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November 18–21



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THINKING PRAYER

A CONVERSATION WITH ANDREW PREVOT

featuring Willie Jennings (Yale University), Rebekah Eklund (Loyola University Maryland),
Kevin Hughes (Villanova), and Andrew Prevot (Boston College)

Winner of the College Theological Society's Best Book in Theology Award, *Thinking Prayer*, by Andrew Prevot has already garnered significant attention. In arguing that theologians must take the spiritual life as central when confronting both the crisis of metaphysics and the legacies of colonialism, Prevot draws on the insights of liberation theology, phenomenology, and diverse Christian spiritual traditions.

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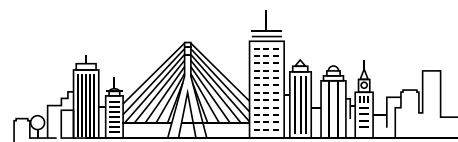


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GETTING TO THE MEETING...

ONLINE PROGRAM BOOK

A complete listing of all AAR, SBL, and Other Events session information, including participant names, paper titles, and abstracts are available in the Online Program Book on the AAR website at papers.aarweb.org/program_book and on the SBL website at www.sbl-site.org/meetings/Congresses_ProgramBook.aspx?MeetingId=31. The keyword search feature will allow you to find the sessions you're most interested in attending!

ANNUAL MEETINGS ONSITE AT-A-GLANCE

The printed Onsite At-a-Glance will be distributed to all attendees onsite in Boston. This will include complete session listings for the AAR, SBL, and Other Events with updated room locations, an exhibitor index, and hotel maps.

INTERNATIONAL ATTENDEES

It is necessary for international attendees 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. Visitors from the 38 countries that are part of the Visa Waiver Program must have an e-Passport (embedded with an electronic chip) in order to skip the visa process. Please be prepared. Non-US citizens should inquire about possible visa requirements from their own country. The following are important links to information on Visa resources and processes:

- ✎ US Visas (www.dhs.gov/visa-types)
- ✎ US Visa Waiver Program (<https://travel.state.gov/content/visas/en/visit/visa-waiver-program.html>)
- ✎ US Electronic System for Travel Authorization (<https://travel.state.gov/content/visas/en/visit/visa-waiver-program.html#ESTA>)

Since 2016 there have been changes to the Visa Waiver Program (VWP) as well as potential changes to the Visa Interview Waiver Program. Since these changes may have the cumulative effect of delaying Visa applications, we urge members to apply for a Visa or inquire about the status of a VWP well in advance of the Annual Meeting and as soon as possible.

Official letters of invitation to the Annual Meeting to support visa applications are available. Please indicate during registration in the "Letter of Invitation" portion if you would like to request a letter. If you have questions, you may e-mail reg@aarweb.org or annualmeeting@sbl-site.org after you have completed registration to obtain more details about the information required.

Please note that AAR and SBL will fully refund registration fees with no penalty to AAR or SBL members in good standing whose visa applications are denied or who are otherwise restricted from entering the United States. For full refund, members must provide a copy of the visa rejection or other written proof of travel restriction.

IMPORTANT DATES

2017 Annual Meetings Employment Center

Candidate 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.

October 19 Special Housing Rates End

Late October Mobile App of AAR & SBL Available

October 26 Registration Refund Request Deadline

November 16 Regular Registration Rate Ends

November 18–21 Annual Meetings in Boston, MA

Remember: You must be registered to secure housing!

TRAVEL DISCOUNTS

Delta and United Airlines are the official carriers of the AAR & SBL Annual Meetings and Budget 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.

CALL TOLL-FREE...

Carrier	Phone Number	Website	File Number
Delta Airlines	1-800-328-1111	delta.com	NMN2V
United Airlines	1-800-426-1122	ual.com	ZWCX906920
Budget Car Rental	1-800-842-5628	bit.ly/2mpzDDr	U022785 (BCD#)*

*** Note that this discount does not apply to the "pay now" reservations. If you prefer a pre-paid discount, do not use the meeting code. Pre-paid reservations have cancellation penalties, whereas using the discount above does not.**

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



AIRPORT TRANSFERS

BOSTON INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT (BOS)

Rapid Transit Train – The T

There are a few ways to get from the airport on (mostly) the subway. The Silver Line is a bus, but all other colored routes on this page are trains: mbta.com/uploadedfiles/Documents/Schedules_and_Maps/Rapid%20Transit%20w%20Key%20Bus.pdf. Please use a mapping program or contact your hotel to determine the best route to get there. A one-way fare is \$2.75. More information can be found here: www.massport.com/logan-airport/to-and-from-logan/public-transportation.

Bus

The Back Bay Logan Express runs from the Hynes Convention Center to the airport every twenty minutes and costs \$7.50. It is a blue shuttle with orange accents. More information is here: www.massport.com/logan-airport/to-and-from-logan/logan-express/back-bay.

Taxis

Taxis are available at each terminal on Arrivals Level (curbside). Fares to the Hynes average at \$33, plus tip, not during rush hour.

Shared-Ride Car Service (such as Uber or Lyft)

Boston (BOS) is one of the airports that allows shared-ride services to pick up at the airport. Each of the four terminals has a designated area for pickup. See here for more information: <https://www.massport.com/logan-airport/to-and-from-logan/app-ridetnc>. An average fare is \$22 not riding during rush hour.

Shared-Ride Vans

See Shuttle Services recommended by Boston Logan Airport here: <https://www.massport.com/logan-airport/to-and-from-logan/ground-transportation/>.

PARKING AT THE JOHN B. HYNES VETERANS MEMORIAL CONVENTION CENTER

The Convention Center is located at 900 Boylston Street. Within a three-block walk of the Hynes Convention Center are numerous parking garages totaling over 4,400 spaces. There is also limited meter parking available around the Hynes and adjacent streets. See www.aarweb.org/sites/default/files/pdfs/Annual_Meeting/2017/2017AMConventionParkingSuggestions.pdf for nearby garages.

SHUTTLES

There will be a shuttle to and from select hotels: Courtyard Downtown, Doubletree Downtown, Hyatt Regency, Park Plaza, and the Revere Hotel to the Hynes Convention Center. Attendees who book their hotel through the AAR & SBL registration process will receive a 7-day MBTA (subway) pass on a first-come, first serve basis.

AAR & SBL Shuttle Hours

DATE	AM SHUTTLE	PM SHUTTLE
Saturday, 11/18	6:00 am–10:00 am	5:00 pm–9:00 pm
Sunday, 11/19	6:00 am–10:00 am	5:00 pm–9:00 pm
Monday, 11/20	6:00 am–10:00 am	5:00 pm–9:00 pm
Tuesday, 11/21	7:30 am–12:30 pm	N/A



DIRECTORY OF SERVICES

EMERGENCY NUMBERS

In case of an emergency during the meeting, please do not call 911. Instead, please call the numbers listed below, which will connect you with hotel security. They will be able to dispatch emergency responders with the most speed and accuracy.

Facility	In House Extension	Outside Number
Hynes Convention Center	x2111	617-954-2111
Fairmont Copley Plaza	0	617-267-5300
Hilton Back Bay	0	617-236-1100
Marriott Copley Place	x6666	617-937-5641
Park Plaza	x4444	617-457-2307
Sheraton Boston	x1000	617-236-6025
Westin Copley Place	x7777	781-570-9378



CHILDCARE

Childcare will be offered for an hourly fee during this year's Annual Meeting. Please visit form.jotform.com/KiddieCorp/aarsblkids for more information and pricing details.

COMPUTER AND INTERNET ACCESS

Free wifi will be available in the Hynes Convention Center. 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) to be listed for other attendees viewing, 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 Hynes Convention Center's Exhibit Hall C and D. 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. A free Cyber Café is available inside the Exhibit Hall. Don't miss out!

KOSHER ARRANGEMENTS

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

ACADEMY ANONYMOUS RECOVERY MEETINGS (AARM)

In an effort to support the needs of all of our members, the AAR and SBL Annual Meetings will be providing daily open discussion meetings for members of any 12-step fellowship or with any addiction identification. These meetings are not affiliated with AA, NA, or any of the other 12-step fellowships, but are meant to provide serenity and support during the conference. The meetings will take place at the Hilton Back Bay-Lincoln (Third Level). For specific times, please see *Other Events*.

HOURS OF OPERATION

AAR AND SBL PROGRAM SCHEDULE

AAR, SBL, and Other Events Sessions will be held in the Hynes Convention Center, Fairmont Copley Plaza, Hilton Back Bay, Marriott Copley Place, Park Plaza, Sheraton Boston, and Westin Copley Place.

Program Unit Sessions

Saturday, November 18.....	9:00 AM–6:30 PM
Sunday, November 19.....	9:00 AM–6:30 PM
Monday, November 20	9:00 AM–6:30 PM
Tuesday, November 21.....	8:30 AM–12:00 PM

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Hynes Convention Center—Lobby Outside Exhibit Hall C and D

Friday, November 17.....	11:00 AM–6:00 PM
Saturday, November 18.....	8:00 AM–5:30 PM
Sunday, November 19.....	8:00 AM–5:30 PM
Monday, November 20	8:00 AM–5:30 PM
Tuesday, November 21.....	8:00 AM–10:00 AM

EXHIBIT HALL

Hynes Convention Center—Exhibit Hall C and D

Saturday, November 18.....	8:30 AM–5:30 PM
Sunday, November 19.....	8:30 AM–5:30 PM
Monday, November 20	8:30 AM–5:30 PM
Tuesday, November 21.....	8:00 AM–12:00 PM

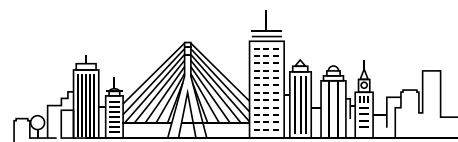
EMPLOYMENT CENTER

Interview Booths—Hynes Convention Center—Ballroom (3rd Level)

Private Interview Rooms—Sheraton Boston

Saturday, November 18.....	8:00 AM–7:00 PM
Sunday, November 19.....	8:00 AM–7:00 PM
Monday, November 20	8:00 AM–7:00 PM

HOTEL INFORMATION



HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS

To receive the specially negotiated room rates, you must first register for the meeting. You may then make your reservation through the AAR and SBL Housing Department. You may either reserve during the registration process or by using the edit 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 19, 2017. DO NOT contact the hotels prior to November 13, 2017.

HOUSING CONFIRMATION

You will receive an email confirmation (which is the same as your registration confirmation) when you make your hotel reservation with the AAR and 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 and SBL Housing Department throughout the meeting year. Note that cancellations must be received at least 72 hours prior to your 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 and 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 people with disabilities. If you need accommodations related to a disability, please indicate your specific needs in the special requests field on the online housing form page.

Attendees with disabilities who need information regarding accommodations or assistance during the meeting should contact the AAR and 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 www.aarweb.org/annual-meeting/accessibility-information-forannual-meetings in late summer.



AAR & SBL Annual Meetings Hotel Map 2017

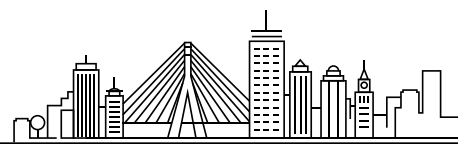


HOTEL	1 PERSON/1 BED	2 PEOPLE/1 BED	2 PEOPLE/2 BEDS	3 PEOPLE/2 BEDS	4 PEOPLE/2 BEDS
1. Colonnade Hotel	\$174	\$174	\$174	\$194	\$194
2. Courtyard Downtown*	\$156	\$156	\$176	\$196	\$216
3. Doubletree Downtown*	\$159	\$159	\$159	\$179	\$199
4. Fairmont Copley Plaza	\$165	\$165	\$165	\$195	\$225
5. Hilton Back Bay	\$179	\$179	\$179	\$199	\$219
6. Hyatt Regency*	\$165	\$165	\$165	\$190	\$215
7. Lenox Hotel	\$189	\$189	\$189	\$209	\$229
8. Marriott Copley Place	\$175	\$175	\$175	\$195	\$215
9. Park Plaza Hotel*	\$155	\$155	\$155	\$175	\$195
10. Revere Hotel*	\$169	\$169	\$169	\$189	\$209
11. Sheraton	\$169	\$169	\$169	\$189	\$209
12. Westin Copley Place	\$182	\$182	\$182	\$202	\$222

*There will be shuttles to these hotels at peak hours and they are also easily accessible by mass transit.

Note: All rates are subject to local taxes, which currently have an average of 14.45% tax per room per night. For example, a \$169 rate is \$193.42 with tax included.

TOUR INFORMATION



MUSEUM OF AFRICAN AMERICAN HISTORY, MLK ARCHIVE AND MARSH CHAPEL

Friday, 11:00 AM–4:00 PM

Friday, 12:30 PM–5:30 PM



First participants will journey to the Museum of African American History. An employee will give a 15 minute talk about the first African Meeting House (1806), which is the oldest extant black church building in the nation built by free African American artisans. Then participants will visit the Abiel Smith School (1835), the oldest public school still standing in the United States that was built for the sole purpose of educating

African American children. Its walls tell the story of abolition and equal education. The Museum is featuring the exhibit *Picturing Frederick Douglass*, which traces Douglass's visual journey from self-emancipated man to firebrand abolitionist and elder statesman. His visual and stylistic evolutions narrate a photographic autobiography across a half-century of history.

Participants will then journey to Boston University, where Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. received his doctorate from the School of Theology in 1955. In appreciation of his edification and inspiration here, Dr. King donated his papers in 1964, the year his stature on the global stage was confirmed by his receipt of the Nobel Peace Prize. Participants will tour and hear a talk about this exhibit, showcasing a small fragment of the 83,000 items in the King trove, located in the MLK Reading Room.

Finally, participants will visit the Marsh Chapel on BU's campus. Howard Washington Thurman served as Dean of Marsh Chapel from 1953–1965, the first African American to serve as a dean at a non-HBCU in the United States. Martin Luther King, Jr. was a doctoral student at Boston University during that time, and shared with Thurman an engagement with the nonviolent strategy of social change articulated by Gandhi. This part of the tour considers the legacy of King and Thurman in the context of the wider history of BU.

Participants will walk to the T (subway) Train and take that to the Museum of African American History, then to Boston University, and back where you would prefer to go. A ticket for three stops is included in the price of the tour.

BOSTON CITY TOUR

Friday, 1:00 PM–5:00 PM



This bus tour is the perfect way to immerse yourself in the stories, history, sites and culture of the city and experience Boston in a special way. The tour includes all the famous places and tales you might have heard about, and those infamous legends that did not make it to the history books all of which reinforce why this city is so unique. We will see the historic districts of Beacon Hill, North End and Charlestown, sights along Boston's Freedom Trail, Boston Common and Public Garden, Back Bay and Copley Square.

YOGA CLASS

Saturday, 7:00 AM–8:00 AM



Join us for a 50-minute energizing and wakening yoga class, appropriate to all levels of practitioners. Fun flow will incorporate the whole body - stretching into the legs, releasing tension in the shoulders, opening up the heart with some gentle back bending. All with a great playlist to get you ready for the day. Towels will be provided. Please wear comfortable clothing.

MUSEUM OF FINE ARTS

Saturday, 9:30 AM–12:00 PM

Participants will be led on a one-hour docent led tour highlighting the Museum's rich and extensive collection. The guide will pick out some of the more well known pieces of work spanning throughout the different collections. After the tour,



participants will have the opportunity to browse the museum's collection on your own, more than 360,000 objects, and come back to the Annual Meeting at your leisure. The Museum of Fine Arts is the fourth largest museum in the United States, making it one of the most comprehensive collections in the Americas and possesses materials from a wide variety of art movements and cultures. Participants will walk to the T (subway) Train and take that to and from the museum. A round trip ticket is included in the price of the tour.

Some highlights of the collection include:

- ☞ Egyptian artifacts including sculptures, sarcophagi, and jewelry
- ☞ French impressionist and post-impressionist works by artists such as Paul Gauguin, Manet, Renoir, Degas, Monet, Van Gogh, Cézanne
- ☞ Eighteenth- and nineteenth-century American art, including many works by John Singleton Copley, Winslow Homer, John Singer Sargent, and Gilbert Stuart
- ☞ Chinese painting, calligraphy and imperial Chinese art, including some of the most treasured paintings in Chinese history
- ☞ The largest museum collection of Japanese works under one roof in the world outside Japan, including the Edward S. Morse collection of 5,000 pieces of Japanese pottery
- ☞ The Rothschild Collection — over 130 objects from the Austrian branch of the Rothschild family

BACK BAY WINE TASTING TOUR

Saturday, 1:45 PM–4:15 PM



Back Bay, Boston's most affluent neighborhood, welcomes you to peek into the kitchens and wine cellars of two of the most luxurious restaurants in town with a glass of wine in your hand. A friendly, charismatic wine ambassador leads you to a reserved table with wait staff standing by, ready to serve pre-selected wines that you will learn how to taste and pair with your favorite dishes. Participants will enjoy six wine tastings with vegetarian food tastings over the course of two hours. The round trip walk is two miles to and from the Hynes Convention Center, where you will stop at two restaurants.

HAUNTED BOSTON GHOST WALK

Saturday, 7:00 PM–9:30 PM

This 90-minute long lantern-light walking tour takes you through the historic and haunted streets in search of the countless ghosts rumored to haunt the city. You will hear enchanting and chilling tales of Boston's most famous ghosts as well as the areas extensive and rich history. Your guide will tell you extraordinary and tragic tales from the founding of Colonial Boston right up to present day. Learn what secrets lay beneath Boston Common, what untold stories lay within the Boston Athenaeum, and which wellknown hotel is Boston's most haunted. Participants will walk to the T (subway) Train and take that to and from the starting point. A round trip ticket is included in the price of the tour.



FREEDOM TRAIL'S REVOLUTIONARY WOMEN WALK

Sunday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM



The new Freedom Trail Revolutionary Women Tour invites attendees to walk the Freedom Trail and explore four centuries of Revolutionary

Women who changed history. This 90-minute walking tour features tales of the early religious rebellions of Anne Hutchinson and Mary Dyer, patriotic actions of Abigail Adams and Mercy Otis Warren, abolitionist movements of Harriet Beecher Stowe and Harriet Tubman, prolific writings of authors Phillis Wheatley and Louisa May Alcott, and landmark speeches of Margaret Sanger and Susan B. Anthony, while visiting the places where women's voices were heard, their works published, and women were laid to rest along Boston's iconic red line. Attendees will take the T (subway) train to and from the starting point and passes will be provided.

HISTORICAL HOUSES OF WORSHIP IN BOSTON'S BACK BAY

Monday, 1:00 PM–5:00 PM

Boston is home to some of America's most famous and imitated houses of worship and many of these are located in the immediate vicinity of our convention site. This walking tour will examine several churches and their place in the historic and contemporary urban landscape. Sites include Trinity Church



(Episcopal, 1877) by Henry Hobson Richardson and the (new) Old South Church (Congregational, 1875) both on Copley Square. We will also visit other sites in Back Bay such as the Romanesque-Revival Mother Church of the Church of Christ Scientist (1894) and its Neo-Classical Extension (1906), Pietro Belluschi's modernist First Lutheran Church (1957), and the now multi-use Emmanuel Church (1861) which houses its original Episcopal congregation along with the new Jewish congregation, Central Reform Temple. Participants will be walking 2–3 miles, including the return to the Convention Center.



2017 TOUR FORM



No.	Tour	Day	Time	Cost
_____	Museum of African American History, MLK Archive and Marsh Chapel	Friday, Nov. 17	11:00 AM–4:00 PM	\$15
_____	Museum of African American History, MLK Archive and Marsh Chapel	Friday, Nov. 17	12:30 PM–5:30 PM	\$15
_____	Boston City Tour	Friday, Nov. 17	1:00 PM–5:00 PM	\$35
_____	Yoga Class	Saturday, Nov. 18	7:00 AM–8:00 AM	\$25
_____	Museum of Fine Arts	Saturday, Nov. 18	9:30 AM–12:00 PM	\$36
_____	Back Bay Wine Tasting Tour	Saturday, Nov. 18	1:45 PM–4:15 PM	\$85
_____	Haunted Boston Ghost Walk	Saturday, Nov. 18	7:00 PM–9:30 PM	\$25
_____	Freedom Trail's Revolutionary Women Walk	Sunday, Nov. 19	1:00 PM–3:30 PM	\$20
_____	Historical Houses of Worship in Boston's Back Bay	Monday, Nov. 20	1:00 PM–5:30 PM	\$25

Name(s) _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Country _____ Postal Code _____

Payment Method: ☐ Check (payable to “Annual Meetings”) ☐ Visa ☐ MasterCard ☐ American Express ☐ Discover

Card Number _____ Expiration Date (mo/yr) _____ CID# _____

Signature _____ Date _____

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Tours fill up quickly and are first-come, first served!

Return the form with payment by November 1, 2017 to AAR and SBL Registration and Housing, 825 Houston Mill Rd. NE, Suite 300, Atlanta, GA 30329, fax to +1-404-935-5321, email reg@aarweb.org or annualmeeting@sbl-site.org, or register online while completing the registration process at www.aarweb.org/annual-meeting/registration-housing or sbl-site.org. No refunds will be given on tours.

GREEN INITIATIVES

The AAR and SBL foster not only excellence in the study of religion and biblical scholarship, but also environmental stewardship.

CARBON OFFSET PROGRAM



As part of its efforts to produce a “greener meeting,” the AAR and SBL are offering the option to offset the carbon emissions from your travel to the Annual Meetings. By checking the box on the registration form, \$15 will be collected from your registration to purchase carbon offsets from NativeEnergy. The AAR’s Sustainability Task Force selected NativeEnergy because of its commitment to reducing greenhouse gases while supporting its sustainability projects.

NativeEnergy is one of the top carbon offset companies in the United States and the world. We encourage you to make this inexpensive commitment to helping make our meetings more environmentally friendly. To learn more about NativeEnergy, visit www.nativeenergy.com.

CONVENTION CENTER GREEN INITIATIVES

Energy, water and waste conservation are the focus of the daily operating strategy at the Hynes Convention Center. They are committed to using green cleaning products, sourcing local food and beverage, composting food waste, and increasing our diversion rates year after year. The Hynes annually recycles over 500 tons of material including cardboard, plastic, paper, glass, and food waste. In 2015, they sent a quarter of a million pounds of food waste to local farms to be composted into fertilizer. The Hynes’ power consumption is minimized through sensor-controlled, high-efficiency lighting, automatically cutting energy use in non-occupied spaces. You can help too – use the spring water coolers for a quick thirst-quencher or to refill your own reusable bottle.

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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OPT-OUT OPTION

The AAR and SBL offered registrants the choice to opt out of receiving a *Program Book* in the mail or of having a *Program Book* printed for them. As of the time of this printing, 1924 registrants (20.3% of the total) opted out of receiving a *Program Book* in the mail and 2214 registrants (23.4% of the total) opted out of having one printed altogether. This will save more than a ton of paper, and almost 1000 tons of CO₂.

T3 EXPO



Save money. Grow your event.

The AAR and SBL’s event services contractor, T3 Expo, pursues environmental responsibility in everything they do. From their open supply chain and local sourcing model, to carpeting, graphics, freight and exhibit construction, T3 works with partners and customers to raise environmental awareness, develop innovative solutions and establish best practices in the events industry in an effort to:

- ☞ Reduce energy consumption and waste
- ☞ Reuse inventory and graphics
- ☞ Use recyclable products/recycle
- ☞ Use products that contain post-consumer content

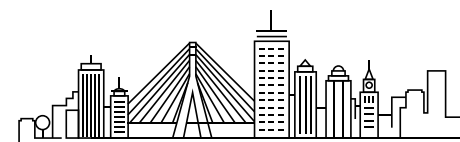
CONVENTIONS C.A.R.E. PROGRAM

The AAR and SBL are partnering with the Massachusetts Convention Center Authority’s Conventions C.A.R.E. program to donate goods to the diverse neighborhoods of historic Boston, where needs are sometimes great.

By donating useable materials to our Conventions C.A.R.E. program, you’ll be helping scores of non-profit organizations throughout the city and the region. Not only will your materials be put to good re-use, but you’ll be cutting back on your event’s environmental impact by diverting waste from local landfills. Plus, it saves you the time and expense of shipping unneeded goods back home. The Convention Center already recycles and donates abandoned property. With your help, we can do even more.

It’s easy. Look for the bright blue bins spread around the show floor at “Product Donation Stations”. The bins are marked with the “CONVENTIONS C.A.R.E.” logo. Then, simply leave your clean, useable, non-perishable donations in the bin. They can include clothing, convention bags, medical supplies, non-perishable food, office products, and toiletries.

We’ll take over the rest, arranging the assignment and transport of your donations. The program supports several local non-profits, directly benefiting some of the neediest residents in our community. By working together, we can show Boston charities that the AAR and SBL care.



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 AAR, SBL, and Other Events 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 AARSBLAM17.

BEST PRACTICES FOR SOCIAL MEDIA USE AT THE 2017 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 2017 Annual Meeting hashtag (#aarsbl17).
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 (#aarsbl17) and session number 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 candidates have the option of submitting a CV to the Employment Center. The submission system is now open and available to candidates who have registered for the Employment Center.

Organized by job classification, online CVs are available to employers electronically from August 1, 2017 through February 15, 2018.

Please see 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 Society of Biblical Literature or the American Academy of Religion who have registered for the Annual Meeting will be able to register as candidates with the Employment Center free of charge.

LOCATION AND HOURS OF OPERATION

November 18–20, 2017

*Interview Booths—Hynes Convention Center—
Ballroom (3rd Level)*

Private Interview Rooms—Sheraton Boston

Saturday, November 18	8:00 AM–7:00 PM
Sunday, November 19	8:00 AM–7:00 PM
Monday, November 20	8:00 AM–7:00 PM

EMPLOYER SERVICES

All registered employers receive:

- ✧ Job advertisements included in the Annual Meeting Edition of *Employment Listings*, available on-line 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.
- ✧ 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 28)

Each additional job: \$60 (\$85 after October 28)

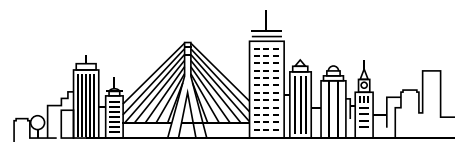
Please see www.aarsbl.org/content/employer-services for more information.

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.

Please go to www.aarsbl.org to register.

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



A17-201

Brand You: Creating Your Own Brand for Academic Survival Workshop

Friday, 1:00 PM–4:30 PM; HCC-108 (Plaza Level)

The academic marketplace has changed dramatically. With the influx of on-line education, social media, and more disciplines, subcategories, and institutions than ever—in order to be successful, the academic scholar has to be intentional about branding him/herself. The new identity in the global marketplace is branded identity. Branding is no longer limited to just commercial products. With the over-saturated media world, branding starts from the photo on your department website, your CV, and even the titles and course descriptions on your syllabi. Knowing how to create your own brand can be beneficial for senior and junior faculty, as well as the first year graduate student. How you tell your story, and describe yourself and your work can determine whether you get published or considered for a tenure track position. More important, in the academic global marketplace if you do not brand yourself, others will do it for you with or without your permission.

A few workshop scholarships are available for graduate students and independent scholars. Please forward a statement of 50 words or less why you would like a scholarship to Paula McGee at pmcgee@memphisseminary.edu prior to registering.

The cost for attending the workshop is \$45, which includes a coffee break and the entire afternoon of sessions. Registration is limited to the first 60 participants. To participate, select this workshop when registering for the Annual Meeting. If you have already registered for the Annual Meeting, you may contact reg@aarweb.org to reserve a space in this workshop.

A18-145

Contingent Faculty Luncheon: What Can Non-tenure-track Faculty Career Growth Look Like?

Saturday, 11:45 AM–12:45 PM; HCC-108 (Plaza Level)

Part-time, full-time, and all non-tenure-track faculty and their allies are invited to join the Academic Labor and Contingent Faculty Working Group for lunch. In addition to getting to know one another, we will be discussing best practices for career growth, identifying and overcoming obstacles to scholarship, and providing other up-to-date information on areas of concern. Please join us Saturday, November 18, 11:45 AM–12:45 PM. Registration for the lunch costs \$13 per person and is limited to 60 people.

To register for this luncheon, choose “Academic Labor and Contingent Faculty Luncheon” in the “Options” section when registering for the Annual Meeting. If you have already registered for the Annual Meeting, you may contact reg@aarweb.org to reserve your lunch.

A18-243/S18-253

How to Make Department Service Work for You: Establishing Collective Resources

Saturday, 2:30 PM–4:00 PM; HCC-303 (Third Level)

Landing a successful academic job requires that you cultivate your skills as a professional researcher and teacher, but it also requires that you demonstrate your ability to help build a thriving and substantial department life. This roundtable is geared towards two specific goals: 1) helping you identify how and where you can begin to make important interventions in the collective life of your department, and 2) mobilizing those interventions for the job market.

A18-300/S18-342a

Educational Entrepreneurship: Monetizing Your Expertise through Digital Teaching

Saturday, 4:00 PM–5:30 PM; HCC-303 (Third Level)

Online education is the way of the future. If you're passionate about sharing your knowledge with others, you can pursue a rewarding career on your own terms as an online educational entrepreneur. You can do so in tandem with, or instead of, teaching at the academy. Most importantly, you will learn how to harness your doctorate in a fulfilling teaching career, irrespective of the state of the tenure-track job market. In this workshop, Raj Balkaran shares key insights on his journey founding the School of Applied Mythology, a digital academy for meaningful learning. This workshop lays the foundation for successful educational entrepreneurship, including (1) content creation; (2) curriculum design; (3) sales and marketing strategy; and (4) effective digital pedagogy.

A18-302

Another Plan “A”: Religious Studies Education and Careers Beyond the Academy

Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM; HCC-101 (Plaza 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 the Applied Religious Studies Committee for a discussion on career paths outside the academy. Panelists hold or are working on masters and doctoral degrees in a variety of religious studies and theology programs and will discuss fields including: publishing and editing; freelance writing; nonprofits and foundations; government; religious communities; academic administration; and more. This year's panel includes current PhD candidates who will talk about their own experiences of exploring nonacademic career options in the context of their graduate studies, and panelists will discuss the ways faculty, departments, and the AAR might better support scholars as they consider careers beyond the academy. Come hear more about what graduate education in religious studies already does to prepare us for and enhance our practice of various careers, and help us think about what more the academy can and should do to support scholars in the pursuit of nonacademic work.

This panel will include substantial time for audience Q&A and discussion. Please join us to share your thoughts!

A19-2

Applied Religious Studies Breakfast

Sunday, 7:30 AM–8:45 AM; HBB-Maverick A (Second Level)

AAR members who apply their degrees to work outside of the academy, or students who are interested in an alternative career path are welcome to meet and greet each other at this breakfast hosted by the AAR's Applied Religious Studies Committee. Please RSVP by Friday, November 3, by e-mailing annualmeeting@aarweb.org.

A19-138/S19-156a

Employment and Recruitment from an HR Perspective

Sunday, 10:00 AM–11:30 AM; HCC-303 (Third Level)

In this roundtable-workshop session, Jessica Ehinger discusses issues particular to job hunting outside the traditional tenure track, including how to write an effective resume and cover letter, how to identify potential positions, and how non-academic job hunting differs from the academic market. In doing so, the session provides graduate students and young investigators with a solid understanding of what to expect in the job hunting process, so that they can best present themselves and their interests in the job market.

A19-139/S19-158

Balancing Act: Creating a Diverse and Dynamic CV

Sunday, 11:30 AM–1:00 PM; HCC-303 (Third Level)

Career paths for academics are becoming more diverse and varied by the day. As such, even with academia one cannot depend on conferences and papers and a few chapters in compilations alongside a list of your thesis and dissertation supervisors to make you stand out. What, for instance, is this “Public Engagement” section all about? What exactly constitutes teaching experience? Is there a way to make what you did sound more like what you did, versus what it may have been titled at some point, by someone who may or may not have been involved in the event itself? Crafting a CV, particularly for those positions outside of traditional academic posts (or even for those posts within) is not difficult, it's merely different. This roundtable session discusses and workshops how to frame, format, organize and phrase your experience and prepare a CV for every exciting opportunity you encounter.

A19-200

The Rapid Erosion of Tenure: 2008–2018

Sunday, 1:00 PM–2:30 PM; HCC-208 (Second Level)

This panel briefly reviews the recent history of hostility toward tenure, argues that this hostility is out of place, and asks what we as academics can do to answer the critics of tenure. Attacks on tenure, particularly tenure in the liberal arts, tend to come in cycles.

In the late 1980s, echoing a white paper entitled, “To Reclaim a Legacy,” authored by Ronald Reagan's Secretary of Education William Bennett, saw a wave of politically motivated attacks on the liberal arts in general and tenure in particular. Specifically, books such as Charles Sykes' *Profscam*, Dinesh D'Souza's *Illiberal Education*, and Roger Kimball's *Tenured Radicals* all appeared in the early 1990s, and all argued that tenured professors were politicizing their disciplines and subversively influencing their students. By the end of that decade, though, the rhetoric largely changed, and several experts on education policy characterized tenure as a refuge for underperforming teachers and researchers, and thus an impediment to the transformation of higher education into a nimbler, more efficient set of institutions.

Most recently, though, the political and economic arguments against tenure seem to be coming together. Bills introduced in both Iowa and Missouri's state legislatures early this year would either eliminate or discontinue tenure, but both are misguided and belated in the sense that they assume that tenured professors are the norm among the higher education teaching workforce. In fact, more and more college teaching is done by contingent faculty ineligible for tenure, while the percentage of tenure-track hiring is in decline across all liberal arts fields. How should we, academics of all ranks, intervene in this odd conversation? My recommendation would be to shine the spotlight on the often deplorable working conditions of contingent instructors. They're too overworked to commit blocks of time to political activism, and so poorly paid that they don't contribute at all to the expense of any college education. Yet they are now doing seventy percent of the teaching. They are the new faculty, and the sooner policy makers are made aware of that the better.

A19-250

Preparing Scholars of Religion for Non-academic Careers: What's a Faculty Member to Do?

Sunday, 3:00 PM–4:30 PM; MCP-Berkeley (Third Level)

In recent years as the job market for tenure-track academic positions has tightened and the use of contingent faculty has exploded, increasing numbers of graduate degree seekers are intending to pursue nonacademic careers. While some areas of study present obvious nonacademic options, for scholars in the humanities, nonacademic career opportunities and the best preparation for them may not be obvious and religious studies faculty are exploring how graduate programs can — and should — prepare all alumni for multiple employment outcomes. This panel brings together faculty members from a variety of institutions to discuss some of the problems confronting their students and their programs as more people turn — by necessity and by choice — to nonacademic career paths.

A19-301

Career Services for Non-academic Careers

Sunday, 5:00 PM–6:30 PM; MCP-Berkeley (Third Level)

When humanities scholars talk about exploring and pursuing “alt-ac” and “post-ac” careers, two concerns often dominate the conversation: 1) Graduate studies in the humanities don't prepare us for or aren't relevant to non-academic career paths, and 2) We don't know where to look for or how to apply for non-academic jobs. Whether you are a scholar thinking about non-academic careers or a faculty member interested in supporting students engaged in such searches, join our panel of career services experts to discuss the many careers that are open to — and even looking for! — people with advanced training in the humanities. Panelists will discuss existing resources and where to find them, as well as ways that departments, universities, and professional organizations like the AAR can better support scholars in non-academic careers.

This panel will include substantial time for audience Q&A and discussion. Please join us to share your thoughts!

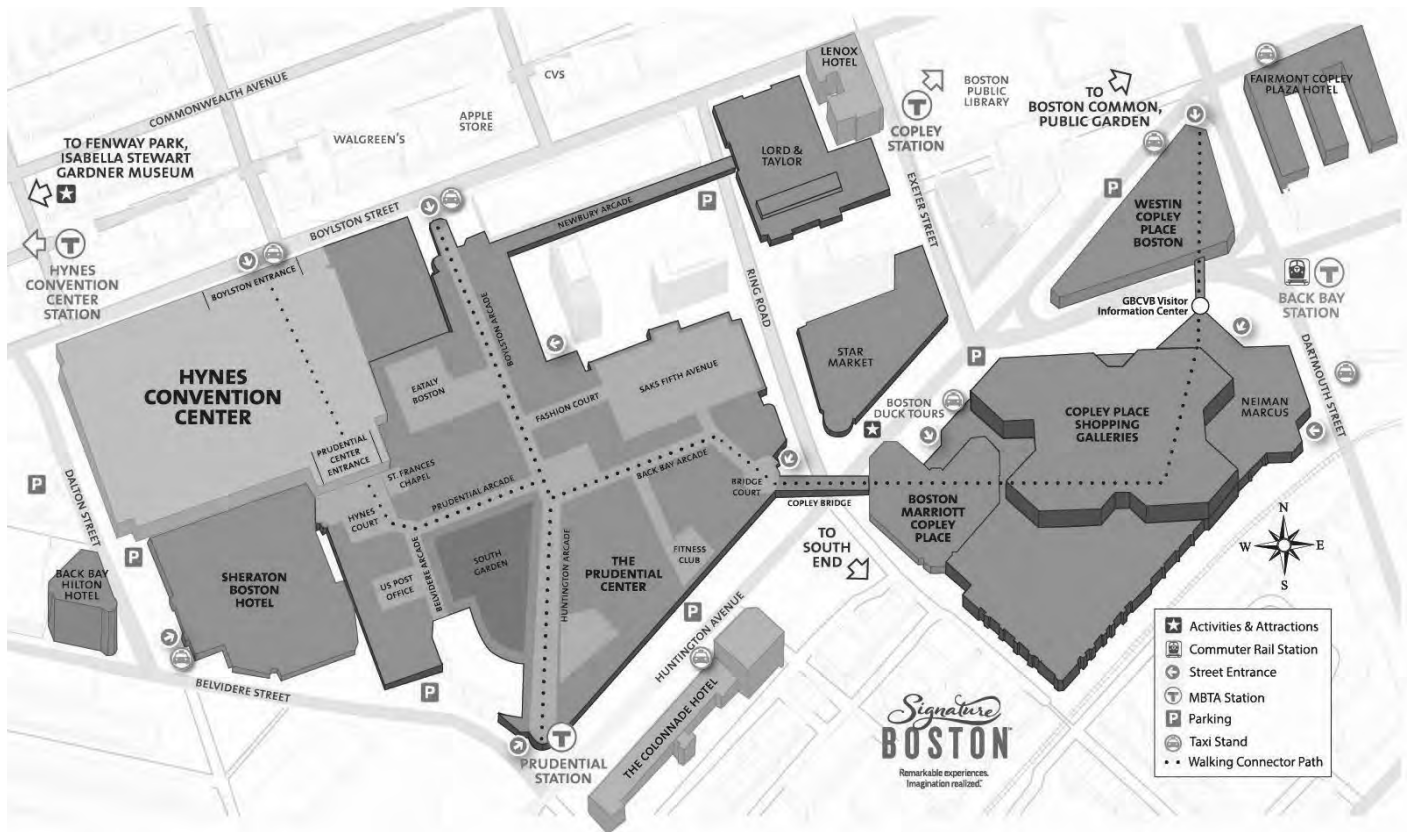
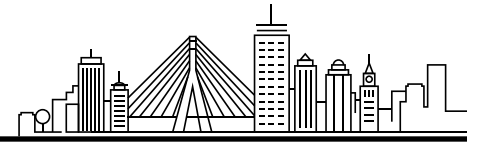
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ImaginePhD: A Career Exploration and Planning Tool for Humanities and Social Sciences

Monday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM; MCP-Suffolk (Third Level)

Launched in fall 2017, *ImaginePhD* is a free and confidential career exploration and planning tool for humanities and social science PhDs. Powered by the Graduate Career Consortium, and created by more than fifty graduate-level career and professional development leaders across the United States and Canada, this platform provides a unique opportunity for PhDs to assess their skills, interests and values, map those onto career paths, and create an individual development plan that supports degree completion and professional/personal development. Please join Sarah Peterson, *ImaginePhD* Content Lead, for this interactive training session to learn how to use this tool and integrate it into departments. To make the most of this session, please bring a laptop or tablet

ACCESSIBILITY INFORMATION



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 provide accommodations and assistance, whether by arranging services such as sign language interpreters, assigning accessible hotel room space, or through the AAR & SBL's taxi reimbursement policy. Please contact reg@aarweb.org or annualmeeting@sbl-site.org if you have any questions.

GETTING AROUND THE 2017 ANNUAL MEETINGS

Access to and between the Hynes Convention Center and Main Hotels

Most AAR and SBL sessions will be held in four locations—the Hynes Convention Center, Hilton Back Bay, Marriott Copley Place, and the Sheraton Hotel. The Employment Center will be located at the Hynes. Additional meetings and receptions will be primarily held at the Fairmont Copley Plaza, Park Plaza Hotel, and Westin Copley Place. The Marriott, Sheraton, and Westin are connected to the Hynes via wheelchair accessible skywalks and two malls. All of the doors to access the buildings and skywalks below are unlocked from 6 am to 2 am.

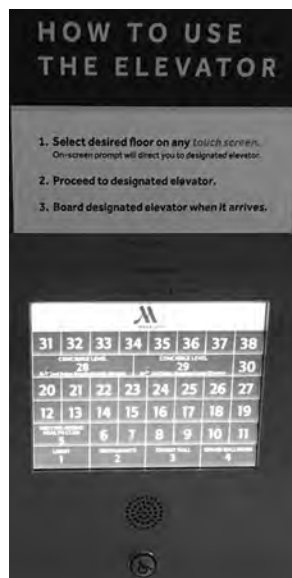
If you are traveling outside of those hours, you will need to go outside to access your hotel. Note that there are not any talking crosswalks (for those with visual disabilities) in the immediate area of our facilities.

Approximate Distances:

- ↻ Entrance of Hynes to Marriott – 0.4 miles inside
- ↻ Marriott to Westin – 0.2 miles inside
- ↻ Hilton to the Fairmont – 0.6 miles on Huntington Ave.
- ↻ Park Plaza from the Fairmont and off the map to the northeast – 0.5 miles

Logistical Information about the Facilities

For wheelchair users entering the Hynes from the inside entrance, the ramp into the facility is very steep. Please be cautious when you are going down it. If you are not using a power chair, you might struggle or need some assistance on the way out. Unfortunately, there is not an elevator or lift that could supersede this ramp.



In the Marriott, the elevators do not have standard push buttons. Attendees must use an electronic console to indicate what floor you will travel to. You must know and commit to which floor you need to go to before entering the elevator, as there are not standard buttons on the inside. If desired, there is an option to read each of the options aloud. To utilize this, push the large accessibility icon at the bottom of the panel. Once you hear the floor read aloud you would like to travel to, push the accessibility icon again to select your desired floor. See photo to the left.

The Hilton is best accessed by exiting the Sheraton's main entrance outside and crossing Dalton St. at the crosswalk. Proceed on Belvidere St. to the sidewalk that is between the driveway and the side of the hotel's main entrance.

When entering the Westin from the outside, on Huntington Ave., the wheelchair curb cutout is on the right side of the entrance. This is the opposite side of where one would be traveling from if coming from the Fairmont.

The doors entering the Fairmont on both St. James Ave. and Dartmouth St. are extremely heavy to open, especially for those in a moveable chair. There is supposed to be a door attendant at each entrance, so it is recommended to wait for one or another person to enter or exit if you are able.

Shuttle Service between the Hynes Convention Center and Other Hotels

There will be a shuttle to and from select hotels: Courtyard Downtown, Doubletree Downtown, Hyatt Regency, Park Plaza, and the Revere Hotel to the Hynes. Attendees who book at these hotels through the AAR & SBL registration process will receive a 7-day T (subway) pass on a first-come, first serve basis.

The purpose of these shuttles are to take attendees staying at the above-mentioned hotels to and from the Hynes. There are not any AAR or SBL sessions scheduled at these hotels; however there will be some other events and receptions at the Park Plaza.

The shuttles are not wheelchair accessible; not all T stations are accessible either. If you need to get to the Park Plaza, you are welcome to use a taxi or car service, per the reimbursement policy below.

For information about T access, see http://www.mbta.com/riding_the_t/accessible_services/default.asp?id=16901. Attendees with accessibility needs should [contact reg@aarweb.org](mailto:reg@aarweb.org) or annualmeeting@sbl-site.org to be placed in a hotel that is close to the where the AAR & SBL sessions are, so that you can avoid use of the shuttles.

AAR & SBL Shuttle Hours

Date	AM Shuttle	PM Shuttle
Saturday, Nov. 18	6:00 AM–10:00 AM	5:00 PM–9:00 PM
Sunday, Nov. 19	6:00 AM–10:00 AM	5:00 PM–9:00 PM
Monday, Nov. 20	6:00 AM–10:00 AM	5:00 PM–9:00 PM
Tuesday, Nov. 21	7:30 AM–12:30 PM	N/A

Taxi Rembursement

AAR & SBL will reimburse attendees with disabilities for the cost of a private taxi or ride-share service to travel between official AAR & SBL 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 reg@aarweb.org or annualmeeting@sbl-site.org.

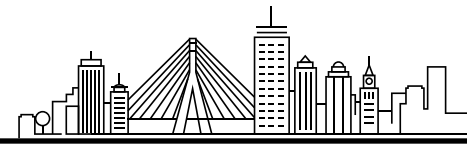
Wheelchair or Electric Scooter Rental

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:

Boston Orthopedic Respiratory (<http://www.aarwheelchair.com/index.html>) is offering attendees a special rate for the Annual Meeting. Please be sure to tell them that you are with the AAR & SBL to get the special rate of \$105 for a five-day rental for an electric scooter. Manual wheelchairs are available as well—please inquire as to price. Boston Orthopedic Respiratory will deliver and pick up the wheelchair or scooter to your hotel for \$20. **Please call Seval Yelaun at 617-337-5133 or 800-854-6370 or 857-258-0080 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 & SBL Registration Desk (located outside of Hall CD in the Hynes Convention Center) Friday 11 am to 6 pm, Saturday through Monday 8 am to 5:30 pm, and Tuesday 8 am to 10 am, or email reg@aarweb.org or annualmeeting@sbl-site.org.



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 conference meeting room with an assisted listening system. AAR 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 13**.

Assisted listening services will be available in Hynes Convention Center Room 102, 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 any other 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 for AAR and SBL sessions commonly includes a podium with a microphone designed for standing presentations. The AAR Plenary room, Sheraton Grand & Independence, and the SBL Plenary room, Marriott Grand Ballroom, Salon EF, will 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 or annualmeeting@sbl-site.org to arrange for appropriate presentation technology.

Meeting Room Accessibility

All sessions at the Annual Meetings 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 Hynes Convention Center, Room 102, with the exception of A19-304. *Recolonizing the Academy Under a Trump Presidency*, which will draw a larger audience and has been placed in the AAR Plenary Ballroom, Sheraton-Grand & Independence on the second level.

Sighted Guide or Mobility Assistance

Attendees who need a sighted guide or other mobility assistance to navigate the annual meeting should email reg@aarweb.org or annualmeeting@sbl-site.org by **November 13**.

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 reg@aarweb.org or annualmeeting@sbl-site.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@aaarsbl.org as soon as possible so that we can adequately accommodate you.

HOW TO USE THE PROGRAM BOOK

The *Program Book* is mailed to all Annual Meeting attendees who did not opt out and who register by August 24.

This *Program Book* contains the room assignments for all sessions. 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 available onsite and in the Mobile App.

All AAR, SBL, Related Scholarly Organizations (RSOs), Program Affiliates, and Other Events 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#)
- ☞ Other Events (Additional Meetings) sessions (designated by an M#)

There is some overlap between the SBL's Program Affiliates and AAR's RSOs, and in these cases, the sessions are listed in both the SBL and AAR 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, A19-102 occurs on Sunday, November 19 and starts between 9:00 AM–12:59 PM.

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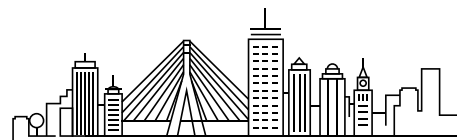
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100–199	Begin between 9:00 AM–12:59 PM
200–299	Begin between 1:00 PM–3:59 PM
300–399	Begin between 4:00 PM–6:29 PM
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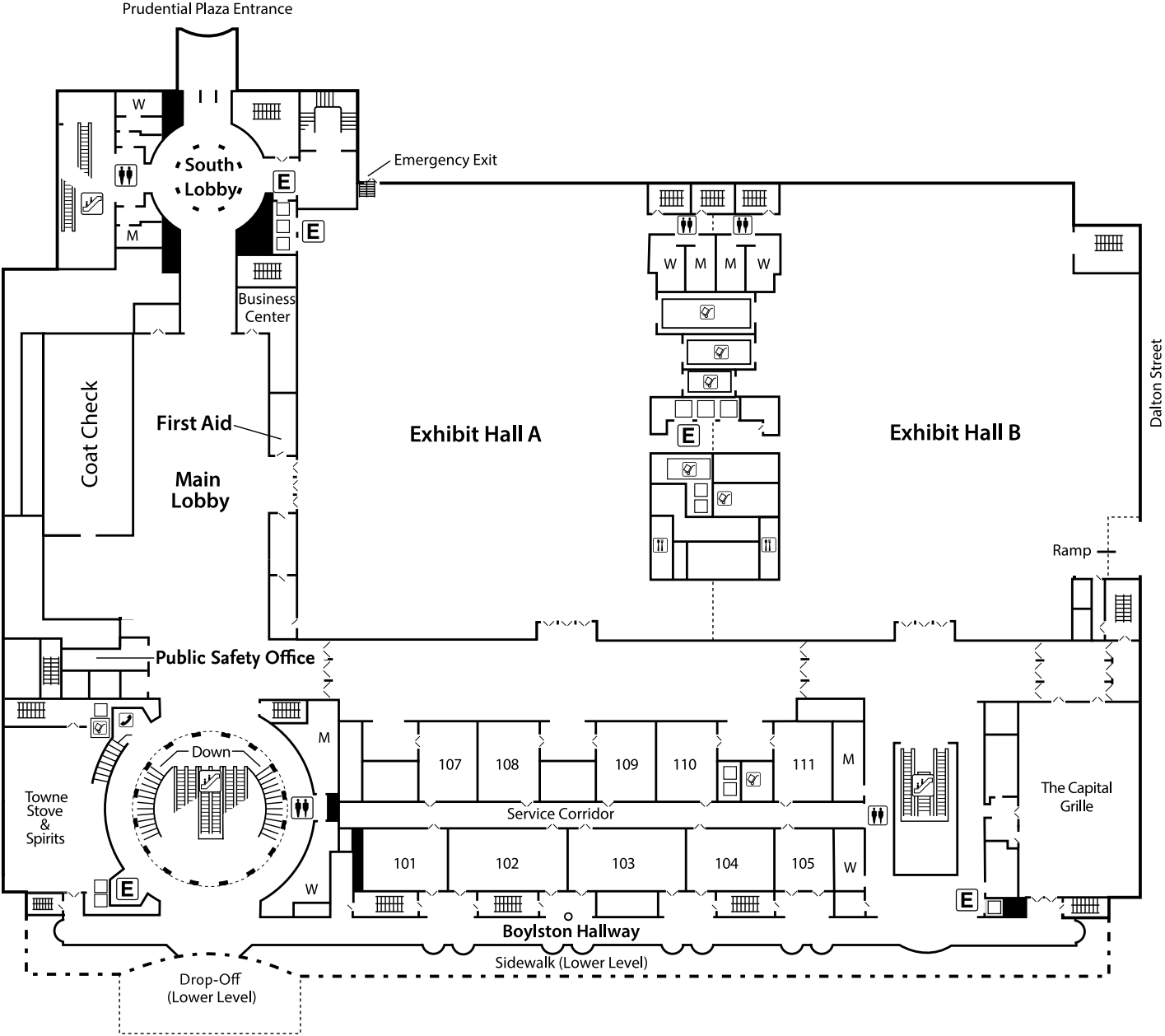
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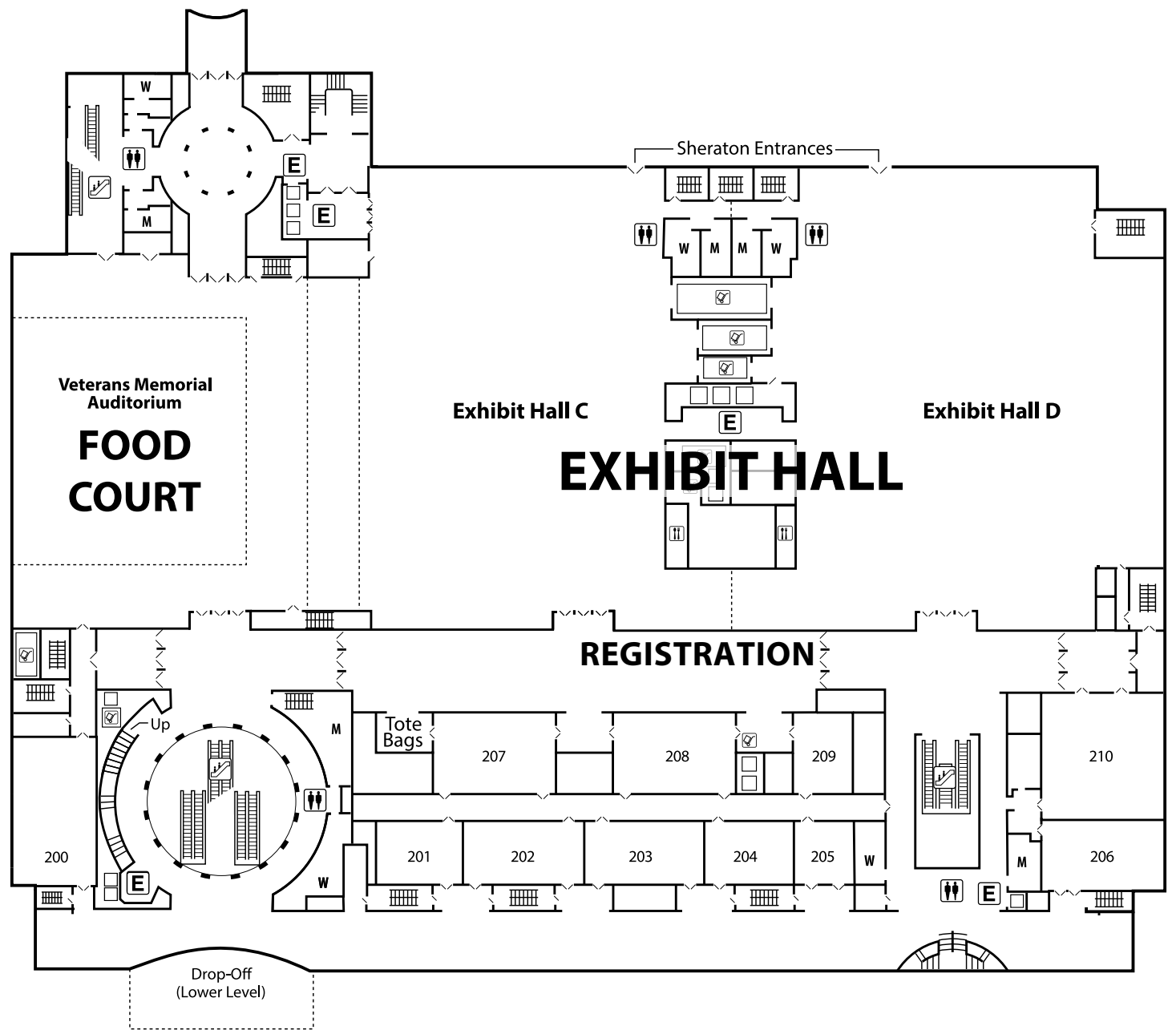
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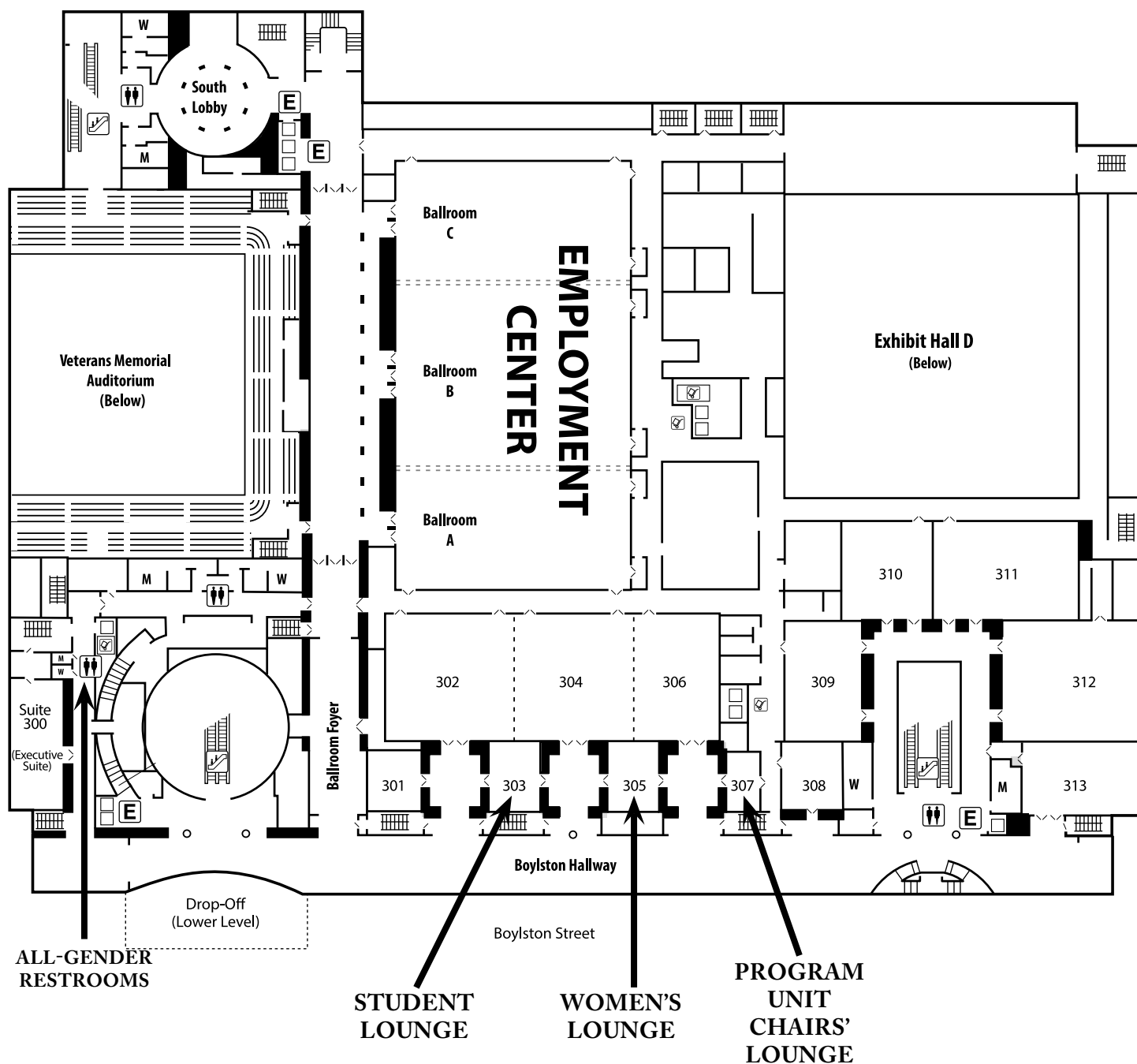


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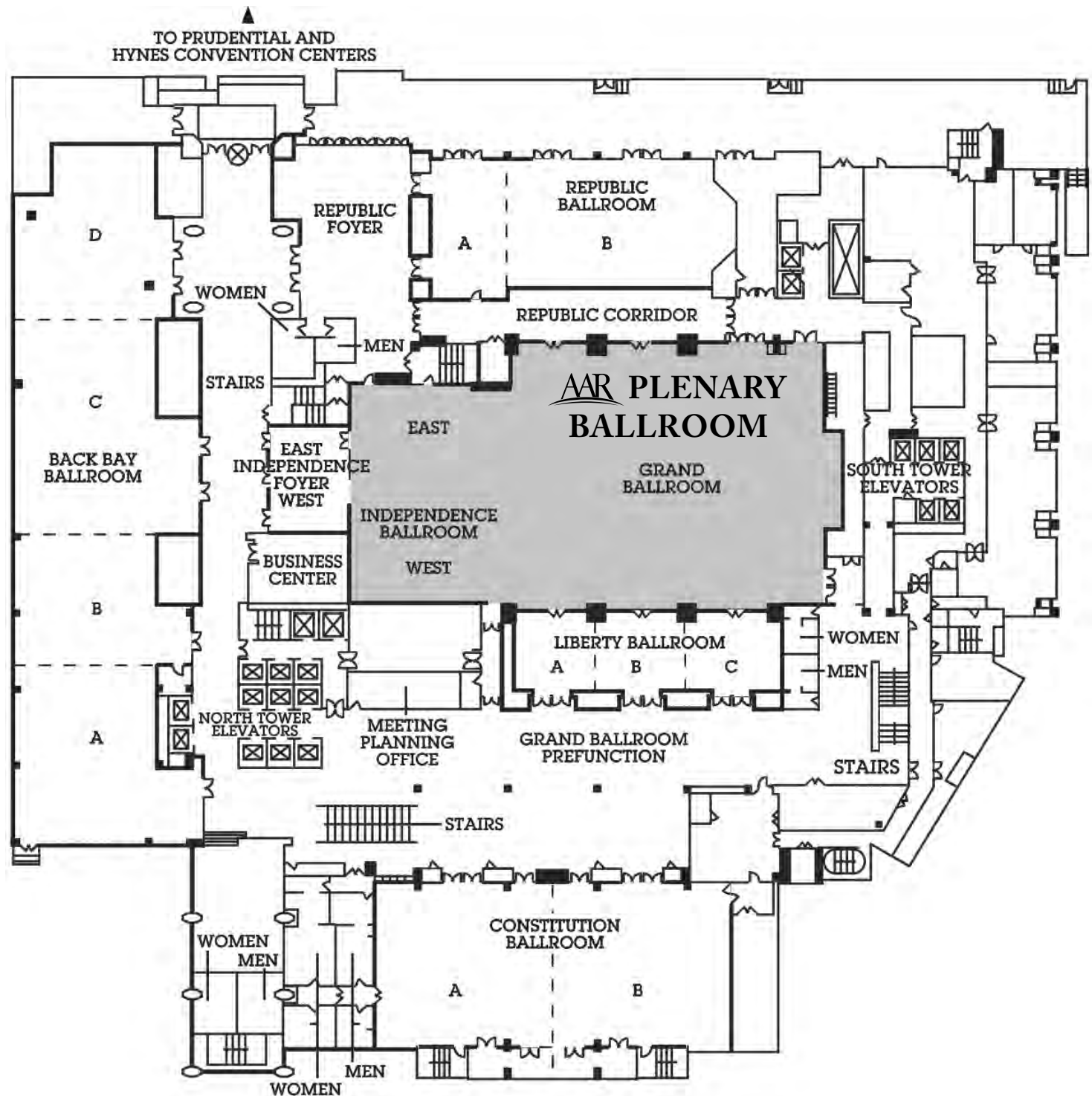


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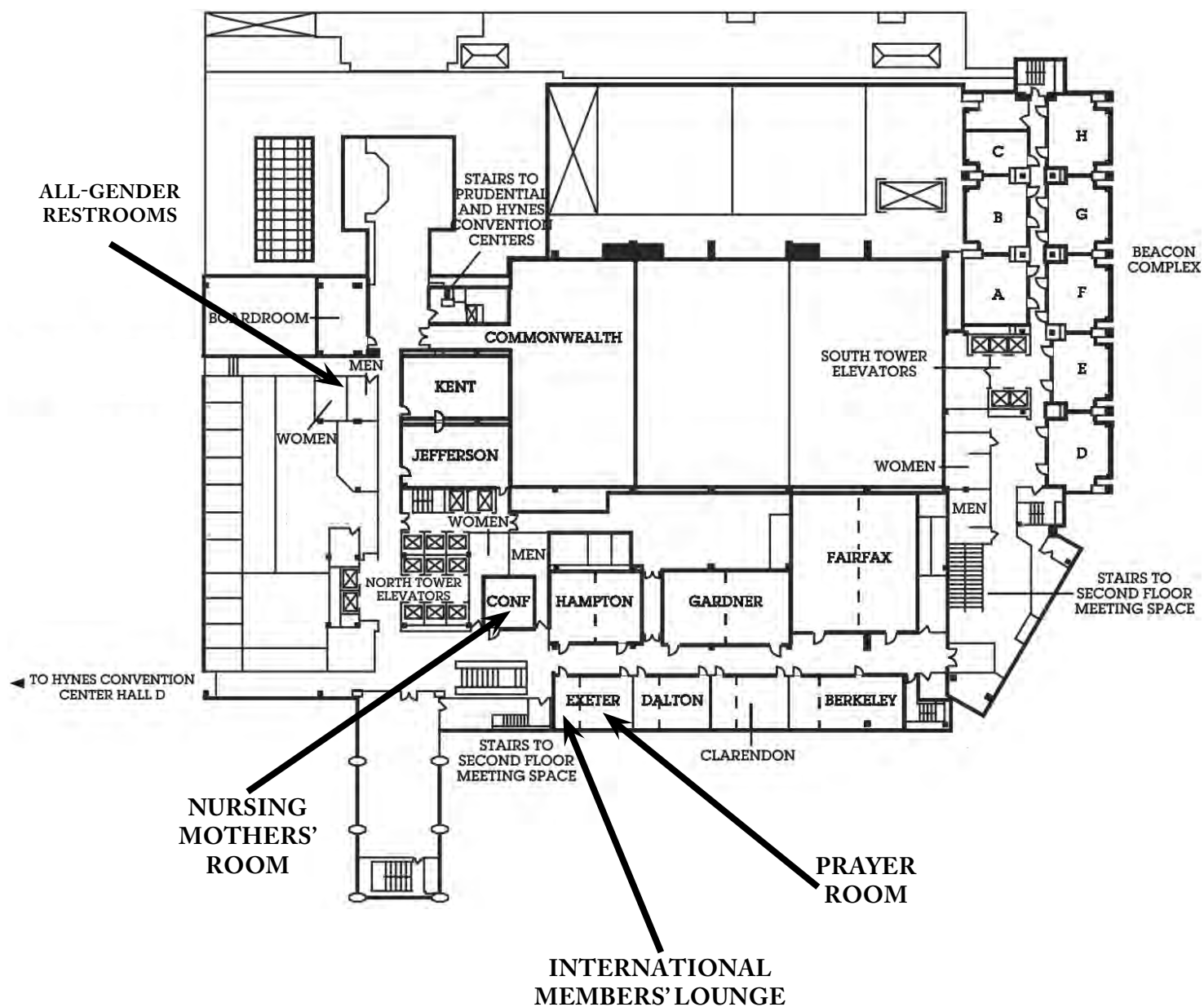


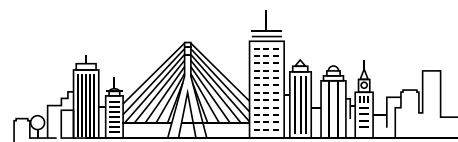
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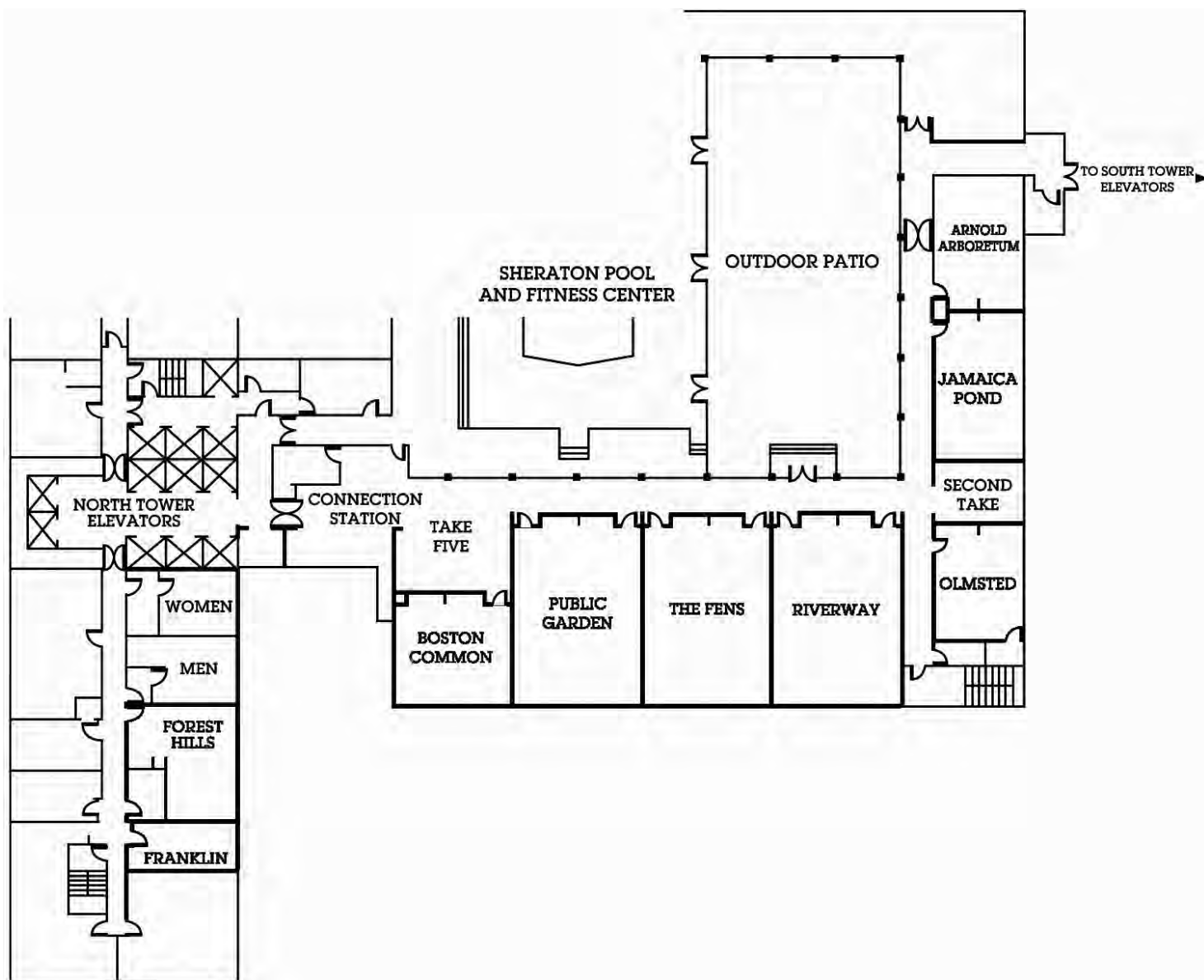
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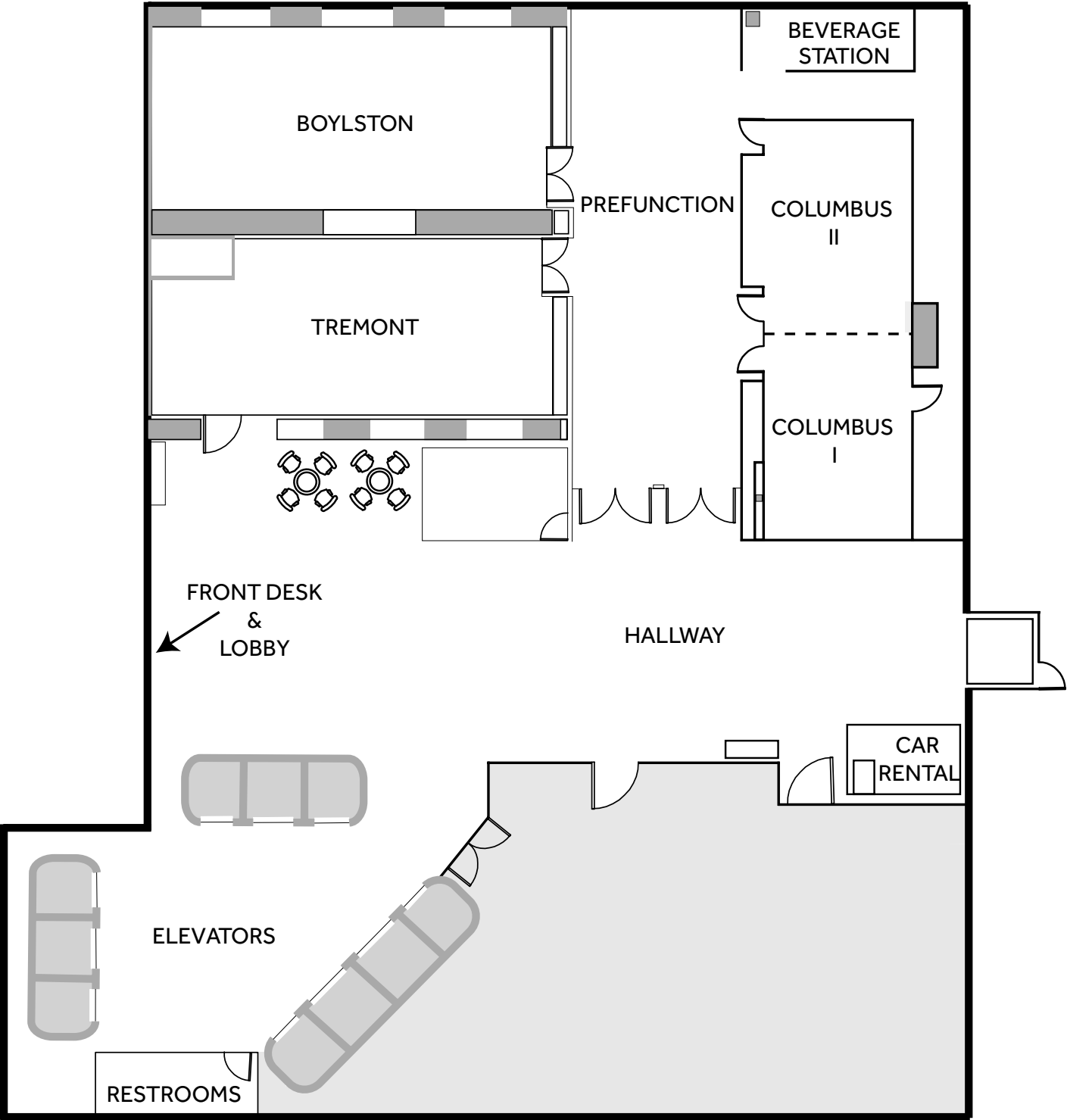


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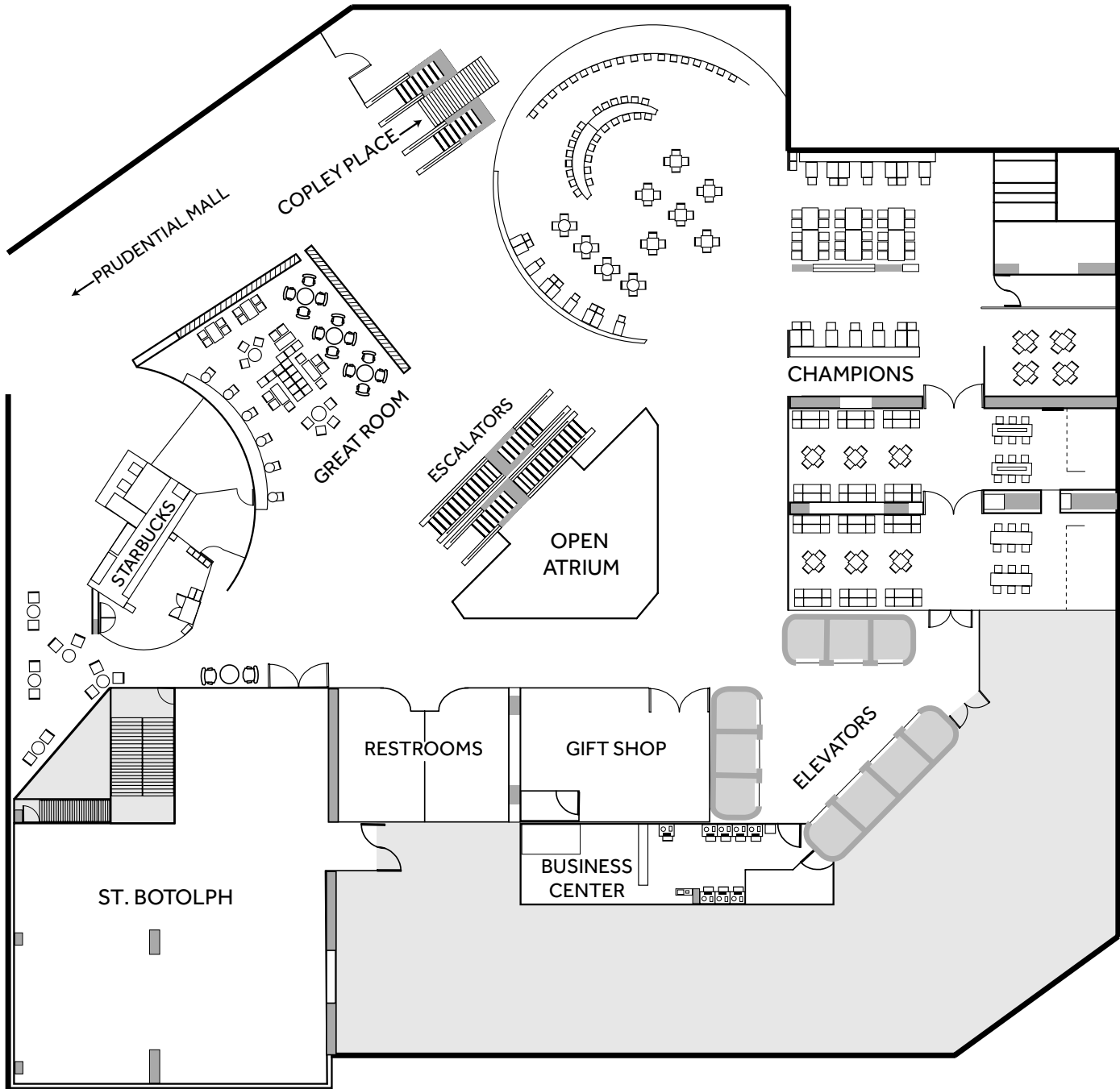
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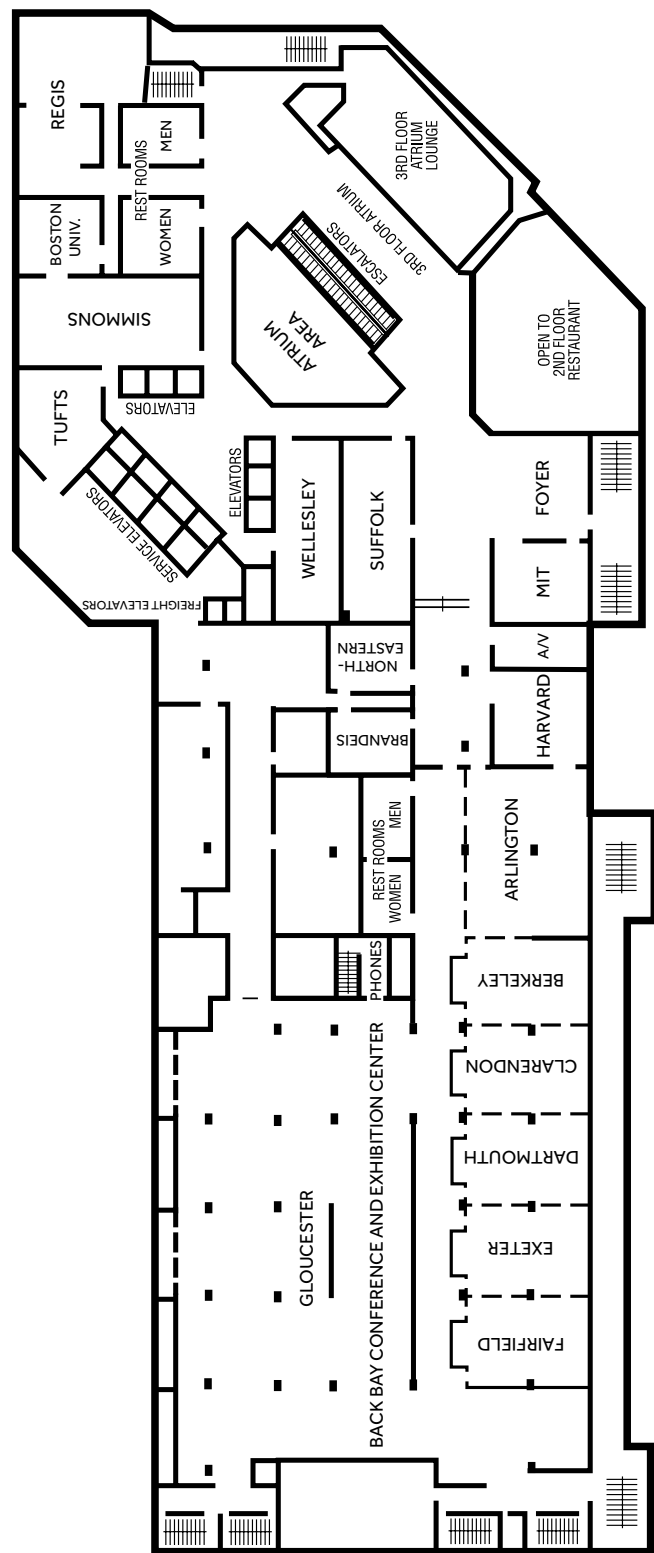


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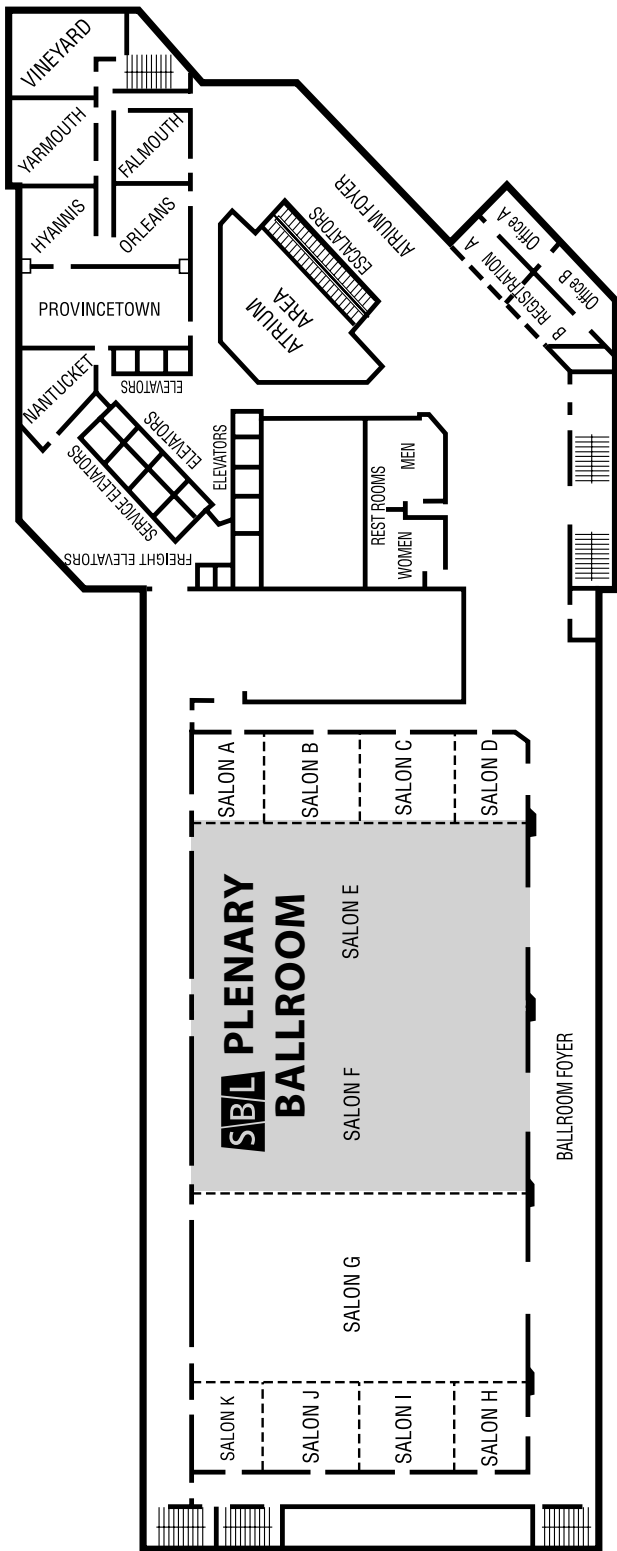
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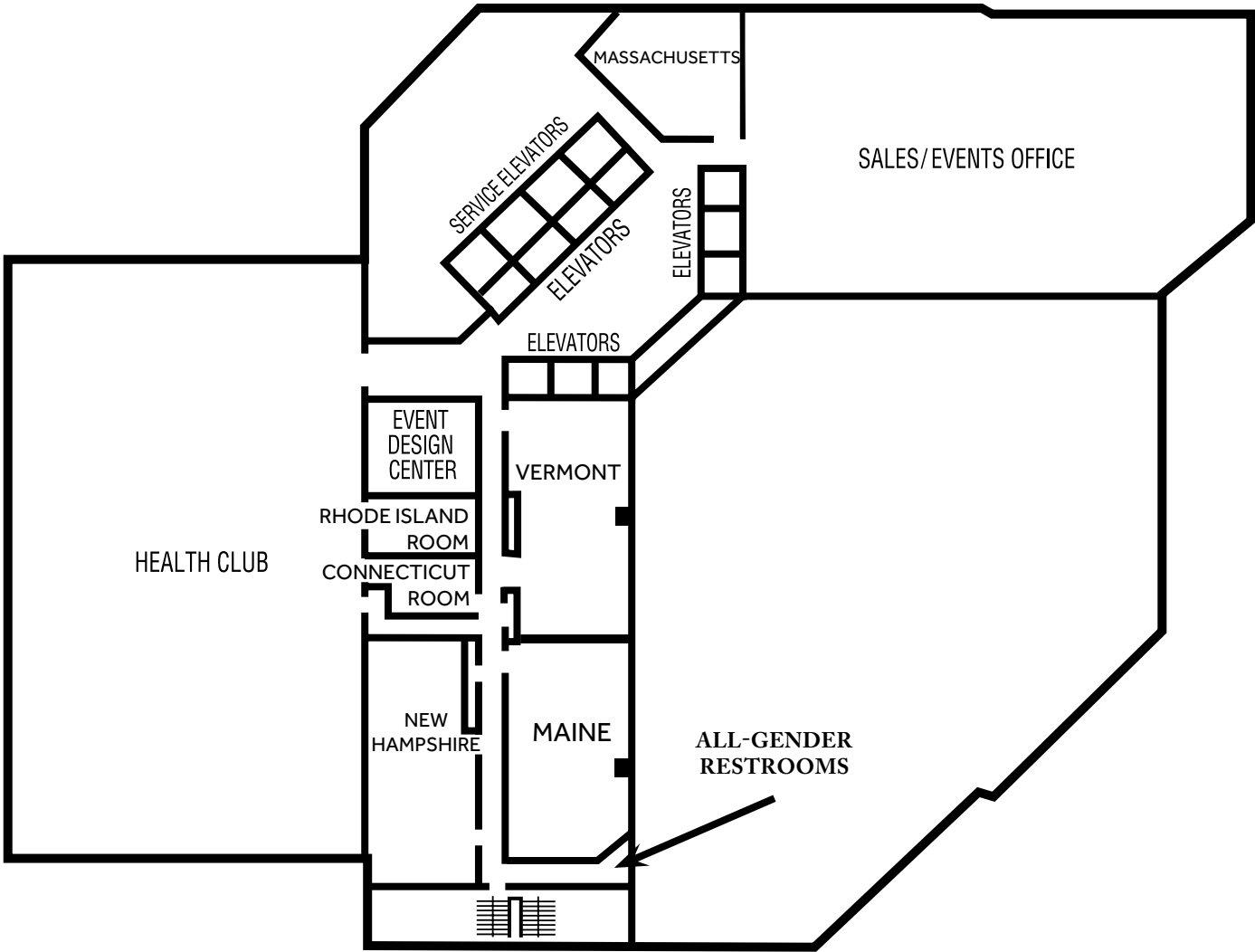


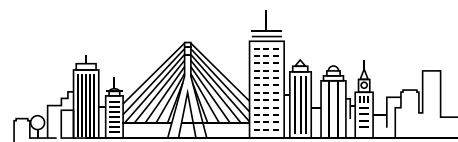
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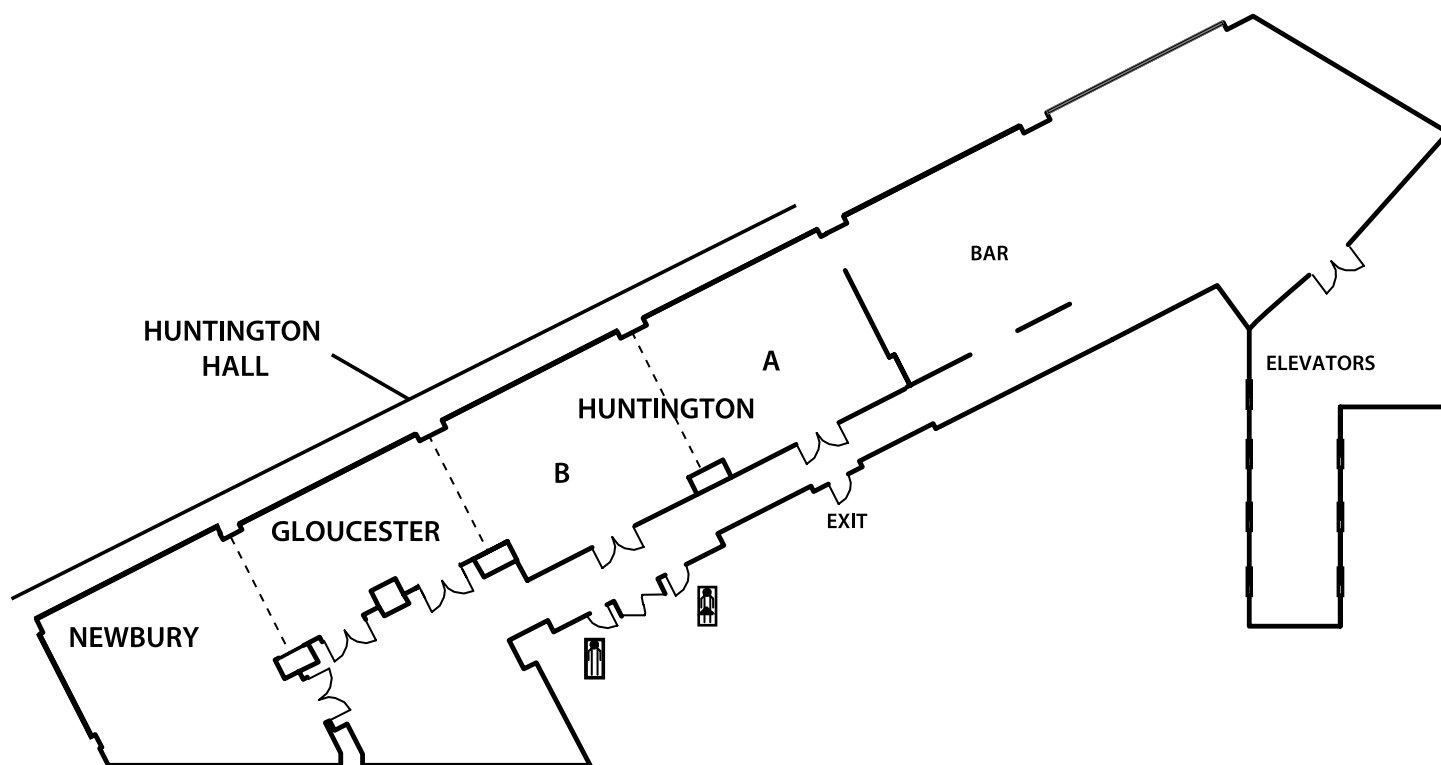
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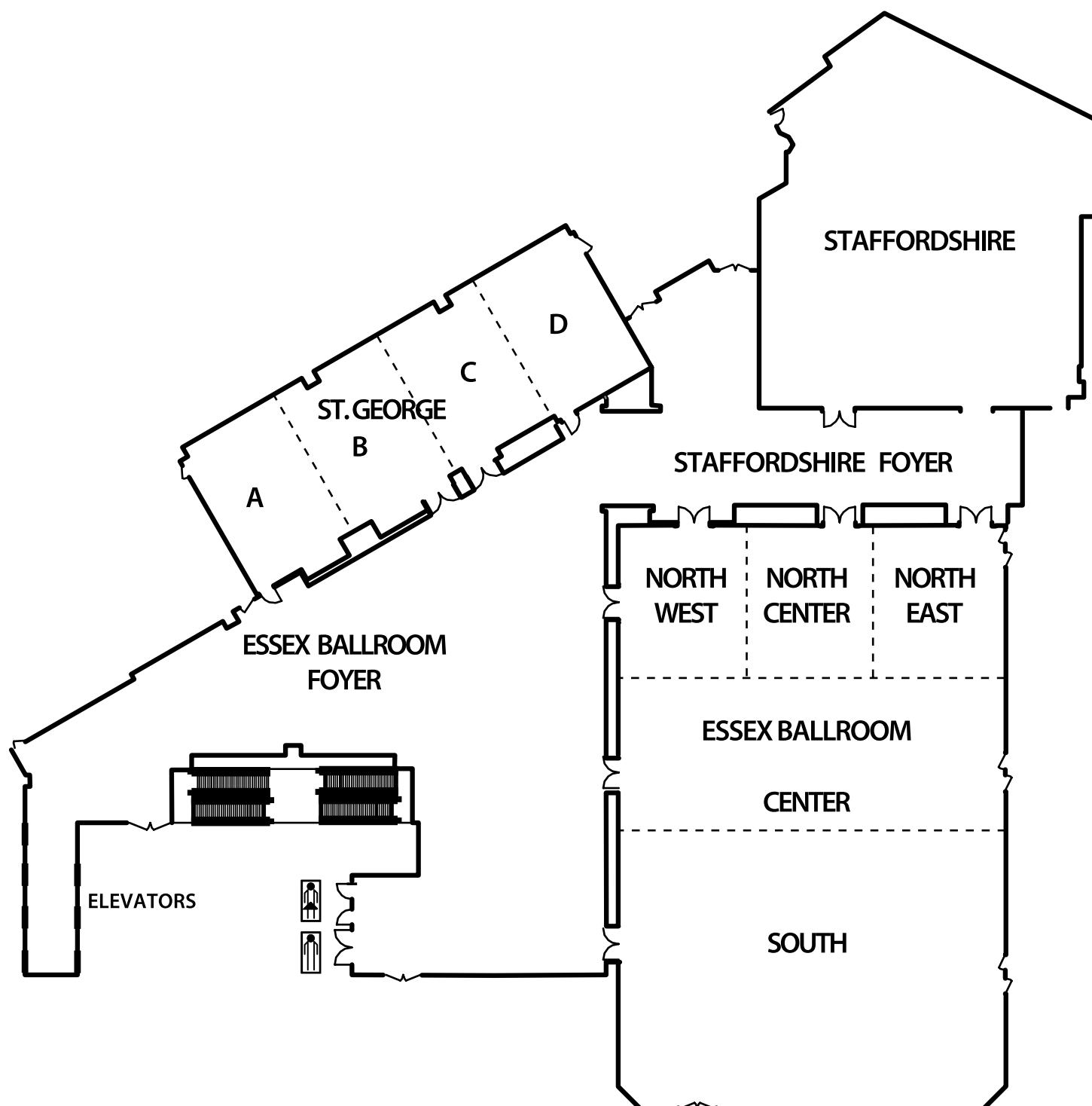


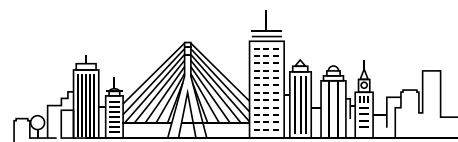
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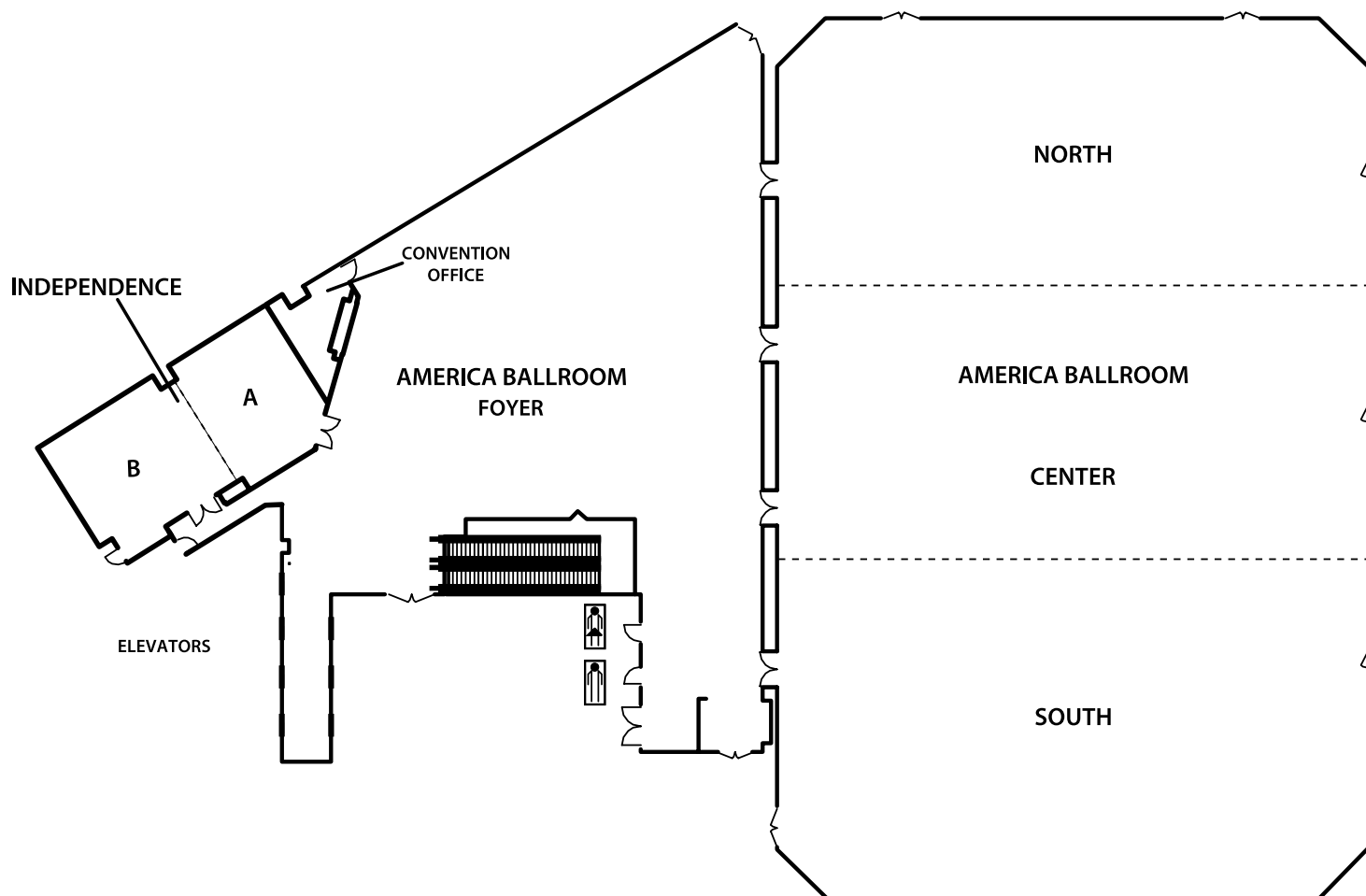
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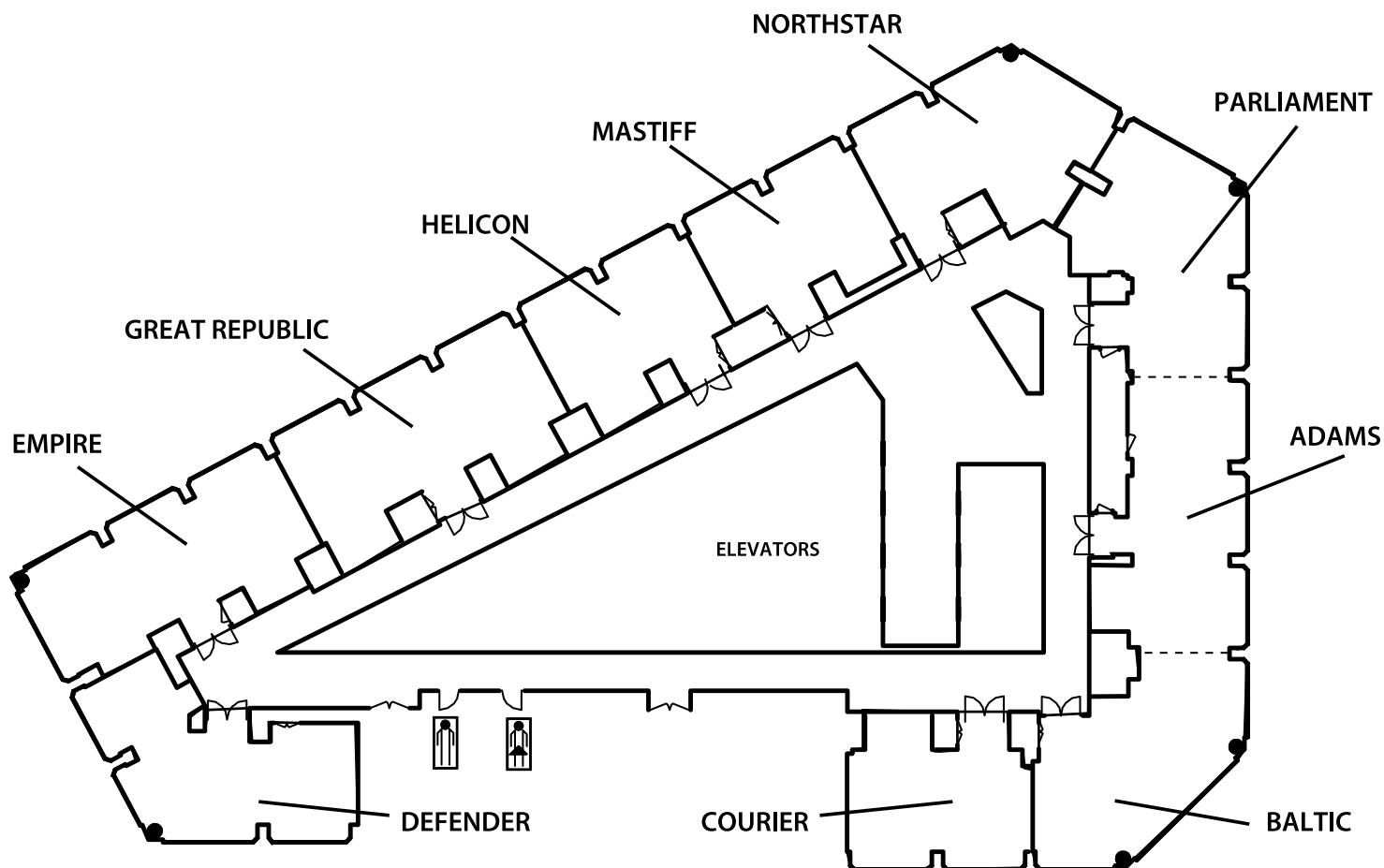


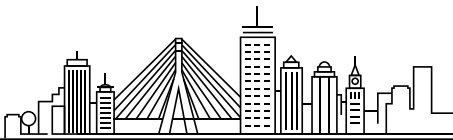
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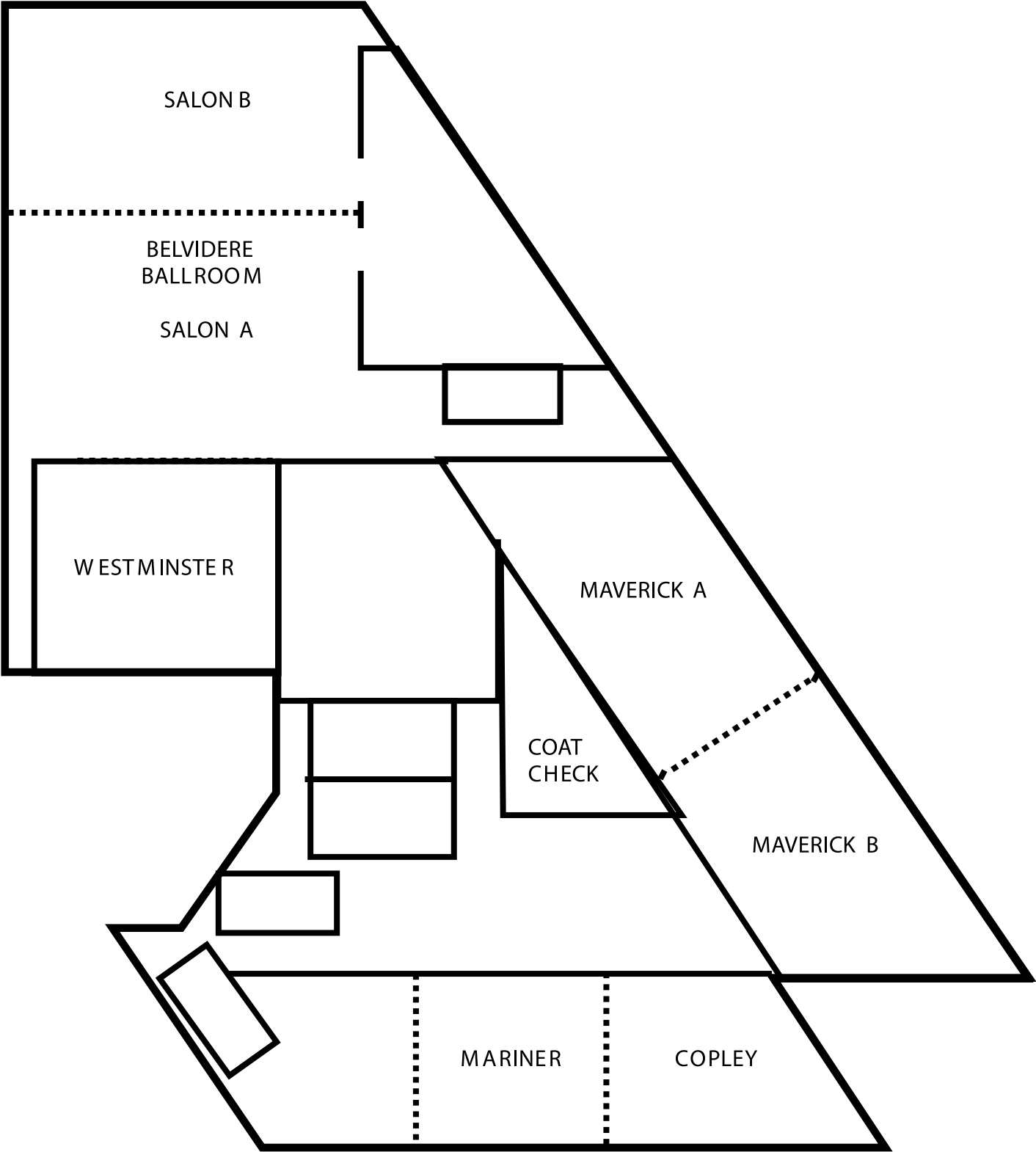
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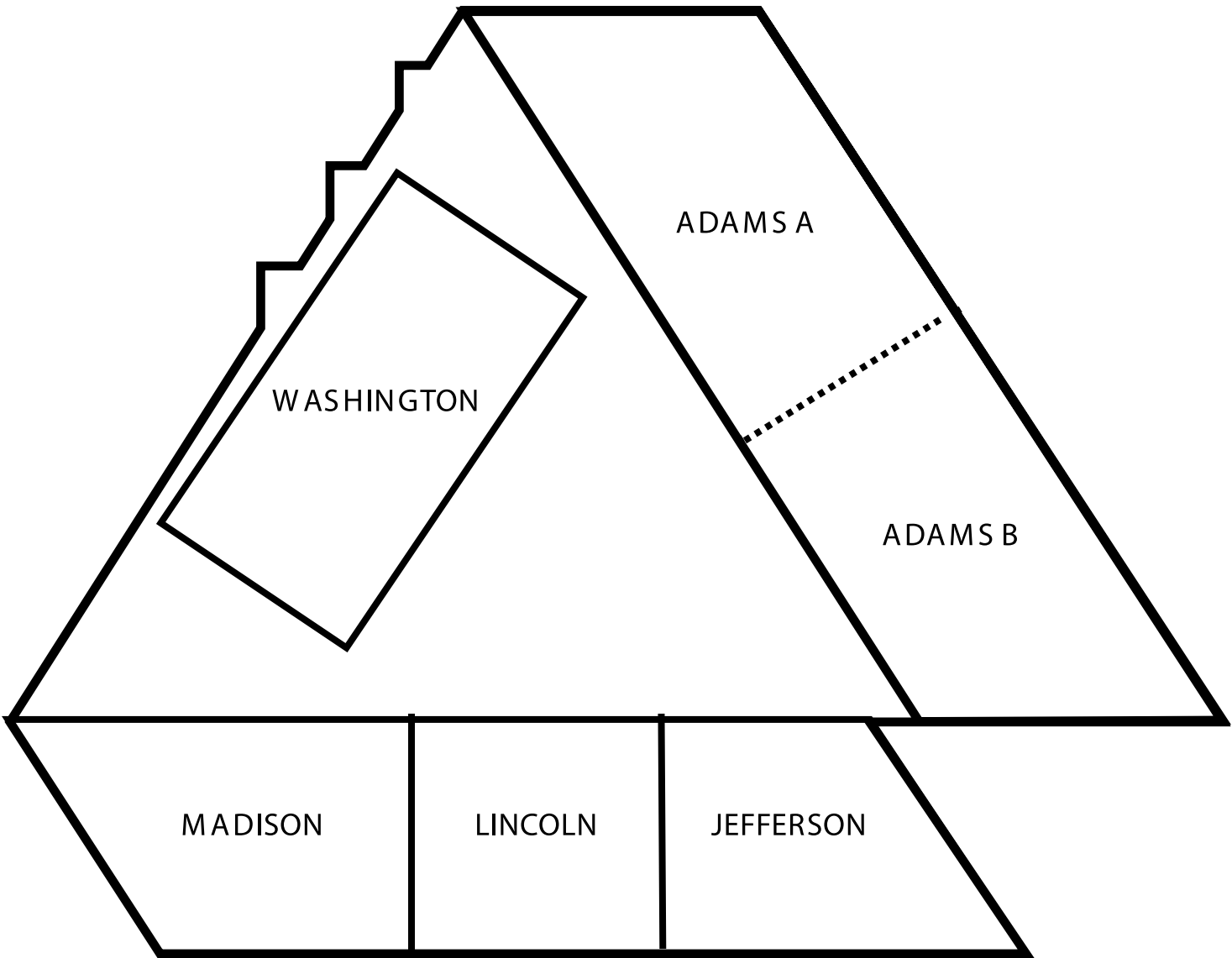


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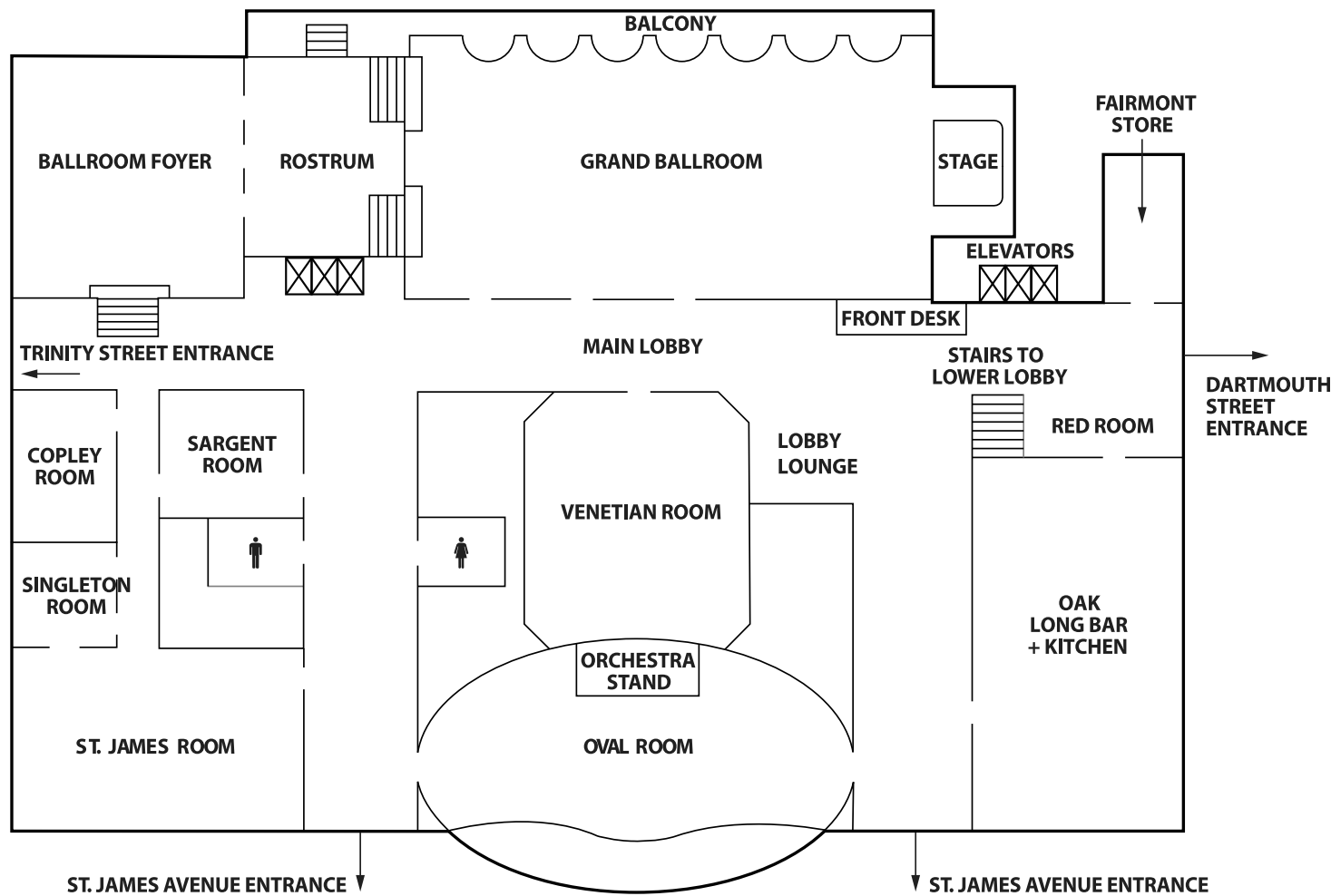
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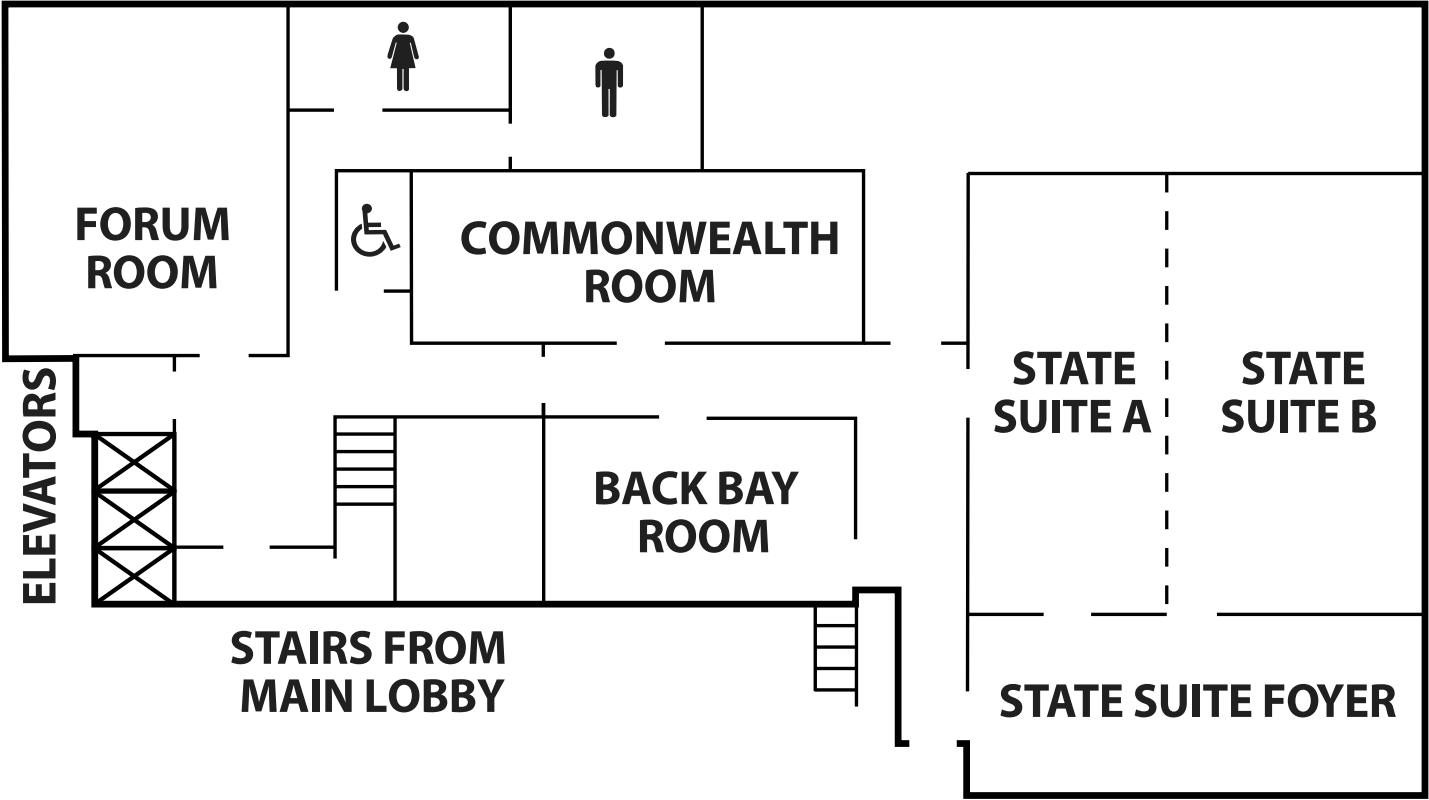


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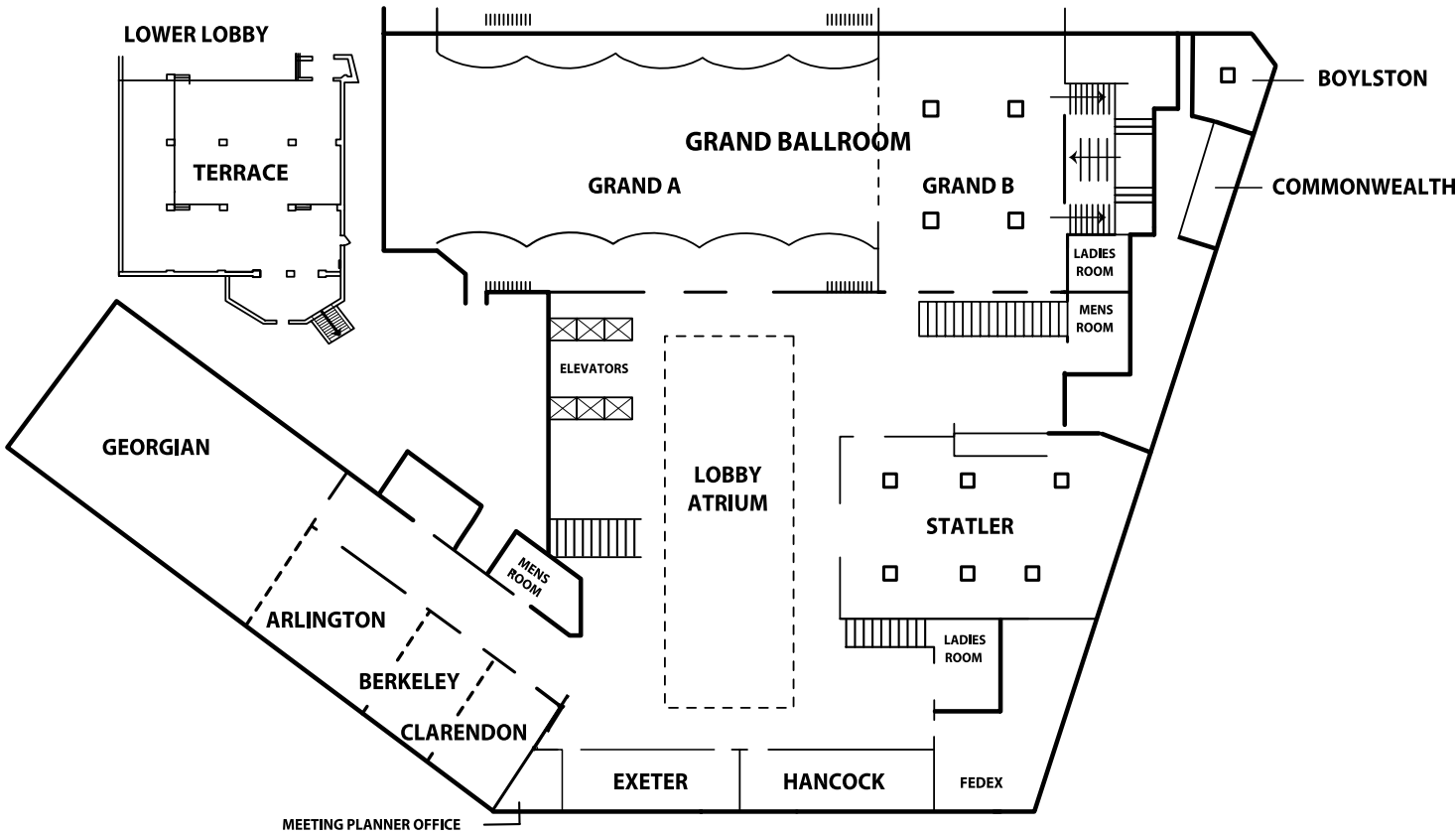
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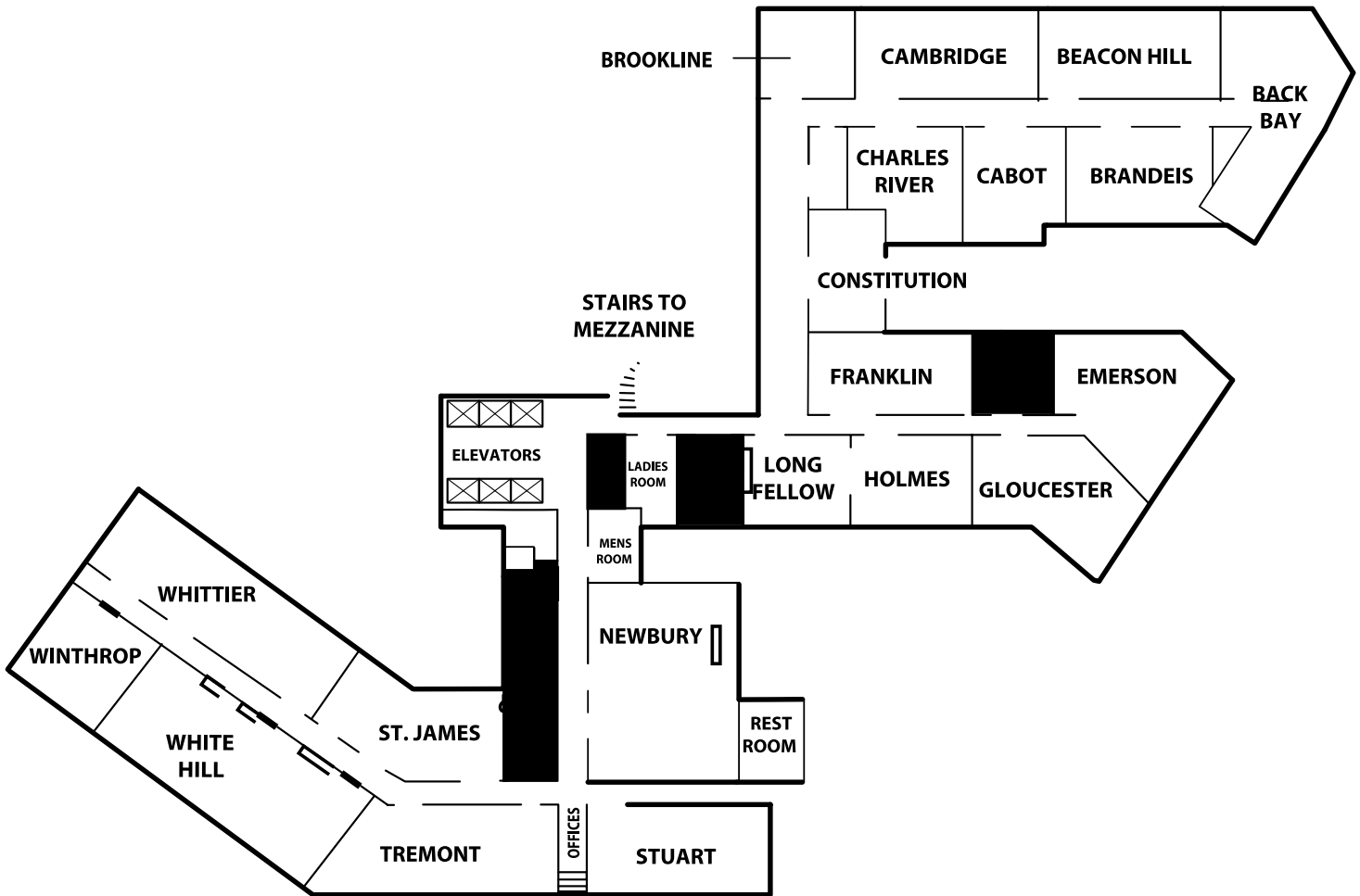


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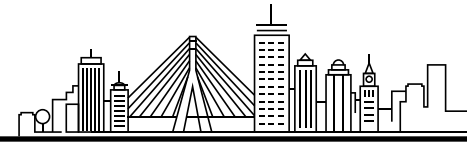
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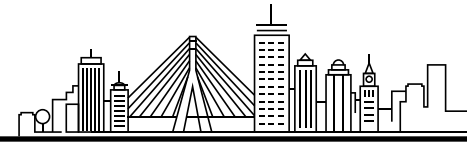
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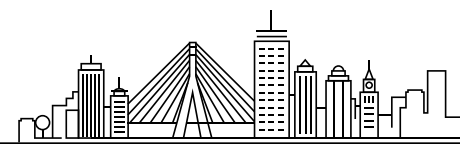
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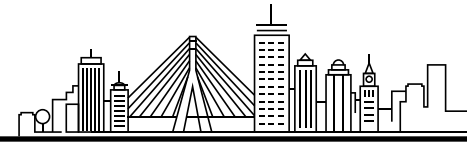
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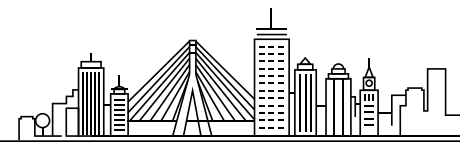
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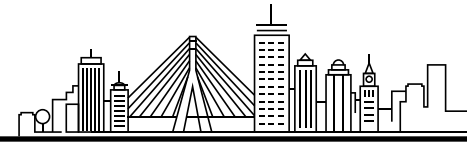
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Each year, from the Thursday after Memorial Day to the following Sunday, the Society convenes its annual meeting at a college or university campus. From 1996 to the present, the at-large region of the National Association of Baptist Professors of Religion has convened its annual meeting in conjunction with the College Theology Society's annual meeting. The College Theology Society also has a long history of scholarly publications. First, beginning in 1955, it has produced an annual volume based upon papers delivered at the annual meeting. Today the volume is composed of peer-reviewed essays and is published by Orbis Press. 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.

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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 (www.violenceandreligion.com), 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: www.uibk.ac.at/theol/cover/aboutcover/membership.html. The coordinator of COV&R at the AAR is Professor Martha Reineke, University of Northern Iowa (martha.reineke@uni.edu).

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, *Aries*, a related book series, and a Newsletter (normally appearing twice a year), and provides various resources on its website (www.esswe.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 research 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.

Hagiography Society

The Hagiography Society was founded in North America in 1990 to promote communication among scholars in the world traditions who study the lives of holy figures, the communities dedicated to those figures, and the textual and material evidence of their cults. We are committed to interdisciplinarity, critical scholarship, and a comparative global approach. For more information about our annual meeting and our other affiliations, as well as our book series, "Sanctity in Global Perspective," see www.hagiographysociety.org/.

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 distinctively 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. For further information about IARPT, please visit our website, www.iarpt.org. Its journal, *The American Journal of Theology and Philosophy*, publishes articles and reviews that make scholarly contributions to these areas of focus. Please see the journal website for further information, ajtp.press.illinois.edu/.

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*: www.equinoxpub.com/JCSR/. For more information about the IACSR, please visit: www.iacsr.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 traditions. 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 www.iasbs.org.

International Bonhoeffer Society-English Language Section

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

International Society for Chinese Philosophy

The International Society for Chinese Philosophy (ISCP) is a 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, aesthetical, and epistemological thinking and reflection in reference to the Chinese philosophical tradition and heritage, Chinese language, Chinese society, and Chinese civilization. The society organizes and sponsors conferences and conference panels on Chinese philosophy. Its official journal is the *Journal of Chinese Philosophy* (Blackwell Publishers, Inc.). ISCP also sponsors and 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 crc@ushmm.org for more information.

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 kbarth.org. Also visit the website (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 of Hispanic Scholars

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

Manchester Wesley Research Centre

The Manchester Wesley Research Centre promotes and supports research on the life and work of John and Charles Wesley, their contemporaries in the 18th century Evangelical Revival, their historical and theological antecedents, their successors in the Wesleyan traditions, and contemporary scholarship in the Wesleyan and Evangelical traditions. This includes areas such as theology, history, biblical studies, education, ethics, literature, mission, philosophy, pastoral studies, practical theology, social theology, and interdisciplinary studies. More information is available on the Centre's website (www.mwrc.ac.uk).

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 (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 XVIth 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 ethico-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, 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 sub-titled "Towards a Post-Critical Philosophy," and the Society invites all those who are interested in exploring postfoundational versions of epistemology, philosophy of religion, ethics, and theology to join with us. Polanyi's notions of tacit knowing, heuristic passion, and conviviality are among the many contributions he makes to this ongoing venture.

Psychology, Culture, and Religion

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

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 Baha'i, 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 www.sacpweb.org.

Society for Buddhist-Christian Studies

The Society for Buddhist-Christian Studies was founded in 1987 to provide an ongoing organization for those committed to study, reflection, interchange, and practice arising out of Buddhist-Christian encounters. The purposes of the Society are 1) To serve as a coordinating body supporting activities related to the comparative study of, and the practical interaction between, Buddhism and Christianity, by groups and individuals; 2) To encourage those who report on Buddhist-Christian dialogue and comparative study to employ analytical and theoretical tools and to set their discussion within the framework of our larger human history; 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 religion 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

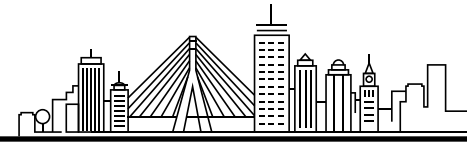
The Society for Hindu-Christian Studies was founded in November, 1994 as a logical extension to the dialogue and scholarship being carried on in the *Hindu-Christian Studies Bulletin* (now the *Journal of Hindu Christian Studies*), which first appeared in 1988 under its founding editor, Dr. Harold Coward. 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 PayPal via the link from our website (sites.harvard.edu/icb/icb.do?keyword=k7027&pageid=ich.page43815). 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 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 hosts 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 executive committee that includes members of all three organizations. Membership in 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 chughes@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@tcu.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 (*jides 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 of and meaning of contemporary Christian theology. Our website, 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 Speidell, 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.

William James Society

The William James Society (WJS) is a multidisciplinary professional society which supports the study of, and communication about, the life and work of William James (1842–1910) and his ongoing influence in the many fields to which he contributed. The William James Society was founded in 1999 by Randall Albright and quickly grew to include members from across the USA and around the world. In 2001, the Society ratified an organizational constitution, held its first annual meeting, and elected executive offices. For many years, WJS published the in-house newsletter and scholarly outlet *Streams of William James*. In 2006, the society shifted gears and began publishing the academic, peer reviewed, online journal *William James Studies*. Membership in the Society is open to anyone interested in issues related to the thought and character of William James, and joins you to a growing community of scholars and others with related academic interests.



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AAR *PLENARY SESSIONS*

Protecting the Vulnerable on Campus (A18-301)

Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Eddie S. Glaude, Princeton University, Presiding

Sponsored by the Academic Labor and Contingent Faculty Committee and Graduate Student Committee and Status of LGBTIQ Persons in the Profession Committee

For many of us who study or work in colleges and seminary campuses today it may be easy to ignore the vulnerable at our institutions. Yet the most vulnerable are often at risk or subject to discrimination and exploitation based on inequities of power, money, lack of social net, or means to voice their concerns about campus life and work. This panel will examine what needs attention and the strategies that vulnerable people and their allies can use to decrease vulnerability and increase solidarity. Special attention will be paid to the status of, and strategies being deployed by, the LGBT+ community, graduate students, people of color, low paid workers, and non-tenured faculty.

Cameron Partridge, St. Aidan's Episcopal Church,
San Francisco

"Although the Doors Were Shut": Cultivating Courageous Community at the Borders of the Academy

Prea Persaud, University of Florida

It Doesn't Always Feel Good: Redefining Notions of Inclusion and Moving beyond "Diversity"

James Keenan, Boston College

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Kerry Danner, Georgetown University

Just Employment: Solidarity among Campus Workers

Presidential Address — Eddie Glaude: Religion and the Most Vulnerable (A18-402)

Saturday, 7:00 PM–8:00 PM

David P. Gushee, Mercer University, Presiding



Eddie S. Glaude

Eddie S. Glaude Jr. is the William S. Tod Professor of Religion and African American Studies at Princeton University. He is chair of the Department of African American Studies, a program he first became involved with shaping as a doctoral candidate in Religion at Princeton. His books on religion and philosophy include *African American Religion: A Very Short Introduction*, *Democracy in Black: How Race Still Enslaves the American Soul*, *In a Shade of Blue: Pragmatism and the Politics of Black America*, and *Exodus! Religion, Race and Nation in Early 19th Century Black America*, which was awarded the Modern Language Association's William Sanders Scarborough Book Prize. Currently Glaude is at work on a book about James Baldwin, tentatively titled *James Baldwin's America, 1963–1972*.

Glaude left his home in Moss Point, Mississippi at age 16 to begin studies at the Morehouse College. He holds a master's degree in African American Studies from Temple University, and a Ph.D in Religion from Princeton University. He began his teaching career at Bowdoin College. He has been a visiting scholar at Amherst College and Harvard. In 2011 he delivered Harvard's Du Bois lectures.

Known to be a convener of conversations and debates, Glaude takes care to engage fellow citizens of all ages and backgrounds — from young activists, to fellow academics, journalists and commentators, and followers on Twitter in dialogue about the course of the nation. His scholarship and his sense of himself as a public intellectual are driven by a commitment to think carefully with others in public. Accordingly, his writing and ideas are cited and shared widely. Glaude has written for *The New York Times* and *The Huffington Post*. He is a columnist for *Time Magazine* and regularly provides commentary on radio and television news programs like *Democracy Now!*, *Morning Joe*, and *the 11th Hour*.

Prior to Dr. Glaude's address, a group of former AAR Presidents will present a tribute to Executive Director Jack Fitzmier, who will be retiring in 2018.

Panelist:

Eddie S. Glaude, Princeton University

Recolonizing the Academy Under a Trump Presidency (A19-304)

Sunday, 5:00 PM–6:30 PM

Munir Jiwa, Graduate Theological Union, Presiding

Sponsored by the Status of LGBTIQ Persons, Persons with Disabilities, Racial and Ethnic Minorities, and Women in the Profession Committees



Munir Jiwa

This panel will analyze the intensified colonization of academic spaces—both intellectual and physical—under the current presidency. How do we accurately map these changes and negotiate these spaces in an era of national “whitelash” from peripheral ideological and embodied spaces? How do we contend with the increasing marginalization and targeting of vulnerable populations? What strategies might scholars use to contribute to the ongoing process of decolonizing the academy? What are the potential ramifications of our non-action or complicity in this academic landscape?

Panelists:

Hatem Bazian, Zaytuna College and University of California, Berkeley

Jasmin Zine, Wilfrid Laurier University

Mel Chen, University of California, Berkeley

Shanell T. Smith, Hartford Seminary



Hatem Bazian



Jasmin Zine



Mel Chen



Shanell Smith



Forcibly Displaced Syrians and Iraqis: What to Know about the Crisis and What You as a Religion Scholar Can Do (A20-153)

Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Eddie S. Glaude, Princeton University, Presiding

The current situation involving forcibly displaced persons constitutes the largest humanitarian crisis since World War II. There are, for example, more than 6 million Syrian refugees and more than 3 million internally displaced Iraqis. The centerpiece of this session will be a video conversation with Syrian refugees and/or displaced Iraqis speaking live from an audio-visual studio at a displaced persons camp in Iraq or from a studio in Jordan or Germany. The AAR's aim in arranging this conversation is to provide a platform for them to voice their thoughts and concerns directly to us so that we are better informed in a way that helps us respond more effectively to the crisis.

From the Boston side, the conversation with them will be facilitated by Amir Hussain and Alice Su. Prior to the conversation, Sarah Tobin and Mark Juergensmeyer will provide background on Syria and Iraq and the religious dimensions of the crisis. After the conversation, Diane Moore will discuss ways scholars of religion can address the crisis, and the panelists will take questions from the audience.

Sarah Tobin is an anthropologist with expertise on Islam and gender in the Middle East. She spent two years conducting research with Syrian refugees in Jordanian camps and is the author of the forthcoming *Privatizing Resilience: Syrian Refugees in Jordan*. Mark Juergensmeyer is a sociologist who focuses on nationalism and global religious violence. He has interviewed, and blogged about, refugees in several camps in Iraq. Amir Hussain is a professor of theology who focuses on contemporary Islam in North America and is the author of the chapter "Toward a Muslim Theology of Migration" in *Theology of Migration in the Abrahamic Religions*. Alice Su is an independent journalist who won the 2014 UN Correspondents Association Award and a grant from the Pulitzer Center for her newswriting on refugees in Jordan and Tunisia. Diane Moore is Director of the Religious Literacy Project; Lecturer on Religion, Conflict, and Peace; and principal investigator for the Religious Literacy and Humanitarian Action Research Project at Harvard Divinity School.

Panelists:

Sarah Tobin, Christian Michelsen Institute,
Bergen, Norway

Mark Juergensmeyer, University of California,
Santa Barbara

Amir Hussain, Loyola Marymount University

Alice Su, Pulitzer Center on Crisis Reporting

Diane L. Moore, Harvard University

Linda Sarsour (A20-147)

Monday, 11:45 AM–12:45 PM

Eddie S. Glaude, Princeton University, Presiding



Linda Sarsour

Linda Sarsour is a working woman, racial justice and civil rights activist, and mother of three. Ambitious, outspoken and independent, Linda shatters stereotypes of Muslim women while also treasuring her religious and ethnic heritage. She is a Palestinian Muslim American and a self-proclaimed "pure New Yorker, born and raised in Brooklyn!" She is the Executive Director of the Arab American Association of New York and co-founder of the first Muslim online organizing platform, MPOWER Change. Linda has been at the forefront of major civil rights campaigns including calling for an end to unwarranted surveillance of New York's Muslim communities and ending police policies like stop and frisk. In wake of the police murder of Mike Brown, she co-founded Muslims for Ferguson to build solidarity amongst American Muslim communities and encourage work against police brutality. She is a member of the Justice League NYC, a leading NYC force of activists, formerly incarcerated individuals, and artists working to reform the New York Police Department and the criminal justice system.

Linda co-chaired the March2Justice, a 250-mile journey on foot to deliver a justice package to end racial profiling, demilitarize police and demand the government invest in young people and communities. Linda Sarsour was instrumental in the Coalition for Muslim School Holidays to push New York City to incorporate 2 Muslim high holy holidays in to the NYC Public school calendar. This year, New York City will be the largest school system in the country to officially recognize these holidays. This year, Linda joined leading social justice faith leaders as a Senior Fellow at Auburn Seminary.

She has received numerous awards and honors including "Champion of Change" by the White House, YWCA USA's Women of Distinction Award for Advocacy and Civic Engagement and the Hala Maksoud Leadership Award from the American Arab Anti-Discrimination Committee. Sarsour was named among 500 of the most influential Muslims in the world. Most recently, Linda was profiled on the front page of the *New York Times* Metro Section and dubbed "Brooklyn Homegirl in a Hijab" and introduced Linda to their readership as "Mixing street smarts, activism and her Muslim identity, Linda Sarsour has become a political force". She has written for and has been featured in local, national, and international media discussing impact of domestic policies that target Arab and Muslim American communities, criminal justice issues and Middle East affairs. Linda is well respected amongst diverse communities in both in New York City and nationally. She is most known for her intersectional coalition work and building bridges across issues, racial, ethnic and faith communities.

Panelists:

Linda Sarsour, MPower Change

Anti-Islamophobia

Equipping Scholars of Religion to Understand and Challenge Anti-Muslim Bigotry (A17-102)

Friday, November 17, 8:00 AM–5:30 PM

Hilton Boston Back Bay-Jefferson (3rd Level)

Anti-Muslim bigotry and racism have risen to epidemic proportions in the United States. The AAR recognizes the importance of equipping a broader array of religion scholars, particularly but not exclusively those with little expertise in Islam, with knowledge, tools, and strategies to challenge anti-Muslim prejudice in the public square. Advance registration is required.

Among the topics addressed in the workshop:

- ✎ What political and cultural factors, practices and policies drive anti-Muslim bigotry in the United States?
- ✎ How does Islamophobia intersect with racism and with other forms of religious bigotry?
- ✎ Who are the casualties of Islamophobia?
- ✎ What are the tropes and tactics employed by the professional Islamophobia Industry, and how does knowledge of these shape strategies to counter the rhetoric?
- ✎ How can we use our scholarly training in religion, irrespective of specialization, to unpack Islamophobic discourse? What knowledge of Islam, if any, is required?
- ✎ What are the risks involved in speaking out against Islamophobia, and how can we best protect ourselves from harassment?

Because seating may be limited, it is recommended that you register by July 30. The cost of registration is \$40.

Theological Education

Resisting Injustice in the Age of Trump (A17-105)

Friday, November 17, 9:00 AM–3:00 PM

Hynes Convention Center-312 (3rd Level)

This workshop is designed to advance the work initiated in Miguel de la Torre, ed. *Faith and Resistance in the Age of Trump* (Orbis, 2017) where a diverse group of scholars reflect on a wide range of issues pertaining to how individual scholar/teachers of religion and religious communities of various types think about and engage in praxes of resistance to many of the false assumptions and unjust policies of the Trump administration. It is intended to provide participants with an opportunity to engage with one another and brainstorm about strategies of resistance in a variety of different spheres of their work, including research and writing, classroom and online teaching, use of social media, broader civic education and advocacy, and community organizing for social justice.

The structure of the workshop will be arranged around a series of units focusing on such relevant themes as the environment, gender and sexuality, economics, and race and ethnicity. Each unit will offer participants relatively brief input from a featured presenter or presenters, followed by more extensive time for facilitated small and large group discussion.

In addition to providing a forum for timely and potentially transformative professional exchange, the overall goal of the workshop will be to identify a series of “best practices” which will, in turn, be shared with the attendees of the Special Topics Forum of the Theological Education Committee and eventually be published for even wider consumption in the Spring 2018 edition of “Spotlight on Theological Education” of *Religious Studies News*.

To this end, workshop participants are strongly encouraged to bring with them a list of related practices of resistance in which either they or their institution is currently engaged.

The cost for attending the workshop is \$40, which includes a coffee break and the entire day of sessions. Registration is limited to the first 70 participants.

Comparative Hagiology

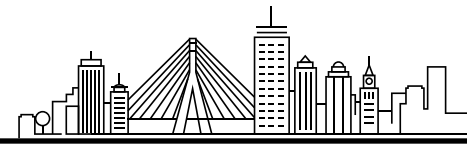
Cross-cultural Approaches to Religious Life Writings (A17-106)

Friday, November 17, 9:00 AM–4:00 PM

Hynes Convention Center-205 (2nd Level)

This workshop is to serve as foundation for the development of a collaborative project on the cross-cultural comparative study of hagiographical sources. Thus, at one level, the workshop seeks to pioneer large-scale collaboration as a research model for the humanities (a field that rests heavily on individual work or, at most, two scholars co-authorship or edited volumes). At another level, the workshops will also engage the participating scholars in (1) the definition of a theoretical framework for the comparative and cross-cultural study of religious life writings beyond the confines of its historically original Christian domain, and (2) the identification of underlying dynamics for the creation and promotion of hagiographic narratives across cultural boundaries.

The cost for attending the workshop is \$25, which includes a coffee break and the entire day of sessions. Registration is limited to the first 30 participants.



THATCamp

The Humanities and Technology Camp (A17-107)

Friday, November 17, 9:00 AM–5:00 PM

Hynes Convention Center-208 (2nd Level)

The advent of digital technology and social media has not only transformed how today religious communities function, they have also changed how scholars teach about and conduct research on religion more broadly. If you are interested in how technology is changing—or can change—the work of scholars of religion, then we invite you to attend the THATCamp AAR & SBL unconference taking place the day before the AAR & SBL conferences begins. THATCamp brings together scholars to explore the role of technology in humanities scholarship. This is not a conference for techno-elites, it is a conference for every one of all skill levels. If you are new to digital humanities, come and learn. If you are a seasoned pro, come and share. We look forward to seeing you there!

The cost for attending the unconference is \$15, which includes the entire day of sessions and a coffee break. Registration is limited to the first 100 participants. You can find more information at www.THATCampAARSBL.org, where you can review session proposals submitted by your peers prior to the event and join us for conversation about technology and digital scholarship, including the opportunity for you to present your own proposals for sessions. We look forward to seeing you in Boston!

Religion and Media

Between Fake News and Natural Media (A17-109)

Friday, November 17, 11:00 AM–6:00 PM

Hynes Convention Center-302 (3rd Level)

The Religion and Media Workshop is a day-long seminar designed to foster collaborative conversation at the cutting edge of the study of religion, media, and culture. This year's workshop will explore how to respond to the changing relations between religion and media due to changing assumptions regarding the 'fake' and the 'natural/real.'

A core assumption for many has been that journalism is the bedrock of democracy.

- ❧ If so, what then happens in a time of fake news?
What is the relation of alternative facts to religion?
Is willingness to believe fake news a new form that religion is taking in this new media environment?
Or is fake news simply a new twist on old problems, including propaganda and ideology?

- ❧ Second, what happens when media cease to be articulated against the natural, so that we relate to 'nature' and 'media' as environments which we do not frame as mediated? How can we develop practices of seeing nature as a fertile source of meaning that mediates the human and the technological? What do we need to help us think the links between diffuse technological infrastructures, specific media platforms, and the 'natural' conditions of life in the Anthropocene?

The workshop will not be structured as traditional paper sessions, but rather as a workshop. Three to five readings will be circulated to participants before the event. Because of the nature of this year's workshop, it is essential that all participants commit to doing the readings ahead of time and prepare to participate in seminar-style conversation.

The cost for attending the workshop is \$75, which includes lunch and the entire day of sessions. Registration is limited to the first 70 participants.

Brand You

Creating Your Own Brand for Academic Survival (A17-201)

Friday, November 17, 1:00 PM–4:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center-108 (Plaza Level)

The academic marketplace has changed dramatically. With the influx of on-line education, social media, and more disciplines, subcategories, and institutions than ever—in order to be successful, the academic scholar has to be intentional about branding him/herself. The new identity in the global marketplace is branded identity. Branding is no longer limited to just commercial products. With the over-saturated media world, branding starts from the photo on your department website, your CV, and even the titles and course descriptions on your syllabi. Knowing how to create your own brand can be beneficial for senior and junior faculty, as well as the first year graduate student. How you tell your story and describe yourself and your work can determine whether you get published or considered for a tenure track position. More importantly, in the academic global marketplace if you do not brand yourself, others will do it for you with or without your permission.

A few workshop scholarships are available for graduate students and independent scholars. Please forward a statement of 50 words or less why you would like a scholarship to Paula McGee at pmcgee@memphisseminary.edu prior to registering.

The cost for attending the workshop is \$45, which includes a coffee break and the entire afternoon of sessions. Registration is limited to the first 60 participants.

Ethnography and Theology

The Use of Ethnography for Theological Research (A17-202)

Friday, November 17, 1:00 PM–5:00 PM
Hynes Convention Center-313 (3rd Level)

This workshop is for theologians and ethicists currently using ethnography in their research. At least half of our time will be spent in small groups (maximum four people) to workshop participants' projects with an experienced group leader. Following each period of small group conversation, participants will generate questions/issues that a panel consisting of a junior and senior scholar in the field will debate in plenary discussion. In the past, our workshops have focused on the intersection of social sciences and theology; this year's asks questions about the use of ethnography for theology/ethics from a distinctly theological perspective. This particular workshop is open both to people who have attended our workshops before and those who have not.

The cost for attending the workshop is \$35, which includes a coffee break and the entire afternoon of sessions. Registration is limited to the first 40 participants.

Leadership

Digital Media and Communications (A17-203)

Friday, November 17, 1:00 PM–5:00 PM
Hynes Convention Center-309 (3rd Level)

Featured ever more prominently in the religion chair's job description and day-to-day agenda is the necessity to "market" the department to a diverse audience of prospective students, community members, and peers. Yet the expertise required to develop and maintain websites, create promotional materials, and use social media to the department's advantage, is rarely the preserve of academics serving as short-term administrators. Often, institutional support for an individual department's communication efforts is in short supply. This Leadership Workshop will be led by a web design and communications expert from a college of arts and sciences in a major public university; commentary and responses will be offered by select faculty from a diverse array of institutions. The workshop will provide practical tools and tips to improve digital media and communications skills for those charged with promoting the academic study of religion in their academic units. It will also produce a "Top 10 Tips for Department of Religious Studies Marketing and Communication" to be made available as an online resource for members of the AAR.

The cost for attending the workshop is \$55, which includes a coffee break and the entire afternoon of sessions. Registration is limited to the first 50 participants.

Teaching Religion and Disabilities Studies

Engaging Curriculum and Pedagogy with Intersectionality and Communities (A17-204)

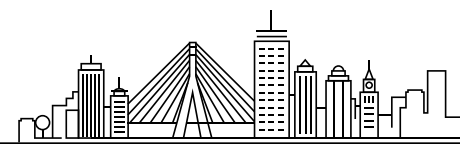
Friday, November 17, 1:00 PM–5:00 PM
Hynes Convention Center-102 (Plaza Level)

In this interactive workshop, we will explore curriculum resources and teaching methods that incorporate disability studies as a component intersectional human identity in relation to various fields of theological and religious studies. This workshop will also discuss and develop strategies for how this incorporation of disability studies in the classroom offers opportunities for community engagement based learning with communities of faith and non-religious communities beyond the boundaries of a traditional classroom. Anyone interested in exploring ways to incorporate disability studies into their curricula is welcome; previous experience teaching disability studies is not necessary for participation in the workshop.

Goals of the workshop include:

- ✎ Developing skills to discover new curriculum content for including disability studies in a wide variety of courses
- ✎ Considering how to incorporate disability studies content to your courses in a manner that takes advantage of intersectional identity in relation to other historically marginalized populations
- ✎ Pedagogical insights for extending the classroom experience to communities beyond the classroom
- ✎ Planning for community engaged learning that connects disability studies, theology, and religion in with lived experiences
- ✎ Networking with colleagues to share resources and experiences

The cost of the workshop is \$35, which includes the entire afternoon of sessions and a coffee break. Registration is limited to the first 30 participants.



The Public Scholars Project

Practical Skills for the Public Scholar (A17-207)

Friday, November 17, 2:00 PM–5:00 PM

Sheraton Boston-Back Bay D (2nd Level)

Co-sponsored by the AAR Committee on the Public Understanding of Religion and the Newseum Institute Religious Freedom Center

In this extraordinary time of political and social unrest, scholars of religion are frequently called upon — or feel compelled — to share their knowledge and perspective with those outside the academy. In this role as public scholars, they may speak with journalists, write for a broad audience, engage with policymakers or elected officials, meet with religious communities or local schools, or more. At this workshop, participants will work with professionals from government, the media, advocacy groups and others in a series of case studies, simulations and conversations designed to hone the practical skills of the public scholar.

In this three-hour workshop, participants will be given the opportunity to participate in two practically focused sessions of 80 minutes each, following a short introductory session. A range of professionals have been invited to facilitate 5 sessions.

When you sign up for the workshop, please email Steve Herrick (sherrick@aarweb.org) to indicate your preferences for sessions (label them 1–5, with 1 for the most preferred). There are 10 spaces per session and each session will run twice during the afternoon.

The cost of the workshop is \$40, which includes the entire afternoon of sessions. Registration is limited to the first 50 participants.

Religion and Ecology

Integrating Ecology and Justice (A17-208)

Friday, November 17, 2:30 PM–5:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center-311 (3rd Level)

The call to bring together concerns for environmental degradation and the attendant human suffering has been growing over many years. This came to even fuller expression with Pope Francis' encyclical, *Laudato Si: On Care for Our Common Home* (Our Sunday Visitor, 2015). There he called for an “integral ecology” bringing together people and the planet. This workshop will highlight some key issues of integral ecology such as water, air, soil, food, as well as the role of women and building sustainable communities. Environmental justice issues will be explored through the lens of both principles and practice. Contemporary North American movements, such as Standing Rock and Black Lives Matter, will be discussed along with analogous movements in Asia and Latin America.

The cost of the workshop is \$30, which includes the entire afternoon of sessions and a coffee break. Registration is limited to the first 100 participants.

Teaching Hinduism

Teaching Tales: Narrative and Pedagogy in the Hindu Classroom (A17-209)

Friday, November 17, 3:30 PM–6:00 PM

Hynes Convention Center-207 (2nd Level)

Milton Singer remarks that the very tissues of Hindu culture are comprised of purāṇic themes (1972). This insight applies to pervasive Hindu narratives as a whole, whether originating in Vedic or modern times. This Roundtable probes the utility of teaching Hinduism through use of narrative works, ranging from stories within Upaniṣadic literature, to epic and purāṇic narratives, to the continued legacy of 17th century hagiographies expressed through Marathi novel, drama, and film, to the array of modern novels, comics and graphic novels. Narrative encodes ideology. As such, it is by discussing and decoding uniquely Hindu tales that we encounter the multitude of values, concerns, conundrums and tensions comprising the ever-unfolding tradition we call Hinduism. While emphasizing “teaching through tales,” this pedagogical Roundtable also touches on our own “tales about teaching”, i.e., anecdotes pertaining to the efficacy of implementing specific strategies in the college classroom.

The cost of the workshop is \$35, which includes the entire afternoon of sessions and a coffee break. Registration is limited to the first 50 participants.

Workshop Reservation Form

No.	Workshop	Friday, November 17	Cost
_____	Anti-Islamophobia <i>Equipping Scholars of Religion to Understand and Challenge Anti-Muslim Bigotry</i>	8:00 AM–5:00 PM	\$40
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_____	Comparative Hagiology <i>Cross-cultural Approaches to Religious Life Writings</i>	9:00 AM–4:00 PM	\$25
_____	THATCamp <i>The Humanities and Technology Camp</i>	9:00 AM–5:00 PM	\$15
_____	Religion and Media <i>Between Fake News and Natural Media</i>	11:00 AM–6:00 PM	\$75
_____	Brand You <i>Creating Your Own Brand for Academic Survival</i>	1:00 PM–4:30 PM	\$45
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PROGRAM UNIT PROPOSALS



The Program Committee welcomes proposals for new program units, especially proposals that address: 1) areas of pent-up demand, and 2) new and emerging fields.

How Do New Program Units Get Started?

Program units typically grow out of a community of scholars looking to establish a wider and more public forum than is available through private meetings and conversations. Although it is not necessary that a new program unit exhibit a broad constituency in its original proposal, the proposal must demonstrate sufficient interest to warrant program unit status.

Is a New Program Unit the Best Option?

Before undertaking the process of establishing a new program unit, members should ask whether existing program units are capable of including the conversations that this new unit is designed to engender. Often, members can save a great deal of time and disappointment by attending a program unit's business meeting and asking the unit to include specific topics in the next Call for Papers. This is encouraged because program units reach their full potential when there is a continual influx of new ideas and themes. If, however, there is no place where your work currently fits, or if the questions you want to raise warrant an independent place on the program, then the following procedures should assist you in establishing a new program unit.

Which Type of Program Unit to Propose?

☞ **UNITS** are established to encourage the exploration of an 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. Less restricted in participation than Seminars, Units are expected to experiment with the format of sessions at the Annual Meeting.

All proposals for new Units 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 1, 2018**. Notification of program acceptance will be announced by April 1, 2018. Exploratory sessions that are accepted onto the program are then invited to submit an application for new unit status at <https://aar.wufoo.com/forms/new-unit-proposal-form/> by **December 7, 2018**. 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 aar.wufoo.com/forms/new-seminar-proposal-form/ by **December 8, 2017**. 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
- ☞ 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 Unit 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.

The Program Committee's freedom to approve new program units is curtailed by the exigencies of time and space. Short of a major revision of the meeting's time, place, and length, the Program Committee reviews more good ideas than can be accommodated. The committee is rigorous—indeed parsimonious—in its approvals.

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 information or additional questions, see www.aarweb.org/annual-meeting/proposing-new-program-unit.

For additional questions, please attend the session on *How to Propose a New Program Unit* (A19-302) on Sunday, 5:00 PM–6:30 PM in Hynes Convention Center-301 (3rd Level).

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Ravishing Far/Near: Sheila Gallagher's Art and the Mute Magic of Things (A19-404)

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A Review of *Celestial Masters: History and Ritual in Early Daoist Communities* (Harvard University Press, 2016) (A18-109)
Author Meets Critics: The Relevance of Lee Edelman's Work for the Study of Religion, Theology, and Sacred Texts (A18-121)
Authors Meet Critics: David A. Palmer and Elijah Siegler, *Dream Trippers: Global Daoism and the Predicament of Modern Spirituality* (University of Chicago Press, 2017) (A18-202)
Friedrich Schleiermacher's *Christian Faith: Doctrinal Analyses in Celebration of the First English-Language Critical Edition* (Westminster John Knox, 2016) (A18-206)
Author Meets Critics: Richard B. Miller's *Friends and Other Strangers* (Columbia University Press, 2016) (A18-210)
Resurrecting Wounds: Living in the Afterlife of Trauma (Baylor University Press, 2017): A Book Review Panel on Shelly Rambo's New Work (A18-229)
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Clear Serenity, Quiet Insight (University of Hawai'i Press, 2017): Reflecting on Zhiyi's Masterwork and Paul Swanson's English Translation (A19-210)
Tantrification of Gods and Deities in Medieval Japan: Bernard Faure's *Gods of Medieval Japan* (University of Hawai'i Press, 2015) (A19-220)
Author Meets Critics: A Discussion of Ashon Crawley's *Black Pentecostal Breath: The Aesthetics of Possibility* (Fordham University Press, 2016) (A19-225)
Author Meets Critics: A Conversation about Finbarr Curtis's *The Production of American Religious Freedom* (New York University Press, 2016) (A19-227)
Teaching Interreligious Encounters (Oxford University Press, 2017) (A19-252)
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Author Meets Critics: *The Myth of Disenchantment: Magic, Modernity, and the Birth of the Human Sciences* (University of Chicago Press, 2017) (A19-311)
A Spectrum of Faith: Religions of the World in the Heartland of America (Drake University Press, 2017) (A19-314)
Taking On Practical Theology: A Book Panel Based on Courtney Goto's Challenge to the Field (A19-318)
Book Panel: *Tillich and the Abyss: Foundations, Feminism, and Theology of Praxis* (Palgrave, 2016) by Sigridur Gudmarsdottir (A19-325)
Book Panel: Robert Erlewine's *Judaism and the West* (Indiana University Press, 2016) (A20-138)
Author Meets Critics: Tisa Wenger, *Religious Freedom: The Contested History of an American Ideal* (University of North Carolina Press, 2017) (A20-122)
Author Meets Critics: Laurel Thatcher Ulrich, *A House Full of Females: Plural Marriage and Women's Rights in Early Mormonism, 1835-1870* (Knopf, 2017) (A20-219)
Ted Vial's *Modern Religion, Modern Race* (Oxford University Press, 2016) (A20-220)
Critique and Religious Studies: Assessing the Import of the *Dialectic of Enlightenment* after 70 Years (A20-310)
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 Religion, Diaspora, and the Homeland: Theorizing the Religious in Diaspora and the Diasporic in Religion (A20-142)
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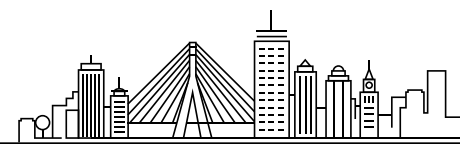
Let The Mystery Be: Screening of the Finale of the HBO TV Show *The Leftovers* and Discussion with Religious Scholar Consultant and Producer of the Show, Reza Aslan (A19-405)
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Women's Caucus Business Meeting (A20-150)

FULL PAPERS POSTED TO AAR WEBSITE

The presenters in the following sessions have agreed to post their papers on the AAR website prior to the Annual Meeting and devote the majority of their session time to discussion, rather than the reading of papers. These papers will be posted on a secure page on the AAR website that is available to AAR members only and is inaccessible to search engines. Papers will be removed after the Annual Meeting. If you are interested in attending any of these sessions, please check the AAR website at www.aarweb.org/aar-full-paper-submission-program after November 1 to view the papers and come to Boston having read them and prepared to discuss.

Research Methodologies in the Study of Gender, Women, and Islam (A18-115)

State of the Field: Past, Present, and Future of the Studies of Religions, Medicines, and Healing (A18-129)

Islamic Books in Manuscript, a Material Analysis (A18-137)

Theory and Method in the Study of Transnational Religious Expression (A18-140)

New Materialism, Religion, and Planetary Thinking Seminar (A18-238)

Race, Gender, Class, and US Empire in the Production of Religion (A18-239)

Millennials from Festivals to Fandoms and the Emerging Church: National and Regional Snapshots (A18-332)

Navarātri and the Production and Performance of Socio-Political Structures (A18-333)

The Religious Varieties of Westward Expansion (A20-131)

Ted Vial's *Modern Religion, Modern Race* (Oxford University Press, 2016) (A20-220)

New Perspectives on Power, Politics, and Religion in the Contemporary Philippines (A20-238)

American Transcendentalism as Theological Resource for the Anthropocene (A20-320)

Religion and Families in North America (A20-339)

NATIONAL EDUCATION BODY ADDS RELIGIOUS STUDIES GUIDELINES



The National Council for the Social Studies (NCSS) added an AAR-approved supplement to its *College, Career and Civic Life (C3) Framework* for the academic study of religion in K-12 social studies instruction.

The C3 Framework is widely used by state and school district curriculum experts for social studies standards and curriculum development.

The Companion Document builds upon the “AAR Guidelines for Teaching about Religion in K-12 Public Schools in the United States,” published in 2010.

To read the full text of the Religious Studies Companion Document, visit socialstudies.org/c3.

“The timing could not be more apt. The rise in religious misunderstanding accompanying global migration, world conflicts, and religious identity politics signifies the need for a renewed focus on the academic study of religion.”

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AAR REGIONAL MEETINGS



Spring at American Academy of Religion is all about our Regional Meetings. There may still be time to submit a paper for one of the regional meetings or to register to attend. Go to www.aarweb.org/membership/regions for more information about the meetings, call for papers or links to the regional websites.

The following regional meetings are scheduled for the calendar year 2018:

REGION	REGIONAL MEETING LOCATION	REGIONAL MEETING DATES	REGIONAL COORDINATOR
Eastern International	Syracuse University Syracuse, NY	April 14–15	Verna Marina Ehret
Mid-Atlantic	Hyatt Regency New Brunswick, NJ	March 14–16	Sabrina D. MisirHiralall
Midwest	Ball State University Muncie, IN	March 2–3	Jeffrey Brackett
New England-Maritimes	Wentworth Institute Boston, MA	April 7	James Bretzke
Pacific Northwest	Pacific Lutheran University Tacoma, WA	May 11–13	Mari Kim
Rocky Mountain Great Plains	Brigham Young University Provo, UT	March 16–17	Elizabeth Coody
Southeast	Atlanta Marriott Perimeter Center Atlanta, GA	March 2–4	
Southwest	Marriott Hotel, DFW Airport North Irving, TX	March 9–11	Katherine Downey
Upper Midwest	St. Thomas University Minneapolis, MN	April 13–14	Courtney Wilder
Western	Institute of Buddhist Studies Berkeley, CA	March 23–25	Brian Clearwater

REGIONAL STUDENT DIRECTORS



The Regional Student Directors are here to help you:

- ☞ Become involved at the regional level
- ☞ Network with other aspiring professionals in your region, state, and local city and
- ☞ Design regional and national programming that will assist your academic journey

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ANNUAL MEETING TRAVEL GRANTS

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-seven travel grants worth \$500 each, plus complimentary Annual Meeting registration, on a competitive basis to members who demonstrate a desire to participate in the Annual Meeting. Special consideration is given to applicants from underrepresented minorities.

