1:12: Why Paul Appears to Be Such a Bigot (30 min)
Mark Harding, Australian College of Theology
“Apocalyptic Rhetoric” in the Pastoral Epistles (30 min)
Discussion (15 min)

S24-118

SBL Early Christianity and the Ancient Economy Section
9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hyatt - Vinings (Atlanta Conference Level)
Theme: The Ancient Economy
Thomas Blanton, Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago, Presiding
John Fitzgerald, University of Notre Dame
Early Greek Economic Thought (30 min)
David Wheeler-Reed, Yale University
Women, Medicine, and the Economy in Late Antiquity (30 min)
Llewellyn Howes, University of Johannesburg
Reading the Parable of the Wise Slave (Q 12:42-46) against the Background of Agricultural Slavery in Antiquity (30 min)
Richard Last, York University
An Economic Scale of Greco-Roman Associations (30 min)
David Hollander, Iowa State University
Debt in the Early Roman Empire (30 min)

S24-119

SBL Early Exegesis of Genesis 1 Consultation
9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hyatt - Embassy E (International Tower Level LL2)
Theme: Genesis 1 in Christian Theology of the Second Century
Volker Drecoll, Eberhard Karls Universität Tübingen, Presiding
James VanderKam, University of Notre Dame
Genesis 1 in the Book of Jubilees (30 min)
Christoph Markschies, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin - Humboldt University of Berlin
Genesis 1 and the Beginnings of Gnosticism (30 min)
Anders-Christian Jacobsen, Aarhus Universität
The Interpretation of Genesis 1 in Theophilus and other Early Apologetic Texts (30 min)

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S24-120

SBL Feminist Hermeneutics of the Bible Section
9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Marriott - M303-M304 (Marquis Level)

Through interaction with the new book by Susan E. Hylen, A Modest Apostle: Thecla and the History of Women in the Early Church, this session engages the current state of our understanding of women's roles in the church in the context of the Greco-Roman world.

Joseph Kozar, University of Dayton, Presiding

Panelists:
- Stephen Davis, Yale University (20 min)
- Deirdre Good, General Theological Seminary (20 min)

Responding:
- Susan Hylen, Emory University (20 min)

Panelists:
- Cynthia Kittredge, Seminary of the Southwest (20 min)
- Jennifer Knust, Boston University (20 min)
- Margaret Oget, Interdenominational Theological Center (20 min)

Discussion (30 min)

S24-121

SBL New Testament Textual Criticism Section / Formation of Luke and Acts Section
9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hyatt - Courtland (Atlanta Conference Level)

This session with the Formation of Luke and Acts Section addresses Marcion's Evangelion, the “Western Non-Interpolations,” and the transmission of Luke.

Patricia Walters, Rockford University, Presiding

Panelists:
- Dieter Roth, Johannes Gutenberg-Universität Mainz
  Marcion's Gospel: Reconstructions and Their Implications (30 min)
- Jason BeDuhn, Northern Arizona University
  Marcion's Evangelion and the Two Source Hypothesis (30 min)
- Ronald van der Bergh, University of Pretoria
  Marcion's Legacy and the Old Testament Quotations in Codex Bezae's Luke (30 min)
- Judith Lieu, University of Cambridge
  Marcion's Gospel and the Question of Theological Tendency (30 min)

Responding:
- Markus Vinzent, King's College - London (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

S24-122

SBL Greek Bible Section
9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Marriott - M109 (Marquis Level)

Theme: The Afterlives of Greek Isaiah

This year’s special session will explore the reception history of the Old Greek version of the book of Isaiah, with reference to topics such as intertextuality, exegesis, scholarly approaches and social cultural issues.

Tony Michael, York University, Presiding

Joshua Coutts, University of Edinburgh
Name and Glory: Associative Concepts in the LXX of Deutero-Isaiah (30 min)

Wilson de A. Cunha, LeTourneau University
Eusebius of Caesarea and the “Drink of Immortality:” The Reception of LXX Isaiah 25 in Eusebius' Commentary on Isaiah (30 min)

Charles Lee Irons, Charles R. Drew University
Israel’s Justification in Greek Isaiah and Paul's Doctrine of Justification in Romans (30 min)

Ken M. Penner, Saint Francis Xavier University
Faith in Greek Isaiah (30 min)

David Rothstein, Ariel University Center of Samaria
LXX Isa 27:12 and Intertextuality: Literary and Historical Implications (30 min)

S24-123

SBL Hebrew Bible, History, and Archaeology Section
9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hyatt - Baker (Atlanta Conference Level)

Peter Feinman, Institute of History, Archaeology, and Education
Egypt and Israel: From Ramses II to Ramses VI (25 min)

Jody Washburn, University of California-Los Angeles
Inscriptions in the Family Tomb—Commemorating Identity in the Face of Crisis (25 min)

Erin Hall, Tel Aviv University
Benjaminites-Judahite Tensions in Persian Period Yehud (25 min)

Eric L. Welch , University of Kansas
"Ornamentation from Afar": The Social and Symbolic Function of Achaemenid Imperial Imports in the Book of Esther (25 min)

S24-124

SBL Hebrew Scriptures and Cognate Literature Section
9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hyatt - Hanover A (Exhibit Level)

Joshua Berman, Bar-Ilan University
Juxtaposed Conflicting Compositions (Genesis 1–2, 4a-2, 4b-2, 24; Exodus 14–15; Judges 4–5): A Neo Kingdom Egyptian Parallel (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)
S24-125

SBL Historical Jesus Section
9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Marriott - International 8 (International Level)
Theme: Jesus and Purity

James Crossley, University of Sheffield, Presiding (5 min)
Jodi Magness, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
"They Shall See the Glory of the Lord" (Isa 35:2): Eschatological Purity at Qumran and in Jesus’ Movement (25 min)
Cecilia Wassen, Uppsala Universitet
Jesus’ Table Fellowship with Sinners and Purity Halakhah (25 min)
Thomas Kazen, Stockholm School of Theology
A Perhaps Less Halakhic Jesus and Purity: On Prophetic Criticism, Halakhic Innovation and Rabbinic Anachronism (25 min)

Responding:
Jonathan Klawans, Boston University (15 min)
Lutz Doering, Westfälische Wilhelms-Universität Münster (15 min)

Panel Discussion
Discussion (20 min)
General Discussion
Discussion (20 min)

P24-126

International Syriac Language Project
9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hyatt - Embassy H (International Tower Level LL2)
Theme: Lexicography: Selected Issues and Improved Tools (2)

Richard Taylor, Dallas Theological Seminary, Presiding
David M. Calabro, Brigham Young University
‘The Word That Was from the Beginning’: Syriac Etymology in a Digital Age (30 min)
George A. Kiraz, Gorgias Press
The Origins of Syriac Dottology (30 min)
Jonathan Looperstra, Capital University
Interpretations of Syriac Dottology, Reclaiming the Past (30 min)

Discussion (30 min)

S24-127

SBL Israelite Prophetic Literature Section
9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hyatt - Hanover B (Exhibit Level)
Theme: Representations and Metaphors of Otherness

This session concentrates on how prophetic literature represents otherness in material and metaphoric ways. Attention will be drawn to otherness in terms of space, race, ethnicity, gender, and other forms of identity markers, singularly or collectively. These papers analyze metaphoric and other representations of otherness in prophetic literature from various theoretical perspectives with the aim of understanding the meaning of these metaphors and representations for early readers/hearers, their reception at various points in history, or their impact for contemporary readers.

Steed Vernyl Davidson, McCormick Theological Seminary, Presiding
David L. Sobe, The University of Texas at Austin
Putting the “Dog” in Dogmatism: The Use of Canine Metaphors to “Other” in Isaiah 56 (30 min)
Brittany Kim, Northeastern Seminary
A Dragon, a Reed Staff, and a Towering Cedar in Eden: Egypt in Ezekiel 29–32 (30 min)
Daniel Timmer, University of Sudbury
The Construction and Deconstruction of Ethnic/National Othering in the Book of the Twelve (30 min)
Jeremiah Cataldo, Grand Valley State University
Zachariah’s Joshua as an Archetypical Figure of Collective Prejudice (30 min)

Discussion (30 min)

S24-128

SBL Jesus Traditions, Gospels, and Negotiating the Roman Imperial World Section
9:00 AM–11:00 AM
Marriott - A704 (Atrium Level)
Theme: Empire, Violence, and Race/Ethnicity

Warren Carter, Brite Divinity School (TCU)
Gospels, Synagogue Conflicts, and Horizontal Violence (30 min)
John Christianson, Brite Divinity School (TCU)
The Aggareion and Non-violent Resistance: Matthew 5:41 as a Subaltern Strategy for Social Change (30 min)
Timothy Luckritz Marquis, Moravian Theological Seminary
The Blood of the Prophets Beyond Jerusalem and Rome (30 min)
S24-129

SBL Levites and Priests in History and Tradition Section
9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hyatt - Kennesaw (Atlanta Conference Level)
Michael Biggerstaff, Ohio State University
Road Work Ahead: Does mille yad Really Refer to Priestly Ordination? (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Kurt Backlund, Hebrew Union College - Jewish Institute of Religion
Priestly Mourning Prohibitions in Leviticus 10 (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Yigal Levin, Bar-Ilan University
The Role of the Levites in Chronicles: Past, Present, or Utopia? (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Brandon Bruning, University of Notre Dame
"Make me a sanctuary, that I may appear in your midst": The Structure of Leviticus 8–9 in light of the Vorlage of LXX Exodus (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Matthew Grey, Brigham Young University
The Role of Jewish Priests in Early Synagogue Leadership and Liturgy (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)