2017 WINNERS

- ✧ Elizabeth Anderson, Episcopal Divinity School
- ✧ Torang Asadi, Duke University
- ✧ Isa Babur, Igdir University, Turkey
- ✧ Alease Brown, Stellenbosch University
- ✧ Stephanie Budwey, Kirchliche Hochschule, Wuppertal, Germany
- ✧ Jessica Couch, University of Georgia
- ✧ Laurens de Rooij, University of Cape Town
- ✧ Marco Derks, Utrecht University
- ✧ Martin Ganeri, University of London, University of Oxford
- ✧ Gary Gardiner, University of the West Indies
- ✧ Enoch Gbadegesin, Obafemi Awolowo University, Ile-Ife
- ✧ Jeremy Guida, Santa Barbara, CA
- ✧ Steven Harris, Hamilton, Ontario
- ✧ Ally Kern, Claremont School of Theology
- ✧ Minji Lee, Rice University
- ✧ Jingjing Li, McGill University
- ✧ Sarah MacDonald, Emory University
- ✧ Baiju Markose, Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago
- ✧ Robert Overy-Brown, Claremont Graduate University
- ✧ Jesse Perillo, DePaul University/Central Michigan University
- ✧ Jyoti Raghu, University of Oxford
- ✧ Anne Read, University of Waterloo
- ✧ Matthew Robertson, University of California, Santa Barbara
- ✧ Rachael Shillitoe, University of Worcester
- ✧ Kris Trujillo, University of California, Berkeley
- ✧ Jason Winslade, DePaul University
- ✧ Stephanie Yuhas, Naropa University

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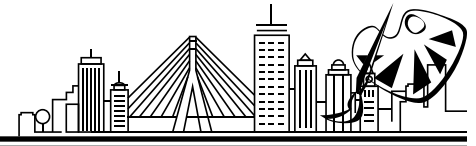
The AAR Religion and the Arts Travel Grant is awarded to a graduate student studying Religion and the Arts who is without institutional support to attend the AAR Annual Meeting. The travel grant will offset the travel costs associated with attending the Annual Meeting: registration fees, hotel, transportation, and meals up to \$1,500.

2017 WINNER

- ✧ Yohana Agra Junker Souza, Graduate Theological Union



Yohana Agra Junker Souza



A19-401

Harry Potter and the Sacred Text

Sunday, 7:00 PM–8:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center-310 (3rd Level)



What if we read the books we love as if they were sacred texts? What would we learn? How might they change us? *Harry Potter and the Sacred Text* is a weekly podcast reading *Harry Potter*, the best-selling series of all time,

as if it was a sacred text. Just as Christians read the Bible, Jews the Torah and Muslims read the Qur'an, this podcast has embarked on a 199-episode journey (one chapter an episode, released weekly) to glean what wisdom and meaning we can make from J.K. Rowling's beloved novels. The podcast reads *Harry Potter*, not just as novels, but as instructive and inspirational texts that teach us about our own lives. Each week, the podcast explores a central theme through which to explore the characters and context, always grounding itself in the text. It engages in traditional forms of sacred reading to unearth the hidden gifts within even the most mundane sentences.

Join the producers and hosts of the popular podcast in a traditional sacred reading practice with the non-traditional but much beloved *Harry Potter* series. In addition to the reading practice, this informal session will also feature the podcasters along with Stephanie Paulsell discussing the history of sacred reading practices and the implications of their work for ethical reflection, chaplaincy, and other forms of ministry in the changing religious climate.

A19-404

Ravishing Far/Near: Sheila Gallagher's Art and the Mute Magic of Things

Sunday, 8:00 PM–10:00 PM

Hilton Boston Back Bay-Washington (3rd Level)



Sheila Gallagher's art speaks powerfully to our desire for a renewed spiritual life that will pay careful attention to the sacredness of nature and to the marginalized and the neglected, that which exists outside the circles of power and privilege. Through her thought provoking use of materials and

the engagement with diverse religious traditions, Gallagher's art is deeply interwoven with both of these themes and their connection to our desire for the divine. Her works will give the theologians of the AAR a great deal to think and talk about, as it moves them by its beauty and inspires them to see the sacred in the profane. Further, the fruitfulness of this work, as a source of theological discourse, will be enhanced by the proposed roundtable discussion between the artist, Sheila Gallagher and her academic interlocutors, Richard Kearney and John Panteleimon Manoussakis.

A19-141: Women's Mentoring Lunch

Sunday, 11:45 AM–12:45 PM

Hynes Convention Center-302 (3rd Level)

Women who are graduate students and new scholars are invited to a luncheon with over thirty womanist, feminist, and LGTIQ mid career 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.

A19-304: Recolonizing the Academy Under a Trump Presidency

Sunday, 5:00 PM–6:30 PM

Sheraton Boston-Grand & Independence
(2nd Level)

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A19-400: Racial and Ethnic Minorities Reception

Sunday, 6:30 PM–8:00 PM

Hynes Convention Center-302 (3rd Level)



Nargis Virani, Chair
Graduate Theological Union



Munir Jiwa
Graduate Theological Union



Elias Ortega-Aponte
Drew University



David Sanchez
Loyola Marymount
University



Andrea White
Union Theological Seminary



Emily Wu
Dominican University



AAR's Status of Women in the Profession Committee cordially invites you to:

A19-102: Women and Vulnerability in the Academy

Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hynes Convention Center-305 (3rd Level)

What forms of vulnerability do women and female-bodied people encounter in the academy? How does that impact our professional development, our careers, and our very survival? Our invited panelists will discuss various forms of vulnerability such as gender, race, queer and/or trans identity, disability, term/contingent employment, immigration status, religious identity, or being an ally for any of these identities. Join the Status of Women in the Profession Committee for a Special Topics Forum that will continue our rich conversation on the complexity of power dynamics and gender through a combination of presentations and audience discussion.

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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 — Hynes Convention Center-305 (3rd Level).

Friday, 1:30 PM–3:30 PM:

A17-206: Women's Caucus Gathering and Workshop on Resilience and Vulnerability in Transforming Lives and Scholarship

Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM:

A18-142: Rethinking Resistance and Resilience

Saturday, 11:45 AM–12:45 PM:

A18-147: Goddess Studies and Herstory of Resilience

Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM:

AA18-336: Publishing Panel: Fresh Perspectives and Resilience in Gender, Race, and Other Social Justice Issues

Sunday, 11:45 AM–12:45 PM:

A19-142: Parliament of World Religions Women's Task Force — A Brown Bag Discussion

Sunday, 1:00 PM–2:30 PM:

A19-231: Emerging Scholars: Resilience Amidst Vulnerability in International Issues

Sunday, 5:00 PM–6:30 PM:

A19-329: FORGiNG VOICE — Filmmaking as Scholarship: Film Premier and Panel Discussion

Monday, 11:45 AM–12:45 AM:

A20-150: Women's Caucus Business Meeting



Monique Moultrie,
Chair
Georgia State
University



Nami Kim
Spelman College



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Seminary



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California, Riverside



Arlene Sanchez Walsh
Azusa Pacific
University

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:

A18-146: LGBTIQ Mentoring Lunch

Saturday, 11:45 AM–12:45 PM

Hynes Convention Center-302 (3rd Level)

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 pre-registration 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. Topics for discussion include: Demystifying Tenure, Service and the Subtle Art of Saying No, Scholarship and Activism, Navigating Queer and Religion in the Curriculum, Teaching While Queer: Out and Subversive Actions During the Age of Attacks and Alternative Facts, Dual Vocation, The Writing Process.

A18-201: Equal Protection of the Law? Religious Freedom and LGBTIQ Lives

Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center-302 (3rd Level)

The purpose of this panel is to examine the use of the rhetoric of “religious freedom” to license discrimination against LGBTIQ citizens and other socially marginal communities. Particularly in the current political climate, religious freedom laws and executive action have become a central battleground in America’s culture wars, but the very framing of a conflict between the values of freedom and equal citizenship in this context echoes long traditions of religious justification for racial and gender supremacy and other forms of oppression. The panelists will explore important aspects of the deployment of notions of religious liberty to reinforce the marginalization of various social groups, and they will offer reflections on paths forward in the fight for equality.

A18-301: Protecting the Vulnerable on Campus

Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Sheraton Boston-Grand & Independence (2nd Level)

For many of us who study or work in colleges and seminary campuses today it may be easy to ignore the vulnerable at our institutions. Yet the most vulnerable are often at risk or subject to discrimination and exploitation based on inequities of power, money, lack of social net, or means to voice their concerns about campus life and work. This panel will examine what needs attention and the strategies that vulnerable people and their allies can use to decrease vulnerability and increase solidarity. Special attention will be paid to the status of, and strategies being deployed by, the LGBT+ community, graduate students, people of color, low paid workers, and non-tenured faculty.

A18-407: LGBTIQ Scholars/Scholars of LGBTIQ Studies Reception

Saturday, 9:00 PM–11:00 PM

Hynes Convention Center-302 (3rd 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.

A19-304: Recolonizing the Academy Under a Trump Presidency

Sunday, 5:00 PM–6:30 PM

Sheraton Boston-Grand & Independence (2nd Level)

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A20-102: Toilet Justice: Peeing and the Politics of Marginalized Bodies

Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hynes Convention Center-102 (Plaza Level)

As the title of a popular children’s book universally proclaims, “everyone poops.” What is not universally true, however, is that everyone is ensured safe bathroom access. Focusing on toilets as a site of risk, injustice, and activism for many marginalized communities, this special topics forum (STF) explores how toilet justice can be a site for building coalitions among multiple minoritized communities. Alongside current contemporary political debates over trans toilet activism — and the important activist coalitions happening between trans, queer, and disabled folks about safe bathroom access, the STF will highlight toilets as a prism to think about the material experience of marginalized bodies, about the physical links between bodily elimination and people who are often targeted for elimination. Trans, queer, immigrant, and disability voices will strategize ways for transforming the mundane reality of bodily elimination into opportunities for radical practices of justice

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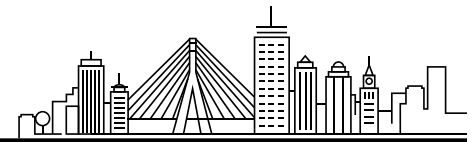
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PROGRAM SESSIONS



Although the American Academy of Religion cooperates with Related Scholarly Organizations (RSOs) that have similar missions as the AAR, and provides them space for their meetings (sessions marked with a P#), the content of these sessions is not reviewed by either the AAR's Program Units or its Program Committee.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 16

P16-400



Adventist Society for Religious Studies

Theme: **Paper Session I: Adventist Studies**

Thursday, 6:30 PM–8:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center-202 (Second Level)

John Brunt, Edmonds Adventist Church
Rescuing Paul from the Reformation?

Mathilde Frey, Walla Walla University
Righteousness by Faith: When Abraham Was Cynical and Righteous at the Same Time

Eike Mueller, Adventist International Institute of Advanced Studies
Luther and Antisemitism

Business Meeting:

Tarsee Li, Oakwood University, Presiding

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 17

P17-5

Adventist Society for Religious Studies

Theme: **Devotional**

Friday, 8:00 AM–8:30 AM

Hynes Convention Center-202 (Second Level)

A17-101

Teaching and Learning Committee Meeting

Friday, 8:00 AM–12:00 PM

Sheraton Boston-AAR Suite

Lerone Martin, Washington University, St. Louis, Presiding

A17-102



Anti-Islamophobia Workshop

Theme: **Confronting Islamophobia: Equipping Scholars of Religion to Understand and Challenge Anti-Muslim Bigotry**

Friday, 8:00 AM–5:30 PM

Hilton Boston Back Bay-Jefferson (Third Level)

Todd Green, Luther College, and Hodaya Ziad, Institute for Islamic, Christian, and Jewish Studies, Presiding

Panelists:

Zareena Grewal, Yale University

Sylvester Johnson, Virginia Tech University

Khalil Abdur Rashid, Harvard University

Josh Seftel, Director and Producer of *The Secret Lives of Muslims*

Simran Jeet Singh, Trinity University

Najeeba Syeed, Claremont School of Theology

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P17-6



Adventist Society for Religious Studies

Theme: **Paper Session II: Biblical Studies and Paper Session III: Historical Studies**

Friday, 8:30 AM–11:30 AM

Hynes Convention Center-202 (Second Level)

Kevin Burrell, Burman University
Five Hundred Years of Reformation? What Luther's 95 Theses Did Not Change in Christendom

Matthew Lucio, Iowa-Missouri Conference of Seventh-Day Adventists

Luther and Loyola: Spiritual Crisis, Consolation, and Conversion

Nicholas Miller, Andrews University

Martin Luther to Martin Luther King, Jr.: Protestant Roots of Modern Civil Rights

Warren Trenchard, La Sierra University

Five Hundred Years of Reformation: Five Hundred Years of Sola Scriptura

Michael W. Campbell, Adventist International Institute of Advanced Studies

The Perspicuity of Scripture, the Reformation, and Ellen G. White: Exploring the Meaning and Contours of "Plain Reading" for Seventh-day Adventism

Douglas F. Morgan, Washington Adventist University

After Babylon Falls: Adventist Identity and the Radical Reformation Impulse

Alan Parker, Southern Adventist University

Adventist Millennials' Perceptions of Traditional Evangelistic Presentations on the Antichrist

Business Meeting:

Tarsee Li, Oakwood University, Presiding

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 17

Friday, 9:00 AM–11:00 AM

P17-107

North American Paul Tillich Society

Theme: **Creative Justice and Resistance**

Friday, 9:00 AM–10:30 AM

Sheraton Boston-Olmsted (Fifth Level)

P17-103

Society for Buddhist-Christian Studies Board Meeting

Friday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott Copley Place-Vermont (Fifth Level)

A17-113

Public Understanding of Religion Committee Meeting

Friday, 9:00 AM–12:00 PM

Marriott Copley Place-Connecticut (Fifth Level)

Erik Owens, Boston College, Presiding

A17-100

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

Friday, 9:00 AM–12:00 PM

Marriott Copley Place-Rhode Island (Fifth Level)

Kathleen T. Talvacchia, Union Theological Seminary, Presiding

A17-114

Status of Racial and Ethnic Minorities in the Profession Committee Meeting

Friday, 9:00 AM–12:00 PM

Marriott Copley Place-Orleans (Fourth Level)

Nargis Virani, Graduate Theological Union, Presiding

A17-104

International Connections Committee Meeting

Friday, 9:00 AM–3:00 PM

Sheraton Boston-Exeter A (Third Level)

Amy L. Allocco, Elon University, Presiding

A17-105



Theological Education Workshop

Theme: **Resisting Injustice in the Age of Trump**

Friday, 9:00 AM–3:00 PM

Hynes Convention Center-312 (Third Level)

Miguel De La Torre, Iliff School of Theology, University of Denver, Presiding, Presiding

See page 68 for details.

Panelists:

Jacqueline Lewis, Middle Collegiate Church and The Middle Project

Joerg Rieger, Vanderbilt University

Roger S. Gottlieb, Worcester Polytechnic Institute

Marie Alford-Harkey, Religious Institute, Bridgeport, CT

Jacqueline Hidalgo, Williams College

A17-106

Comparative Hagiology Workshop

Theme: **Cross-cultural Approaches to Religious Life Writings**

Friday, 9:00 AM–4:00 PM

Hynes Convention Center-205 (Second Level)

Massimo Rondolino, Carroll University, Presiding

See page 68 for details.

A17-107/S17-103



THATCamp - The Humanities and Technology Camp AARSBL2017

Friday, 9:00 AM–5:00 PM

Hynes Convention Center-208 (Second Level)

Eric Smith, Iliff School of Theology, Michael Hemenway, Iliff School of Theology, and Candace Mixon, University of North Carolina, Presiding

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Especially for Students			

**P17-104****North American Association for the Study of Religion**Theme: **Subjects**

Friday, 10:00 AM–11:50 AM

Fairmont Copley Place-State Suite A (Lower Lobby Level)

P17-105**International Association of Shin Buddhist Studies**Theme: **Mochizuki's Doctrinal History of Pure Land Buddhism in China**

Friday, 10:00 AM–12:00 PM

Hynes Convention Center-103 (Plaza Level)

Kenneth Tanaka, Musashino University, Presiding

All too little known outside circles of specialists working on Japanese Buddhism, Shinko Mochizuki (1896–1948) is one of the pioneering giants of modern Buddhist studies. Mochizuki is perhaps best-known for the encyclopedia of Buddhism (*Bukkyō daijiten*, 1933, 10 vols.) that he edited, and which is still in print today. The work being featured in this panel discussion, *Pure Land Buddhism in China: A Doctrinal History* (tr. Leo Pruden, ed. Richard K. Payne and Natalie Quli; *Chūgoku Jōdo kyōrishi*, published in 1942), was based on a lengthy series of lectures he gave on the history, thought and practice of Pure Land Buddhism in China. The work remains a resource for Japanese Pure Land Buddhist scholarship, and has now been made available in English translation. In order to bring this publication up to date, the translation has been complemented by a second volume of four supplemental essays—a biographical study of Mochizuki (Daniel Getz), and bibliographical essays on scholarship since Mochizuki's publication in Chinese (Charles B. Jones), Japanese (Mark L. Blum), and English (Scott A. Mitchell). These four contributors will discuss the importance and value of Mochizuki's work, and its continuing relevance for Pure Land Buddhist studies.

Panelists:

Daniel A. Getz, Bradley University
Charles B. Jones, Catholic University of America
Mark L. Blum, University of California, Berkeley
Scott Mitchell, Institute of Buddhist Studies

P17-108**Polanyi Society**Theme: **Polanyian Perspectives: New Voices**

Friday, 10:00 AM–12:00 PM

Marriott Copley Place-Falmouth (Fourth Level)

Thomas Lynn, Cincinnati, OH
Biological Reductionism: Its Limitations, Its Liabilities: Recalling Michael Polanyi

Matthew Elmore, Duke University
Tacita Scientia: Reading Aquinas with Michael Polanyi

Martin Beddeleem, University of Montreal
Michael Polanyi: Pivotal Figure of Early Neoliberalism

A17-108**American Lectures in the History of Religions Committee Meeting**

Friday, 10:30 AM–1:00 PM

Sheraton Boston-Beacon C (Third Level)

Louis Ruprecht, Georgia State University, Presiding

A17-112**Museum of African American History, MLK Archive and Marsh Chapel Tour**

Friday, 11:00 AM–4:00 PM

Offsite-Meet at the Registration Desk outside of Exhibit Hall CD in the Convention Center

See page 9 for details.

A17-109**Religion and Media Workshop**Theme: **Between Fake News and Natural Media**

Friday, 11:00 AM–6:00 PM

Hynes Convention Center-302 (Third Level)

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

See page 69 for details.

Panelists:

John Durham Peters, Yale University
Stewart M. Hoover, University of Colorado
Deborah Whitehead, University of Colorado

P17-106**Adventist Society for Religious Studies**Theme: **Business Session III**

Friday, 11:30 AM–12:00 PM

Hynes Convention Center-202 (Second Level)

Tarsee Li, Oakwood University, Presiding

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P17-109

Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion

Theme: **How Learning Works: Research on Learning as a Resource for Teaching Theology and Religion**

Friday, 12:00 PM–5:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center-107 (Plaza Level)

What if we designed courses and teaching activities in theology and religion based on how people actually learn? Recent advances in cognitive neuroscience, social psychology, and other areas of educational research provide exciting new clues into the processes by which learning takes place. But busy teachers often lack time to engage in extensive study of contemporary learning theory to inform their teaching. In this 5-hour workshop, participants will be introduced to a framework of seven principles of learning that research has shown can enhance learning in significant ways. Participants then will have the opportunity to work in-depth with one or more of these principles in relation to a course they teach. We will explore strategies for teaching; share expertise and provide feedback on learning-based teaching practices; and consider the particular, subject-specific implications such understandings of learning may have for the teaching of theology and religion.

We will begin with a buffet lunch at noon, and conclude with a reception for participants ending at 5:30. Participants will be asked to read, before the workshop, one chapter that will be provided by the Wabash Center. Space is limited. Pre-registration is required. Send an email to Beth Reffett, reffettb@wabash.edu. Registration deadline is November 1. For additional information, see: <http://wabashcenter.wabash.edu/programs/2017-pre-conference-workshop>.

Panelists:

Jeremy Posadas, Austin College

Joyce Ann Mercer, Yale University

A17-111



Museum of African American History, MLK Archive and Marsh Chapel Tour

Friday, 12:30 PM–5:30 PM

Offsite-Meet at the Registration Desk outside of Exhibit Hall CD in the Convention Center

See page 9 for details.

Friday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

A17-110

Status of Women in the Profession Committee Meeting

Friday, 1:00 PM–4:00 PM

Sheraton Boston-Franklin (Fifth Level)

Monique Moultrie, Georgia State University, Presiding

P17-242



North American Paul Tillich Society

Theme: **Book Review: *Prophetic Interruptions* by Bryan Wagoner**

Friday, 1:00 PM–2:30 PM

Sheraton Boston-Clarendon (Third Level)

Bryan Wagoner, Davis and Elkins College, Presiding

Responding:

Ronald Stone, Carnegie Mellon University

Russell Re Manning, Bath Spa University

Christian Danz, Universität Wien

P17-230

North American Association for the Study of Religion

Theme: **Objects**

Friday, 1:00 PM–2:50 PM

Fairmont Copley Place-State Suite A (Lower Lobby Level)

P17-231

Society for Buddhist-Christian Studies Board Meeting

Friday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Marriott Copley Place-Vermont (Fifth Level)

A17-200

Graduate Student Committee Meeting

Friday, 1:00 PM–4:00 PM

Hynes Convention Center-303 (Third Level)

Bhakti Mamtara, University of Florida, Presiding

A17-210

Regional Coordinators Meeting

Friday, 1:00 PM–4:00 PM

Marriott Copley Place-Orleans (Fourth Level)

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**P17-232****Thomas F. Torrance Theological Fellowship**

Theme: **The Patristic Foundations of the Reformed-Orthodox Ecumenical Dialogue**

Friday, 1:00 PM–4:00 PM

Hynes Convention Center-109 (Plaza Level)

Thomas A. Noble, Nazarene Theological Seminary, Presiding

Building upon his book, *Thomas F. Torrance and the Church Fathers* (Wipf & Stock, 2014), Jason Radcliff's paper will offer an introduction, critical assessment, and constructive extension of the Reformed-Orthodox Dialogue spearheaded by T. F. Torrance in the late 1980s. It will explore in particular how the Dialogue's ecumenical use and creative interpretation of the Trinitarian and Christocentric theology of the Church Fathers has much to offer contemporary Trinitarian theology. For more information go to www.tftorrance.org.

1:00 PM - Business Meeting for all members

1:40 PM - Lecture

2:45 PM - Question and Answer

Panelists:

Jason Radcliff, University of Edinburgh

P17-241**Harvard Religious Literacy Project and American Academy of Religion**

Theme: **FBI and Religion Scholars: Reflecting on the Past 25 Years**

Friday, 1:00 PM–4:00 PM

Offsite-Harvard Divinity School, 45 Francis Ave, Sperry Room, Andover Hall 116

Philip Heymann, Harvard University, Presiding

In the years following the 1993 confrontation between the FBI and a religious community called the Branch Davidians, religion scholars have occasionally offered the FBI advice regarding dissident religious groups who are less commonly well-understood and who come into conflict with law enforcement. The American Academy of Religion has served as an interlocutor for the Critical Incident Response Group and has also established a relationship with the FBI Academy through its National Academy. The mutual hope of religion scholars and the FBI officials with whom they have interacted has been that consultation might lead to better outcomes than occurred with the Branch Davidians. This panel will reflect on the interaction between religion scholars and law enforcement officials over the past 25 years and what may be learned from that experience to inform interaction going forward.

Welcoming remarks will be provided by Diane L. Moore, Director of the Religious Literacy Project, Harvard Divinity School. After the panelists speak, there will be time for the panel to respond to questions from the audience.

Panelists:

Eileen Barker, London School of Economics and Political Science

Michael Barkun, Syracuse University

David T. Resch, Federal Bureau of Investigation

Robin Montgomery, Brookfield, CT

Steven Weitzman, University of Pennsylvania

Eugene V. Gallagher, Connecticut College

Gregory B. Saathoff, University of Virginia

Responding:

Nancy Ammerman, Boston University

P17-243

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Womanist Approaches to Religion and Society Unit

Theme: **Womanist Consultation**

Friday, 1:00 PM–4:00 PM

Hynes Convention Center-101 (Plaza Level)

A17-201**Brand You: Creating Your Own Brand for Academic Survival Workshop**

Friday, 1:00 PM–4:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center-108 (Plaza Level)

Paula L. McGee, Memphis Theological Seminary, Presiding

See page 69 for details.

A17-202**Ethnography and Theology Workshop**

Theme: **The Use of Ethnography for Theological Research**

Friday, 1:00 PM–5:00 PM

Hynes Convention Center-313 (Third Level)

Natalie Wigg-Stevenson, University of Toronto, Jonas Idestrom, Church of Sweden Research Unit, Uppsala, Sweden, Christian A. B. Scharen, Auburn Theological Seminary, and Mary McClintock Fulkerson, Duke University, Presiding

See page 70 for details.

Panelists:

Angela Cowser, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary

Tone Stangeland Kaufman, MF Norwegian School of Theology

Karen Kilby, University of Durham

Peter Ward, MF Norwegian School of Theology

A17-203**Academic Relations Committee Leadership Workshop**

Theme: **Digital Media and Communications**

Friday, 1:00 PM–5:00 PM

Hynes Convention Center-309 (Third Level)

Theodore Trost, University of Alabama, Rosalind I. J. Hackett, University of Tennessee, and Joanne Maguire Robinson, University of North Carolina, Charlotte, Presiding

See page 70 for details.

Panelists:

Jeremy Hughes, University of Tennessee

Responding:

Rebekka King, Middle Tennessee State University

Kathryn McClymond, Georgia State University

Brian M. Britt, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University

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A17-204



Teaching Religion and Disability Studies Workshop

Theme: **Engaging Curriculum and Pedagogy with Intersectionality and Communities**

Friday, 1:00 PM–5:00 PM

Hynes Convention Center-102 (Plaza Level)

Kirk VanGilder, Gallaudet University, Nicholas Shrubsole, University of Central Florida, and Raedora Stewart, Wesley Theological Seminary, Presiding

See page 70 for details.

Panelists:

Mary Jo Iozzio, Boston College

A17-205



Boston City Tour

Friday, 1:00 PM–5:00 PM

Offsite-Meet at the Registration Desk outside of Exhibit Hall CD in the Convention Center

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P17-233

Adventist Society for Religious Studies

Theme: **Paper Session IV: Theological Studies**

Friday, 1:30 PM–3:00 PM

Hynes Convention Center-202 (Second Level)

Zdravko Zack Plantak, Loma Linda University, Presiding

Adelina Alexe, Andrews Theological Seminary
Subjectivity in Hermeneutics: Moving beyond Misunderstanding, Misuse, and Abuse

Jason Hines, Adventist University of Health Sciences
The Question of Slavery and the Principle of Sola Scriptura

Richard Rice, Loma Linda University
Assurance and Its Aftermath: The Reformation and Divine Determinism

Charles Scriven, Adventist Forum
The World as Moral Responsibility: Calvin Light on Reading—and Misreading—the Bible

A17-206



Women's Caucus

Theme: **Gathering and Workshop on Resilience and Vulnerability in Transforming Lives and Scholarship**

Friday, 1:30 PM–3:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center-305 (Third Level)

Elizabeth Ursic, Mesa Community College, Presiding

Come enjoy the camaraderie of the Women's Caucus and network with other scholars. Learn about the Women's Caucus and join in this workshop-style session as we engage the 2017 AAR conference theme, Religion and the Most Vulnerable with the Women's Caucus theme of Resilience. Come participate and join in this exciting conversation as we reflect on how we engage topics of vulnerability and resilience both in our scholarship and in our personal and professional lives. Share your ideas on how we might offer pathways towards resilience and care for the most vulnerable in our society within classroom settings and in our pedagogies in our endeavor to catalyze transformations in peoples lives and in our scholarship.

Panelists:

Alicia Panganiban, Princeton Theological Seminary

P17-244

Polanyi Society Board of Directors Meeting

Friday, 1:30 PM–3:30 PM

Sheraton Boston-Boardroom (Third Level)

A17-207



The Public Scholars Project Workshop

Theme: **Practical Skills for the Public Scholar**

Friday, 2:00 PM–5:00 PM

Sheraton Boston-Back Bay D (Second Level)

Emma Tomalin, University of Leeds, Presiding and Benjamin Marcus, Newseum Institute Religious Freedom Centre, Washington DC, Presiding

Co-sponsored by the AAR Committee on the Public Understanding of Religion and the Newseum Institute Religious Freedom Center

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Liz Kineke, CBS Religion & Culture
How to Respond to Requests for Information from Journalists

Vanessa Zoltan, Harvard University
Learning How to Speak for Camera and Radio

Simran Jeet Singh, Trinity University
The Effective Use of Social Media

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Susan B. Thistlethwaite, Chicago Theological Seminary
Writing for the Internet

Evan Berry, American University
Bridging the Gap between Policy and Academic Research

P17-234

International Association of Shin Buddhist Studies

Theme: **Shinran in the Light of Heidegger and Levinas**

Friday, 2:00 PM–5:00 PM

Hynes Convention Center-103 (Plaza Level)

Janet Gyatso, Harvard University, Presiding

This panel presents work in an ongoing project jointly sponsored by the Institute of Buddhist Studies and the Ryukoku University Research Center for World Buddhist Cultures. The project seeks to explore resources in recent continental philosophy for illuminating Shinran's Pure Land Buddhist path, focusing on the thought of Heidegger and Levinas. The panelists will present papers treating a variety of philosophical themes and issues that suggest resonances with aspects of Shinran's thought — such as non-willful comportment, attunement, and dwelling in the philosophy of Heidegger and conscience, incapacity, and the Other in Levinas. The expectation is that probing such resonances will both cast fresh light on the implications of current philosophical topics and further suggest paths toward developing cogent and compelling contemporary understandings of Shinran's thought.

Bret W. Davis, Loyola University, Maryland
Gelassenheit and the Entrusting Heart: Toward a Dialogue between Heidegger and Shinran

James Fredericks, Loyola Marymount University
Shinran and Attunement (Bestimmtheit)

Ryan Coyne, University of Chicago
"This Burning House": Heidegger, Shinran, and the Meaning of Licensed Evil

Charles Hallisey, Harvard University
On the Sources of Morality: Reading Shinran with Jankelevitch and Levinas

Leah Kalmanson, Drake University
The (Non-)Practice of Not-Directing-Merit: Levinas, Shinran, and the Impossibility of Doing Good

Dennis Hirota, Ryukoku University
Shinran and Heidegger on Dwelling

Responding:

Janet Gyatso, Harvard University

P17-235

International Bonhoeffer Society Board of Directors Meeting

Friday, 2:00 PM–5:00 PM

Sheraton Boston-Beacon F (Third Level)

P17-245

Society for Asian and Comparative Philosophy

Theme: **The Legacy and Challenges of Raimon Panikkar**

Friday, 2:00 PM–7:00 PM

Marriott Copley Place-Massachusetts (Fifth Level)

Raimon Panikkar (1918–2010), a self-described Buddhist-Christian-Hindu, has been widely acknowledged as one of the most influential religious thinkers of the twentieth century. To celebrate Panikkar's legacy and examine his challenges for religious studies and theology, the Lutterworth Press (Cambridge, UK) is bringing out a volume, *Raimon Panikkar: A Companion*, edited by Peter C. Phan and Young-chan Ro, with fifteen essays on various aspects of Panikkar's thought.

At this session the participants will respond to other than one's own essays. The purpose of the session is for the contributors (and the audience) to learn more about Panikkar beyond the areas of one's own expertise. The session also includes other presenters than those contributors to the forthcoming book.

Joseph Prabhu, California State University, Los Angeles
Raimon Panikkar as a Christian Thinker: An Appreciation

Michiko Yusa, Western Washington University
Raimon Panikkar and the Silence of the Buddha

Jyri Komulainen, University of Helsinki
Panikkar the Dialogical Man: Religion and Religions

Abraham Velez de Cea, Eastern Kentucky University
Hermeneutics, Myth, Symbol, Religious Language

Young-chan Ro, George Mason University
Mysticism and Spirituality in Raimon Panikkar

Leo Lefebure, Georgetown University
Who's Is Playing with Whom? The Many Dwelling Places of Wisdom in the Theology of Raimon Panikkar

Anselm Min, Claremont Graduate University
The Trinity and the Cosmotheandric Vision: Reflections on Panikkar's Intercultural Theology

Roberta Cappellini, Florence, Italy
Gender and Sexuality in Raimon Panikkar's Vision

Fred Dallmayr, University of Notre Dame
Sacred Secularity and Prophetism: A Tension in Panikkar's Work?

Peter C. Phan, Georgetown University
Raimon Panikkar's "Eschatology": The Unpublished Chapter

Francis X. Clooney, Harvard University
An Epilogue, After Panikkar

Erik Rangstrom, Rosemont College
Raimon Panikkar and the Contemplative Life: Lessons for a Spiritual Director in the Ignatian Tradition

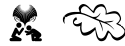
Mark Banas, Georgia State University
Panikkar at the Movies: Examples of Myth and Logos in Film

Seungchul Kim, Nanzan University
Venture in the Forest: Reading and Translating Raimon Panikkar

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Religion and Ecology Workshop

Theme: **Integrating Ecology and Justice**

Friday, 2:30 PM–5:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center-311 (Third Level)

Mary Evelyn Tucker, Yale University, and John A. Grim, Yale University, Presiding

See page 71 for details.

Panelists:

Willie J. Jennings, Yale University

Jace Weaver, University of Georgia

Heup Young Kim, Korea Forum for Life and Science

Cynthia Moe-Lobeda, Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary, Graduate Theological Union

Frederique Apffel-Marglin, Smith College

Grove Harris, Temple of Understanding

Heather Eaton, Saint Paul University

Erin Lothes, College of Saint Elizabeth

P17-236

Adventist Society for Religious Studies

Theme: **Business Session IV**

Friday, 3:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center-202 (Second Level)

Tarsee Li, Oakwood University, Presiding

P17-237

North American Association for the Study of Religion

Theme: **Scholars**

Friday, 3:00 PM–4:50 PM

Fairmont Copley Place-State Suite A (Lower Lobby Level)

P17-238

Evangelical Philosophical Society

Theme: **Human Flourishing: Biblical, Theological and Philosophical Issues**

Friday, 3:00 PM–6:00 PM

Sheraton Boston-Olmsted (Fifth Level)

Chris Armstrong, Wheaton College, Presiding

Marc Cortez, Wheaton College

How are the "Natural" and "Spiritual" Telos of the Human Person Interrelated: Biblical Contours on Flourishing

David Horner, Biola University

Human Flourishing in Ancient and Medieval Thought

Greg Forster, Trinity International University

Contested Visions of Flourishing: The Challenge of Pluralism

Responding:

Jay Wood, Wheaton College

A17-209



Teaching Hinduism Workshop

Theme: **Teaching Tales: Narrative and Pedagogy in the Hindu Studies Classroom**

Friday, 3:30 PM–6:00 PM

Hynes Convention Center-207 (Second Level)

Arti Dhand, University of Toronto, Presiding

See page 71 for details.

Steven Lindquist, Southern Methodist University

Teaching Stories about Teaching Self: Upanishadic Narrative in the Classroom

Bruce M. Sullivan, Northern Arizona University

Teaching Hinduism with Mahābhārata Dialogues: Intertextuality and Thematic Continuity in Divine/Human Encounters

Vishwa Adluri, City University of New York

Re-imagining the Mahābhārata: A Report from the Kochi-Muziris Biennale

Joydeep Bagchee, University of Munich

Myth and History: Teaching Hinduism through Narratives

Elizabeth Mary Rohlman, University of Calgary

The Dynamic Canon of the Puranas and the Ethnography of the Classroom

Raj Balkaran, University of Toronto

How the Goddess Teaches Hinduism: Decoding Divergent Boons

Jeffrey Brackett, Ball State University

Translation, Transcreation, and Tukaram

Shana Sippy, Carleton College

Stories to Grow on: Shaping Hindu Subjects and Morals through Narrative Pedagogy in the Hindu Diaspora

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**P17-239****Adventist Society for Religious Studies**Theme: **Sectional Meetings**

Friday, 3:30 PM–4:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center-202 (Second Level)

Martin Hanna, Andrews University
*Christian Theology and History*Erhard Gallos, Andrews University
*New Testament*Alden Thompson, Walla Walla University
*Old Testament*Zane Yi, Loma Linda University, and Timothy Golden, Walla
Walla University
*Philosophy and Ethics*Ernest Furness, Southeastern California Conference of Seventh-
Day Adventists
*Practical Theology*Paul Dybdahl, Walla Walla University
*World Religions/Missiology***P17-240****Karl Barth Society of North America**Theme: **Karl Barth and the Reformation**

Friday, 3:30 PM–6:00 PM

Sheraton Boston-Back Bay B (Second Level)

Michael J. Root, Catholic University of America
*Barth, the Reformation, and Roman Catholic Theology Today*Christoph Schwöbel, University of Tübingen
*Karl Barth and Martin Luther***Friday, 4:00 PM–6:00 PM****P17-310****International Association for the Cognitive Science of Religion**Theme: **The Importance of History and Psychology when Applying Theoretical Models in CSR: Bridging the Gap between Cognitive Historiography and Experimental Psychology**

Friday, 4:00 PM–5:30 PM

Sheraton Boston-Arnold Arboretum (Fifth Level)

In this session, scholars from different disciplines who teach the Cognitive Science of Religion discuss how they teach it and provide advice for others.

P17-311**Society for Buddhist-Christian Studies**Theme: **What Buddhists and Christians Can Learn from Muslims**

Friday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Marriott Copley Place-New Hampshire (Fifth Level)

In the current climate, constructive interreligious dialogue with Islam is a critical task for both Buddhism and Christianity. In this panel, several different examples of either Buddhist or Christian engagement with Islam are described, including the positive outcomes of the engagement. Two Muslim scholars offer a response and suggestions for further dialogue.

Glenn Willis, Misericordia University
*Tawhid and Surrender: Islamic Challenges for Buddhist Modernism*John Sheveland, Gonzaga University
*Radicalization and Mercy: Christian Theological Learning from the Open Letter to al-Baghdadi*Kunihiko Terasawa, Wartburg College
A Buddhist Fascination with Islamic Mysticism: In Case of Toshibiko Izutsu 井筒俊彦 and Ibn Arabi

Responding:

Bahar Davary, University of San Diego

Amir Hussain, Loyola Marymount University

P17-312**Society of Christian Philosophers**Theme: **Neglected Conceptions of Faith**

Friday, 4:00 PM–7:00 PM

Westin Copley Place-Adams (Seventh Level)

Andrew Chignell, University of Pennsylvania, Presiding

Teresa Morgan, Oxford University
*Celsus, Origen, and the Evolutions of Faith*Dennis Lindsay, Northwest Christian University
*"Moses' Faith" in Josephus and the New Testament*Dan McKaughan, Boston College, and Michael Pace, Chapman University
Judeo-Christian Faith as Loyalty and Trust

Responding:

Daniel Howard-Snyder, Western Washington University

P17-315**Polanyi Society**Theme: **Polanyian Perspectives**

Friday, 4:00 PM–7:00 PM

Sheraton Boston-Boston Common (Fifth Level)

Jon Fennell, Hillsdale University
*Can Alasdair MacIntyre Relieve Grene's Polanyian Regret?*Charles Lowney, Hollins University
*Should We Be Pluralists or Emergentists?*Esther Meek, Geneva College
Contact with Reality: Then and Now

There will be a business meeting at 6:45 PM.

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A17-301

Religious Literacy College-Wide Project Planning Meeting

Friday, 5:00 PM–6:30 PM

Sheraton Boston-Liberty C (Second Level)

A17-300

Department Chairs' and Program Coordinators' Reception

Friday, 5:30 PM–7:00 PM

Marriott Copley Place-AAR Suite

The Academic Relations Committee invites leaders in departments to a social gathering on the eve of the annual conference. Come join us: learn about the work of the Committee; suggest future program initiatives; and meet colleagues from across the country and around the world.

P17-314

Feminist Studies in Religion Boards Pre-Conference/Forum

Friday, 6:00 PM–8:00 PM

Westin Copley Place-Helicon (Seventh Level)

A17-403

Status of LGBTIQ Persons, People with Disabilities, Racial and Ethnic Minorities, and Women in the Profession Committees Joint Meeting

Friday, 7:00 PM–9:00 PM

Hynes Convention Center-203

Kecia Ali, Boston University, Presiding

Friday, 7:00 PM and Later

P17-410

Society for Hindu-Christian Studies

Theme: **Reform and Reformers in Hindu-Christian Perspective**

Friday, 7:00 PM–9:00 PM

Westin Copley Place-Essex Center (Third Level)

Reid Locklin, University of Toronto, Presiding

2017 marks the 500th anniversary of Martin Luther's (1483–1546) Theses and the genesis of the Protestant Reformation in Europe. In commemoration of this event, this panel will explore the categories of "Reform" and "Reformers" in the context of Hindu-Christian Studies, by examining specific comparative cases in South Asia, from the sixteenth to the twentieth centuries. The respondent will draw the case studies into conversation with one another and with key points of Luther's theology.

Jon Keune, Michigan State University

Religious Reformers as Agents of Social Change? A Comparative Historical View of Eknath's and Luther's Interpreters

J. Barton Scott, University of Toronto

The Victorian Luther: How the British in India Reimagined the Reformation

Srilata Raman, University of Toronto

The Wandering Bottle Gourd Guru: Post-sectarian Reformations and Dalit Charisma in Nineteenth–Twentieth Century South India

Anant Rambachan, Saint Olaf College

B. R. Ambedkar and Hindu Reformations: Caste, Liberty, and Democracy

Responding:

Kristin Johnston Largen, Gettysburg Seminary

P17-412

Søren Kierkegaard Society Banquet

Friday, 7:00 PM–10:00 PM

Offsite-St. Botolph Club, 199 Commonwealth Ave

The cost is \$54, or \$65 with wine. For graduate students and recent PhDs seeking full-time employment, the cost is \$21, or \$27 with wine. Advance reservations are required. Please contact Carl Hughes (chughes@tlu.edu) with questions.

George Connell, Concordia College

Kierkegaard and the Spatial Turn

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P17-403

Society for the Arts in Religious and Theological Studies

Theme: **You, Darkness From Which I Come: A Performance and Discussion of a Contemporary Musical Setting of New Translations of Rilke's Poems**

Friday, 7:30 PM–9:00 PM

Offsite-Old South Church, 645 Boylston Street, Mary Lyon Hall
Delvyn Case, Wheaton College, and Mark S. Burrows, Protestant
University of Applied Sciences, Presiding

The musical portion will be performed by Margot Rood, soprano, and Brady Millican on the piano. This event is free and open to the public and will be followed by refreshments.

Responding:

Andrew Shenton, Boston University

A17-400



Film: *Yemanjá: Wisdom from the African Heart of Brazil*

Friday, 8:00 PM–10:00 PM

Sheraton Boston-Constitution (Second Level)

Rachel E. Harding, University of Colorado, Denver, Presiding
Yemanjá: Wisdom from the African Heart of Brazil, is a documentary film that examines the indigenous values of the Afro-Brazilian religion Candomblé, through the voices of four elder spiritual mothers. Women are at the apex of leadership in many of the oldest and most traditional ritual communities in this tradition. *Yemanjá* centers their visions and wisdom as it explores intersections of African-based religious practice with issues of environmental ethics, racial justice, healing and religious tolerance in contemporary Brazil. The title, *Yemanjá*, honors the Yoruba/Brazilian Goddess of the oceans, the sacred mothering energy of Candomblé. Narrated by Pulitzer-prize winning author Alice Walker, the film explores the philosophical legacy of Africans enslaved in Brazil. *Yemanjá* powerfully compels viewers to reconsider relationships with the natural world and with each other as members of the human community. This film relates to the African Diaspora Religions unit's theme, "Medicine and Mothering in African Diaspora Religions."

Panelists:

Donna Roberts, Filmmaker

A17-401



Film: *Dawn of the Abyss: The Spiritual Birth of Swamiji*

Friday, 8:00 PM–10:00 PM

Sheraton Boston-Liberty B (Second Level)

Christian Hackbarth-Johnson, University of Salzburg, Presiding
The unique life of Henri Le Saux/Swami Abhishiktananda reveals the spiritual dynamism which lies in the encounter of Christianity with Hindu mysticism. Can this dynamism be brought into a film and speak to a public more than forty years after the depicted events? What is the legacy of Abhishiktananda for our time of globalization and new policies of national and religious identity? What can be the role of mysticism, whether monastic or not monastic, today? Watch the trailer for the film at <http://english.solarsproductions.com/>.

Panelists:

Sudhakshina Rangaswami, Fort Washington, PA

Catherine Cornille, Boston College

Joseph Prabhu, California State University, Los Angeles

Peter Kovach, Bethesda, MD

Nadya Pohran, University of Cambridge

Responding:

Fabrice Blée, Saint Paul University

A17-402



Film: *Get Out*

Friday, 8:00 PM–10:00 PM

Sheraton Boston-Republic B (Second Level)

Get Out is a 2017 American horror film written, produced and directed by Jordan Peele. The film follows a young interracial couple who visit the mysterious estate of the woman's parents.

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Feminist Studies in Religion Boards Reception

Friday, 8:30 PM–10:30 PM

Westin Copley Place-Helicon (Seventh Level)

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Yoga Class

Saturday, 7:00 AM–8:00 AM

Westin Copley Place-Empire (Seventh Level)

Join us for a 50-minute energizing and wakening yoga class, appropriate to all levels of practitioners. Fun flow will incorporate the whole body — stretching into the legs, releasing tension in the shoulders, opening up the heart with some gentle back bending. All with a great playlist to get you ready for the day. Towels will be provided. Please wear comfortable clothing. The cost for yoga is \$25.

P18-5

Society for Hindu-Christian Studies Board Meeting

Saturday, 7:30 AM–8:30 AM

Westin Copley Place-St. George A-B (Third Level)

Michelle Voss Roberts, Wake Forest University, Presiding

A18-2



New Members' Breakfast and Annual Meeting Orientation

Saturday, 7:30 AM–8:45 AM

Hynes Convention Center-302 (Third Level)

Jack Fitzmier, American Academy of Religion, and Eddie S. Glaude, Princeton University, Presiding

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A18-3



Regional Officers' Breakfast

Saturday, 7:30 AM–8:45 AM

Hynes Convention Center-301 (Third Level)

Elizabeth Hardcastle, American Academy of Religion, Presiding

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

P18-6

Feminist Studies in Religion

Theme: EFSR Board Meeting

Saturday, 7:30 AM–9:00 AM

Marriott Copley Place-Maine (Fifth Level)

Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:00 AM

P18-110

European Society for the Study of Western Esotericism

Theme: Esotericism in Non-Western Cultures? Critical Assessment of Buddhist and Islamic Esotericism

Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:00 AM

Fairmont Copley Place-Copley Room (Lobby Level)

P18-111

Adventist Society for Religious Studies

Theme: Paper Session V: The Promise of Adventism

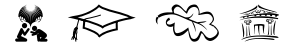
Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:00 AM

Hynes Convention Center-202 (Second Level)

Mindy Bielas, Claremont School of Theology
Stop Sacrificing our Daughters: An Analysis of Sexism in Adventist Education

Zdravko Zack Plantak, Loma Linda University
Does Adventism Inspire Young Adventists?

A18-100



Graduate Student Committee

Theme: Religious Scholars as Humanitarians: Publications, Pedagogies, and the Protection of the Most Vulnerable

Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Sheraton Boston-Grand & Independence (Second Level)

Chase L. Way, Claremont Graduate University, and Bhakti Mamtara, University of Florida, Presiding

This panel debates the ethical obligations that scholars of religion owe to the most vulnerable members of global society, particularly in the wake of the 2016 US presidential election. Through a combination of presentations and workshop activities, it will provide a safe space in which junior and senior scholars can explore how they might develop their academic careers while simultaneously making meaningful contributions to the pursuit of social justice. The featured speakers of this panel work on a diverse range of topics at the nexus of humanitarian and scholarly work, including the advancement of non-human animal rights, the lived experience of Muslim feminists, and the creation of public humanities projects that weave together knowledge about faith, the environment, and social equality for educational purposes.

Brianne Donaldson, Rice University

Religious Studies and Ethical Curiosity: Class Projects That Reveal Unseen Stories in a Midwest Slaughterhouse Town

Nayawiyyah Muhammad, Claremont Graduate University
The Women's Mosque of America and Social Justice in American Mosques

A. Whitney Sanford, University of Florida

Sacred Waters, Contested Histories, and the Public Good in the American South

Responding:

Greg Johnson, University of Colorado

A18-101



Anthropology of Religion Unit

Theme: Vulnerability and Reciprocity in the Fieldwork Encounter

Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Sheraton Boston-Gardner (Third Level)

James Bielo, Miami University, Presiding

Gwendolyn Gillson, University of Iowa

Buddhist Ritual against Vulnerability: Japanese Women's Use of Pure Land Ritual to Create the Emotional Basis of Social Bonds

Kristin Bloomer, Carleton College
Ethnography Over Time: Vulnerable Subjects

James Edmonds, Arizona State University

Flipping the Ethnographic Gaze: Illuminating the Importance of Belief

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Jason Ellsworth, Dalhousie University
"Rolls of Love": Food Insecurity, Vulnerable Populations, and Buddhist Food Programs

Jessica Johnson, University of Washington
Vulnerabilities of Encounter: Religion, Ethnography, Affect

Responding:

Mary Keller, University of Wyoming

Business Meeting:

Laurel Zwissler, Central Michigan University, and James Bielo,
 Miami University, Presiding

A18-102



Arts, Literature, and Religion Unit

Theme: **Theopoetics and Poetic Religion**

Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton Boston Back Bay-Maverick B (Second Level)

Zhang Ni, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University,
 Presiding

Regina Walton, Harvard University
What is Twenty-First Century Devotional Poetry? An Exploration in Three Parts

Caleb Murray, Brown University
Allen's Lamentation: Religion, Resistance, and the Poetics of Madness

Shawn Fawson, Iliff School of Theology and University of Denver
Passionately Pursuing the Real: Conveying the Sacred through Contemporary Poetry

Heather R. Martin, Principia College
Jack Clemons' Theopoetics: A Call to Community from the Margins

Gloria Maité Hernández, West Chester University, Pennsylvania
Discalced Carmelite Theopoetics

Business Meeting:

Yolanda Pierce, Princeton Theological Seminary, Presiding

A18-103



Augustine and Augustinianisms Unit

Theme: **Augustine on Exile and Migration**

Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hynes Convention Center-101 (Plaza Level)

Matthew Drever, University of Tulsa, Presiding

Sean Hannan, MacEwan University
Tempus Refugit: Reimagining Pilgrimage as Migrancy in Augustine's City of God

Kevin Grove, University of Notre Dame
Exercises in Wayfaring: Augustine's Expositions of the Psalms of Ascent as Communal Explorations of Exile and Migration

Joseph Lenow, University of Virginia
Interstitial Homiletics: Augustine's Sermon 26 in Postcolonial Perspective

Matthew Elia, Duke University
The Wanderer in Exile and the Fugitive Slave: Two Models of Citizenship for Augustinian Politics

Responding:

Sarah Stewart-Kroeker, University of Geneva

Business Meeting:

Paul R. Kolbet, Yale University, Presiding

A18-104



Black Theology Unit and Theology and Religious Reflections Unit

Theme: **Author Meets Critics: Josef Sorett's *Spirit in the Dark: A Religious History of Racial Aesthetics* (Oxford University Press, 2016)**

Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hynes Convention Center-111 (Plaza Level)

Adam Clark, Xavier University, Presiding

Panelists:

Ashon Crawley, University of California, Riverside

Tracy Fessenden, Arizona State University

Bryan Massingale, Marquette University

Carol B. Duncan, Wilfrid Laurier University

Monica A. Coleman, Claremont School of Theology

Responding:

Josef Sorett, Columbia University

A18-105



Body and Religion Unit

Theme: **The Spatiality and Instrumentality of the Body**

Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott Copley Place-Wellesley (Third Level)

George Pati, Valparaíso University, Presiding

Michael Raposa, Lehigh University
The Body as Instrument of Attention in Martial Spirituality

Matthew Robertson, Florida State University
Autophagous Bliss: The Obliteration of Spatiality in the Bodily Philosophies of Georges Bataille and the Taittiriya Upanishad

Jessica Wong, Azusa Pacific University
Discerning the Body: Spiritual Economy and Social Locations of Power in the Modern Conception of Race

K. Christine Pae, Denison University
Prostituted, Militarized, Racialized, and Colonized Bodies: U.S. Military Prostitution in South Korea as a Site of Spiritual Activism

Responding:

Tracy Pintchman, Loyola University, Chicago

Business Meeting:

George Pati, Valparaíso University, and Kevin Schilbrack,
 Appalachian State University, Presiding

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A18-106

Buddhism Unit

Theme: **Poetic Turns in Buddhist Literature**

Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott Copley Place-Grand D (Fourth Level)

Janet Gyatso, Harvard University, Presiding

Julie Regan, La Salle University

An Early Buddhist Theory of Poetics as a Path to Awakening

Sonam Kachru, University of Virginia

Of Poets, Their Lies, and the Savage Fruits Thereof: Four Brief Vignettes on the Imagination in Buddhism

Xi He, Appalachian State University

Buddhists and Sanskrit Prose Literature during the Early Centuries CE

Nancy Lin, Vanderbilt University

Promiscuous Bodies of Knowledge: Poetics at the Fifth Dalai Lama's Court

Responding:

Charles Hallisey, Harvard University

A18-107

Comparative Studies in Religion Unit

Theme: **Embodiment, Place, and Landscape in Buddhist Traditions**

Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hynes Convention Center-205 (Second Level)

Ivette Vargas-O'Bryan, Austin College, Presiding

Caleb Carter, Johns Hopkins University

Gendered Topographies in Medieval Japan: Faultlines in the Standard Narrative

Lindsey E DeWitt, Kyushu University

Rethinking the Religious Landscape of "No-Women-Allowed" Mt. Omine, Japan

Eric Huntington, Princeton University

Disembodied Images: Changing Views on the Materiality of Objects in Buddhism

Responding:

Paula K. R. Arai, Louisiana State University

A18-108



Cultural History of the Study of Religion Unit

Theme: **Race and the Genealogy of Genealogies**

Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott Copley Place-MIT (Third Level)

Joseph Blankholm, University of California, Santa Barbara, Presiding

Jason Josephson-Storm, Williams College

Foucault, Nietzsche, Genealogy, History, and Race

Terence Keel, University of California, Santa Barbara

A Tradition of Christian Peoplehood

Myrna Sheldon, Ohio University

The Biology of Biopower: Genealogy in the Cultural History of Religion

Sarah Dees, Northwestern University

American Scholars on Cultural and Religious Evolution

Business Meeting:

J. Barton Scott, University of Toronto, and Elizabeth Ann

Pritchard, Bowdoin College, Presiding

A18-109



Daoist Studies Unit

Theme: **A Review of *Celestial Masters: History and Ritual in Early Daoist Communities* (Harvard University Press, 2016)**

Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Sheraton Boston-Fairfax B (Third Level)

Joshua Capitanio, Stanford University, Presiding

Panelists:

Stephen R. Bokenkamp, Arizona State University

Franciscus Verellen, Ecole Francaise d'Extreme-Orient

Mark Csikszentmihalyi, University of California, Berkeley

James Robson, Harvard University

Gil Raz, Dartmouth College

Responding:

Terry Kleeman, University of Colorado

Business Meeting:

David Mozina, Boston College, and Elena Valussi, Loyola University, Chicago, Presiding

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A18-110**Ecclesial Practices Unit and Practical Theology Unit**Theme: **What Is Theology: How, Why, and for Whom?**

Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Sheraton Boston-Commonwealth (Third Level)

Mary McClintock Fulkerson, Duke University, Presiding

Panelists:

Natalie Wigg-Stevenson, University of Toronto

Karen Kilby, University of Durham

Tom Beaudoin, Fordham University

Daniel Franklin Pilario, Adamson University

A18-111**Ethics Unit**Theme: **Civic Virtues and Democratic Citizenship**

Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:00 AM

Hilton Boston Back Bay-Adams A (Third Level)

Nichole Flores, University of Virginia, Presiding

Joseph Wiinikka-Lydon, Birmingham-Southern College
*The Geopolitics of Virtue*Jesse Perillo, DePaul University
*Redemption Requires Recognition: Attending Anger and Incivility
When a Product of Structural Injustice*Joe Pettit, Morgan State University
*In Praise of the Boring Political Virtues*Kerry Danner, Georgetown University
*Defying the Status Quo: Humility, Hope, and Courage as Necessary
for Civic Virtue of Justice*Rosemary Kellison, University of West Georgia
Empathy and the Politics of Virtue

A18-113**Hinduism Unit and Women and Religion Unit**Theme: **Reconstructing Authority: Female Gurus Today**

Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Sheraton Boston-Back Bay B (Second Level)

Nancy M. Martin, Chapman University, Presiding

Karen Pechilis, Drew University
*The Backstory of Today's Female Gurus as "Mother"*Cora Gaebel, University of Cologne
*From the Hearth to the World: Female Gurus at the Kumbh Mela*István Keul, University of Bergen
*The Parsi Guru: Female Leadership in a Transreligious Movement in
Mumbai*Antoinette E. DeNapoli, University of Wyoming
*A Female Shankaracarya? The Feminism and Alternative Religious
Leadership of a Female Guru in a North Indian Pilgrimage Town*

Responding:

Amanda Lucia, University of California, Riverside

Business Meeting:

Timothy Dobe, Grinnell College, and Amanda Lucia, University
of California, Riverside, Presiding

A18-114**Indian and Chinese Religions Compared Unit**Theme: **The Art of Commentary**

Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hynes Convention Center-209 (Second Level)

Maria Heim, Amherst College, Presiding

John Makeham, La Trobe University
*Strategies Adopted in Commentaries on the Analects*Mark L. Blum, University of California, Berkeley
*What's in a Name? Making Sense of Buddhist Commentary Rubrics
in East Asia*Alexander Hsu, University of Chicago
*Anthology as Commentary: Management and Manipulation of Paper
Dharma through Medieval Chinese Buddhist Leishu*Richard Nance, Indiana University
*Burdened Donkeys, Unfinished Paintings, and Thieves in the Night:
Vasubandhu on the Challenges of Commentary*David Buchta, Brown University
*God and Her Grammarian: Grammatical Justifications in Śantanu's
Commentary on the Durgāsaptaśatī*Michael Allen, University of Virginia
*The Art of Sub-sub-commentary: Prakāśātman on the Nature of
Ignorance*

Business Meeting:

Dan Lusthaus, Harvard University, Presiding

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A18-115 – Pre-Posted Papers Session #aarigw ★

Islam, Gender, Women Unit

Theme: **Research Methodologies in the Study of Gender, Women, and Islam**

Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Sheraton Boston-Riverway (Fifth Level)

Aysha Hidayatullah, University of San Francisco, Presiding

Each table at this session will draw on one of five pre-circulated papers on a diverse array of periods, places, and topics as a starting point for a discussion of research methodologies in the study of gender, women, and feminism in relation to Islam and Muslims. Each table will bring together the author, a facilitator, and interested readers. A broader discussion among all participants will finish the session. Attendees should choose and sign up for one of the five tables in advance and read the paper for discussion at that table prior to the session (accessible through the AAR website). Please contact Aysha Hidayatullah at ahidayatullah@usfca.edu to obtain access to the sign-up web form.

Anna Piela, Leeds Trinity University
Videoconferencing as a Tool Facilitating Feminist Interviews with Muslim Women Who Wear the Niqab

Andrea Stanton, University of Denver, Facilitator

Sa'diyya Shaikh, University of Cape Town
Feminism, Epistemology, and Experience: Critically (En)gendering the Study of Islam

Homayra Ziad, Institute for Islamic, Christian, and Jewish Studies, Facilitator

Rubina Ramji, Cape Breton University
Second Generation Muslim Women Growing Up In Canada: Creating and Sustaining a Religious Identity

Zaid Adhami, Williams College, Facilitator

Zahra Ayubi, Dartmouth College
Gendered Metaphysics and Power of the (Hu)man's Soul in Islamic Ethics

Etin Anwar, Hobart and William Smith Colleges, Facilitator

Fareen Parvez, University of Massachusetts
Politicizing Islam: The Islamic Revival in France and India

Kirsten Wesselhoeft, Vassar College, Facilitator

Responding:

Danielle Widmann Abraham, Ursinus College

Business Meeting:

Justine Howe, Case Western Reserve University, and Aysha Hidayatullah, University of San Francisco, Presiding

A18-116



Jain Studies Unit

Theme: **Region and Identity in the Study of Jains**

Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott Copley Place-St. Botolph (Second Level)

Lisa Owen, University of North Texas, Presiding

Emma Tomalin, University of Leeds, and Caroline Starkey, University of Leeds

Building Jainism in Britain: Diversification and Change among Contemporary Jain Communities

Anja Pogacnik, University of Edinburgh

Religious Change in Diasporic Jainism: Young Leicester Jains and Their Conceptualisation of Socio-geographical and Inter-generational Religious Change

Aleksandra Gordeeva, Yale University

Anahilavād, and Kharatara Gaccha Views on Drama: Reflection of the City Life in Literary Works

Gregory Clines, Harvard University

The Multiple Regions and Multiple Languages of Early Modern Digambara Literature

Responding:

Ellen Gough, Emory University

Business Meeting:

Lisa Owen, University of North Texas, and Steven Vose, Florida International University, Presiding

A18-117



Liberation Theologies Unit

Theme: **Liberating Identities**

Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hynes Convention Center-310 (Third Level)

Santiago H. Slabodsky, Hofstra University, Presiding

Nikia Robert, Claremont School of Theology

The Cross, Criminality, and the Carceral State: A Liberation Theology of Lockdown America

Katie Grimes, Villanova University

Blackness, Class, and Race

Samaneh Oladi, Virginia Commonwealth University

Women's Sacred Activism: Between Modernity and Tradition

Alexander Abbasi, University of Johannesburg

Beyond Good Muslim, Bad Muslim: A Decolonial Critique of Postcolonial Muslim Ontology

Jorge Rodriguez, Union Theological Seminary

The Neoliberal Co-optation of "Identity Politics": Geopolitical Situatedness as a Decolonial Alternative

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Jeremy Posadas, Austin College
Beyond "Identity" vs. "Class": Strategic Classism Built from Insights of New Working Class Studies and Fraser's Critical Theory

Business Meeting:

Hannah Hofheinz, Ecumenical Theological Seminary, Presiding

A18-118



Mysticism Unit

Theme: **Definitions on the Edge**

Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Sheraton Boston-Berkeley (Third Level)

Jason N. Blum, Davidson College, Presiding

Christine Libby, Indiana University
Mystic Assemblages and the Translation of Affect

Gary Gardiner, University of the West Indies, Open Campus
Restoring the Mystery in Mysticism

Anthony Dupont, University of Leuven
Augustine of Hippo's Personal Experience and Theoretical Understanding of Mysticism

Evan Goldstein, Union Theological Seminary
"Mysticism," Judaism, and Orientalism in Graetz and Scholem

Joel Harrison, Northwestern University
Mysticism between Normativity and History: A Reconsideration of Ernst Troeltsch's Mystic Type

Business Meeting:

Ann Gleig, University of Central Florida, and Jason N. Blum,
 Davidson College, Presiding

A18-119



New Religious Movements Unit

Theme: **Sex, Scandal, and Extremism: Marginalizing New American Religions**

Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Sheraton Boston-Public Garden (Fifth Level)

Judith Weisenfeld, Princeton University, Presiding

Joshua Paddison, Texas State University
Dangerous Celibacy: The Fountaingrove Sex Scandal of 1891-1892

Evelyn Sterne, University of Rhode Island
"Heaven on Earth" or "Harem Heaven"? Delegitimizing Michigan's House of David

James B. Bennett, Santa Clara University
For Faith, Family, and the Future of America: The Rise of the Modern Anticult Movement and Religious Intolerance in the 1970s

Responding:

Sarah M. Pike, California State University, Chico

Business Meeting:

Jeremy Rapport, College of Wooster, and Megan Goodwin,
 Syracuse University, Presiding

A18-120

Philosophy of Religion Unit

Theme: **The Political Worlds of Hannah Arendt**

Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott Copley Place-Northeastern (Third Level)

Oona Eisenstadt, Pomona College, Presiding

David Grumett, University of Edinburgh
Love for the World in Hannah Arendt's Augustinian Political Philosophy

Johnathan Kelly, Boston University
Arendt's Theodicy of the Banality of Evil

Timothy Stanley, University of Newcastle, Australia
Supplementing Arendt

Elijah Prewitt-Davis, Drew University
Alienation and Lost Belief: Arendt and Deleuze on the World

Responding:

Anna Bialek, Washington University, St. Louis

A18-121/S18-134



Queer Studies in Religion Unit and SBL LGBTI/Queer Hermeneutics Unit

Theme: **Author Meets Critics: The Relevance of Lee Edelman's Work for the Study of Religion, Theology, and Sacred Texts**

Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Sheraton Boston-Constitution (Second Level)

Brandy Daniels, Vanderbilt University, Presiding

Panelists:

Kent Brintnall, University of North Carolina, Charlotte

Rhiannon Graybill, Rhodes College

Jacqueline Hidalgo, Williams College

Justin Crisp, Yale University

Erin Runions, Pomona College

Linn Tonstad, Yale University

Responding:

Lee Edelman, Tufts University

Business Meeting:

Thelathia Young, Bucknell University, Presiding

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Religion and Disability Studies Unit

Theme: **Disability: Growing Up, Growing Old, Cute, Mad, and Incarcerated**

Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hynes Convention Center-102 (Plaza Level)

Mary Jo Iozzio, Boston College, Presiding

Valerie Michaelson, Queen's University, Kingston, and John Swinton, University of Aberdeen

Spiritual Health, Disability, and Church Involvement of Canadian Children: A Quantitative Study

Courtney Wilder, Midland University

Spoonies, #Disabled and Cute, and Crippling the Vote: Audre Lorde, Paul Tillich, and Religious Activity on Twitter

Richard Saville-Smith, University of Edinburgh

Acute Religious Experiences — Disability or What?

Michael Mawson, University of Aberdeen

Disability and the Limits of Life: Insights from Disability Theology for Approaching Aging

Bruce Stevens, Charles Sturt University

Old Behind Bars: A Systematic Review with Theological Implications

Business Meeting:

Mary Jo Iozzio, Boston College, and Heike Peckruhn, Daemen College, Presiding

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Religion and Ecology Unit

Theme: **Identity and Community in Religion and Ecology**

Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hynes Convention Center-104 (Plaza Level)

Evan Berry, American University, Presiding

Amanda Baugh, California State University, Northridge

Reading Laudato Si with Catholics Who Deny Climate Change

Jason Brown, University of British Columbia

Dwelling in the Wilderness: The Embodied Semiotics of Catholic Monks in the American West

Stephen Meawad, Duquesne University

The Wholeness of Living Ecologically: The Development of a Coptic Orthodox Politeia and Its Contribution to Ecological Ethics

Rose Caraway, Iowa State University

If We Are the Problem Then We Are the Solution: Religion and Resilience in Contemporary Cuba

Robin Veldman, Iowa State University

"Global Warming Alarmists Remove Our Motivation to Thank God for His Gifts of Cheap, Abundant Energy Resources": How Leaders in the Christian Right Used Evangelical Mass Media to Promote Climate Skepticism

A18-124

Religion and Humanism Unit and Ricoeur Unit

Theme: **National Formations of Narrative Identities**

Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton Boston Back Bay-Westminster (Second Level)

J. Sage Elwell, Texas Christian University, Presiding

Richard A. Rosengarten, University of Chicago

Revisiting Oneself as Another: Reprise, or Revise?

Claire Taylor Jones, University of Notre Dame

Memory in Iron: The Teutonic Knights and National Identity in Eastern Europe

Daniel Boscaljon, University of Iowa

The Narratives of Black Folk

Glenn Whitehouse, Florida Gulf Coast University

Narrative Identity and National Nostalgia

Verna Marina Ehret, Mercyhurst University

Public Discourse as Performative Narrative of Reconciliation

A18-125

Religion and Politics Unit

Theme: **From White Nationalism to Civil Religion: Religion's Role in Nationalist Language**

Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hynes Convention Center-311 (Third Level)

Alex Matthews, University of Chicago, Presiding

Kevan Feshami, University of Colorado

Wiederkehr der Ahnen: Paganism, Black Metal, and the Anti-Christian and Anti-capitalist Roots of the White Genocide Myth

Cynthia Bishop Jonas, University of Colorado

American Civil Religion in the Courts of the Conqueror

D. Ashley Campbell, University of Colorado

Speaking of Hope and Change: The Civil-Religious Rhetoric of Trump and Obama

Yukai Chen, University of Colorado

The Spring Gala: Rituals and Symbols of Civil Religion in China

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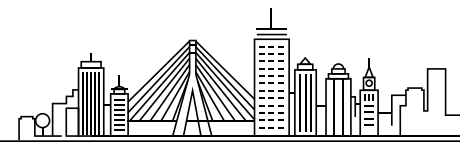
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Religion and Popular Culture Unit and Study of Islam Unit**Theme: Responses to Muslim Superheroes: Comics, Islam, and Representation**

Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Sheraton Boston-Republic A (Second Level)

Scott Gardner, Hartford Seminary, Presiding

Panelists:

Elizabeth Coody, Iliff School of Theology

Beth Davies-Stofka, Colorado Community Colleges Online

Mohamed S. Hassan, Temple University

Constance Kassor, Lawrence University

Aaron Ricker, McGill University

Responding:

A. David Lewis, MCPHS University

A18-127**Religion and Sexuality Unit****Theme: Reproducing Justice: Exposing Whiteness, Sovereign Rape, Phallogocentrism, and Sexuality Education as Tools of Racist Reproductive Control**

Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hynes Convention Center-203 (Second Level)

Shelley Dennis, Drew University, Presiding

Minenhle Nomalungelo Khumalo, Drew University
*Hagar, Sarah, and Their By-products of Patriarchy: A Marxist, Afro-futurist Exploration of Reproductive Justice*Max Thornton, Drew University
*Repetition and Procreation: Theology and the Reproduction of Whiteness*Ylisse Bess, Boston University
*The White Vote: On Abortion Access for African-American Adolescent Women*Lisa Gasson-Gardner, Drew University
Contra the Sovereign Rape Exception: Towards a Political Theology of Reproductive Justice

Responding:

Karen Bray, Wesleyan College

Kate Ott, Drew University

Business Meeting:

Jennifer S. Leath, Iliff School of Theology, and Nina Hoel,
University of Oslo, Presiding**A18-128****Religion in Europe Unit****Theme: Under the Surface of Current Debates: Islam Negotiating with European Culture**

Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Sheraton Boston-The Fens (Fifth Level)

Elissa Cutter, Loyola Marymount University, Presiding

Carol Ferrara, Boston University

The Making of a Common Enemy: Interreligious Consensus Amidst Secular Pluralism in France

Stephanie Frank, Columbia College, Chicago

The Niqab Ban in France: Unveiling the Durkheimian Model of Religion at Work

David Bos, University of Amsterdam

Homosexuality and Islam in Dutch Public Discourse Since the 1960s

Spencer Dew, Centenary College of Louisiana

The Purloined Church: Ahmadiyya Negotiations of Danish Conceptions of Religion

Business Meeting:

Elissa Cutter, Loyola Marymount University, and Kocku von
Stuckrad, University of Groningen, Presiding**A18-129 – Pre-Posted Papers Session****Religions, Medicines, and Healing Unit****Theme: State of the Field: Past, Present, and Future of the Studies of Religions, Medicines, and Healing**

Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Sheraton Boston-Liberty C (Second Level)

Steven Barrie-Anthony, University of Southern California, Presiding

Panelists:

Vasudha Narayanan, University of Florida

C. Pierce Salguero, Abington College

Ofelia Villero, Graduate Theological Union

Responding:

Linda L. Barnes, Boston University School of Medicine

Business Meeting:

Emily Wu, Dominican University, California, Presiding

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Religions, Social Conflict, and Peace Unit

Theme: **Colombia Emerging: Aspirations of the New in a Time of Post-peace Accord**

Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott Copley Place-Berkeley (Third Level)

Ian Brown, University of Toronto, Presiding

Rebecca Bartel, University of Toronto

The Promise of a New Colombia: Miracles, Morality, and the Yet to Be

Janna Hunter-Bowman, Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary

The State in Post-accord Colombia: New Accounting for a Political Theology of Peace

Sarah MacDonald, Emory University

Transformation without Saviors: Lessons from Faith-Based Solidarity Activism in Colombia

Responding:

Kimberly Theidon, Tufts University

Business Meeting:

Atalia Omer, University of Notre Dame, and Ellen Ott Marshall, Emory University, Presiding

A18-131



Sikh Studies Unit

Theme: **Sikh Scholar-Activists on Vulnerabilities**

Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hynes Convention Center-309 (Third Level)

Pashaura Singh, University of California, Riverside, Presiding

Panelists:

Simran Jeet Singh, Trinity University

Sapreet Kaur, Sikh Coalition

Tejkaran Kaur Bains, United Sikhs, New York, NY

John Cibotti, Florida International University

Nirinjan Khalsa, Loyola Marymount University

Business Meeting:

Michael Hawley, Mount Royal University, Presiding

A18-132



Space, Place, and Religion Unit

Theme: **Negotiating Diversity through Urban Landscapes: Civic Space, Religious Identity, and Social Status**

Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Sheraton Boston-Back Bay A (Second Level)

Susan L. Graham, Saint Peter's University, Presiding

Kelsey Moss, Princeton University

Cidades de Deus no Brasil Colonial: Religion and Race in the Space and Place of Colonial Salvador da Bahia

Richard Gale, Cardiff University, and Andrew Rogers, University of Roehampton

Accommodating Practices? Urban Planning, Post-migrant Faith Groups, and the Spatial Politics of Belonging in the UK

Claire Dwyer, University College, London, Nazneen Ahmed, University College, London, and David Gilbert, University of London

Performing Religion in Suburbia: Negotiations in Public Space

Enoch Gbadegesin, Obafemi Awolowo University

Secularizing the City of 201 Gods: Oḍi of Ife and the Transformation of Sacred Spaces in Ife-Ife of Southwestern Nigeria

Responding:

Thomas A. Tweed, University of Notre Dame

Business Meeting:

Brian J. Nichols, Mount Royal University, and David Bains, Samford University, Presiding

A18-133



Teaching Religion Unit

Theme: **Teaching about Religion as Anti-Racism Education**

Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Sheraton Boston-Liberty B (Second Level)

Sajida Jalalzai, Saint Michael's College, Presiding

Panelists:

Richard Newton, Elizabethtown College

Martha Roberts, University of the South

Christine Hong, Louisville Presbyterian Theological Seminary

Tiffany Puett, Institute for Diversity and Civic Life, Austin, TX

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**A18-134****Theology and Continental Philosophy Unit**Theme: **Memorializing “Mourning and Melancholia”**

Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott Copley Place–Arlington (Third Level)

Travis Stevens, Harvard University, Presiding

Panelists:

Eleanor Craig, Harvard University

Amy M. Hollywood, Harvard University

Dana Luciano, Georgetown University

Kalpana Seshadri, Boston College

Kris Trujillo, University of California, Berkeley

Antonio Viego, Duke University

A18-135**Tibetan and Himalayan Religions Unit**Theme: **New Research on Ritual, Politics, and Possession in Himalayan Religions**

Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hynes Convention Center-201 (Second Level)

Sarah Jacoby, Northwestern University, Presiding

Ian MacCormack, Harvard University

*Figuring the Divine: Kāvya in Tibetan Political Writing*William Dewey, University of California, Santa Barbara
*Geluk Sectarianism and the Tibetan Regency*Christopher Bell, Stetson University
*Standardizing the Oracles: Spirit Possession in the Tibetan Monkey Year Festival*Katarina Turpeinen, University of Virginia
*Soteriology and Shamanism in the Case of a Tibetan Oracle*Natasha Mikles, University of Virginia
“When is a Hat a Mountain?” Ritual’s Role in Constructing the Object of Vision

Business Meeting:

Benjamin Bogin, Skidmore College, Presiding

A18-136**World Christianity Unit**Theme: **The Protestant Reformation in World Christianity: Global Perspectives**

Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hynes Convention Center-208 (Second Level)

Dale T. Irvin, New York Theological Seminary, Presiding

Joel Cruz, Lutheran School of Theology, Chicago
Spaniards in the Americas: Las Casas among the Reformers

Rebecca Giselsbrecht, University of Zurich, Fuller Theological Seminary

*Women from Then to Now: A Commitment to Mutuality and Literacy*David Daniels, McCormick Theological Seminary
The Global South: The Synod of Dort on Baptizing “Ethnics”

Peter C. Phan, Georgetown University

The Protestant Reformations in Asia: A Blessing or a Curse?

Responding:

Francis Ching-Wah Yip, Chinese University of Hong Kong

Business Meeting:

Jonathan Tan, Case Western Reserve University, and Corey Williams, Leiden University, Presiding

A18-137 – Pre-Posted Papers Session**Material Islam Seminar**Theme: **Islamic Books in Manuscript, a Material Analysis**

Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Westin Copley Place–St. George A-B (Third Level)

Kambiz GhaneaBassiri, Reed College, Presiding

Asma Hilali, Institute of Ismaili Studies

The Sanaa Palimpsest and the Early Transmission of the Qur’an

Jonathan E. Brockopp, Pennsylvania State University

The Earliest Arabic Manuscripts and the Rise of Book Culture among the “Ulamā”

Ali Karjoo-Ravary, University of Pennsylvania

Adorning the King of Islam: The Materiality of a Fourteenth-Century Persian Chronicle

Walid Saleh, University of Toronto

Tafsīr Manuscripts in Istanbul: Preliminary Remarks

Responding:

Sheila Blair, Boston College

Business Meeting:

Anna Bigelow, North Carolina State University, Presiding

A18-138**Political Theology Seminar**Theme: **Resisting: Political Theology**

Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hynes Convention Center-306 (Third Level)

David Newheiser, Australian Catholic University, Presiding

Panelists:

William T. Cavanaugh, DePaul University

Philip Gorski, Yale University

Sarah Hammerschlag, University of Chicago

Pamela Lightsey, Boston University

Anna Rowlands, Durham University

Responding:

Inese Radzins, Pacific School of Religion

Business Meeting:

David Newheiser, Australian Catholic University, and Inese Radzins, Pacific School of Religion

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A18-139

Religious Literacy College-Wide Project

Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hynes Convention Center-207 (Second Level)

Eugene V. Gallagher, Connecticut College, Diane L. Moore, Harvard University, and Steve Herrick, American Academy of Religion, Presiding

Many college students do not take even an introductory course in religion, and their exposure to religion elsewhere in curricula may be haphazard. To position colleges to be better at graduating religiously literate students, the AAR is developing guidelines for colleges to draw upon in identifying the religion-related knowledge and skills that all associate's and bachelor's degree students ought to gain prior to graduation. The initiative is funded by a grant from the Arthur Vining Davis Foundation. This seminar session is the second of several annual ones to discuss what those guidelines should be and how they should be promoted. This session will discuss a draft of the guidelines, which will be available in advance of the session at the AAR website. Regardless of whether one attended last year's session, any Annual Meeting registrant is welcome to attend this year's session. (So that participants' feedback can be fully retained, the session may be audio-recorded. But the recording will only be shared only with the drafting group, and you may opt to have your remarks excluded.)

Panelists:

Cherie Hughes, Tulsa Community College
Amir Hussain, Loyola Marymount University
Eugene Y. Lowe, Northwestern University
Margaret Lowe, Bridgewater State University
Brian K. Pennington, Elon University
Martha Reineke, University of Northern Iowa

A18-140 – Pre-Posted Papers Session



Transnational Religious Expression: Between Asia and North America Seminar

Theme: **Theory and Method in the Study of Transnational Religious Expression**

Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Sheraton Boston-Beacon F (Third Level)

Lucas Carmichael, University of Chicago, Presiding

Lawrence Whitney, Boston University
Protestantization and Confucianism: The Case of Boston Confucianism 2.0

Anandi Salinas, Emory University
Lived Transnational Religion: Reflections on an Ethnography of Gaudīya Vaiṣṇava Practices in the Southeastern US

Kristian Petersen, University of Nebraska, Omaha
Asian American Muslim Cinema: A Theoretical Preface

Minjung Noh, Temple University
Salvation, Salvage, and the Fashioning of Care in the Haitian Religious Field: A Case Study of Korean American Protestant Women Missionaries in Haiti

Torang Asadi, Duke University
Transmateriality: Iranian-American Alternative Healing Practices

Responding:

Scott Mitchell, Institute of Buddhist Studies

Business Meeting:

Holly Gayley, University of Colorado, Presiding

A18-141

Video Gaming and Religion Seminar

Theme: **New Voices In the Study of Religion and Video Games**

Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott Copley Place-Vineyard (Fourth Level)

Kerstin Radde-Antweiler, University of Bremen, Presiding

Vit Sisler, Charles University, and Josef Slerka, Charles University
Communism Reloaded: Social Network Analysis of Religion and Gaming

John Borchert, Syracuse University
No-Death: Posthuman Living through Ritualized Game Death

Jonathan A. Seitz, Taiwan Theological Seminary
The Temple is a Dojo, the Church is a Gym: Gaming, Walking, and Worshipping with Pokémon Go in Taipei, Taiwan

Benjamin Chicka, Claremont Graduate University
Nontraditional Video Games and the Other

Business Meeting:

Gregory Grieve, University of North Carolina, Greensboro, Presiding

A18-142

Women's Caucus

Theme: **Rethinking Resistance and Resilience**

Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hynes Convention Center-305 (Third Level)

Elaine Nogueira-Godsey, Methodist Theological School, Ohio, Presiding

Susan Willhauck, Atlantic School of Theology
Female Child Soldiers and Christian Feminist Resistance and Resilience

Michael Karlberg, Western Washington University
Constructive Resilience and Feminist Theories of Power

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Colleen D. Hartung, Holy Wisdom Monastery, Middleton, WI
Pussy Hats and Anatomical Signage: Ritualizing and Resistance at the Women's March on Washington D.C.

Robert Drake, Princeton Theological Seminary, and David Smith,
 Princeton Theological Seminary
Reinhold Niebuhr and the Queer Ethic of Pride

Responding:

Julia Berger, University of Kent

A18-148



Public Understanding of Religion Committee and the Pulitzer Center for Crisis Reporting

Theme: **AAR Journalism Award Session: Journalists Discuss the Challenges of Covering Religions**

Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott Copley Place-Provincetown (Fourth Level)

Ayesha S. Chaudhry, University of British Columbia, Presiding

The three winners of this year's AAR Journalism Awards will join two other acclaimed journalists to share their insights and experiences in their years covering religion. Their writing examines religions in a wide array of settings, from the classroom to the battlefield, the refugee camp to the prosperity gospel church. The 2017 AAR Journalism Awards will also be presented in a short ceremony.



Ariel Sabar

Ariel Sabar is the winner of the 2017 American Academy of Religion Award for Best In-Depth Newswriting on Religion for his newswriting on the Jesus's Wife papyrus and academic research and politics involving historical Jesus. He has published in the *Atlantic*, *Boston Globe*, *Harper's*, *Mother Jones*, *New York Times*, *Washington Post*, and *This American Life*. He is the author of *My Father's Paradise: A Son's Search for his Jewish Past in Kurdish Iraq*, which won the National Book Critics Circle Award.

Rachel Zoll placed second in the contest for the 2017 AAR Award for Best In-Depth Newswriting on Religion for her newswriting on a renewed black separatist message from Louis Farrakhan; U.S. evangelicals feeling alienated and anxious; and neighboring Baptist churches in Georgia, with congregations split along racial lines. She is national religion reporter for the Associated Press and holds a master's degree in international affairs from Columbia University.



Rachel Zoll



Ruth Graham

Ruth Graham placed third in the contest for the 2017 AAR Award for Best In-Depth Newswriting on Religion. Her article on former Wheaton professor Larycia Hawkins, who wore a hijab as a gesture of support for Muslims, has especially drawn praise. Graham has written for *Al Jazeera America*, *The Atlantic*, *New York Times Magazine*, *Slate*, and the *Wall Street Journal*.

Nick Shindo Street is Senior Writer at the Center for Religion and Civic Culture, at the University of Southern California. He has written for the *Washington Post*, *Los Angeles Times*, *Wall Street Journal*, and *Al Jazeera America*. He is the former religion editor at Routledge and John Knox press and a contributing editor for LGBT issues at Religion Dispatches. He has received a grant from the Pulitzer Center for his journalism on left-wing Muslims in Europe. He holds an MTS in journalism from USC and an MTS in theology from Emory University.

Alice Su's journalism focuses on refugees, religion, migration, China, and the Middle East. Her work has appeared in the *Atlantic*, *Foreign Affairs*, *Foreign Policy*, *Guardian*, *Harper's*, *New York Times*, *New Yorker*, *Washington Post*, *Wired*, and *Al Jazeera*. She has been a four-time recipient of grants from the Pulitzer Center, and she holds a master's degree in Chinese Politics and International Relations from Yenching Academy of Peking University and an A.B. in Near Eastern Studies from the Woodrow Wilson School of Public and International Affairs at Princeton University.

Panelists:

Ruth Graham, *Slate*

Ariel Sabar, *The Atlantic*

Nick Street, University of Southern California

Alice Su, Pulitzer Center for Crisis Reporting

Rachel Zoll, Associated Press

A18-149

Nominations Committee Meeting

Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hynes Convention Center-301 (Third Level)

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Applied Religious Studies Committee Meeting

Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hynes Convention Center-105 (Plaza Level)

Cristine Hutchison-Jones, Harvard Law School, Presiding

P18-112



Society for Hindu-Christian Studies

Theme: **Ashrams in Space: Multiplying Sites, Mobilizing Methods**

Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Westin Copley Place-Staffordshire (Third Level)

Timothy Dobe, Grinnell College, Presiding

Nadya Pohran, University of Cambridge
Indian Christian Ashrams as the "Kingdom of God"

Claire Robison, Lewis and Clark College
Reflections of the Secular Cityscape in a Rural Religious Ashram: Urban Aspirations in a Vaisnava Ecovillage

Kerry San Chirico, Villanova University
One Catholic Ashram as "Abundant Space" and Index of Contemporary India

Srivastava Shivam, University of Salzburg
Bettina Bäumer's Samvidālaya: Abhinavagupta Research Library in Varanasi as a Meeting Place of Scholars and Spiritual Seekers

Responding:

Timothy Dobe, Grinnell College

Business Meeting:

Michelle Voss Roberts, Wake Forest University, Presiding

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Colloquium on Violence and Religion

Theme: **Girard's Legacy: Continuing the Conversation**

Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Westin Copley Place-Defender (Seventh Level)

Brian Robinette, Boston College, Presiding

Stewart Clem, University of Notre Dame
Nonviolent Grammar of Sacrifice

Anthony William Bartlett, Syracuse, NY
Between Girard and Heidegger: A New Ontology

Chris Haw, University of Notre Dame
Girard at Intersection of Analogy and Dialectic

P18-114

North American Association for the Study of Religion and SBL Greco-Roman Religions Section

Theme: **Theorizing Ancient Theories of Religion**

Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Fairmont Copley Place-State Suite A (Lower Lobby Level)

P18-115

Society for Comparative Research on Iconographic and Performative Texts

Theme: **Miniature Scriptures**

Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Sheraton Boston-Dalton (Third Level)

Dorina Miller Parmenter, Spalding University, Presiding

James W. Watts, Syracuse University
Ritualizing the Size of Books

Yohan Yoo, Seoul National University, and Woncheol Yun, Seoul National University
Sutras Working in Buddha's Belly and Buddhists' Pockets: Iconic and Performative Miniature Sutras in Korean Buddhism

Jon Skarpeid, University of Stavanger
Wars and Weddings: The Ideologies of Miniature Bhagavad Gitas with a Focus on Gender

Dorina Miller Parmenter, Spalding University
Small Things of Greatest Consequence: Miniature Bibles in America

Responding:

Kim Haines-Eitzen, Cornell University

P18-116

Society for the Study of Christian Spirituality

Theme: **Presidential Address and Annual Meeting**

Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Westin Copley Place-St. George C-D (Third Level)

Bernadette Flanagan, Spirituality Institute for Research and Education, Dublin, Ireland, Presiding

9:00 AM–10:15 AM - 2017 Presidential Address

Pieter G. R. De Villiers, University of the Free State
"Beauty" in the Book of Revelation: On Biblical Spirituality and Aesthetics

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.

P18-121

Niebuhr Society

Theme: **The Virtue of Reinhold Niebuhr**

Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Westin Copley Place-Northstar (Seventh Level)

Kevin Carnahan, Central Methodist University, Presiding

Robin W. Lovin, Southern Methodist University
Niebuhr and the Virtue of Love

Charles Mathewes, University of Virginia
Niebuhr on the Ironies of Virtue and the Virtue of Irony

K. Healan Gaston, Harvard University
Niebuhr and Humility

Christopher Dowdy, Paul Quinn College
Niebuhr, Contrition, and Race

The Niebuhr Society business meeting will follow.

P18-122

North American Paul Tillich Society

Theme: **Tillich and Reformation Heritage**

Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott Copley Place-Brandeis (Third Level)

Christian Danz, Universität Wien
Critique and Forming: Paul Tillich's Interpretation of Protestantism

Tyler Atkinson, Bethany College
Power Plays in the Political Thought of Tillich and Luther

Jan-Olav Henriksen, MF Norwegian School of Theology
Tillich and the Reformation

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**P18-123****Søren Kierkegaard Society**Theme: **Kierkegaard's Attack on Christendom: Then and Now**

Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Westin Copley Place-Helicon (Seventh Level)

Mark McCreary, Kirkwood Community College, Presiding

Jason A. Mahn, Augustana College
Post-Christendom or Neo-Christendom?: A Kierkegaardian Assessment of Christian Privilege in Contemporary U.S. Culture and Politics

Mark Tietjen, Stony Brook School
The Scope of Kierkegaard's Attack

Responding:

Heather C. Ohaneson, George Fox University

P18-148**Society for Pentecostal Studies**Theme: **Pentecostal Readings in the Hebrew Bible**

Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Sheraton Boston-Beacon G (Third Level)

Van Johnson, Tyndale University, Presiding

David Hymes, Northwest University
Reception-History of the Book of Numbers within the Early Pentecostal Tradition

Meghan Musy, McMaster Divinity College
A Pentecostal Reading of Psalm 28: Praying through and Being Heard

Lee Roy Martin, Pentecostal Theological Seminary
Psalm 150 and Pentecostal Spirituality

P18-117**Karl Barth Society of North America**Theme: **"Keep Yourself to the Left" - Barth's Political Vision Today**

Saturday, 9:00 AM–12:00 PM

Westin Copley Place-Independence B (Fourth Level)

Keith Johnson, Wheaton College
Barth's Politics of Hope: Human Dignity in the Midst of Horrors

Raymond Carr, Pepperdine University
Barth, Cone, and the Prison Industrial Complex

Gillian C Breckenridge, University of Virginia
Karl Barth and Michel Foucault on the Power/Knowledge of Sin and the Task of Theology

W. Travis McMaken, Lindenwood University
Helmut Gollwitzer: Forgotten Left-Wing Barthian

Responding:

Andrea C. White, Union Theological Seminary

P18-118**Society for Buddhist-Christian Studies**Theme: **Uses and Misuses of Anger in Buddhism and Christianity**

Saturday, 9:00 AM–12:00 PM

Marriott Copley Place-New Hampshire (Fifth Level)

The role of anger in both Buddhism and Christianity is complex and multivalent. Both religions teach the need to combat anger and its destructive consequences, particularly the way it fractures relationships. However, at the same time, anger can be a powerful tool for advocacy and action, particularly for the sake of justice. In this session, different aspects of anger are explored, with an eye both to anger's constructive role and also to its dangers.

Carolyn Medine, University of Georgia
Claude AnShin Thomas: Pausing at Hell's Gate and Undoing Anger

Thomas Cattoi, Santa Clara University and Graduate Theological Union

Searching for Holy Anger: Voices from the Philokalia and the Tibetan Buddhist Tradition

Lama Rod Owens, Dharma Boston Sangha
The Wrathful Guru: Exploring the Vajrayana Understanding of Anger

Carol S. Anderson, Kalamazoo College
Anger Makes Us Ugly: Reflections from Pali Buddhism

Joel Daniels, Georgetown University
The Wind of the Spirit Blows Gently and Fiercely: A Pentecostal Perspective on Love and Anger

Responding:

Judith Simmer-Brown, Naropa University

The business meeting for the Society for Buddhist-Christian Studies will take place immediately following this session. All Society members are welcome to attend.

P18-124**Polanyi Society**Theme: **Trade, Employment, and Public Policy: Polanyi Then and Now**

Saturday, 9:00 AM–3:00 PM

Offsite-Massachusetts Institute of Technology, 2 Amherst St, Building E 51, Room 95

Phil Mullins, Missouri Western State University, Presiding

The Polanyi Society has solicited twelve papers for an international workshop centered on Michael Polanyi's 1945 book *Full Employment & Free Trade* and his slightly earlier film on economics. Presentations will consider Polanyi's relation to figures like Keynes, Hayek, and his brother Karl, but focus on the relevance of Polanyi's economic and political thought today.

See <http://polanysisociety.org> for abstracts or papers after November 1, information on travel to the site, lunch reservations, and other details.

Panelists:

Struan Jacobs, Deakin University

Nilanjan Raghunath, Singapore University of Technology and Design

Anne McCants, Massachusetts Institute of Technology

Walter B. Gulick, Montana State University, Billings

Gabor Biro, Budapest University of Technology and Economics

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Erik Slaton, Massachusetts Institute of Technology
Jordan Howell, Harvard University
Jaime Wong, Massachusetts Institute of Technology
J. Michael Wahlen, Massachusetts Institute of Technology
Marta Felis-Rota, Autonomous University of Madrid
Eduardo Beira, Massachusetts Institute of Technology
Agnes Festre, Université Nice Sophia Antipolis

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Museum of Fine Arts Tour

Saturday, 9:30 AM–12:00 PM

Offsite-Meet at the Registration Desk outside of Exhibit Hall CD in the Convention Center

See page 9 for details.

P18-119

Society of Christian Philosophers

Theme: **God and Horrors: Nine Short Talks in Honor of Marilyn McCord Adams**

Saturday, 10:00 AM–1:00 PM

Westin Copley Place–Essex Center (Third Level)

Shannon Craigo-Snell, Louisville Presbyterian Theological Seminary, and Christine Helmer, Northwestern University, Presiding

I. Horrendous Evils

Danielle Elizabeth Tumminio, Seminary of the Southwest

For Those Who Remain: A Proposal For Stage Three Horror Defeat

Jesse Couenhoven, Villanova University

Reframing the Free Will Defense: A Compatibilist Approach

Sarah K. Pinnock, Trinity University

God after Auschwitz and the Praxis of Evil

II. Pastoral Theology

Janet Waggoner, Brite Divinity School

God's Goodness Made Manifest: Pastoral Theologizing and Theological Pastoring

Rebecca Voelkel, Center for Sustainable Justice, Minneapolis, MN

Carnal Knowledge of God: Theology, Embodiment, and Building a Movement for Justice

Ruthanna Brinton Hooke, Virginia Theological Seminary

Queering Worship

III. Theology

Ed Waggoner, Brite Divinity School

The God of Quieter Miracles: Schleiermacher on the End of the Divine Spirit's Miraculous Expressions

Wendy Sue Petersen-Boring, Willamette University, and Emily Boring, Yale University

God's Self-Diffusing Goodness: Bonaventure, Evolutionary Biology, and Cosmic Order

Andrew Chignell, University of Pennsylvania

On Getting Drunk by Accidents

P18-120

Adventist Society for Religious Studies

Theme: **Worship Service**

Saturday, 11:00 AM–12:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center-202 (Second Level)

Michael Pearson, Newbold College

Sermon: Human Accountability and the Law of Unintended Consequences

P18-125

Society for the Study of Japanese Religions

Theme: **Meet the Authors: New Books in Japanese Religions**

Saturday, 10:30 AM–12:00 PM

Fairmont Copley Place–Back Bay Room (Lower Lobby Level)

Heather Blair, Indiana University, Presiding

As part of the business meeting for the SSJR we will be hosting a “meet the authors” session, highlighting recent important publications in the field of Japanese Religions.

Anna Andreeva, University of Heidelberg

Assembling Shinto: Buddhist Approaches to Kami Worship in Medieval Japan

Caitlin Griffiths, University of Toronto

Tracing the Itinerant Path: Jishu Nuns of Medieval Japan

Edward Drott, Sophia University

Buddhism and the Transformation of Old Age in Medieval Japan

Bryan Lowe, Vanderbilt University

Ritualized Writing: Buddhist Practice and Scriptural Cultures in Ancient Japan

Melissa Anne-Marie Curley, Ohio State University

Pure Land, Real World: Modern Buddhism, Japanese Leftists, and the Utopian Imagination

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P18-126

Society for Asian and Comparative Philosophy

Theme: **Doubting, Fashioning and Enjoying (Conventional) Reality: Skepticism, Fictionalism and Eudaimonism in Indian Buddhist Thought**

Saturday, 11:00 AM–12:45 PM

Fairmont Copley Place-Singleton Room (Lobby Level)

This panel is comprised of three papers on Indian Buddhist, and in particular, Madhyamaka, philosophical thought. A theme running through the entire panel is the relationship between conventional and ultimate reality, and in particular, seeing the boundary between the two truths as contested, and perhaps even malleable terrain.

Representing epistemology, Ethan Mills examines skeptical elements within early Buddhist and Madhyamaka texts, with an eye to both indicating the role of doubting reality in relation to liberation, as well as suggesting that escape from bondage does not exhaust the role of skeptical thinking in Indian Buddhist thought.

Representing metaphysics, Laura Guerrero argues that the contemporary analytic framework of fictionalism can help address lingering conundrums left behind by Mark Siderits' enormously influential reductionist reading of Madhyamaka texts. Finally, representing ethics, Stephen Harris analyses the role of joy in Śāntideva's eighth-century CE *Guide to the Bodhisattva's Way of Life*, and explores the apparent tension emerging from Śāntideva's emphasis on the illusion-like nature of pleasant sensation, while frequently emphasizing the positive value of virtuous kinds of joy in the bodhisattva's development. The panel is distinctive in two ways. First, its emphasis on skepticism, fictionalism and the virtue of joy in Buddhist ethics draws attention to three relatively underanalyzed elements of Buddhist philosophical thought. Second, the presentations are tightly linked in their exploration of the relationship between conventional and ultimate truth. The panel as a whole acts as an investigation into the practical and theoretical elements of this central Buddhist tenet.

Laura Guerrero, Utah Valley University
Fictionalism and Buddhist Reductionism

Ethan Mills, University of Tennessee, Chattanooga
Skeptical Themes in Early Buddhism

Stephen Harris, Leiden University
The Bodhisattva's Illusion-like Joy



Coffee Break Saturday, 11:30 AM

Complimentary coffee will be served in the back of Aisle 2100 and Aisle 2600 of the Exhibit Hall.

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Student Lounge Roundtable

Theme: **Pedagogical Uses of Social Media: Twitter, Facebook, and Beyond**

Saturday, 11:30 AM–1:00 PM

Hynes Convention Center-303 (Third Level)

Bhakti Mamtara, University of Florida, and Bradley Erickson, University of North Carolina, Presiding

Co-sponsored by the Wabash Center and the SBL Student Advisory Board

Graduate students please join us for lunch and an interactive presentation about teaching in higher education. Many of us and our students use YouTube, Twitter, Facebook and Instagram to curate our identities, present ourselves to our communities, and ascribe meaning to our worlds. What are effective ways to use social media in the classroom? How can it be integrated with more traditional teaching strategies? How can we increase critical thinking about social media? This session explores effective and critically aware ways to incorporate social media in the classroom and in public discussions of religion.

Please join us for lunch and conversation. Pre-registration is strongly encouraged; please email Bhakti Mamtara (bbaktim@ufl.edu) to reserve your spot. Registration deadline is November 1. Walk-ins will be accommodated if space permits.

Panelists:

Mary T. Stimming, Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion

Grace Ji-Sun Kim, Earlham College

Brooke Lester, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary

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Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion

Theme: **Faculty of Color Luncheon**

Saturday, 11:30 AM–1:00 PM

Hynes Convention Center-107 (Plaza Level)

You are invited to attend the Faculty of Color Luncheon. This mealtime gathering is a space for fellowship, mutual support, and empowerment for our teaching lives. Hear about Wabash Center programming and how to apply for the 2018–19 Peer Mentoring Cluster grants. Participants in past and current Peer Mentoring Cluster grants, Colloquial and Fellowships will be available for conversation.

Pre-registration is required. Send an email to Beth Reffett reffettb@wabash.edu. Registration deadline is November 1. Walk-ins may also be accepted if space is available.

Panelists:

Roger Nam, George Fox University

Nancy Lynne Westfield, Drew University

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Contingent Faculty Luncheon: What Can Non-tenure-track Faculty Career Growth Look Like?

Saturday, 11:45 AM–12:45 PM

Hynes Convention Center-108 (Plaza Level)

Kerry Danner, Georgetown University, and Edwin David Aponte, Louisville Institute, Louisville, KY, Presiding

Part-time, full-time, and all non-tenure-track faculty and their allies are invited to join the Academic Labor and Contingent Faculty Working Group for lunch. In addition to getting to know one another, we will be discussing best practices for career growth, identifying and overcoming obstacles to scholarship, and providing other up-to-date information on areas of concern. Please join us Saturday, November 18, 11:45 AM–12:45PM. Registration for the lunch costs \$13 per person and is limited to 60 people.

To register for this luncheon, choose "Academic Labor and Contingent Faculty Luncheon" in the "Options" section when registering for the Annual Meeting. If you have already registered for the Annual Meeting, you may contact reg@aarweb.org to reserve your lunch.

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LGBTIQ Mentoring Lunch

Saturday, 11:45 AM–12:45 PM

Hynes Convention Center-302 (Third Level)

Kathleen T. Talvacchia, Union 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 pre-registration 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. Topics for discussion include: Demystifying Tenure, Service and the Subtle Art of Saying No, Scholarship and Activism, Navigating Queer and Religion in the Curriculum, Teaching While Queer: Out and Subversive Actions During the Age of Attacks and Alternative Facts, Dual Vocation, The Writing Process.

Mentors:

- Rebecca Alpert, Temple University
- Kent Brintnall, University of North Carolina, Charlotte
- Robyn Henderson-Espinoza, Faith Matters Network, Nashville, TN
- Mark Larrimore, New School
- Pamela Lightsey, Boston University
- Cameron Partridge, St. Aidan's Episcopal Church, San Francisco
- Heather White, University of Puget Sound
- Thelathia Young, Bucknell University

A18-147

Women's Caucus

Theme: **Goddess Studies and Herstory of Resilience**

Saturday, 11:45 AM–12:45 PM

Hynes Convention Center-305 (Third Level)

Theresa A. Yugar, California State University, Los Angeles, Presiding

This brown-bag lunch will provide a reflection space to discuss the importance of female deities and goddesses, particularly in Korea, Europe, Tibet, India, and Latin America, as we engage in socio-religious and political discourses that continue to undermine women's agency and leadership. The most important strategy for doing feminism is to discover the most valuable characters of womanhood, which has been lacking in western religions in general yet embodied in non-western mythologies, especially in Asian religions. It is time to increase feminist goddess studies in order to emphasize women's leadership in societies and communities such as families, and churches, on a national and transnational level.

Panelists:

Jea Sophia Oh, West Chester University, Pennsylvania

Janice Poss, Claremont Graduate University

Responding:

Neela Bhattacharya Saxena, Nassau Community College

Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

P18-210



North American Association for the Study of Religion Business Meeting

Saturday, 1:00 PM–1:50 PM

Fairmont Copley Place-State Suite A (Lower Lobby Level)

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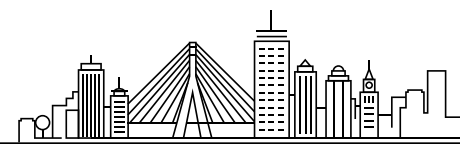
Hagiography Society Business Meeting

Saturday, 1:00 PM–2:00 PM

Westin Copley Place-St. George A-B (Third Level)

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Student Lounge Roundtable

Theme: **Effective Strategies for Scholarly Publication**

Saturday, 1:00 PM–2:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center-303 (Third Level)

This roundtable session provides strategies for publishing and developing one's reputation as scholars in their respective fields. Steven Félix-Jäger will elaborate on the various types of scholarly publications (journal articles, book reviews, encyclopedia entries, book chapters, edited volumes and monographs), discuss reformatting theses and dissertations for publication, and explore new - alternative - modes of publication. In particular, he will shed light on the challenges and opportunities that come with popular book publications.

Panelists:

Steven Félix-Jäger, Southeastern University

A18-201



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

Theme: **Equal Protection of the Law? Religious Freedom and LGBTIQ Lives**

Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center-302 (Third Level)

Roger A. Sneed, Furman University, Presiding

The purpose of this panel is to examine the use of the rhetoric of "religious freedom" to license discrimination against LGBTIQ citizens and other socially marginal communities. Particularly in the current political climate, religious freedom laws and executive action have become a central battleground in America's culture wars, but the very framing of a conflict between the values of freedom and equal citizenship in this context echoes long traditions of religious justification for racial and gender supremacy and other forms of oppression. The panelists will explore important aspects of the deployment of notions of religious liberty to reinforce the marginalization of various social groups, and they will offer reflections on paths forward in the fight for equality.

Panelists:

Finbarr Curtis, Georgia Southern University

Keri Day, Princeton Theological Seminary

Janet R. Jakobsen, Barnard College

Ann Pellegrini, New York University

Alex McNeill, More Light Presbyterians, Minnetonka, MN

A18-202



Anthropology of Religion Unit and Comparative Studies in Religion Unit

Theme: **Authors Meet Critics: David A. Palmer and Elijah Siegler, *Dream Trippers: Global Daoism and the Predicament of Modern Spirituality* (University of Chicago Press, 2017)**

Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Sheraton Boston-Gardner (Third Level)

Anna Sun, Kenyon College, Presiding

Panelists:

Lucas Carmichael, University of Chicago

Jeffrey J. Kripal, Rice University

Amanda Lucia, University of California, Riverside

Tulasi Srinivas, Emerson College

Thomas A. Tweed, University of Notre Dame

Responding:

David A. Palmer, University of Hong Kong

Elijah Siegler, College of Charleston

A18-203

Body and Religion Unit and Contemplative Studies Unit

Theme: **Remapping, Remodeling, and Recovering the Body: The Subtle Body across Space and Time**

Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Sheraton Boston-Constitution (Second Level)

David P. Lawrence, University of North Dakota, Presiding

Kerry Martin Skora, Hiram College

The Subtle Body of Vital Presence in Contemplative Practices of Abhinavagupta's Trika Shaivism and Longchenpa's Great Perfection

Sthaneshwar Timalina, San Diego State University

Reprogramming Embodied Experiences in the Mahārthamañjarī of Maheśvarānanda

Louis Komjathy, University of San Diego

Daoist Body-Maps and Meditative Praxis

Loriliai Biernacki, University of Colorado

Rethinking the Body's Subjectivity through Abhinavagupta's Contemplation of the Subtle Body

Responding:

M. Alejandro Chaoul, University of Texas, Houston

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A18-204



Buddhism in the West Unit

Theme: **New Studies of Buddhism in the West**

Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Marriott Copley Place-Yarmouth (Fourth Level)

John Crow, Florida State University, Presiding

America's Buddha in an Age of Empire: Cosmopolitan Domesticity or Commodity Racism?

Laura Harrington, Boston University

Cold War Karma: A Brief History of Buddhist Studies and the CIA, 1951–1967

Adeana McNicholl, Stanford University

Being Buddha, Staying Woke: Racial Formation in Black Buddhist Writings

Christopher Emory-Moore, University of Waterloo

Renunciation and the Householder/Renouncer Relation in a New Buddhist Movement

Caroline Starkey, University of Leeds

"Don't Mention the F Word": Monastic Women and Gendered Hierarchies in British Convert Buddhism

Business Meeting:

David McMahan, Franklin and Marshall College, Presiding

A18-205

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Buddhism Unit and Chinese Religions Unit

Theme: **Reshaping Family Life in Modern Chinese Buddhism**

Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Marriott Copley Place-Exeter (Third Level)

Alison Jones, Harvard University, Presiding

Jessica Zu, Princeton University

Buddhisizing the Secular: Reframing the Family Ideals on Yogācāra Terms in Republican China

Paul Katz, Academia Sinica

Chen Hailiang's Vision of Buddhist Family Life: A Pilot Study

Natasha Heller, University of Virginia

Buddhist Parenting for Modern Families: A Case Study

Neky Tak-Ching Cheung, University of Macau

Ritual and the Reformulation of Family Values: A Case Study of Lay Buddhist Menopausal Rituals in China

Responding:

Robert Weller, Boston University

A18-206



Christian Systematic Theology Unit and Schleiermacher Unit

Theme: **Friedrich Schleiermacher's *Christian Faith*: Doctrinal Analyses in Celebration of the First English-Language Critical Edition (Westminster John Knox, 2016)**

Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center-109 (Plaza Level)

Shelli Poe, Millsaps College, and Holly Taylor Coolman, Providence College, Presiding

Calli Micale, Yale University

A Schleiermacherian Solution: Eschatological Continuity, Disability, and Communication

Andrew Packman, University of Chicago

Schleiermacher's "Change of Heart" and the Recovery of Feeling in Theology

Timo Helenius, Brown University

The State of Servitude: Schleiermacher's Phenomenology of Sin

A18-207

Class, Religion, and Theology Unit and Religion and Disability Studies Unit

Theme: **The Complex Intersections between Disability and Class**

Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:00 PM

Hynes Convention Center-102 (Plaza Level)

Heike Peckruhn, Daemen College, Presiding

Joseph Strife, Union Theological Seminary

Charity and the Formation of the Working Class

Lang Chen, Hong Kong Polytechnic University

Disability, Religion, and Class in Shi Tiesheng's Works: A Post-Communist Perspective

Jeremy Posadas, Austin College

Intersections of Disability and Class: Redistributive Recognition, Organizing Collaboration, and Anti-Work Theory

Lisa Hancock, Southern Methodist University

Resisting Salvific Productivity: Disability, Cyborgs, and the Body of Christ

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**A18-208****Cognitive Science of Religion Unit and International Association for the Cognitive Science of Religion****Theme: Against Empathy (or How the Buddhists Got Morality Right)**

Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center-311 (Third Level)

Claire White, California State University, Northridge, Presiding

Panelists:

Edward Slingerland, University of British Columbia

David DeSteno, Northeastern University

Mina Cikara, Harvard University

Responding:

Claire White, Yale University

A18-209/S18-250**Comparative Approaches to Religion and Violence Unit and SBL Violence and Representations of Violence****Theme: Charges of Blasphemy in Religious Discourse**

Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Sheraton Boston-Hampton (Third Level)

Simon Zeldin, McMaster University, Presiding

Kimberly Stratton, Carleton University

The Ultimate Sacrilege—Deicide and the Paschal Lamb: Appropriating Exodus to Authorize Violence against Jews

James Petitfils, Biola University

Apparently Other: Appearance and Blasphemy in the Ancient Christian Martyr Acts

Benjamin Lappenga, Dordt College

“Formerly a Blasphemer and a Man of Violence”: First Timothy and the Othering of Jews

Responding:

Christine Luckritz, Sacred Heart University

Jennifer Bryson, Center for Islam and Religious Freedom, Washington, DC and Army War College

A18-210**Comparative Religious Ethics Unit****Theme: Author Meets Critics: Richard B. Miller's *Friends and Other Strangers* (Columbia University Press, 2016)**

Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Sheraton Boston-Riverway (Fifth Level)

Aline Kalbian, Florida State University, and Aaron Stalnaker, Indiana University, Presiding

Panelists:

Diana Fritz Cates, University of Iowa

Ross Moret, Florida State University

Eric Gregory, Princeton University

Atalia Omer, University of Notre Dame

Responding:

Richard Miller, University of Chicago

Business Meeting:

Jonathan K. Crane, Emory University, and Jung Lee, Northeastern University, Presiding

A18-211**#aarcomptheo****Comparative Theology Unit and Society for Hindu-Christian Studies****Theme: Rāmānuja at 1000: The Heritage and Promise of the Study of Rāmānuja in a Christian-Hindu Comparative Theology**

Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center-111 (Plaza Level)

John Carman, Harvard University, Presiding

Gopal Gupta, College of Idaho

Why Rāmānuja? Some Reflections on Christian-Vaisnava Comparative Theology

Hugh Nicholson, Loyola University, Chicago

Rudolf Otto's Encounter with Rāmānuja as Model for Comparative Theology

Jon Paul Sydnor, Emmanuel College, Boston

What if Rāmānuja Was Right? On the Possibility of Divine Embodiment in the Christian Tradition

Ankur Barua, University of Cambridge

The God of Love and the Love of God: Thinking With Rāmānuja About Grace in Christianity

Robindra Martin Ganeri, English Province of the Order of Preachers

Thinking the Creator and Creature Together: How Rāmānuja's Account of Scriptural Meaning Encourages a Retrieval of Unitive Language in Christian Discourse about God and the World

Rakesh Peter Dass, Hope College

Proper Acts: Rāmānuja and Luther on Works

Responding:

Francis X. Clooney, Harvard University

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A18-212

Contemporary Pagan Studies Unit and Western Esotericism Unit

Theme: **The Pagan-Esoteric Complex: Mapping Intersecting Milieus**

Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:00 PM

Hynes Convention Center-201 (Second Level)

Egil Asprem, Stockholm University, Presiding

Vivianne Crowley, Nottingham Trent University
Ancient Egypt in an Irish Castle: How an Irish Goddess Spirituality Movement Bridges the Esoteric and Exoteric, Pagan, and Christian Worlds

Caroline Tully, University of Melbourne
Isis of the North: The Celtic Priests of the Linage of Scotia

Diana Brown, Syracuse University
"Eastern Methods and Western Bodies": Dion Fortune's Assessment of Yoga for a Western Audience

Jason Winslade, DePaul University
Faeries, Bards, and Magicians: Fantasy Worlds of the Pagan Music Festival

A18-213



Critical Approaches to Hip-Hop and Religion Unit

Theme: **Gurus and Gangstas: Capital, Charisma, and Making the Sacred/Profane**

Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton Boston Back Bay-Maverick B (Second Level)

Christopher Driscoll, Lehigh University, Presiding

Amanda Furiase, Florida State University, and Sher Afgan Tareen, Florida State University
Listening to the End Times: Brand Nubian and the Ethics of Listening as a Black Apocalyptic Disciplinary Practice

Jessica Couch, University of Georgia
Is God a Gangsta? Recentring the Narrative "I" and the Precarity of Black Masculinity

Abimbola Adelakun, University of Texas
The Widow Morality: Anti-Hubris and Nigerian Hip-Hop Music

Forrest Kentwell, University of Groningen
Flatbush Zombies, Aries, and Afro-Pessimism: A Way of Reading

Marcus Evans, McMaster University
Wu-Tang Clan's East Asian Religious Dimensions: Racial and Religious Transcendence in the Life-Narrative and Imagination of RZA

Responding:

Daniel White Hodge, North Park University

Business Meeting:

Monica R. Miller, Lehigh University, Presiding

A18-214

Eastern Orthodox Studies Unit

Theme: **Sergii Bulgakov and Modern Western Theology: Panel Discussion**

Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Marriott Copley Place-Berkeley (Third Level)

Aristotle Papanikolaou, Fordham University, Presiding

Panelists:

Cyril J. O'Regan, University of Notre Dame

David B. Hart, University of Notre Dame

Paul R. Valliere, Butler University

Katherine Sonderegger, Virginia Theological Seminary

Responding:

Jennifer Newsome Martin, University of Notre Dame

Brandon Gallaher, University of Exeter

A18-215

Evangelical Studies Unit

Theme: **Evangelicalism and Posturing Public Life**

Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:00 PM

Sheraton Boston-Berkeley (Third Level)

Vincent Bacote, Wheaton College, Presiding

April French, Brandeis University
Protest from the Margins: A Human Rights Campaign Led by Evangelical Women in the Soviet Union, 1964–1987

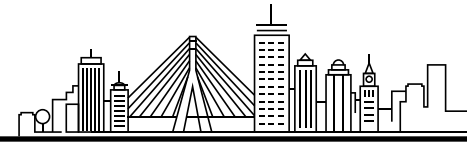
Paul Louis Metzger, Multnomah Biblical Seminary
Re-imagining Piety, Prophetic Witness, and Political Theology: An Appraisal of Bonhoeffer and Evangelicalism

Lindsey Maxwell, Florida International University
Training God's Children: Curriculum and Culture in the Christian Homeschooling Movement, 1983–2000

Aaron Griffith, Duke University
"Lawlessness Has Become the Spirit of Our Age": Crime Concern and the Making of Postwar Evangelicalism

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**A18-216****Hinduism Unit and Religion, Colonialism, and Postcolonialism Unit**Theme: **Constructing and Contesting Race in Hindu Religions**

Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center-110 (Plaza Level)

Michael Altman, University of Alabama, Presiding

Philip Deslippe, University of California, Santa Barbara
*Yoga, Race, and the Place of "Hindus" in Early Twentieth-Century America*Alexander Rocklin, Willamette University
*The Race of a Hindu: Hindu Identification, Obeah, and Politics of Categorization between the US and the Caribbean*Drew Thomases, San Diego State University
*Appropriating Archetypes: Murtis and "Idol Anxieties" on the Margins of Hindu and Hippie*Nicole Karapanagiotis, Rutgers University, Camden
Krishna West and the Reinvention of ISKCON

Responding:

Joanne Punzo Waghorne, Syracuse University

A18-217**Human Enhancement and Transhumanism Unit**Theme: **Barbies, Bots, and Mere Mortals: Images of God?**

Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Sheraton Boston-Back Bay B (Second Level)

Ronald S. Cole-Turner, Pittsburgh Theological Seminary, Presiding

Victoria Lorrimar, University of Oxford
*Does Co-creation Theology Encourage Human Enhancement?*Karen O'Donnell, Durham University
*Performing the Imago Dei: Human Enhancement and Optative Image-Bearing*Alec Arnold, Saint Louis University
*Perceiving Souls in Bread, Bodies, and Bots: A Liturgical-Theological Evaluation of Transhumanism*Kara Slade, Duke University, and Michelle Wolff, Duke University
Beyond Barbie, Blow-Up Dolls, and Blondes: Sex Robots and the Transhuman Future

Business Meeting:

Tracy J. Trothen, Queen's University, Kingston, Presiding

A18-218**International Development and Religion Unit and Space, Place, and Religion Unit**Theme: **Asian Religious Sites and Secular Space in Dynamic Tension**

Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:00 PM

Sheraton Boston-Liberty B (Second Level)

Brian J. Nichols, Mount Royal University, Presiding

Jonathan H. X. Lee, San Francisco State University
*A Tale of Three Temples, Three Cities, and Three Goddesses? Historicity and Sacred Space in the Cult of Tianhou/Mazu at Meizhou, Beigang, and San Francisco*Steven Hu, University of California, Santa Barbara
*"Transforming the City by God's Grace": Christian Publicity, Sense of Place, and Place-Making in Shanghai, China*Grace Ramswick, Stanford University
*Reinventions and Revaluations of Pakistan's Buddhist Ruins: The Case of Recent South Korean Delegations to Taxila and Takht-i-Bahi*Brooke Schedneck, Rhodes College
Loss and Promise: The Buddhist Temple as Tourist Space in Thailand

Responding:

Courtney Bruntz, Doane University

A18-219**Kierkegaard, Religion, and Culture Unit**Theme: **Kierkegaard and the Future of Revelation – Part I: The Power and the Fragility of Revelation**

Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Sheraton Boston-Republic A (Second Level)

Sheridan Hough, College of Charleston, Presiding

Avron Kulak, York University
*Kierkegaard, History, Contemporaneity: Reflections After 11/9*Christopher Nelson, South Texas College
*Opening a Kierkegaardian Time-Capsule in Twenty-First Century America: Communications, Reduplications, and Revelations*Bryan Ellrod, Emory University
*After the Earthquake: Is There Something Edifying for a Post-Trump America to Be Found in a Polemic against Justice?*Marcia C. Robinson, Syracuse University
"Blooming in the Dung Heap": Kierkegaard and the Dialectic of Revelation and Faith in Troubling Times

Business Meeting:

Sheridan Hough, College of Charleston, Presiding

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Pragmatism and Empiricism in American Religious Thought Unit

Theme: **Pragmatism in the Age of Trump**

Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Marriott Copley Place-Wellesley (Third Level)

William David Hart, Macalester College, Presiding

Logan Narikawa, University of Hawai'i
In the Midst of Fire: Achieving Our "Post-Truth" Country

Beth Eddy, Worcester Polytechnic Institute
And Whose Little American are You? Masks, Tribalism, and Love in the Age of Trump

Aaron Ghiloni, University of Queensland
Dewey Defeats Trump!

Jacob Waldenmaier, Cleveland State University
The Will to Disbelieve: A Pragmatist-Ethical Challenge to National Narcissism

Business Meeting:

William David Hart, Macalester College, Presiding

A18-221



Psychology, Culture, and Religion Unit

Theme: **Womanists at the Wheel: Emerging Concepts and Contributions in Pastoral and Practical Theology**

Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center-207 (Second Level)

Stephanie M. Crumpton, Hood Theological Seminary, Presiding

Beverly Wallace, Shaw University
Absence and Presence: Conceptualizing a Model of Care for African American Families and Communities Using the Theory of Ambiguous Loss

Chanequa Walker-Barnes, Mercer University
Until You Do Right by Me: A Womanist View of Racial Reconciliation

Pamela Yetunde, United Theological Seminary of the Twin Cities
Theologies of the "Impure": A Womanist Response to the Religious Freedom to Discriminate

Kishundra King, Vanderbilt University
Womanist Pastoral Theology for the Future: Impediments and Possibilities for Black Girl Magic

Business Meeting:

Eileen Campbell-Reed, Central Baptist Theological Seminary, and Kelly Bulkeley, Graduate Theological Union, Presiding

A18-222



Qur'an Unit and Traditions of Eastern Late Antiquity Unit

Theme: **Christianity and Islam in the Late Antique**

Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton Boston Back Bay-Westminster (Second Level)

Naomi Koltun-Fromm, Haverford College, Presiding

Richard (Todd) Godwin, University of London
Leveling the Playing Field: The Flat-Earth Cartography and Worldly Asceticism of Cosmas the India Traveler's Topographica Christiana and Its Readers

Ute Possek, Harvard University
Exegesis and Ritual at the School of Nisibis: Thomas of Edessa on the Feast of Epiphany

Matthew Niemi, Indiana University
What Was Islam? The Meaning of Din in Seventh-Century Arabia

Responding:

Joseph Lombard, American University of Sharjah

Business Meeting:

Naomi Koltun-Fromm, Haverford College, and James McGrath, Butler University, Presiding

A18-223



Reformed Theology and History Unit

Theme: **The Kingdom of God and Civil Governments**

Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Sheraton Boston-Back Bay A (Second Level)

Cynthia Rigby, Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary, Presiding

Henry Kuo, Graduate Theological Union
Peregrinating between Two Cities: Revisiting the Peregrinus

Matthew Kaemingk, Fuller Theological Seminary
A Reformed Critique of Theocratic and Secular Hegemony: The Promise and Problems within Abraham Kuyper's Political Theology

Andrew Klumpp, Southern Methodist University
A Latter-Day Geneva?: Building a Dutch Reformed Society in the American Midwest

Matthew Jantzen, Duke University
Reformed Resistance Theory: A Theological Minority Report

Business Meeting:

Cynthia Rigby, Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary, and J. Todd Billings, Western Theological Seminary, Presiding

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A18-224



Religion and Economy Unit

Theme: **Valuing Religion**

Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center-203 (Second Level)

Kati Curts, University of the South, Presiding

Samuel Brody, University of Kansas
One Jew, Two Jews, Red Jews, Blue Jews: Contemporary Jewish Economic Literature between "Social Justice" and "Business Ethics"

Andrew Jungclaus, Columbia University
The Presbyterian "Lifetime Income Plan" and the Democratization of Endowment

Charles McCrary, Florida State University
Swindlers, Vagrants, and Religious Sincerity in New York, 1870–1920

Elizabeth Williams-Oerberg, University of Copenhagen
Value Creation, Marketization of Spiritual Tourism and Religious Transformation in Ladakh, India

Responding:

Bethany Moreton, Dartmouth College

Business Meeting:

Elayne Oliphant, New York University, and Daniel Vaca, Brown University, Presiding

A18-225



Religion and Politics Unit

Theme: **Populism through the Lens of Religion and Race**

Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Sheraton Boston-Grand & Independence (Second Level)

Robert P. Jones, Public Religion Research Institute, Presiding

This session explores the impact of religion and race on American populism across the ideological spectrum. Papers explore the interplay of religious and secular forces on the #BlackLivesMatter movement, including a theological exploration of the death of Michael Brown and an examination of how Millennial activists are blurring secular/religious boundaries. The session juxtaposes these topics with examinations of white conservative populist expressions. Papers explore populist elements within the Southern Baptist Convention that laid the foundation for white evangelicals to throw their support behind Donald Trump and among Tea Party women whose rhetoric centered around a vision of white Christianity fighting the legality of abortion.

Larycia Hawkins, University of Virginia
The Reproductive Politics of Evangelical Tea Party Women and the Afterbirth of Trump's America

Adam Hankins, DePaul University
Populism in the Southern Baptist Convention

Seth Gaiters, Ohio State University
Critical Complexities: Religious-Secularity or Secular-Religiosity, and #BlackLivesMatter

Rima Vesely-Flad, Warren Wilson College
Seeing Jesus in Michael Brown: Theological Protest as the Performance of Purity in the Black Lives Matter Movement

Business Meeting:

Robert P. Jones, Public Religion Research Institute, and Vincent Biondo, Humboldt State University, Presiding

A18-226



Religion in Southeast Asia Unit

Theme: **Exclusion, Vulnerability, and Anxiety: Perspectives on and from Southeast Asia**

Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Sheraton Boston-Beacon F (Third Level)

Richard Fox, Heidelberg University, Presiding

Susan Hayward, Georgetown University, United States Institute of Peace, Washington, D.C.

Women's Bodies as Battleground: Debates about Nationalism, Conversion, and Women's Rights in Myanmar

Kelly Meister, University of Chicago
Sacrificing Tradition to Create Heritage: Globalization, Anxiety, and Shifting Material Culture at Wat Phra Thât (Nakhon Si Thammarat, Thailand)

Raphael Lorenzo Aguilin Pangalangan, University of the Philippines

Relative Impermeability of the Wall of Separation: An Uphill Battle for Marriage Equality in the Philippines

Hans Harmakaputra, Boston College
The "Conservative Turn" in Indonesian Islam and Indonesian Christians Responses

Responding:

Alexandra Kaloyanides, Stanford University

Business Meeting:

Vivienne Angeles, La Salle University, Presiding

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Religion, Media, and Culture Unit

Theme: **Broadening Conversations in Media, Religion, and Culture Studies: Multi-disciplinary Reflections on Religious Identity and Authority**

Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Sheraton Boston–Public Garden (Fifth Level)

Heidi Ann Campbell, Texas A&M University, Presiding

Nandra Perry, Texas A&M University
Cyber saints? Ritual, Community, and the Book of Common Prayer Online

Rebecca Hankins, Texas A&M University
Reel Bad Muslims: The Complicated Portrayals of African American Muslims on TV

Ashley Passmore, Texas A&M University
Electronic Apikoros/Electronic Apostate: Orthodox Jewish Satire Online

Nesrine Mansour, Texas A&M University
Virtual Sacred Architecture in Digital Religion: Ambiance Perception of Light as Shaping Public and Personal Spiritual Experience

Tommy Pfannkuch, Texas A&M University
William Tyndale as Media Theorist: Collaboration and Authority In Sixteenth-Century England

Felicia Piscitelli, Texas A&M University
Whose Music Is It? The Use of Sacred Music and Its Audiences

Ruth Tsuria, Texas A&M University
Jewish Sexuality Online — No Touching!

Business Meeting:

Andrew Aghapour, University of North Carolina, Presiding

A18-228



Roman Catholic Studies Unit

Theme: **Reconsidering Urban and Rural Spaces in Roman Catholic Studies**

Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Marriott Copley Place–Provincetown (Fourth Level)

Kathleen Holscher, University of New Mexico, Presiding

Dylan Belton, University of Notre Dame
Technology and the Modern City: Toward a Contemporary Catholic Vision

Brennan Keegan, Duke University
Industrial Catholicism: The Collision of Catholicism and Mining in Urban Montana

Katherine Dugan, Springfield College
Catholic in Flyover Country: Studying Rural Catholicism in the U.S.

Adrienne Ambrose, University of the Incarnate Word
Throwback Theater: Max Reinhardt's The Miracle, Public Catholicism, and the Age of Urban Spectacle

Responding:

Catherine Osborne, University of Notre Dame

Business Meeting:

Karen Enriquez, Loyola Marymount University, and Michael Pasquier, Louisiana State University, Presiding

A18-229



Sacred Texts, Theory, and Theological Construction Unit

Theme: **Resurrecting Wounds: Living in the Afterlife of Trauma (Baylor University Press, 2017): A Book Review Panel on Shelly Rambo's New Work**

Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center-101 (Plaza Level)

Jacob Erickson, Trinity College, Dublin, Presiding

Panelists:

Wendy Farley, San Francisco Theological Seminary

Willie J. Jennings, Yale University

Tat-siong Benny Liew, College of the Holy Cross

Richard Kearney, Boston College

Responding:

Shelly Rambo, Boston University

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Secularism and Secularity Unit and Sociology of Religion Unit and Critical Research on Religion

Theme: **How Modern is Secularity? A Discussion of Historical Precursors to Modern Forms of the Religious–Secular Divide**

Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center-209 (Second Level)

Monika Wohlrab-Sahr, University of Leipzig, Presiding

Panelists:

Christoph Kleine, Leipzig University

Adrian Hermann, University of Bonn

Sven Bretfeld, Norwegian University of Science and Technology

Markus Dressler, Leipzig University

C. Pierce Salguero, Pennsylvania State University, Abington

Business Meeting:

Joseph Blankholm, University of California, Santa Barbara, and Jonathan VanAntwerpen, Henry Luce Foundation, New York, NY, Presiding

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**A18-231**#islamaar **Study of Islam Unit**Theme: **New Approaches to Teaching about Islam and Muslims**

Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center-104 (Plaza Level)

Carole Barnsley, Transylvania University, Presiding

Anandi Salinas, Emory University
Transnational Religion in the Classroom: Transformative Theories and Digital Methods

Frederick Colby, University of Oregon
Reacting to the Religious and Political Past: Using RTTP Role-Playing Pedagogies in the Religious Studies Classroom

Harold Morales, Morgan State University
Teaching Islam as a Section of World Religions: Exploring the Challenges and Possibilities of Pedagogical Scholarship on Threshold Concepts

Hussein Rashid, Islamicate, LLC
This Is Not an Islam Course: Teaching Islam through Popular Culture

A18-232**Tantric Studies Unit**Theme: **Transformation in the Iconography of Tantric Deities**

Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Sheraton Boston-Fairfax B (Third Level)

Ute Huesken, Heidelberg University, Presiding

Gudrun Bühnemann, University of Wisconsin
The Iconography of Śiva Mṛtyuñjaya

Adam Newman, University of Virginia
Rāṣṭrasenā: A Regional Martial Goddess Set in a Theriomorphic Yogini Form

Xenia Zeiler, University of Helsinki
Transformations in Tantric Iconography: Visual Representations of the Mahavidya Goddesses in Medieval Texts and Contemporary Contexts

Anna A. Golovkova, Cornell University
A Visual History of the Goddess Tripurasundari

Responding:

Rachel Fell McDermott, Barnard College

Business Meeting:

Gudrun Bühnemann, University of Wisconsin, and John Nemec,
 University of Virginia, Presiding

A18-233**Teaching Religion Unit and Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion**Theme: **Introduction as Subversion: On Liberal Arts Religious Studies Pedagogy for Non-majors**

Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center-107 (Plaza Level)

Kevin Minister, Shenandoah University, Presiding

Panelists:

Amy P. Langenberg, Eckerd College
The Demise of the Survey Course and the Contested Value of the Liberal Arts

Jack Downey, La Salle University
"My High School Theology Teacher Told Me My Dad Is Going to Hell": Student Resistance to Christian Studies at a Roman Catholic University

Matthew Haar Farris, Richmond, CA
The Transformative Pedagogy of Philosophy for an Introduction to Religious Studies

Holly Hillgardner, Bethany College
15 Weeks in 2017: Reflections on RELS 100 at a Historic Protestant College

Elliott Bazzano, Le Moyne College
Your Required Religion Class? "Religion, Drugs, and Culture" in a Jesuit Catholic Core Curriculum

Responding:

Tina Pippin, Agnes Scott College

Business Meeting:

David B. Howell, Ferrum College, and Molly Bassett, Georgia
 State University, Presiding

A18-234**Theology and Religious Reflection Unit**Theme: **The Revelry of Suspicion: Apocalypticism, Conspiracy Theory, and Affect**

Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Marriott Copley Place-Arlington (Third Level)

M. Gail Hamner, Syracuse University, Presiding

Donovan Schaefer, University of Oxford
The Lust to Believe: Paranoia, Conspiracy Theory, and Apocalypticism

Maia Kotrosits, Denison University
This Whole Thing Is Going Down: Fantasy, Reality, and the Psychic Life of Destruction

Robert Paul Seesengood, Albright College
Scary Stories: Apocalyptic, Conspiracy, Horror, and Affect

Erin Runions, Pomona College
In Surveillance We Dwell: Sovereignty, Interiority, and Conspiracy in Political Biblical Interpretation

Business Meeting:

Brenna Moore, Fordham University, and Tamsin Jones, Trinity
 College, Hartford, Presiding

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Women and Religion Unit

Theme: **Women's Activism Past and Present**

Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Sheraton Boston-Liberty C (Second Level)

Boyoung Lee, Pacific School of Religion, Presiding

Ally Kern, Claremont School of Theology

Free to Heal: Addressing Intimate Partner Violence with Faith-Based Resources for Victims of Abuse

Etin Anwar, Hobart and William Smith Colleges

The Political Theology of Resistance: Muslim Women's Activism in America

Lydia Willsky-Ciollo, Fairfield University

"This Equal Share in Public Affairs": Unitarianism, Transcendentalism, and Anti-women's Rights Activism in Boston

Sherry Jordon, University of Saint Thomas

Re-Imagining Re-visited: Conference, Controversy, and Community

Business Meeting:

Deborah Whitehead, University of Colorado, Presiding

A18-236



Chinese Christianities Seminar

Theme: **Chinese Christianities and Religious Boundaries**

Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Sheraton Boston-Beacon E (Third Level)

Christie Chui-Shan Chow, City Seminary of New York, Presiding

Jin Lu, Purdue University Northwest

From Pagan Virtues to the Salvation of Non-Christians: Father Wang Changzhi's Contribution to Chinese Christianity

Tsz Him Lai, Episcopal Divinity School

A Non-violent Model of Liberation Theology in Hong Kong: A Dialogue with Maoism

Justin Tse, Northwestern University

The Politics of Exclusivity: The Secular Political Implications of Cantonese Evangelical Rejections of Buddhist Cooperation in Vancouver, BC

Alexander Chow, University of Edinburgh

Christianity as a Chinese Religion: A Theological Reflection

Responding:

Stephanie Wong, Georgetown University

Business Meeting:

Alexander Chow, University of Edinburgh, Presiding

A18-237



Global-Critical Philosophy of Religion Seminar

Theme: **Religious Philosophies of the Self**

Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Westin Copley Place-America Center (Fourth Level)

Timothy D. Knepper, Drake University, Presiding

Oludamini Ogunnaike, College of William and Mary

Two Islamic Global Philosophies of Religion: Subrawardi and Shushtari

Agnieszka Rostalska, Ghent University

Nyāya Theory of Knowledge Generating Processes: A Comparative Study of Nyāya and A. Goldman

Kiseong Shin, Drew University

The Understanding of Self as a Psychosomatic Complex and Relational Nexus

Business Meeting:

Gereon Kopf, Luther College, Presiding

A18-238 – Pre-Posted Papers Session



New Materialism, Religion, and Planetary Thinking Seminar

Theme: **New Materialism, Religion, and Planetary Thinking Seminar**

Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Westin Copley Place-America North (Fourth Level)

Whitney Bauman, Florida International University, Presiding

Zayin Cabot, California State University, East Bay

Planetary Thinking: This Time with Feeling and Affect

Adrian Ivakhiv, University of Vermont

Matters of Concern, Justice, and Emergency: Ontological Politics in the AnthroCapitalocene

Kimerer L. LaMothe, Vital Arts, Granville, NY

Dancing Immanence: A Philosophy of Bodily Becoming

Philip Clayton, Claremont School of Theology

Matter Values: Ethics and Politics for a Planet in Crisis

Mary-Jane Rubenstein, Wesleyan University

The Animist, Almost-Feminist Old Materialism of Giordano Bruno

Kevin Schilbrack, Appalachian State University

An Emergence Theory of Religion

Ursula Goodenough, Washington University, St. Louis

The Emergence of Consciousness from the Material

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Michael Hogue, Meadville Lombard Theological School
Process, Pragmatism, and Planetary Thinking
 Heather Eaton, Saint Paul University
New Materialism and Planetary Persistence, Purpose, and Politics
 Karen Bray, Wesleyan College
Gut Theology: On the Peril and Promise of Religious and Political Affect
 Luke Higgins, Armstrong State University
Process Thought and the New Materialisms

Business Meeting:

Mary Evelyn Tucker, Yale University, Presiding

A18-239 – Pre-Posted Papers Session



Religion and US Empire Seminar

Theme: **Race, Gender, Class, and US Empire in the Production of Religion**

Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Sheraton Boston-The Fens (Fifth Level)

Tracy Leavelle, Creighton University, Presiding

Jessica Carr, Lafayette College
An Imperial Imagination: Orientalism, Palestine, and Jewish-American Visual Culture

Michael Hawkins, Creighton University
Sanitizing the Taboo: Slavery, Polygamy, and the Moro Exhibit at the St. Louis World's Fair

Gale Kenny, Barnard College
Protestant Missionaries and the Practice of Comparative Religion in the Early Twentieth Century

Jonathan Ebel, University of Illinois
Reforming Religion, Reconstituting Empire: New Deal Encounters with Anti-modern Faiths in Agricultural California

Responding:

Cara Burnidge, University of Northern Iowa

Business Meeting:

Heather D. Curtis, Tufts University, Presiding

A18-240



Religion, Attire, and Adornment in North America Seminar

Theme: **Fashioning Religion**

Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center-205 (Second Level)

Martha L Finch, Missouri State University, Presiding

Adam Park, Florida State University
"Black Belts of the Faith": Accessories and Christian Martial Artistry

Micheline Pesantubbee, University of Iowa
The "Pocahontas Perplex" Lives on in Designer Clothing

Andre Key, Claflin University
Holy Dashikis! Cultural Nationalism and Black Hebrew Religious Fashion

Lynn S. Neal, Wake Forest University
A Catholic Nunnish Theme

Kayla Renée Wheeler, University of Iowa
Fashioning Muslim Women: YouTube as a Space for Creating Alternative Islamic Femininities and Knowledges

Business Meeting:

Marie W. Dallam, University of Oklahoma, Presiding

A18-241



Exploratory Sessions

Theme: **Global Perspectives on Religion and National Security**

Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Marriott Copley Place-Grand D (Fourth Level)

Patrick Mason, Claremont Graduate University, Presiding

Currently, most religion and national security (RNS) research seeks to unpack the influence of monotheistic religious traditions on the international decisions of Western states. This roundtable challenges this tendency to analyze non-Western states' security issues as a subset of the political struggles between ostensible "Great Powers," attends to the religious discourses and practices being used to mediate global conflicts, challenges traditional divisions between "Western" and "non-Western" territories, and focuses attention on religious traditions not typically cited in RNS work.

Whitney Braun, Loma Linda University
Religion and National Security in India: The Evolution of Sikh and Hindu Nationalist Views on the Indian Military

Flagg Miller, University of California, Davis
When Salvation Meets the "Security Belt": Reading and Reporting Sectarianism in Southern Yemen

Elizabeth McAlister, Wesleyan University
National Security and Natural Disaster in Haiti

Chase L. Way, Claremont Graduate University
From Narcotraffickers to Knights: How Drug Cartels Use Theology to Resist Mexico's National Security State

Responding:

Michael Jerryson, Youngstown State University

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P18-205

African Association for the Study of Religions

Theme: **Crossing Borders: Interaction of Healing Practices of Religions in Modern Africa**

Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center-309 (Third Level)

Esther Acolatse, University of Toronto, Presiding

African traditional medicine, and faith healing practices of Pentecostalism, the Charismatics and Prophet Churches have had quite some history of interactions in Africa. The interactions have manifested as conflicts, separatism, dialogue, and integration in forms of syncretism. These models of interaction assume that there are conditions under which interaction of therapeutic ideas and practices occur, increase or diminish. The realities of geography, history, socio-cultural factors, the state of a religion, the level of development of health services in a society, or other causes may create such conditions

The Panel looks at theories of border crossing in general and their relevance in the history of interaction of religiously based therapeutic traditions in Africa. It examines conditions under which interaction of therapeutic ideas and practices occur, increase or diminish. It also will focus on when and how religious practitioners and healers construct, synthesize, blend, negotiate; that is to say; cross religious borders in matters of healing practices.

Anita Aba Ansah, University of Oslo

Appropriation of African Traditional Religion Mechanisms in the Healing and Deliverance Practices of Pentecostals in the Milieu of Inadequate Health Care in Ghana

S. Kip Elolia, Emmanuel Christian Seminary

The Role of Repentance in the Holistic Healing of the Robo Churches of Kenya

Timothy Carey, Boston College

"God Has Sent Down Both the Disease and the Cure": Syncretism in Islamic and African Traditional Worship in Post-Colonial Kenya

Responding:

Jude Aguwa, Mercy College, NY

P18-212

Association of Practical Theology

Theme: **Practical Theology, Bodily (Im)proprieties, Mobilizing Resistance**

Saturday, 1:00 PM–4:00 PM

Westin Copley Place–St. George C-D (Third Level)

Mary McClintock Fulkerson, Duke University, Presiding

Practical theology's expansive body of knowledge presents opportunities for proprietary inquiry:

- Who owns, controls, manages, regulates, or dictates bodies and knowledge?
- What is the interplay between body and knowledge, and how does one animate the other?
- What is the place of body, bodily knowing, and bodily knowledge in practical theological research?
- How does practical theology investigate the regulations of propriety in the realms of theory and practice—the regimentation of embodied scholarship and the habituation of bodily practices according to dominant templates and choreographies of “norm” and “other”?
- How does the above investigation attend to the complicatedness of “the body” and of embodiment, taking seriously complex bodily expressions—children as more than non-adult bodies; lesbian bodies; transitioning bodies; disabling bodies (bodies who challenge and dismantle normative assumptions about bodies and abilities); the presence/action/protesting of ill and dying bodies (e.g., ACT UP during early AIDS activism); racial and sexual bi-bodies...
- How have bodies and knowledge been engaged as mobilizing sources and mediums for resistance—from resistant knowing to resistant action?

This session presents panelists who will help to catalyze collective musings on the above question.

Panelists:

Nancy Lynne Westfield, Drew University

Lakisha Lockhart, Boston College

Faustino Cruz, Fordham University

Cláudio Carvalhaes, Union Theological Seminary

Responding:

John P. Falcone, Iona College

A18-242



Back Bay Wine Tasting Tour

Saturday, 1:45 PM–4:15 PM

Offsite-Meet at the Registration Desk outside of Exhibit Hall CD in the Convention Center

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**A18-243/S18-253****Student Lounge Roundtable**

Theme: **How to Make Department Service Work for You: Establishing Collective Resources**

Saturday, 2:30 PM–4:00 PM


Hynes Convention Center-303 (Third Level)

Landing a successful academic job requires that you cultivate your skills as a professional researcher and teacher, but it also requires that you demonstrate your ability to help build a thriving and substantial department life. This roundtable is geared towards two specific goals: 1) helping you identify how and where you can begin to make important interventions in the collective life of your department, and 2) mobilizing those interventions for the job market.

Panelists:

Candace Mixon, University of North Carolina

Shannon Trosper Schorey, University of North Carolina



Coffee Break
Saturday, 3:30 PM
Complimentary coffee will be served in the back of Aisle 2100 and Aisle 2600 of the Exhibit Hall.

Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:00 PM

A18-300/S18-342a**Student Lounge Roundtable**

Theme: **Educational Entrepreneurship: Monetizing Your Expertise through Digital Teaching**

Saturday, 4:00 PM–5:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center-303 (Third Level)

Online education is the way of the future. If you're passionate about sharing your knowledge with others, you can pursue a rewarding career on your own terms as an online educational entrepreneur. You can do so in tandem with, or instead of, teaching at the academy. Most importantly, you will learn how to harness your doctorate in a fulfilling teaching career, irrespective of the state of the tenure-track job market. In this workshop, Raj Balkaran shares key insights on his journey founding the School of Applied Mythology, a digital academy for meaningful learning.

This workshop lays the foundation for successful educational entrepreneurship, including (1) content creation; (2) curriculum design; (3) sales and marketing strategy; and (4) effective digital pedagogy.

Panelists:

Raj Balkaran, University of Toronto

P18-342**Society for Pentecostal Studies**

Theme: **A Roundtable Discussion of John Christopher Thomas, *A Pentecostal Reads the Book of Mormon***

Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Sheraton Boston-Clarendon (Third Level)

Blaine Charette, Northwest University, Presiding

Panelists:

Jenny Webb, Huntsville, AL

Joseph Spencer, Brigham Young University

Dale E. Luffman, Community of Christ Seminary

D. William Faupel, Wesley Theological Seminary

Responding:

John Christopher Thomas, Pentecostal Theological Seminary

A18-301**Plenary Panel**

Theme: **Protecting the Vulnerable on Campus**

Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Sheraton Boston-Grand & Independence (Second Level)

Eddie S. Glaude, Princeton University, Presiding

Sponsored by the Academic Labor and Contingent Faculty Committee and Graduate Student Committee and Status of LGBTIQ Persons in the Profession Committee

For many of us who study or work in colleges and seminary campuses today it may be easy to ignore the vulnerable at our institutions. Yet the most vulnerable are often at risk or subject to discrimination and exploitation based on inequities of power, money, lack of social net, or means to voice their concerns about campus life and work. This panel will examine what needs attention and the strategies that vulnerable people and their allies can use to decrease vulnerability and increase solidarity. Special attention will be paid to the status of, and strategies being deployed by, the LGBT+ community, graduate students, people of color, low paid workers, and non-tenured faculty.

Cameron Partridge, St. Aidan's Episcopal Church, San Francisco

"Although the Doors Were Shut": Cultivating Courageous Community at the Borders of the Academy

Prea Persaud, University of Florida

It Doesn't Always Feel Good: Redefining Notions of Inclusion and Moving beyond "Diversity"

James Keenan, Boston College
Solidarity within the Faculty

Hussein Rashid, Islamicate, LLC

Ad Junk: Accounting for Different Vulnerabilities in Vulnerable Professional Positions

Kerry Danner, Georgetown University

Just Employment: Solidarity among Campus Workers

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A18-302



Applied Religious Studies Committee

Theme: **Another Plan "A": Religious Studies Education and Careers Beyond the Academy**

Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center-101 (Plaza 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 Applied Religious Studies Committee for a discussion on career paths outside the academy. Panelists hold or are working on masters and doctoral degrees in a variety of religious studies and theology programs and will discuss fields including: publishing and editing; freelance writing; nonprofits and foundations; government; religious communities; academic administration; and more. This year's panel includes current PhD candidates who will talk about their own experiences of exploring nonacademic career options in the context of their graduate studies, and panelists will discuss the ways faculty, departments, and the AAR might better support scholars as they consider careers beyond the academy. Come hear more about what graduate education in religious studies already does to prepare us for and enhance our practice of various careers, and help us think about what more the academy can and should do to support scholars in the pursuit of nonacademic work.

This panel will include substantial time for audience Q&A and discussion. Please join us to share your thoughts!

Panelists:

Jason Blakeburn, McGill University

Regina Walton, Harvard University

Emily Mace, Lake Forest College

Robert P. Jones, Public Religion Research Institute

Lauren Taylor, Harvard University

A18-303



Publications Committee

Theme: **How to Get Published**

Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hilton Boston Back Bay-Westminster (Second Level)

Cynthia Read, Oxford University Press, and Theodore Vial, Iliff School of Theology, Presiding

Panelists:

Cynthia Eller, Claremont Graduate University

Karen Jackson-Weaver, Harvard University

Margaret D. Kamitsuka, Oberlin College

Vincent Lloyd, Villanova University

John Nemec, University of Virginia

Kristian Petersen, University of Nebraska, Omaha

Robert A. Yelle, University of Munich

A18-304



African Religions Unit

Theme: **Agency and the African Religious Imagination: African Religious and Political Responses to Vulnerability**

Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Sheraton Boston-Liberty B (Second Level)

Tracey Hucks, Colgate University, Presiding

Sheila Otieno, Boston University

Trickster Magic: Summoning Agency through Hauntings of African Religious Moral Imagination in Oral Traditions

Georgette Ledgister, Emory University

Conjuring Warriors: Agency through Ancestral Interventions in War amongst the Luba Mai-Mai

Danielle Clausnitzer, Georgetown University

The "Problem" of Albinism: The Construction of Racial and Spiritual Difference in Twenty-first Century Tanzania

Oluwatomisin Oredein, Duke University

Precarious Practices: An African Feminist Examination of African Theology's Patriarchy Problem

Responding:

Jacob K. Olupona, Harvard University

A18-305

Arts, Literature, and Religion Unit

Theme: **Museums and the Public Understanding of Religion: Sacred Art, History, and Science on Display**

Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Sheraton Boston-The Fens (Fifth Level)

S. Brent Plate, Hamilton College, Presiding

There are over 850 million visits every year to museums in the United States, much more than attendance at sporting events and amusement parks combined. Museums are go-to spaces for educational field trips, must-see destinations for tourists, for hands-on scientific exploration, and flint stones of socio-political controversy. And they are filled with religious objects.

Presenters in this roundtable have worked with national institutions of US history, major museums of fine art, and have extensively studied the commitments of museum staff to shape opinion. Each panelist will reflect on their own experiences at the intersection of religion and museums, commenting on how museums engage, promote, and influence the public understanding of religion in the United States. The implications of the relations move beyond religious traditions and museum collections and connect with

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international legal issues, cultural appropriation, secularization, corporate sponsorships, economic reform, histories of art, scientific methods, and theological orthodoxy.

Panelists:

Lauren Turek, Trinity University
 Peter Manseau, National Museum of American History, Washington, DC
 William Trollinger, University of Dayton
 Susan Trollinger, University of Dayton
 Laura Weinstein, Museum of Fine Arts, Boston
 Eric Lewis Williams, Smithsonian National Museum of African American History and Culture

Responding:

Stephen Prothero, Boston University

A18-306



Black Theology Unit

Theme: **Michelle Alexander and Walter Fluker: The Mystical-Prophetic in Black—A Special Look at Mass Incarceration and the Black Lives Matter Movement**

Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Sheraton Boston-Back Bay B (Second Level)

Walter Earl Fluker, Boston University, Presiding

Featuring Michelle Alexander, author of *The New Jim Crow: Mass Incarceration in the Age of Colorblindness* (2010) and Walter Fluker, editor of the Howard Thurman Papers Project, this panel will discuss ways that black theology contributes to prophetic advocacy and movement building and to a political, moral and spiritual revolution. Papers will suggest resources black theological interpreters may garner from the Black Lives Matter Movement and the tradition of black mysticism in Howard Thurman, James Baldwin and others. The Howard Thurman Center for Common Ground at Boston University will host a reception following the session. All attendees of the session are invited.

Larry Perry, University of Virginia
A Blues Enthused Mysticism: Howard Thurman, Mysticism, and Tragedy

Wendy Arce, University of San Francisco
Freedom in an Age of Repression: The Role of Black Theology and Black-Produced Media in Forging Freedom

Gregory Williams, Duke University
Jewish Election and the Blackness of God: Reading Barth on the Election of the Community in the Context of Mass Incarceration and #BlackLivesMatter

S.Kyle Johnson, Boston College
"Trapped in a History Which They Do Not Understand": Reading James Baldwin with Thomas Merton, toward a Theological-Spiritual Account of Mass Incarceration

Responding:

Michelle Alexander, Union Theological Seminary

Business Meeting:

Andrea C. White, Union Theological Seminary, and Adam Clark, Xavier University, Presiding

A18-307



Buddhist Critical–Constructive Reflection Unit

Theme: **Buddhist Visions of the Good Life for All**

Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Marriott Copley Place-Provincetown (Fourth Level)

Manuela Kalsky, Vrije Universiteit, Amsterdam, Presiding

Barbra R. Clayton, Mount Allison University
The Development of Wellbeing: Gross National Happiness and Bhutan's Vision for the Ideal Society

Christopher Ives, Stonehill College
Buddhist Environmentalist Visions of the Good Life for All

Hsiaolan Hu, University of Detroit, Mercy
Dharma Drum Mountain's Version of Humanistic Buddhism

Gereon Kopf, Luther College
The Conception of Life in Contemporary Japanese Socially Engaged Buddhism

Responding:

Sallie B. King, James Madison University

Business Meeting:

Sid Brown, University of the South, and Hsiaolan Hu, University of Detroit, Mercy, Presiding

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Chinese Religions Unit

Theme: **Chinese Religions and Print Culture**

Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center-205 (Second Level)

Noga Ganany, Columbia University
Origin Narratives: Writing and Worship in Late Ming Print Culture

Katherine Alexander, University of Colorado
Late Qing Performances of Philanthropic Identity in Reprints of Pan Gong Baojuan

Yair Lior, Boston University
The Tang–Song Transition in Light of Communication Technologies

Kaiqi Hua, University of British Columbia
The Tangut Buddhist Canon in the Yuan Dynasty: Printing Alien Scriptures under Alien Rule

Responding:

Jiang Wu, University of Arizona

Business Meeting:

Megan Bryson, University of Tennessee, and Anna Sun, Kenyon College, Presiding

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Christian Spirituality Unit

Theme: **Spiritualities of the Reformation**

Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Sheraton Boston–Riverway (Fifth Level)

Lisa E. Dahill, California Lutheran University, Presiding

Simeon Zahl, University of Nottingham

Prayer and Affliction: Martin Luther on the Spiritual Roots of Theological Insight

Justin Nickel, Princeton Theological Seminary

We Must Inquire after Their Language: Luther's Language as Spiritual Discipline

Travis Ables, Regis University

The Cross of the Bitter Christ: Competing Christomorphisms in the Radical and Magisterial Reformations

Flynn Cratty, Yale University

The Origins of Reformed Prayer: Devotional Humanism and the Fracturing of European Devotional Culture

Rebecca Giselsbrecht, University of Zurich, Fuller Theological Seminary

The Prayer Book and Spiritual Writings of Anna Alexandria von Furstenberg zu Rappoltstein

Business Meeting:

Margaret Benefiel, Shalem Institute For Spiritual Formation, and Glenn Young, Rockhurst University, Presiding

A18-310



Eastern Orthodox Studies Unit

Theme: **Evangelicals, Eastern Orthodox Christians, and Traditional Values: A Global Alliance?**

Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center-209 (Second Level)

Vera Shevzov, Smith College, Presiding

Lydia Kemi (Olukemi) Ingram, Murrieta, CA

Reclaiming the Faith of Our Grandparents: Identity, Values, and Tradition in African American Orthodox Christian Narratives

Sonja Luehrmann, Simon Fraser University

Jessica's Hope: Fieldwork and Translation between Evangelical and Orthodox Family Values

John P. Burgess, Pittsburgh Theological Seminary

Traditional Values? National Identity as a Problem for "Orthodox Rus" and "Christian America"

Vebjorn Horsford, University of Oslo

"Traditional Values" at the UN: Can Shared Religiousness Be a Basis for Political Action?

Responding:

Christopher Stroop, University of South Florida

Business Meeting:

Brandon Gallaher, University of Exeter, and Vera Shevzov, Smith College, Presiding

A18-311



Ecclesiological Investigations Unit

Theme: **Global Ecclesial Responses to Increasing Extremism and Nationalism**

Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Sheraton Boston–Republic A (Second Level)

Miriam Perkins, Milligan College, Presiding

Vincent J. Miller, University of Dayton

Which Nationalism? What Extremism? Responding to Political Violence in a New Moment

Stan Chu Ilo, DePaul University

Confronting the Challenges of Religious Extremism and the Humanitarian and Migration Crisis in Africa

Ulrich Schmiedel, University of Munich

European Extremes: Churches in the Clash of Cultures

Gerard Mannion, Georgetown University

Resisting the Politics of Hatred and Exclusion: Time for New Forms of Public and Political Theology

Business Meeting:

Bradford E. Hinze, Fordham University, Presiding

A18-312



Ethics Unit

Theme: **The Ethics of Democracy**

Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center-110 (Plaza Level)

Christophe D. Ringer, Chicago Theological Seminary, Presiding

Derrick Muwina, Boston University

A Reflection on Donald Trump's Rhetoric on Immigration through the Ethical Lens of Civility

Thomas Greene, Florida State University

Religious Endorsements for Secular Governments: Contemporary Iranian Examples of Moving beyond a Modus Vivendi

Todd D. Whitmore, University of Notre Dame

Who Are The Wicked? Religion and the Shifting Political Production of the Drug Addict

Sarah Azaransky, Union Theological Seminary

The Harlem 9: Public Education and the Limits of American Democracy

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Tyler Davis, Baylor University
Civil Rights and Cold War: The Limits of Reinhold Niebuhr's Antiracism

Karen V. Guth, College of the Holy Cross
Laying Claim to Martin Luther King, Jr. and the Civil Rights Legacy: An Ethical Assessment of Walter Rauschenbusch Scholarship

Business Meeting:

Keri Day, Princeton Theological Seminary, Presiding

A18-313



Gay Men and Religion Unit

Theme: **Reforming Sodom: Protestants and the Rise of Gay Rights (University of North Carolina Press, 2015): Book Panel with Heather White**

Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Marriott Copley Place-Grand D (Fourth Level)

Marco Derks, Utrecht University, Presiding

Brett Krutzsch, College of Wooster
Religion in Secular Gay Activism: A Reflection on Heather White's Reforming Sodom

David Bos, University of Amsterdam
Sodom Across the Atlantic: A Comparison of American and Dutch Histories

William Boyce, University of Virginia
Reforming Sodom in Review: Prospects for Solidarity and the Theopolitical Imagination of Evangelical Protestants

Responding:

Heather White, University of Puget Sound

Business Meeting:

Roger A. Sneed, Furman University, Presiding

A18-314

Hinduism Unit and North American Hinduism Unit

Theme: **Gandhian Afterlives: Transnational Circuits of Gandhi's Memory**

Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Marriott Copley Place-Vineyard (Fourth Level)

Christian Lee Novetzke, University of Washington, Presiding

Timothy Dobe, Grinnell College
Transnational Homespun: Citizen Art, Gandhi Ashrams, and Performing Counter-Modernity

Karline McLain, Bucknell University
The Afterlives of Gandhi's Ashrams in South Africa and India

A. Whitney Sanford, University of Florida
Non-Violence, Voluntary Simplicity, and Radical Democracy: Gandhi's Legacy in Contemporary Intentional Communities in the US

Leela Prasad, Duke University
The Resonance of Ahimsa: Teaching Gandhi in a US Prison

Responding:

Richard H. Davis, Bard College

A18-315

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History of Christianity Unit

Theme: **New Histories of Americano Protestantisms: Hegemons and Subalterns**

Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center-311 (Third Level)

Daniel Ramirez, Claremont Graduate University, Presiding

Jorge Rodriguez, Union Theological Seminary
Creating Puerto Rican Subalterns: The Protestant Missionary Project of the Late Nineteenth Century

Erika Helgen, Yale University
Migration, Drought, and the Pentecostalization of Catholic Anti-Protestantism in Brazil, 1911-1945

Lloyd Barba, Amherst College
Through the Lens of the Subaltern: Mexican-Pentecostal Narratives and Church Family Photographs

Justin Doran, University of Texas
Um País Laico, com Infraestrutura Apropriada: Toward a Post-Secular Political Economy in São Paulo's Templo de Salomão

Responding:

Ana Maria Bidegain, Florida International University

A18-316

Law, Religion, and Culture Unit

Theme: **America's Bureaucracy of Transcendence: Government Legitimation of American Religion**

Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hilton Boston Back Bay-Adams A (Third Level)

Haley Iliff, Florida State University, Presiding

Catholic Sisters, Hospitals, and the Legitimization of Public Work
 Michael Graziano, University of Northern Iowa
True Religion and the Iranian Revolution: The View from Washington, D.C.

Brad Stoddard, McDaniel College
Free Exercise?: Religious Freedom in American Prisons

Sarah Dees, Northwestern University
Legitimate Religions or "Conjurors' Arts"? Native American Traditions and the Court of Indian Offenses

Responding:

Michael McVicar, Florida State University

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Martin Luther and Global Lutheran Traditions Unit

Theme: **Reformation: Repentance and Resistance**

Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Sheraton Boston-Back Bay A (Second Level)

Vitor Westhelle, Lutheran School of Theology, Chicago, Presiding

L. DeAne Lagerquist, St. Olaf College
Reformation, Repentance, #Decolonizelutheranism

Meghan Johnston Aelabouni, Iliff School of Theology and University of Denver
The Repentance of Playmobil Luther: Resisting Anti-Judaism in the Iconization of Luther in Popular Culture

Carl-Eric Gentes, Lutheran School of Theology, Chicago
Justified By Faith Not Reason: The "Sin Against Rigorous Thinking" and the Possibilities of Thought in Human/Animal Entanglements

Moses Paul Peter Penumaka, Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary
Reformation and Lutheran Theology in Asia

Jesse David Chariton, Columbus State University
Addie Graves (1922–2007) and Lutheran Church Desegregation in Columbus, Georgia

Business Meeting:

Kirsi Stjerna, Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary, Presiding

A18-318



Moral Injury and Recovery in Religion, Society, and Culture Unit

Theme: **(Re)Defining Moral Injury**

Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center-201 (Second Level)

Elizabeth Margaret Bounds, Emory University, Presiding

Michael Yandell, Emory University
Fractured Morality/Fractured Selves: Moral Injury as Epistemological Brokenness

Cassie Trentaz, Warner Pacific College
(Re)Defining Moral Injury: Using Moral Injury to Help Us Understand Immigrant Experiences in Today's Cultural-Political Moment

Carrie Doebling, Iliff School of Theology, and Shawn Fawson, Iliff School of Theology and University of Denver
Making the Invisible Visible: (Re)defining Moral Injury through the Experience of Microaggressions and the Poetics of Testimony

Callid Keefe-Perry, Boston University
Getting Beyond "An Act": Moral Dimensions of the Teaching Profession and the Need to Expand the Construct of Moral Injury

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Elizabeth Margaret Bounds, Emory University, and Zachary Moon, Chicago Theological Seminary, Presiding

A18-319



Native Traditions in the Americas Unit and North American Religions Unit

Theme: **Standing Together at Standing Rock: Cross-Cultural Perspectives and Critiques**

Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center-207 (Second Level)

Tiffany Hale, Yale University, Presiding

Margaret McMurtrey, University of California, Santa Barbara
Standing Rock: Movement or Spiritual Call? Confrontations Concerning Space- and Place-based Rhetoric

Peter Huff, University of Mary
Parliament of Religions on the Prairie: Standing Rock as Interreligious Event

Lily Oster, Emory University
Decolonizing Earth-based Spiritualities: Negotiating Earth-awakening without Appropriation

David Walsh, Gettysburg College
Ceremony in Historical Perspective at Standing Rock

Responding:

Michael McNally, Carleton College

A18-320

Philosophy of Religion Unit

Theme: **Repentance, Reparations, and the Responsibility of Race**

Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Sheraton Boston-Public Garden (Fifth Level)

Jonathon Kahn, Vassar College, Presiding

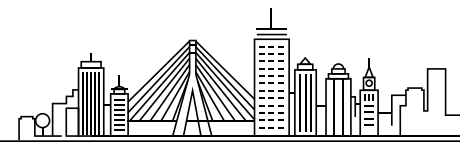
Robert Overly-Brown, Claremont Graduate University
Tanabe Hajime's Philosophy of Metanoetics and the Comparative Future of Political Theology

Timothy McGee, Southern Methodist University
Opacity and the Racial Politics of (Human) Redemption between Charles Long and Sylvia Wynter

Danube Johnson, Harvard University
On Foucault's Racial Speech: Failures, Silences, and Transgressions

Anna Bialek, Washington University, St. Louis
Justice in Time: Reparations, Sabbath, and Temporality in Justice-Seeking

Stephen Bush, Brown University
Politics and Philosophy in Doris Salcedo's Art

**A18-321****Platonism and Neoplatonism Unit**

Theme: **Eros and Ascent in the Ancient and Medieval World**

Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Sheraton Boston-Fairfax B (Third Level)

Kevin Corrigan, Emory University, Presiding

Michael Motia, Harvard University
Mimetic Desire in Late Antiquity: On Gregory of Nyssa and Iamblichus of Chalcis

Jordan Wood, Boston College
Provocations on Mystical Union in Thomas Aquinas and Maximus Confessor

Adam Eitel, Yale University
The Politics of Contemplation

Luke Zerra, Princeton Theological Seminary
The Birth of the Son in the Soul: Analogy, Univocity, and Dialectic in Meister Eckhart's Commentary on John 1:1-14

Jyoti Raghu, University of Oxford
I'm Mad about You, God, You're Mad about Me: The Erotic to Agapic Transfiguration of Our "Bootylicious" Body

Business Meeting:

Kevin Corrigan, Emory University, Presiding

A18-322**Religion and Politics Unit**

Theme: **International Relations and Religious Studies: Pedagogy and Interdisciplinary Exchange**

Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:00 PM

Sheraton Boston-Beacon E (Third Level)

Evan Berry, American University, Presiding

Panelists:

David Buckley, University of Louisville

Jeremy Menchik, Boston University

James Miller, Queen's University, Kingston

Anna Bigelow, North Carolina State University

Qamar-ul Huda, Georgetown University

Nukhet Sandal, University of Ohio

A18-323**#rpc** **Religion and Popular Culture Unit**

Theme: **Religion and Popular Culture in America: A Critical Analysis**

Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Sheraton Boston-Back Bay C (Second Level)

James Thrall, Knox College, Presiding

Panelists:

Richard Callahan, University of Missouri

Jane Naomi Iwamura, University of the West

Megan Goodwin, Syracuse University

John Modern, Franklin and Marshall College

Responding:

Jeffrey H. Mahan, Iliff School of Theology

Bruce Forbes, Morningside College

Business Meeting:

Elijah Siegler, College of Charleston, Presiding

A18-324**Religion and Science Fiction Unit**

Theme: **Religion and Global Science Fiction**

Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center-104 (Plaza Level)

Laura Ammon, Appalachian State University, Presiding

Michael Pittman, Albany College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences

Revisiting Andrei Tarkovsky's Stalker: Revisioning an Encounter with the Divine

Erica Hurwitz Andrus, University of Vermont
From Handmaid to Gardener: Margaret Atwood Gets Religion

Chris Porter, Ridley College
The Ghost in Our Shell? An Exploration of Self and Identity within Eastern and Western Frames of Transhumanism and Artificial Intelligence

Ahmed Ragab, Harvard University
Muslim Futures: Science Fiction, Islam, and the Making of Ethnoreligious Futurity

Bradley Johnson, Rice University
The Invention of Hells: Black Mirror and Punishment as Spectacle

Responding:

Rudy V. Busto, University of California, Santa Barbara

Business Meeting:

Rudy V. Busto, University of California, Santa Barbara, and Laura Ammon, Appalachian State University, Presiding

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A18-325

New!