S24-130

SBL LGBTI/Queer Hermeneutics Section
9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hyatt - University (Atlanta Conference Level)
Theme: Queering Christ in Controversial Art: The stagings, effects and subversive potential of the Other Jesus
This session investigates the staging, effects and subversive potential of recent cases of controversial art in which iconic Christian imagery is deliberately queered: e.g., the so-called Christas or female crucifixions, and the winning act "Rise Like a Phoenix" at the 2014 Eurovision Song Contest interpreted as a transgender Jesus imitation.
David Stewart, California State University - Long Beach, Welcome (3 min)
Anne-Marie Korte, Universiteit Utrecht Queer Iconoclasm and Queer Iconoclash: From the Christas to Madonna (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Jonathan Kaplan, The University of Texas at Austin and Aren M. Wilson-Wright, University of Texas at Austin How Song of Songs Became a Divine Love Song: A New Proposal (20 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Jacques van Ruiten, Rijksuniversiteit Groningen The Kiss in the Song of Songs (20 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Orit Avnery, Shalem College and Shalom Hartman Institute Song of Songs and the Garden of Eden (20 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Chloe Sun, Logos Evangelical Seminary The Inter-Thematic Link of Death and Survival: Ecclesiastes among the Megilloth (20 min)
Discussion (5 min)
S24-132a

SBL Metaphor Theory and the Hebrew Bible Section
9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Marriott - M202 (Marquis Level)
Theme: Translating Biblical Metaphors
Andrea Weiss, Hebrew Union College - Jewish Institute of Religion (New York Branch), Presiding
- David E. S. Stein, Freelance Editorial Services
  The Biblical Metaphor "God Is a Principal Who Operates through Agents" and Its English Translation (30 min)
  Bryan Bibb, Furman University
  Yahweh as the Priest of Human Sacrifice in Isaiah 30:27–33 (30 min)
Discussion (15 min)
- Pierre Van Hecke, Katholieke Universiteit Leuven
- Benjamin Austin, Providence Christian College
  Methods of Translating Plant Metaphors in LXX Isaiah (30 min)
Discussion (15 min)

S24-133

SBL Paul and Politics Seminar
9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Marriott - M103 (Marquis Level)
Theme: Paul's Letters and the Rhetorics and Politics of Archaeology
Arminta Fox, Drew University, Presiding
- Ralph K. Horner, Taylor College and Seminary
  Paul's Ekklesia Associations: Counter-Imperial or Pro-Demokratia Communities? (25 min)
- Steven J. Friesen, University of Texas at Austin
  The Customs House Inscription at Ephesus (IoE 1a.20) and Paul's Jerusalem Collection: Exchange, Surplus, Ideology, and the Divine (25 min)
- Daniel Yencich, University of Denver
  The Roman Ideology of Securitas in Text, Stone, and Coin: Establishing a Roman Political Context for 1 Thess 5:3 (25 min)
- Katherine A. Shaner, Wake Forest University
  (De)-Constructing Slaves in Stone and Text: Jesus, Epaphroditus, and the Idealization of Enslavement (25 min)
Responding:
  Davina Lopez, Eckerd College (15 min)
Discussion (15 min)
Business Meeting (20 min)

S24-134

SBL Pentateuch Section
9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Marriott - A602 (Atrium Level)
Theme: Pentateuch Text Workshop: Genesis 15
The goal of the Pentateuch Text Workshop is to foster direct discussion between scholars on issues of pentateuchal composition and editing. The workshop allows scholars to discuss specific texts together, considering their history of composition, redaction, and other relevant historical and literary features in a more extended format. With this aim in view, a substantial part of each session will be devoted to discussion, with prepared papers as an initial foray into scholarly engagement over the text.
Sarah Shectman, Independent Scholar, Presiding
- Ronald Hendel, University of California-Berkeley
  Paul's Ekklesia Associations: Counter-Imperial or Pro-Demokratia Communities? (25 min)
- Jan Gertz, Ruprecht-Karls-Universität Heidelberg
  The Customs House Inscription at Ephesus (IoE 1a.20) and Paul's Jerusalem Collection: Exchange, Surplus, Ideology, and the Divine (25 min)
- Jeffrey Stackert, University of Chicago
  The Roman Ideology of Securitas in Text, Stone, and Coin: Establishing a Roman Political Context for 1 Thess 5:3 (25 min)
- Cynthia Edenburg, Open University of Israel
  Gender and Prayer in the Ancient Mediterranean World (30 min)
Responding:
  Davina Lopez, Eckerd College (15 min)
Discussion (50 min)
Business Meeting (30 min)
**TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 24**

**S24-137**

**SBL Qumran Section**

9:00 AM–11:30 AM  
Hyatt - Spring (Atlanta Conference Level)  
Maxine Grossman, University of Maryland - College Park, Presiding  
Matthew Goff, Florida State University  
*The Significance of the “Midrash of Shemhazai and Azazel” for the Study of the Qumran Book of Giants* (30 min)  
James S. Adcock, University of St. Andrews  
*Jeremiah: Diaspora Diaspora Demons? Concerning the Possibility That Jer 10:11 Was Interpreted by 4Q71 and LXX as an Aramaic Magical Incantation against Evil Spirits* (30 min)  
Moshe J. Bernstein, Yeshiva University  
*Reading the Genesis Apocryphon: The First Decade* (30 min)  
Drew Longacre, University of Helsinki  
*Textual Groups and Clusters at Qumran: The Evidence of the Hebrew Dead Sea Scrolls Containing Exodus* (30 min)  
Ira Rabin, BAM Federal Institute of Materials Research and Testing  
*Did 1QIsaa and IQS Come from the Same Parchment Workshop?* (30 min)

**S24-138**

**SBL Qur’an and Biblical Literature Section**

9:00 AM–11:30 AM  
Marriott - L406 (Lobby Level)  
Theme: *Methodology and Textual Analysis in Study of the Bible and the Quran*  
John Kaltner, Rhodes College, Presiding  
Ryan Schaffner, Ohio State University  
*Qur’a nicizing the Gospel: A 9th- Century Muslim Polemicist and A Section from the Gospel of Matthew* (30 min)  
Yousef Casewit, American University of Sharjah, UAE  
*Filling the Qur’anic Gaps: Citations of Genesis and Matthew in the Works of Ibn Barrajan (d.536/1141)* (30 min)  
Michael Graves, Wheaton College (Illinois)  
*Stylistic Criteria in Nöldeke’s Chronology of Qur’anic Material in the Context of 19th Century Biblical Studies* (30 min)  
Andrew C. Smith, Claremont Graduate University  
*Moses and Pharaoh’s Magicians: A Comparative Method and Approach to Qur’anic Use of Biblical Narratives* (30 min)  
Business Meeting (30 min)

**S24-139**

**SBL Reading, Theory, and the Bible Section**

9:00 AM–11:30 AM  
Hyatt - Techwood (Atlanta Conference Level)  
Theme: *Posthumanism: Animals and Angels*  
Rhiannon Graybill, Rhodes College, Presiding (3 min)  
Dong Hyeon Jeong, Drew University  
*All (Human) Together in One Place? Asian American Biblical Hermeneutics and the Posthumanist Challenge* (30 min)  
Stephen D. Moore, Theological School, Drew University  
*What a Sometimes Inanimate Divine Animal Has to Teach Us about Being Human: New Materialism, Other Posthumanisms, and the Johannine Jesus* (30 min)  
Hannah M. Strømmen, University of Chichester  
*Political-Biblical Animals: Deconstructed Sovereignty in Revelation 17* (30 min)  
P.J. Sabo, University of Alberta  
*The Mutate Divine: The Lot Story and Karl Ove Knausgaard’s A Time for Everything* (30 min)  
Discussion (20 min)  
Business Meeting (5 min)

**S24-139a**

**SBL Sacred Texts and Public Life Seminar**

9:00 AM–11:00 AM  
Hyatt - Greenbriar (Atlanta Conference Level)  
Theme: *National and Political Identities*  
Participants will answer these questions: How would you describe the nexus “sacred texts and public life”? What role have the Bible and other sacred texts played in shaping national identities or other types of polities? What is the status of this conversation both in scholarship and in the public? If you were to explain to a class of incoming freshmen why they should develop critical awareness related to the topic (sacred texts and public life vis-à-vis nationalism and political identity), what would you say?  
Panelists:  
Jo Carruthers, Lancaster University (20 min)  
Seth Perry, Princeton University (20 min)  
Emerson Powery, Messiah College (20 min)

**S24-140**

**SBL Second Corinthians: Pauline Theology in the Making Seminar**

9:00 AM–11:30 AM  
Marriott - M102 (Marquis Level)  
Steven Kraftchick, Emory University, Presiding (5 min)  
Lisa M. Bowens, Princeton Theological Seminary  
*Mapping the Terrain: Tracing Paul’s Martial Imagery in 2 Cor 10–13* (25 min)  
David Rensberger, Independent Scholar  
*Weapons of the Spirit: Paul’s Warfare in 2 Cor 10:1–6* (25 min)
Christoph Heilig, University of Zurich
*The Function of Paul's Triumph Metaphor: Solving the Crux of 2 Cor 2:14 (25 min)*

Timothy Wiarda, Golden Gate Baptist Theological Seminary (Mill Valley)
*From Spirit and Gospel to Spirit and Christ (25 min)*

Responding:
Reimund Bieringer, Katholieke Universiteit Leuven (10 min)
Dominika Kurek-Chomycz, Liverpool Hope University (10 min)
Discussion (20 min)
Business Meeting (5 min)

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**S24-141**

Søren Kierkegaard Society

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hyatt - Embassy F (International Tower Level LL2)

Theme: *Kierkegaard and Biblical Hermeneutics in Conversation*

Kyle Roberts, United Theological Seminary of the Twin Cities, Presiding

Hugh S. Pyper, University of Sheffield
*I, Nebuchadnezzar, am no longer Nebuchadnezzar*: Decolonizing the Mind in Kierkegaard, Fanon, and Glissant (35 min)

Andrew Torrance, University of St. Andrews
*When Scripture Gets in the Way: A Kierkegaardian Note of Caution* (35 min)

Mari Leesment, University of Toronto
*Kierkegaard Explains Ecclesiastes: Contradictions as a Reflection of the Limits of Wisdom for Describing Life Under God* (35 min)

Silas Morgan, Loyola University of Chicago
*On the Troubles of Thinking Postcolonially about Kierkegaard* (35 min)

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**S24-142**

SBL Systematic Transformation and Interweaving of Scripture in 1 Corinthians Seminar

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott - International 5 (International Level)

Theme: *Tongues, Prophecy, and Paul's Use of Scripture in 1 Corinthians 14:20-25*

B. J. Oropeza, Azusa Pacific University, Presiding

Panelist:
Florian Wilk, Georg-August-Universität Göttingen (20 min)
Responding:
Christopher Stanley, Saint Bonaventure University (12 min)
Discussion (20 min)
Break (5 min)
Responding:
Mark Taylor, Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary (12 min)
Discussion (20 min)
Break (5 min)
Responding:
Erik Waaler, NLA University College (12 min)

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**S24-143**

SBL Textual Criticism of the Hebrew Bible Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hyatt - Embassy G (International Tower Level LL2)

Theme: *Textual Criticism in Wider Perspectives*

This session will situate text critical questions among wider critical issues: cognitive science, sectarianism, translation styles, formation of books, and Qumran texts. Papers will pay special attention to Job, Isaiah, and Ezekiel.

Ingrid E. Lilly, Pacific School of Religion, Presiding

C. L. Seow, Vanderbilt University
*The Text-Critical Value of 4QJob-a* (25 min)

Urmas Nõmmik, University of Tartu
*The Old Greek Text of Job: Is It of Any Help for Textual Criticism?* (25 min)

Break (10 min)

Brian W. Davidson, Southern Baptist Theological Seminary
*‘Warning’ or ‘Turning’ in Isa 8:11 & the Qumran Communities* (25 min)

John P. Flanagan, Universiteit Leiden
*Ezekiel 7.3-11: An Oracle of Texts* (25 min)

Jonathan Vroom, University of Toronto
*A Cognitive Approach to Copying Errors: Two Previously Unknown Constraints on Haplography* (25 min)

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**S24-144**

SBL Theology of the Hebrew Scriptures Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott - Marquis C (Marquis Level)

Julia O'Brien, Lancaster Theological Seminary, Presiding

Danny Mathews, Pepperdine University
*“Come, Let us go up to Bethel!” (Gen 35:3): The Bethel Traditions in the Jacob Cycle and Its Contribution to the Theology of Genesis* (30 min)

Noel Forlini, Drew University
*Facing the Dark: The Hidden Face of God at the Jabbok River* (Gen 32:22-32) (30 min)

Justus T. Ghormley, University of Notre Dame
*To Kill or Not to Kill: The Confluence of Ancient and Modern Theological Responses to the Moral Problem of Cerem* (30 min)

Sun Myung Lyu, Baekseok University
*Sapiential Self-Reservation: Rhetoric of the Numerical Sayings in Proverbs 30* (30 min)

Justin Walker, Emory University
*“Fear God and Keep His Commandments”: An Unexpected Friendship between Qoheleth and Deuteronomy* (30 min)
S24-145

SBL Ugaritic Studies and Northwest Semitic Epigraphy Section
9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Hyatt - Inman (Atlanta Conference Level)
Theme: Literary-Mythological Studies in Ancient Mediterranean Context
In memoriam Walter Burkert
Carolina Lopez-Ruiz, Ohio State University, Presiding
Theodore J. Lewis, Johns Hopkins University
God [‘Ilu] and King in KTU 1.23 (25 min)
Discussion (10 min)
Bruce Louden, University of Texas at El Paso
The Aqhat, Prometheus, and Hesiod’s Sacrifice at Mekone (25 min)
Discussion (10 min)
Carolina Lopez-Ruiz, Ohio State University
The Greek and North-West Semitic Titles of Aphrodite (25 min)
Discussion (10 min)
Guy Darshan, Hebrew University of Jerusalem
The Search for Priestly Law Genre within Ancient Mediterranean Context (25 min)
Discussion (20 min)

S24-146

SBL Use, Influence, and Impact of the Bible Section
9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Marriott - A708 (Atrium Level)
Lesleigh Cushing, Colgate University, Presiding
Jason von Ehrenkrook, University of Massachusetts Boston
The President's Bible: Inaugural Addresses and the Politics of Scripture (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Jay Twomey, University of Cincinnati
The Struggle and Paul (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Jim Linville, University of Lethbridge
Creating Genesis in Their Own Image: On Young Earth Creationism's Creative Mythology (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)
M. L. Case, The University of Texas at Austin
The Myth of the Good Victim: Reading the Hebrew Bible in Rape Culture (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Discussion (15 min)
Business Meeting (15 min)

S24-147

SBL Wisdom in Israelite and Cognate Traditions Section
9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Marriott - M105 (Marquis Level)
Theme: Apocryphal and Extrabiblical Wisdom Books
Madipoane Masenya, University of South Africa, Presiding
Samuel L. Adams, Union Presbyterian Seminary
Where is Ezra? Ben Sira's Surprising Omission and the Selective Presentation in the Praise of the Ancestors (25 min)
Tzemah Yoreh, University of Toronto
Proposing a New Date for Ben Sira (25 min)
Reed Carlson, Harvard University
Shared Theodicies of Pharaoh's Evil in the Wisdom of Solomon and the Mekhilta De-Rabbi Ishmael (25 min)
Break (10 min)
Alan Lenzi, University of the Pacific
Ludlul Bel Nemeqi and/as Revelation (25 min)
Denise Flanders, Fuller Theological Seminary (Pasadena)
Why You Should Love Your Enemies: Examining Motive Clauses in 'Counsels of Wisdom' (25 min)
Discussion (15 min)

S24-148

SBL-Westar Institute Public Lecture
9:30 AM–10:30 AM
Hyatt - International South (International Tower Level LL1)
Theme: Interpreting Divine Violence in the Bible
The Society of Biblical Literature and Westar Institute are pleased to announce joint sponsorship of a public lecture by world renowned biblical scholar John Dominic Crossan. Professor Crossan's lecture, based on his most recent book, addresses the struggle with divine violence from Genesis through Revelation.
Professor Crossan will describe how the biblical God oscillates between non-violent distributive justice and violent retributive justice, and he will demonstrate how the historical Jesus advocated, practiced, and modeled non-violent resistance to violent oppression.
Crossan is a leader in the field of biblical studies, having served both as the SBL President and as co-chair of Westar’s Jesus Seminar. He is the author of twenty-five scholarly books and a frequent lecturer to general audiences.
This lecture, as well as the book Exhibit Hall, is open to the public free of charge.
ADDITIONAL MEETINGS

Although the American Academy of Religion and the Society of Biblical Literature provide space for Additional Meetings, the content of these sessions is not reviewed by either the AAR or SBL’s Program Units or their Program Committees.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 19

M19-100

Encyclopedia of the Bible and Its Reception Editorial Board Meeting — Main Editors
Thursday, 10:00 AM–5:00 PM
Hyatt-Kennesaw (Atlanta Conference Level)

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 20

M20-3

Center for Spiritual and Ethical Education
Theme: Secondary School Teachers of Religion
Friday, 8:00 AM–4:00 PM
Hyatt-Edgewood (Atlanta Conference Level)

M20-100

Dharma Academy of North America (DANAM)
Theme: Jain Contemplative Praxis: Meditation, Mantra, & Mindfulness
Purushottama Bilimoria, University of California, Berkeley, University of Melbourne, Presiding
Friday, 9:00 AM–11:00 AM
Marriott-International 2 (International Level)
Tillo Detige, Ghent University
Calling upon the (Un)responsive? Ritual Veneration as Contemplative Praxis in Digambara Jainism
Ellen Gough, Emory University
Integrating Meditation on Mandalas with the Jain Path to Liberation in the 10th–12th Centuries
Chris Miller, University of California, Davis
Contemplating Jivas: The Ecological Implications of Jainism’s Elemental Meditations
Sherry Fohr, Converse College
Jain Narratives and Contemplative Praxis
Jeffery D. Long, Elizabethtown College
Yaśovijaya’s Thought on Jain Meditation, in Dialogue with Contemporary Prakīśa Meditation as Established (re-established?) by Achārya Tūṣi
Responding:
Christopher Chapple, Loyola Marymount University

M20-101

Forum for Theological Exploration Alumni Consultation
Friday, 9:00 AM–12:00 PM
Marriott-Atrium A (Atrium Level)

M20-109

Believers Church Bible Commentary Editorial Council Meeting
Friday, 9:00 AM–12:00 PM
Sheraton-Savannah 2 (Level 2)

M20-102

Encyclopedia of the Bible and Its Reception Editorial Board Meeting — Main and Area Editors
Friday, 9:00 AM–3:30 PM
Sheraton-Atlanta 4 (Level 1)