Religions in the Latina/o Americas Unit and Sociology of Religions Unit

Theme: **Lived Religion and the Public Sphere: Practices and Experiences among Latinxs and Latin Americans**

Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center-111 (Plaza Level)

Elaine Peña, George Washington University, Presiding

Gustavo Morello, Boston College
The Poor, the Pope, and the Religious Legitimation in the Public Sphere

Néstor Da Costa, Catholic University of Uruguay
"Non-affiliated" and Believers in the Uruguayan Public Sphere: Definitions, Tensions, and Reconfigurations of the "Public"

Miren Iziar Basterretxea Moreno, University of Deusto
Latin-American Catholics in Bilbao: What Changes and What Remains

Jonathan Calvillo, Boston University
Saints in the Barrio: Public Religion and Social Belonging among Mexican Immigrants in Santa Ana, CA

Responding:

Alyssa Maldonado-Estrada, Princeton University

A18-327

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Study of Islam Unit

Theme: **Islamic South Asia: Text, Interpretation, and Resistance**

Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Marriott Copley Place-Wellesley (Third Level)

Tehseen Thaver, Bard College, Presiding

Usman Hamid, University of Toronto
The Hajj of the Heart: The Making of Local Islam in South Asia

Patrick D'Silva, University of North Carolina
Mughal Indology in the Ain-i Akbari: Abu'l Fazl and Esoteric Divination Practices

Mohsin Ali, University of California, Los Angeles
The Legal Justification for Jihād in a Sixteenth-Century South Indian Text

Fuad Naeem, Georgetown University
Contesting Colonial Modernity through Humor: The Satirical Poetry of Akbar Allāhābādī

Responding:

Ilyse Morgenstein Fuerst, University of Vermont

Business Meeting:

Juliane Hammer, University of North Carolina, and Frederick Colby, University of Oregon, Presiding

A18-328

Tibetan and Himalayan Religions Unit

Theme: **Voices from Larung Gar**

Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center-102 (Plaza Level)

Michael Sheehy, University of Virginia, Presiding

Antonio Terrone, Taiwan National Chengchi University
"Striving to Do Virtuous Deeds": The Tenth Panchen Lama and Larung Gar in the Making of Modern Buddhism in Tibet

Jann Ronis, University of California, Berkeley
"The Union of Religion and Tibetan Culture": Rebuttals by Metrül Tenzin Gyatso to the Anti-religious Polemics of Tibetan Secularists

Chelsea Hall, Harvard University
Khenmo Yönten's Quiet Commentaries: Publishing Female-Authored Buddhist Texts at Serta Larung Gar

Catherine Hardie, University of Oxford
The PRC-based "Larung Movement": Promoting Listening, Contemplating, and a Superior Mode of Lay Participation for Chinese Newcomers to Tibetan Buddhism

Responding:

Holly Gayley, University of Colorado

A18-329/P18-344

Traditions of Eastern Late Antiquity Unit and IQSA Qur'an and Late Antiquity Unit

Theme: **Re-orienting the Study of Late Antiquity Before and After Muhammad**

Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM
















Hynes Convention Center-208 (Second Level)

Michael Pregill, Boston University, and Khodadad Rezakhani, Princeton University, Presiding

Panelists:

Jennifer Hart, Elon University
Naomi Koltun-Fromm, Haverford College
Sara Ronis, St. Mary's University, TX
Kevin Jaques, Indiana University

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**A18-330****Western Esotericism Unit**

Theme: **Black Magicians, Dark Spiritualists, and Walkers Along the Left-Hand Path: A Discursive Survey of Traditions at the Fringes of Modernity**

Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Sheraton Boston-Gardner (Third Level)

Claire Fanger, Rice University, Presiding

Keith Cantú, University of California, Santa Barbara
Hathayoga as Black Magic in Theosophy: The Case of Rāma Prasād

Jackson Stephenson, University of Washington
"The Strongest Light in the Darkest Abyss": The Durkheimian Left and the Western Left-Hand Path

Joel Bordeaux, Colgate University
If You're Feeling Sinister: Universalist Discourse in a Satanic Sex Magic Manual

Benjamin Mayo, Rice University
Presencing the Dark: The Ethics of Occult Anti-humanism as a Lived Practice in the Order of Nine Angles

Steven Engler, Mount Royal University
Quimbanda: Brazil's Left-Hand Path

Responding:

Henrik Bogdan, University of Gothenburg

Business Meeting:

Egil Asprem, Stockholm University, and Claire Fanger, Rice University, Presiding

A18-331**Yoga in Theory and Practice Unit**

Theme: **From Roots to More: Perspectives on James Mallinson and Mark Singleton's *Roots of Yoga* (Penguin Classics, 2017)**

Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center-310 (Third Level)

Sravana Borkataky-Varma, University of North Carolina, Wilmington, Presiding

Gudrun Bühnmann, University of Wisconsin
Roots of Yoga: Structure, Scope, and Significance

Jeffrey Stephen Lidke, Berry College
Constructing the Self through Yoga: Exploring Roots of Yoga and Other Yogic Texts on Self-Cultivation

Anya Pokazanyeva Foxen, California Polytechnic State University
Tangled Roots: What About Modern Yoga?

Andrew J. Nicholson, Stony Brook University
Creating a Canon: Roots of Yoga and the History of Yoga in the Academy

Responding:

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

James Mallinson, SOAS University of London

Business Meeting:

Andrea Jain, Indiana University-Purdue University, Indianapolis, and Sravana Borkataky-Varma, University of North Carolina, Wilmington, Presiding

A18-332 – Pre-Posted Papers Session**Emerging Church, Millennials, and Religion Seminar**

Theme: **Millennials from Festivals to Fandoms and the Emerging Church: National and Regional Snapshots**

Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Sheraton Boston-Berkeley (Third Level)

Michael Zbaraschuk, Pacific Lutheran University, Presiding

Randy Reed, Appalachian State University
"Goosing" Millennials, Millennials in the South and the Wild Goose Festival

Stephanie Yugas, Naropa University
Burning Man Festival as Spiritual Ritual Space for the Millennial Generation

Vanessa Williams, Fordham University
The Church of Fandom: Why Religious Scholars, Theologians, and Church Leaders Need to Pay Attention to Nerd Culture

Terry Shoemaker, Arizona State University
Crafting Church: Ecclesiological Life of Progressive Christians in the Upper South

Galen Watts, Queen's University, Kingston, ON
"Spiritual but Not Religious" Millennials in Canada

Rachel Schneider, Rice University
New Monasticism, Poverty, and the Politics of Friendship in the US and South Africa

Business Meeting:

Michael Zbaraschuk, Pacific Lutheran University, and Randy Reed, Appalachian State University, Presiding

A18-333 – Pre-Posted Papers Session**Navarātri Seminar**

Theme: **Navarātri and the Production and Performance of Socio-Political Structures**

Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hilton Boston Back Bay-Maverick B (Second Level)

Ute Huesken, Heidelberg University, Presiding

Ehud Halperin, Tel Aviv University
Establishing Gods, Kingship, and Kingdom: Palanquin Rituals in the Kullu Dasahra

Anne Mocko, Concordia College
Removing the Royals from Nepal's Navarātri

Jeremy Saul, Mahidol University
Navarātri as a Festival of Hanuman and Male Asceticism

James Bradbury, University of Manchester
Durga Puja: Civic Engagement and Communitarian Belonging

Responding:

Caleb Simmons, University of Arizona

Business Meeting:

Caleb Simmons, University of Arizona, Presiding

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 18

A18-334



Exploratory Sessions

Theme: **Race, Coloniality, and Philosophy of Religion**

Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Marriott Copley Place–Arlington (Third Level)

Eleanor Craig, Harvard University, Presiding

Speakers for this Roundtable will offer their reflections and recommendations for the directions that the study of race, coloniality, and philosophy of religion ought to take in the present. What are the most crucial questions, methods, and sites of analysis for such a study? Philosophy of religion has played a crucial role in providing the epistemic platform for the articulation and circulation of coloniality at the global level. However, discussion of race and coloniality—along with gender and sexuality—has been traditionally marginalized within the discipline of philosophy (and within philosophy of religion), which implicitly or explicitly sets many of its claims above historical specificity. This will be a dedicated space to a set of conversations that have so far happened sporadically and separately under headings of philosophy or (pan)ethnic and regional identities. We also aim to remedy a frequent disconnect between U.S. discourses about race and transnational discourses examining coloniality.

Panelists:

Ellen T. Armour, Vanderbilt University

J. Kameron Carter, Duke University

Devin Singh, Dartmouth College

David Kyuman Kim, Connecticut College

Elaine Padilla, University of La Verne

An Yountae, Lebanon Valley College

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Wildcard Session

Theme: **Recognition, Religious Identities, and the Recognition-Failures of Theodicies**

Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center-203 (Second Level)

Risto Saarinen, University of Helsinki, Presiding

Recognition of normative statuses, including identities, constitutes a fundamental phenomenon in, e.g., religion, psychology, sociology, politics, history, and literature. Recognition is also a very timely topic, as witnessed by recent political developments, debates over religious identities and multiculturalism, as well as religious and political extremism. This session aims to combine historical discussions of religion with contemporary systematic explorations of recognition, especially in relation to theodicies.

The presentations proceed from an analysis of the contemporary systematic framework through ancient and medieval intellectual history to the critical issue of recognition-failure in theodicies, discussed since the Book of Job. In addition to presenting systematic and historical reflections on the themes of religion, identity, and recognition in historical, philosophical, and literary contexts, the session seeks to show that developing a form of antitheodicism capable of ethically recognizing the reality of meaningless suffering requires an interplay of philosophical, theological, and literary analysis and argumentation.

Heikki J. Koskinen, University of Helsinki

Religious Identities and Theodistic Pathologies of Mediated Recognition

Ritva Palmén, University of Helsinki

Shame and Recognition in the Middle Ages

Maijastina Ritva Kahlos, University of Helsinki

Recognizing the Road: Graeco-Roman Appeals for Religious Diversity in the Late Roman Empire

Sami Pihlström, University of Helsinki

Failing to Recognize: Theodicy and Metaphysical Realism

Sari Kivistö, University of Tampere

Unmerited Suffering as the Destruction of Meaning in Joseph Roth's Hiob

Panu-Matti Pöykö, University of Helsinki

Levinasian Sincerity and the Immorality of Theodicies

A18-336



Women's Caucus

Theme: **Publishing Panel: Fresh Perspectives and Resilience in Gender, Race, and Other Social Justice Issues**

Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center-305 (Third Level)

Colleen D. Hartung, Holy Wisdom Monastery, Middleton, WI, and Alicia Panganiban, Princeton Theological Seminary, Presiding

This session presents scholars who have published books in Women studies, gender, race, and social justice, in 2016 and 2017. This 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 women studies and religion's relationship with social justice issues. In a round table discussion, these scholars will also share their experiences regarding strategies and mechanics for getting Women's studies and religion books published, and to offer advice for those seeking publication of their book manuscript.

Stephanie N. Arel, Boston University

Affect Theory, Shame, and Christian Formation

Sharon Delgado, Earth Justice Ministries, Nevada City, CA

Love In a Time of Climate Change: Honoring Creation, Establishing Justice

Katie Grimes, Villanova University

Christ Divided: Antiracism as Corporate Vice

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Celene Lillie, Tanho Center
The Rape of Eve: The Transformation of Roman Ideology In Three Early Christian Retellings of Genesis

Sabrina MisirHiralall, Montclair State University
Confronting Orientalism: A Self-Study of Educating Through Kuchipudi Dance

Neela Bhattacharya Saxena, Nassau Community College
Absent Mother God of the West: A Kali Lover's Journey into Christianity and Judaism

Rima Vesely-Flad, Warren Wilson College
Racial Purity and Dangerous Bodies: Moral Pollution, Black Lives, and the Struggle for Justice

A18-338



Feminist Theory and Religious Reflection Unit

Theme: **Performance, Precarity and Disruption**

Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Sheraton Boston-Beacon F (Third Level)

Carol Wayne White, Bucknell University, Presiding

Kimerer L. LaMothe, Vital Arts, Granville, NY
A Poetic Approach to Feminist Philosophy of Religion and Dance: A Paper-Performance

Kevin Minister, Shenandoah University
The Precarious Art of Maintenance: Intersections of Gender, Labor, and Ecology under Late Capitalism

Elonida Clay, Vrije Universiteit, Amsterdam
"I Only Roll With Goddesses": Black Women as the Divine Feminine in Internet Subcultures and Digital Visual Culture

Responding:

Susannah Laramée Kidd, Mellon-ACLS Public Fellow, Los Angeles County Arts Commission

Business Meeting:

Carol White, Bucknell University, and Mary Keller, University of Wyoming, Presiding

P18-341

Society for Ancient Mediterranean Religions

Theme: **Gods of Our Fathers: Restoration, Archaism and Nostalgia in Greco-Roman Religions**

Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hilton Boston Back Bay-Maverick A (Second Level)

Sandra Blakely, Emory University, Presiding

Frederick E. Brenk, Pontifical Biblical Institute, Rome
Gods of Our Fathers: The Delphic Oracle in Plutarch's

Kenneth Yu, University of Chicago
Ancient Reflections on Myth and Cult in Greek Paradoxography

Zsuzsanna Varhelyi, Boston University
Thræsa Pactus: Loss and Recovery of Republican Religious Tradition in Imperial Rome

Jeffrey Brodd, California State University, Sacramento
The Jerusalem Temple and Emperor Julian's "Invention of Tradition"

A18-337



Friends of the Academy Reception

Saturday, 5:30 PM–6:30 PM

Sheraton Boston-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.

A18-400



International Members Reception

Saturday, 6:30 PM–7:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center-302 (Third Level)

Amy L. Allocco, Elon University, Presiding

A reception for international members of the AAR. Winners of the Collaborative International Research Grants will be honored. By invitation only.

2016–2017 Collaborative International Research Grant Winners

Yaqoob Bangash, IT University of the Punjab, Pakistan, and Arun W. Jones, Emory University

"Dear Sisters, let us go on a little trip": The Religious of Jesus and Mary and Women's Education in Colonial Punjab, 1856–1947

Deidre Green, Brigham Young University, Amy Hoyt, University of the Pacific, Gertrude Fester, Sol Plaatje University, South Africa, Kristen J. Leslie, Eden Theological Seminary, and Julie Allen, Brigham Young University
Women, Religion, and Transitional Justice: Ethnographic Research in Rwanda

Azfar Moin, University of Texas, and Noman Baig, Habib University, Pakistan
Saint Shrines and Sovereignty in Pakistan

Lauren Pfister, Hong Kong Baptist University, Ricardo Mak King Sang, Hong Kong Baptist University, Tatiana L. Pang, Institute of Oriental Manuscripts, Russian Academy of Sciences, and Piotr Adamek, Monumenta Serica, Germany

A Comparative Sinological Assessment of The Four Books and Its Commentaries by Zhu Xi Produced in the 1820s by the Russian Orthodox Missionary-Scholar Iakinf (1777–1852)

Ute Possek, Harvard University, and J. F. Coakley, University of Cambridge
Liturgy, Learning, and Exegesis in Late Antique Persia: Thomas of Edessa's Explanations of the Feasts

Tehseen Thaver, Bard College, and Hamed Fayazi, Qom Islamic Seminary, Iran
Operations of Ambiguity in Medieval Shi'i Qur'an Commentaries

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 18

Saturday, 7:00 PM and Later

A18-401

Journal of the American Academy of Religion (JAAR) Editorial Board Meeting

Saturday, 7:00 PM–8:00 PM

Marriott Copley Place–St. Botolph (Second Level)

Cynthia Eller, Claremont Graduate University, Presiding

P18-402

Critical Research on Religion Reception

Saturday, 7:00 PM–9:00 PM

Offsite–Lir, 903 Boylston Street

You are invited to a reception sponsored by *Critical Research on Religion* (<http://crr.sagepub.com>) in conjunction with the following AAR Program Units: Sociology of Religion; Religions in the Latina/o Americas; Secularism and Secularity; Comparative Approaches to Religion and Violence; and Religion, Memory, History.

A18-408

Haunted Boston Ghost Walk Tour

Saturday, 7:00 PM–9:30 PM

Offsite–Meet at the Registration Desk outside of Exhibit Hall CD in the Convention Center

See page 10 for details.

P18-400

Evangelical Philosophical Society

Theme: **Penal Substitution Atonement Theories Today**

Saturday, 7:00 PM–10:00 PM

Hynes Convention Center–202 (Second Level)

Robert B. Stewart, New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, Presiding

This session will focus on contemporary penal substitutionary atonement theories and Biblical, theological, and philosophical issues related to those theories.

William Lane Craig, Biola University and Houston Baptist University

On the Alleged Injustice of Penal Substitution

Douglas J. Moo, Wheaton College
The Word of the Cross in Paul

Mark A. Seifrid, Concordia Seminary

Participation in Christ and Current Discussion of the Atonement

Steve Porter, Biola University

Four Considerations in Favor of Penal Substitutionary Atonement

A18-402

Presidential Address — Eddie Glaude: Religion and the Most Vulnerable



Eddie S. Glaude

Saturday, 7:00 PM–8:00 PM

Sheraton Boston–Grand & Independence (Second Level)

David P. Gushee, Mercer University, Presiding

Eddie S. Glaude Jr. is the William S. Tod Professor of Religion and African American Studies at

Princeton University. He is chair of the Department of African American Studies, a program he first became involved with shaping as a doctoral candidate in Religion at Princeton. His books on religion and philosophy include *African American Religion: A Very Short Introduction*, *Democracy in Black: How Race Still Enslaves the American Soul*, *In a Shade of Blue: Pragmatism and the Politics of Black America*, and *Exodus! Religion, Race and Nation in Early 19th Century Black America*, which was awarded the Modern Language Association's William Sanders Scarborough Book Prize. Currently Glaude is at work on a book about James Baldwin, tentatively titled *James Baldwin's America, 1963–1972*.

Glaude left his home in Moss Point, Mississippi at age 16 to begin studies at the Morehouse College. He holds a master's degree in African American Studies from Temple University, and a Ph.D in Religion from Princeton University. He began his teaching career at Bowdoin College. He has been a visiting scholar at Amherst College and Harvard. In 2011 he delivered Harvard's Du Bois lectures.

Known to be a convener of conversations and debates, Glaude takes care to engage fellow citizens of all ages and backgrounds — from young activists, to fellow academics, journalists and commentators, and followers on Twitter in dialogue about the course of the nation. His scholarship and his sense of himself as a public intellectual are driven by a commitment to think carefully with others in public. Accordingly, his writing and ideas are cited and shared widely. Glaude has written for *The New York Times* and *The Huffington Post*. He is a columnist for *Time Magazine* and regularly provides commentary on radio and television news programs like *Democracy Now!*, *Morning Joe*, and *the 11th Hour*.

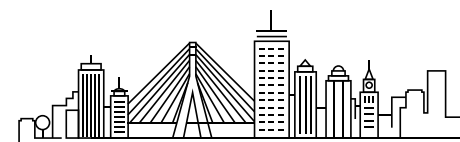
Prior to Dr. Glaude's address, a group of former AAR Presidents will present a tribute to Executive Director Jack Fitzmier, who will be retiring in 2018.

Panelist:

Eddie S. Glaude, Princeton University

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**A18-403****JAAR Reception for Authors and Board Members**

Saturday, 8:00 PM–9:00 PM
Marriott Copley Place–AAR Suite

A18-404**Film: *Kundun***

Saturday, 8:00 PM–10:00 PM
Sheraton Boston–Constitution (Second Level)

Kundun is a 1997 epic biographical film written by Melissa Mathison and directed by Martin Scorsese. It is based on the life and writings of Tenzin Gyatso, the fourteenth Dalai Lama, the exiled political and spiritual leader of Tibet.

“Kundun” (sku mdun in Tibetan), meaning “presence”, is a title by which the Dalai Lama is addressed.

A18-405**Film: *Alone in Fukushima***

Saturday, 8:00 PM–10:00 PM
Sheraton Boston–Back Bay B

Barbara Ambros, University of North Carolina, Presiding
Nakamura Mayu's *Alone in Fukushima* documents a year in the life of fifty-five-year-old Matsumura Naoto, a resident of Fukushima Prefecture, Japan. After the triple disaster of March 11, 2011—a massive earthquake followed by a tsunami and a nuclear meltdown, Matsumura has remained behind in his deserted hometown of Tomioka City next to the damaged Fukushima Daiichi reactor.

There, Matsumura looks after animals that were abandoned in the wake of the disaster. While Matsumura has received considerable media attention in Europe and America, where he has become a messianic icon of animal rights and the anti-nuclear movement, the Japanese media have virtually ignored him. Nakamura's documentary portrays Matsumura as a complex character who is resisting the erasure of his hometown while struggling for survival alongside the non-human inhabitants of the evacuation zone. *Alone in Fukushima* raises important ethical questions about interspecies becoming and the vulnerability of life in the Anthropocene.

Panelists:

Levi McLaughlin, North Carolina State University
Christopher Ives, Stonehill College
Mayu Nakamura, Independent Filmmaker, Tokyo, Japan

A18-406**Film: *Hunger for God, Hunger for Bread: The Faith of Latin America's Poor* (CBS News)**

Saturday, 8:00 PM–10:00 PM
Sheraton Boston–Liberty B (Second Level)

John Phillip Santos, San Antonio, TX, Presiding

In 1986, Fr. Virgilio Elizondo, a native of San Antonio, Texas, undertook an powerful journey of witness through Nicaragua, Peru, and Brazil, encountering such powerful scenes as a village on the Honduran border of Nicaragua in the middle of the Contra War; the vibrant “pueblo joven” of Villa El Salvador, outside of Lima; and the faith of street people in Sao Paolo. Along the way, Elizondo — who is now widely regarded as the father of U.S. Hispanic/Latino theology — engaged such luminaries as Gustavo Gutierrez, Leonardo Boff, Dom Helder Camara, Pedro Casaldaligla, and Enrique Dussel, and a host of others. Elizondo's testimonial here is a remarkable, and little seen, glimpse of the flowering of liberation theology, which continues to be felt across the Americas today.

John Phillip Santos, the producer of the film, will be present to lead a brief discussion after the viewing.

P18-401**African Association for the Study of Religions Dinner**

Saturday, 8:00 PM–10:00 PM
Offsite

Dinner at a local African restaurant. Details TBA.

P18-403**Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion Reception**

Saturday, 8:00 PM–10:00 PM
Marriott Copley Place–Gloucester (Third Level)

All are invited to come celebrate our 20 years of publishing the scholarship of teaching in Teaching Theology and Religion. Past, present, and future participants in Wabash Center workshops, colloquies, consultations, and grants are all welcome to join us for an evening of conversation and celebration.

A18-407**LGBTIQ Scholars/Scholars of LGBTIQ Studies Reception**

Saturday, 9:00 PM–11:00 PM
Hynes Convention Center–302 (Third 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.

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A19-1



AAR Annual Business Meeting

Sunday, 7:30 AM–8:45 AM

Hynes Convention Center-302 (Third Level)

Eddie S. Glaude, Princeton University, Presiding

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

A19-2



Applied Religious Studies Breakfast

Sunday, 7:30 AM–8:45 AM

Hilton Boston Back Bay-Maverick A (Second Level)

Cristine Hutchison-Jones, Harvard Law School, Presiding

AAR members who apply their degrees to work outside of the academy, or students who are interested in an alternative career path are welcome to meet and greet each other at this breakfast hosted by the AAR's Applied Religious Studies Committee. Please RSVP by Friday, November 3, by e-mailing annualmeeting@aarweb.org.

P19-5

Journal of Feminist Studies in Religion Leadership Meeting

Sunday, 7:30 AM–9:00 AM

Marriott Copley Place-Massachusetts (Fifth Level)

Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:00 AM

A19-100



Graduate Student Committee Business Meeting

Sunday, 9:00 AM–9:30 AM

Hynes Convention Center-303 (Third Level)

Bhakti Mamtara, University of Florida, Presiding

Attention Graduate Students! We will be holding our annual business meeting on Sunday, November 18th from 9:00 AM to 9:30 AM in the Student Lounge. We encourage you to attend the meeting, meet with the Graduate Student Committee members, and share your requests for AAR's Annual Meeting (2018) with us!

P19-117



Society for the Arts in Religious and Theological Studies

Theme: **Book Review: *Beauty's Vineyard: A Theological Aesthetic of Anguish and Anticipation***

Sunday, 9:00 AM–10:30 AM

Westin Copley Place-St. George C-D (Third Level)

Frank Burch Brown, Christian Theological Seminary, Presiding

In her most recent book, *Beauty's Vineyard: A Theological Aesthetic of Anguish and Anticipation*, Kimberly Vrudny presents a socially engaged theology of beauty rooted in a Catholic theological imagination. Join us for a conversation about beauty, art, and social transformation.

Panelists:

Janet Walton, Union Theological Seminary

Cláudio Carvalhaes, Union Theological Seminary

Maeve Louise Heaney, Australian Catholic University

Responding:

Kimberly Vrudny, University of St. Thomas

P19-110

North American Association for the Study of Religion

Theme: **Bans, Boycotts, Institutional Statements: A NAASR Perspective**

Sunday, 9:00 AM–10:50 AM

Fairmont Copley Place-State Suite A (Lower Lobby Level)

A19-101



Applied Religious Studies Committee and Public Understanding of Religion Committee

Theme: **Inside the State Department: Scholars Reflect on Working for the Government**

Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Sheraton Boston-Grand & Independence (Second Level)

Mara Willard, University of Oklahoma, Presiding



Evan Berry

What's it like to work in the US Department of State? How is academic knowledge about religion practical to public policymakers? What are the ethical implications of engaging — and of declining to engage — in such work? What seems to be the future of such work in this area.

Three of the panelists recently completed a year or more as an AAR-Luce Fellow in the US Department of State: in the Office of Religion and Global Affairs, Evan Berry focused on the environment, and Jerome Copulsky on anti-Semitism, refugees, and training; and in the Bureau of European and Eurasian Affairs, Todd Green focused on Islamophobia.

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Wildcard Sessions



Jerome
Copulsky

Rounding out the panel are Elizabeth Prodromou, former Vice-Chair of the US Commission on International Religious Freedom, who brings expertise on international policy and conflict resolution; and Robert Albro, a sociocultural anthropologist, who chaired the American Anthropological Association's Ad Hoc Commission on the Engagement of Anthropology with the U. S. Security and Intelligence Communities.

AAR-Luce Fellowships are made possible through a generous grant from the Henry Luce Foundation.

Panelists:



Todd Green

Evan Berry, American University
Jerome E. Copulsky, American University
Todd Green, Luther College
Elizabeth Prodromou, Tufts University
Robert Albro, American University

A19-102



Status of Women in the Profession Committee

Theme: **Women and Vulnerability in the Academy**

Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hynes Convention Center-305 (Third Level)

Monique Moultrie, Georgia State University, Presiding

What forms of vulnerability do women and female-bodied people encounter in the academy? How does that impact our professional development, our careers, and our very survival? Our invited panelists will discuss various forms of vulnerability such as gender, race, queer and/or trans identity, disability, term/contingent employment, immigration status, religious identity, or being an ally for any of these identities. Join the Status of Women in the Profession Committee for a session that will continue our rich conversation on the complexity of power dynamics and gender through a combination of presentations and audience discussion.

Panelists:

Emily Askew, Lexington Theological Seminary
Teresa Delgado, Iona College
Aysha Hidayatullah, University of San Francisco
Siobhan Kelly, Harvard University
Nikky Singh, Colby College
Jeanine Viau, University of Central Florida

A19-103

African Religions Unit

Theme: **Decolonizing the Study of Religion in Africa**

Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hynes Convention Center-205 (Second Level)

Adriaan van Klinken, University of Leeds, Presiding

Oludamini Ogunnaike, College of William and Mary
From Theory to Theoria and Back Again: Decolonizing Theories of African Religion and Philosophy

Annalisa Buttici, Utrecht University
Nana Ntona: The Aesthetics and Politics of a Ghanaian Afro-Catholic Saint

Marcus Harvey, University of North Carolina, Asheville
The "Speech of Silence" and Other Decolonizing Concepts: New Theoretical Horizons in Malidoma Somé's Of Water and the Spirit

Ayodeji Ogunnaike, Harvard University
(Re)Making African Religions

Responding:

Laura Grillo, Georgetown University

A19-104



Afro-American Religious History Unit and North American Religions Unit

Theme: **"Religio-racial Identity" as Challenge and Critique**

Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hynes Convention Center-201 (Second Level)

Sylvester Johnson, Northwestern University, Presiding

Matthew Cressler, College of Charleston
Black Power, Religio-racial Identity, and the Unveiling of White Catholicism

Jamil Drake, Florida State University
"American Peasants," Religio-racial Identity, and the Problem of Class in Health Research

Megan Goodwin, Syracuse University
Disciplining Religio-racial Difference: Anti-Klan Laws v. Women of Color

Laura McTighe, Columbia University
Surveillance and Sabotage: Religio-racial Identity in the Women's Carceral Sphere

Responding:

Judith Weisenfeld, Princeton University

Business Meeting:

LeRhonda Manigault-Bryant, Williams College, and Lerone Martin, Washington University, Saint Louis, Presiding

A19-105



Anthropology of Religion Unit and Religion and the Social Sciences Unit

Theme: **The Anthropology of Catholicism: A Roundtable on Method, Challenges, and Opportunities**

Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Sheraton Boston-Jamaica Pond (Fifth Level)

Kristy Nabhan-Warren, University of Iowa, and James Bielo, Miami University, Presiding

Panelists:

Julie Byrne, Hofstra University

Brian Clites, Northwestern University

Susan Reynolds, Boston College

Susan Ridgely, University of Wisconsin

Business Meeting:

Kristy Nabhan-Warren, University of Iowa, and Nichole Phillips, Emory University, Presiding

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19

A19-106

Arts, Literature, and Religion Unit

Theme: **Dialogue through Art: Asian Christian Art and Interreligious Discourse in South, Southeast, and East Asia**

Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:00 AM

Sheraton Boston-Liberty B (Second Level)

James Ponniah Kulandai Raj, University of Madras, Presiding

John Clammer, O.P. Jindal Global University
Dialogue through the Image: Asian Christian Art and Interreligious Discourses in Early Modern Asia

Gudun Loewner, United Theological College, Bangalore
Interreligious Dialogue in Art: The Icon of Saint Teresa of Calcutta

Verena Grüter, University of Goettingen
The Art of Music in Asian Christianity

Katherine C. Zubko, University of North Carolina, Asheville
Performing Social Critique: Christian Nāyikās in Bharata Natyam

A19-107



Asian North American Religion, Culture, and Society Unit

Theme: **Religion, Race, and National Belonging**

Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott Copley Place-MIT (Third Level)

Helen Jin Kim, Harvard University, Presiding

Daniel K. Eng, University of Cambridge
The Shameless Father: Honor and Shame in the Parable of the Prodigal Son and Its Reception among Asian-Americans

Ren Ito, Emmanuel College, University of Toronto
Beyond the Binary in Asian North American Antiracism

Ryan Anningson, Wilfrid Laurier University
Once the Buddha Was an Aryan: Race Sciences and the Domestication of Buddhism in North America

Michael Hawley, Mount Royal University
Transnational Pioneers: A Century of the Hari Family in Calgary

Business Meeting:

Rachel A. R. Bundang, Schools of the Sacred Heart, San Francisco, and Devin Singh, Dartmouth College, Presiding

A19-108/S19-141

Bible in Racial, Ethnic, and Indigenous Communities Unit and Sacred Texts, Theory, and Theological Construction Unit

Theme: **Present and Future of Biblical Studies, I: Celebrating 25 Years of Brill's Journal, *Biblical Interpretation***

Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hynes Convention Center-311 (Third Level)

Tat-siong Benny Liew, College of the Holy Cross, Presiding

Co-Sponsored by: SBL Asian and Asian-American Hermeneutics Unit; SBL Bible and Cultural Studies Unit; SBL Contextual Biblical Interpretation Unit; SBL Feminist Hermeneutics of the Bible Unit; SBL Gender, Sexuality, and the Bible Unit; SBL Ideological Criticism Unit; SBL LGBTI/Queer Hermeneutics Unit; SBL Minoritized Criticism and Biblical Interpretation Unit; SBL Postcolonial Studies and Biblical Studies Unit; SBL Reading, Theory, and the Bible Unit; SBL Rhetoric and the New Testament Unit; SBL Slavery, Resistance, and Freedom Unit

Panelists:

Fiona Black, Mount Allison University

Steed Davidson, McCormick Theological Seminary

Jacqueline Hidalgo, Williams College

Davina C. Lopez, Eckerd College

Stephen Moore, Drew University

Jorunn Okland, University of Oslo

Responding:

Randall C. Bailey, Interdenominational Theological Center

A19-109



Buddhism Unit

Theme: **Buddhist Practical Canons: Textual Community in the Pre-modern Buddhist World**

Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Sheraton Boston-Gardner (Third Level)

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

Rafal Felbur, Stanford University

A Canon before the Canon in Chinese Buddhism: Reflections on the Practical Canon in the Work of Sengrui (352–419 or 354–421)

Jonathan Young, California State University, Bakersfield
Practical Canons from Buddhist Past: What Pāli Anthologies Can Tell Us about Buddhist History

Or Porath, University of California, Santa Barbara

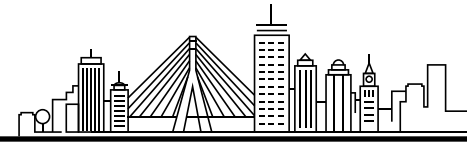
A Cunning Canonization: The Plasticity of Canon in Tendai's Eshin Lineage

Adam Krug, University of California, Santa Barbara

The Early Indian Mahāmudrā Canon and Practical Canoncity in the Esoteric Buddhism of India and Tibet

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Responding:

Anne M. Blackburn, Cornell University

Business Meeting:

James Robson, Harvard University, and Reiko Ohnuma,
Dartmouth College, Presiding

A19-110

Buddhist Philosophy Unit

Theme: **Emotion: Buddhism, Neuroscience, and Moral Cultivation**

Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Sheraton Boston-Hampton (Third Level)

A. Charles Muller, University of Tokyo, Presiding

John Dunne, University of Wisconsin

Constructing Emotion for Action in the World: A Buddhist Perspective

Lisa Feldman Barrett, Northeastern University

Neuroscientific Theories of Emotion: Classical and Constructed

Jake Davis, Brown University

*Emotion and the Qualities of Heart: Towards a Cross-Cultural
Cognitive Science*

Christian Coseru, College of Charleston

*Does Introspective Attention Change What We Perceive and How We
Feel?*

Emily McRae, University of New Mexico

*The Moral Contours of Self-Liberating Emotions in Patrul Rinpoche's
Essential Jewel*

A19-111

Christian Systematic Theology Unit

Theme: **Tradition: Catholic and Protestant**

Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Sheraton Boston-Back Bay D (Second Level)

Holly Taylor Coolman, Providence College, Presiding

Steven Edward Harris, Hamilton, ON

*Christ the One Teacher of All: Toward an Ecumenical Theology of the
Magisterium*

Luke Tallon, LeTourneau University

*Trinitarian Tradition: A Critical Response and Counter-Proposal to
Joseph Ratzinger's Ecumenical Reformulation*

Simeon Zahl, University of Nottingham

Tradition and Its "Use": Theological Retrieval as Ethical Drama

Pui Ip, University of Cambridge

*The Relationship between Revelation (Scripture) and Its Transmission
(Tradition): John Webster on the Root of the Protestant-Catholic
Disagreement*

A19-112

Comparative Approaches to Religion and Violence Unit and Japanese Religions Unit

Theme: **Trauma in Japanese Religion**

Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hynes Convention Center-209 (Second Level)

Jessica Starling, Lewis and Clark College, Presiding

Kristina Buhrman, Florida State University

*Disasters Inscribed upon a Landscape: Buddhist Institutions, the
Massed Dead, and the State in Pre-modern Japan*

Byoungdo Park, University of Tokyo

*Commemorating Trans-sectarian Deaths: From Two Cases of
Disasters in Early Modern Japan*

Paride Stortini, University of Chicago

*The Silk Road as the Way Home: Trauma, Memory, and Buddhism in
the Art and Activism of Hirayama Ikuo*

Yuki Miyamoto, DePaul University

*Guilt Trip: Pilgrimage, Dark Tourism, and an Ethic of the Visitor at
a Nuclear Disaster Site*

Levi McLaughlin, North Carolina State University

*From Pastoral Care to Victim Care: Toward a Genealogy of "Trauma"
in Contemporary Japanese Religion*

Responding:

Akira Nishimura, University of Tokyo

A19-113

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Comparative Theology Unit

Theme: **Agents of Aesthetic Encounters with Holiness:**

**Hagiography as Lens on Theological-Aesthetic Developments in
Islam and Christianity**

Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hynes Convention Center-101 (Plaza Level)

Aaron Hollander, University of Chicago, Presiding

Alec Arnold, Saint Louis University

*Come and See, Come and Hear: Holy Mediators of Divine Aesthetics
in Early Islamic and Byzantine Christian Hagiographies*

Axel Takacs, Harvard University

*Between Sainthood and Friendship in Christianity and Islam: The
Role Hagiographies Play in the Drama of Life*

June-Ann Greeley, Sacred Heart University

*"Saintly" Optics and Gendered E (in)vocations of Holiness: The
Hagiographic Traditions of St. Clare of Assisi and Women Mystics of
Islam*

Lucinda Mosher, Hartford Seminary

*Writing the Sublime: Visual Hagiography and the Promotion of
Christian-Muslim Understanding*

Business Meeting:

Marianne Moyaert, Vrije Universiteit, Amsterdam, and
Wilhelmus Valkenberg, Catholic University of America,
Presiding

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A19-114



Contemporary Islam Unit

Theme: **Intersections of Islamophobia: Between Nationalism and Globalization**

Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hynes Convention Center-104 (Plaza Level)

Yunus Dogan Telli, City University of New York, Presiding

Giulia Evolvi, Ruhr University

Islamexit: Twitter Islamophobia after the British Referendum

Iselin Frydenlund, MF Norwegian School of Theology

Islamophobia and Its Buddhist Vicissitudes

Kathleen Foody, College of Charleston

"CIA to Survey World's Moslems": Islam and the American Public under Carter and Reagan

Mathew J. Guest, Durham University

Representing Islam on UK University Campuses: Negotiating Research and Identity within a Securitised Educational Environment

Iman AbdoulKarim, Dartmouth College

Islam is #BlackLivesMatter: Muslim Women on the Frontier of Anti-Blackness and Islamophobia

Business Meeting:

Danielle Widmann Abraham, Ursinus College, Presiding

A19-115

Cultural History of the Study of Religion Unit and Science, Technology, and Religion Unit

Theme: **Religious Histories of Technology in the Americas**

Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Sheraton Boston-Public Garden (Fifth Level)

Anthony Petro, Boston University, Presiding

John Modern, Franklin and Marshall College

On Technomasochism

David Walker, University of California, Santa Barbara

Railroading Secularism

Kati Curtis, University of the South

Secular Sublime, Remixed Religion: Categorical Mash-Up in Christian Marclay's The Clock

Lucia Hulsether, Yale University

Bound to the Company: Technologies of Capitalist Humanitarianism

Angela Tarango, Trinity University

The "New Buffalo": Indian Gaming and Cultural Identity among the Oklahoma Nations

Cara Rock-Singer, Columbia University

Relational Technologies: Performing Queer Ritual Art

Lisle Dalton, Hartwick College

Railroad Catechisms

A19-116

Evangelical Studies Unit

Theme: **Evangelicalism and Questions of Ethnicity**

Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott Copley Place-St. Botolph (Second Level)

Dan Wells, Florida State University

"I Just Wish I Could Be Born Again Everyday": Eldridge Cleaver and the Evangelical Mentality of Displacement

Shari Madkins, Emory University

"Ain't I an Evangelical, Too?" How Whiteness Erases People of Color from the Multi-cultural Evangelical Church Movement

Kristopher Norris, University of Virginia

The White Problem in Evangelicalism: A Costly Model of Reconciliation

Daniel Rodriguez, Pepperdine University

Hispanic Evangelicalism in the United States: Critical and Theological Responses to Trump's Vision for America and to White Evangelicals Who Embrace It

Keith Johnson, Wheaton College

Evangelicals, Race, and the Perils of the Evaluative Form

A19-117

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History of Christianity Unit

Theme: **Late Ancient Ruminations: Thinking Today by Reading the Past**

Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott Copley Place-Boylston (First Level)

Peter Anthony Mena, University of San Diego, Presiding

Nathaniel Morehouse, John Carroll University

Nicaea's Unorthodox Benefactor: The Emperor Julian and the Rise of Nicene Dominance

Tola Rodrick, Indiana University

Technologies of the Cell: Transforming Mud Brick into Virtue in Late Ancient Egypt

Tara Baldrick-Morrone, Florida State University

"A Familiar Art": Contemporary Reproductions of Abortion in Antiquity

Dan Salyers, Fuller Theological Seminary

Refugee Bishops in the Fourth Century

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**A19-118****Islamic Mysticism Unit and Religion in South Asia Unit**Theme: **Sufism and Yoga in Early Modern India**

Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott Copley Place–Wellesley (Third Level)

Shaman Hatley, University of Massachusetts, Boston, Presiding

Heidi R. M. Pauwels, University of Washington
Encounters and Transformations: Yogis in the Sufi Romances
(Premākhyān)

Supriya Gandhi, Yale University
Sound, Breath, and Mystical Nondualism: Reading the Omnāma

Shankar Nair, University of Virginia
Yoga for Sufis? "Muslim Yoga" in a Persian Mughal Treatise

Ayesha Irani, University of Massachusetts, Boston
Yoga for the Bengali Darves: The Esoteric Teachings of the Jñāna
Prādīpa, Lamp of Knowledge

Responding:

Carl W. Ernst, University of North Carolina

Business Meeting:

Andrea Marion Pinkney, McGill University, and Hamsa Stainton,
 University of Kansas, Presiding

A19-119**Kierkegaard, Religion, and Culture Unit**Theme: **Kierkegaard and the Future of Revelation – Part II: Community and the Limits of Democracy**

Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hynes Convention Center-208 (Second Level)

Stacey Ake, Drexel University, Presiding

Jennifer Veninga, St. Edward's University
Kierkegaard's Hope for the Present Age: Individuality, Love, and
Witness as Antidotes to Uncertain Times

Thomas Millay, Baylor University
Revelation Contra Nation(s): Kierkegaard's Theological Critique of
Nationalism

Natalia Marandiuc, Southern Methodist University
Love is a Revolution: Kierkegaard at the Women's March

Brandon Pierce, Stamford Church of Christ
"Very Simply—I Want Honesty": Kierkegaard's Attack on
Christendom, Black Theology, and the Failure of White Liberal
Activism

A19-120**Lesbian-Feminisms and Religion Unit**Theme: **The Lesbian as a Space for Revolution in Communities, Organizations, and Politics**

Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott Copley Place–Brandeis (Third Level)

Amy Milligan, Old Dominion University, Presiding

Laulie Eckerberger, University of Winchester
"I Can't Believe We're Still Protesting This!": How the Lesbian-
Feminist Embodies Our Way Forward

Andrea Glass, Pennsylvania State University
"Postcards from the Resistance": The Politics and Practices of the
Lesbian Community in Lancaster

Anjeanette LeBoeuf, Claremont Graduate University
Space, Location, Resistance, and Lesbians

Responding:

Michelle Wolff, Duke University

Business Meeting:

Marie Cartier, California State University, Northridge, Presiding

A19-121**Music and Religion Unit**Theme: **Community Formation: Intersections of Congregations, Religious Musics, and Popular Culture**

Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hynes Convention Center-202 (Second Level)

Jeffers Engelhardt, Amherst College, Presiding

Andrew Mall, Northeastern University
Resistance, Renewal, and Congregation at Christian Music Festivals

Joshua Busman, University of North Carolina, Pembroke
Bands, Brands, and Bodies: "Corporate" Worshipping at the Passion
Conference

Katelyn Medic, University of Minnesota
The Voice and Worship in Twin Cities Churches

Maren Haynes Marchesini, University of Montana
"It's Not Our Brand": Mission, Music and Race in a Twenty-First
Century New Calvinist Megachurch

Business Meeting:

Jennifer Rycenga, San Jose State University, and David Stowe,
 Michigan State University, Presiding

A19-122**Open and Relational Theologies Unit and Tillich: Issues in Theology and Culture Unit**Theme: **Does God Need the World? Whitehead and Tillich in Conversation**

Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Sheraton Boston–Republic B (Second Level)

Devan Stahl, Michigan State University, Presiding

Janna Gonwa, Yale University
"A Tender Care That Nothing Be Lost": Whitehead, Tillich, and the
Eternal Life of the Ecosystem

Marc Pugliese, Saint Leo University
Tillich on the Dynamics of the "Divine Life": Evasive or Earnest?

Kirk MacGregor, McPherson College
The Tillichian Dispensability of the World to God

Demian Wheeler, United Theological Seminary of the Twin
 Cities
God Is the World: Bernard Loomer as a Bridge between Whitehead
and Tillich

Responding:

Robert C. Neville, Boston University

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19

A19-123



Practical Theology Unit and Transformative Scholarship and Pedagogy Unit

Theme: **Theological Education in Spaces of Social Marginality**

Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hynes Convention Center-310 (Third Level)

Christian A. B. Scharen, Auburn Theological Seminary, Presiding

Clare Radford, University of Glasgow

Interpreting Injustice: Narrating Experiences of Marginalisation in Scotland as Constructing Theological Praxis

Sarah Jobe, Duke University

Programs in Prisons: Transforming the Who, Where, How, and What of Theological Education

Rachelle Green, Emory University

Pedagogical Justice: Toward a Theologically Responsible Pedagogy for Teaching Religion to Women in Prison

Richard Burgess, University of Roehampton

The Pedagogical Challenges of Teaching Theology to First-generation Students from Non-traditional Churches

Responding:

Daniel Franklin Pilario, Adamson University

Business Meeting:

Christian A. B. Scharen, Auburn Theological Seminary, Tone

Stangeland Kaufman, MF Norwegian School of Theology, and Darby Ray, Bates College, Presiding

A19-124



Pragmatism and Empiricism in American Religious Thought Unit

Theme: **Ecology, Naturalism, and Democratic Faith**

Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott Copley Place-Berkeley (Third Level)

William David Hart, Macalester College, Presiding

Mary Friedline, Southern Methodist University

Is Democratic Faith Secular? Seeking Pluralism in Rorty's Achieving Our Country

Gary Slater, St. Edward's University

The Ecological Ethics of William James's A Pluralistic Universe

Scot Yoder, Michigan State University

Neo-Pragmatism and Religious Naturalism: What Rorty and Rue Might Learn From Each Other

A19-125



Religion and Cities Unit

Theme: **Conflict and Creativity: The Reimagining of Urban Space**

Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott Copley Place-Dartmouth (Third Level)

Elise Edwards, Baylor University, Presiding

Juan Floyd-Thomas, Vanderbilt University

A Holy War in Harlem: Father Divine, Daddy Grace, and the Battle for the Soul of Black New York

Heather White, University of Puget Sound

"This Disco Used to Be a Cute Cathedral": Queer Genealogies of Secularism at the Limelight Nightclub

Jung Lee, Northeastern University

The Dharma of the City: A Tibetan Buddhist Refuge in Cambridge

Responding:

Katie Day, United Lutheran Seminary, Philadelphia

Business Meeting:

Helene Slessarev-Jamir, Claremont School of Theology, Presiding

A19-126

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Religion and Ecology Unit

Theme: **Critical Approaches to Racial and Environmental Justice**

Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott Copley Place-Simmons (Third Level)

Christopher Carter, University of San Diego, Presiding

Mark S. Cladis, Brown University

Racial and Environmental Justice in the Wild

Karen Crozier, Fresno County Historical Museum

Black Prey, White Predator: Fannie Lou Hamer's Practical Theology of Racial Freedom in the U.S. "Wilderness"

Courtney O'Dell-Chaib, Syracuse University

Making-With Disaster

Ryne Beddard, University of North Carolina

Benjamin Steele-Fisher, University of Denver

Toward a Decolonial Religious Poetics beyond the Human

Roger S. Gottlieb, Worcester Polytechnic Institute

Hearing Nature's Voice: The Possibilities of Ecological Democracy

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**A19-127****Religion and Food Unit**Theme: **Religion, Food, and Place**

Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Sheraton Boston-Beacon A (Third Level)

Jeremy Rapport, College of Wooster, Presiding

Cody Musselman, Yale University

In Tune with the Intimate: The Imperial Bodies of New Thought

Beth Ritter-Conn, Belmont University

Guests at Our Own Tables: Paradox, Power, and Hospitality in a Southern City

E Moore Quinn, College of Charleston

"To Hell the Generous Will Never Go": The Clash of Ethical Cultures in Nineteenth-Century Ireland

Business Meeting:

Nora L. Rubel, University of Rochester, and Derek Hicks, Wake Forest University, Presiding

A19-128**Religion and Politics Unit**Theme: **Islam and Muslims in Western States**

Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott Copley Place-Vineyard (Fourth Level)

Vincent Biondo, Humboldt State University, Presiding

David Tittensor, Deakin University

Navigating the Era of Hyper Security: Being Muslim in Australia

Kaarina Aitamurto, University of Helsinki

The Pressure for Centralization in the Russian Governance of Islam as a Challenge to Solidarity within Muslim Minorities in Moscow and St. Petersburg

Angela Bernardo, Sapienza University of Rome

Negotiating Religion: The "National Pact for an Italian Islam" between Agency, Security Claims, Legitimization, and Recognition

Abbas Barzegar, Georgia State University, and Nagham Elkarhili, Georgia State University

*Countering Violent Extremism: Paradoxical Muslim Responses to the Question of Islam and Terrorism***A19-129***New!***Religions in the Latina/o Americas Unit**Theme: **Images and Shrines in Latin America: Authors/Book Session**

Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Sheraton Boston-Beacon E (Third Level)

Jennifer Scheper Hughes, University of California, Riverside, Presiding

Panelists:

William Taylor, University of California, Berkeley

Jalane D. Schmidt, University of Virginia

Responding:

David Carrasco, Harvard University

A19-130**Ritual Studies Unit**Theme: **Ritual Aesthetics and the Senses**

Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott Copley Place-Hyannis (Fourth Level)

Jens Kreinath, Wichita State University, Presiding

Adam Bursi, University of Tennessee

Scents of Pilgrimage: Early Islamic Pilgrimage, Relics, and the Senses

Sarah Kathleen Johnson, University of Notre Dame

Listening for Harmony and Dissonance in Overlapping Ritual Systems

Clayton Ashton, University of British Columbia

The Moral Aesthetics of the Everyday: Ritualization in the Chinese Book of Rites

Jay Ramesh, Columbia University

Transforming Language: Prescription, Affect, and Translation in Early Modern South Indian Saiva Literature

Responding:

S. Brent Plate, Hamilton College

Business Meeting:

Sarah M. Pike, California State University, Chico, and Jens Kreinath, Wichita State University, Presiding

A19-131**Sacred Texts and Ethics Unit**Theme: **American Divines: Interpretations of Authority, Sacrifice, and Exceptionalism**

Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott Copley Place-New Hampshire (Fifth Level)

Valerie C. Cooper, Duke University, Presiding

Michael Cohen, Temple University

George Duffield, John Adams, and America as New Israel

Joshua Nunziato, Villanova University

The Offering of Walden: Thoreau and the Sacrificial Economy of the Bhagavad-Gita

Seth Perry, Princeton University

"Five Links, Two Hooks, and a Swivel": Lorenzo Dow's Chain as Populist Exegesis

Responding:

Molly Farneth, Haverford College

Business Meeting:

Emily Filler, Earlham College, Presiding

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A19-132

Study of Judaism Unit

Theme: **Reimagining the Field: Theorizing the "Jewishness" of Jewish Thought**

Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:00 AM

Hynes Convention Center-110 (Plaza Level)

Annette Yoshiko Reed, New York University, Presiding

Elias Sacks, University of Colorado
Critical Theory Out of the Sources of Judaism: Horkheimer, Cohen, and Jewish Thought

Sarah Hammerschlag, University of Chicago
The Reluctant Children of Postwar French Judaism: Jean Wahl, Vladimir Jankélévitch, and Rabi

Samuel Brody, University of Kansas
On Building a Jewish Political Economy Canon

Responding:

Larisa Reznik, University of Chicago

A19-133

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Womanist Approaches to Religion and Society Unit

Theme: **Wholistic Self-Care: Mining the Depths, Challenges, and Stigmas of Communal and Private Mental Health from Womanist Perspectives**

Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Sheraton Boston-Back Bay B (Second Level)

Melva L. Sampson, Emory University, Presiding

Rezenet Moges, California State University, Long Beach
The Unveiled Treasure of "Phenomenal Black Deaf Womxn"

Monica A. Coleman, Claremont School of Theology
Womanist Ase: Ifa Practices that Support Black Women's Experiences of Depression

Responding:

Trina Armstrong, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary

Chaniqua Walker-Barnes, Mercer University

A19-134



Economics and Capitalism in the Study of Buddhism Seminar

Theme: **Buddhist Practice During Collapse: Economic, Cultural, Institutional, and Political**

Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Sheraton Boston-Fairfax B (Third Level)

Richard K. Payne, Graduate Theological Union, Presiding

Courtney Bruntz, Doane University
Buddhism for a Tech-Savvy Chinese Youth

Elizabeth Williams-Oerberg, University of Copenhagen
The Centrality of "Youth" in Promoting and Reforming Buddhist Monasteries in Ladakh

Brooke Schedneck, Rhodes College
Theravada Buddhist Economic Realities: Decline Narratives and Coffee Shops in Northern Thailand

Kevin Buckelew, Columbia University
Buddhist Rhetorics of Productivity and Debt at the End of Medieval China: "Inner-Worldly Asceticism" and the Chan Tradition

Business Meeting:

Fabio Rambelli, University of California, Santa Barbara, and
Richard K. Payne, Graduate Theological Union, Presiding

A19-135



Holmes Welch and the Study of Buddhism in Twentieth-Century China Seminar

Theme: **Revisiting the Revival: Holmes Welch's Work at 50**

Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott Copley Place-Regis (Third Level)

Rongdao Lai, University of Southern California, Presiding

Panelists:

Erik Braun, University of Virginia

Robert E. Buswell, University of California, Los Angeles

Holly Gayley, University of Colorado

Jessica Main, University of British Columbia

Nathaniel Welch, Welch Consulting, Los Angeles, CA

Business Meeting:

Erik Hammerstrom, Pacific Lutheran University, and Gregory
Adam Scott, University of Manchester, Presiding

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A19-136



Exploratory Sessions

Theme: **Spiritual but Not Religious: A Roundtable Discussion on the Past, Present, and Future(s) of Research**

Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Sheraton Boston-Riverway (Fifth Level)

Andrea Jain, Indiana University-Purdue University, Indianapolis, Presiding

This exploratory session is meant to formalize an ongoing conversation on the Spiritual But Not Religious (SBNR) with the aim of establishing a Spiritual But Not Religious program unit. The discussion will address what national surveys agree is a growing social phenomenon in the United States and to what some argue is a growing transnational movement. Most generally, the term SBNR denotes those who, on the one hand, are disillusioned with traditional institutional religions and, on the other hand, feel that those same traditions contain wisdom and valuable practices. This discussion will engage the past, present, and future(s) of the SBNR phenomenon to various degrees. It will offer new perspectives on the study of the SBNR that challenge existing assumptions, call attention to its unarticulated features, and offer expectations of and prescriptions for its future growth. Anticipated outcomes include the formation of new debates, issues, and intellectual trajectories.

Panelists:

Joy R. Bostic, Case Western Reserve University

Robert C. Fuller, Bradley University

Matthew Hedstrom, University of Virginia

Linda A. Mercadante, Methodist Theological School, Ohio

William Parsons, Rice University

Jodie Vann, Arizona State University

A19-137

Publications Committee Meeting

Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hynes Convention Center-301 (Third Level)

Theodore Vial, Iliff School of Theology, Presiding

A19-143

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Contemporary Pagan Studies Unit and Religion and Migration Unit and Religion and Popular Culture Unit and Religion, Film, and Visual Culture Unit and Religion, Media, and Culture Unit

Theme: *American Gods*

Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Sheraton Boston-Constitution (Second Level)

Alison Marshall, Brandon University, Presiding

Inspired by Neil Gaiman's novel, this roundtable explores the significance of religion and divinity in the new television show, *American Gods*. From the devotional practices of contemporary Pagans and polytheists, to cinematic representations of Mexican Jesus and beyond, participants in this session explore how Gaiman's adapted story probes enduring themes of desire, order, and sacrifice within the study of religion. As Gaiman's narrative reminds us, migrants don't relinquish their gods when they cross borders.

Humans constantly create and sustain deities, even as devotees envision their gods as themselves giving life. Dreamlike portrayals of *American Gods*' Mr. Wednesday and Shadow show divinities transcending boundaries of region, race, gender, color, creed, and morality. Here, gods represent and become more than vestiges of old and new worlds as they are eternally recreated and become part of the multifaceted human experience.

Panelists:

Robert N. Puckett, American Academy of Religion

Laurel Zwissler, Central Michigan University

Ken Derry, University of Toronto

Rubina Ramji, Cape Breton University

Sailaja Krishnamurti, Saint Mary's University

P19-111



Colloquium on Violence and Religion

Theme: **Book Review: Does Religion Cause Violence?**

Multidisciplinary Perspectives on Violence and Religion in the Modern World

Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton Boston Back Bay-Adams (Third Level)

Jeremiah Alber, Sophia University, Presiding

Scott Cowdell, Charles Stuart University, and Joel Hodge, Australian Catholic University

Introduction to the Volume Does Religion Cause Violence? (Bloomsbury, 2017)

William T. Cavanaugh, DePaul University
Girard and the Myth of Religious Violence

Joel Hodge, Australian Catholic University
Why is God Part of Human Violence? The Idolatrous Nature of Modern Religious Extremism

Wolfgang Palaver, University of Innsbruck
Religious Extremism, Terrorism, and Islam: A Mimetic Perspective

Asma Afsaruddin, Indiana University
Islam and Violence: Debunking the Myths

James W. Jones, Rutgers University
Review of the Volume: Does Religion Cause Violence?

P19-118

Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion

Theme: **Grant Design Conversations**

Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hynes Convention Center-107 (Plaza 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 in the Convention Center Room 107 on both Sunday, Nov. 19 and Monday, Nov. 20 from 9:00 AM to 11:30 AM to meet with one of the Wabash Center Staff. We are scheduling appointments ahead of time. Please write Beth Reffett (reffettb@wabash.edu) to schedule a time to meet with us.

For more info go to <http://bit.ly/2rZBD7C>.



SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19

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Society for Comparative Research on Iconographic and Performative Texts

Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Sheraton Boston-Clarendon (Third Level)

Richard Newton, Elizabethtown College, Presiding

The Society for Comparative Research on Iconic and Performative Texts (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.

Sonia Hazard, Franklin and Marshall College

How Not to Read: The Trace of Evangelical Readers and the Powers of the Religious Book in the United States, c. 1825–1861

Marianne Schleicher, Aarhus University

Sensory Uses of Scriptures in Israelite-Jewish Religion

Alice Mandell, University of Wisconsin

Texts Unseen: Invisible Writings and Performance in the Ancient Levant

Joy Palacios, Simon Fraser University

A Script in Hand? Small-Format Ecclesiastical Texts and Priestly Performance in Early Modern France

P19-149

Society for Pentecostal Studies

Theme: **A Conversation with Harvey Cox on Pentecostalism, Markets, Scripture, and the Future of Faith**

Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Sheraton Boston-Liberty A (Second Level)

Robby Waddell, Southeastern University, Presiding

Panelists:

David Daniels, McCormick Theological Seminary

Cheryl Bridges Johns, Pentecostal Theological Seminary

Rickie Moore, Lee University

Frank Macchia, Vanguard University

Responding:

Harvey Cox, Harvard University

P19-153

Theta Alpha Kappa Board of Directors Meeting

Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott Copley Place-Vermont (Fifth Level)

Kelley Coblentz Bautch, St. Edward's University, Presiding

A19-138/S19-156a



Student Lounge Roundtable

Theme: **Employment and Recruitment from an HR Perspective**

Sunday, 10:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hynes Convention Center-303 (Third Level)

In this roundtable-workshop session, Jessica Ehinger discusses issues particular to job hunting outside the traditional tenure track, including how to write an effective resume and cover letter, how to identify potential positions, and how non-academic job hunting differs from the academic market. In doing so, the session provides graduate students and young investigators with a solid understanding of what to expect in the job hunting process, so that they can best present themselves and their interests in the job market.

Panelists:

Jessica Ehinger, Boston University

P19-113

AAR Mid-Atlantic Region

Theme: **Religion and Theology in a Crossroads Age**

Sunday, 10:30 AM–11:30 AM

Westin Copley Place-Defender (Seventh Level)

P19-114

North American Association for the Study of Religion

Theme: **Roundtable: The State of the Study of Religion**

Sunday, 11:00 AM–12:50 PM

Fairmont Copley Place-State Suite A (Lower Lobby Level)



Coffee Break

Sunday, 11:30 AM

Complimentary coffee will be served in the back of Aisle 2100 and Aisle 2600 of the Exhibit Hall.

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A19-139/S19-158



Student Lounge Roundtable

Theme: **Balancing Act: Creating a Diverse and Dynamic CV**

Sunday, 11:30 AM–1:00 PM

Hynes Convention Center-303 (Third Level)

Career paths for academics are becoming more diverse and varied by the day. As such, even with academia one cannot depend on conferences and papers and a few chapters in compilations alongside a list of your thesis and dissertation supervisors to make you stand out. What, for instance, is this “Public Engagement” section all about? What exactly constitutes teaching experience? Is there a way to make what you did sound more like what you did, versus what it may have been titled at some point, by someone who may or may not have been involved in the event itself?

Crafting a CV, particularly for those positions outside of traditional academic posts (or even for those posts within) is not difficult, its merely different. This roundtable session discusses and workshops how to frame, format, organize and phrase your experience and prepare a CV for every exciting opportunity you encounter.

Panelists:

Katelynn Carver, University of St Andrews

P19-115

Society for the Study of Chinese Religions Roundtable

Sunday, 11:30 AM–1:00 PM

Hilton Boston Back Bay-Belvidere B (Second Level)

P19-119



Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion

Theme: **Teach with Confidence: “Difficult Conversations” in the Classroom (Graduate Student Lunch and Session)**

Sunday, 11:30 AM–1:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center-107 (Plaza Level)

Graduate students please join us for lunch and an interactive presentation about teaching in higher education.

Many professors in theology and religious studies report an increase in the number and intensity of “difficult conversations” in the classroom over the past year. Whether sparked by perennial questions in theological and religious studies or daily headlines, passionate, though not necessarily informed, opinions flood our classrooms.

How can we engage emotionally and politically charged topics in ways that enlighten and educate? Rebekka King and Cláudio Carvalhaes will present teaching strategies for conducting productive class discussions in today’s contentious environment.

Pre-registration is required. Send an email to Beth Reffett reffettb@wabash.edu. Registration deadline is October 1. Walk-ins may also be accepted if space is available.

Open Q&As will follow the workshop. For more information go to <http://bit.ly/2rZBD7C>.

Panelists:

Rebekka King, Middle Tennessee State University

Cláudio Carvalhaes, Union Theological Seminary

A19-140



Public University Department Chairs Meeting

Sunday, 11:45 AM–12:45 PM

Hynes Convention Center-301 (Third Level)

Russell T. McCutcheon, University of Alabama, 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.

A19-141



Women’s Mentoring Lunch

Sunday, 11:45 AM–12:45 PM

Hynes Convention Center-302 (Third Level)

Andrea C. White, Union Theological Seminary, and Melissa M. Wilcox, University of California, Riverside, Presiding

Women who are graduate students and new scholars are invited to a luncheon with over thirty womanist, feminist, and LGTIQ mid career 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.

Mentors:

Kecia Ali, Boston University

Rebecca Alpert, Temple University

Ellen T. Armour, Vanderbilt University

Loriliai Biernacki, University of Colorado

Monica A. Coleman, Claremont School of Theology

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

Jung Ha Kim, Georgia State University

Valerie Miles-Tribble, American Baptist Seminary of the West

Elaine Padilla, University of La Verne

Micheline Pesantubbee, University of Iowa

Michele Saracino, Manhattan College

Angella Son, Drew University

Nargis Virani, Graduate Theological Union

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19

A19-142

Women's Caucus

Theme: **Parliament of World Religions Women's Task Force – A Brown Bag Discussion**

Sunday, 11:45 AM–12:45 PM

Hynes Convention Center-305 (Third Level)

Elizabeth Ursic, Mesa Community College, Presiding

The AAR/SBL Women's Caucus is pleased to host a co-sponsored brown bag discussion with leadership of the Parliament of World Religions regarding topics and issues for women's programming for the 2018 Parliament of World Religions. The discussion will be facilitated by Elizabeth Ursic, Chair of the Parliament's Women's Task Force, Co-Chair of the AAR/SBL Women's Caucus, and a board member of the Parliament. Other board members serving on the Women's Task Force leadership team and Parliament staff will also be in attendance.

Panelists:

Rachel Mikva, Chicago Theological Seminary

Michael Trice, Seattle University

P19-116



La Comunidad of Hispanic Scholars of Religion

Theme: **Latinxs Ethical and Theological Readings of Scripture**

Sunday, 12:30 PM–3:00 PM

Westin Copley Place-Defender (Seventh Level)

Loida I. Martell, Lexington Theological Seminary, Presiding

Latinxs scholars have often noted the important role of scripture in the articulation of their theological and ethical constructions. For some, it is the foundational authority that gives legitimacy to what they write and say. This session will revisit previous studies carried out on the role of the Bible for theologians, ethicists, and biblical scholars, as well as previous interfaith studies on the role of scripture in Christian and Muslim communities. In this session, a panel of scholars will present on the current importance of scripture in the articulation of theological, ethical, and biblical constructions for the Latinx community. The session will conclude with a presentation focusing on how noted Christian social ethicist, Eldin Villafañe, has contributed to the field of ethics and theology through his use of Scripture and particular hermeneutical and pneumatological lens.

Discussion will follow, and La Comunidad Lifetime Achievement Award in Scholarship will be awarded.

Leticia Guardiola-Saenz, Seattle University

From the Pulpit to the Academy—Latinx Scriptural Hermeneutics

Maria T. Davila, Andover Newton Theological School

For a Time Such as This—Scripture, Theological Ethics, and Multi-faith Reflection

Harold Morales, Morgan State University

Beyond Bible—Scripture Among Diverse Latinx Communities

Efrain Agosto, New York Theological Seminary

Scripture and Liberating Ethics—Honoring Eldin Villafañe

Responding:

Eldin Villafañe, Gordon-Conwell Theological

Business Meeting:

Loida I. Martell, Lexington Theological Seminary, Presiding

Sunday, 1:00 PM–2:30 PM

A19-200



Academic Labor and Contingent Faculty Committee

Theme: **The Rapid Erosion of Tenure: 2008-2018**

Sunday, 1:00 PM–2:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center-208 (Second Level)

Sylvester Johnson, Northwestern University, Presiding

Frank Donoghue, Ohio State University

The Tenure Myth

Responding:

Theresa A. Yugar, California State University, Los Angeles

A19-201

Public Understanding of Religion Committee

Theme: **Back From the Front Lines of Diplomacy: A Religion Scholar Reflects on the Role of Religion Expertise in US Foreign Policy**

Sunday, 1:00 PM–2:30 PM

Sheraton Boston-Republic B (Second Level)

Erik Owens, Boston College, Presiding



Shaun Casey

From July 2013 through January 2017, Shaun Allen Casey served the U.S. Secretary of State as the Special Representative for Religion and Global Affairs and as inaugural Director of the Office of Religion and Global Affairs. The three-fold mission of the office was to advise Secretary Kerry on matters related to religion, to increase the capacity of State Department posts, offices, and bureaus to engage religious actors and assess religious dynamics, and to serve as the contact point for those seeking to understand the intersection of U.S. foreign policy and religion.

The Office of Religion and Global Affairs incorporated the Special Envoy to Monitor and Combat Anti-Semitism, the Special Representative to Muslim Communities, and the Special Envoy to the Organization of Islamic Cooperation.

Dr. Casey came to the Department of State after serving as Professor of Christian Ethics at Wesley Theological Seminary and working on President Obama's 2008 campaign staff as part of its religious outreach effort.

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He is currently Director of the Berkley Center for Religion, Peace, and World Affairs, at Georgetown University and Professor of the Practice in the Walsh School of Foreign Service at Georgetown University.

Dr. Casey has also held positions at the Center for American Progress and the Center for Strategic and International Studies. He is a former chair of the AAR Committee on the Public Understanding of Religion.

He is the author of *The Making of a Catholic President: Kennedy vs. Nixon 1960* and co-editor, with Michael Kessler, of the forthcoming *Oxford Handbook of Political Theology*. Casey holds an MPA from Harvard Kennedy School, and an M.Div. and doctorate in theology in religion and society from Harvard Divinity School and Bachelor's degree from Abilene Christian University.

Elizabeth Dias will serve as interlocutor. As a correspondent for *Time*, she covers politics and religion. She holds an MDiv from Princeton Theological Seminary. Her newswriting on international concerns involving religion has included stories on the Pope, the Dalai Lama, Sudan, Syria, and other topics.

Panelists:

Shaun Casey, Georgetown University
Elizabeth Dias, *TIME* Magazine

A19-203/S19-241a



Student Lounge Roundtable

Theme: **Using Teaching Opportunities to Expand Your Skill Set**

Sunday, 1:00 PM–2:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center-303 (Third Level)

Discussions of “teaching and professional development” often focus on how to improve your teaching. However, teaching opportunities can also be used to expand your skills for beyond the classroom. In an academic world where promising graduate students cannot count on landing professor positions, future teaching careers may not be in the cards for everyone, so we need to find creative ways to translate graduate teaching experience into other professional realms. In this workshop, we will discuss a variety of basic and innovative teaching techniques that can be used to develop transferable skills for the non-teaching aspects of your academic or alt-ac career. In addition to making yourself a more well-rounded teacher, learning to think in this way should also help you to be more maneuverable in the job market.

Panelists:

Kristy Slominski, University of Mississippi

A19-204



Teaching and Learning Committee

Theme: **Conversation with Excellence in Teaching Award Winner Lynn Neal**



Lynn Neal

Sunday, 1:00 PM–2:30 PM

Sheraton Boston-Beacon F (Third Level)

Lerone Martin, Washington University, Saint Louis,
Presiding

Panelists:

Lynn S. Neal, Wake Forest University

A19-205

African Diaspora Religions Unit and Indigenous Religious Traditions Unit

Theme: **The Black and Red Atlantic**

Sunday, 1:00 PM–2:30 PM

Sheraton Boston-Jamaica Pond (Fifth Level)

Elana Jefferson-Tatum, Hobart and William Smith Colleges,
Presiding

Joanne Braxton, Library of Congress

Red-Black Spirit Medicine in the Chesapeake: Origins of the Weyanoke and the Weyanoke Association, 1619–Present

Gabriel Estrada, California State University

James Young Deer, Wampanoag, and Seminole Media: Red-Black Atlantic Spiritual Traditions

Andrew McKee, Florida State University

“The Red Men Are Melting”: Making and Marking Urban Native Spaces in the Antebellum Atlantic World

Responding:

Jace Weaver, University of Georgia

A19-206

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Animals and Religion Unit and Teaching Religion Unit

Theme: **Teaching Animals and Religion**

Sunday, 1:00 PM–2:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center-108 (Plaza Level)

David Aftandilian, Texas Christian University, Presiding

Panelists:

Eric D. Mortensen, Guilford College

Jay McDaniel, Hendrix College

Aaron Gross, University of San Diego

Barbara K. Darling-Smith, Wheaton College

Barbara Ambros, University of North Carolina

David Clough, University of Chester

Lea Schweitz, Lutheran School of Theology, Chicago

Grace Kao, Claremont School of Theology

A19-207

Arts, Literature, and Religion Unit

Theme: **Religious Expression and Sacred Power in African American Literature**

Sunday, 1:00 PM–2:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center-101 (Plaza Level)

Eric Williams, Smithsonian Institution, Presiding

Emerson Zora Hamsa, Rice University

“Mah Tongue Is in Mah Friend’s Mouf”: Black Women’s Truth-Telling, Healing, and Spiritual Transformation in Zora Neale Hurston’s Their Eyes Were Watching God

Derek Brown, Boston College

Behind That Wall: Trauma, Choice, and Heterogeneity in Toni Morrison’s Beloved

Vaughn Booker, Dartmouth College

“Pulpit and Pew”: African American Humor on Irreverent Religious Participation in the Negro Digest

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A19-208



Augustine and Augustinianisms Unit and Evangelical Studies Unit

Theme: **Author Meets Critics: James K.A. Smith's *Awaiting the King: Reforming Public Theology* (Baker Academic, 2017)**

Sunday, 1:00 PM–2:30 PM

Marriott Copley Place–Arlington (Third Level)

David Henreckson, Dordt College, Presiding

Panelists:

Eric Gregory, Princeton University

Gregory Lee, Wheaton College

Molly Farneth, Haverford College

Responding:

James K. A. Smith, Calvin College

A19-209

Body and Religion Unit

Theme: **Carnal Hermeneutics**

Sunday, 1:00 PM–2:30 PM

Marriott Copley Place–Wellesley (Third Level)

Kevin Schilbrack, Appalachian State University, Presiding

Nathan Lyons, University of Cambridge

Sign as Body, Sign as God: A Psychosomatic Analogy of the Trinity

Adam Pryor, Bethany College

Desiring Flesh: Incarnation as a Normative Framework for Carnal Hermeneutics

Julia Reed, Harvard University

Word As/Made Flesh: Carnal Hermeneutics and an Interdisciplinary Approach to Incarnation

Responding:

Richard Kearney, Boston College

A19-210



Buddhism Unit

Theme: ***Clear Serenity, Quiet Insight* (University of Hawai'i Press, 2017): Reflecting on Zhiyi's Masterwork and Paul Swanson's English Translation**

Sunday, 1:00 PM–2:30 PM

Marriott Copley Place–Suffolk (Third Level)

Eric Swanson, Harvard University, Presiding

Panelists:

Jinhua Chen, University of British Columbia

Daniel B. Stevenson, University of Kansas

Paul Groner, University of Virginia

Jacqueline I. Stone, Princeton University

Brook Ziporyn, University of Chicago

Responding:

Paul L. Swanson, Nanzan University

A19-211

Buddhist Critical–Constructive Reflection Unit and Yogācāra Studies Unit

Theme: ***Yogācāra in the World: Social and Political Dimensions***

Sunday, 1:00 PM–2:30 PM

Marriott Copley Place–Simmons (Third Level)

C. John Powers, Deakin University, Presiding

Douglas S. Duckworth, Temple University

Locating a Social Consciousness in Yogācāra

William S. Waldron, Middlebury College

Prolegomena for a Yogācāra Critical Theory

Jin Y Park, American University

Beyond Subjective Idealism: Yogācāra and Creative Engagement with the World

Eyal Aviv, George Washington University

Transforming the Social Base: Thich Nhat Hanh's Yogācāra Social Philosophy

Responding:

Sallie B. King, James Madison University

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**A19-212****Comparative Approaches to Religion and Violence Unit**Theme: **Fantasy, Religion, and Violence**

Sunday, 1:00 PM–2:30 PM

Marriott Copley Place–Columbus I & II (First Level)

Michael Jerryson, Youngstown State University, Presiding

Christopher Rodkey, Pennsylvania State University, York
*You'll Have to Pry Christendom from My Cold, Dead Hands: God's Not Dead as Reverse Revenge Fantasy of Whiteness*Michael Broyles, Arizona State University
*Lest We Become Possessed: James Baldwin, Fyodor Dostoyevsky, and the Relationship between Myth and Violence*Huan Jin, City University of Hong Kong
Fantasy Disseminated: The Drama of Politics and Religion in the Taiping Rebellion

Business Meeting:

Jamel Velji, Claremont McKenna College, Presiding

A19-213

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Comparative Theology UnitTheme: **Silence and Apophaticism in Theory and Practice: Comparative Theological Perspectives**

Sunday, 1:00 PM–2:30 PM

Sheraton Boston–Public Garden (Fifth Level)

Catherine Cornille, Boston College, Presiding

Andrew Massena, Boston College
*Torah Lishmah and Lectio Divina: Contemplative Reading in Rabbinic Judaism and Evangelical Christianity*Yongho Francis Lee, University of Notre Dame
*Bonaventure and Chinul: The Soul's Leap into Union with God and the Mind's Awakening to Absolute Reality*Rhiannon Grant, Woodbrooke Quaker Study Centre, Birmingham, UK
*Silence as Common Ground? Liberal Quakerism as Hosting Space and Theological Conversation*James Bretzke, Boston College
*Deep Silence: Giving Voice to Shusaku Endo's Novel Use of Zen Ascetical Spirituality***A19-214**

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**Contemporary Islam Unit and Islam, Gender, Women Unit and Islamic Mysticism Unit and Qur'an Unit and Study of Islam Unit**Theme: **Mentoring Session for Scholars Studying Muslims/Islam**

Sunday, 1:00 PM–2:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center-302 (Third Level)

Martin Nguyen, Fairfield University, Presiding

This mentoring session will provide an opportunity for graduate students, faculty, and independent scholars engaged in the study of Islam and Muslims to connect with others and receive tailored mentoring and professional advice.

We will share best practices and engage in small group discussions led by senior scholars on topics such as publishing, the tenure process, job searches, discrimination, institutional and professional service, and discussing Islam with the media and general public.

Panelists:

Marcia Hermansen, Loyola University, Chicago

Aysha Hidayatullah, University of San Francisco

A19-215**Contemporary Pagan Studies Unit**Theme: **Magic in the Time of the Tower: Witchcraft, Activism, and Political Resistance**

Sunday, 1:00 PM–2:30 PM

Sheraton Boston–Gardner (Third Level)

Shawn Arthur, Wake Forest University, Presiding

Peg Aloï, State University of New York, New Paltz
*"We Are the Weirdos, Mister!": The Re-emergence of W.I.T.C.H. and a New Generation of Media Witches*Sabina Magliocco, California State University, Northridge
*Witchcraft as Political Resistance: Magical Responses to the 2016 Election*Egil Asprem, Stockholm University
*The Magical Theory of Politics: Meme Magic, the Cult of Kek, and How to Topple an Egregore***A19-216****Daoist Studies Unit**Theme: **New Directions in Daoist Studies: Interdisciplinary Approaches to Lived Religion**

Sunday, 1:00 PM–2:30 PM

Marriott Copley Place–Dartmouth (Third Level)

Michael Puett, Harvard University, Presiding

Louis Komjathy, University of San Diego
*Towards a Contemplative and Animalistic Daoist Studies*James Miller, Queen's University, Kingston
*Daoist Studies, Sinology, and Sustainability*David A. Palmer, University of Hong Kong
*Daoist Studies and the "Ontological Turn" in Anthropology*Elijah Siegler, College of Charleston
Secularism, Spirituality, and Daoist Studies

Responding:

Norman J. Girardot, Lehigh University

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A19-217

Eastern Orthodox Studies Unit and Middle Eastern Christianity Unit

Theme: **Peacemaking and Hospitality in Middle Eastern Christianity: Accommodating Difference in the Eastern Christian Traditions**

Sunday, 1:00 PM–2:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center-202 (Second Level)

Peter Galadza, Saint Paul University, Presiding

Nicholas Sooy, Fordham University
Peacemaking in the Lives of St. Maruthas and St. Acacius

Bishoy Dawood, University of Toronto
Coptic Chanting, Pluralistic Voices: Coptic Hymns as a Medium for a Pluralistic Egypt

Lana Sloutsky, Boston University
Helena Palaologina: Preserving Byzantine Culture through Philanthropy in Post-1453 Cyprus

Responding:

Mark Swanson, Lutheran School of Theology, Chicago

A19-218

Ecclesiological Investigations Unit

Theme: **Church Perspectives on the Legacy of the Reformation**

Sunday, 1:00 PM–2:30 PM

Sheraton Boston-Back Bay D (Second Level)

Mark Chapman, Ripon College, Cuddesdon, Presiding

Brian Flanagan, Marymount University
Ecclesial Sin and Holiness in Liturgical Commemoration of the Reformation

Wolfgang Vondey, University of Birmingham
Pentecostalism and the Reformation: Toward a Joint Ecumenical Commemoration

Shaun Brown, University of Toronto
George Lindbeck's Early Israelology: A "Catholic Protestant" Perspective on the Reformation

Responding:

Gunda Werner, University of Tübingen

A19-219



Feminist Theory and Religious Reflection Unit

Theme: **Staying with the Trouble: Cultivating Selves in Relation with the Most Vulnerable**

Sunday, 1:00 PM–2:30 PM

Sheraton Boston-Beacon E (Third Level)

Carol Wayne White, Bucknell University, Presiding

Kathryn Moles, Graduate Theological Union
A Feminist Theological Framework for Incorporating Child Sexual Abuse Prevention in Catholic Schools

Tom Berendt, Temple University
Offering Sanctuary to the Most Vulnerable: A Feminist Response to the Horrors of Husbandry

Mary Keller, University of Wyoming
Staying with Trouble in the Chthulucene: Indigeneity and the Sixth Extinction in Art, Image, Sound, and Illusions?

A19-220



Japanese Religions Unit and Tantric Studies Unit

Theme: **Tantrification of Gods and Deities in Medieval Japan: Bernard Faure's *Gods of Medieval Japan* (University of Hawai'i Press, 2015)**

Sunday, 1:00 PM–2:30 PM

Marriott Copley Place-Fairfield (Third Level)

Richard K. Payne, Graduate Theological Union, Presiding

Charles D. Orzech, University of Glasgow
What Are the Gods? Faure and the Question of Esoteric Buddhism in Medieval Japan

Pamela D. Winfield, Elon University
Gods and Demons at the Interface of Religious Studies and Art History

Aaron Proffitt, State University of New York, Albany
Normativity and Heterogeneity: Rethinking Medieval Japanese Pure Land Buddhism

Kristin Johnston Largen, Gettysburg Seminary
Gods and Gender: Women, Sexuality, and Performance in Medieval Japan

Responding:

Bernard Faure, Columbia University

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A19-221**Law, Religion, and Culture Unit and Religious Conversions Unit**Theme: **Trial and Error: Religious Conversions Before the Law**

Sunday, 1:00 PM–2:30 PM

Sheraton Boston-Hampton (Third Level)

Marc Pugliese, Saint Leo University, Presiding

Jacob Betz, University of Chicago
"She Objects to Having Her Child Reared in a Protestant Family": Catholics, Child Custody, and Court-Ordered Conversions in the United States, 1870–1920

Justin Jones, University of Oxford
The Threat of Apostasy and its Lawful Solution: Debating Marriage, Law and Conversion in Indian Islam

Karin Neutel, University of Oslo
Male Circumcision as an Obstacle to Religious Conversion? The Problematic Origins of the Concept of Religion in Legal Criticism of Circumcision

Allison Covey, University of Toronto
Authenticity and Secular Conversion: Grainger, Hashman, and the Ontario Human Rights Commission

A19-222**Liberation Theologies Unit and Sacred Texts, Theory, and Theological Construction Unit**Theme: **Speaking of Liberation: Unexpected Sacred Texts in Contemporary Social Justice Movements**

Sunday, 1:00 PM–2:30 PM

Sheraton Boston-Back Bay B (Second Level)

Filipe Maia, Pacific School of Religion, Presiding

Alease Brown, Stellenbosch University
Re-imagining Sacred Texts: How Protests, Tattoos, and Hashtags Constitute Vibrant Articulations of the Christian Faith

Kathryn House, Boston University
For Those Who Kissed Waiting Goodbye: Exploring the Sacred Texts of Evangelical Purity Culture

Jason Wyman, Union Theological Seminary
"I Speak to God in Public": Contemporary Black Popular Music as Primary Theological Language, Sacred Text, and Liberation Theology

Responding:

Kelly Brown Douglas, Goucher College

A19-223**Mysticism Unit**Theme: **Mutable Flesh: Mysticism, Bodies, and Boundaries**

Sunday, 1:00 PM–2:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center-205 (Second Level)

Margarita Simon Guillory, University of Rochester, Presiding

Emily Holmes, Christian Brothers University
"Her Table is Hunger": Eating and Being Eaten in the Writings of Two Thirteenth-Century Women Mystics

Mara Block, Harvard University
Boundaries Undone: Time, Bodily Negations, and Mystical Exercises in the Late Notebooks of Simone Weil

Justine Bakker, Rice University
On the Afterlife of Those Who Drowned: Ellen Gallagher's Watery Ecstatic, Oceanic Feeling, and Mysticism in the Flesh

A19-224**North American Religions Unit and Religion, Memory, History Unit**Theme: **White Nostalgia in the North American Religious Landscape**

Sunday, 1:00 PM–2:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center-310 (Third Level)

Pamela Klassen, University of Toronto, Presiding

Emmy Corey, Emory University
Moral Memories: Racial Justice and the Problem of Whiteness

Andrew Hudson, University of Pennsylvania
The Not-White White Pentecostals of Appalachia: Rethinking Religio-racial Identities in the History of American Pentecostalism

Kimberly Humphrey, Boston College
The Challenge of Dangerously Remembering White Supremacy in a "Colorblind" Society: Shame, Disgust, and Ecclesial Failures

Lauren Kerby, Boston University
Saving History: White Nostalgia and the American Christian Right

A19-225**Pentecostal-Charismatic Movements Unit and Queer Studies in Religion Unit**Theme: **Author Meets Critics: A Discussion of Ashon Crawley's *BlackPentecostal Breath: The Aesthetics of Possibility* (Fordham University Press, 2016)**

Sunday, 1:00 PM–2:30 PM

Marriott Copley Place-Boylston (First Level)

Thelathia Young, Bucknell University, Presiding

Panelists:

Ashon Crawley, University of California, Riverside

Responding:

Biko Gray, Syracuse University

Keri Day, Princeton Theological Seminary



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A19-226

Philosophy of Religion Unit

Theme: **Gendering Philosophy of Religion: The Influence of Pamela Sue Anderson**

Sunday, 1:00 PM–2:30 PM

Sheraton Boston–Riverway (Fifth Level)

Beverly Clack, Oxford Brookes University, Presiding

Panelists:

Kate Kirkpatrick, University of Hertfordshire

Nancy Frankenberry, Dartmouth College

Ellen T. Armour, Vanderbilt University

William Robert, Syracuse University

A19-227



Religion and Economy Unit and Secularism and Secularity Unit

Theme: **Author Meets Critics: A Conversation about Finbarr Curtis's *The Production of American Religious Freedom* (New York University Press, 2016)**

Sunday, 1:00 PM–2:30 PM

Marriott Copley Place–Tremont (First Level)

Dana Logan, Washington University, Saint Louis, Presiding

Panelists:

Tisa Wenger, Yale University

Sonia Hazard, Franklin and Marshall College

Joseph Winters, Duke University

Joseph Blankholm, University of California, Santa Barbara

Responding:

Finbarr Curtis, Georgia Southern University

A19-228

Religion and the Social Sciences Unit

Theme: **Religion's Role in Producing Strangers and Neighbors**

Sunday, 1:00 PM–2:30 PM

Sheraton Boston–Boston Common (Fifth Level)

Sara Williams, Emory University, Presiding

Mary Puckett, University of Florida

The Cosmopolitanization of a Mexican Pentecostal Church

Gwendolyn Gillson, University of Iowa

Supplementing the "Uchi" through Buddhism: Japanese Women's New Visions of Stranger and Neighbor

A19-229

Roman Catholic Studies Unit

Theme: **Between the Imperial and the Intimate: Practicing Catholicism in a Global Media Environment**

Sunday, 1:00 PM–2:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center-104 (Plaza Level)

Katherine Dugan, Springfield College, Presiding

Mathew N. Schmalz, College of the Holy Cross

"My Ways Are Not Your Ways": The Discourse of Sin and Success in a North Indian Catholic Charismatic Television Show

Eric Hoenes del Pinal, University of North Carolina, Charlotte

Negotiating Intimate Relationships with an Uncertain Audience: Q'eqchi'-Maya Catholics' Use of FM Radio

Maryellen Davis Collett, Lewis University

Miraculous Mediation(s) and Paradoxes of Peace: Marian Apparitions, Genocide, and Global Catholic Media

Marc Loustau, College of the Holy Cross

Global Becoming among Transylvanian Catholic Media Volunteers

Responding:

Joanne Maguire Robinson, University of North Carolina, Charlotte

A19-230



Scriptural Reasoning Unit

Theme: **Scriptural Reasonings: Pragmatism, Semiotics, and Vulnerability**

Sunday, 1:00 PM–2:30 PM

Sheraton Boston–Liberty B (Second Level)

Deborah Barer, Towson University, Presiding

Nechama Juni, Brown University

Christian Pragmatism and Halakha: Rethinking the Tension between Continuity and Change in Religious Traditions

H. Peter Kang, Grace Church of West Feliciana Parish, LA

Like a Game of Catch: Non-binary Relational Semiotics in Clement of Alexandria

Matthew Goldstone, New York University

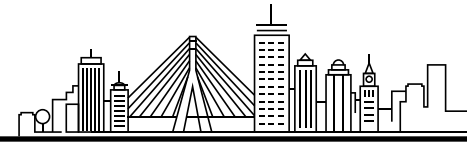
The Unstable Dynamics of Extreme Vulnerability

Business Meeting:

Mark James, Hunter College, Presiding

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A19-231**Women's Caucus**

Theme: **Emerging Scholars: Resilience Amidst Vulnerability in International Issues**

Sunday, 1:00 PM–2:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center-305 (Third Level)

Julia Berger, University of Kent, and Janice Poss, Claremont Graduate University, Presiding

Jea Sophia Oh, West Chester University, Pennsylvania
Global Vulnerability of Energy and Korean Women's Empowerment: An Ecofeminist Talk

Alicia Panganiban, Princeton Theological Seminary
Theology of Resilience Amidst Vulnerability in the Book of Ruth: An Asian Perspective

JungJa Joy Yu, Claremont Graduate University
The Vulnerability of Former Asian Comfort Women's Issue

Responding:

Meredith Minister, Shenandoah University

A19-237**Professional Conduct Task Force Public Forum**

Sunday, 1:00 PM–2:30 PM

Marriott Copley Place-Grand A (Fourth Level)

Su Yon Pak, Union Theological Seminary, and Kecia Ali, Boston University, Presiding

The American Academy of Religion's Professional Conduct Task Force has been charged by the Board to craft a Professional Conduct Statement that will:

- Stress the twofold commitment — to robust support of academic freedom and to the expectation that all AAR members will conduct themselves in a professional manner.
- Clearly state AAR's desires to build communities that are free from discrimination and harassment, and that foster inclusivity, mutual respect, and diversity.
- Update and revise our current statement on Sexual Harassment.
- Make clear how the above relate to AAR gatherings and activities (national, regional, and other).
- Recommend policies for handling infractions of professional conduct.

The Task Force drafted this Professional Conduct statement to be recommended to the Board for its consideration in 2018. This public session aims to have a wider conversation and to solicit feedback about the draft statement. There will also be an online platform to solicit feedback from AAR members after the session.

Panelists:

David A. Sánchez, Loyola Marymount University
Megan Goodwin, Syracuse University
Barbara A. B. Patterson, Emory University
Melissa M. Wilcox, University of California, Riverside
Randall Styers, University of North Carolina
Emilie M. Townes, Vanderbilt University
Jack Fitzmier, American Academy of Religion

P19-201**North American Association for the Study of Religion**

Theme: **"...But What Do You Study?": A NAASR Workshop on Theory & Method in the Job Market - Session I**

Sunday, 1:00 PM–2:50 PM

Fairmont Copley Place-Back Bay Room (Lower Lobby Level)

This session proposes to explore the employment challenges facing early career scholars who are interested in issues of theory and method in the study of religion, through both a discussion and workshop.

The session will address issues important to junior NAASR members (notably, but not exclusively, ABDs now entering or about to enter the job market) by demonstrating how a professional organization can provide a practical and strategic forum for job-market advice.

A19-232/S19-239**Bible in Racial, Ethnic, and Indigenous Communities Unit and Sacred Texts, Theory, and Theological Construction Unit**

Theme: **Present and Future of Biblical Studies, II: Celebrating 25 Years of Brill's Journal, *Biblical Interpretation***

Sunday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center-311 (Third Level)

Lynn Huber, Elon University, Presiding

Co-Sponsored by: SBL Asian and Asian-American Hermeneutics Unit; SBL Bible and Cultural Studies Unit; SBL Contextual Biblical Interpretation Unit; SBL Feminist Hermeneutics of the Bible Unit; SBL Gender, Sexuality, and the Bible Unit; SBL Ideological Criticism Unit; SBL LGBTI/Queer Hermeneutics Unit; SBL Minoritized Criticism and Biblical Interpretation Unit; SBL Postcolonial Studies and Biblical Studies Unit; SBL Reading, Theory, and the Bible Unit; SBL Rhetoric and the New Testament Unit; and SBL Slavery, Resistance, and Freedom Unit

Panelists:

Lynne St. Clair Darden, Interdenominational Theological Center
Yii-Jan Lin, Yale University
Yvonne Sherwood, University of Kent
Ken Stone, Chicago Theological Seminary
Jay Twomey, University of Cincinnati
Gerald West, University of KwaZulu-Natal

Responding:

J. Cheryl Exum, University of Sheffield

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Religion and Ecology Unit

Theme: **Ritual and Community in Religion and Ecology**

Sunday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center-201 (Second Level)

Melanie L. Harris, Texas Christian University, Presiding

Barbara Jane Davy, University of Waterloo, and Stephen Quilley,
University of Waterloo

*Ritual Matters: Changing Ontologies, Values, and Ecological
Conscience Formation*

Anne Read, University of Waterloo

Land-Based Judaism and Jewish Youth Identity Formation

Tallessyn Grenfell-Lee, Boston University

*Food Gardens as Points of Contact for Awareness and Engagement in
Intersectional Eco-justice Ministries*

Luke Whitmore, University of Wisconsin, Steven's Point

Are Local Gods Ecological?

Meaghan Weatherdon, University of Toronto

*Walking from Whapmagoostui: Understanding the Land as a Resource
for Resilience in Cree Social Movements*

A19-234



Freedom Trail's Revolutionary Women Walk Tour

Sunday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Offsite-Meet at the Registration Desk outside of Exhibit Hall CD in
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See page 10 for details.

P19-203

International Society for Chinese Philosophy

Theme: **New Perspective on Confucianism**

Sunday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Marriott Copley Place-Hyannis (Fourth Level)

Chenyang Li, Nanyang Technological University, Presiding

Bruce Brooks, University of Massachusetts

The Personal and the Governmental in Mencius

Chenyang Li, Nanyang Technological University

Confucian Xiao as Filial Care

Jesse Ciccotti, Hong Kong Baptist University

*A Ruler's Religiosity: Comparing Marcus Aurelius and Mengzi on the
Spiritual Side of Political Life*

Bin Song, Boston University

Confucianism, Gapponsugi and the Spirit of Japanese Capitalism

Responding:

Xiaojiao Cu, Beijing University

Wenzhi Zhang, Shandong University

Andrew Fuyarchuk, Yorkville University

Anna Sun, Kenyon College

A19-235

Status of Persons with Disabilities in the Profession Committee Meeting

Sunday, 1:00 PM–4:00 PM

Marriott Copley Place-Massachusetts (Fifth Level)

Julia Watts Belser, Georgetown University, Presiding

A19-236/S19-251a



Student Lounge Roundtable

Theme: **Student-Centered Learning: A Practical Guide**

Sunday, 2:30 PM–4:00 PM

Hynes Convention Center-303 (Third Level)

Paul Myhre, Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology
and Religion, and Debbie Gin, Association of Theological Schools,
Presiding






Many of us have heard about the wonders of “student-centered
learning”: higher engagement, better critical thinking skills, student
empowerment. But how exactly can we implement these methods in
college and university Religious Studies classrooms? This Roundtable
session will go over simple but effective strategies for both instructors
and teaching assistants to create a student-centered learning
environment. These strategies are derived from both the educational
literature and personal experience in both capacities.

Attendees will leave with concrete examples of how to implement
student-centered learning in addition to a resource list to aid in
additional investigation into student-centered learning activities and
principles. In order to see student-centered learning in practice, this
session will leave time for a discussion and brainstorming session
at the end to workshop some ideas and/or problems particular to
instituting student-centered learning in the study of religion.

Panelists:

Gwendolyn Gillson, University of Iowa

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P19-204

Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion and Association of Theological Schools

Theme: **Seminary Teaching and Formation Online**

Sunday, 2:30 PM–4:00 PM

Hynes Convention Center-107 (Plaza Level)

Paul Myhre, Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion, and Debbie Gin, Association of Theological Schools, Presiding

The session will explore what the Association of Theological Schools has been learning about formation in online contexts through the Educational Models and Practices project, particularly through the peer-group phase; name important questions, challenges, and obstacles to student formation at a distance; and discuss with two co-leader/panelists specific aspects of student formation at a distance.

Panelists:

Brooke Lester, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary

Barbara Blodgett, Lexington Theological Seminary

Sunday, 3:00 PM–4:30 PM

A19-250



Applied Religious Studies Committee

Theme: **Preparing Scholars of Religion for Non-academic Careers: What's a Faculty Member to Do?**

Sunday, 3:00 PM–4:30 PM

Marriott Copley Place-Berkeley (Third Level)

Cristine Hutchison-Jones, Harvard Law School, Presiding

In recent years as the job market for tenure-track academic positions has tightened and the use of contingent faculty has exploded, increasing numbers of graduate degree seekers are intending to pursue nonacademic careers. While some areas of study present obvious nonacademic options, for scholars in the humanities, nonacademic career opportunities and the best preparation for them may not be obvious and religious studies faculty are exploring how graduate programs can — and should — prepare all alumni for multiple employment outcomes. This panel brings together faculty members from a variety of institutions to discuss some of the problems confronting their students and their programs as more people turn — by necessity and by choice — to nonacademic career paths.

Panelists:

Molly Bassett, Georgia State University

Jason C. Bivins, North Carolina State University

Kathleen Moore, University of California, Santa Barbara

A19-251



Public Understanding of Religion Committee

Theme: **Martin E. Marty Award for the Public Understanding of Religion Forum: Winnifred Fallers Sullivan**

Sunday, 3:00 PM–4:30 PM

Sheraton Boston-Grand & Independence (Second Level)

Erik Owens, Boston College, Presiding



Winnifred Fallers Sullivan

Winnifred Fallers Sullivan is the recipient of the 2017 Martin E. Marty Award for the Public Understanding of Religion. Sullivan is Professor and Chair of Religious Studies, and Affiliate Professor of Law, at Indiana University at Bloomington.

Sullivan's work focuses on the phenomenology of religion under the modern rule of law, and she is widely known for her critical studies of American law and jurisprudence about religion. She is the author of four books: *Paying the Words Extra: Religious Discourse in the Supreme Court of the United States* (1994), *The Impossibility of Religious Freedom* (2005), *Prison Religion: Faith-based Reform and the Constitution* (2009), and *A Ministry of Presence: Chaplaincy, Spiritual Care, and the Law* (2014); and the co-editor of three volumes: *After Secular Law* (2011), *Varieties of Religious Establishment* (2013), and *The Politics of Religious Freedom* (2015).

Beyond the religious studies guild, Sullivan's public scholarship on religion and her work as an expert witness have had an important impact in courtrooms, prisons, military units, and government offices from city halls to the State Department.

In this year's Marty Award Forum, Laurie Patton, President of Middlebury College, will join Sullivan for an extended public dialogue about Sullivan's life and work.

Panelists:

Winnifred Fallers Sullivan, Indiana University

Laurie Louise Patton, Middlebury College

A19-252



Publications Committee and Teaching and Learning Committee

Theme: **Teaching Interreligious Encounters (Oxford University Press, 2017)**

Sunday, 3:00 PM–4:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center-310 (Third Level)

Kimberly Rae Connor, University of San Francisco, Presiding

Developing out of the AAR / Luce Foundation Summer Seminars on Comparative Theology and Theologies of Religious Pluralism, *Teaching Interreligious Encounters* is a multidisciplinary volume of original essays addressing an array of pedagogical issues in a variety of contexts related to teaching that occurs at the encounters of "different 'religious traditions,'" or in "interreligious encounters." This latest volume in the AAR Teaching Religious Studies Series brings together a group of international scholars who work in and speak from a variety of contexts as loci for teaching interreligious encounters: undergraduate and graduate programs, secular and religiously-affiliated institutions, divinity schools and seminaries, as well as graduate career preparation in non-religious professions. In manifold ways, these essays share the common teaching goal of transforming ways of being and acting through an intimate encounter with the "religious other," which continues to be a cause of concern, and even anxiety, in our age of globalization and migration.

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Panelists:

Francis X. Clooney, Harvard University
Zayn Kassam, Pomona College
Martha Reineke, University of Northern Iowa
John Thatamanil, Union Theological Seminary

Responding:

Marc Pugliese, Saint Leo University
Alexander Y. Hwang, Xavier University

A19-253



Special Topics Forum: Using *Humanities Commons* to Curate Your Online Presence, Increase the Impact of Your Scholarship, and Tell the Story of Your Work

Sunday, 3:00 PM–4:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center-202 (Second Level)

Imagine a humanities network with the sharing power of *Academia.edu*, the archival quality of an institutional repository, and a commitment to using and contributing to open source software. Now imagine that this network is not-for-profit. It doesn't want to sell your data or generate profit from your intellectual property. That's *Humanities Commons*. Run by a nonprofit consortium of scholarly societies, *Humanities Commons* wants to help you curate your online presence, expand the reach of your scholarship—whatever form it may take—and connect with other scholars who share your interests.

A19-254

Asian North American Religion, Culture, and Society Unit and Secularism and Secularity Unit

Theme: **Asian American Secularities: Race, Religion, and the Secular in Chinese North American Communities**

Sunday, 3:00 PM–4:30 PM

Sheraton Boston-Beacon E (Third Level)

Russell Jeung, San Francisco State University
Explaining Diasporic Chinese Non-Religiousness: A Liyi Theoretical Approach

Rachel Pang, Davidson College
Gods, Ghosts, and Ancestors in Li-Young Lee's The Winged Seed

Justin Tse, Northwestern University
"This Is About the Property We Bought": The Secular Dimensions of Cantonese Evangelical Social Conservatism in the San Francisco Bay Area

Responding:

Jonathan Tan, Case Western Reserve University

A19-255

Black Theology Unit

Theme: **Afro-pessimism and Black Theology**

Sunday, 3:00 PM–4:30 PM

Sheraton Boston-Gardner (Third Level)

Andrea C. White, Union Theological Seminary, Presiding

Calvin Warren, Emory University
Is it Righteous to Be? Afro-pessimism, Black Theology, and the Problem of Ontology

Marvin Wickware, Duke University
An Inheritance of Endurance: Black Life's Resources of Melancholic Hope and Proudful Love

Joseph Winters, Duke University
The Ecstatic Space between Optimism and Pessimism: Fanon, Spillers, and the Promise of Afro-anguish

J. Kameron Carter, Duke University
Black Care: An Insurgent Ecstasies of the Sacred

A19-256



Bonhoeffer: Theology and Social Analysis Unit

Theme: **Responsible Action and Public Theology: Dietrich Bonhoeffer and the Vulnerable Other**

Sunday, 3:00 PM–4:30 PM

Sheraton Boston-Public Garden (Fifth Level)

Nik Byle, Arizona Western College, Presiding

Ryan Tafilowski, University of Edinburgh
Particularity in Solidarity: The Ethical Promise of the Doctrine of the Orders of Creation

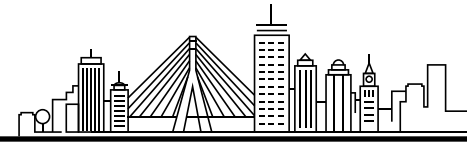
Josh de Keijzer, Luther Seminary
Bonhoeffer's Vulnerable God: From Theologia Crucis to a Public Theology of Vulnerability

Matthew Jones, Lutheran School of Theology, Chicago
Dietrich Bonhoeffer's Eschatological Wrestling: Epistemological Ambivalence in Fiction from Tegel Prison

Dianne Rayson, University of Newcastle, Australia
Earthly Christianity for the Vulnerable as a Potential Bonhoefferian Eco-ethic

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A19-257

Buddhist Philosophy Unit and Tibetan and Himalayan Religions Unit

Theme: **Tibetan Madhyamaka**

Sunday, 3:00 PM–4:30 PM

Marriott Copley Place-Wellesley (Third Level)

Richard Nance, Indiana University, Presiding

Michael Ium, University of California: Santa Barbara
Fake Truths: Jetsunpa, Gorampa, and Sectarian Polemics in Tibet

Jed Forman, University of California, Santa Barbara
Pus and Nectar: Mixing Pramāṇa with Madhyamaka

Douglas S. Duckworth, Temple University
Buddhist High Culture on the Tibetan Plateau: Tsültrim Lodrö on the Middle Way

A19-258

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Chinese Religions Unit

Theme: **Mapping Religion in Contemporary China**

Sunday, 3:00 PM–4:30 PM

Marriott Copley Place-Grand A (Fourth Level)

Megan Bryson, University of Tennessee, Presiding

Fenggang Yang, Purdue University
Mapping Religious Sites in Twentieth Century China: A Comparison of Mapping Techniques

Joey Marshall, Purdue University
Mapping the Growth of Buddhism and Daoism under Repressive Conditions in Twentieth-Century China

Yunping Tong, Purdue University
Religious Geography and Son Preference: A Spatial Analysis of Religious Sites in China

Responding:

Jiang Wu, University of Arizona

A19-259

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Comparative Theology Unit and Women and Religion Unit

Theme: **Towards Understanding Lateral Leadership: Reflections on Medieval Texts in Hinduism, Christianity, and Sikhism**

Sunday, 3:00 PM–4:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center-205 (Second Level)

Ana Laura Funes Maderey, Loyola Marymount University, Presiding

Mugdha Yeolekar, Loyola Marymount University
Can the "Vulnerable" Be "Powerful"? Analyzing Dynamics of Power and Vulnerability in a Sixteenth-Century Hindu Text

Margaret Gower, Loyola Marymount University
Maternal Bodies as Political Bodies in the Writings of Christine de Pizan

Nirinjan Khalsa, Loyola Marymount University
Subversive Power and Symbolic Violence: Ego-Loss as a Feminine Ethic in Sikh Devotional Scripture and Praxis

Responding:

Karen Enriquez, Loyola Marymount University

A19-260

Ethics Unit

Theme: **The Ethical Dimensions of Truth and Post-Truth**

Sunday, 3:00 PM–4:30 PM

Marriott Copley Place-Simmons (Third Level)

Melanie Jones, Chicago Theological Seminary, Presiding

L. Patrick Burrows, Harvard University
Post-Truth, Truthiness, and the Ethics of Parrhesia

Christina McRorie, Creighton University
Social Analysis in an Age of "Post-Truth" Economics: What (and How) Should Religious Ethicists Critique?

Paul W. Gleason, University of Virginia
Idolatry and Prophecy in the Age of Trump

Stewart Clem, University of Notre Dame
Sins of Speech in a Post-Truth Age

A19-261

Interreligious and Interfaith Studies Unit and Religion in Southeast Asia Unit

Theme: **The Interreligious Classroom in Indonesia, Canada, and the US**

Sunday, 3:00 PM–4:30 PM

Marriott Copley Place-Boylston (First Level)

Jennifer Howe Peace, Andover Newton Theological School, Presiding

Nicholas Adams, University of Birmingham
Indonesian Interreligious Learning

Adriana Tulissi, University of Calgary, Paul Verhoef, University of Calgary, and Syd Erais, University of Calgary
Re-imagining Pedagogy in Canadian Religious Studies Departments: Connecting Theory with Practice

Aaron Hollander, University of Chicago
Threading a Needle to Weave a Fabric: Introducing Religion as Interreligion

Colleen Windham-Hughes, California Lutheran University
Expecting the Common Good: On the Cooperation of Persons in the Interfaith Studies Classroom

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Islam, Gender, Women Unit and Men, Masculinities, and Religion Unit and Religion in Europe Unit

Theme: **Islamophobia, the Body, and the State in Contemporary Europe**

Sunday, 3:00 PM–4:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center-302 (Third Level)

Justine Howe, Case Western Reserve University, Presiding

Laurens de Rooij, University of Cape Town
Islamophobia and Gender in Britain: Do Men and Women Respond Differently to Media Representations of Muslims?

Elisabeth Becker, Yale University
The Ethnographic Study of Highly Securitized Populations: Lessons from Women in European Mosques

Kirsten Wesselhoeft, Vassar College
Of Long and Short Skirts: Mixité, Homosociality, and Racialized Gender Difference in France

Responding:

Markus Dressler, Leipzig University

A19-263

Islamic Mysticism Unit

Theme: **Contemporary Expressions of Vernacular Sufism**

Sunday, 3:00 PM–4:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center-101 (Plaza Level)

Robert Rozehnal, Lehigh University, Presiding

Talia Gangoo, University of Michigan
Healing the Body, Repairing the Soul: Disease and Health in Naqshbandiyya-Nazimiyya Sufi Thought and Practice

Melinda Krokus, Marywood University
Inspiration (Wahy) at the Margins: A Vulnerable and Vernacular Sufi Hermeneutics of the Qur'an

Rose Aslan, California Lutheran University
Painting on Water: Islam, Spirituality, and Art in Contemporary Istanbul

Responding:

Shobhana Xavier, Franklin and Marshall College

A19-264

Latina/o Religion, Culture, and Society Unit and Pentecostal–Charismatic Movements Unit

Theme: **Subverting Power: Mission, Politics, and Place within Global Pentecostalism**

Sunday, 3:00 PM–4:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center-104 (Plaza Level)

Erica Ramirez, Drew University, Presiding

Jonathan Calvillo, Boston University
The Persistence of Mexican Borderlands Protestantism in Southern California

Alex Mayfield, Boston University
"A Gloriously Free Work": Pentecostal POWs and Spirit-Empowered Resistance

David Luckey, Southern Methodist University
Subverting Political Fallacies: The Voice of a Latin-American Pentecostal Immigrant Community in the U.S.

A19-265

New Religious Movements Unit

Theme: **Bodies and Practices in American Religious Innovations**

Sunday, 3:00 PM–4:30 PM

Sheraton Boston-Liberty B (Second Level)

Lydia Willsky-Ciullo, Fairfield University, Presiding

Leah Payne, George Fox University
"Bobbing the Hair" and Other "Masculinated" Sins: Women, Pentecostals, and Politics in the United States from 1890–1930

Isaac May, University of Virginia
A Toxic Red Pill: Contemporary Organized Atheism, Misogyny, and the Concept of Rationality

Clara Schoonmaker, Syracuse University
"No Skyclad beyond This Point": Transforming Society through Pagan Rituals of Resistance

Responding:

Lynne Gerber, Harvard University

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Psychology, Culture, and Religion Unit

Theme: **Religion, Psychology, and the Most Vulnerable**

Sunday, 3:00 PM–4:30 PM

Sheraton Boston-Back Bay D (Second Level)

James I. Higginbotham, Earlham College, Presiding

Helen Boursier, College of St. Scholastica

Art as Spiritual Care from Trauma for Recovery: Judith Herman's Trauma and Recovery Viewed through the Hermeneutical Lens of Art Therapy in Contextual Praxis with Immigrants Seeking Asylum

Lisa M. Cataldo, Fordham University

Ambivalent Identifications and the Power of Belonging: Mass Incarceration, Religious Fundamentalism, and the Ambiguity of "Breaking Free"

Hilary Scarsella, Vanderbilt University

A Spotlight on Religion: The Role of Religion in Historically Boston-Based Movements of Resistance to Sexual Violence

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Quaker Studies Unit and African Association for the Study of Religions

Theme: **Quakerism and Decolonization/Enculturation in Kenya and Rwanda**

Sunday, 3:00 PM–4:30 PM

Marriott Copley Place-Vineyard (Fourth Level)

Esther Acolatse, University of Toronto, Presiding

Rosina Lepareyo, Samburu Friends Mission, and Sammy Letoole, St. Paul's University

Quakerism and Decolonization/Enculturation in Samburu Female Circumcision

Benson Ombaha, Friends Theological College and Bware Yearly Meeting, and Oscar Lugusa Malande, Friends Theological College

Quakerism as a Resource for Social Cohesion in Kenya

Theoneste Sentabire, Earlham College

Quakerism as a Resource in the Wake of the Rwandan Genocide

Responding:

Ann K. Riggs, Howard County General Hospital

A19-268

Religion in South Asia Unit

Theme: **Gendered Traditions: Intersections of Gender, Genre, and Religion in South Asian Storytelling**

Sunday, 3:00 PM–4:30 PM

Sheraton Boston-Back Bay B (Second Level)

Rebecca Manring, Indiana University, Presiding

Margaret Mills, Ohio State U Emerita

Trickster: Global Theories, Local Traditions, Gender, and Genre

Coralynn Davis, Bucknell University

Sāmā for the Ages and Sāmā for Our Times: The Past and Future of Maithil Women's Storytelling in the Shifting Terrain of Gender and Society

Jessica Vantine Birkenholtz, University of Illinois

The Folk Patiṛatā: Narrative Discourses on Hindu Womanhood in Nepal

Responding:

Leela Prasad, Duke University

A19-269

Religion, Film, and Visual Culture Unit

Theme: **Dreams, Doubt, and Dread: The Spiritual in Film**

Sunday, 3:00 PM–4:30 PM

Sheraton Boston-Boston Common (Fifth Level)

Brett Potter, Queen's University, Kingston, ON, Presiding

Panelists:

Joseph Kickasola, Baylor University

Taylor Worley, Trinity International University

Zachary Settle, Vanderbilt University

Kathryn Reklis, Fordham University

Crystal Downing, Messiah College

David Dark, Belmont University

A19-270



Religions, Social Conflict, and Peace Unit

Theme: **Religion and Emerging Peace Practices: Water Protection, SLAM Poetry, and Memorializing State Terror**

Sunday, 3:00 PM–4:30 PM

Sheraton Boston-Jamaica Pond (Fifth Level)

Atalia Omer, University of Notre Dame, Presiding

James Waters, Vanderbilt University

Water and Oil: The Dakota Access Pipeline Protests and the Framing of the Sacred

Andrea Gacs, Fuller Theological Seminary

Performance Poetry as a Tool for Social Conflicts and Peace: How Methodologies of Vulnerability and Performance Address Racial, Religious, Gender, and LGBTQIA Discrimination to Create an Inclusive Community

Loren Lybarger, Ohio University, and James Damico, Indiana University

¡La Impunidad No Será Eterna! Religion and the Commemoration of the Disappeared in Argentina Forty Years after the Dictatorship

Responding:

Ellen Ott Marshall, Emory University

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Roman Catholic Studies Unit and Vatican II Studies Unit

Theme: **Pope Francis and the "Globalization of Indifference": Catholicism and the Most Vulnerable**

Sunday, 3:00 PM–4:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center-208 (Second Level)

Massimo Faggioli, Villanova University, Presiding

Kerry Alys Robinson, National Leadership Roundtable on Church Management, Washington, DC

The Creative Tension of Mercy and Reform in Francis' Pontificate

Mark Shriver, Save the Children

Pope Francis' Message of Faith, Love, Humility, and Mercy: Does It Really Matter?

Rafael Luciani, Boston College

A Structural Option for the Poor: Geopolitics, Social Movements, and Evangelization

Responding:

Richard Gaillardetz, Boston College

A19-272

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Sociology of Religion Unit and Critical Research on Religion

Theme: **Multiple Religious Belongings within and against Identities, Affiliations, and Conflict**

Sunday, 3:00 PM–4:30 PM

Sheraton Boston-Hampton (Third Level)

Rebekka King, Middle Tennessee State University, Presiding

Joantine Berghuijs, Vrije Universiteit, Amsterdam

Drawing from Many Sources: Conceptualizing and Measuring Religious Flexibility

John Hartley, Yale University

The Field of American Evangelicalism: Struggles with Islam and the Competition for Religious Authority

Marat Shterin, King's College, London

Conceptualising Religion in Political Conflict: The "Sacred" in the Russian-Ukrainian Crisis

Roger Baumann, Yale University

Constructing and Contesting the "Holy Land": Christian Pilgrimage as a Multifaceted Social Phenomenon

Responding:

David Feltmate, Auburn University, Montgomery

A19-273

Study of Judaism Unit

Theme: **Holding and Beholding: Material and Visual Cultures**

Sunday, 3:00 PM–4:30 PM

Marriott Copley Place-Orleans (Fourth Level)

Jennifer Caplan, Middletown, CT, Presiding

Rebecca Wollenberg, University of Michigan

The Unread Bible as Image: When Written Text Becomes Pictograph

Emma Brodeur, Syracuse University

Freud and the Bible: Dream Images and Jewishness

A19-274



Theology and Continental Philosophy Unit

Theme: **Reframing the Continental Philosophy of Religion?**

Sunday, 3:00 PM–4:30 PM

Marriott Copley Place-Fairfield (Third Level)

Beatrice Marovich, Hanover College, Presiding

Panelists:

An Yountae, Lebanon Valley College

Amaryah Armstrong, Vanderbilt University

Marika Rose, Durham University

Lucas Wright, University of California, Santa Barbara

Responding:

Steven Shakespeare, Liverpool Hope University

Business Meeting:

Adam Kotsko, Shimer College, and Beatrice Marovich, Hanover College, Presiding

A19-275

Wesleyan Studies Unit

Theme: **Wesleyan Ecclesiologies**

Sunday, 3:00 PM–4:30 PM

Marriott Copley Place-Dartmouth (Third Level)

Ted A. Campbell, Southern Methodist University, Presiding

Panelists:

Edgardo Colon-Emeric, Duke University

Daniel Castelo, Seattle Pacific University

Hilde Marie Movafagh, MF Norwegian School of Theology

Kimberly Belcher, University of Notre Dame

Kirsten Sonkyo Oh, Azusa Pacific University

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A19-276

Theological Education Committee Meeting

Sunday, 3:00 PM–4:30 PM

Sheraton Boston–Boardroom (Third Level)

Scott C. Alexander, Catholic Theological Union, Presiding

A19-277



Exploratory Sessions

Theme: **Arguing Boycott, Divest, and Sanction (BDS) and Religion**

Sunday, 3:00 PM–4:30 PM

Sheraton Boston–Republic B

Ellen T. Armour, Vanderbilt University, Presiding

This exploratory roundtable session invites both supporters and dissenters of the movement to Boycott, Divest, and Sanction Israel (BDS) to a roundtable conversation. Rather than demonizing those either for or against BDS, this exploratory session will allow a variety of voices to be heard.

The participants will consider the issue from an analytical space safe for deep questioning and honest scholarly dialogue. What do we learn about religion in the twenty-first century by understanding the religious ethics, theologies, rituals, aesthetics, and community-making motivating and motivated by these activities? What differences and commonalities help us analyze these religious actors and religious activities? How does BDS fit into a larger history of religions supporting and not supporting boycotts and divestment, such as the South Asian Independence Movements, the US civil rights movements of the 1960s, and the global student led anti-apartheid movements in the 1980s?

Panelists:

Hatem Bazian, Zaytuna College and University of California, Berkeley

Zareena Grewal, Yale University

Peter Pettit, Muhlenberg College

Brant Rosen, Jewish Voice for Peace

Laurie Zoloth, University of Chicago

Stephen Zunes, University of San Francisco

P19-202

North American Association for the Study of Religion

Theme: **"...But What Do You Study?": A NAASR Workshop on Theory & Method in the Job Market - Session II**

Sunday, 3:00 PM–4:50 PM

Fairmont Copley Place–Back Bay Room (Lower Lobby Level)

This session proposes to explore the employment challenges facing early career scholars who are interested in issues of theory and method in the study of religion, through both a discussion and workshop. The session will address issues important to junior NAASR members (notably, but not exclusively, ABDs now entering or about to enter the job market) by demonstrating how a professional organization can provide a practical and strategic forum for job-market advice.



Coffee Break

Sunday, 3:30 PM

Complimentary coffee will be served in the back of Aisle 2100 and Aisle 2600 of the Exhibit Hall.

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Student Lounge Roundtable

Theme: **Researching, Managing, and Writing with Technology: A Hands-on Exploration of Online Tools**

Sunday, 4:00 PM–5:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center–303 (Third Level)

Working primarily with paper and/or an office suite of applications such as Microsoft Word and Excel for your rigorous research projects have their obvious limitations and ensuing frustrations. However, online tools such as Zotero, Evernote, and Scrivener can ease the pain of this cumbersome process by digitally organizing and simplifying the tasks of taking and managing a zillion note, creating master mind-maps and efficient workflows, and writing systematically and flawlessly. This roundtable session will focus on the merits and challenges of researching, managing, and writing with the help of such online tools of bibliographical, archival–retrieval, and structural management. It provides a hands-on exploration of these tools to experience firsthand how they not only store and organize your research compiled in almost any form—stacks of books and journal articles, digital documents, handwritten notes, pictures, videos, audios, and the like—but also sync your research and writing across multiple devices, share them instantly with anyone, and most importantly, not lose them even if you lose your laptop!

Panelists:

Kalpesh Bhatt, University of Toronto

Sunday, 5:00 PM–6:30 PM

A19-301



Applied Religious Studies Committee and Employment Services Advisory Committee

Theme: **Career Services for Non-academic Careers**

Sunday, 5:00 PM–6:30 PM

Marriott Copley Place–Berkeley (Third Level)

Cristine Hutchison-Jones, Harvard Law School, Presiding

When humanities scholars talk about exploring and pursuing “alt-ac” and “post-ac” careers, two concerns often dominate the conversation: 1) Graduate studies in the humanities don’t prepare us for or aren’t relevant to non-academic career paths, and 2) We don’t know where to look for or how to apply for non-academic jobs. Whether you are a scholar thinking about non-academic careers or a faculty member interested in supporting students engaged in such searches, join our panel of career services experts to discuss the many careers that are open to — and even looking for! — people with advanced training in the humanities. Panelists will discuss existing resources and where to find them, as well as ways that departments, universities, and professional organizations like the AAR can better support scholars in non-academic careers.

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Panelists:

Amy Defibaugh, Assistant Director, Academic Affairs, Temple University
 Susan Lawler, Director of Career Services, Harvard Divinity School
 Brooke Noonan, Executive Director, UChicagoGRAD Experience, University of Chicago
 Susannah Laramie Kidd, Mellon-ACLS Public Fellow, Los Angeles County Arts Commission

This panel will include substantial time for audience Q&A and discussion. Please join us to share your thoughts!

A19-302

Program Committee

Theme: **How to Propose a New Program Unit**

Sunday, 5:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center-301 (Third Level)

Kathryn McClymond, Georgia State University, 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.

A19-303



Regions Forum

Theme: **Marc DiPaolo: Religious Studies and Interdisciplinary Liberal Arts Teaching and Scholarship in the Age of Austerity**

Sunday, 5:00 PM–6:30 PM

Sheraton Boston-Back Bay B (Second Level)

Katherine Downey, Hockaday School, Dallas, TX, Presiding

As contract-hour budgeting and the corporatization of the academy make non-vocational teaching rarer, professors dedicated to the studies of the different branches of the humanities, arts, sciences, and religious studies should find ways to collaborate with one another instead of merely compete with one another for dwindling fiscal resources. Building such bridges between the disciplines is in the best interests of the students, professors, and the profession. It also has the potential to return to higher education the Late Medieval and Renaissance values of educating the complete person in the interests of reforming both the academy and society. An encore presentation of the AAR-SW Presidential Address given on March 11, 2017 at the Southwest Commission on Religious Studies conference.

Panelists:

Marc DiPaolo, Southwestern Oklahoma State University

A19-304



Plenary Panel

Theme: **Recolonizing the Academy Under a Trump Presidency**

Sunday, 5:00 PM–6:30 PM

Sheraton Boston-Grand & Independence (Second Level)

Munir Jiwa, Graduate Theological Union, Presiding



Munir Jiwa

Sponsored by the Status of LGBTIQ Persons, Persons with Disabilities, Racial and Ethnic Minorities, and Women in the Profession Committees

This panel will analyze the intensified colonization of academic spaces—both intellectual and physical—under the current presidency. How do we accurately map these changes and negotiate these spaces in an era of national “whitelash” from peripheral ideological and embodied spaces? How do we contend with the increasing marginalization and targeting of vulnerable populations? What strategies might scholars use to contribute to the ongoing process of decolonizing the academy? What are the potential ramifications of our non-action or complicity in this academic landscape?

Panelists:

Hatem Bazian, Zaytuna College and University of California, Berkeley

Jasmin Zine, Wilfrid Laurier University

Mel Chen, University of California, Berkeley

Shanell T. Smith, Hartford Seminary



Hatem Bazian



Jasmin Zine



Mel Chen



Shanell Smith

A19-305

Afro-American Religious History Unit

Theme: **Black Religious Histories and Herstories of New England**

Sunday, 5:00 PM–6:30 PM

Marriott Copley Place-Dartmouth (Third Level)

Alexis S. Wells-Oghoghomeh, Vanderbilt University, Presiding

Timothy Rainey, Emory University

I've Got A Home: Black Capital, Nationalism, and the Spiritual Politics of African Recolonization in the Era of Paul Cuffe, 1808–1816

Daniel A. Morris, Augustana College

Walker's Appeal and the Black Just War Tradition

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Sustainability and Religion



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Wildcard Sessions



Kevin M. Franco, Elgin Community College
And Still We Rise: Prince Hall, Abiel Smith School, and the Battle for Education Equality in Late Eighteenth and Early Nineteenth Century Boston

Fatimah Fanusie, Howard Thurman Historical Home, New Birth Corporation
Boston's Temple #11: The Early Years, 1948–1968

James Hill, Northwestern University
The Transnational Legacy of Ella Little-Collins: Race, Boston, and Decolonial Black Islamic Thought

A19-306

Anthropology of Religion Unit

Theme: **Pregnant in the Field**

Sunday, 5:00 PM–6:30 PM

Sheraton Boston-Public Garden (Fifth Level)

Michal Raucher, University of Cincinnati, Presiding

Panelists:

Nancy Ammerman, Boston University
 Sarah Riccardi-Swartz, New York University
 Cara Rock-Singer, Columbia University
 Emily Sigalow, Duke University

Responding:

Juliane Hammer, University of North Carolina

A19-307

Buddhism in the West Unit and Buddhist Critical-Constructive Reflection Unit

Theme: **Situating Dharma: Examining Power, Privilege, and Identity in American Buddhisms**

Sunday, 5:00 PM–6:30 PM

Marriott Copley Place-Vineyard (Fourth Level)

Hsiao-Lan Hu, University of Detroit, Mercy, Presiding

Panelists:

Ann Gleig, University of Central Florida
 Sharon A. Suh, Seattle University
 Rod Owens, Dharma Boston Sangha
 Natalie Quli, Institute of Buddhist Studies

A19-308

Christian Systematic Theology Unit

Theme: **Traditions of Interpretation**

Sunday, 5:00 PM–6:30 PM

Sheraton Boston-Liberty B (Second Level)

Natalia Marandiu, Southern Methodist University, Presiding

Rebekah Earnshaw, University of St. Andrews
Creation from Nothing Does Not Come from Nothing

Derek Michaud, University of Maine
Reimagining Revelation, Tradition, and the Development of Doctrine

A19-309



Confucian Traditions Unit

Theme: **Roundtable Session on Ivanhoe's *Three Streams: Confucian Reflections on Learning and the Moral Heart-Mind in China, Korea, and Japan* (Oxford University Press, 2016)**

Sunday, 5:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center-101 (Plaza Level)

Tao Jiang, Rutgers University, Presiding

Panelists:

Michael Puett, Harvard University
 Robert C. Neville, Boston University
 Shirong Luo, Simmons College

Responding:

Philip J. Ivanhoe, City University of Hong Kong

A19-310

Contemporary Islam Unit

Theme: **Citizenship and Minorities in Contemporary Islam**

Sunday, 5:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center-110 (Plaza Level)

Ermin Sinanovic, International Institute of Islamic Thought, Presiding

Panelists:

Mohammad Fadel, University of Toronto
 Zainab Alwani, Howard University
 Andrew F. March, Yale University
 Basma Abdelgafar, Maqasid Institute
 Ovamir Anjum, University of Toledo

A19-311



Critical Theories and Discourses in Religion and Cultural History of the Study of Religion Unit and Philosophy of Religion Unit

Theme: **Author Meets Critics: *The Myth of Disenchantment: Magic, Modernity, and the Birth of the Human Sciences* (University of Chicago Press, 2017)**

Sunday, 5:00 PM–6:30 PM

Marriott Copley Place-Boylston (First Level)

J. Barton Scott, University of Toronto, Presiding

Panelists:

Hugh B. Urban, Ohio State University
 Shannon Trosper Schorey, University of North Carolina
 Meredith Coleman-Tobias, Emory University
 Joanna Smith, University of North Carolina

Responding:

Jason Josephson-Storm, Williams College

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19

A19-312

Ecclesiological Investigations Unit and World Christianity Unit

Theme: **Rethinking Theology in Light of World Christianities: The Legacy of Robert Schreiter and Stephen Bevans**

Sunday, 5:00 PM–6:30 PM

Sheraton Boston-Back Bay D (Second Level)

Deanna Womack, Emory University, Presiding

Henry Kuo, Graduate Theological Union

A New Confessional Catholicity: Reformed Ecclesiology and the New Catholicity

Jaisy Joseph, Boston College

Re-imagining Catholicity: Robert Schreiter and the Interruption of Universalizing Tendencies

Norbert Hintersteiner, University of Münster

The Translational Fabric of Cultures: When Theology is Cross-Cultural Translation

Scott Hagley, Pittsburgh Theological Seminary

Suffering Translation: Faithful Presence as the Means and Hope of Contextual Theology

A19-313

Hinduism Unit

Theme: **The Ethics of Bhakti: Exploring Moral and Aesthetic Dimensions in the Life of Hindu Devotion**

Sunday, 5:00 PM–6:30 PM

Sheraton Boston-Gardner (Third Level)

John Hawley, Barnard College, Columbia University, Presiding

Alberta Ferrario, Swarthmore College

Ethics and Devotion According to Abhinavagupta: The Conceptualization of Bhakti in the Gitārthasaṅgraha

Lisa Blake, McGill University

The Two Faces of Māriyammay: Ethical and Aesthetic Dichotomies in Colonial Era Tamil and English Depictions of a Hindu Village Goddess

Patton Burchett, College of William and Mary

The Ethics of Early Modern Vaiṣṇavism: Humble Sufis, Arrogant Nathas, and the Virtues of Love's Savor

Gardner Harris, Bucknell University

Disorientation and Distraction: The Ethics of Erotic Imagery in Mānikkavācakar's Tiruvācakam

Responding:

Vasudha Narayanan, University of Florida

A19-314



Interreligious and Interfaith Studies Unit

Theme: *A Spectrum of Faith: Religions of the World in the Heartland of America* (Drake University Press, 2017)

Sunday, 5:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center-104 (Plaza Level)

Timothy D. Knepper, Drake University, Presiding

Panelists:

Anoushe Seiff, Drake University

Dustin Eubanks, Drake University

Carol Spaulding-Kruse, Drake University

Responding:

Jennifer Howe Peace, Andover Newton Theological School

A19-315

Martin Luther and Global Lutheran Traditions Unit and Nineteenth Century Theology Unit

Theme: **Luther's Nineteenth-Century Heirs and Interpreters**

Sunday, 5:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center-205 (Second Level)

Matthew L. Becker, Valparaiso University, and Darrell Jodock, Gustavus Adolphus College, Presiding

Andrew Hamilton, Southern Methodist University

Freedom and Necessity United: I.A. Dorner's Utilization of Luther in His Doctrine of Religious Perfection

Angela Berlis, University of Bern

Ignaz von Döllinger (1799–1890) and Other Liberal Catholic (Church) Historians on Luther and the Reformation in the Nineteenth Century – From Polemic Apologetics to Critical Appreciation

James Lee, Saint Louis University

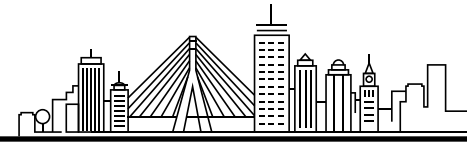
Luther among the Neo-Lutherans

Responding:

Else Marie Wiberg Pedersen, University of Aarhus

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A19-316

New Religious Movements Unit and Religion in the American West Unit

Theme: **Western Utopias: Ghost Dances, Jewish Farming, and Psychedelic Mystics**

Sunday, 5:00 PM–6:30 PM

Sheraton Boston-Boston Common (Fifth Level)

Jeremy Rapport, College of Wooster, Presiding

Adrienne Krone, Allegheny College

The Lure of a Land-Based Utopia: Jewish Agricultural Settlements in Nineteenth-Century North Dakota and Today

Morgan Shipley, Michigan State University

"Fruits of the Religious Life": Entheogenic Spirituality, Communal Consciousness, and Compassionate Living Down on The Farm

Tammy Heise, University of Wyoming

Women Warriors Ghost Dancing (Again) at Wounded Knee

Responding:

Brandi Denison, University of North Florida

A19-317

Open and Relational Theologies Unit

Theme: **Open-Relational Theologies beyond Christianity**

Sunday, 5:00 PM–6:30 PM

Sheraton Boston-Beacon E (Third Level)

Wm. Andrew Schwartz, Center for Process Studies, Claremont, CA, Presiding

Matthew Ingalls, American University, Dubai

Fakhr al-Dīn al-Rāzī (d. 1210): The Ultimate Muslim Incompatibilist

Jeffery D. Long, Elizabethtown College

An Open-Relational Hindu Theology

John Becker, Claremont School of Theology

Relational Theology: A Buddhist Perspective

Responding:

Jay McDaniel, Hendrix College

Michael Lodahl, Point Loma Nazarene University

A19-318



Practical Theology Unit

Theme: **Taking On Practical Theology: A Book Panel Based on Courtney Goto's Challenge to the Field**

Sunday, 5:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center-208 (Second Level)

Tone Stangeland Kaufman, MF Norwegian School of Theology, Presiding

Panelists:

Mary Elizabeth Moore, Boston University

Bonnie Miller-McLemore, Vanderbilt University

Esther Acolatse, University of Toronto

Mark Cartledge, Regent University

Responding:

Courtney T. Goto, Boston University

A19-319

Religion and Politics Unit and Religion and Public Schools: International Perspectives Unit

Theme: **Religious Dimensions on "Global Citizenship"**

Sunday, 5:00 PM–6:30 PM

Sheraton Boston-Jamaica Pond (Fifth Level)

Michael Waggoner, University of Northern Iowa, Presiding

Jana Philippa Parenti, University of Hamburg

Testing Religion-State Relations - How the Current Rise of Nationalism in Europe Influences the Further Development of "Religious Education for All" in Hamburg

Katharine Batlan, University of Texas

World Christian Citizenship Conferences: Defining Good Global Citizens in the 1910s

Greg Peterson, South Dakota State University

Global Citizenship Values as a Byproduct of Democratic Virtue Education

Erik Owens, Boston College

Religion Education and Global Citizenship: A Match Made in Heaven?

A19-320

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Religion and Popular Culture Unit

Theme: **The Legacy of the Summer of Love, 1967-2017**

Sunday, 5:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center-201 (Second Level)

Jon Gill, California State University, Long Beach, Presiding

Jeremy Guida, Santa Barbara, CA

The Summer of Love and the Pluralization of Popular Culture

Andrew Smith, Tennessee Technological University

Summers of Love, Streets of Liturgy, and the Liberation of Sound: Revisiting, Reliving, and Reclaiming the Leftwing Hippy Christianity of the "Submarine Church"

Scott Muir, Duke University

Fifty Summers of Love and Counting: Music Festivals and the Institutionalization of the Psychedelic Tradition

Responding:

David Stowe, Michigan State University

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A19-321

Religion and Sexuality Unit

Theme: **Queer Gathering: Engaging the Intersections between Religion, Bodies, and Sexualities**

Sunday, 5:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center-202 (Second Level)

Elaine Nogueira-Godsey, Methodist Theological School, Ohio, Presiding

Adriaan van Klinken, University of Leeds, and Kwame Edwin Otu, University of Virginia
Ancestors, Embodiment, and Sexual Desire: Wild Religion and the Body in the Story of a South African Lesbian Sangoma

Lai-Shan Yip, Graduate Theological Union
A Queer China in the Eyes of Matteo Ricci and Its Relation to the Christian-Confucian Synthesis

Gilbert Chen, Washington University, St. Louis
Ordinary Monks, Nuns, and Everyday Sexuality in Early Modern China

Stephanie Budwey, Kirchliche Hochschule, Wuppertal
"Nature Loves Variety, Unfortunately, Society Hates It": German Intersex Christians' Experiences

A19-322



Religion, Holocaust, and Genocide Unit and Transformative Scholarship and Pedagogy Unit

Theme: **Teaching Holocaust and Genocide in This Time: Strategies of Engagement**

Sunday, 5:00 PM–6:30 PM

Sheraton Boston-Republic B (Second Level)

M. Brandon McCormack, University of Louisville, Presiding

Richard A. Freund, University of Hartford
Teaching about the Holocaust through Geo-science and Archaeology

Will Livingston, Florida State University
Teaching Genocide in a "Post-truth" Age: Strategies for Activism, Engagement, and Scholarship

David Tollerton, University of Exeter
Holocaust Education, "British Values", and Religious Diversity in the United Kingdom

A19-323

New!

Religions in the Latina/o Americas Unit and Theology and Religious Reflection Unit

Theme: **The Legacy of Virgilio Elizondo**

Sunday, 5:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center-310 (Third Level)

Michelle Gonzalez Maldonado, University of Miami, Presiding

Panelists:

Benjamin Valentin, Yale University

Michael E. Lee, Fordham University

Chris Tirres, DePaul University

John Phillip Santos, San Antonio, TX

Timothy Matovina, University of Notre Dame

David Carrasco, Harvard University

Nancy A. Pineda-Madrid, Boston College

A19-324

Ritual Studies Unit

Theme: **Rituals and the Subaltern**

Sunday, 5:00 PM–6:30 PM

Sheraton Boston-Hampton (Third Level)

Curtis Hutt, University of Nebraska, Omaha, Presiding

Kolby Knight, University of California, Santa Barbara
Ritual Surplus and Sub(Liminality) in Vaudevillian Catholicism

Baiju Markose, Lutheran School of Theology, Chicago
Subaltern Ritual Hermeneutics: Pottan Theyyam - A Case Study

Rose Aslan, California Lutheran University
To Pray or Not to Pray: The Trouble with Muslim Public Expressions of Piety in the US

Responding:

Laurel Zwissler, Central Michigan University

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**A19-325****Tillich: Issues in Theology, Religion, and Culture Unit**

Theme: **Book Panel: *Tillich and the Abyss: Foundations, Feminism, and Theology of Praxis* (Palgrave, 2016) by Sigridur Gudmarsdottir**

Sunday, 5:00 PM–6:30 PM

Marriott Copley Place–Grand A (Fourth Level)

Michele Watkins, Iliff School of Theology, Presiding

Panelists:

Kwok Pui Lan, Emory University

John Thatamanil, Union Theological Seminary

Catherine Keller, Drew University

Responding:

Sigridur Gudmarsdottir, University of Tromsø

Business Meeting:

Devan Stahl, Michigan State University, and Stephen G. Ray, Garrett–Evangelical Theological Seminary, Presiding

A19-326**Yogācāra Studies Unit**

Theme: **Reading Vasubandhu's *Triṃśikā* and Its Commentaries**

Sunday, 5:00 PM–6:30 PM

Sheraton Boston–Commonwealth (Third Level)

Roy Tzohar, Tel-Aviv University, Presiding

Jonathan Gold, Princeton University

Vasubandhu's Thirty Verses on Non-duality and Figurative Predication

Jay Garfield, Smith College

Triṃśikā 22 and Its Commentaries and Sequelae

Malcolm Keating, Yale–NUS College

Kumārila Bhaṭṭa on the Metaphor of Self

Dan Lusthaus, Harvard University

A Few Things We Can Learn About the Triṃśikā From the Chinese Sources

Jingjing Li, McGill University

Manifesting the Body through the Function: The Translation of Vijnāna and Vijnāpti in Chinese Yogācāra

Business Meeting:

C. John Powers, Deakin University, and Roy Tzohar, Tel-Aviv University, Presiding

A19-328**Wildcard Session**

Theme: **Sleepwalking into Extinction: Elaine Scarry's *S.O.S.* to Scholars of Religion**

Sunday, 5:00 PM–6:30 PM

Sheraton Boston–Constitution (Second Level)

Brian Palmer, Uppsala University, Presiding

This forum brings Elaine Scarry into conversation with scholars of religion to discuss why our species may be sleepwalking into a thermonuclear extinction. How do we make sense of human passivity in the face of possible imminent extinction? The roundtable will be a space in which to think ethnographically about different religious groups — their theologies, ethics, eschatologies, etc. — and what shapes them into (not) caring about the threat of nuclear war. What if anything do we owe to potential future generations? How do we assess the nature of the loss if all of human civilization were to be obliterated? How might we respond to those who assert that humanity deserves to be annihilated, that our extinction would be a good thing? Six scholars with diverse specialties will converse with Elaine Scarry before opening the floor to audience voices.

Panelists:

R. Marie Griffith, Washington University in Saint Louis

Jean Halley, University of New York

Kate Holbrook, Church of Latter Day Saints Church History Department, Salt Lake City, UT

Yana Stainova, Dartmouth College

Responding:

Elaine Scarry, Harvard University

A19-329**Women's Caucus**

Theme: **FORGiNG VOICE – Filmmaking as Scholarship: Film Premier and Panel Discussion**

Sunday, 5:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center-305 (Third Level)

Elizabeth Ursic, Mesa Community College, Presiding

Join us for the panel and film premiere of the project *FORGiNG VOICE: Interviews with Pioneering Feminist and Womanist Theologians* (www.forgingvoicefilm.com). The project consists of an online archive of interviews where theologians discuss their experiences in overcoming adversity in forging their voice and making significant contributions to feminist and womanist theology. It also features a short-film developed in response to the process of creating this project. The short-film is meant to be an educational and meditative tool to prompt deeper reflection on feminist and womanist issues as well as prompting viewers to consider how they can continue to forge their own voice. After the premier, a panel—featuring filmmaker Kate Common, producer Ashley Theuring, and composer Elizabeth Ursic—will discuss working on the film and its effects on their scholarship. Kutter Callaway from the Religion, Film, and Visual Culture group will be the respondent to the film and panel.

Panelists:

Kathryn Common, Boston University

Ashley Theuring, Boston University

Responding:

Stefanie Knauss, Villanova University

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19

P19-300

European Society of Women in Theological Research

Theme: **Networking and Brainstorming**

Sunday, 6:00 PM–7:30 PM

Marriott Copley Place-Massachusetts (Fifth Level)

P19-301

Theta Alpha Kappa Annual Meeting and Reception

Sunday, 6:00 PM–7:30 PM

Marriott Copley Place-Wellesley (Third Level)

Theta Alpha Kappa, the National Honor Society for Religious Studies and Theology, invites faculty chapter representatives and members to attend our annual meeting which is preceded by a brief reception.

P19-302

American Journal of Theology and Philosophy and the Institute for American Religious and Philosophical Thought Annual Lecture and Business Meeting

Sunday, 6:00 PM–8:30 PM

Marriott Copley Place-MIT (Third Level)

This year's annual *AJTP* lecture will be given by John Kaag, Professor of Philosophy at University of Massachusetts, author of *American Philosophy: A Love Story*. Anyone with interest in the intersections of American philosophy and theology are welcome and encouraged to attend. The lecture will be preceded by a brief business meeting.

Panelists:

John Kaag, University of Massachusetts

A19-400

Racial and Ethnic Minorities in the Profession Reception

Sunday, 6:30 PM–8:00 PM

Hynes Convention Center-302 (Third Level)

P19-402

Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion

Theme: **Dinner for New Teachers (Invitation Only Event)**

Sunday, 6:30 PM–8:30 PM

Marriott Copley Place-Simmons (Third Level)

By invitation only - new teachers will join together for an elegant dinner and directed table conversations about the first years of teaching.

For more information go to <http://bit.ly/2rZBD7C>.

P19-400

Religious Education Association

Theme: **Teaching In and For Multifaith Contexts: Concepts and Practices**

Sunday, 6:45 PM–8:15 PM

Marriott Copley Place-Boston University (Third Level)

How shall we educate our faith communities so that they can practice hospitality in the world of many faiths? How are we to prepare religious leaders who are capable of leading congregations and communities in the practice of hospitality in a multifaith context? How are we to equip religious leaders in the practice of ministry in interfaith settings?

What curriculum design, educational programs, and pedagogies shall we pursue to lead and minister effectively in a multifaith setting? These are the larger questions that framed a new shared book project, *Teaching for a Multifaith World* (ed. Eleazar S. Fernandez, Wipf and Stock 2017). This session will be an interactive engagement with several of the authors from the book, focused on sharing both conceptual frames and pragmatic practices for doing this work.

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 (see www.religioeducation.net).

Panelists:

Justus Baird, Auburn Theological Seminary
 Ruben L. F. Habito, Southern Methodist University
 Mary E. Hess, Luther Seminary
 Lucinda Mosher, Hartford Seminary
 Sheryl A. Kujawa-Holbrook, Claremont School of Theology,
 Claremont Graduate University
 Jennifer Howe Peace, Andover Newton Theological School
 Daniel Schipani, Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary

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Sunday, 7:00 PM and Later

A19-401



Arts Series: *Harry Potter and the Sacred Text*

Sunday, 7:00 PM–8:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center-310 (Third Level)

Emily Filler, Earlham College, Presiding

Sponsored by the Contemporary Pagan Studies Group and the Sacred Texts and Ethics Group



What if we read the books we love as if they were sacred texts? What would we learn? How might they change us? *Harry Potter and the Sacred Text* is a weekly podcast reading Harry Potter, the best-selling series of all time, as if it was a sacred text. Just as Christians read the Bible, Jews the Torah and Muslims read the Qur'an, this podcast has embarked on a

199-episode journey (one chapter an episode, released weekly) to glean what wisdom and meaning we can make from J.K. Rowling's beloved novels. The podcast reads *Harry Potter*, not just as novels, but as instructive and inspirational texts that teach us about our own lives. Each week, the podcast explores a central theme through which to explore the characters and context, always grounding itself in the text. It engages in traditional forms of sacred reading to unearth the hidden gifts within even the most mundane sentences.

Join the producers and hosts of the popular podcast in a traditional sacred reading practice with the non-traditional but much beloved Harry Potter series. In addition to the reading practice, this informal session will also feature the podcasters along with Stephanie Paulsell discussing the history of sacred reading practices and the implications of their work for ethical reflection, chaplaincy, and other forms of ministry in the changing religious climate.

Panelists:

Vanessa Zoltan, Harvard University
Casper ter Kuile, Harvard University
Ariana Nedelman, Harvard University
Stephanie Paulsell, Harvard University

P19-403

Société Internationale d'Études sur Alfred Loisy

Theme: **Modernists and the Papacy**

Sunday, 7:00 PM–9:30 PM

Sheraton Boston-Jefferson (Third Level)

Jeffrey Morrow, Seton Hall University, Presiding

Elizabeth Farnsworth, University of Dayton
Wilfrid Ward on the Liberalism of Pope Leo XIII

Annelies Lannoy, Ghent University
The Papacy in the Correspondence of Franz Cumont and Alfred Loisy

Luc Brogly, Eckholsheim, France
Pierre Batiffol, Bishops, Cardinals, and Popes: A Survey from his Private Letters and Published Works

Max Vodola, Catholic Theological College
Roncalli, Modernism, and the Journey to Vatican II

Responding:

Charles J. T. Talar, University of St. Thomas, Houston

A19-403



Film: Martin Scorsese's *Silence*

Sunday, 7:00 PM–10:00 PM

Sheraton Boston-Constitution (Second Level)

Asuka Sango, Carleton College, Presiding

Described by some critics as the third in a "religion trilogy" by director Martin Scorsese, *Silence* (2016) tells the story of seventeenth-century Jesuit priests who travel to Japan to spread Catholicism in defiance of the Japanese government's ban of Christianity. As these missionaries witness the martyrdom of Japan's "hidden Christians," they grapple with their inability to save Japanese martyrs and they begin to question the meaning of suffering in face of the silence of God. The film also scrutinizes the colonial implications of Japanese encounter with Christianity and resultant transformations of Christianity in Japan. The screening is sponsored by the generous support of the Center for Information on Religion in Tokyo, Japan, and is supported by Christian Spirituality; Japanese Religions; Religion, Film, and Visual Culture; Religious Conversions; and Roman Catholic Studies Units. The screening will be followed by a panel discussion with panelists from Christian Studies and Japanese Religions.

Panelists:

Jacqueline I. Stone, Princeton University
Chad Bauman, Butler University

P19-401

Evangelical Philosophical Society

Theme: **Engagement with Scripture in Philosophy and Analytic Theology**

Sunday, 7:00 PM–10:00 PM

Marriott Copley Place-Orleans (Fourth Level)

This panel will discuss proposals for how philosophers and theologians can and should engage with scripture in their analytic and philosophical thinking.

Dru Johnson, King's College, New York
Must Our Philosophy Conform with Scripture?

Oliver Crisp, Fuller Theological Seminary
Reflections on Scripture's use in Philosophy and Analytic Theology

Joshua Blander, King's College, New York
Humble Thyself in the Light of the Source: Scripture as a Source of Philosophical Data

Kevin J. Vanhoozer, Trinity Evangelical Divinity School
Reflections on Scripture in Philosophy and Theology

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19

A19-404



Arts Series: Ravishing Far/Near: Sheila Gallagher's Art and the Mute Magic of Things

Sunday, 8:00 PM–10:00 PM

Hilton Boston Back Bay-Washington (Third Level)

Daniel Bradley, Gonzaga University, Presiding

Sheila Gallagher's art speaks powerfully to our desire for a renewed spiritual life that will pay careful attention to the sacredness of nature and to the marginalized and the neglected, that which exists outside the circles of power and privilege. Through her thought provoking use of materials and the engagement with diverse religious traditions, Gallagher's art is deeply interwoven with both of these themes and their connection to our desire for the divine. Her works will give the theologians of the AAR a great deal to think and talk about, as it moves them by its beauty and inspires them to see the sacred in the profane. Further, the fruitfulness of this work, as a source of theological discourse, will be enhanced by the proposed roundtable discussion between the artist, Sheila Gallagher and her academic interlocutors, Richard Kearney and John Panteleimon Manoussakis.



Panelists:

John Panteleimon Manoussakis, College of the Holy Cross

Sheila Gallagher, Boston College

Richard Kearney, Boston College

A19-405



Film: Let The Mystery Be: Screening of the Finale of the HBO TV Show *The Leftovers* and Discussion with Religious Scholar Consultant and Producer of the Show, Reza Aslan

Sunday, 8:00 PM–10:00 PM

Sheraton Boston-Republic B (Second Level)

Manuel Lopez, New College, Florida, Presiding

This year, HBO will air the third and final season of *The Leftovers*, a TV show that, like no other in recent times, has had faith and religion as its central topic. Based on Tom Perrotta's 2011 novel of the same name, the show examines the effects (social, psychological, spiritual) of a rapture-like event in which 2% of the world's population simply vanishes without any logical explanation. In the aftermath of this event, an array of new messianic figures and religious movements emerge trying to bring meaning to a world in which traditional religion seems to have no answers. During the three seasons of the show, we follow the main characters struggling with a world in which God seems to have spoken, but no one knows what it meant. The rapture, instead of being the ultimate answer to the existence of God, becomes the ultimate question.

The session will begin with a screening of the finale (courtesy of HBO), followed by a Q&A with Reza Aslan, the religious studies scholar consultant in the show (and one of the consulting producers) about the ways in which *The Leftovers* has dealt with a variety of religious issues: the role of faith and religion in society, the emergence of new religious movements, the human need for meaning, the struggle of peaceful coexistence of different religious worldviews, and the ethical and moral implications of an event like the rapture. The session will also discuss social and political readings of the show such as the rapture as an allegory of September 11, the notion of "the end of times" as a metaphor for the collapse of our current political order, etc.

Panelists:

Reza Aslan, University of California, Riverside

Damon Lindelof, Screenwriter and Producer

A19-406



Film: *Son of Man: a South African Jesus Film*

Sunday, 8:00 PM–10:00 PM

Sheraton Boston-Liberty B (Second Level)

Sarojini Nadar, University of KwaZulu-Natal, Presiding

The African Religions unit yet again hosts a film screening as part of the AAR annual meeting. This year we will screen the film *Son of Man* (2006), directed by Mark Dornford-May. Following the screening, Prof Sarojini Nadar, who holds the Desmond Tutu Chair of Ecumenical Theology and Social Transformation at the University of the Western Cape, South Africa) will open a discussion of the film.

In the state of Judea in southern Africa, violence, poverty and sectarianism are endemic. The neighboring Alliance has invaded under the pretense of restoring peace. Bloody street battles accompany the dictatorship's incursion into its weaker satellite. Promises of a transition to open democratic rule are marred by summary executions and brutal massacres. As the civil war reaches new heights, a divine child is born to a lowly couple. As he grows and witnesses the inhumanity of the world he lives in, his angelic guardians offer him an escape to the heavens. He refuses. This is his world and he must try to save it from the work of evil men and from the darkness working through them. As an adult, he travels to the capital, gathering followers along the way from the armed factions of rebels across the land. He demands that his followers give up their arms and confront their corrupt rulers with a vision of non-violent protest and solidarity. Inevitably, he attracts the attention of the Judean tribal leaders who have struck a power-sharing deal with the aloof Governor Pilate. The Son of Man must be brought down and destroyed. This film is a powerful retelling of the life of Christ set in contemporary South Africa.

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A20-1



Program Unit Chairs' Breakfast

Monday, 7:15 AM–8:45 AM

Hynes Convention Center-302 (Third Level)

Kathryn McClymond, Georgia State University, Presiding

Program Unit Chairs are invited to a breakfast featuring information on upcoming program initiatives and celebrating their contributions to the AAR Annual Meeting.

Monday, 9:00 AM–11:00 AM

A20-100/S20-145a



Student Lounge Roundtable

Theme: **The Potential Value of Genre-based Pedagogy in Religious Studies**

Monday, 9:00 AM–10:30 AM

Hynes Convention Center-303 (Third Level)

Priyanka Ramlakhan, University of Florida, Presiding

This roundtable is intended to make a case to religious studies instructors for the value of adopting the genre-based method of instruction developed primarily in the discipline of writing studies, explaining its merits and challenges. The syllabus handouts that will be provided model this method for a range of religious studies courses. In addition to genre-based instruction, some of the courses also attempt to integrate two other valuable pedagogical techniques in the context of religious studies: critical pedagogy and technology-supplemented pedagogy.

Although the roundtable focuses primarily on the value of genre-based pedagogy as an innovative intervention in religious studies pedagogy, we will also discuss the importance of instructors' cultivation of critical literacy and use of a variety of media and methods. Genre-based instruction helps cultivate a number of discipline-specific and domain-general skills valued by students and instructional institutions.

Panelists:

Nathan Fredrickson, University of California, Santa Barbara

P20-100

Feminist Studies in Religion Meeting

Monday, 9:00 AM–10:30 AM

Marriott Copley Place-Vermont (Fifth Level)

A20-101



Publications Committee

Theme: **How to Publish When I Am in a Teaching-Intensive and/or Contingent Faculty Position**

Monday, 9:00 AM–11:00 AM

Marriott Copley Place-MIT (Third Level)

Daniel Miller, Landmark College, Presiding

Advice and strategies for maintaining an active research and publication agenda by and for faculty at institutions and/or in positions that do not typically support research and publishing.

Panelists:

Christy Cobb, Wingate University

Corinne Dempsey, Nazareth College

Karmen MacKendrick, Le Moyne College

Jordan Miller, Stonehill College

A20-102



Status of LGBTIQ Persons in the Profession Committee and Status of Persons with Disabilities in the Profession Committee

Theme: **Toilet Justice: Peeing and the Politics of Marginalized Bodies**

Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hynes Convention Center-102 (Plaza Level)

Julia Watts Belser, Georgetown University, Presiding

As the title of a popular children's book universally proclaims, "everyone poops." What is not universally true, however, is that everyone is ensured safe bathroom access. Focusing on toilets as a site of risk, injustice, and activism for many marginalized communities, this session explores how toilet justice can be a site for building coalitions among multiple minoritized communities. Alongside current contemporary political debates over trans toilet activism — and the important activist coalitions happening between trans, queer, and disabled folks about safe bathroom access, the session will highlight toilets as a prism to think about the material experience of marginalized bodies, about the physical links between bodily elimination and people who are often targeted for elimination. Trans, queer, immigrant, and disability voices will strategize ways for transforming the mundane reality of bodily elimination into opportunities for radical practices of justice.