M20-103

Encyclopedia of the Bible and Its Reception Editorial Board Meeting — Main and Area Editors
Friday, 9:00 AM–5:00 PM
Sheraton-Augusta (Level 2)

M20-104

Scriptural Reasoning Academic Network Annual Conference 2015
Friday, 8:00 AM–5:00 PM
Hyatt-Greenbriar (Atlanta Conference Level)

M20-111

Odyssey Networks The Bible: Digital Media Panel
Friday, 10:00 AM–11:00 AM
Hyatt-Hanover F (Exhibit Level)
ON Scripture — The Bible: Bringing scripture alive and making it relevant to the front page issues of the day. A Digital Media Panel on exploring the power of video and digital communities in faith based storytelling that creates a link between the word and the world that speaks to today’s audience.
ADDITIONAL MEETINGS

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 20

M20-105
Dharma Academy of North America (DANAM)
Theme: Sadhana: Hindu Contemplative Practice Across Traditions
Friday, 11:00 AM–1:00 PM
Marriott-International 2 (International Level)
Rita Sherma, Graduate Theological Union, Presiding
James Madaio, University of Oxford
The Saṃnyāsin’s Path to Liberation: Sādhanā in Medieval Advaita Vedānta
Gopal Gupta, University of North Carolina
Kṛṣṇa-śramaṇa: Canon, Charisma and Contemplative Spiritual Practice in the Gaudīya Vaisnava Tradition
Kusumita P. Pedersen, Saint Francis College
Sri Chinmoy’s Teachings on the Methods of Goals of Spiritual Practice
Neelima Shukal-Bhatt, Wellesley College
Musical Maps to Samādhi: Sādhanā Steps in the Songs of Mahāpanth Satīs of Gujarat
Loriliai Biernacki, University of Colorado
Contemplative Studies and Hindu Sādhanā

M20-106
Hispanic Theological Initiative Consortium Member Council (private)
Friday, 11:00 AM–5:00 PM
Hilton-Grand Salon E (Level 2)

M20-107
Forum on Religion and Ecology, Yale University Annual Luncheon
Friday, 11:45 AM–1:45 PM
Hilton-208-209 (Level 2)

M20-108
Drew University Pedagogy Workshop: Teaching Sexuality and Religion to a Changing Student Body
Friday, 12:00 PM–4:00 PM
Hyatt-Hanover F (Exhibit Level)
Sexuality magnifies the embodied nature of teaching and learning as well as conspicuously silences open dialogue given its taboo status in many religious and theological contexts. This workshop engages participants in a discussion of contextual, affective, and transformative aspects of classroom pedagogy, offering constructive pedagogical strategies for teaching about sexuality and embodiment across a variety of institutional contexts (undergraduate, graduate, and seminary) and religious traditions (Christian, Jewish, Muslim). A wide range of faculty will present specific classroom teaching strategies developed during a year-long collaboration.

Participants will be encouraged to articulate their own desired student learning outcomes appropriate to their educational context and be equipped with a range of tested and refined pedagogical strategies. This workshop is sponsored by Drew University and funded by a grant from the Wabash Center. Registration is limited and required. Please register at https://www.drew.edu/alumni/events/theological-school-alumni/pedagogy-workshop-teaching-sexuality-and-religion-to-a-changing-student-body.

M20-200
Review and Expositor Editorial Board Meeting
Friday, 1:00 PM–4:00 PM
Hilton-Grand Salon C (Level 2)

M20-201
Theology and Ethics Colloquy Meeting
Friday, 1:00 PM–5:00 PM
Hilton-401 (Level 4)

M20-206
Believers Church Bible Commentary Editorial Council Meeting
Friday, 1:00 PM–5:00 PM
Sheraton-Savannah 2 (Level 2)

M20-203
Womanist Approaches to Religion and Society Group
Theme: Womanist In-Gathering
Friday, 1:30 PM–4:30 PM
Hyatt-Baker (Atlanta Conference Level)

M20-204
Dharma Academy of North America (DANAM)
Theme: Icons, Imagery, Imagination
Friday, 2:00 PM–4:00 PM
Marriott-International 2 (International Level)
Neelima Shukla-Bhatt, Wellesley College, Presiding
Nalini Rao, Soka Gakkai University
Krishna’s Vrindavana: Transformation of Imagery in Vaisnava Literature and Art
Karma Leke Tsono, University of San Diego
Imagining Enlightenment: Icons and Ideology in Tibetan Buddhist Practice
Kamini Mogri, University of Mumbai
Samvavaran. The Congregation of the Tirthamkaras
Ramdas Lamb, University of Hawai‘i
Icons: Limiting, Representing, or Presenting the Divine?
Responding:
Dana Waide Sawyer, Maine College of Art

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M20-300

**Oxford University Press New Oxford Annotated Bible Editorial Meeting**
Friday, 4:00 PM–6:00 PM
Hyatt-Chicago C (Exhibit Level)

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M20-309

**Feminist Liberation Theologians’ Network**
Friday, 4:00 PM–6:00 PM
Sheraton-Georgia 1 (Level 1)
Mary E. Hunt, Women’s Alliance for Theology, Ethics, and Ritual, Presiding
Elisabeth Schüssler Fiorenza, Harvard University, Presiding
The Network will discuss the arts in conjunction with feminist liberation theologies. Discussion and strategizing will follow their short presentations. All are welcome, so please RSVP to help us plan. Contact Mary at 301-589-2509 and mhunt@her.com or Elisabeth at eschussler@hds.harvard.edu.

- Katie G. Cannon, Union Presbyterian Seminary
  *Antecedents of Womanist Artistic Expressions*

- Cynthia Kittredge, Episcopal Theological Seminary of the Southwest
  *A Lot of the Way Trees Were Walking*

- Monica Maher, Latin American Faculty of Social Sciences, Ecuador
  *Feminist Liberation Theologies within the Museums of Quito, Ecuador*

- Elizabeth Ursic, Mesa Community College
  *Making Things Rite: The Importance of Ritual in Feminist Liberation Theologies*

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M20-304

**Society for the Study of Native American Religious Traditions Annual Meeting**
Friday, 4:30 PM–6:30 PM
Hyatt-Hanover G (Exhibit Level)
The meeting is open to anyone with an interest in teaching Native American Religious Traditions. The format is an open discussion.

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M20-305

**Stone-Campbell Journal**
Theme: A Conversation about Ancient Inscriptions and Manuscripts with a Reception
Friday, 5:00 PM–6:30 PM
Hilton-Grand Salon D (Level 2)
SCJ invites friends and colleagues from all streams of life who identify with the Stone-Campbell Restoration Movement tradition for fellowship, light refreshments, and interesting conversation. For additional information contact William Baker at scjeditor@aol.com.

Chris Rollston, George Washington University
Curt Niccum, Abilene Christian University

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M20-306

**General Board of Higher Education and Ministry**
Theme: United Methodist Women of Color Scholars Reception
Friday, 6:00 PM–8:00 PM
Sheraton-Valdosta (Level 2)

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M20-310

**Association of Asian/North American Theological Educators (AANATE) Reception**
Friday, 6:00 PM–8:30 PM
Hyatt-Dunwoody (Atlanta Conference Level)

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M20-307

**Feminist Studies in Religion Boards Preconference Meeting**
Friday, 6:00 PM–8:30 PM
Hyatt-Dunwoody (Atlanta Conference Level)

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M20-308

**Mennonite Scholars and Friends**
Theme: Human Being and/as Creation: Biblical, Theological, and Historical Perspectives
Friday, 6:30 PM–8:30 PM
Marriott-A701 (Atrium Level)
Melanie Howard, Princeton Theological Seminary, Presiding

- David Rensberger, Decatur, GA
  *Being Human in Creation: Three Views from the Psalms*

- Justin Heizkehrs, Hesston College
  *Shattering Hubmaier’s Human: Rethinking Anabaptist Freedom for an Ecological Context*

- Ry Siggelkow, Princeton Theological Seminary
  *The Earth is a Battlefield and No One Can Remain Neutral: Theological Anthropology as Apocalyptic Cosmology*

- Laura Schmidt Roberts, Fresno Pacific University
  *In the Beginning is Relation: Re-Forming Understanding of Human Creatureliness*
M20-400

New Religious Movements Group Mentoring Workshop
Friday, 7:00 PM–8:30 PM
Hyatt-Marietta (Atlanta Conference Level)
Are you a graduate student or junior scholar whose work relates to the study of new or alternative religions? If so, this mentoring workshop may be for you. Mentees will be paired with more advanced scholars to discuss issues relevant to their particular work and/or academic situation. The workshop is free, but advance registration is required. To register, send an email of inquiry to Marie Dallam no later than Oct. 15, 2015 at mwdallam@ou.edu.

M20-401

Grawemeyer Award in Religion
Theme: Celebrating Willie James Jennings’ The Christian Imagination: Theology and the Origins of Race
Friday, 7:00 PM–8:30 PM
Marriott-L404 (Lobby Level)
Panelists:
  Lewis Brogdon, Cline University
  Jennifer Ho, University of North Carolina
  Kathryn Lofton, Yale University
Responding:
  Willie J. Jennings, Yale University

M20-405

National Association of Baptist Professors of Religion Perspectives in Religious Studies Editorial Board Meeting
Friday, 7:00 PM–8:30 PM
Marriott-International B (International Level)

M20-406

Quaker Theological Discussion Group
Theme: Review of Wess Daniels’ A Convergent Model of Renewal: Remixing the Quaker Tradition in a Participatory Culture
Friday, 7:00 PM–9:00 PM
Marriott-L402 (Lobby Level)

M20-407

Word Made Fresh
Theme: Full Acceptance of LGBTIQ Christians in the Church: Should Evangelicals Change Their Minds?
Friday, 7:00 PM–9:00 PM
Marriott-M301-302 (Marquis Level)
Thomas Oord, Northwest Nazarene University, Presiding
The Word Made Fresh lectures seek to stimulate creative dialogue among evangelical Christian scholars from diverse backgrounds about pressing issues in contemporary theology. Sponsored by Azusa Pacific University and Point Loma Nazarene University.
Panelist:
  David P. Gushee, Mercer University
Responding:
  Ronald J. Sider, Eastern University

M20-408

Religious Studies Review (RSR) Annual Editorial Board Meeting
Friday, 7:00 PM–9:00 PM
Marriott-International 9 (International Level)

M20-409

Friends of Animals and Religion Reception
Friday, 9:00 PM–10:00 PM
Sheraton-Savannah 1 (Level 2)
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Feminist Studies in Religion *JFSR* Editorial Board Meeting  
Saturday, Marriott-International C (International Level) |
| 7:00 AM–9:00 AM | **M21-3**  
Worldviews: Global Religions, Culture, and Ecology Board Meeting  
Saturday, Hilton-Grand Salon C (Level 2) |
| 7:30 AM–9:00 AM | **M21-6**  
*Spiritus* Journal Annual Board Meeting  
Saturday, Sheraton-Atlanta 2 (Level 1) |
| 8:00 AM–9:30 AM | **M21-9**  
Dharma Academy of North America (DANAM)  
Theme: Buddhism and Mindfulness: Meditation, Integrative Medicine, and Contemplative Studies  
Saturday, Marriott-A704 (Atrium Level)  
Phyllis Herman, California State University, Northridge, Presiding  
Ramakrishnan Parameshwaran, Harvard University  
Towards Reconciliation of Hindu and Buddhist Doctrines of Ātman and Anātman Using Intertextual Studies, Neuro-Psychological Principles of Mindfulness and its Trans-Personal Application  
Rajinder Gandhi, Columbia University  
Mindfulness: MBSR and Integrative Medicine  
Andrew O. Fort, Texas Christian University  
Creating Contemplative Studies in the Southwest: Theory and Practice  
Christopher D. Zetting, Harvard University  
Practice for a Holistic Life: How Mindfulness Can Affect the Brain, Body, and Sensory Experiences  
Responding: Robin Rinehart, Lafayette College |
| 8:30 AM–10:00 AM | **M21-4**  
Hispanic Theological Initiative Consortium Mentoring Gathering (Private)  
Saturday, Sheraton-Georgia 12 (Level 1) |
| 9:00 AM–11:00 AM | **M21-109**  
SAGE Publications *The Bible Translator* Editorial Board Meeting  
Saturday, Sheraton-Atlanta 4 (Level 1) |
| 9:00 AM–11:30 AM | **M21-101**  
National Association of Baptist Professors of Religion November Meeting  
Saturday, Hyatt-Greenbriar (Atlanta Conference Level)  
Panelist: Willie J. Jennings, Yale University |
| 9:00 AM–12:00 PM | **M21-104**  
Presbyterian Church (USA)  
Theme: Theology for the PC (USA)  
Saturday, Hilton-310 (Level 3)  
“Theology for the PC (USA)” provides a space for PC (USA) Presbyterians (and interested friends) to reflect on theological matters that are playing out in the life of congregations, councils of the church, and across the denomination as we seek faithfully to follow Jesus Christ, together. Reflections on a common theme are offered by a Presbyterians teaching in the theological disciplines, by one serving in one of the councils of the denomination (presbytery, synod, or General Assembly), and by one serving as a pastor. Time is provide for questions and answers, and for general discussion.  
*Willie J. Jennings, Yale University* |
| 9:00 AM–11:30 AM | **M21-108**  
Global Network for Public Theology  
Theme: Public Theology in a Global Context: Reports From the Field  
Saturday, Sheraton-Augusta (Level 2) |
| 9:00 AM–12:00 PM | **M21-102**  
Booth University College Salvation Army Scholars and Friends Annual Meeting  
Saturday, Hilton-308 (Level 3)  
Andrew Eason, Booth University College, Presiding  
Bruce Power, Booth University College  
Revisiting the Sociology of Salvationism: Mature (?) Musings of a Participant Observer  
Nathan T. Miller, Asbury University  
Beneath Two Flags: Music as a Lens for Understanding Salvationist Identity in America during the Age of Nationalism  
Rebecca Carter-Chand, University of Toronto  
The Politics of Being Apolitical: The Salvation Army in Nazi Germany |
M21-103
Society for the Study of Anglicanism
Theme: A Scots Irish Anabaptist at the Court of St Augustine: Reflections on Communion, Conflict and Culture
Saturday, 9:00 AM–12:30 PM
Hilton-211 (Level 2)
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 discussion on varied topics. Martyn Percy serves as President with Robert Heaney and Mark Chapman serving as co-Conveners of the Society. This year’s presenter is Canon David Porter, Archbishop of Canterbury’s Director for Reconciliation.
A committed anabaptist originally from Belfast, Northern Ireland, where he was involved in peace building for twenty-five years. His background informs a distinctive approach to addressing the challenges and opportunities within Anglicanism today. His role at Lambeth is to enable the Church to contribute to transforming the often violent conflicts which overshadow the lives of many Anglicans worldwide, while working to support creative ways for renewing conversations and relationships around deeply held differences within the Church of England and wider Anglican Communion.

M21-100
Dharma Academy of North America (DANAM)
Theme: Book Review: The Nay Science: A History of German Indology by Vishwa Adluri and Joydeep Bagchee
Saturday, 9:30 AM–11:30 AM
Marriott-A704 (Atrium Level)
Rita Sherma, Graduate Theological Union, Presiding
Panelists:
Anant Rambachan, Saint Olaf College
Robert A. Yelle, University of Munich
Robert M. Seltzer, Hunter College and the Graduate School of CUNY
David Cerequas, Hunter College
Veena Howard, California State University, Fresno
Douglas T. McGetchin, Florida Atlantic University
Jeffery D. Long, Elizabethtown College
James Madaio, University of Oxford
Purushottama Bilimoria, University of California, Berkeley, University of Melbourne
Responding:
Joydeep Bagchee, Freie Universität Berlin
Vishwa Adluri, Hunter College, CUNY

M21-105
Dharma Academy of North America (DANAM)
Theme: Methods in Indian Discourse: Comparative Perspectives on Reason, Theology and Tradition
Saturday, 11:30 AM–1:00 PM
Marriott-A704 (Atrium Level)
Graham M. Schweig, Christopher Newport University, Presiding
Jonathan Edelmann, University of Florida
Unfolding Experience: Texts in Psychological Contexts
Gerald J. Larson, Indiana University
The Patanjala Yoga-System: An Interesting Chapter in the History of Indian Theism
Chakravarthi Ram-Prasad, Lancaster University
God without Otherness: ‘Non-dual Theology’ in Gītā 14.27
Anand Venkatkrishnan, Columbia University
Love in the Time of Scholarship: Theists, Non-Theists, and Intellectual Historians
Nalini Bhushan, Smith College
Līlā vs Māyā: The 20th Century India
Responding:
Purushottama Bilimoria, University of California, Berkeley, University of Melbourne

M21-106
Stanford University Press
Theme: New Directions in Protestant Social Ethics
Saturday, 12:00 PM–1:30 PM
Hilton-Grand Salon D (Level 2)
This roundtable discussion will explore new directions in Protestant Social Ethics, broadly construed. Protestant Social Ethics is a diverse tradition comprising a multiplicity of voices, institutions, and practices. Seeking to discern the continuing viability of this tradition, and in order to identify topics for future collaborative inquiry, panelists will respond to the question posed by Ernst Troeltsch’s The Social Teaching of the Christian Churches: what resources, if any, does Protestantism have for contending with the problems facing our social moment? Afterward, a business meeting will be held to ascertain interest in an ongoing AAR Protestant Social Ethics Group.
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<td>Sources and Resources for Transreligious Theology</td>
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<td>Jeannine Diller, University of Toledo, Presiding</td>
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<td>Transreligious theology offers the possibility of a more adequate understanding of, and response to, reality. It also addresses the needs of the rising number of those who are &quot;spiritual but not religious.&quot; For a long time, theology has meant “confessional” theology, and its materials and methods have been confessional. Panelists will explore resources that are available to help us think purposefully outside confessional boundaries. Panelists: Kurt Anders Richardson, University of Toronto, Kenneth Cracknell, Brite Divinity School, S. Mark Heim, Andover Newton Theological School, John Thatamanil, Union Theological Seminary, Wesley J. Wildman, Boston University</td>
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<td>Stephen Holmes, University of St. Andrews, Radicals in the Communicative: Jenson’s Theology in Confessional Lutheran Perspective, Peter J. Leithart, Theopolis Institute, The Biblical God, Kristin Graff-Kallevåg, MF - Norwegian School of Theology, One God—One Story? Engaging the Concept of Metanarrative in Jenson’s Theology of Baptism</td>
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SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 21

M21-400

2015 Templeton Prize Plenary Lecture: Becoming a Self For Others
Saturday, 7:00 PM–8:00 PM
Marriott-Atrium B (Atrium Level)

Jean Vanier, the 2015 Templeton Prize Laureate, is the founder of L’Arche, an international network of communities where people with and without intellectual disabilities live and work together as peers. L’Arche encourages people toward mutually transformative relationships, where those who help are transformed by those they encounter. Vanier has extended his advocacy of belonging and social justice, with years of leadership efforts across the globe to nurture dialogue and unity among Christians, Hindus, Jews, Muslims and other faiths.