Panelists:

Neomi De Anda, University of Dayton

Leo Guardado, University of Notre Dame

Preston Parsons, University of Cambridge

Judith Plaskow, Manhattan College

Santiago H. Slabodsky, Hofstra University

Max Strassfeld, University of Arizona

Max Thornton, Drew University

Shani Tzoref, University of Potsdam

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A20-103



African Religions Unit and Arts, Literature, and Religion Unit

Theme: **Religious Representation and Imagination in Contemporary African Arts and Literature**

Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hynes Convention Center-313 (Third Level)

Mary Nyangweso, East Carolina University, Presiding

Danielle Widmann Abraham, Ursinus College
Situating Resistance: The Muslim Body in the Films of Ousmane Sembene

Marthinus Johannes Havenga, Stellenbosch University
"Woza Albert!" – A Theological Engagement with a South African Anti-Apartheid Protest Play

Sara Fretheim, Akrofi-Christaller Institute
"O My Absurd Ancestry, Down from What Tree?" Jesus, Sassabonsam, and Testimonies of Exile: Exploring Themes of African Religion(s) and Culture in the Poetry of Tchicaya U Tam'si, Afua Kuma, and Abena Busia

Kara Ellis Skora, College of Wooster
Homegoing and the Radiance of Tomorrow: How Recent African Literature Enhances Our Understanding of Historical, Diasporan, and Contemporary Religious Experience in Asante and Mende Cultures, Respectively

Business Meeting:

Adriaan van Klinken, University of Leeds, and Mary Nyangweso, East Carolina University, Presiding

A20-104

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Animals and Religion Unit

Theme: **Animal Expression, Theological Thought: How Animal Encounters Ground Theological Construction**

Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Sheraton Boston-Beacon B (Third Level)

Matthew Eaton, St. John's University, Presiding

Panelists:

Trevor Bechtel, Conrad Grebel College
Kimberly Carfore, California Institute of Integral Studies
Grace Kao, Claremont School of Theology
Timothy Harvie, St. Mary's University, Alberta, Canada

Business Meeting:

David Clough, University of Chester, and Barbara Ambros, University of North Carolina, Presiding

A20-105



Bioethics and Religion Unit

Theme: **Vulnerability in the Manipulation of Life and Death**

Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Sheraton Boston-Boston Common (Fifth Level)

George D. Randels, University of the Pacific, Presiding

Ashley Moyse, Regent College
Hugging Death, Anticipating Suicide: Vulnerability of Despair and the Marcelian Response to Medical Assistance in Dying

Karma Lekshe Tsomo, University of San Diego
Crushed Between Walls: Buddhist Perspectives on Neonatal Ethics

Nikki Bailey, University of Oxford
Redeeming Creation? A Barthian Discussion of Human Genetic Modification as Treatment and/or Prevention

Laurie Zoloth, University of Chicago
May We Make the World? The Ethics and Theologies of Gene Drives

Business Meeting:

Marcella Norling, Orange Coast College, Presiding

A20-106



Bonhoeffer: Theology and Social Analysis Unit

Theme: **Political Theology, Social Justice, and Privilege: Dietrich Bonhoeffer in the (Evangelical) Age of Trump**

Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Sheraton Boston-Back Bay B (Second Level)

Jennifer McBride, McCormick Theological Seminary, Presiding

Paul Louis Metzger, Multnomah Biblical Seminary
Endangered Bonhoeffer, Endangered People Groups, and the Evangelical Theo-political Imagination

Chris Dodson, University of Aberdeen
The Reign of Justice or the Rain of Fire: Hearing the Call of Christ from Below

Ross Halbach, University of Aberdeen
Jesus' White Bonhoeffer: Insights for Addressing Race from the Side of Privilege

Myles Werntz, Hardin-Simmons University
Fugitive Theology: The Confessing Church, Illegality, and Our Immigration Question

Business Meeting:

Lori Brandt Hale, Augsburg College, and Stephen R. Haynes, Rhodes College, Presiding

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A20-107

Buddhism Unit

Theme: **Crime and Punishment: Legal Dialogues between Buddhism and Local Society in East and Central Asia**

Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott Copley Place-Exeter (Third Level)

Mark L. Blum, University of California, Berkeley, Presiding

Charles Manson, École Pratique des Hautes Études
Conundrums in Tibetan Medieval Crime and Punishment

Cuilan Liu, University of Toronto
Alcohol, Women, and Animal Slaughtering: The Death of Two Buddhist Monks in Tang China

Asuka Sango, Carleton College
Sōshō's (1202–1278) Vows to Refrain from Evils and Practice Good: A Minority Report of the Precept Revival Movement in Medieval Japan

Vesna Wallace, University of California, Santa Barbara
Why Fermented Mare' Milk (Airag) and Not Vodka (Arkhi)? Cultural Norms and the Limits of the Vinaya in Mongolia

Responding:

Charles Hallisey, Harvard University

A20-108



Childhood Studies and Religion Unit

Theme: **Innovative Methodologies in Childhood Studies and Religion**

Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Sheraton Boston-Liberty B (Second Level)

Katarina Westerlund, Uppsala University, Presiding

Natalie Carnes, Baylor University
Human Desire and Original Sin: Moving beyond Augustine's Greedy Infant

Brett Speakman, University of St Andrews
The Theatrical Encore of Infancy: Transcendence and the Perceptive Vision of Childhood

Karen-Marie Yust, Union Presbyterian Seminary
Spiritual Vulnerability on the Digital Playground: Relational Aggression, Cyberbullying, and Adolescent "Drama"

Rachael Shillitoe, Worcester University
Sacred Soundscapes: Children's Agency and Voice in Collective Worship

Responding:

Sally Stamper, Capital University

Business Meeting:

Susan Ridgely, University of Wisconsin, and Sally Stamper, Capital University, Presiding

A20-109

#chineserels ★

Chinese Religions Unit and Confucian Traditions Unit

Theme: **Religious Legacies of the Taiping War, 1850-1900**

Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott Copley Place-Brandeis (Third Level)

Megan Bryson, University of Tennessee, Presiding

Hsueh-Yi Lin, University of Wisconsin
Breaking the Symbiosis: The Destruction of Shrines of Worthies and the Decline of Confucianism

Gregory Adam Scott, University of Manchester
Local Gazetteer Data on the Post-Taiping Reconstruction of Religious Institutions

Joshua Sooter, New York University
Translating Religion: Qing Officials, Local Religious Sects, and the Problem of Orthodoxy in Post-Taiping China

George Kam Wah Mak, Hong Kong Baptist University
An Assessment of the Taiping Legacy on the Protestant Bible Work in Late Qing China

Responding:

Natasha Heller, University of California, Los Angeles

Business Meeting:

Pauline Lee, Saint Louis University, and Aaron Stalnaker, Indiana University, Presiding

A20-110/S20-117



Christian Spirituality Unit and SBL Ecological Hermeneutics Unit

Theme: **Planetary Solidarity: Global Women's Voices on Christian Doctrine and Climate Justice**

Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hynes Convention Center-208 (Second Level)

Grace Ji-Sun Kim, Earlham College, Presiding

Heather Eaton, Saint Paul University
Imagining an Earth-centric Theological Framing for Planetary Solidarity

Wanda Deifelt, Luther College
And God Saw That It Was Good—Imago Dei and Its Challenge to Climate Justice

Hilda Koster, Concordia College, Moorhead
Trafficked Lands: Sex Trafficking, Oil, and Ecological Evil in the Dakotas

Jea Sophia Oh, West Chester University, Pennsylvania
Seeds, Cross, and a Paradox of Life from Death: A Postcolonial Eco-Theology

Melanie L. Harris, Texas Christian University
Eco-Womanist Wisdom: Encountering Earth and the Spirit

Barbara Rossing, Lutheran School of Theology, Chicago
Reimagining Eschatology towards Healing and Hope, for a World at the Eschatos

Responding:

Elisabeth Schüssler Fiorenza, Harvard University

Karenna Gore, Union Theological Seminary

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A20-111



Christian Systematic Theology Unit

Theme: **On the Nature of Tradition**

Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Sheraton Boston-Back Bay C (Second Level)

Junius Johnson, Baylor University, Presiding

Jonathan Ciraulo, University of Notre Dame
The Eucharistic Reception of Tradition in Blondel and Balthasar

Michelle Sanchez, Harvard University
Reading Tradition as Pedagogy: The Case of Calvin's Election

Brandon Morgan, Baylor University
Wanting to Go On: Desire and Tradition in the Scenes of Instruction of Robert Jensen and Stanley Cavell

Business Meeting:

Holly Taylor Coolman, Providence College, Presiding

A20-112



Class, Religion, and Theology Unit

Theme: **Class and Religion in the USA: American Dream? American Nightmare?**

Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton Boston Back Bay-Belvidere A (Second Level)

Ken Estey, Brooklyn College, Presiding

Jung Mo Sung, Methodist University, Sao Paulo
Neoliberalism's Denial of Human Rights, Idolatry, and Classes Struggle

Lisa Gasson-Gardner, Drew University
When Ethnicity Elides Whiteness: The Eschatological Arc of Recent White Class Narratives and a Queer Alternative

Edith Szanto, American University of Iraq, Sulaimani
Peons, Proles, and Fat Cats: Class and the Study of Contemporary Islam

Responding:

Joerg Rieger, Vanderbilt University

Business Meeting:

Joerg Rieger, Vanderbilt University, and Ken Estey, Brooklyn College, Presiding

A20-113



Comparative Studies in Religion Unit

Theme: **The "Unsayable" in Tibetan Religious Literature**

Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott Copley Place-Vineyard (Fourth Level)

Benjamin Bogin, Skidmore College, Presiding

Eric D. Mortensen, Guilford College
What Is Not Told about What Was Once Invisible? Performative Lacunae in the Folklore of Tibetans of Geza

Dominique Townsend, Rubin Museum of Art, New York, NY
Unsayably Clear, Empty, and Divine: Cultivating an Awareness of Life and Death as Illusory through a Tibetan Practice of Lucid Dreaming

Annabella Pitkin, Lehigh University
What Cannot Be Said Must Be Remembered: Unsayability and Tibetan Buddhist Aporias of Absence, Loss, Longing, and Realization

Business Meeting:

Eric D. Mortensen, Guilford College, Presiding

A20-114



Contemplative Studies Unit

Theme: **Sharing the Ignatian Spiritual Exercises across Religious Traditions**

Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Sheraton Boston-Constitution A (Second Level)

Daniel A. Madigan, Georgetown University, Presiding

Panelists:

Roger Haight, Union Theological Seminary
Ruben L. F. Habito, Southern Methodist University

Erin Cline, Georgetown University
Francis X. Clooney, Harvard University

Business Meeting:

Harold D. Roth, Brown University, and Judith Simmer-Brown, Naropa University, Presiding

A20-115

Contemporary Islam Unit

Theme: **Crossing Borders, Transcending Boundaries: The Shifting Contexts of Muslim Politics**

Monday, 9:00 AM–11:00 AM

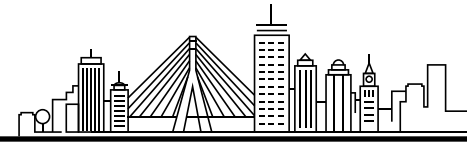
Hynes Convention Center-104 (Plaza Level)

Kristian Petersen, University of Nebraska, Omaha, Presiding

Sam Houston, Florida State University
Educating Resistance: Hasan al-Bannā, Tarbiya, and Embodied Ethics

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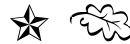
Samuel Kigar, Duke University
The Walled Muslim State: Morocco's Anti-Saharawi Berm, Muslim State Sovereignty, and the Waning of Westphalia

Justin Jones, University of Oxford
Informal Law as "Shari'a Governance": Islamic Courts within India's Muslim Minority

Rebecca Moody, Syracuse University
(Re)Orienting Vulnerability: Using Visual Images to Parse Morocco's Dominant and Quotidian Islams

Mahshid Zandi, University of Toronto
The Political Economy of State-Sponsored Pilgrimages to the Iran-Iraq Battlefields

A20-116



Contemporary Pagan Studies Unit

Theme: **Pagan Intersections with Social and Cultural Systems**

Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott Copley Place-Boylston (First Level)

Kimberly Kirner, California State University, Northridge, and
 Garrett Sadler, NASA Ames Research Center
Seeking Healing and Support: Mental and Physical Health Challenges in Pagan Communities

Jeffrey Albaugh, Oxnard, CA
A Phenomenological Exploration of Theophany and Metanoia in Contemporary Paganisms

Jone Salomonsen, University of Oslo, and Sarah M. Pike,
 California State University, Chico
Presence and Absence at the Steilneset Witchcraft Memorial

Business Meeting:

Amy Hale, Atlanta, GA, and Shawn Arthur, Wake Forest
 University, Presiding

A20-117

Critical Theory and Discourses on Religion Unit and Religion, Affect, and Emotion Unit

Theme: **Do I Love My Subjects? A Roundtable about Pleasure, Paranoia, and Care in American Religious Studies**

Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Sheraton Boston-Berkeley (Third Level)

Sonia Hazard, Franklin and Marshall College, Presiding

Andrew Walker-Cornetta, Princeton University
Care to Listen? Reparative Readings in American Religious Studies

Dana Logan, Washington University, Saint Louis
It's a Thin Line

Richard Callahan, University of Missouri
Redeeming the History of the Oppressed, the Losers, the Marginalized, the Peripheral, the Erased

Jenna Supp-Montgomerie, University of Iowa
Infrastructures of Feeling

A20-118

#deathbeyond ★

Death, Dying, and Beyond Unit

Theme: **Death at the Margins**

Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Sheraton Boston-Jamaica Pond (Fifth Level)

Amy Defibaugh, Temple University, Presiding

Rex Barnes, Columbia University
I Got 99 Lives but a Glitch Ate One: A Walk-Through of Perilous and Peril-less Gaming

Jordan Rowan Fannin, Berry College
The Anonymity of Death at the Margins: Remembrance and Resolution in the South Texas Dying Fields

Joshua Schnell, Brown University
Dead Bodies for the Living: The Politics of Ancient Maya Mortuary Practices

Eliezer Sarel, Shaanan College, Ohalo College
Moving Behind the Wall: The Attitude of Modern Jewish Law Towards Death as Reflected in the Struggle over the Laws of Mourning a Suicide

Michael F. Strmiska, Orange County Community College
The Ambiguity of Ancestors: Questions of Inclusion, Exclusion, and Ethnicity in Modern Pagan Conceptions of the Afterlife

Business Meeting:

Mohamed S. Hassan, Temple University, and Jamie Brummitt,
 Duke University, Presiding

A20-119

Hinduism Unit and Religion in South Asia Unit

Theme: **Modernizing the Language of the Gods: Religious Identity, Instruction, and Innovation in Contemporary Sanskrit**

Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott Copley Place-Wellesley (Third Level)

Shubha Pathak, American University, Presiding

Laurie Louise Patton, Middlebury College
Sanskrit as Personality Development: The Twentieth-Century Epics of Kshama Rao

Charles Preston, Millsaps College
Worshipping the Nation, Teaching the World: Imagining Audiences and Identities in Modern Sanskrit Poetry

Finnian Moore Gerety, Yale University
Amateur Hour: Innovation, Instruction, and Identity in Sanskrit Dramas of Kerala

Borayin Larios, Heidelberg University
Proud to Be Brahmin: Identity Construction and Self-Representation on Facebook

Responding:

Anne Monius, Harvard University

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Interreligious and Interfaith Studies Unit and Religion, Holocaust, and Genocide Unit

Theme: **Interreligious Solidarity and Collaboration**

Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton Boston Back Bay-Maverick B (Second Level)

Kate Temoney, Montclair State University, Presiding

Tazeen Ali, Boston University
Islamophobia and Anti-Semitism in America: Comparing Intersectional and Single-Issue Models of Interfaith Alliances

Jennifer Hancock, Dallas, TX
Faith Forward: "Enlightened" Interfaith Solidarities in Contest with White Nationalist "Deceptions" in Dallas

Larycia Hawkins, University of Virginia
Embodied Solidarity in Theopolitical Space: Interreligious Solidarity from below

Kristi Del Vecchio, Catholic Theological Union
Interreligious Environmentalism: Pragmatic Projects and Moral Competencies That Address Climate Change

James W. Perkinson, Ecumenical Theological Seminary
Interreligious Collaboration in the Struggle to Protect Water at the Strait: Indigenous Spirits Schooling Christian Texts in an Age of Climate Apocalypse

Business Meeting:

Jennifer Howe Peace, Andover Newton Theological School, and
Homayra Ziad, Institute for Islamic, Christian, and Jewish
Studies, Presiding

A20-121



Korean Religions Unit

Theme: **Medicine, Pluralism, and Nation: The Challenges and Opportunities for Religion in Modernity**

Monday, 9:00 AM–11:00 AM

Sheraton Boston-Beacon F (Third Level)

Sujung Kim, DePauw University, Presiding

Shin Kwon Kim, University of Oxford
A Religious Pathology or a Pathological Religion in Korea

John D. Dadosky, University of Toronto, and Jaechan Park,
University of Toronto
In Merton's Footsteps: Report and Reflection upon an Experiential Interreligious Encounter in South Korea

Ray Kim, Georgetown University
Islam in Korea: Past, Present, and Future

Hyun Hui Kim, Drew University
Remembering the Body of a South Korean Female Sex Worker: Imperialism, Nationalism, and Doing Feminist Theology from Within

Responding:

Timothy S. Lee, Texas Christian University

Business Meeting:

Debernire Torrey, University of Utah, Presiding

A20-122



Law, Religion, and Culture Unit

Theme: **Author Meets Critics: Tisa Wenger, *Religious Freedom: The Contested History of an American Ideal* (University of North Carolina Press, 2017)**

Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott Copley Place-Berkeley (Third Level)

Richard Amesbury, University of Zurich, Presiding

Panelists:

Anna Su, University of Toronto

Robert A. Yelle, University of Munich

Greg Johnson, University of Colorado

Responding:

Tisa Wenger, Yale University

Business Meeting:

Richard Amesbury, University of Zurich, Presiding

A20-123



Liberal Theologies Unit

Theme: **Liberal Theologies and Post-Truth Politics**

Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton Boston Back Bay-Westminster (Second Level)

Sarah Morice Brubaker, Phillips Theological Seminary, Presiding

Joel Harrison, Northwestern University
Matters of Concern and Ultimate Concern: Negotiating Facts with Values in the Post-Truth Era

David Bruner, Princeton Theological Seminary
Eberhard Jüngel, Metaphor, and the Post-Truth Moment

David Galston, Westar Institute
Is It Useless to Revolt? Raising Foucault's Question in Theology

Wouter Slob, University of Groningen
Post-Truth and Normativity

Business Meeting:

Sarah Morice Brubaker, Phillips Theological Seminary, Presiding

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A20-124

Mysticism Unit and Women and Religion Unit

Theme: **Mysticism and the Feminine**

Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hynes Convention Center-111 (Plaza Level)

Andrea Dara Cooper, University of North Carolina, Presiding

Minji Lee, Rice University

Vulnerable Womb Crossing Boundaries: Hildegard of Bingen's Mystical Representation of the Female Reproductive Body

Christine Libby, Indiana University

The Heart of the Matter: Rethinking Affective Mysticism

Zannah Breunig, University of North Carolina, Charlotte

Penetrating the Seventh Palace: Reading the Sexual Dimensions of The Hebrew Apocalypse of Enoch

Mary Louise Stone, Questa, NM

Andean Pachamama and Women: Though Vulnerable, Widespread and Ancestral Cultures Engage Modernity

Responding:

June McDaniel, College of Charleston

A20-125

Platonism and Neoplatonism Unit

Theme: **Eros and Ascent in the Ancient and Medieval World, Session II**

Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Sheraton Boston-Liberty C (Second Level)

John Kenney, Saint Michael's College, Presiding

Louis Ruprecht, Georgia State University

Plato's Tragicomic Ascent of the Soul

Syed Zaidi, Emory University

Eternity, Time, and Space in the Cosmologies of Plotinus and Mīr Dāmād

Alexander J.B. Hampton, University of Toronto

Romanticisation, Eros, and Ascent: Plotinian Influences on Novalis

A20-126

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Quaker Studies Unit

Theme: **Race, Gender, Class: Quakers in the Public Sphere**

Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Sheraton Boston-Fairfax B (Third Level)

Jon Kershner, University of Lancaster, Presiding

Maria Power, University of Liverpool

A Theology with Profound Political Possibilities: Quaker Contributions to British Christian Socialism and Its Debates around Pacifism

Guy Aiken, University of Virginia

"Some of These Days I'm Going to Turn into a Radical": The Early AFSC, Class, and Economic Justice

Nicholas Burton, Northumbria University, Donncha Kavanagh, University College, Dublin, and Martin Brigham, Lancaster University

The Decline of the Quakers in the World of Business: The Role of Corporate Ethics and the Law

David St John, University of Texas

Non-ownership Principles as Understood by Lay Practitioners of Jainism and Quakerism

Responding:

Sa'ed Atshan, Swarthmore College

Business Meeting:

Jon Kershner, University of Lancaster, Presiding

A20-127

Reformed Theology and History Unit

Theme: **The "Solus" in Reformed Traditions**

Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Sheraton Boston-The Fens (Fifth Level)

Christina Larsen, Grand Canyon University, Presiding

Bruce Pass, University of Edinburgh

Upholding Sola Scriptura Today: Some Unturned Stones in Herman Bavinck's Doctrine of Inspiration

Timothy Baylor, University of St. Andrews

Reforming the Glory of God: Solus Christus and the Necessity of the Cross

Kimlyn Bender, Baylor University

The Sola behind the Solas: The Unity of the Five Solas of the Reformation and a Proposal for Their Understanding

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Religion and Popular Culture Unit

Theme: **The Present State of Nostalgia: Religious Longings for the American Past**

Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hynes Convention Center-202 (Second Level)

Rabia Gregory, University of Missouri, Presiding

Samantha Kang, University of California, Santa Barbara
Good, Harmless Fun? A Critique of "Consumed Nostalgia"

Signe Cohen, University of Missouri

Fantastic Beasts and the Dangers of American Nostalgia

Meghan Johnston Aelabouni, Iliff School of Theology and University of Denver

Timeless Questions, Timely Answers: Time Travel as Ethical Response to the White Construction of American History

Jordan Conley, Boston University

Voting, Votive, Devotion: "I Voted" Stickers and the Ritual Reverberations of the Women's Suffrage Movement

Responding:

Lisle Dalton, Hartwick College

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Religion and the Social Sciences Unit

Theme: **Special Session Honoring the Scholarship of Nancy Ammerman**

Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hynes Convention Center-309 (Third Level)

Emily Sigalow, Duke University, and Jeffrey Guhin, University of California, Los Angeles, Presiding

Panelists:

Lydia Bean, Faith in Texas, Dallas, TX

Jaime Clark-Soles, Southern Methodist University

Arthur Farnsley, Indiana University-Purdue University, Indianapolis

Omar McRoberts, University of Chicago

James Nieman, Lutheran School of Theology, Chicago

Rosetta E. Ross, Spelman College

A20-130



Religion in Premodern Europe and the Mediterranean Unit

Theme: **The Social Positioning of Holy Figures**

Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott Copley Place-New Hampshire (Fifth Level)

Alan Verskin, University of Rhode Island, Presiding

Nathaniel Morehouse, John Carroll University
Equal to the Emperor: Constantine's Burial and the Elevation of the Apostles

Hadi Qazwini, University of Southern California
The Heir of the Biblical Prophets: Shi'ite Devotion to Imam Husayn and Karbala

Nicole Archambeau, Colorado State University
Protection Miracles in the Shifting Political Landscape of the Fourteenth-Century Western Mediterranean

Joseph Maurice Davis, Gratz College
Jewish Hagiography, Anti-hagiography, and Extended Families in Eighteenth-Century Prague

Responding:

Sara Ritchey, University of Louisiana, Lafayette

Business Meeting:

David Freidenreich, Colby College, Presiding

A20-131 – Pre-Posted Papers Session



Religion in the American West Unit

Theme: **The Religious Varieties of Westward Expansion**

Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hynes Convention Center-200 (Second Level)

Fay Botham, Hobart and William Smith Colleges, Presiding

James Dupey, Arizona State University
The Business of Building a Church: The Importance of Economic Advantage for Denomination Building in the Trans-Appalachian West

Danae Jacobson, University of Notre Dame
Imbricated Landscapes: North American Religious Sisters' Spiritual and Material Perceptions of the Land

Jeffrey Mahas, Joseph Smith Papers
"The Lamanites Will Be Our Friends": Mormon Eschatology and the Perception of American Indians in the Council of Fifty

Megan Leverage, Florida State University
"The Engineering of Souls": The Silicon Valley and the Exclusion of Women and People of Color

Responding:

Katherine Moran, Saint Louis University

Business Meeting:

John-Charles Duffy, Miami University, Presiding

A20-132



Religion, Media, and Culture Unit and Teaching Religion Unit and Theology and Religious Reflection Unit

Theme: **Teaching and Scholarship as Resistance in the Post-Truth Era**

Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott Copley Place-Arlington (Third Level)

Kathryn Reklis, Fordham University, and Stephanie Frank, Columbia College, Chicago, Presiding

Panelists:

Charles Mathewes, University of Virginia

Emilie M. Townes, Vanderbilt University

Laura S. Levitt, Temple University

Yannik Thiem, Villanova University

Janine Giordano Drake, University of Great Falls

Melissa Borja, City University of New York

Sarah Eltantawi, Evergreen State College

Todd Green, Luther College

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Religion, Memory, History Unit

Theme: **Making White Nostalgia “Great” Again: The Politics of Religion and Memory in the United States**

Monday, 9:00 AM–11:00 AM

Hynes Convention Center-109 (Plaza Level)

Roy Whitaker, San Diego State University, Presiding

Chase L. Way, Claremont Graduate University
Paleo-Confederate Theology: White Nostalgia, Religion, and Douglas Wilson’s Revision of the Southern Intellectual Tradition

Natalie Avalos, Connecticut College
“We’re Not All Immigrants”: The White Liberal Nostalgia of Immigrant Life

Michael Graziano, University of Northern Iowa
White Nostalgia, Religion, and U.S. National Security

Megan Goodwin, Syracuse University
Misremembrance of Muslims Past: #MAGA and White Conservative Countermemory

Responding:

Mathias Gardell, Uppsala University

Business Meeting:

Mona Hassan, Duke University, and Tim Langille, Arizona State University, Presiding

A20-134



Religion, Sport, and Play Unit

Theme: **Players, Politics, and Piety: Religion, Sports, and the State in Twentieth-Century America**

Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Sheraton Boston-Beacon A (Third Level)

James Dennis LoRusso, Princeton University, Presiding

Christa Schwind, University of Denver
Renegotiating American Yoga: A Narrative of Lifestyle Fitness

Adam Park, Florida State University
“Soldier Sport”: WWI and the YMCA’s Allied Boxing Program

M. Cooper Harriss, Indiana University
I Am America: Muhammad Ali’s Conversion to the State

Brad Stoddard, McDaniel College
“Behind the Walls”: Sports-Based Prison Ministries and the Carceral State

Responding:

Annie Blazer, College of William and Mary

Business Meeting:

Arthur Remillard, Saint Francis University, and Carmen Marie Nanko-Fernandez, Catholic Theological Union, Presiding

A20-135



Religions in the Latina/o Americas Unit

Theme: **Grassroots Religion: Ethnography, Resistance, and Sacred Presence**

Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Sheraton Boston-Beacon G (Third Level)

Daisy Vargas, University of California, Riverside, Presiding

Harold Morales, Morgan State University
El Cristo Guatemalteco de Baltimore: Theorizing “Presence” in Transnational Ways of Being-in-the-World

Rudy V. Busto, University of California, Santa Barbara
The Virgin of Guadalupe as Science Fiction

Laurel Marshall, Central American University
Actions Speak Louder Than Words: Christian Base Communities in the Construction of New Sacramental Theology

Matthew Casey, University of California, Davis
Andean Pastoral: An Indigenous Catholic Third Way in 1970s Peru

Petra Kuivala, University of Helsinki
Hidden Histories – The Catholic Experience in Cuban Revolutionary Reality

Responding:

Jessica Delgado, Princeton University

Business Meeting:

Chris Tirres, DePaul University, Presiding

A20-136

Science, Technology, and Religion Unit

Theme: **Religion and Science as Political Theology: Doing Interdisciplinary Scholarship in a “Post-truth” Society**

Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hynes Convention Center-205 (Second Level)

Jennifer Baldwin, Grounding Flight Wellness, Marietta, GA, Presiding

Whitney Bauman, Florida International University
Religion and Science as Critical Discourse: Postmodern Does Not Mean Post-truth

Craig A. Boyd, St. Louis University
Making America Humble Again: Humility and Magnanimity as Greatness in a Post-veridical World

Lisa L. Stenmark, San Jose State University
Modern Political Lying: Science and Religion as a Critical Discourse in a Post-truth World

Paul Allen, Concordia University
The Golden Mean in a Political Theology of Science and Religion

Philip Clayton, Claremont School of Theology
Confessions of a Recovering Objectivist: Religion/Science as Engaged Theology and Environmental Strategy

Ted Peters, Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary
Truth in Science, Faith, and Public Theology

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Study of Islam Unit

Theme: **New Graduate Research in Islamic Studies**

Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott Copley Place–Simmons (Third Level)

Frederick Colby, University of Oregon, Presiding

John Zaleski, Harvard University

The Transformation of Late Antique Ascetic Culture: Reimagining Fasting and Celibacy in Early Muslim Ascetic Literature

Ari M. Gordon, University of Pennsylvania

Sacred Orientation: The Qibla as Ritual, Metaphor, and Identity Marker in Early Islam

Rebecca Makas, Emory University

In Spite of Their Thoughts, Their Words Require Interpretation: Silence and Ineffability in Medieval Islamic Mysticism

Nicholas Boylston, Georgetown University

The Kaleidoscope of Reality: Rediscovering the Significance of Diversity in Twelfth Century Persian Philosophical Literature

Patrick D'Silva, University of North Carolina

The Power of the Breath in Persianate India

Josef Linnhoff, University of Edinburgh

What Does It Mean to "Associate" with God? Muslim Interpretations of Shirk

Ken Chitwood, University of Florida

Fluid Dynamics, Puerto Rican Muslims, and Global Islam

A20-138



Study of Judaism Unit

Theme: **Book Panel: Robert Erlewine's *Judaism and the West* (Indiana University Press, 2016)**

Monday, 9:00 AM–11:00 AM

Marriott Copley Place–Falmouth (Fourth Level)

Dustin Atlas, Al Quds Bard College for Arts and Sciences, Presiding

Martin Kavka, Florida State University

After Jewish Philosophy as a Normative Science

Larisa Reznik, University of Chicago

Master's Tools, Master's Houses, Mastery: Thinking with Judaism and the West about "Religion"

Susannah Heschel, Dartmouth College

The Prophetic Problem: Robert Erlewine's Analysis of Abraham Heschel's Critique of Biblical Scholarship

Responding:

Robert Erlewine, Illinois Wesleyan University

Business Meeting:

Paul Nahme, Brown University, and Sarah Imhoff, Indiana University, Presiding

A20-139

Theology and Continental Philosophy Unit

Theme: **Islamic Futures in Dialogue with Continental Thought**

Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott Copley Place–Grand A (Fourth Level)

Elizabeth R. Alexandrin, University of Manitoba, Presiding

Ali Altaf Mian, Seattle University

The Concept of Taqlid: A Philosophical Inquiry

Micah Hughes, University of North Carolina

The Bergsonian Mysticism of an Anatolian Socialist: Nurettin Topçu (1909–1975)

Basit Iqbal, University of California, Berkeley

Toward a Psychoanalytics of Tribulation

Mehnaz Afridi, Manhattan College

Mourning, Melancholia, and Nostalgia within Islamic Literature

Responding:

Richard McGregor, Vanderbilt University

A20-140



Vatican II Studies Unit

Theme: **The Contributions of John O'Malley, SJ to the Critical Study of Vatican II**

Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Sheraton Boston–Gardner (Third Level)

Gerard Mannion, Georgetown University, Presiding

Catherine E. Clifford, Saint Paul University

Style is Substance: John W. O'Malley's Contribution to the Study and Interpretation of Vatican II

David A. Stosur, Cardinal Stritch University

A Tale of Two Translations: Rhetorical Style and the Post-conciliar English Translations of the Mass

Brenna Moore, Fordham University

What Happens When We See Them through the Lens of the Council? John W. O'Malley, "Parishization", and Vatican II

Ormond Rush, Australian Catholic University

Pope Francis as an Interpreter of Vatican II: On Implementing the Council's Style and Substance

Responding:

John O'Malley, Georgetown University

Business Meeting:

Massimo Faggioli, Villanova University, Presiding

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Womanist Approaches to Religion and Society Unit

Theme: **Womanist Ways of Advocacy: Public Policy and Re-envisioning the Black Social Gospel**

Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hynes Convention Center-310 (Third Level)

Michele Watkins, Iliff School of Theology, Presiding

Carla Jean-McNeil Jackson, North Chesterfield, VA
Rhythm, Rhyme, and Representation: The Role of Black Women Artists in Political Resistance

Marcia Riggs, Columbia Theological Seminary
Envisioning and Practicing Beloved Community in the Twenty-first Century

Melanie Jones, Chicago Theological Seminary
Bodies on the Line: Should Black Women Reclaim the Legacy of Warrior Women of Dahomey?

Responding:

Stacey Floyd-Thomas, Vanderbilt University

Eboni Marshall Turman, Yale University

Business Meeting:

Teresa L. Fry Brown, Emory University, and Cheryl A. Kirk-Duggan, Shaw University, Presiding

A20-142



Exploratory Sessions

Theme: **Religion, Diaspora, and the Homeland: Theorizing the Religious in Diaspora and the Diasporic in Religion**

Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Sheraton Boston-Republic B (Second Level)

Torang Asadi, Duke University, Presiding

Panelists:

Cristina Rocha, Western Sydney University

Elena Kravchenko, Washington University, St. Louis

Katherine Merriman, University of North Carolina

Hunter Bandy, Duke University

A20-143



Exploratory Sessions

Theme: **Religion and War**

Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hynes Convention Center-203 (Second Level)

Joshua Jeffery, University of Tennessee, Presiding

The subject of “Religion and War” has become an increasingly studied area in recent years, especially in the subfields of religious history, ethics, and theology. The substantial increase in the output of monographs and articles on this topic, coupled with the ever-increasing risk of localized, regional, and even global war and the role religion plays in these conflicts, warrants the creation of a permanent unit that studies the relationship between religion and war. This exploratory panel announces our intention to create a new “Religion and War Unit” in the AAR, by focusing on the relationship between these two human phenomena in the context of World War I, in this year which commemorates the 100th Anniversary of the United States entering the conflict. Papers will interrogate how religion supported, challenged, sustained, and disrupted war between state and non-state polities in the context of the Great War and its aftermath, 1916–1921.

Matthew Kosuta, Mahidol University

The War to End All Wars and Modern Religious Militarism

John Chappo, Pennsylvania College of Technology

From The Shade of the Trees to “No Man’s Land”: Alfred Joyce Kilmer as Poet, Lecturer, and Soldier

John Laaman, Auburn University

All That Is Unfit to Print: Churches of Christ Editors in the Great War

Carlos Alves Lopes, University of Lisbon

The Internal Front and “Religious War”

Responding:

William E. Kooi, Oklahoma Christian University

A20-144



Exploratory Sessions

Theme: **The Path Ahead for Academic Centers on Religion and Public Life**

Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott Copley Place-Columbus I & II (First Level)

Erik Owens, Boston College, and R. Marie Griffith, Washington University, St. Louis, Presiding

Over the past three decades a small ecosystem of centers for religion and public life has developed in colleges and universities in the U.S. and around the world. Beyond a shared underlying mission to enhance the public understanding of religion, these centers vary widely in mission, scope, size, and institutional setting, and they rarely collaborate with one another. This session at the Annual Meeting convenes a working group of leaders of such centers in an effort to find common cause, share best practices (and pitfalls), and discuss the future of our work. Among the topics for discussion: Which publics are we addressing? What are our civic and moral obligations as scholars of religion and public life? How do we know if we are successful? What’s the proper role for political advocacy? Can we work together on any of this?

Panelists:

John D. Carlson, Arizona State University

Michael Kessler, Georgetown University

Emma Tomalin, University of Leeds

Josef Sorett, Columbia University

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A20-145

Academic Labor and Contingent Faculty Committee Meeting

Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hynes Convention Center-301 (Third Level)

Kerry Danner, Georgetown University, and Edwin David Aponte, Louisville Institute, Louisville, KY, Presiding

A20-152/S20-137

Traditions of Eastern Late Antiquity Unit, SBL Pseudepigrapha Unit, and SBL Digital Humanities in Biblical, Early Jewish, and Christian Studies Unit

Theme: Multi-spectral Imaging and the Recovery of “Lost” Texts from Palimpsests

Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Sheraton Boston-Fairfax A (Third Level)

James McGrath, Butler University, Presiding

Michael Phelps, Early Manuscripts Electronic Library
The Sinai Palimpsests Project: The Recovery of Erased Texts in the World's Oldest Library

Keith Knox, Rochester Institute of Technology
Scholars and Scientists Working Together to Recover Erased Text

Todd R. Hanneken, Saint Mary's University, San Antonio
The Jubilees Palimpsest Project

Ted Erho, University of Munich
Ethiopic Palimpsests and the Curious Case of Petermann II Nachtr. 24

Loren Stuckenbruck, University of Munich
The Recoverable Text to 1 Enoch in Petermann II Nachtrag 24

Roger L. Easton, Rochester Institute of Technology
Spectral Image Processing Methods for Recovering Damaged Text

A20-153



Plenary Panel

Theme: **Forcibly Displaced Syrians and Iraqis: What to Know about the Crisis and What You as a Religion Scholar Can Do**

Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Sheraton Boston-Grand & Independence (Second Level)

Eddie S. Glaude, Princeton University, Presiding

The current situation involving forcibly displaced persons constitutes the largest humanitarian crisis since World War II. There are, for example, more than 6 million Syrian refugees and more than 3 million internally displaced Iraqis. The centerpiece of this session will be a video conversation with Syrian refugees and/or displaced Iraqis speaking live from an audio-visual studio at a displaced persons camp in Iraq or from a studio in Jordan or Germany. The AAR's aim in arranging this conversation is to provide a platform for them to voice their thoughts and concerns directly to us so that we are better informed in a way that helps us respond more effectively to the crisis.

From the Boston side, the conversation with them will be facilitated by Amir Hussain and Alice Su. Prior to the conversation, Sarah Tobin and Mark Juergensmeyer will provide background on Syria and Iraq and the religious dimensions of the crisis. After the conversation, Diane Moore will discuss ways scholars of religion can address the crisis, and the panelists will take questions from the audience.

Sarah Tobin is an anthropologist with expertise on Islam and gender in the Middle East. She spent two years conducting research with Syrian refugees in Jordanian camps and is the author of the forthcoming *Privatizing Resilience: Syrian Refugees in Jordan*. Mark Juergensmeyer is a sociologist who focuses on nationalism and global religious violence. He has interviewed, and blogged about, refugees in several camps in Iraq. Amir Hussain is a professor of theology who focuses on contemporary Islam in North America and is the author of the chapter “Toward a Muslim Theology of Migration” in *Theology of Migration in the Abrahamic Religions*. Alice Su is an independent journalist who won the 2014 UN Correspondents Association Award and a grant from the Pulitzer Center for her newswriting on refugees in Jordan and Tunisia. Diane Moore is Director of the Religious Literacy Project; Lecturer on Religion, Conflict, and Peace; and principal investigator for the Religious Literacy and Humanitarian Action Research Project at Harvard Divinity School.

Panelists:

Sarah Tobin, Christian Michelsen Institute, Bergen, Norway

Mark Juergensmeyer, University of California, Santa Barbara

Amir Hussain, Loyola Marymount University

Alice Su, Pulitzer Center on Crisis Reporting

Diane L. Moore, Harvard University

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Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion

Theme: **Grant Design Conversations**

Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hynes Convention Center-107 (Plaza 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 in the Convention Center Room 107 on both Sunday, Nov. 19 and Monday, Nov. 20 from 9:00 AM to 11:30 AM to meet with one of the Wabash Center Staff. We are scheduling appointments ahead of time. Please write Beth Reffett (reffettb@wabash.edu) to schedule a time to meet with us.

For more info go to <http://bit.ly/2rZBD7C>.

P20-143

Society for Pentecostal Studies

Theme: **Pentecostal Reflections on Text and Method in the New Testament**

Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott Copley Place-Hyannis (Fourth Level)

Melissa Archer, Southeastern University, Presiding

Chris Green, Pentecostal Theological Seminary
The Present Tense of Calvary: Trinity, Time, and Sacrament

Hannah Mather, London School of Theology
Spirit Hermeneutics: Avenues for Further Research

Mark Cartledge, Regent University
Anointed to Proclaim Good News to the Poor (Luke 4.14-30): Towards a Renewal Public Theology

P20-144

Søren Kierkegaard Society

Theme: **Kierkegaard, Crisis, and the Future of Revelation**

Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott Copley Place-Orleans (Fourth Level)

Andres Roberto Albertsen, Luther Seminary, Presiding

This session of papers features interdisciplinary approaches to the concept of revelation in Kierkegaard's writings and in his hermeneutical approaches to the Bible. The papers attend to the way that "crisis" functions existentially and religiously in Kierkegaard's biblical hermeneutic — with applicable insights for today.

Deidre Green, St. Olaf College
God's Blackened Breast: The Revelation of the Cross

Carl Hughes, Texas Lutheran University
Extending Sinai's Darkness: From the Bible as Source to the Bible as Model

Lee Barrett, Lancaster Theological Seminary
Can Kierkegaard's Hermeneutic Survive Neo-populism?

A20-146/S20-151a



Student Lounge Roundtable

Theme: **Writing Successful Grant Applications: Dos and Don'ts**

Monday, 10:30 AM–12:00 PM

Hynes Convention Center-303 (Third Level)

Applying for academic grants and external funding is a daunting task. The competition is fierce with an average of 5–10% acceptance rate. The difference between successful and unsuccessful funding is often minor. On the applicant's side, the effort involved in producing a grant proposal is labor intensive and comparably more strenuous than writing your dissertation proposal. Moreover, theoretical and methodological considerations must be determined beforehand. So why bother? Aside from the fact that university and college administrations encourage professors to seek external funding to supplement faculty resources and often tie successful application to merit review and promotion, the value for researchers is that they can conduct important work that leads to new knowledge. In this discussion, I will draw on my experience as a peer reviewer who has evaluated research grants for different funding agencies and my own success in securing grants to offer tips on how to make successful applications.

Panelists:

Peter Althouse, Southeastern University



Coffee Break

Monday, 11:30 AM

Complimentary coffee will be served in the back of Aisle 2100 and Aisle 2600 of the Exhibit Hall.

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Program Committee Meeting

Monday, 11:45 AM–12:45 PM

Offsite

Kathryn McClymond, Georgia State University, Presiding

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Connecting Conversations Luncheon

Monday, 11:45 AM–12:45 PM

Hynes Convention Center-302 (Third 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 lunch will follow our session on *Toilet Justice: Peeing and the Politics of Marginalized Bodies*. Please join us Monday, November 20, 11:45 AM–12:45 PM to continue the conversation about the intersection of activism and the Academy, as well as to discuss other issues related to disability and academic life. The luncheon will also offer opportunities for mentoring and informal connections with colleagues. Registration for the lunch costs \$13 and is limited to 60 people.

A20-150



Women's Caucus Business Meeting

Monday, 11:45 AM–12:45 PM

Hynes Convention Center-305 (Third Level)

Alicia Panganiban, Princeton Theological Seminary, and Elizabeth Ursic, Mesa Community College, Presiding

Come join in the Women's Caucus Business Meeting. We will be reviewing feedback from this year's panels, discussing our ongoing projects, establishing the Women's Caucus leadership team for 2018 and making plans for next year's conference. All are welcome.

Panelists:

Julia Berger, University of Kent

Kathryn Common, Boston University

Elaine Nogueira-Godsey, Methodist Theological School, Ohio

Rosemarie Daher Kowalski, Northwest University

Colleen D. Hartung, Holy Wisdom Monastery, Middleton, WI

Anne Hillman, Boston University

Meredith Minister, Shenandoah University

Jea Sophia Oh, West Chester University, Pennsylvania

Janice Poss, Claremont Graduate University

Theresa Yugar, California State University, Los Angeles

A20-147



Plenaries

Theme: **Linda Sarsour**

Monday, 11:45 AM–12:45 PM

Sheraton Boston-Grand & Independence (Second Level)

Eddie S. Glaude, Princeton University, Presiding



Linda Sarsour

Linda Sarsour is a working woman, racial justice and civil rights activist, and mother of three. Ambitious, outspoken and independent, Linda shatters stereotypes of Muslim women while also treasuring her religious and ethnic heritage. She is a Palestinian Muslim American and a self-proclaimed "pure New Yorker, born and raised in Brooklyn!" She is the Executive Director of the Arab American Association of New York and co-founder of the first Muslim online organizing platform, MPOWER Change. Linda has been at the forefront of major civil rights campaigns including calling for an end to unwarranted surveillance of New York's Muslim communities and ending police policies like stop and frisk. In wake of the police murder of Mike Brown, she co-founded Muslims for Ferguson to build solidarity amongst American Muslim communities and encourage work against police brutality. She is a member of the Justice League NYC, a leading NYC force of activists, formerly incarcerated individuals, and artists working to reform the New York Police Department and the criminal justice system.

Linda co-chaired the March2Justice, a 250-mile journey on foot to deliver a justice package to end racial profiling, demilitarize police and demand the government invest in young people and communities. Linda Sarsour was instrumental in the Coalition for Muslim School Holidays to push New York City to incorporate 2 Muslim high holy holidays in to the NYC Public school calendar. This year, New York City will be the largest school system in the country to officially recognize these holidays. This year, Linda joined leading social justice faith leaders as a Senior Fellow at Auburn Seminary.

She has received numerous awards and honors including "Champion of Change" by the White House, YWCA USA's Women of Distinction Award for Advocacy and Civic Engagement and the Hala Maksoud Leadership Award from the American Arab Anti-Discrimination Committee. Sarsour was named among 500 of the most influential Muslims in the world. Most recently, Linda was profiled on the front page of the *New York Times* Metro Section and dubbed "Brooklyn Homegirl in a Hijab" and introduced Linda to their readership as "Mixing street smarts, activism and her Muslim identity, Linda Sarsour has become a political force". She has written for and has been featured in local, national, and international media discussing impact of domestic policies that target Arab and Muslim American communities, criminal justice issues and Middle East affairs. Linda is well respected amongst diverse communities in both in New York City and nationally. She is most known for her intersectional coalition work and building bridges across issues, racial, ethnic and faith communities.

Panelists:

Linda Sarsour, MPower Change

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Student Lounge Roundtable

Theme: **Balancing Graduate School with Other Dimensions of Life and Identity**

Monday, 12:00 PM–1:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center-303 (Third Level)

In this rountable session, Nicholas Werse discusses how to fulfill academic responsibilities that come with graduate school (teaching, researching, studying and publishing) while maintaining one's health and well-being. He provides practical tips on and discusses the benefits of incorporating extra-curricular activities into our daily routine.

Panelists:

Nicholas Werse, Baylor University

Monday, 1:00 PM–3:00 PM

A20-200

Program Committee and Public Understanding of Religion Committee

Theme: **Religion on Television: Production, Positives and Perils/Pitfalls**

Monday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Sheraton Boston-Grand & Independence (Second Level)

Shreena Gandhi, Michigan State University, Presiding

This panel is on the different approaches scholars of religion are taking in presenting religion and the study of religion to a wider audience on television. Reza Aslan (*Prayer in America, The Secret Life of Muslims, and Believer*), Amir Hussain (*The Story of God with Morgan Freeman*), Candida Moss (*Bible Secrets Revealed, Greatest Mysteries, and Finding Jesus: Faith. Fact. Forgery*), Vanessa Ochs (*Religion and Ethics Newsweekly*), and Stephen Prothero (*God in America*) are all experts in this area, and will answer questions about their experiences on being a part of these programs, as well as being invited guests on various news and talk shows. The goal of this panel is to generate a robust discussion, during which the panelists will respond to some preliminary questions, but will also take questions from each other and the audience. The moderator will ask them to consider: what were your hopes and expectations, what challenges did you face, and what lessons did you learn, in the process of producing these programs for a general, often non-academic, audience? Further, what was the reception, both popular and scholarly, of your program, and what changes would you make if you had the chance/moving forward? Do the theoretical discussions and expectations of the academic study of religion translate to popular representations of religion, or is that perhaps, a false binary? What other concerns regarding religious representation, scholarly responsibility or popular prejudices did you find you had to address when in the midst of program production?

Through this discussion, we hope to give some insight into the complicated processes of presenting religion for a wider audience, but also think through the role of religious studies scholars during these times when religions are often demonized, exoticized, misappropriated, misrepresented and misunderstood in the media and popular culture.

Panelists:

Reza Aslan, University of California, Riverside

Amir Hussain, Loyola Marymount University

Candida Moss, University of Birmingham

Vanessa Ochs, University of Virginia

Stephen Prothero, Boston University

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Theological Education Committee, Comparative Approaches to Religion and Violence Unit, Islam, Gender, Women Unit, Law, Religion, and Culture Unit, and Religion and Politics Unit

Theme: **Religion and Conflict under the Trump Administration**

Monday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Sheraton Boston-Republic B (Second Level)

Julie J. Ingersoll, University of North Florida, Presiding

This roundtable examines the role of the Trump Administration in the 2017 intersections of religion and conflict.

Panelists:

Mark Juergensmeyer, University of California, Santa Barbara

Winnifred Sullivan, Indiana University

David Carrasco, Harvard University

Terrence Johnson, Georgetown University

Susan Hayward, Georgetown University, United States Institute of Peace, Washington, D.C.

Nadia Marzouki, Harvard University

A20-202



Baha'i Studies Unit

Theme: **Religion and Public Discourse in an Age of Transition**

Monday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Marriott Copley Place-Columbus I & II (First Level)

Robert H. Stockman, Indiana University, South Bend, Presiding

Benjamin Schewel, University of Virginia
Religion in an Age of Transition

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

Michael Karlberg, Western Washington University
Beyond Non-Violent Opposition: The Bahá'í Experience of Constructive Resilience

Geoffrey Cameron, University of Toronto
The Bahá'í Community and Public Policy: The Bahá'í Refugee Resettlement Program (1981–1989)

Business Meeting:

Robert H. Stockman, Indiana University, South Bend, and Susan Maneck, Jackson State University, Presiding

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A20-203

Childhood Studies and Religion Unit

Theme: **Representations of Religious Children in Literature**

Monday, 1:00 PM–3:00 PM

Sheraton Boston-Boston Common (Fifth Level)

Sailaja Krishnamurti, Saint Mary's University, Presiding

Meredith Ross, Florida State University

Cassie or Rachel? Shifting Representations of Teen Faith at Columbine

Jesse Zink, University of Cambridge

The Literature of the Lost Boys of Sudan: Depiction of African Childhood and Religion in American Christianity

Samira Mehta, Albright College

Picture Books and the Raising of Children in Christian-Jewish Interfaith Families

Russell Dalton, Brite Divinity School

The Children of the Bible as Taught to American Children

Responding:

Wendy Love Anderson, Washington University, Saint Louis

A20-204

Christian Systematic Theology Unit

Theme: **Reformed Traditions**

Monday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton Boston Back Bay-Westminster (Second Level)

Daniel Wade McClain, Loyola University, Maryland, Presiding

Ross Kane, University of Virginia

Reforming "Tradition": A Protestant Account of Spirited Continuity

Justin Heinzekehr, Goshen College

A Punctuated Fecundity: Children and Tradition in the Radical Reformation

Andrew Forsyth, Yale University

New Traditions of Natural Law? The Reformed Confessions of Faith

A20-205



Cognitive Science of Religion Unit

Theme: **Cognitive Historiography of Religion: What Is It? What's the Point? And How Do You Do It?**

Monday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Sheraton Boston-The Fens (Fifth Level)

Ann Taves, University of California, Santa Barbara, Presiding

Luther H. Martin, University of Vermont

Cognitive Historiography (of Religions)

Edward Slingerland, University of British Columbia

Cognitive Historiography Meets Big Data: A Large-Scale Textual Analysis Approach to Mind-Body Dualism in Early China

Travis Chilcott, Iowa State University

Modulating Desires through Devotion: Cognitive Historiography, Hindu Devotionalism, and the Science of Managing Desire

Willoughby Britton, Brown University, and Jared Lindahl, Brown University

Buddhist Meditation and Fear: A Cognitive Model of Arousal and Hypersensitivity

Responding:

Daniel L. Smail, Harvard University

Business Meeting:

Travis Chilcott, Iowa State University, and Claire White, California State University, Northridge, Presiding

A20-206

Comparative Religious Ethics Unit

Theme: **Solidarity, Resistance, and Freedom in Comparative Perspective**

Monday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Sheraton Boston-Liberty B (Second Level)

Jung Lee, Northeastern University, Presiding

David Decosimo, Boston University

In Defense of Big Comparison: Why the Arguments against Comparing Entire Religious Traditions Don't Succeed

Laura Alexander, University of Nebraska, Omaha

(The Image of) God in All of Us: Putting Sikh and Christian Humanitarian Responses to the Refugee Crisis in Conversation

Won Chul Shin, Emory University

Must Resist Totalitarian Sickness: Women's Moral Protest under the Totalitarian Regime in South Korea, 1970–1979

Faraz Sheikh, College of William and Mary

Conceptualizing Freedom of Religion in Early Islamic Thought: Al-Muhasibi's "Mind Your Own Subjectivity" Approach to Others

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A20-207

Comparative Studies in Religion Unit

Theme: **Contemporary Perspectives on a “Perennial” Figure: The Intellectual Legacy of the Late Huston Smith (1919–2016)**

Monday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Sheraton Boston-Back Bay C (Second Level)

Kathryn McClymond, Georgia State University, Presiding

Panelists:

- Dana Waide Sawyer, Maine College of Art
- Naomi R. Goldenberg, University of Ottawa
- Kimberley Patton, Harvard University
- Jonathan Herman, Georgia State University
- James S. Cutsinger, University of South Carolina
- Russell T. McCutcheon, University of Alabama
- Arvind Sharma, McGill University

A20-208

Daoist Studies Unit and Ritual Studies Unit

Theme: **From Another World: A Conversation between Daoism and Ritual Theory**

Monday, 1:00 PM–3:00 PM

Hynes Convention Center-205 (Second Level)

David Mozina, Boston College, Presiding

- Tobias Zuern, Washington University, St. Louis
Ritual Embodiment of the Way and Resonating Correspondences in the Huainanzi
- Joshua Capitanio, Stanford University
Sincerity and the Subjunctive in a Daoist Ritual Manual
- Michael Naparstek, University of Wisconsin
Consummate Bodies: A Prolegomenon to a Daoist Ritual Theory of the Senses
- Mark Meulenbeld, University of Wisconsin
Categories of Culture: Daoist Ritual and Modernity in Villages of Central Hunan

A20-209

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Death, Dying, and Beyond Unit and Religion, Film, and Visual Culture Unit

Theme: **Superheroes, Where Is Thy Sting?**

Monday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Sheraton Boston-Gardner (Third Level)

A. David Lewis, MCPHS University, Presiding

- Ken Derry, University of Toronto
Its Rider's Name Was Death: Superman's Apocalyptic Colonialism
- Adam D. J. Brett, Syracuse University
The Monstrosity of Messianism in Zack Snyder's Man of Steel and Batman vs. Superman
- Aaron Ricker, McGill University
Death, Dying, and Beyond in Mike Mignola's Hellboy

Michael Nichols, Saint Joseph's College

Dead Again: Buffy the Vampire Slayer and Mortality

Responding:

Candi Cann, Baylor University

A20-210

Feminist Theory and Religious Reflection Unit and Lesbian-Feminisms and Religion Unit and Women of Color Scholarship, Teaching, and Activism Unit

Theme: **Spinning Survival with the Word and Methodolatry: Reflections and Critiques on the Legacy of Mary Daly**

Monday, 1:00 PM–3:00 PM

Sheraton Boston-Beacon B (Third Level)

Marie Cartier, California State University, Northridge, Presiding

Zachary Settle, Vanderbilt University
Spinning Survival with Witch Words: What Mary Daly Taught Me About Theological Language

Sheila Briggs, University of Southern California
Methodolatry: Mary Daly and Feminist Theory

Katy Guillen, University of Houston, Downtown
The Word as Feminist Intervention

Responding:

Jennifer Rycenga, San Jose State University

Linda Barufaldi, San Diego, CA

A20-211

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History of Christianity Unit and Religion in Premodern Europe and the Mediterranean Unit

Theme: **Disciplinary Approaches to Baptism in Medieval Europe**

Monday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Marriott Copley Place-Vineyard (Fourth Level)

John Baldovin, Boston College, Presiding

Fran Altvater, University of Hartford
The Not-so-Far North: Scandinavian Baptismal Fonts in Context

Carolyn Twomey, Boston College
Baptism in the Great Rebuilding: The Origins of Medieval Fonts in England

Julia Perratore, Fordham University
Medieval Baptism and Community in Romanesque Iberia

Nicole Reibe, Boston College
Baptizing Solomon: Liturgical Uses of King Solomon in the Twelfth Century

Responding:

Marcia Colish, Yale University

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A20-212

Human Enhancement and Transhumanism Unit and Religion and Science Fiction Unit

Theme: **Religion, Science Fiction, and Transhumanism**

Monday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center-202 (Second Level)

Tracy J. Trothen, Queen's University, Kingston, Presiding

Juli Gittinger, Georgia College
Personhood in the HBO Series Westworld

Robert Geraci, Manhattan College
Anchoring the Future: Transhumanism in Indian Science Fiction

Victoria Lorrimar, University of Oxford
Science Fiction, Theology, and Human Technological Enhancement

Jeff Appel, University of Denver

Benjamin Peters, University of Denver
Smearing the Boundary: A Materiality of Soul in Kim Stanley Robinson's Aurora

Responding:

Sean O'Callaghan, Salve Regina University

A20-213



Indigenous Religious Traditions Unit

Theme: **Indigenous Methodologies: Translating Words, Inhabiting Worlds**

Monday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Sheraton Boston-Berkeley (Third Level)

Siv Ellen Kraft, University of Tromsø, Presiding

Panelists:

Robert M. Baum, Dartmouth College

Greg Johnson, University of Colorado

Gregory D. Alles, McDaniel College

Afe Adogame, Princeton Theological Seminary

Natalie Avalos, Connecticut College

Liudmila Nikanorova, University of Tromsø

Bjorn Ola Tafjord, University of Tromsø

Business Meeting:

Gregory D. Alles, McDaniel College, and Gabriel Estrada, California State University, Presiding

A20-214



International Development and Religion Unit

Theme: **Risk, Religion, and Vulnerability in the Context of International Economic Development**

Monday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Marriott Copley Place-Arlington (Third Level)

Emma Tomalin, University of Leeds, Presiding

David Kupp, University of Toronto
Seeking the Good City: Urban Fragmentation's Challenge to Development and Religion

Alison Lutz, Vanderbilt University
Whose Imagination, Whose Failure?: The Agency of the Dispossessed and Global Health Equity

Willem Fourie, University of Pretoria
Protecting the Poor or Propping up the Powerful? On Religion and Official Development Assistance

Olivia Wilkinson, Trinity College, Dublin
Religion, Risk, and Vulnerability Following Disaster: The Case of Typhoon Haiyan in the Philippines

Responding:

Jill DeTemple, Southern Methodist University

Business Meeting:

Christopher Duncanson-Hales, University of Sudbury, Presiding

A20-215

Interreligious and Interfaith Studies Unit

Theme: **Perry Schmidt-Leukel's Fractal Interpretation of Religious Diversity**

Monday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Marriott Copley Place-Wellesley (Third Level)

Paul Knitter, Union Theological Seminary, Presiding

Jerusha Lampsey, Union Theological Seminary
Feminist Fractals? Perry Schmidt-Leukel's Fractal Interpretation of Religious Diversity and Comparative Feminist Theology

Francis X. Clooney, Harvard University
Perry Schmidt-Leukel's Religious Pluralism and Interreligious Theology

Jennifer Howe Peace, Andover Newton Theological School
Interreligious Studies and a Fractal Interpretation of Religious Diversity

John Makransky, Boston College
A Buddhist Fractal Approach to Interreligious Theology

Kenneth T. Rose, Christopher Newport University
Perry Schmidt-Leukel's Fractal Interpretation of Religious Diversity: Moving Beyond Stalemates in the Theology of Religions and Comparative Theology

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Perry Schmidt-Leukel, University of Münster
A Fractal Interpretation of Religious Diversity

A20-216



Latina/o Religion, Culture, and Society Unit

Theme: **Protest and Accommodation: Latinx Responses to the Protestant Reformations**

Monday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center-104 (Plaza Level)

Lauren Frances Guerra, Southern Methodist University, Presiding

Panelists:

Sammy Alfaro, Grand Canyon Theological Seminary

Matilde Moros, Virginia Commonwealth University

Responding:

Néstor Medina, University of Toronto

Business Meeting:

Jeremy V. Cruz, St. John's University, New York, and Sammy Alfaro, Grand Canyon Theological Seminary, Presiding

A20-217



Men, Masculinities, and Religions Unit

Theme: **Voice of the Voiceless: Music, Gender and Power in the Middle East and South Asia**

Monday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Sheraton Boston-Liberty C (Second Level)

Linda G. Jones, University of Pompeu Fabra, Presiding

Hamilton Cook, Emory University
Have No Fear—All Is One!: Turkish Metal Band Songs as Spiritual Weapons of the Weak

Summar Shoaib, Emory University
Making Their Voices Heard: Minhaj ul Qur'an Women and Na'at Recitation

Isaac Foster, Emory University
The Down-Trodden: Heavy Metal in South India and Hindu Male Voices of the Voiceless

Amanullah De Soudy, University College, Cork
Madam Noor Jehan: Islam, Music, Queer Identities and the Vulnerable in Pakistan

Scott A. Kugle, Emory University
Singing of Transgressive Love: Vulnerable Voices in Qawwali

Responding:

Regula Qureshi, University of Alberta

Business Meeting:

Amanullah De Soudy, University College Cork, and Linda G. Jones, University of Pompeu Fabra, Presiding

A20-218



Moral Injury and Recovery in Religion, Society, and Culture Unit and Psychology, Culture, and Religion Unit

Theme: **Twenty-five Years of Judith Herman's *Trauma and Recovery* (Basic Books, 1992)**

Monday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Sheraton Boston-Constitution A (Second Level)

Gabriella Lettini, Starr King School for the Ministry, Presiding

Daniel Mocer, Graduate Theological Union
A Rising Tide Lifts All Boats: Judith Herman, Complex Trauma, and a Legacy of Healing

Michelle A. Walsh, Boston University
Opening the Cross-Cultural Door: Interdisciplinary Implications of Herman's Work for Lived Religion Studies

Brandy Daniels, Vanderbilt University
Tracking the Undertow Only So Far? Witnessing (and) Mourning in Theological Engagements with, and beyond, Trauma

Jennifer Baldwin, Grounding Flight Wellness, Marietta, GA
Resiliency of Mind, Body, and Spirit: Tracing the Wisdoms of Judith Herman, Bessel van der Kolk, and Embodied Spiritual Practices for Constructing Trauma Sensitive Theology and Praxis

Responding:

Judith Herman, Harvard University

A20-219



Mormon Studies Unit

Theme: **Author Meets Critics: Laurel Thatcher Ulrich, *A House Full of Females: Plural Marriage and Women's Rights in Early Mormonism, 1835-1870* (Knopf, 2017)**

Monday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center-203 (Second Level)

Colleen McDannell, University of Utah, Presiding

Patrick Mason, Claremont Graduate University
Mormon Women, Mormon Feminism, and Mormon Studies

Debra Majeed, Beloit College
Polygyny in the World of African American Muslims

David Walker, University of California, Santa Barbara
Plural Marriage and the Study of Religion

Business Meeting:

Spencer Fluhman, Brigham Young University, and Colleen McDannell, University of Utah, Presiding

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Nineteenth Century Theology Unit

Theme: **Ted Vial's *Modern Religion, Modern Race* (Oxford University Press, 2016)**

Monday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center-306 (Third Level)

Lori K. Pearson, Carleton College, Presiding

Panelists:

- J. Kameron Carter, Duke University
- Tyler T. Roberts, Grinnell College
- Amy M. Hollywood, Harvard University
- Susannah Heschel, Dartmouth College

Responding:

Theodore Vial, Iliff School of Theology

Business Meeting:

Todd Gooch, Eastern Kentucky University, Presiding

A20-221



North American Hinduism Unit

Theme: **Hinduism and Transnational Religions: Theories and Methods**

Monday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center-209 (Second Level)

Anya Pokazanyeva Foxen, California Polytechnic State University, Presiding

Panelists:

- Jennifer B. Saunders, Fairfield University
- Claire Robison, University of California, Santa Barbara
- Arun Brahmbhatt, University of Toronto
- Andrea Jain, Indiana University-Purdue University, Indianapolis

Business Meeting:

Michael Altman, University of Alabama, and Anya Pokazanyeva Foxen, California Polytechnic State University, Presiding

A20-222

North American Religions Unit

Theme: **Making Difference: Religion and Disability in the United States**

Monday, 1:00 PM–3:00 PM

Hynes Convention Center-102 (Plaza Level)

Julia Watts Belser, Georgetown University, Presiding

Sarah Imhoff, Indiana University
Disability Studies Needs Religion: Lessons from a Queer Crippled Jew

Darla Schumm, Hollins University
Misfitting as a Practice of Justice: Religion, Disability, and Community in the U.S.

Andrew Walker-Cornetta, Princeton University
Aware of Angels: Reflections on Studying Religion and Disability

Anthony Petro, Boston University
Bob Flanagan's Crip Catholicism

A20-223



Philosophy of Religion Unit

Theme: **Ecology in Philosophy of Religion**

Monday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center-109 (Plaza Level)

Nicholas Friesner, Brown University, Presiding

Liane Carlson, Princeton University
"Whoever Has No Religion Should Not Be Called an Atheist or Unbeliever, but Negligent": Michel Serres and Theological Ecology

Sam Mickey, University of San Francisco
A Place for Ecological Democracy in Whitehead's Philosophy of Religion and Ecology

Jacob Sherman, University of Cambridge
Nature after Nature: Ecology, Religion, and the Anthropocene

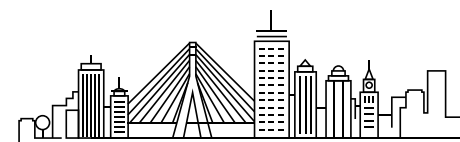
Joanna Leidenhag, University of Edinburgh, and Mikael Leidenhag, University of Edinburgh
Panpsychism, Ecology, and Religion: Is Panpsychism an Ecological Philosophy of Religion?

Business Meeting:

Thomas A. Lewis, Brown University, and Mary-Jane Rubenstein, Wesleyan University, Presiding

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A20-224/S20-227



Platonism and Neoplatonism Unit and SBL Nag Hammadi and Gnosticism Unit

Theme: **Eros and Ascent in the Ancient and Early Medieval World**

Monday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Marriott Copley Place–Exeter (Third Level)

John Turner, University of Nebraska, Presiding

Ilaria L. E. Ramelli, Catholic University, Milan, Angelicum,
Princeton University

Eros and Ascent in Ps. Dionysius: Metaphysical Framework and Roots

Christopher Denny, St. John's University

A Self Shaped by Sacrifices: Augustine's Unique Mystical-Ecclesial Balance

Volker Drecol, Tübingen University

Progress and Failure: Ascent in Augustine

Zachary Ugolnik, Columbia University

"Tesseract," Spheres, and Divine Vision in the Enneads

Business Meeting:

Kevin Corrigan, Emory University, Presiding

A20-225

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Qur'an Unit and Study of Islam Unit

Theme: **Interpreting Divine Language**

Monday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Marriott Copley Place–Boylston (First Level)

Kristin Sands, Sarah Lawrence College, Presiding

Dominic Longo, University of St. Thomas

Spiritual Grammar, Divine Language: Qushayri's Nahw al-Qulub

Mairaj Syed, University of California, Davis

The Constraint and Contingency Model of Tradition-Based Rationality

Sarah Eltantawi, Evergreen State College

Medieval Medicine in a Twenty-first Century Courtroom in Nigeria: Reinventing the State of Ihsan (Marriage)

Omar Farahat, Yale University

Social Construction in Islamic Legal Theory: The Case of the Imperative Form

Nuri Friedlander, Harvard University

From Purity to Animal Rights: Transforming Tayyib into a Qur'anic Ethic to Confront Contemporary Questions of Farming and Food

Business Meeting:

Gordon D. Newby, Emory University, and Walid Saleh,
University of Toronto, Presiding

A20-226



Religion and Migration Unit

Theme: **Loss, Gain, and Innovation: Alternative Narratives in Migrant Worlds**

Monday, 1:00 PM–3:00 PM

Sheraton Boston–Beacon F (Third Level)

Rubina Ramji, Cape Breton University, Presiding

Nanette Spina, University of Georgia

Across Boundaries and Borders: Women's Leadership and Diasporic Innovations in a Hindu Goddess Tradition

Marie-Therese Mäder, University of Zurich

The Communication of Religious Identities through Documentaries: Migration Narratives in Iraqi Odyssey (Samir, 2015)

Travis Travis, Temple University

Mapping the Maritime Silk Road: Migration and the Spread of Buddhism

Alistair Hunter, University of Edinburgh

Choosing between "Good Death" and "Good Grief": The Question of Female Participation at Muslim Funerals in Britain and France

Business Meeting:

Alison Marshall, Brandon University, Presiding

A20-227

Religion in South Asia Unit

Theme: **New Directions in the Study of South Asian Religions**

Monday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center–309 (Third Level)

Steven Vose, Florida International University, Presiding

Lynna Dhanani, Yale University

Hemacandra's "Hymn to the Dispassionate One": An Inter-textual Definition of Jain Devotion

Naseem Surhio, Harvard University

Mystical Exotericism: Situating the Call to Hadith by Muhammad Mu'in al-Sindhi, a Sufi Scholar of the Eighteenth Century

Julie Hanlon, University of Chicago

From Hilltop Ascetics to Courtly Advisers: The Development of Jain Monastic Communities and Literary Production in Ancient Tamil Nadu, South India

Yael Lazar, Duke University

Shree Siddhivinayak Dot Com: Hindu Temples' Adoption of Digital Media

Responding:

Anne Monius, Harvard University

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A20-228



Religion, Affect, and Emotion Unit

Theme: **The Felt Life of Vulnerability**

Monday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Marriott Copley Place-New Hampshire (Fifth Level)

Jill Petersen Adams, Emory University, Presiding

Kate LeFranc, Graduate Theological Union

The Feeling of Whiteness: Privilege and the Illusion of Invulnerability

Jonathan Burrow-Branine, University of Kansas

Affect and Vulnerability in LGBT Social Justice Work in Evangelicalism

M. Brandon McCormack, Vanderbilt University

Black Joy: Reflections on Affective Praxes of Resistance, Resilience, and Religion

Joshua Schwartz, New York University

Feeling Is Hard: A Corrective to Mystical Bliss

Business Meeting:

Donovan Schaefer, University of Oxford, Presiding

A20-229



Religion, Holocaust, and Genocide Unit

Theme: **Vulnerable Populations and the Connections between Truth and Action**

Monday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton Boston Back Bay-Maverick B (Second Level)

Benjamin Sax, Institute for Islamic, Christian, and Jewish Studies, Baltimore, MD, Presiding

Rebecca Moore, San Diego State University

Godwin's Law and Jones's Corollary: The Problem of Using Extremes to Make Predictions

Jennifer L. Geddes, University of Virginia

Historical Comparison, Vulnerability, and the Trustworthy Witness: Hannah Arendt's "Lying in Politics"

Russell Johnson, University of Chicago

Un-American Activities: McCarthyism, Nazism, and Islamophobia

Responding:

Kate Temoney, Montclair State University

Business Meeting:

Alana Vincent, University of Chester, Presiding

A20-230

Religion, Media, and Culture Unit

Theme: **Religious Entrepreneurs of Alternative Media**

Monday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton Boston Back Bay-Belvidere A (Second Level)

Kayla Renée Wheeler, University of Iowa, Presiding

Jeremy Guida, Santa Barbara, CA

Charisma, Ego-Trips, and Alternative News: Timothy Leary and the Underground Press

Justin Henry, University of Chicago

Alternative Media Coast to Coast: Conspiracy, Christian Eschatology, and Moral Urgency in Maverick AM Radio Broadcasting

D. Ashley Campbell, University of Colorado

"Taking Back the Narrative" of American Identity: Millennial Muslims as Media Entrepreneurs

Angela Rudert, Ithaca College

New Media, Same Old Magic: "This Is the Siddhi"

A20-231



Religious Conversions Unit

Theme: **Diverse Sites of Conversion and De-conversion**

Monday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Sheraton Boston-Jamaica Pond (Fifth Level)

Chad Bauman, Butler University, Presiding

Vanessa Rau, University of Cambridge

Migration or Conversion? Expressions of Being and Longing in Jewish Spaces in Berlin

Blatei Nongbri, John Roberts Theological Seminary

Revisiting the Religious Conversion among the Khasis of North East India: A Historical Reflection

Philip Francis, Manhattan College

Sex, Art, and Embodiment in Evangelical De-conversion

Veronique Lecaros, Pontifical Catholic University of Peru

Conversion to Pentecostalism as a Safe Alternative out of Delinquent Gangs in Peruvian Jails

Business Meeting:

Marc Pugliese, Saint Leo University, Presiding

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A20-232



Sacred Texts, Theory, and Theological Construction Unit

Theme: **Why “Constructive” Theology: Discerning Contemporary and Emerging Themes in Constructive Theology**

Monday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Marriott Copley Place–Grand A (Fourth Level)

Marion S. Grau, MF Norwegian School of Theology, Presiding

Panelists:

Jason Wyman, Union Theological Seminary

Holly Hillgardner, Bethany College

Steed Davidson, Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary

John Thatamanil, Union Theological Seminary

Business Meeting:

Jacob Erickson, Trinity College Dublin, and Marion S. Grau, MF Norwegian School of Theology, Presiding

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Sociology of Religion Unit and *Critical Research on Religion*

Theme: **Religion, Rationality, and Rational Choice**

Monday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Sheraton Boston–Fairfax B (Third Level)

Katja Rakow, Utrecht University, Presiding

Mitsutoshi Horii, Shumei University
Historicizing the Category of “Religion” in Sociological Theories: Max Weber and Emile Durkheim

Jon R. Stone, California State University, Long Beach
Prophetic Authority in New Religious Movements: Beyond Festinger, beyond Weber

Andrew Lynn, University of Virginia, and Isabella Hall,
University of Virginia

Making Your Work Matter to God: The Cultural Production of New Spirits of Capitalism in Twentieth-Century American Evangelicalism

Torkel Brekke, University of Oslo
Applying Market Theory of Religion Outside the Modern West

Responding:

Adam Seligman, Boston University

Business Meeting:

Warren S. Goldstein, Center for Critical Research on Religion,
Newton, MA, and Rebekka King, Middle Tennessee State
University, Presiding

A20-234



Theology and Religious Reflection Unit

Theme: **Theologies of Flourishing and the Most Vulnerable**

Monday, 1:00 PM–3:00 PM

Sheraton Boston–Back Bay B (Second Level)

Sarah Farmer, Yale University, Presiding

Panelists:

Keri Day, Princeton Theological Seminary

Graham Ward, Oxford University

Miroslav Volf, Yale University

Fernando F. Segovia, Vanderbilt University

A20-235



Theology of Martin Luther King Jr. Unit

Theme: **Exploring Kingian Ethics and the Most Vulnerable in the Trump Era**

Monday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Marriott Copley Place–Berkeley (Third Level)

Rosetta E. Ross, Spelman College, Presiding

Karen V. Guth, College of the Holy Cross
Martin Luther King, Jr.’s Theological Ethics of the Most Vulnerable: An Intra-social Gospel Comparison

Leonard McKinnis, Saint Louis University
Personhood, Conscience, and the Law: Martin Luther King, Jr. and the Theological Ethic of Resistance in the Age of “45”

Jeremy Sorgen, University of Virginia
King’s Phenomenology of Encounter: Re-norming Bodies with the Blood of the Oppressed

Business Meeting:

AnneMarie Mingo, Pennsylvania State University, Presiding

A20-236



Wesleyan Studies Unit

Theme: **Methodism and Nationalism**

Monday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center–310 (Third Level)

Theodore Walker, Southern Methodist University, Presiding

Ryan Nicholas Danker, Wesley Theological Seminary
Monarchists in an Age of Competing Authorities: John and Charles Wesley, Methodism, and the Ancien Régime

Cindy K. Wesley, University of Northern Colorado
Divided Loyalties: The Methodist Episcopal Church, Nationalist Propaganda, and the German Methodist Conferences

Dion Forster, Stellenbosch University
A State Church? A Consideration of the Methodist Church of Southern Africa in the Light of Dietrich Bonhoeffer’s “Theological Position Paper on State and Church”

Mark Gorman, Centre United Methodist Church, Forest Hill, MD
Discipleship and Antinationalism in Stanley Hauerwas and John Wesley

Business Meeting:

Edgaro Colon-Emeric, Duke University, Presiding

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Yoga in Theory and Practice Unit and Yogācāra Studies Unit

Theme: **Yogācāra and Meditation: An Inquiry Into the Practical Dimensions of Yogācāra Doctrine**

Monday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Marriott Copley Place–Falmouth (Fourth Level)

William S. Waldron, Middlebury College, Presiding

Yao-ming Tsai, National Taiwan University
Meditative Practices as Determinative Factors in Constructing and Understanding the Spatial World

Bruce C. Williams, University of California, Berkeley
A Paradigm of Yogācāra Meditative Practice in Sixth–Seventh Century Northeastern China

Daniel McNamara, Emory University
Yogācāra as Theory and Practice in Ratnākaraśānti's Madhyamakālaṃkāravṛtti

Yaroslav Komarovski, University of Nebraska
Why Pointing at the Moon in the First Place? How Positive Articulations of Reality Affect Its Non-conceptual Realization

Responding:

Karin Meyers, Kathmandu University

A20-238 – Pre-Posted Papers Session



New Perspectives on Religion in the Philippines Seminar

Theme: **New Perspectives on Power, Politics, and Religion in the Contemporary Philippines**

Monday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center-200 (Second Level)

Adrian Hermann, University of Bonn, Presiding

David Govey, Arizona State University
The Problem of the Visayas in Southeast Asian History and Historiography

Kerstin Radde-Antweiler, University of Bremen
Duterte Go — Nationalism and Video Gaming on the Philippines

Candida Binarao, Manila, Philippines, and Esmeralda Sanchez, Philippine Association for the Study of Culture, History and Religion

The Catholic Bishops Conference of the Philippines's Shift of Religious Discourse on the Reproductive Health Bill and Death Penalty and Its Futile Effect to Filipino Public Opinion and Lawmakers' Stand

Giovanni Maltese, University of Heidelberg
Pentecostalism, Hegemony and Reproductive Health in the Philippines

Responding:

Klaus Koschorke, University of Munich

Business Meeting:

Deirdre de la Cruz, University of Michigan, Presiding

A20-239



Origen and the Roots of “Human Freedom” and “Human Dignity” in the West Seminar

Monday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center-111 (Plaza Level)

Anders-Christian Jacobsen, Aarhus University, Presiding

Kristian Bunkenborg, Martin Luther University
Castration and Democratic Rights: Origen in Post-Apartheid South Africa

Giovanni Tortoriello, Martin Luther University
A “River of Gold” or a “Perverter of the Doctrine of Justification”? The Reception of Origen in Erasmus and Melancthon

Karen Felter, University of Münster
“The Middle Way of Truth”: The Role of Christ in Anne Conway's Trinitarianism

Elisa Zocchi, University of Münster
“It Is Precisely the World That Counts”: From Origen to Balthasar, Bodiliness and Freedom as Reflection of Divine Mystery

Peter Anthony Mena, University of San Diego
Mattering Bodies: Beauty, Animacy, and Visibility in Origen's On First Principles

William Boyce, University of Virginia
“Origen I Have Already Banned”: Luther and the Paradox of Eccentric Freedom as Dangerous Embodiment

Responding:

Peter Martens, Saint Louis University

Michael Raubach, Aarhus University

Ellen Muehlberger, University of Michigan

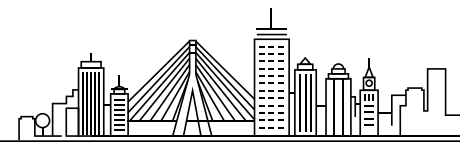
Elena Rapetti, Catholic University of the Sacred Heart, Milan

Business Meeting:

Anders-Christian Jacobsen, Aarhus University, Presiding

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A20-240



Exploratory Sessions

Theme: **Sound As Religion**

Monday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Marriott Copley Place–Simmons (Third Level)

Rosalind I. J. Hackett, University of Tennessee, Presiding

While interdisciplinary interest in the phenomenon of sound has been growing apace, understanding the diverse ways in which sound is implicated in religious practice and spiritual experience remains under-researched in the field of religious studies. This Exploratory Session examines the production, transmission, and reception of sound in a range of contexts, as well as broader conceptual and methodological questions. The session engages “Sound as Religion,” that is, the ways sound comes to constitute religion, and invites the exploration of sonic and auditory cultures on their own terms: how do vocal, instrumental, or aural practices generate texts, rituals, performances, affective states, and religious institutions? The session also explores religious studies as sound: what techniques and methods are suited to capturing religion as a sonic phenomenon? Conducted as a roundtable in which participants share research through sound clips and objects, this forum provides opportunities for listening and open discussion.

Panelists:

Peter McMurray, University of Cambridge

Isaac Weiner, Ohio State University

Vicki Brennan, University of Vermont

Finnian Moore Gerety, Yale University

Annette Wilke, University of Münster

Jason C. Bivins, North Carolina State University

Andrew Mall, Northeastern University

Mariam Goshadze, Harvard University

James Webb, Independent Artist, Cape Town, South Africa

Amy DeRogatis, Michigan State University

A20-241



Exploratory Sessions

Theme: **Monsters, Monster Theory, and Religion**

Monday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Sheraton Boston–Beacon G (Third Level)

Laurel Zwissler, Central Michigan University, Presiding

Judith Halberstam famously claimed that monsters are “meaning machines” that can be used to represent a variety of ideas, including morality, gender, race, and nationalism (to name only a few). Accordingly, monsters are always part of the project of making sense of the world and our place in it. When we think or talk about monsters we act as *homo faber*, to employ J.Z. Smith’s application of the term. Therefore, to the extent that monsters function as a tool through which human beings create worlds in which to meaningfully dwell, they fall entirely within the field of religious studies. Monsters and Monster Theory will provide focused space to explore the definition of “monster,” the categorization of monsters as a basis of comparison across cultures, and the relationship of monsters to religion with the goal of probing the origins of a large variety of monsters and their connection to the supernatural, sociological, and psychological aspects of religion.

Esther Hamori, Union Theological Seminary
The Biblical God and His Company of Monsters

Rhiannon Graybill, Rhodes College
A Child is Being Eaten: Maternal Cannibalism in the Hebrew Bible

Linda Ceriello, Rice University
The Big Bad and the Big AHA: Metamodern Monsters as Transformational Figures of Instability

Justin Mullis, University of North Carolina, Charlotte
Fighting the War on Christmas with Krampus

Responding:

Timothy Beal, Case Western Reserve University

Business Meeting:

Steve A. Wiggins, Oxford University Press, and Kelly Murphy,
Central Michigan University, Presiding

A20-242

Academic Relations Committee Meeting

Monday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center–301 (Third Level)

Theodore Trost, University of Alabama, Presiding

A20-243

Professional Conduct Task Force Meeting

Monday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Marriott Copley Place–MIT (Third Level)

Kecia Ali, Boston University, and Su Yon Pak, Union Theological Seminary, Presiding

A20-247/S20-219a

Applied Religious Studies Committee, Employment Services Advisory Committee, Graduate Student Committee, SBL Professional Development Committee, and SBL Student Advisory Board

Theme: ***ImaginePhD: A Career Exploration and Planning Tool for Humanities and Social Sciences***

Monday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Marriott Copley Place–Suffolk (Third Level)

Launched in fall 2017, *ImaginePhD* is a free and confidential career exploration and planning tool for humanities and social science PhDs. Powered by the Graduate Career Consortium, and created by more than fifty graduate-level career and professional development leaders across the United States and Canada, this platform provides a unique opportunity for PhDs to assess their skills, interests and values, map those onto career paths, and create an individual development plan that supports degree completion and professional/personal development. Please join Sarah Peterson, *ImaginePhD* Content Lead, for this interactive training session to learn how to use this tool and integrate it into departments. To make the most of this session, please bring a laptop or tablet.

Panelist:

Sarah Peterson, Atlanta, GA

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P20-201a



African Association for the Study of Religions

Theme: **Texts in Context: Molding the Maasai and Prosperity Gospel in South Africa**

Monday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Marriott Copley Place-Grand D (Fourth Level)

Elias Kifon Bongmba, Rice University, Presiding

Knut Holter, VID Specialized University
Moulding the Maasai in the Form of the Ancient Israelites: Moritz Merker's Early Twentieth-Century Ethnographic Study of the Maasai
 Kevin G. Smith, South African Theological Seminary, and Genis Pieterse, South African Theological Seminary
The Appeal of the Word of Faith Movement

Business Meeting:

Elias Kifon Bongmba, Rice University, and Corey Williams, Leiden University, Presiding

P20-223a



Journal of Feminist Studies in Religion

Theme: **FSRBook Series Session: Congress of Wo/men: Religion, Gender and Kyriarchal Power** by E. Schüssler Fiorenza and *Women, Religion, Revolution* edited by X. Alvizo and G. Messina

Monday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Marriott Copley Place-Vermont (Fifth Level)

Melanie Johnson-DeBaufre, Drew University, Presiding

As the *Journal of Feminist Studies in Religion*, the oldest feminist academic journal in religious studies, so also the new FSRBook Series is interreligious in its subjects, transdisciplinary in its methods, and intersectional in its political analyses. In light of these goals, the panel will discuss FSRBook's first publications: *Congress of Wo/men: Religion, Gender, and Kyriarchal Power* by E. Schüssler Fiorenza and *Women, Religion, Revolution* edited by X. Alvizo and G. Messina.

Panelists:

Xochitl Alvizo, California State University, Northridge
 Maria Pilar Aquino, University of San Diego
 Namsoon Kang, Brite Divinity School, Texas Christian University
 Gina Messina, Ursuline College
 Fulata Moyo, World Council of Churches and Harvard University
 Nancy A. Pineda-Madrid, Boston College
 Elisabeth Schüssler Fiorenza, Harvard University

A20-244



Historical Houses of Worship in Boston's Back Bay Tour

Monday, 1:00 PM–5:00 PM

Offsite-Meet at the Registration Desk outside of Exhibit Hall CD in the Convention Center

See page 10 for details.

A20-245/S20-250



Student Lounge Roundtable

Theme: **Publish or Perish for Graduate Students**

Monday, 1:30 PM–3:00 PM

Hynes Convention Center-303 (Third Level)

What makes an effective publication? How can you develop a competitive record of publishing? In this session, Dr. Miguel De La Torre discusses strategies for effective and competitive publishing strategies as a means to prepare graduate students for various job opportunities.

Panelists:

Miguel De La Torre, Iliff School of Theology

A20-246/S20-251



Student Lounge Roundtable

Theme: **Tips for Integrating Guest Faith Practitioners in the Classroom**

Monday, 3:00 PM–4:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center-303 (Third Level)

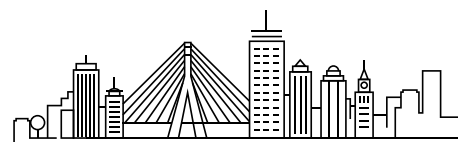
As graduate student instructors of religion, we might face challenges of expertise or authority with our students, or teach students who have never encountered individuals of a particular religious tradition. Bringing faith practitioners to speak in our classes might be a useful strategy to expose students to insider views, hear from more authoritative sources, and encounter faith practitioners perhaps for the first time. In spite of the potential benefits of inviting faith practitioners to our classes, there are also potential challenges. How do we ensure that these experiences are appropriately bracketed to maintain academic rigor? Do certain institutional contexts or programs support this more than others? How does our status as graduate students affect these concerns, especially as graduate students take on such a large role of undergraduate instruction? This roundtable session will discuss these issues and discuss ways of effectively bringing guest faith practitioners into the classroom.

Panelists:

Joshua Patterson, University of Georgia

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Coffee Break

Monday, 3:30 PM

Complimentary coffee will be served in the back of Aisle 2100 and Aisle 2600 of the Exhibit Hall.

Monday, 4:00 PM–6:00 PM

A20-300

African Diaspora Religions Unit and Religions, Medicines, and Healing Unit

Theme: **Medicine and Mothering in African Diaspora Religions**

Monday, 4:00 PM–6:00 PM

Hynes Convention Center-102 (Plaza Level)

Rachel E. Harding, University of Colorado, Denver, Emily Wu, Dominican University, California, and Linda L. Barnes, Boston University School of Medicine, Presiding

Yanique Hume, University of the West Indies, Cave Hill
Performing the Divine Feminine: The Embodied Praxis of Madré Nkisis (Mothers of the Medicines) in Palo Monte

Jazmin Graves, University of Chicago
Dancing under the Veil: Mediating the African Ancestor-Saint Mai Mishra in Western India

Emily Crews, University of Chicago
Miracles of Motherhood from the Margins: Religious Ritual among Female Nigerian Immigrants

Kyrá Malika Daniels, Harvard University
"My Children Come in Many Colors": Whiteness, Motherhood, and Mental Health in Haitian Vodou Initiation

A20-301

Arts, Literature, and Religion Unit

Theme: **Interpreting, Decoding, and Transforming Visual Religious Representations**

Monday, 4:00 PM–6:00 PM

Hynes Convention Center-205 (Second Level)

Anthony Dupont, University of Leuven, Presiding

Anthony Dupont, University of Leuven
Artistic Perspectives on the Conversion of Augustine of Hippo

Elena Vishnevskaya, Central College
Contemplating Sacred Images: A Synergy between the Cataphatic and Apophatic Prayers

Yohana Junker, Graduate Theological Union
Post-Commodity: Decolonizing Contemporary Native American Visualities

Joelle Hathaway, Duke University
Missional Museums: Medieval Cathedrals, Tourism, and Contemporary Art Exhibitions

A20-302

Asian North American Religion, Culture, and Society Unit and Women and Religion Unit

Theme: **Leading Wisdom: Asian and Asian North American Women Leaders**

Monday, 4:00 PM–6:00 PM

Marriott Copley Place-Grand A (Fourth Level)

Su Yon Pak, Union Theological Seminary, Presiding

Panelists:

Jung Ha Kim, Georgia State University

Haruko Ward, Columbia Theological Seminary

Laura Cheifetz, National Asian Pacific American Women's Forum

Mai-Anh L. Tran, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary

Responding:

Russell Jeung, San Francisco State University

Melanie L. Harris, Texas Christian University

A20-303/S20-324

Augustine and Augustinianisms Unit and SBL History and Literature of Rabbinic Judaism

Theme: **Self-Control in Augustine and Rabbinic Literature**

Monday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Sheraton Boston-Back Bay B (Second Level)

Jonathan Klawans, Boston University, Presiding

Liza Anderson, Episcopal Divinity School
The Im(permeable) Self in Augustine and Other Ancient Writers

Jonathan Schofer, University of Texas
Self-Control, Foucault's Ethics, and Deuteronomy Rabbah 8:4

Orit Malka, Tel Aviv University
Incompetent Witnesses and Self-Control in Tannaitic Literature

Matthew Goldstone, New York University
Humility and the Self: Parallel (Yet Competing) Orientations in the Work of Augustine and the Rabbis of Late Antiquity

Responding:

Virginia Burrus, Syracuse University

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A20-304



Bible in Racial, Ethnic, and Indigenous Communities Unit

Theme: **The Bible and Folklore—Global Perspectives**

Monday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Marriott Copley Place-Vineyard (Fourth Level)

Valerie Bridgeman, St. Mary's College, Presiding

Eric Ziolkowski, Lafayette College
The Bible in Folklore Worldwide—Prefatory Remarks and Overview

Kerry Hull, Brigham Young University
Incorporation of Biblical Narratives in Mesoamerican Oral Traditions

John T. P. Lai, Chinese University of Hong Kong
The Bible in Chinese Folkloric Traditions during the Nineteenth and Twentieth Centuries

Jerusha Neal, Duke University
Biblical Reception in Fijian Verbal Folklore

Herman Tull, Lafayette College
The Missionary Position in South Asian Folklore

Bishop Makobe, University of Venda
Reception of the Bible in Southern African Folklore

Responding:

Hugh Rowland Page, University of Notre Dame

Business Meeting:

Valerie Bridgeman, Methodist Theological School, Ohio, and
Hugh Rowland Page, University of Notre Dame, Presiding

A20-305



Bonhoeffer: Theology and Social Analysis Unit and Ricoeur Unit

Theme: **Religion, Vulnerability, and Violence: Ricoeur and Bonhoeffer in Dialogue**

Monday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Sheraton Boston-Back Bay C (Second Level)

Kenneth A. Reynhout, United Theological Seminary of the Twin Cities, Presiding

Gabriel Morgan, Lutheran Theological Seminary, Philadelphia
Religionless Christianity and the Narrative Figuration of Temporality

Brian Gregor, California State University, Dominguez Hills
Religion, Vulnerability, and l'Homme Capable: Bonhoeffer and Ricoeur in Dialogue

Howard Pickett, Washington and Lee University
The Prison Gives Rise to Thought: Bonhoeffer and Ricoeur on Incarnation and Incarceration

Business Meeting:

Kenneth A. Reynhout, United Theological Seminary of the Twin Cities, Presiding

A20-306



Buddhist Philosophy Unit

Theme: **Literary Forms of Argument in Chinese Buddhist Philosophy**

Monday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Marriott Copley Place-Arlington (Third Level)

Bernard Faure, Columbia University, Presiding

Alan Wagner, Collège de France
Philosophical Narrative in the Sūtra on Sundarī 須陀利經

Rafal Stepień, University of Oxford
Enlightening Literature: A Chinese Buddhist Approach to Emptiness of Word and Mind

Ben Van Overmeire, St. Olaf College
Zen Encounter Dialogues as Utopian Narrative: The Ideal World of the Song Dynasty Record of Linji

Steven Heine, Florida International University
Arguments for and against Chan Buddhist Literature as Philosophy

Business Meeting:

Richard Nance, Indiana University, and Sara L. McClintock, Emory University, Presiding

A20-307

Comparative Studies in Religion Unit

Theme: **Ineffability: An Exercise in Comparative Philosophy of Religion**

Monday, 4:00 PM–6:00 PM

Hilton Boston Back Bay-Westminster (Second Level)

Timothy D. Knepper, Drake University, Presiding

Panelists:

Purushottama Bilimoria, Graduate Theological Union; University of California, Berkeley

Jin Y. Park, American University

Laura Weed, College of Saint Rose

Bin You, Minzu University

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A20-308

Confucian Traditions Unit and Religions, Social Conflict and Peace Unit

Theme: **A Gentleman Does Not Enter the Kitchen, but ... : Confucian Attitudes Towards Violence**

Monday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center-202 (Second Level)

Mark Halperin, University of California, Davis, Presiding

Don Wyatt, Middlebury College

Confucianism and the Militaristic Three of the Six Arts

Uffe Bergeton, University of North Carolina

King Wü in Revisionist Historiography: Non-violent

Conceptualizations of War in Pre-Qin to Medieval Rû Thought

Keith Knapp, The Citadel

Filial Murderers: The Inescapability of Violence in Medieval Chinese

Tales of Sonly Revenge

Ying Zhang, Ohio State University

Confucianism and Imprisoned Officials in Ming China (1368–1644)

A20-309



Contemporary Islam Unit and North American Religions Unit

Theme: **Muslims and Contemporary American Politics**

Monday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center-203 (Second Level)

Mohammad Khalil, Michigan State University, Presiding

Panelists:

Kambiz GhaneaBassiri, Reed College

Juliane Hammer, University of North Carolina

Sylvia Chan-Malik, Rutgers University

Rudolph Ware, University of Michigan

Alisa Perkins, Western Michigan University

Business Meeting:

Pamela Klassen, University of Toronto, and Sylvester Johnson, Northwestern University, Presiding

A20-310



Critical Theory and Discourses on Religion Unit

Theme: **Critique and Religious Studies: Assessing the Import of the Dialectic of Enlightenment after 70 Years**

Monday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Marriott Copley Place-Simmons (Third Level)

Larisa Reznik, University of Chicago, Presiding

Benjamin Fong, Arizona State University

Halbbildung: Theodor Adorno and Max Horkheimer's Theory of "Religion"

Agata Bielick-Robson, University of Nottingham

Judaism Undercover? Jewish Cryptotheology in the Dialectic of Enlightenment

Ian Bacher, University of Nottingham

Impotence and the Question of Knowledge

Lucas Wright, University of California, Santa Barbara

Criticism and the Identification of Power, and Knowledge in the Study of Religion: On Whether the Dialectic of Enlightenment is Possible Today

Responding:

Martin Shuster, Goucher College

Business Meeting:

David Walker, University of California, Santa Barbara, and Sean McCloud, University of North Carolina, Charlotte, Presiding

A20-311



Ecclesial Practices Unit

Theme: **Transcending the Human: Theological Ethnography and Materiality**

Monday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center-208 (Second Level)

Jonas Idestrom, Church of Sweden Research Unit, Uppsala, Sweden, Presiding

Michael Grigoni, Duke University

Guns, Affect, and the Actant God: New Materialism and the Ethnographic Turn in Ecclesiology

Linn Sæbø Rystad, MF Norwegian School of Theology

Materiality's Role in Children's Meaning-Making from Preaching – A Norwegian Case Study

Andrew Rogers, University of Roehampton

Ordinary Theologies of Place: A Case Study of New Black Majority Churches in London

Laura Lysen, Baylor University

Net/work in Memory of Freddie Gray: Lethal Objects, Theological Materiality, and the Church

Business Meeting:

Natalie Wigg-Stevenson, University of Toronto, Presiding

A20-312



Ethics Unit and Religion and the Social Sciences Unit

Theme: **American Political Economy and the Politics of Producing Vulnerable Populations**

Monday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Sheraton Boston-Berkeley (Third Level)

Christophe D. Ringer, Chicago Theological Seminary, and Nichole Phillips, Emory University, Presiding

Panelists:

Zine Magubane, Boston College

Devin Singh, Dartmouth College

Najeeba Syeed-Miller, Claremont School of Theology

Cheryl Townsend Gilkes, Colby College

Responding:

Emilie M. Townes, Vanderbilt University



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History of Christianity Unit

Theme: **Mystical Topographies in Late Medieval Christianity (Thinking with Certeau)**

Monday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center-109 (Plaza Level)

Trish Beckman, St. Olaf College, Presiding

Charlotte Radler, Loyola Marymount University
On the Road to Nowhere: Meister Eckhart's and Michel de Certeau's Topographical Metaphors

David Albertson, University of Southern California
Mystical and Geometrical Space in Nicholas of Cusa: Measure as Negation

Min-Ah Cho, Catholic Theological Union
"Neither Path Nor Way": Hadewijch on Wandering and Exile in Search of Love

Leah Buturain Schneider, Fuller Theological Seminary
Drawing the Curtain to the Virgin's Cell: Guarding Solitude for Beholding

Douglas Christie, Loyola Marymount University
Elsewhere: Ruusbroec's Itinerary into Darkness

A20-314



Islamic Mysticism Unit

Theme: **Commentarial Complexities and Exegetical Explorations in the Sufi Textual Tradition**

Monday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Sheraton Boston-Beacon F (Third Level)

Tehseen Thaver, Bard College, Presiding

Ahmad (Masoud) Ariankhoo, Harvard University
Imitation and Verification: Ayn al-Qudat on Knowledge and Religious Prejudice

Faris Casewit, Harvard University
Idolatrous Muslims: The Transposition of the Qur'anic Religious Other in Abū al-Ḥasan al-Ḥarrālī's (d. 1241) Kitāb al-Tawfiyah

Axel Takacs, Harvard University
Abū al-Ḥasan Khatamī Lāhūrī's Commentary on the Love Lyrics of Ḥāfiẓ Shīrāzī: The Mystico-poetics between the Seen and Unseen

Hamilton Cook, Emory University
The Perfect Human as the Most Vulnerable of Creation: Ismail Hakki Bursevi and the Multiple Meanings of Kamāl in Sufi Theology

Mariam Sheibani, University of Chicago
The Grammar of the Heart: The Construction of Sufi Legitimacy in Commentaries on Arabic Grammar

Responding:

Kristin Sands, Sarah Lawrence College

Business Meeting:

Martin Nguyen, Fairfield University, and Robert Rozehnal, Lehigh University, Presiding

A20-315



Japanese Religions Unit

Theme: **Narratives as Strategies: Narrative in Premodern Japanese Religions**

Monday, 4:00 PM–6:00 PM

Sheraton Boston-Boston Common (Fifth Level)

Ryuichi Abe, Harvard University, Presiding

Mikael Bauer, McGill University
Picking up the Sovereign's Sandals: Fujiwara No Nakamaro and the Creation of Fujiwara Authority

Bryan Lowe, Vanderbilt University
Localizing the Universal: Narrative and Performative Strategies in Ninth-Century Japanese Homilies

Su Jung Kim, DePauw University
Feeling Story: Religious Emotion in Myōe's Kego Enki Emaki

Jesse Drian, University of Southern California
The Networking of Origins: Strategies for Moving beyond the Singular in Temple and Shrine Origin Narratives

Responding:

Chris Callahan, University of Illinois

Business Meeting:

Levi McLaughlin, North Carolina State University, and Asuka Sango, Carleton College, Presiding

A20-316

Martin Luther and Global Lutheran Traditions Unit and Reformed Theology and History Unit

Theme: **Reformation and Reformations**

Monday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Sheraton Boston-Grand & Independence (Second Level)

Kirsi Stjerna, Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary, Presiding

This panel examines the meaning of "Reformation" and what implications the notion of "Reformation" or "reformations" has for us today - theologically or ecclesially. Panelists explore the relevance of "reformation/s" for the contemporary context, including ways in which aspects of the Protestant Reformation deserve retrieval, reframing, or retraction today.

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Panelists:

Amy Plantinga Pauw, Louisville Presbyterian Theological Seminary
 Kristen E. Kvam, Saint Paul School of Theology
 Cornelis van der Kooi, Vrije Universiteit, Amsterdam
 Evangeline Anderson Rajkumar, Lenoir-Rhyne University

A20-317



Middle Eastern Christianity Unit

Theme: **Middle Eastern Christians and Empire**

Monday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hilton Boston Back Bay-Belvidere A (Second Level)

Aaron Sokoll, University of California, Santa Barbara, Presiding

Joshua Mugler, Georgetown University
City of God, City of Empire: Antioch in the Byzantine Resurgence

Jessica Ehinger, Boston University
Obedience as an Umayyad Milieu: Melkite Identity in the Early Islamic Empire

Deanna Womack, Emory University
Syrian Christians: From Imperial Subjects to American Immigrants

Responding:

Jason R. Zaborowski, Bradley University

Business Meeting:

Jason R. Zaborowski, Bradley University, Presiding

A20-318

Music and Religion Unit and Theology of Martin Luther King, Jr. Unit

Theme: **Voices of Protest: Race, Religion, and Music**

Monday, 4:00 PM–6:00 PM

Marriott Copley Place-Boylston (First Level)

AnneMarie Mingo, Pennsylvania State University, Presiding

Thomas Breedlove, Baylor University
Suffering and Translation: Christology and the Spirituals of Roland Hayes

Octavio Carrasco, Union Theological Seminary
Singing Songs for Survival: Freedom Songs in the Civil Rights Movement

Leonard Lowe, University of North Carolina
"After God is Music": Combative Music as a Response to Vulnerability among Independent Pentecostals in Haiti

Marilyn Batchelor, Claremont Graduate University
The Social Consciousness of Music during the Civil Rights Movement

A20-319



Native Traditions in the Americas Unit

Theme: **Native American Rhetoric: Sacred Language, Transformation, Placidity and Nature**

Monday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Marriott Copley Place-Wellesley (Third Level)

Seth Schermerhorn, Hamilton College, Presiding

Philip P. Arnold, Syracuse University
"And Now Our Minds Are One": The Thanksgiving Address and Attaining Consensus among the Haudenosaunee

Felicia Lopez, University of California, Santa Barbara
Nabua Rhetorical Speech in the Glyphic and Alphabetic Codices of Precontact and Colonial Central Mexico

Delores Mondragon, University of California, Santa Barbara
Chicana/o Rhetoric: Relevance and Survival through Naming, Space, and Inclusion

Alesha Claveria, University of California, Santa Barbara
Rhetoric and Reality: Survivance, Activism, and Sacrality in Native North American Theater

Lawrence W. Gross, University of Redlands
The Use of Digressions in Anishinaabe Rhetoric as a Moral Act: Connecting Speech to the Religious Idea That All Things Are Related

Ines M. Talamantez, University of California, Santa Barbara
Agency of the Ancestors: Is There Such a Thing as Apache Rhetoric?

Responding:

Ines Hernandez-Avila, University of California, Davis

Business Meeting:

Micheline Pesantubbee, University of Iowa, Presiding

A20-320 – Pre-Posted Papers Session



Nineteenth Century Theology Unit

Theme: **American Transcendentalism as Theological Resource for the Anthropocene**

Monday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Marriott Copley Place-Berkeley (Third Level)

Todd Gooch, Eastern Kentucky University, Presiding

Nicholas Friesner, Brown University
A Transcendental Intimacy

Kristen Drahos, University of Notre Dame
Nailed to the World: Annie Dillard's Cruciform Transcendentalism

Alda Balthrop-Lewis, Princeton University
The Emersonian Roots of Thoreau's Political Asceticism

Emily Dumler-Winckler, University of Notre Dame
Emersonian Virtues of the Anthropocene

Responding:

Mark S. Cladis, Brown University

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A20-321



Open and Relational Theologies Unit

Theme: **Open Theology, Open Borders? Religion and the Most Vulnerable**

Monday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Sheraton Boston-Liberty B (Second Level)

Krista E. Hughes, Newberry College, Presiding

Donna Bowman, University of Central Arkansas
Love Trumps Hate: Images of God's Love from Pussyhat Makers

Timothy Murphy, Claremont School of Theology
We All Need Somebody to Lean On: Mutual Interest and the Preferential Option

Deena Lin, Claremont Graduate University
Embracing Syrian Life: An Intellectual and Political Call to Action

Robert Overy-Brown, Claremont Graduate University
Towards a Transgressive Political Theology: Open Theology as Imperative to Open Borders

Responding:

Catherine Keller, Drew University

Joerg Rieger, Vanderbilt University

Business Meeting:

Wm. Andrew Schwartz, Center for Process Studies, Claremont, CA, Presiding

A20-322



Pentecostal–Charismatic Movements Unit

Theme: **Gender, Prosperity and Migrations: New Trends in Pentecostal-Charismatic Scholarship**

Monday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Sheraton Boston-Fairfax B (Third Level)

Arlene Sanchez-Walsh, Azusa Pacific University, Presiding

Panelists:

Leah Payne, George Fox University

Daniel Ramirez, Claremont Graduate University

Judith Casselberry, Bowdoin College

Business Meeting:

Arlene Sanchez-Walsh, Azusa Pacific University, and Leah Payne, George Fox University, Presiding

A20-323

Queer Studies in Religion Unit

Theme: **New Research in Queer Religious Studies**

Monday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center-310 (Third Level)

Jared Vazquez, Iliff School of Theology, Presiding

Andrea Allen, Western University, Canada
"A House of Prayer for All People": LGBT Evangelicals in Brazil

Ahmad Greene-Hayes, Princeton University
Sacred Dissent: For Queers' Sake and on Queer Stakes in Black Religious Studies

Jennifer Buck, Azusa Pacific University
Bad and Boujee — Towards a Trap Feminist Theology

Joshua Warfield, Graduate Theological Union
Resistance and the Freedom to Live Authentically: Queering Martin Luther's View of Vocation

Michelle Mueller, Santa Clara University
Sisterhood, Patriarchy, and "Bromance": Gender Norms in Reality TV Polygamy/Polyamory

A20-324

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Religion and Ecology Unit

Theme: **Constructive Approaches to Religion and Ecology**

Monday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Sheraton Boston-The Fens (Fifth Level)

Laurel D. Kearns, Drew University, Presiding

Dorothy Dean, Vanderbilt University
Ethics beyond Exceptionalism?

Matthew Eaton, St. John's University
Of Religious Ecologies and Their "Queer Little Gods": On the Way to an Animist Trinitarianism

Andrew Thompson, University of the South
Vulnerability, Resilience, and Agency: Climate Vulnerability as Hybrid Concept and as Tactic

Jacob Erickson, Trinity College, Dublin
Promiscuous Vines: On the Queer Emergence of a Theological Botany

Business Meeting:

James Miller, Queen's University, Kingston, Presiding

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A20-325

Religion and Migration Unit and Religion, Memory, History Unit

Theme: **Lost Lands and Lives: Religious Memories of Movement, Migrations, and Landscapes**

Monday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Marriott Copley Place-Grand D (Fourth Level)

Mona Hassan, Duke University, Presiding

Michael Amoruso, University of Texas

"Because This Is Where the Slaves Were Hanged": Haunting and Devotion in Sao Paulo

Elina Vuola, University of Helsinki

The Pilgrimage of St. Tryphon of Pechenga as an Expression of Loss and Memory for the Skolt Sami Indigenous People

Hyunwoo Koo, Boston University

Migrating Ritual: A Theological Ethnography on Chudo Yebea (Ancestral Grieving Rite for Korean Christians) in America

Sabahat Adil, University of Colorado

The Memory of al-Andalus in al-Ghassānī's (d. 1707) Travelogue (Rihla)

Anja Pogacnik, University of Edinburgh

Loss, Gain, and Innovation: How Young Leicester Jains Conceptualise Socio-geographical and Inter-generational Religious Change

Sara Omar, American University

Shifting Orthodoxies: Representations of the Zaynab bint Jahsh Affair

Arafat Razzaque, Harvard University

Curtain Ethics: Sex, Privacy, and the Idea of Concealing Sins in Medieval Islam

Saadia Yacoob, Williams College

Gendering Sexual Desire: Tamkin and Female Sexual Agency

Responding:

Kecia Ali, Boston University

A20-328

Religion in South Asia Unit

Theme: **The Other Religious Politics: Making Religion in the Service of Secularity**

Monday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center-104 (Plaza Level)

Ananya Dasgupta, Case Western Reserve University

Secular Imaginations of a Muslim Homeland: Bengali Muslim Cultural Activists of the 1940s and Their Antecedents

Dean Accardi, Connecticut College

Kashmiriyat, Hindutva, and Secularist Visions of Religion in Kashmir

Philip Friedrich, University of Pennsylvania

Vicissitudes of the Sāsana: Linking and Delinking Religion and Politics in Sri Lanka

Jaclyn Michael, James Madison University

Visions of Religious Belonging and Secular India in Premchand's Karbala

Responding:

Brian K. Pennington, Elon University

A20-326



Religion and Public Schools: International Perspectives Unit

Theme: **Nationalism and Religion Education in Public Schools**

Monday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Marriott Copley Place-New Hampshire (Fifth Level)

Michael Waggoner, University of Northern Iowa, Presiding

Kate Soules, Boston College

When Religion Isn't a Part of Culture: Reviewing the Relationship between Religion and Multicultural Education

Norman Richardson, Stranmillis University College, Belfast

Religion, Schooling, and Conflicting Nationalisms: Educational Perspectives from Northern Ireland

Responding:

Jenny Berglund, Södertörn University

Business Meeting:

Jenny Berglund, Södertörn University, and Michael Waggoner, University of Northern Iowa, Presiding

A20-327

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Religion and Sexuality Unit and Study of Islam Unit

Theme: **Sexual Ethics in Medieval Islamic Thought**

Monday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Sheraton Boston-Constitution A (Second Level)

Carolyn Baugh, Gannon University, Presiding

Aisha Geissinger, Carleton University

"This Is Not in the Book of God!"—or Is It? A Queer Medieval Textual Moment and the Gendering of Textual Authority

A20-329



Religion, Film, and Visual Culture Unit

Theme: **Watching Stranger Things Religiously: Fierce Community, Binge-Watching, and the Shifting Landscape of TV Consumption**

Monday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center-313 (Third Level)

Jeanette Reedy Solano, California State University, Fullerton, Presiding

Katelynn Carver, University of St Andrews

Coffee and Contemplation: "Friends Don't Lie" and Other "Stranger" Commandments of a Spirituality of Human Relationality

John Lyden, Grand View University

Streaming the Upside Down: Stranger Things on Netflix Than Are Dreamt of in Broadcast Television

Responding:

Kutter Callaway, Fuller Theological Seminary

Business Meeting:

Jeanette Reedy Solano, California State University, Fullerton, and Ken Derry, University of Toronto, Presiding

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Roman Catholic Studies Unit

Theme: **Sinfulness and Satisfaction: Exploring the Limits of Forgiveness and Reconciliation in a Global Context**

Monday, 4:00 PM–6:00 PM

Hynes Convention Center-309 (Third Level)

Julia Enxing, St Georgen Graduate School of Theology and Philosophy, Presiding

Katharina Peetz, Saarland University
Repairing the Irreparable? Practices of Symbolic Reparations in Post-genocide Rwanda

Jutta Koslowski, University of Mainz
The Development of Ecclesial Rituals of Repentance: A Critical Analysis of the International Project's "Path of Reconciliation" and "March of Life"

Dominik Gautier, University of Oldenburg
The Challenge of Epistemic Violence: A Postcolonial Reflection on the Doctrine of Reconciliation

Ulrike Link-Wieczorek, University of Oldenburg
Reconciliation by Symbolic Compensation (Wiedergutmachung): A Re-interpretation of the Satisfaction-Theory of Anselm of Canterbury

Responding:

Kelly Denton-Borhaug, Moravian College

A20-331



Science, Technology, and Religion Unit

Theme: **On the Future of Science, Technology, and Religion**

Monday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Sheraton Boston-Gardner (Third Level)

Christopher Southgate, University of Exeter, Presiding

Robert Geraci, Manhattan College
On the Importance of Being Local: Anthropology in the Study of Religion, Science, and Technology

Curtis Baxter, American Association for the Advancement of Science
Science and the Next Generation of Religious Leaders: The AAAS Science for Seminaries Project

Adam Pryor, Bethany College
Religion in Dialogue with Cross-Disciplinary Scientific Inquiry

Ahmed Ragab, Harvard University
"A Beau Ideal for Whosoever Hopes for God": Piety, Medicine, and Prophecy in the Medieval and Contemporary Middle East

Business Meeting:

Greg Cootsona, California State University, Chico, Presiding

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Study of Judaism Unit

Theme: **Jews and Racialization**

Monday, 4:00 PM–5:30 PM

Marriott Copley Place-Brandeis (Third Level)

Shari Rabin, College of Charleston, Presiding

Nicholas Andersen, Brown University
The Hook in Leviathan's Mouth: Jewish Difference in Carl Schmitt's Der Leviathan

Daniel May, Princeton University
Liberal Zionism and its Discontents: Louis Brandeis, Leo Strauss, Isaiah Berlin, and the Foundations of a Fraying Consensus

Paul Nahme, Brown University
Semitism and Secularism: Jewish Class Consciousness between Race and Religion

Evan Goldstein, Union Theological Seminary
Heinrich Graetz and the Racialization of Judentum

Responding:

Sarah Imhoff, Indiana University

A20-333



Teaching Religion Unit

Theme: **Teaching the Introductory Course**

Monday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Sheraton Boston-Jamaica Pond (Fifth Level)

Molly Bassett, Georgia State University, Presiding

William Robert, Syracuse University
Ways and Means (or How I Learned to Stop Worrying and Love Introduction to the Study of Religion)

Andrew McKee, Florida State University
The Use and Misuse of Cults and New Religious Movements in an Introduction to World Religions Classroom

Beverly Foulks McGuire, University of North Carolina, Wilmington
The Impact of Experiential Learning in an Introduction to Asian Religions Course

Gregory Robbins, University of Denver, and Andrea Stanton, University of Denver
Teaching Common Figures in the Jewish, Christian, and Islamic Scriptures

Esther Boyd, Interfaith Youth Core
Emerging Frontiers for Interreligious and Interfaith Studies: Interreligious Pedagogy for Pre-professional Education



A20-334/S20-331

Western Esotericism Unit and SBL Mysticism, Esotericism, and Gnosticism in Antiquity Unit

Theme: **Ritual Creativity: Old and New, Inside and Out**

Monday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center-209 (Second Level)

Claire Fanger, Rice University, Presiding

Paul Pasquies, Marquette University
"Having Started With the Spirit Are You Now Ending With the Flesh?" Circumcision, Vision, and Initiation in Galatians

Kelley Coblentz Bautch, St. Edward's University
Historiolae and Pseudepigraphy: An Assessment with an Eye toward Ritual and Ascent

Cynthia Dawson, Rice University
Hiding Sophia: Preservation of the Female Body's Value in Gnostic Mythology

Matthew Dillon, DePauw University
(Re)Inventing the Bridal Chamber: Sacrament, Psychic Androgenization, and Sacred Sex

Marla Segol, State University of New York, Buffalo
Mystical Embryologies: Knowledge, Practice, and Devotion

A20-335



Women of Color Scholarship, Teaching, and Activism Unit

Theme: **This is MY Body: Women of Color Preaching Activisms, Reproductive Justice, and Virtue[e]al Theologies**

Monday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hilton Boston Back Bay-Maverick B (Second Level)

Grace Ji-Sun Kim, Earlham College, Presiding

Gina Jungyeon Bae, University of Toronto
Imaging God as a North American Korean Feminist

Cona Marshall, Michigan State University
"Who Made These Rules?" Black Women Rapping and Preaching Activism and Liberation

Ashlyn Strozier, Claremont Graduate University
"What You Preaching We Ain't Livin'": Faith Traditions and Communities Impact on Black Women's Reproductive Decisions

Monique Moultrie, Georgia State University
All Babies Matter: Analyzing Debates of Reproductive Justice and Religious Media

Responding:

Eboni Marshall Turman, Yale University

Business Meeting:

Eboni Marshall Turman, Yale University, and Grace Ji-Sun Kim, Earlham College

A20-336

World Christianity Unit

Theme: **Identities in Crisis: Cases of Christianities across Asia**

Monday, 4:00 PM–6:00 PM

Hynes Convention Center-111 (Plaza Level)

Francis X. Clooney, Harvard University, Presiding

Chandra Mallampalli, Westmont College
Dalit Christian Reservations: A Live Debate with Colonial Moorings

Herman Teule, Université Catholique de Louvain
Middle Eastern Christian Identity – Ethnic Instead of Ecclesiastical: A Shift in Perspective

Albertus Bagus Laksana, Sanata Dharma University, Indonesia
Hybrid Identity in Peril: Christian Community and Political Islam in Indonesia

Sebastien Peyrouse, George Washington University
Christianity and Ethnicity in Soviet and Post-Soviet Central Asia: Mutual Intrusions and Instrumentalisations

Po Ho Huang, Chang Jung Christian University
Christian Bewilderment of Identity Struggling in East Asia – A Taiwanese Perspective

A20-337



Folklore and Religion Seminar

Theme: **Material Culture and Vernacular Religion**

Monday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Sheraton Boston-Liberty C (Second Level)

Leonard Norman Primiano, Cabrini University, Presiding

Amy Milligan, Old Dominion University
Creating a Sanctuary of the Home: Material Culture and the Jewish Sabbath in the Interwar Years

Jonathan D. Brumberg-Kraus, Wheaton College
Gastronomic Judaism as Vernacular Religion

Aled Thomas, Open University
The Material Culture of Scientology: The Evolution of Hubbard's Auditing "Tech" and E-meters

Sarah Riccardi-Swartz, New York University
Pixelating Holiness: Digital Orthodoxy in Appalachia

Marion Bowman, Open University
Ambiguity, Power, and Creativity: Materiality, Relationality, and Vernacular Legitimacy in the Cult of Gauchito Gil

Responding:

Donald Cosentino, University of California, Los Angeles

Business Meeting:

Stephen Wehmeyer, Champlain College, Presiding

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Interreligious Reflections on Immigration Seminar

Monday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Marriott Copley Place–Columbus I & II (First Level)

Joseph Mas, Ohio Hispanic Coalition, Columbus, OH, Presiding

Waleed El-Ansary, Xavier University
Al-Azhar University on the Responsibilities of Minority Muslims Living in Non-Islamic Societies

Hussam S. Timani, Christopher Newport University
On Being a Muslim in a Non-Islamic Society: Seeing Islam in the "Other"

Zahra Jamal, Rice University
Becoming American: Loving One's Refugee-Migrant Neighbors

James McBride, New York University
From the American Protective Association to Trump's America First: American Xenophobia in Historical Perspective

Ron Choong, Center for Interdisciplinary Research
Reflections on Faith, Religion, and Geography: Christianity on the Silk Road

Alexander Y. Hwang, Xavier University
Comparative Reflections on the Meanings of My Neighbor's Faith: Toward a Christian Theology of Immigration

Helen Boursier, College of St. Scholastica
The Great Exchange: An Interfaith Theology of Absolute Hospitality for Immigrants Seeking Asylum

Responding:

Laura Alexander, University of Nebraska, Omaha

Allen G. Jorgenson, Waterloo Lutheran Seminary

Karma Lekshe Tsomo, University of San Diego

Kristine Suna-Koro, Xavier University

Loye Ashton, Tougaloo College

Hee-Kyu Heidi Park, Xavier University

Marcus Mescher, Xavier University

Silas Allard, Emory University

Business Meeting:

Alexander Y. Hwang, Xavier University, Presiding

A20-339 – Pre-Posted Papers Session



New!

Religion and Families in North America Seminar

Theme: **Religions and Families in North America**

Monday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center-200 (Second Level)

Samira Mehta, Albright College, Presiding

Irene Stroud, Princeton University
"Fewer and Better Babies": Eugenics and the Middle-Class Protestant Marriage

Brooke Katheen Brassard, University of Waterloo
Domestic and Sacred: Mormon Rituals of Healing, Prophecy, and Family in Canadian Settlements

Francesco Morriello, Harvard University
Catholic Missionaries and Rituals of Marriage and Family Reproduction in the French Caribbean, c. 1756–1802

Susan Ridgely, University of Wisconsin
The Religious Agenda behind the Mommy Wars

Business Meeting:

Susan Ridgely, University of Wisconsin, and Samira Mehta, Albright College, Presiding

A20-341



Theological Education Committee

Theme: **Faith and Resistance in an Age of Trump**

Monday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Sheraton Boston–Republic B (Second Level)

Miguel De La Torre, Iliff School of Theology, Presiding

The national climate leading up to and resulting in the election of Donald Trump as 45th President of the United States poses many challenges and questions for theological educators. We find ourselves struggling to discern ways in which we can shape our research and teaching to offer and model analytical integrity rooted in moral conviction in the context of an increasingly chaotic and incoherent matrix of national discourse in which the very nature and value of truth has been radically called into question. As an alternative to offering ideological testimonies of understandable outrage, presenters in this Forum are committed to sharing their observations regarding specific research and pedagogical strategies for resistance to injustice which directly address the distinctive circumstances of the current historical moment. Presenters will pay particular attention to the challenges involved in engaging students in theologically grounded praxes of resistance which are inclusive and designed to unite people around shared stories and common self-interest rather than divide them along religious, partisan, ethnic, or other lines.

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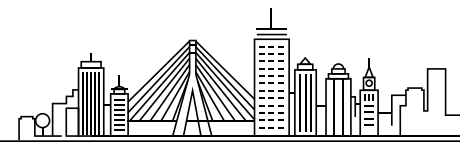
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Susan B. Thistlethwaite, Chicago Theological Seminary
 Amir Hussain, Loyola Marymount University
 Miguel Diaz, Loyola University, Chicago
 David P. Gushee, Mercer University
 Kwok Pui Lan, Emory University
 Santiago H. Slabodsky, Hofstra University

A20-340/S20-349



Student Lounge Roundtable

Theme: **Dissertation + Baby: How to Do Two of the Hardest Things You've Ever Done in Your Life Simultaneously, with Little Money or Sleep**

Monday, 4:30 PM–6:00 PM

Hynes Convention Center-303 (Third Level)

This workshop will guide participants in planning for how to make good progress on their dissertations while parenting young children. Topics discussed include: setting realistic expectations about the writing process and parenting; putting a support network in place; caring for yourself physically and spiritually while under stress; addressing the financial challenges of grad school; managing your teaching load; and staying connected to your scholarly community. The presenter wrote her dissertation while caring for her two children, and has since published a number of scholarly articles and essays and a volume of poetry.

Panelists:

Regina Walton, Harvard University

P20-410



Evangelical Philosophical Society

Theme: **Erik Wielenberg's *Robust Ethics*: Theistic Responses**

Monday, 7:00 PM–10:00 PM

Marriott Copley Place-Falmouth (Fourth Level)

Erik Wielenberg offers his "Godless Normative Realism" as an alternative to theistic accounts of moral realism. In this session, several theists engage Dr. Wielenberg's view and objections to theistic moral realism.

Panelists:

William Lane Craig, Biola University and Houston Baptist University
 Mark Murphy, Georgetown University
 Tyler McNabb, Houston Baptist University
 Adam Johnson, Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary

Responding:

Erik Wielenberg, DePauw University

Monday, 8:00 PM and Later

A20-401



Film: *The Bahá'ís*

Monday, 8:00 PM–10:00 PM

Sheraton Boston-Liberty B (Second Level)

Robert H. Stockman, Indiana University, South Bend, Presiding
 Religion is often portrayed in mainstream discourse as having little relevance to the modern world. It is considered naïve, divisive, even dangerous. At best, it's something to be kept private.

However, in villages and cities, on farms and in indigenous populations across the globe, a small but growing number of people are putting into practice spiritual teachings that they believe are not only relevant to the future of our world, but absolutely vital if we are to overcome historic divisions of gender, race, religion and politics.

They are members of the Bahá'í Faith and each is doing his or her part to serve their community and their fellow human beings. Their conviction stems from the belief that religion can provide the essential motivation to overcome historically intractable antagonisms and effect peaceful and lasting change.

This one-hour documentary asks viewers to consider a different perspective on religion than the one portrayed in the mainstream media. The film follows an intriguing set of individuals as they help to build peaceful, just and unified communities.

A20-402



Program Unit Chairs' and Steering Committee Members' Reception

Monday, 8:00 PM–10:00 PM

Marriott Copley Place-AAR Suite

Program Unit Chairs and steering committee members are invited to a reception celebrating their contributions to the AAR Annual Meeting.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 21



Coffee Break

Tuesday, 8:30 AM

Complimentary coffee will be served in the back of Aisle 2100 and Aisle 2600 of the Exhibit Hall.

A21-100

African Religions Unit and Childhood Studies and Religion Unit

Theme: Rites of Passage, Rites of Return: Performative Markers of Childhood, Youth, and Religious Change in Africa

Tuesday, 8:30 AM–10:00 AM

Sheraton Boston–Gardner (Third Level)

Sally Stamper, Capital University, Presiding

Devaka Premawardhana, Colorado College

A Rite of Return: Boys and Mothers in an African Initiation Ceremony

Funlayo Easter Wood, Harvard University

By This Time Next Year, I'll Surely Be Worshiping the White Man's God: Children, Conversion, and Resistance in Yorubaland

Abimbola Adelakun, University of Texas

Pentecostal Naming as Performative Utterance among the Yoruba, Nigeria

A21-101

Afro-American Religious History Unit and Space, Place, and Religion Unit

Theme: Africa on Abernathy

Tuesday, 8:30 AM–10:00 AM

Hynes Convention Center-313 (Third Level)

Zaid Adhami, Williams College, Presiding

Panelists:

Meredith Coleman-Tobias, Emory University

Diana Burnett, University of Pennsylvania

Amey Victoria Adkins, Duke University

Ashley Coleman, Emory University

Responding:

James Manigault-Bryant, Williams College

A21-102

Christian Spirituality Unit

Theme: Embodiment and the Study of Spirituality

Tuesday, 8:30 AM–10:00 AM

Sheraton Boston–Liberty C (Second Level)

Douglas Hardy, Nazarene Theological Seminary, Presiding

Laura Anellia Soureli, University of Cambridge

Embodied Dimensions of the Contemplative Practices in Hesychasm (Eastern Orthodox Asceticism): A New Perspective

Marie Pagliarini, Saint Mary's College

"Sacramentalizing the Body": Christian Tattooing in the San Francisco Bay Area

Lexi Eikelboom, Indiana Wesleyan University

Using Rhythm to Move beyond Text in the Study of Christian Spirituality

A21-103

Comparative Studies in Religion Unit

Theme: Recentring Sacred Biography: Hagiography as a Category of Analysis for Comparative Sanctities

Tuesday, 8:30 AM–10:00 AM

Sheraton Boston–Clarendon (Third Level)

Jon Keune, Michigan State University, Presiding

Gloria I-Ling Chien, Gonzaga University

An Example of Tibetan Namtar: Lojong Master Tokmé Zangpo's Life

Todd French, Rollins College

Texts of Lives and Lives of Texts: A Reconsideration of the Hagiographical Compilations of John of Ephesus and Cyril of Scythopolis

Massimo Rondolino, Carroll University

A Case for Hagiography: On Academic Awareness and Sainly Lives as Historiographic Practices

Business Meeting:

Sara Ritchey, University of Louisiana, Lafayette

A21-104

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History of Christianity Unit

Theme: Complicating Luther and the Reform: A Quincentenary Retrospective

Tuesday, 8:30 AM–10:00 AM

Hynes Convention Center-104 (Plaza Level)

David Daniels, McCormick Theological Seminary, Presiding

Ross Kane, University of Virginia

Sola Scriptura or the White Man's Book? Negotiating Reformation Legacies in the Global South

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Matthew Rosebrock, Concordia University St. Paul
Icons of Theology: Lucas Cranach's Law and Gospel Paintings and Martin Luther

Andrew Martin, Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary
Jesus or Moses? Thomas Hobbes's Eschatological Change of Heart and the Diversity of Reformed Two Kingdoms Theology

Laura Jurgens, University of Calgary
Let Them Bear Children to Death: A Discourse on Martin Luther, Women, and Misogyny

A21-105

Qur'an Unit

Theme: **Qur'an Commentary and Practice**

Tuesday, 8:30 AM–10:00 AM

Hilton Boston Back Bay-Belvidere A (Second Level)

Gordon D. Newby, Emory University, Presiding

The papers in this session will discuss aspects of Qur'an commentary and practice.

James Riggan, Florida State University
Touched by the Book: The Relationship between the Qur'an and the Body in Moroccan Exorcism Practices

Stephen Burge, Institute of Ismaili Studies, London, UK
"Summary Exegeses" as a Distinct Genre of Tafsir: The Tafsir al-Jalalayn

Marianna Klar, SOAS University of London
Ibn Kathir's (d. 774/1373) Treatment of the David and Uriah Narrative: The Issue of Isrā'iliyyāt and the Syrian School of Exegesis

Samuel Ross, Yale University
What Were the Most Popular Qur'an Commentaries in Islamic History? An Assessment of the Manuscript Record and the State of Western Tafsir Studies

Abdulla Galadari, Al-Maktoum College
Miqāt: The Appointed Time in the Qur'an

A21-106

Religion and Disability Studies Unit

Theme: **Disability Across Traditions: Islam, Pentecostalism, and Global Christianity**

Tuesday, 8:30 AM–10:00 AM

Hynes Convention Center-102 (Plaza Level)

David Scott, Iliff School of Theology and University of Denver, Presiding

Halla Attallah, Georgetown University
The Qur'an and Disability Studies: Physical Disability and Icon Polemics in Qur'an 21:51–70

Matthew Brake, George Mason University
Amos Yong, Feminist Disability, and Overcoming the Ideology of Cure in Pentecostal Theology

Heike Peckruhn, Daemen College
Reading Disability in Global Contexts: Christian Theology from Thailand

A21-107

Theology and Religious Reflection Unit

Theme: **Sacred Time in Judaism and Seventh-Day Adventism**

Tuesday, 8:30 AM–10:00 AM

Sheraton Boston-Public Garden (Fifth Level)

Rakesh Peter Dass, Hope College, Presiding

Lynn Kaye, Ohio State University
Does Classical Rabbinic Judaism Have Sacred Time?

Alon Goshen-Gottstein, Elijah Interfaith Institute, Zefon Yehuda, Israel

Constructing Sacred Time in Judaism: Memory, Eschatology, Temple, and Presence

Michel Lee, University of Texas
Cyclical and Linear Time in Nineteenth-Century Seventh-Day Adventism

Tuesday, 9:00 AM–11:00 AM

A21-108

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Animals and Religion Unit

Theme: **Encountering God in the Farmyard: Religion in Animal Spaces**

Tuesday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Sheraton Boston-Beacon B (Third Level)

Christopher Carter, University of San Diego, Presiding

The Cow Saw Jesus, Too: Domestic Animals as Rhetorical Religious Actors in Early America

Tom Berendt, Temple University
Bovine Benefactors: An Examination of the Role of Religion in Cow Sanctuaries across the United States

Adrienne Krone, Allegheny College
Humans and the Humble Bees: Bee-Human Relations, Rituals, and Sacred Spaces at Shores Jewish Environmental Programs

Melody Escobar, Oblate School of Theology
Wisdom's Hooves: Becoming and Belonging in the Arena of Christ; A New Path to Exploring the Motherhood Motif of Julian of Norwich

Responding:

David Clough, University of Chester

A21-109

Arts, Literature, and Religion Unit

Theme: **Islamic History, Art, and Memory**

Tuesday, 9:00 AM–11:00 AM

Sheraton Boston-Liberty B (Second Level)

Francesca Chubb-Confer, University of Chicago, Presiding

Syeda Beena Butool, Florida State University

Jesse Miller, Florida State University
Qur'anic Inscriptions as Signposts of Power

Jamila Davey, University of Texas
Ethical Dimensions of Literary Interpretation: Assia Djebar's Novel Approach to the Islamic Past

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Mona Hassan, Duke University
Poetic Memories of the Prophetic Household at the Helm of Islamic Governance

Isa Babur, Iğdir University
(An)iconism in Turkish Islam: A Literary Genre and the Calligraphic Form of Depiction of the Prophet

A21-110

Asian North American Religion, Culture, and Society Unit and North American Religions Unit

Theme: **Welcoming the Stranger: Ethics of Care and Religious Refugee Resettlement Work in the United States from WWII to the Present**

Tuesday, 9:00 AM–11:00 AM

Hynes Convention Center-108 (Plaza Level)

Arissa Oh, Boston College, Presiding

Melissa Borja, City University of New York
"I'm Going to Be Your Big Sister, Big Brother": Notions of Gender and Family in Faith-Based Refugee Care

Gale Kenny, Barnard College
Mothers for the New World Order: Postwar Refugees and Protestant Churchwomen

Janet Bauer, Trinity College
The Role of Faith-Based and Faith-Related Voluntary Organizations in Facilitating Pathways to Refugee Social Inclusion

Responding:

Paul Bramadat, University of Victoria

A21-111

Buddhism Unit

Theme: **New Work in Buddhist Studies**

Tuesday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton Boston Back Bay-Westminster (Second Level)

Reiko Ohnuma, Dartmouth College, Presiding

Nathan McGovern, University of Wisconsin, Whitewater
Oral Theory and Protestant Assumptions in the Study of Early Buddhist Sutras

Blayne Harcey, Arizona State University
The Search for Buddhist Origins and the Construction of Lineage at Lumbini Nepal

Ian MacCormack, Harvard University
Circling the Square: Rethinking the Lhasa Maṇḍala

Natasha Mikles, University of Virginia
The Butcher, the Baker, and the Hell-Being Maker: How the Embodied Experience of Samsara Makes Buddhist Hell

Jessica Starling, Lewis and Clark College
Vulnerability and Friendship at a Japanese Leprosarium: Affective Ethical Practice among Jōdo Shinshū Buddhists

A21-112

Christian Systematic Theology Unit

Theme: **Panel Discussion on *A Kryptic Model of the Incarnation* (Routledge, 2014)**

Tuesday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hynes Convention Center-207 (Second Level)

James Arcadi, Fuller Theological Seminary, Presiding

Panelists:

Richard Cross, University of Notre Dame

Oliver Crisp, Fuller Theological Seminary

C. Stephen Evans, Baylor University



Thomas McCall, Trinity International University

Joshua Farris, Houston Baptist University

Responding:

Andrew T. Loke, University of Hong Kong

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Indigenous Religious Traditions Unit and Native Traditions in the Americas Unit and Religion and Ecology Unit

Theme: **Standing Rock and Beyond: Lakota Knowledge, Global Indigenous Sovereignty, and Religious Freedom**

Tuesday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hynes Convention Center-309 (Third Level)

Danoye Oguntola-Laguda, Lagos State University, Presiding

Stephanie Yuhas, Naropa University
Standing for Sovereignty at Standing Rock

Siv Ellen Kraft, University of Tromsø, and Greg Johnson, University of Colorado

Injury, Action, and Protection: Comparing Discourses of Religion, Law, and the Environment at Standing Rock (North Dakota), Alta (Sápmi), and Mauna Kea (Hawai'i)














Nicholas Shrubsole, University of Central Florida
Incommensurability and the Challenge for Indigenous Religious Freedom Claims

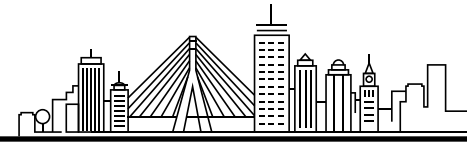
Kenneth Richards, University of North Carolina
Savage Ecologies: Religious Freedom, Traditional Indigenous Knowledge, and U.S. Environmental Policy

Responding:

Kathleen J. Martin, California Polytechnic State University

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Japanese Religions Unit and Tantric Studies Unit

Theme: **The Reweaving of Mantra: Esoteric Buddhism in Japan after Kūkai (774–835)**

Tuesday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Sheraton Boston-Berkeley (Third Level)

Ryuichi Abe, Harvard University, Presiding

Ethan Bushelle, Western Washington University
The Aesthetics of Mantra: A Buddhological Genealogy of Medieval Waka Poetics

Eric Swanson, Harvard University
Majestic Methods to Vanquish Evil: Negotiating the Power of Subjugation in Tendai Esoteric Commentaries

Aaron Proffitt, State University of New York, Albany
Exo-esoteric Pure Land Buddhism in Early-Medieval Japan

Anna Andreeva, University of Heidelberg
Enlightenment for the “Country Bumpkins”? Esoteric Buddhism, Kami Cults, and Non-elite Practitioners in Medieval Japan

Responding:

Fabio Rambelli, University of California, Santa Barbara

A21-115

Latina/o Religion, Culture, and Society Unit

Theme: **Sanctuary Spaces and Liturgical Practices: Safety and Resilience in Latinx Communities**

Tuesday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Sheraton Boston-Back Bay B (Second Level)

Jeremy V. Cruz, St. John's University, New York, Presiding

Leo Guardado, University of Notre Dame
Sanctuary Churches: Resisting State Violence

Jennifer Owens, Graduate Theological Union
Las Caminatas por la Paz as Epistemological Practice: How Popular Catholicism Makes Meaning of Suffering and Practices Healing

Responding:

Neomi De Anda, University of Dayton

A21-116

Philosophy of Religion Unit

Theme: **New Directions for Analytic Philosophy of Religion?**

Tuesday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton Boston Back Bay-Adams A (Third Level)

Amber Griffioen, University of Konstanz, Presiding

Michelle Panchuk, Murray State University
Distorting Concepts, Obscured Experiences: On the Role of Hermeneutical Injustice in Religious Trauma

Andrea C. White, Union Theological Seminary
A Womanist Hermeneutic of Revelation

Kelli Potter, Utah Valley University
Heterodoxy and the Philosophy of Religion

Nolwandle Lembethe, University of the Witwatersrand

Gendered Epistemic Intuitions and Spiritual Spaces of Knowing: A South African Context

A21-117

Religion and Economy Unit and Secularism and Secularity Unit

Theme: **Capital and the Secular: New Critiques and New Horizons**

Tuesday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Sheraton Boston-The Fens (Fifth Level)

Justin Stein, University of Toronto, Presiding

Panelists:

Elayne Oliphant, New York University

Rosemary R. Corbett, Bard College

Josef Sorett, Columbia University

Matthew King, University of California, Riverside

Lucia Hulsether, Yale University

Tracy Fessenden, Arizona State University

Rebecca Bartel, University of Toronto

Responding:

Webb Keane, University of Michigan

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Religion and Popular Culture Unit

Theme: **Sartorial Transgressions: Reflections on Fashion, Religion, and Resistance**

Tuesday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hynes Convention Center-201 (Second Level)

Thelathia Young, Bucknell University, Presiding

Benae Beamon, Boston University

Fashioning the Subject: Black Queerness, Identity, and an Ethic of Honor

Jeanine Viau, University of Central Florida

In and Out of One Another's Closets: Notes on Form, Fashion, and Freedom in the Classroom

Jared Vazquez, Iliff School of Theology

Rummaging through the Bargain Bin: Agency and Resistance in the Pursuit of Personal Style

Whitney Bond, Chicago Theological Seminary

You Gone Wear That?! Fashion, Self-Expression, and Resistance for Queer Black Women and Gender Non-conforming Black Folk in the Pulpit

Responding:

Otto von Busch, New School

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Religion in South Asia Unit

Theme: **Constructing Powerful Selves: Autobiography in South Asia**

Tuesday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hynes Convention Center-205 (Second Level)

Kristin Bloomer, Carleton College, Presiding

Alyson Prude, University of Wisconsin, Whitewater
Authority and Vulnerability: Tibetan Buddhist Women's Oral Life Narratives

Ben Williams, Harvard University
Abhinavagupta as a Cosmopolitan Siddha: Religious Sources for Writing the Self in Medieval Kashmir

J. Barton Scott, University of Toronto
A Bourgeois Ethic for Hindu Bombay: Victorian Self-Help and the Gujarati Travelogue

Chloe Martinez, Claremont McKenna College
"An Eminent Mohammedan Moulvie": Autobiography and Conversion in Colonial Punjab

Responding:

Janet Gyatso, Harvard University

A21-120

Science, Technology, and Religion Unit

Theme: **Vulnerable Populations, Science, Technology, and Religion**

Tuesday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hynes Convention Center-209 (Second Level)

Sarah Fredericks, University of Chicago, Presiding

Michelle Wolff, Duke University, and Kara Slade, Duke University
Sex Robots: Outsourcing Care Labor to Technology

Stina Busman Jost, Bethel University, and Andrea Hollingsworth, United Theological Seminary of the Twin Cities
Inherited Vulnerabilities: Epigenetics and Religious Ethics

Jordan Brady Loewen, Syracuse University
"Hacking Perception": Techno-Entheogens, Virtual Reality, and the Vulnerability of Subjectivity

A21-121

Study of Judaism Unit

Theme: **Vulnerability, Resistance, and Mourning**

Tuesday, 9:00 AM–11:00 AM

Hilton Boston Back Bay-Jefferson (Third Level)

Yonatan Brafman, Jewish Theological Seminary of America, Presiding

Sam Shonkoff, University of Chicago
"Corporeality, Not Spirituality": Martin Buber's Resistance at Eranos in 1934

William Plevan, Congregation Shaare Zedek, New York, NY
The Theoretical Elimination of Resistance: Buber's Critique of Plato and Weber

Geoffrey Claussen, Elon University
Two Approaches to Vulnerability and the Exodus Narrative: The Stranger in the Writings of Irving Greenberg and Meir Kahane

Gila Silverman, University of Arizona
"We Sat Shiva for Three Days": Jewish Mourning among Liberal American Jews

A21-122

Teaching Religion Unit

Theme: **Evidence Based Teaching in Religion**

Tuesday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Sheraton Boston-Beacon F (Third Level)

David B. Howell, Ferrum College, Presiding

Kate DeConinck, University of San Diego
Engaging Contentious Issues Using Team-Based Learning Strategies













John Lyden, Grand View University
Teaching Islam and Current Events through Experiential Learning

Nathaniel Samuel, St. Thomas University
Teaching Introduction to Religious Studies through a Partial Community Engagement Model

Jeannine Hill Fletcher, Fordham University
History Repeats: The Critical Theorist's/Theologian's Study of Religious History in Real Time

Calvin Mercer, East Carolina University
Somatic Learning: An Exercise in "Reading" Religious Texts

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Tillich: Issues in Theology, Religion, and Culture Unit

Theme: **Politics, Power, and the Rise of Fascism**

Tuesday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hynes Convention Center-203 (Second Level)

Stephen G. Ray, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary, Presiding

Ho Siu Pun, Chinese University of Hong Kong
Power as Basic Element for Analyzing and Responding to Fascism: A Study of Paul Tillich's Theology of Power

Rachel Sophia Baard, Villanova University
Bonhoeffer and Tillich: Brothers in Arms

Jari Ristiniemi, University of Gefle
State Philosophy, Micro-fascism, and the New Materiality: Tillich's Contribution for Recent Political Philosophy

Caleb Hendrickson, University of Virginia
The Demonic Arts and the Politics of Resistance: Discerning the Spirits of Visual Culture with Paul Tillich

A21-124

Women and Religion Unit

Theme: **Roundtable on Critical Theology against U.S. Militarism in Asia: Decolonization and Deimperialization**

Tuesday, 9:00 AM–11:00 AM

Sheraton Boston-Fairfax B (Third Level)

Nami Kim, Spelman College, and Anne Joh, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary, Presiding

Panelists:

Michael Sepidoza Campos, Emerging Queer Asian Religion Scholars

K. Christine Pae, Denison University

Amy R. Barbour, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary

Responding:

Rita Brock, Volunteers of America

P21-129

Journal of Feminist Studies in Religion

Theme: **"Pauline" Landscapes**

Tuesday, 9:00 AM–11:00 AM

Sheraton Boston-Back Bay C (Second Level)

Barbara Reid, Catholic Theological Union, Presiding

The title of this panel, "Pauline Landscapes," refers to the complex spaces that are created by historical reconstruction, scholarly commentary, and theological interpretation of texts attributed to the apostle Paul. How scholars explicate the character of a "Pauline" text contributes to defining the image of the people who are its senders and receivers and the identity of its scholars and readers. The panel will explore as to how the commentary writers' feminist perspectives and their processes of commentary writing has changed their understanding of the "Pauline" scholarly landscape.

Panelists:

Alicia Batten, University of Waterloo

Mary Anne Beavis, St. Thomas More College

Annette Huizenga, University of Dubuque

Cynthia Kittredge, Episcopal Theological Seminary of the Southwest

Florence Gillman, University of San Diego

Elisabeth Schüssler Fiorenza, Harvard University

A21-125

Cognitive Science of Religion Unit

Theme: **Current Theories and Applications of the Cognitive Science of Religion**

Tuesday, 10:30 AM–12:00 PM

Sheraton Boston-Gardner (Third Level)

Travis Chilcott, Iowa State University, Presiding

Hillary Lenfesty, Arizona State University, and Jeffrey Schloss, Westmont College
Ecstatic Religious Experiences Promote Cooperation

Adam Baimel, University of British Columbia, Rita McNamara, Victoria University, Wellington, Benjamin Purzycki, Max Planck Institute for Evolutionary Anthropology, and Ara Norenzayan, University of British Columbia
An Anthropomorphized God Is a Believable God

Kathryn Johnson, Arizona State University, and Adam Cohen, Arizona State University
Evolved, Fundamental, Social Motives, and the Varieties of God Representations

Aiyana Willard, University of Texas
Understanding the Mind of God: The Role of Anthropomorphism as Motivated Cognition in Explaining Supernatural Belief

A21-126

Daoist Studies Unit

Theme: **Where Sources Merge and Streams Depart: Ge Hong and the Navigation of Religious Identity**

Tuesday, 10:30 AM–12:00 PM

Hynes Convention Center-313 (Third Level)

Willis Munroe, University of British Columbia, Presiding

Matthew Wells, University of Kentucky
The Earth Immortal: The Political and Social Context of Ge Hong's Religious Writing

Clayton Ashton, University of British Columbia
The Limits of Propriety: Ritual Practice in the Baopuzi

Wayne Kreger, Columbia College
The Great Beginning with Myriad Completions — Ge Hong's Thought in Cultural Context

Responding:

Robert Campany, Vanderbilt University

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Ethics Unit

Theme: **Legacies of Revolution in Light of the 500th Anniversary of the Protestant Reformation**

Tuesday, 10:30 AM–12:00 PM

Sheraton Boston-Liberty A (Second Level)

Frederick Simmons, Center of Theological Inquiry, Princeton, NJ, Presiding

Jonathan Sauder, Brite Divinity School
The Malleable Mennonite Conscience: From Persecuted Prophets to Privileged Pacifists

Brian Lee, Princeton University
Is Harper's Ferry an American Mount Moriah? Ethics at the Limits of Law and Order

Marlon Millner, Northwestern University
The Light in Darkness — Evening Light Saints, Pentecostal Fugitivity, and Faith Alone

R. Ward Holder, Saint Anselm College
The Reformation as Revolution? Questioning the Revolutionary Character of the Church, Then and Now

A21-128

Religion and Politics Unit

Theme: **The U.S Supreme Court and the Evolution of Religious Liberty**

Tuesday, 10:30 AM–12:00 PM

Sheraton Boston-Clarendon (Third Level)

Jenna Reinbold, Colgate University, Presiding

Katrina Myers, Boston University
Little Sister's Sorrow: Religion and Reproductive Justice in the Era of Obamacare

Barbara A. McGraw, Saint Mary's College of California
The Fourth Disestablishment: Legitimacy and Religious Minorities

Eric Stephen, Harvard University
Unpacking the Theological Underpinnings of Hobby Lobby: An Intellectual History of the Idea of "Complicity" in American Religion and Law

A21-129

Religion and the Social Sciences Unit

Theme: **Religion and Social Activism in a Trump Era**

Tuesday, 10:30 AM–12:00 PM

Hilton Boston Back Bay-Belvidere A (Second Level)

Kristy Nabhan-Warren, University of Iowa, Presiding

Donna Bowman, University of Central Arkansas
Religious Convictions Among Pussyhat Makers

David Feltmate, Auburn University, Montgomery, and Kimberly P. Brackett, Auburn University, Montgomery
The Threats to Families Today: Pastoral Rhetoric and the Changing Religio-political Landscape in the United States

A21-130

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Study of Islam Unit

Theme: **Exploring the Islamic and the Secular**

Tuesday, 10:30 AM–12:00 PM

Sheraton Boston-Public Garden (Fifth Level)

Elliott Bazzano, Le Moyne College, Presiding

Anna Piela, Leeds Trinity University
Identity and Experiences of Women Who Choose to Wear the Niqab in the United Kingdom

Shatha Almutawa, Willamette University
Playing with Gender and Modernity: Tango in Secular Muslim Contexts

David Decosimo, Boston University
What Is an Islamic Value? Are There Any?

A21-131

Western Esotericism Unit

Theme: **Differently Gendered Esotericisms: Modern Esoteric Negotiations of Gender Polarity**

Tuesday, 10:30 AM–12:00 PM

Sheraton Boston-Liberty C (Second Level)

Cathy N. Gutierrez, New York, NY, Presiding

Erin Prophet, Rice University
Syncretism in the Gendered and Nongendered Reproduction of Blavatsky's Root Races: From Hermaphrodites to Hairy Red Giants

Georgia van Raalte, University of Kent
Pomegranates and Crescent Honey-Cakes: Divine Femininity and Everyday Womanhood in the Work of Dion Fortune

Manon Hedenborg White, Uppsala University
Queering the Cup? The Negotiation of Gender Polarity in Contemporary Thelema

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- ❧ 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

Congresses

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.

PROFESSIONS

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. Jobs are posted year-round at Employment Services website: www.aarsbl.org. 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.

Professional 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. Since its organization, 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; and maintained a calendar of events covering biblical studies and related conferences all over the world.

ICI Online Books

The Online Book depository now has over four hundred titles from SBL and our publishing partners: Brown Judaic Studies, Catholic Biblical Association, Fortress Press, Gorgias Press, Sheffield Phoenix Press, Westminster John Knox, and Wiley-Blackwell.

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 scholarship. 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. Sessions have been broadcast from the meeting to groups in Bolivia, Brazil, Egypt, Ghana, India, Nigeria, Peru, Poland, South Africa, and Ukraine.

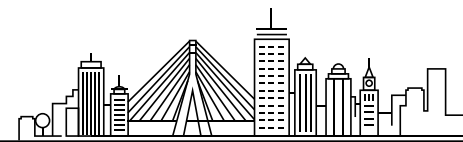
Status of Women in the Profession Committee

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.

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. The goals of this committee are to:

- ✧ Advance the representation of racial and ethnic minorities in scholarly and biblical professions
- ✧ Open the Society to greater participation by minorities
- ✧ Focus its efforts in the areas of mentoring and networking
- ✧ Promote and vitalize the ways in which the Society speaks to and about racial and ethnic minorities

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. The members of Council are as follows:

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Sidnie White Crawford
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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.

Anselm Hagedorn - Chair
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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 investmentss.

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The **International Cooperation Initiative (ICI) Committee** facilitates mutual cooperation among colleagues from around the globe in the effort to foster biblical scholarship.

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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.

Sidnie White Crawford - Chair
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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.

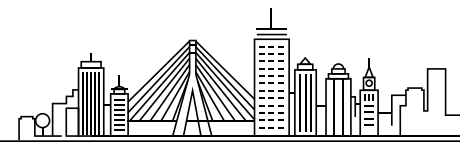
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The **Regional Coordinators Committee** consists of liaisons from the eleven regions in North America. Coordinators oversee regional activities and award Regional Scholar grants.

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The **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.

April DeConick - Chair
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Susanne Scholz
Jennifer Nesbitt - Staff Liaison

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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Michael V. Fox

Saturday, November 18, 7:00 PM–8:00 PM • Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - Grand Ballroom EF

Jay C. and Ruth Halls-Bascom Professor Emeritus in Hebrew at the University of Wisconsin-Madison, Presiding



Michael V. Fox grew up in Detroit and attended the University of Michigan, where he received his B.A. (1962) and M.A. (1963) degrees. An early decision to become a Reform rabbi led him to study Hebrew at the UM. There he signed up for biblical Hebrew with Professor George Mendenhall. This put him immediately into courses with grad students. These were tiny classes in which the students concentrated on texts of the

Bible and the Ancient Near East and listened to Mendenhall's ruminations on law, covenant, and history. These were both dry and fascinating. Fox was stunned to learn that one could apply the mind to the study of the Bible (instead of just listening to the rabbi use it for sermon materials). It was also a revelation to realize that one could earn a living, as Mendenhall seemed to be doing, in an activity so fascinating and satisfying as studying, teaching, and exploring the Bible and its world. Fox eventually made his way into this profession, and it turned out to be as good as he imagined it would be.

First, however, he studied for the rabbinate at Hebrew Union College in Cincinnati and benefited from the broad range of Jewish Studies offered there. From there he went to pursue a Ph.D. in Bible at the Hebrew University in Jerusalem. There he studied with a dazzling range of eminent scholars in Bible, Semitics, and related fields. He wrote his dissertation with Professor Menahem Haran on "The Book of Qohelet and its Relation to the Wisdom School" (Hebrew), receiving his Ph.D. in 1972.

Writing on this topic showed him that the study of Wisdom Literature requires immersion in the Wisdom Literature of the ancient Near East, and to do this properly requires knowledge of Egyptian. Even as he began teaching he studied Egyptian with Irene Shirun-Grumach, Sarah Groll, and H. W. Fairman during a year's post-doc at Liverpool University. He returned to the Hebrew University in 1975 to a double appointment in Bible and Egyptology.

In 1977 returned to the States to teach in the Hebrew Department at the University of Wisconsin, where he spent his career, working there for 34 years and retiring in 2010. He became the Weinstein-Bascom Professor in Jewish Studies, then the Jay C. and Ruth Halls-Bascom Professor. Both the work and the retirement have been a joy. At Wisconsin he taught courses in Bible and Semitics to excellent, diligent students. Most of them were grad students, in small, highly focused seminars. He had twenty-two dissertators and served on others' dissertation committees.

Most of these students wanted to become Bible professors, and most succeeded in doing so. It has since become much harder to get an academic position, and he dearly hopes that the current students will succeed as well. His students and other colleagues honored him with a *Festschrift*: *Seeking Out the Wisdom of the Ancients* (edited by Ronald L. Troxel, Kelvin G. Friebel, and Dennis R. Magary), Eisenbrauns, 2005.

His research is in biblical literature, particularly Wisdom Literature, comparative Egyptian-Israelite literature, text criticism, Septuagint, and Peshitta. His authored scholarly books are *The Song of Songs and the Ancient Egyptian Love Songs* (University of Wisconsin Press, 1985 + reprints); *Shirey Dodim Mimitzrayim Ha'Atiqah* (Magnes Press, 1985); *Qohelet and His Contradictions* (Sheffield Academic Press, 1987 + reprints); *Character and Ideology in the Book of Esther* (Univ. of South Carolina Press, 1991, second edition, 2001); *The Redaction of the Books of Esther* (Scholars Press, Atlanta, 1987); *A Time to Tear Down and a Time to Build Up: A Rereading of Ecclesiastes* (Eerdmans, 1999 + reprints); *Proverbs 1–9* (Anchor Bible 18A); *Proverbs 10–31* (Anchor Bible 18B); *Ecclesiastes: A Commentary* (Jewish Publication Society, 2004); *Proverbs: An Eclectic Edition with Introduction and Textual Commentary*, the first volume to appear in a major new SBL project; and *The Hebrew Bible: A Critical Edition*, vol. 30 (SBL Press, 2015). He is currently writing a commentary on Job for the Old Testament Library.

In addition, he has published numerous articles, reviews, and short notes on a variety of topics in Bible and Egyptology. Many of his publications can be found in pdf format at <http://wisc.academia.edu/MichaelFox/>.

Fox has been active in the SBL throughout his career, serving as unit chair of the Wisdom Unit (twice), and on other unit steering committees, and served as editor of the SBL Dissertation Series, as President of the Midwest Region of SBL, on the Executive Committee (twice), and in other capacities as well. Service in scholarly organizations, particularly in SBL, has been integral to his work as scholar and teacher. Two of his books and numerous articles appeared in SBL publications. He has given papers at SBL meetings every year, and his interaction with scholars at these sessions has helped shaped his ideas and clarify his arguments.

He was also editor of *Hebrew Studies* and President of the National Association of Professors of Hebrew (2003–2005), and served on other editorial boards. He was elected honorary member of the Society for Old Testament Study and fellow of the American Academy of Jewish Research in (2000).

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>.

Carrie Elaine Duncan



Carrie Elaine Duncan is an assistant professor of Religious Studies at the University of Missouri, Columbia. She earned a BA in Archaeology from Tufts University in 2000; an MA in Near Eastern Languages and Civilizations from Harvard University in 2004; and an MA and PhD in Religious Studies from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill in 2008 and 2012, respectively. She received both a Charlotte W. Newcombe

Foundation Fellowship and a UNC Royster Society Fellowship for her dissertation research on representations of gender in Late Antique Jewish funerary inscriptions. Carrie has participated in numerous archaeological projects in Italy, Greece, Israel, and Jordan. She is currently a senior staff member with the Petra North Ridge Project and Tall al-Umayri Excavations and is the assistant director of the Ayn Gharandal Archaeological Project. Her recent research investigates expressions of religiosity among Roman soldiers in southern Jordan during the fourth century.

T. Christopher Hoklotubbe



T. Christopher Hoklotubbe (Th.D., Harvard Divinity School, 2015) will be joining Cornell College this Fall, as an assistant professor of Religion. Previously he was the Louisville Institute Postdoctoral Fellow and Postdoctoral Faculty Fellow in Theological Studies at Loyola Marymount University. His forthcoming book, *Civilized Piety: The Rhetoric of PIETAS in the Pastoral Epistles and the Roman Empire* (Baylor University Press,

2017), examines the sociopolitical functions that "piety" served within various cultural fields of the ancient Mediterranean world. This study argues that ancient discourses on piety illuminate the Pastoral Epistles' own strategies of negotiating imperial culture and brokering power among patrons and rival religious experts. Chris's scholarship is driven by his interest in how early Christian constructions of identity, ethics, and theology reflect a dynamic engagement with the Roman Empire and philosophical traditions.

His scholarly publications have appeared in *Journal for the Study of the Pseudepigrapha*, *Journal for the Study of Judaism*, and *Journal for the Study of the New Testament*, among other places. He is also serving as co-author with L. Michael White for a forthcoming volume on *Jewish Fictional Letters from Hellenistic Egypt* (SBL Press, Writings from the Greco-Roman World Series). During summers, he works at the Ostia synagogue excavations.

Paul J. Achtemeier Award for New Testament Scholarship



Courtney Friesen

We are pleased to announce that the 2017 Paul J. Achtemeier Award for New Testament Scholarship has been awarded to Courtney Friesen (Assistant Professor of Classics, University of Arizona) for his paper entitled, "Gluttony and Drunkenness as Jewish and Christian Virtues: From the Comic Heracles to the Christ of the Gospels."

Courtney, a member of SBL since 2010, has been teaching at the University of Arizona in Tucson since 2015, prior to which he was an Instructor of Greek at the University of Oxford. He completed his PhD from the University of Minnesota in 2013. In 2015, he published a book with Mohr Siebeck entitled, *Reading Dionysus: Euripides' Bacchae and the Cultural Contestations of Greeks, Jews, Romans, and Christians*. He will deliver his paper at the SBL Annual Meeting in Boston, followed by panel responses and general discussion.

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:

- ✎ 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 2017 Achtemeier Award Committee consisted of Clare K. Rothschild (Lewis University), Laurence L. Welborn (Fordham University), and Kimberly Stratton (Carleton University).

The call for papers for the 2018 Paul J. Achtemeier Award will open by October 16, 2017.

We would like to express our sincere gratitude to the numerous contributors for making this scholarship award possible. Please consider a gift today to the Paul J. Achtemeier Award Fund (<https://www.sbl-site.org/membership/giving.aspx>).



David Noel Freedman Award for Excellence and Creativity in Hebrew Bible Scholarship



Carly Crouch

We are pleased to announce that the 2017 David Noel Freedman Award for Excellence and Creativity in Hebrew Bible Scholarship has been awarded to Carly Crouch (Associate Professor of Hebrew Bible, University of Nottingham, UK) for her paper entitled, "Playing Favorites: Israel and Judah in the Marriage Metaphor of Jeremiah 3."

Crouch is Associate Professor of Hebrew Bible at the University of Nottingham (UK) and author of *War and Ethics in the Ancient Near East* (de Gruyter, 2009), *The Making of Israel* (Brill, 2014), *Israel and the Assyrians* (SBL, 2014), and *An Introduction to the Study of Jeremiah* (Bloomsbury, 2017). She is writing a monograph on Israelite and Judahite identities on the cusp of and in the aftermath of the Babylonian destruction of Jerusalem in 586 BCE, as well as an introduction to Isaiah for T&T Clark's Study Guides to the Old Testament. She will deliver her paper at the SBL Annual Meeting in Boston, followed by panel responses and general discussion.

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 2005. 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 2017 award committee is comprised of Cynthia Chapman (Oberlin College), Gale Yee (Episcopal Divinity School), and Alison Schofield (University of Denver).

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Travel Grants

Congratulations to the 2017 SBL Travel Grant recipients:



Vaitusi Nofoaiga
Malua Theological College
(Samoa)



Tshokolo Johannes Makutoane
University of the Free State
(South Africa)



Sola Ademiluka
Kogi State University (Nigeria)



Gregory Basker
University of Serampore (India)

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 Society's Travel Grants provide for lodging for four nights, complimentary meeting registration and reimbursement for travel expense to a designated amount set within the award guidelines.

The Travel Grant Committee members are representatives from the International Cooperation Initiative, Status of Women in the Profession Committee, and the Underrepresented Racial and Ethnic Minorities in the Profession Committee. This year's committee included: Jione Havea, Julia O'Brien, Heidi Marx-Wolf, Rodney Sadler, and Justine Smith.

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.

SBL–De Gruyter Prize for Biblical Studies and Reception History



Edwina Murphy

In partnership with the Society of Biblical Literature, De Gruyter is delighted to announce Dr. Edwina Murphy as the winner of this year's SBL–De Gruyter Prize for Biblical Studies and Reception History. Murphy's manuscript, "Cyprian's Use of Paul," was selected as the 2017 winner by the prize committee.

"The growing interest in reception history has been accompanied by a recognition that biblical interpretation is not restricted to the writing of commentaries," Murphy said. "Treatises, letters, and homilies (not to mention material remains) also reveal the interplay of text, context and theology in exegesis, shaping belief and practice. The field is ripe for harvest and I would like to thank SBL and De Gruyter for encouraging scholarly laborers to enter it."

Dr. Anke Beck, Managing Director of Publishing at De Gruyter, emphasizes that De Gruyter has been pursuing publishing in the field of reception history for many years. "With the publication of volume 15 this autumn, one of our major reference works, the *Encyclopedia of the Bible and Its Reception* (<https://www.degruyter.com/view/db/ebr>) will be reaching its halfway mark of the 30 volumes planned. This achievement documents the tremendous growth this rapidly developing area of research has had in recent years. Now in its fourth year," she said, "the SBL–De Gruyter Prize for Biblical Studies and Reception History acknowledges the continued excellence of research and publishing in this field, and Dr. Murphy's work provides scholars with further knowledge on topics addressed in our *Studies of the Bible and Its Reception* (<https://www.degruyter.com/view/serial/185143>) book series. We at De Gruyter would like to congratulate Dr. Murphy and thank the prize committee for the invaluable time and effort spent reviewing the many top-notch submissions."

Edwina Murphy is Lecturer in Church History at Morling College, Sydney (affiliated with the Australian College of Theology and the University of Divinity). Her research interests revolve around Cyprian of Carthage and the early Christian interpretation of Scripture.

The De Gruyter Prize for Biblical Studies and Reception History 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. SBL is grateful to De Gruyter for investing in this growing area of research and teaching, one that also cultivates interdisciplinary studies in the humanities. It is a service to SBL and its members, and we congratulate Dr. Murphy on receiving the award.

The 2017 Call for Papers for the SBL—De Gruyter Prize will open October 1, 2017. More information on deadlines and eligibility can be found on the SBL website at <https://www.sbl-site.org/membership/DeGruyterAward.aspx>.

SBL PROFESSIONAL CONDUCT POLICY



The members of the SBL constitute a community of scholars dedicated to promoting the critical investigation of biblical literature and history, together with other related literature, by the exchange of scholarly research in published form and in public forum.

While freedom of inquiry is at the heart of this enterprise, such freedom carries with it the responsibility of professional conduct. As a learned society, the SBL requires professional conduct of its members as they exchange scholarly research in SBL publications and when they convene at SBL meetings and programs.

Professional conduct includes, but is not limited to, conduct based on respect for others which does not in any way exploit power and/or status differences such as those that exist between faculty and students, between senior and junior colleagues, between employers and those seeking employment, or between those who grant access to publication or presentation and those who seek such access. It also includes conduct based on respect in peer to peer relationships. Professional conduct is free of all forms of harassment and discrimination.

Discrimination means a distinction, whether intentional or not, relating to personal characteristics of an individual or group, which has the effect of imposing burdens, obligations, or disadvantages on such individual or group not imposed on others; or which withholds or limits access to opportunities, benefits and advantages available to other members of the SBL. Discrimination on the basis of race, ancestry, place of origin, color, ethnic group, citizenship, gender identity, sexual orientation, disability, creed, age, marital/family status, or any other characteristic protected by law is prohibited by SBL in all of its sanctioned activities (including regional, annual, and international meetings, sponsored events and programmatic activities, and committee and editorial board meetings).

Harassment may be defined as vexatious comment or conduct in relation to a person or group of persons on the basis of personal characteristics (i) which has the effect or purpose of creating a hostile or intimidating environment; or (ii) which has the effect or purpose of offending or demeaning a person or group of persons; or (iii) which functions implicitly or explicitly to limit participation in a professional program, activity, or opportunity. It is also the case that the victim of harassment can be anyone affected by the offensive conduct, not just the individual at whom the conduct is directed. In other words, what one or two persons may consider joking around may be unwelcome to and offensive to a bystander.

Sexual harassment includes unwelcome sexual advances, requests for sexual favors, and other verbal comment or physical conduct of a sexual nature by a person who knows or ought reasonably to know that such conduct is unwanted, including situations in which (i) the request or conduct involves any implied or expressed promise of professional reward for complying; or (ii) the request or conduct involves any implied or expressed threat of reprisal or denial of opportunity for refusing to comply; or (iii) the request or conduct results in what reasonably may be perceived as a hostile or intimidating environment. Such examples are illustrative, not exhaustive. Sexual harassment does not refer to occasional compliments of a socially acceptable nature or consensual personal and social relationships without a discriminatory effect. It refers to behavior that reasonably situated persons would regard as not welcome and as personally intimidating, hostile, or offensive.

The SBL is committed to the creation and maintenance of a discrimination- and harassment-free environment in all of its sanctioned activities. The professional conduct of all members who participate in such activities is essential for preserving this standard. SBL is also committed to preventing harassment by or toward its employees and third parties involved in its activities, including contractors, vendors, volunteers, or guests.

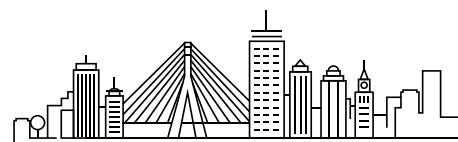
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Anyone who is found to have engaged in discrimination or any form of harassment will be subject to disciplinary action, which may include, but is not limited to, reprimand and/or suspension or termination of the individual's membership and/or participation in current or future SBL operated, sponsored or affiliated events.

This policy was approved by the SBL Council November 2015.

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International Qur'anic Studies Association

9:00 AM–11:00 AM

Westin Copley Place Hotel (WCP) - Mastiff (Seventh Level)

Theme: **Board Meeting**

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SBL Status of Women in the Profession Committee

9:00 AM–5:00 PM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 105 (Plaza Level)

S17-103/A17-107

SBL THATCamp - The Humanities and Technology Camp

9:00 AM–5:00 PM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 208 (Second Level)

Theme: **THATCAMP AARSBL2017**

The advent of digital technology and social media has not only transformed how today's religious communities function, they have also changed how scholars teach about and conduct research on religion more broadly. If you are interested in how technology is changing—or can change—the work of scholars of religion, then we invite you to attend the THATCamp AAR & SBL unconference taking place the day before the AAR & SBL conferences begins. THATCamp brings together scholars to explore the role of technology in humanities scholarship. This is not a conference for techno-elites, it is a conference for every one of all skill levels. If you are new to digital humanities, come and learn. If you are a seasoned pro, come and share. We look forward to seeing you there! For more information visit <http://thatcampaarsbl.org>.

Eric C. Smith, Iliff School of Theology, Presiding

Michael Hemenway, Iliff School of Theology, Presiding

Candace Mixon, University of North Carolina, Presiding

S17-201

SBL Student Advisory Board

12:00 PM–2:00 PM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 110 (Plaza Level)

P17-201a

Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion

12:00 PM–5:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 107 (Plaza Level)

Theme: **How Learning Works: Research on Learning as a Resource for Teaching Theology and Religion**

What if we designed courses and teaching activities in theology and religion based on how people actually learn? Recent advances in cognitive neuroscience, social psychology, and other areas of educational research provide exciting new clues into the processes by which learning takes place. But busy teachers often lack time to engage in extensive study of contemporary learning theory to inform their teaching. In this 5-hour workshop, participants will be introduced to a framework of seven principles of learning that research has shown can enhance learning in significant ways. Participants then will have the opportunity to work in-depth with one or more of these principles in relation to a course they teach. We will explore strategies for teaching; share expertise and provide feedback on learning-based teaching practices; and consider the particular, subject-specific implications such understandings of learning may have for the teaching of theology and religion. We will begin with a buffet lunch at noon, and conclude with a reception for participants ending at 5:30. Participants will be asked to read, before the workshop, one chapter that will be provided by the Wabash Center. Space is limited. Pre-registration is required. Send an email to Beth Reffett, reffettb@wabash.edu. Registration deadline is November 1. For additional information, see: <http://wabashcenter.wabash.edu/programs/2017-pre-conference-workshop>.

Jeremy Posadas, Austin College, Panelist

Joyce Ann Mercer, Yale University, Panelist

S17-202

SBL Annual Meeting Program Committee

1:00 PM–5:00 PM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 308 (Third Level)

S17-203

SBL Finance Committee

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - SBL Suite

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P17-204

Institute for Biblical Research

1:00 PM–3:15 PM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Back Bay C (Second Level)

Theme: **Scripture and Doctrine Seminar**

The Scripture and Doctrine Seminar (SADS) focuses on the intersection of Scripture and Doctrine. It explores how Scripture leads to the formulation of doctrine and how doctrine illuminates our reading of the Bible. For further information contact the chair, Benjamin Quinn (bquinn@sebs.edu) and see <http://www.stgeorgesonline.com/centre/sads/> and <https://www.ibr-bbr.org/> (Click on Research Groups). The Seminar is a joint venture between the St. George's Centre for Biblical and Public Theology and the St. Paul Centre for Biblical Theology. The SAHS/SADS/SACS Dinner will take place on Saturday at 7:30 PM. Contact Gillian Fernie for details at gillian@stgeorgesonline.com.

Benjamin Quinn, Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary, Presiding

Benjamin Quinn, Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary, Welcome (10 min)

Steve Harris, Hamilton, ON, Canada
Hebrews in Historical Theology: The Contours (20 min)

Craig Bartholomew, KLICE, Tyndale House, Cambridge
Creation, the Ongoing Priesthood of Jesus, and Divine Action in Hebrews (15 min)

Gareth Cockerill, Wesley Biblical Seminary
The Present Priesthood of the Son of God (15 min)

Break (3 min)

Luke Stamps, Anderson University
"No One Greater": Hebrews and Classical Christian Theism (15 min)

Scott Hahn, Franciscan University of Steubenville
Covenant, Sacrifice, and Divine Action in Hebrews (15 min)

Break (2 min)

Q & A Panel with Presenters

Discussion (40 min)

Q & A Additional Panelists

Michael Rhodes, Memphis Center for Urban Theological Studies, Panelist

Amy Peeler, Wheaton College, Panelist

Closing Prayer

P17-205

Institute for Biblical Research

1:00 PM–4:30 PM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - Columbus I & II (First Level)

Theme: **IBR Board Meeting**

S17-206

SBL Regional Coordinators Committee

1:00 PM–5:00 PM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 104 (Plaza Level)

P17-207

The Qur'an and the Biblical Tradition (IQSA)

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Beacon A (Third Level)

Holger Zellent, University of Nottingham, Presiding

Devin Stewart, Emory University
Abraham's Lies and Verbal Ambiguity in the Qur'an (30 min)

Nicolai Sinai, University of Oxford
"The creed of your father Abraham": Towards an intertextual and literary profile of the Qur'anic Abraham passages (30 min)

Gavin McDowell, Ecole Pratique des Hautes Etudes
What Did Judaism Borrow from Muhammad? The Qur'an and Pirque de-Rabbi Eliezer Reconsidered (30 min)

Shari L. Lowin, Stonehill College
"The Jews say the Hand of God is Chained": Q 5:64, the Midrash, and the Favor of God (30 min)

Faris Casewit, Harvard University
The Sayings of Jesus (Isa) in Harra's (d. 1241) Exegetical Treatise Sa'd al-wa'i wa-uns al-qari (30 min)

S17-208

SBL Underrepresented Racial and Ethnic Minorities in the Profession Committee

1:00 PM–5:00 PM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 201 (Second Level)

S17-209

SBL Using Performance to Teach the Bible/Orality, Memory, Performance Criticism, and Related Disciplines

1:00 PM–4:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 310 (Third Level)

Theme: **Workshop (registration required)**

Registration for this workshop is available through Annual Meetings registration. The sixth annual workshop sponsored by the Bible in Ancient and Modern Media offers sessions on using performance to engage students with biblical text, led by experienced teaching scholars. The participants will be involved in active learning throughout the afternoon. Cost of registration is \$50 and can be submitted through SBL Annual Meetings registration. Additional information is available from Phil Ruge-Jones at rugejones@gmail.com.



P17-209a

Westar Institute

1:00 PM–8:00 PM

Marriott Copley Place - Grand Ballroom G-K (Fourth Level)

Theme: **Religious Naturalism as a Post-Theistic Option**

The main topic under consideration for this session will bring the spiritual leader Bart Campolo into conversation with John D. Caputo and Carol Wayne Write on the topic of religious naturalism. Campolo advocates religious naturalism for its relational approach to spiritual practice and potential to provide a post-theistic alternative for a non-believing or non-religious audience. Caputo will explore the topic of religious naturalism in light of his signature “weak theology.” White connects religious naturalism to critical race theory and highlights it as an important theoretical resource for contemporary social movements like Black Lives Matter. These discussions are part of the ongoing work of Westar’s Institute collaborative academic research seminar on “God and the Human Future.” In addition, active research fellows from the God Seminar (including Whitney Bauman, Karen Bray, John Caputo, Clayton Crockett, Namsoon Kang, Catherine Keller, Jeffrey Robbins, Mark Lewis Taylor, and others) will provide a critical report on the current threat of Christian Nationalism facing the United States in the age of Trump.

Session One: 1:00 PM–2:45 PM

Break (30 min)

Session Two: 3:15 PM–5:00 PM

Break (30 min)

Session Three: 6:30 PM–8:00 PM

P17-209b

Westar Institute

1:00 PM–8:00 PM

Marriott Copley Place - Grand Ballroom G-K (Fourth Level)

Theme: **Ritual Life in Early Christ Movements and Early Christianity From the First into the Third Century (and a Panel on Major Learnings from the First Five Years of the Christianity Seminar)**

As a part of the Westar Institute’s Christianity Seminar rewriting history of early Christianity, the main topic under consideration for this meeting of is a report on the bathings, meals, and non-meal-based eucharistic practices from the first into third century. Soham Al-Suadi, Lillian Larsen, Andrew McGowen, Stephen Patterson, and Hal Taussig are producing major papers on this material. Although the papers are from leading scholars, the material by and large represents major challenges to conventional, standardized, and ecclesiastically formulated notions of early “baptism” and “eucharist.” In three sessions, the Seminar responds to the pre-published papers members will have already read before the meeting, comments on and debates central issues of the papers, and votes on those central issues. This process—belonging to the last five years of this Westar Seminar—means to produce integrative, complex, and non-unified understandings of ritual life in the first 200+ years of Christ-related phenomena. The last 45 minutes of the day-long meeting gives the Seminar an opportunity to take stock of its first five years of study of other major topics of the first 200+ years like heresiology and orthodoxifications, martyrdom and rhetoric, imperial violence, fictive and blood families, and gender.

Session One: 1:00 PM–2:45 PM

Break (30 min)

Session Two: 3:15 PM–5:00 PM

Break (30 min)

Session Three: 6:30 PM–8:00 PM

P17-210

Anglican Association of Biblical Scholars

3:00 PM–9:00 PM

Offsite - The Cathedral Church of St. Paul, 138 Tremont Street, Boston, MA 02111

All parts of the AABS meeting will be held at The Cathedral Church of St. Paul (<http://www.stpaulboston.org/>), 138 Tremont Street, Boston, MA 02111, at the northeast edge of the Boston Common, a straightforward 30-minute walk or a short taxi ride from the Hines Convention Center. All are welcome—for any portion/s of the afternoon/evening. Advance reservations are required for the catered dinner. Information and cost for the dinner will be posted on the AABS website (<http://www.aabs.org/>) in the early summer; this information will also be sent out on our email list. Contact Elizabeth Struthers Malbon (malbon@vt.edu) in the meantime if you have questions or to be added to the email list.

3:00 PM - Executive Committee Meeting

Jane Lancaster Patterson, Seminary of the Southwest, Presiding

4:00 PM - Gathering and Greeting

Frank Hughes, St. John’s Church, Minden, LA, Presiding

5:00 PM - General Business Meeting

Jane Lancaster Patterson, Seminary of the Southwest, Presiding

6:00 PM - Holy Eucharist

7:00 PM - Dinner

7:45 PM - Evening Program

Jonathan Soyars, University of Chicago, Presiding

Curtis Almquist, Society of Saint John the Evangelist (SSJE)

Praying Your Life: Engaging the Scriptures as an Invitation (75 min)

S17-211

SBL Professional Development Committee

3:00 PM–5:00 PM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 110 (Plaza Level)

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P17-212

Institute for Biblical Research

3:30 PM–5:30 PM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - Wellesley (Third Level)

Theme: **Research Group - Pneumatic Hermeneutic: Role of the Holy Spirit in Biblical Scholarship**

This research group provides a diverse professional forum to examine the role of the Holy Spirit in hermeneutics and biblical scholarship, examining 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 Ron Herms (Ron.Herms@fresno.edu), Archie Wright (awright@regent.edu), Beth Stovell (bstovell@ambrose.edu) and Kevin Spawn (kspawn@regent.edu). See also <https://www.ibr-bbr.org/> (click on Research Groups).

Archie Wright, Regent University, Presiding

Sara Wells, Fuller Theological Seminary (Pasadena)

Pluriformity and the Text of Ezekiel: Pneumatic Implications (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Aida Besancon Spencer, Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary

The Role of the Holy Spirit in Acts in Comparison to 1 Corinthians 14 (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Craig Bartholomew, Redeemer University College

Creation and a Pneumatic Hermeneutic (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Open Discussion

Discussion (10 min)

Business Meeting (5 min)

P17-213

Institute for Biblical Research

3:30 PM–5:30 PM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - Exeter (Third Level)

Theme: **Research Group - Ancient Historiography and the New Testament**

Examines the connections between Greco-Roman historiographical literature, Jewish historiography (including the LXX), and early Christian literature (primarily the NT).

This year's meeting is a review panel of Eve-Marie Becker, "The Birth of Christian History: Memory and Time from Mark to Luke-Acts" (Anchor Yale Bible Reference Library; Yale University Press, 2017). Contact Sean Adams (adams.sean@gmail.com) or Daniel Smith (dsmi133@slu.edu). See also <https://www.ibr-bbr.org/> (Click on Research Groups).

Daniel Smith, Saint Louis University, Presiding

Daniel Smith, Saint Louis University, Introduction (5 min)

Book Overview and Responses

Eve-Marie Becker, Aarhus Universitet, Panelist (15 min)

Sean Adams, University of Glasgow, Respondent (10 min)

Kylie Crabbe, University of Oxford, Respondent (10 min)

Craig Keener, Asbury Theological Seminary, Respondent (10 min)

Gregory Sterling, Yale Divinity School, Respondent (10 min)

Break (5 min)

Eve-Marie Becker, Aarhus Universitet, Respondent (15 min)

Panel Discussion

Discussion (20 min)

General Discussion

Discussion (20 min)

P17-214

Institute for Biblical Research

3:30 PM–5:30 PM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - Dartmouth (Third Level)

Theme: **Research Group - Early Jewish Christianity**

Examines the diverse ways in which Jews embraced Jesus from the lifetime of Jesus until the rise of Islam. For further information contact David Sloan at david@davidbsloan.com and Jack Gibson at jjg1227@yahoo.com. See also <https://www.ibr-bbr.org/> (Click on Research Groups).

David B. Sloan, John Carroll University, Presiding

David S. Ritsema, B. H. Carroll Theological Institute

The Divine Messiah: Does John's Portrait of a Son of God, Messiah in John 20:30–31 Draw on a Jewish Messianic Expectation of a Supernatural Figure? (35 min)

Michael P. Theophilos, Australian Catholic University

Jewish-Christian Relations Prior to 70 CE in Light of the Coins of the First Jewish War (35 min)

Break (5 min)

Jack Gibson, Grace Brethren High School

James and the Decline of Jewish Christianity (35 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Discussion (20 min)

Open Discussion

Discussion (10 min)

P17-215

Institute for Biblical Research

3:30 PM–5:30 PM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - Clarendon (Third Level)

Theme: **Research Group - Biblical Theology**

Using the taxonomy of types of Biblical Theology offered in *Understanding Biblical Theology* (Zondervan, 2012), papers will outline, explore, and offer a worked example of their particular type of Biblical Theology. These papers may plot their methodological perspectives within one of the types of Biblical Theology offered in the taxonomy or they may reflect critically upon the taxonomy carving out new space upon the continuum for their particular view/approach to Biblical Theology.



The goal of these sessions is to produce papers which reflect upon and refine the particular types of Biblical Theology in addition to providing clearly worked examples of each approach. For further information, please contact Darian Lockett (darian.lockett@biola.edu) or Stephen Presley (spresley@swbts.edu). See also <https://www.ibr-bbr.org> (Click on Research Groups).

Stephen Presley, Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Presiding

Stephen Presley, Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary,
Introduction (5 min)

Darian Lockett, Biola University
Types of Biblical Theology: A Programmatic Introduction and Update
(20 min)

Scott Hafemann, University of St. Andrews
2 Peter 3 and the Model(s) of Biblical Theology at the 'End' of the Canon (25 min)

Break (5 min)

Stephen B. Chapman, Duke University
The How as Well as the What: Canonical Formatting and Biblical Theology (25 min)

Panel Discussion

Discussion (15 min)

Discussion (25 min)

P17-216

Institute for Biblical Research

3:30 PM–5:30 PM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - Northeastern (Third Level)

Theme: **Research Group - The Book of the Twelve Prophets in Biblical Scholarship**

The "Book of the Twelve Prophets in Biblical Scholarship" group focuses on synchronic approaches to the study of the Book of the Twelve/Twelve Minor Prophets. This year we will continue to explore the theme of "Theodicy and Hope in the Book of the Twelve" with invited papers. For more information please contact Beth M. Stovell at bstovell@ambrose.edu, Colin M. Toffelmire at ctoffelmire@ambrose.edu, and George Athas at George.athas@moore.edu.au. See also <https://www.ibr-bbr.org/> (Click on Research Groups).

Beth Stovell, Ambrose University College and Seminary, Presiding

Heath Thomas, Oklahoma Baptist University
Hope through Human Trafficking? Theodicy in Joel 4:4–8 (30 min)

Michael Floyd, Independent Scholar
The Hope of Habakkuk in the Anthropocene Age (30 min)

Grace Ko, Tyndale University College and Seminary (Ontario)
Theodicy and Hope in the Book of the Twelve (30 min)

Discussion (20 min)

Business Meeting (10 min)

P17-217

Institute for Biblical Research

3:30 PM–5:30 PM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - Berkeley (Third Level)

Theme: **Research Group - Early Historical Books (Joshua-Kings)**

Historical-cultural and literary-theological exploration of the Old Testament historical books that are set in the pre-exilic period, including the so-called deuteronomistic history as well as the book of Ruth. Contact Ralph Hawkins (rhawkins@averett.edu) and Ken Way (ken.way@biola.edu). See also <https://www.ibr-bbr.org/> (Click on Research Groups).

Kenneth Way, Biola University, Presiding

Ralph Hawkins, Averett University, Welcome (5 min)

Jillian L. Ross, Liberty University
The Ring Composition of Judges Revisited: Allusive Texts in the Book of Judges (20 min)

Eric Barrios, Hebrew Union College - Jewish Institute of Religion
Danites: Descendants of Israel or Greece? (20 min)

Ryan J. Cook, Moody Theological Seminary - Chicago
Pious Eli? The Characterization of Eli in 1 Samuel 3:18 (20 min)

David B. Schreiner, Wesley Biblical Seminary
"Now Rehoboam son of Solomon reigned in Judah": Pondering the Semantic and Structural Significance of 1 Kings 14:21 (20 min)

Kyle R. Greenwood, Colorado Christian University
Anonymous Biblical Kings in Light of the Assyrian and Babylonian Chronicles (20 min)

Discussion (15 min)

P17-218

Institute for Biblical Research

3:30 PM–5:30 PM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - Fairfield (Third Level)

Theme: **Research Group - Ecological Ethics and Biblical Studies**

A forum for dialogue about the ethical insights that our Christian communities can find in the Bible to transform character and practice within the ecosystems in which we live. This group includes extended discussions between scholars and practitioners on ecological ethics from a biblical studies perspective. This year, "ecological ethics and hope" is the focus. All are invited to attend and take part in the discussion. Contact Alexander W. Breitung (awbreitung@gmail.com) and Alexander C. Stewart (stewart.alex.c@gmail.com). See also <https://www.ibr-bbr.org/> (click on Research Groups).

Alexander Coe Stewart, McMaster Divinity College, Presiding

Alexander W. Breitung, McMaster Divinity College,
Introduction (5 min)

J. Richard Middleton, Northeastern Seminary at Roberts Wesleyan College
Far as the Curse Is Found: The Healing of the Human-Earth Relationship in the Eschaton (30 min)

Sylvia C. Keesmaat, Russet House Farm/Wycliffe College,
Respondent (15 min)

Barbara R. Rossing, Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago,
Respondent (15 min)

Jonathan Moo, Whitworth University, Respondent (15 min)

Discussion (40 min)

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Institute for Biblical Research

3:30 PM–5:30 PM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - Harvard (Third Level)

Theme: **Research Group - 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. Contact Rick Hess (rick@densem.edu). See also <https://www.ibr-bbr.org/> (Click on Research Groups).

Richard Hess, Denver Seminary, Presiding

Daniel E. Carver, Lancaster Bible College
Reconsidering the So-Called Prophetic Perfect (9 min)

Discussion (15 min)

Carmen Joy Imes, Prairie College
Metaphor at Sinai: Cognitive Linguistics in the Decalogue and Covenant Code (9 min)

Discussion (15 min)

James Greenberg, Denver Seminary
An Assessment of Jacob Milgrom's View of the hattat Offering Using a Text-Immanent Approach to Reading the Priestly Texts (9 min)

Discussion (15 min)

Nathan Lovell, George Whitefield College
The Idea of Remnant in the Book of Kings (9 min)

Discussion (15 min)

Jennifer Brown Jones, McMaster Divinity College
An Exploration of the Return to Yehud According to Anderson's Framework for Religiously Motivated Migration (9 min)

Discussion (15 min)

P17-220

Institute for Biblical Research

3:30 PM–5:30 PM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - Simmons (Third Level)

Theme: **Research Group - Old Testament Theology of Prayer**

This group will explore Old Testament prayers and texts related to prayer to discern what these texts reveal about Israel's covenant relationship with the God of Israel, and how such texts can speak to global Christian communities. Building on the foundations of the newly published book, *Praying with Ancient Israel: Exploring the Theology of Prayer in the Old Testament* (ACU Press, 2015), this session will be devoted to prayers of prophets as covenant mediators. Contact Phillip Camp (phillip.camp@lipscomb.edu) and Elaine Phillips (Elaine.Phillips@gordon.edu). See also <https://www.ibr-bbr.org/> (Click on Research Groups).

Phillip Camp, Lipscomb University, Presiding

Mark J. Boda, McMaster Divinity College
Joyously Drawing Water from the Springs of Salvation: Praise as Structure and Goal of the Book of Isaiah (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Elaine A. Phillips, Gordon College

Do Not Pray, Plead, or Pester Me, Because No One Is Listening (Jer 7:16) (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Break (5 min)

Steven T. Mann, Azusa Pacific University

Ask and You Shall Intercede: The Peculiar Perlocutionary Power of Asking God Questions (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

General Discussion

Discussion (25 min)

P17-221

Institute for Biblical Research

3:30 PM–5:30 PM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - Suffolk (Third Level)

Theme: **Research Group - The Relationship between the Old Testament and the New Testament**

This research group focuses on a variety of related issues such as, but not limited to: (1) the way in which the Old Testament prepares for the New and the New Testament appropriates the Old, (2) the way in which various New Testament writers interpret the Old, and (3) the way in which Christians have understood the unity of the Bible and the continuing relevance of the Old Testament. For further information contact Gareth (Gary) Lee Cockerill (gcockerill@wbs.edu) and Creig Marlowe (creig.marlowe@etf.edu). See also <http://www.ibr-bbr.org/> (Click on Research Groups).

Theme: The Psalter as a Source for Divine-Human Christology

Gareth Cockerill, Wesley Biblical Seminary, Presiding

Gareth Cockerill, Wesley Biblical Seminary, Introduction (5 min)

Keynote Address

C. Hassell Bullock, Wheaton College (Illinois)
Yahweh's Condescension in the Psalter, a Theological Cradle of the Incarnation (35 min)

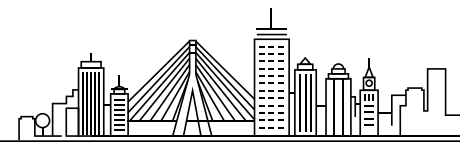
Paper Presentations

Rick Boyd, Wesley Biblical Seminary
The Psalms: A Foundational Source for Matthew's Portrait of Jesus (20 min)

W. Creighton Marlowe, Evangelische Theologische Faculteit
Paul's Christological Use of the Psalms in Rom 3:4–18 (20 min)

Terence J. Kleven, Central College
The Kingship and Priesthood of Melchizedek, David, and the Messiah in Psalm 110 (20 min)

Discussion (20 min)



P17-222**Institute for Biblical Research**

3:30 PM–5:30 PM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - MIT (Third Level)

Theme: **Research Group - 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 read at the session leaving opportunity for discussion. 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

Brian J. Wright, Palm Beach Atlantic University
Introducing a New Control Category: Communal Reading During the First Century A.D. (9 min)

Discussion (15 min)

Max Botner, Goethe-Universität Frankfurt
Has Jesus Read What David Did? Probing "Problem" in Mark 2:25–26 (9 min)

Discussion (15 min)

Jen Gilbertson, University of St. Andrews
On the Importance of Reading Lists: The Significance of Mark 7:21–22 (9 min)

Discussion (15 min)

Cooper Smith, Wheaton College
In Defense of a Type as a Type of Defense: Stephen as a Re-figuration of Moses in Acts 6–7 (9 min)

Discussion (15 min)

Joshua Heavin, Trinity College - Bristol
Deuteronomy, Covenant Participation, and Dying/Rising with Christ in Paul (9 min)

Discussion (15 min)

P17-223**Institute for Biblical Research**

3:30 PM–5:30 PM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - Tufts (Third Level)

Theme: **Research Group - History of Biblical Interpretation**

The History of Biblical Interpretation group focuses on recovering and examining the work of past male and female biblical interpreters, with the aim of better understanding the methodologies, themes, and historical trajectories in the interpretation of biblical texts. This year, in commemoration of the 500th anniversary of the Protestant Reformation, our theme is "Reading the Bible with the Reformers." Papers will be made available online by October 30, 2017. Presenters will provide a short synopsis of their papers with some reflections on what we can learn from these past interpreters. All are welcome to attend the session and take part in the discussion that follows the presentations. Contact Amanda W. Benckhuysen at ajb23@calvinseminary.edu and Marion Ann Taylor at marion.taylor@wycliffe.utoronto.ca. See also <https://www.ibr-bbr.org/> (Click on Research Groups).

Marion Taylor, Wycliffe College, Presiding

Amanda Benckhuysen, Calvin Theological Seminary, Introduction
(5 min)

John L. Thompson, Fuller Theological Seminary (Pasadena)
A Matter of Gratitude: Calvin on Reading the Fathers (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Mark Gignilliat, Beeson Divinity School at Samford University
Luther and Calvin with Jacob at the Jabbok (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Rebekah A. Eklund, Loyola University Maryland
Blessed Are the Excommunicated: Reading the Beatitudes with the Reformers (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Amanda Benckhuysen, Calvin Theological Seminary
"I send you not a woman's ranting, but the Word of God": The Life and Work of Female Reformers (20 min)

Discussion (15 min)

Business Meeting (5 min)

P17-224**Institute for Biblical Research**

3:30 PM–5:30 PM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - St. Botolph (Second Level)

Theme: **Research Group - Identity Formation in the New Testament**

The meeting in Boston will be a collaborative seminar in preparation for a future publication. It will include short papers from invited authors that will be distributed before the conference. The contents of the papers will be summarized during the seminar and then the rest of the time will be devoted to a roundtable discussion of the pertinent aspects of social identity formation in the NT that emerged from the author's presentation. Please contact J. Brian Tucker (brian.tucker@moody.edu) or Elizabeth Shively (ees3@st-andrews.ac.uk) for further information. See also <https://www.ibr-bbr.org/> (Click on Research Groups).

J. Tucker, Moody Theological Seminary–Michigan, Presiding

Methodological Explorations into Social Identity Focused Exegesis

Discussion (120 min)

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P17-225

Institute for Biblical Research

3:30 PM–5:30 PM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - Regis (Third Level)

Theme: **Research Group - Suffering, Evil, and Divine Punishment in the Bible**

The focus of this research group is the Bible's treatment of suffering, evil, and divine punishment, especially their interrelation. This includes all aspects of these topics as found in Scripture. For further information, please contact Kenneth D. Litwak Kenneth.litwak@asburyseminary.edu and Daniel Timmer dtimmer@usudbury.ca. See also <https://www.ibr-bbr.org/> (click on Research Groups).

Daniel Timmer, Faculté de Théologie Évangélique - Acadia University, Presiding

Daniel Timmer, Faculté de Théologie Évangélique - Acadia University, Introduction (2 min)

Ingrid Faro, Trinity Evangelical Divinity School
Human Corruption, Divine Retribution, and the Suffering of God (20 min)

Daniel Timmer, Faculté de Théologie Évangélique - Acadia University, Respondent (7 min)

Kenneth D. Litwak, Gateway Seminary (Los Angeles)
Ananias, Sapphira, Simon Magus, Agrippa I, and Elymas: Looking for the Basis of Divine Retribution in Luke-Acts (20 min)

Thomas Phillips, Claremont School of Theology, Respondent (7 min)

Bryan D. Estelle, Westminster Seminary California
Silence and the Psalms of Asaph (20 min)

Michael McKelvey, Reformed Theological Seminary, Respondent (7 min)

Dean Flemming, MidAmerica Nazarene University
Divine Judgment and the Missio Dei in the Book of Revelation (20 min)

Linda Belleville, Grand Rapids Theological Seminary, Respondent (7 min)

Discussion (10 min)

P17-226

Institute for Biblical Research

3:30 PM–5:30 PM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - Arlington (Third Level)

Theme: **Research Group - Pauline Theology**

Often scholars examine Paul's theology in terms of his "soteriology," that is, the themes and constructs that comprise and influence his theology of salvation. This session takes interest in better understanding Paul's soteriology with focused attention on Paul's "sin" language (especially hamartia and its cognates, but also key synonyms). Sometimes Paul appears to present sin and disobedience as self-conscious transgression; at other times it is personified and treated as an enslaving power. Is there a model or perspective that can account for these? And what does this tell us about the Christological, Theological, and Pneumatological "remedies" to the problem of sin as Paul conceives of them? For further information, contact Nijay Gupta (ngupta@georgefox.edu) or John Goodrich (john.goodrich@moody.edu). See also <https://www.ibr-bbr.org/> (Click on Research Groups).

John Goodrich, Moody Bible Institute, Presiding

Nijay K. Gupta, Presiding

John Goodrich, Moody Bible Institute, Introduction (5 min)

Martinus de Boer, Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam, Panelist (25 min)

Andrew Das, Elmhurst College, Panelist (25 min)

Break (5 min)

Nijay K. Gupta, Introduction (5 min)

Bruce Longenecker, Baylor University, Panelist (25 min)

Panel Discussion

P17-301

International Qur'anic Studies Association

4:00 PM–5:15 PM

Westin Copley Place Hotel (WCP) - Essex Center (Third Level)

Theme: **Keynote Lecture**

"The House and the Book": Some Reflections on Scripture and Sanctuary in Early Islam

Gerald Hawting, Panelist

Sean Anthony, University of Oregon, Respondent

S17-302

SBL Semeia Studies Editorial Board

4:00 PM–6:00 PM

Marriott Copley Place - SBL Press Suite

P17-302a

Rethinking Israel (at ASOR)

4:15 PM–6:30 PM

Offsite-Harbor Ballroom II, Westin Boston Waterfront, Boston

Theme: **Celebrating the Publication of Rethinking Israel: Studies in the History and Archaeology of Ancient Israel In Honor of Israel Finkelstein**

Cosponsored by the Society of Biblical Literature

Oded Lipschits, Tel Aviv University
Rethinking Israel (20 min)

Neil Silberman, University of Massachusetts Amherst
The Ever-Changing History of Israel (20 min)

Eric Cline, George Washington University
Israel and Archaeology: Person, Place, and Influence (20 min)

Matthew Adams, W.F. Albright Institute of Archaeological Research and Yuval Gadot, Tel Aviv University
Megiddo through the Ages (20 min)

Dafna Langgut, Tel Aviv University
More Than Meets the Eye: Microarchaeology at Megiddo (20 min)

Israel Finkelstein, Tel Aviv University
Rethinking Israel? A Proper Answer (20 min)

Discussion (15 min)



S17-303**SBL Orality, Memory, Performance Criticism, and Related Disciplines**

4:30 PM–6:00 PM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 310 (Third Level)

Theme: **A Networking Event**

A networking event for all those interested in Orality, Memory, Performance Criticism, and Related Disciplines. This year, brief performances of Hebrew Bible texts will spark discussions across disciplinary borders, bridging the areas of oral culture, social identity, collective memory, scribes & scrolls, public & private reading, ancient performances, classical rhetoric, and more. 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: Peter Perry at peterperry@fuller.edu.

P17-304**International Qur'anic Studies Association**

5:15 PM–6:30 PM

Westin Copley Place Hotel (WCP) - Essex North (Third Level)

Theme: **Reception**

S17-349**SBL Council and AAR Board Reception**

6:30 PM–7:30 PM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - AAR Suite

P17-401**Institute for Biblical Research**

7:00 PM–9:00 PM

Westin Copley Place Hotel (WCP) - America South & Center (Fourth Level)

Theme: **IBR 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)

M. Daniel Carroll R., Wheaton College (Illinois), Scripture Reading and Prayer (5 min)

Mark Boda, McMaster Divinity College, Introduction (5 min)

John Walton, Wheaton College (Illinois)

Understanding Torah: Ancient Legal Text, Covenant Stipulation, and Christian Scripture (40 min)

Myrto Theocharous, Greek Bible College, Athens, Respondent (10 min)

Bruce Wells, Saint Joseph's University (Philadelphia, PA), Respondent (10 min)

Discussion (20 min)

Presentation by Baker Academic and Brazos Press

The IBR Reception follows the Annual Lecture and is sponsored by Baker Academic and Brazos Press

P17-403**Society for the Arts in Religious and Theological Studies (SARTS)**

7:30 PM–9:00 PM

Offsite - Old South Church (Mary Lyon Hall), 645 Boylston Street (Copley Square)

Theme: **"You, Darkness from which I come": A performance and discussion of a contemporary musical setting of new translations of Rilke's poems**

Presented by: Delynn Case, composer (Wheaton College, MA), with Mark S. Burrows (Bochum, Germany), Rilke translator and scholar

Performed by Margot Rood, soprano, and Brady Millican, piano

Response by Andrew Shenton (BU School of Theology & School of Music)

Followed by refreshments. This event is free and open to the public.

P17-402**Institute for Biblical Research**

9:00 PM–11:00 PM

Westin Copley Place Hotel (WCP) - America North (Fourth Level)

Theme: **Annual Reception Sponsored by Baker Academic and Brazos Press**The Annual Reception, following the IBR Annual Lecture, is generously sponsored by Baker Academic and Brazos Press. For further information go to <http://www.ibrbbr.org>.

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S18-101

SBL Ancient Near East Monographs Editorial Board

7:30 AM–8:30 AM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 308 (Third Level)

S18-102

SBL Early Christianity and Its Literature Editorial Board

7:30 AM–8:30 AM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 105 (Plaza Level)

P18-103

Institute for Biblical Research

7:30 AM–8:45 AM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 312 (Third Level)

Theme: **IBR Women Scholars' Breakfast**

P18-104

Institute for Biblical Research

7:30 AM–8:45 AM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 313 (Third Level)

Theme: **IBR Minority Scholars' Breakfast**

S18-105

SBL International Voices in Biblical Studies Editorial Board

7:30 AM–8:30 AM

Marriott Copley Place - SBL Press Suite

P18-106

International Qur'anic Studies Association

8:00 AM–9:00 AM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - Vermont (Fifth Level)

Theme: **Publishing Committee**

S18-107

SBL Council

8:30 AM–11:00 AM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Kent (Third Level)

S18-108

SBL International Cooperation Initiative Executive Board

8:30 AM–9:30 AM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Boardroom (Third Level)

S18-109

SBL Global Education and Research Technology Section / Academic Teaching and Biblical Studies Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Republic B (Second Level)

Theme: **Best Practices in Online Teaching**

Renate Viveen Hood, University of Mary Hardin-Baylor, Presiding

Sandie Gravett, Appalachian State University

The Online Capstone: Collaborative Learning and Research in a Virtual Environment (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Barry Bandstra, Hope College

Using the Moodle Book module to create and deliver an interactive online Biblical Hebrew course and textbook (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Jonathan D. Lawrence, Canisius College

Wandering in the Online Wilderness — From Classroom to Online and Back Again — Some Observations (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Nicolai Winther-Nielsen, Fjellhaug Internasjonale Høgskole

The Corpus-driven Online Hebrew Classroom (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Jean-Francois Racine, Jesuit School of Theology of Santa Clara University

Going Deep and Beyond the Expectations of a Term Paper: Student Contributions to the Website Bible in Its Traditions (20 min)

Discussion (30 min)

S18-111

SBL Archaeology and Biblical Studies Editorial Board

9:00 AM–10:00 AM

Marriott Copley Place - SBL Press Suite

S18-112

SBL Archaeology of Religion in the Roman World Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Beacon B (Third Level)

Theme: **Material Culture, Agency, and Religion in the Roman World**

Christine Thomas, University of California-Santa Barbara, Presiding

Jaimie Gunderson, University of Texas at Austin

The Sanctuary of Apollo at Klaros: A Sensible Operation (25 min)

Cavan Concannon, University of Southern California

Networks of People and Things at Ostia Antica (25 min)

Paula Tutty, University of Oslo

Monks, Materiality and Manuscripts: Putting Early Coptic Codices into Their Social Context (25 min)

Scott Possiel, Boston University

Textual Magic: Words Turning Objects into Agents in Late Antiquity (25 min)



Ra'anan Boustan, Princeton University and Karen Britt
*Militant Piety: Violent Imagery and Ritual Performance in the
Huqoq Synagogue (25 min)*

Discussion (25 min)

S18-113

SBL Art and Religions of Antiquity Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Clarendon (Third Level)

Theme: **Art and Religion of Greece and the Aegean Region**

Michael Peppard, Fordham University, Presiding

Jeremy Smoak, University of California-Los Angeles and Alice
Mandell, University of Wisconsin-Madison
Writing and Reading in the Dark in Iron Age Judah (30 min)

Vasiliki Limberis, Temple University
Queen of the Aegean? Panagia Drosiani of Naxos (30 min)

Mark Lester, Yale University
*Typology and Spatial Temporality in the Old Testament Program at
the Church of the Virgin Peribleptos, Ohrid (30 min)*

Austen Leigh DePinto, Rutgers University
*Constructing the Sacred: The Architectural Negotiation of Religious
Identity in the Eastern Roman Empire (30 min)*

Discussion (30 min)

S18-114

SBL Biblical Greek Language and Linguistics Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 200 (Second Level)

Theme: **Questions in the Greek New Testament**

Jonathan Watt, Geneva College, Presiding (5 min)

Jonathan M. Watt, Geneva College
A Cross-Linguistic Introduction to Questions (15 min)

Douglas Estes, South University, Columbia
*The Exceptions to the Rule: What Non-p-fronted Questions reveal
about Information Structure in Biblical Greek (45 min)*

James D. Dvorak, Oklahoma Christian University
*"Why would anyone want to do that?" The Function of Questions in
the Negotiation of Values (30 min)*

S18-115

SBL Biblical Hebrew Poetry / Book of Psalms Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott Copley Place - Grand Ballroom A (Fourth Level)

Theme: **Metonymy and Metaphor in the Poetry of the Book of
Psalms**

Stephen Reid, George W. Truett Theological Seminary, Presiding

Jeffery M. Leonard, Samford University
*Reading from Head to Toe: Metonymies of the Body in Biblical
Hebrew Poetry (25 min)*

Kevin Chau, University of the Free State
*No Metaphor is an Island: Poetic Metaphor Interaction in Psalm 22
(25 min)*

Sarah Lynn Baker, The University of Texas at Austin
Seeing Darkness: The Roles of hsk in the Hebrew Psalter (25 min)

Elizabeth Hayes, Fuller Theological Seminary (Pasadena)
*His Right Hand and His Holy Arm: The Interrelationship between
Metonymy and Metaphor in the Psalms (25 min)*

Karl Jacobson, Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd,
Respondent (15 min)

John Hobbins, Trinity Lutheran Seminary (Gambella, Ethiopia),
Respondent (15 min)

Discussion (20 min)

S18-116

SBL Book of Acts Section / Gospel of Luke Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 103 (Plaza Level)

Theme: **Luke-Acts and Embodiment**

This session, co-sponsored by the Gospel of Luke and the Book of
Acts Sections, will consist of invited panelists who will present on
a range of topics related to corporeality in Luke-Acts, focusing in
particular on questions that relate to bodily experience and bodily
difference.

Brittany Wilson, Duke University, Presiding

Dale B. Martin, Yale University
Glorious Flesh (30 min)

Dominika Kurek-Chomycz, Liverpool Hope University
*"... For you will laugh" (Luke 6:21): Emotions as an Aspect of Present
and Future Embodiment in Luke-Acts (30 min)*

Louise Lawrence, University of Exeter
*Coming to Her Senses: The Embodiments of Demon-Possessed Women
in Luke-Acts (30 min)*

Luke Timothy Johnson, Emory University
The Body-Language of Possessions in Luke-Acts (30 min)

Stephen Moore, Drew University, Respondent (15 min)

Discussion (15 min)

S18-117

SBL Book of the Twelve Prophets Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Arnold Arboretum (Fifth Level)

Theme: **Fresh Approaches to the Book of the Twelve**

Jakob Wöhrle, Carl von Ossietzky Universität Oldenburg, Presiding

Nicholas R. Werse, Baylor University
*Reconsidering the Prospect of a Salvific Turn in the Book of the Four
(30 min)*

Mathias Neumann, Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München
*Mazzebot Aren't All Bad: Different Layers of Cultic Criticism in the
Book of Hosea (30 min)*

Joshua Gardner, McMaster Divinity College
Trauma, Self-Criticism, and Preserving Micah 3 (30 min)

Kristin Weingart, Eberhard Karls Universität Tübingen
*Thematic and compositional reverberations of North Israelite Prophecy
in the Book of Micah (30 min)*

Jason M. Silverman, University of Helsinki
The Identity of Zemah in Zechariah (30 min)

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S18-118

SBL Christian Apocrypha Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - Exeter (Third Level)

Theme: **Apocryphal Letters, Legends, and Sayings**

Brent Landau, University of Texas at Austin, Presiding (1 min)

Kimberly Bauser, Boston College

Put on Your James Face: Pseudonymous Prosopopoeia and Epistolary Fiction in the Apocryphon of James (20 min)

Discussion (4 min)

Phillip Fackler, University of Pennsylvania

Survival of the Most Banal: Paul's Letter to the Laodiceans and the Correspondence with Seneca (20 min)

Discussion (4 min)

David P. Griffin, University of Virginia

Psalm-Quotations in the Epistle of the Apostles and the State of Christian Psalmody in the Second Century (20 min)

Discussion (4 min)

Break (5 min)

Adam Carter McCollum, Notre Dame

East of the Magi: An Old Uyghur (Turkic) Text on their Visit to the Young Jesus (20 min)

Discussion (4 min)

Jeremiah Bailey, Baylor University

Male Angels, Resurrection Marriage, and Manly Mary: A Possible Connection Between GTh114 and the Synoptics (20 min)

Discussion (4 min)

Rick Brannan, Faithlife

Sounding Biblical: The Use of Stock Phrases in Christian Apocrypha (20 min)

Discussion (4 min)

S18-119

SBL Corpus Hellenisticum Novi Testamenti Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Boston Common (Fifth Level)

Theme: **Religion in the Roman Home**

Trevor Thompson, University of Chicago, Presiding

Caitlin Eilís Barrett, Cornell University

The Affordances of Terracotta Figurines in Hellenistic Households: Reconsidering the Gap between Material and Ritual (30 min)

Meghan DiLuzio, Baylor University

Religious Festivals and the Roman Home (30 min)

Markus Öhler, Universität Wien

Places of Religion: Space Syntax Analysis and Early Christian Rituals (30 min)

John Fitzgerald, University of Notre Dame

Bryson's Management of the Estate and its View of Domestic Life (30 min)

Discussion (30 min)

This session explores the practice and experience of domestic religion.

S18-120

SBL Deuteronomistic History Section / Book of Deuteronomy Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Fairfax A (Third Level)

Theme: **Deuteronomy 1–3: The Beginning of History or the Introduction to a Separate Book?**

This invited session will consist of four papers, each of 20 minutes, followed by a response and a general discussion with the audience.

Christophe Nihan, Université de Lausanne, Presiding

Erhard Blum, Eberhard Karls Universität Tübingen

The Compositional Profile and Function of Deuteronomy 1–3 (20 min)

Ruth Ebach, Eberhard Karls Universität Tübingen

Where will it end? The function of Deut 1–3 in its various contexts (20 min)

Nathan MacDonald, University of Cambridge

Israel and the Transjordanian Politics (20 min)

Katharina Pyschny, University of Lausanne

Transformations of the Wilderness: On Deut 1–3 and its Relation to the Book of Numbers (20 min)

Reinhard Müller, Westfälische Wilhelms-Universität Münster, Respondent (20 min)

Discussion (50 min)

S18-121

SBL Digital Humanities in Biblical, Early Jewish, and Christian Studies Section and Biblical Literatures Section

9:00 AM–11:15 AM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - Regis (Third Level)

Theme: **Liquid Scripture: The Bible in a Digital World**

Paul Dilley, University of Iowa, Presiding

Claire Clivaz, Swiss Institute of Bioinformatics, Panelist (20 min)

Michael Hemenway, Iliff School of Theology, Panelist (20 min)

Peter Phillips, University of Durham, Panelist (20 min)

Caroline T. Schroeder, University of the Pacific, Panelist (20 min)

Jeffrey Siker, Loyola Marymount University, Respondent (30 min)

Discussion (20 min)

S18-122

SBL Early Jewish Christian Relations Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - Orleans (Fourth Level)

Theme: **Making a Difference: Demonization, Race, and Gender**

Perspectives on race and gender in early Jewish-Christian relations.

Eric C. Smith, Iliff School of Theology, Presiding

Uta Heil, Universität Wien, Department of Christian History

The Destruction of the Temple in Jewish-Christian Dialogues and Disputations (30 min)

Jarvis J. Williams, Southern Baptist Theological Seminary

Critical Race Theory and Liberation in Galatians 3:13: What Racially and Socially Privileged Readings of Galatians Often Miss (30 min)



Matthijs den Dulk, Radboud University Nijmegen
What's the Difference between minut and haireis? Preliminary Observations on Jewish and Christian "Heresy" (30 min)

M. Adryael Tong, Fordham University
Gender Trouble at the Bris: Circumcision and Sexual Difference in Late Antique Judaism and Christianity (30 min)

Jon Carman, Baylor University
The Devil Wears Discord: Ignatius and the Diabolization of "Judaism" (30 min)

S18-123

SBL Economics in the Biblical World Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - Suffolk (Third Level)

Theme: **Wealth and Poverty in the Biblical World (upcoming Fortress volume)**

Douglas Knight, Vanderbilt University, Panelist (20 min)

Kelly Murphy, Central Michigan University, Panelist (20 min)

Samuel Adams, Union Presbyterian Seminary, Panelist (20 min)

Richard Horsley, University of Massachusetts Boston, Panelist (20 min)

Gale Yee, Episcopal Divinity School, Respondent (15 min)

Catherine Murphy, Santa Clara University, Respondent (15 min)

Discussion (20 min)

S18-124

SBL Ethics and Biblical Interpretation Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Liberty A (Second Level)

Theme: **The Book of Exodus: Emancipatory Potential and Moral Problematics**

The Exodus traditions have long served as a resource for biblically-grounded theological discourses focused on social or political emancipation. Jewish readings focused on God's commitment to Israel as covenant people have been joined by a variety of Christian appropriations of Exodus traditions, notably within the discourses of Black liberation theology and feminist theology. Theological work with Exodus continues in constructive theology and reception history (for the latter see, e.g., John Coffey's *Exodus and Liberation: Deliverance Politics from John Calvin to Martin Luther King Jr.* [Oxford, 2013]). This session invites analyses of the emancipatory potential and morally problematic dimensions of the biblical Exodus traditions for particular twenty-first century contexts.

Amy Merrill Willis, Lynchburg College, Presiding

Pablo Andinach, Pontificia Universidad Católica Argentina, Panelist (20 min)

Kimberly Russaw, Panelist (20 min)

Kenneth Ngwa, Drew University, Panelist (20 min)

Break (10 min)

Angeline Song, Independent Scholar, New Zealand, Respondent (25 min)

Ruben Rosario-Rodriguez, Saint Louis University, Respondent (25 min)

Discussion (25 min)

S18-125

SBL Ethiopic Bible and Literature Section

9:00 AM–11:00 AM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - Dartmouth (Third Level)

Theme: **Digital Media and its Application to Ethiopic Manuscript and Textual Studies: A Case Study in Collaboration on the Ethiopian Psalter**

Looking at the Ethiopic Psalms, this panel seeks to discuss the development of the critical study of these texts in the digital age, considering how this changes approaches and possible outcomes. We will seek to answer the following questions: What new possibilities are there in the light of new possibilities in the study of texts? What should the outcomes of critical study be in the light of new resources? What technologies are emerging that support collaboration across disciplines in digital media and critical study? In what ways should we adapt our approach to accommodate new technologies and new skills?

Stephen Delamarter, George Fox University, Presiding (10 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Curt Niccum, Abilene Christian University, Panelist (15 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Meron Gebreanay, University of Durham, Panelist (15 min)

Discussion (15 min)

Ralph Lee, Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München, Panelist

Daniel Assefa Kassaye, Institute for Religious Research, Panelist

Jeremy Brown, Catholic University of America, Panelist

Ulrich Schmid, Kirchliche Hochschule Wuppertal/Bethel, Panelist

Christian Askeland, Museum of the Bible, Panelist

Discussion (45 min)

S18-126

SBL Formation of Isaiah Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 304 (Third Level)

Theme: **Babylon and the Making of the Book of Isaiah**

What can the image of Babylon in Isaiah tell us about the book's formation? How is Babylon remembered and presented in this prophetic book? What light does this shed on the (in)authenticity of the material and the process of its formation? How, if at all, has the memory of Babylonian involvement in the affairs of Judah served as a generative force in the preservation, expansion, and transmission of material now found in the book of Isaiah? How have Babylonian political, economic and/or religious concerns impacted the formation of the book? Presenters are invited to reflect on such questions in relation to any passage or section of the book or the book as a whole.

Jacob Stromberg, Duke University, Presiding

Joachim Eck, Katholische Universität Eichstätt-Ingolstadt
Isaiah 14.1–23: Metamorphoses of a Tyrant (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Hugh Williamson, University of Oxford
Babylon in Isaiah 13–14 (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Marshall Cunningham, University of Chicago
Isaiah 40.1–2: Divine Commissioning and a "Return" to Jerusalem (25 min)

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Discussion (5 min)

Daniel J. Stulac, Duke University

"Go-Out from Babylon/There!" (Isa 48:20; 52:11): Understanding the Rhetoric of Departure in the Book of Isaiah (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Jeremiah Cataldo, Grand Valley State University

The emergence of universalism in Isaiah (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

S18-127

SBL Greco-Roman Religions Section / North American Association for the Study of Religion Affiliate

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - Fairfield (Third Level)

Theme: **Theorizing Ancient Theory of Religion**

Following on from the successful NAASR/Greco-Roman Religions Section co-sponsored panel on Brent Nongbri's book, *Before Religion*, a similar co-sponsored panel is organized on the recently published book by Nickolas Roubekas, *An Ancient Theory of Religion: Euhemerism from Antiquity to the Present* (Routledge, 2017). The book considers the long shadow cast by Euhemerus of Messene over the history of conceptualizing the divine from Hellenistic times to the present. Writing at a time of fundamental shifts in social, cultural, political, and religious discourses Euhemerus towers as one of the most significant witnesses to the new religious and cosmological landscape emerging in the Mediterranean world. As perhaps the most important theorist of religion before modern times, Euhemerus's theory of divinity as a discursive product — gods as deified humans — set the tone for philosophies of religion and divinities for centuries to come, from later Platonism to Christian apologetics. In late Antiquity, it is especially with the emergence of Christianity (itself focused on a divinized human conceived in imperial symbolism) and its debates with surrounding pagan culture that Euhemerus comes into his own as a significant foil against whom to set Christian justification of its new religion. Building on classical studies on Euhemerus and his reception, Roubekas presents scholarship on religion with a timely appropriation of Euhemerus and the discourse he elicited on the origins of gods and the divine for the contemporary study of religion. This study provides the necessary groundwork for an archaeological retrieving of the discursive processes of manufacturing divinity that lies at the foundation of the whole history of the European Christian project. Panelists will engage with the material and open the discussion for the audience. Papers will be available beforehand, and can be requested from Gerhard van den Heever, vdheega@unisa.ac.za.

Gerhard van den Heever, University of South Africa, Presiding (5 min)

Jennifer Eyl, Tufts University, Panelist (20 min)

Vaia Touna, University of Alabama, Panelist (20 min)

Jeffrey Brodd, California State University - Sacramento, Panelist (20 min)

Nickolas Roubekas, Universität Wien, Respondent (20 min)

Discussion (45 min)

S18-128

SBL Greek Bible Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Beacon H (Third Level)

Dirk Büchner, Trinity Western University, Presiding

Brian Baucom, Trinity Western University

The Textual History of Ra 2110 and Its Relation to Origen's Hexapla (30 min)

Jason D. Hitchcock, Marquette University

Everyone Describes His Generation: Isaiah 53:8 in the Early Fourth Century (30 min)

Lee Douglas Hoffer, University of Chicago

The Unveiling Spirit: Paul's Reading of Isa 61:1 LXX in 2 Cor 3:17 (30 min)

Discussion (60 min)

P18-129

Institute for Biblical Research

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 210 (Second 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. For further information see <https://www.ibr-bbr.org>.

Mark J. Boda, McMaster Divinity College, Presiding

David T. Lamb, Biblical Theological Seminary

Still Blaming the Victim? David's Rape of Bathsheba (17 min)

Discussion (17 min)

Break (17 min)

Holly Beers, Westmont College

When Historical-Critical and Literary Readings Collide: What We Learn about the Servant and the Servants from Isaiah and Luke-Acts (17 min)

Discussion (17 min)

Break (17 min)

Roy E. Ciampa, Nida Institute for Biblical Scholarship at the American Bible Society

Biblical Authors and Biblical Scholars as Activist Translators (17 min)

Discussion (17 min)



S18-130**SBL Intertextuality in the New Testament Section**

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Hampton (Third Level)

Theme: **Ancient Jewish Exegetical Methods and the New Testament**

Erik Waaler, NLA University College, Presiding

Nicholas A. Elder, Marquette University
Echoic Intertextuality in Mark and Joseph and Aseneth (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Jeffrey Paul Garcia, Nyack College
Paul and the Jewish Rhetoric of Human Lowliness: Roman 9:19–23 and Thanksgiving Hymns of Qumran (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Nathan C. Johnson, Princeton Theological Seminary
Jesus and the Rabbinic Middot: Gematria and the “God of the Living” (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

M. John-Patrick O'Connor, Princeton Theological Seminary
The Devil Will Flee: Intertextuality in Jame, the Jesus Tradition, and the Testaments of the Twelve Patriarchs? (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Marika Pulkkinen, Helsingin Yliopisto - Helsingfors Universitet
Paul's Quoting Technique in Comparison to Later Rabbinic Methods (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Business Meeting

S18-131**SBL Israelite Religion in Its West Asian Environment Section**

9:00 AM–11:00 AM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 204 (Second Level)

Nathaniel Levtow, University of Montana, Presiding

Anne Marie Kitz
*The Verb *yabway (20 min)*

Discussion (10 min)

Kerry M. Sonia, Bowdoin College
Contested Divination: Biblical Necromancy and Competition among Religious Specialists in Ancient Israel (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Robert D. Miller II, Catholic University of America
Why Yahweh Comes from the Mythic South (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

S18-132**SBL Joshua-Judges Section**

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - Harvard (Third Level)

Theme: **Land and Identity in Joshua 22**

J. Cornelis de Vos, Westfälische Wilhelms-Universität Münster, Presiding

Ed Noort, Rijksuniversiteit Groningen
*Ideas and Settings behind a Conflict (25 min)*David Frankel, Schechter Institute of Jewish Studies
*Cultic Worship on Foreign Soil: The Original Narrative of Joshua 22 (25 min)*Philip Yoo, University of Texas at Austin
*Delegitimizing Another Witness: The “Altar” by the Jordan and the Composition of Joshua 22 (25 min)*Graeme Auld, University of Edinburgh
Which King can be Recognized in the Joshua 22 Mirror? (25 min)

Yairah Amit, Tel Aviv University, Respondent (20 min)

Discussion (30 min)

S18-133**SBL Letters of James, Peter, and Jude Section**

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton Boston Back Bay (HBB) - Adams B (Third Level)

Theme: **1 Peter: Exegesis and Reception History**

This session will explore both exegetical questions of the text of 1 Peter, as well as several examples of the reception history of this epistle.

Darian Lockett, Biola University, Presiding

Troy W. Martin, Saint Xavier University
*Christ's Healing Sore: A Medical Reading of 1 Pet 2:24 (30 min)*Sean Christensen, Trinity Evangelical Divinity School
*Reborn Participants in Christ: Recovering the Importance of Union with Christ in 1 Peter (30 min)*Dan Batovici, KU Leuven
*A Matter of Authority: Notes on the Patristic Reception of 1 Peter 5 (30 min)*rebecca skaggs, Patten University and John Skaggs, Patten University
Christ's Visit to Hades or the Harrowing of Hell: The Effects of 1 Peter 3: 18–22 on Theology, Culture, Literature and Art (30 min)

Discussion (30 min)

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 18

S18-134/A18-121

SBL LGBTI/Queer Hermeneutics Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Constitution Ballroom (Second Level)

Theme: **Author Meets Critics: the Relevance of Lee Edelman's Work for the Study of Religion, Theology, and Sacred Texts**

This is a joint session with the Queer Studies in Religion unit (AAR). It convenes a conversation among scholars of religion and the influential queer theorist Lee Edelman about the implications of Edelman's work for the fields of theology, religious studies, and biblical studies.

Brandy Daniels, Vanderbilt University, Presiding (5 min)

Kent Brintnall, University of North Carolina at Charlotte, Panelist (15 min)

Rhiannon Graybill, Rhodes College, Panelist (15 min)

Jacqueline Hidalgo, Williams College, Panelist (15 min)

Justin Crisp, Yale University, Panelist (15 min)

Erin Runions, Pomona College, Panelist (15 min)

Linn Tonstad, Yale University, Panelist (15 min)

Lee Edelman, Tufts University, Respondent (25 min)

Discussion (20 min)

Joseph Marchal, Ball State University, Presiding

Business Meeting (10 min)

S18-135

SBL Megilloth Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Olmsted (Fifth Level)

Theme: **Megilloth and Reception**

This is an open session on the reception and reception history of any book within the Megilloth.

Bradley Embry, Regent University, Presiding (5 min)

Davis Hankins, Appalachian State University and Brennan W. Breed, Columbia Theological Seminary
What Is Qohelet's Problem? (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Andrew W. Litke, Catholic University of America
Targum Song of Songs and the Immediacy of History (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Samuel E. Balentine, Union Presbyterian Seminary
"Get Away! Impure! Get Away!": Defiled and Defiling Priests in Lamentations (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Will Kynes, Whitworth University
Debating Suffering: The Voices of Lamentations Personified in Job's Dialogue (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

S18-136

SBL Metacriticism of Biblical Scholarship Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - Simmons (Third Level)

Theme: **"Hate Speech" in Sacred Scriptures and in Modern Scriptural Scholarship**

The session will explore the definitions of "hate speech" and the extent to which scholars who identify the sacred scriptures of Judaism, Christianity, and Islam as containing "hate speech" can themselves be subjected to the accusation of engaging in hate speech. We are seeking papers that address ethical and political implications of the category of "hate speech" for modern scriptural scholarship, as well as papers that identify scriptural passages that may be categorized as "hate speech" towards women, other religions, people with disabilities or different sexual orientations, and ethnic/racial groups.

Edward Silver, Wellesley College, Presiding

Hilde Brekke Moller, MF Norwegian School of Theology
#NoMuslimBan: The Contemporary Value of SBL Scholarship (30 min)

Robert C. Kashow, Brown University
Reflecting and Reinscribing Extremism in North America: Evangelical Scholarly Production and the Destruction of Cultural Heritage (30 min)

Daniel Kirk, Newbigen House of Studies
Theological Interpretation of Scripture and White Hegemony (30 min)

Discussion (30 min)

Business Meeting (30 min)

S18-137

SBL Minoritized Criticism and Biblical Interpretation Seminar

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - Columbus I & II (First Level)

Theme: **The Scriptures of Freedom Movements**

Abraham Smith, Southern Methodist University, Presiding (5 min)

Yak-Hwee Tan, Westminster College (Cambridge)
Dots, Lines and Puzzles: An Asian "Movement(s)" (20 min)

Horacio Vela III, University of the Incarnate Word
Liberation and Mestizaje: Rereading Scripture in Latin America and San Antonio (20 min)

Alease A. Brown, Stellenbosch University
The Humanity of Violent Resistance: How Radical Resistance Has Been Understood as Teleological and as Integral to the Struggle for Human Dignity (20 min)

Adam F. Braun, Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago
"We Are Not Talking About Belief": Reading (the Bible in) Baldwin's Jimmy's Blues for #BLM (20 min)

Fernando Segovia, Vanderbilt University, Respondent (20 min)

Discussion (45 min)



S18-138

SBL Paul Within Judaism Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott Copley Place - Grand Ballroom EF (Fourth Level)

Theme: **Inclusion of those from the Nations: Second Temple Jewish groups and Paul**

Paula Fredriksen, Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Presiding

Genevieve Dibley, Rockford University
The Alchemy of Gentile Transformation in Second Temple Period Literature (35 min)

Matthew Thiessen, McMaster University
Remapping Paul within Jewish Ideologies of Inclusion (35 min)

Break (5 min)

John Gager, Princeton University, Respondent (20 min)

Discussion (40 min)

Business Meeting (15 min)

S18-139

SBL Pentateuch Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - Massachusetts (Fifth Level)

Theme: **Laws in the Pentateuch**

Dominik Markl, Pontificio Istituto Biblico, Presiding

Katherine M. Smith, Bible College of South Australia
Leviticus 19: An Exposition of the Sinaitic Decalogue for Life in the Land (30 min)

Johannes Unsok Ro, International Christian University
The Literary Relationship between Deut 14:4–20 and Lev 11:2–23 (30 min)

Joshua J. Van Ee, Westminster Seminary California
The Extent of the Atonement: What Sins Were Covered by the Sin/Purification Offering According to Leviticus 4? (30 min)

Jonathan Greer, Grand Rapids Theological Seminary
Altar Traditions between the Hebrew Bible and Archaeology and the Significance for the Composition of P (30 min)

Tim Hogue, University of California-Los Angeles
The Monumentality of the Decalogue: Memories of Royal Inscriptions in Exodus 20 (30 min)

S18-140

SBL Polis and Ekklesia: Investigations of Urban Christianity Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Back Bay D (Second Level)

Theme: **Thessalonike: The City, Religion, and Paul I**

Kathy Ehrensperger, Universität Potsdam, Presiding

Michael Theophilus, Australian Catholic University
Roman Provincial Coinage and Paul at Thessalonica (25 min)

Laura Nasrallah, Harvard University
Roman Thessalonike: Labor and Quiet (25 min)

James R. Harrison, Sydney College of Divinity
Cynic-Stoic Apologist, Epideictic or Consolatory Rhetorician, or Selfless Benefactor? Paul's Apostolic Image in 1 Thessalonians 2:1–12 (25 min)

S18-141

SBL Psychology and Biblical Studies Seminar

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton Boston Back Bay - Belvidere A (Second Level)

Theme: **Celebrating the Past, Embracing the Future**

This session will be in honor of the 25 years of the unit's existence. Over the last two decades psychological interpretations of biblical studies has evolved from a new and unusual approach to being well-integrated into many types of scholarship throughout the academy. This session will focus on what the approach means currently and where active scholars expect it may go. The papers will all be solicited and include some of the founders of the unit as well-established scholars who have presented papers with the unit previously and other established scholars who have used a psychological lens in approaching the biblical texts and yielding fruitful results and have an interest in participating in the session.

Ilona Rashkow, Stony Brook University, Presiding

Michael Newheart, Howard University
There's No Place Like Home: PsyBibs and the Return to the Womb (20 min)

Stuart Lasine, Wichita State University
Death and the Future of Psychological Biblical Criticism (20 min)

Paul Anderson, George Fox University
Paul, the Philippians, and Rational-Emotive Behavioral Therapy—A Cognitive-Critical Biblical Analysis (20 min)

Wayne Rollins, Hartford Seminary
Psychological Biblical Criticism in 2017: Retrospect and Prospect (20 min)

Discussion (50 min)

S18-142

SBL Qur'an and Biblical Literature Section / International Qur'anic Studies Association Affiliate

9:00 AM–11:00 AM

Hilton Boston Back Bay - Belvidere B (Second Level)

Theme: **Roundtable Discussion of Islam and Its Past: Jahiliyya, Late Antiquity and the Qur'an**, edited by Carol Bakhos and Michael Cook

John Kaltner, Rhodes College, Presiding

Carol Bakhos, University of California-Los Angeles, Introduction (10 min)

Karen Bauer, Panelist (20 min)

Daniel Madigan, Georgetown University, Panelist (20 min)

Shawkat Toorawa, Panelist (20 min)

Joseph Lowry, University of Pennsylvania, Panelist (20 min)

Discussion (30 min)

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S18-143

SBL Religious Experience in Antiquity Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - Boylston (First Level)

Theme: **Dreams and Visions**

Frances Flannery, James Madison University, Presiding

Jung Choi, North Carolina Wesleyan College
Earn the Grace of Prophecy: Prophecy, Training, and Preparation (25 min)

Paulo Nogueira, Universidade Metodista de São Paulo - Brasil
Metaphors Guided by Trauma: The Connectivity of Dreams and Visions in Apocalyptic Texts (25 min)

Jason Robert Combs, Brigham Young University
Dreams/Visions among Early Third-Century Proto-Orthodox Christians: Experience at the Boundaries of Discourse (25 min)

Jonathan L. Zecher, Australian Catholic University
The Body's Confession: John Cassian on Wet Dreams (25 min)

Frances Flannery, James Madison University, Respondent (20 min)

Discussion (30 min)

S18-144

SBL Religious World of Late Antiquity Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton Boston Back Bay (HBB) - Maverick A (Second Level)

Theme: **Review Panel of Todd Berzon, *Classifying Christians: Ethnography, Heresiology, and the Limits of Knowledge in Late Antiquity* (University of California Press, 2016)**

On Classification and Taxonomy

Heidi Wendt, McGill University, Presiding (5 min)

Chris de Wet, University of South Africa, Panelist (25 min)

Mira Balberg, Northwestern University, Panelist (25 min)

Ben Dunning, Fordham University, Panelist (25 min)

Ellen Muehlberger, University of Michigan-Ann Arbor, Panelist (25 min)

Todd Berzon, Bowdoin College, Respondent (20 min)

Discussion (25 min)

S18-145

SBL Rhetoric of Religious Antiquity Seminar

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 109 (Plaza Level)

Theme: **Emerging Structures in and from Early Christian Discourse (New Horizons in Sociorhetorical Interpretation)**

Harry Maier, Vancouver School of Theology, Presiding (5 min)

Vernon K. Robbins, Emory University
The Emergent Structure of the Ascent of Jesus and Second Coming in Luke-Acts and Gospel of John (20 min)

Zeki Saritoprak, John Carroll University
The Descent of Jesus in the Islamic Tradition (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Sheila E. McGinn, John Carroll University
Gender and Virginité in The Acts of Paul and Thecla (20 min)

Lily Vuong, Central Washington University
The Testing of Mary: Virginité and Gender in the Protevangelium of James (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Elna Mouton, Universiteit van Stellenbosch - University of Stellenbosch, Respondent (10 min)

Discussion (35 min)

Early Christianity was a dynamic matrix of religious, rhetorical, and cultural inputs that were blended into newly emerging structures of picturing and argumentation that impacted the development of the varieties of early Christianity and rippled for centuries throughout the Mediterranean world and beyond. This session will bring together panelists to trace out some of the streams of emergent rhetorical structures that are initially formulated in the New Testament and continue to echo and be reconfigured in Christian Apocrypha, patristic writings, and the Qur'an in order to cast light on the moments of emergence as well as the ways these provided rhetorical resources for religious discourse for centuries to come.

S18-146

SBL Scripture and Paul Seminar

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Back Bay C (Second Level)

Theme: **Paul's Use of Scripture in Romans**

B. J. Oropeza, Azusa Pacific University, Presiding

Enthymemes, Hermeneutics, and Scripture in Romans

J. David Stark, Faulkner University, Panelist (15 min)

Garwood Anderson, Nashotah House Theological Seminary, Respondent (10 min)

Discussion (25 min)

"Promised Beforehand through His Prophets in the Holy Scriptures": Composite Citations in Romans

Mark Reasoner, Marian University (Indianapolis), Panelist (15 min)

Andrew Abernethy, Wheaton College (Illinois), Respondent (10 min)

Discussion (25 min)

Did the Readers of Romans 3:25 and 4 Maccabees 17:22 (Codex Sinaiticus) Follow Moses or Josephus in the Interpretation of Hilasterion?

Daniel P. Bailey, University of Illinois at Chicago, Panelist (15 min)

Brian Abasciano, Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary, Respondent (10 min)

Discussion (25 min)



S18-147**SBL Social Scientific Criticism of the New Testament Section**

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Jamaica Pond (Fifth Level)

Theme: **Representing Class Differences in the Gospels**

This session will focus on the usefulness of the category of class for explaining the representations of social distinctions in the canonical and extracanonical gospels. Its papers will explore the ways that the gospels portray the social, economic, and cultural distinctions between people in different economic positions and the relations between them, the significance of these distinctions for understanding the purposes and intended audiences of these texts, and the prospects and limitations of the category of class for analyzing these differences. Presider: Sarah Rollens

Sarah Rollens, Rhodes College, Presiding (5 min)

James Crossley, St Mary's University, London
Agrarian Class Conflict, Galilee and the Gospel Tradition (20 min)

Michelle Christian, University of Toronto
Mercantile Culture and the Gospels (20 min)

Break (5 min)

Alicia Batten, Conrad Grebel University College/University of Waterloo
Reading Mark through the Lens of Class (20 min)

G. Anthony Keddie, University of British Columbia
Exhuming the Concept of Class: Syrian Mortuary Practices and Class Differences in the Gospel of Matthew (20 min)

Zeba Crook, Carleton University, Respondent (20 min)

Discussion (20 min)

P18-148**Society for Pentecostal Studies**

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Beacon G (Third Level)

Theme: **Pentecostal Readings in the Hebrew Bible**

Van Johnson, Master's Pentecostal Seminary, Tyndale University, Presiding

David Hymes, Northwest University (Washington)
Reception-History of the Book of Numbers Within the Early Pentecostal Tradition (40 min)

Meghan Musy, McMaster Divinity College
A Pentecostal Reading of Psalm 28: Praying Through and Being Heard (40 min)

Break (15 min)

Lee Roy Martin, Pentecostal Theological Seminary
Psalm 150 and Pentecostal Spirituality (40 min)

S18-149**SBL Synoptic Gospels Section / Q Section**

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - Tremont (First Level)

Theme: **Ancient Media and Memory Theory in the Interpretation of the Gospels: A Panel Review of *Jesus' Literacy* (Chris Keith) and *Q in Matthew* (Alan Kirk)**

Elizabeth Shively, University of St. Andrews, Presiding

Helen Bond, University of Edinburgh, Introduction (10 min)

Chris Keith, St. Mary's University, Panelist (10 min)

Alan Kirk, James Madison University, Panelist (10 min)

Francis Watson, University of Durham, Respondent (20 min)

Andrew Gregory, University of Oxford, Respondent (20 min)

Discussion (80 min)

S18-151**SBL Wisdom in Israelite and Cognate Traditions Section**

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - Clarendon (Third Level)

Theme: **Ecclesiastes and Job**

The Wisdom Section seeks to provide a forum for the exploration of new ideas in the study of Wisdom Literature, focusing on the Wisdom literature of the Bible and apocryphal wisdom traditions but also on related literature from elsewhere in the ancient Near East

Stuart Weeks, University of Durham, Presiding

Ralph C. Griffin III, Florida State University
The Subversive Sage: Qoheleth and the Praxis of Joyful Resistance (25 min)

Jesse Peterson, University of Durham
"Times" as Task, Not Timing: Ecclesiastes 3:2–8 (25 min)

Knut M. Heim, Denver Seminary
The Hebel Metaphor in Ecclesiastes: Its Translation and Meaning in the Light of Modern Metaphor Theory (25 min)

Break (10 min)

Nina Victoria Gschwind, Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München
Trusting God in the midst of suffering. A new understanding of Job 16:18–22 in the light of the trust in YHWH in the Psalms of Lament (25 min)

Lance Hawley, Harding School of Theology
The Rhetoric of Condemnation in the Book of Job (25 min)

Discussion (15 min)

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S18-152

SBL Writing/Reading Jeremiah Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Beacon A (Third Level)

Theme: **Aspects of Writing in the Book of Jeremiah**

Mark Brummitt, Colgate Rochester Crozer Divinity School, Presiding

Jordan Eugene Skornik, University of Chicago
Clarifying the Literary Vision and Limitations of Written Prophecy in Jeremiah 36 (25 min)

Mary Mills, Liverpool Hope University
The Agency of Scrolls in Jeremiah 36 (25 min)

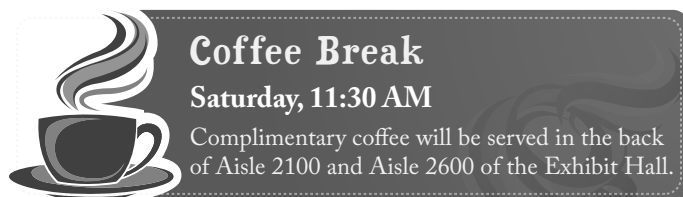
William Andrews, Jr., Chicago Theological Seminary
The Incarcerated Prophet: Reading Jeremiah 1–20 as Prison Literature (25 min)

Mary Chilton Callaway, Fordham University
Turning Truth into Sheker: Exploring a Submerged Voice in Jeremiah (25 min)

Johanna Erzberger, University of Cardiff
The Survival of Baruch, the Scribe (25 min)

Jeremiah 36 and Beyond.

Discussion (25 min)



S18-201a/A18-144

SBL Student Lounge Roundtable

11:30 AM–1:00 PM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 303 (Third Level)

Theme: **Pedagogical Uses of Social Media: Twitter, Facebook, and Beyond**

Co-sponsored by the Wabash Center and the SBL Student Advisory Board

Join us for lunch and an interactive presentation about teaching in higher education.

Many of us and our students use YouTube, Twitter, Facebook and Instagram to curate our identities, present ourselves to our communities, and ascribe meaning to our worlds. What are effective ways to use social media in the classroom? How can it be integrated with more traditional teaching strategies? How can we increase critical thinking about social media? This session explores effective and critically aware ways to incorporate social media in the classroom and in public discussions of religion.

Pre-registration is strongly encouraged; please email Bhakti Mamora (bhaktim@ufl.edu) to reserve your spot. Registration deadline is November 1. Walk-ins will be accommodated if space permits.

Bhakti Mamtora, University of Florida, Presiding

Bradley Erickson, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Presiding

Mary T. Stimming, Wabash Center, Panelist

Grace Ji-Sun Kim, Earlham College, Panelist

Brooke Lester, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary, Panelist

P18-201b

Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion

11:30 AM–1:00 PM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 107 (Plaza Level)

Theme: **Faculty of Color Luncheon**

You are invited to attend the Faculty of Color Luncheon. This mealtime gathering is a space for fellowship, mutual support, and empowerment for our teaching lives. Hear about Wabash Center programming and how to apply for the 2018–19 Peer Mentoring Cluster grants. Participants in past and current Peer Mentoring Cluster grants, Colloquial and Fellowships will be available for conversation. Pre-registration is required. Send an email to Beth Reffett reffettb@wabash.edu. Registration deadline is November 1. Walk-ins may also be accepted if space is available.

Roger Nam, George Fox University, Panelist

Nancy Lynne Westfield, Drew University, Panelist

S18-201

SBL Psychology and Biblical Studies Seminar

11:45 AM–12:45 PM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - Vermont (Fifth Level)

Theme: **Business Meeting**

Ilona Rashkow, Stony Brook University, Presiding

Business Meeting (60 min)

S18-202

SBL Women Student Members Networking Session

11:45 AM–12:45 PM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 313 (Third 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.

P18-203

Institute for Biblical Research

12:00 PM–3:00 PM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - Hyannis (Fourth Level)

Theme: **IBR Board Meeting**



S18-204**SBL International Cooperation Initiative Forum**

12:00 PM–1:00 PM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Kent (Third Level)

P18-205**African Association for the Study of Religions**

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 309 (Third Level)

Theme: Crossing Borders: Interaction of Healing Practices of Religions in Modern Africa

Esther Acolatse, Duke University, Presiding

Anita Aba Ansah, University of Oslo

Appropriation of African Traditional Religion Mechanisms in the Healing and Deliverance Practices of Pentecostals in the Milieu of Inadequate Health Care in Ghana

S. Kip Elolia, Emmanuel Christian Seminary

The Role of Repentance in the Holistic Healing of the Robo Churches of Kenya

Timothy Carey, Boston College

"God Has Sent Down Both the Disease and the Cure": Syncretism in Islamic and African Traditional Worship in Post-Colonial Kenya

Jude Aguwa, Mercy College, Respondent

S18-206**SBL African Biblical Hermeneutics Section**

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - Simmons (Third Level)

Theme: Methodologies in African Biblical Hermeneutics

Kenneth Ngwa, Drew University, Presiding

Temba Rugwiji, University of Venda

Reading the Biblical View of Curse (2 Ki 2:23–24) as a Shona Concept of Chituko in Zimbabwe: an Indigenous Knowledge Systems Perspective (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Gerald O. West, University of KwaZulu-Natal and Philip V.

Peacock

In/decent, Im/proper, and In/appropriate Interpretation: Intersecting Con/texts (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Itumeleng Daniel Mothoagae, University of South Africa

The Insertion of bogwera in Luke 2:21 as a Subversion of the Spiritual Spaces of Batswana (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Nathan Esala, University of KwaZulu-Natal

We are Translating Wo/men of the Bible in Kikwajj (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Discussion (25 min)

S18-207**SBL Ancient Near Eastern Iconography and the Bible Section**

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 103 (Plaza Level)

Theme: Iconography and Poetic Texts

Erin Darby, University of Tennessee, Knoxville, Presiding

Brady Beard, Emory University

Psalms 60:3–7 Iconographically Considered (25 min)

Evan Bassett, Emory University

"You Uprooted a Vine From Egypt": The Image of Yahweh as Royal Gardener in Psalm 80 (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Break (5 min)

Richard Purcell, Emory University

The King as Priest? The Image of the King in Psalm 110 and Ancient Near Eastern Iconography (25 min)

Kipp Swinney, Baylor University

The Divine Armament: Yahweh's Tools of War in Habakkuk 3:8–15 (25 min)

Justin J. White, Yale University

Ekphrasis and the Ontology of Visual Representation in the Songs of the Sabbath Sacrifice (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

S18-208**SBL Art and Religions of Antiquity Section**

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Olmsted (Fifth Level)

Theme: Religion Underground

Felicity Harley-McGowan, Yale University, Presiding

András Handl, Katholieke Universiteit Leuven

Égalité? Fraternité? Misère? Reflections on the Social Structure of the First "Christian" Catacombs in the Suburbs of Rome (30 min)

Nicola Denzey Lewis, Brown University

Magic in the Catacombs (30 min)

Mark Ellison, Vanderbilt University

Commemorative Uses of Gold Glass Portrait Medallions in Catacomb Burials (30 min)

Jessica Dello Russo, Pontifical Institute of Christian Archaeology, Rome, Italy

Same Difference, or No Difference? A Structural Assessment of Tombs for Jews in Ancient Rome (30 min)

Discussion (30 min)

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 18

S18-209

SBL Asian and Asian-American Hermeneutics Seminar

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Boston Common (Fifth Level)

Henry W. Morisada Rietz, Grinnell College, Presiding

Esther HaeJin Park, Claremont School of Theology
Women in Exodus and Asian Immigrant Women (30 min)

Sun-Ah Kang, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary
Re-reading the "Capable Wife" (Proverbs 31:10–31) with Michel Foucault in the Context of Korean Confucianism (30 min)

Te-Li Lau, Trinity Evangelical Divinity School
Joy in the Moral Life: Philippians and the Analects (30 min)

Wongi Park, Belmont University
Christological Melancholia: An Asian American Reading of Philippians 2 (30 min)

HyeongJu Byon, Chicago Theological Seminary
The Unburial Roaming Jesus: An Apocalyptic, Shamanistic, and Derridian View of Justice (30 min)

S18-210

SBL Bible and Cultural Studies Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - Columbus I & II (First Level)

Theme: **Globalization**

Scott Elliott, Adrian College, Presiding

K. Jason Coker, Together for Hope
Diaspora and Globalization: Belonging in the Letter of James (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Matthew Ketchum, Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey
Globalized Affects Then and Now: The Global Logic of Resurrection and Rendering Unto Caesar in the Synoptic Gospels (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Arminta Fox, Bethany College
Gendered Benefaction in a Globalized Ecclesial Economy (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Ekaputra Tupamahu, Vanderbilt University
Linguistic Imperialism and the Corinthian Conflict: Reading 1 Cor. 14 through the Lens of the Global Politics of Language (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Matthew Waggoner, Albertus Magnus College, Respondent (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Business Meeting (25 min)

S18-210a

SBL Bible and Its Reception Editorial Board

1:00 PM–2:00 PM

Marriott Copley Place - SBL Press Suite

S18-211

SBL Bible in Ancient and Modern Media Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - Tremont (First Level)

The recent publication of *The Dictionary of the Bible and Ancient Media* (Bloomsbury, 2017) presents an excellent opportunity for a session on the status quaestionis of the contributions of media studies to biblical studies. Each panelist will reflect on the current state of the field and propose directions that appear to be promising for future research.

Raymond Person, Ohio Northern University, Presiding

Tom Thatcher, Cincinnati Christian University, Panelist (20 min)

Susan Niditch, Amherst College, Panelist (20 min)

Ehud Ben Zvi, University of Alberta, Panelist (20 min)

Holly Hearon, Panelist (20 min)

Dan Nässelqvist, University of Gothenburg, Panelist (20 min)

Discussion (50 min)

S18-212

SBL Biblical Greek Language and Linguistics Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 200 (Second Level)

Theme: **Book Review: S. Runge and C. Fresch, *The Greek Verb Revisited***

James Dvorak, Oklahoma Christian University, Welcome (5 min)

Steven Runge, Logos Bible Software, Introduction (2 min)

Christopher Fresch, Bible College of South Australia,
Introduction (3 min)

Buist Fanning, Dallas Theological Seminary, Panelist (25 min)

Stanley Porter, McMaster Divinity College, Panelist (25 min)

Constantine Campbell, Trinity Evangelical Divinity School,
Panelist (25 min)

Steven Runge, Respondent

Chris Fresch, Respondent (25 min)

Discussion (40 min)

S18-213

SBL Book of Deuteronomy Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Arnold Arboretum (Fifth Level)

Madhavi Nevader, University of St. Andrews, Presiding

Daniel Frese, University of Kentucky
Chiasmus in the Book of Deuteronomy (30 min)

Kevin J. Mattison, University of Wisconsin-Madison
Quotation, citation, and Deuteronomy's interpretive purpose (30 min)



Laura Quick, University of Oxford
The Futility Curse in Comparative Perspective: Deuteronomy 28 in Context (30 min)

Mark R. Glanville, Missional Training Centre, Phoenix
Feasting at the Third Year Reading of Torah (Deut 31:9–13): Becoming the People of Yahweh (30 min)

Ki-Eun Jang, New York University
How Did Deuteronomy 32:1–43 Become the Song of Moses? (30 min)

S18-214

SBL Book of Samuel: Narrative, Theology and Interpretation Consultation

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Beacon B (Third Level)

Theme: **Characterisation in Samuel**

David Firth, Trinity College - Bristol, Presiding

Benjamin J.M. Johnson, Wycliffe Hall, Oxford
Character as Interpretive Crux in the Book of Samuel (30 min)

Stephen B. Chapman, Duke University
Worthy to be Praised: God as a Character in Samuel (30 min)

Michael Avioz, Bar-Ilan University
'A Man of Shame': Ridiculing Saul's Son, Ishbosheth (30 min)

Barbara Green, Dominican School of Philosophy and Theology
As David and Joab Dance, Who Leads? (30 min)

Yairah Amit, Tel Aviv University
Absalom: A Warrior for Justice (30 min)

S18-215

SBL Christian Theology and the Bible Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Clarendon (Third Level)

Theme: **Elijah in Christian Scripture and Theology**

This is the second session of a four-year series exploring biblical figures who appear in both Testaments and their significance for Christian Theology. This year we will focus on the figure of Elijah. Presented papers will explore how Elijah has influenced Christian theology in the past and what Elijah's role in constructive Christian theology might be today.

Lesley DiFransico, Loyola University Maryland, Presiding (5 min)

Stephen D. Black, Codrington College
Hallelujah, He is Risen! (Elijah, that is...) (30 min)

Steven Edward Harris, Hamilton, ON, Canada
The Prophet and the Lord: Elijah, Jesus and the Resurrection of the Dead (30 min)

Kevin L. Hughes, Villanova University
Elijah the Friar: The Figure of Elijah in Franciscan Exegesis (30 min)

Michael McClymond, Saint Louis University
Solitude or Solidarity? Confrontation or Consolation?: Images of Elijah in Nineteenth-Century Irvingism and in Contemporary Charismatic Christianity (30 min)

Discussion (25 min)

S18-216

SBL Construction of Christian Identities Seminar

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton Boston Back Bay - Belvidere B (Second Level)

Theme: **Thinking Beyond the Box(es): Ethnographic Insights for Scholars of "Early Christianity" and the Question of "Multiple Identities"**

Scholarly writing on "early Christianity" tends to analyze primary sources in terms of pre-formed classificatory schemes involving terms like "Christian," "Jewish," and "religious." The first part of this session explores whether methodological approach(es) can be developed to counteract that tendency and help us to tell other stories about the ancient world. The session will feature an interactive consultation with two scholars trained in ethnography and cultural anthropology, Rebekka King (Middle Tennessee State University) and James Bielo (Miami University). Two other papers (listed below) will be circulated in advance and discussed. The second part of the session will focus on the phenomenon of "multiple identities" and its implications for studies of "early Christianity" and will be based on a third pre-circulated paper. To receive these papers, contact julia.snyder@ur.de. Discussion (140 min)

Bob Atkins
Ethnographic Observations within the Corinthian Correspondence

Rebecca Stephens Falcasantos, Florida State University
"Of Course They Sacrificed": Local Practice and the Problem of Christian Identity in Late Antiquity

Julia Snyder, Universität Regensburg
How Did "Being Christian" Differ for People of Different Social Locations and at Different Moments of Daily Life? Drawing on Paul and Apostle Narratives

Business Meeting (10 min)

S18-217

SBL Deuterocanonical and Cognate Literature Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - Falmouth (Fourth Level)

Theme: **Writing a Commentary on the Book of Ben Sira**

Writing a Commentary on the Book of Ben Sira. The last major commentary on the book of Ben Sira by Skehan and Di Lella was published 30 years ago. Since then, much more attention has been given to research on the book of Ben Sira. Several short commentaries have been released, but now the time is ripe for some larger commentary projects: Anchor Bible, Hermeneia, Herders Theologischer Kommentar. For this panel, authors of current projects will give insights into their work and will address how to deal with the textual and material complexity of the Book. Just before the panel Jean-Sébastien Rey will present a new edition of the Hebrew Texts of the book of Ben Sira.

Frank Ueberschaer, Martin-Luther-Universität Halle-Wittenberg, Presiding

Jean-Sébastien Rey, Université de Lorraine
A New Edition of the Hebrew Texts of Ben Sira (30 min)

Benjamin Wright, Lehigh University, Panelist (40 min)

Samuel Adams, Union Presbyterian Seminary, Panelist (40 min)

Burkard Zapff, Katholische Universität Eichstätt-Ingolstadt, Panelist (40 min)

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 18

S18-218

SBL Development of Early Christian Theology Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 204 (Second Level)

Theme: **Tatian and the Text of the Gospels**

New Testament scholars have long assumed that reconstructing Tatian's Diatessaron would yield substantial early readings from the four Gospels. However, the genre of Tatian's work has recently come into question. If Tatian was composing a gospel, and not merely compiling a gospel harmony, he may have been freer with his text than has been presumed. Through a series of case studies, this session investigates what later witnesses to the Diatessaron reveal about Tatian's compositional practices. Does a Diatessaronic reading truly reveal the state of the gospel text in the mid-second century, or only what Tatian did to that text?

Mark DeCogliano, University of Saint Thomas (Saint Paul, MN),
Welcome

Matthew Crawford, Presiding

Jan Joosten, University of Oxford
Tatian's Sources and the Question of the Jewish Law in the Diatessaron (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Ian N. Mills, Duke University
Another Gospel Harmony: Dura Parchment 24 and Diatessaronic Methods (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Nicholas J. Zola, Pepperdine University
Tatian's Diatessaron in Latin: Readings from Codex Fuldensis (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Timothy B. Sailors, Eberhard-Karls-Universität Tübingen
The Story of the Baptism of Jesus in the Diatessaron and Other Early Christian Gospel Harmonies (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Ulrich Schmid, Kirchliche Hochschule Wuppertal/Bethel,
Respondent (20 min)

Discussion (30 min)

S18-219

SBL Early Christianity and the Ancient Economy Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - Massachusetts (Fifth Level)

Theme: **The Extramercantile Economies of Greece and Rome**

This session highlights the importance of extramercantile transmissions of goods and services—those transmissions that take place outside of the market, per se—within the broader economic systems of Greece and Rome.

John Fitzgerald, University of Notre Dame, Presiding (5 min)

Joseph Manning, Yale University
Re-Theorizing Premodern Exchange (25 min)

Rachel Meyers, Iowa State University
Impact of Personal Benefaction in Hispania Tarraconensis (25 min)

Nicolas Tran, Université de Poitiers

The Economics of Solidarity: Mutual Aid between Workers in Roman Cities (25 min)

Arjan Zuiderhoek, Ghent University

Distrust, Greed, Markets, Competition, and Civic Benefactors: Fear and Loathing in the Polis? (25 min)

William E. Metcalf, Independent Scholar

An Economy of Ideas: Communication, Rivalry, and Homonoia among the Cities of Asia Minor (25 min)

Discussion (20 min)

S18-220

SBL Ecological Hermeneutics Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - Boylston (First Level)

Theme: **Ending and Beginning: Ecology and Apocalypse**

Peter Trudinger, Flinders University, Presiding

Barbara Rossing, Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago, Presiding

Jeffrey S. Lamp, Oral Roberts University
In the End, the Beginning...and Beyond: Eschatology Read Ecologically (25 min)

John W. Fadden, Saint John Fisher College
Ecology and the Ends of the Christian Bible (25 min)

J. Richard Middleton, Northeastern Seminary at Roberts Wesleyan College
For God So Loved the Cosmos: The New Creation in Ecological Perspective (25 min)

Sigve K. Tonstad, Loma Linda University
And in the End—the Earth (25 min)

Micah D. Kiel, Saint Ambrose University
An Inconvenient Eschatology: Revisiting Annihilation in an Ecological Reading of Revelation (25 min)

S18-221

SBL Feminist Hermeneutics of the Bible Section / Paul and Politics Seminar

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Republic B (Second Level)

Theme: **Paul, Adoption and Reproductive Justice**

Angela Parker, The Seattle School of Theology & Psychology,
Presiding

Carmen Palmer, Emmanuel College
"A Few Good (Adopted) Men": Does Paul Envision Adoption into the Children of God for Women, Too? (30 min)

Christina Harker, Universität Bern - Université de Berne
The Labors of Paul (30 min)

Margaret Aymer, Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary
Retaining One's Roots: Reading the Pauline Adoption Texts in Light of Open Adoption (30 min)

Erin Heim, Denver Seminary
Vulnerable Children and Evangelical Saviors?: Navigating the Use of the Pauline Adoption Texts in Evangelical Discourse on Contemporary Adoption (30 min)



Kathleen Corley, University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh, Respondent
(15 min)

Discussion (15 min)

S18-222

SBL Formation of Isaiah Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Marriott Copley Place - Grand Ballroom EF (Fourth Level)

Theme: **The Making of Isaiah: Revisiting Methodology**

How have scholars of Isaiah raised questions of methodology in the study of the book's formation in recent years? What newer methodologies have been used in the study of the book's composition and development? What questions about Isaiah's composition and formation have newer methods surfaced? How have questions posed by newer methodologies impacted more traditional methods of understanding Isaiah's composition (e.g., literary criticism, redaction criticism, etc.)? What role do traditional methods continue to play in understanding the book's formation? Presenters are invited to reflect on such questions in relation to any passage or section of the book or the book as a whole.

Lena-Sofia Tiemeyer, University of Aberdeen, Presiding

Christopher Hays, Fuller Theological Seminary (Pasadena)
Hebrew Diachrony and Linguistic Dating in the Book of Isaiah
(25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Noam Mizrahi, Tel Aviv University
4QIsa-n between Transmission and Reception (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Urmas Nõmmik, Tartu Ülikool
Remarks on the Formation of the First Isaiah through Diachronic Poetological Lens (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

J. Blake Couey, Gustavus Adolphus College
Poetry and Redaction in the Book of Isaiah (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Archibald L.H.M. van Wieringen, Tilburg University School of Catholic Theology
A Tale of Two Worlds: Formation-Questions Illustrated Using Isaiah 7:1–17 (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

S18-223

SBL Genesis Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - Regis (Third Level)

Tammi Schneider, Claremont Graduate University, Presiding

Naomi Graetz, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev
Lifting Up of Eyes in Genesis (25 min)

Jione Havea, Independent Scholar
Waters of Life, Death, Sex, and Protest: An Islander Reading of Bodies of Water in Genesis (25 min)

Joachim J. Krause, University of Tübingen
Circumcision and the Conditional Covenant of Grace in Genesis 17
(25 min)

Philip Yoo, University of Texas at Austin
Dinah among Jacob's Seventy (25 min)

Joseph S. Khalil, University of Notre Dame
The Relationship between Gen 20:1–18, 21:22–34 and Gen 26:1–33: Revisiting the Parallel Experiences of Abraham and Sarah and Isaac and Rebekah (25 min)

S18-224

SBL Global Education and Research Technology Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 312 (Third Level)

Theme: **Open Collaborative Annotation Workshop**

Please bring your own web-enabled devices (laptops, tablets, smartphones) if you wish to participate in hands-on exploration

Randall Tan, Global Bible Initiative, Presiding

Jonathan Robie, biblicalhumanities.org
Close Reading of Biblical Texts and Treebanks with genius.com, hypothes.is and pund.it (30 min)

Bridget Almas, Perseus Digital Library, Tufts University and Marie-Claire Beaulieu, Perseus Digital Library, Tufts University
Semantic Annotation with Plokamos and the Perseids Project (30 min)

Christopher D. Land, McMaster Divinity College and Francis G.H. Pang, McMaster Divinity College
Exploring Web-Based Methods for Syntactic Annotation (30 min)

Discussion (60 min)

Participants will engage in hands-on exploration for up to an hour in this discussion time slot.

S18-225

SBL Gospel of Luke Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Back Bay D (Second Level)

Theme: **Luke and the Spirit**

John Carroll, Union Presbyterian Seminary, Presiding

Mikael Winninge, Umeå Universitet
Ideological Background of the Concept of Holy Spirit in Luke's Writings: With Special Attention to the Dead Sea Scrolls and Paul's Letters (20 min)

Jack Levison, Southern Methodist University
Satan and the Spirit in the Gospel of Luke (20 min)

Frank D. Macchia, Vanguard University & Bangor University (Wales)
Baptism in Spirit-and-Fire: Luke's Implicitly Pneumatological Theology of Atonement (20 min)

Marianne Mey Thompson, Fuller Theological Seminary (Pasadena)
The Spirit in the Gospels of Luke and John (20 min)

Susan Garrett, Louisville Presbyterian Theological Seminary, Respondent (15 min)

Volker Rabens, Friedrich-Schiller-Universität Jena
The Gospel of Luke and Recent Pneumatological Research (20 min)

Discussion (35 min)

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S18-226

SBL Healthcare and Disability in the Ancient World Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton Boston Back Bay (HBB) - Maverick A (Second Level)

Theme: **Book Review and Discussion of Moss and Baden's *Reconceiving Infertility: Biblical Perspectives on Procreation and Childlessness* and Melcher, Parsons and Yong's *Disability and the Bible: A Commentary***

Laura Zucconi, Stockton University, Presiding

Hector Avalos, Iowa State University, Panelist (25 min)

Jeremy Schipper, Temple University, Panelist (25 min)

Candida Moss, University of Birmingham, Panelist (10 min)

Joel Baden, Yale University, Panelist (10 min)

Anna Rebecca Solevåg, VID Specialized University, Panelist (25 min)

Noah Buchholz, Princeton Theological Seminary, Panelist (25 min)

David Watson, United Theological Seminary, Panelist (10 min)

S18-226a

SBL Historiography and the Hebrew Bible Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 202 (Second Level)

Theme: **Conversations with Historians: On Exile, Empire, and the Bible**

Daniel Pioske, Georgia Southern University, Presiding

Daniel Pioske, Georgia Southern University
Opening Remarks - Conversations with Historians: On Exile, Empire, and the Bible (10 min)

Zvi Ben-Dor Benite, New York University
Exile, Empire, and the Bible: James Rennell's Reading II Kings and Tobit in Eighteenth Century Bengal (60 min)

Martien Halvorson-Taylor, University of Virginia, Respondent (30 min)

Daniel Fleming, New York University, Respondent (30 min)

S18-227

SBL History of Interpretation Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 210 (Second Level)

Theme: **J.B. Lightfoot and the New Testament**

Todd Still, Baylor University, Presiding

Todd Still, Baylor University and Jeanette Hagen, Biola University

The Lightfoot Legacy Continued and Lightfoot on 2 Corinthians (40 min)

David Horrell, University of Exeter
Lightfoot on 1 Peter (40 min)

Break (15 min)

N.T. Wright, University of St. Andrews

Joseph Barber Lightfoot: Retrospect and Prospect (40 min)

Discussion (15 min)

P18-228

International Organization for Septuagint and Cognate Studies

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Jamaica Pond (Fifth Level)

Theme: **Translation Technique**

Leonard Greenspoon, Creighton University, Presiding

Antony Khokhar, Université catholique de Louvain, Belgium
The Numeruswechsel as a Content and Context Related Criterion in the Characterisation of LXX Translation Technique: Deuteronomy 29 as a Test Case (25 min)

Benjamin M. Austin, Providence Christian College
The Translation of Interrogatives in LXX-Pentateuch (25 min)

Miika Tucker, University of Helsinki
Further Lexical Studies Regarding the Bisectioning of Septuagint Jeremiah (25 min)

Sarah Yardney, University of Chicago
Creative Transformation in LXX 1 Sam 15:29 (25 min)

Anna Angelini, University of Lausanne
Divine Names, Semantic Shifts and Cultural Transformations in the LXX, The Renderings of Shadday as a Test Case (25 min)

Martin Rösel, University of Rostock, Germany
Anthropology in the Greek Psalter (25 min)

P18-229

International Syriac Language Project

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Beacon H (Third Level)

Theme: **Language, Lexicography, and Interpretation**

Richard A. Taylor, Dallas Theological Seminary, Presiding

Dean Forbes, University of the Free State
Capitalizing on Dependency Relations in Biblical Hebrew Grammar (30 min)

George A. Kiraz, Gorgias Press, Rutgers University
New Developments in Computational Syriac Lexicography: The Case of SEDRA (30 min)

Jonathan Loopstra, Northwestern College - St. Paul
Reading across the (West-Syrian) Curriculum: Reconstructing a Common Vocabulary of Synonyms and Explanatory Glosses in Syriac Translations of Greek Patristic Texts (30 min)

George A. Kiraz, Gorgias Press, Rutgers University
Syriac Loanwords in Arabic (30 min)

Michael P. Theophilos, Australian Catholic University
The Death of Jesus in Light of the Suicide of Otho (30 min)



S18-230**SBL Israelite Prophetic Literature Section**

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Marriott Copley Place - Grand Ballroom A (Fourth Level)

Theme: **Trauma and Memory**

Daniel Timmer, Faculté de Théologie Évangélique - Acadia University, Presiding

Chwi-Woon Kim, Baylor University
Rhetoric and Trauma in Habakkuk: Toward a Postexilic Reading of the Book of the Twelve (30 min)Chelsea Lamb, Ambrose University
Rehearsing Mythic Memory: Cultural Memory, Intertextuality, and the Sitz im Leben of Habakkuk's Prophecy (30 min)Megan Roberts, McMaster Divinity College
Remember, or Not, Comfort is Coming: Conflicted Collective Memory in Isaiah 43 and 46 (30 min)Chin Hei (Andrew) Leong, Katholieke Universiteit Leuven
Can Comfort Be Repaid? A Semantic Study on the Phrase šlm niḥumîm in Isa 57:18 (30 min)

Discussion (30 min)

S18-231**SBL Josephus Seminar**

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Beacon A (Third Level)

Theme: **Brill Commentary Series**

Paul Spilsbury, Regent College, Presiding

Chris Seeman, Walsh University
Symmetrical Composition and Chronological Displacement in Judean War 1 & 7 (40 min)

Discussion (20 min)

Break (10 min)

Steve Mason, Rijksuniversiteit Groningen
Vespasian's Rise from Civil War in Josephus BJ 4 (40 min)

Discussion (20 min)

Business Meeting (10 min)

S18-232**SBL Latino/a and Latin American Biblical Interpretation Section**

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton Boston Back Bay (HBB) - Adams B (Third Level)

Theme: **Book Review: Jacqueline Hidalgo, *Revelation in Aztlan: Scriptures, Utopias, and the Chicano Movement***

Efrain Agosto, New York Theological Seminary, Presiding

Lynn Huber, Elon University, Panelist (20 min)

Roberto Mata, Harvard University, Panelist (20 min)

Jean-Pierre Ruiz, Saint John's University, Panelist (20 min)

David Sánchez, Loyola Marymount University, Panelist (20 min)

Carmen Nanko, Catholic Theological Union, Panelist (20 min)

Jacqueline Hidalgo, Williams College, Respondent (20 min)

Discussion (30 min)

S18-233**SBL Literature and History of the Persian Period Section / Chronicles-Ezra-Nehemiah Section**

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - Suffolk (Third Level)

Theme: **The Literature and History of the Persian Period in Light of the Finds at Ramat Rahel**

Deirdre Fulton, Baylor University, Presiding

Yuval Gadot, Tel Aviv University
Facts on the Ground: The Archaeology of Ramat Rahel during the Persian Period (25 min)Dafna Langgut, Tel Aviv University
The Migration of Plants within the Persian Empire (25 min)Oded Lipschits, Tel Aviv University
Ramat Rachel between Jerusalem and Mizpah (25 min)Gary Knoppers, University of Notre Dame
Argumentum ex silentio? Ramat Rachel and Ezra-Nehemiah (25 min)

S18-234**SBL Online Teaching and Biblical Studies**

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - Vineyard (Fourth Level)

Theme: **Hosted by the Professional Development Committee and Wabash Center**

As online and hybrid courses proliferate in higher education this panel will consider the special opportunities and challenges for teaching various aspects of biblical studies in an online or hybrid format.

Bruce Birch, Wesley Theological Seminary, Presiding

Paul Myhre, Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning, Presiding

Richard Ascough, Queen's University, Panelist

Eric Barreto, Princeton Theological Seminary, Panelist

Stephen Delamarter, George Fox University, Panelist

Ahida Pilarski, Saint Anselm College, Panelist

Ruth Anne Reese, Asbury Theological Seminary, Panelist

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 18

S18-235

SBL Papyrology and Early Christian Backgrounds Section

1:00 PM–3:15 PM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - Dartmouth (Third Level)

Theme: **Authenticity and Dating**

Roberta Mazza, University of Manchester, Presiding

Malcolm Choat, Macquarie University and Tommy Wasserman, Orebro School of Theology
The Cable Guy: Constantine Simonides and His New Testament Papyri (25 min)

W. Andrew Smith, Shepherds Theological Seminary
A Case Study in the Use and Limitations of Technology for Authenticating Papyri (25 min)

Break (5 min)

Kipp Davis, Trinity Western University
Dead Sea Scrolls Papyri, Scribal Features and Questions of Authenticity (25 min)

Charles E. Hill, Reformed Theological Seminary
Dating and Breaking Up (the text): Textual Division as a Non-Paleographical Aid in Dating Biblical Texts (25 min)

Discussion (25 min)

S18-236

SBL Pauline Epistles Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 306 (Third Level)

Theme: **Review of *Who Made Early Christianity? The Jewish Lives of the Apostle Paul* by John G. Gager Jr. and *Paul: The Pagans' Apostle* by Paula Fredriksen**

Emma Wasserman, Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey, Presiding

Margaret M. Mitchell, University of Chicago, Panelist (20 min)

Paula Fredriksen, Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Respondent (20 min)

Matthew Novenson, University of Edinburgh, Panelist (20 min)

James Crossley, Panelist (20 min)

John Gager, Princeton University, Respondent (25 min)

S18-237

SBL Polis and Ekklesia: Investigations of Urban Christianity Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 208 (Second Level)

Theme: **Thessalonike: The City, Religion, and Paul II**

Laurence Welborn, Fordham University, Presiding

Alan Cadwallader, Charles Sturt University
A Return to Peace and Security: The Parts and the Whole (20 min)

Ekaterini Tsalamponi, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki
What's After This? Death and Afterlife Imagery in the Inscriptions of Roman Thessalonike (20 min)

Angela Standhartinger, Philipps-Universität Marburg
Paul, the Jews and the Thessalonians: Some Old and New Observations to 1 Thess 2:13–16 (20 min)

Julien Ogereau, Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München
The Emergence and Development of Christianity in Thessalonica in the Post-apostolic Age (II–VI CE): An Epigraphic and Archaeological Perspective (20 min)

This session will be followed by a 20 minute business meeting for the SBL section "Polis and Ekklesia."

S18-238

SBL Prophetic Texts and Their Ancient Contexts Seminar

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Fairfax A (Third Level)

Theme: **Textualization of Revelation**

Hanna Tervanotko, McMaster University, Presiding

Konrad Schmid, Universität Zürich
From Prophetic Oracles to Scribal Prophecy: The Changing Face of the Jeremiah Tradition (15 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Lisa Maurizio, Bates College
Talking Gods: Oracular Dialogues and Writing in the Classical Greek City-State (15 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Discussion (20 min)

Elisa Uusimäki, Helsingin Yliopisto - Helsingfors Universitet
Wisdom, Revelation, and Textuality: Insights from Ancient Judaea (15 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Pieter Hartog, Protestantse Theologische Universiteit
Josephus, the Teacher of Righteousness, and Prophetic Authority in the Late Second Temple Period (15 min)

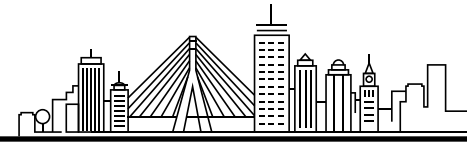
Discussion (5 min)

Liv Lied, MF Norwegian School of Theology
The Uses of God's Revelations to Baruch: Textualization of Revelation, Manuscript Materiality and Active Readers (15 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Discussion (30 min)

People would like to receive the precirculated papers, please email jonathan.stokl@kcl.ac.uk



S18-239**SBL Q Section**

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Dalton (Third Level)

Giovanni Bazzana, Harvard University, Presiding

Simon Joseph, California Lutheran University
*"I Thank You, Father, Lord of Heaven and Earth ..." (Q 10:21): Q As Early Jewish Mystery-Discourse (30 min)*Hildegard Schurer, Theologische Hochschule Chur
*Testing Biblical Traditions in Q: Coherence and Distinctness? (30 min)*Daniel A. Smith, Huron University College
*The Sayings Gospel Q in Marcion's Edition of Luke (30 min)*David B. Sloan, John Carroll University
What If the Gospel according to the Hebrews Was Q? (30 min)

Discussion (30 min)

S18-240**SBL Race and Ethnicity in Antiquity**

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Beacon G (Third Level)

Theme: **Hosted by the Student Advisory Board**

How do we talk about race and ethnicity in antiquity? Recent scholarship has sought to use the lenses of race and ethnicity in the study of the ancient world. Such a move accounts for the intersectional nexus of social relations informing identity, yet requires an application of modern categories upon ancient subjects. This panel will bring together scholars who employ the lens of race and ethnicity, considering future avenues for scholarship and the questions remaining unexplored. The session will model how thinking about race and ethnicity can help us refine how we apply modern concepts to our historical record. As a Student Advisory Board sponsored session, we encourage graduate students working with these critical lenses to attend. Time will be left following the panel for students and faculty to meet and mingle, in order to facilitate networking between scholars interested in similar material.

Krista Dalton, Columbia University in the City of New York, Presiding

Erin Walsh, Duke University, Presiding

Denise Buell, Williams College, Panelist

Gay Byron, Howard University, Panelist

Yii-Jan Lin, Yale Divinity School, Panelist

Cynthia Baker, Bates College, Panelist

Todd Berzon, Bowdoin College, Panelist

Discussion (20 min)

S18-241**SBL Recovering Female Interpreters of the Bible Section**

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - Clarendon (Third Level)

Theme: **Women Interpreters in the Middle Ages and Reformation Era**

Christiana de Groot, Calvin College, Presiding

Rachel Toombs, Baylor University
Hildegard of Bingen: Exegete and Theologian in "Solutions to Thirty-Eight Questions" (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Joy Schroeder Trinity Lutheran Seminary and Capital University
Engaging Scripture via the Liturgy: Thirteenth-Century Visionary Women (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Kate Hanch, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary
Oneing as Theosis: Julian of Norwich's Use of the Johannine Farewell Discourse (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Break (10 min)

Heather McKay, Edge Hill University
Biblical Interpretation Combined with Anti-Misogynist Cultural Analysis: Christine de Pizan's Instructions to Highborn Ladies in Fifteenth Century Europe (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Mette Bundvad, University of Copenhagen
"Take upon Yourselves a Manly, Abraham-like Disposition": The Use of Gendered Images from the Bible to Construct Public Female Identities in the Early Sixteenth Century (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Discussion (15 min)

S18-242**SBL Religious Experience in Antiquity Section**

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Liberty A (Second Level)

Andrew Krause, Westfälische Wilhelms-Universität Münster, Presiding

Matthew E. Gordley, Carlow University
*Deixis, Mimesis, and the Imaginal World of Early Christian Hymns (30 min)*Anders Petersen, Department for the Study of Religion, University of Aarhus
*The Efficaciousness of Ancient Rituals of Cleansing (30 min)*Aldo Tagliabue, University of Notre Dame
*Embodied Experience of Cupid in Apuleius' Story of Cupid and Psyche (30 min)*Kai-Hsuan Chang, Wycliffe College
*The Contribution of Ritual Practice and Experience to Paul's Conceptualization of Resurrection (30 min)*Patrick G. Stefan, University of Denver
Early Christian Architecture and Nascent Disciplinary Mechanisms of Power (30 min)

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S18-243

SBL Rhetoric of Religious Antiquity Seminar / Bible and Visual Art Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - Harvard (Third Level)

Theme: **Visual Exegesis: Art Historians in Dialogue with Biblical Scholars**

Roy Jeal, Booth University College, Presiding (5 min)

Walter S. Melion, Emory University

Evidentiae Resurrectionis: On the Mystery Discerned but not Seen in Pieter Bruegel's Resurrection of ca. 1562–1563 (20 min)

James Clifton, Sarah Campbell Blaffer Foundation

"Exactitude and Fidelity" to Scripture in Two Paintings of Christ Healing the Blind (20 min)

Discussion (20 min)

Robin M. Jensen, University of Notre Dame

A Review of The Art of Visual Exegesis (20 min)

Ian Boxall, Catholic University of America

Review of The Art of Visual Exegesis (20 min)

Vernon Robbins, Emory University, Panelist

Annette Weissenrieder, Panelist

Harry Maier, Vancouver School of Theology, Panelist

Discussion (45 min)

This session will feature perspectives and authors from the recently published volume *The Art of Visual Exegesis: Rhetoric, Texts, Images* which explores methodological and exegetical connections between the perspectives of interpreting visual art and texts. The invited panel will consider ways in which the two fields can illuminate each other theoretically and will also explore how approaching the interpretation of an image can enrich the exegesis of the text it is based upon and how the exegesis of the visual elements of a text (rhetography) holds insights for the interpretation of images prompted by it in the visual arts.

S18-244

SBL Scripture and Paul Seminar

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Back Bay C (Second Level)

Theme: **Paul's Christological Use of Scripture in Romans**

Linda Belleville, Grand Rapids Theological Seminary, Presiding

Habakkuk 2:4 in Romans: Echoes, Allusions, and Rewriting

Roy Ciampa, Nida Institute for Biblical Scholarship at the American Bible Society, Panelist (15 min)

May Young, Taylor University Respondent (10 min)

Discussion (25 min)

The Christ Praises God Among the Nations (Ps 17:50 LXX in Rom 15:9): Toward a New Christological Model

Matthew Bates, Quincy University, Panelist (15 min)

Andrew Das, Elmhurst College, Respondent (10 min)

Discussion (25 min)

Paul's Christological Quotation of Isa 59:20–21 in Rom 11:26–27

Fredrick Long, Asbury Theological Seminary, Panelist (15 min)

Ingrid Faro, Trinity Evangelical Divinity School, Respondent (10 min)

Discussion (25 min)

S18-245

SBL Social Sciences and the Interpretation of the Hebrew Scriptures Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 304 (Third Level)

Theme: **The Hebrew Bible and Revolutionary Identities**

Jeremiah Cataldo, Grand Valley State University, Presiding

Carolyn Alsen, University of Divinity

Veiled Resistance: The Cognitive Dissonance of Vision in Genesis 38 (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

C.L. Crouch, University of Nottingham

Judah in Jeremiah (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Brad Crowell, Drake University

The Assassination of King Amon of Judah and the Crisis of Imperialism (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Kyong-Jin Lee, Fuller Theological Seminary (Pasadena)

Nehemiah's Socio-economic Reform: Principles and Accomplishments (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Mark Sneed, Lubbock Christian University

A Taste for Wisdom: Aesthetics, Moral Discernment, and Social Class in Proverbs (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

S18-246

SBL Social Scientific Criticism of the New Testament Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton Boston Back Bay (HBB) - Adams A (Third Level)

Eric Stewart, Augustana College (IL), Presiding (5 min)

Ernest van Eck, University of Pretoria

Realism and method: The parables of Jesus (25 min)

Daniel K. Eng, University of Cambridge

The Shameless Father: Honor and Shame in the Parable of the Prodigal Son (25 min)

Alexander E. Stewart, Tyndale Theological Seminary (Amsterdam)

Scary as Hell: Evaluating Fear Appeals in the Apocalypse of John with the Extended Parallel Process Model (25 min)

Break (15 min)

Stephen E. Young, Fuller Theological Seminary (Texas)

Positioning Philemon: Paul's Letter to Philemon Read through the Lens of Positioning Theory (25 min)



Sofanit T. Abebe, University of Edinburgh
Liminality, Secterianism and the Pious Poor: The Situational Strategies of the Epistles of Enoch and First Peter (25 min)

S18-247

SBL Space, Place, and Lived Experience in Antiquity Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - Tufts (Third Level)

Theme: **Sanctuary, Space, and Place in Antiquity**

Perspectives on sanctuary, space, and place in antiquity.

Eric C. Smith, Iliff School of Theology, Presiding

Joshua M. Matson, Florida State University
At the Crossroads of Holiness: A Four-fold Spatial Analysis of the Jewish Sanctuary in the Dead Sea Scrolls (30 min)

Kenneth A. Vandergriff, Florida State University
Power, Empire, and Space: Constructing Sanctuary in a First Century CE Church and American Sanctuary Churches (30 min)

Jaime L. Waters, DePaul University
Home Sweet Home: Finding Shelter in Psalm 68 (30 min)

B. Diane Lipsett, Salem College
Sanctuary and Spatiality in the Life and Miracles of Thecla (30 min)

Jolyon Pruszinski, Princeton Theological Seminary
The Samaritan Interlude as a Locus of Johannine Spatial Practice (30 min)

S18-247a/A18-200

SBL Student Lounge Roundtable

1:00 PM–2:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 303 (Third Level)

Theme: **Effective Strategies for Scholarly Publication**

This roundtable session provides strategies for publishing and developing one's reputation as scholars in their respective fields. Steven Félix-Jäger will elaborate on the various types of scholarly publications (journal articles, book reviews, encyclopedia entries, book chapters, edited volumes and monographs), discuss reformatting theses and dissertations for publication, and explore new — alternative — modes of publication. In particular, he will shed light on the challenges and opportunities that come with popular book publications.

Steven Félix-Jäger, Southeastern University, Panelist

S18-248

SBL Syriac Literature and Interpretations of Sacred Texts Section / Ethiopic Bible and Literature Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - MIT (Third Level)

Theme: **Syriac and Ethiopic Studies Engaging Theological Questions**

Cynthia Villagomez, Winston-Salem State University, Presiding

Benjamin Edsall, Australian Catholic University
Aphrahat and a Pauline Logic for Baptism (20 min)

Desta Heliso, Ethiopian Graduate School of Theology
'Son of God' in Ethiopic Romans (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Ralph Lee, Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München
1Enoch: Unifying the Understanding of Salvation History in the Ethiopic Tradition (20 min)

Cornelia Horn, Martin-Luther-Universität Halle-Wittenberg
Marian Miracles in the Syro-Arabic and Ethiopic Traditions through the Lens of Feminist and Theological Perspectives (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Jason Scully, Seton Hall University
Pledge or Paraclete: Shifting Conceptions of the Holy Spirit among Seventh-Century East-Syriac Monks (20 min)

Elizabeth Anderson, Episcopal Divinity School
Angels and Demons in the Ninth-Century Syrian Orthodox Church (20 min)

Meron Tekleherhan, Ethiopian Graduate School of Theology
The New Testament and Monastic Self Formation in the Ethiopic Meshafe Mar Yeshaq (20 min)

P18-249

The Qur'an: Surah Studies (IQSA)

1:00 PM–3:00 PM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - Orleans (Fourth Level)

Marianna Klar, Presiding

Joseph E. Lowry, University of Pennsylvania
Legislative Framing and Communal Focus in Surat al-Ahzab (30 min)

Matthew Anderson, Georgetown University
Between Scripture and Tradition: Q 33:57–61 and the Development of Classical Islamic Blasphemy Law (30 min)

Ghazala Anwar, Graduate Theological Union
Reading Sura 33 al-Ahzab in relation to Sura 42 al-Shura (30 min)

Bruce Bennett Lawrence, Duke University
The Puzzle of Surat Al-Ahzab (Q 33) v.35 in English translation (30 min)

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S18-250/A18-209

SBL Violence and Representations of Violence in Antiquity Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Hampton (Third Level)

Theme: **Charges of Blasphemy in Religious Discourse**

This session is co-sponsored by the Comparative Approaches to Religion and Violence unit (AAR).

Simon Zeldin, McMaster University, Presiding

Kimberly Stratton, Carleton University
The Ultimate Sacrilege—Deicide and the Paschal Lamb: Appropriating Exodus to Authorize Violence against Jews (25 min)

James Petitfils, Biola University
Apparently Other: Appearance and Blasphemy in the Ancient Christian Martyr Acts (25 min)

Benjamin Lappenga, Dordt College
"Formerly a Blasphemer and a Man of Violence": First Timothy and the Othering of Jews (25 min)

Christine Luckritz Marquis, Union Presbyterian Seminary,
Respondent (20 min)

Jennifer Bryson, Center for Islam and Religious Freedom,
Respondent (25 min)

Discussion (25 min)

S18-251

SBL Warfare in Ancient Israel Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - Fairfield (Third Level)

Theme: **Moral Injury and Biblical Texts**

Brad E. Kelle, Point Loma Nazarene University, Presiding (5 min)

Joseph McDonald, Texas Christian University
What is Moral Injury? Definitions, Distinctions, and Contexts (15 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Brad E. Kelle, Point Loma Nazarene University
Moral Injury within Biblical Studies (15 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Amy C. Cottrill, Birmingham-Southern College
Sisera's Mother at the Window: Moral Injury and the Humanization of the Enemy (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Nancy R. Bowen, Earlham School of Religion
Sodom and Lot's Family: Moral Injury in Genesis 19 (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Denise Dombkowski Hopkins, Wesley Theological Seminary
Psalms 83 as an Expression of Moral Injury (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Discussion (30 min)

S18-252

SBL Women in the Biblical World Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - St. Botolph (Second Level)

Theme: **Religious Rhetoric, Gender Roles and the "Framing" of Women in the Biblical World**

Ericka Dunbar, Drew University, Presiding

Yoseob Song, Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago
The Strategy and Rhetoric of the Women in the Genealogy in the Gospel of Matthew (30 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Helen Leneman, Independent Scholar
Hearing Rebecca's Voice in Musical Retellings (30 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Rachel Moreno, Yale Divinity School
Women of Impurity: The Abjection and Redemption of Marginalized Women in the Hebrew Bible (30 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Discussion (45 min)

S18-252a

SBL NRSV Review Board

2:30 PM–4:00 PM

Westin Copley Place Hotel (WCP) - St. George A - B (Third Level)

John Kutsko, Society of Biblical Literature, Presiding

Ronald Hendel, University of California–Berkeley, Presiding

Bob Buller, SBL Press, Presiding

S18-253/A18-243

SBL Student Lounge Roundtable

2:30 PM–4:00 PM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 303 (Third Level)

Theme: **How to Make Department Service Work for You: Establishing Collective Resources**

Landing a successful academic job requires that you cultivate your skills as a professional researcher and teacher, but it also requires that you demonstrate your ability to help build a thriving and substantial department life. This roundtable is geared towards two specific goals: 1) helping you identify how and where you can begin to make important interventions in the collective life of your department, and 2) mobilizing those interventions for the job market.

Candace Mixon, University of North Carolina, Panelist

Shannon Trosper Schorey, University of North Carolina, Panelist



Coffee Break

Saturday, 3:30 PM

Complimentary coffee will be served in the back of Aisle 2100 and Aisle 2600 of the Exhibit Hall.



S18-301**SBL Academic Teaching and Biblical Studies Section**

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Marriott Copley Place - Grand Ballroom A (Fourth Level)

Theme: **Gaming, Interactive Fiction, and Simulation in the Classroom**

G. Brooke Lester, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary, Presiding

David Bernat, University of Massachusetts Amherst
Mock Dig as the Culminating Project for a Hebrew Bible Course (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Laura Dingeldein, University of Illinois at Chicago and Jeffrey Wheatley, Northwestern University
Avatars of Antiquity: Helping Students Think About Early Christian Beginnings (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Susan E. Haddox, University of Mount Union
Remembering Dismembering or Where Did That Toe Go? (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Christopher Heard, Pepperdine University
Yesh Li Malkeka: Using Chess to Teach Biblical Hebrew (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Melanie A. Howard, Fresno Pacific University
Role-Playing Games as Pedagogical Tools in Teaching the New Testament to Undergraduate Students (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Jordash Kiffiak, Universität Zürich
Ancient Language Acquisition through Interactive Role-Play and Story Telling (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

S18-302**SBL Aramaic Studies Section**

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Boston Common (Fifth Level)

Theme: **Language Transfer and Cultural Contact in Ancient Syria**

Ute Possek, Harvard University, Presiding

Marcus Ziemann, The Ohio State University
Expatriate and Mercenary Communities and the Creation of an East Mediterranean Literary Koine (30 min)Brandon Simonson, Boston University
Aramaic Names in Syro-Mesopotamian Texts and Inscriptions: A Preliminary Report (30 min)Cody Strecker, Baylor University
Lógos Theology vs. Theology of Melltha in the Works of Ephrem Syrus (30 min)Alison Salvesen, University of Oxford
Jacob of Edessa: Between Greek Tradition and Syriac Reception (30 min)Johan Lundberg, University of Cambridge
Aramaic Relative Clauses in a Changing Linguistic Landscape (30 min)

S18-303**SBL Assyriology and the Bible Section**

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 309 (Third Level)

Theme: **The Past in Peril and the Perils of the Past: Ancient History in Modern Near East Politics**

Jeffrey L. Cooley, Boston College, Presiding (5 min)

Magnus T. Bernhardsson, Williams College
Why did Saddam Hussein think he was Nebuchadnezzar? Nationalizing Iraq's Ancient Past, 1950–2003 (25 min)

Christopher W. Jones, Columbia University in the City of New York

Removing Shirk and Jahiliyyah: ISIS's Destruction of the Pre-Islamic Past as a Rejection of Nationalism (25 min)Eva von Dassow, University of Minnesota
Racializing the Past (25 min)Oya Topcuoglu, University of Chicago
From 'Our Ancestors the Hittites' to the Steppes of Central Asia: Political Uses of the Past in Turkey from the Nineteenth Century to Today (25 min)Michael Press, Independent Scholar
Uses of the Ancient Past in Modern Israel (25 min)

Discussion (20 min)

S18-304**SBL Biblical Lexicography Section**

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 109 (Plaza Level)

Theme: **Theory / Miscellaneous**

Reinier de Blois, United Bible Societies, Presiding

Paul Danove, Villanova University
Specifying Syntactic, Semantic, and Lexical Information in Case Frame Lexicon Entries (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Adam D. Plowman, Arizona Christian University
A Methodology for the Composition of a Lexical Commentary (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Kristin Weingart, Eberhard Karls Universität Tübingen
Once again: Is there a ršh II? (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Gareth Wearne, Australian Catholic University
Identifying Rare Homographs in Biblical Hebrew: The Case of Jacob's Curse (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Daniel Rodriguez, Universiteit van Stellenbosch - University of Stellenbosch
Motivated Categories: Beyond Structuralism in Biblical Hebrew Lexical Semantics (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

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S18-305

SBL Biblical Literature and the Hermeneutics of Trauma Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 200 (Second Level)

Theme: **The Polarizing Effects of the “Trauma Narratives” that Collectives Adopt**

Papers may explore any dimension of trauma, including the following: individual, collective, and intergenerational experience; events or ongoing situations that traumatize; effects of traumatization; and strategies for recovery from and resilience against traumatization. Avenues of inquiry may include the ancient contexts from which the biblical texts emerged and in which they were appropriated, the history of their appropriation up to the present, as well as possibilities for their appropriation in the future. This session invites papers that address the polarizing effects of the “trauma narratives” that collectives adopt, especially to the extent that these narratives assign to certain groups blame for collective suffering.

Elizabeth Boase, Presiding

Sébastien Doane, Université Laval

Matthew’s Infancy Narrative as Response to Cultural Trauma (25 min)

Monica Melanchthon, University of Divinity

Beyond Symbolic Disrobing: Ezekiel 16, Draupadi and Dalit Women (25 min)

David Janzen, Durham University

Claimed and Unclaimed Experience: The Anti-therapeutic Effects of Social Narratives of Trauma (25 min)

Jione Havea, Independent Scholar

Numbing Numbers: Muslims, Moabites, Midianites (25 min)

Gerald West, University of KwaZulu-Natal, Respondent (25 min)

Discussion (25 min)

S18-306

SBL Book History and Biblical Literatures Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Fairfax A (Third Level)

Theme: **Review Panel: *Snapshots of Evolving Traditions* (eds. Lied and Lundhaug)**

Benjamin Wright, Lehigh University, Presiding

Liv Ingeborg Lied, MF Norwegian School of Theology,
Introduction (15 min)

Brent Nongbri, Aarhus Universitet, Panelist (20 min)

Kipp Davis, Trinity Western University, Panelist (20 min)

Blossom Stefaniw, Panelist (20 min)

Loren Stuckenbruck, Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München,
Panelist (20 min)

Hugo Lundhaug, Universitetet i Oslo, Respondent (20 min)

Discussion (35 min)

S18-307

SBL Book of Deuteronomy Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Marriott Copley Place - Grand Ballroom EF (Fourth Level)

Theme: **Digging to the Core: the Extent and Origin of the Earliest D Composition**

Cynthia Edenburg, Open University of Israel, Presiding

Bill T. Arnold, Asbury Theological Seminary

Second-Person Address in Deuteronomy and the Urge to Say Too Much (25 min)

Reinhard Gregor Kratz, Georg-August-Universität Göttingen

The Origins of the Book of Deuteronomy (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Juha Pakkala, University of Helsinki

The Origin of the Earliest Edition of Deuteronomy (25 min)

Richard Bautch, St. Edward’s University

The New Quest for Urdeuteronomion (25 min)

Christoph Levin, Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München,
Respondent (15 min)

Discussion (25 min)

S18-308

SBL Book of Psalms Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 304 (Third Level)

Melody Knowles, Virginia Theological Seminary, Presiding

Gili Kugler, University of Sydney

Breaking Past Negative Patterns – Political Propaganda in Psalms 78 (30 min)

John Garza, Fordham University

Reading Psalm 88 with the Church Fathers: Resurrection, Imitation, and Resolution (30 min)

Rolf Jacobson, Luther Seminary

The Shape and Shaping of the Hebrew Psalter: A Minimalist Proposal (30 min)

Ian J. Vaillancourt, University of St. Michael’s College, Toronto

The Multifaceted Portrayal of the Figure of Salvation in Psalm 110: A Canonical Study (30 min)

Samuel Hildebrandt, Briercrest Seminary/University of

Saskatchewan

Whose Voice is Heard? A Study of Speaker Ambiguity in the Psalms (30 min)



S18-309**SBL Children in the Biblical World Section**

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Beacon G (Third Level)

Theme: Children in the Hebrew Bible, Christian Apocrypha and Children's Bibles

Kristine Henriksen Garroway, Hebrew Union College - Jewish Institute of Religion, Presiding

Julie Faith Parker, Trinity Lutheran Seminary
*I Bless You by YHWH of Samaria and his Barbie: A Case for Viewing Judean Pillar Figurines as Children's Toys (25 min)*Heath Dewrell, Princeton Theological Seminary
*Vows and Children in the Hebrew Bible (25 min)*Anna Rebecca Solevåg, VID Specialized University
Absence and Presence of Children in the Apocryphal Acts (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Break (5 min)

Angela Parchen Rasmussen, The Catholic University of America
*Little Princesses, Mighty Warriors: Gendered Children's Bibles (25 min)*Russell W. Dalton, Brite Divinity School (TCU)
The Children of the Bible Come to America: The Boys and Girls of the Bible as Presented to US Children (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

S18-310**SBL Contextual Biblical Interpretation Section**

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - St. Botolph (Second Level)

Theme: Revelation, Paul, and Methodology

Papers will be summarized and discussed in seminar style. Papers will be available before the AM at a website to be determined.

Menghun Goh, Presiding

Revelation and Paul

Menghun Goh, Taiwan Graduate School of Theology
"Come Out of Her" (Rev. 18:4b): The Oppressed/Oppressor in Taiwanese Transitional Justice (15 min)

Discussion (15 min)

Angela N. Parker, The Seattle School of Theology & Psychology
Wrestling with the Spirit of a Nation: A Womanist Contextualized Reading of Ephesians 6:10–12 (15 min)

Discussion (15 min)

Methodology

Nicole Wilkinson Duran, Independent Scholar
Reading from Some Kind of Place: The Tricky Relationship of Scholar and Context in Contextual Biblical Interpretation (15 min)

Discussion (15 min)

Laura Jean Torgerson, Graduate Theological Union
"The Bible says...": Invoking Biblical Text in a Pentecostal Bible Study (15 min)

Discussion (15 min)

S18-311**SBL Contextualizing North African Christianity Section**

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Arnold Arboretum (Fifth Level)

Theme: Exploring the Meaning of African Identity Among Christians in Roman Africa

J. Patout Burns, University of Notre Dame, Presiding

Carlin Barton, University of Massachusetts Amherst
*Tertullian and the Warband (30 min)*David Wilhite, Baylor University
*Punicitas in Early "Latin" Christianity (30 min)*David Riggs, Indiana Wesleyan University
*Reconsidering the Significance of the Punic Legacy for the Spread of Christianity in Roman North Africa (30 min)*Elizabeth Digeser, University of California-Santa Barbara,
Respondent (30 min)

S18-312**SBL Critical Editions of the German Bible Society: How to use the Biblia Hebraica Stuttgartensia and the Nestle-Aland and the NT Virtual Manuscript Room**

4:00 PM–6:00 PM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 313 (Third Level)

Florian Voss, Deutsche Bibelgesellschaft, Presiding

Kay Joe Petzold, Deutsche Bibelgesellschaft, Stuttgart
BHS unleashed: How to use the Biblia Hebraica Stuttgartensia (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Christopher Dost, Nyack Alliance Theological Seminary
The "Sub Loco Notes" of the printed Masora parva of BHS (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Florian Voss, Deutsche Bibelgesellschaft
Nestle-Aland unleashed: How to use the Novum Testamentum Graece (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Troy A. Griffiths, Akademie der Wissenschaften zu Göttingen
The New Testament Virtual Manuscript Room (NT.VMR) as gateway to the manuscripts (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

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S18-313

SBL Disputed Paulines Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - Massachusetts (Fifth Level)

Theme: **Ephesians & Colossians**

Daniel Darko, Gordon College, Presiding (5 min)

Lisa Marie Belz, Ursuline College

"By Grace You Have Been Saved": The Idiosyncratic Use of "Charis" in Ephesians (25 min)

David J. Downs, Fuller Theological Seminary (Pasadena)

"In Whom We Have Access to God": The Faithfulness of the Risen Jesus in the Letter to the Ephesians (25 min)

Break (10 min)

Benjamin Edsall, Australian Catholic University

Early Christian Calendar and the Afterlife of Col 2:16 (25 min)

G. K. Beale, Westminster Theological Seminary

The Temple and Anti-Temple at Colossae: A New Approach to the Problem of Colossians 2:18 (25 min)

Murray Vasser, Asbury Theological Seminary

Grant Slaves Equality: Reexamining the Translation of Colossians 4:1 (25 min)

S18-314

SBL Feminist Hermeneutics of the Bible Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Back Bay D (Second Level)

Theme: **Current Voices in Feminist Hermeneutics**

Joseph Kozar, University of Dayton, Presiding

Madipoane Masenya (ngwan'a Mphahlele), University of South Africa and Funlola O. Olojede, Universiteit van Stellenbosch - University of Stellenbosch

Reflecting on the 'Eshet Hayil in the light of Depictions of Womanhood in some Yoruba and Sotho Proverbs (30 min)

May May Latt, American Theological Library Association
The Community of Internally Displaced People/Diasporas: Esther 1:10–22 and 8:3–17 (30 min)

Charlene Van der Walt, Universiteit van Stellenbosch - University of Stellenbosch

Come on, Come out, Come here, Come Here... The Quiet Chaos of Desire: Reflections on Jacob's Longing for Rachel (30 min)

Zhenya Gurina-Rodriguez, Brite Divinity School (TCU)
Sarai – the Victim, the Prophetess, the Deliverer, and the Survivor (Genesis 12:10–20) (30 min)

Robyn Whitaker, Trinity College Theological School, University of Divinity
Invoking Jezebel (30 min)

S18-315

SBL HarperCollins Study Bible Editorial Board Meeting

4:00 PM–5:00 PM

Marriott Copley Place - SBL Press Suite

Bob Buller, SBL Press, Member

Nicole Tilford, SBL Press, Member

Heather McMurray, SBL Press, Member

Steven McKenzie, Rhodes College, Member

Dexter Callender, University of Miami, Member

Corrine Carvalho, University of Saint Thomas (Saint Paul, MN), Member

Kristin De Troyer, Universität Salzburg, Member

Amy-Jill Levine, Vanderbilt University, Member

F. Scott Spencer, Baptist Theological Seminary at Richmond, Member

S18-316

SBL Historical Jesus Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - Simmons (Third Level)

Theme: **Jesus and Slavery**

Mark Allan Powell, Trinity Lutheran Seminary, Presiding (5 min)

Presentations

Ronald Charles, St. Francis Xavier University, NS, Canada
(Re)imagining the Slaves in the Gospels (20 min)

Mitzi J. Smith, Ashland Theological Seminary
The Historical Jesus and the Problem of the Kingdom of God and Slavery (20 min)

J. Albert Harrill, Ohio State University
The Historical Significance of Delayed Eschatology in the Slave Parables of Jesus (20 min)

Anders Martinsen, Oslo and Akershus University College of Applied Sciences
God "will cut him in pieces": Interpreting Slavery and Eschatological Violence in the Parables of Jesus (20 min)

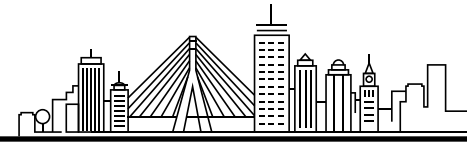
Break (5 min)

Panel discussion

Discussion (30 min)

General discussion

Discussion (30 min)



S18-318**SBL History of Interpretation Section**

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hilton Boston Back Bay (HBB) - Adams B (Third Level)

Theme: **Reformation Exegesis: Blessing or Bane?**

Mark Elliott, University of St. Andrews, Presiding

Mark W. Elliott, University of St. Andrews
*Reformation exegesis: why did it matter? (30 min)*Joel Elowsky, Concordia Seminary
*It's the Church's Bible, Not the Academy's (30 min)*John L. Thompson, Fuller Theological Seminary (Pasadena)
*Choosing What Sells Reflections on Editing and Excerpting
Reformation Exegesis, Then and Now (30 min)*Oda Wischmeyer, Friedrich-Alexander-Universität Erlangen-
Nürnberg
Luther's "Vorreden zum Neuen Testament" (30 min)

Discussion (30 min)

S18-319**SBL Homiletics and Biblical Studies Section**

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Liberty A (Second Level)

Theme: **Preaching the Sermon on the Mount as Resistance
Literature**This session will examine preaching from Matthew 5–7 with emphasis
on sermons that critique power imbalances, oppression and economic
injustice.

Karoline Lewis, Luther Seminary, Presiding (5 min)

Warren Carter, Brite Divinity School (TCU), Panelist (20 min)

O. Wesley Allen, Southern Methodist University, Panelist (20 min)

Gary Yamasaki, Panelist (20 min)

Joy Moore, Fuller Theological Seminary (Pasadena), Panelist
(20 min)Eugene Eung-Chun Park, San Francisco Theological Seminary,
Panelist (20 min)

S18-320**SBL Ideological Criticism Section; Poverty in the Biblical
World Section / Poverty in the Biblical World Section**

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - Suffolk (Third Level)

Theme: **Review of Roland Boer and Christina Petterson, *Time
of Troubles: Christianity in the Context of Greco-Roman Economics*
(Minneapolis: Fortress, 2017)**

Kelly Murphy, Central Michigan University, Presiding

Christina Petterson, Australian National University, Introduction
(15 min)

Davis Hankins, Appalachian State University, Panelist (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Jinyu Liu, DePauw University, Panelist (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Catherine Murphy, Santa Clara University, Panelist (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Break (5 min)

Scott Elliott, Adrian College, Panelist (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Roland Boer, Renmin University of China, Respondent (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

P18-321**Institute for Biblical Research**

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 306 (Third Level)

Theme: **Scripture and Hermeneutics Seminar**The Scripture and Hermeneutics Seminar (SAHS) works 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. This year the seminar will continue its focus on the theme
"The Kingdom of God" and present solicited papers. For further
information contact Heath Thomas (heath.thomas@okbu.edu) and see
<http://www.stgeorgesonline.com/centre/sahs/> and <https://www.ibr-bbr.org/>
(Click on Research Groups). The Seminar is a venture of the St.
George's Centre for Biblical and Public Theology. The SAHS/SADS/
SACS dinner will take place on Saturday at 7:30 pm.

Heath A. Thomas, Oklahoma Baptist University, Presiding

Heath A. Thomas, Oklahoma Baptist University, Welcome (5 min)

Opening Liturgy

William Olhausen, St. Matthias' Church and Biblical Association
for the Church of Ireland, Scripture Reading and Prayer (5 min)Jason Hood, Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary, Boston
Campus*God's Empire: Exploring the Structure of the Kingdom in the Gospels
(15 min)*

David J. H. Beldman, Redeemer University College

"Where Now Is Your King?" The Kingdom of God in Judges (15 min)

Lynn H. Cohick, Wheaton College (Illinois)

*"The Kingdom of Christ and of God" (Eph 5:5): Kingdom in
Ephesians and Philippians (15 min)*

Break (20 min)

Julien Smith, Valparaiso University

*The Transforming Image of the Ideal King: Paul's Apostolic Defense
(2 Cor 2:14–4:6) in Light of Greco-Roman Political Ideology (15 min)*

Walter Strickland, Southeastern Seminary

*Interpreting the Kingdom of God: The Ethics of Black Liberation in
James Cone and J. Deotis Roberts (15 min)*

Discussion (35 min)

Closing Liturgy

William Olhausen, St. Matthias' Church and Biblical Association
for the Church of Ireland, Scripture Reading and Prayer (10 min)

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P18-322

International Organization for Septuagint and Cognate Studies

4:00 PM–7:00 PM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Beacon H (Third Level)

Theme: **Hexapla**

Leonard Greenspoon, Creighton University, Presiding

Andrew McClurg, Grand Canyon University
Origen's Role as Editor of the Fifth Column of the Hexapla (30 min)

Peter J. Gentry, Southern Baptist Theological Seminary
Colophons in Princeton University Library, Scheide Library M150 (30 min)

Pete Myers, University of Cambridge
The Hexaplaric Corrector of 2 Esdras in Sinaiticus (30 min)

Benjamin Kantor, Cambridge University
The Second Column of Origen's Hexapla in the Quotations of Church Fathers and in the Notes of LXX Manuscripts in Comparison with the Ambrosiana Palimpsest (O 39 Sup.) (30 min)

Reinhart Ceulemans, KU Leuven
Hexaplaric Excavations (30 min)

Business Meeting (30 min)

P18-323

International Qur'anic Studies Association

4:00 PM–6:00 PM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - Fairfield (Third Level)

Theme: **Roundtable: The Islamic Jesus**

Mustafa Akyol's recent monograph "The Islamic Jesus" examines "how the king of the Jews became a prophet of the Muslims" and raises, among other things, the question of the importance of Jewish Christianity for the emergence of Islam. He will be joined by other experts of the Qur'an as well as Syriac and Rabbinic literature in order to explore these and other topics.

Gabriel Reynolds, University of Notre Dame, Presiding

Holger Zellentin, University of Nottingham, Panelist

Shari Lowin, Stonehill College, Panelist

Gerald Hawting, School of Oriental and African Studies, Panelist

Sidney Griffith, Catholic University of America, Panelist

Emran El-Badawi, University of Houston, Panelist

Mustafa Akyol, Panelist

S18-324

SBL LGBTI/Queer Hermeneutics Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 210 (Second Level)

Laurel Koepf Taylor, Eden Theological Seminary, Presiding

Jared Beverly, Chicago Theological Seminary
Qobeleth's Queer Negativity (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Dong Sung Kim, Drew University
Queering the King's Wisdom: Queer Temporality and Solomon's (A) Sexuality (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Teresa J. Hornsby, Drury University
Queerer Things: Lee Edelman's No Future and the Queer Death of Eleven (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

James N. Hoke, Luther College
Homo Urbanus or Urban Homos? Philo, the Therapeuts, and Queer Space (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Peter Anthony Mena, University of San Diego
Cruising the Desert: Queer Collectives and Christian Futurity (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

P18-325

Linguistic, Literary, and Thematic Perspectives on the Qur'anic Corpus (IQSA)

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Beacon B (Third Level)

Theme: **Surah Titles: Connections to Structure, Themes, and Rhetoric of Revelation**

Andrew C. Smith, Brigham Young University
Surwar al-Sajdah: Prostration as Surah Title for Q 32 and Q 41 (25 min)

Stephen Burge, Institute of Ismaili Studies
Theological Onomastics: Spiritual Didacticism in Al-Suyuti's Twenty One Names for Surat al-Fatiha (25 min)

Emad Mohamed, Université du Québec à Montréal
How did Muslims Name the Chapters of the Quran: a Computational Analysis (25 min)

Afnan H. Fatani, King Abdul-aziz University
S for Salat: Prostration as an Organizational Principle of Spatial Movement in Surat Sad (Q. 38) (25 min)

Anne-Sylvie Boisliveau, University of Strasbourg (France)
Naming the Revelation: Titles, Isolated Letters and Metatexts in the Hâwâmim (25 min)

Omar Edaibat, McGill Institute of Islamic Studies
On Sura Titles and the Four-Fold Process of Spiritual Transformation in the Quran: An Intra-Textual Approach (25 min)



S18-326**SBL Literature and History of the Persian Period Section**

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - Clarendon (Third Level)

Theme: **Imperialism in the Persian Period**

Ken Ristau, MacEwan University, Presiding

Kate Birney, Wesleyan University
*The Phoenician Perimeter: Ashkelon in the Persian Period (25 min)*Becky Martin, Boston University
*Athens, Sidon, and the Evidence of Empire at Achaemenid Period Dor (25 min)*Mark Munn, The Pennsylvania State University
*The Soft Imperialism of Lydia, Persia, and Athens (25 min)*Kathleen Abraham, KU Leuven
*Linguistic Imperialism in Babylonia in the Long Sixth Century? (25 min)*David S. Vanderhooft, Boston College
Prophetic Portraits of Nebuchadnezzar and Cyrus: Servants, Shepherds, Agents of Empire (25 min)

S18-327**SBL Matthew Section**

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - Exeter (Third Level)

Theme: **Topics in Matthew: Reformation, Parting of the ways, Interpretation**

Catherine Sider Hamilton, Wycliffe College, Presiding (5 min)

Erik Estrada, Wake Forest University School of Divinity
Matthew against Justification by Faith Alone: The Augustinian and Pseudo-Augustinian Roots of Sixteenth-Century Roman Catholic Appeals to the Gospel of Matthew against Protestant Readings of Paul (20 min)

Discussion (8 min)

Beth Langstaff, Institut zur Erforschung des Urchristentums
Adding that which Matthew has omitted: an early Lutheran reading of miracles of healing in the Gospel of Matthew (20 min)

Discussion (8 min)

Francois P. Viljoen, North-West University (South Africa)
The continuing importance and validity of the Torah in Matthew in the light of Protestant controversies on righteousness and justification (20 min)

Discussion (8 min)

Break (5 min)

Eric Ottenheim, Universiteit Utrecht
Parables of Partition? Revisiting the Wicked Tenants (Matt. 21:33–46) (20 min)

Discussion (8 min)

Daniel Hjort, Lund University
The benevolent ruler: The characterization of Jesus in Matt 11:25–30 (20 min)

Discussion (8 min)

S18-328**SBL Minoritized Criticism and Biblical Interpretation Seminar**

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - Columbus I & II (First Level)

Theme: **Social Activist Hermeneutics**

Janette Ok, Azusa Pacific University, Presiding (5 min)

Rodney Sadler, Union Presbyterian Seminary, Panelist (20 min)

Valerie Bridgeman, Methodist Theological School in Ohio, Panelist (20 min)

Elias Ortega-Aponte, Drew Theological School, Panelist (20 min)

Discussion (60 min)

S18-329**SBL Mysticism, Esotericism, and Gnosticism in Antiquity Section**

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - Boylston (First Level)

Theme: **Ritual Experts**Along with presentations on ritual experts in antiquity, this session includes reviews of Heidi Marx-Wolf, *Spiritual Taxonomies and Ritual Authority: Platonists, Priests, and Gnostics in the Third Century C.E.* (University of Pennsylvania Press, 2016) and Heidi Wendt, *At the Temple Gates: The Religion of Freelance Experts in the Roman Empire* (Oxford, 2016).

Jeffrey Pettis, Fordham University, Presiding

April D. DeConick, Rice University
*Deviant Christians: Accommodation and Resistance among Emerging Catholics and Gnostics (25 min)*James Davila, University of St. Andrews
Review, Heidi Marx-Wolf, Spiritual Taxonomies and Ritual Authority: Platonists, Priests, and Gnostics in the Third Century C.E. (University of Pennsylvania Press, 2016) (20 min)

Heidi Marx-Wolf, University of Manitoba, Respondent (15 min)

Discussion (15 min)

Matthias Hoffmann, LMU Munich
*From Exorcist to Esoteric Expert — Solomon in Magical Literature from Early Judaism to Magic Grimoires (25 min)*Kimberly Stratton, Carleton University
Review, Heidi Wendt, At the Temple Gates: The Religion of Freelance Experts in the Roman Empire (Oxford, 2016) (20 min)

Heidi Wendt, McGill University, Respondent (15 min)

Discussion (15 min)

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 18

S18-330

SBL Nag Hammadi and Gnosticism Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Beacon A (Third Level)

Tuomas Rasimus, Helsingin Yliopisto - Helsingfors Universitet, Presiding

Carl Johan Berglund, Uppsala University
Discerning Quotations from Heracleon in Origen's Commentary on the Gospel of John (20 min)

Forrest A.B. Kentwell, University of Groningen
Re-envisioning "Light" and "Death" in the Gospel of Thomas: A Demiurgical Myth? (20 min)

Kristine Toft Rosland, University of Agder
Reading the Apocryphon of John through the Frame Narrative (20 min)

Discussion (15 min)

Austin Busch, College at Brockport
Greek Philosophical Circles and Gnostic Scriptural Interpretation (20 min)

Eric Crégheur, Université d'Ottawa - University of Ottawa
The Celestial Topography of the "Untitled Text" of the Bruce Codex (20 min)

Geoffrey Smith, University of Texas at Austin and Brent C. Landau, University of Texas at Austin
Nag Hammadi at Oxyrhynchus: Introducing a New Discovery (20 min)

Discussion (15 min)

P18-331

National Association of Professors of Hebrew

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - Harvard (Third Level)

Theme: **Indebted to a Master: A Session in Honor of Stephen A. Kaufman on the occasion of the publication of *Where Shall Wisdom Be Found? a Grammatical Tribute to Professor Stephen A. Kaufman***

Helene Dallaire, Denver Seminary, Presiding (10 min)

Peter Bekins, Hebrew Union College - Jewish Institute of Religion
The Double Nature of the Participle in Biblical Hebrew (25 min)

Tarsee Li, Oakwood University
The Multifaceted Wegatal in Biblical Hebrew (25 min)

Christopher Jero, Mars Hill Academy
Expressing Tense, Mood, and Aspect in Biblical Hebrew (25 min)

Sung Jin Park, Midwestern Baptist Theological Seminary
The Postulated Phonetic Value Changes of Sherwa in Light of Tiberian Accentual Contexts (25 min)

Stephen A. Kaufman, Hebrew Union College - Jewish Institute of Religion, Respondent (20 min)

Discussion (20 min)

S18-332

SBL Papyrology and Early Christian Backgrounds Section

4:00 PM–6:45 PM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - Berkeley (Third Level)

Lincoln H. Blumell, Brigham Young University, Presiding

Christina M. Kreinecker, University of Salzburg
The Need of Translations in New Testament Times (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Peter Malik, Kirchliche Hochschule Wuppertal/Bethel
The Greek text of Revelation in late antique Egypt (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Daniel B. Sharp, Brigham Young University Hawaii Campus
Opening the Doors to the Martin Bodmer Foundation (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Break (5 min)

Mara Rescio, Italian Centre for Advanced Studies on Religions
A Cure for Blindness: Mark 8:22–26 in the Light of Documentary Papyri and Semi-Literary Texts (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Michael Theophilos, Australian Catholic University
New Light from the Papyri: The Sacred Background of "Biblos" in Matthew 1:1 (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Dan Batovici, KU Leuven
Public Reading vs Canonicity: Harnack Revisited (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

S18-333

SBL Pauline Theology Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Constitution Ballroom (Second Level)

Theme: **Paul and Participation 2**

Robert Moses, High Point University, Presiding

Peter Oakes, University of Manchester
Pistis as Relational Way of Life: An en-Christo-shaped Answer to the Consistency Conundrum in Galatians (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Joseph Longarino, Duke University
Paul's Anthropology of the Risen Christ and its Relevance for the "In Christ" Motif (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Break (10 min)

Erin Heim, Denver Seminary
Continuity and Discontinuity "in Christ": Narrated Identities in Galatians 3:1–4:7 (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Benjamin Lappenga, Dordt College
Participation and the Faithfulness of the Risen Christ in 2 Cor 4:11–14 and Gal 2:19–20 (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)



S18-334**SBL Performance Criticism of Biblical and Other Ancient Texts Section**

4:00 PM–6:00 PM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Republic B (Second Level)

Theme: **Presence and Performance**

Kelly Iverson, Baylor University, Presiding

Jeanette Mathews, Charles Sturt University

Ezekiel's prophecy as performance art: the role of embodiment in transmitting God's Word (30 min)

June Dickie, University of KwaZulu-Natal

Translation for and in Performance: Fusion of horizons of Hebrew psalmist and Zulu translator-performer in the Zulu "performance arena" (30 min)

Sin Lung Tong, Drew University

Multiplicity of Presence in Assemblages: Reimagining the Lived Experiences of the Performer(s) and Audience(s) of Matthew 18:15–20 (30 min)

T. Michael W. Halcomb, Conversational Koine Institute / University of Kentucky

The Silence of the Lamb (and Others): The Performance of Quietness in the Markan Drama (30 min)

S18-335**SBL Philology in Hebrew Studies Section**

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 204 (Second Level)

Theme: **Embedded Written Documents in Ancient Jewish Texts**

Christopher Jones, Washburn University, Presiding (5 min)

Joachim Schaper, University of Aberdeen

Self-reflexive authorship in ancient Judah (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Marvin Miller, University of Manchester

To Embed or not to Embed: Performances of Texts and Intertexts (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Laura Carlson, Yale University

Citation, Collection, and the Protection of Memory in Second Maccabees 11 (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Donald Polaski, Randolph-Macon College

The Case of the Embedded Pregnant Heifer: Textuality and Power in 4QMMT (20 min)

Lutz Doering, Westfälische Wilhelms-Universität Münster, Respondent (15 min)

S18-336**SBL Pseudepigrapha Section**

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Jamaica Pond (Fifth Level)

Theme: **Pseudepigrapha and Gender**

Matthias Henze, Rice University, Presiding

Jill Hicks-Keeton, University of Oklahoma

Genesis, Gender, and Gentiles: Aseneth as Mythic Mother (25 min)

Francis Borchardt, Lutheran Theological Seminary, Hong Kong

The Framing of Female Knowledge in the Prologue of the Sibylline Oracles (25 min)

Lee Sui Hung Albert, Chinese University of Hong Kong

A Dialogical Reading of Judith through the Lens of Bakhtin's Dialogism (25 min)

Tavis A. Bohlinger, University of Durham

Faith in a Silent God: The Characterization of Hannah in Pseudo-Philo (25 min)

Stephen L. Young, Appalachian State University

'Undergird Him with Strength': Masculine Eschatological Agents in Ancient Jewish Sources (25 min)

S18-337**SBL Q Section**

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - Orleans (Fourth Level)

Theme: **Global Directions in Q Studies**

In this session, panelists share their perspectives on trends and challenges in Q research in different locations around the world.

Daniel Smith, Huron University College, Presiding (5 min)

Christoph Heil, Karl-Franzens Universität Graz, Panelist (12 min)

Dieter Roth, Johannes Gutenberg-Universität Mainz, Panelist (12 min)

Paul Foster, University of Edinburgh, Panelist (12 min)

Sarah Rollens, Rhodes College, Panelist (12 min)

Dennis MacDonald, Claremont School of Theology, Panelist (12 min)

Jean-Paul Michaud, Université Saint-Paul - Saint Paul University, Panelist (12 min)

Santiago Guijarro, Universidad Pontificia de Salamanca, Panelist (12 min)

Discussion (12 min)

Llewellyn Howes, University of Johannesburg, Panelist (12 min)

Discussion (35 min)

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 18

S18-338

SBL Racism, Pedagogy and Biblical Studies Consultation

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Hampton (Third Level)

Theme: **Exegeting Racism**

Beth Tanner, New Brunswick Theological Seminary, Presiding (5 min)

Randall Bailey, Interdenominational Theological Center, Panelist (30 min)

Wil Gafney, Brite Divinity School (TCU), Panelist (30 min)

Jean-Pierre Ruiz, Saint John's University, Panelist (30 min)

Erin Runions, Pomona College, Respondent (25 min)

Discussion (30 min)

S18-339

SBL Redefining Early Christianity Seminar

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hilton Boston Back Bay - Belvidere A (Second Level)

Theme: **Accusations of Deception and Incompetence**

William Arnal, University of Regina, Presiding

Eduard Iricinschi, Ruhr-Universität Bochum
"How much else is there to say about their lying and their pollution?"
(Epiphanius, Panarion, II.26.12): The Epistemology of Deception in
Early Christian Heresiology (10 min)

Amy Clanfield, University of Ottawa
Cheers, Fears, and (Lying?) Queers: A Critical Reading of the Acts of
the Holy Apostles Peter and Paul (10 min)

Ian Brown, University of Toronto
Pseudo-intellectuals and Emerging Christianities (10 min)

Gregory Fewster, University of Toronto, Respondent (20 min)

Break (15 min)

Discussion (85 min)

Papers will be pre-circulated in early November and only summarized during the session. To be put on the list of recipients, please email William Arnal at william.arnal@uregina.ca.

S18-340

SBL Social History of Formative Christianity and Judaism Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Olmsted (Fifth Level)

Theme: **Disasters in the Ancient World**

John D. Boyles, Abilene Christian University, Presiding (5 min)

Markus Oehler, University of Vienna
Earthquakes and the Elements of the World in the Letter to the
Colossians (25 min)

Pieter Botha, University of South Africa
The Politics of Mental Illness: Demon Possession and Divine Signs in
Josephus (25 min)

Chris L. de Wet, University of South Africa

What the Earthquake Said: Seismic Pedagogies in John Chrysostom's
De terrae motu (CPG 4366) (25 min)

Maria E. Doerfler, Yale University

Children of Disaster: Scripting "Acts of God" for Communal Resilience
in Late Antiquity (25 min)

Discussion (20 min)

Business Meeting (25 min)

After this session, there will be a Business Meeting for the program unit: Social History of Formative Judaism and Christianity.

P18-341

Society for Ancient Mediterranean Religions / Greco-Roman Religions Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hilton Boston Back Bay (HBB) - Maverick A (Second Level)

Theme: **Gods of Our Fathers: Restoration, Archaism and Nostalgia in Greco-Roman Religions.**

Sandra Blakely, Emory University, Presiding (5 min)

Frederick E. Brenk, Pontifical Biblical Institute, Rome
Gods of Our Fathers: The Delphic Oracle in Plutarch's (20 min)

Kenneth Yu, University of Chicago
Ancient Reflections on Myth and Cult in Greek Paradoxography
(20 min)

Zsuzanna Varhelyi, Boston University
Thræsa Paetus: Loss and recovery of republican religious tradition in
imperial Rome (20 min)

Jeffrey Brodd, California State University - Sacramento
The Jerusalem Temple and Emperor Julian's "Invention of Tradition"
(20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Business Meeting (10 min)

P18-342

Society for Pentecostal Studies

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Clarendon (Third Level)

Theme: **A Roundtable Discussion of John Christopher Thomas, A Pentecostal Reads the Book of Mormon**

Blaine Charette, Northwest University (Washington), Presiding

Jenny Webb, Independent Scholar, Panelist (15 min)

Joseph Spencer, Brigham Young University, Panelist (15 min)

D. William Faupel, Wesley Theological Seminary, Panelist (15 min)

John Christopher Thomas, Pentecostal Theological Seminary, Respondent (30 min)



S18-342a/A18-300**SBL Student Lounge Roundtable**

4:00 PM–5:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 303 (Third Level)

Theme: Educational Entrepreneurship: Monetizing Your Expertise through Digital Teaching

Online education is the way of the future. If you're passionate about sharing your knowledge with others, you can pursue a rewarding career on your own terms as an online educational entrepreneur. You can do so in tandem with, or instead of, teaching at the academy. Most importantly, you will learn how to harness your doctorate in a fulfilling teaching career, irrespective of the state of the tenure-track job market. In this workshop, Raj Balkaran shares key insights on his journey founding the School of Applied Mythology, a digital academy for meaningful learning. This workshop lays the foundation for successful educational entrepreneurship, including (1) content creation; (2) curriculum design; (3) sales and marketing strategy; and (4) effective digital pedagogy.

Raj Balkaran, University of Toronto, Panelist

S18-343**SBL Teaching Biblical Studies in an Undergraduate Liberal Arts Context Section**

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - Regis (Third Level)

Theme: Pedagogical Objectives, Strategies, and Assessment

Jane Webster, Barton College, Presiding

Lesley DiFransico, Loyola University Maryland
*Food, Hunger, and the Bible: Teaching Core Students through Experience (30 min)*John W. Fadden, Saint John Fisher College
Incorporating the Liberal Arts Mission into an Undergraduate Introductory Biblical Studies Course (30 min)

Break (10 min)

Steve Jung, Azusa Pacific University
*Practical Information Literacy Assignments for Biblical and Religious Studies (30 min)*Michael Kibbe, Moody - Spokane
Changing the Rules of the Game: Social Hierarchies in Philemon, Sabinianus, and College Campuses (30 min)

Discussion (20 min)

P18-344/A18-329**The Qur'an and Late Antiquity (IQSA)**

4:00 PM–7:00 PM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 208 (Second Level)

Theme: Re-Orienting the Study of Late Antiquity before and after Muhammad

This session is co-sponsored by the Traditions of Eastern Late Antiquity unit (AAR).

Michael Pregill, Boston University, Presiding

Khodadad Rezakhani, Princeton University, Panelist

Jennifer Hart, Elon University, Panelist

Naomi Koltun-Fromm, Haverford College, Panelist

Sara Ronis, Saint Mary's University (San Antonio), Panelist

Kevin Jaques, Indiana University Bloomington, Panelist

S18-345**SBL Theological Interpretation of Scripture Seminar**

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 103 (Plaza Level)

Theme: Reading Deuteronomy Theologically

Bo Lim, Seattle Pacific University, Presiding

R.W. L. Moberly, University of Durham

"The Word is Very Near You": Some Reflections on the Enduring Theological Significance of Deuteronomy (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Matthew Richard Schlimm, University of Dubuque Theological Seminary

Is Deuteronomy the Original Prosperity Gospel? (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Break (5 min)

Joseph K. Gordon, Johnson University

Understanding the Unseeable God: An Experimental Christian Reading of Deut. 4.15–20 (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Jonathan Parker, Berry College

"He Fixed the Boundaries of the Peoples": A Story of Deut 32:8 and Its Impact (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Discussion (25 min)

S18-346**SBL Use, Influence, and Impact of the Bible Section**

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - Dartmouth (Third Level)

Theme: The Bible and Music

Andrew Mein, Durham University, Presiding (3 min)

Helen Leneman

Is God a soprano? God's Voice in Moses Operas and Oratorios (20 min)

Discussion (9 min)

Anthony Rees, Charles Sturt University

What Gleams Must be Good: Moses, Aaron, and Arnold Schönberg (20 min)

Discussion (9 min)

Hyun Woo Kim, Emory University

Reception of the Psalms: Felix Mendelssohn's Reception of Psalm 22 (20 min)

Discussion (9 min)

Tobias Ålöw, Göteborgs Universitet, Respondent (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Business Meeting (30 min)

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 18

S18-347

SBL Writing Social-Scientific Commentaries of the New Testament Seminar

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hilton Boston Back Bay - Belvidere B (Second Level)

Theme: **A Social Identity Theory Approach to Leadership, Social Cognition, and Mediators**

Visitors are most welcome to the sessions of the seminar. Papers are distributed beforehand and only summarized in the sessions. If you are interested in participating and receiving the papers, please contact the chairs: Petri.Luomanen@helsinki.fi or Brian.Tucker@moody.edu

Kathy Ehrensperger, Universität Potsdam, Presiding (5 min)

Aaron Kucker, Trinity Christian College

Doxological Social Identity in Philippians (10 min)

Discussion (30 min)

J. Brian Tucker, Moody Theological Seminary–Michigan
Identity Mediators: Leadership and Identity Construction in 1 Corinthians (10 min)

Discussion (30 min)

Break (10 min)

Atsuhiko Asano, Kwansei Gakuin University

Liminal Evaluation of the Colossian Haustafeln (10 min)

Discussion (30 min)

Discussion (15 min)

S18-348

SBL Student Member Happy Hour

5:30 PM–7:00 PM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 312 (Third Level)

S18-401

SBL Presidential Address

7:00 PM–8:00 PM

Marriott Copley Place - Grand Ballroom EF (Fourth Level)

P18-402

Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion

8:00 PM–10:00 PM

Gloucester (Third Level)

Theme: **Reception**

All are invited to come celebrate our 20 years of publishing the scholarship of teaching in Teaching Theology and Religion. Past, present, and future participants in Wabash Center workshops, colloquies, consultations, and grants are all welcome to join us for an evening of conversation and celebration.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19

S19-101

SBL Emory Studies in Early Christianity and Rhetoric of Religious Antiquity Editorial Boards

7:00 AM–8:30 AM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 308 (Third Level)

P19-102

National Association of Professors of Hebrew

7:00 AM–8:45 AM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 312 (Third Level)

Theme: **Annual Breakfast and Business Meeting**

Gilead Morahg, University of Wisconsin-Madison, Presiding

S19-103

SBL Journal of Biblical Literature Editorial Board

7:15 AM–8:45 AM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 200 (Second Level)

S19-104

SBL Annual Business Meeting

7:30 AM–8:30 AM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 105 (Plaza Level)

P19-105

Institute for Biblical Research

7:30 AM–8:45 AM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Constitution Ballroom (Second 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>.