Following video highlights from the Templeton Prize ceremony, and a video filmed at the original L’Arche community in Trosly-Breuil, France, Prof. Michael Spezio will present results from research that seeks to understand the love shown by the people in the L’Arche community and what makes possible the daily commitments over years of dedication to care for and take joy in one another. The study’s methods range from careful listening and understanding of long-form narrative interviews with people in L’Arche, to novel tasks in the laboratory designed to present possibilities for the care of others in need, to cutting edge measures of electrical activity from the brain.

The program also includes L’Arche leaders and caregivers, who live the journey of L’Arche every day.

Panelists:
- Michael Spezio, Scripps College
- Tina Bovermann, L’Arche USA
- Tim Moore, L’Arche Atlanta

M21-421

American Bible Society
Theme: Hope Rising: Stories of Trauma and Healing
Saturday, 7:00 PM–8:15 PM
Hyatt-Edgewood (Atlanta Conference Level)

Hope Rising: Stories of Trauma and Healing reveals the heart-breaking realities of war-torn Congo where “boy soldiers” were kidnapped and recruited to kill, and young women were raped in unprecedented numbers. Those who survived did so with little more than their lives intact. The trauma of violence left a nation of women, men and children largely unable to function, incapable of rebuilding their lives or their devastated communities. In this one-hour documentary, we meet:

- Emmanuel, John and Alice: Children forced to be soldiers
- Melancia and Maria: Raped mothers, whose children suffer from the memory of violence
- Riziki: The sole survivor when her church burned to the ground with her family inside
- Pastor Kahiwa: He comforts his shattered congregation while suffering the effects of trauma himself

Developed by psychologists, counselors, missiologists, and Bible translators, the trauma healing program model is founded on biblical texts. The urgent question is: Can principles of healing rooted in faith help those who have been deeply traumatized? Using story-telling techniques and drama, Dr. Harriet Hill of American Bible Society works with the traumatized to help them to discover real hope found in Scripture allowing them to rebuild their lives and to function once again.

M21-401

Brigham Young University Reception
Saturday, 7:00 PM–8:30 PM
Westin-Piedmont 2 (Level 12)

M21-402

United Church of Christ Scholars Reception
Saturday, 7:00 PM–8:30 PM
Sheraton-Georgia 13 (Level 1)

Meet, greet, and a time of brief updates on research, work, and teaching on themes of anti-racism in theology. What is emerging in our work around releasing an investment in whiteness in our common lives and for the common and civic good? What innovations and transformations are afoot? Where is theory meeting practice, contemporary and ancient...congregationally, in worship, in extravagant welcome, in networking and witness for multiethnic life in worship, poetry and the arts, and civic advocacy?

M21-403

William B. Eerdmans Publishing Co. Reception
Saturday, 7:00 PM–9:00 PM
Westin-Augusta 1-3 (Level 7)

M21-404

Zen Reading Group Second Annual Meeting
Saturday, 7:00 PM–9:00 PM
Marriott-International 9 (International Level)

Steven Heine, Florida International University
Introduction to Zen Readings
Mario Poceski, University of Florida
Mazu's Texts
Jiang Wu, University of Arizona
Seventeenth-Century Chinese Chan
Gereon Kopf, Luther College
New Approaches to Dōgen

Responding:
Jin Y. Park, American University

M21-405

Indiana University Religious Studies Alumni and Friends Reception
Saturday, 7:00 PM–9:00 PM
Westin-Augusta H (Level 7)
M21-420

College Theology Society
Theme: Whither the Family? The Year in Review
Saturday, 7:00 PM–9:00 PM
Sheraton-Atlanta 5 (Level 1)

The year 2015 presented many crises and opportunities for Catholic thinking on marriage and family: the Supreme Court ruling in Obergefell v. Hodges, the Synod on the Family in Rome, the World Meeting of Families in Philadelphia, etc. Join our special guests in an open conversation about these developments and their possible consequences in U.S. Catholic life and thought.

M21-422

Interfaith Youth Core, the Center for Jewish, Christian, and Islamic Studies at Chicago Theological Seminary, CIRCLE, ICJS, KAICIID Dialogue Centre, and The Pluralism Project Studies Group Reception
Saturday, 7:00 PM–9:00 PM
Westin-Savannah C (Level 10)

All are welcome at the reception for the Interreligious and Interfaith Studies group. The reception is hosted as a partnership between Interfaith Youth Core, the Center for Jewish, Christian, and Muslim Studies at Chicago Theological Seminary, the Center for Inter-Religious and Communal Leadership Education (CIRCLE), ICJS, KAICIID Dialogue Centre, and the Pluralism Project.

M21-423

Critical Research on Religion Reception
Saturday, 7:00 PM–9:00 PM
Offsite-Meehan’s Public House, 200 Peachtree Street

You are invited to a reception sponsored by Critical Research on Religion (http://crr.sagepub.com) in conjunction with the following AAR groups: Sociology of Religion, Critical Theory and Discourses on Religion, Cultural History and the Study of Religion, Comparative Approaches to Religion and Violence, Critical Approaches to Hip Hop and Religion, and the Religion and the Social Sciences Section.

M21-407

Theology and Science Reception
Saturday, 7:00 PM–10:00 PM
Sheraton-Athens (Level 2)

Sponsored by the Institute for the Bio-Cultural Study of Religion (IBCSR), Institute on Religion in an Age of Science (IRAS), Zygon Center for Religion and Science (ZCRS), and Center for Theology and the Natural Sciences (CTNS)

Please join us for refreshments and conversation at this year’s Science and Religion Hospitality Event, sponsored by:

The Institute for the Bio-Cultural Study of Religion (IBCSR) sponsors research in the scientific study of religion, supports Boston University’s Religion and Science PhD, publishes the journal Religion, Brain and Behavior and the monthly IBCSR Research Review. (www.ibcsr.org)

The Zygon Center for Religion and Science (ZCRS), offers seminary courses, public lectures, and student symposia and shares offices with Zygon: Journal of Religion and Science. (www.zygoncenter.org)

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

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

#### SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 21

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The Departments of Theology and Religious Studies of the Swiss Universities (Basel, Bern, Fribourg, Geneva, Lausanne, Lucerne, Zurich) warmly welcome friends, colleagues, alumni/ae, and prospective graduate and doctoral students to a festive, evening gathering.

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<td>M21-426</td>
<td><em>Journal of Religion and Violence</em> Reception</td>
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Academic Publishing, The AAR Groups on Comparative Approaches to Religion and Violence, Culture History in the Study of Religion, and Critical Theories and Discourses on Religion are proud to sponsor a reception for the *Journal of Religion and Violence*. Please come to meet the new editors and to celebrate the journal’s launch.

#### SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 22

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We welcome Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary alumni to our Annual Breakfast. This will be an occasion for alumni to connect with one another and interact with Gordon-Conwell faculty who will be attending the Annual Meetings. The event is free and open to alumni and spouses. Registration is required online at: [http://my.gordonconwell.edu/sbl2015](http://my.gordonconwell.edu/sbl2015) or by calling 978-646-4272. We hope you will join us!
Globalization presents an opportunity for the dharmic family of religions in that it spreads these belief systems around the world, and yet the paradox of the diaspora is that going global also re-molds tradition, sometimes to the point of being unrecognizable. The session will explore opportunities for engaged pedagogy, performance, and scholarship to combat the erosion of dharmic belief systems in the twenty-first century. A brief business meeting will follow the program.

Panelist:
- Jeffery D. Long, Elizabethtown College
- Responding:
  - Sabrina MisirHiralall, Montclair State University
  - David Dillard-Wright, University of South Carolina, Aiken
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 22

M22-200

**North American Hindu Association of Dharma Studies**

**Theme:** What is Ghar-Vapasi?

Sunday, 1:00 PM–2:00 PM

Marriott-A601 (Atrium Level)

Phyllis Herman, California State University, Northridge, Presiding

For more information contact Arvind.Sharma@mcgill.ca.

Panelists:
- Ramdas Lamb, University of Hawai’i
- Balaji Murl, Hindu American Foundation
- Purushottama Bilimoria, University of California, Berkeley, University of Melbourne

Responding:
- Francis X. Clooney, Harvard University

In this talk I develop the idea that one can also come to know God by participating in liturgical enactments. Sponsored by the Center for Philosophy of Religion at the University of Notre Dame. A reception will follow this lecture at 4:30 PM. Food and drinks will be served.

Nicholas Wolterstorff, Yale University
The Liturgical Knowledge of God

M22-201

**Liverpool Hope University and University of Manchester**

**Theme:** “With Their Own Voice”: The Current State and Future Direction of Methodist-Evangelical Primary Text Scholarship

Sunday, 1:00 PM–4:30 PM

Hyatt-Lenox (Atlanta Conference Level)

David Hart, Methodist Church of Great Britain, Presiding

Panelists:
- David Ceri Jones, Aberystwyth University
- Andrew Cheatle, Liverpool Hope University
- Randy L. Maddox, Duke University
- Kenneth Minkema, Yale University
- Gareth Lloyd, University of Manchester

M22-202

**Analytic Theology Lecture Series Fifth Annual Analytic Theology Lecture**

Sunday, 3:00 PM–4:30 PM

Sheraton-Atlanta 1-2 (Level 1)

Philosophers, in general, have focused on two ways of coming to know God: by having an experience of some sort of God, and by reading or being told narratives about God's actions.