Tremper Longman, Westmont College, Introduction

Wendy Porter, McMaster Divinity College, Worship

Lesson from the Hebrew Scriptures

Lesson from the New Testament

Richard Hess, Denver Seminary, Introduction

Sandra Richter, Westmont College, Ecclesiastes 4: 9–12: "Two Are Better Than One"



S19-105a

SBL TC: A Journal of Biblical Textual Criticism Editorial Board

7:30 AM–8:30 AM

Marriott Copley Place - SBL Press Suite

P19-106

International Qur'anic Studies Association

8:00 AM–9:00 AM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Jefferson (Third Level)

Theme: **Programming Committee**

S19-107

SBL Aramaic Studies Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - Boston University (Third Level)

Theme: **Lexicography and Interpretation in the Targums and Aramaic Bible**

Tawny Holm, Pennsylvania State University, Presiding

Iosif Zhakevich, The Master's Seminary
Ishmael's Repentance and Anti-Islamic Polemic in Targum Pseudo-Jonathan Genesis 25:8–17 (25 min)

David Everson, Cincinnati Hills Christian Academy
The Hapax Legomena of Pseudo-Jonathan (25 min)

Leeor Gottlieb, Bar-Ilan University
Growth Percentage: A Diagnostic Tool for Characterizing Targums (25 min)

Phillip S. Marshall, Houston Baptist University
Daniel 4:6 and Left-dislocation: A Modern Solution to an Ancient Problem (25 min)

Andrew W. Litke, Catholic University of America
Archaisms in Targum Song of Songs (25 min)

Moshe J. Bernstein, Yeshiva University
The Book of Ruth in a Short Aramaic Poem (25 min)

S19-108

SBL Archaeology of Religion in the Roman World Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 105 (Plaza Level)

Theme: **Ritual and Religion on the City Streets of the Empire**

Daniel Schowalter, Carthage College, Presiding

Maggie L. Popkin, Case Western Reserve University
Religious Souvenirs in and between the Cities of the Roman Empire (25 min)

Cecelia A. Feldman, Amherst College
Of God(esse)s and Men: Civic Ritual in Roman Ephesos (25 min)

Jacob A. Latham, University of Tennessee, Knoxville
Iter Pompae Circensis and the Image of Rome (25 min)

Jeffrey D. Veitch, University of Kent at Canterbury

Mithraic Noise: Negotiating Sound and Vision in Ostian Streets (25 min)

Tina Shepardson, University of Tennessee, Knoxville

Seductive Spectacles: Competing for Congregants in Late Antique Antioch (25 min)

Discussion (25 min)

S19-109

SBL Art and Religions of Antiquity Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - Yarmouth (Fourth Level)

Theme: **Ritual and Corpses**

Lee Jefferson, Centre College, Presiding

Eric C. Smith, Iliff School of Theology
Death and the Economics of Identity: An Ancient Oil Lamp's Trespass of Modern Border Lines (30 min)

Sarah Madole, Borough of Manhattan Community College (CUNY)

Dining with the Dead: Demetri, the Imperial Cooks and a Triclinium in the Earliest Phases of the Praetextatus Catacomb (30 min)

Jenn Strawbridge, University of Oxford

Receiving the Sacred: Relics and Reception History (30 min)

Business Meeting (30 min)

S19-110

SBL Bible and Popular Culture Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 309 (Third Level)

Theme: **Pedagogical approaches and Literary themes**

Linda Scheearing, Gonzaga University, Presiding

Alison Jack, University of Edinburgh
"Lost and Found": The Bible as Artefact and Metanarrative in Crime Fiction, with Special Reference to Peter May's Lewis Trilogy (30 min)

Karl Jacobson, Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd
The Problem of Silence: Psalm 109, and "Silence" (Endo, 1969; Scorsese, 2017) (30 min)

Adam Tune, Catholic University of America
"Here we are now; entertain us": Making Text-Criticism Interesting to an Uninterested Generation Y (30 min)

Lesley DiFransico, Loyola University Maryland
Engaging Undergraduate Students with Jesus Memes (30 min)

Lisa M. Wolfe, Oklahoma City University
The "Netflix Bible" and Other Pop-culture Means of Teaching Bible to Reticent Students (30 min)

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19

S19-111

SBL Biblical Hebrew Poetry Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 313 (Third Level)

Theme: **Reception History of Poetry in the Hebrew Bible**

Elizabeth Hayes, Fuller Theological Seminary (Pasadena), Presiding

Susan Gillingham, University of Oxford

Reception History: Some Reflections on Methodology (25 min)

Ophir Muenz-Manor, Open University of Israel

Piyyut and Biblical Poetry: Evolution or Revolution? (25 min)

Andrew Johnson, Concordia Seminary, St. Louis

Blessed is the Man: An Investigation of the Identity of the Man of Psalm One within the Patristic Fathers (25 min)

Davida Charney, University of Texas at Austin

Judaic Performance of the Psalms: Poetry, Prophecy, or Prayer? (25 min)

Susan Gillingham, University of Oxford, Respondent (10 min)

Discussion (20 min)

Business Meeting (20 min)

S19-112

SBL Book of Acts Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 210 (Second Level)

Loveday Alexander, University of Sheffield, Presiding

Timothy Luckritz Marquis, Moravian College & Theological Seminary

Embodying and Dissolving Ethnicity in Acts (30 min)

Zachary G. Smith, Yale University

Exemplarity and Imitation as Models for Reading Acts (30 min)

Jin Young Kim, University of Texas at Austin

The Topos of Blindness in Saul's "Conversion" in Acts (30 min)

Arco den Heijer, Theologische Universiteit Kampen voor de Gereformeerde Kerken

Embodied Rhetoric: Dispute Performances in the Book of Acts (30 min)

Eyal Regev, Bar-Ilan University

The Temple's Role in Luke-Acts: Perspectives from Ritual Studies (30 min)

S19-113

SBL Christian Theology and the Bible Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 109 (Plaza Level)

Theme: **Review panel of Dale Martin's *Biblical Truths: The Meaning of Scripture in the Twenty-First Century***

The Christian Theology and the Bible section is hosting a review panel of Dale B. Martin's new book, *Biblical Truths: The Meaning of Scripture in the Twenty-First Century* (Yale University Press, 2017).

Rebekah Eklund, Loyola University Maryland, Presiding (5 min)

Susannah Ticciati, King's College London, Panelist (15 min)

Stephen Fowl, Loyola University Maryland, Panelist (15 min)

Margaret M. Mitchell, University of Chicago, Panelist (15 min)

Graham Ward, Christ Church, Oxford University, Panelist (15 min)

Dale Martin, Yale University, Respondent (15 min)

Discussion (70 min)

S19-114

SBL Corpus Hellenisticum Novi Testamenti Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott Copley Place - Grand Ballroom D (Fourth Level)

Theme: **Delightful Acts**

Clare Rothschild, Lewis University, Presiding

Harold Attridge, Yale University

Paul and Pentheus: What's in a Possible Allusion (30 min)

Amy-Jill Levine, Vanderbilt University

Bewitched by Tabitha (30 min)

Janet Spittler, University of Virginia

Joking and Play in the Acts of John (30 min)

Shelly Matthews, Brite Divinity School (TCU)

Fleshly Resurrection, Wifely Submission, and the Myth of the Primal Androgyne: The Link between Luke 24:39 and Ephesians 5:30 (30 min)

David Moessner, Texas Christian University

Luke's 'Strange New Dish': Why Acts is Both Luke's and Not Luke's Sequel Volume! (30 min)

This session explores issues related to both canonical Acts and other documents classified as acts of important persons.

S19-115

SBL Deuterocanonical and Cognate Literature Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 200 (Second Level)

Theme: **The Reception of the Torah in Deuterocanonical Literature, Part 2**

Barbara Schmitz, Julius-Maximilians-Universität Würzburg, Presiding

Hanna Tervanotko, McMaster University

"They opened the Book of Law": Tracing Divinatory Use of Torah in 1 Maccabees (30 min)

Gerbern S. Oegema, McGill University

From Torah to Halacha: The Sabbath During and After the Maccabean Revolt (30 min)

Tessa Rajak, University of Oxford

The Mother of the Maccabees as Teacher of Torah (30 min)

Anna-Liisa Tolonen, Helsingin Yliopisto - Helsingfors Universitet

Dying for the nomos in early Jewish and Christian writings (30 min)

Michael Langlois, Université de Strasbourg

Moses vs Enoch? On the Reception of the Mosaic Torah in the Book of Enoch (30 min)



S19-116**SBL Ecological Hermeneutics Section**

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Berkeley (Third Level)

Theme: **Hebrew Bible and Ecology**

Hilary Marlow, University of Cambridge, Presiding

A. Lauren Brown, Independent Scholar

An Ecofeminist Reading of Amos for the Modern Crises of Global Climate Change and Economic Disparity (30 min)

Jacob R. Evers, Fuller Theological Seminary (Pasadena)

The End Is Not the End: The Function of Threats Against Earth in First Isaiah (30 min)

Emily Colgan, Trinity Theological College

Like a Shrub in the Wilderness: An Ecological Reading of Jer 17:5–8 (30 min)

Barry R. Huff, Principia College

Revering Sacred Earth: Ecological Implications of Tabernacle Terms in Job 38–41 (30 min)

Ellen Bernstein, Hampshire College

The Ecotheology of the Song of Songs (30 min)

S19-117**SBL Exile (Forced Migrations) in Biblical Literature Seminar**

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 203 (Second Level)

Theme: **Involuntary Migration and the Joseph Narrative (Gen 37–50)**

Joseph, the protagonist of Gen 37–50, is an involuntary migrant. He is captured by his brothers, trafficked into Egypt, and imprisoned. The denouement of the Joseph story finds him reunited with his family, which would not have happened were they not environmentally induced involuntary migrants fleeing to Egypt to survive famine in Judah. This session will explore these aspects of Gen 37–50 and others employing interdisciplinary methods to analyze these texts

Katherine Southwood, University of Oxford, Presiding

Milton Acosta, Fundación Universitaria Seminario Bíblico de Colombia

Rebooting oneself in a foreign land: What Joseph and Colombian IDPs may have in common (25 min)

Megan Warner, King's College London

"You shall not do as they do in the land of Egypt": Joseph and the perils of uber-assimilation as response to involuntary migration (25 min)

Safwat Marzouk, Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary

The Joseph Narrative and Migration: Assimilation, Separation, and Cross-Border Relations (25 min)

Casey Strine, University of Sheffield

The Famine in the Land Was Severe: Environmentally Induced Involuntary Migration and the Joseph Novella (25 min)

Jacqueline Lapsley, Princeton Theological Seminary, Respondent (20 min)

Discussion (30 min)

S19-118**SBL Formation of Isaiah Section**

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Back Bay C (Second Level)

Theme: **Persia and the Making of the Book of Isaiah**

What can the image of Persia and its representatives in Isaiah tell us about the book's formation? How is Persia remembered and presented in this prophetic book? What light does this shed on the (in)authenticity of the material and the process of its formation? How, if at all, has the memory of Persian involvement in the affairs of Israel and Judah served as a generative force in the preservation, expansion, and transmission of material now found in the book of Isaiah? How have Persian political, economic and/or religious concerns impacted the formation of the book? Presenters are invited to reflect on such questions in relation to any passage or section of the book or the book as a whole.

Todd Hibbard, University of Detroit Mercy, Presiding

Reinhard Kratz, Georg-August-Universität Göttingen

The Book of Isaiah and the Persians (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Marvin Sweeney, Claremont School of Theology

Reading the Final Form of Isaiah as a Persian-Period Text (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Kim Lan Nguyen, Cornerstone University

Cyrus: A Righteousness (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Anja Klein, Edinburgh University

Biblical History in the Psalm of the Servants: The Prayer Isa 63:7–64:11 in the Book of Isaiah (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Mark Brett, Whitley College

Postcolonial Interpretation of Isaiah 40–66 (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

S19-119**SBL Genesis Section**

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Beacon G (Third Level)

Theme: **Food, Meals, and Sacrifices in the Book of Genesis**

Naomi Steinberg, DePaul University, Presiding

Christoph Levin, Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München
Sacrifices in the Book of Genesis (25 min)

Cynthia Shafer-Elliott, William Jessup University

Food as a Catalyst for Change: Identity Formation and Meals in the Ancestor Narratives (25 min)

Peter Altmann, University of Zürich

Feasting like Royalty in a Time of Famine: The Ambiguity of Joseph's Cup (25 min)

David T. Adamo, Kogi State University

Food in the Book of Genesis: The Importance of Joseph's Food Security in Egypt and the Implication for Africa (25 min)

Sok-Chung Chang, Catholic Kwandong University

'Food' in the Joseph Story (25 min)

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19

S19-120

SBL Global Education and Research Technology Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - Exeter (Third Level)

Nicolai Winther-Nielsen, Fjellhaug Internasjonale Høgskole, Presiding

David Instone-Brewer, Tyndale House (Cambridge)
Computational alignment of Greek and Hebrew with Bible translations, using Swahili as a proof of concept (30 min)

Reinier de Blois, United Bible Societies
Paratext 8, ETCBC, and Lexical Semantics (30 min)

James Tauber, MorphGNT
Linking Lexical Resources for Biblical Greek (30 min)

Jeremy Thompson, Logos Bible Software
Visualizing the Meanings of Biblical Words by Context (30 min)

Oliver Glanz, Andrews University
How the BibleOL can take over your Hebrew examinations and student grading (30 min)

S19-121

SBL Hebrew Scriptures and Cognate Literature Section / Pentateuch Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Fairfax A (Third Level)

Theme: **Empirical Models Challenging Biblical Criticism**

Martti Nissinen, University of Helsinki, Presiding

Juha Pakkala, University of Helsinki
Empirical Models and Biblical Criticism (15 min)

Molly M. Zahn, University of Kansas - Lawrence
Integrating "Empirical Models" into Pentateuchal Theory? (15 min)

Ingrid Lilly, Independent Scholar
Hypotheses, Models, Methods, and Data: A Quest for Empirical Answers in Ezekiel 36–37/38–39 (15 min)

Sara J. Milstein, University of British Columbia
Separating the Wheat from the Chaff: The Independent Nature of Deuteronomy 22:25–27 (15 min)

Seth L. Sanders, University of California-Davis
Was there a Scribal Culture behind the Bible? (15 min)

Alan Lenzi, University of the Pacific
To Do: The Varied Instructions of the Lilissu-Drum Ritual and Textual Pluriformity (15 min)

Raymond Person, Ohio Northern University, Respondent (20 min)

Discussion (40 min)

P19-122

Institute for Biblical Research

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 111 (Plaza Level)

Theme: **Research Group - Scripture in Global Context: Theology**

Theme: Research Group: Scripture in Global Context—Eschatology

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 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. The theme this year is Eschatology, with four papers on theology and another four on biblical studies. For information, contact Gene Green (gene.green@wheaton.edu), K. K. Yeo (kkyeo@garrett.edu), or invited collaborator, Stephen T. Pardue (stephen.pardue@my.wheaton.edu; Asia Graduate School of Theology, Manila). See the Institute of Biblical Research website: <http://www.ibr-bbr.org/> (click on Research Groups). A draft of the papers may be found here on Nov 1: <https://www.ibr-bbr.org/scripture-global-context-0>

Gene Green, Wheaton College (Illinois), Presiding

K. K. Yeo, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary, Presiding

Gene Green, Wheaton College (Illinois), Introduction (10 min)

D. Stephen Long, Southern Methodist University
Western Perspectives on Eschatology (25 min)

James Kombo, Daystar University, Kenya
African Theological Perspectives on Eschatology (25 min)

Aldrin Penaniora, Asian Theological Seminary, Philippines
Asian Theological Perspectives on Eschatology (25 min)

Alberto F. Roldán, Instituto Teológico FIET
Latin American Theological Perspectives on Eschatology: From Dispensationalism to Theology of Hope (25 min)

Break (10 min)

Discussion (30 min)

S19-123

SBL Intertextuality and the Hebrew Bible Consultation

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 204 (Second Level)

Theme: **Art, Scripture, and Julia Kristeva**

Marianne Grohmann, Universität Wien, Presiding

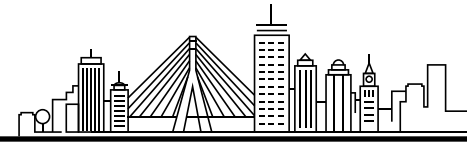
Bryan D. Estelle, Westminster Seminary California
Echoes of the Exodus (30 min)

Kirsten H. Gardner, Fuller Theological Seminary (Pasadena)
Hidden in Plain Sight: Intertextuality and Judges 19 (30 min)

Soo J. Kim, Shepherd University
Confinement and Ironic Exclusion: Intertextual Reading of Jeremiah, Cassandra, and Margot as the Act of Reader's Release (30 min)

Hans Decker, University of Oxford
Anthology as Intertext: Ambiguity and Generative Interpretation in Qohelet (30 min)

Rachel Ofer, Efrata College of Education
Prophet Jonah As Reflected in a Story by S.Y. Agnon (30 min)



S19-124

SBL Intertextuality in the New Testament Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Republic A (Second Level)

Theme: **Pentateuch in the New Testament**

Lori Baron, Saint Louis University, Presiding

Channing L. Crisler, Anderson University (SC)
Abel as a Protological and Polyvalent Figure in Early Christian Intertextuality (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Matthew Y. Emerson, Oklahoma Baptist University
Land, Burial, and Temple: Deuteronomy 30:5, John 19–20, and Jesus' Burial as a Land Claim (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Julie Newberry, Duke University
Paul's Allusive Reasoning in 1 Corinthians 11:7–12 (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Blake Wassell, University of Otago
The beloved disciple reads Jesus into Deuteronomy: Concluding Torah with the second prophet (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Katja Kujanpää, University of Helsinki
Uninvited Metalepsis? Paul's Diverse Ways of Receiving the Original Context of Quotations from the Pentateuch (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

S19-125

SBL Israelite Prophetic Literature Section

9:00 AM–11:00 AM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Arnold Arboretum (Fifth Level)

Theme: **Reading Prophetic Literature as Aesthetic Artifacts**

This session examines what it means to read prophetic literature as aesthetic artifacts, using various methodologies, including performance theory. With an understanding of prophetic oracles as literary artifacts, papers examine questions such as what does it mean to experience these oracles as poetic performance? In the process of reading/hearing such poetry what new questions should be brought to the interpretation of these texts? Further aspects explored, such as the experiences of the reader as well as the impact of play, multivalence, and polyphony upon the reader. Papers delve into the question of what it means that an oral event has been textualized, or even that speech that could have originally been prose has been recorded in poetic form.

Corrine Carvalho, University of Saint Thomas (Saint Paul, MN), Presiding

Elaine James, Saint Catherine University and Sean Burt, North Dakota State University Main Campus
Making Images: The Aesthetic Impulse in Prophetic Poetry (40 min)

Tim Koch, Excelsior College and Pacific School of Religion
A "Story to Discuss and Even Argue About": The Book of Jonah as a Retrofitted African Folk Tale (30 min)

Discussion (50 min)

S19-126

SBL Joshua-Judges Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - Clarendon (Third Level)

Zev Farber, Project TABS - *TheTorah.com*, Presiding

J. Cornelis de Vos, University of Münster
Does the Town List of Joshua 15:21–62 Hide a Thirteenth District? (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Mark Lackowski, University of Notre Dame
Victim, Victor, or Villian? The Unfinalizability of Delilah (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Lee Sui Hung Albert, Chinese University of Hong Kong
Reading the political agenda in the double epilogue of Judges (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Denise Flanders, Fuller Theological Seminary (Pasadena)
"867–5309": The Rhetorical Function(s) of Numbers and Numerical Repetition in Joshua-Judges (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Andrew E. Walton, Harvard University
Rebellion is Not Sin: The Positive Portrayal of Rebellion in the Book of Judges and its Implications for Understanding Rebellion in Ancient Israel (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

S19-127

SBL Linguistics and Biblical Hebrew Seminar / National Association of Professors of Hebrew Affiliate

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 304 (Third Level)

Theme: **Historical Linguistics of Biblical Hebrew**

Papers will be read and discussed. Everyone is welcome.

Cynthia Miller-Naude, University of the Free State, Presiding

Eric S. Fredrickson, Harvard University
Starting Assumptions in Diachronic Method (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Nili Samet, Bar-Ilan University
The Linguistic and Textual History of the Biblical Root ḥbq (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Jun Sato, Toronto School of Theology, University of Toronto
Grammaticalization of the Qatil Verbs in Biblical Hebrew (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Kevin Grasso, Hebrew University of Jerusalem
Yiqtol as an Irrealis-Imperfective Form (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Jarod Jacobs, Warner Pacific College
Adding Up the Numbers: A Statistical Visualization of the Linguistic Relationship Between Biblical Hebrew and Qumran Hebrew (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19

S19-127a

SBL Masoretic Studies Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Westin Copley Place Hotel (WCP) - Essex North (Third Level)

Theme: **Celebrating the Publication of Abraham Tal's BHQ Genesis**

Rolf Schaefer, German Bible Society, Presiding

David Marcus, Jewish Theological Seminary of America, Panelist

Emanuel Tov, Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Panelist

Richard Weis, Lexington Theological Seminary, Panelist

Adrian Schenker, University of Fribourg, Panelist

Abraham Tal, Tel Aviv University, Panelist

S19-128

SBL Meals in the Greco-Roman World Seminar

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Beacon B (Third Level)

Theme: **Meals and Violence**

Susan Marks, New College of Florida, Presiding

Richard Klee, University of Notre Dame

Dying to Eat: Prophecy, Patronage and Violence in Mark and Tobit (30 min)

Chan Sok Park, College of Wooster, Respondent (15 min)

Soham Al-Suadi, Universität Rostock, Respondent (15 min)

Break (5 min)

Susan R. Holman, Harvard University

Whip Handle and Spoon: Forced-Feeding Eucharist in Late Antiquity (30 min)

Lillian Larsen, University of Redlands, Respondent (15 min)

David M. Freidenreich, Colby College, Respondent (15 min)

Discussion (25 min)

S19-129

SBL Megilloth Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Beacon H (Third Level)

Theme: **The Book of Esther**

A session on readings of the Book of Esther, with special attention to issues in reception and reception history.

Bradley Embry, Regent University, Presiding (5 min)

David A. Lambert, The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

How to Construct an Interpretive Site: 'Jewish Seed' (Est 6:13) and the Book of Esther (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Isaac Kalimi, Johannes Gutenberg-Universität Mainz

Esther, Ethics and Martin Luther (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Jo Carruthers, Lancaster University

The Art of Execution: Illustrations of the Death of Haman in the Megillah (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Orit Avnery, Shalem College and Shalom Hartman Institute

Esther: Tough Fighter or Terrified Princess? (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Business Meeting (15 min)

S19-130

SBL Metacriticism of Biblical Scholarship Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Dalton (Third Level)

Theme: **Secular Criticism: How It's Done**

Andre Gagne, Concordia University - Université Concordia, Presiding

Ryan Austin Fitzgerald, University of Texas at Austin

Socio-Academic Capital and the Perpetuation of Categorical Repackaging (30 min)

Andrew Tobolowsky, College of William and Mary

Deconstructing (and Reconstructing?) Biblical History: The Pentateuch and the Primary History (30 min)

Paul Michael Kurtz, University of Cambridge

Politics Past in the Present: Ancient Judaism in Nineteenth-century Prussia (30 min)

Rebecca Raphael, Texas State University

Text as Vector: Secular Criticism of Composite Texts (30 min)

Discussion (30 min)

S19-131

SBL Metaphor Theory and the Hebrew Bible Section

9:00 AM–12:00 PM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Olmsted (Fifth Level)

Theme: **Graduate Student Workshop**

Ryan Bonfiglio, Columbia Theological Seminary, Presiding (5 min)

Amanda R. Morrow, University of Wisconsin-Madison

Like a Lion Coming Up from the Thickets: Prototypicality and Salience of Animal Metaphors in the Book of Jeremiah (15 min)

Hanne Levinson, University of Minnesota-Twin Cities,

Respondent (10 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Tina M. Sherman, Brandeis University

Making and Marking Metaphor: Insights from Corpus Linguistics for the Study of Biblical Metaphor (15 min)

Pierre Van Hecke, Katholieke Universiteit Leuven, Respondent

(10 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Cassie Waits, Columbia Theological Seminary

The Divine Rock as Image and Metaphor in Hebrew Poetry (15 min)

Magnar Kartveit, VID Specialized University, Norway,

Respondent (10 min)

Discussion (10 min)



Sze Wing So, Katholieke Universiteit Leuven
The Metaphors of Metal in Jer 15:10–21 (15 min)

Andrea Weiss, Hebrew Union College - Jewish Institute of
Religion (New York Branch), Respondent (10 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Abir Lal Mitra, Université Catholique de Louvain, Panelist
(15 min)

Discussion (10 min)

S19-132

SBL Midrash Section

9:00 AM–11:15 AM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - Orleans (Fourth Level)

Theme: **Food in Midrash**

W. David Nelson, Groton School, Presiding

Rivka Ulmer, Bucknell University, Presiding

Yonatan Feintuch, Bar-Ilan University

*A new reading of the commandment of Orlah (Lev. 19:23) embedded
in a Midrashic Story in Leviticus Rabbah, and its parallel in
Ecclesiastes Rabbah (25 min)*

Discussion (10 min)

Rebecca Scharbach Wollenberg, University of Michigan-Ann
Arbor

*The Taste of Torah: God's Breath as an Argument in Favor of Mikra
over Masoret as the True Manifestation of the Sinaitic Revelation
(25 min)*

Discussion (10 min)

Lieve Teugels, Protestant Theological University Amsterdam
Manna as spiritual food: Revisting the dorshei reshmot (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Business Meeting (30 min)

S19-133

SBL Mind, Society, and Religion in the Biblical World Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Boston Common (Fifth Level)

Theme: **Supercooperators: Costly Signaling Theory and Its
Applications to Biblical Studies**

The papers in this session discuss the evolution of human cooperation,
focusing on costly signaling theory and its applications in Biblical
Studies.

Jutta Jokiranta, University of Helsinki, Presiding (10 min)

Keynote presentation:

Richard Sosis, University of Connecticut

The Evolutionary Study of Religion: A Systemic Approach (30 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Panelists:

Jennifer Alexander, Vanderbilt University

Reading Matthew 19:12 as a Costly Signal (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

John Teehan, Hofstra University

Religion, Empathy, and Minimal Signaling (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Rikard Roitto, Stockholm School of Theology

*Confession of Sins and Penance as Costly Signaling in Early
Christianity (20 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

Richard Sosis, University of Connecticut, Respondent

Istvan Czachesz, University of Tromsø, Respondent

Discussion (20 min)

S19-134

SBL Johannine Literature Section / New Testament Textual Criticism Section / Papyrology and Early Christian Backgrounds Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Back Bay A (Second Level)

Theme: **The Gospels of John: New Perspectives from Textual
Criticism and Papyrology**

Kasper Bro Larsen, Aarhus University, Presiding (5 min)

Ulrich B. Schmid, Kirchliche Hochschule Wuppertal/Bethel
*Editing John's Gospel Digitally: Resources for the Exegetical
Community (30 min)*

Brent Nongbri, Aarhus University

*Some Reflections on the 'Early' Greek Manuscripts of the Gospel
according to John (30 min)*

Break (5 min)

Jennifer Knust, Boston University

*Seeing, Hearing, and Doing: The Impact of the Byzantine Liturgy on
the Transmission of the Gospel of John (30 min)*

Christian Askeland, Indiana Wesleyan University

*Caveat Copticam: Cautionary Tales for the Johannine Exegete (30
min)*

Discussion (20 min)

S19-135

SBL Nominating Committee

9:00 AM–12:00 PM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - SBL Suite

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19

S19-136

SBL Paul Within Judaism Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott Copley Place - Grand Ballroom EF (Fourth Level)

Theme: **Inclusion of Those from the Nations in Paul in Conversation with Later Christ-Following Jewish Groups**

Magnus Zetterholm, Lund University, Presiding

Anders Runesson, University of Oslo

To Circumcise or Not to Circumcise—Is that the Question? Rethinking Paul and Matthew on Gentile Inclusion (30 min)

Karin Hedner Zetterholm, Lund University

Jews and Gentiles in the Pseudo-Clementine Homilies—A Pauline Vision? (30 min)

Isaac W. Oliver, Bradley University

The First “Paul within Judaism” Perspective?: The Incorporation of Non-Jews into the Ekklesia according to the Acts of the Apostles (30 min)

Break (5 min)

Pamela Eisenbaum, Iliff School of Theology, Respondent (20 min)

Discussion (35 min)

S19-137

SBL Pauline Theology Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 306 (Third Level)

Theme: **Review session: Susan Grove Eastman’s Paul and the Person: Reframing Paul’s Anthropology**

Alexandra Brown, Washington and Lee University, Presiding (5 min)

Jonathan Linebaugh, University of Cambridge, Panelist (20 min)

Volker Rabens, Friedrich-Schiller-Universität Jena, Panelist (20 min)

Michael Spezio, The LIVE Lab, Scripps College, Panelist (20 min)

Break (10 min)

Susan Eastman, Duke University, Respondent (30 min)

Discussion (45 min)

S19-138

SBL Philo of Alexandria Seminar

9:00 AM–11:45 AM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 103 (Plaza Level)

Theme: **Philo’s De Cherubim**

Seminar papers will be available on-line at http://torreys.org/philo_seminar_papers/.

Ronald Cox, Pepperdine University, Presiding

Annewies van den Hoek, Harvard University

Philo’s De Cherubim: Sample Commentary and Translation (20 min)

Michael Cover, Marquette University

The Exegetical Structure of De Cherubim (20 min)

James Royse, Claremont

The Text of Philo’s De Cherubim (20 min)

Discussion (25 min)

Break (10 min)

Sean Adams, University of Glasgow

To Be and Not to Be: Philo on the Difference between Philosophers and Sophists (20 min)

Justin Rogers, Freed-Hardeman University

A Little Cain in All of Us: De Cherubim as an Introduction to Philo’s ‘Cain Trilogy’ (20 min)

Discussion (20 min)

Business Meeting (10 min)

S19-139

SBL Prayer in Antiquity Consultation

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - Harvard (Third Level)

Theme: **The Problem of Identifying Prayer**

Esther Chazon, Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Presiding

Andrew R. Krause, Westfälische Wilhelms-Universität Münster
Apotropaic Means and Methods in the Rules of the Trumpets and Banners (1QM III–IV) (25 min)

Jutta Leonhardt-Balzer, University of Aberdeen
What is Prayer for Philo of Alexandria? (25 min)

Anne Marie Kitz

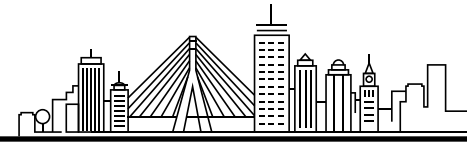
The Polytheistic Background of Biblical Monotheistic Prayer (25 min)

Daniel K. Falk, Pennsylvania State University

Speaking of God: Prayers in the Third Person (25 min)

Michael Swartz, Ohio State University, Respondent (30 min)

Discussion (20 min)



S19-141/A19-108

SBL Reading, Theory, and the Bible Section / Asian and Asian-American Hermeneutics Seminar / Bible and Cultural Studies Section / Contextual Biblical Interpretation Section / Feminist Hermeneutics of the Bible Section / Gender, Sexuality, and the Bible Section / Ideological Criticism Section / LGBTI/Queer Hermeneutics Section / Minoritized Criticism and Biblical Interpretation Seminar / Postcolonial Studies and Biblical Studies Section / Rhetoric and the New Testament Section / Slavery, Resistance, and Freedom Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 311 (Third Level)

Theme: Present and Future of Biblical Studies, I: Celebrating 25 Years of Brill's Journal, Biblical Interpretation

This session is co-sponsored by the Bible in Racial, Ethnic, and Indigenous Communities unit (AAR) and Sacred Texts, Theory, and Theological Construction unit (AAR).

Tat-siong Benny Liew, College of the Holy Cross, Presiding

Fiona Black, Mount Allison University, Panelist (10 min)

Steed Davidson, McCormick Theological Seminary, Panelist (10 min)

Davina Lopez, Eckerd College, Panelist (10 min)

Stephen Moore, Drew University, Panelist (10 min)

Jorunn Økland, Norwegian Institute at Athens/University of Oslo, Panelist (10 min)

Ken Stone, Chicago Theological Seminary, Panelist (10 min)

Randall Bailey, Interdenominational Theological Center, Respondent (10 min)

Discussion (45 min)

S19-142

SBL Religion and Philosophy in Late Antiquity

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - Arlington (Third Level)

Theme: Religion and Philosophy at the Crossroads

Sarah Iles Johnston, Ohio State University, Presiding

Blossom Stefaniw, German Research Council, Panelist

Gregory Shaw, Stonehill College, Panelist

Thomas Lewis, Brown University, Panelist

Christian Wildberg, Princeton University, Panelist

Svetla Slaveva-Griffin, Florida State University, Panelist

S19-143

SBL Religious Competition in Late Antiquity Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Liberty C (Second Level)

Theme: The Temple Vessels in Late Antique Religious Competition

Mika Ahuvia, University of Washington, Presiding

Steven Fraade, Yale University

Facing the Holy Ark: In Words and in Images (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Steven Fine, Yeshiva University

He Entered and Removed a Golden Menorah (Genesis Rabba 65, 27):
A Rabbinic Reflection on the Fate of the Temple Lampstand (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Ra'anan Boustan, University of California-Los Angeles

Matter of Contention: The Temple Vessels among Jews, Christians, and Muslims in Late Antiquity (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Joan Branham, Providence College (Rhode Island)

Channeling the Temple in Late Antiquity (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Naftali Cohn, Concordia University - Université Concordia

Temple Vessels, Temple Ritual, and the Potency of Sacred Objects in the Mishnah (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Gregg E. Gardner, University of British Columbia

The Temple Vessels from Antiquity to Late Antiquity (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

S19-144

SBL Religious Experience in Antiquity Section / Senses and Culture in the Biblical World Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - The Fens (Fifth Level)

Theme: Sensory Perception and Religious Experience

Greg Schmidt Goering, University of Virginia, Presiding

Meredith J. C. Warren, University of Sheffield

The Sweet Hereafter: A Sensory Analysis of Perpetua's Visions (25 min)

Sarah Porter, Harvard University

Holiness Machines: Holy Oil and the Senses in Early Christian Textual and Material Culture (25 min)

Michael Motia, Harvard University

Late Ancient Bluets (25 min)

Brittany E. Wilson, Duke University

Seeing Divine Speech: Sensory Intersections in Luke's Birth Narrative (25 min)

Angela Kim Harkins, Boston College School of Theology and Ministry, Respondent (20 min)

Discussion (30 min)

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19

S19-145

SBL Religious World of Late Antiquity Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Beacon F (Third Level)

Theme: **Six Things about Late Antiquity**

Moulie Vidas, Princeton University, Presiding (5 min)

Catherine Chin, University of California-Davis
String (6 min)

Dan-el Padilla Peralta, Princeton University
Waste (6 min)

Beth Berkowitz, Barnard College
Live/Stock (6 min)

Kim Haines-Eitzen, Cornell University
Thunder (6 min)

James Adam Redfield, St. Louis University
Lost and Found (6 min)

Campbell Grey, University of Pennsylvania
Volcanic Ash (6 min)

Discussion (80 min)

Business Meeting (20 min)

S19-146

SBL Rhetoric of Religious Antiquity Seminar

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - Falmouth (Fourth Level)

Theme: **Retrospect and Prospects for Sociorhetorical Interpretation**

Vernon Robbins, Emory University, Presiding (5 min)

Duane F. Watson, Malone University
Retrospect and Prospect of Sociorhetorical Interpretation (20 min)

Shively J. T. Smith, Wesley Theological Seminary
Strengths and Gaps of Foundations for Sociorhetorical Exploration (20 min)

Raj Nadella, Columbia Theological Seminary
Foundations for Sociorhetorical Exploration from a Post-Colonial Perspective (20 min)

Hon Ho Ip, Chinese University of Hong Kong
Foundations for Sociorhetorical Exploration from an Economics Perspective (20 min)

Michael Trainor, Australian Catholic University
Foundations for Sociorhetorical Exploration from the Perspective of Ecological Hermeneutics (20 min)

Discussion (45 min)

2016 was the twentieth anniversary of two volumes that helped launch sociorhetorical interpretation: *The Tapestry of Early Christian Discourse* and *Exploring the Texture of Texts*. This anniversary was marked by the edited volume *Foundations for Sociorhetorical Interpretation*, which gathered key essays and articles to provide a retrospective of major influences and developments in sociorhetorical interpretation.

The session will begin with a review of the developments highlighted in the *Foundations* volume and then continue with presenters offering insights into the prospects for sociorhetorical interpretation from other perspectives such as postcolonial criticism, economics, and ecological hermeneutics.

S19-147

SBL Ritual in the Biblical World Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - Northeastern (Third Level)

Theme: **Ritual in Processions, Iconography and Architecture**

The Ritual in the Biblical World steering committee is seeking papers on the theme of Rituals and Processions, covering issues such as the function of rituals performed during processions; the place of processions in the religious-political sphere of a specific religion and culture of the region; the representation of ritual performers and paraphernalia within processions; the place of the divinity in processions; all papers must demonstrate a methodological approach toward ritual.

Jason Lamoreaux, Texas Christian University, Presiding

John Tracy Thames, Jr., University of Connecticut
Processional Politics in Emar's zuku Festival and Implications for Procession Rituals in the Hebrew Bible (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Robin J. DeWitt Knauth, Lycoming College
Ritual Gesture in Iconography and Text (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Sherri Brown, Creighton University
Jesus in Word and Deed through the Ritual Activity of Tabernacles in John 7:1–10:21 (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Michael Spalione, Trinity College - Bristol
Pauline Churches, Diaspora Synagogues, and the Herodian Temple: The Politics of Institutions (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Jade Weimer, University of Manitoba
Melody and Mourning: Music as a Marker of Ritual Efficacy in Early Christian Funerary Processions (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

S19-147a

SBL Scholarship, Archaeology, and New Media

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - Tremont (First Level)

Robert Cargill, University of Iowa, Introduction (10 min)

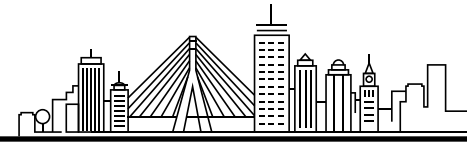
Nina Burleigh, Newsweek Magazine, Panelist

Ariel Sabar, The Atlantic, Panelist

Caroline T. Schroeder, University of the Pacific, Panelist

Christopher Rollston, George Washington University, Panelist

Jodi Magness, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Panelist



P19-148

Society for Comparative Research on Iconographic and Performative Texts

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Clarendon (Third Level)

The Society for Comparative Research on Iconic and Performative Texts (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.

James Watts, Syracuse University, Presiding

Sonia Hazard, Duke University

How Not to Read: The Trace of Evangelical Readers and the Powers of the Religious Book in the United States, c. 1825–1861 (30 min)

Marianne Schleicher, University of Aarhus

Sensory uses of scriptures in Israelite–Jewish religion (30 min)

Alice Mandell, University of Madison–Wisconsin

Texts Unseen: Invisible Writings and Performance in the Ancient Levant (30 min)

Joy Palacios, Simon Fraser University

A Script in Hand? Small-Format Ecclesiastical Texts and Priestly Performance in Early Modern France (30 min)

Business Meeting (30 min)

P19-149

Society for Pentecostal Studies

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Liberty A (Second Level)

Theme: **A Conversation with Harvey Cox on Pentecostalism, Markets, Scripture, and the Future of Faith**

Robby Waddell, Southeastern University, Presiding

David Daniels, McCormick Theological Seminary, Panelist (20 min)

Rickie Moore, Lee University, Panelist (20 min)

Frank Macchia, Vanguard University, Panelist (20 min)

S19-150

SBL Space, Place, and Lived Experience in Antiquity Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - Tufts (Third Level)

Theme: **Center and Periphery in Antiquity**

Reflections on center and periphery, broadly understood.

Jaime Waters, DePaul University, Presiding

Jonathan R. Trotter, Lewis University

Going and Coming Home: Diaspora Jewish Pilgrimage to Jerusalem in the Second Temple Period (30 min)

Sissel Undheim, Universitetet i Bergen

Virginity at the Spatial Turn: Sacred Virgins, Sacred Places, and Ideals of Immobility of in Late Antiquity (30 min)

Lee I. Levine, Hebrew University of Jerusalem

Palaestina Secunda: Jewish Resilience in Late Antiquity (30 min)

Pieter B. (Bärry) Hartog, Protestant Theological University

Globalised Space in Philo's Embassy to Gaius (30 min)

S19-151

SBL Synoptic Gospels Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 207 (Second Level)

Theme: **Social Memory, Ancient Media, and the Synoptic Gospels**

Stephen Carlson, Australian Catholic University, Presiding

Jen Gilbertson, University of St. Andrews

Hear and Understand: Mark 7:1–23 as a Perception Text (30 min)

Nicholas A. Elder, Marquette University

"This is not Mark's Style." The Endings of the Gospel in Greco-Roman Media Culture (30 min)

Paul D. Wheatley, St. Augustine's Episcopal Church

Racial Conflict and Social Memory? An Examination of Matthew's Trinitarian Baptismal Formula in Light of the Conflict over Table Fellowship in Antioch (30 min)

Ruben Zimmermann, Johannes Gutenberg-Universität Mainz
Memories of the Kingdom–Parables in Q, Mark and Matthew (30 min)

E Bruce Brooks, University of Massachusetts at Amherst

Luke to Matthew (30 min)

P19-152

The Qur'an and Late Antiquity (IQSA)

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - Provincetown (Fourth Level)

Theme: **Qur'anic Themes, Language, and Rites in Late Antique Perspective**

Michael Pregill, Boston University, Presiding

Abraham Winitzer, University of Notre Dame

Akkadian kipir kishādīm and the Fate of Islam's kāfirūn in Q 8:12; 47:4 (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Javad "Jay" Hashmi, University of California–Berkeley

War and Peace in Early Islam (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Johanne Christiansen, Aarhus Universitet

"And their prayer at the House is nothing but a whistling and a clapping of hands" (Q8:35): Negotiating Processions in the Qur'an (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Ari M. Gordon, University of Pennsylvania

Wherever you Turn, the Face of God is There: Liturgical Direction in the Qur'an and Religions of Late Antiquity (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Karen Bauer, The Institute of Ismaili Studies

Grief in the Qur'an and its Milieu (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19

P19-153

Theta Alpha Kappa

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - Vermont (Fifth Level)

Theme: **Board of Directors meeting**

Kelley Coblenz Bautch, St. Edward's University, Presiding

S19-154

SBL Violence and Representations of Violence in Antiquity Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - Suffolk (Third Level)

Theme: **Precarity and Violence in Antiquity, Part 1**

Erin Walsh, Duke University, Presiding

Loren R. Spielman, Portland State University
Domestic Violence in Ancient Judaism (25 min)

Jennifer A. Glancy, Le Moyne College
The Precarity of Use (25 min)

Alexander Perkins, Fordham University
Gender Panic: The Fear of the Cinaedus in Clement of Alexandria's Paedagogus (25 min)

Matt Chalmers, University of Pennsylvania
Samaritan Violence and Beyond: Interrogating the Historiographical Precarity of Late Antique Samaritans (25 min)

Discussion (25 min)

P19-154a

Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 107 (Plaza Level)

Theme: **Grant Design 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 in the Convention Center Room 107 on both Sunday, Nov. 19 and Monday, Nov. 20 from 9:00 AM to 11:30 AM to meet with one of the Wabash Center Staff. We are scheduling appointments ahead of time. Please write Beth Reffett (reffettb@wabash.edu) to schedule a time to meet with us. For more info go to <http://bit.ly/2rZBD7C>.

S19-155

SBL Wisdom and Apocalypticism Section / Nag Hammadi and Gnosticism Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott Copley Place - Grand Ballroom A (Fourth Level)

Theme: **Reading and Writing Didactic Texts in Egypt: Sapiential Traditions in Jewish and Nag Hammadi Texts**

Lawrence Wills, Episcopal Divinity School, Presiding

Seth A. Bledsoe, Wake Forest University
Wisdom Out of the Dark: Abiqar, Ankhseshong, and Jewish-Egyptian Cultural Exchange in Greco-Roman Egypt (25 min)

Matthew Goff, Florida State University
Reading the Wisdom of Solomon in Egypt (25 min)

Geoffrey S. Smith, University of Texas at Austin
Reading the Sentences of Sextus During the Origenist Controversy: NHC XII,1 and the Wisdom Tradition in Late Antique Egypt (25 min)

Break (5 min)

René Falkenberg, Aarhus Universitet
Wisdom Speculation from Wisdom of Solomon to Wisdom of Jesus Christ (25 min)

Jason Zurawski, Rijksuniversiteit Groningen, Respondent (10 min)

Ulla Tervahauta, University of Copenhagen, Respondent (10 min)

Discussion (25 min)

S19-156

SBL Review of Biblical Literature Editorial Board

9:30 AM–10:30 AM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 308 (Third Level)

S19-156a/A19-138

SBL Student Lounge Roundtable

10:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 303 (Third Level)

Theme: **Employment and Recruitment from an HR Perspective**

In this roundtable-workshop session, Jessica Ehinger discusses issues particular to job hunting outside the traditional tenure track, including how to write an effective resume and cover letter, how to identify potential positions, and how non-academic job hunting differs from the academic market. In doing so, the session provides graduate students and young investigators with a solid understanding of what to expect in the job hunting process, so that they can best present themselves and their interests in the job market.

Jessica Ehinger, Boston University, Panelist



Coffee Break

Sunday, 11:30 AM

Complimentary coffee will be served in the back of Aisle 2100 and Aisle 2600 of the Exhibit Hall.



P19-157

International Qur'anic Studies Association

11:30 AM–12:30 PM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - Provincetown (Fourth Level)

Theme: **Business Meeting**

S19-158/A19-139

SBL Student Lounge Roundtable

11:30 AM–1:00 PM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 303 (Third Level)

Theme: **Balancing Act: Creating a Diverse and Dynamic CV**

Career paths for academics are becoming more diverse and varied by the day. As such, even with academia one cannot depend on conferences and papers and a few chapters in compilations alongside a list of your thesis and dissertation supervisors to make you stand out. What, for instance, is this "Public Engagement" section all about? What exactly constitutes teaching experience? Is there a way to make what you did sound more like what you did, versus what it may have been titled at some point, by someone who may or may not have been involved in the event itself? Crafting a CV, particularly for those positions outside of traditional academic posts (or even for those posts within) is not difficult, it's merely different. This roundtable session discusses and workshops how to frame, format, organize and phrase your experience and prepare a CV for every exciting opportunity you encounter.

Katelynn Carver, University of St Andrews, Panelist

P19-159

Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion

11:30 AM–1:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center - 107 (Plaza Level)

Theme: **Teach with Confidence: "Difficult Conversations" in the Classroom (Graduate Student Lunch and Session)**

Graduate students please join us for lunch and an interactive presentation about teaching in higher education. Many professors in theology and religious studies report an increase in the number and intensity of "difficult conversations" in the classroom over the past year. Whether sparked by perennial questions in theological and religious studies or daily headlines, passionate, though not necessarily informed, opinions flood our classrooms. How can we engage emotionally and politically charged topics in ways that enlighten and educate? Rebekka King and Cláudio Carvalhaes will present teaching strategies for conducting productive class discussions in today's contentious environment. Pre-registration is required. Send an email to Beth Reffett reffettb@wabash.edu. Registration deadline is October 1. Walk-ins may also be accepted if space is available. Open Q&As will follow the workshop. For more information go to <http://bit.ly/2rZBD7C>.

Rebekka King, Middle Tennessee State University, Panelist

Cláudio Carvalhaes, Union Theological Seminary, Panelist

S19-160

Consultation on the Status of Persons with Disabilities in the Profession

11:45 AM–12:45 PM

Hilton Boston Back Bay (HBB) - Salon A (Second Level)

SBL is considering forming an advisory board to advance the full access of scholars and students with disabilities in the academy and at the annual meeting. This exploratory meeting aims to gather interested scholars and students for conversation about the importance of such an initiative, as well as open discussion about its aims and efforts.

Kenneth D. Litwak, Asbury Theological Seminary, Presiding

Kenneth D. Litwak, Asbury Theological Seminary, Introduction (5 min)

Panel Discussion

Kristi Upson-Saia, Occidental College, Panelist (5 min)

Andrew Langford, University of Chicago, Panelist (5 min)

Helen Rhee, Westmont College, Panelist (5 min)

Kirsty Jones, Georgetown University, Panelist (5 min)

Discussion (25 min)

S19-201

SBL Bible Odyssey Editorial Board

12:00 PM–1:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 308 (Third Level)

S19-202

SBL African Biblical Hermeneutics Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Fairfax A (Third Level)

Theme: **Migrations and Diaspora**

Gilbert Ojwang, Oakwood University, Presiding

Gerrie Snyman, University of South Africa

Cain and Migration: Opportunity amidst Punishment? (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Kenneth Ngwa, Drew University

Exodus and Exile as Doors of (no) Return? Moses, Sundiata and the Constructions of Afro-Spatial-Genealogies (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Allen Kerkeslager, Saint Joseph's University (Philadelphia, PA)
Paleoanthropology as Ground of a Subversive African Hermeneutic (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Discussion (50 min)

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S19-203

SBL Ancient Fiction and Early Christian and Jewish Narrative Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - MIT (Third Level)

Theme: **Nature in Ancient Narrative**

Janet Spittler, University of Virginia, Presiding

Jackie Wyse-Rhodes, Bluffton University
The Natural World as Exemplar in the Testament of Naphtali (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Blake Leyerle, University of Notre Dame
Tertullian's Chameleon (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

John C. Poirier, Independent Scholar
Apicultural Keys to Joseph and Aseneth: An Argument for the Priority of the Shorter Text (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Eric M. Vanden Eykel, Ferrum College
"Then Suddenly, Everything Resumed Its Course": The Suspension of Time in the Protevangelium of James Reconsidered (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Business Meeting (30 min)

S19-204

SBL Archaeology of the Biblical World Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Constitution Ballroom (Second Level)

Theme: **The Megiddo Excavations: New Studies Reflecting on the Archaeology and History of Ancient Israel and Beyond**

Matthew Adams, Albright Institute of Archaeological Research, Presiding

Israel Finkelstein, Tel Aviv University
Introduction: Pushing the Envelope of Scholarship at Megiddo (5 min)

Eran Arie, The Israel Museum, Jerusalem
New Data on the End of the Late Bronze with Implications for the Withdrawal of Egypt and the Arrival of the Philistines (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Lidar Sapir-Hen, Tel Aviv University
Ancient DNA Evidence and Other Clues for Egyptian-initiated Expansion of Dry-farming in Canaan as Reaction to the Dry Climate Crisis, ca. 1250–1100 BCE (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Robert Homsher, W. F. Albright Institute of Archaeological Research
Decommissioning of an Iron I stela shrine (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Naama Yahalom-Mack, Hebrew University of Jerusalem
Iron Working and the Emergence of the Northern Kingdom (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Assaf Kleiman, Tel Aviv University and Margaret E. Cohen, W. F. Albright Institute of Archaeological Research
New Evidence on the Megiddo Cult: "Centralization" in the Northern Kingdom? (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

David Reich, Harvard Medical School
Ancient DNA from the population of Megiddo in the Second Millennium BCE (20 min)

S19-205

SBL Assyriology and the Bible Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 313 (Third Level)

Theme: **Prophets and Their Clients**

JoAnn Scurlock, Elmhurst College, Presiding

Peter Dubovsky, Pontifical Biblical Institute, Rome
Succession Rules in 1–2 Kings and Mesopotamian Chronicles (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Shawn Zelig Aster, Bar-Ilan University
Assyria and Its Image in Hosea 4–14 (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

William Reed, Johns Hopkins University
In the Hand of God: Imperial Rhetoric and Counternarrative (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Inchol Yang, Claremont School of Theology
The Presence and Absence of Marduk and YHWH (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

S19-207

SBL Bible and Emotion Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Back Bay A (Second Level)

Theme: **Emotional Responses to Sin and Suffering in the New Testament and Related Literature: Exploring the Limits of Forgiveness, Repentance, and Compassion**

Scott Spencer, Baptist Theological Seminary at Richmond, Presiding

David Fredrickson, Luther Seminary
"Become as I am, for I also have become as you are (Gal 4:12)": Mimesis and Paul's Non-Theory of Emotions Related to Compassion, Forgiveness, and Regret (30 min)

Susan Eastman, Duke University, Respondent (10 min)

Joshua Strahan, Lipscomb University, Respondent (10 min)

Break (5 min)

David Konstan, New York University
Can There Be Sin without Grace? Thoughts on Forgiveness in the New Testament and Early Christian Literature (30 min)

Alexandra Brown, Washington and Lee University, Respondent (10 min)

Laurence Welborn, Fordham University, Respondent (10 min)

Break (5 min)

Discussion (40 min)



S19-208

SBL Bible and Film Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Liberty C (Second Level)

Theme: **Revenge, Torture, and Laughter in Tarantino, Scorsese, the Coens, Joshua, Mark, and Job**

Matthew Rindge, Gonzaga University, Presiding

Lydia Foreman, Columbia Theological Seminary
"Are You Guys Ready to Kill Some Nazis?" Revenge Fantasy, Inglorious Basterds, and Joshua 8 (40 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Marsha A. Thrall, Chicago Theological Seminary
The Suffering of the Lamb: Mark's Passion, Stephen's Martyrdom and the Narrative Evolution of Religious Torture as Demonstrated in Scorsese's "Silence" (40 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Richard Walsh, Methodist University
Biblical Coens: Can We Laugh Now? (40 min)

Discussion (10 min)

S19-209

SBL Book of Daniel Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Arnold Arboretum (Fifth Level)

Theme: **New Work on Daniel**

Amy Merrill Willis, Lynchburg College, Presiding

Matt Harber, Duke University
"There was a man living in Babylon, and his name was Ioakim": Susanna as Introduction to Theodotion-Daniel (30 min)

Daniel Olariu, Hebrew University of Jerusalem
From Suspicion to Appreciation: The Change of Perception Regarding Theodotion's Version of Daniel in Patristic Literature (30 min)

Andrew Perrin, Trinity Western University
Transmission as Reception: Indications of Scribal Interpretation in Daniel Manuscripts among the Dead Sea Scrolls (30 min)

Paul Cizek, Marquette University
The Extent and Ethical Functions of Deuteronomistic Allusions in Daniel 4–5 (30 min)

Richard S. Briggs, University of Durham
Daniel, Dates, and Designations: How Plausible is a Theory of Deliberate Disinformation? (30 min)

S19-210

SBL Book of Psalms Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 204 (Second Level)

Theme: **Body and Embodiment in the Book of Psalms**

Stephen Reid, George W. Truett Theological Seminary, Presiding

W. Dennis Tucker, Jr., Baylor University
"Do Not Forsake Me When My Strength is Spent" (Ps 71:9): Mapping the Body in Lament Psalms (30 min)

Karen Langton, University of Birmingham
Discovering the Three-Dimensional Pregnant Female Body in Psalm 139 using Benjamin Harshav's Theory of Integrational Semantics (30 min)

Break (10 min)

Christine Jones, Carson-Newman University
Eyes, Ears, Mouth, and Nose . . . Embodying God in Book I of the Hebrew Psalter (30 min)

Nancy deClaissé-Walford, Mercer University
The Embodied Praise of God in the Songs of Ascents: A Preliminary Investigation (30 min)

Discussion (20 min)

S19-211

SBL Book of the Twelve Prophets Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Beacon B (Third Level)

Theme: **The Book of Amos**

Lena-Sofia Tiemeyer, University of Aberdeen, Presiding

Hilary Marlow, University of Cambridge
YHWH roars from Zion: Imaging the deity in Amos (30 min)

Göran Eidevall, Uppsala Universitet
Visions and Revisions: A New Perspective on Amos 7:1–8:2 (30 min)

Aaron Schart, Universität Duisburg-Essen
The Redaction History of the Writing of Amos within the Emerging Book of the Twelve (30 min)

Jason Radine, Moravian College
The Historical and Archaeological Background of the Book of Amos Revisited (30 min)

Stefan Beyerle, Ernst-Moritz-Arndt-Universität Greifswald
Yahwism and the Other Gods: Religious Polemics in the Book of Amos Reconsidered (30 min)

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S19-212

SBL Chronicles-Ezra-Nehemiah Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Clarendon (Third Level)

Theme: **New and Forthcoming Commentaries on Ezra-Nehemiah**

In the last five years, there has been a proliferation in the number of new and forthcoming commentaries on Ezra-Nehemiah and Chronicles. This year, we are featuring four authors of recent or forthcoming commentaries on Ezra-Nehemiah. Panelists will discuss their various approaches to the task of writing commentary, the ways that they present recent scholarship to their respective audiences, and the contributions of their commentaries to the field.

Christopher Jones, Washburn University, Presiding (5 min)

Lisbeth S. Fried, University of Michigan-Ann Arbor
Ezra: A Critical Commentary (Sheffield Phoenix) (25 min)

Thomas M. Bolin, Saint Norbert College
Ezra, Nehemiah (New Collegeville Bible Commentary) (25 min)

Deirdre N. Fulton, Baylor University
Reconstructing Ezra-Nehemiah: The Delicate Task of Commentary Construction in Light of Earlier Monumental Works (25 min)

Roger Nam, George Fox University
Ezra-Nehemiah: A Commentary (The Old Testament Library) (25 min)

H. G. M. Williamson, University of Oxford, Respondent (25 min)

Discussion (20 min)

S19-213

SBL Deuterocanonical and Cognate Literature Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton Boston Back Bay - Belvidere A (Second Level)

Theme: **The Reception of the Torah in Deuterocanonical Literature 3**

Kristin De Troyer, Universität Salzburg, Presiding

William Adler, North Carolina State University
The Sinai Revelation as Interpreted in Jubilees (30 min)

Ryan E. Stokes, Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary
Mosaic Torah and Defense against Demons in the Book of Jubilees (30 min)

Jonathan Ben-Dov, University of Haifa
Priestly Gifts in Ben Sirach and 4QInstruction (30 min)

Mark Mariani, University of Notre Dame
New Receptions of Torah: Re-Conceiving Abraham's Obedience with Sirach and Second Temple Judaism (30 min)

JiSeong J. Kwon, Universität Zürich
Re-examining the relationship between Wisdom and Torah in Ben Sira (30 min)

S19-214

SBL Deuteronomistic History Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Beacon G (Third Level)

Theme: **History and Historiography in 1-2 Samuel**

Over the last several decades, historiographical considerations together with debates regarding the "Deuteronomistic History" have led to a reevaluation of historiography in 1–2 Samuel. Recent discussion has centered on the retention (or not) of such concepts as the "Succession Narrative" and the "History of David's Rise," the nature of the relationship between Samuel and Kings, and the possible parallels between 1–2 Samuel and extra-biblical historiographical literature. This session features papers that address how the concept of a Deuteronomistic History both impacts the understanding of 1–2 Samuel as historiography and its use as a source for the "history" of Israel and Judah.

Sonja Ammann, Universität Basel, Presiding

Jaime A. Myers, New York University
Israel's Ark: From Shiloh to Beth-Shemesh (30 min)

Omer Sergi, Tel Aviv University
The Early Saul Traditions in Samuel and the Formation of Israelite Monarchy (30 min)

Zachary Margulies, New York University
Male Beauty and Warrior-Kingship in the Book of Samuel (30 min)

Daniel Bodi, La Sorbonne - University of Paris
Beyond the Hot Water Bottle: Abishag and the Final Crisis in David's Career (30 min)

S19-215

SBL Development of Early Christian Theology Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 109 (Plaza Level)

Theme: **God's Body: Jewish, Christian, and Pagan Images of God in Antiquity**

Panel Discussion: Christoph Marksches, *Gottes Körper: Jüdische, christliche und pagane Gottesvorstellungen in der Antike* (C.H. Beck, 2016); English trans. *God's Body: Jewish, Christian, and Pagan Images of God in Antiquity* (Baylor, 2017).

Mark DelCogliano, University of Saint Thomas (Saint Paul, MN), Presiding

Peter Martens, Saint Louis University, Introduction (10 min)

Susanna Drake, Macalester College, Panelist (20 min)

Andrew Radde-Gallwitz, University of Notre Dame, Panelist (20 min)

Karen King, Harvard University, Panelist (20 min)

Volker Drecoll, Eberhard Karls Universität Tübingen, Panelist (20 min)

Christoph Marksches, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin - Humboldt University of Berlin, Respondent (15 min)

Discussion (45 min)



S19-216

SBL Ethiopic Bible and Literature Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - Harvard (Third Level)

Theme: **The Textual History of the Ethiopic Old Testament**

This session has presentation from an international collaboration of scholars studying the Textual History of the Ethiopic Old Testament. Working together significant data has been compiled on manuscripts dating from the fourteenth–twentieth centuries for books 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, their defining features, and a picture of the key internal and external factors influencing the development of the text. We would welcome scholars from other disciplines to contribute the discussion of the evolution of this important tradition.

Meron Gebreananaye, University of Durham, Presiding

Albertus ten Kate, Independent Scholar
The Textual History of Ethiopic Psalms (20 min)

Steve Delamarter, George Fox University
Towards A Chronological Typology of the Codicological and Content Features of Ethiopic Psalters (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Garry Jost, Marylhurst University
A Preliminary Study Comparing Ethiopic Old Testament Manuscripts with Hebrew and Greek Texts (20 min)

Jeremy R. Brown, Catholic University of America
Creating an Edition of an Ethiopic Text: A Case Study of Jonah 2:3–10 (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Daniel Assefa, Institute for Religious Research
Some Riddles in the Textual History of Ethiopic Esther (20 min)

Martin Heide, Philipps-Universität Marburg
The Rest of the Words of Baruch (4 Baruch) in the Ethiopic Tradition (20 min)

Jarod Jacobs, Warner Pacific College
The Intersection Between Orthography and Sociology: What Happened in the 1600's and Other Related Topics (20 min)

S19-217

SBL Exile (Forced Migrations) in Biblical Literature Seminar

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Fairfax B (Third Level)

Theme: **The Long Sixth Century**

This session explores the social, political, and religious structures and practices that facilitated and profited from the forced migrations from the end of the Assyrian period through the sixth century BCE. Special attention will be paid to the interaction of texts and material culture as evidence for the ways in which migrations both reflected imperial commitments and reshaped the very structures of the empires involved.

Mark Hamilton, Abilene Christian University, Presiding (2 min)

Pamela Barmash, Washington University, Presiding (2 min)

C.L. Crouch, University of Nottingham
Israel in Jeremiah and Ezekiel (30 min)

Ryan Bonfiglio, Columbia Theological Seminary
The Art of Control: The Rhetoric of Achaemenid Iconography and Its Imprint on Postexilic Biblical (30 min)

Adrianne Spunaugle, University of Michigan–Ann Arbor
Ethnic Variety in Burial Practices at Nippur (30 min)

Trevor Thompson, University of Chicago
The Ever–Present Greek Past (30 min)

Mark Hamilton, Abilene Christian University, Respondent (7 min)

Pamela Barmash, Washington University, Respondent (8 min)

Discussion (11 min)

S19-218

SBL Gospel of Luke Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - The Fens (Fifth Level)

Theme: **Reading Luke with Cultural Intertexts**

Mark Matson, Milligan College, Presiding

Michael Kochenash, Claremont School of Theology
The Perplexing Designation of Adam as God's Offspring (Luke 3:38) (30 min)

Tucker S. Ferda, Pittsburgh Theological Seminary
Who has Authority over the Kingdoms of the World?: The Temptation Narrative and Daniel in Luke's Gospel (30 min)

Elizabeth Schrader, Boston University
Is Luke 7's "Sinful Woman" a Response to Mark 14, John 12, and John 20? (30 min)

Torsten Jantsch, Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München
Metanoia in Luke-Acts: Recent Approaches and Fresh Insights (30 min)

Kindalee Pfremmer De Long, Pepperdine University
Repentance and Turning in the Gospel of Luke (30 min)

S19-219

SBL Greek Bible Section / International Organization for Septuagint and Cognate Studies Affiliate

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - Northeastern (Third Level)

Theme: **Lexicography of Biblical Greek**

Dirk Büchner, Trinity Western University, Presiding

Eberhard Bons, Université de Strasbourg and Daniela Scialabba, Université de Strasbourg
The First Volume of the "Historical and Theological Lexicon of the Septuagint" (60 min)

Antonella Bellantuono, University of Strasbourg
The concept of epieikeia: a divine and royal attribute (30 min)

Dale Parker, University of California–Los Angeles
Semantic Development of Hypsos in the Septuagint (30 min)

Discussion (30 min)

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S19-220

SBL Healthcare and Disability in the Ancient World Section

1:00 PM–2:30 PM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - St. Botolph (Second Level)

Theme: **Research Collaboration: Dissertation Prospectus Round Table Discussion**

Presentations will happen concurrently.

Julia Lillis, Duke University, Presiding

Candida Moss, University of Birmingham, Presiding

David A. Schones, Southern Methodist University
Toward a Hermeneutic of Reproduction: 1 Samuel 1:1–2:10 from a Disability Social Scientific Perspective (15 min)

Laurel Taylor, Eden Theological Seminary, Respondent (15 min)

Tara Baldrick-Morrone, Florida State University
The Conception of the Past: Twentieth-Century American Reimaginings of Abortion in Antiquity (15 min)

Bernadette Brooten, Brandeis University, Respondent (15 min)

S19-221

SBL Hebrew Bible, History, and Archaeology Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Olmsted (Fifth Level)

Jessie DeGrado, University of Chicago
Kidnapping the Gods: Assyria and the Idols in Isaiah 10:5–11 (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Joshua Jones, University of Texas at Austin
Success, Compromise, or Failure: What Obscures the Assessment of Sennacherib's Western Campaign (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Christian Frevel, Ruhr-University Bochum
Ben Hadad I and his alleged campaign to the North in 1 Kings 15:17–20 (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Alexander Coe Stewart, McMaster Divinity College
Counting Casualties: Judah's Population Before and After the Neo-Babylonian Empire (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Yigal Levin, Bar-Ilan University
"We were like Dreamers": Persian-Period Jerusalem in Vision and in Reality (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

S19-222

SBL Hebrews Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Beacon H (Third Level)

Theme: **Current Issues in Hebrews**

David Moffitt, University of St. Andrews, Presiding

Brad Bitner, Oak Hill College
Dexiosis and the Son in Hebrews 1:3–4: Divine Kingship in Light of Epigraphical and Sculptural Evidence (30 min)

Shawn J. Wilhite, California Baptist University
"To Which of the Angels Did God Ever Say?": Filial Language and the Angelic Polemic in Hebrews 1–2 (30 min)

Eyal Regev, Bar-Ilan University
Hebrews' Priestly Christology and the Understanding of the Death of Jesus: Taking the Temple Cult Seriously (30 min)

J. Harrison Duff, University of St. Andrews
A Sacrifice for His Own Sins? Heb 4:15 and 7:27 in the Sixteenth Century and Beyond (30 min)

Paul Middleton, University of Chester
'It is for discipline that you have to endure' (Hebrews 12.7a): Persecution as divine chastisement in Hebrews (30 min)

S19-223

SBL Hellenistic Judaism Section

1:00 PM–3:45 PM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 203 (Second Level)

Theme: **Current Issues in the Study of Hellenistic Judaism**

Sandra Gambetti, College of Staten Island (CUNY), Presiding

Anthony Meyer, University of Michigan-Ann Arbor
The Use of Kyrios in Early Judaism: A Discussion of the Extant Evidence (25 min)

Marieke Dhont, St. John's College, University of Manitoba
The Appreciation of Jewish Literature from the Hellenistic Era: The Case of Eupolemus (25 min)

Torleif Elgvin, NLA University College, Oslo
Canticles as a Text from the Cosmopolitan City of Hasmonean Jerusalem (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

J. Ross Wagner, Duke University
The Law and the Prophet: Nomos and Jewish Identity in LXX Isaiah (25 min)

Michael Satlow, Brown University
Josephus and Scripture (25 min)

Katell Berthelot, CNRS (National Center for Scientific Research)
Adoption as a conceptual tool to think about conversion: A study in Philo, Paul and rabbinic literature (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)



S19-224a

SBL History and Literature of Early Rabbinic Judaism Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - Clarendon (Third Level)

Theme: **Beyond Law: Rethinking the Study of Rabbinic Texts as Legal Literature**

Beth Berkowitz, Barnard College, Presiding

Rachel Neis, University of Michigan

Before the Law: On Categories and Their Consequences (20 min)

Chaya Halberstam, University of Western Ontario

Law Is Not Order (20 min)

Barry Wimpfheimer, Northwestern University

Is Halakha Jewish Law? The Implications of a Rubric (20 min)

Mira Balberg, Northwestern University

Ritualizing Law, Legalizing Ritual (20 min)

P19-225

Institute for Biblical Research

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 111 (Plaza Level)

Theme: **Research Group - Scripture in Global Context: Biblical Studies**

Theme: Research Group: Scripture in Global Context—Eschatology

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 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. The theme this year is Eschatology, with four papers on theology and another four on biblical studies. For information, contact Gene Green (gene.green@wheaton.edu), K. K. Yeo (kkyeo@garrett.edu), or invited collaborator, Stephen T. Pardue (stephen.pardue@my.wheaton.edu); Asia Graduate School of Theology, Manila). See the Institute of Biblical Research website: <http://www.ibr-bbr.org/> (click on Research Groups).

Draft of the papers may be found here on Nov 1: <https://www.ibr-bbr.org/scripture-global-context-0>

Gene Green, Wheaton College (Illinois), Presiding

K. K. Yeo, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary, Presiding

K. K. Yeo, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary, Introduction (10 min)

Shirley S. Ho, China Evangelical Seminary

Chinese and Jews: A Chinese Reading of the Eschatological Restoration of Israel (25 min)

Nelson Morales, Central American Theological Seminary (SETECA)

Latin American Biblical Reflections on Eschatology (25 min)

Terry LeBlanc, NAIITS: An Indigenous Learning Community

First Nations Biblical Reflections on Eschatology (25 min)

John David Ekem, Trinity Theological Seminary, Legon, Accra, Ghana

Interpreting Apocalyptic Texts from an African Perspective: Revelation 21:1–4 (25 min)

Break (10 min)

Discussion (30 min)

S19-226

SBL Israelite Prophetic Literature Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - Falmouth (Fourth Level)

Rannfrid Thelle, Wichita State University, Presiding

Samuel Hildebrandt, Briarcrest Seminary/University of Saskatchewan

Quoting God against God: Jeremiah's YHWH-Quotations in Jer 4.10 and 32.25 (30 min)

William L. Kelly, University of Edinburgh

Prophets and Priests in the Book of Jeremiah: A Reassessment (30 min)

Kurt Backlund, Hebrew Union College - Jewish Institute of Religion

New Light on The Son of the Dawn: Isaiah's Subversion of Babylonian Myth (30 min)

Samuel Boyd, University of Colorado, Boulder

Is There a Remnant of Israel in the Book of Amos? Amos 3:12 as a Test-Case and a Connection to Hos 5:14 (30 min)

Discussion (30 min)

S19-227

SBL Israelite Religion in Its West Asian Environment Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Back Bay C (Second Level)

Theme: **Reconstructing Religion: Archaeological, Philological and Socio-Historical Perspectives**

Simeon Chavel, University of Chicago, Presiding

Aren Maeir, Bar-Ilan University, Panelist (30 min)

Francesca Stavrakopoulou, University of Exeter, Panelist (30 min)

Jeffrey Stackert, University of Chicago, Panelist (30 min)

Steven Weitzman, University of Pennsylvania, Respondent (15 min)

Discussion (45 min)

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S19-228

SBL Jewish Christianity / Christian Judaism Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Beacon A (Third Level)

Theme: **Modern Jewish Approaches to Christian Origins and "Jewish-Christians"**

John Gager, Princeton University, Presiding (10 min)

Shaul Magid, Indiana University, Bloomington
Elijah Zvi Soloveitchik's Commentary on the Gospel of Matthew (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Annette Yoshiko Reed, New York University
"Jewish-Christian" Sects and Sources in the 1907 Jewish Encyclopedia and the Writings of Kauffman Kohler (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Emanuel Fiano, Fordham University
Judenchristentum between Judaism and Christianity in the Writings of Hans-Joachim Schoeps (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Marcie Lenk, Shalom Hartman Institute
Parted Ways Meet Again: Messianic Judaism as a Real or Imagined Identity? (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

S19-229

SBL Johannine Literature Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 207 (Second Level)

Theme: **Themes in Johannine Literature**

Susan Hylen, Emory University, Presiding

Adam Booth, Duke University
Long Lives the King: The Fourth Gospel's Responses to Greco-Roman Suspicions Concerning Kingship (30 min)

Gregory M. Barnhill, Baylor University
Imitable Abraham: John's Use of a Legendary Figure (30 min)

Jin Ki Hwang, Fuller Theological Seminary (Pasadena)
Jesus and the Demonic Powers in the Johannine Tradition (30 min)

Marianne Bjelland Kartzow, Universitetet i Oslo
Metaphor and Masculinity: Rethinking the "no longer slave" formulation in John 15:15 (30 min)

Jeff Jay, University of Chicago
Reclining in the Lap of Jesus: Another Look at John 13:23–25 and 21:20 in Light of Sympotic and Erotic Literature (30 min)

S19-230

SBL Linguistics and Biblical Hebrew Seminar

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Marriott Copley Place - Grand Ballroom EF (Fourth Level)

Theme: **Theoretical Approaches to Anaphors and Pronouns in Biblical Hebrew**

All papers will be read and discussed. Everyone is welcome.

Jacobus A. Naude, University of the Free State, Presiding

Vincent DeCaen, University of Toronto
Generalizing Asymmetric Coordination with Anaphoric Pronoun (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Matthew Anstey, Charles Sturt University
A Construction Grammar Account of Anaphora in Biblical Hebrew (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Lénart de Regt, United Bible Societies
Anaphoric Accessibility in Biblical Hebrew Narrative: Global and Local Participant Tracking across Clause Boundaries (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Tshokolo Johannes Makutoane, University of the Free State
The Contribution of Linguistic Typology for the Study of Biblical Hebrew in Africa: The Case of Pronouns in Sesotho (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Mary L. Conway, McMaster Divinity College
Narrative Appraisal as a Linguistic Approach to Evaluation in Text: The Case of Pronouns (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Elitzur Bar-Asher Siegal, Hebrew University of Jerusalem
Interrogatives as indefinite pronouns in Biblical Hebrew (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

S19-231

SBL Seminar / Mysticism, Esotericism, and Gnosticism in Antiquity Section / John's Apocalypse and Cultural Contexts Ancient and Modern Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Marriott Copley Place - Grand Ballroom D (Fourth Level)

Theme: **Ascent, Visionary Experience and Theology in Early Judaism and Christianity**

Steven J. Friesen, University of Texas at Austin, Presiding

Leslie Baynes, Missouri State University
Baby Snatchers: Child Abduction and Violence in Revelation 12:5 (20 min)

Rebecca Lesses, Ithaca College
Esterah and Lilith: Mythical Women and Ascent (20 min)

Natasha O'Hear, University of St. Andrews
Images of Ascent in the Book of Revelation (20 min)

Gudrun Nassauer, Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München
The Art of Ascension: Paul's Apostolic Self-Definition in 2 Cor 12:2–4 (20 min)



Jonathan A. Draper, University of KwaZulu-Natal
Prophets and Traces of the Ritual Practice of Mystical Visions in the Didache, the Shepherd of Hermas and the Letters of Ignatius (20 min)

Edith Humphrey, Pittsburgh Theological Seminary, Respondent (15 min)

Discussion (35 min)

P19-232

National Association of Professors of Hebrew

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 210 (Second Level)

Theme: **Shema in the Synoptic Gospels**

Peter Zaas, Siena College, Presiding (10 min)

Zev Garber, Los Angeles Valley College
Teaching the Shema (Torah and Testament): Text, Transmission, Tradition (25 min)

Timothy D. Finlay, Azusa Pacific University
The Shema, the Great Commandment, and Divine Simplicity Trinitarianism (25 min)

Lori Baron, Saint Louis University
The Shema in the Gospel of John (25 min)

Roberta Sabbath, University of Nevada, Las Vegas
The Many Forms of One: Iterations of the Shema in the Gospels and the Qur'an (25 min)

Peter Zaas, Siena College, Respondent (15 min)

Discussion (25 min)

S19-233

SBL Novum Testamentum Graecum: Editio Critica Maior Seminar / New Testament Textual Criticism Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 304 (Third Level)

Theme: **The 'Western' Text of Acts - A Challenge for Exegesis?**

Stephen Carlson, Australian Catholic University, Presiding (5 min)

Georg Gäbel, Westfälische Wilhelms-Universität Münster
The "Western Text" of Acts?! Reading Acts in Multiple Text Forms (25 min)

Jenny Read-Heimerdinger, Prifysgol Cymru, Y Drindod Dewi Sant - University of Wales, Trinity Saint David
Hearing the Prophetic Voice of Acts (25 min)

Michael Holmes, Bethel University (Minnesota)
The 'Western' Text of Acts: a Challenge for Historians (25 min)

Clare Rothschild, Lewis University
Status quaestionis: The Lukan Character of Bezan Vocabulary in Acts 15–17 (25 min)

Eldon Epp, Harvard Divinity School, Respondent (25 min)

Discussion (20 min)

S19-234

SBL Papyrology and Early Christian Backgrounds Section / Social History of Formative Christianity and Judaism Section

1:00 PM–3:45 PM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Berkeley (Third Level)

Theme: **Ancient Letters**

Malcolm Choat, Macquarie University, Presiding

Brian J. Wright, Ridley College, Melbourne
The Communal Reading of Letters in the First Century C.E. (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Peter M. Head, Wycliffe Hall, University of Oxford
Epistolary Secretarial Greetings in the Documentary Papyri and the Significance of Tertius in Romans 16.22 (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Break (5 min)

Shayna Sheinfeld, Centre College
"I Will Exact Punishment": Authoritarianism in the Bar Kokhba Letters (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Noah Bickart, Yale University
Epistles from the Mythic Past: Anxiety and Power in Talmudic Stories about Letter Writing (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

S19-236

SBL Philology in Hebrew Studies Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 209 (Second Level)

Theme: **Theoretical and Methodological Reflections**

David Lambert, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Presiding

Edward Greenstein, Bar-Ilan University
The Heart as an Organ of Speech in Biblical Hebrew (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Ingrid Lilly, Independent Scholar
Ruach-Illness in Job's Body?: A Report from Medical Anthropology and Humoral Theory in Light of Mesopotamian Medicine (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Charles Huff, University of Chicago
Cognitive Linguistics and H's Pedagogy of Shame (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Daniel Rodriguez, Universiteit van Stellenbosch - University of Stellenbosch
Gesenius' Rules: The Cycle of Lexical Semantics in Pre-Structuralist Philology and Cognitive Linguistics (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

James Nati, Yale University
Ontologies of Biblical Literature Between Scribalism and Criticism (20 min)

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Discussion (5 min)

Ethan Schwartz, Harvard University
What the Words Mean: Biblical Studies, Philology, and the Task of the Humanities (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

S19-237

SBL Q Section / Social Scientific Criticism of the New Testament Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Liberty A (Second Level)

Theme: **Demons and Spirit Possession in Q**

Sarah Rollens, Rhodes College, Presiding

Marco Frenschkowski, Universität Leipzig
Jesus as a Teacher of Demonological Lore according to Q (30 min)

Myrick C. Shinall, Jr., Vanderbilt University
The Kingdom of Satan in Q (30 min)

Christopher Mount, DePaul University
Possession Cults in Q and Mark (30 min)

Giovanni Bazzana, Harvard University
The Finger of God, or a Well-Swept House: Exorcistic Power and the Redactional Tendencies of Q (30 min)

Discussion (30 min)

S19-238

SBL Qumran Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 309 (Third Level)

Theme: **Discovering and Investigating Manuscript and scribal Features of the Dead Sea Scrolls**

Alison Schofield, University of Denver, Presiding

Oren Gutfeld, Hebrew University of Jerusalem and Randall Price, Liberty University
The Discovery of a New Dead Sea Scroll Cave at Qumran (30 min)

Ira Rabin, BAM Federal Institute of Materials Research and Testing
Material analysis: authentication or forgery detection? (30 min)

Arstein Justnes, Universitetet i Agder
Yet Another Fake? A Pre-2002 Dead Sea Scrolls-like manuscript (30 min)

Sarah Yardney, University of Chicago
Assessing Current Methods for Reconstructing Biblical Dead Sea Scrolls: A Quantitative Approach (30 min)

Eibert Tigchelaar, KU Leuven
A Critique of Frank Moore Cross' Typological Development of the Jewish Scripts (30 min)

S19-239/A19-232

SBL Reading, Theory, and the Bible Section / Asian and Asian-American Hermeneutics Seminar / Bible and Cultural Studies Section / Contextual Biblical Interpretation Section / Feminist Hermeneutics of the Bible Section / Gender, Sexuality, and the Bible Section / Ideological Criticism Section / LGBTI/Queer Hermeneutics Section / Minoritized Criticism and Biblical Interpretation Seminar / Postcolonial Studies and Biblical Studies Section / Rhetoric and the New Testament Section / Slavery, Resistance, and Freedom Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 311 (Third Level)

Theme: **Present and Future of Biblical Studies, II: Celebrating 25 Years of Brill's Journal, Biblical Interpretation**

This session is co-sponsored by the Bible in Racial, Ethnic, and Indigenous Communities unit (AAR) and Sacred Texts, Theory, and Theological Construction unit (AAR).

Lynn Huber, Elon University, Presiding

Roland Boer, Newcastle University Panelist (10 min)

Jacqueline Hidalgo, Williams College, Panelist (10 min)

Yii-Jan Lin, Yale Divinity School, Panelist (10 min)

Yvonne Sherwood, University of Kent at Canterbury, Panelist (10 min)

Jay Twomey, University of Cincinnati, Panelist (10 min)

Gerald West, University of KwaZulu-Natal, Panelist (10 min)

J. Cheryl Exum, University of Sheffield, Respondent (10 min)

Discussion (45 min)

S19-240

SBL Religious Competition in Late Antiquity Section / Bible, Myth, and Myth Theory Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Republic A (Second Level)

Theme: **Utopian Myth-Making and Social Formation**

Arthur Urbano, Providence College (Rhode Island), Presiding

Jonathan Kaplan, University of Texas at Austin
The Levitical Jubilee as an Eutopian Institution (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Madhavi Nevader, University of St. Andrews
Mountain Top Utopias: Political Utopianism in Deut 16:18–18:22 and Ezek 40–48 (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Christine Landau, University of Virginia
Early Palestinian Rabbinic and Egyptian Monastic Utopias (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Catherine Bonesho, University of Wisconsin-Madison
"Fell on Black Days": Mythification of the Roman Kalends in Y. Abodah Zarab 39c (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Jonathan Henry, Princeton University
What Kind of World is a World without Demons? (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)



S19-241

SBL Speech and Talk in the Ancient Mediterranean World Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - Boston University (Third Level)

Theme: **Marking Difference**

The Speech and Talk in the Ancient Mediterranean World program unit is sponsoring a session exploring speech and talk as marker of difference in texts from the ancient world. Various kinds of difference will be explored (e.g., gender, status, ethnicity, etc.), with special attention to the role of speech in characterizing those differences.

Olivia Stewart Lester, Oxford University, Presiding

Christopher Stroup, Boston College

Luke's code switch in Acts 21:37–22:5: Navigating Paul's multiple identities in the narrative and in the rhetoric (25 min)

Victoria Almansa-Villatoro, Brown University

When Your "Soul" Talks to You: Warning about an Imminent Danger and Giving an Admonition (25 min)

Tamar Kamionkowski, Reconstructionist Rabbinical College
A Sanctuary of Silence but a Community of Speech: Priestly Perspectives on Speech (25 min)

Wongi Park, Belmont University

'Look a Galilean!' Ethnic Interpellation in Matthew 26:69–75 (25 min)

Susanne Luther, Johannes Gutenberg-Universität Mainz
No one who is speaking by the Spirit of God says, "Jesus be cursed"... (25 min)

Discussion (25 min)

S19-241a/A19-203

SBL Student Lounge Roundtable

1:00 PM–2:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 303 (Third Level)

Theme: **Using Teaching Opportunities to Expand Your Skill Set**

Discussions of "teaching and professional development" often focus on how to improve your teaching. However, teaching opportunities can also be used to expand your skills for beyond the classroom. In an academic world where promising graduate students cannot count on landing professor positions, future teaching careers may not be in the cards for everyone, so we need to find creative ways to translate graduate teaching experience into other professional realms. In this workshop, we will discuss a variety of basic and innovative teaching techniques that can be used to develop transferable skills for the non-teaching aspects of your academic or alt-ac career. In addition to making yourself a more well-rounded teacher, learning to think in this way should also help you to be more maneuverable in the job market.

Kristy Slominski, University of Mississippi, Panelist

S19-242

SBL Textual Criticism of the Hebrew Bible Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - Brandeis (Third Level)

Theme: **Textual Criticism of the Texts and Their Versions**

Sidnie Crawford, University of Nebraska - Lincoln, Presiding

Gideon R. Kotzé, North-West University (South Africa)

Death in the Difficult Reading of MT Lamentations 1:20 (15 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Shlomo Wadler, University of Notre Dame

Qumran Pesher and Textual Criticism (15 min)

Discussion (5 min)

John Screnock, University of Oxford

Hebrew Variants (Pseudo and Real) in Old Greek Exodus 1 (15 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Ville Mäkipelto, Helsingin Yliopisto - Helsingfors Universitet

Does the Samaritan Book of Joshua Provide Evidence for the Textual History of Josh 24? (15 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Stefan Schorch, Martin-Luther-Universität Halle-Wittenberg

The Use of the Samaritan Arabic Translation in Textual Criticism of the Samaritan Pentateuch (15 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Robert R. Cargill, University of Iowa

Melki-Sedeq, King of Sodom: The Redaction of Sodom to Shalem in Gen. 14:18 (15 min)

Discussion (5 min)

S19-243

SBL The Historical Paul Consultation

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 103 (Plaza Level)

Theme: **Approaching Pauline Biography**

This consultation seeks to reinvigorate the study of the historical Paul by working to conceptualize him as a plausible human person, a social actor with comparanda both in the Roman world and in other societies. In this inaugural session, papers will address the theoretical and methodological questions involved.

Heidi Wendt, McGill University, Introduction (5 min)

Eve-Marie Becker, Aarhus Universitet

Studying Paul's Biography, Personality, Self: Historical, Literary and Hermeneutical Questions (25 min)

J. Albert Harrill, Ohio State University

Contesting the Traditional Life: The Use of Antibibliography in the Study of the Historical Paul (25 min)

Leif E. Vaage, University of Toronto

Where's Waldo? Finding Paul in the corpus paulinum (25 min)

Benjamin White, Clemson University

Practicing Paul: Outline for a New Approach to Pauline Biography (25 min)

Ryan Schellenberg, Methodist Theological School in Ohio,
Respondent (15 min)

Discussion (30 min)

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P19-244

The Qur'an and the Biblical Tradition (IQSA)

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - Provincetown (Fourth Level)

Cornelia Horn, Martin-Luther-Universität Halle-Wittenberg, Presiding

Rachel Dryden, University of Cambridge
Angels from Biblical History in the Qur'an (30 min)

Holger Zellentin, University of Nottingham
The Prohibition of Incest in the Qur'an in its Biblical and Late Antique Context (30 min)

Thomas Hoffmann, Københavns Universitet
The Doxological Mode of Religiosity in the Qur'an (or how not to repeat the errors of the Jews and Christians) (30 min)

Gabriel Said Reynolds, University of Notre Dame
Speaking Biblically: On the Qur'an's Use of Biblical Turns of Phrase (30 min)

Cornelia Horn, Martin-Luther-Universität Halle-Wittenberg
Oral and Written Transmissions at the Intersection of the Bible and the Qur'an (30 min)

S19-245

SBL Theological Perspectives on the Book of Ezekiel Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 105 (Plaza Level)

Theme: **Ecological Considerations in Ezekiel**

William Tooman, University of St. Andrews, Presiding

Ellen Davis, Duke University
Commerce without Morality: Ezekiel's Oracles against Tyre (30 min)

Robin McCall, College of William and Mary
People vs. Place: Divine Cosmic Space and the Elimination of the Sacred Center in Ezekiel (30 min)

Break (5 min)

Michael Lyons, Simpson University
Ezekiel: A Help or a Hindrance for Environmental Ethics? (30 min)

Stephen Cook, Virginia Theological Seminary, Respondent (25 min)

Discussion (30 min)

For advance copies of the papers, please email Madhavi Nevader: mn47@st-andrews.ac.uk.

S19-246

SBL Theology of the Hebrew Scriptures Section / National Association of Professors of Hebrew Affiliate

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - Exeter (Third Level)

Theme: **Biblical and Rabbinic Literature**

Hyun Chul Kim, Methodist Theological School in Ohio, Presiding

Jason Tron, Claremont School of Theology
Genesis 37: Joseph's Dreams (30 min)

Daniel C. Timmer, Faculté de Théologie Évangélique - Acadia University
Experiencing a Future Vision of YHWH in Light of the Past: The Divine Character in Exodus 34 and Anticipated Theophany in Nahum's Opening Hymn (30 min)

Beat Weber, University of Pretoria
Aspects of a Theology of the Book of Psalms (the Psalter) Considered (30 min)

Miriam-Simma Walfish, Harvard University
Torah for the Flesh (30 min)

Marvin A. Sweeney, Claremont School of Theology
Eschatological Perspective in the Heikhalot Rabbati (30 min)

S19-247

SBL Ugaritic Studies and Northwest Semitic Epigraphy Section

1:00 PM–3:00 PM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - Regis (Third Level)

Theme: **Aramaic and Hebrew Studies**

Eric Reymond, Yale Divinity School, Presiding

Kevin Scott, Baylor University
Time and the Locust Plagues in the Book of Joel and the Sefire Inscriptions (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Ryan Thomas, Independent scholar
Yahweh and El in Hebrew Personal Names: Identity or Difference? (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Jan Dušek, Charles University
'rst in the Stelae from Neirab: A New Interpretation (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Idan Dershowitz, Harvard University
Digits and Dates: A New Reading of the "Passover Papyrus" from Elephantine (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)



S19-248

SBL Warfare in Ancient Israel Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 110 (Plaza Level)

Theme: **Genocide and Mass Killing in Biblical and Related Texts and Contexts**

Saul Olyan, Brown University, Presiding (3 min)

T. M. Lemos, Huron University College, Western University
Mass Killing in Joshua and the War Scroll: A Comparison (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Timothy Longman, Boston University
The Ambivalence of the Sacred in Rwanda: Understanding Religious Involvement in Genocide (25 min)

Break (10 min)

Brandon R. Grafius, Ecumenical Theological Seminary
Battling Midian Twice: Israel's Warfare in Numbers 31 and Judges 6–8 (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Shawn Kelley, Daemen College
Siege Warfare, Jerusalem and Genocidal Violence (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

S19-249

SBL Wisdom and Apocalypticism Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 200 (Second Level)

Emma Wasserman, Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey, Presiding

Tyler Duckworth, Universität Wien
Diverging Responses to Empire: Ptolemaic Cosmos in the Prologues of 1 Enoch and Qoheleth (25 min)

Helen Cashell-Moran, Trinity College - Dublin
An Examination of the Portrayal of the Theme of Revelation in James and 4QInstruction (25 min)

Robert Jones, McMaster University
The Acquisition and Transmission of Wisdom in the Aramaic Dead Sea Scrolls and 1QH^a (25 min)

Break (5 min)

Hermut Loehr, Westfälische Wilhelms-Universität Münster
The Notion of Two Ages in Early Christian and Jewish Literature (First/Second Centuries CE) (25 min)

Jim Scott, Trinity Western University
Wisdom and Apocalypticism in Galatians (25 min)

Discussion (20 min)

S19-250

SBL Writings from the Ancient World Editorial Board

1:00 PM–3:00 PM

Marriott Copley Place - SBL Press Suite

S19-251

SBL Educational Resources and Review Committee

2:00 PM–4:00 PM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Kent (Third Level)

S19-251a/A19-236

SBL Student Lounge Roundtable

2:30 PM–4:00 PM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 303 (Third Level)

Theme: **Student-Centered Learning: A Practical Guide**

Many of us have heard about the wonders of “student-centered learning”: higher engagement, better critical thinking skills, student empowerment. But how exactly can we implement these methods in college and university Religious Studies classrooms? This Roundtable session will go over simple but effective strategies for both instructors and teaching assistants to create a student-centered learning environment. These strategies are derived from both the educational literature and personal experience in both capacities. Attendees will leave with concrete examples of how to implement student-centered learning in addition to a resource list to aid in additional investigation into student-centered learning activities and principles.

In order to see student-centered learning in practice, this session will leave time for a discussion and brainstorming session at the end to workshop some ideas and/or problems particular to instituting student-centered learning in the study of religion.

Gwendolyn Gillson, University of Iowa, Panelist

P19-251b

Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion

2:30 PM–4:00 PM

Hynes Conference Center (HCC) - 107 (Plaza Level)

Theme: **Seminary Teaching & Formation Online**

The session will explore what ATS has been learning about formation in online contexts through the Educational Models and Practices project, particularly through the peer-group phase; name important questions, challenges, and obstacles to student formation at a distance; and discuss with two co-leader/panelists specific aspects of student formation at a distance.

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

Debbie Gin, Association of Theological Schools, Presiding

Brooke Lester, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary, Panelist

Barbara Blodgett, Lexington Theological Seminary, Panelist

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P19-252/A19-267

African Association for the Study of Religions

3:00 PM–4:30 PM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - Vineyard (Fourth Level)

Theme: **Quakerism and Decolonization/Enculturation in Kenya and Rwanda**

This is a joint session with the Quaker Studies unit (AAR)

Eden Grace, Friends United Meeting, Presiding

Rosina Lepareyo, Samburu Friends Mission and Sammy Letoole
Quakerism and Decolonization/Enculturation in Samburu Female Circumcision

Benson Ombaha and Oscar Lugusa
Quakerism as a Resource for Social Cohesion in Kenya

Theoneste Sentabire, Earlham School of Religion
Quakerism as a Resource in the Wake of the Rwandan Genocide

Ann K. Riggs, Howard County General Hospital, Respondent



Coffee Break

Sunday, 3:30 PM

Complimentary coffee will be served in the back of Aisle 2100 and Aisle 2600 of the Exhibit Hall.

S19-301

SBL Animal Studies and the Bible Consultation

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - Tufts (Third Level)

Theme: **Charting the Depths: Interdisciplinary and Intersectional Soundings**

Arthur Walker-Jones, University of Winnipeg, Presiding

Lidar Sapir-Hen, Tel Aviv University, Presiding

Haskel J. Greenfield, University of Manitoba and Aren F. Maeir, Bar-Ilan University
Early Bronze Age ('Canaanite') Urban Provisioning—A Zooarchaeological Perspective on Animal Exploitation Strategies (30 min)

Ken Stone, Chicago Theological Seminary
Writing the Bible on the Bodies of Goats (30 min)

Phillip Michael Sherman, Maryville College
The Creation of the Animal in Genesis: On Not Being Made in the Image of God (30 min)

Michael Gilmour, Providence University College
Biblical Studies Meets the Humane Society: The Emergence of Animal Activist Exegesis (30 min)

Discussion (30 min)

S19-302

SBL Aramaic Studies Section / Assyriology and the Bible Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Beacon A (Third Level)

Theme: **Magic Texts Through the Ages: From Ancient Mesopotamia to Modern Iraq**

Michael Swartz, Ohio State University, Presiding

Tzvi Abusch, Brandeis University
Mesopotamian Magic and the Counteraction of Evil (30 min)

Ida Fröhlich, Pázmány Péter Katolikus Egyetem
4Q560 – an Aramaic Incantation (30 min)

David Calabro, Hill Museum and Manuscript Library
The Performative Turn: The Shaping of the Past in Syriac Magic Books (30 min)

JoAnn Scurlock, Elmhurst College
Demonic Ex-Wives: The Use of Ritual Divorce in Magical Rituals (30 min)

Discussion (30 min)

S19-303

SBL Archaeology of the Biblical World Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 207 (Second Level)

Eric Welch, University of Kansas - Lawrence, Presiding

Sabine Kleiman, Tel Aviv University
Systematic Abolishment or Honoring the Past? The End of Sanctuaries in Judah and Its Possible Interpretations (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Ido Koch, Tel Aviv University
Revisiting Early Philistia (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Chris McKinny, Bar-Ilan University
The Historical Geography of the Libnah District (Josh 15:42–44) (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Norma Franklin, University of Haifa
"Solomon's Stables" at Megiddo - When Were They Built and Why? (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Business Meeting (30 min)



S19-304

SBL Bible and Emotion Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - The Fens (Fifth Level)

Theme: **Fear and Grief in the NT, Emotional Control in 4 Maccabees, and Disgust in the HB**

Kathy Barrett Dawson, East Carolina University, Presiding

Alexander Stewart, Tyndale Theological Seminary (Amsterdam)
Healthy Fear? Evaluating Fear Appeals in the Apocalypse of John from within Its Historical-Rhetorical Context (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Sonya Shetty Cronin, Florida State University
Jesus Wept?: The Gospel of John's Utilization of Emotion as a Climax Leading to the Cross (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

David L. Palmer, Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary
The Experience and Control of the Emotions in Scripture according to 4 Maccabees (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Isaac M. Alderman, The Catholic University of America
Job's Loathsome Sores: The Impact of a Disgust Elicitor in Job 2:7–13 (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Elizabeth Arnold, Emory University
Pets, People, and Other Things Not To Eat: Disgust in 2 Samuel 11–12 (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

S19-305

SBL Bible and Practical Theology Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hilton Boston Back Bay - Belvidere A (Second Level)

Theme: **Bible and Pastoral Praxis**

Deborah Appler, Moravian College & Theological Seminary, Presiding

Esther G. Cen, McMaster Divinity College
Discipling as a Model of Teaching in the Chinese Church (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Johnny Ramirez-Johnson, Fuller Theological Seminary (Pasadena)
Are All Torah Sex Moral Laws A Priori? An Anthropological Proposal for Change (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Kimberly Wagner, Emory University
Mark's Resurrection Narrative (Mark 16:1–8) as a Model for Preaching in the Wake of Violent Trauma (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Naomi Graetz, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev
Trafficking and the Beautiful Captive Woman (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

S19-306

SBL Biblical Exegesis from Eastern Orthodox Perspectives Consultation

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - Provincetown (Fourth Level)

Theme: **"The Jews" in the Gospel of John**

Especially since the Holocaust, scholars have struggled with the negative depiction of "the Jews" as an often undifferentiated group characterized in negative terms in the Gospel of John. At the same time, they sought to understand the nuances of John's portrayal of the Jews and the various terms used to refer to Jews (e.g., "Israelite"). Orthodox tradition has often adopted the negative portrayal uncritically, such as in its Holy Friday liturgy. This session will offer papers that explore the effects of the Gospel of John on Orthodox tradition, but also papers that look in detail at how Orthodox interpreters negotiated the more subtle and nuanced aspects of John's portrayal of Jews. Other papers may investigate how a proper appreciation of the Jewish contexts of the Gospel of John should inform Orthodox theological interpretation.

Alexis Torrance, University of Notre Dame, Presiding

Michael G. Azar, University of Scranton
Eastern Orthodox Identity, Jews, and John's Gospel (25 min)

Matthew C. Briel, Assumption College
Patriarch Photios on John (25 min)

Break (5 min)

John Behr, Saint Vladimir's Orthodox Theological Seminary
John's Prologue as a Passover Hymn (25 min)

William M. Wright, Duquesne University
Nicodemus in Chrysostom's Homilies on John (25 min)

Leslie Baynes, Missouri State University, Respondent (20 min)

Discussion (20 min)

S19-307

SBL Biblical Law Section / Ancient Near Eastern Iconography and the Bible Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 105 (Plaza Level)

Theme: **The Divine Image and Its Prohibition: Textual and Artistic Considerations**

Brent Strawn, Emory University, Presiding

Nathaniel Levtow, University of Montana
The Image Ban and the Iconic Text (25 min)

Ryan Bonfiglio, Columbia Theological Seminary
The Search for Yahweh's Image: A Visual Culture Approach (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Break (5 min)

Simeon Chavel, University of Chicago
Divine Presence and Its Representation in the Elohistic and Priestly Histories (25 min)

Jill Middlemas, Universität Zürich
Prophetic Attitudes towards Divine Images and Aniconism in Deuteronomy (25 min)

Amy L. Balogh, University of Denver
The Paradox of Materiality in Mesopotamian Divine Images (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

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S19-308

SBL Book History and Biblical Literatures Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Berkeley (Third Level)

Theme: **Burned, Lost, Eaten: Suspicious Manuscripts in Christian Cultures**

Rebecca Wollenberg, University of Michigan–Ann Arbor, Presiding

Matthew D. C. Larsen, Yale University

Book Burning, Book Production, and the Making of Bookish Religions (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Timothy N. Mitchell, University of Birmingham

Exposing Textual Corruption: Community as a Stabilizing Aspect in the Circulation of the New Testament writings during the Greco-Roman Era (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Gregory Fewster, University of Toronto

3 Corinthians among the Pauline Textual Tradition: Ancient Manuscripts, Modern Publishing, and the Demands of Textual Materiality (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Jennie Grillo, Duke University

Out of print: the disappearing Daniel tradition in early modern Greek Bible books (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Eduard Iricinschi, Ruhr-Universität Bochum

Never Trust a Skinny Vegetarian? Manichaean Books as Junk Food in Augustine's Anti-Manichaean Writings (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

S19-309

SBL Cognitive Linguistics in Biblical Interpretation Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Beacon F (Third Level)

David Parris, Presiding

Karolien Vermeulen, University of Antwerp

Why the Ninevites Repent, the Lion no Longer Roars, and the Tower of Babel is Unfinished—On the Ironic Effect of Thirdspace Blending in the Hebrew Bible (30 min)

Discussion (5 min)

William A. Ross, University of Cambridge

Vision and Provision: Motivating the Unusual Case of ra'ah in Genesis 22 (30 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Elizabeth Currier, University of Wisconsin - Madison

Intersubjective networks of Persuasion and Meaning in Proverbs (30 min)

Discussion (5 min)

David M. Dalwood, Ambrose University

Blended Space and Prophetic Discourse in Luke 19:41–44: An Examination of the Relationship between Form Criticism and Conceptual Blending Theory (30 min)

Discussion (5 min)

S19-310

SBL Conversation with the SBL Council

4:00 PM–5:00 PM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - Suffolk (Third Level)

S19-311

SBL Early Jewish Christian Relations Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - Harvard (Third Level)

Theme: **Materializing Jewish-Christian Relations**

This session focuses on the intersections of materiality and Jewish-Christian relations.

Shira Lander, Southern Methodist University, Presiding

Eyal Regev, Bar-Ilan University, Bar-Ilan University

The Temple's Role in Luke-Acts: Perspectives from Ritual Studies (30 min)

Laura Robinson, Duke University

Ambivalent Wedding Imagery in Matthew's Gospel and the Matthean Community in the Wider Jewish World (30 min)

Kirstin Rose-Bean, Baylor University

Diaspora Synagogue Buildings and the First Urban Christians (30 min)

Victoria J. Ballmes, University of California-Santa Barbara

Art as Resistance: Apocalyptic Fervor and Messianic Hope in the Late Antique Synagogue (30 min)

Megan Nutzman, Old Dominion University

Contested Cures: Jews and Christians in Roman and Late Antique Palestine (30 min)

S19-312

SBL Egyptology and Ancient Israel Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 204 (Second Level)

Theme: **Ancient Egypt, Israel, and the Hebrew Bible**

John Huddleston, College of Charleston, Presiding

Federico Zangani, Brown University

The King as a Star: Postmortem Ascension to the Sky in Egypt and Mesopotamia (30 min)

William Luther Martin, Jr., Graduate, University of Texas School of Law

Hezekiah's Foreign Military Advisers from the Twenty-fifth Egyptian Dynasty: Why Were Kushites Being Flayed Alive by Sennacherib's Lieutenant Outside the Gates of Lachish in 701 BCE? (30 min)

Frank Ueberschaer, Martin-Luther-Universität Halle-Wittenberg
Egypt, Assyria, and the Wilderness: Hosea between Tradition and Presence (30 min)



Aren M. Wilson-Wright, Universität Zürich
Egypt as a Nexus of Cultural Contact: The Queen of Heaven and Bethel in the Book of Jeremiah (30 min)

Discussion (30 min)

S19-313

SBL Feminist Hermeneutics of the Bible Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Fairfax A (Third Level)

Theme: **Review of Susanne Scholz (ed.), *Feminist Interpretation of the Hebrew Bible in Retrospect* (3 volumes)**

This session reviews S. Scholz (ed.), *Feminist Interpretation of the Hebrew Bible in Retrospect* (3 vols.; Sheffield: Sheffield Phoenix, 2013–2016) in service to a larger discussion of the present state and future directions of the discipline of feminist hermeneutics.

Richard Weis, Lexington Theological Seminary, Presiding

Carol Dempsey, University of Portland, Panelist (20 min)

Wil Gafney, Brite Divinity School (TCU), Panelist (20 min)

Christl Maier, Philipps-Universität Marburg, Panelist (20 min)

Tyler Mayfield, Louisville Presbyterian Theological Seminary, Panelist (20 min)

Monica Melancthon, University of Divinity, Panelist (20 min)

Susanne Scholz, Southern Methodist University, Respondent (20 min)

Discussion (30 min)

S19-314

SBL Historical Jesus Section / Religious Experience in Antiquity Section / Mind, Society, and Religion in the Biblical World Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Republic A (Second Level)

Theme: **Jesus, Exorcism, and Spirit Possession**

Angela Kim Harkins, Boston College School of Theology and Ministry, Presiding (5 min)

Presentations

Colleen Shantz, St. Michael's College, University of Toronto
Diagnosing the Pathogen, Treating the Source: Spirit Possession as a Biocultural Phenomenon (25 min)

Pieter F. Craffert, University of South Africa
Spirit Possession In The Jesus Traditions: A Neuroanthropological Perspective On Spirit Possession (25 min)

Giovanni Bazzana, Harvard University
Jesus and Beelzebul. Possession and Exorcistic Subjectivity in light of Anthropological Research (25 min)

Daniel Frayer-Griggs, Duquesne University
Jesus, "Meaning Response," and the Return of the Unclean Spirit (25 min)

Break (5 min)

Panel discussion

Discussion (20 min)

General discussion

Discussion (20 min)

S19-315a

SBL History and Literature of Early Rabbinic Judaism Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - Arlington (Third Level)

Hayim Lapin, University of Maryland - College Park, Presiding

Michal Bar-Asher Siegal, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev
Minim Stories in the Babylonian Talmud and the Case of b. Yevamot 102b (25 min)

Ayelet Hoffmann Libson, Hebrew University of Jerusalem
The Legal and Political Functions of Rabbinic Liturgy (25 min)

Mira Beth Wasserman, Reconstructionist Rabbinical College
Narrative and the Noahide Laws in the Babylonian Talmud (25 min)

Business Meeting (45 min)

S19-316

SBL Homiletics and Biblical Studies Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 209 (Second Level)

This session includes papers on a variety of topics arising from the intersection of homiletics and biblical studies.

Charles Aaron, Presiding (5 min)

Dwayne Howell, Campbellsville University
My Legs Were Praying: The Hermeneutic of Abraham Joshua Heschel (20 min)

Ron Clark, Portland Seminary
Associating with the Humiliated: Paul's Hermeneutic of Transformation in Romans 12:1–16 (20 min)

Cristian G. Rata, Torch Trinity Graduate University
Martin Luther and the Book of Proverbs: What His Favorite Proverbs Tell Us About His Interpretation and Person (20 min)

Rebecca W. Poe Hays, Baylor University
Know Your Audience: Ezekiel's Sermons as a Window into the Exilic Search for Answers (20 min)

Carolyn Browning Helsel, Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary
Towards "Biblical" Preaching about Race and Racism (20 min)

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P19-317

Institute for Biblical Research

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 103 (Plaza Level)

Theme: **Scripture and Church Seminar**

The Scripture and Church Seminar focuses this year on The Kingdom of God and Everyday Liturgies. Discussions about the relationship between the Kingdom of God and the church - either as a civic institution or popular movement - often fail to address the holistic and comprehensive role of liturgy, or ritual. Theologians such as James K. A. Smith (Calvin College, Michigan) have helped to draw needed attention to the formative role of Christian praxis in every sphere of life. But further questions remain regarding how Scripture and the church might further whole-life Christian discipleship today.

Some of the many questions we hope to address are: How might Scripture proclaimed on Sunday shape Christian formation and behaviour Monday through Saturday? What are some “best practices” for celebrating the grace of God in all of life, not only through official sacraments of the church? How might Christians today reclaim the lost art of dialogue as a pathway towards Christian maturity and witness? Papers addressing practical theology methods, Old and New Testament, and specific practices will be given by a range of key scholars and practitioners. For further information contact the chair, Mike Wagenman, mwagenman@gmail.com or see <http://www.stgeorgesonline.com/centre/sacs/> or <https://www.ibr-bbr.org/> (Click on Research Groups). The SAHS/SADS/SACS dinner will take place at 7:30 PM, contact Gillian Fernie for details at gillian@stgeorgesonline.com.

Michael Wagenman, Western University, Presiding

Vince Bantu, Covenant Theological Seminary
Biblical Interpretation and Liturgical Performance in Global Christian Perspective (30 min)

Peter Leithart, Theopolis Institute
The Kingdom of God and Everyday Liturgies in the Old Testament (30 min)

Break (15 min)

Ruth Padilla-deBorst, Boston College
The Kingdom of God and Everyday Liturgies in the New Testament (30 min)

Dru Johnson, The King's College (New York)
Placebos, Elevator Buttons, and High Powered Lasers: How Ritual Ethics Enable Us to See the Kingdom of God (30 min)

Discussion (15 min)

P19-318

International Organization for Septuagint and Cognate Studies

4:00 PM–7:00 PM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Beacon B (Third Level)

Theme: **Transmission and Textual Criticism**

Leonard Greenspoon, Creighton University, Presiding

Michael P. Theophilus, Australian Catholic University
Recently Discovered Greek Papyri of the Psalter from Oxyrhynchus: Implications for Scribal Practice and Textual Transmission (30 min)

David J. Fuller, McMaster Divinity College
Unit Delimitation Devices in Sinaiticus and Vaticanus Habakkuk: Their Implications for Exegesis (30 min)

Daniel Olariu, Hebrew University of Jerusalem
The Quest for the Common Basis in the Greek Versions of Daniel (30 min)

Matt Harber, Duke University
"I Hate the Glory of the Lawless": Royal Glory and Jewish Humiliation in Greek Esther (30 min)

Timo Tekoniemi, Helsingin Yliopisto - University of Helsinki
Identifying kaige and proto-Lucianic readings in 2 Kings with the help of Old Latin manuscript La115 (30 min)

Felix Albrecht, Akademie der Wissenschaften zu Göttingen and Frank Feder, Georg-August-Universität Göttingen
Editing the Coptic Old Testament (30 min)

P19-319

International Syriac Language Project

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Dalton (Third Level)

Theme: **Insights from Research on the Antioch Bible**

The Antioch Bible is a new multi-volume diglot edition of the Peshitta Old and New Testaments with introduction, Syriac biblical text, facing English translation, and textual annotations.

Richard A. Taylor, Dallas Theological Seminary, Presiding

Mark R. Meyer, Capital Seminary and Graduate School
Peshitta Exodus: Insights from Translating the Mosul Text for the Antioch Bible Set by Gorgias Press (30 min)

James D. Moore, Brandeis University
Sacrificing Biases about Syriac Leviticus: Insights from the Translation of the Antioch Bible (30 min)

Edward M. Cook, Catholic University of America
Distributive Expressions in Peshitta Numbers (30 min)

Jerome A. Lund, Accordance Bible Software (retired)
New Readings of the Peshitta Text of Revelation (30 min)

Discussion (30 min)

S19-319a

SBL Intertextuality in the New Testament Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - New Hampshire (Fifth Level)

Alice Yafeh-Deigh, Azusa Pacific University, Presiding

Caroline Schleier Cutler, McMaster Divinity College
Finding Sophia: The Use of the Book of Wisdom in Hebrews 1:3 and Its Christological Implications (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Sarah Emanuel, Oberlin College
"I Am Throwing Her on a Bed": Porneia, Ancient Humor, and Revelation's Intertextual Jezebel (20 min)



Discussion (10 min)

Haley Goranson, Whitworth University
Clear, Cloaked or Contrived? Exploring the Thematic and Textual Relationship between the Greek Texts of Daniel and Paul's Letter to Philippi (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Jin Ki Hwang, Fuller Theological Seminary (Pasadena)
Jesus' Signs as Enacted Parables in the Gospel of John and Isaiah 6:10 (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Tobias Ålöw, University of Gothenburg
"Son of Abraham" as Royal Title in the Gospel of Matthew and Early Judaism (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

S19-320

SBL Inventing Christianity: Apostolic Fathers, Apologists, and Martyrs Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Clarendon (Third Level)

Theme: **Second-Century Reconstructions of the Past**

Stephanie Cobb, University of Richmond, Presiding

Matthew R. Crawford, Australian Catholic University
Forbidden Angelic Knowledge in 1 Enoch and Tatian the Assyrian (30 min)

J. Christopher Edwards, St. Francis College
The Polemical Function of Jesus in the Epistle of Barnabas (30 min)

Michael J. Kok, The King's University
The Patristic Reception of the "Elder John" (30 min)

Diane Lipsett, Salem College, Respondent (30 min)

Business Meeting (30 min)

S19-321

SBL Islands, Islanders, and Scriptures Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Marriott Copley Place - Grand Ballroom D (Fourth Level)

Theme: **Islands, Blessed and Cursed**

H.-G. Camilla Belfon, University of Denver, Presiding

Ma. Maricel S. Ibita, Ateneo de Manila University
The Great Flood in Gen 6–9 and Haiyan: Perspectives from Ecological Hermeneutics and Trauma and Disaster Theory (30 min)

Vaitusi Nofoaiga, Malua Theological College
Discipleship as Service to Land and Sea - A Samoan Reading of Matthew 14 (30 min)

Jolyon Pruszinski, Princeton Theological Seminary
Locating the Isle of the Blessed: Are Visions of Cyprus Preserved in the History of the Rechabites? (30 min)

S19-322

SBL Israelite Prophetic Literature Section / Prophetic Texts and Their Ancient Contexts Seminar / Writing/Reading Jeremiah Section / Theological Perspectives on the Book of Ezekiel Section / Formation of Isaiah Section / Book of the Twelve Prophets Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - St. Botolph (Second Level)

Theme: **Joint Session on Prophets: Old Texts. New Methods. New Questions**

An umbrella session for all SBL sections on prophetic studies to explore mutual concerns, individualized approaches, diverse methodologies, emerging resources and technologies that amplify prophetic studies. The theme, "Old Texts. New Methods. New Questions," will be explored through brief reflections and small group discussions about current challenges and opportunities in the study of prophetic texts. The theme invites different SBL units dedicated to the study of the prophets to explore new and emerging methodologies that characterize their work as well as the innovative questions that they face. The aim is to share the fruits of this thinking in a collaborative environment that can bring greater efficiencies and movement in our work. The session will be framed around an initial period of brief reflections on the theme from a representative of each SBL unit on prophets. These brief presentations will be followed by structured round table conversations/small group discussion. Generative questions based upon the plenary presentations will be framed to guide conversations around tables/small groups. The output from these conversations will be presented with the hope that they will contribute in some ways to shaping programming for subsequent years.

Steed Vernyl Davidson, McCormick Theological Seminary, Presiding (5 min)

Presentations

Esther Hamori, Union Theological Seminary in the City of New York, Panelist (9 min)

Todd Hibbard, University of Detroit Mercy, Panelist (9 min)

Amy Kalmanofsky, Jewish Theological Seminary of America, Panelist (9 min)

James Nogalski, Baylor University, Panelist (9 min)

Corrine Carvalho, University of Saint Thomas (Saint Paul, MN), Panelist (9 min)

Discussion (30 min)

Guided Roundtable Discussions

Discussion (25 min)

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S19-323

SBL Jesus Traditions, Gospels, and Negotiating the Roman Imperial World Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Back Bay A (Second Level)

Theme: **The Exercise of Power in the Gospels of Mark and John**

Eric Thurman, University of the South, Presiding

Brian W. Bunnell, University of Edinburgh

Confronting the Empire: Kingship Language as a Subversive Force in the Gospel of Mark (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Nathan Thiel, Carroll University

Divine Mourning and the Public Declaration of Jesus's Sonship in the Gospel of Mark (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Arthur M. Wright, Jr., Baptist Theological Seminary at Richmond
A Big, Big House(hold): John 14 in Roman Imperial Context (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

C. M. Blumhofer, Duke University

Subverting Glory: John's Use of Doxa as Antilanguage (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Andrew Benko, Brite Divinity School (TCU)

Messiah Capta: Jesus and the Ethne of Aphrodisias (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

S19-324

SBL Jewish Christianity / Christian Judaism Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - Exeter (Third Level)

Theme: **New Directions in Research on Jewish Christians and Christian Jews**

Jillian Stinchcomb, University of Pennsylvania, Presiding (10 min)

Paul M. Pasquesi, Marquette University

Enduring Enigmas: Cultus, Sacrifice, and Pilgrimage between the Two Judean Revolts, A Hypothetico-Deductive Proposal (20 min)

Benjamin M. De Vos, Universiteit Gent

Paganism and Jewish-Christian identity in the Pseudo-Clementines: An Analysis of the Disputes between Appion and Clement (20 min)

F. Stanley Jones, California State University - Long Beach

The Dispute with Appion in Recent Research (20 min)

John VanMaaren, McMaster University

Boundary Making and the Study of Jewish Christianity/Christian Judaism: Contributions from the Social Sciences (20 min)

Lily Vuong, Central Washington University, Respondent (10 min)

Discussion (25 min)

Break (5 min)

Business Meeting (20 min)

P19-326

Korean Biblical Colloquium

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 111 (Plaza Level)

John Ahn, Howard University, Presiding

Paul K.K. Cho, Wesley Theological Seminary

Interpreting Samson's Willing Death (30 min)

Daewoong Kim, Chongshin Theological Seminary

Nebuchadnezzar's Golden Statue and Nimrod's Babel Tower: Literary Allusions in Daniel 3 to Genesis 10–11 (30 min)

Sun Myung Lyu, Baekseok University

Wisdom as charisma and enlightenment – an innovative notion of wisdom found in 4Q 436 (Bareki Nafshi C) (30 min)

Hyun Ho Park, Graduate Theological Union

Unmasking the Injustice: Korean Candle Light Revolution and the Parable of the Ten Pounds (30 min)

Yoseob Song, Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago

The New Jerusalem and the Covenant Formula: The Strategy of Using the Old Testament in Revelation 21:3 (30 min)

S19-327

SBL Letters of James, Peter, and Jude Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Olmsted (Fifth Level)

Theme: **James: Exegesis and Reception History**

This session contains papers examining both the text and theology of the epistle of James as well as its history of reception.

Troy Martin, Saint Xavier University, Presiding

Jonathan Bernier, Saint Francis Xavier University

James and the New Perspective on the Ancient Synagogue (30 min)

Mark W. Elliott, University of St. Andrews

The condicio Jacobea and trusting in providence (30 min)

Mari Leesment, Wycliffe College, University of Toronto

Harmonizing Faith and Works: The Reception of James in Origen (30 min)

Christopher Mooney, University of Notre Dame

James 2:24 before the Reformation: An inquiry into the puzzling absence of a very controversial verse (30 min)

Discussion (30 min)

S19-328

SBL Linguistics and Biblical Hebrew Seminar

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 304 (Third Level)

Papers will be read and discussed. Everyone is welcome.

John Cook, Asbury Theological Seminary, Presiding

Adina Moshavi, Bar-Ilan University

Biblical Dialogue in the Light of Conversation Analysis: An Analysis of Responses to Yes-No Questions (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)



Yoo-ki Kim, Seoul Women's University
Responses to polar questions in Biblical Hebrew (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Phillip S. Marshall, Houston Baptist University
Pardon the Interruption: Interruptive Quotative Frames in Biblical Hebrew (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Richard W. Medina, Hebrew University of Jerusalem
On the Usage of YHDW, YHD, and BYHD in Biblical Hebrew and Qumran Hebrew (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Femke Siebesma-Mannens, Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam
HLK with Prepositional Phrases in the Dead Sea Scrolls and the Tanakh (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Ellen van Wolde, Radboud Universiteit Nijmegen
Niphal anew (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

S19-329

SBL Meals in the HB/OT and Its World Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Fairfax B (Third Level)

Theme: **Strange Foods or Just Weird Words? Food and Philology in the HB/OT**

Dorothea Erbele-Kuester, Johannes Gutenberg-Universität Mainz, Presiding

Abra Spiciarich, Tel Aviv University and Peter Altmann, Universität Zürich

Chickens, Partridges and the tor in Ancient Israel and the Hebrew Bible (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Kurtis Peters, University of British Columbia
Meals and Meanings: Applying Cognitive Methods to Biblical Food Terms (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Break (10 min)

Margaret Cohen, W. F. Albright Institute of Archaeological Research
Produce of the Fields and Trees of the Forest (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Jin H. Han, New York Theological Seminary
Low Life's Dear Diet (Job 30:3–4) (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Discussion (20 min)

S19-330

SBL Christian Apocrypha Section / Nag Hammadi and Gnosticism Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 313 (Third Level)

Theme: **Coptic Apocrypha at Nag Hammadi and Beyond**

Adeline Harrington, University of Texas at Austin, Presiding (1 min)

Sarah Parkhouse, University of Durham
Why write a Post-Resurrection Dialogue? (20 min)

Discussion (4 min)

Janet Timbie, Catholic University of America
Quoting the Prophet in the Epistle of the Apostles (20 min)

Discussion (4 min)

Alin Suciu, Göttingen Academy
"There are many matters which the gospels passed by": Apocryphal Texts in Coptic Monasticism (20 min)

Discussion (4 min)

Break (5 min)

Hugo Lundhaug, Universitetet i Oslo
Textual Fluidity and Exegetical Creativity in the Investiture of Michael the Archangel (20 min)

Discussion (4 min)

Lance Jenott, Princeton University
Charity, Rewards, and Punishments in The Investiture of the Archangel Gabriel (20 min)

Discussion (4 min)

Lloyd G. Abercrombie, University of Oslo
The Mysteries of John: The Content and Context of a Manuscript from Early Islamic Egypt (20 min)

Discussion (4 min)

S19-331

SBL Paul and Politics Seminar; Poverty in the Biblical World Section / Poverty in the Biblical World Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - Brandeis (Third Level)

Theme: **Paul and Class Analysis**

This session of Paul and Politics will focus on the historical and political underpinnings of class in Paul's writings and the communities to which they were written. The papers will explore the ways that Paul utilizes class rhetoric, the methods by which we might analyze and evaluate class conflict in and/or around early Christian communities, and the intersections of socio-economic class with gender, ethnicity, or legal status in these communities.

Michael Flexsenhar, Rhodes College, Presiding (5 min)

Cavan Concannon, University of Southern California
The Matter of Class: Assemblages, Networks, and the Shape of the Pauline Collectives (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Caroline Johnson Hodge, College of the Holy Cross
"Wife, Pray to the Lar": Wives, Slaves, and Worship in Roman Households (20 min)

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Discussion (5 min)

Alan Cadwallader, Charles Sturt University
Complicating Class in the Letter to Philemon (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Break (5 min)

Jennifer Quigley, Harvard University
Class-ifying the Gods: The Christ Commodity in Philippians 3 (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Diana Swancutt, Boston University School of Theology
"Class" and the Rhetoric of Adoption of Slaves as Sons in Romans (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Philip Esler, University of Gloucestershire, Respondent (15 min)

S19-331a

SBL Paul J. Achtemeier Award for New Testament Scholarship

4:00 PM–5:30 PM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Liberty C (Second Level)

We are pleased to announce that the 2017 Paul J. Achtemeier Award for New Testament Scholarship has been awarded to Courtney Friesen (Assistant Professor of Classics, University of Arizona) for his paper entitled, "Gluttony and Drunkenness as Jewish and Christian Virtues: From the Comic Heracles to the Christ of the Gospels." Courtney, a member of SBL since 2010, has been teaching at the University of Arizona in Tucson since 2015, prior to which he was an Instructor of Greek at the University of Oxford. He completed his PhD from the University of Minnesota in 2013. In 2015, he published a book with Mohr Siebeck entitled, *Reading Dionysus: Euripides' Bacchae and the Cultural Contestations of Greeks, Jews, Romans, and Christians*. He will deliver his paper at the SBL Annual Meeting in Boston, followed by panel responses and general discussion. 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: 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 2017 Achtemeier Award Committee consisted of Clare K. Rothschild (Lewis University), Laurence L. Welborn (Fordham University), and Kimberly Stratton (Carleton University).

Larry Welborn, Fordham University, Presiding

Courtney Friesen, University of Arizona
Gluttony and Drunkenness as Jewish and Christian Virtues: From the Comic Heracles to the Christ of the Gospels (30 min)

J. Albert Harrill, Ohio State University, Respondent (15 min)

Jennifer Knust, Boston University, Respondent (15 min)

S19-332

SBL Pauline Epistles Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 306 (Third Level)

Theme: **Paul, the Law, and Palestinian Judaism, Forty Years Later**

Paula Fredriksen, Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Presiding

Adele Reinhartz, Université d'Ottawa - University of Ottawa,
Panelist (25 min)

Neil Elliott, Fortress Press, Panelist (25 min)

Matthew Thiessen, McMaster University, Panelist (25 min)

Gregory Tatum, Ecole Biblique, Panelist (25 min)

S19-333

SBL Philo of Alexandria Seminar

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - Tremont (First Level)

Theme: **Panel Review of Maren Niehoff's *Philo of Alexandria: An Intellectual Biography* (Yale University Press)**

Ellen Birnbaum, Cambridge, Massachusetts, Presiding (5 min)

Erich Gruen, University of California-Berkeley, Panelist (15 min)

Gregory Sterling, Yale Divinity School, Panelist (15 min)

René Bloch, Universität Bern - Université de Berne, Panelist
(15 min)

Sarah Pearce, University of Southampton, Panelist (15 min)

Thomas Tobin, Loyola University of Chicago, Panelist (15 min)

Break (10 min)

Maren Niehoff, Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Respondent
(20 min)

Discussion (40 min)

S19-334

SBL Pseudepigrapha Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Arnold Arboretum (Fifth Level)

Martha Himmelfarb, Princeton University, Presiding

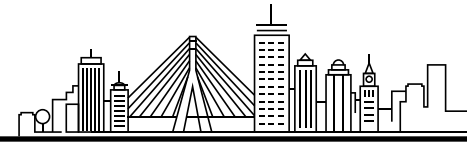
Jeremiah Coogan, University of Notre Dame
The Reception of Jubilees in a Fifth-Century Catena of Genesis
(25 min)

Caryn Tamber-Rosenau, University of Houston
"Girls Would Seize His Spoil": The Gendered Language in Pseudo-Philo's Jael and Sisera Retelling (25 min)

Seth Adcock, Ariel University, Israel
What of Devils and Demons? Explaining the Why and the How of the Epistle of Jeremiah's Composition from the MT and LXX Text Forms of Jer 10:1–16 (25 min)

Jonathan Klawans, Boston University
Identities Masked: Sagacity, Sophistry and Pseudepigraphy in Letter of Aristeas (25 min)

Timothy A. Gabrielson, Sterling College
The Fate of Nations: 4 Ezra, Romans, and the Corporate Nature of Adam's Sin (25 min)



S19-334a

SBL Reading, Theory, and the Bible Section

4:00 PM–6:00 PM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - Falmouth (Fourth Level)

Jennifer Koosed, Albright College, Presiding

Peter Sabo, University of Alberta

Food for Thought: The Question of the Animal in Gil Anidjar's Blood: A Critique of Christianity (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Zach Selby, Chicago Theological Seminary

In the Shadow of the Tower: Reading the Tower of Babel with Jean-Luc Nancy (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Dong Hyeon Jeong, Drew University

The Animal Masks of the Syrophoenician Woman and the Markan Jesus: Reading Mark 7:24–30 through a Postcolonial Animality Lens (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

George Aichele

Cybernetic Pentecost (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

S19-335

SBL Redescribing Early Christianity Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hilton Boston Back Bay - Belvidere B (Second Level)

Theme: **Pseudepigrapha, Deception, and Heresy**

Sarah Rollens, Rhodes College, Presiding

Mark Letteney, Princeton University

Authoritative Forgeries and Authentic Apocrypha in Late Antiquity (10 min)

Anna Cwikla, University of Toronto

The Coptic Apocalypse of Peter as a Pseudepigraphon (10 min)

Glen J. Fairén, University of Alberta

Lies and the Lying Liars Who Wrote Them: Taking Seriously the Heresological Invention of Marcion (10 min)

William Arnal, University of Regina, Respondent (20 min)

Break (15 min)

Discussion (85 min)

Papers will be pre-circulated in early November and only summarized during the session. To be put on the list of recipients, please email

William Arnal at william.arnal@uregina.ca.

S19-335a

SBL Senses and Culture in the Biblical World Section; Speech and Talk in the Ancient Mediterranean World Section / Speech and Talk in the Ancient Mediterranean World Section

4:00 PM–6:00 PM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - Falmouth (Fourth Level)

Theme: **The Sense of Speech**

This panel explores the relation of speech and sense as expressed in the HB, NT, and other texts in the biblical world, as well as in the reception history of these materials. What does it mean to think of speaking as a sense (like seeing, touching, smelling)? How are other senses implicated in speaking (hearing, tasting/eating, etc.)? What is the proper role of the mouth or tongue? What is the connection between disciplined speech and sensory disciplining? What is the role of sensory disability and the inability to speak? How do texts portray nonhuman things (e.g., idols) that have no senses but are believed to speak?

Barat Ellman, Fordham University, Presiding (5 min)

Joanna Greenlee Kline, Harvard University

The Sense of Speech in the Story of the Rape of Tamar (2 Samuel 13) (25 min)

Rebecca Raphael, Texas State University

Prophecy: Super-speech or Speech Impediment? (25 min)

Zachary Ugolnik, Columbia University in the City of New York
Talking Mirrors and Collective Senses in the Odes of Solomon (25 min)

Erin Galgay Walsh, Duke University

Emboldened Speech: Voices of Resistance in Syriac Poetry (25 min)

Michaela Durst, Universität Wien

Aisthesis and logos in Gregory of Nyssa, Homiliae in Canticum Cantorum 1; 9 (25 min)

Discussion (20 min)

S19-336

SBL Social History of Formative Christianity and Judaism Section / Religious World of Late Antiquity Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Liberty A (Second Level)

Theme: **Book Review: David Frankfurter, *Christianizing Egypt: Syncretism and Local Worlds* (Princeton University Press, 2017)**

Blake Leyerle, University of Notre Dame, Presiding (5 min)

Malcolm Choat, Macquarie University, Panelist (25 min)

Stephen Davis, Yale University, Panelist (25 min)

Robin Jensen, University of Notre Dame, Panelist (25 min)

Peter Gottschalk, Wesleyan University, Panelist (25 min)

David Frankfurter, Boston University, Respondent (25 min)

Discussion (20 min)

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19

S19-336a/A19-300

SBL Student Lounge Roundtable

4:00 PM–5:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 303 (Third Level)

Theme: **Researching, Managing, and Writing with Technology: A Hands-on Exploration of Online Tools**

Working primarily with paper and/or an office suite of applications such as Microsoft Word and Excel for your rigorous research projects have their obvious limitations and ensuing frustrations. However, online tools such as Zotero, Evernote, and Scrivener can ease the pain of this cumbersome process by digitally organizing and simplifying the tasks of taking and managing a zillion note, creating master mind-maps and efficient workflows, and writing systematically and flawlessly. This roundtable session will focus on the merits and challenges of researching, managing, and writing with the help of such online tools of bibliographical, archival-retrieval, and structural management. It provides a hands-on exploration of these tools to experience firsthand how they not only store and organize your research compiled in almost any form—stacks of books and journal articles, digital documents, handwritten notes, pictures, videos, audios, and the like—but also sync your research and writing across multiple devices, share them instantly with anyone, and most importantly, not lose them even if you lose your laptop!

Kalpesh Bhatt, University of Toronto, Panelist

S19-337

SBL Teaching Biblical Studies in an Undergraduate Liberal Arts Context Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Beacon H (Third Level)

Theme: **Biblical Studies and the Liberal Arts Mission**

Glenn Holland, Allegheny College, Presiding

Christopher M. Jones, Washburn University

Bring back the Trivium! Rhetoric and the “Trump syllabus” for biblical studies courses (30 min)

Eric A. Seibert, Messiah College

Why Bother with the Old Testament/Hebrew Bible? Persuading Students to Open the Bible by Helping Them to Enjoy Reading It (30 min)

Break (5 min)

Jocelyn McWhirter, Albion College

Thinking Critically about Gender and Biblical Interpretation (30 min)

Mike Whitenon, Baylor University

How to Dismantle Christian Nationalism, Or Teaching the Bible in a Trump Presidency (30 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Business Meeting (15 min)

S19-338

SBL Textual Criticism of the Hebrew Bible Section / Qumran Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 210 (Second Level)

Theme: **The Bible and the Dead Sea Scrolls after Seventy Years**

George Brooke, University of Manchester, Presiding (5 min)

Emanuel Tov, Hebrew University of Jerusalem

The Socio-religious Setting of the (proto-)Masoretic Text (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Eugene Ulrich, University of Notre Dame

The Sociology of Variant Literary Editions in the Late Second Temple Period (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Vered Noam, Tel Aviv University

Sectarian halakhah and rabbinic halakhah: novel observations from the perspective of 4QMMT (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Carol A. Newsom, Emory University

“The Days of Our Life are Seventy Years”—Seventy Years of Anthropology in the Dead Sea Scrolls (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

S19-338a

The Bible and American Public Life in the Time of Trump

4:00 PM–6:00 PM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - Maine (conference) (Fifth Level)

Constitutional lawyers, an expert in religion and education, and a biblical scholar discuss the intersection of politics, policy, and piety during the turbulent time of the Trump administration. Topics include competing perceptions of the Bible's role in public life among different segments of the electorate, appeals to the Bible in political rhetoric, policy proposals that reflect shifting lines of church and state, the intermingling of religion and public education, and potential courtroom showdowns of special interest to biblical scholars and other religionists.

Mark Chancey, Southern Methodist University, Presiding

Melissa Rogers, Brookings Institution, Panelist

Steven K. Green, Willamette University, Panelist

Michael Waggoner, University of Northern Iowa, Panelist



S19-339

SBL The Grant Application Process

4:00 PM–6:00 PM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - Regis (Third Level)

Theme: **Hosted by the Professional Development Committee**

This session provides guidance regarding how to identify external funding for research and teaching and how to craft successful proposals. The panel includes scholars who have successfully applied for grants, as well as an executive from a prominent funding agency.

Greg Carey, Lancaster Theological Seminary, Presiding
Edwin Aponte, Louisville Institute, Panelist (30 min)
Valerie Bridgeman, Methodist Theological School in Ohio, Panelist (30 min)
Caroline T. Schroeder, University of the Pacific, Panelist (30 min)
Robert Seesengood, Albright College, Panelist (30 min)

S19-340

SBL Theological Interpretation of Scripture Seminar

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Riverway (Fifth Level)

Theme: **Paul and Justification: Reading Galatians 500 Years Later**

Richard Hays, Duke University, Presiding
Stephen Chester, North Park Theological Seminary, Panelist (25 min)
Edith Humphrey, Pittsburgh Theological Seminary, Panelist (25 min)
Judith Stack, Augsburg College, Panelist (25 min)
Thomas Stegman, Boston College, Panelist (25 min)
Peter Leithart, Respondent (25 min)

S19-341

SBL Theology of the Hebrew Scriptures Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - Clarendon (Third Level)

Theme: **Theological Interpretation of Visionary and Theophanic Texts in the Hebrew Bible**

Soo Kim, Shepherd University, Presiding
Shelley Birdsong, North Central College
The Women Who Saw God (30 min)
Nathan Chambers, University of Durham
Reading Joshua with Augustine and Sommer: Two Frameworks for Interpreting Theophany Narratives (30 min)
Tim Meadowcroft, Laidlaw College, Auckland
Daniel as Visionary Participant (30 min)
Bogdan G. Bucur, Duquesne University
The Christophanic Exegesis of Isaiah 6 and Daniel 3: Condescension, Anticipation, Reciprocal Ecstasies (30 min)

Discussion (5 min)

S19-342

SBL Ugaritic Studies and Northwest Semitic Epigraphy Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 203 (Second Level)

Theme: **The Social and Political History of Ugarit**

Joseph Lam, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Presiding
Presentations

David Schloen, University of Chicago
Bronze Age Trade and the Kingdom of Ugarit (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Christine Thomas, Hebrew Union College - Jewish Institute of Religion
To the Queen, My Mother: Royal Women and their Sons at Ugarit (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Aaron Tugendhaft, University of Chicago
Politics in Poetry and Prose: Ilmilku, Tudhaliya, and the Problem of Legitimacy (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Dennis Pardee, University of Chicago, Robert Hawley, National Center for Scientific Research - France, and Carole Roche-Hawley, National Center for Scientific Research - France
Will the Real Niqmaddu Please Stand Up (RS 15.125) (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

General Discussion

Discussion (30 min)

S19-343

SBL Use, Influence, and Impact of the Bible Section

4:00 PM–6:15 PM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Beacon G (Third Level)

Theme: **The Bible and Politics**

Lesleigh Cushing, Colgate University, Presiding (4 min)

Chloe Blackshear, University of Chicago
How Many Concubines? The King David Report and 'History' Between the Seams (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Markus Zehnder, Evangelische Theologische Faculteit
Some Problems of the Use of the Hebrew Bible in the Migration Debate (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Jason von Ehrenkrook, University of Massachusetts Boston
Trump's Temple Tantrum: Money Changers in American Political Discourse (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Hannah M. Strømmen, University of Chichester
The Goliath Myth: Biblical Constructions of the Muslim Other in the Contemporary Far Right (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Discussion (11 min)

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19

S19-344

SBL When to Publish, What to Publish, and How SBL Committees

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 109 (Plaza Level)

Theme: **Hosted by the Student Advisory Board**

We all know that in academia we have to publish, but as graduate students this can be a confusing and overwhelming challenge. When should you publish? Should you wait until you are writing or finished the dissertation, or seek publications as early as possible? How many publications do you need before going on the job market? Do all publications count the same when applying for that first job, or seeking tenure? How do you turn your dissertation into a book, or a series of published articles? What should you expect when working with an academic press or from a journal review process? Our speakers will address these topics, and answer your questions and concerns. Ample time will be left after the panel for students and speakers to meet and mingle.

Jee Hei Park, Fordham University, Presiding

David Harris, University of Chicago, Presiding

Nicole Tilford, SBL Press, Panelist

Patrick Alexander, Pennsylvania State University, Panelist

Alice Mandell, University of Madison Wisconsin, Panelist

Mitzi Smith, Ashland Theological Seminary, Panelist

Dale Martin, Yale University, Panelist

S19-345

SBL Wisdom in Israelite and Cognate Traditions Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 309 (Third Level)

Theme: **Proverbs, and Echoes of ANE Literature in Jewish Wisdom texts**

Nili Samet, Bar-Ilan University, Presiding

Bernd U. Schipper, Humboldt University of Berlin
Wisdom for Beginners and for Teachers: The Prologue of the Book of Proverbs and the System of Seven Headings (25 min)

Will Kynes, Whitworth University
Reading Proverbs according to the Definition of Wisdom Narrated in 1 Kings 1–11 (25 min)

Arthur Keefer, University of Cambridge
Proverbs 21:1 and Ancient Near Eastern Hydrology (25 min)

Break (10 min)

Andrew Geist, University of Notre Dame
Ben Sira's Heavenly Treasury and the "Basket of Marduk" in the Dialogue of Pessimism (25 min)

J.L. Andruska, University of Cambridge
The Song of Songs as ANE 'Wisdom' Literature Concerning Love (25 min)

Discussion (15 min)

S19-346

SBL Writings from the Greco-Roman World Editorial Board

4:00 PM–5:30 PM

Marriott Copley Place - SBL Press Suite

S19-347

SBL Wiki, Women, and Bible Workshop and Happy Hour

5:30 PM–7:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 200 (Second Level)

Theme: **Hosted by the Committee on the Status of Women in the Profession, Student Advisory Board, and Vandenhoeck & Ruprecht publishers**

This workshop is a Wikipedia editing session focused on creating Wikipedia entries on female biblical scholars. Though some female biblical scholars are represented on Wikipedia, their entries are generally less numerous and less extensive than those of their male peers. Bring your laptop and join us in learning how to create and edit entries on your favorite female biblical scholars. A representative of the Wikimedia Foundation will be present to facilitate our work.

P19-348

Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion

6:30 PM–8:30 PM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - Simmons (Third Level)

Theme: **Dinner for New Teachers (Invitation Only Event)**

By invitation only - new teachers will join together for an elegant dinner and directed table conversations about the first years of teaching. For more information go to <http://bit.ly/2rZBD7C>.

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 20

S20-101

SBL Women Members Breakfast

7:00 AM–9:00 AM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 312 (Third Level)

S20-102

SBL Press Book Series Editors

7:30 AM–9:00 AM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 308 (Third Level)



S20-103

SBL African-American Biblical Hermeneutics Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton Boston Back Bay (HBB) - Maverick A (Second Level)

Theme: **Experimental Methods, New Meanings, and New Voices**

This is an open session that pushes the field beyond current methodological and interpretive boundaries.

Randy Renardo Goldson Temple University
The Apocalyptic Imagination in David Walker's Appeal (25 min)

Eric A. Thomas, Drew University
On the PULSE of Mo(u)rning: Reading Hebrews 11:29–12:2 Between Orlando and Charleston (25 min)

Joel B. Kemp, Boston College
To Fight the Good Fight: Martin Luther King Jr., Daniel, and Non-Violent "Racial" Identity (25 min)

Shelly Tilton, University of Chicago
Ethiopia Shall Stretch Out Her Hands: Antebellum Interpretations, Constructions, and Appropriations of African American Identity (25 min)

S20-104

SBL Ancient Fiction and Early Christian and Jewish Narrative Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Olmsted (Fifth Level)

Theme: **Joseph and Aseneth**

Eric Vanden Eykel, Ferrum College, Presiding

Jill Hicks-Keeton, University of Oklahoma
Historicizing Fiction: Is Joseph and Aseneth Jewish or Gentile? (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Angela Standhartinger, Philipps-Universität Marburg
You Are What and with Whom You Eat: Meals in Joseph and Aseneth and its literary context (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Eric Crégheur, Université d'Ottawa - University of Ottawa
The Coptic Version of the Sermon "In pulcherrimum Iosephum" attributed to Ephrem the Syrian (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Andrew Knight-Messenger, McMaster University
"Spare Your Brothers and Do Them No Harm": Aseneth's Merciful Response to Violence in Joseph and Aseneth (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

R. Gillian Glass, University of British Columbia
Aseneth's Fairy-Godfather (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

S20-105

SBL Ancient Israel and Its Literature Editorial Board

9:00 AM–10:00 AM

Marriott Copley Place - SBL Press Suite

S20-106

SBL Assyriology and the Bible Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Back Bay A (Second Level)

Theme: **Mimma Šumšu**

Alan Lenzi, University of the Pacific, Presiding

Bruce Wells, Saint Joseph's University
Adam as Temple Oblate: The Yahwist's Garden and the Eanna and Ebabbar Temples (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Andrew Giorgetti, Fuller Theological Seminary
Can Babylon Be in Assyria?: Genesis 11:9, Babel, and Dur-Šarrukin Revisited (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Jennifer Elizabeth Singletary, Wofford College
Esteemed Colleagues or Ignoramuses? Rivalry, Cooperation, and Collaboration Among Scholars and Religious Professionals in Neo-Assyrian Letters and Reports and the Hebrew Bible (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Jae-Hwan Kim, Harvard University
Marduk Ordeal, Procession Omen, and Second-Isaiah: An Instance of Shared Hermeneutics between Mesopotamian Literature and Isaiah xlvii 1–2 (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

David Bosworth, Catholic University of America
The Motif of Weeping in Hebrew and Akkadian Prayers (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

S20-107

SBL Bible and Visual Art Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 210 (Second Level)

Bobbi Dykema Strayer University, Presiding

Sally Norris, Independent Scholar
Visually-embodied Scripture as a Lens to the American Experience: Examples from Boston Libraries and Museums (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Heidi J. Hornik, Baylor University
St. Peter's Crisis of Faith at Harvard: The Scarsellino Picture and Matthew 14 (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Meredith Massar Munson, Graduate Theological Union
A Seat at the Table: Grant Wood's Dinner for Threshers (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 20

Il-Seung Chung, Asia LIFE University
Contextualizing the Life of Jesus through Korea's Monumental Artist: Interpretation of Unbo Kim Ki-Chang's Paintings in Comparison with Rembrandt's Passion Series (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Mette Bundvad, University of Copenhagen
What Has Bedford to Do with Jerusalem? Jimmy Cauty's "Aftermath Dislocation Principle" and Biblical Visions of Jerusalem (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

S20-108

SBL Bible, Myth, and Myth Theory Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton Boston Back Bay - Belvidere B (Second Level)

Austin Busch, SUNY Brockport, Presiding

Dominick Hernández, Moody Bible Institute
Mythopoetic Imagery Relating to the Firstborn of Death and the King of Terrors (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Suzie Park, Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary
Duplication, Imitation and Identity in Esther (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

René Bloch, Universität Bern - Université de Berne
Philo of Alexandria between Greek and Jewish Myth (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Olivia Stewart Lester, Yale University
Revelation's Combat Myth and Delphic Ambivalence (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Andrew R. Guffey, McCormick Theological Seminary
Tracking Myth Across Media: The Case of the Book of Revelation (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

S20-109

SBL Biblical Hebrew Poetry Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - Fairfield (Third Level)

Theme: **Lyric Poetry**

Sarah Zhang, GETS Theological Seminary, Presiding

J. Blake Couey, Gustavus Adolphus College and Elaine T. James, Saint Catherine University
What Kind of Poets Were the Prophets? Prophetic Poetry and Lyric (25 min)

Tod Linafelt, Georgetown University
"Paint it Black": Lyric Structure in Job 3 (25 min)

Meghan D. Musy, Southeastern University
Hearing the Voicing of Hebrew Lyric Poetry: Exploring Ps 46 with a Lyric Poetic Approach (25 min)

Leslie Cara Fuller, Southern Methodist University
Who Is This Rising Up From the Wilderness? Narrative and Descriptive Elements Used for Characterization in Song of Songs 3:1–11 and 5:2–6:3 (25 min)

Marvin Sweeney, Claremont School of Theology, Respondent (15 min)

Chip Dobbs-Allsopp, Princeton Theological Seminary, Respondent (15 min)

Discussion (20 min)

S20-110

SBL Book of the Twelve Prophets Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 311 (Third Level)

Theme: **Exile in the Book of the Twelve**

Jason Radine, Moravian College, Presiding

John Kessler, Tyndale University College and Seminary (Toronto)
Exile in the Book of the Twelve: Lexicographical, Ideological, and Literary Dimensions (30 min)

Ehud Ben Zvi, University of Alberta
Reading the Book of Hosea, Remembering Hosea and Thinking of Exile in Yehud (30 min)

Judith Gaertner, Universität Rostock
The Hope of Restitution in the Book of Micha and Zephaniah (30 min)

Michael Floyd, Independent Scholar
The Typology of Exile in Habakkuk (30 min)

Jakob Wöhrle, Carl von Ossietzky Universität Oldenburg
"Do not Be like Your Fathers!" (Zech 1:4): The Reflection of Exile in the Book of Zechariah (30 min)

S20-111

SBL Christian Apocrypha Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Constitution B (Second Level)

Theme: **Panel Review of New Testament Apocrypha: More Noncanonical Scriptures** (Eds. Tony Burke and Brent Landau; Eerdmans, 2016)

Lily Vuong, Central Washington University, Presiding

David Brakke, Ohio State University, Panelist (15 min)

Philip Jenkins, Baylor University, Panelist (15 min)

Valentina Calzolari Bouvier, University of Geneva, Panelist (15 min)

Julia Snyder, Universität Regensburg, Panelist (15 min)

Break (5 min)

J. Gregory Given, Harvard University, Panelist (15 min)

Judith Hartenstein, Universität Koblenz - Landau, Panelist (15 min)

Christoph Marksches, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin - Humboldt University of Berlin, Panelist (15 min)

Tony Burke, York University, Respondent (5 min)

Brent Landau, University of Texas at Austin, Panelist (5 min)

Discussion (25 min)

Business Meeting (5 min)



S20-112

SBL Contextual Biblical Interpretation Section / Bible and Cultural Studies Section / Islands, Islanders, and Scriptures Section / Asian and Asian-American Hermeneutics Seminar

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - St. Botolph (Second Level)

Theme: **Contextual Biblical Methodologies**

Papers will be summarized and discussed in seminar style. Papers will be available before the AM at a website to be determined.

Nicole Duran, Presiding

Daniel Patte, Vanderbilt University
The Contextual Character of Critical Exegesis (15 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Su-Chi Lin, Graduate Theological Union
Engaging Creation Myth: Toward a More Thorough Contextualization in Asia (15 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Sharon Jacob, Philips Theological Seminary
In the Name of the Nation! Jezebel, Indo-Western Women, and Sexual Assault: A Postcolonial, Feminist, and Contextual Interpretation of Revelation 2:20–25 (15 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Mauro Meruzzi, Adelaide College of Divinity - Flinders University
The Hermeneutic of the Rainbow Snake (15 min)

Discussion (10 min)

A. Paige Rawson, Drew University
The Rhizome and/as the Tree of Life: The Relational Poetics of Wisdom (15 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Fiona Black, Mount Allison University
Notes from Paradise: How to Do Contextual Biblical Studies from the Island Perspective (15 min)

Discussion (10 min)

S20-113

SBL David Noel Freedman Award for Excellence and Creativity in Hebrew Bible Scholarship

9:00 AM–10:30 AM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - Suffolk (Third Level)

We are pleased to announce that the 2017 David Noel Freedman Award for Excellence and Creativity in Hebrew Bible Scholarship has been awarded to Carly Crouch (Associate Professor of Hebrew Bible, University of Nottingham, UK) for her paper entitled, "Playing Favorites: Israel and Judah in the Marriage Metaphor of Jeremiah 3." Crouch is Associate Professor of Hebrew Bible at the University of Nottingham (UK) and author of *War and Ethics in the Ancient Near East* (de Gruyter, 2009), *The Making of Israel* (Brill, 2014), *Israel and the Assyrians* (SBL Press, 2014), and *An Introduction to the Study of Jeremiah* (Bloomsbury, 2017). She is writing a monograph on Israelite and Judahite identities on the cusp of and in the aftermath of the Babylonian destruction of Jerusalem in 586 BCE, as well as an introduction to Isaiah for T&T Clark's Study Guides to the Old Testament. She will deliver her paper at the SBL Annual Meeting in Boston, followed by panel responses and general discussion.

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 2005. 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 2017 award committee is comprised of Cynthia Chapman (Oberlin College), Gale Yee (Episcopal Divinity School), and Alison Schofield (University of Denver).

Alison Schofield, University of Denver, Presiding

C.L. Crouch, University of Nottingham
Playing Favorites: Israel and Judah in the Marriage Metaphor of Jeremiah 3 (30 min)

Amy Erickson, Iliff School of Theology, Respondent (15 min)

Angela Bauer-Levesque, Episcopal Divinity School, Respondent (15 min)

S20-114

SBL Deuterocanonical and Cognate Literature Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - Tremont (First Level)

Theme: **The Reception of the Torah in Deuterocanonical Literature 1**

Barbara Schmitz, Julius-Maximilians-Universität Würzburg, Presiding

Jan Willem van Henten, Universiteit van Amsterdam
Massah and Mariah Re-Interpreted (30 min)

Beate Ego, Ruhr-Universität Bochum
The Torah in the Diaspora — The LXX Esther and Tobit Stories as Test-cases (30 min)

Joseph Weak, Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)
Fearing the Lord God, with Your Whole Heart and Soul, No Less — The Reception of Deuteronomistic Torah Tropes in Tobit (30 min)

Natia Dundua, Goethe University Frankfurt am Main
The Features of LXXIII Tobit according to the Old Georgian Version (30 min)

Angela Kim Harkins, Boston College School of Theology and Ministry
Emotion and Law in the Book of Baruch (30 min)

S20-115

SBL Development of Early Christian Theology Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Liberty A (Second Level)

Theme: **Monogenes in Early and Late-Antique Christian Theology**

Not only were the meaning and referent of the Johannine term *Monogenes* contested in early and late-antique Christianity theology, but the term also functioned variously in different Christological, soteriological, and Trinitarian logics and argumentative contexts. The papers in this session examine the early and late-antique Christian debate over *Monogenes* and especially how it was specifically deployed in theological argumentation.

Mark DelCogliano, University of Saint Thomas (Saint Paul, MN), Presiding

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Adam Ployd, Eden Theological Seminary
"As the Catholic Faith Believes": Augustine's Anti-Manichean Use of a Pro-Nicene Unigenitus (25 min)

Han-luen Kantzer Komline, Western Theological Seminary,
 Respondent (15 min)

Discussion (20 min)

Break (10 min)

Seumas Macdonald, Macquarie University
The theological weight of monogenes in pro-Nicene trinitarianism (25 min)

Taylor Ross, Duke University, Respondent (15 min)

Discussion (20 min)

S20-116

SBL Digital Humanities and Biblical Studies SBL Committees

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Dalton (Third Level)

Theme: **Hosted by the Student Advisory Board**

Have you wondered what digital humanities is or how to get started implementing digital tools in your research? In this panel, our speakers will discuss the emergence of digital humanities and the role it is playing in their scholarship. Further, our speakers will offer advice on how to begin learning skills needed to incorporate a digital methodology in your research. Following the session, students will have a chance to meet with the scholars during a brief snack and coffee break.

Bradley Erickson, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Presiding

Claire Clivaz, Swiss Institute of Bioinformatics, Panelist

Paul Dilley, University of Iowa, Panelist

Paul Flesher, University of Wyoming, Panelist

Other (20 min)

Coffee/Snacks and Discussion

S20-117/A20-110

SBL Ecological Hermeneutics Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 208 (Second Level)

Theme: **Planetary Solidarity: Global Women's Voices on Christian Doctrine and Climate Justice**

This session is co-sponsored by the Christian Spirituality unit (AAR)

This book panel brings together womanist, mujerista, Asian and feminist theologians and biblical scholars to discuss the intersection of Christian Doctrine, gender and climate justice. It is in part a response to Pope Francis' encyclical "Laudato Si" and its silence on gender and women. The panel builds on and coincides with the release of the volume "Planetary Solidarity: Global Women's Voices on Christian Doctrine and Climate Justice" (Fortress Press, 2017, eds Grace Ji-Sun Kim and Hilda Koster.)

Grace Ji-Sun Kim, Earlham School of Religion, Presiding (5 min)

Heather Eaton, Saint Paul University, Ottawa, Canada
Imagining an Earth Centric Theological Framing for Planetary Solidarity (15 min)

Wanda Deifelt, Luther College, Decorah, Iowa
*And G*D saw that it was good—Imago Dei and its Challenge to Climate Justice (15 min)*

Jea Sophia Oh, West Chester University of Pennsylvania
Seeds, Cross, and a Paradox of Life from Death: A Postcolonial Eco-Theology (15 min)

Melanie Harris, Texas Christian University, Dallas Texas
Eco-Womanist Wisdom: Encountering Earth and the Spirit (15 min)

Hilda P. Koster, Concordia College, Moorhead, Minnesota
Trafficked Lands: Sex Trafficking, Oil, and Ecological Evil in the Dakotas (15 min)

Barbara Rossing, Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago
Reimagining Eschatology towards Healing and Hope, for a World at the Eschatos (15 min)

Elisabeth Schüssler Fiorenza, Harvard University, Respondent (15 min)

Karenn Gore, Center for Earth Ethics, Union Theological Seminary, Respondent (15 min)

Discussion (20 min)

S20-118

SBL From Colleague to Leader: Transitions in the Life of an Academic

9:00 AM–11:00 AM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - Dartmouth (Third Level)

Theme: **Hosted by the Professional Development Committee**

Graduate school prepares scholars for many realities of professional life, but there is seldom any training for the transition from being a member of the faculty to a position of leadership. This change in situation can bring with it suddenly awkward collegial relationships, criticism from former peers, complicated political dynamics, etc. The members of this panel will address their own experiences moving into administration in an institutional setting or in the context of academic publishing.

David Eastman, Ohio Wesleyan University, Presiding

Emilie Townes, Yale University, Panelist

Alvin Padilla, Western Theological Seminary, Panelist

Gail O'Day, Wake Forest Divinity School, Panelist

Stephen Shoemaker, Journal of Early Christian Studies, Panelist

S20-119

SBL Genesis Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Beacon H (Third Level)

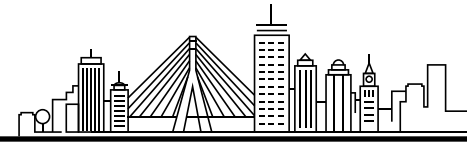
Bill T. Arnold, Asbury Theological Seminary, Presiding

Joshua Berman, Bar-Ilan University

The Account of Re-Creation in Gen 8–9: A Challenge to the Source-Critical Paradigm (25 min)

Sonya Shetty Cronin, Florida State University

Who's the "Barren" One? – A Reevaluation of Sarai's Motivations in Genesis 16 (25 min)



Eric Trink, The Catholic University of America
Images at Rest: A Comparative Exploration of the Israelite Sabbath in Genesis 1–2 and the Neo-Babylonian Akitu Festival (25 min)

Matthieu Pellet, Université de Lausanne
The Meaning of gibborim in Genesis 6:1–4: Biblical, Near Eastern and Greek Context (25 min)

Samuel Boyd, University of Colorado, Boulder
Revisiting Royal Rhetoric and Fractured Politics in Sargon II's Dūr-Sharrukīn Cylinder Inscription and Gen 11 (25 min)

S20-120

SBL Gospel of Luke Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 204 (Second Level)

Theme: **Violence and Eschatology in Luke's Gospel**

Michal Beth Dinkler, Yale Divinity School, Presiding

Margaret Froelich, Claremont School of Theology and Thomas E. Phillips, Claremont School of Theology
"Throw the Blasphemer off a Cliff": Luke 4:16–30 in Light of The Life of Aesop (30 min)

Justin David Strong, University of Notre Dame
"Did You Hear the One about the Widow Who Hit a Judge?" The Parable in Luke 18:2–5 (30 min)

Wolfgang Gruenstaedl, Bergische Universität Wuppertal
Swords and S(c)andals: A Fresh Reading of Luke 22:35–38 (30 min)

David Neville, Charles Sturt University
Like Lightning? Revisiting Luke 17:22–37 in Light of Recent Reinterpretations (30 min)

Kylie Crabbe, University of Oxford
Delayed Parousia, Then and Now: The Ongoing Influence of Post-War Concerns About Luke (30 min)

S20-121

SBL Healthcare and Disability in the Ancient World Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 103 (Plaza Level)

Andrew Crislip, Virginia Commonwealth University, Presiding

Matthew D. Niemi, Indiana University (Bloomington)
Touching the Tsinor: New Images of David as Merciful Shofet (25 min)

Ilona Rashkow, Stony Brook University
"I Am the Lord Who Heals You": Health and Healing in Ancient Israel (25 min)

Ken Holder, Brite Divinity
The Surrogate Victim as Evidenced in Diseased Persons in the New Testament (25 min)

Andrew M. Langford, University of Chicago
The Curious Case of the Cauterized Conscience: Pathology and Polemic in 1 Timothy (25 min)

Charles J. Schmidt, Rice University
The Physiology of Salvation: The Use of Medical Theories in Simonian, Naassene, and Peratic Constructions of the Human Body (25 min)

S20-122

SBL Hebrew Bible, History, and Archaeology Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Beacon E (Third Level)

Lisa Cleath, Ägyptisches Museum zu Berlin, Presiding

Sarah E.G. Fein, Brandeis University
Speech and Sex, Safety and Security: Gendered Language in the House of the Father (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Jenna Stover-Kemp, University of California-Berkeley
The Passover in Exodus 12: Time, Space, and the Reformulation of Textualized Memory (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Zachary Thomas, Macquarie University
The Archaeology of Tenth Century Israel and the Idea of the 'State' (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Ben-Yosef, Erez, Tel Aviv University
The "Architectural Bias" in Current Biblical Archaeology (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Avraham Faust, Bar-Ilan University
The Land of the Philistines? Reevaluating the Settlement in the Periphery of Philistia (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

S20-123

SBL Hebrew Scriptures and Cognate Literature Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Public Garden (Fifth Level)

Daniel Fleming, New York University, Presiding

J.L. Andruska, University of Cambridge
The Song of Songs & the Blending of ANE Cognate Genres (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Michael J. Stahl, New York University
The Song of Deborah as Royal Composition? Reading Judges 5 in the Light of Iron IIB West Semitic Royal Inscriptions (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Micaël Bürki, Université de Lausanne
Pride of the enemy from Babel to Athens: comparative approach of a theme (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Collin Cornell, Emory University
Divine Aggressiveness in Royal Memorial Inscriptions and Royal Psalms (25 min)

Discussion (20 min)

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S20-124

SBL Hellenistic Judaism Section / Philo of Alexandria Seminar / Hellenistic Judaism Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 306 (Third Level)

Theme: **In Honor of Tessa Rajak**

Sarah Pearce, University of Southampton, Presiding (5 min)

Loveday Alexander, University of Chester, Panelist (15 min)

John Collins, Yale University, Panelist (15 min)

Martin Goodman, University of Oxford, Panelist (15 min)

Erich Gruen, University of California-Berkeley, Panelist (15 min)

Steve Mason, Rijksuniversiteit Groningen, Panelist (15 min)

Miriam Pucci Ben Zeev, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev, Panelist (15 min)

Break (5 min)

Tessa Rajak, University of Oxford, Respondent (25 min)

Discussion (25 min)

S20-125

SBL Jewish Interpretation of the Bible Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 201 (Second Level)

Theme: **Jews, Biblical Interpretation and the Arts**

Barry Walfish, University of Toronto, Presiding

Gary A. Phillips, Wabash College

Interpreting "Just Is" After Atrocity: Lady Justice, Lex Talionis, and the Image Work of Samuel Bak (25 min)

Adriane Leveen Hebrew Union College - Jewish Institute of Religion

The Afterlife of Job in the Film "A Serious Man" by the Coen Brothers (30 min)

Ori Z. Soltes, Georgetown University

Re-Visioning the Revelation: American Jewish Women Artists Engaging the Bible (30 min)

Yael Feldman, New York University

Osher Akedah or Pabad Yitzhak? On the Christian-Art Origins of a Major Israeli Cultural Dialectic (25 min)

Business Meeting (30 min)

S20-126

SBL Jewish-Christian Dialogue and Sacred Texts Section

9:00 AM–12:00 PM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - Provincetown (Fourth Level)

Leonard Greenspoon, Creighton University, Presiding

André Villeneuve, St. John Vianney Theological Seminary

Israel's Eschatological Destiny in the Catholic Interpretation of the Prophets (30 min)

Stephen D. Black, Codrington College

The Merit of Abraham and the Christ Follower: The Purpose of Paul's Use of Abraham in Romans 4 (30 min)

Adam Gregerman, Saint Joseph's University (Philadelphia, PA)
Catholic Statements about the Status of the Biblical Promise of the Land of Israel within the "Unrevoked" Jewish Covenant (30 min)

Rebecca Esterson, Graduate Theological Union

What Do the Angels Say? Scripture, Identity, and the Ascents of Emanuel Swedenborg and Baal Shem Tov (30 min)

Michael T. Graham Jr., Southern Baptist Theological Seminary
To David? Paul's Use of Composite Quotations in Romans 3:10–18: Taking the Context into Account (30 min)

Andrew W. Higginbotham, Hebrew Union College - Jewish Institute of Religion

Jacob...or Jacobs?: Discerning the Judeo-Christian Interlocutor "Jacob Kfar ..." in Rabbinic Context (30 min)

S20-127

SBL Johannine Literature Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Back Bay D (Second Level)

Theme: **Anatomies of Johannine Rhetoric: Persuasive Aspects in John 10**

Alicia Myers, Campbell University Divinity School, Presiding (5 min)

Catrin Williams, Prifysgol Cymru, Y Drindod Dewi Sant - University of Wales, Trinity Saint David

Persuasion through Allusion: The Rhetorical Impact of Scriptural Evocations of 'Shepherd(s)' in John 10 (30 min)

Warren Carter, Brite Divinity School (TCU)

The Sheep are Bleating: An Imperial-Critical Reading of the Shepherds in John 10 (30 min)

Break (5 min)

George Parsenios, Princeton Theological Seminary

Tell Us Plainly: The Bold Speech of Jesus in John 10:24 (30 min)

Christopher Skinner, Loyola University of Chicago

The Good Shepherd paroimia and John's Implied Audience (30 min)

Discussion (20 min)

S20-128

SBL John's Apocalypse and Cultural Contexts Ancient and Modern Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 101 (Plaza Level)

Michelle Fletcher, University of Kent at Canterbury, Presiding

Ian Paul, University of Nottingham

Character discontinuity and interpretive method in reading John's apocalypse (25 min)

Carla Sulzbach, Independent scholar

A comparative taxonomy of Revelation's heavenly beings (25 min)

Ryan L. Hansen, Blakemore Church of the Nazarene

A Horse of a Different Color? Revelation and the Rhetoric of Color (25 min)

C. Thomas Fraatz, Boston College

Rome is Greater than Babylon: Neglected Allusions to Nineveh, Edom, and Sodom in Revelation 17–18 (25 min)



Ron Herms, Fresno Pacific University
Beasts & Brothels: On Post-Colonial Theory and Reading John's Apocalypse (25 min)

Lindsey M. Guy, Drew University
'Conquering and to Conquer:' Horrorism and Agonal Sovereignty in Revelation's Regime (25 min)

S20-129

SBL Mark Seminar

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Riverway (Fifth Level)

Theme: **Gender Norms in the Gospel of Mark**

The Mark Seminar will discuss gender as a factor for discipleship in the Gospel of Mark. What historical social norms does the Gospel confirm, challenge, negotiate or ignore? To facilitate discussion, papers are summarized, not read. To receive a copy of the papers, please email Kelli O'Brien after October 30th.