M22-203

**AAR Mid-Atlantic Region**

**Theme:** Race Relationships in Baltimore and NYC through the Lens of Religious and Theological Scholarship

Sunday, 3:30 PM–4:30 PM

Hyatt-Marietta (Atlanta Conference Level)

Sabrina MisriHiralall, Montclair State University, Presiding

The MAR-AAR will host a short panel discussion and then facilitate small group discussions about the racially significant events that have occurred in the Mid-Atlantic this year. There will be a fifteen minute presentation by Dr. Douglas, describing the landscape of these events and reflecting on the responses among religious communities to them. Then the respondents will offer remarks, one from an ethics perspective, and one from an activist perspective. Next, the moderator will open it up for 20 minutes of small group discussion among the attendees. At least one question on the table will be how to introduce topics, such as race relations in a fair and helpful way to students.

Panelist:
- Kelly Brown Douglas, Goucher College

Responding:
- Carl Garrison, Community of Hope Ministries, New York City
- Foster Pinkney, University of Chicago

M22-300

**Tutku Tours**

**Theme:** The Smyrna Excavations

Sunday, 4:00 PM–5:00 PM

Marriott-M105 (Marquis Level)

Mark Wilson, Regent University, Presiding

M22-302

**Analytic Theology Lecture Series Fifth Annual Analytic Theology Reception**

Sunday, 4:30 PM–6:00 PM

Sheraton-Atlanta 3-4 (Level 1)

Sponsored by the Center for Philosophy of Religion at the University of Notre Dame. This reception follows the Fifth Annual Analytic Theology Lecture, given by Nicholas Wolterstorff, session M22-202. Food and drinks will be served.
M22-304
HarperOne
Theme: The Study Quran: A New Translation and Commentary
Sunday, 4:30 PM–6:00 PM
Westin–Peachtree D (Level 8)
This session will introduce The Study Quran: A New Translation and Commentary (HarperOne). At the center of The Study Quran is a new translation of the Quran prepared by the editors. Explaining the translation is an extensive 900,000-word verse-by-verse commentary by the editors of the entire Quran, which incorporates and explains a range of views from Islam’s vast exegetical tradition. The volume also contains fifteen companion essays about the Quran by leading scholars; specialized maps of Arabia, Makkah and Madinah, and key events of the Prophet’s life; and an extensive appendix of the sourcing for all the hadith mentioned in the commentary. This session will begin an opening statement by the project’s editor-in-chief, Seyyed Hossein Nasr, followed by a moderated panel discussion with leading scholars in the field of religion, and will conclude with an open Q&A with the editors.
Panelists:
Seyyed Hossein Nasr, George Washington University
Caner Dagli, College of the Holy Cross
Maria Massi Dakake, George Mason University
Joseph Lumbard, American University of Sharjah
Mohammed Rustom, Carleton University
Jack Miles, University of California, Irvine

M22-309
Religion and American Law Discussion Group
Theme: Contemporary Issues in Religion and American Law
Sunday, 5:00 PM–8:00 PM
Hilton-406 (Level 4)
This is the second annual meeting of the Religion and American Law Discussion Group. Panelists have been invited to present papers on issues of contemporary importance at the intersection of religion and American law, with a focus on religious liberty litigation and state and federal legislation and regulation. Meeting is open to all students, faculty, advocates, and those generally interested in the topic.

M22-306
Paulist Press Celebrating 150 Years: Reception in Honor of Bernard McGinn, Outgoing Editor-in-Chief of the Classics of Western Spirituality Series
Sunday, 6:00 PM–7:30 PM
Hyatt-International North (International Tower Level LL1)

M22-308
Loyola University, Maryland
Theme: Decreation: A Discussion with Paul Griffiths
Sunday, 6:00 PM–8:30 PM
Marriott-M301-302 (Marquis Level)
Daniel Wade McClain, Loyola University, Maryland, Presiding
Panelists:
William T. Cavanaugh, DePaul University
Jame Schaefer, Marquette University
Frederick C. Bauerschmidt, Loyola University, Maryland
Paul Griffiths, Duke University

M22-400
Denver University/Iliff School of Theology Joint PhD Program in the Study of Religion Reception
Sunday, 7:00 PM–8:30 PM
Westin-Piedmont 4 (Level 12)

M22-401
University of North Carolina Chapel Hill Department of Religious Studies Reception
Sunday, 7:00 PM–8:30 PM
Sheraton-Macon (Level 2)

M22-420
China Academic Consortium Networking
Sunday, 7:00 PM–8:30 PM
Westin-Piedmont 3 (Level 12)
At this reception, CAC would like to gather Christian scholars and seminarians who are committed to academic work in China. Our passion is to partner with the church and seminaries. During this reception there will be opportunity to hear about current developments in China and share personal experiences.

M22-422
University of Oxford and University of Cambridge Joint Reception
Sunday, 7:00 PM–8:30 PM
Sheraton–Capitol Center (Level 1)
The Universities of Oxford and Cambridge are delighted to invite colleagues, friends, alumni and prospective graduate students to a reception at the AAR and SBL Annual Meetings in Atlanta. Come hear an update on developments in Oxford’s Faculty of Theology and Religion and Cambridge’s Faculty of Divinity, and meet current faculty members. Prospective students are warmly welcome to come and learn about the benefits of studying in Oxford or Cambridge. Further information is available at www.theology.ox.ac.uk and www.divinity.cam.ac.uk.
M22-423
Yale University Divinity School Reception
Sunday, 7:00 PM–8:30 PM
Hilton-Grand Salon A (Level 2)

M22-307
Louisville Institute Reception
Sunday, 7:00 PM–9:00 PM
Hilton-Grand Ballroom D (Level 2)

M22-402
Nag Hammadi and Gnosticism Section Panel and Reception Celebrating the 70th Anniversary of Nag Hammadi
Sunday, 7:00 PM–9:00 PM
Sheraton-Capitol North (Level 1)
Join us for a panel discussion on the production of English, French, and German editions of the Nag Hammadi Codices. We’ll have a reception with snacks afterwards.
Panelists:
John D. Turner, University of Nebraska
Paul-Hubert Poirier, Université Laval
Gesine Schenke-Robinson, Claremont School of Theology

M22-403
Princeton University Department of Religion Reception
Sunday, 7:00 PM–9:00 PM
Westin–Savannah C (Level 10)

M22-404
University of Helsinki Nordic Reception
Sunday, 7:00 PM–9:00 PM
Marriott-Marquis C (Marquis Level)

M22-405
University of Iowa Alumni and Friends Reception
Sunday, 7:00 PM–9:00 PM
Westin-Piedmont 2 (Level 12)

M22-421
Bahá’í Studies Colloquy 2015 Meeting
Sunday, 7:00 PM–9:30 PM
Westin-Piedmont 6 (Level 12)
Susan Maneck, Jackson State University, Presiding
Christopher Glen White, Vassar College
*Theories of Cognition, Attention and Embodiment and Bahá’í Obligatory Prayers*
Loni Bramson, American Public University System
*American Bahá’í Race Relations Work in the 1920s and 1930s: A Means to Develop the Bahá’í Administrative Order in the United States*
Anthony A. Lee, West Los Angeles College
*Tabirih: A Theology in Poetry*
Mikhail Sergeev, University of the Arts
*Life After Death in the Writings of ’Abdu’l-Bahá*
Mike McMullen, University of Houston, Clear Lake
*A Snapshot of Bahá’í Programs for Youth and Young Adults: Data From the FÁCT 2015 Survey*
For additional information about the Bahá’í Studies Colloquy, contact Robert Stockman at rstockman@usbnc.org or 847-337-7750 (cell).

M22-419
Liturgical Press
Theme: *Introducing the Wisdom Commentary Series*
Sunday, 7:00 PM–9:30 PM
Sheraton–Capitol South (Level 1)
The reception will be 7:00 PM–9:30 PM. Remarks by editors and authors at 7:30 PM.

M22-424
Princeton Theological Seminary Reception with President Craig Barnes
Sunday, 7:00 PM–10:00 PM
Hilton-Grand Ballroom B (Level 2)

M22-406
Jewish Theological Seminary Reception
Sunday, 7:30 PM–9:00 PM
Sheraton-Augusta (Level 2)
The Jewish Theological Seminary and the Gershon Kekst Graduate School invite JTS alumni, faculty, colleagues, and friends to a light kosher reception.

M22-429
NEH California Pluralism Project California State University Systemwide Reception
Sunday, 8:00 PM–9:00 PM
Westin-Piedmont 5 (Level 12)
M22-407
Trinity Evangelical Divinity School Alumni and Friends
Dessert Reception
Sunday, 8:00 PM–10:00 PM
Westin-Chastain G (Level 6)

M22-425
Alpha Christianity Project
Theme: Two Reconstructions of the Gospel of Mark
Sunday, 8:00 PM–10:00 PM
Marriott-International C (International Level)
An open discussion of the contrasting Mark reconstructions of Christopher I. Beckwith and E. Bruce Brooks, both of whom will be present. For the texts, and other details, see http://www.umass.edu/wsp/alpha/forum/sbl2015/index.html. The session will conclude with a brief business meeting to plan for the following year, and for the next volume of the journal Alpha.