Kelli O'Brien, Independent Scholar, Presiding

Holly J. Carey, Point University
Women in Action: Distinctive Female Discipleship in Mark (10 min)

Discussion (30 min)

Geert Van Oyen, Université Catholique de Louvain
To Receive the Kingdom of God as a Little Child: The Social Implications of Mark 10:13–16 (10 min)

Discussion (25 min)

Break (5 min)

Victoria Phillips, West Virginia Wesleyan College
Gender and Discipleship in The Gospel of Mark (10 min)

Discussion (60 min)

S20-130

SBL Masoretic Studies Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 105 (Plaza Level)

David Marcus, Jewish Theological Seminary of America, Presiding

Timothy G. Crawford, University of Mary Hardin-Baylor
Introducing the Masorah to Undergraduate Hebrew Students

Van Acker, David, Katholieke Universiteit Leuven
Quantitatively Evaluating William Wickes Treatise on the Masoretic Accents: A New Look at the Masoretic Accents

Elvira Martín-Contreras, Consejo Superior de Investigaciones Científicas
Approaching the Masorah as a Medieval Biblical Paratext: A New Methodological Proposal

Viktor Golinets, Hochschule für Jüdische Studien Heidelberg
The Masorah Parva and Magna of the "Babylonian Codex of Petrograd" from 916 CE

Daniel Mynatt, University of Mary Hardin-Baylor
A "Great" Problem: A Confusing Mp Note for wayyigdal in Genesis 26:13

S20-131

SBL Midrash Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - Northeastern (Third Level)

W. David Nelson, Groton School, Presiding

Rivka Ulmer, Bucknell University, Presiding

Blaire A. French, University of Virginia
Chronicles and Intertextuality (20 min)

Matthew Hass, Harvard University
The Reception of the Apocalyptic Abraham in Genesis Rabbah (20 min)

Lennart Lehmhaus, FU Berlin/Katz Center UPenn
Authorship and Authority – Patterns of Change in Seder Eliyahu and Other Post-Talmudic Midrashim (20 min)

Discussion (15 min)

Nehemia Polen, Hebrew College
Surprising Soul Mates: Song of Songs and Leviticus in Midrashic Literature (20 min)

Avram R. Shannon, Brigham Young University
Peculiar to the Worship of Heaven: Mekhilta and the Rabbinic Discourse on Image and Idolatry (20 min)

Yael Wilfand, CNRS – Aix-Marseille University
The Rabbis and the Pax Romana: Re-evaluating the Third- to Fifth-Century Shalom Midrashim (20 min)

Discussion (15 min)

S20-132

SBL Mind, Society, and Religion in the Biblical World Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott Copley Place - Grand Ballroom D (Fourth Level)

Anne Katrine Gudme, Presiding

Daniel O. McClellan, The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints
Cognitive Perspectives on Divine Agency in the Hebrew Bible (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Jessica M. Keady, University of Helsinki
An Initial Exploration of Positioning Theory and Gender in the War Scroll (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Marcus Tso, Ambrose University and Seminary
Nature and Nurture: A Social-Cognitive Approach to Moral Emotions in the Qumran Sectarian Literature (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Gabriel Levy, Norges Teknisk-Naturvitenskapelige Universitet, Ismael Apud, Universidad de la República de Uruguay, Istvan Czachesz, University of Tromsø and Halvor Kvandal, NTNU Norwegian University of Science and Technology
Theriomorphic Gods and Anthropomorphic Animals in Jewish and Christian Literature (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Paul Robertson, University of New Hampshire
Dreams and Shadows: Cognitive Science Approaches to New Testament Data (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

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S20-133

SBL New Testament Textual Criticism Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 304 (Third Level)

Juan Hernandez, Bethel University (Minnesota), Presiding

Peter M. Head, Wycliffe Hall, University of Oxford
Punctuation and Paragraphs in P66: Insights into early interpretation of the Fourth Gospel (30 min)

Peter Gurry, University of Cambridge
The Byzantine Text as the Initial Text in the CBGM (30 min)

Elijah Hixson, University of Edinburgh
Found: Remnants of a Lost Greek Page of Acts from Codex Bezae (30 min)

Curt Niccum, Abilene Christian University
The Ethiopic Version of 1 and 2 Corinthians and Its Value for Text Criticism in Light of a New Witness (30 min)

Michael Dormandy, University of Cambridge
How the Books Became the Bible: The Evidence for Canon Formation from Work Combinations in Manuscripts (30 min)

P20-133a

Nida Institute for Biblical Scholarship at the American Bible Society

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - Regis (Third Level)

Theme: **The Good News Bible (at 50ish)**

Kent Richards, StrategyPoints, Presiding

Philip C. Stine, United Bible Societies
From Good News for Modern Man to Good News Bible: Origins and Early Issues (40 min)

David Burke, Nida Institute for Biblical Scholarship at the American Bible Society
The 1992 Revision of the Good News Translation: GNT2 (40 min)

Phil Towner, Nida Institute for Biblical Scholarship at the American Bible Society
Translation, Localization and Alterity in the Good News Bible (40 min)

Discussion (30 min)

S20-134

SBL Pentateuch Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 207 (Second Level)

Theme: **Israel in the Wilderness**

Angela Erisman, Presiding

Jaeyoung Jeon, Université de Lausanne
The Scout Story as a Political Argument in the Persian Period (30 min)

Helmut Utzschneider, Augustana-Hochschule and Wolfgang Oswald, Eberhard Karls Universität Tübingen
Zion in the Desert – Exod 17 in Synchronic and Diachronic Perspectives (30 min)

Jay Caballero, The University of Texas at Austin
Parallels in Numbers 36 to P and Deuteronomy (30 min)

Itamar Kislev, University of Haifa
What Happened to Korah? The Ongoing Struggle for the Status of the Korahites (30 min)

S20-135

SBL Philology in Hebrew Studies Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - Tufts (Third Level)

Theme: **Historical Linguistics and Philological Case Studies**

Yael Landman, Gorgias Press and Brooklyn College, Presiding

Na'ama Pat-El, University of Texas at Austin and Aren M. Wilson-Wright, Universität Zürich
Samalian: A Separate Branch of Northwest Semitic (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Aaron D. Hornkohl, University of Cambridge
*Linguistic and Philological Considerations for Elucidating an Apparent Linguistic Anomaly: The Expressions *terem yiqtol* and *terem qatal* (25 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

Adam Tune, Catholic University of America
Missing the Meaning or Missing the Point?: An Attempt to Translate the Two Different Hifil Forms of "nuach." (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

David M. Harris, University of Chicago
The Verb in Late Biblical Hebrew: The Book of Esther as a Test Case (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Adam Bean, Johns Hopkins University
*The Verb *mdd* and Division of Land Curses: Elucidating a West Semitic Idiom (25 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

S20-136

SBL Provenience and Policy

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Clarendon (Third Level)

Theme: **A Panel and Discussion about the SBL Policy on Scholarly Presentation and Publication of Ancient Artifacts and Its Implementation**

Christine Thomas, University of California-Santa Barbara, Presiding

Daniel Schowalter, Carthage College, Introduction (10 min)

Roberta Mazza, University of Manchester
Policy and Papyrology (15 min)

Christopher Rollston, George Washington University
Policy and Cuneiform (15 min)

Sidnie White Crawford, University of Nebraska - Lincoln
Policy and the Dead Sea Scrolls (15 min)



Erin Darby, University of Tennessee, Knoxville
Policy and Archaeology (15 min)

Susan Ackerman, Dartmouth College
Issues of Provenience and Policy in ASOR (15 min)

Discussion (60 min)

S20-137/A20-152

SBL Pseudepigrapha Section / Digital Humanities in Biblical, Early Jewish, and Christian Studies Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Fairfax A (Third Level)

Theme: **Multi-spectral Imaging and the Recovery of “Lost” Texts from Palimpsests**

James McGrath, Butler University, Presiding

Michael Phelps, Early Manuscripts Electronic Library
The Sinai Palimpsests Project: The Recovery of Erased Texts in the World’s Oldest Library (20 min)

Keith T. Knox, Rochester Institute of Technology
Scholars and Scientists Working Together to Recover Erased Text (20 min)

Todd R. Hanneken, Saint Mary’s University (San Antonio)
The Jubilees Palimpsest Project (20 min)

Ted Erho, Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München
Ethiopic Palimpsests and the Curious Case of Petermann II Nachtr. 24 (20 min)

Loren T. Stuckenbruck, Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München
The Recoverable Text to 1 Enoch in Petermann II Nachtrag 24 (20 min)

Roger L. Easton, Rochester Institute of Technology
Spectral Image Processing Methods for Recovering Damaged Text (20 min)

Discussion (30 min)

S20-138

SBL Qumran Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 110 (Plaza Level)

Theme: **Beyond Eschatology: Exploring Temporalities in the Dead Sea Scrolls**

Maxine Grossman, University of Maryland - College Park, Presiding

Shem Miller, University of Mississippi
Ahistorical Time and Traditional Historiography (30 min)

Zachary I. Levine, New York University
A Purposeful Process of Paternal Punishment: The Parallel Progressions of Historical and Weekly Liturgical Time in Words of the Luminaries (30 min)

Daniel Lynwood Smith, Saint Louis University
Reliving the Past to Prepare for the Time of the End: Identifying with the Wilderness Generation in CD, 1QM, and 1QS (30 min)

Judith Newman, University of Toronto
Fragments of Time and Narrative “Wholes” in the Scrolls (30 min)

Travis B. Williams, Tusculum College
Influenced by the Present, but Constrained by the Past: Reconsidering the Memory of the Teacher of Righteousness (30 min)

P20-139

Qur’anic Studies: Methodology and Hermeneutics (IQSA)

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - Boston University (Third Level)

Theme: **Minority and Marginalized Hermeneutics**

This panel examines the hermeneutical strategies of minority and marginalized groups.

Karen Bauer, The Institute of Ismaili Studies, Presiding

Khalil Andani, Harvard University
Reading Text through Pre-Text: Redefining Isma’ili Hermeneutics (25 min)

Charles Ramsey, Forman Christian College
From Farabi to Ghamidi: An Introduction to the Trajectory of the Indian Nazm School of Qur’anic Exegesis (25 min)

Orhan Elmaz, University of St. Andrews
Unveiling female emancipation: A forced blessing? (25 min)

Shehnaz Haqqani, Ithaca College
Marginalizing Gender in the Study of the Qur’an (25 min)

Joseph Stewart, Florida State University
Are the Samaritans People of the Book? An Investigation into the Interpretation of Sura 20 (25 min)

S20-140

SBL Recovering Female Interpreters of the Bible Section

9:00 AM–11:00 AM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Hampton (Third Level)

Theme: **Women Preachers Through the Ages**

Claudia Setzer, Manhattan College, Presiding

Catherine Sider Hamilton, Wycliffe College, University of Toronto
Egeria: Pilgrim Preacher? (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Glen Taylor, Wycliffe College
Katharina Schütz Zell, A Preacher in the Company of Martin Bucer and Other Key Protestant Reformers (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Marion Taylor, Wycliffe College
Nineteenth-century Women Wrestling with Paul and the Question, “Should Women Preach?” (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Christine Cos, University of Toronto
‘Out of the Mouths of Women’: The Minister’s Wooing, An Extended Parabolic Sermon Challenging Nineteenth-Century Calvinism (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

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S20-141

SBL Religious World of Late Antiquity Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - Clarendon (Third Level)

Todd Berzon, Bowdoin College, Presiding (5 min)

Karen Connor McGugan, Harvard University
'Nourished on God Alone'? Food, Drink and the Resurrection Body in Tertullian's 'De resurrectione carnis' (20 min)

AJ Berkovitz, Princeton University
Practice, Performance and the Place of Psalm Piety in Ancient Judaism (20 min)

Robert M. Royalty, Jr., Wabash College
Building Walls and Setting Boundaries: Hadrian and Heresy (20 min)

Maijastina Kahlos, Helsingin Yliopisto - Helsingfors Universitet
How to be a good Christian and perform sacrifices/ritualistic slaughters in Late Antiquity? (20 min)

Evgenia Moiseeva, Center for the Study of World Religion, Harvard
The Manichaean rejection of the Old Testament in the works of early Christian authors (20 min)

Discussion (30 min)

S20-142

SBL Paul and Politics Seminar / Slavery, Resistance, and Freedom Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott Copley Place - Grand Ballroom EF (Fourth Level)

Theme: **Review of The Material Life of Roman Slaves**

This panel will review Sandra Joshel and Lauren Hackworth Petersen's "The Material Life of Roman Slaves," which examines how one can use archaeological materials and ancient architectural spaces to reconstruct the everyday lives of enslaved persons in the Roman imperial period. The panel will focus on the implications of Joshel and Hackworth's methodologies for biblical studies, early Jewish and Christian histories, and histories of enslaved resistance.

Katherine Shaner, Wake Forest University, Presiding (5 min)

Kathy Gaca, Vanderbilt University, Panelist (15 min)

Mitzi Smith, Ashland Theological Seminary, Panelist (15 min)

Jennifer Glancy, Le Moyne College, Panelist (15 min)

Althea Spencer Miller, Drew University, Panelist (15 min)

Davina Lopez, Eckerd College, Panelist (15 min)

Sandra R. Joshel, University of Washington, Respondent (15 min)

Lauren Hackworth Peterson, University of Delaware, Respondent (15 min)

Discussion (40 min)

P20-143

Society for Pentecostal Studies

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - Hyannis (Fourth Level)

Theme: **Pentecostal Reflections on Text and Method in the New Testament**

Melissa Archer, Southeastern University, Presiding

Chris Green, Pentecostal Theological Seminary
The Present Tense of Calvary: Trinity, Time, and Sacrament (40 min)

Hannah Mather, London School of Theology
Spirit Hermeneutics: Avenues for Further Research (40 min)

Mark Cartledge, Regent University
Anointed to Proclaim Good News to the Poor (Luke 4.14–30): Towards a Renewal Public Theology (40 min)

P20-144

Søren Kierkegaard Society

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - Orleans (Fourth Level)

Theme: **Kierkegaard, Crisis, and the Future of Revelation**

This session of papers features interdisciplinary approaches to the concept of revelation in Kierkegaard's writings and in his hermeneutical approaches to the Bible. The papers attend to the way that "crisis" functions existentially and religiously in Kierkegaard's biblical hermeneutic — with applicable insights for today.

Andres Albertsen, Luther Seminary, Presiding

Deidre Green, Hong Kierkegaard Library
God's Blackened Breast: The Revelation of the Cross (35 min)

Carl Hughes, Texas Lutheran University
Extending Sinai's Darkness: From the Bible as Source to the Bible as Model (35 min)

Lee Barrett, Lancaster Theological Seminary
Can Kierkegaard's Hermeneutic Survive Neo-Populism? (35 min)

Kyle Roberts, United Theological Seminary of the Twin Cities
Kierkegaard's Kenotic Christ and the Theo-Political Critique of Christendom (35 min)

S20-145

SBL Space, Place, and Lived Experience in Antiquity Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - Yarmouth (Fourth Level)

Theme: **New and Emerging Spatial Theory**

This session will attempt to articulate and employ spatial theory that moves beyond the work of important figures like Lefebvre and Soja, and it will attempt to point toward new and emerging ways of thinking about space and place.

Jennifer Kaalund, Iona College, Presiding

Eric Wagner, The Catholic University of America
Attending the Spaces of Body and Mind: Incorporating Spatial Cognition into Spatial Studies with Job 23 as a Case Study (30 min)

Jeremy Smoak, University of California-Los Angeles
Visual and Spatial Grammars and the Aesthetics of Monumental Inscriptions: The Ekron Dedication as a Case Study (30 min)



Harry O. Maier, Vancouver School of Theology
Geocritical Travels with Eusebius of Caesarea (30 min)

Peter N. McLellan, Drew University
"They're Bringing Drugs; They're Bringing Crime; They're [Porno]"
Xenophobia and the Thrown-togetherness of Revelation's New
Jerusalem (30 min)

Torsten Jantsch, Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München
"Jerusalem among the Gentiles": Jerusalem as "realm of memory" (lieux
de mémoire) in the pagan Greek and Latin collective memory (30 min)

S20-145a/A20-100

SBL Student Lounge Roundtable

9:00 AM–10:30 AM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 303 (Third Level)

Theme: **The Potential Value of Genre-based Pedagogy in Religious Studies**

This roundtable is intended to make a case to religious studies instructors for the value of adopting the genre-based method of instruction developed primarily in the discipline of writing studies, explaining its merits and challenges. The syllabus handouts that will be provided model this method for a range of religious studies courses. In addition to genre-based instruction, some of the courses also attempt to integrate two other valuable pedagogical techniques in the context of religious studies: critical pedagogy and technology-supplemented pedagogy. Although the roundtable focuses primarily on the value of genre-based pedagogy as an innovative intervention in religious studies pedagogy, we will also discuss the importance of instructors' cultivation of critical literacy and use of a variety of media and methods. Genre-based instruction helps cultivate a number of discipline-specific and domain-general skills valued by students and instructional institutions.

Priyanka Ramlakhan, University of Florida, Presiding

Nathan Fredrickson, University of California-Santa Barbara,
Panelist

S20-146

SBL Syriac Literature and Interpretations of Sacred Texts Section / Ethiopic Bible and Literature Section

9:00 AM–12:00 PM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 209 (Second Level)

Theme: **Liturgy, Literature, and Performance**

Ralph Lee, Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München, Presiding
Cornelia Horn, Martin-Luther-Universität Halle-Wittenberg,
Presiding

Rebekka Nieten, Freie Universität Berlin
The Recitation of Holy Texts: Reciting the Bible and Hymns in the
East and West Syriac Traditions (20 min)

Stephanie Schewe, Freie Universität Berlin
The Recitation of Holy Texts: Comparing the Reciting of the Qur'an
with Traditions within Syriac Christianity (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Jeffrey Wickes, Saint Louis University
Narrating Holiness: Jacob of Sarug's Hagiographical Poems in the
Context of the Sixth Century (20 min)

Bruk Ayele, The Ethiopian Graduate School of Theology
Enoch and Angels in the Sénkéssar (Ethiopian Synaxarium) (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Break (5 min)

Cynthia Villagomez, Winston-Salem State University
Philanthropy as a Mark of Sainthood in the Syriac and Ethiopic
Traditions (20 min)

Nebeyou Terefe, Addis Ababa University and Sofanit Abebe,
The Bible of St Yared: Quotations, Allusions and Echoes of St Paul
(20 min)

Antonella Brita, Universität Hamburg
The Acts of the Martyrs in the Ethiopian tradition: textual
transmission and contextual manuscript circulation (20 min)

Discussion (15 min)

S20-147

SBL The Historical Paul Consultation

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Republic A (Second Level)

Theme: **Varieties of Judean Expertise in the Roman World**

The aim of this session is to juxtapose various forms of Judean religious expertise attested in the Roman period, with a view to reconstructing a specific backdrop for Paul and his Judean rivals.

Richard Ascough, Queen's University, Presiding

Paula Fredriksen, Hebrew University of Jerusalem
Paul and Pagan Judaizing: The Ethnic Specificity of Paul's Gospel
(25 min)

Fritz Graf, Ohio State University
Paul and the Image of Jewish Religious Specialists in the Roman
World (25 min)

Matthew Novenson, University of Edinburgh
From the Apostle Paul to Nathan of Gaza: The Social Role of the
Emissary for a Messiah (25 min)

Sarah Rollens, Rhodes College
Paul as a Mediating Intellectual (25 min)

Heidi Wendt, McGill University, Respondent (15 min)

Discussion (35 min)

S20-148

SBL Ugaritic Studies and Northwest Semitic Epigraphy Section

9:00 AM–11:00 AM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Arnold Arboretum (Fifth Level)

Theme: **Ugaritic Studies**

Joseph Lam, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Presiding

Noga Ayali-Darshan, Bar-Ilan University
The Death of Mot and his Resurrection in the Light of Egyptian
Sources (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Matthieu Richelle, Ecole Pratique des Hautes Etudes (Sorbonne)
A new look at the incantation text KTU 1.178 and biblical parallels
(25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Tania Notarius, Hebrew University of Jerusalem
Passive Participle in the Ancient North-West Semitic Languages
(25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

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Matthew Suriano, University of Maryland - College Park
Syntax, Ritual, and Sacred Space: Reconsidering the Dagan Stelae
(25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

S20-148a

SBL Use, Influence, and Impact of the Bible Section

9:00 AM–11:00 AM

Hilton Boston Back Bay (HBB) - Adams A (Third Level)

Theme: **The United States of Hobby Lobby**

In this session, invited discussants will respond to Candida R. Moss and Joel S. Baden's "Bible Nation: The United States of Hobby Lobby" (Princeton UP, 2017).

Mark Chancey, Southern Methodist University, Panelist

Malcolm Choat, Macquarie University, Panelist

Peter Manseau, Smithsonian Institution, Panelist

John Fea, Messiah College, Panelist

Ariel Sabar, The Atlantic, Panelist

S20-149

SBL Violence and Representations of Violence in Antiquity Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Commonwealth (Third Level)

Theme: **Precarity and Violence in Antiquity, Part 2**

Sarah Porter, Harvard University, Presiding

Jennifer J. Williams, Linfield College
Cutting Bodies into Twelve Pieces: Explorations of a Topos in Biblical and Old Babylonian Texts (25 min)

Esther Brownsmith, Brandeis University
The Concubine in the Refrigerator: Consumption and Objectification in Judges 19 (25 min)

Anne Létourneau, Université du Québec à Montréal
Undressing and Shaming: Dress Imagery, Femininity and Violence in the Hebrew Bible (25 min)

Paul Middleton, University of Chester
'Those whom I love I convict and discipline' (Rev 3.19): The legitimization of divine violence against Christians in the Book of Revelation (25 min)

Shelly Matthews, Brite Divinity School (TCU)
"We receive what we deserve for the things we have done" (Luke 23:41): Precarity according to the Gospel of Just Crucifixion (25 min)

Discussion (25 min)

P20-149a

Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 107 (Plaza Level)

Theme: **Grant Design 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 in the Convention Center Room 107 on both Sunday, Nov. 19 and Monday, Nov. 20 from 9:00 AM to 11:30 AM to meet with one of the Wabash Center Staff. We are scheduling appointments ahead of time. Please write Beth Reffett (reffettb@wabash.edu) to schedule a time to meet with us. For more info go to <http://bit.ly/2rZBD7C>.

S20-150

SBL Writing/Reading Jeremiah Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - Harvard (Third Level)

Theme: **A Discussion of Nathan Mastnjak, Deuteronomy and the Emergence of Textual Authority in Jeremiah (UChicago & Indiana University)**

Jacqueline Vayntrub, Brandeis University, Presiding

Alex Jassen, New York University, Panelist (20 min)

Tova Ganzel, Bar-Ilan University, Panelist (20 min)

Mark Leuchter, Temple University, Panelist (20 min)

Edward Silver, Wellesley College, Panelist (20 min)

Nathan Mastnjak, Indiana University (Bloomington), Respondent (20 min)

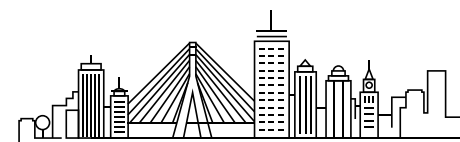
Discussion (20 min)

S20-151

SBL International Meeting Program Committee

10:30 AM–12:30 PM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Boardroom (Third Level)



S20-151a/A20-146

SBL Student Lounge Roundtable

10:30 AM–12:00 PM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 303 (Third Level)

Theme: **Writing Successful Grant Applications: Dos and Don'ts**

Applying for academic grants and external funding is a daunting task. The competition is fierce with an average of 5–10% acceptance rate. The difference between successful and unsuccessful funding is often minor. On the applicant's side, the effort involved in producing a grant proposal is labor intensive and comparably more strenuous than writing your dissertation proposal. Moreover, theoretical and methodological considerations must be determined beforehand. So why bother? Aside from the fact that university and college administrations encourage professors to seek external funding to supplement faculty resources and often tie successful application to merit review and promotion, the value for researchers is that they can conduct important work that leads to new knowledge. In this discussion, I will draw on my experience as a peer reviewer who has evaluated research grants for different funding agencies and my own success in securing grants to offer tips on how to make successful applications.

Peter Althouse, Southeastern University, Panelist



Coffee Break

Monday, 11:30 AM

Complimentary coffee will be served in the back of Aisle 2100 and Aisle 2600 of the Exhibit Hall.

S20-152

SBL Brown Judaic Studies Editorial Board

11:30 AM–1:00 PM

Marriott Copley Place - SBL Press Suite

P20-155

International Qur'anic Studies Association

11:30 AM–12:30 PM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Jefferson (Third Level)

Theme: **Board Meeting**

P20-153

International Qur'anic Studies Association

11:30 AM–12:30 PM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Kent (Third Level)

Theme: **Nominations Committee**

S20-154

SBL Underrepresented Racial and Ethnic Minorities in the Profession Committee Luncheon

11:30 AM–1:00 PM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 108 (Plaza Level)

S20-156/A20-151

SBL Student Lounge Roundtable

12:00 PM–1:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 303 (Third Level)

Theme: **Balancing Graduate School with Other Dimensions of Life and Identity**

In this roundtable session, Nicholas Werse discusses how to fulfill academic responsibilities that come with graduate school (teaching, researching, studying and publishing) while maintaining one's health and well-being. He provides practical tips on and discusses the benefits of incorporating extra-curricular activities into our daily routine.

Nicholas Werse, Baylor University, Panelist

P20-201a

African Association for the Study of Religions

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - Grand Ballroom D (Fourth Level)

Theme: **Texts in Context: Molding the Maasai and Prosperity Gospel in South Africa**

Elias Bongmba, Rice University, Presiding

Knut Holter, VID Specialized University, Norway
Moulding the Maasai in the Form of the Ancient Israelites: Moritz Merker's Early Twentieth Century Ethnographic Study of the Maasai (30 min)

Kevin G. Smith, South African Theological Seminary and Genis Pieterse, South African Theological Seminary
The Appeal of the Word of Faith Movement (30 min)

Business Meeting

Elias Bongmba, Rice University, Presiding

Corey Williams, Leiden University, Presiding

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S20-201

SBL African Biblical Hermeneutics Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Fairfax A (Third Level)

Theme: **Gender and Family**

Robert Wafawanaka, Virginia Union University, Presiding

Discussion (5 min)

Funlola O. Olojede, Universiteit van Stellenbosch - University of Stellenbosch and Madipoane Masenya (ngwana Mphahlele), University of South Africa

"Hear, My Daughter, the Instructions of Your Mother!" (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Alice Yafeh-Deigh, Azusa Pacific University
The Household Codes Resignified Through the Lucan Jesus' Kingdom Praxis: An Afro-Womanist-Feminist Post-Colonial Paradigm for Critical Resistance (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Sola Ademiluka, Kogi State University
Dysfunctional African Family Role and Corruption in Africa: Applying a Biblical Approach (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Business Meeting (50 min)

S20-203

SBL Ancient Near Eastern Iconography and the Bible Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 204 (Second Level)

Theme: **Iconography, Narrative Texts, and Beyond**

Joel M. LeMon, Emory University, Presiding

Brian R. Doak, George Fox University
The Iconography of the Heroic Body in Israel and Elsewhere in the Ancient Near East (25 min)

Izaak J. de Hulster, University of Helsinki
The End(s) of the Earth: An Iconographic Contribution to Ancient Geography and the Visualisation of the 'Biblical World Map' (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Break (5 min)

Jim Wilson, Asbury Theological Seminary
Using Iconography and Texts to Classify Exodus 35:4–36:7 as a Presentation Scene (25 min)

Sanna Saari, University of Helsinki
"With His Bare Hands": Iconography of Unarmed Samson in Judges 14:5–6 (25 min)

Brandon Bruning, University of Notre Dame
Helios in the Synagogue: Israel's God in the Tabernacle? (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

S20-204

SBL Aramaic Studies Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton Boston Back Bay (HBB) - Adams A (Third Level)

Theme: **Papyrus Amherst 63: Aramaic Text in Demotic Script**

Andrew Gross, Catholic University of America, Presiding

Aaron Koller, Yeshiva University
The Land of (')rs and the Origins of the P. Amherst 63 Community (30 min)

Laura Quick, University of Oxford
Esarhaddon's Succession Treaties, Papyrus Amherst 63, and the Transmission of Neo-Assyrian Traditions into the Northwest Semitic World (30 min)

Karel van der Toorn, Universiteit van Amsterdam
Where They Came From and What They Brought: Papyrus Amherst 63 and the Aramean Diaspora in Persian Egypt (30 min)

Tawny Holm, Pennsylvania State University
Pantheon and Cult in Papyrus Amherst 63 (30 min)

Discussion (30 min)

S20-204a

SBL Avoiding Deception: Forgeries, Fake News, and Unprovenanced Material in Religious Studies

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - Orleans (Fourth Level)

Theme: **Hosted by the Student Advisory Board**

Why is provenance important? Although the forgery of documents and artifacts has always been a primary concern in religious studies, recent events surrounding the colloquially designated "Jesus' Wife Fragment" and various unprovenanced fragments touted as part of the Dead Sea Scrolls have propelled scholars into a new era of forgery studies. While some may suppose that scholars are easily able to identify and disprove such items as forgeries, the complicated landscape in which such materials surface and are distributed has necessitated the adaptation of scholarship to remain diligent in preserving authentic items of history for study. This panel will address the challenges facing scholars in identifying and disproving forgeries in our current era. Invited speakers will similarly offer a space to examine the complexities and current status of forgeries in religious studies, identifying ways scholars can navigate the field without perpetuating erroneous materials in their scholarship. Time will be left following the panel for students and faculty to meet and mingle, in order to facilitate networking between scholars interested in similar material.

Joshua Matson, Florida State University, Presiding

Adrianne Spunaugle, University of Michigan-Ann Arbor, Presiding

Robertta Mazza, University of Manchester, Panelist

Arstein Justnes, Universitetet i Agder, Panelist

Kipp Davis, Trinity Western University, Panelist

Jennifer Knust, Boston University, Panelist

Christian Askeland, Museum of the Bible, Panelist

Discussion



S20-205

SBL Bible and Film Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 201 (Second Level)

Theme: **Cinema and Reimag(in)ing Biblical Texts: 2 Kings, Jesus Films, and the Gospels**

Rhonda Burnette-Bletsch, Eastern University, Presiding

Rachelle Gilmour, The Australian Institute of Theological Education

Is Elisha the Master of Suspense or Surprise? The Ending of 2 Kings 3 Re-Examined (40 min)

Discussion (10 min)

James W. Barker, Western Kentucky University and Daniel C. Ullucci, Rhodes College

The Presence and Absence of Animal Sacrifice in Jesus Films (40 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Grant Gieseke, Drew University

Canonical Breaking: Improvisation and the Gospel Gag Reel (40 min)

Discussion (10 min)

S20-205a

SBL Bible and Practical Theology Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 110 (First Level)

Theme: **Informing Post Modern Life: Dialogues Between Practical Theology and Biblical Studies**

Angela Gorrell, Yale Divinity School, Presiding

Mauro Meruzzi, Adelaide College of Divinity - Flinders University

Lost in Translation in Public Theology (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Jackson Wu, International Chinese Theological Seminary
Have Theologians No Sense of Shame? How the Bible Reconciles Objective and Subjective Shame (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Elna K. Solvang, Concordia College - Moorhead
How Can We Sing the LORD's Song in a Foreign Land?: Teaching the Bible to Children of Sudanese Refugees (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Jill Firth, Ridley Melbourne
Crawling into the Wounds of Jesus: Retrieving a Protestant Practice in Embodied Trauma (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Break (5 min)

Business Meeting (20 min)

S20-206

SBL Bible and Visual Art Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 207 (Second Level)

J. Cheryl Exum, University of Sheffield, Presiding

Michelle Fletcher, King's College London, Devon Abts, King's College - London and Ben Quash, King's College - London
The Visual Commentary on Scripture: Insights and Intricacies of Thinking Theologically with Biblical Art (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Matthew D. Rosebrock, Concordia University St. Paul
Text and Image in Dialogical Relationship: Variation in the Numerous Instantiations of Lucas Cranach's Law and Gospel Theme (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Geert Van Oyen, Université catholique de Louvain
The Pictorial Representation of the Infancy Gospel of Thomas in the Klosterneuburger Evangelienwerk (ca. 1340) (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Rebecca Skaggs, Patten University and John Skaggs, Patten University
The Harrowing of Hell (1 Peter 3:18–22): Theological Observations from the Consideration of its Reception History in Art (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Jonathan Homrighausen, Graduate Theological Union
Jesus in the Garden Temple: Intertextuality and Visual Exegesis of the Song of Songs in The Saint John's Bible (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

S20-207

SBL Biblical Lexicography Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Hampton (Third Level)

Theme: **Greek Lexicography**

Michael Theophilus, Australian Catholic University, Presiding

Bruce Clark, Trinity Church, Puerto Rico
Relevance of "faith" (pist-) terms in Hellenistic Greek (1 BCE - 1 CE) for Pauline usages (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Toan Do, Australian Catholic University
A Neglected Condition to Inhospitality in 2 John 10: Testing the Cases in 1 John 3:13 and 3 John 10 (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Laurentiu Florentin Mot, Institutul Teologic Adventist
When hapax legomena are exegetically important (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Hans Foerster, Universität Wien
The TDNT, Translational Choices and Christian Anti-Judaism (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

David H. Warren, Northwest Florida School of Biblical Studies
"Lukewarm" at Laodicea (Rev 3:15–16): Perhaps It Was Hotter Than You Think (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

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S20-208

SBL Book of Deuteronomy Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - Provincetown (Fourth Level)

Theme: **Text Workshop on the Decalogue**

The goal of the Pentateuch Text Workshop is to foster direct discussion between scholars on issues of pentateuchal composition and editing, allowing them to discuss specific texts together, considering their history of composition, redaction, and other relevant historical and literary features. The workshop is envisioned as a seminar-style, round-table discussion focused on a particular text. Participants will give prepared treatments of the text, but a substantial part of the session will be devoted to discussion between the panelists and with the audience invited to participate as well.

Harald Samuel, Georg-August-Universität Göttingen, Presiding

Olivier Artus, Institut Catholique de Paris, Panelist (20 min)

Cynthia Edenburg, Open University of Israel, Panelist (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Thomas Römer, Collège de France - University of Lausanne, Panelist (20 min)

Dominik Markl, Pontificio Istituto Biblico, Panelist (20 min)

James Watts, Syracuse University, Respondent (10 min)

Discussion (50 min)

S20-209

SBL Children in the Biblical World Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Public Garden (Fifth Level)

Theme: **The Present State of Research on Childhood in History: New Approaches and Findings**

The session will present the project “Tiny Voices from the Past: New Perspectives on Childhood in Early Europe” (Oslo, 2013–2017) with reviews of Aasgaard, Horn, and Cojocar (eds.), *Childhood in History: Perceptions of Children in the Ancient and Medieval Worlds*, Laes and Vuolanto (eds.), *Children and Everyday Life in the Roman and Late Antique World*, and Aasgaard, Bunge, and Roos (eds.), *Nordic Childhoods 1700–1960: From Folk Beliefs to Pippi Longstocking* (all Routledge 2017). In addition to the reviews, one chapter from each volume will be presented, with a general discussion at the end of the session.

A. Murphy, South Dakota State University, Presiding

Reidar Aasgaard, University of Oslo
Introduction to the Tiny Voices Project (10 min)

Marianne Bjelland Kartzow, Universitetet i Oslo
Children and Slavery in the New Testament: An Intersectional Approach (15 min)

John W. Martens, University of Saint Thomas (Saint Paul, MN)
Review of Childhood in History (20 min)

Reidar Aasgaard, University of Oslo
How Close Can We Get to the Roman Child: Methodological Potentials (15 min)

Sharon Betsworth, Oklahoma City University
Review of Children and Everyday Life in the Roman and Late Antique World (20 min)

Break (5 min)

Marcia J. Bunge, Gustavus Adolphus College
Children in the Hymns of N.F.S. Grundtvig: A Regional Approach (15 min)

Sally Stamper, Capital University
Review of Nordic Childhoods 1700–1960 (20 min)

Discussion (30 min)

S20-210

SBL Deuterocanonical and Cognate Literature Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Arnold Arboretum (Fifth Level)

Theme: **Book of Ben Sira**

Samuel Adams, Union Presbyterian Seminary, Presiding

Gary P. Klump, Marquette University
Ben Sira, Genesis, and... Chaokampf?: The Reception of Creation Motifs in Sirach 42:15–43:26 (30 min)

Stephen A. Long, University of Notre Dame
Ben Sira on Charity, Benefaction, and the Divine Economy (30 min)

Andrew Montanaro, The Catholic University of America
Ben Sira's Unique Vision of Happiness as Illustrated in the Makarisms of Sir 25:7c–9 (30 min)

Burkard Zapf, Katholische Universität Eichstätt-Ingolstadt
Strategies of Translating in the Syriac Version of the Book of Ben Sira (30 min)

Frank Ueberschaer, Martin-Luther-Universität Halle-Wittenberg
Deuteronomy in Sirach (30 min)

S20-211

SBL Disputed Paulines Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton Boston Back Bay - Belvidere B (Second Level)

Kenneth Waters, Azusa Pacific University, Presiding (5 min)

Kathy Barrett Dawson, East Carolina University
Past, Present, and Future Grace in Second Thessalonians (30 min)

Mark Giszczak, Augustine Institute
'Let Him Not Eat' – Lexically and Liturgically Linking 2 Thessalonians to 1 Corinthians (30 min)

Break (10 min)

Martin Feltham, Macquarie University
Marriage, food and the agenda of the antagonists: 1 Timothy 4:3 reconsidered (30 min)

Benjamin White, Clemson University
Fingerprinting Paul: Weighing the Value of Stylometric Analysis in the Determination of the Authorship of the Pastoral Epistles (30 min)



S20-212

SBL Early Christianity and the Ancient Economy Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 105 (Plaza Level)

Theme: **The Extramercantile Economies of Greece and Rome**

A number of papers in this session highlight the importance of extramercantile transmissions of goods and services—those transmissions that take place outside of the market, per se—within the broader economic systems of Greece and Rome.

Agnes Choi, Pacific Lutheran University, Presiding (5 min)

Thomas R. Blanton IV, Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago and David Hollander, Iowa State University

The Extramercantile Economy: Problematizing the New Institutional Economics Paradigm in Recent Studies of Ancient Greece and Rome (25 min)

Jinyu Liu, DePauw University
What's in a Fine? (25 min)

Sharon Lea Mattila, University of North Carolina at Pembroke
Land Distribution in Rural Palestine and Egypt from ca. 300 BCE—ca. 700 CE: A Comparative Analysis (25 min)

Jin Hwan Lee, University of Toronto
A Hestiation as a Possible Meeting Place for Communal Gatherings of the Corinthian Christ Group (25 min)

John Kloppenborg, University of Toronto
New Institutional Economics, Euergetism, and Associations (25 min)

Discussion (20 min)

S20-213

SBL Early Exegesis of Genesis 1 Consultation

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - Boston University (Third Level)

Theme: **The Interpretation of Gen. 1 between Philosophy and Biblical Relecture**

Christoph Marksches, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin - Humboldt University of Berlin, Presiding

Thomas W. Dilbeck, Hebrew Union College - Jewish Institute of Religion
Tertullian's Use of Gen. 1:2 in Adv. Hermogenem and De baptismo (30 min)

Christian Wildberg, Princeton University
Genesis-Redactions in the Corpus Hermeticum (30 min)

Sébastien Morlet, Université de Paris-Sorbonne
The exegesis of Genesis 1 in Eusebius of Caesarea (Praeparatio and Demonstratio evangelica) (30 min)

David DeMarco, Eberhard Karls Universität Tübingen
The influence of Plotinus on Basil of Caesarea's exegesis of Genesis 1 (30 min)

Discussion (30 min)

S20-214

SBL Early Judaism and Its Literature Editorial Board

1:00 PM–2:00 PM

Marriott Copley Place - SBL Press Suite

S20-215

SBL Economics in the Biblical World Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Riverway (Fifth Level)

Theme: **Land and the Common Good**

Raj Nadella, Columbia Theological Seminary, Presiding

Stephen C. Russell, City University of New York
Divine Territory in Ancient Israel and Judah (25 min)

Robin J. DeWitt Knauth, Lycoming College
Property Ownership and Land Reform in View of Leviticus 25 Jubilee Laws (25 min)

Matthew J.M. Coomber, Saint Ambrose University
Land Management as Ethnic Identifier in Second-Temple Judea (25 min)

Jared W. Saltz, Florida College
"It was not permitted for the private citizens to sell their Land": Hecataeus of Abdera's Answer to Greco-Roman Land Crises (25 min)

Marvin Chaney, San Francisco Theological Seminary, Respondent (20 min)

Discussion (30 min)

S20-216

SBL Gender, Sexuality, and the Bible Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 101 (Plaza Level)

Katy E. Valentine, First Christian Church of Chico, Presiding

Anne Katrine Gudme, University of Copenhagen
Scent and Sexuality: Incense and the Hebrew Bible's Olfactory Cultic Theology (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Rebecca Potts, Union Theological Seminary in the City of New York
Bound by Her Body: Woman as Wound and Border in Isaiah (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Eric X. Jarrard, Harvard University
Palace to Penthouse: Sexual Violence, Consent, and Power in 2 Samuel 11 and HBO's Girls (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Joshua M. Reno, University of Minnesota-Twin Cities
Pauline Sexual Invective: Castrates, Canines, and Cunnilinctors (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Abby Kulisz, Indiana University (Bloomington)
(Trans)gessing Temporality: Queer Formations in the Life of Saint Pelagia of Antioch (20 min)

Discussion (20 min)

Business Meeting (10 min)

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S20-217

SBL Hebrew Scriptures and Cognate Literature Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton Boston Back Bay (HBB) - Adams B (Third Level)

Sara Milstein, University of British Columbia, Presiding

Julie B. Deluty, New York University

Communication of Prophecy for Kings: The Royal Intermediaries of 2 Kings 19 and 2 Kings 22 (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Shawn Zelig Aster, Bar-Ilan University

The Assyrian Boasts in Isaiah 10 verses 13–14 (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Daniel Bodi, La Sorbonne - University of Paris 4

The Four Agents of Destruction in Gilgamesh XI 181–198 and in Ezekiel 14:12–23 and the Role of the Amorites in the Transmission of the Name Nah (Hebrew Noah, Arabic Nuh) (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Martti Nissinen, University of Helsinki

Healing Prophets at the Interface of Divination and Magic (25 min)

Discussion (20 min)

S20-218

SBL Hebrews Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Back Bay A (Second Level)

Theme: **Hebrews as Interpreted in the Reformation**

Amy Peeler, Wheaton College (Illinois), Presiding

Ron Rittgers, Valparaiso University

Early Protestants and the Threat of Apostasy in Hebrews (30 min)

Bruce Gordon, Yale Divinity School

Protestant Reformers and the Priesthood of Melchizedek (Hebrews 7:1–10) (30 min)

Peter Opitz, Swiss Reformation Studies Institute, Zurich

Zwingli and Bullinger as Exegetes of Hebrews (30 min)

Jennifer Powell McNutt, Wheaton College

Don't Do It Yourself: Hermeneutics for Hebrews through the Material History of Sixteenth-Century Reformed Bibles (30 min)

S20-219

SBL Historical Jesus Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - Tufts (Third Level)

Thomas Kazen, Stockholm School of Theology, Presiding (5 min)

Raimo Hakola, University of Helsinki

Jesus and the Galilean Poor in the Context of Ancient Representations of Poverty (25 min)

E Bruce Brooks, University of Massachusetts at Amherst

The Economic Jesus (25 min)

Robert M. Bowman Jr., Institute for Religious Research

The Authenticity of the Golden Rule Logion in Matthew and Luke (25 min)

Break (5 min)

Jeffrey B. Gibson, Harry S Truman College (City Colleges of Chicago)

Does the Lord's Prayer Originate with John the Baptist (25 min)

Murray Smith, Macquarie University, Sydney

Jesus' Eschatological Vision Revisited (25 min)

Discussion (15 min)

S20-219a/A20-247

ImaginePhD

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - Suffolk (Third Level)

Theme: **A Career Exploration and Planning Tool for Humanities and Social Sciences**

Sponsored by the Student Advisory Board, Professional Development Committee, AAR Applied Religious Studies Committee, AAR Employment Services Advisory Committee, and AAR Graduate Student Committee. Launched in fall 2017, *ImaginePhD* is a free and confidential career exploration and planning tool for humanities and social science PhDs. Powered by the Graduate Career Consortium, and created by more than fifty graduate-level career and professional development leaders across the United States and Canada, this platform provides a unique opportunity for PhDs to assess their skills, interests and values, map those onto career paths, and create an individual development plan that supports degree completion and professional/personal development. Please join Sarah Peterson, *ImaginePhD* Content Lead, for this interactive training session to learn how to use this tool and integrate it into departments. To make the most of this session, please bring a laptop or tablet.

Sarah Peterson, Atlanta, GA, Panelist

P20-220

International Qur'anic Studies Association

1:00 PM–2:30 PM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Commonwealth (Third Level)

Theme: **Towards a Sophisticated Digital Concordance of the Qur'an: A Presentation of the Qur'an Gateway Project**

This session will invite scholarly feedback on ongoing efforts to create a sophisticated digital concordance of the Qur'an permitting, among other things, a search for formulaic systems in the Qur'anic corpus. Anyone engaged in research on the Qur'an is invited to attend and to contribute.

Nicolai Sinai, University of Oxford, Presiding

Andy Bannister, Melbourne School of Theology, Panelist

Nick Chatrath, Panelist

Daniel Brubaker, Panelist



S20-221

SBL Jewish Christianity / Christian Judaism / The Qur'an and Late Antiquity (IQSA) Affiliate

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Beacon H (Third Level)

Theme: **Rethinking Jewish-Christianity and Islam**

Annette Reed, New York University, Presiding (10 min)

Stephen Shoemaker, University of Oregon
Jewish-Christian Phantoms at the Origins of Islam (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Michael Pregill, Boston University
Between Yahud and Nasara: "Jewish Christianity" as Hermeneutic Device in Qur'anic Studies (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Jae Han, University of Pennsylvania
Jewish-Christianity, Late Antiquity, and Nativist Prophets of Early Islam (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Elena Dugan, Princeton University
New (Enochic) Gateways in Ibn al-Nadim's Fihrist: Thinking Outside the "Jewish-Christian" Box (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

S20-222

SBL Jewish-Christian Dialogue and Sacred Texts Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - Dartmouth (Third Level)

Theme: **Will We Meet in Heaven? Jewish and Christian Beliefs about the Afterlife and Their Impact on Interreligious Relations**

Sarah Emanuel, Oberlin College, Presiding

Philip A. Cunningham, Saint Joseph's University (Philadelphia, PA)

A Non-Zero-Sum Approach to Eschatology: Seeing Judaism and Christianity as Complementary and Not Oppositional (25 min)

Luke Drake, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
Competing Christian Visions of Jewish Redemption in Christ's Descent into Hell (25 min)

Tom Finney, University of Sheffield
Afterlife in the New Testament and Hebrew Bible: Paul and Daniel in Dialogue (25 min)

Claudia Setzer, Manhattan College
No Walls in Gan Eden: Some Inclusive Traditions of Afterlife (25 min)

Discussion (25 min)

S20-223

SBL Johannine Literature Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Back Bay D (Second Level)

Theme: **Themes in Johannine Literature**

Lindsey Trozzo, Baylor University, Presiding

Sherri Brown, Creighton University
Creation and the Revelation of God as Interwoven and Interactive Themes across John 1 (30 min)

Andrew R. Krause, Westfälische Wilhelms-Universität Münster
Mixed Metaphors in the Rhetoric of Identity and Alterity in 1 John and 1QS I–IV (30 min)

Douglas Estes, South University, Columbia
Dualism or Paradox? Rethinking the Worldview of John's Gospel in 'Light' of a Rhetorical Approach (30 min)

Christopher A. Porter, Ridley College, Melbourne (ACT)
The Evolution of Johannine Rhetorical Engagement – Mapping the Socio-Rhetorical shift from the Gospel to the Epistles (30 min)

Karen L. King, Harvard University
The Gospel of Mary reads the Gospel of John (30 min)

P20-223a

Journal of Feminist Studies in Religion

1:00 PM–3:00 PM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - Vermont (Fifth Level)

As the Journal of Feminist Studies in Religion, the oldest feminist academic journal in religious studies, so also the new FSRBook Series is interreligious in its subjects, transdisciplinary in its methods, and intersectional in its political analyses.

In light of these goals, the panel will discuss FSRBook's first publications: Congress of Wo/men: Religion, Gender, and Kyriarchal Power by E. Schüssler Fiorenza and Women, Religion, Revolution edited by X. Alvizo and G. Messina.

Melanie Johnson-DeBaufre, Drew University, Presiding (10 min)

Xochitl Alvizo, California State University, Northridge, Panelist (10 min)

Maria Pilar Aquino, University of San Diego, Panelist (10 min)

Namsoon Kang, Brite Divinity School, Panelist (10 min)

Gina Messina, Ursuline College, Panelist (10 min)

Nancy Pineda Madrid, Boston College, Panelist (10 min)

Elisabeth Schüssler Fiorenza, Harvard University, Panelist (10 min)

Break (5 min)

Discussion (35 min)

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S20-224

SBL Latter-day Saints and the Bible Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 103 (Plaza Level)

Joseph M. Spencer, Brigham Young University
An Outline of a Mormon Biblical Theology (25 min)

Taylor Petrey, Kalamazoo College, Respondent (15 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Amy Easton-Flake, Brigham Young University
LDS Biblical Use and Interpretation as Exhibited in Church Periodicals 1870–1900 (25 min)

David Rolph Seely, Brigham Young University
A Latter-day Saint Reading of the Book of Jeremiah (25 min)

Discussion (20 min)

Business Meeting (30 min)

S20-225

SBL Levites and Priests in History and Tradition Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - Fairfield (Third Level)

Sarah Shectman, Independent Scholar, Presiding

Saana Svärd, Helsingin Yliopisto - Helsingfors Universitet
Women in Temples and Cult of the Neo-Assyrian Empire (30 min)

Nicole J. Ruane, University of New Hampshire
Sex and Sanctity: A Study of the Root zkr and Its Use in Ritual Laws (30 min)

Break (5 min)

David Rothstein, Ariel University
Priestly versus Royal Beauty: The Evidence of Biblical, Second Temple, and Rabbinic Sources (30 min)

Jessica M. Keady, University of Helsinki
Masculinities, War, and Purity: The Positions of Non-Priestly Men in the Dead Sea Scrolls (30 min)

Discussion (25 min)

S20-227/A20-224

SBL Nag Hammadi and Gnosticism Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - Exeter (Third Level)

Theme: **Eros and Ascent in the Ancient and Early Medieval World**

This session is co-sponsored by the Platonism and Neoplatonism unit (AAR).

John Turner, University of Nebraska - Lincoln, Presiding

Ilaria L.E. Ramelli, Angelicum, Oxford, Catholic University, Princeton

Eros and Ascent in Ps. Dionysius: Metaphysical Framework and Roots (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Volker Henning Drecoll, Eberhard Karls Universität Tübingen
Progress and Failure: Ascent in Augustine (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Christopher Denney, St. John's University
A Self Shaped by Sacrifices: Augustine's Unique Mystical-Ecclesial Balance (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Zachary Ugolnik, Columbia University
"Tesseract," Spheres, and Divine Vision in the Enneads (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Discussion (30 min)

S20-228

SBL Nation, Politics, and Belonging in the Imagination of Christian Origins SBL Committees

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - Harvard (Third Level)

Theme: **Hosted by the Student Advisory Board**

Former U.K. prime minister David Cameron's claim prior to the so-called "Brexit" that the U.K. "is a Christian nation" stands as an example of a recent political turn in the United States and United Kingdom. In the face of changing demographics, right-wing politicians in the U.S. and U.K. have enlisted Christian identity in the service of policing national boundaries through restrictive immigration policies, increased surveillance, sexual policing, and warfare. This panel seeks to address both problems of contemporary nationalist imagination of religious origins and the political potential of reimagining such origins. Time will be left following the panel for students and faculty to meet and mingle, in order to facilitate networking between scholars interested in similar material.

Peter McLellan, Drew University, Presiding

Jesse Richards, University of Oxford, Presiding

Davina Lopez, Eckerd College, Panelist

Maia Kotrotsits, Denison University, Panelist

Erin Runions, Pomona College, Panelist

Casey Strine, University of Sheffield, Panelist

S20-229

SBL New Testament Textual Criticism Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 210 (Second Level)

AnneMarie Luijendijk, Princeton University, Presiding

Jennifer S. Wyant, Emory University
Giving Martha Back Her House: Analyzing the Textual Variant in Luke 10:38b (30 min)

Jan Krans, Protestantse Theologische Universiteit, Amsterdam
and Bert Jan Lietaert Peerbolte, Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam
Granville Penn (1761–1844): A Forgotten Pioneer of New Testament Textual Criticism (30 min)

Silvia Castelli, Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam
The Textual Critic at Work: On Wettstein's Principles and Their Application to His New Testament Edition (30 min)

Eka Kvirkvelia, Ivane Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University
Giorgi Athonic and Athonic text type of Georgian Gospel (30 min)



Tommy Wasserman, Orebro School of Theology and Linnea
Arvedal, Lunds Universitet
Whence 1 Timothy? Text and Traditions in the Subscriptions (30 min)

S20-230

SBL Pauline Theology Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 304 (Third Level)

Theme: **Paul and Participation 1**

Michael Gorman, St. Mary's Seminary & University, Presiding

Ben C. Blackwell, Houston Baptist University
Participation and Justification in the Secular Age (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

John Kincaid, John Paul the Great Catholic University
New Covenant Righteousness as the Transformation of the Heart: An Augustinian Reading of 2 Corinthians 3 (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Break (10 min)

Presian Burroughs, United Theological Seminary
In Adam or Christ during the Anthropocene: Participation in the Age of the Human (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Timothy A. Gabrielson, Sterling College
No 'Male and Female': The Abolition of Genesis 1 'in Christ' in Galatians 3:28 (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

S20-231

SBL Performance Criticism of Biblical and Other Ancient Texts Section / Bible in Ancient and Modern Media Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 313 (Third Level)

Theme: **A Conversation with Richard Schechner, Pioneer in Performance Studies**

Jin Han, New York Theological Seminary, Presiding

Bernhard Oestreich, Theologische Hochschule Friedensau
Performance Criticism of Biblical Texts in Light of the Work of the Performance Studies of Richard Schechner (30 min)

Richard W. Swanson, Augustana College (SD)
"This is My Body": Performance and Actual Embodiment (30 min)

Richard Schechner, New York University
A Conversation with Professor Schechner (45 min)

Discussion (45 min)

S20-232

SBL Philology in Hebrew Studies Section / Ugaritic Studies and Northwest Semitic Epigraphy Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Beacon A (Third Level)

Theme: **Honoring Jo Ann Hackett**

Na'ama Pat-El, University of Texas at Austin, Presiding

Jonathan Kaplan, University of Texas at Austin, Welcome (10 min)

Northwest Semitic Epigraphy

Christopher Rollston, George Washington University,
Introduction (10 min)

Aren Wilson-Wright, Universität Zürich
"Beloved of the Lady are Those who...": A Recurring Commemorative Formula in the Sinaitic Inscriptions (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Feminist Biblical Scholarship

Susan Niditch, Amherst College, Introduction (10 min)

M. L. Case, Elon University
In the Intersectional Days of Delilah: Reclaiming (Again) the History of Women in Ancient Israel (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Deuteronomistic History

Michael Coogan, Harvard University, Introduction (10 min)

Jeremy Hutton, University of Wisconsin-Madison
1 Samuel 7–15 as Nexus of a Judges-Kings Literary Complex (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

S20-233

SBL Postcolonial Studies and Biblical Studies Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Beacon E (Third Level)

Theme: **On the Margins: Ethnicity and Gender**

Uriah Kim, Graduate Theological Union, Presiding

Alexander Fella, Yale Divinity School
Uncertain Terms: Qobeleth's Exile (30 min)

T. Christopher Hoklotubbe, Loyola Marymount University
Civilized Christians Among Superstitious Jews and Barbaric Cretans: A Postcolonial Reading of Racialized Rhetoric in Titus (30 min)

Joseph A. Marchal, Ball State University
Beyond Barbaric Rhetoric and Sexualized Scare-Figures: A Postcolonial Reconfiguration toward Queer Relations between Jews and Gentiles (30 min)

Sung Uk Lim, Yonsei University
Can Jesus Speak with Comfort Women?: Re-reading the Bible through the Lens of the Film "Spirits' Homecoming" (30 min)

Meredith J. Stone, Hardin-Simmons University
Mordecai's Refusal to Bow in LXX Esther: The Negotiation of Defiance and a Contest for Hegemonic Masculinity (30 min)

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S20-235

SBL Religious Competition in Late Antiquity Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Marriott Copley Place - Grand Ballroom EF (Fourth Level)

Theme: **Loss and Recovery of Temple Vessels and Sacred Space in Biblical Traditions**

Karl Shuve, University of Virginia, Presiding

Nathaniel Levtow, University of Montana

The Ark as Memorial: Icon, Text, and the Ritual Emplacement of Ark Traditions in the Hebrew Bible (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Michael Hundley, Central Washington University

Remembering the Lost Ark (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Debra Ballentine, Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey

Exile and Return of the First Temple Vessels: Claims of Continuity after Disruption within Post-exilic Competition (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Brian Rainey, Princeton Theological Seminary

They Made This Place Foreign: The Dramatic Disappearance and Reemergence of "Foreign" Cult Sites in the Hebrew Bible (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

John Mandsager, University of South Carolina - Columbia

Spatial Utopias in Late Antiquity: Travel to and from the Sacred Center (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

S20-236

SBL Book of Acts Section / Rhetoric of Religious Antiquity Seminar

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - Clarendon (Third Level)

Theme: **Bodies and Embodiment as Rhetorical Topoi in Acts (Exploring Topoi in Sociorhetorical Interpretation)**

Rosemary Canavan, University of Divinity, Presiding (5 min)

Alexandra Gruca-Macaulay, Saint Paul University

"Lydian Disease" as a Topos in Acts (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

John T. Carroll, Union Presbyterian Seminary

Double Bind: Bodies as Sites of Contest in the Acts of the Apostles (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Mikeal C. Parsons, Baylor University

The Ethiopian Eunuch Unhindered: Embodied Rhetoric in Acts 8 (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Steve Walton, St Mary's University, Twickenham (London),
Respondent (10 min)

Bart Bruehler, Indiana Wesleyan University, Respondent (10 min)

Discussion (35 min)

Topoi are elastic and culturally located networks of elements which provide pictorial and rhetorical resources for persuasion in all kinds of discourse, including narrative. This joint session between the Rhetoric of Religious Antiquity Seminar and the Book of Acts Section will investigate the rhetorical function of topoi related to bodies and embodiment in Acts. In particular, papers will focus on how topoi related to personal bodies in specific texts connect rhetorically with aspects of religious, social, ethnic, and/or cultural aspects of embodiment in Acts.

S20-237

SBL Ritual in the Biblical World Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Clarendon (Third Level)

Theme: **Rituals in the Hebrew Bible and Ancient Judaism**

The Ritual in the Biblical World steering committee is seeking papers for an open session on all parameters of meaning and function of ritual found in textual and iconographic sources in the larger context of the cultures of the ancient world, employing insights and methods of the field of ritual theory.

Ada Taggar-Cohen, Doshisha University, Presiding

Nathan Mastnjak, Indiana University (Bloomington) and Charles

Huff, University of Chicago

The Sun Also Rises: Psalm 57 as Pre-Dawn Ritual (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Noam Cohen, New York University

Rereading the Covenant-Cutting Ritual in Genesis 15 (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Isabel Cranz, University of Pennsylvania

The Ritual Sprinkling of Water in the Priestly Source and the ancient Near East (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Shlomo Zuckier, Yale University

Pleasant Smelling Sacrifice in the Bible and Ancient Judaism (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Discussion (30 min)

S20-238

SBL Society of Biblical Literature Commentary on the Septuagint

1:00 PM–2:30 PM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Kent (Third Level)

This seminar will present an opportunity for participants in the SBL Commentary on the Septuagint to engage collaboratively in their work, providing a forum in which they can address the hermeneutic and methodological issues involved in the process of philological commentary and engage with the larger community of scholars.



S20-239

SBL Synoptic Gospels Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Republic A (Second Level)

Theme: **Tradition and Interpretation of the Synoptic Gospels**

Heather Gorman, Johnson University, Presiding

David B. Sloan, John Carroll University
Lukan Rearrangements or Mark-Q Overlaps? (30 min)

Joseph Weak, Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)
The Primitivity of the Two Versions of Tobit as an Analogue to Gospel Synoptic Data (30 min)

Jason A. Staples, North Carolina State University
Seventy Times Seven: Daniel's Seventy Sevens as the Model for Human Forgiveness (30 min)

Hans Moscicke, Marquette University
Jesus as Goat of Leviticus 16 in Matthew's and Mark's Passion Accounts? (30 min)

Cornelis Bennema, Union School of Theology
*Whose Spirit is Eager? The Referent of *pneuma* in Mark 14:38 in light of Early Jewish Traditions* (30 min)

S20-240

SBL Syriac Literature and Interpretations of Sacred Texts Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Dalton (Third Level)

Theme: **Syriac Perspectives on Material and Literary Cultures**

Peter Miller, University of Iowa
Paper Adoption and Manuscript Repair in Syriac Cultural Contexts (30 min)

Adam Carter McCollum, Notre Dame
Studying Creation East of Byzantium: A Survey of Hexaemeron Literature (30 min)

John Zaleski, Harvard University
"Who is the Rider on the Camel?": Historical Exegesis and Christian-Muslim Dialogue in the Debate of Timothy I and the Caliph al-Mahdi (30 min)

Robert Kitchen, Sankt Ignatius Theological Academy, Sodertälje, Sweden
Jonah Without the Whale: Doppelgänger Homilies of Jacob of Sarug in Vat Syr 464 (30 min)

Business Meeting (30 min)

S20-241

SBL Textual Criticism of Samuel – Kings Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Jefferson (Third Level)

Anneli Aejmelaeus, University of Helsinki, Presiding

Anna Kharanauli, Ivane Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University
Hexaplaric Recension or Ekdosis of Alexandrian Grammarian? (30 min)

Richard Saley, Harvard University
Kaige Penetration in 2 Sam 1:1—1 Kgs 2:11 (30 min)

Guy Darshan, Tel Aviv University
The Hapax dunasteumata in 3 Kgdms 2:46c (30 min)

Matthieu Richelle, FLTE
Who were the "worst" of the kings of Israel and Judah? A little-known divergence between MT and LXX (30 min)

Kristin De Troyer, Universität Salzburg
Hexaplaric Readings in Joshua (30 min)

S20-242

SBL Textual Criticism of the Hebrew Bible Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 208 (Second Level)

Theme: **The Textual History of the Bible - a New Reference Work**

Karin Finsterbusch, Universität Koblenz - Landau, Presiding

David M. Carr, Union Theological Seminary in New York
Review of Textual History of the Bible 1a - Textual Criticism at the Interface between Textual History and Literary History (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Lawrence Schiffman, New York University
Review of the Textual History of the Bible 1b - The Torah between Antiquity and Late Antiquity (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Jakob Wöhrle, Carl von Ossietzky Universität Oldenburg
Review of the Textual History of the Bible 1b - The Former and the Latter Prophets (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Dalit Rom-Shiloni, Tel Aviv University
Review of the Textual History of the Bible 1c - Ketuvim (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Armin Lange, Universität Wien, Respondent (30 min)

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S20-243

SBL Theological Perspectives on the Book of Ezekiel Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton Boston Back Bay (HBB) - Maverick A (Second Level)

Margaret Odell, Saint Olaf College, Presiding

Ariel Kopilovitz, Hebrew University of Jerusalem
Ezekiel's Negative Approach toward Jehoiachin as a Reflection of His Exile Theology (25 min)

Rosanne Liebermann, Johns Hopkins University
Assyrians in Blue, Babylonians in Red: Clothing and Acculturation in Ezekiel 23 (25 min)

Katrina Schaafsma, Duke University
Follow the Body: Reencountering Trauma in Ezekiel's River (47:1–7) (25 min)

William Briggs, Baylor University
Ezekiel and Big Agriculture: Idols and Land Grabs, Ancient and Modern in Ezekiel 6; 35:1–36:15 (25 min)

Carla Sulzbach, Independent scholar
The End of Nature in Ezekiel (25 min)

Business Meeting (25 min)

For advance copies of the papers, please email Madhavi Nevader: mn47@st-andrews.ac.uk

S20-244

SBL Theology of the Hebrew Scriptures Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 311 (Third Level)

Theme: **Theological Interpretation of the Embodiment of G-d in the Hebrew Bible**

Marvin Sweeney, Claremont School of Theology, Presiding

Mark Smith, Princeton Theological Seminary, Panelist (30 min)

David Stein, Freelance Editorial Services | Stellenbosch University, Panelist (30 min)

Soo Kim, Shepherd University, Panelist (30 min)

Rachel Adelman, Hebrew College, Panelist (30 min)

Benjamin Sommer, Jewish Theological Seminary of America, Respondent (30 min)

S20-245

SBL Transmission of Traditions in the Second Temple Period Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Olmsted (Fifth Level)

Theme: **Transmission of Psalms: Navigating between Form, Function and Editing**

Judith Newman, University of Toronto, Presiding

Eileen Schuller, McMaster University
Blessings and Blessing Formularies in Psalms from the Second Temple Period (25 min)

Anja Klein, Edinburgh University
Exodus – Transmission of a Tradition in Psalms and Liturgies of the Second Temple Period (25 min)

Reinhard Müller, Westfälische Wilhelms-Universität Münster
The Making of Composite Psalms: Documented Evidence, Hypothetical Cases, Methodological Reflections (25 min)

Mika Pajunen, University of Helsinki
Differentiation of Form, Theme, and Function in Psalms and Psalm Collections (25 min)

David Willgren, Örebro School of Theology
And David Spoke through Prophecy: Davidic Superscriptions and the Formation of Collections of Psalms (25 min)

Discussion (25 min)

S20-245a

SBL Wisdom and Apocalypticism Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Constitution B (Second Level)

Theme: **Seeking Knowledge: The Intellectual Project of Apocalypticism (HeBAI review session)**

Liv Ingeborg Lied, MF Norwegian School of Theology, Presiding

Carol Newsom, Emory University, Panelist (10 min)

Matthew Goff, Florida State University, Panelist (20 min)

Jonathan Ben-Dov, University of Haifa, Panelist (20 min)

John Collins, Yale University, Panelist (20 min)

Break (5 min)

Karina Hogan, Fordham University, Panelist (20 min)

Anathea Portier-Young, Duke University, Panelist (20 min)

Discussion (35 min)



S20-247

SBL Wisdom of the Ages

1:00 PM–3:00 PM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Liberty A (Second Level)

Theme: **Comparison, Literature, Politics**

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. The presentation by Peter Machinist focuses on two phrases that have held his attention over the years: the Hebrew Bible as a Near Eastern book, and literature as politics. He will try to sketch out some of the issues posed by each phrase and some of the interconnections that these issues and so the phrases present. The issues include: the challenges of the comparative study of cultures; and in what ways was literature, here of the Hebrew Bible, shaped by, and in what ways did it shape, the political cultures from which it came.

Zev Garber, Los Angeles Valley College, Introduction (10 min)

Peter Machinist, Harvard University
A Look Backward and Forward (25 min)

Susan Ackerman, Dartmouth College, Respondent (20 min)

Mark S. Smith, Princeton Theological Seminary, Respondent (20 min)

Robert Wilson, Yale University, Respondent (20 min)

Discussion (25 min)

S20-248

SBL Women in the Biblical World Section

1:00 PM–3:00 PM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - St. Botolph (Second Level)

Theme: **Wisdom Commentary Series**

Panel presentation on the new Wisdom Commentary Series (Liturgical Press) by various contributors (authors and editors) to the commentaries.

Barbara Reid, Catholic Theological Union, Presiding (20 min)

Amy-Jill Levine, Vanderbilt University, Panelist (10 min)

Carol Dempsey, University of Portland, Panelist (10 min)

Ahida Pilarski, Saint Anselm College, Panelist (10 min)

Stacy Davis, Saint Mary's College (Notre Dame), Panelist (10 min)

F. Scott Spencer, Baptist Theological Seminary at Richmond, Panelist (10 min)

Ma. Maricel Ibita, Ateneo de Manila University, Panelist (10 min)

Ma. Marilou Ibita, Katholieke Universiteit Leuven, Panelist (10 min)

Discussion (30 min)

S20-249

SBL Writing Social-Scientific Commentaries of the New Testament Seminar

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - Tremont (First Level)

Theme: **Social Identity Theology Investigations: Critical Advances and Evaluations**

Visitors are most welcome to the sessions of the seminar. Papers are distributed beforehand and only summarized in the sessions. If you are interested in participating and receiving the papers, please contact the chairs: Petri.Luomanen@helsinki.fi or Brian.Tucker@moody.edu

Elizabeth Shively, University of St. Andrews, Presiding (5 min)

Matthew Marohl, Saint Olaf College

Comparing the Faithfulness of a Servant to that of a Son (Hebrews 3:1–6) (10 min)

Discussion (30 min)

Laura Hunt, Spring Arbor University

Alien and Degenerate Milk: The Role of the Semiotic Object and Cultural Units in 1 Peter 2:1–3 for Elucidating Social Identity Formation in the Letter (10 min)

Discussion (30 min)

Break (10 min)

Ryan Heinsch, University of Aberdeen

What Does Hagar Have to Do with Mount Sinai and Jerusalem? Critical Spatial Theory and Identity in Galatians 4:24–26 (10 min)

Discussion (30 min)

Discussion (15 min)

S20-250/A20-245

SBL Student Lounge Roundtable

1:30 PM–3:00 PM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 303 (Third Level)

Theme: **Publish or Perish for Graduate Students**

What makes an effective publication? How can you develop a competitive record of publishing? In this session, Dr. Miguel De La Torre discusses strategies for effective and competitive publishing strategies as a means to prepare graduate students for various job opportunities.

Miguel De La Torre, Iliff School of Theology, Panelist

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SBL Student Lounge Roundtable

3:00 PM–4:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 303 (Third Level)

Theme: **Tips for Integrating Guest Faith Practitioners in the Classroom**

As graduate student instructors of religion, we might face challenges of expertise or authority with our students, or teach students who have never encountered individuals of a particular religious tradition. Bringing faith practitioners to speak in our classes might be a useful strategy to expose students to insider views, hear from more authoritative sources, and encounter faith practitioners perhaps for the first time. In spite of the potential benefits of inviting faith practitioners to our classes, there are also potential challenges. How do we ensure that these experiences are appropriately bracketed to maintain academic rigor? Do certain institutional contexts or programs support this more than others? How does our status as graduate students affect these concerns, especially as graduate students take on such a large role of undergraduate instruction? This roundtable session will discuss these issues and discuss ways of effectively bringing guest faith practitioners into the classroom.

Joshua Patterson, University of Georgia, Panelist



Coffee Break

Monday, 3:30 PM

Complimentary coffee will be served in the back of Aisle 2100 and Aisle 2600 of the Exhibit Hall.

S20-301

SBL Academic Teaching and Biblical Studies Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Beacon E (Third Level)

Theme: **Texts That Trigger Responses**

Erica Martin, Seattle University, Presiding

Ma. Maricel S. Ibita, Ateneo de Manila University
Inside Out: Seasons of Life, Seasons of Faith in the Psalms (30 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Renate Hood, University of Mary Hardin-Baylor
Reading Biblical Literature With the Heavyhearted (30 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Tim Koch, Excelsior College and Pacific School of Religion
"Can This Text Be Saved?": Applying Mediation Skills to Teaching Troubling Texts (30 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Sylvie Raquel, Trinity International University
Creative Assignments for Creative Reading (30 min)

Discussion (15 min)

S20-302

SBL African Biblical Hermeneutics Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Fairfax A (Third Level)

Theme: **Protests and Social Movements**

Gerrie Snyman, University of South Africa, Presiding

David T. Adamo, Kogi State University
The Black Man's (Ebed-Melech) Protest to King Zedekiah as a Model of Modern Protest Movement in Africa (Jer. 38:1–17) (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Huli Ramantswana, University of South Africa
Who Is Innocent? Revisiting and Reviving Allan Boesak's Critique in the Wake of Xenophobic Attacks in South Africa (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Discussion (50 min)

S20-303

SBL Ancient Fiction and Early Christian and Jewish Narrative Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Olmsted (Fifth Level)

Christy Cobb, Wingate University, Presiding

Jared Ludlow, Brigham Young University
Didactic First-Person Characterization in The Testaments of the Twelve Patriarchs (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Sheila Briggs, University of Southern California
Real and Fictional Martyrdoms (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Tyler Smith, University of Ottawa
The Conflict of Emotions in Joseph and Aseneth and the Greek Novel (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Kasper Bro Larsen, Aarhus University
The Morphology of the Hospitality Scene in Ancient Literature (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

S20-305

SBL Bible and Practical Theology Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - Tremont (First Level)

Theme: **The Bible, Moral Injury, Soul Repair and Strategies for Healing**

Johnny Ramirez-Johnson, Fuller Theological Seminary (Pasadena), Presiding

Denise Dombkowski Hopkins, Wesley Theological Seminary and Michael S. Koppel, Wesley Theological Seminary
Exile and Trauma as Interpretive Frame for Lament Psalms 74, 79, 87, and 137 (30 min)

Discussion (10 min)



Robert Heimburger, Oxford University, Christopher M. Hays,
Fundación Universitaria Seminario Bíblico de Colombia and
Guillermo Mejía-Castillo, Fundación Universitaria Seminario
Bíblico de Colombia

*Forgiveness and healing after forced displacement: Reading of the
Parable of the Unforgiving Debtor (Matt. 18:21–35) with survivors
of the armed conflict in Colombia (30 min)*

Discussion (10 min)

Terry Ann Smith, New Brunswick Theological Seminary
*Traumatic Bonds: Ruth 1:16–17 as a Mechanism of Survival
(25 min)*

Discussion (10 min)

Joseph Kim Paxton, Claremont School of Theology, and Aubrey
E. Buster, Emory University
*Bring Back Lament: Navigating Strategies for Soul Repair and
Healing Among Korean-Adoptees and Immigrant College and
Seminary Students (25 min)*

Discussion (10 min)

S20-306

SBL Bible and Visual Art Section / Gender, Sexuality, and the Bible Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Back Bay D (Second Level)

Theme: **Gender Instability in Biblical Art**

Christine Joynes, University of Oxford, Presiding

Ela Nutu, University of Sheffield
*John the Baptist as L'Homme Fatale? Artistic Interpretations of a
Biblical Narrative (25 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

Peter French, The University of Melbourne
A female Christ crucified: scandal for some or savior of all? (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Jeff Jay, University of Chicago
*Two to a Couch: Visualizing Homoerotic Intimacy in John 13:23–25
and 21:20 in Light of Ancient Art (25 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

Yohana Junker, Graduate Theological Union
The Painted Bathsheba: Unsettling the Gaze (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Volker Kuester, Johannes Gutenberg-Universität Mainz
*Intercultural Gender Trouble and Queer Bodies in Christian Art from
Africa and Asia (25 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

S20-307

SBL Biblical Ethics Section

4:00 PM–7:00 PM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - Clarendon (Third Level)

Theme: **The Use of Earlier Biblical Texts by Later Biblical Authors
/ (Social) Justice - Exegetical Observations and the Question of the
Relevance for Current Ethical Debates**

How do biblical authors use earlier biblical texts/traditions to assess
ethical issues? How do they define “(social) justice”? What can be
learned from understanding these issues for current ethical debates?

Dorothea H. Bertschmann, Mirfield College, Presiding (2 min)

Kenneth Bergland, Andrews University
*Reuse of Cultic Laws from Lev 16; 23; 25 in the Ethical Applications
of Isa 58 (25 min)*

Discussion (15 min)

Markus Zehnder, Evangelische Theologische Fakultät
*Applying Older Biblical Texts to New Circumstances in the Post-
Exilic Period: The Case of Nehemiah 13:1–3 (and Similar Examples)
(25 min)*

Discussion (15 min)

Paul Cizek, Marquette University
*The Ethical Functions of the Deuteronomic Decalogue in Daniel 3
(25 min)*

Discussion (15 min)

Beniamin Pascut, Ecclesia College
*The Way of Justice: Human Rights vs. Human Righteousness in Mk
8:27–33 (25 min)*

Discussion (15 min)

Break (3 min)

Discussion (15 min)

S20-308

SBL Biblical Exegesis from Eastern Orthodox Perspectives Consultation

4:00 PM–6:45 PM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 101 (Plaza Level)

Theme: **The New Perspective on Paul and the Eastern Orthodox
Interpretation of Paul**

The debate between the “old” and the “new perspective” has been a
focal point of Pauline studies in recent years. This debate has, in turn,
given rise to new research projects focused on potential affinities and
differences between the “new perspective” and Eastern Orthodox
interpretation of Paul. Therefore, this session takes up the discussion
between “Eastern-Orthodox,” “new,” and “old perspectives” on Paul
and seeks to develop it further. This panel will feature invited papers
by authors who will focus on texts playing a crucial role in the debate
regarding participation, justification and conversion in Paul.

Edith Humphrey, Pittsburgh Theological Seminary, Presiding

Michael Gorman, St. Mary's Seminary & University
Reconsidering Justification in 2 Corinthians 5:14–21 (25 min)

Athanasios Despotis, Rheinische Friedrich-Wilhelms-Universität
Bonn
*The Dialogue between the Eastern Orthodox Interpretation of Paul
and the New Perspective on Paul regarding the Exegesis of Phil 3
(25 min)*

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Break (5 min)

Rikard Røitto, Stockholm School of Theology
The Embodied Experience of the Early Christian Symposium and Paul's Language of Salvation and Justification (25 min)

James B. Wallace, Christian Brothers University
Led by the Spirit: Symeon the New Theologian, Ernst Käsemann, and the New Perspective on Romans 8:12–17 (25 min)

Discussion (30 min)

Business Meeting (30 min)

S20-309

SBL Biblical Hebrew Poetry Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hilton Boston Back Bay - Belvidere B (Second Level)

Beth Stovell, Ambrose University College and Seminary, Presiding

Carol J. Dempsey, University of Portland
The Imagery and Metaphor of 'Wilderness' in Prophetic Literature (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Caralie Focht, Emory University
Insecure-Ambivalent Attachment in Psalm 22 (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Chun Luen Wu, Vanderbilt University
Beauty Rediscovered: Poetic Appreciation of Psalm 51 (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

John F. Hobbins, Lutheran Congregations in Mission for Christ
'Let Him Kiss Me with Kisses of his Mouth': Song of Songs 1:2–14 (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Kelli A. Gardner, University of Chicago
Flowing with Milk and Honey: Body as Landscape in the Song of Songs (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Bezalel Porten, Hebrew University of Jerusalem
Reunion of Jacob and Esau: A Paraphonous Reconciliation (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

S20-310

SBL Biblical Law Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Arnold Arboretum (Fifth Level)

Hannah Harrington, Patten University, Presiding

Dylan Johnson, New York University
The Biblical Rescript: The Convergence of Litigation and Legislation (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

William Morrow, Queen's University
A Parallel to Jacob's Treaty with Laban from Mari (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Andrew Gross, Catholic University of America

And He Writes for Her a Bill of Divorcement: Legal Documents in the Ancient Near East as Dispositive Legal Instruments (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Melissa Ramos, University of California-Los Angeles
Immigration Studies and the Resident Alien in Ugarit and Ancient Israel (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Shalom E. Holtz, Yeshiva University
Why Confess in Prayer? Two Legal Proposals (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

S20-311

SBL Biblical Lexicography Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Hampton (Third Level)

Theme: **Hebrew Lexicography**

Erik Eynikel, Universität Regensburg, Presiding

David J. A. Clines, University of Sheffield
The Vocabulary of Classical Hebrew: New Facts and Figures (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Avi Shveka, Ariel University
*A Novel Semantic Distinction between Classical and Late Biblical Hebrew: The Verb *rsh* (20 min)*

Discussion (10 min)

Raanan Eichler, Hebrew University of Jerusalem
Date Palms and Dust Clouds: Some Case Studies for Contextual Lexicography (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Sonja Noll, University of Oxford
In Pursuit of a Hapax: Divergent Interpretations of the Root S-K-T (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Jonathan Kaplan, The University of Texas at Austin
*On the Meaning of *yôbel* . . . Again (20 min)*

Discussion (10 min)

S20-312

SBL Biblical Literature and the Hermeneutics of Trauma Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 304 (Third Level)

Theme: **Relationships Among Individual, Collective, and Intergenerational Dimensions of Trauma**

Papers may explore any dimension of trauma, including the following: individual, collective, and intergenerational experience; events or ongoing situations that traumatize; effects of traumatization; and strategies for recovery from and resilience against traumatization. Avenues of inquiry may include the ancient contexts from which the biblical texts emerged and in which they were appropriated, the history of their appropriation up to the present, as well as possibilities for their appropriation in the future. This session invites papers that give particular attention to the relationships among individual, collective, and intergenerational dimensions of trauma.



Christopher Frechette, College of the Holy Cross, Presiding
Nazeer Nathaniel Bacchus, Yale Divinity School
Trauma and Transference: The Personification of Daughter Zion in the Book of Lamentations (30 min)
Elizabeth Boase, Flinders University
Good Figs Bad Figs: Reading Jeremiah 24 as Chosen Trauma (30 min)
David G. Garber, Jr., McAfee School of Theology at Mercer University
A Sign for the House of Israel: Individual and Collective Trauma in Ezek 12 and 24 (30 min)
Else K. Holt, Aarhus Universitet
Returning to Abraham: An Exegetical Comment on Interpretations of the Aqedah by Paul, Luther, Kierkegaard, Levenson, and Nørager. (30 min)
Jeremy Punt, Universiteit van Stellenbosch - University of Stellenbosch
Manly Suffering: Trauma, Masculinity and Paul (30 min)

S20-313

SBL Book History and Biblical Literatures Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 204 (Second Level)

Theme: **Reading Cultures in Ancient Judaism and Christianity**

Daniel Picus, Brown University, Presiding

Daniel Picus, Brown University, Introduction (5 min)

David Lambert, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
Biblical Narrative as Ethics? The Sociology of Reading and the Limits of Exemplarity (20 min)

Kendra Eshleman, Boston College
Unlettered and Amateur: Early Christian Authors On the Value of Not Reading (20 min)

Philip Michael Forness, Goethe-Universität Frankfurt am Main
The Audience and Readership of Late Antique Homilies (20 min)

Chris Keith St Mary's University (Twickenham)
Competitive Reading Cultures in Early Christianity (20 min)

William Johnson, Duke University, Respondent (20 min)

Discussion (45 min)

S20-314

SBL Children in the Biblical World Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Marriott Copley Place - Grand Ballroom EF (Fourth Level)

Theme: **Family Values and Children in the Pauline Epistles**

Sharon Betsworth, Oklahoma City University, Presiding

Isaac Blois, University of St. Andrews
*Innocent Children as the Christian Ideal: Paul's Use of *akeraioi* in Phil. 2:15* (25 min)

Robert D. Maldonado, California State University - Fresno
Suffer the children? Children, Obey Fathers? Become Like a Child?: Children, the Household Codes, Political Strategies—Then and Now (25 min)

Brad F. King, University of Texas at Austin
Sex and Submission: How the Pastoral Epistles Defined "Traditional" Family Values (25 min)

Carla Works, Wesley Theological Seminary, Respondent (15 min)

Discussion (15 min)

Business Meeting (45 min)

S20-315

SBL Chronicles-Ezra-Nehemiah Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Riverway (Fifth Level)

The open session of the Chronicles-Ezra-Nehemiah program unit features papers on a variety of topics, from established and early career scholars.

Ken Ristau, MacEwan University, Presiding

Paul Y. Byun, University of Sydney
The Wall as a MacGuffin in Nehemiah (25 min)

Kristin Joachimsen, MF Norwegian School of Theology
"Like the flesh of our brothers is our flesh": On (In)Equality, Cohesion and Others in Neh 5 (25 min)

Jeremy I. Williams, University of California-Los Angeles
From Reciprocity to Economic Trade in 2 Chronicles 2:2–15 (ENG 2:3–16) (25 min)

Christina M. Fetherolf, Graduate Theological Union
The Chronicler's Paradigm of Worship: The Chronicler's Psalm in the Ark Narrative (25 min)

Aubrey E. Buster, Emory University
1 Chronicles 16:8–36: Psalms as Social Strategy (25 min)

Discussion (25 min)

S20-316

SBL Contextualizing North African Christianity Section

4:00 PM–6:00 PM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - Orleans (Fourth Level)

Theme: **Gospel Narratives in Early African Christianity**

Jane Merdinger, Augustinian Heritage Institute, Presiding

Erik Estrada, Wake Forest University School of Divinity
The Battle for Baptism in the Gospel of John and the Pauline Epistles: A Third-Century North African Christian Conflict over Jesus, Paul and the Salvific Efficacy of Baptism (30 min)

Janice De-Whyte Sarfo, Loma Linda University
What Not to Wear & How to Look Good Sacred: Tertullian's Theology of Modesty (30 min)

J. David Woodington, University of Notre Dame
North African Christians on the Disciples Doubting the Resurrected Jesus (30 min)

Bradley Daugherty, Vanderbilt University
Cyprian, the Parable of the Wheat and the Tares, and the Church as Corpus Mixtum: On the Roman Origins of an African Interpretation (30 min)

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S20-317

SBL Digital Humanities in Biblical, Early Jewish, and Christian Studies Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Commonwealth (Third Level)

Theme: **Jewish and Christian Scriptures in a Digital Culture**

David Hamidovic, Université de Lausanne, Presiding

Hayim Lapin, University of Maryland - College Park and Yael Netzer, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev
A Canonical Text Service for Classical Rabbinic Literature (25 min)

Gaia Lembi, Brown University
Saxa Judaica: Delving Digitally into Jewish Inscriptions (25 min)

Van Acker, David, Katholieke Universiteit Leuven
The significance of individual Masoretic accents in their context – a proposed new methodology for quantitative analysis (25 min)

Olivier-Thomas Venard, Ecole Biblique
Volumen, Codex, Hexapla, Polyglott, Database: Can One Single Digital Interface Encapsulate the History of the Book? A Critical Presentation of The Bible in Its Traditions Digital Scroll: scroll.bible (25 min)

Jan Krans, Protestantse Theologische Universiteit Amsterdam
The Amsterdam Database of New Testament Conjectural Emendation as a Research Tool (25 min)

Jörg Röder, Universität Basel
HyperNT – A new interactive database for the New Testament, Early Christian Literature and its reception history (25 min)

S20-318

SBL Early Exegesis of Genesis 1 Consultation

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - Tufts (Third Level)

Theme: **Gen. 1 in the Interpretation of the Cappadocians and Their Time**

Volker Drecoll, Eberhard Karls Universität Tübingen, Presiding

Andrew J. Brown, Melbourne School of Theology
Basil: A Patristic Literalist Cast in Modernist Mold? (30 min)

Colten Yam, Eberhard Karls Universität Tübingen
Basil's Knowledge of Astronomy (30 min)

Andrew Radde-Gallwitz, University of Notre Dame
Gregory of Nyssa on Genesis 1:1 (30 min)

Rony Kozman, University of Toronto
Adam's Wisdom in Patristic Exegesis of the Fourth and Fifth Century CE (30 min)

Discussion (30 min)

S20-319

SBL Early Jewish Christian Relations Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hilton Boston Back Bay (HBB) - Maverick A (Second Level)

Theme: **The Legacy of Krister Stendahl for Jewish-Christian Relations**

Jesper Svartvik, Presiding (20 min)

Tamara Eskenazi, Hebrew Union College - Jewish Institute of Religion (California Branch)
Law and Gospel in the Hebrew Bible (20 min)

Peter Pettit, Muhlenberg College
The Apostle Paul and the Introspective Conscience of the Rest (20 min)

Joseph Sievers, Pontificio Istituto Biblico
"The Joint Lutheran-Catholic Declaration on the Doctrine of Justification" and Recent Views on Paul (20 min)

Magdalena Dziaczkowska, Heidelberg University
The Catholic Reception of the Pauline Law-Grace Dichotomy in the Light of Krister Stendahl's Interpretation (20 min)

Katherine Shaner, Wake Forest University
Communal Theologies of Difference: Krister Stendahl, Paul, and the Churches in Rome (20 min)

Discussion (30 min)

S20-320

SBL Feminist Hermeneutics of the Bible Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Republic A (Second Level)

Theme: **Biblical Texts and Violence Against Women**

Sharon Jacob, Phillips Theological Seminary, Presiding

Audrey M. Nissly, The University of Texas at Austin
Exploring Female Sexual Subjectivity: The Role of Consent in Modern Rape Law and the Book of Esther (30 min)

Anne Létourneau, Université du Québec à Montréal
Unwrapping the Shulammitte: Gender and Sartorial Violence in Song 5:7 (30 min)

Susannah M. Larry, Vanderbilt University
The Voices of Rapists: Re-Reading Lamentations 1:7–9 (30 min)

Jason M. H. Gaines, Smith College
Consent, Rape, and Hierarchies of Power in the Hebrew Bible (30 min)

Rena MacLeod, Australian Catholic University
Banishing Shadows Between a Rock and a Hard Place: The "Adulterous" Woman and a Liberating Model of Interpretation (30 min)



S20-321

SBL Greco-Roman Religions Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Beacon A (Third Level)

Theme: **Interactions with Cultic Spaces in the Greco-Roman World**

Papers will be available beforehand, and can be requested from Gerhard van den Heever, vdheega@unisa.ac.za.

James Hanges, Miami University, Presiding

Adeline Harrington, University of Texas Austin
Beyond the Temenos: A Case Study of Untempled Altars in Ancient Priene (25 min)

Travis Proctor, Northland College
Of Landscapes and Legacies: The Reconfiguration of Cultic Space in the Acts of John (25 min)

Timothy J. Christian, Asbury University
Insinatio and Paul's Areopagus Speech in Acts 17:22–31 (25 min)

Break (5 min)

Business Meeting (50 min)

S20-322

SBL Hebrew Bible, History, and Archaeology Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 105 (Plaza Level)

Theme: **Forgery and Writing Provenance in Writing Histories of Ancient Israel and Judah**

Christopher Rollston, George Washington University
Washington's Museum of the Bible, ASOR and SBL's Policies on Pillaged Antiquities, and Modern Forged Inscriptions (25 min)

Michael Johnson, McMaster University
A Case Study in Professional Ethics concerning Secondary Publications of Unprovenanced Artefacts: The New Edition DSS F.Instruction1 (25 min)

Roberta Mazza, University of Manchester
Market of cultural heritage mass destruction? A survey of the contemporary trade in ancient manuscripts from Egypt (25 min)

Break (10 min)

Kathleen Nicoll, University of Utah and Matthew Suriano, University of Maryland - College Park
Cross-disciplinary perspectives on unprovenanced artifacts: Reexamining the authenticity of the so-called Jehoash Inscription as a case study (25 min)

Robert Duke, Azusa Pacific University
New data for scholarship: Why unprovenanced items should not be dismissed (25 min)

S20-323

SBL Hellenistic Judaism Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Public Garden (Fifth Level)

Theme: **Hellenistic Judaism and Philosophy**

Lutz Doering, Westfälische Wilhelms-Universität Münster, Presiding

Horacio Vela, University of the Incarnate Word
The Transformation of the Soul in Wisdom of Solomon, 4 Maccabees, and Philo of Alexandria (20 min)

Elisa Uusimäki, Helsingin Yliopisto - Helsingfors Universitet and Anna-Liisa Tolonen, Helsingin Yliopisto - Helsingfors Universitet
4 Maccabees: Ancestral Perfection in the Roman Diaspora (20 min)

David L. Palmer, Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary
Judaic Paideia and Mastery of the Passions: The Philosophical Argument and Use of Scripture in 4 Maccabees (20 min)

Break (5 min)

Teppey Kato, Hebrew Union College - Jewish Institute of Religion
Presenting Jews as Philosophers: The Image of the Jews in Greek Literature and the Jews' Self-Image in Judeo-Hellenistic Literature (20 min)

Jason M. Zurawski, Rijksuniversiteit Groningen
Orthos Logos as Orthos Nomos: The Stoic Active Principle in Hellenistic Judaism (20 min)

Discussion (25 min)

Business Meeting (20 min)

S20-324/A20-303

SBL History and Literature of Early Rabbinic Judaism Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Back Bay B (Second Level)

Theme: **Self-Control in Augustine and Rabbinic Literature**

This session is co-sponsored by the Augustine and Augustinianisms unit (AAR)

Jonathan Klawans, Boston University, Presiding

Elizabeth Anderson, Episcopal Divinity School
The Im(permeable) Self in Augustine and Other Ancient Writers (20 min)

Jonathan Schofer, University of Texas at Austin
Self-Control, Foucault's Ethics, and Deuteronomy Rabbah 8:4 (20 min)

Orit Malka, Tel Aviv University
Incompetent Witnesses and Self-Control in Tannaitic Literature (20 min)

Matthew Goldstone, New York University
Humility and the Self: Parallel (Yet Competing) Orientations in the Work of Augustine and the Rabbis of Late Antiquity (20 min)

Virginia Burrus, Syracuse University, Respondent (15 min)

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S20-325

SBL History of Interpretation Section / Jewish Interpretation of the Bible Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Clarendon (Third Level)

Theme: **Medieval Biblical Exegesis: Jewish and Christian**

Tamar Kamionkowski, Reconstructionist Rabbinical College, Presiding

Michael Legaspi, Pennsylvania State University, Presiding

Robert A. Harris, Jewish Theological Seminary of America
From Charlemagne to Rashi: The Reinvention of Reading During the Twelfth Century Renaissance (25 min)

Jay Harrington, Aquinas Institute of Theology
Medieval Christian and Jewish Interpretation Using a Fourfold Sense of Scripture (25 min)

Sara D. Labaton, Beit Rabban Day School
Abraham Ibn Ezra's Esoteric Hermeneutic (25 min)

Ezra Frazer, Yeshiva University
Abraham Ibn Ezra's Exegesis to Zechariah's Apocalyptic Visions (25 min)

Alan Cooper, Jewish Theological Seminary of America
The Four Senses of Scripture and Their Afterlife (25 min)

Discussion (25 min)

S20-326

SBL Latino/a and Latin American Biblical Interpretation Section

4:00 PM–6:15 PM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Liberty A (Second Level)

Theme: **Book Review: Francisco Lozada and Fernando Segovia, *Latino/a Biblical Hermeneutics: Problematics, Objectives, Strategies***

Ahida Pilarski, Saint Anselm College, Presiding

Gay Byron, Howard University, Panelist (15 min)

Elisabeth Schüssler Fiorenza, Harvard University, Panelist (15 min)

Tat-siong Benny Liew, College of the Holy Cross, Panelist (15 min)

Gilberto Ruiz, Saint Anselm College, Panelist (15 min)

Fernando Segovia, Vanderbilt University, Respondent (20 min)

Francisco Lozada, Brite Divinity School (TCU), Panelist (20 min)

Discussion (35 min)

S20-327

SBL Levites and Priests in History and Tradition Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - Fairfield (Third Level)

Mark Leuchter, Temple University, Presiding

Nathan Hays, Baylor University
Reading Leviticus in Light of the Priestly Commission to Teach in Leviticus 10:8–11 (30 min)

Liane Marquis, University of Chicago
Establishing Authority in the Priestly Cult: A New Analysis of Lev 10 (30 min)

Yigal Levin, Bar-Ilan University
Levites and "Reforming Kings" in Chronicles (30 min)

Yonatan Miller, University of Toledo
Why Does the Septuagint Kill Phinehas? On the Stakes of Priestly Immortality (30 min)

Krista Dalton, Columbia University in the City of New York
Ma'aser Rishon and the Funding of Torah Study (30 min)

S20-328

SBL Mark Seminar

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 108 (Plaza Level)

Theme: **Collaboration on Mark 9**

The Mark Seminar will hold an exploratory session on Mark 9, which brings together significant Markan themes (e.g., Christology, purity, exorcism, faith, and discipleship). Rather than discussing written papers, seminar members will discuss aspects of the chapter in thematic groups coordinated beforehand. This session is limited to members of the Mark seminar and their guests.

Kelli O'Brien, Independent Scholar, Presiding

Discussion (150 min)

S20-329

SBL Masoretic Studies Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - Exeter (Third Level)

David Marcus, Jewish Theological Seminary of America, Presiding

Fred N. Reiner, Wesley Theological Seminary
Christian David Ginsburg and Jacob Ben Chayim

Tim Hegg, TorahResource Institute
Demonstration of the Dotan-Riech Masora Thesaurus Module in Accordance Bible Software

Yosef Ofer, Bar-Ilan University
Figures and Manuscripts Relating to the Aleppo Codex and to Leningrad B19a Manuscript

Robert Vanhoff, TorahResource Institute
The Case of the Closed Mem: Using Digital Tools to Study a Scribal Anomaly in Isaiah 9:6

Torleif Elgvin, NLA University College, Oslo
New Readings in the Qumran Canticles Scrolls



S20-330

SBL Matthew Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Constitution B (Second Level)

Theme: **Matthew and Texts from the Judean Desert**

This session presents new research relating to Matthew and Texts from the Judean Desert, highlighting themes where they intersect.

Anders Runesson, University of Oslo, Presiding (5 min)

Philip Esler, University of Gloucestershire
Ethnic Identities in the Dead Sea Legal Papyri and Matthew: Reinterpreting Matt 25:31–46 (25 min)

Cecilia Wassen, Uppsala Universitet
Moral and Ritual Impurity in Matthew and the Sectarian Literature from Qumran (25 min)

Break (5 min)

Daniel M. Gurtner, Southern Seminary
Danielic Influence at the Intersection of Matthew and the Dead Sea Scrolls (25 min)

David Sim, Australian Catholic University
Life after Death? The Question of Immediate Life after Death in the Dead Sea Scrolls and in the Gospel of Matthew (25 min)

Discussion (40 min)

S20-331/A20-334

SBL Mysticism, Esotericism, and Gnosticism in Antiquity Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 209 (Second Level)

Theme: **Ritual Creativity: Old and New, Inside and Out**

This session is co-sponsored by the Western Esotericism unit (AAR). It takes up the development of new ritual practices, as the development attends in particular to the processes by which practitioners construct new rituals, the discourses they draw upon from inside their own tradition and from outside them, as well as from other, non-sacred discourses and practices.

Claire Fanger, Rice University, Presiding

Paul M. Pasquesi, Marquette University
"Having Started With the Spirit Are You Now Ending With the Flesh?": Circumcision, Vision, and Initiation in Galatians (30 min)

Kelley Coblenz Bautch, St. Edward's University
Historiolae and Pseudepigraphy: An Assessment with an Eye toward Ritual and Ascent (30 min)

Cindy Dawson, Rice University
Hiding Sophia: Preservation of the Female Body's Value in Gnostic Mythology (30 min)

Matthew J. Dillon Rice University
(Re-)Inventing the Bridal Chamber: Sacrament, Psychic Androgenization, and Sacred Sex (30 min)

Marla Segol, University at Buffalo
Mystical Embryologies: Knowledge, Practice, and Devotion (30 min)

P20-332

National Association of Professors of Hebrew

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 311 (Third Level)

Theme: **Constructive Engagement Between Diverse Approaches to the Formation of the Pentateuch structure**

Ziony Zevit, American Jewish University, Presiding

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Discussing Neo-Documentarian and Transmission-Historical Approaches to the Pentateuch: Some Background (10 min)

Konrad Schmid, University of Zurich
The Neo-Documentarian Approach to the Pentateuch (25 min)

Jeffrey Stackert, University of Chicago
The Transmission-Historical Approach to the Pentateuch (25 min)

Joel Baden, Yale University
The Neo-Documentarian Approach: How Can It Be Improved? (25 min)

David M. Carr, Union Theological Seminary in New York
The Transmission-Historical Approach: How Can It Be Improved? (25 min)

Discussion (40 min)

P20-333

National Association of Professors of Hebrew

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - Provincetown (Fourth Level)

Theme: **Communicative Methods for Teaching and Learning Biblical Hebrew**

Pamela Scalise, Fuller Theological Seminary (Northwest), Presiding

Paul Overland, Ashland Theological Seminary, Panelist

Robert Stallman, Northwest University (Washington), Panelist

Benjamin Noonan, Columbia International University, Panelist

Jennifer Noonan, Liberty University, Panelist

Steve Cook, Johnson University, Panelist

David Levenson, Florida State University, Respondent

Discussion (25 min)

S20-334

SBL Novum Testamentum Graecum: Editio Critica Maior Seminar

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - Suffolk (Third Level)

Theme: **The Editio Critica Maior of Acts**

Holger Strutwolf, Westfälische Wilhelms-Universität Münster, Presiding (8 min)

Klaus Wachtel, Westfälische Wilhelms-Universität Münster
Reconstructing the Initial Text of Acts: Principles and Criteria (28 min)

Volker Krüger, Muenster Institute for New Testament Textual Research and Annette Hüffmeier, Institut für Neutestamentliche Textforschung
ECM Acts – Structure and Achievements (28 min)

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Siegfried G. Richter, Institute for New Testament Textual Research, Muenster and Katharina Schröder, Institut für Neutestamentliche Textforschung
Versional evidence of the so called "Western text" (28 min)

Carl R. Holladay, Emory University
ECM Acts: Implications for NT Exegesis (28 min)

Business Meeting (30 min)

S20-335

SBL Paul and Politics Seminar

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - Yarmouth (Fourth Level)

Ronald Charles, Presiding (7 min)

Tyler M. Schwaller, Harvard University
People of Our Time: Black Feminist Theories of the Human, Queer Temporalities, and What "Paul and Politics" Says about Us (20 min)

Discussion (7 min)

Eric C. Smith, Iliff School of Theology
Paul's Map and Territory: Klima, Process Mapping, and the Pauline Politics of Place (20 min)

Discussion (7 min)

Joshua Paul Smith, University of Denver
Remembering the Eucharist Rightly: The Lord's Supper in 1 Cor 11:23–26 and Paul's Politics of Memory (20 min)

Discussion (7 min)

Jee Hei Park, Fordham University
The Cosmopolitan Body: Reading 1 Corinthians 12:12–26 with Epictetus and Derrida (20 min)

Discussion (7 min)

T. Christopher Hoklotubbe, Loyola Marymount University
The Politics of Civic Piety: Elite Discourses on Piety in Honorary Inscriptions and 1 Timothy (20 min)

Discussion (15 min)

S20-336

SBL Pauline Epistles Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 207 (Second Level)

Theme: **New Light on Some Difficult Texts**

J. Albert Harrill, Ohio State University, Presiding

Ilaria L.E. Ramelli, Angelicum, Catholic U., Oxford, Princeton CEU IAS
Galatians vs Aristotelian (and Jewish) Inferiority Categories? (30 min)

Runar M. Thorsteinsson, University of Iceland
The Law and the Knowledge of Sin: Romans 3.20 in Light of Paul's Atratic Interlocutor in Chapter 7 (30 min)

Gregory Tatum, Ecole Biblique
"The Torah is Spiritual" (Rom 7:14) (30 min)

Mark Jeong, Yale Divinity School
Obedient Gentiles and Jealous Jews - A Fresh Interpretation of Paul's Aim in Romans 11:13–14 (30 min)

S20-337

SBL Philology in Hebrew Studies Section / Linguistics and Biblical Hebrew Seminar

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 103 (Plaza Level)

Theme: **The Relationship between Linguistics and Philology for the Analysis of Biblical Hebrew**

Tania Notarius, Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Presiding

Jacobus A. Naude, University of the Free State and Cynthia Miller-Naude, University of the Free State
Linguistics and Philology - Separate, Overlapping or Subordinate/Superordinate Disciplines? (25 min)

Jacqueline Vayntrub, Brandeis University
The Relationship between Linguistics and Philology: A Response to Jacobus Naude and Cynthia Miller-Naude (10 min)

Jeremy Hutton, University of Wisconsin-Madison
Philology as Exchange Floor (25 min)

John A. Cook, Asbury Theological Seminary
The Relationship between Linguistics and Philology: A Response to Jeremy Hutton (10 min)

Discussion (5 min)

H. H. Hardy II, Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary
The Archaeology and Genealogy of Grammar: liqra't as a Test Case (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Martin Ehrensverd, University of Copenhagen
Counting AND Weighing: On the Role of Intuition in Philology and Linguistics (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Benjamin Kantor, Cambridge University
Quality over Quantity: Modern Linguistic Studies on Cross Language Speech Perception/Production and the Greek Transcriptions of the Second Column (Secunda) of Origen's Hexapla (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

S20-338

SBL Qumran Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 110 (Plaza Level)

Theme: **Interpreting Dead Sea Scrolls**

Charlotte Hempel, University of Birmingham, Presiding

Menahem Kister, Hebrew University of Jerusalem
The Redaction of a Passage in the Damascus Document and its Anthropological and Soteriological Significance (30 min)

Carmen Palmer, Emmanuel College
Investigating the Female Slave of the Damascus Document and Hypothetical Mechanisms of Her Conversion (30 min)

Blake A. Jurgens, Florida State University
Know Your Demons: The Demonological Structure of 11QapocPs (11Q11) and Its Ritual Functionality (30 min)



James Duguid, The Catholic University of America
The Mystery of What Happens: a syntactical study of the Niphal of "hyh" in Second Temple Literature (30 min)

Michael Segal, Hebrew University of Jerusalem
Possible pre-Qumranic Roots of raz nihye (30 min)

S20-339

SBL Qur'an and Biblical Literature Section

4:00 PM–6:00 PM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - Northeastern (Third Level)

David Penchansky, University of Saint Thomas (Saint Paul, MN), Presiding

Michael Graves, Wheaton College (Illinois)
Biblical Motifs in Ibn Ishāq's Life of Muhammad (20 min)

John T. Noble, Huntington University
Covenantal Insider and Outsider in Genesis 17 and Qur'an 2:124–125 (20 min)

Christine Luckritz Marquis, Union Presbyterian Seminary
"They are on a path still standing": The Arabian Desert as Palimpsest (20 min)

James Kugel, Harvard University (retired); Bar Ilan University
Some Midrashic Aspects of Surat Yusuf (20 min)

Discussion (15 min)

Business Meeting (20 min)

S20-340

SBL Racism, Pedagogy and Biblical Studies Consultation

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 201 (Second Level)

Theme: **Manifestations of Racism in the Biblical Studies Classroom**

Sara Ronis, Saint Mary's University (San Antonio), Presiding (5 min)

Bernadette Brooten, Brandeis University, Panelist (20 min)

Lai Ling Elizabeth Ngan, Baylor University, Panelist (20 min)

Eric Barreto, Princeton Theological Seminary, Panelist (20 min)

J. Ross Wagner, Duke University, Panelist (20 min)

Margaret Aymer, Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary, Respondent (20 min)

Break (5 min)

Discussion (40 min)

S20-341

SBL Reading, Theory, and the Bible Section

4:00 PM–6:00 PM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - Boston University (Third Level)

Theme: **The Bible, Walter Benjamin and the Frankfurt School**

Jay Twomey, University of Cincinnati, Presiding

Alex Weisberg, New York University

Reading the World and Reading Genesis 2: Rabbinic Biblical Interpretation and Walter Benjamin's Radical Theology of the Word (25 min)

Rachelle Gilmour, The Australian Institute of Theological Education

Divine Violence and Divine Presence: Reading the Story of Uzzah and the Ark in 2 Samuel 6 with Walter Benjamin and Slavoj Žižek (25 min)

Break (5 min)

Lynne Moss Bahr, Fordham University

The Messianic Now-Time in the Parable of the Great Feast (25 min)

Jeffrey Morrow, Seton Hall University

Scripture and the Dialectic of Enlightenment: Reading Horkheimer and Adorno's Classic in Light of Biblical Interpretation (25 min)

Discussion (15 min)

S20-342

SBL Research and Publications Committee

4:00 PM–5:30 PM

Marriott Copley Place - SBL Press Suite

S20-343

SBL Rhetoric and the New Testament Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 210 (Second Level)

Theme: **Review of Alexandra Gruca-Macaulay, *Lydia as a Rhetorical Construct in Acts* (SBL Press, 2016)**

Davina Lopez, Eckerd College, Presiding (5 min)

Richard Ascough, Queen's University, Panelist (20 min)

Sean Burke, Luther College, Panelist (20 min)

Marianne Kartzow, Universitetet i Oslo, Panelist (20 min)

Nicholas Johnson, Drew University, Panelist (20 min)

Break (10 min)

Alexandra Gruca-Macaulay, Saint Paul University, Respondent (20 min)

Discussion (20 min)

Business Meeting (15 min)

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S20-345

SBL Textual Criticism of Samuel – Kings Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Jefferson (Third Level)

Kristin De Troyer, Universität Salzburg, Presiding

Anneli Aejmelaus, University of Helsinki

Hexaplaric Recension and Hexaplaric Readings in 1 Samuel (30 min)

Natia Mirotadze, Ivane Javakishvili Tbilisi State University

Hexaplaric Grains in the Georgian 1 Samuel (30 min)

Ki-Min Bang, Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago

The First Source Critic in LXX 1 Samuel 17 (30 min)

Debra Scoggins Ballentine, Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey

"They Smote Him in the Fifth": The Rhetorical Work of an Uncommon Phrase in 2 Samuel (30 min)

S20-346

SBL Textual Criticism of the Hebrew Bible Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - St. Botolph (Second Level)

Theme: **Ben Sira and the Text of Bible**

Russell Fuller, University of San Diego, Presiding (5 min)

Bennie H. Reynolds III, Medical University of South Carolina

The Textual Criticism of the Text of Genesis in the Hebrew Text of Ben Sira (15 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Mika Pajunen, University of Helsinki

The Textual Criticism of the Text of Kings and Chronicles in the Hebrew Text of Ben Sira (15 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Donald Parry, Brigham Young University

The Textual Criticism of the Text of Isaiah in the Hebrew Text of Ben Sira (15 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Russell E. Fuller, University of San Diego

The Textual Criticism of the Text of Ezekiel and the Minor Prophets in the Hebrew Text of Ben Sira (15 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Jason Driesbach, Independent Scholar

The Textual Criticism of the Text of Psalms in the Hebrew Text of Ben Sira (15 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Armin Lange, Universität Wien

The Textual Criticism of the Texts of Samuel and Jeremiah in the Hebrew Text of Ben Sira Jeremiah (15 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Concluding Discussion

Discussion (25 min)

P20-347

The Qur'an: Manuscripts and Textual Criticism (IQSA)

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Back Bay A (Second Level)

Theme: **Analysis of the Qur'an's Text as Found in Manuscripts**

This unit provides analysis of the Qur'an's text as found in manuscripts utilizing paleographical, codicological, and other established methodologies used in textual criticism (lower criticism). Oral tradition as recorded in manuscripts is also featured.

Alba Fedeli, Central European University, Budapest, Presiding

Shady H. Nasser, Harvard University

The Second Canonization of the Qur'an (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Raymond K. Farrin, American University of Kuwait

Verse Numbering Systems of the Qur'an: A Comparative Study (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Joshua Falconer, The Catholic University of America

From Variance to Canoncity: The Superimposition of Readings in Early Abbasid Scribal Practice (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Elif Behnan Karabiyik, Istanbul 29 Mayıs University

Dating of the Quranic Manuscript (Ms. 4313) and Its Palaeographical and Textual Features (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

S20-348

SBL Transmission of Traditions in the Second Temple Period Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Boston Marriott Copley Place (MCP) - Harvard (Third Level)

Kipp Davis, Trinity Western University, Presiding

Urmas Nõmmik, Tartu Ülikool

The Ben Sira Masada Scroll and the Transmission Process of the Book of Job (25 min)

Seth Adcock, Ariel University, Israel

Jeremiah's "Foe from the North" and the LXX's Rewritten Spin on the Matter: How Greek Jeremiah's Vorlage attempted to Solve an Old Scholarly Enigma (25 min)

Amanda M. Davis Bledsoe, Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München

Scribal Practice and the Dead Sea Daniel Manuscripts (25 min)

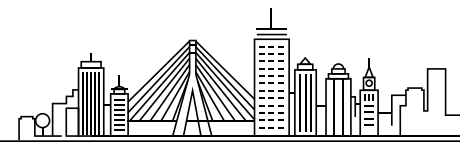
Jessi Orpana, Helsingin Yliopisto - Helsingfors Universitet

The Transmission of Creation Traditions in the Late Second Temple Period (25 min)

Friederike Neumann, Carl von Ossietzky Universität Oldenburg

Instruments of Remembrance: The Hymnic Transformation of Traditions in Psalm 150 (25 min)

Discussion (25 min)



S20-349/A20-340

SBL Student Lounge Roundtable

4:30 PM–6:00 PM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 303 (Third Level)

Theme: **Dissertation + Baby: How to Do Two of the Hardest Things You've Ever Done in Your Life Simultaneously, with Little Money or Sleep**

This workshop will guide participants in planning for how to make good progress on their dissertations while parenting young children. Topics discussed include: setting realistic expectations about the writing process and parenting; putting a support network in place; caring for yourself physically and spiritually while under stress; addressing the financial challenges of grad school; managing your teaching load; and staying connected to your scholarly community. The presenter wrote her dissertation while caring for her two children, and has since published a number of scholarly articles and essays and a volume of poetry.

Regina Walton, Harvard Divinity School, Panelist

S20-350

SBL Press Authors and Editors Reception

6:30 PM–7:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 312 (Third Level)

P20-401

Ethnic Chinese Biblical Colloquium

7:00 PM–9:00 PM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Commonwealth (Third Level)

Theme: **How Do "Ethnic Chinese" Do Biblical Studies?**

The first official meeting of ECBC was held at Andover Newton Theological School in January of 1995. Rarely if ever have we explicitly and self-consciously examined the role of our ethnicity in our work as biblical scholars. In a series of three eclectic presentations we will examine this theme in this year's session presented by three of our members, one born in Hong Kong, one a third generation Chinese American and one born in mainland China — and all women!

Milton Eng, William Paterson University, Presiding

Diane Chen, Palmer Theological Seminary of Eastern University
It's There Somewhere: Finding the Ethnic Chinese in My Biblical Scholarship (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Gale Yee, Episcopal Divinity School
Asian American Feminist Biblical Interpretation (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Sarah Zhang, GETS Theological Seminary
Introducing "I, You, and the Word 'God': Finding Meaning in the Song of Songs" (Eisenbrauns, 2016) (5 min)

Richard S. Hess, Denver Seminary
Review of "I, You, and the Word 'God': Finding Meaning in the Song of Songs" (Eisenbrauns, 2016) (20 min)

Discussion (15 min)

Business Meeting (30 min)

(The business meeting is for ECBC members only)

S20-402

SBL-Westar Institute Public Lecture

7:00 PM–8:30 PM

Marriott Copley Place - Grand Ballroom G-K (Fourth Level)

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S21-101

SBL Program Unit Chairs Meeting

7:30 AM–8:45 AM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 312 (Third Level)

Both Annual Meeting and International Meeting program unit chairs for the current year are invited to attend.



Coffee Break

Tuesday, 8:30 AM

Complimentary coffee will be served in the back of Aisle 2100 and Aisle 2600 of the Exhibit Hall.

S21-102

SBL Archaeology of the Biblical World Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Constitution A (Second Level)

Margaret Cohen, W. F. Albright Institute of Archaeological Research, Presiding

Daniel Schindler, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
Dating Galilean Synagogues: The Evidence from Archaeology (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Rami Arav, University of Nebraska at Omaha
"I was a city wall, and my breasts were like towers" (So 8:10) Towers and City Walls in the Bible and Archaeology (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Mark Wilson, Asia Minor Research Center
The Denouement of Claudian Pamphylia-Lycia and its Implications for the Audience of Galatians (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Gunnar Samuelsson, University of Gothenburg
Alexamenos is Doing What? (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

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S21-103

SBL Bible and Popular Culture Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 310 (Third Level)

Theme: **Mass culture and Specific uses of the Bible**

Dan Clanton, Doane University, Presiding

Valarie Ziegler, DePauw University
Solemnly Touring the Ark Encounter: "Let's Remember That the Biblical Account of the Ark and the Flood Is Not a Fun Story" (30 min)

Aaron Ricker, McGill University
Strange Places: The Curious Tributaries and Twists of Apocalyptic-Heroic Violence in Mike Mignola's Hellboy (30 min)

Phil Quanbeck, Augsburg College
Cooking the Book: Fad Diets, Foodies and the Bible in Popular Culture (30 min)

Christopher Heard, Pepperdine University
Exercising the Image of God: Ethical-Theological Reflection with Arnold Schwarzenegger's "The Sixth Day" (30 min)

Business Meeting (30 min)

S21-105

SBL Bible in Ancient and Modern Media Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Olmsted (Fifth Level)

Rafael Rodriguez, Johnson University, Presiding

Lena-Sofia Tiemeyer, University of Aberdeen
David and Michal in Contemporary Western Fiction (30 min)

Julia D. Lindenlaub, University of Edinburgh
Introducing "Media Awareness": Discerning Authorial Construal of Early Christian Media Culture, One Gospel at a Time (30 min)

Brian J. Wright, Ridley College, Melbourne
Communal Reading Events in the First Century C.E. (30 min)

Rebecca Scharbach Wollenberg, University of Michigan-Ann Arbor

A Disappointing Scripture: Critique of Written Text as a Vehicle for Divine Revelation in Early Rabbinic Narratives about the Second Tablets (30 min)

David G. Ford, CODEC Research Centre, University of Durham
The (Un)Stable Digital Bible: A Destabilising Peritext and Stabilising Epitext (30 min)

S21-106

SBL Biblical Ethics Section

9:00 AM–12:00 PM

Hilton Boston Back Bay (HBB) - Maverick A (Second Level)

Theme: **Biblical Authors Using Earlier Biblical Texts: How and Why, and Why This Is Important for Current Ethical Debates**

Methods in Biblical Ethics: "The Use of Older Biblical Traditions Related to Ethical Topics by Later Biblical Authors." How can observations on this topic further the understanding of how to "apply" biblical texts in current ethical debates?

Volker Rabens, Friedrich-Schiller-Universität Jena, Presiding (2 min)

R. Jarrett Van Tine, University of St. Andrews
The Restoration of Israel's Priesthood as the Framework for Matthean Ethics (25 min)

Discussion (15 min)

Eric Covington, Howard Payne University
Torahic Authority in the Ephesian Haustafel: An Early Christian Ethical Appropriation of Early Biblical Traditions (25 min)

Discussion (15 min)

Joel White, Freie Theologische Hochschule Gießen
Admonish One Another with Spiritual Songs (Col 3:16): The Paraenetic Use of Hymnic Material in Colossians (25 min)

Discussion (15 min)

Matthew Richard Schlimm, University of Dubuque Theological Seminary
The Problems with Progressive Revelation: Violence as an Example (25 min)

Discussion (15 min)

Break (3 min)

Discussion (15 min)

S21-107

SBL Biblical Greek Language and Linguistics Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Constitution B (Second Level)

Constantine Campbell, Trinity Evangelical Divinity School, Presiding (5 min)

Matthew Pawlak, University of Cambridge
How to Be Sarcastic in Greek: Linguistic Means of Signalling Sarcastic Intent in the New Testament and Lucian (25 min)

Xiaxia Xue, China Graduate School of Theology
The Conflict between Paul and Peter at Antioch: An Intertextual Discourse Analysis of Galatians 2:11–14 (25 min)

Craig Price, New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary
Register Discourse Analysis of Acts 15: The Tenor of Participant Social Structure (25 min)

Laurentiu Florentin Mot, Institutul Teologic Adventist
Discourse Analysis and the Levels of Intentionality in Greek Language Production (25 min)

Ryder Wishart, McMaster Divinity College
Approximating the Semantic Domains of Greek: Correlating Semantics, Distributions, and Paradigms (25 min)



S21-108

SBL Biblical Law Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Jamaica Pond (Fifth Level)

Shalom Holtz, Yeshiva University, Presiding

Yael Landman, Gorgias Press and Brooklyn College
The Many Bailments of David: A Case Study in Law and Literature
(20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Klaus-Peter Adam, Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago
The attitude of 'hate' as a legal category in Deuteronomy, Psalms and Proverbs (20 min)

Break (10 min)

Hannah K. Harrington, Patten University
Sexual Relations and the Transition from Holy People to Human Sanctuary in Second Temple Times (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Daniel Vos, Boston College
Property Conveyance and the Inheritance of Wisdom in the Dead Sea Scrolls (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Jean Maurais, McGill University
The Settlement of Disputes and the Punishment of the Guilty in the Hellenistic Period: An Examination of the Evidence from Greek Deuteronomy (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

S21-109

SBL Biblical Literature and the Hermeneutics of Trauma Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 208 (Second Level)

Theme: **Relationships Among Individual, Collective, and Intergenerational Dimensions of Trauma**

Papers may explore any dimension of trauma, including the following: individual, collective, and intergenerational experience; events or ongoing situations that traumatize; effects of traumatization; and strategies for recovery from and resilience against traumatization. Avenues of inquiry may include the ancient contexts from which the biblical texts emerged and in which they were appropriated, the history of their appropriation up to the present, as well as possibilities for their appropriation in the future. This session invites papers that give particular attention to the relationships among individual, collective, and intergenerational dimensions of trauma.

Juliana Claassens, Universiteit van Stellenbosch - University of Stellenbosch, Presiding

Benjamin D. Bixler, Drew University
Melancholia in the Book of Job (30 min)

Paul K.-K. Cho, Wesley Theological Seminary
After Trauma: A Drama of Language in the Book of Job (30 min)

LeAnn Snow Flesher, Amer Bapt Sem of West & Grad Theological Union
For Such a Time as This: Canonical Esther as Collective and Intergenerational Trauma Literature (30 min)

Elizabeth Siegelman Drew University

Jesus, the Jewish Son of Man: A Comparative Reading of Daniel 7:13 and Matthew 26:64 (30 min)

Business Meeting (30 min)

S21-110

SBL Book of Daniel Section

9:00 AM–11:15 AM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 210 (Second Level)

Theme: **Paul Kosmin's *Time and Resistance in the Seleucid Empire* (Harvard University Press, 2018) and the Book of Daniel**

Donald Polaski, Randolph-Macon College, Presiding

Paul J. Kosmin, Harvard University
Time and Resistance in the Seleucid Empire: Implications for Daniel (25 min)

Anathea Portier-Young, Duke University, Respondent (20 min)

John Collins, Yale University, Respondent (20 min)

Carol Newsom, Emory University, Respondent (20 min)

Discussion (50 min)

Business Meeting

S21-111

SBL Book of Samuel: Narrative, Theology and Interpretation Consultation

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Beacon A (Third Level)

Theme: **Current Research in Samuel**

Rachelle Gilmour, The Australian Institute of Theological Education, Presiding

David G. Firth, Trinity College - Bristol
Reflections on Current Research on Samuel (30 min)

David Tsumura, Japan Bible Seminary
The Incomparability of Yahweh, the Incomparability of His People, and the Eternity of the House of David — A Literary and Linguistic Analysis of David's Prayer in 2 Sam 7:18–29 (30 min)

James E. Patrick, University of Oxford
David's Census as an Attempt at Reformation (30 min)

April Westbrook, Vanguard University of Southern California
"... Give Them a King": Prophetic Voice, Intentional Ambiguity and Uncomfortable Questions on the Ethics of Power in the Books of Samuel (30 min)

David Shepherd, Trinity College - Dublin
Down to the Bare Bones: Saul, David and the Problem of Bloodguilt in 2 Sam 21:1–14 (30 min)

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S21-112

SBL Chronicles-Ezra-Nehemiah Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton Boston Back Bay (HBB) - Copley (Second Level)

Theme: **Gender Studies and Chronicles-Ezra-Nehemiah**

Christopher Jones, Washburn University, Presiding

Antje Labahn, Kirchliche Hochschule Wuppertal/Bethel
Female Vocal Artists in Chronicles (25 min)

Susan E. Haddox, University of Mount Union
Paper Masculinity: Gender Dynamics in the Epistolary Controversies in Ezra (25 min)

Cameron Howard, Luther Seminary
"A Man Like Me": Imperial Masculinities in Ezra-Nehemiah (25 min)

Sean Burt, North Dakota State University Main Campus
Nehemiah's Masculinity: Two Trajectories in the Contemporary Reception of Nehemiah (25 min)

Tamara Eskenazi, Hebrew Union College - Jewish Institute of Religion (California Branch)
What about the women? A feminist perspective on Ezra-Nehemiah (25 min)

Discussion (25 min)

S21-113

SBL Cognitive Linguistics in Biblical Interpretation Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Beacon G (Third Level)

Bonnie Howe, Presiding

Grant Adamson, University of Arizona
Justin Martyr on the Incarnation and Virgin Birth – A Cognitive Approach (30 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Abir Mitra, Université catholique de Louvain
Adultery as Source and Target Domains: Conceptual Blending and Mixed Metaphors in Hosea 7 (30 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Suzanna R. Millar, University of Cambridge
"Be Wise, My Son!": The Prototype Structure of 'Wise' and 'Foolish' in the Book of Proverbs (30 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Hikaru Kumon, University of Wisconsin-Madison
Frame Semantic Analysis of Scenic Lexemes: The Case of hebel (30 min)

Discussion (5 min)

S21-114

SBL Contextual Biblical Interpretation Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 200 (Second Level)

Theme: **Contextualized Readings of Spirits and Demons**

Papers will be summarized and discussed in seminar style. Papers will be available before the AM at a website to be determined.

Helen John, University of Exeter, Presiding

Sunhee Jun, Chicago Theological Seminary
When Ghost becomes Demon: Mistranslation of Unclean Spirit/ Demon to G'wisin in Mark (15 min)

Discussion (15 min)

Ma. Marilou S. Ibita, Katholieke Universiteit Leuven
Super Typhoon, Spirits and Scriptures: Exploring Post-Traumatic and Ecological Challenges and Responses in a Post-Haiyan Context (15 min)

Discussion (15 min)

Thomas Fabisiak, Life University
The Use and Status of the Bible in Justinus Kerner's Case Studies of the Possessions of Magdalena Grombach and "Anna U" (15 min)

Discussion (15 min)

Reed Carlson, Harvard University
Reading Spirit Possession in the Writing Prophets: Insights from Ethnography and Possession Studies (15 min)

Discussion (15 min)

David T. Adamo, Kogi State University
Reading Psalm 35 in African Context (15 min)

Discussion (15 min)

S21-115

SBL Corpus Hellenisticum Novi Testamenti Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Hampton (Third Level)

Theme: **Hair in Greco-Roman Antiquity**

Donald Walker, University of Chicago, Presiding

Janet Stephens, Independent Scholar
A Very Bad Hair Day: Ovid's Amores 1.14 (30 min)

Helen Bond, University of Edinburgh, Member
Troy W. Martin, Saint Xavier University
Dating First Peter to a Hairdo (1 Pet 3:3) (30 min)

Charles H. Cosgrove, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary
Reframing the Ancient Requirement That Women Unbind Their Hair for Baptism (30 min)

Francis Watson, University of Durham
Why Did Paul Care about Women's Hair Length? (30 min)

Discussion (30 min)

This session relates the understanding and experience of hair in Greco-Roman antiquity to the meaning and significance of hair in the New Testament.



S21-116

SBL Digital Humanities in Biblical, Early Jewish, and Christian Studies Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Dalton (Third Level)

Theme: **Reading, Publishing, Gaming: Academic Digital Challenges**

Paul Dilley, University of Iowa, Presiding

Richard Bautch, St. Edward's University
Gameplay, Biblical Text, and What Drives the Prophet: How Students Turned Call Narratives into a Video Game (25 min)

James F. McGrath, Butler University
Can the Dynamics of Canon Formation be Replicated through Game Mechanics? An Experiment in Gamified Pedagogy (25 min)

Katherine Jones, George Washington University
Likely Lies: A Statistical Analysis of the Prevalence of Modern Forgeries (25 min)

Claire Clivaz, Swiss Institute of Bioinformatics, Swiss Institute of Bioinformatics
Academic Publishing in an Open Access World: A Partnership Approach (25 min)

Discussion (25 min)

S21-117

SBL Hebrew Bible and Political Theory Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton Boston Back Bay (HBB) - Maverick B (Second Level)

Francis Borchardt, Lutheran Theological Seminary, Hong Kong, Presiding

Madhavi Nevader, University of St. Andrews
The Rise of Yhwh: A Theocratic Turn in Deuteronomy and Ezekiel 40–48 (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Seth A. Bledsoe, Wake Forest University
Dynamic Boundaries: A Socio-Political Approach to Early Judean Identity with Elephantine as a Case Study (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Stewart Moore, Independent Scholar
Dressing up in Foreign Clothes: The Category of Nationalism and the Book of Zephaniah (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Jennifer Maidrand, Drew University
Creation Out of Chaos: Cultivating a Political [Eco]Theology of Displacement (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Guy L. Ridge, Hebrew Union College - Jewish Institute of Religion
The Rational Ancient Near Eastern Sovereign: A Case Study for Using Methodological Individualism and Rational Choice Theory in Ancient Near Eastern Studies (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

S21-118

SBL Historiography and the Hebrew Bible Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 111 (Plaza Level)

Theme: **Historiography and the Hebrew Bible**

Ian Wilson, University of Alberta, Presiding

Brad Crowell, Drake University
Amon's Failed Reign and the Colonial Failure of the Assyrian Empire (25 min)

Andrew Tobolowsky, William and Mary
The Twelve Tribes in Judah and the Ten Tribes in America (25 min)

Mahri Leonard-Fleckman, Providence College (Rhode Island)
Claiming Samson for Israel: Liminality and Border Shaping at the End of Judges (25 min)

Jack L. Weinbender, The University of Texas at Austin
Keying and Framing Persian Period Yehud: Ezra, Zerubbabel, and the Codification of Torah (25 min)

Jonathan Schmidt-Swartz, New York University
Reexamining the Political-Legal Ideology of mišpat hammelek (1 Samuel 8:11–18) (25 min)

S21-119

SBL History and Literature of Early Rabbinic Judaism Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 105 (Plaza Level)

Theme: **Healing and Healthcare in Rabbinic Literature**

Michael Rosenberg, Hebrew College, Presiding

Lennart Lehmhaus, Freie Universität Berlin/ Katz Center UPenn
Talmudic Therapies – Rabbinic Approaches to Healing and Their Discursive Strategies (25 min)

Daniel Picus, Brown University
The Perfect Remedy: Reading the Healing Torah in Late Antiquity (25 min)

Shulamit Shinnar, Columbia University in the City of New York
Competing Healthcare Models in Late Antiquity: Considering Healthcare in Rabbinic Literature (25 min)

Michael Rosenberg, Hebrew College, Respondent (10 min)

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S21-120

SBL Homiletics and Biblical Studies Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 204 (Second Level)

Theme: **Lutheran Hermeneutics**

This session will examine the contribution of Lutheran hermeneutics to preaching and biblical interpretation. It is in honor of the 500th anniversary of the 95 theses.

Ruthanna Hooke, Virginia Theological Seminary, Presiding (5 min)

Shauna Hannan, Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary, Panelist (20 min)

Richard Nelson, Southern Methodist University, Panelist (20 min)

Leo Lefebure, Georgetown University, Panelist (20 min)

Tamara Lewis, Perkins School of Theology at Southern Methodist University, Panelist (20 min)

Rolf Jacobson, Luther Seminary, Panelist (20 min)

S21-121

SBL Ideological Criticism Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton Boston Back Bay (HBB) - Mariner (Second Level)

Theme: **Beyond the Academy**

Christina Petterson, Australian National University, Presiding (5 min)

Luis Menéndez-Antuña, California Lutheran University
The Global Text: Biblical Activism in the Age of Capitalism (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

K. Jason Coker, Together for Hope
Theory, Theory, Practice: Critical Race Theory, Postcolonial Theory, and Together for Hope (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Break (5 min)

Christopher D. Rodkey, Pennsylvania State University
The Radical Theology Coloring Book (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Jennifer Bird, Portland, OR
Story-telling and Empathizing as Radical Practice (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Noelle Damico, NYU Wagner and the National Economic and Social Rights Initiative, Respondent (10 min)

Discussion (20 min)

Business Meeting (10 min)

P21-122

International Organization for Septuagint and Cognate Studies

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton Boston Back Bay (HBB) - Adams B (Third Level)

Theme: **Isaiah and Milieu of the LXX Translation**

Leonard Greenspoon, Creighton University, Presiding

Larry Perkins, Ph.D., Northwest Baptist Seminary, Langley, B.C.
Response to A. van der Kooij's Proposal that Greek Exodus "Testifies to the Views of the Authorities of the Temple State in Judea" (25 min)

J. Ross Wagner, Duke University
What Might "Septuagint Theology" Mean? Isaiah 6 as a Test Case (25 min)

Daniel Frayer-Griggs, Duquesne University
Translating the Seed of Abraham out of the Fire in Jerusalem (25 min)

Rony Kozman, University of Toronto
Poetic and Literary Accentuation in OG Isaiah 11:1–9 (25 min)

David A. Smith, Duke University
A Spectacular Salvation: Selected Greek Modifications of Hebrew Isaiah and their Reception in Luke-Acts (25 min)

William A. Ross, University of Cambridge
A (Brief) History of Septuagint Lexicography (25 min)

S21-124

SBL Inventing Christianity: Apostolic Fathers, Apologists, and Martyrs Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Beacon H (Third Level)

Theme: **Second-Century Apologists**

David Eastman, Ohio Wesleyan University, Presiding

Nickolas Roubekas, University of Vienna
Theorizing About Religion in Aristides' Apology (30 min)

Timothy B. Sailors, Eberhard-Karls-Universität Tübingen
The Textual Witnesses to the Second-Century Apology of Aristides (30 min)

Matthijs den Dulk, Radboud University Nijmegen
Justin Martyr's Dialogue with Trypho and Ancient Social Media (30 min)

Clare Rothschild, Lewis University, Respondent (30 min)



S21-125

SBL Israelite Religion in Its West Asian Environment Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 110 (Plaza Level)

Isabel Crazz, University of Pennsylvania, Presiding

Shlomit Bechar, Hebrew University of Jerusalem
Standing Stones at Hazor (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Erin Darby, University of Tennessee
Family Religion Nationalized and National Religion Domesticated: State Religion in the Guise of Domestic Practice (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Christopher B. Hays, Fuller Theological Seminary (Pasadena)
'Those Weaned From Milk': Isaiah 28's Rituals for the Covenant with Mut In Light of Rituals at Thebes, Mari, and Tayinat (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Matthew Richey, University of Chicago
Job 40.24–32 and the Iconography of Monsters as Domesticates (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

S21-126

SBL Jesus Traditions, Gospels, and Negotiating the Roman Imperial World Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 109 (Plaza Level)

Theme: **The Exercise of Power in the Gospel of Matthew**

Catherine Murphy, Santa Clara University, Presiding

Panel Review: Dorothy Jean Weaver, *The Irony of Power: The Politics of God within Matthew's Narrative* (Pickwick Publications, 2017)

Seung-Ai Yang, Chicago Theological Seminary, Panelist (20 min)

Anders Runesson, University of Oslo, Panelist (20 min)

Dorothy Jean Weaver, Eastern Mennonite Seminary, Respondent (20 min)

Discussion (20 min)

Break (10 min)

David Justice, New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary
Matthew's Audience and the Gifts of the Magi (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Maziel Dani, Brite Divinity School (TCU)
God's Colonizing Presence and the Salvation of Land in Matthew's Gospel (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

S21-127

SBL John's Apocalypse and Cultural Contexts Ancient and Modern Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Beacon E (Third Level)

Theme: **Translations and Receptions of Revelation**

Steven Friesen, University of Texas at Austin, Presiding

Garrick Allen, Dublin City University
Herman Charles Hoskier: Influential Interpreter of the Apocalypse (25 min)

Clarissa Breu, University of Vienna
Good bad Greek? Language and intention in Revelation (25 min)

Matthias Geigenfeind, Universität Regensburg
Translation History as Reception History: The Old Latin Translation of the Revelation of John (25 min)

Paulo Nogueira, Universidade Metodista de São Paulo - Brasil
The Ancient Popular Reception of The Apocalypse of John: Between Oracular Prophecy and Apotropaic Magic (25 min)

Jeffrey D. Meyers, Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago
Hypomoné as Enduring Resistance: Finding Nonviolence in the Book of Revelation (25 min)

Michelle Fletcher, King's College London
Far from the Past? Reading Revelation 18 as Imitation (25 min)

S21-128

SBL Josephus Seminar

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Boston Common (Fifth Level)

Theme: **The reception of Josephus**

Honora Chapman, California State University - Fresno, Presiding

Kenneth Atkinson, University of Northern Iowa
Josippon's Addition to Antiquities 13.250–53: An Ancient Testimony of John Hyrcanus's Involvement in Antiochus VII Sidetes's Invasion of Parthia In Light of Numismatics (30 min)

Carson Bay, Florida State University
Pseudo-Hegesippus and the Jews: Ethnic Identity and Rhetorical Historiography in the Fourth-Century De excidio Urbis Hierosolymitanae (30 min)

Yonatan Binyam, Florida State University
The Nameless Mother: The Reception of Josephus's Account of Maria within the Hebrew, Arabic, and Ethiopic Versions of Sefer Yosippon (30 min)

Ken Olson, Duke University
Was Pseudo-Hegesippus Influenced by Eusebius in His Use of Josephus? (30 min)

Discussion (30 min)

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 21

P21-129

Journal of Feminist Studies in Religion

9:00 AM–11:00 AM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Back Bay C (Second Level)

Theme: **“Pauline” Landscapes**

The title of this panel, “Pauline Landscapes,” refers to the complex spaces that are created by historical reconstruction, scholarly commentary, and theological interpretation of texts attributed to the apostle Paul. How scholars explicate the character of a “Pauline” text contributes to defining the image of the people who are its senders and receivers and the identity of its scholars and readers. The panel will explore as to how the commentary writers’ feminist perspectives and their processes of commentary writing has changed their understanding of the “Pauline” scholarly landscape.

Barbara Reid, Catholic Theological Union, Presiding (10 min)

Alicia Batten, University of Waterloo, Panelist (10 min)

Mary Ann Beavis, St. Thomas More College, Panelist (10 min)

Annette Huizenga, University of Dubuque Theological Seminary, Panelist (10 min)

Cynthia Kittredge, Seminary of the Southwest, Panelist (10 min)

Florence Gillman, University of San Diego, Panelist (10 min)

Elisabeth Schüssler Fiorenza, Harvard University, Panelist (10 min)

Break (5 min)

Discussion (40 min)

S21-130

SBL Qumran Section / Qumran Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 311 (Third Level)

Theme: **Biblical Hebrew Linguistics and Qumran Hebrew**

All papers will be read and discussed.

Adina Moshavi, Bar-Ilan University, Presiding

Ken M. Penner, Saint Francis Xavier University
The Distinctiveness of Qumran Hebrew (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Eric Reymond, Yale Divinity School
Different Dialects in the Dead Sea Scrolls? (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Noam Mizrahi, Tel Aviv University
Qumran Hebrew in the Light of Historical Syntax (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Johan de Jooe, Katholieke Universiteit Leuven and Pierre Van Hecke, Katholieke Universiteit Leuven
Is Orthography Style? The Classification Problem of the Dead Sea Scrolls from a Computational Stylistic Perspective (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Aaron D. Hornkohl, University of Cambridge
The Book of the Twelve in Masoretic, Judean Desert, and Other Sources: A Case Study on Linguistic Stability and Change (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

S21-131

SBL Literature and History of the Persian Period Section

9:00 AM–11:00 AM

Hilton Boston Back Bay (HBB) - Washington (Third Level)

Adrianne Spunaugle, University of Michigan–Ann Arbor, Presiding

Louis Jonker, University of Stellenbosch

Anything new under the sun?! Exploring the value of Achaemenid royal inscriptions and written records for another commentary on Chronicles (25 min)

Mary Joan Leith, Stonehill College

Asherah of Samaria and her Asherah? (25 min)

Lisa J. Cleath, Ägyptisches Museum und Papyrussammlung
Berlin

Private Storage of Public Discourse: The Temporal–Spatial Tension of the Jedaniah “Archive” at Elephantine (25 min)

Jason M. Silverman, University of Helsinki

Josephus and the Supposed Rise of the Priesthood in Yehud (25 min)

S21-132

SBL Meals in the HB/OT and Its World Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton Boston Back Bay (HBB) - Lincoln (Third Level)

Theme: **Gluttony, Intoxication, and Feasting in the HB/OT**

Cynthia Shafer–Elliott, William Jessup University, Presiding

Rebekah Welton, University of Exeter

Growing Fat and Forgetting God: The Physiological and Psychological Transformation of Israel after Being Fed by Yahweh in the Hebrew Bible (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Michael J. Rhodes, Trinity College - Bristol

Feasting for Fear of YHWH: Moral Formation and Embodied Learning at the Tithe Meal of Deuteronomy 14:22–29 (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Break (10 min)

Greg Schmidt Goering, University of Virginia

The Wisdom of Intemperance and Voracity in the Book of Proverbs (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Janling Fu, Harvard University

Mad King Saul Tyrannos, Rex: De(Limiting) the Madness in Consumption (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Discussion (20 min)



S21-133

SBL Pauline Epistles Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Riverway (Fifth Level)

Theme: **Paul and Greco-Roman Culture**

Matthew Novenson, University of Edinburgh, Presiding

Teresa Morgan, University of Oxford
God's empire: romanitas in Pauline ethics and ecclesiology (30 min)

Jennifer Eyl, Tufts University
Why Pistis?: Paul and the Virtue of Loyalty (30 min)

Stephen L. Young, Appalachian State University
Redescribing Original Sin: Paul's Mythmaking about Adam and the Beginnings of Troubled Mortality (30 min)

Nathan Leach, University of Texas at Austin
Epaphroditus and Archippus, Paul's Fellow Soldiers (30 min)

S21-134

SBL Performance Criticism of Biblical and Other Ancient Texts Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 304 (Third Level)

Theme: **Defining the Limits of Performance Criticism—Focus on Theory**

Lee Johnson, East Carolina University, Presiding

Lee A. Johnson, East Carolina University
What in the World Is Performance Criticism? (15 min)

Mark S. Smith, Princeton Theological Seminary
Performing the Self in the Psalms (30 min)

Philip L. Ruge-Jones, Texas Lutheran University
Authority in Narrative Presence: Shaken Not Stern (30 min)

Pieter Botha, University of South Africa
Clarifying performance criticism and the interpretation of early Christian texts (30 min)

David Trobisch, Museum of the Bible
The Actor in the Audience: A Practical Guide on How to Include the Audience in Your Performance (30 min)

Discussion (15 min)

S21-135

SBL Prayer in Antiquity Consultation

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton Boston Back Bay - Belvidere B (Second Level)

Daniel Falk, Pennsylvania State University, Presiding

Robert Kawashima, University of Florida
The Emergence of the Devotional Self in Ezra-Nehemiah (30 min)

David Bosworth, Catholic University of America
Prayer as Emotion Regulation: Ancient Prayer in Psychological Perspective (30 min)

Ingunn Aadland, IKO- Church Educational Centre
Ritualising Torah: Prayer as a bodily response to Torah in Words of the Luminaries (4Q504) (30 min)

Zachary Kostopoulos, Saint Louis University
The Significance of the Body in Prayer According to Origen of Alexandria (30 min)

Rodney A. Werline, Barton College
Prayer and the Establishment of Obligation (30 min)

S21-136

SBL Religious Competition in Late Antiquity Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Republic A (Second Level)

Theme: **Theorizing Forms of Competition in Galatians**

Rebecca Falcasantos, Florida State University, Presiding

Kevin McGinnis, Independent Scholar
The Benefits of Adoption: Galatians 3:28 and the Psychagogy of the Spirit (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Robert Vanhoff, TorahResource Institute
Paul's 'Whole Torah' Handbook: Strategies of a Master Jewish Text-Broker to Mobilize Galatian Churches against Fake News (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Kasper Bro Larsen, Aarhus University
Galatian Christ Groups and Greco-Roman Voluntary Associations: Comparing Competing Conflict Management Models (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Nathaniel Desrosiers, Stonehill College
Sympathy for the Galatians: Mapping Mediterranean Religious Experiences on Paul's Letter (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Daniel Ullucci, Rhodes College
Oh Foolish Scholars: Theoretical Frameworks for Reading Galatians (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

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S21-137

SBL Rhetoric and the New Testament Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Back Bay A (Second Level)

Theme: **“Just Rhetoric,” or Just Rhetoric? Explorations and Intersections**

Lillian Larsen, University of Redlands, Presiding (5 min)

Nina E. Livesey, University of Oklahoma
The Issue of Ethos and Ethikos in Mark (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Charles Cruise, Trinity Evangelical Divinity School
Curses and Impossibilities: A Linguistic and Rhetorical Analysis of Galatians 3:10 (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Break (10 min)

Michael Cover, Marquette University
Family Matters: Paul, New Comedy, and the Rhetoric of Resurrection (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Mark D. Given, Missouri State University
Spiritual Truth and Material Falsehood: Rhetothology Then and Now (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Discussion (15 min)

S21-138

SBL Second Corinthians: Pauline Theology in the Making Seminar

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Commonwealth (Third Level)

Theme: **2 Corinthians 12**

Dominika Kurek-Chomycz, Liverpool Hope University, Presiding

David A. Burnett, Marquette University
Ascent and Torment: The Apocalyptic Juxtaposition of an Abrahamic Victorious Ascent Trope in 2 Corinthians 12:1–10? (25 min)

Christoph Heilig, Universität Zürich
2 Cor 12 in Narratological Perspective (25 min)

B.G. White, University of Durham
The Situational Origin of the Strength in Weakness Paradox: Relational Pain in 2 Corinthians 2:1–7 and the Interpretation of 12:9–10 (25 min)

Nijay K. Gupta, Portland Seminary
What is the “Grace” that Sustains Paul in Weakness? (25 min)

Victor Nicomedes Nicdao, University of the Assumption
Paul’s “Thorn in the Flesh” and the Inconsequential Nature of a Riddle (25 min)

Discussion (20 min)

Business Meeting (5 min)

S21-139

SBL Social Sciences and the Interpretation of the Hebrew Scriptures Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Back Bay D (Second Level)

Frauke Uhlenbruch, Independent Scholar, Presiding

Benjamin Wiggershaus, Asbury Theological Seminary
“Mantic Practice” as a Fuzzy Concept in Deuteronomy 18:9–11. (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Ryan Thomas, Independent scholar
Reconstructing the Pantheon of Judaeae Elephantine (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Andrew Knapp, Wm. B. Eerdmans Publishing Co and Chris Brinker, Johns Hopkins University
“This Foolish Thing”: David’s Census in Light of Segmentary Lineage Theory (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Paul Edgar, University of Texas at Austin
Kindness to the Dead: A Value-Rational Tribute to a Disappointing Leader (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Nicole J. Ruane, University of New Hampshire
Abraham, Abortion, and the Gendered Rhetoric of Sanctioned Violence (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

S21-140

SBL Theological Interpretation of Scripture Seminar

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 306 (Third Level)

Theme: **Reading Deuteronomy Theologically**

Brent Laytham, St. Mary’s Seminary & University, Presiding

M. Daniel Carroll R., Wheaton College (Illinois)
Deuteronomy as a Call and Challenge? Charting Memory among Latino/a Immigrants (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Stephen B. Chapman, Duke University
Divine Dispossession (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Break (5 min)

Jonathan D. Bentall, University of Durham
Speaking of the Divine Name: Reconsidering Deuteronomy’s Theology of Divine Presence (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Daniel Lynwood Smith, Saint Louis University
Hearing Deuteronomy in the Wilderness: The Deuteronomistic Posture as Response to a Faithful God (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Discussion (25 min)



S21-141

SBL Theology of the Hebrew Scriptures Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 202 (Second Level)

Theme: **Theological Interpretation of Theophany in the Book of Job**

David Frankel, Schechter Institute of Jewish Studies, Presiding

Samuel E. Balentine, Union Presbyterian Seminary
The Joban Theophany and the Education of God (30 min)

James E. Miller, Independent Scholar
Eliphaz and the Poison Pill — An Integrated Reading of Job (30 min)

Ying Zhang, East China Normal University
Providence and the Demand for Justice: A Reading of the Divine Speeches in the Book of Job (30 min)

Anthony Pagliarini, University of Notre Dame
Theophany and the Via Negativa in Job (30 min)

Barry R. Huff, Principia College
The Joban Theophany: A Whirlwind Revelation and Revolution of Tabernacle Terms (30 min)

S21-142

SBL Use, Influence, and Impact of the Bible Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Sheraton Boston Hotel (SB) - Arnold Arboretum (Fifth Level)

Theme: **Theorizing With the Bible**

Scott Langston, Texas Christian University, Presiding (3 min)

Jeremiah Cataldo, Grand Valley State University
Can the Bible Break Down Borders? (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Jo Carruthers, Lancaster University
Purimspiel and Trauerspiel: Sovereignty, Creatureliness and the Story of Esther (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Elizabeth Rae Coody, Iliff School of Theology
The More Savage Sword: A Theory of Biblical Text Used for Shock (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Angela N. Parker, The Seattle School of Theology & Psychology
and Karri L. Whipple, Drew University
Restricted Healing: A Feminist–Womanist Reading of Revelation 21–22 (20 min)

Discussion (17 min)

S21-143

SBL Wisdom in Israelite and Cognate Traditions Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 103 (Plaza Level)

Theme: **Wisdom and Virtue Ethics**

This session will explore the feasibility of employing philosophical concepts from the field of virtue ethics to illuminate the biblical wisdom literature.

Mark Sneed, Lubbock Christian University, Presiding

Timothy Sandoval, Brite Divinity School (TCU)
A Few Thoughts on Understanding Proverbs in terms of Virtue Oriented Moral Thought (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

William Brown, Columbia Theological Seminary
Beyond Good and Evil: Formation, Transformation, and Disruption in the Hebrew Wisdom Literature (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Break (10 min)

Christopher Ansberry, Oak Hill College
Whose virtues? Which community? What rationality? The resources and constraints of the virtue tradition for reading Israel's wisdom literature (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Patricia Vesely, Union Presbyterian Seminary
Virtue and the Good Life in Job 29 (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

S21-144

SBL Writing Social-Scientific Commentaries of the New Testament Seminar

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hynes Convention Center (HCC) - 101 (Plaza Level)

Theme: **A Social Identity Theory Approach to Identities and Beliefs Illustrated with New Testament Texts**

Visitors are most welcome to the sessions of the seminar. Papers are distributed beforehand and only summarized in the sessions. If you are interested in participating and receiving the papers, please contact the chairs: Petri.Luomanen@helsinki.fi or Brian.Tucker@moody.edu

Petri Luomanen, University of Helsinki, Presiding (5 min)

Sue Russell, Asbury Theological Seminary
A Genealogy of Social Identity Theory (10 min)

Discussion (30 min)

Chris Porter, Ridley Melbourne
Subgroup Identity and the Jerusalem Council in Acts 15 (10 min)

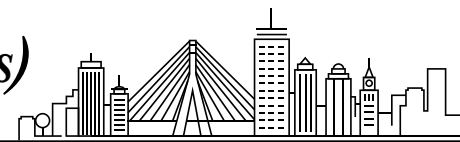
Discussion (30 min)

Break (10 min)

Business Meeting (55 min)

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OTHER EVENTS (ADDITIONAL MEETINGS)



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THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 16

M16-300

FaithTrust Institute

Theme: **Ending Violence: More Than a Life's Work**

Thursday, 4:00 PM–7:00 PM

Hynes Convention Center-210 (Second Level)

Join us as we celebrate our history and envision our future! FaithTrust Institute invites you to celebrate our 40 years of working to equip faith communities with the tools they need to address domestic violence, sexual assault, and clergy misconduct. As we look back on all that we have accomplished, we want to recognize the world-changing contributions of our founder, Rev. Dr. Marie M. Fortune, who has dedicated her life to supporting survivors and educating faith communities across the globe so that they can work to prevent and respond to gender-based violence. A multifaceted panel of scholars and activists who address violence will discuss the impact of Rev. Dr. Fortune's work and look toward the future and the work that remains to be done. Reception to follow.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 17

M17-5

Lutheran Women in Theological and Religious Studies

Theme: **Women's Public Voice: Fear Not**

Friday, 7:30 AM–5:30 PM

Westin Copley Place-America North (Fourth Level)

Lutheran Women in Theological and Religious Studies (LWTRS) as well as some local Lutheran rostered women gather annually for scholarship, worship, and friendship. Lutheran women scholars, including graduate students and women who teach or study at Lutheran institutions, are invited. Papers, a business meeting, worship, and meals comprise the day.

For questions or to receive registration and dinner information, please contact Heather Dean at heather.dean@elca.org after August 31, 2017.

M17-100

Dharma Academy of North America (DANAM)

Theme: **Charitable Actions and Dharma: Giving and Compassion**

Friday, 9:00 AM–11:00 AM

Marriott Copley Place-Brandeis (Third Level)

Rita Sherma, Graduate Theological Union, Presiding

Ithamar Theodor, University of Haifa

Charitable Actions by the Ideal Person in the Hindu and Chinese Traditions

Karma Lekshe Tsomo, University of San Diego

Bridging Generosity and Economic Ethics: The Maya of Virtue and Responsibility

Amod Lele, Boston University

Disengaged Buddhism: South Asian Buddhist Rejection of Systemic Change

Tanya Storch, University of the Pacific

Ahimsā at Every Moment: Traditional and Modern Understanding

Peter Ryan, Lotus School of Liberal Arts

The Egg, the Chick, the Hen: A Moment of Presence for Student and Teacher—Ahimsā and Anti-Hierarchy

Responding:

Karen Enriquez, Loyola Marymount University

M17-101

Forum for Theological Exploration Alumni Consultation

Friday, 9:00 AM–12:00 PM

Westin Copley Place-Essex South (Third Level)

M17-102

Center for Spiritual and Ethical Education

Theme: **Secondary School Religion Teachers Event**

Friday, 9:00 AM–3:00 PM

Marriott Copley Place-St. Botolph (Second Level)

M17-112

Poverty in the Biblical World and The Poverty Consortium

Theme: **Homelessness and Affordable Housing: Poverty Immersion**

Friday, 9:00 AM–4:00 PM

Offsite-Boston University, 775 Commonwealth Avenue, Lower Level, Howard Thurman Center

In the morning we'll have breakfast and educational deep-dive into homelessness challenges and solutions by local leaders in anti-homelessness movement. In the afternoon there will be lunch, followed by a tour of Boston by homeless and formerly homeless people. Then we'll finish with final discussion and a networking opportunity. This is hosted at Boston University, which is on the green line T Train, a direct route from the Annual Meetings. The cost for Annual Meetings attendees is \$35, which includes meals. Students are encouraged to attend the morning session complimentary. Registration is limited. To register and get more information about schedule, please contact Diana M Swancutt at dmswancutt@gmail.com or 203-824-8509.

OTHER EVENTS

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 17

M17-113

Presbyterian Church (USA) Social Ethics Network Annual Meeting

Friday, 9:00 AM–4:00 PM

Sheraton Boston-Liberty C (Second Level)

The Annual Meeting of the PC(USA) Social Ethics Network (SEN) invites scholars teaching in the area of Christian social ethics at PC(USA)-affiliated seminaries and colleges, as well as PC(USA)-affiliated scholars teaching at other institutions, to meet with the denomination's Advisory Committee on Social Witness Policy (ACSWP). SEN works with the denomination in formulating policies on issues in social ethics. This year, SEN will discuss overtures related to faith in higher education and the use and abuse of "religious freedom" in the pursuit of anti-reproductive justice and anti-LGBTIQ agendas. Contact Letitia Campbell at letitia.campbell@emory.edu or John Senior at seniorje@wfu.edu for more information.

M17-103

Catholicism, Colonialism, and Race in America

Theme: **Collaboration**

Friday, 9:00 AM–5:00 PM

Hilton Boston Back Bay-Lincoln (Third Level)

Panelists:

Herman Bennett, City University of New York
Matthew Cressler, College of Charleston
Jack Downey, La Salle University
Felipe Hinojosa, Texas A&M University
Kathleen Holscher, University of New Mexico
Anne Martinez, University of Groningen
Bryan Massingale, Fordham University
Maureen O'Connell, La Salle University
Michael Pasquier, Louisiana State University
Shannen Williams, University of Tennessee

M17-104

Encyclopedia of the Bible and Its Reception Editorial Board Meeting

Friday, 9:00 AM–5:00 PM

Westin Copley Place-St. George B-D (Third Level)

M17-114

Accordance Bible Software Training Seminar

Friday, 9:00 AM–5:00 PM

Sheraton Boston-Gardner (Third Level)

Join us for a free training seminar which covers the new features of this cutting-edge Bible software for Windows and Mac as well as iOS, for potential, basic, and advanced level users. The morning sessions will cover the interface and search capabilities, while the afternoon is devoted to powerful new features, tools, and aids for study and teaching. Bring your own laptop or follow the projected demonstration. The seminar training will start at 9 am and end at 5 pm, with a break for lunch (on your own).

M17-105

International Society for Science and Religion

Theme: **Attending to Symbiosis: Theology and the Connectedness of Nature**

Friday, 10:30 AM–1:00 PM

Sheraton Boston-Republic A (Second Level)

Few recent developments in biology are as striking as our new appreciation of mutually beneficial symbiosis: the hair on a sloth is adapted for growing algae, which forms an important source of calories for its host in return; the earliest known fossils of life on Earth are of symbiotic communities; garden centres stock spores of fungus that extends the root system of trees, and is nourished with sugars in return. Mutualism — beneficial relationships between organisms of different — is no longer seen as a marginal curiosity; it is now known to be profoundly widespread.

Evolution now seems to present the story of shifting patterns of benefit, not simply of competition. Some of its most momentous developments have involved the symbiotic engulfing of smaller organisms by larger ones (endosymbiosis), as with chloroplasts and mitochondria. There are important practical consequences. Aspects of human health depend on our relationship with the bacteria, or microbiome, of our gut. Something as fundamental to agriculture as soil is shaped and preserved by symbiotic relationships.

Beginning with a survey of state of contemporary scientific knowledge, this panel will address the relative lack of theological attention to these developments, and consider their significance for a theological understanding of nature, not least in the form of their consequences for systematic theology and theological ethics.

Registration is not required. For more information, please see <http://issr.yolasite.com>.

Panelists:

Daniel Castillo, Loyola University, Maryland
Andrew Davison, University of Cambridge
Adam Pryor, Bethany College
Katherine Sonderegger, Virginia Theological Seminary
Wesley J. Wildman, Boston University



M17-106**Dharma Academy of North America (DANAM)**Theme: **Renunciation, Climate Change, and Modernity**

Friday, 11:00 AM–1:00 PM

Marriott Copley Place-Brandeis (Third Level)

Mark Schmanko, Rice University, Presiding

Christopher Chapple, Loyola Marymount University
*Jainism and Solar Energy*Michael Reading, Claremont School of Theology
*Sri Acharya Tulsi, The Anuvrat Movement, and Climate Change*Ramdas Lamb, University of Hawai'i
*Hindu Sadhus and the Joys of Limited Consumption*Frédérique Apffel-Marglin, Smith College
*Integral Ecology and Climate Change: Shakti Hinduism, Renunciation and Western Modernity Contrasted*Rodney Sebastian, University of Florida
Vaiṣṇava Concepts for Ecological Sustainability: Case Study of the Govardhan Ecovillage Project

Responding:

Rita Sherma, Graduate Theological Union

M17-107**Hispanic Theological Initiative Consortium Member Council Meeting (Private)**

Friday, 11:00 AM–3:00 PM

Westin Copley Place-America South (Fourth Level)

M17-108***Encyclopedia of the Bible and Its Reception* Editorial Board Meeting**

Friday, 11:00 AM–4:00 PM

Westin Copley Place-St. George A (Third Level)

M17-109**Association for Interreligious and Interfaith Studies**Theme: **Teaching and Learning in our Times: Interreligious/Interfaith Studies and Intercultural Theology**

Friday, 11:30 AM–5:15 PM

Hilton Boston Back Bay-Adams (Third Level)

Join us for a working lunch to mark the launch of a new organization: Association for Interreligious/Interfaith Studies. The lunch will be followed by a half day workshop for faculty and emerging scholars who want to collaborate with colleagues to share resources and ideas for teaching (in college, university, and seminary classrooms) using frameworks from interreligious/interfaith studies or intercultural theology.

The lunch and workshop were developed through a collaboration between the newly established Association for Interreligious/Interfaith Studies (AIIS) and the European Society for Intercultural Theology and Interreligious Studies (ESITIS). The events are supported and co-sponsored by the Interfaith Youth Core, the Henry Luce initiative on The Current State of Interfaith Learning in the US, and the Pluralism Project at Harvard University with additional support from Hebrew College's Miller Center for Interreligious Learning and Leadership, the *Journal of Interreligious Studies (JIRS)* and the journal *Interreligious Studies and Intercultural Theology (ISIT)*.

M17-110**Forum on Religion and Ecology Annual Luncheon**

Friday, 11:45 AM–1:45 PM

Hynes Convention Center-200 (Second Level)

M17-111**Bukkyo Dendo Kyokai (BDK) America**Theme: **Numata Chairs Coordinators Meeting**

Friday, 12:00 PM–5:00 PM

Sheraton Boston-Liberty B (Second Level)

M17-200***Review and Expositor* Editorial Board Meeting**

Friday, 1:00 PM–4:00 PM

Sheraton Boston-Beacon E (Third Level)

M17-201**Dharma Academy of North America (DANAM)**Theme: **Ahiṃsā as Strategic Resistance to Structural Injustice**

Friday, 2:00 PM–4:00 PM

Marriott Copley Place-Brandeis (Third Level)

Gisele Lemos, University of Wisconsin, Presiding

Veena Howard, California State University, Fresno
*"Love in Action": James Lawson's Radical Interpretation of Ahiṃsā in the Civil Rights Movement*Purushottama Bilimoria, Graduate Theological Union and
University of California, Berkeley*Rev Pauli Murray: Black Gay Gandhian Feminist's Strategy of Radical Ahiṃsā for Civil Rights and Social Justice*Varun Khanna, Chinmaya University
Dhārmic Resistance: Building Bridges between Advaita Vedānta and Social Justice for the Twenty-first Century

Responding:

Andrew Fiala, California State University, Fresno

M17-202**Theology and Ethics Colloquy Meeting**

Friday, 2:00 PM–5:00 PM

Sheraton Boston-Beacon C (Third Level)

OTHER EVENTS

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 17

M17-203

International Society for Science and Religion

Theme: **CRISPR/Cas and Human Germline Gene Editing: Possibilities and Perspectives**

Friday, 2:30 PM–5:00 PM

Sheraton Boston–Republic B (Second Level)

This mini-conference addresses the possibility of human germline gene editing from the perspectives of religion, bioethics, and public engagement. New genome-editing techniques, including CRISPR/Cas, enable precise changes to the genome. These alterations may include gene editing in particular patients (so-called “somatic cell gene therapy”) or in future children, which then changes the descendants of those children (“germline modification”). The journal *Science* declared CRISPR/Cas as the 2015 Science Breakthrough of the Year, and commentators regularly call this technology a “revolution” because it could in principle allow for germline enhancements to humans that have long been regarded as controversial by theologians and ethicists.

The first speaker is biologist Richard O. Hynes, co-chair of the Committee on Human Gene Editing: Scientific, Medical, and Ethical Considerations of the National Academy of Sciences and the National Academy of Medicine. Working with counterparts in the Royal Society and the Chinese Academy of Science, for instance in hosting the 2015 International Summit on Human Gene Editing, this Committee has been central to discussions by experts and the general public on promises and challenges presented by advances in gene editing. Professor Hynes is the Daniel K. Ludwig Professor for Cancer Research at MIT, a Fellow of the Royal Society, and a Fellow of the American Association for the Advancement of Science. He will comment on the state of the technical advances and what they suggest for future uses human germline modification.

Three panelists will respond in light of the scientific possibilities described by Prof. Hynes. They include (1) Laurie Zoloth, Dean of the University of Chicago Divinity School and President of the AAR in 2014, whose work brings together advances in biomedical research, bioethics, and religion; (2) Ron Cole-Turner, Vice President of the International Society for Science and Religion and editor of *Design and Destiny: Jewish and Christian Perspectives on Human Germline Modification*; and (3) John H. Evans, Sociology, University of California, San Diego, a leading expert on public and religious responses to advances in biotechnology and a member of the NAM/NAS Committee on Human Gene Editing. At least 30 minutes is reserved for public discussion.