M22-426
Center for the Study of Religion and American Culture Reception
Sunday, 8:00 PM–10:00 PM
Sheraton-Athens (Level 2)

M22-427
Concordia Seminary, Concordia Theological Seminary, and Concordia Publishing House Reception
Sunday, 8:00 PM–10:00 PM
Westin-Piedmont 1 (Level 12)

M22-428
Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary PhD Annual Reception
Sunday, 9:00 PM–11:00 PM
Sheraton-Atlanta 3-4 (Level 1)

M22-408
Brite Divinity School Reception
Sunday, 9:00 PM–10:30 PM
Westin-Peachtree 1-2 (Level 8)

M22-409
Brown University Department of Religious Studies and the Program in Judaic Studies Reception
Sunday, 9:00 PM–11:00 PM
Westin-Savannah A (Level 10)

M22-410
Columbia University Religion Department Reception
Sunday, 9:00 PM–11:00 PM
Westin-Savannah B (Level 10)

M22-411
Emory University Graduate Division of Religion Reception
Sunday, 9:00 PM–11:00 PM
Westin-Chastain 1-2 (Level 6)

M22-412
Florida State University Department of Religion Reception
Sunday, 9:00 PM–11:00 PM
Sheraton-Georgia 8-9 (Level 1)

M22-413
Johns Hopkins University Reception
Sunday, 9:00 PM–11:00 PM
Westin-Chastain E (Level 6)

M22-414
Southern Methodist University and Perkins School of Theology Alumni/ae and Friends Reception
Sunday, 9:00 PM–11:00 PM
Westin-Chastain F (Level 6)

M22-415
Scottish Universities Reception
Sunday, 9:00 PM–11:00 PM
Westin-Augusta 1-3 (Level 7)

M22-416
Union Theological Seminary Alumni/ae Reception
Sunday, 9:00 PM–11:00 PM
Sheraton-Georgia 3-4 (Level 1)

M22-417
University of California, Santa Barbara Religious Studies Reception
Sunday, 9:00 PM–11:00 PM
Sheraton-Savannah 1-3 (Level 2)
## ADDITIONAL MEETINGS

### SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 22

**M22-418**
University of Chicago Divinity School Reception for Alumni and Friends  
Sunday, 9:00 PM–11:00 PM  
Westin-Peachtree C (Level 8)

**M22-430**
Boston University Reception  
Sunday, 9:00 PM–11:00 PM  
Sheraton-Georgia 13 (Level 1)

**M22-431**
Duke University Graduate Program in Religion Alumni Reception  
Sunday, 9:00 PM–11:00 PM  
Offsite-Commerce Club of Atlanta, 191 Peachtree Street NE, 49th Floor

**M22-432**
Syracuse University Department of Religion Reception  
Sunday, 9:00 PM–11:00 PM  
Sheraton-Georgia 6 (Level 1)

### MONDAY, NOVEMBER 23

**M23-3**  
Union Presbyterian Seminary Alumni/ae Breakfast  
Monday, 7:30 AM–8:45 AM  
Sheraton-Valdosta (Level 2)  
Come enjoy a scrumptious breakfast with your Union Presbyterian Seminary friends and colleagues. Adjunct Professor of Church History Bill Sweetser (M.Div.’89; Th.M.’90; Ph.D.’00) will share reflections on the seminary’s history based on his new book. The cost for this breakfast is $20. Please register by Monday, November 16 here: [www.regonline.com/UnionAlumBreakfast2015](http://www.regonline.com/UnionAlumBreakfast2015). For questions please contact the alumni/ae office: alum@upsem.edu.  
Bill Sweetser, Union Presbyterian Seminary  
*A Copious Fountain: Union Presbyterian Seminary, 1812–2012*

**M23-4**  
University of Chicago Divinity School Coffee with the Dean for Prospective Students  
Monday, 7:30 AM–9:00 AM  
Westin-Peachtree A (Level 8)

**M23-100**  
Council on Foreign Relations Religion and Foreign Policy Initiative Luncheon Discussion  
Monday, 11:45 AM–1:00 PM  
Hyatt-International South (International Tower Level LL1)  
Join CFR’s Religion and Foreign Policy Initiative for a buffet lunch followed by a panel discussion. CFR’s Religion and Foreign Policy Initiative connects religion scholars and congregational leaders with timely, expert resources on U.S. foreign policy and provides a forum for this community to discuss a broad range of international issues. Visit us in the Exhibit Hall at Booth 313.

**M23-200**  
Theology Without Walls Group  
Theme: *Theology From the Ground Up*  
Monday, 1:00 PM–3:00 PM  
Marriott-M103 (Marquis Level)  
Jerry L. Martin, University of Colorado, Presiding  
Theology, as we live it, is the intellectual articulation of insights and epiphanies gathered in the course of our spiritual lives. In transreligious thinking particularly, we theologize from the ground up, finding insights across traditions and in life experiences, and then working toward theological integration. How is this possible? Panelists whose thinking has been shaped by multiple influences will explain how they have done it.  
Panelists:  
Christopher Denny, Saint John's University, New York  
Jeffery D. Long, Elizabethtown College  
Paul Knitter, Union Theological Seminary  
Hyo-Dong Lee, Drew University  
Jonathan Weidenbaum, Berkeley College

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M23-202
Society for Mormon Philosophy and Theology
Theme: Terryl Givens and Mormon Theology
Monday, 1:00 PM–3:00 PM
Hyatt-Kennesaw (Atlanta Conference Level)
A discussion of Terryl Givens’ contributions to Mormon Theology.
Panelists:
   Benjamin Huff, Randolph-Macon College
   Adam S. Miller, Collin College
   Rosalynde Welch, Ladue, MO
   James M. McLachlan, Western Carolina University
Responding:
   Terryl Givens, University of Richmond

M23-203
KAICIID — International Centre for Interreligious and Intercultural Dialogue
Theme: KAICIID Peace Mapping Workshop: Introducing a Tool to Research Interreligious Dialogue Activities Worldwide
Monday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM
Hilton-309 (Level 3)
KAICIID Peace Mapping Workshop Introducing a tool to research interreligious dialogue activities worldwide On the International Peace Day (September 21, 2015), the International Dialogue Centre (KAICIID) has been launching the first phase of its Peace Mapping Programme (PMP) that aims to contribute evidence-based research about interreligious dialogue activities worldwide. Although not aiming at being exhaustive about the interreligious dialogue movement as a whole, in this phase, the programme focuses on mapping the organizations that are involved in interreligious dialogue (IRD) activities with an international scope. At the heart of this first phase is a rich directory of around 400 such organizations. It is too early yet to measure their collective impact. Nevertheless, mapping these organizations together and making available publicly a multiple keyword search tool of the carefully selected portions of their websites linked to dialogue also contributes to enhancing understanding of the breadth of interreligious dialogue today. In addition, this Peace Mapping website will certainly increase networking and concrete collaborations. This workshop wants to introduce the functionalities of the first phase of the Peace Mapping Program. In doing so, it will focus upon four aspects: (1) It will show, how the PMP helps to put what is frequently described as the ‘Interreligious Dialogue Movement’ into its socio-cultural context. (2) It will underline the PMP’s potential to map the current landscape of the organizations that are involved in interreligious dialogue activities around the world by showing its meaning, focus and types of action. (3) It will discuss the contributions of interreligious dialogue activities to conflict transformation and their role in international peacebuilding efforts. (4) It will ask the question to what an extent interreligious dialogue makes a difference as compared to other types of actions contributing to peacebuilding.
Panelists:
   Patrice Brodeur, University of Montreal
   Jana Vobecka, Academy of Sciences of the Czech Republic
   Karsten Lehmann, KAICIID Dialogue Centre

M23-201
Theology Without Walls Group Planning Meeting
Monday, 3:00 PM–4:00 PM
Marriott-L504-505 (Lobby Level)
Everyone interested in the Theology Without Walls project is welcome to help plan next year’s program and the future of the project.

M23-402
Auburn Theological Seminary Reception
Monday, 6:00 PM–7:30 PM
Offsite-National Center for Civil and Human Rights, 100 Ivan Allen Jr. Blvd NW
Everyone is welcome. Come and learn about Auburn’s work troubling the waters and healing the world. We seek to curate a space in support of scholar/activists. We will celebrate the awarding of the inaugural Walter Wink Scholar-Activist Award. The award will be given at 7:00 PM. with a brief talk to follow. Come and enjoy the hospitality of the beautiful Center for Civil and Human Rights, and network with scholar-activist friends old and new.

M23-400
King’s College London
Theme: Reception
Monday, 7:00 PM–8:30 PM
Westin-Peachtree 1-2 (Level 8)
Once again we are delighted to invite King’s alumni, prospective students, friends and guests to a reception at the AAR and SBL Annual Meetings, this time in Atlanta. As well as updating on general news from the Department of Theology and Religious Studies, the reception will note recent publications by members of King’s. Everyone is warmly welcome to join us. For further information about the Department, see www.kcl.ac.uk/artshums/depts/trs.

M23-401
Claremont School of Theology and Claremont Graduate University Reception
Monday, 9:00 PM–11:00 PM
Westin-Chastain 2 (Level 6)

M23-403
Sheffield Phoenix Press and Sheffield Institute for Interdisciplinary Biblical Studies (SIIBS) Reception
Monday, 9:00 PM–11:00 PM
Westin-Overlook (Level 6)
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**Religion and Ecology Workshop: Journey of the Universe: Hope for the Future**
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- **A20-106**: Fri 9:00 AM–5:00 PM
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**Society for Ancient Mediterranean Religions**
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**Center for the Study of Religion and American Culture**
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**Center of Theological Inquiry**
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**China Academic Consortium**
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**Church of Christ Professors**
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**Colloquy on the Future of Theological Education**
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