Questions to be explored in this mini-conference include technical, bioethical, religious, and social issues. What should our response be to the intentional modification of the human species? Are there changes that are acceptable? What religious issues are implicated in these decisions? Which conceptions of justice are important to consider in this debate? What is the likelihood of a future society stratified by genetic traits? How can a public debate be structured so that it allows for the deeper concerns often reflected in religious discourse?

This mini-conference is organized and sponsored by the International Society for Science and Religion (ISSR). It is expected that this event will be webcast. For details, please visit the website of the National Academies (<http://nationalacademies.org/gene-editing>) just before the conference occurs. The ISSR gratefully acknowledges that the webcast is supported by the National Academy of Medicine’s Kellogg Health of the Public Fund.

The ISSR also acknowledges the assistance of the American Academy of Religion in offering this event and the co-sponsorship of two units of the AAR: Bioethics and Religion Unit and the Human Enhancement and Transhumanism Unit.

Updated information about this session will be posted online at the ISSR website (www.issr.org.uk) or at www.issr.yolasite.com. Please direct any questions to Ron Cole-Turner at coleturn@pts.edu.

Panelists:

Richard O. Hynes, Massachusetts Institute of Technology
Laurie Zoloth, University of Chicago
Ronald S. Cole-Turner, Pittsburgh Theological Seminary
John H. Evans, University of California, San Diego

M17-300

Dharma Academy of North America (DANAM)

Theme: **Secrecy in Sahajiyā and Gauḍīya Vaiṣṇava Bhakti Theologies**

Friday, 4:00 PM–6:00 PM

Marriott Copley Place–Brandeis (Third Level)

Graham M. Schweig, Christopher Newport University, Presiding

Jonathan Edelmann, University of Florida
Secrets to Conceal and Secrets to Obscure in Gauḍīya Vaiṣṇavism

David Buchta, Brown University
Is Sanskrit a Language of Secrecy in Gauḍīya Vaiṣṇavism?

Glen Hayes, Bloomfield College
Hidden Textuality: Strategies of Concealment and Appropriation in Seventeenth-century Vaiṣṇava Sahajiyā Traditions

Abhishek Ghosh, Grand Valley State University
From Secrecy to Intuition: Sahaja Theology and Practice in Colonial Bengal

Responding:

Hugh B. Urban, Ohio State University

M17-301

Feminist Liberation Theologians’ Network Gathering

Friday, 4:00 PM–6:00 PM

Hynes Convention Center-111 (Plaza Level)

Mary E. Hunt, Women’s Alliance for Theology, Ethics, and Ritual, Silver Spring, MD, and Elisabeth Schüssler Fiorenza, Harvard University, Presiding

The Feminist Liberation Theologians’ Network sponsored by the Women’s Alliance for Theology, Ethics, and Ritual (WATER) will discuss “Feminist Liberation Theologies: Resistance, Resilience, and Creativity”. We will explore the roles of critical feminist religious studies, ministry, and activism can inspire these practices and kindle hope in the current climate of neo-liberal destabilization of discourse, increased sexism, racism and xenophobia, refugees, wars, and systemic injustice. All are welcome, so please RSVP to help us plan. Contact Mary at 301-589-2509 and mbunt@ber.com or Elisabeth at eschussler@hds.harvard.edu.

Panelists:

Christine Pae, Denison University
Elaine Wainwright, Institute of Sisters of Mercy of Australia and Papua New Guinea
Sharon D. Welch, Meadville Lombard Theological School



M17-302**Forum for Theological Exploration**Theme: **Nurturing the Next Generation of Scholars**

Friday, 4:00 PM–6:00 PM

Westin Copley Place–Great Republic (Seventh Level)

M17-304**Center of Theological Inquiry**Theme: **Fresh Thinking from CTI**

Friday, 4:00 PM–6:00 PM

Sheraton Boston–Clarendon (Third Level)

M17-305**Society for the Study of Native American Sacred Traditions Annual Meeting**

Friday, 4:30 PM–6:30 PM

Sheraton Boston–Dalton (Third Level)

The Society meetings are open to anyone. We do take a “gift” offering to help defray the cost of the meeting. The attendees typically talk about their research and then have an open discussion on topics related to the Society. Occasionally local Native American leaders are invited to speak.

M17-306**Stone–Campbell Journal**Theme: **A Conversation about the Gospel of Luke and Reception**

Friday, 5:00 PM–6:30 PM

Sheraton Boston–Commonwealth (Third Level)

Mark Hamilton, Abilene Christian University, Presiding

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

Panelists:

Heather Gorman, Johnson University

Kindalee Pfremer De Long, Pepperdine University

M17-308**United Methodist Women of Color Scholars Reception and Panel**

Friday, 6:00 PM–8:00 PM

Hynes Convention Center–306 (Third Level)

M17-400**Mennonite Scholars and Friends**Theme: **Forum: Supersessionism**

Friday, 6:30 PM–8:30 PM

Hilton Boston Back Bay–Belvidere A (Second Level)

Kimberly Penner, University of Toronto, Presiding

John Kampen, Methodist Theological School, Ohio
*The Gospel of Matthew and Antisemitism*Maxwell Kennel, McMaster University
*Emancipatory History: Anabaptist Restitution and Jacob Taubes' Occidental Eschatology*Philipp Gollner, Goshen College
Mennonites on Tour: Christian Supersessionisms and the Sacralization of Place after the Shoah

Responding:

Lois Y. Barrett, Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary

M17-405**Unitarian Universalist Scholars and Friends**Theme: **Unitarian Universalism and Today's Global Crisis: Semper Reformanda?**

Friday, 6:30 PM–9:30 PM

Offsite–Arlington Street Church, 351 Boylston Street

Michelle A. Walsh, Boston University, Presiding

This year's UU Scholars and Friends Conversation will explore the evolution of Unitarian Universalism over the past fifty years, with an eye both to the five-hundred-year legacy of the Protestant Reformation and to the current crisis of democratic institutions in the US and worldwide. Does the Unitarian Universalist Association's current affirmation of an anti-oppressive, anti-racist, multi-cultural, and economically inclusive society represent a “reformation” of our core identity, or a recovery of more ancient principles? Is it possible to resist the rising tide of nativism and religious intolerance, and simultaneously welcome congregants of diverse political ideologies? As new nationalisms challenge the (far from perfect) globalizing institutions that Unitarian Universalists once supported, how should we respond?

This event will take place in the Chapel at Arlington Street Church, a fifteen minute walk down Boylston Street or two stops on the Green Line from the Hynes Convention Center. It is co-sponsored by Harvard Divinity School, Starr King School for the Ministry, and the Unitarian Universalist Panel on Theological Education. The conversation will run 6:30–8:00 pm, followed by a reception from 8:00–9:30 pm.

There will be also be an opportunity to explore Boston's Unitarian Universalist heritage earlier in the day on Friday, November 17. Interested persons should contact Dan McKanan at dmckanan@hds.harvard.edu for more information.

Panelists:

Clyde Grubbs, Blue Hills Spiritual Direction

Stephanie Y. Mitchem, University of South Carolina

Elias Ortega-Aponte, Drew University

Hafidha Saadiqah, Bowling Green State University

Sharon D. Welch, Meadville Lombard Theological School

OTHER EVENTS

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 17

M17-406

Boston College's Lonergan Institute

Theme: *The Fragility of Consciousness: Book Panel Discussion*

Friday, 6:30 PM–9:30 PM

Hilton Boston Back Bay-Belvidere B (Second Level)

M17-401

Perspectives in Religious Studies Editorial Board Meeting

Friday, 7:00 PM–8:30 PM

Sheraton Boston-Beacon E (Third Level)

M17-407

International Society for the Study of Religion, Nature, and Culture Friends and Members Meeting

Friday, 7:00 PM–8:30 PM

Sheraton Boston-Back Bay D (Second Level)

M17-408

Louisville Grawemeyer Award in Religion

Theme: *Celebrating Gary Dorrien's The New Abolition: W.E.B. Du Bois and the Black Social Gospel*

Friday, 7:00 PM–8:30 PM

Sheraton Boston-Olmsted (Fifth Level)

Tyler Mayfield, Louisville Presbyterian Theological Seminary, Presiding

Panelists:

Rima Vesely-Flad, Warren Wilson College

Christopher H. Evans, Boston University

Zachery Williams, University of Akron

Responding:

Gary Dorrien, Columbia University, Union Theological Seminary

M17-402

Academy Anonymous Recovery Meetings (AARM)

Friday, 7:30 PM–8:30 PM

Hilton Boston Back Bay-Lincoln (Third Level)

M17-403

Mennonite Scholars and Friends Reception

Friday, 8:30 PM–10:00 PM

Hilton Boston Back Bay-Westminster (Second Level)

M17-404

Friends of Animals and Religion Reception

Friday, 9:00 PM–10:00 PM

Westin Copley Place-Courier (Seventh Level)

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 18

M18-5

Spiritus Journal Editorial Board Meeting

Saturday, 7:00 AM–8:30 AM

Hilton Boston Back Bay-Belvidere B (Second Level)

M18-8

Council on Graduate Studies in Religion Annual Meeting

Saturday, 8:00 AM–12:00 PM

Fairmont Copley Place-St. James Room (Lobby Level)

M18-100

Dharma Academy of North America (DANAM)

Theme: *Reconsidering the Origins of Bhakti*

Saturday, 8:30 AM–10:30 AM

Marriott Copley Place-Tufts (Third Level)

Graham M. Schweig, Christopher Newport University, Presiding

Vishwa Adluri, City University of New York

Bhakti and Avatāra in the Nārāyaṇīya

Edward Butler, New York, NY

Bhakti and Henadology

Stuart R. Sarbacker, Oregon State University

Svādhyāya and Bhakti: Saguṇa Devatā and Nirguṇa Īśvara in Aṣṭāṅgayoga

Caley Smith, Harvard University

Indra as Time: Reconsidering Devotion in Rgveda X.27

Sudhakshina Rangaswami, Fort Washington, PA

Bhakti as the Fruition of Jñāna — Revisiting Rāmānuja's Legacy

Responding:

Joydeep Bagchee, Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität



M18-101**Accordance Bible Software**Theme: **Syntactic Databases for Biblical and Early Jewish Texts**

Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott Copley Place-Yarmouth (Fourth Level)

Please join us for a demonstration, with examples and discussion, of the research potential of the Accordance Bible syntax databases on the Hebrew Bible, Qumran texts, and New Testament. The basic principles of the tagging process will be briefly covered, but the focus will be on example searches and the more advanced linguistic issues relating to the databases, such as verbal valency. Attendees are encouraged to bring questions and sample searches for discussion.

Rob Holmstedt, University of Toronto
Syntax of the Hebrew Bible

Martin Abegg, Trinity Western University
Syntax of Qumran

John Cook, Asbury Theological Seminary
Valence and Other Syntactical Considerations

Roy Brown, OakTree Software and Accordance
Syntax Searching and Display on Accordance

M18-102**National Association of Baptist Professors of Religion Annual Meeting**

Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Westin Copley Place-Essex North (Third Level)

M18-103**Salvation Army Scholars and Friends Annual Meeting**

Saturday, 9:00 AM–12:00 PM

Hilton Boston Back Bay-Jefferson (Third Level)

Roger J. Green, Gordon College, Presiding

Emily Wilce, University of Leicester
Art and the Army: An Art Historical Perspective

Dean Smith, Nazarene Theological College
The Salvation Army and the Challenge of Theological Higher Education for a New Millennium

Andrew Eason, Booth University College
Spreading Salvation Abroad: The Impact of World Missions on the Life and Thought of Catherine Booth

M18-104**Charles S. Peirce Society**Theme: **Charles S. Peirce and the Study of Religion**

Saturday, 9:00 AM–12:00 PM

Fairmont Copley Place-Commonwealth Room (Lower Lobby Level)

Founded in 1946, the Charles S. Peirce Society encourages study of and communication about the work of Charles S. Peirce and its ongoing influence in the many fields of intellectual endeavor to which he contributed. As the founder of pragmatism and of semiotics, Peirce's thought has deeply influenced numerous theologians and philosophers of religion working today. The purpose of this meeting is to discuss how his work has influenced the contemporary landscape and what might be done to continue promoting Peirce's work in the study of religion.

M18-112**Society for the Study of Anglicanism**Theme: **Portable Anglicanism: The Impact of Migration on Identity**

Saturday, 9:00 AM–12:30 PM

Westin Copley Place-Empire (Seventh Level)

This meeting will include breakfast, a keynote address, a panel discussion in response, and a time for questions and comments from attendees.

Panelists:

Nicholas Sagovsky, Liverpool Hope University and University of Roehampton

M18-105**Theology Without Walls Group**Theme: **Love and Desire, Human and Divine**

Saturday, 9:30 AM–12:00 PM

Westin Copley Place-Great Republic (Seventh Level)

Jerry L. Martin, University of Colorado, Presiding

Different traditions propose different analyses of desire, and hence of love. These differences are reflected in their understanding of the relation of the human to the divine, and of the divine to the human, and of the human to the human. Which understandings are most adequate to the human condition and the divine reality? What texts, stories, theories, practices, or examples are most illuminating in this regard? How do the religious texts and ideas interact with understandings gained from other sources, personal, psychological, literary, philosophical, scientific, etc.?

Panelists:

S. Mark Heim, Andover Newton Theological School

Paul Knitter, Union Theological Seminary

Richard Oxenberg, Endicott College

Michelle Voss Roberts, Wake Forest University

Wesley J. Wildman, Boston University

OTHER EVENTS

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 18

M18-106

Paraclete Press

Theme: *The Ecumenism of Beauty* - Panel Discussion and Coffee: The Role of Visual Arts in Ecumenical Exchange for the 500th Commemoration Year of the Reformation

Saturday, 10:00 AM–11:30 AM

Westin Copley Place-Adams (Seventh Level)

Join Paraclete Press and the Mount Tabor Ecumenical Centre for Art and Spirituality for coffee and discussion on the role of visual arts in ecumenical exchange. This panel will cover themes presented in *The Ecumenism of Beauty* (edited by Monsignor Timothy Verdon, Director of the Museo Dell'Opera del Duomo in Florence, Italy), and will highlight topics covered in the symposium "The Arts and Ecumenism—What Theology Risks in Artistic Creation," held earlier in 2017 in the European cities of Paris, Strasbourg and Florence and in North America at the Yale Institute of Sacred Music and the Community of Jesus, in Orleans, MA.

M18-113

Grundtvig Study Center, Aarhus University, Denmark, Church of Sweden Research Department, and Vandenhoeck & Ruprecht

Theme: **Passionately Human! The Future of Scandinavian Creation Theology**

Saturday, 10:00 AM–12:00 PM

Sheraton Boston-Beacon E (Third Level)

Jakob Wirén, Church of Sweden, Presiding

The three founding figures of Scandinavian creation theology (SCT)—K.E. Løgstrup, Regin Prenter, and Gustaf Wingren—combined seminal insights from Martin Luther, mediated through the Danish theologian N.F.S. Grundtvig. The world outside the churches is not God-less. The world is God-given and imbued with a divine presence; therefore it is religiously valid to approach the world from a secular perspective, and from embodied experiences. Thus, SCT offers a model for reconfiguring reformation theology for a post-secular age, holding the view that the doctrine of creation is not just another theological locus to be followed by other loci, such as justification and fulfillment. Rather, creation constitutes the universal horizon for any Christian theologizing, also regarding Christ and church, baptism and salvation.

Elisabeth Gerle, Church of Sweden and Lund University
Passionate Embrace: Luther on Love, Body, and Sensual Presence (*Cascade*, 2017)

Trygve Wyller, University of Oslo
Reformation Theology for a Post-Secular Age: The Future of Scandinavian of Scandinavian Creation Theology (*V&R Academic* 2017)

Bengt Kristensson Uggla, Åbo Akademi University
Becoming Human Again: The Theological Life of Gustaf Wingren (*Cascade*, 2016)

Responding:

Catherine Keller, Drew University

Marit Trelstad, Pacific Lutheran University

M18-107

Wesley Works Editorial Board Luncheon

Saturday, 11:00 AM–1:00 PM

Marriott Copley Place-Maine (Fifth Level)

M18-108

Dharma Academy of North America (DANAM)

Theme: *Yoga Sutra and Bhakti*

Saturday, 10:30 AM–12:30 PM

Marriott Copley Place-Tufts (Third Level)

Phyllis Herman, California State University, Northridge, Presiding

Graham M. Schweig, Christopher Newport University
Divine Grace in the Highest Samādhi: A Bhakti Hermeneutic for Greater Understanding of the Yoga Sūtra

Stephanie Corigliano, Humboldt State University
Pluralism, Religious Devotion, and T. Krishnamacharya: Or, How the Yoga Sūtra Assumed Scripture-status for Modern Yoga

Edwin F. Bryant, Rutgers University
Mokṣa is Equivalent to Hell: the Minimization of the Goal of the Yoga Sūtra in the Bhagavata Purana

Ramdas Lamb, University of Hawai'i
The Union of Yoga, Tapasya, and Bhakti in the Ramananda Sampradaya

Responding:

Phyllis Herman, California State University, Northridge

M18-109

Liverpool Hope University, University of Manchester, and Methodist Church of Great Britain

Theme: **Madness in their Methodism: Exploring the Beliefs, Practices and Legacy of an Eighteenth-century Anglican Sect**

Saturday, 11:00 AM–3:00 PM

Marriott Copley Place-Boston University (Third Level)

Andrew Cheatle, Liverpool Hope University, Presiding

Panelists:

Tom Greggs, University of Aberdeen

Anna Lawrence, Fairfield University

David Hart, Methodist Church of Great Britain

Christopher H. Evans, Boston University

Gareth Lloyd, University of Manchester

Kenneth Newport, Liverpool Hope University

M18-110

Christian Scholarship Foundation Luncheon

Saturday, 11:30 AM–1:00 PM

Fairmont Copley Place-Forum Room (Lower Lobby Level)



M18-111**Academy Anonymous Recovery Meeting (AARM)**

Saturday, 12:00 PM–1:00 PM

Hilton Boston Back Bay-Lincoln (Third Level)

M18-202**North American Hindu Association of Dharma Studies**Theme: **The Future of Secularism in India and the United States**

Saturday, 1:00 PM–2:00 PM

Marriott Copley Place-Brandeis (Third Level)

Rita Sherma, Graduate Theological Union, Presiding

Panelists:

Anant Rambachan, Saint Olaf College

John Thatamanil, Union Theological Seminary

Ramakrishnan Parameshwaran, Graduate Theological Union

Responding:

Jeffery D. Long, Elizabethtown College

M18-200**HarperOne**Theme: **The History Behind the Story of the Exodus: A Discussion of Richard Elliott Friedman's New Book *The Exodus***

Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:00 PM

Westin Copley Place-Essex North (Third Level)

Join a distinguished panel for a rich discussion of the breadth of new evidence pointing to the historical background behind the biblical story, as well as the cultural impacts this event has had on the rise of monotheism and the ethic of loving both the neighbor and the alien.

M18-201**Common English Bible Interpreter's Commentary**

Saturday, 2:00 PM–4:00 PM

Marriott Copley Place-Rhode Island (Fifth Level)

M18-304**Toward Ecological Civilization**Theme: **EcoCiv 2nd Annual Meeting: Stakeholder Workshop and Discussion**

Saturday, 4:00 PM–5:00 PM

Hynes Convention Center-302 (Third Level)

John Becker, Loyola Marymount University, Presiding

Each year, the AAR & SBL Annual Meetings bring together roughly 10,000 scholars from around the world. This includes transportation, meals, housing, etc. Like any event of this size, our annual meeting has a significant impact on the environment.

As scholars, activists, and responsible citizens, it is imperative that we recognize the environmental impact of our annual meeting and explore more sustainable policies and practices necessary for an ecological civilization. At the 2016 SBL & AAR Annual Meetings, EcoCiv (<http://ecociv.org>) gathered leaders across the attendees to discuss our responsibility as scholar-activists to transform our classrooms, institutions, and local communities in light of the climate crisis and U.S. electoral politics. Building on those conversations, our 2017 session will be an exploratory workshop on specific proposals for changes to the AAR & SBL Annual Meetings to reduce our environmental impact. Participants will be invited to engage with leaders and peers as citizen-stakeholders. Our goal is to collaboratively develop an action plan that constituencies across AAR and SBL can support, and present this to the AAR and SBL leadership for formal consideration.

Panelists:

Philip Clayton, Claremont School of Theology

Wm. Andrew Schwartz, Center for Process Studies, Claremont, CA

Elizabeth Singleton, Claremont School of Theology

M18-305**Hispanic Theological Initiative Consortium Mentoring Gathering (Private)**

Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:00 PM

Westin Copley Place-America North (Fourth Level)

M18-300**Theology Without Walls Group**Theme: **Recognizing the Divine Imprint Across Religious Boundaries**

Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Westin Copley Place-Great Republic (Seventh Level)

Jerry L. Martin, University of Colorado, Presiding

A spiritually alert person who reads texts in other religious traditions encounters, sometimes to the reader's surprise, a divine voice or imprint — not only texts but also practices and persons — which needs to be taken into account, theologically. This has happened to all of us and how it happens deserves consideration. Panelists will be asked to consider how this has happened to them, what texts captured their attention and what “divine marks” (if any) distinguished those texts. Were there ways these texts spoke to their personal situations or searches? Are such texts to be found only in religious canons, or in literature or philosophy or other works?

Panelists:

Francis X. Clooney, Harvard University

Christopher Denny, St. John's University

Rita Sherma, Graduate Theological Union

John Thatamanil, Union Theological Seminary

Jonathan Weidenbaum, Berkeley College

OTHER EVENTS

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 18

M18-301

Muktabodha Indological Research Institute 20th Anniversary Reception

Saturday, 5:30 PM–7:30 PM

Westin Copley Place-Newbury/Gloucester (Second Level)

Join us for a tea reception in honor of the 20th anniversary of the Muktabodha Indological Research Institute.

M18-302

Religion and Education Collaborative

Theme: **Networking Social and Reception**, hosted by **Boniuk Institute for Religious Tolerance at Rice University**

Saturday, 6:00 PM–7:30 PM

Westin Copley Place-Baltic (Seventh Level)

M18-303

Forum for Theological Exploration Reception Honoring Fellows and Alumni

Saturday, 6:00 PM–8:00 PM

Westin Copley Place-America South (Fourth Level)

M18-400

Metropolitan Andrey Sheptytsky Institute of Eastern Christian Studies and AAR's Eastern Orthodox Studies Unit

Theme: **Vespers (Evening Prayer) in the Byzantine Rite**

Saturday, 6:30 PM–8:00 PM

Hynes Convention Center-209 (Second Level)

M18-401

John C. Danforth Center on Religion and Politics Reception

Saturday, 6:30 PM–8:30 PM

Westin Copley Place-Essex Center (Third Level)

M18-402

Indiana University Religious Studies Alumni and Friends Reception

Saturday, 7:00 PM–9:00 PM

Westin Copley Place-Huntington (Second Level)

M18-403

Enoch Seminar Panel and Reception

Saturday, 7:00 PM–9:30 PM

Westin Copley Place-Essex South (Third Level)

The Enoch Seminar is a group of international specialists of early Judaism, Christianity, and Islam. Our group gathers to discuss topics of interest and new research. At this event, we will host a panel to conclude the First Enoch Colloquium at Harvard University and present a Festschrift to Michael Stone, followed by a reception. All are invited to join us!

M18-404

Zygon Center for Religion and Science, International Society for Science and Religion, Center for Theology and the Natural Sciences, Institute for the Bio-Cultural Study of Religion, Institute for Religion in an Age of Science

Theme: **Science and Religion Hospitality Event**

Saturday, 7:00 PM–10:00 PM

Fairmont Copley Place-St. James Room (Lobby Level)

Please join us for refreshments and conversation at this year's Science and Religion Hospitality Event, sponsored by:

The Zygon Center for Religion and Science (Zygon Center), which offers graduate courses at the Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago, hosts public lectures and visiting scholars and shares offices with *Zygon: Journal of Religion and Science*. (www.zygoncenter.org)

The International Society for Science and Religion (ISSR) is an honorary academic society of established scholars in religion with expertise and publications in one or more of the natural sciences, scientists with a commitment to dialogue with religion, or historians and philosophers of science. More on the ISSR can be found at www.issr.org.uk. The ISSR events at the AAR & SBL Annual Meetings are listed at www.issr.yolasite.com.

The Center for Theology and the Natural Sciences (CTNS) is now a Program of the Graduate Theological Union (GTU). CTNS supports research, provides MDiv and doctoral courses through the Ian G. Barbour Chair at the GTU, and publishes the peer-reviewed *Journal of Theology and Science*. Check out our extensive resources at www.ctns.org.

The Institute for the Bio-Cultural Study of Religion (IBCSR), which sponsors research in the scientific study of religion, supports Boston University's Religion and Science Ph.D., publishes the journal *Religion, Brain and Behavior* and the monthly *IBCSR Research Review*. (www.ibcsr.org)

The Institute for Religion in an Age of Science (IRAS), which 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)

M18-405

Fordham University Theology Department Reception

Saturday, 7:30 PM–9:00 PM

Westin Copley Place-Essex North (Third Level)

The faculty of Fordham University's Department of Theology invite you to join our graduate students, alumni/ae, and friends for a festive reception.



M18-406**Dallas Theological Seminary Alumni Reception**

Saturday, 8:00 PM–9:00 PM

Westin Copley Place-Adams (Seventh Level)

M18-407**Macquarie University & Australian College of Theology Reception**

Saturday, 8:00 PM–9:30 PM

Westin Copley Place-Parliament (Seventh Level)

Friends and associates of the Australian College of Theology and Macquarie University, and anyone interested in theological education and research in the South Pacific, are invited for wine, cheese and conversation. Greet Martin Sutherland and other faculty in an informal networking and discussion time.

M18-412**Society for Pentecostal Studies and Wesleyan Theological Society Reception**

Saturday, 8:00 PM–9:30 PM

Westin Copley Place-St. George A-B (Third Level)

M18-408**Baker Academic and Brazos Press Reception**

Saturday, 8:00 PM–10:00 PM

Westin Copley Place-Staffordshire (Third Level)

M18-409**De Gruyter Reception**

Saturday, 8:00 PM–10:00 PM

Westin Copley Place-St. George C-D (Third Level)

M18-413**Calvin Theological Seminary Reception**

Saturday, 8:00 PM–10:00 PM

Westin Copley Place-Great Republic (Seventh Level)

M18-410**Graduate Theological Union Alumni Reception**

Saturday, 8:00 PM–11:00 PM

Westin Copley Place-America Center (Fourth Level)

M18-411**Center for Process Studies Reception**

Saturday, 9:00 PM–11:00 PM

Westin Copley Place-Northstar (Seventh Level)

This reception is open to all friends, members, and persons interested in the Center for Process Studies and/or Open-Relational Theologies. Learn about recent developments and ways to get involved. Enjoy wine, cheese, and conversation!

M18-414**Hispanic Theological Initiative Consortium Reception**

Saturday, 9:00 PM–11:00 PM

Westin Copley Place-America North (Fourth Level)

M18-415**Harvard University Divinity School Reception**

Saturday, 9:00 PM–11:00 PM

Offsite-Boston Public Library, 700 Boylston Street, McKim Building (Johnson Building, Boylston Hall)

Faculty, students, staff, alumni, colleagues, and friends are cordially invited to attend the Harvard University reception for the AAR & SBL Annual Meetings, sponsored by Harvard Divinity School, the Center for the Study of World Religions, and the Committee on the Study of Religion (Faculty of Arts and Sciences). No RSVP necessary. We look forward to seeing you there!

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19

M19-12**Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary Alumni Connect Breakfast**

Sunday, 7:00 AM–8:30 AM

Marriott Copley Place-St. Botolph (Second Level)

Alumni and spouses are invited to attend the Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary Alumni Connect Breakfast. Prospective students also may attend to connect with alumni and faculty and to hear updates on the seminary. There is no cost to attend, but registration is required by Friday, November 10, 2017 at <https://my.gordonconwell.edu/alumni> under Upcoming Events.

M19-5**Church of Christ Professors Meeting**

Sunday, 7:00 AM–8:30 AM

Hynes Convention Center-210 (Second Level)

OTHER EVENTS

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19

M19-6

Disciples of Christ Student and Faculty Breakfast

Sunday, 7:00 AM–8:30 AM

Sheraton Boston-Commonwealth (Third Level)

M19-13

Temple University Breakfast

Sunday, 7:00 AM–8:45 AM

Hilton Boston Back Bay-Maverick B (Second Level)

M19-14

New York Theological Seminary and the *Journal of World Christianity* Breakfast

Sunday, 7:00 AM–9:00 AM

Westin Copley Place-Empire (Seventh Level)

M19-7

University of Birmingham, UK Breakfast and Research Showcase

Sunday, 7:00 AM–9:00 AM

Hynes Convention Center-108 (Plaza Level)

M19-8

Center of Theological Inquiry Breakfast Reception

Sunday, 7:30 AM–9:00 AM

Marriott Copley Place-Columbus I & II (First Level)

M19-103

John Templeton Foundation

Theme: **Measures of Religion & Spirituality in Repeating Open Access Datasets**

Sunday, 8:00 AM–8:45 AM

Hilton Boston Back Bay-Belvidere B (Second Level)

Sociologists have made extensive use of repeating, representative, cross-cultural, open access datasets such as the *General Social Survey* and the *World Values Survey*. Yet these data sets appear to be underutilized by many who study religion and spirituality. Moreover, the data sets often lack relevant or more nuanced measures of religion and spirituality. Our research team, at Arizona State University, has launched a project funded by the John Templeton Foundation designed to investigate the possibilities of adding measures of religion and spirituality to these open access datasets.

Please join us in a discussion of this project as we seek to identify which variables and datasets may be of the most interest to researchers. We appreciate your expertise! Please consider this opportunity to learn more about this project and to have a voice in our recommendations.

M19-100

Lutheran Scholars of Religion

Theme: **Ecclesiologies of Resistance**

Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:00 AM

Westin Copley Place-Great Republic (Seventh Level)

Christine Helmer, Northwestern University, Presiding

Jan-Olav Henriksen, MF Norwegian School of Theology
Taking Responsibility for Truth: Ecclesial Practices in an Age of Hypocrisy

Cheryl Peterson, Trinity Lutheran Seminary
Starting with the Spirit: A Lutheran Ecclesiology of Resistance

Responding:

Allen G. Jorgenson, Wilfrid Laurier University

Jone Salomonsen, University of Oslo

M19-104

Association for Theopoetics Research and Exploration

Theme: **Radical Theology / Radical Politics: Re-Thinking Relations to the Most Vulnerable**

Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton Boston Back Bay-Belvidere A (Second Level)

Jennifer Bailey, Faith Matters, Presiding

This session questions how institutionalized forms of religion, politics, and economics create categories of vulnerability. The precarious place of the vulnerable in our society has been threatened by the recent, visible emergence of right-wing propaganda and radicalization of religious rhetoric. Radical thinking may overcome the popularization of polarizations in the present. In response, we investigate the social imaginary by integrating the resources of radical theology and radical politics. Such radical thinking offsets the normalizing tendencies that preserve a status quo that marginalizes the vulnerable by offering a diagnostic that draws on the resources of radical thinking. This panel will engage conversationally around the following focal points elicited conversationally through questions and answers:

- Depicting the cause: Politics and Economics
- Defining the depth: Radical Theology and Radical Politics
- Demanding our Attention: Radical Theology and The People
- Delimiting the Possible: Theopoetics as Radical Response
- Determining the Value: Property as Test Case

More information is available via www.theopoetics.net.

Panelists:

Karen Bray, Wesleyan College

Daniel Boscaljon, University of Iowa

J. Kameron Carter, Duke University

Jon Gill, California State University, Long Beach

James Hill, Northwestern University

Katharine Lassiter, Mount St. Joseph University

Jordan Miller, Wheaton College, Norton, MA

Jeffrey W. Robbins, Lebanon Valley College

George Schmidt, US Navy



M19-105

Theology and Decoloniality Group

Theme: **Decolonial Theological Encounters: An Invitation to Further Conversation**

Sunday, 10:00 AM–12:00 PM

Marriott Copley Place–Fairfield (Third Level)

In this meeting, we continue the scholarly conversations that began at the 2016 SBL & AAR Annual Meetings in San Antonio. The scholars gathered last year (and in subsequent explorations) confirmed that a rich variety of experiments are underway which draw from the Latin American modernity/coloniality framework and inspire a rethinking of the theological task in a decolonial key. The meeting is convened by Michel Andraos, Lee Cormie, Néstor Medina, and Becca Whitla, who in their respective fields of expertise find that Latin American decolonial thinking resonates well with critical discourses of many oppressed groups addressing a broad range of social, cultural, epistemological and justice/eco-justice issues, in particular with the evolving critical discourses from indigenous peoples and their movements. The session will be highly participatory. Its goals include: dialogue across different social locations, political contexts, “liberation” movements and practices; clarification of points of convergence, and divergence; identification of possible collaboration(s); and some concrete next steps.

M19-101

Biblical Interpretation Editorial Board Meeting

Sunday, 11:30 AM–1:00 PM

Westin Copley Place–St. George A-B (Third Level)

M19-106

Hebrew Union College–Jewish Institute of Religion Pines School of Graduate Studies Alumni Association Luncheon

Sunday, 11:30 AM–1:00 PM

Sheraton Boston–Commonwealth (Third Level)

M19-202

Loyola University, Maryland

Theme: *Thinking Prayer: A Conversation with Andrew Prevot*

Sunday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hynes Convention Center–306 (Third Level)

Winner of the College Theological Society’s Best Book in Theology Award, *Thinking Prayer*, has already garnered significant attention, most recently from an excellent symposium in Syndicate. In arguing that theologians must take the spiritual life as central when confronting both the crisis of metaphysics and the legacies of colonialism, *Thinking Prayer* draws on the insights of liberation theology, phenomenology, and diverse Christian spiritual traditions.

Panelists:

Willie J. Jennings, Yale University

Rebekah Eklund, Loyola University Maryland

Kevin L. Hughes, Villanova University

Responding:

Andrew Prevot, Boston College

M19-200

Baker Academic Textbook Meeting

Sunday, 1:30 PM–4:30 PM

Sheraton Boston–Beacon C (Third Level)

M19-201

Seventh Annual Analytic Theology Lecture

Theme: **The Meanings of History: Event and Interpretation in the Bible and Theology**

Sunday, 3:00 PM–4:30 PM

Hilton Boston Back Bay–Adams (Third Level)

The word “history”, notoriously, has several significantly different meanings, not always tracked in relevant discussions. The word “meaning” itself will vary according to which meaning of “history” we choose. Discussion here has been hindered by several interlocking but systematically confusing debates: (1) the over-bright either/or of “natural” and “supernatural” in modern thought, with its tendency to reductionism on one side and Docetism on the other; (2) the sterile (and itself historically conditioned!) antithesis of pantheistic “progress” and an irruptive “apocalyptic”, with its various spin-offs in biblical interpretation; (3) the multivalence of the term “historical-critical”, sometimes used to indicate the employment of history to undermine traditional Christian claims and sometimes in a supposedly more “neutral” sense; (4) the question of biblical “authority”. A fresh appraisal of “history” is required, seeing the term as (at least) a shorthand for various narratives concerning events, tasks, storytelling and symbol-making both within the biblical traditions themselves and within their reappropriation not only as faith-narratives in the church but also as proclamation, explanation and apologia in the wider world.

Panelists:

N.T. Wright, University of St Andrews

M19-300

Journal of Religious Ethics Editorial Board Meeting

Sunday, 4:30 PM–6:00 PM

Westin Copley Place–St. George A-B (Third Level)

M19-301

Seventh Annual Analytic Theology Reception

Sunday, 4:30 PM–6:00 PM

Hilton Boston Back Bay–Westminster (Second Level)

OTHER EVENTS

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M19-302

Paulist Press Reception Honoring Richard Clifford, SJ

Sunday, 6:00 PM–7:30 PM

Westin Copley Place–Northstar (Seventh Level)

M19-303

Louisville Institute Reception

Sunday, 6:00 PM–8:00 PM

Westin Copley Place–Essex North (Third Level)

M19-400

MF Norwegian School of Theology and University of Oslo

Theme: **Turid Karlsen Seim Memorial Session**

Sunday, 6:30 PM–8:00 PM

Westin Copley Place–Defender (Seventh Level)

Colleagues and friends are invited to attend this event remembering and celebrating the life and career of Turid Karlsen Seim.

M19-430

Malbon Festschrift Presentation

Theme: **Elizabeth Struthers: Panel and Presentation**

Sunday, 7:00 PM–8:00 PM

Sheraton Boston–Liberty A (Second Level)

M19-401

Boston College Theology Department Reception

Sunday, 7:00 PM–8:30 PM

Fairmont Copley Place–St. James Room (Lobby Level)

M19-402

Yale University Reception

Sunday, 7:00 PM–8:30 PM

Westin Copley Place–America Center (Fourth Level)

M19-431

University of Oxford and University of Cambridge Joint Reception

Sunday, 7:00 PM–8:30 PM

Sheraton Boston–Back Bay C (Second Level)

The Universities of Cambridge and Oxford are delighted to invite colleagues, friends, alumni and prospective graduate students to a reception at the AAR & SBL Annual Meetings in Boston.

Come hear an update on developments in Cambridge's Faculty of Divinity and Oxford's Faculty of Theology and Religion, and meet current faculty members. Prospective students are warmly welcome to come and learn about the benefits of studying in Cambridge or Oxford. Further information is available at www.theology.ox.ac.uk and www.divinity.cam.ac.uk.

M19-403

Canadian Scholars and Friends Reception

Theme: **Celebrating Over 150 years of Canadian Theology**

Sunday, 7:00 PM–9:00 PM

Marriott Copley Place–Third Floor Atrium Lounge (Third Level)

Join Parasource Canada and their partner publishers IVP Academic, Abingdon, Baker Academic, B&H, Concordia, Eerdmans, Fortress Press, Hendrickson, Kregel Academic, and Westminster John Knox for a 150th birthday party for Canada. This informal reception will reconnect Canadian scholars with other organizations and scholars doing work from Sea to Sea to Sea. Canadian scholars, students and friends welcome. Please RSVP to Martin Smith at martin.smith@parasource.com.

M19-404

Princeton Theological Seminary Reception

Sunday, 7:00 PM–9:00 PM

Park Plaza–Arlington and Berkeley (Mezzanine Level)

M19-405

Princeton University Department of Religion Reception

Sunday, 7:00 PM–9:00 PM

Westin Copley Place–Parliament/Adams/Baltic (Seventh Level)

M19-406

University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill Department of Religious Studies Reception

Sunday, 7:00 PM–9:00 PM

Westin Copley Place–St. George C-D (Third Level)

M19-407

Zen Reading Group Fourth Annual Meeting

Sunday, 7:00 PM–9:00 PM

Hilton Boston Back Bay–Belvidere B (Second Level)

Steven Heine, Florida International University, Presiding

Juhn Ahn, University of Michigan

What Does it Mean to Gain Energy (Deli) through Zen Reading?

Jennifer Eichman, SOAS University of London

Late Ming Confucian Uses of the Platform Sutra

Dominick Scarangelo, Risho Kosei-kai

Dialoging with Modernity on Paper: The Sōtō Fushūkai and Its Opponents



Responding:

Jin Y. Park, American University

M19-432

International Institute of Islamic Thought (IIIT)

Theme: **Al-Faruqi Memorial Lecture**

Sunday, 7:00 PM–9:00 PM

Hynes Convention Center-207 (Second Level)

Panelists:

Kecia Ali, Boston University

M19-408

Academy Anonymous Recovery Meetings (AARM)

Sunday, 7:30 PM–8:30 PM

Hilton Boston Back Bay-Lincoln (Third Level)

M19-409

China Academic Consortium

Theme: **Networking with Friends**

Sunday, 7:30 PM–9:00 PM

Hilton Boston Back Bay-Belvidere A (Second Level)

Join us to help facilitate the initial meeting to form a Chinese Evangelical Theological Association with those who are interested.

M19-410

Jewish Theological Seminary Kekst Graduate School Reception

Sunday, 7:30 PM–9:00 PM

Marriott Copley Place-Arlington (Third Level)

The JTS Kekst Graduate School invites alumni, students, faculty colleagues and their friends to a light, kosher reception. Jewish dietary laws will be observed. Be sure to confirm the location in the AAR and SBL mobile app or in the Online *Program Books*.

M19-411

University of Notre Dame Theology Reception

Sunday, 7:30 PM–9:00 PM

Westin Copley Place-Newbury/Gloucester (Second Level)

M19-412

Concordia Seminary, Concordia Theological Seminary, and Concordia Publishing House Reception

Sunday, 7:30 PM–9:30 PM

Westin Copley Place-St. George A (Third Level)

Join us for the celebration of *The Press of the Text: Biblical Studies in Honor of James W. Voelz*.

M19-413

University of Iowa Alumni and Friends Reception

Sunday, 7:30 PM–9:30 PM

Hilton Boston Back Bay-Maverick B (Second Level)

Join us to celebrate the 90th Anniversary of the Department of Religious Studies.

M19-414

Brown University Department of Religious Studies and Program in Judaic Studies Reception

Sunday, 8:00 PM–10:00 PM

Westin Copley Place-Huntington (Second Level)

M19-415

Trinity Evangelical Divinity School Alumni and Friends Dessert Reception

Sunday, 8:00 PM–10:00 PM

Westin Copley Place-St. George B (Third Level)

M19-433

Center for the Study of Religion and American Culture Reception

Sunday, 8:00 PM–10:00 PM

Marriott Copley Place-Suffolk (Third Level)

M19-416

University of California, Davis Graduate Group in the Study of Religion Reception

Sunday, 8:30 PM–10:30 PM

Westin Copley Place-Helicon (Seventh Level)

The Graduate Group in the Study of Religion at the University of California, Davis welcomes everyone who is interested in our program and would like an informal, fun way to meet people associated with the group to join us! Now in our fifth year, we look forward to meeting you in what will be the first reception in our program's history.

M19-417

Vanderbilt University Divinity School Reception

Sunday, 9:00 PM–10:30 PM

Westin Copley Place-America North (Fourth Level)

M19-418

Brite Divinity School Reception

Sunday, 9:00 PM–10:30 PM

Marriott Copley Place-Tremont (First Level)

OTHER EVENTS

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M19-419

Columbia University Religion Department Reception

Sunday, 9:00 PM–11:00 PM

Westin Copley Place–Essex North (Third Level)

M19-420

Drew University Theological School Annual Alumni Gathering

Sunday, 9:00 PM–11:00 PM

Hilton Boston Back Bay–Adams (Third Level)

M19-421

Florida State University Religion Reception

Sunday, 9:00 PM–11:00 PM

Fairmont Copley Place–State Suite (Lower Lobby Level)

M19-422

Garrett–Evangelical Theological Seminary PhD Reception

Sunday, 9:00 PM–11:00 PM

Hilton Boston Back Bay–Westminster (Second Level)

M19-423

Emory University Graduate Division of Religion (GDR) Reception

Sunday, 9:00 PM–11:00 PM

Westin Copley Place–America South (Fourth Level)

M19-424

Nordic Universities Reception

Sunday, 9:00 PM–11:00 PM

Westin Copley Place–Essex South (Third Level)

M19-425

Johns Hopkins University Near Eastern Reception

Sunday, 9:00 PM–11:00 PM

Hilton Boston Back Bay–Maverick A (Second Level)

M19-426

Southern Methodist University and Perkins School of Theology Alumni/ae and Friends Reception

Sunday, 9:00 PM–11:00 PM

Fairmont Copley Place–Forum Room (Lower Lobby Level)

M19-427

Scottish Universities Reception

Sunday, 9:00 PM–11:00 PM

Westin Copley Place–Essex Center (Third Level)

M19-428

University of California, Santa Barbara Religious Studies Reception

Sunday, 9:00 PM–11:00 PM

Park Plaza–Georgian (Mezzanine Level)

M19-429

University of Chicago Divinity School Reception for Alumni and Friends

Sunday, 9:00 PM–11:00 PM

Westin Copley Place–Staffordshire (Third Level)

M19-434

Duke University Graduate Program in Religion Reception

Sunday, 9:00 PM–11:00 PM

Sheraton Boston–Back Bay A (Second Level)

M19-435

Union Theological Seminary and Episcopal Divinity School Reception

Sunday, 9:00 PM–11:00 PM

Sheraton Boston–Back Bay B (Second Level)



MONDAY, NOVEMBER 20

M20-5

Restoration Quarterly Breakfast

Monday, 7:00 AM–8:30 AM

Westin Copley Place-Parliament/Adams/Baltic (Seventh Level)

M20-6

Friends of Regent College Breakfast

Monday, 7:00 AM–8:30 AM

Westin Copley Place-St. George C-D (Third Level)

M20-7

Fuller Theological Seminary Alumni/ae and Friends Breakfast

Monday, 7:00 AM–9:00 AM

Westin Copley Place-Essex Center (Third Level)

M20-8

Union Presbyterian Seminary Alumni Breakfast

Monday, 7:30 AM–8:45 AM

Westin Copley Place-Defender (Seventh Level)

You're invited to hear President Brian K. Blount share what's new at Union while enjoying table fellowship with seminary friends and colleagues. Also, Alumni Director Clay Macaulay (D.Min.'85) will be there eager to hear about your ministry. Please register by Monday, November 13 here: www.regonline.com/UnionAlumBreakfast2017.

For questions please contact Hayley Mathews in the Alumni Office: hmathews@upsem.edu.

M20-15

University of Chicago Divinity School's Coffee with Dean for Prospective Students

Monday, 7:30 AM–9:00 AM

Westin Copley Place-Northstar (Seventh Level)

M20-9

Dead Sea Discoveries Breakfast Editorial Board Meeting

Monday, 7:30 AM–9:00 AM

Westin Copley Place-St. George A-B (Third Level)

M20-16

Green Seminary Initiative

Theme: **Certification Cohort Gathering and General Info**

Monday, 7:45 AM–8:45 AM

Hynes Convention Center-200 (Second Level)

By the time of this year's AAR & SBL Annual Meetings, the Green Seminary Initiative will have approximately 16 schools enrolled in their Seminary Environmental Certification program. This is a three year program designed to add an ecological lens to Education - Liturgy, Ritual, and Worship - Building and Grounds - Community Life - and Public Leadership. Representatives from each of these cohort schools are invited to gather during this time for the purpose of getting to know each other better, comparing notes on their progress in the program, and sharing ideas and encouragement. Any others interested in learning more about the Green Seminary Initiative are also welcome to join us.

M20-100

Theology Without Walls Group

Theme: **Rising Scholars and the Future of Transreligious Theology**

Monday, 9:30 AM–11:00 AM

Westin Copley Place-Empire (Seventh Level)

Jerry L. Martin, University of Colorado, Presiding

Join us for an open meeting to address the theological future. Graduate students and young faculty members grew up in a world more globalized and disaffiliated than that of their teachers. They may well have different presuppositions, concerns, aims, personal backgrounds, career patterns, and institutional or organizational settings. They may theologize in terms of a much wider range of spiritual data, and in service of a wider community than just the "faithful". In this open-ended discussion, every participant will be given an opportunity to speak personally about the changing situation.

Panelists:

Christopher Denny, St. John's University

Rory McEntee, Drew University

Kurt Anders Richardson, McMaster University

Bin Song, Boston University

M20-101

Theology Without Walls Group Planning Meeting

Monday, 11:00 AM–12:00 PM

Westin Copley Place-Empire (Seventh Level)

Jerry L. Martin, University of Colorado, Presiding

Join us for an open meeting to discuss future panel topics, publications, and other activities related to Theology Without Walls.

Panelists:

Christopher Denny, St. John's University

Jeanine Diller, University of Toledo

Kurt Anders Richardson, McMaster University

John Thatamanil, Union Theological Seminary

OTHER EVENTS

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 20

M20-102

Journal for the Study of Judaism Editorial Board Meeting

Monday, 11:30 AM–1:00 PM

Westin Copley Place–Mastiff (Seventh Level)

M20-103

Academy Anonymous Recovery Meetings (AARM)

Monday, 12:00 PM–1:00 PM

Hilton Boston Back Bay–Lincoln (Third Level)

M20-300

Auburn Theological Seminary Reception

Monday, 6:00 PM–7:30 PM

Westin Copley Place–St. George A-B (Third Level)

Everyone is welcome as we celebrate the work of scholar-activists who, like long-time Auburn faculty member Walter Wink, are troubling the waters and healing the world. Auburn will award the Third Annual Walter Wink Scholar-Activist Award. Former awardees are Dr. Simran Jeet Singh (2016) and Dr. Traci West (2015). The award will be given by Auburn President Rev. Dr. Katharine Henderson during the reception, with a brief talk by the awardee to follow. Come enjoy the hospitality and network with fellow troublemaking friends, old and new.

M20-402

State University of New York (SUNY) Press

Theme: **Celebration of the Work of Robert Neville**

Monday, 6:30 PM–7:30 PM

Westin Copley Place–Great Republic (Seventh Level)

Please join SUNY Press and Robert Neville for a reception and book signing to celebrate Robert Neville's contributions to religious studies and philosophy. Advance copies of *Defining Religion: Essays in Philosophy of Religion*, his latest book, which is also his twenty-second single-authored volume for SUNY Press, will be available for purchase along with copies of *The Good Is One, Its Manifestations Many: Confucian Essays on Metaphysics, Morals, Rituals, Institutions, and Genders*, and his *Philosophical Theology Set, Volumes 1–3: Ultimates, Existence, and Religion*.

M20-403

King's College London Reception

Monday, 7:00 PM–8:30 PM

Westin Copley Place–Essex South (Third Level)

Once again we are delighted to invite prospective students, alumni, friends and guests to a reception at the AAR and SBL Annual Meetings, this time in Boston. As well as updating on general news from the Department of Theology and Religious Studies, the reception will note the recent publication of books by members of King's. Everyone is warmly encouraged to join us to hear about developments since last year's Annual Meetings, including new opportunities for study at Master's level. For further information about the Department, see www.kcl.ac.uk/artshums/depts/trs.

M20-401

Claremont School of Theology and Claremont Graduate University Reception

Monday, 9:00 PM–11:00 PM

Westin Copley Place–Essex North (Third Level)

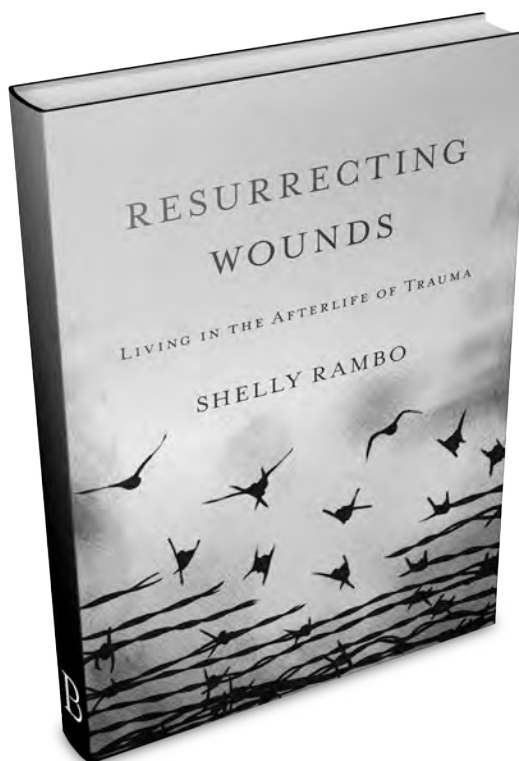
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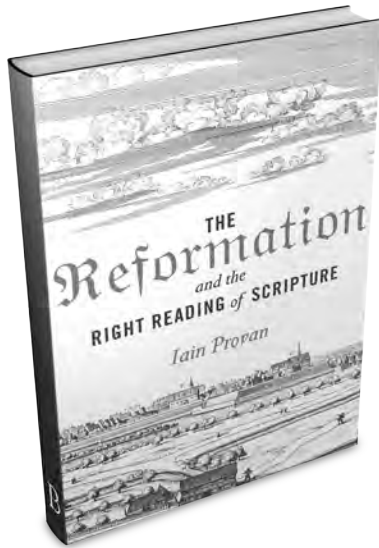
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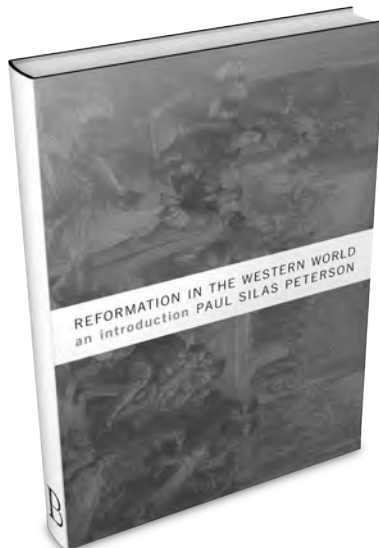
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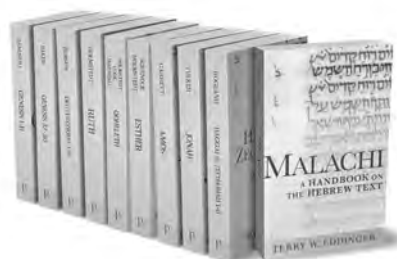
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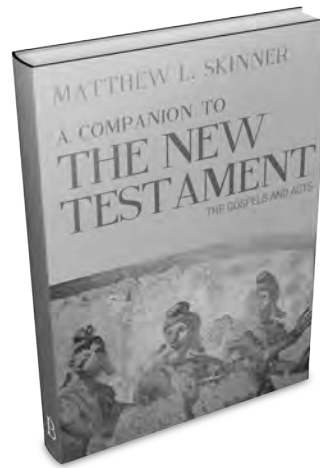
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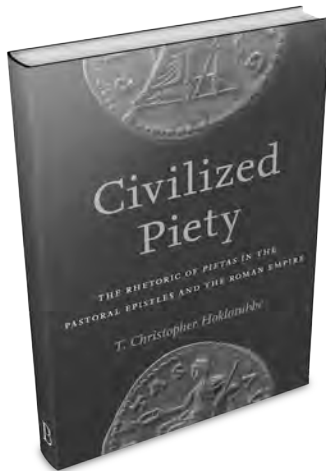
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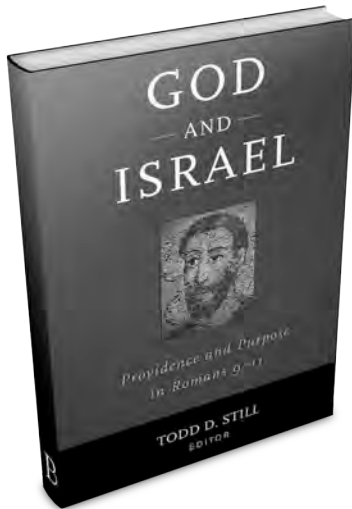
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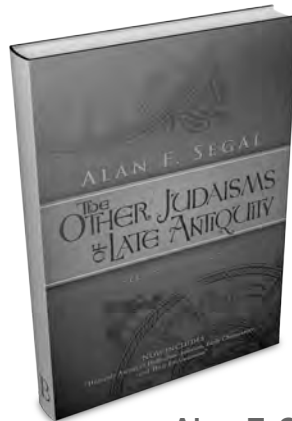
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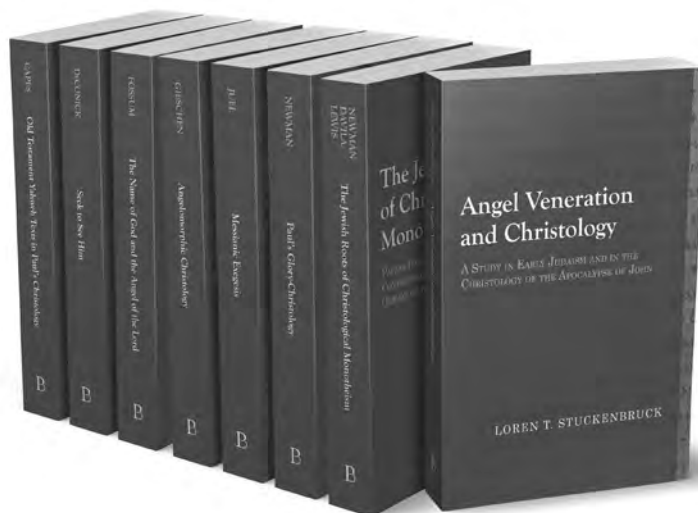
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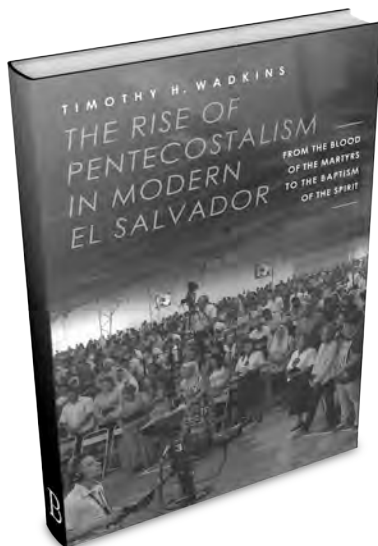
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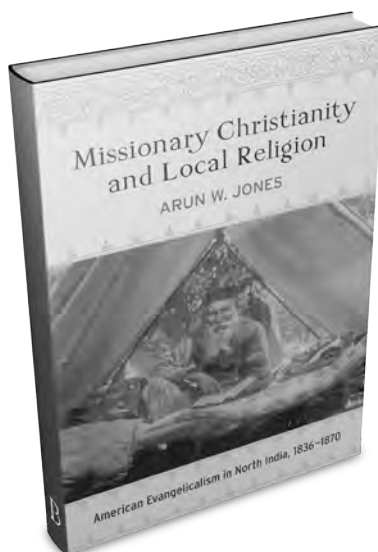
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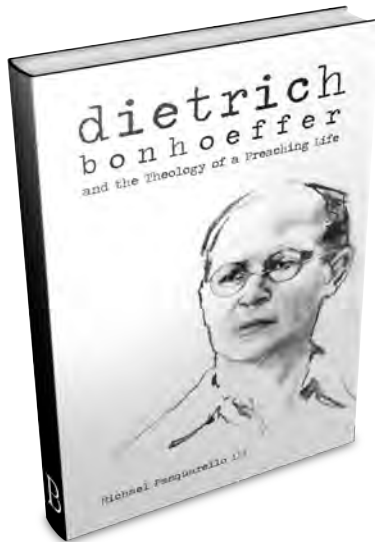
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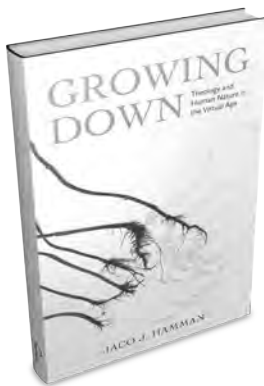
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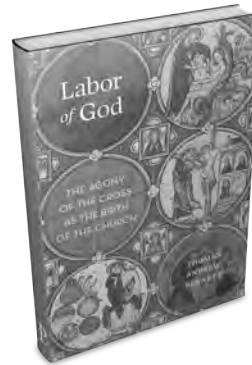


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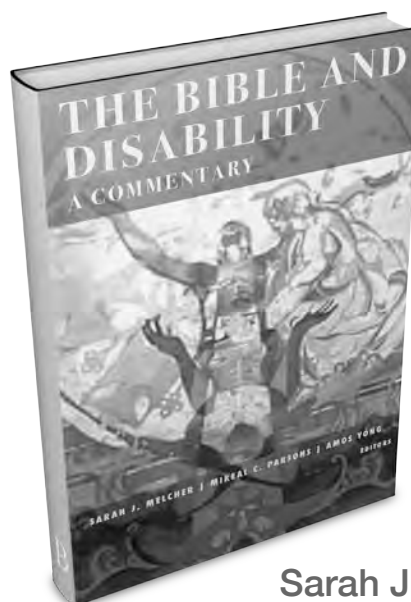
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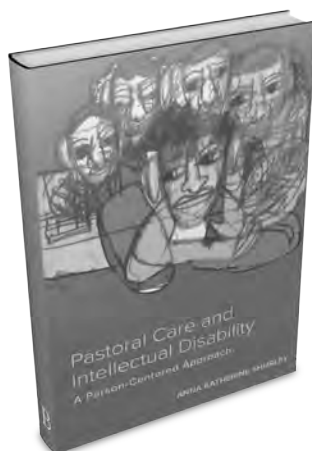
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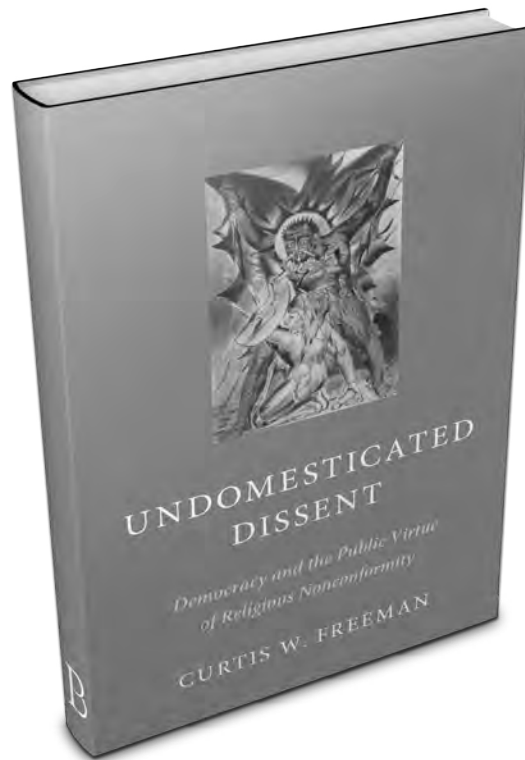
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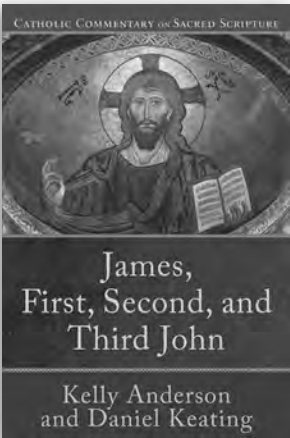
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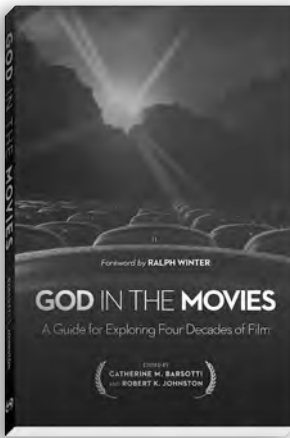
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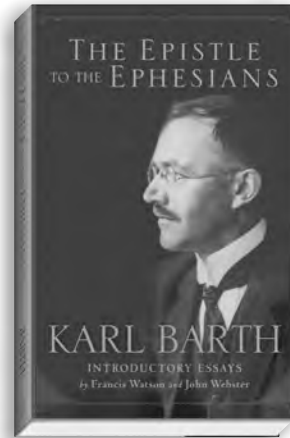
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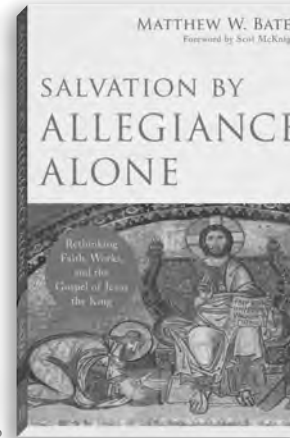
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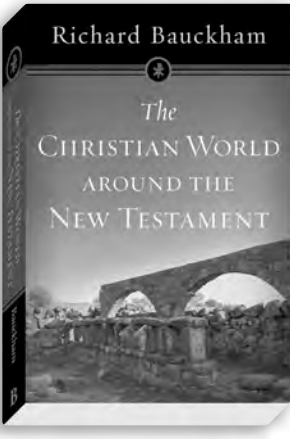
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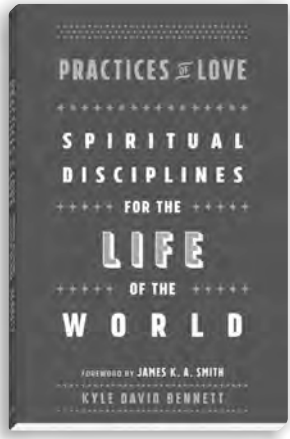
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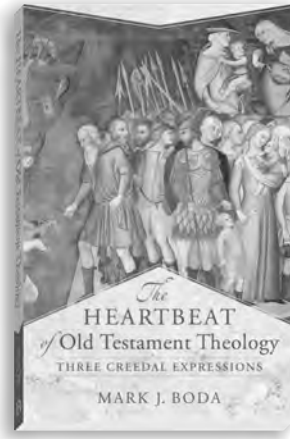
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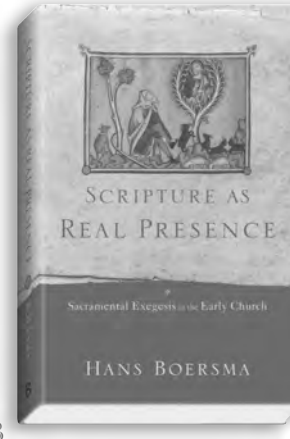
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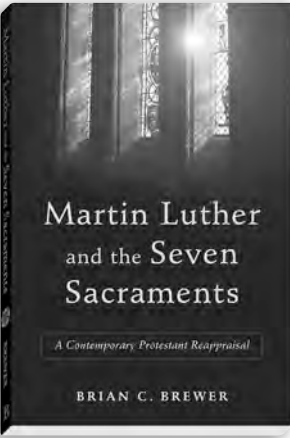
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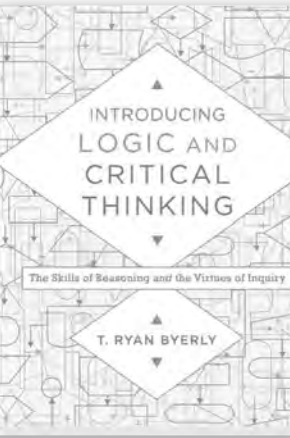
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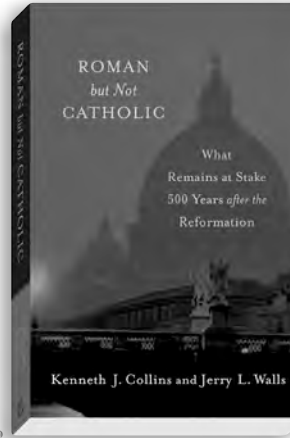
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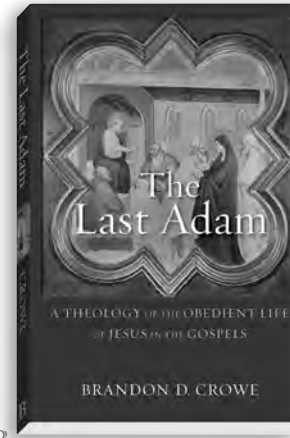
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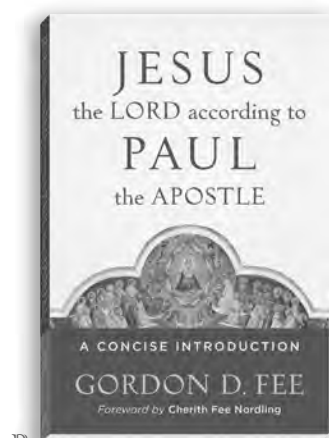
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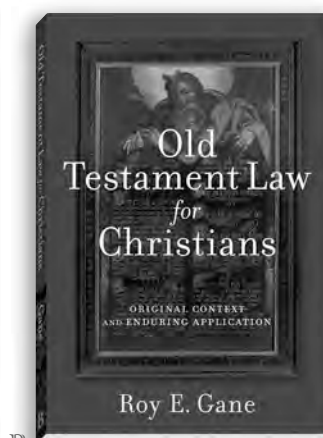
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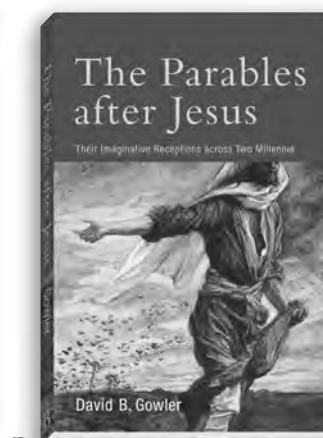
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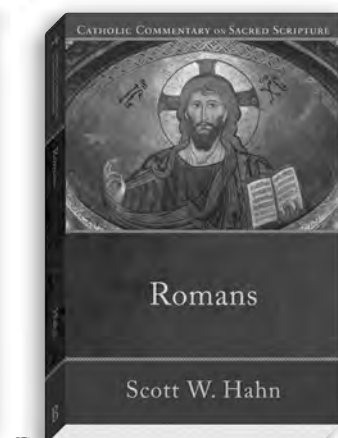
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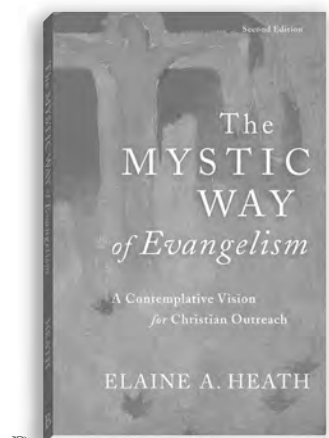
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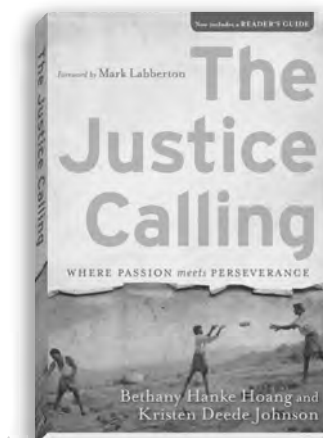
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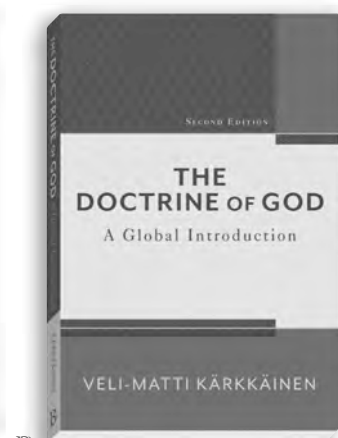
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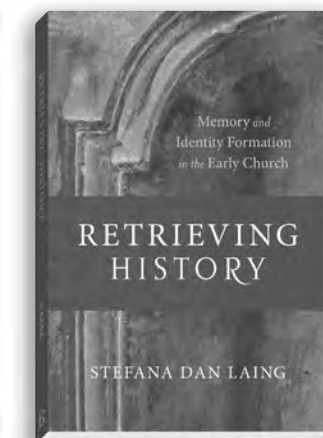
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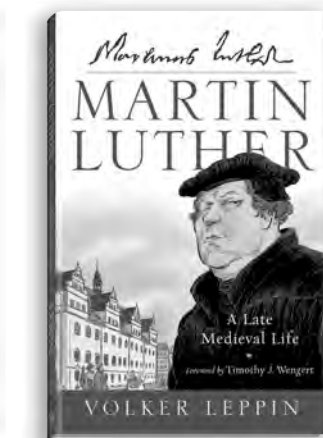
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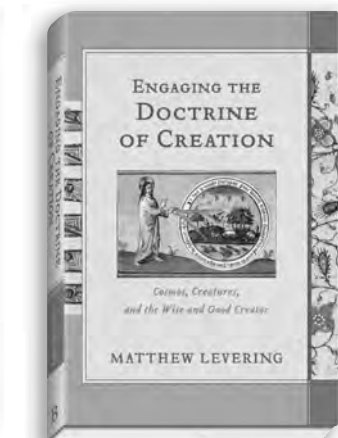
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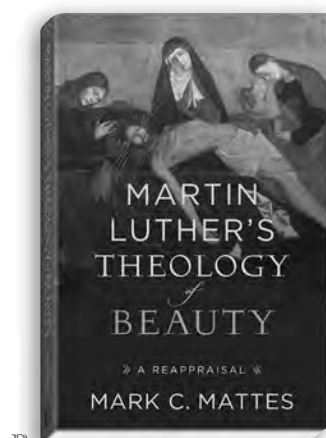
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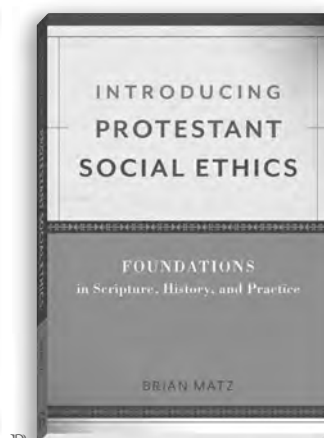
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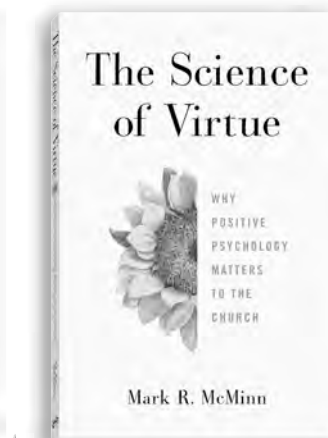
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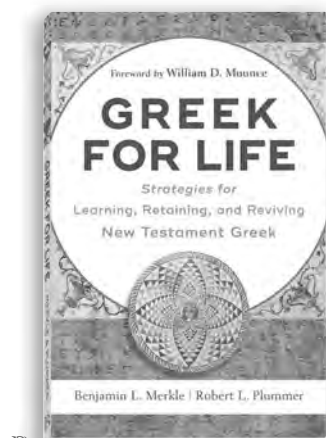
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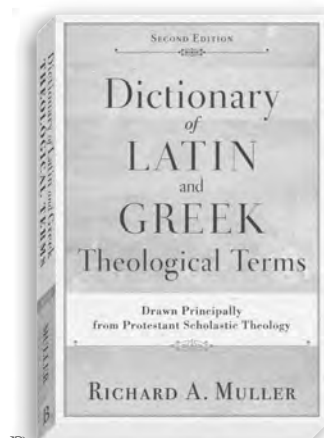
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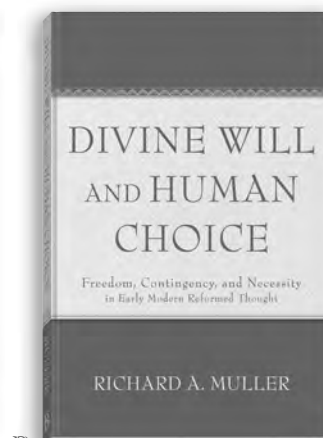
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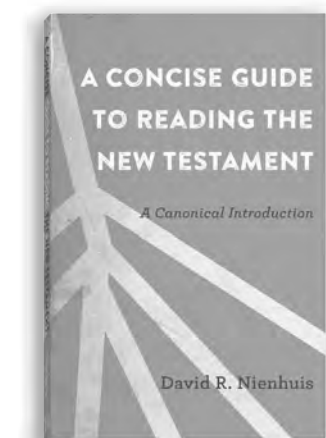
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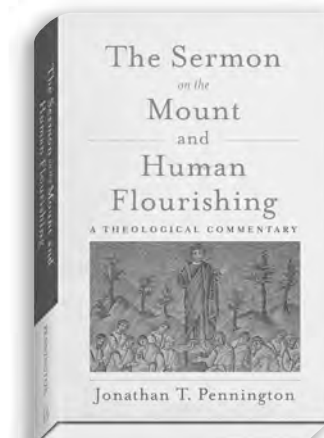
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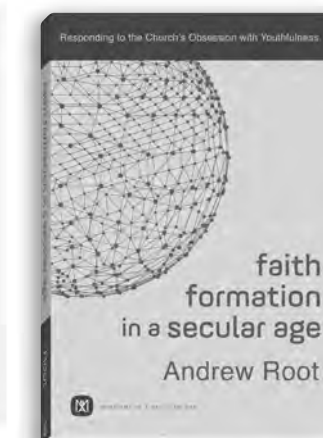
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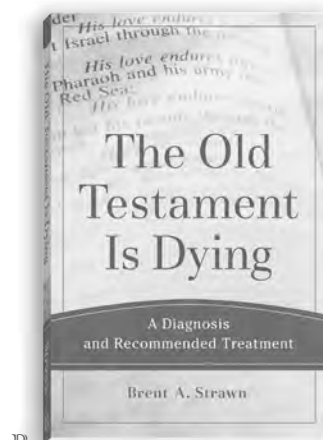
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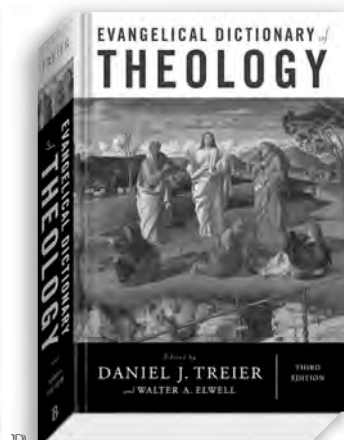
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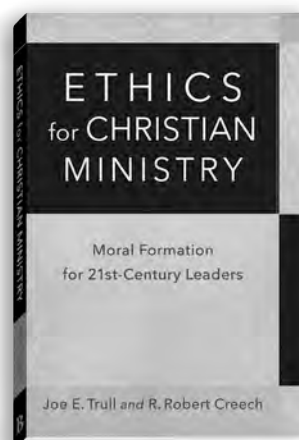
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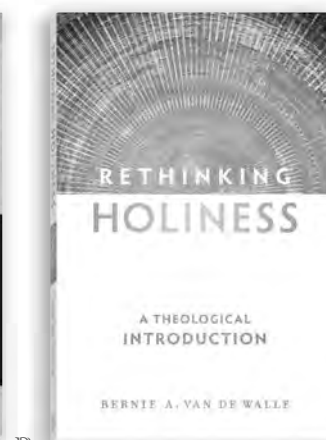
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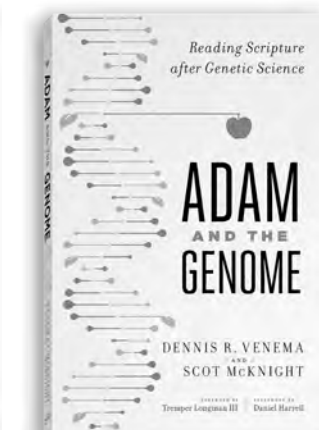
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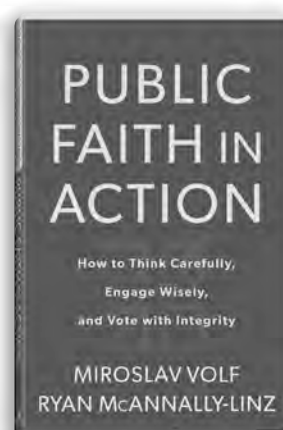
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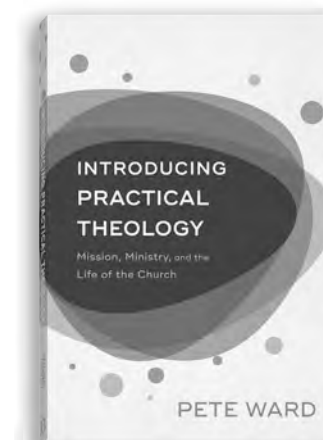
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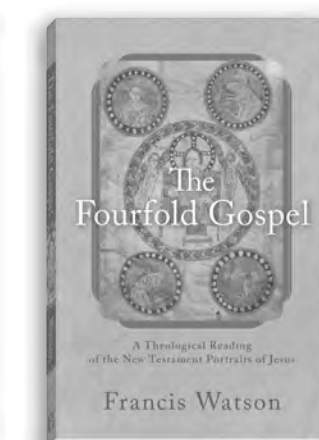
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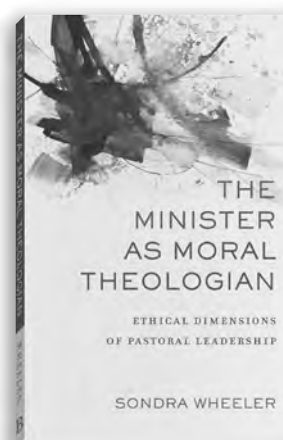
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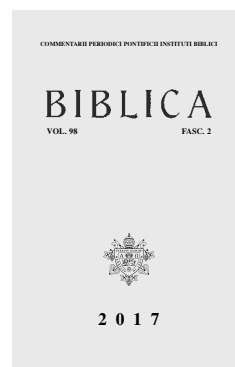
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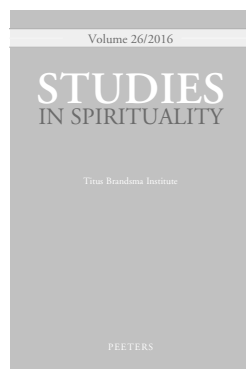
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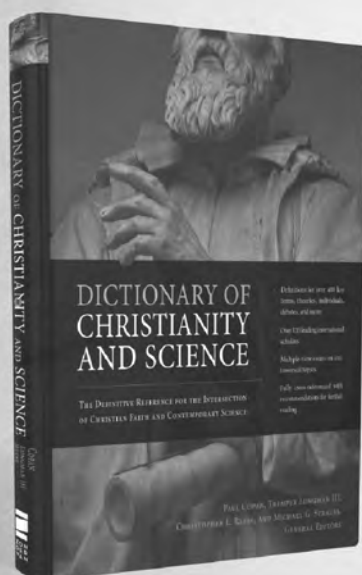
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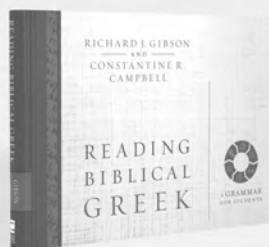
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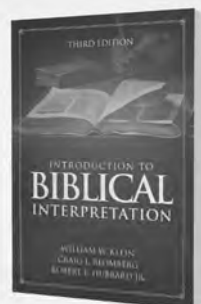
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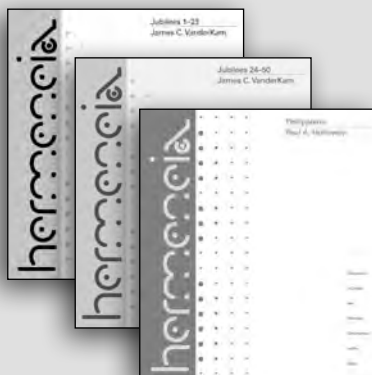
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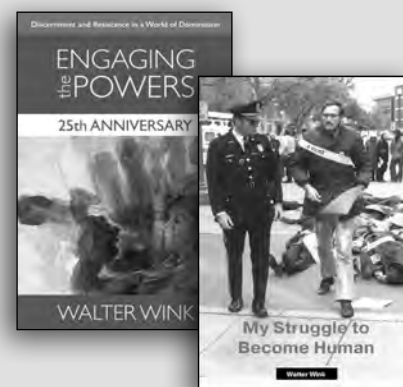
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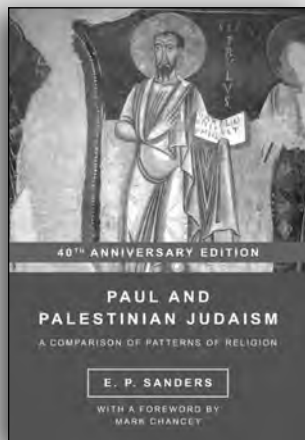
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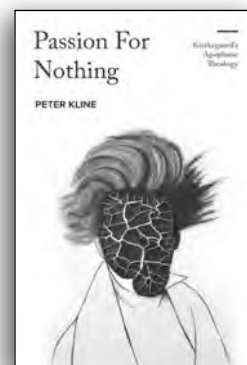
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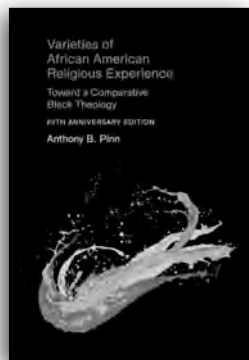
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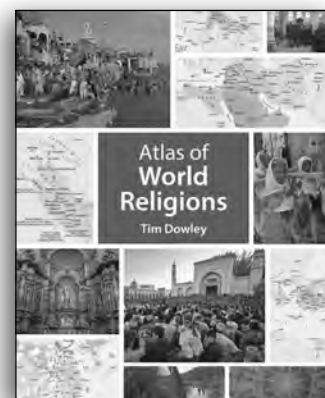
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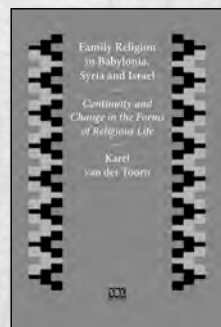
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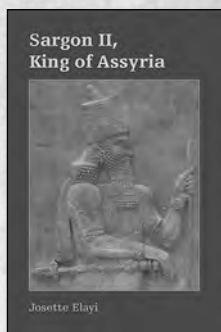
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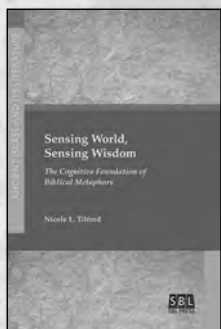
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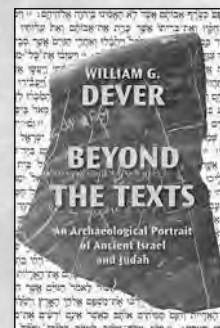
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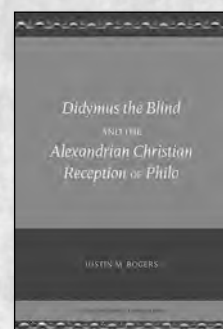
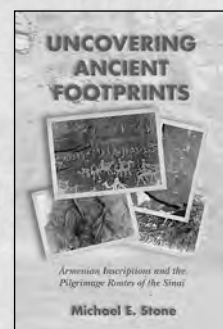
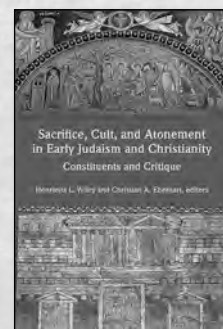
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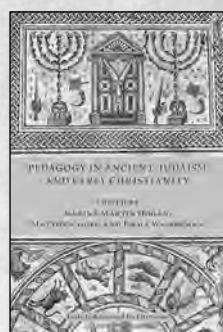
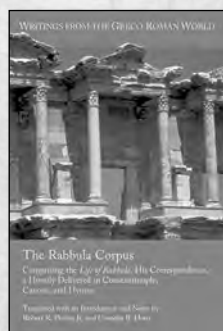
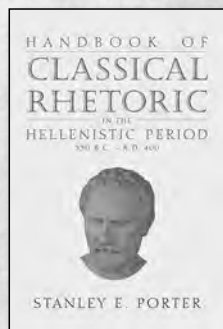
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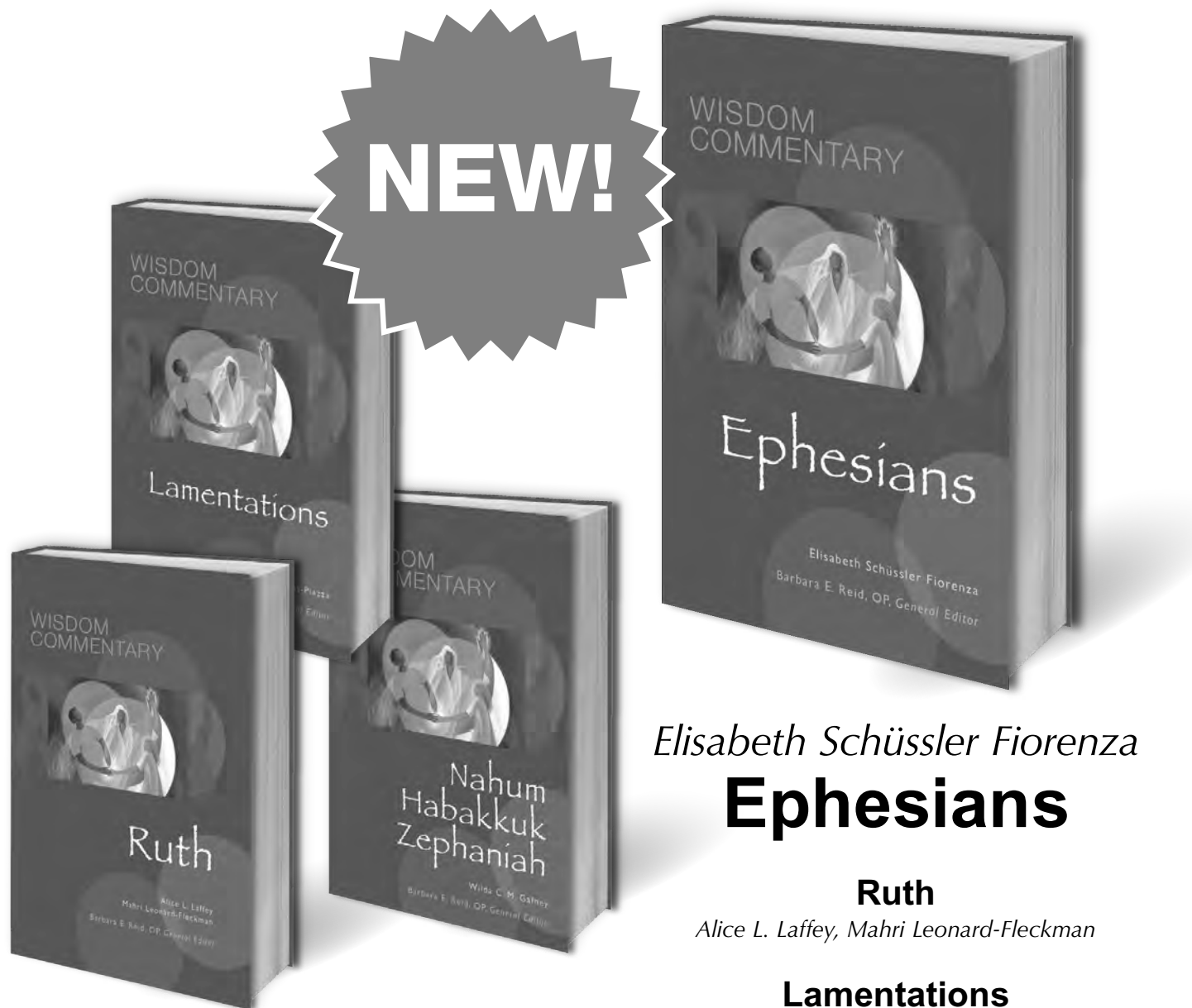
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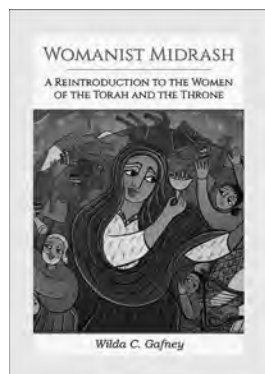
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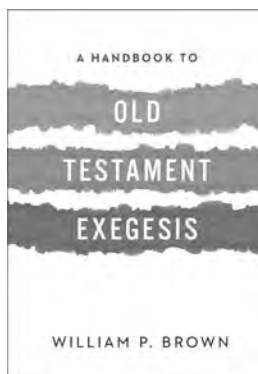


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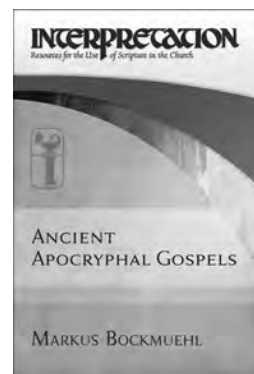
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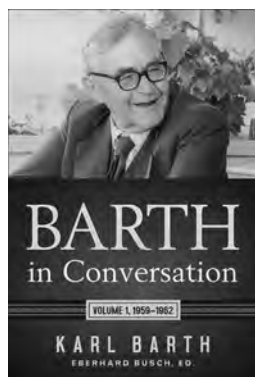


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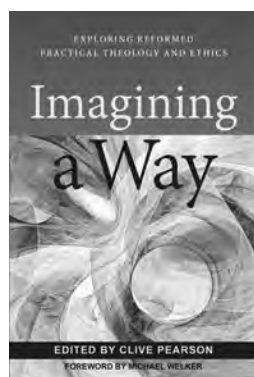


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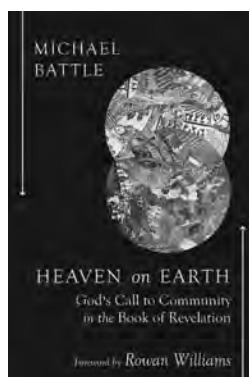
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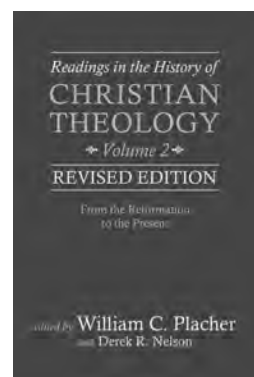
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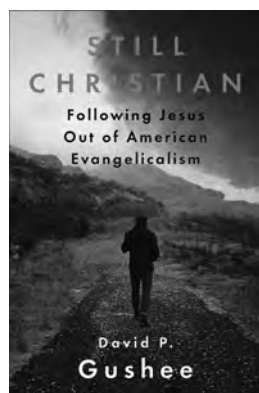
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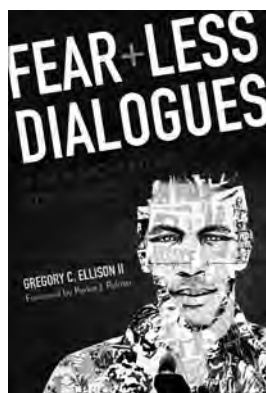
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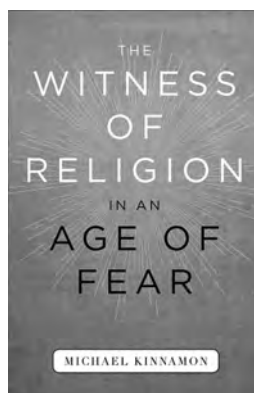
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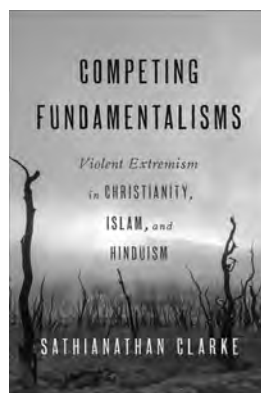
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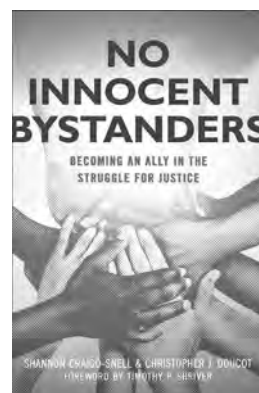
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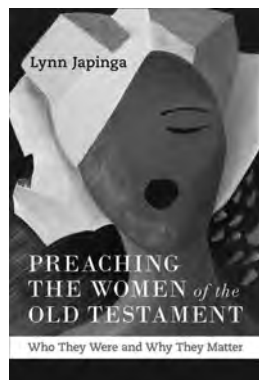


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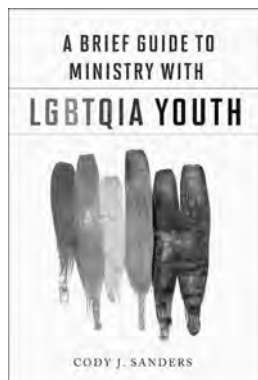


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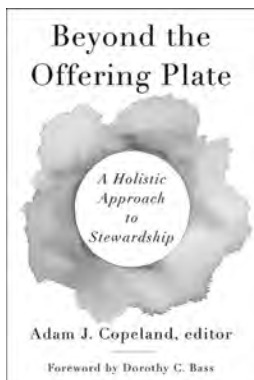
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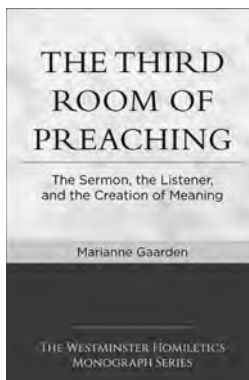
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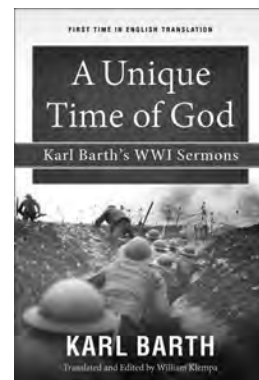
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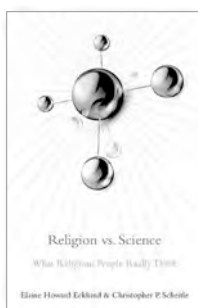
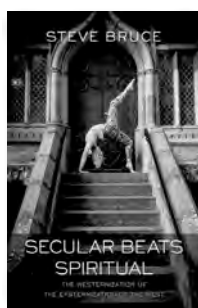
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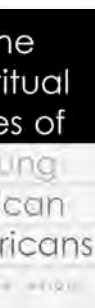
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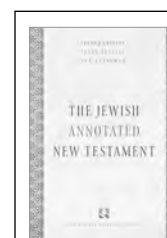
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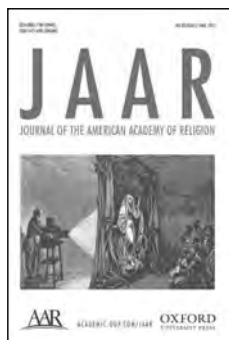
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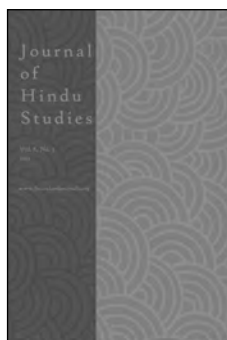
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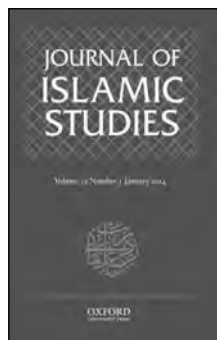
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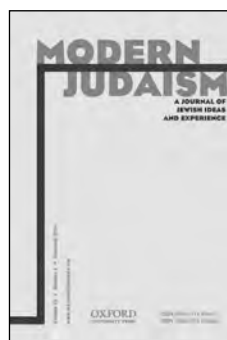


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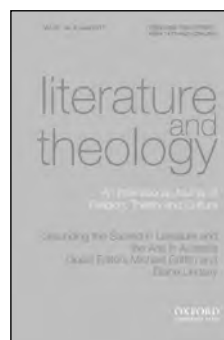
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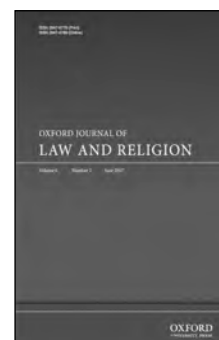
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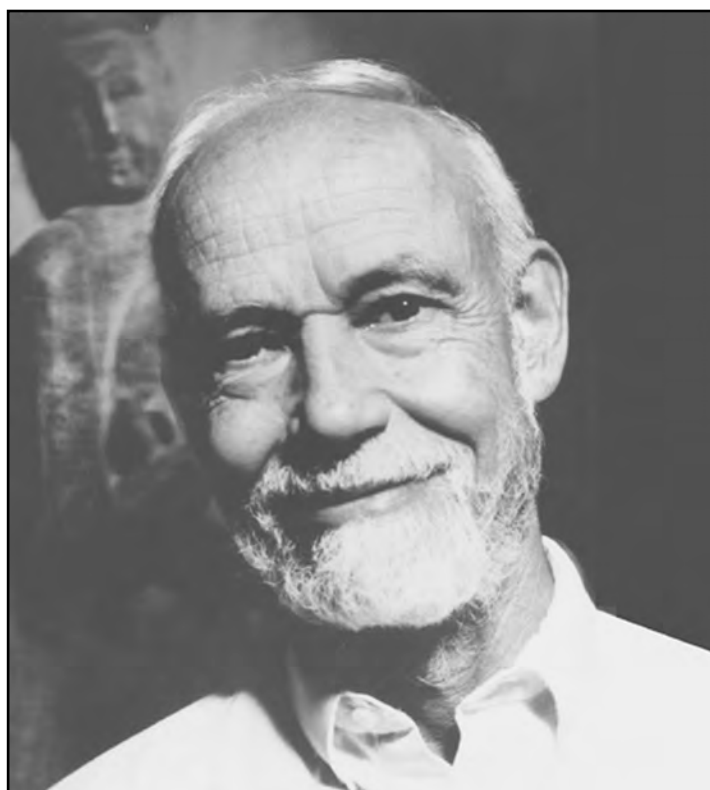
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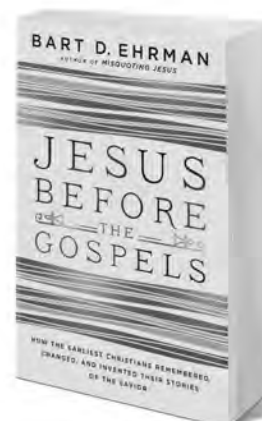
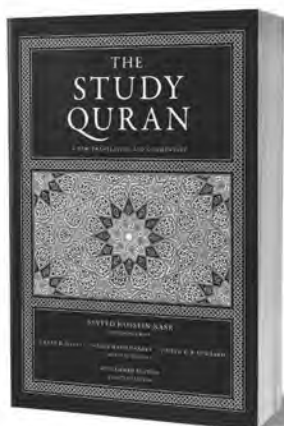
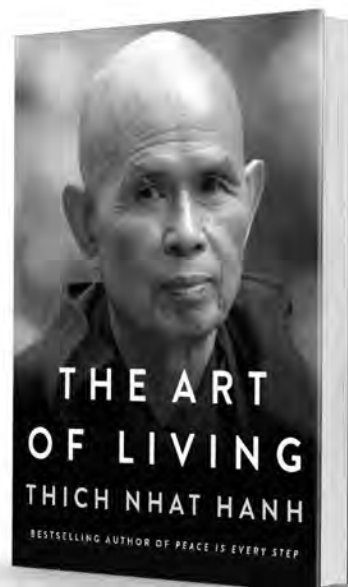
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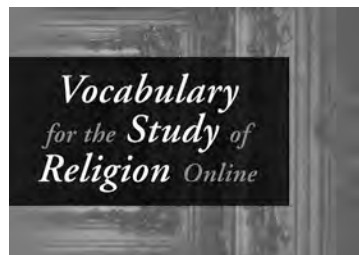
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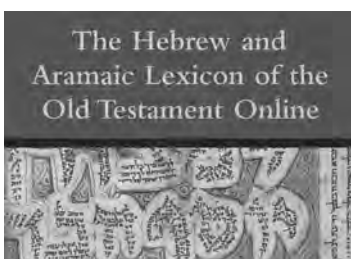
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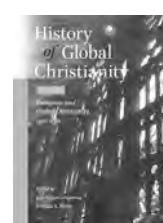


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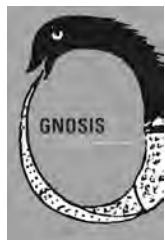


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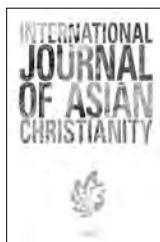
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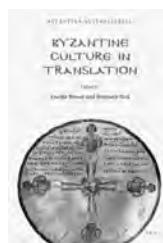
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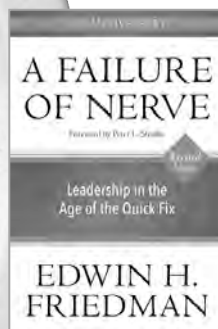
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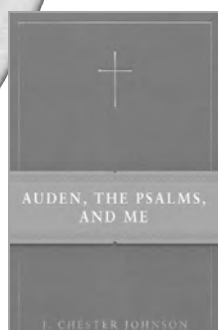
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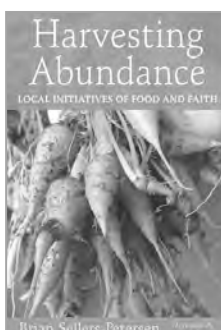
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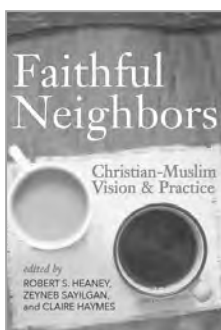
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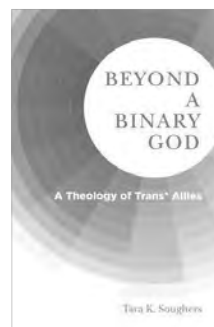
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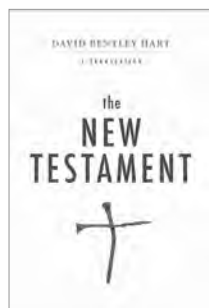
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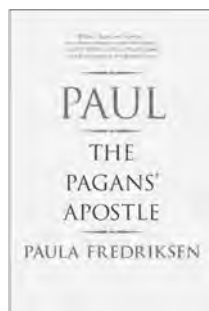
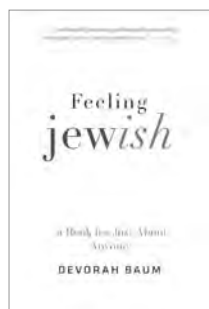
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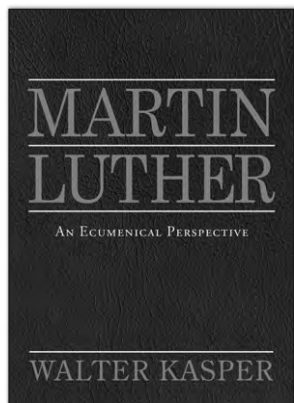
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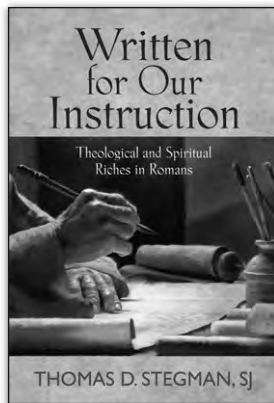
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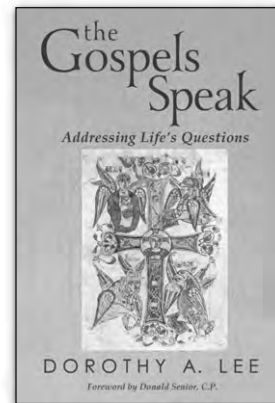
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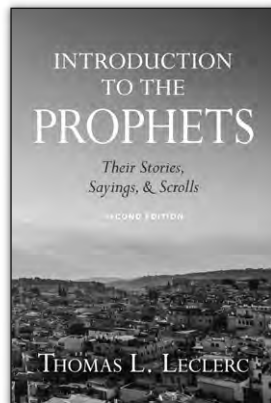
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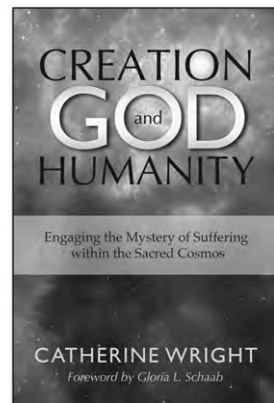
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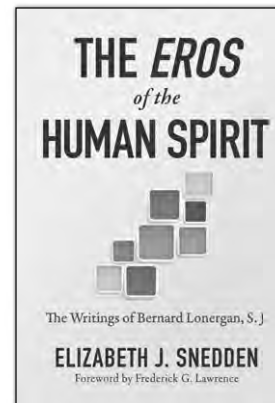
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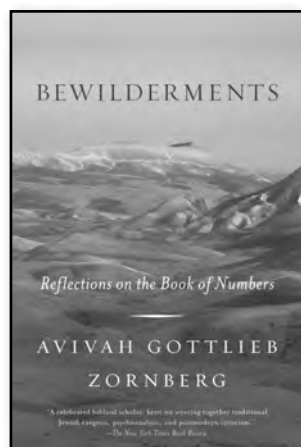
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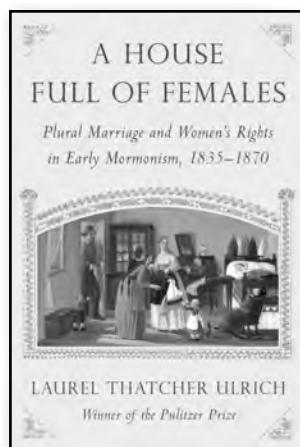
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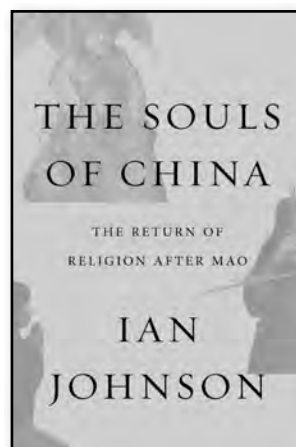
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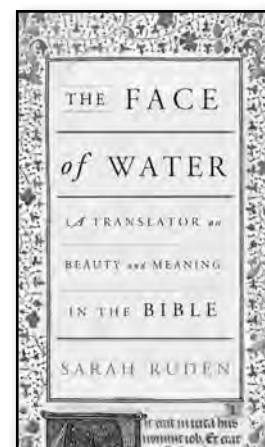


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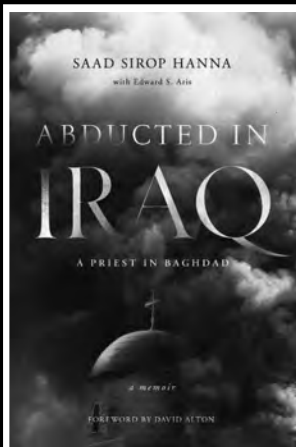
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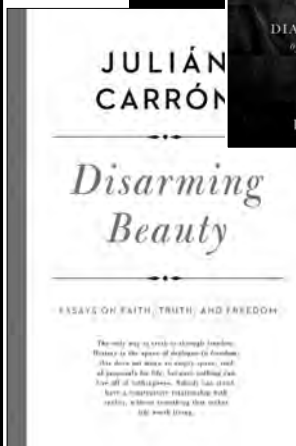
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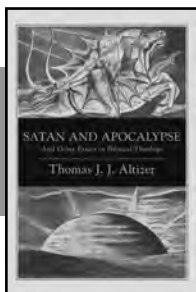


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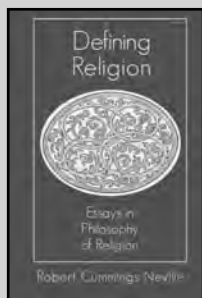
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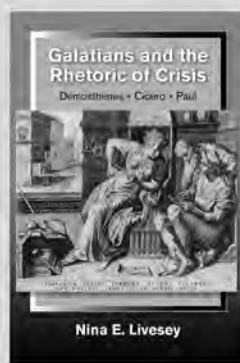
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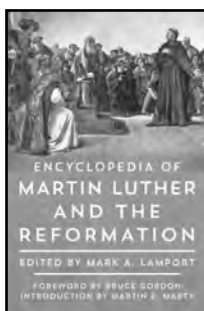
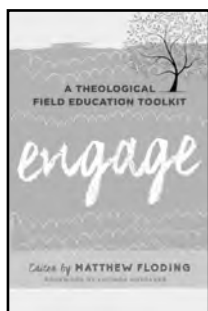
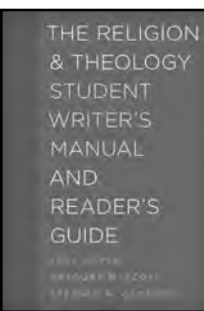
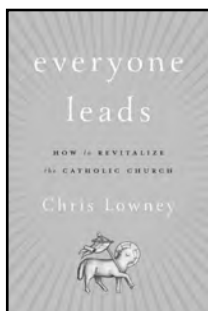
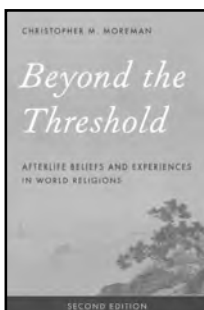
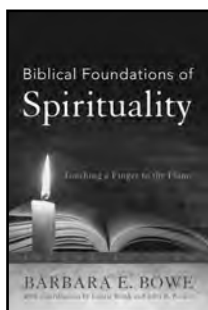
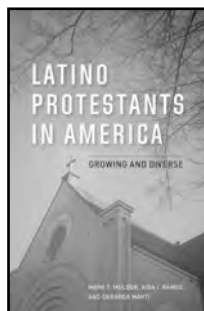
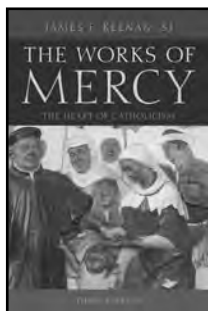
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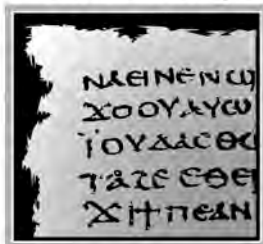
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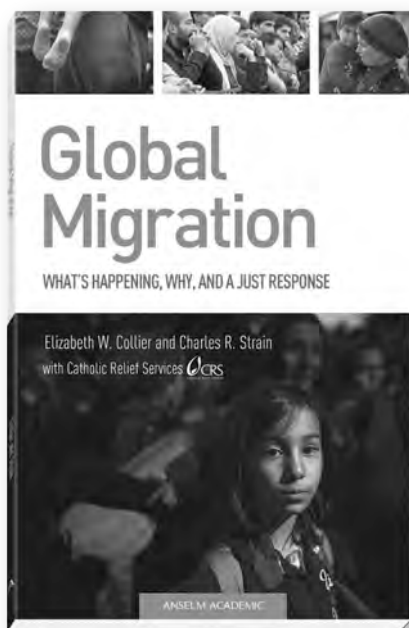
Spiritual leader Bart Campolo, USC, will enter into conversation with John D. Caputo of Syracuse University, and Carol Wayne White of Bucknell, on the topic of religious naturalism. Campolo advocates religious naturalism for its relational approach to spiritual practice and its potential to provide an alternative for a non-believing or non-religious audience. Caputo will explore the topic of religious naturalism in light of his signature “weak theology.” White will connect religious naturalism to critical race theory and highlight it as an important theoretical resource for contemporary social movements like Black Lives Matter. These discussions form part of the ongoing work of Westar’s collaborative academic research seminar on “God and the Human Future.” In addition, active God Seminar Fellows—Whitney Bauman, Karen Bray, John Caputo, Clayton Crockett, Namsoon Kang, Catherine Keller, Jeffrey Robbins, Mark Lewis Taylor, and others—will explore the current threat of Christian Nationalism facing the U.S. in the age of Trump.

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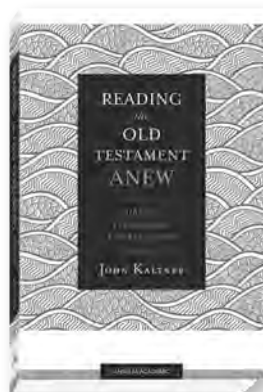
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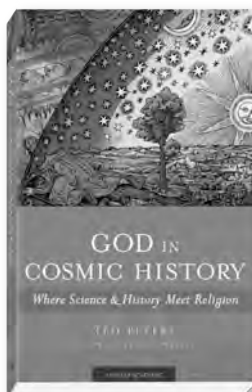
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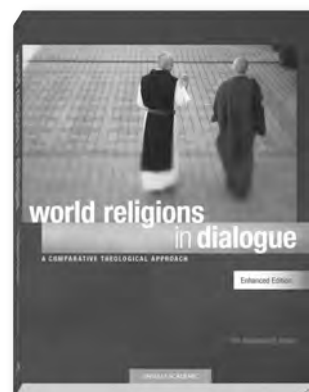
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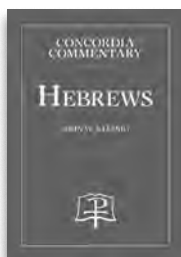
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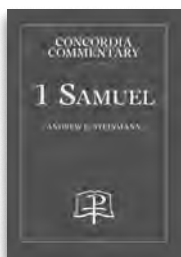
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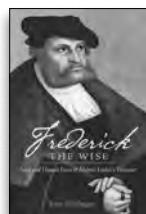
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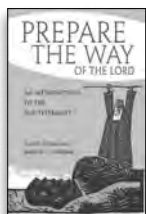
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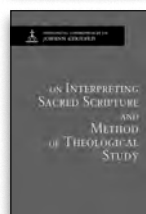
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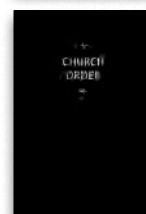
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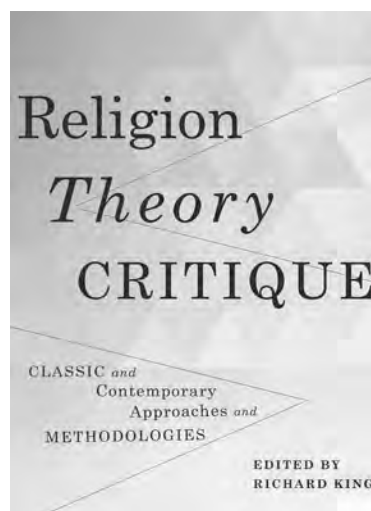
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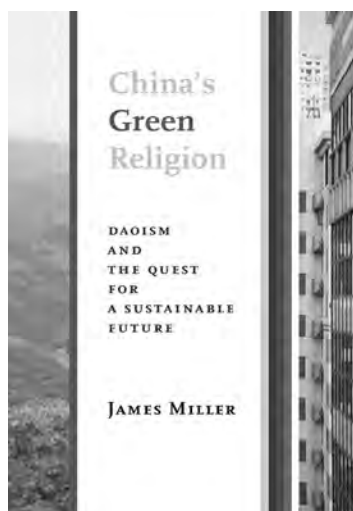
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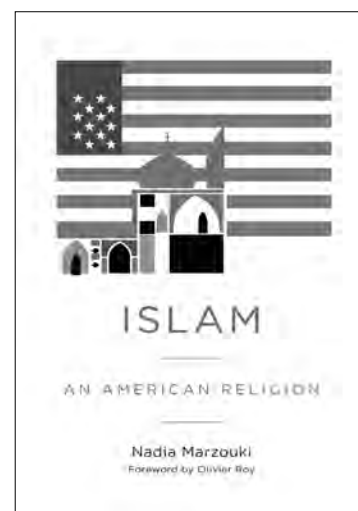
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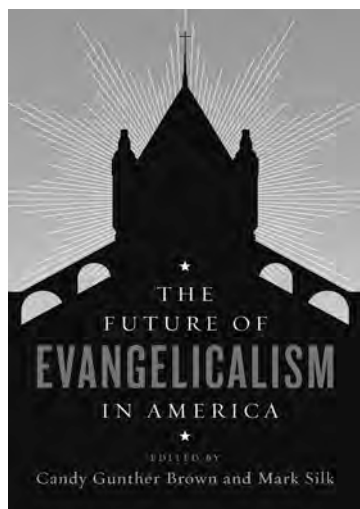
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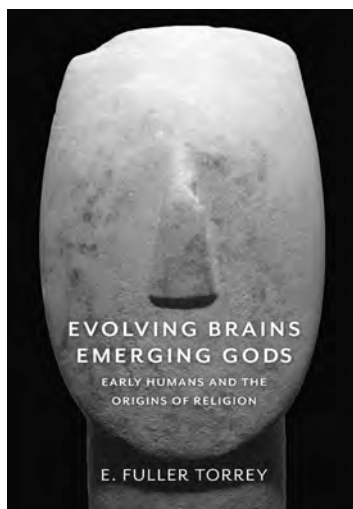
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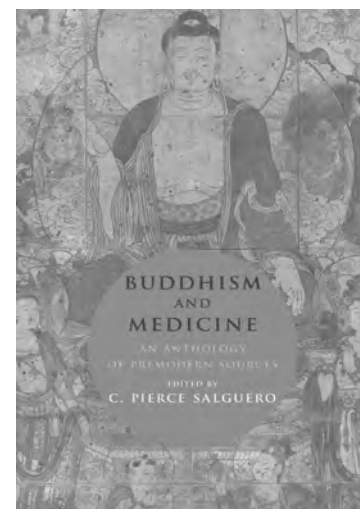
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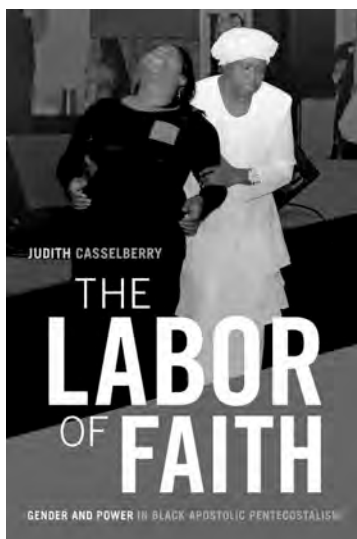
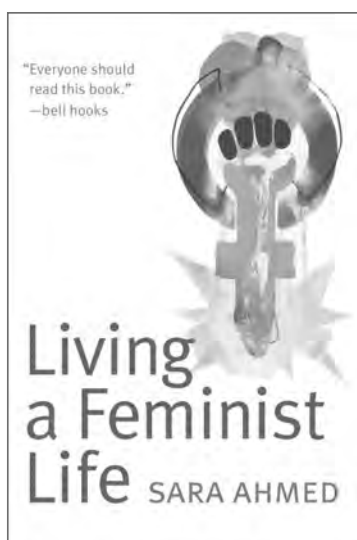
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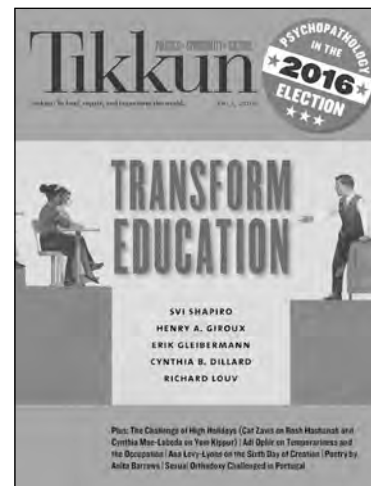
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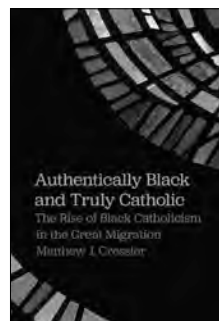
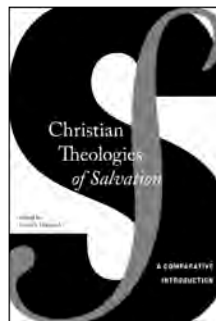
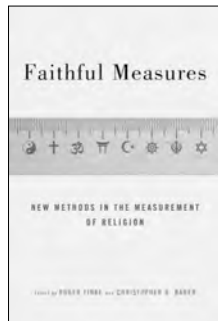
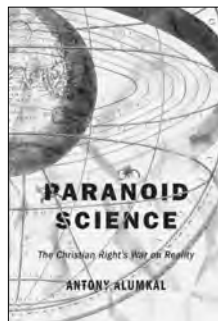
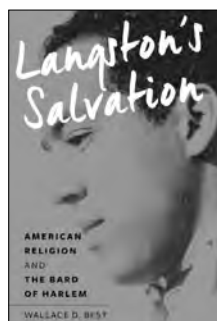
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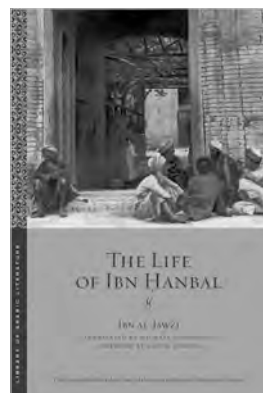
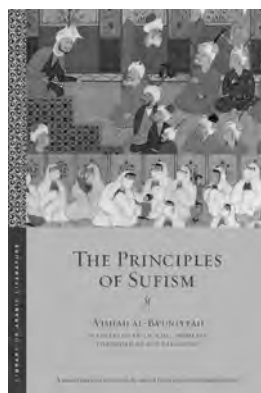
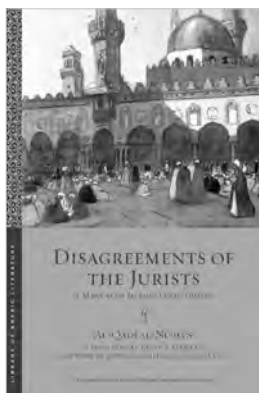
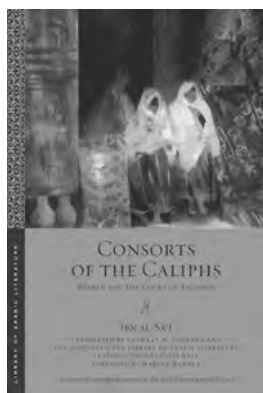
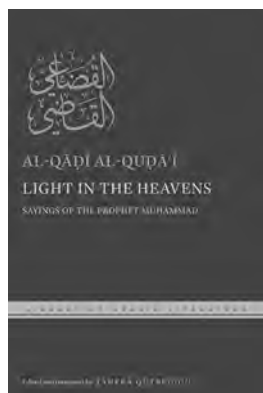
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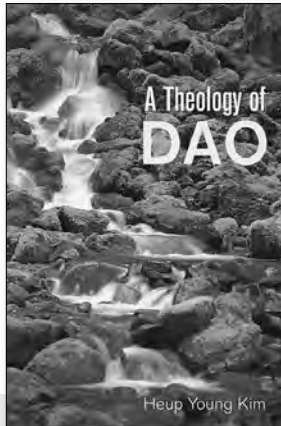
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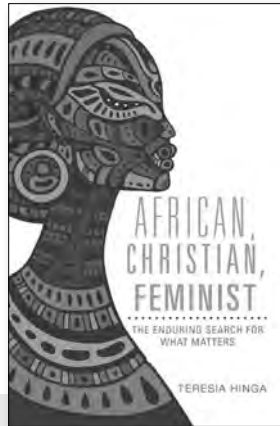
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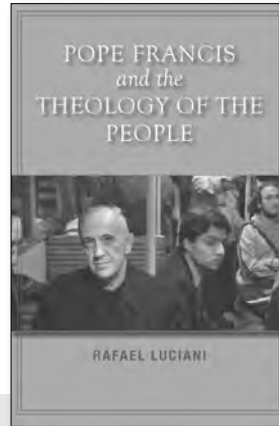




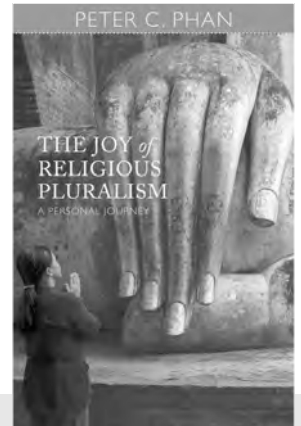
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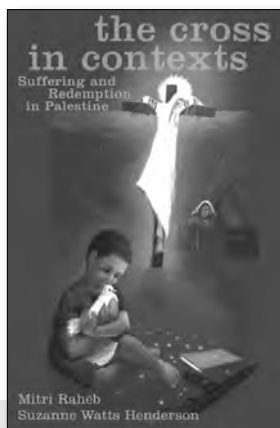
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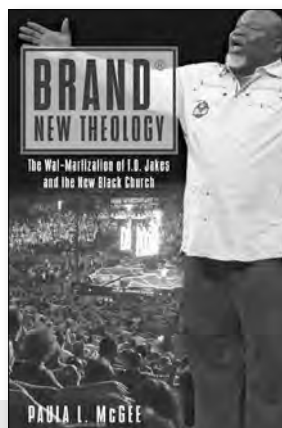
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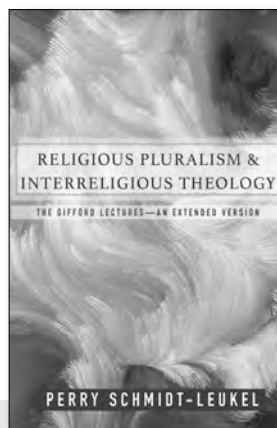
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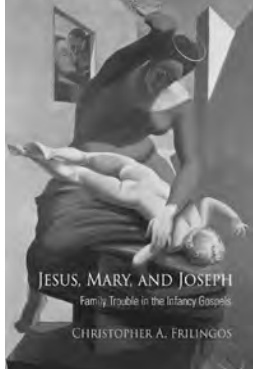
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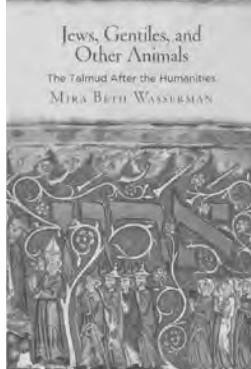
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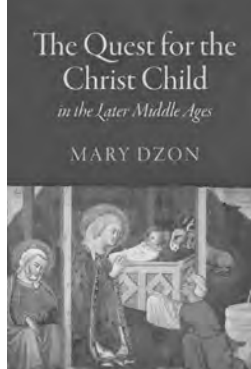


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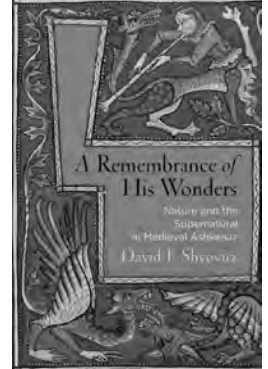
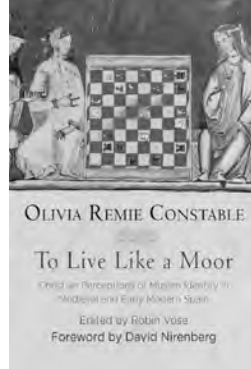


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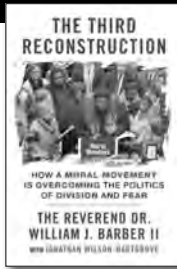
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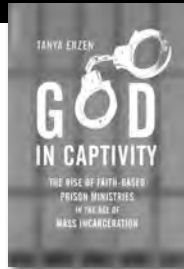
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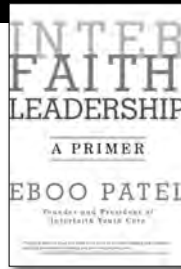
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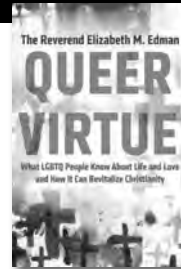
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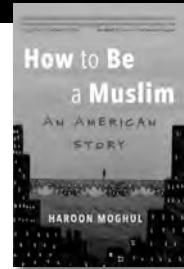
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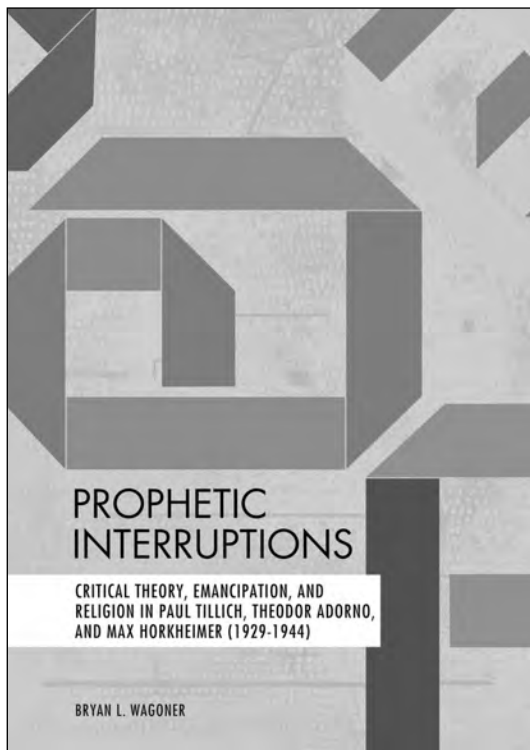


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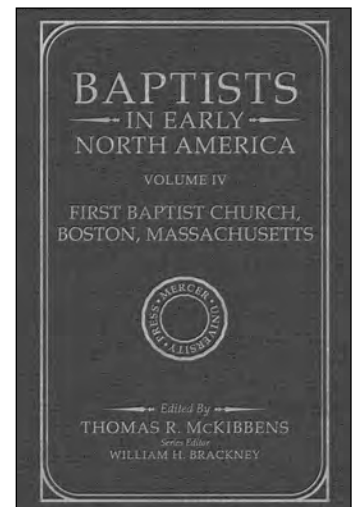
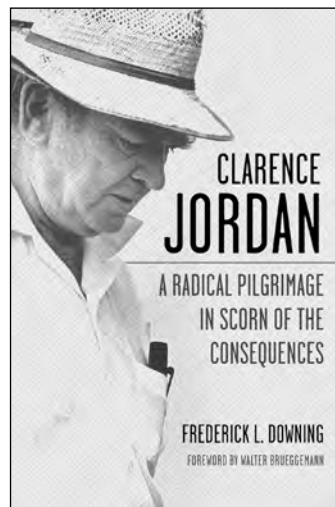
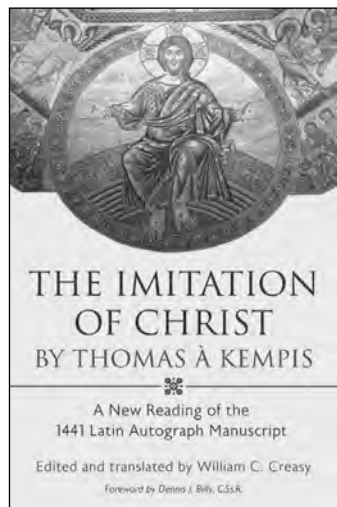
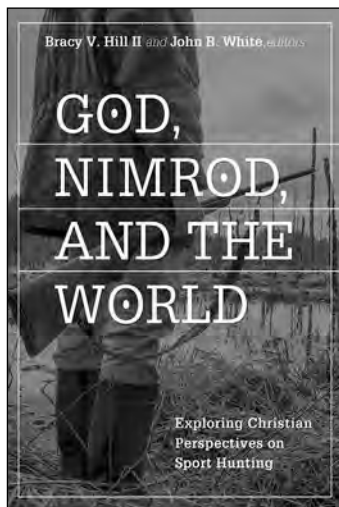
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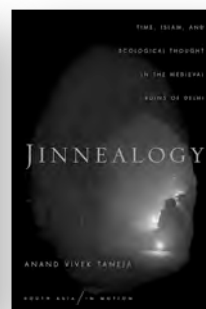
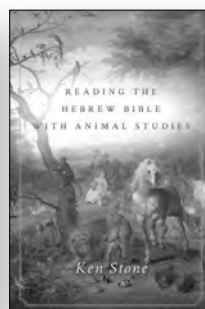
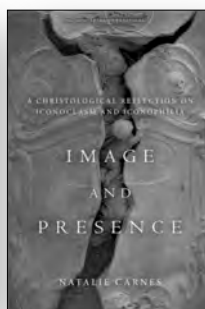
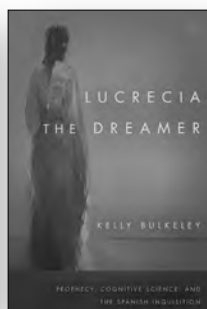
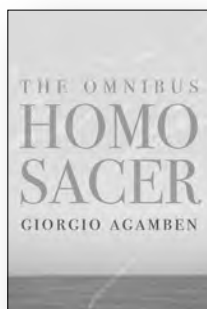
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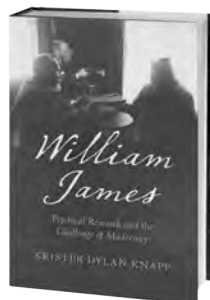
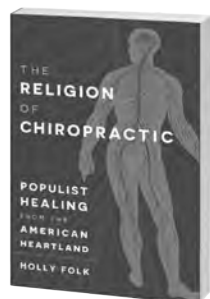
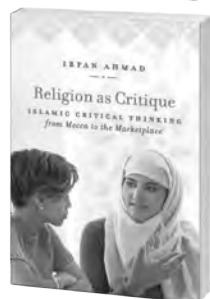
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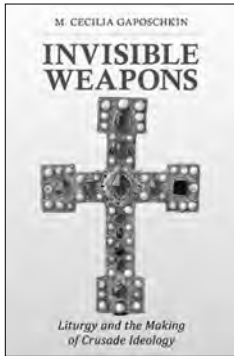
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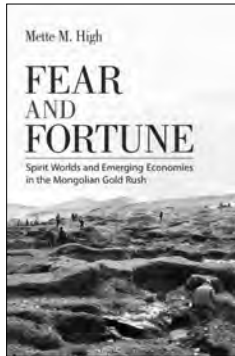
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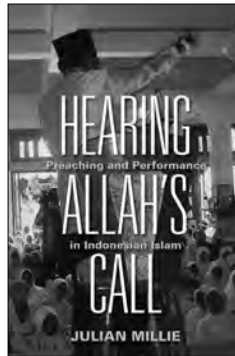
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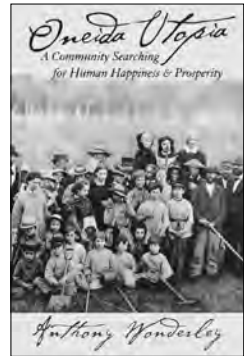
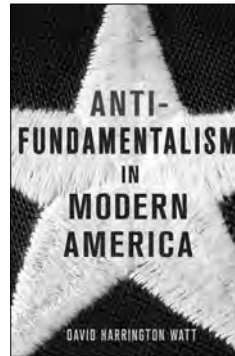
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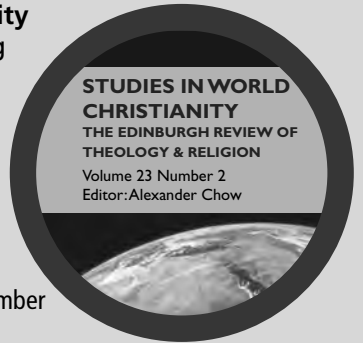


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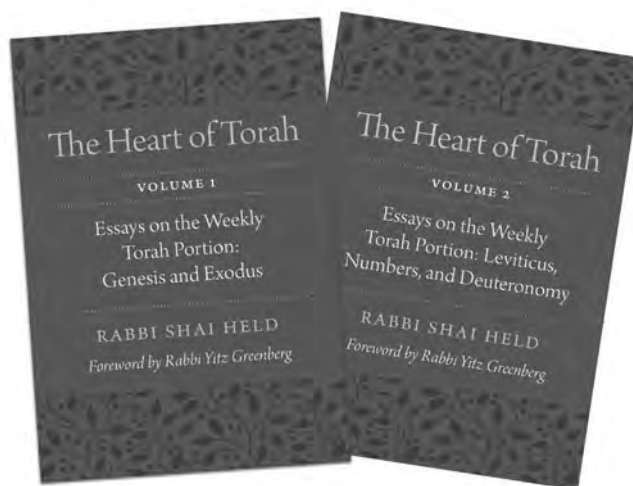
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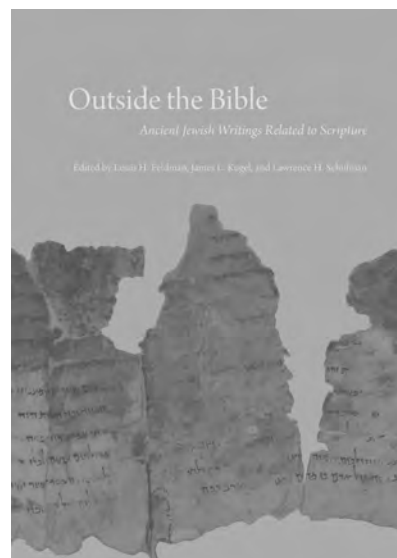
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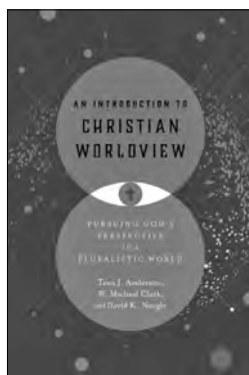
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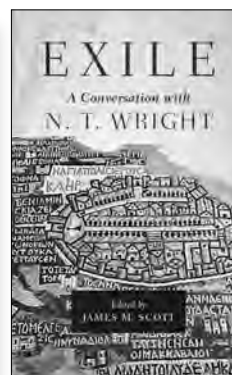
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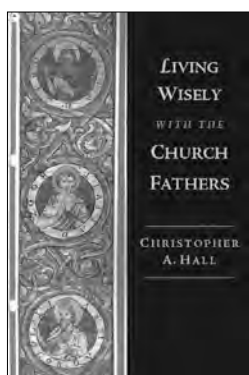
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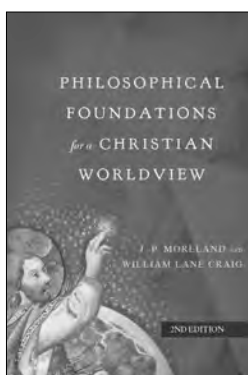
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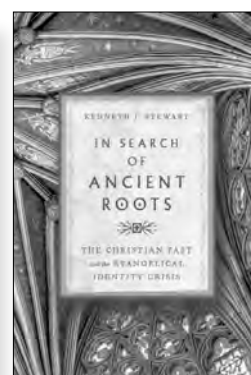
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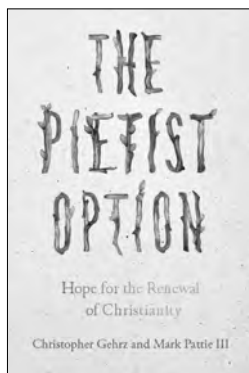
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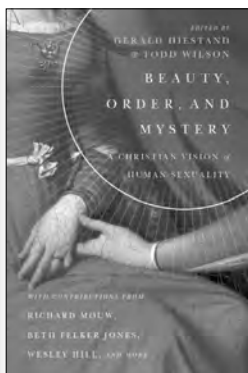
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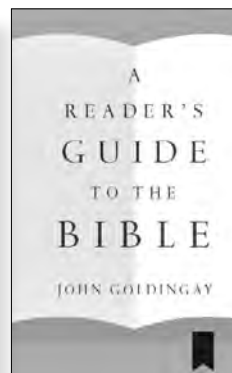
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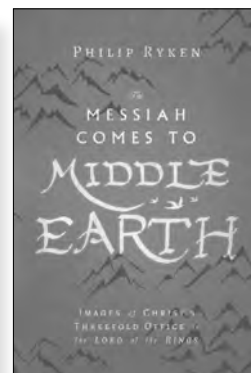
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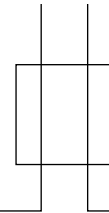


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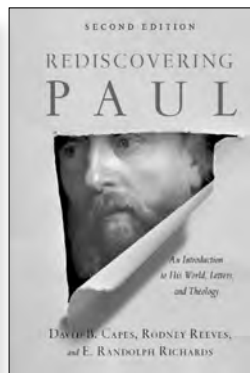


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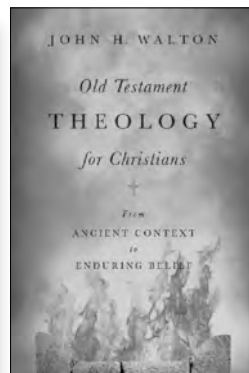
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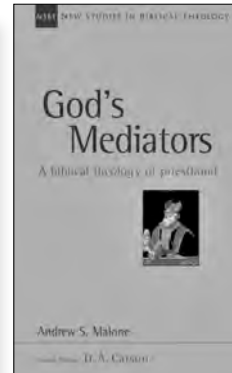
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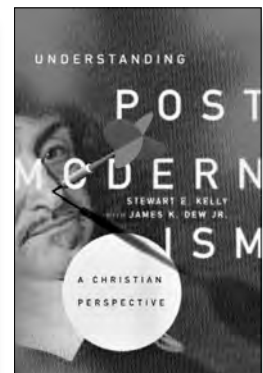
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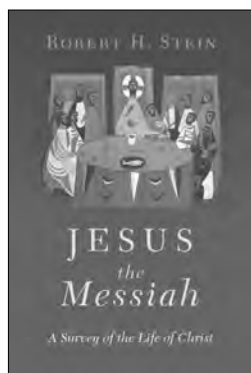
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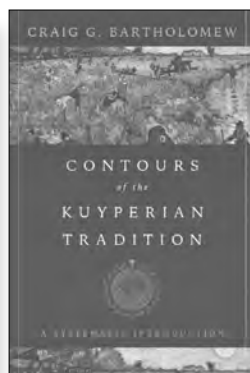
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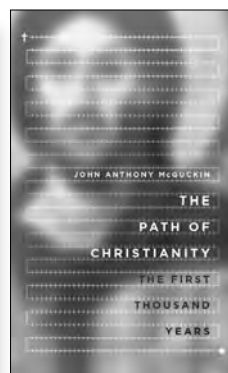
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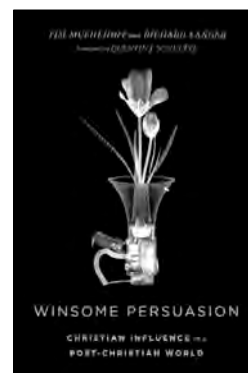
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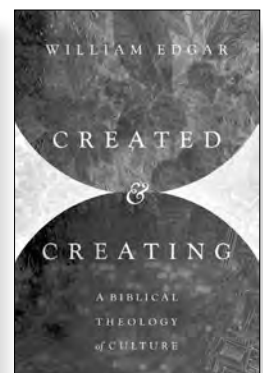
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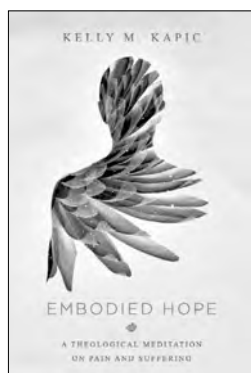
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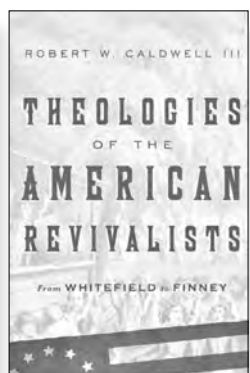
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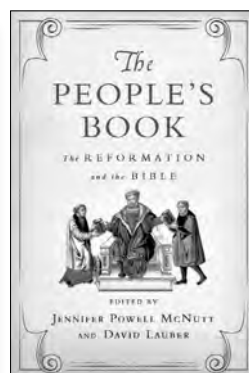
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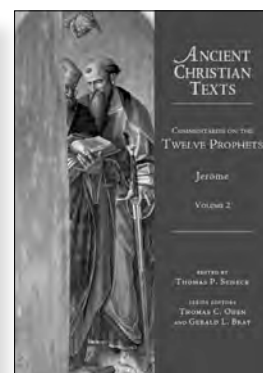
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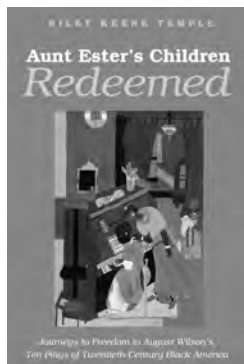
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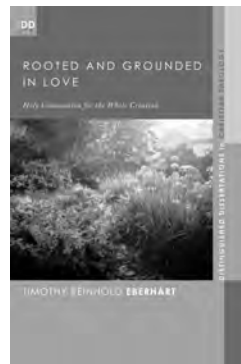
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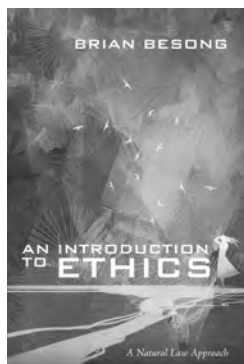
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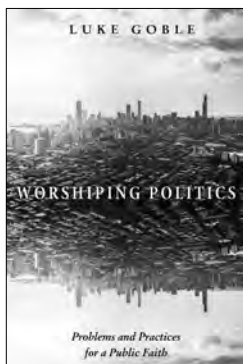
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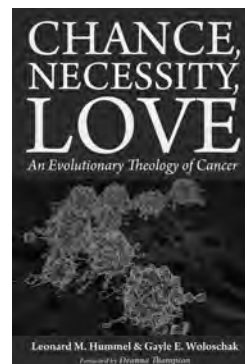
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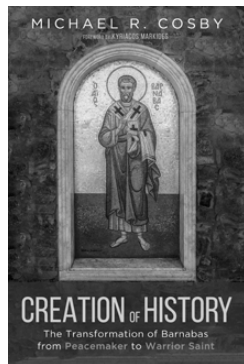
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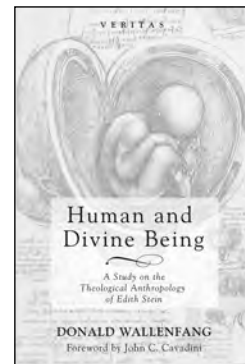
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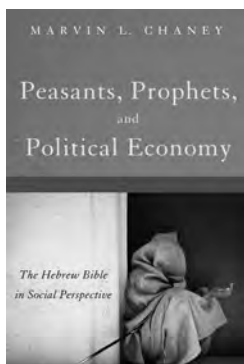
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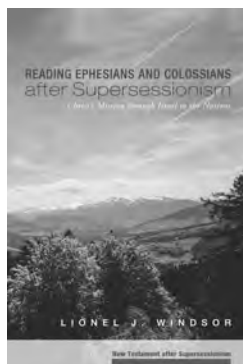
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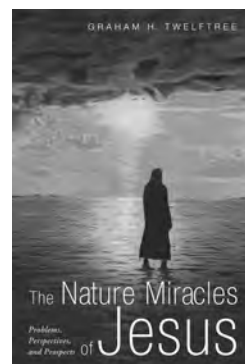
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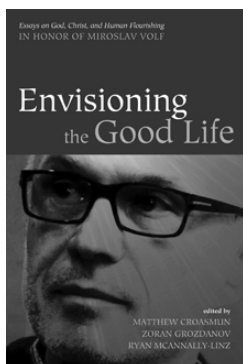
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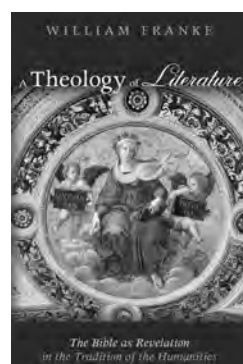
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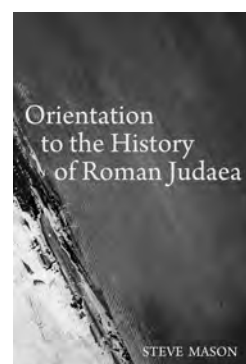
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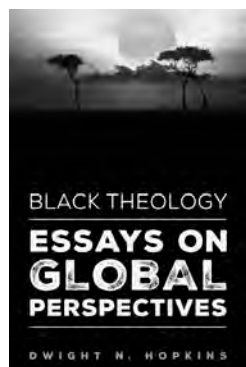
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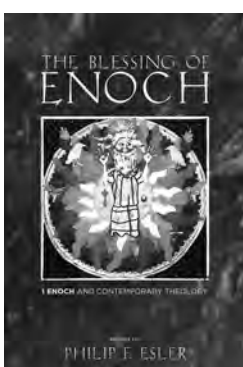
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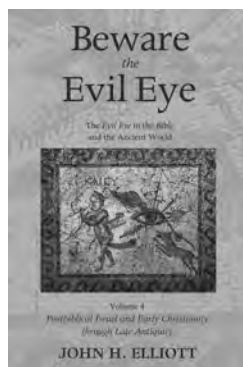
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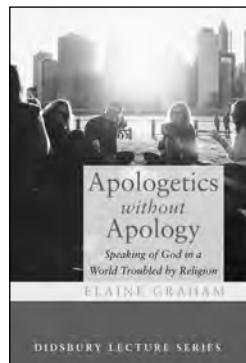
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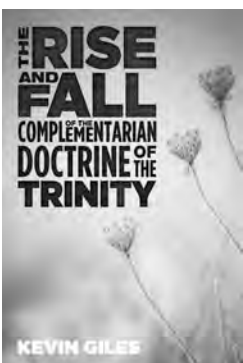
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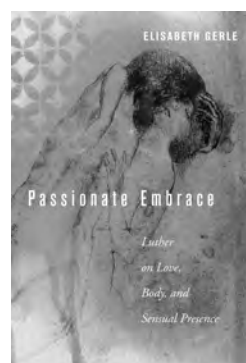
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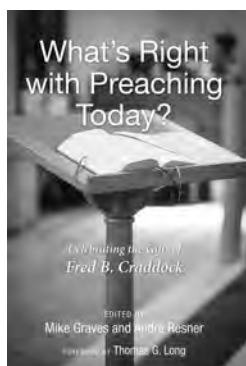
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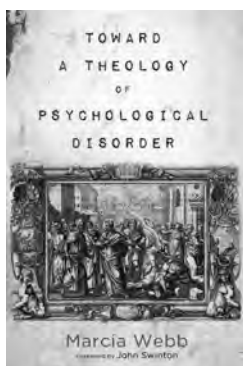
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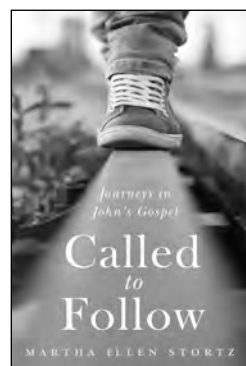
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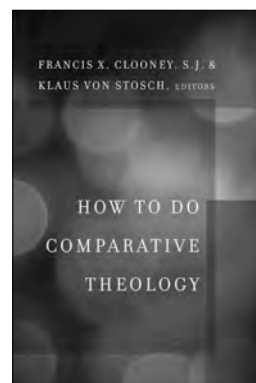
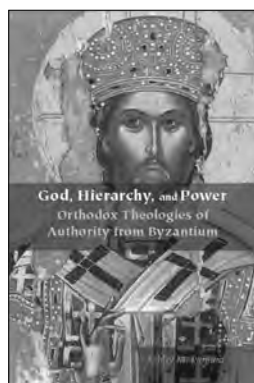
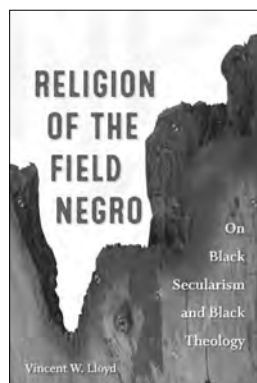
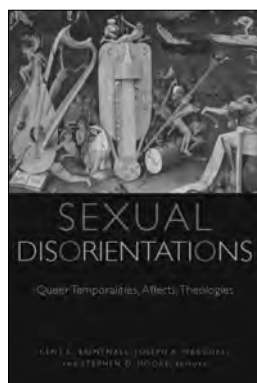
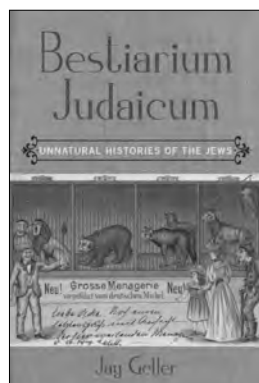
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A20-203	Mon 1:00 PM–3:00 PM	SB-Boston Common
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A19-258	Sun 3:00 PM–4:30 PM	MCP-Grand A
A20-109	Mon 9:00 AM–11:30 AM	MCP-Brandeis

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A20-110	Mon 9:00 AM–11:30 AM	HCC-208
A21-102	Tue 8:30 AM–10:00 AM	SB-Liberty C

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A19-111	Sun 9:00 AM–11:30 AM	SB-Back Bay D
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A20-111	Mon 9:00 AM–11:30 AM	SB-Back Bay C
A20-204	Mon 1:00 PM–3:30 PM	HBB-Westminster
A21-112	Tue 9:00 AM–11:30 AM	HCC-207

Class, Religion, and Theology Unit

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Comparative Theology Unit (#aarcomptbeo)

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A18-126 Sat 9:00 AM–11:30 AM
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A19-206 Sun 1:00 PM–2:30 PM
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A21-122 Tue 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

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A19-274 Sun 3:00 PM–4:30 PM
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A21-123 Tue 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

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A18-329 Sat 4:00 PM–6:30 PM
A20-152 Mon 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

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SB-Fairfax A

Transformative Scholarship and Pedagogy Unit

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A19-322 Sun 5:00 PM–6:30 PM

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A20-140 Mon 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

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Wesleyan Studies Unit

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A20-236 Mon 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

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A20-237	Mon 1:00 PM–3:30 PM	MCP-Falmouth

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Economics and Capitalism in the Study of Buddhism Seminar

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Emerging Church, Millennials, and Religion Seminar

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Folklore and Religion Seminar

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Holmes Welch and the Study of Buddhism in Twentieth-Century

A19-135	Sun 9:00 AM–11:30 AM	MCP-Regis
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China Seminar

A19-135	Sun 9:00 AM–11:30 AM	MCP-Regis
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Interreligious Reflections on Immigration Seminar

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Material Islam Seminar

A18-137	Sat 9:00 AM–11:30 AM	WCP-St. George A-B
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Navarātri Seminar

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New Materialism, Religion, and Planetary Thinking Seminar

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New Perspectives on Religion in the Philippines Seminar

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Origen and the Roots of “Human Freedom” and “Human Dignity” in the West Seminar

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Religion, Attire, and Adornment in North America Seminar

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Linda Sarsour

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Preparing Scholars of Religion for Non-academic Careers: What’s a Faculty Member to Do?

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FILMS

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Boston City Tour

A17-205 Fri 1:00 PM–5:00 PM Meet at HCC-Registration Desk

Freedom Trail's Revolutionary Women Walk

A19-234 Sun 1:00 PM–3:30 PM Meet at HCC-Registration Desk

Haunted Boston Ghost Walk

A18-408 Sat 7:00 PM–9:30 PM Meet at HCC-Registration Desk

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A20-244 Mon 1:00 PM–5:00 PM Meet at HCC-Registration Desk

Museum of African American History, MLK Archive and Marsh Chapel

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Monsters, Monster Theory, and Religion

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Religion and War

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Religion, Diaspora, and the Homeland: Theorizing the Religious in Diaspora and the Diasporic in Religion

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Sound As Religion

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Sleepwalking into Extinction: Elaine Scarry's S.O.S. to Scholars of Religion

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African Association for the Study of Religions

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American Journal of Theology and Philosophy and the Institute for American Religious and Philosophical Thought

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Association of Practical Theology

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Colloquium on Violence and Religion

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P19-111 Sun 9:00 AM–11:30 AM HBB-Adams

Critical Research on Religion

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A20-233 Mon 1:00 PM–3:30 PM SB-Fairfax B

European Society for the Study of Western Esotericism

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Evangelical Philosophical Society

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Hagiography Society

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International Association for the Cognitive Science of Religion

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Société Internationale d'Études sur Alfred Loisy

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Society for Buddhist-Christian Studies

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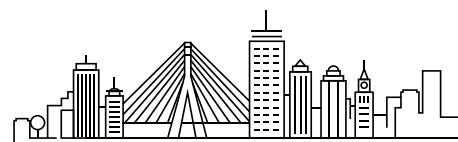
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S20-319	Mon 4:00 PM–6:30 PM	HBB-Maverick A (Second Level)

Ecological Hermeneutics

S18-220	Sat 1:00 PM–3:30 PM	MCP-Boylston (First Level)
S19-116	Sun 9:00 AM–11:30 AM	SB-Berkeley (Third Level)
S20-117	Mon 9:00 AM–11:30 AM	HCC-208 (Second Level)

Economics in the Biblical World

S18-123	Sat 9:00 AM–11:30 AM	MCP-Suffolk (Third Level)
S20-215	Mon 1:00 PM–3:30 PM	SB-Riverway (Fifth Level)



Egyptology and Ancient Israel

S19-312 Sun 4:00 PM–6:30 PM HCC-204 (Second Level)

Ethics and Biblical Interpretation

S18-124 Sat 9:00 AM–11:30 AM SB-Liberty A (Second Level)

Ethiopic Bible and Literature

S18-125 Sat 9:00 AM–11:00 AM MCP-Dartmouth (Third Level)

S18-248 Sat 1:00 PM–3:30 PM MCP-MIT (Third Level)

S19-216 Sun 1:00 PM–3:30 PM MCP-Harvard (Third Level)

S20-146 Mon 9:00 AM–12:00 PM HCC-209 (Second Level)

Exile (Forced Migrations) in Biblical Literature

S19-117 Sun 9:00 AM–11:30 AM HCC-203 (Second Level)

S19-217 Sun 1:00 PM–3:30 PM SB-Fairfax B (Third Level)

Feminist Hermeneutics of the Bible

S18-221 Sat 1:00 PM–3:30 PM SB-Republic B (Second Level)

S18-314 Sat 4:00 PM–6:30 PM SB-Back Bay D (Second Level)

S19-141 Sun 9:00 AM–11:30 AM HCC-311 (Third Level)

S19-239 Sun 1:00 PM–3:30 PM HCC-311 (Third Level)

S19-313 Sun 4:00 PM–6:30 PM SB-Fairfax A (Third Level)

S20-320 Mon 4:00 PM–6:30 PM SB-Republic A (Second Level)

Formation of Isaiah

S18-126 Sat 9:00 AM–11:30 AM HCC-304 (Third Level)

S18-222 Sat 1:00 PM–3:30 PM MCP-Grand Ballroom EF

S19-118 Sun 9:00 AM–11:30 AM SB-Back Bay C (Second Level)

S19-322 Sun 4:00 PM–6:30 PM MCP-St. Botolph (Second Level)

Gender, Sexuality, and the Bible

S19-141 Sun 9:00 AM–11:30 AM HCC-311 (Third Level)

S19-239 Sun 1:00 PM–3:30 PM HCC-311 (Third Level)

S20-216 Mon 1:00 PM–3:30 PM HCC-101 (Plaza Level)

S20-306 Mon 4:00 PM–6:30 PM SB-Back Bay D (Second Level)

Genesis

S18-223 Sat 1:00 PM–3:30 PM MCP-Regis (Conference)

S19-119 Sun 9:00 AM–11:30 AM SB-Beacon G (Third Level)

S20-119 Mon 9:00 AM–11:30 AM SB-Beacon H (Third Level)

Global Education and Research Technology

S18-109 Sat 9:00 AM–11:30 AM SB-Republic B (Second Level)

S18-224 Sat 1:00 PM–3:30 PM HCC-312 (Third Level)

S19-120 Sun 9:00 AM–11:30 AM MCP-Exeter (Third Level)

S19-335 Sun 4:00 PM–6:30 PM HBB-Belvidere B

Gospel of Luke

S18-116 Sat 9:00 AM–11:30 AM HCC-103 (Plaza Level)

S18-225 Sat 1:00 PM–3:30 PM SB-Back Bay D (Second Level)

S19-218 Sun 1:00 PM–3:30 PM SB-The Fens (Fifth Level)

S20-120 Mon 9:00 AM–11:30 AM HCC-204 (Second Level)

Greco-Roman Religions

S18-127 Sat 9:00 AM–11:30 AM MCP-Fairfield (Third Level)

P18-341 Sat 4:00 PM–6:30 PM HBB-Maverick A (Second Level)

S20-321 Mon 4:00 PM–6:30 PM SB-Beacon A (Third Level)

Greek Bible

S18-128 Sat 9:00 AM–11:30 AM SB-Beacon H (Third Level)

S19-219 Sun 1:00 PM–3:30 PM MCP-Northeastern (Third Level)

Healthcare and Disability in the Ancient World

S18-226 Sat 1:00 PM–3:30 PM HBB-Maverick A (Second Level)

S19-220 Sun 1:00 PM–2:30 PM MCP-St. Botolph (Second Level)

S20-121 Mon 9:00 AM–11:30 AM HCC-103 (Plaza Level)

Hebrew Bible and Political Theory

S21-117 Tue 9:00 AM–11:30 AM HBB-Maverick B (Second Level)

Hebrew Bible, History, and Archaeology

S19-221 Sun 1:00 PM–3:30 PM SB-Olmsted (Fifth Level)

S20-122 Mon 9:00 AM–11:30 AM SB-Beacon E (Third Level)

S20-322 Mon 4:00 PM–6:30 PM HCC-105 (Plaza Level)

Hebrew Scriptures and Cognate Literature

S19-121 Sun 9:00 AM–11:30 AM SB-Fairfax A (Third Level)

S20-123 Mon 9:00 AM–11:30 AM SB-Public Garden (Fifth Level)

S20-217 Mon 1:00 PM–3:30 PM HBB-Adams B (Third Level)

Hebrews

S19-222 Sun 1:00 PM–3:30 PM SB-Beacon H (Third Level)

S20-218 Mon 1:00 PM–3:30 PM SB-Back Bay A (Second Level)

Hellenistic Judaism

S19-223 Sun 1:00 PM–3:45 PM HCC-203 (Second Level)

S20-124 Mon 9:00 AM–11:30 AM HCC-306 (Third Level)

S20-323 Mon 4:00 PM–6:30 PM SB-Public Garden (Fifth Level)

Historical Jesus

S18-316 Sat 4:00 PM–6:30 PM MCP-Simmons (Third Level)

S19-314 Sun 4:00 PM–6:30 PM SB-Republic A (Second Level)

S20-219 Mon 1:00 PM–3:30 PM MCP-Tufts (Third Level)

Historiography and the Hebrew Bible

S18-226a Sat 1:00 PM–3:30 PM HCC-202 (Second Level)

S21-118 Tue 9:00 AM–11:30 AM HCC-111 (Plaza Level)

History and Literature of Early Rabbinic Judaism

S19-224a Sun 1:00 PM–3:30 PM MCP-Clarendon (Third Level)

S19-315a Sun 4:00 PM–6:30 PM MCP-Arlington (Third Level)

S20-324 Mon 4:00 PM–6:30 PM SB-Back Bay B (Second Level)

S21-119 Tue 9:00 AM–11:30 AM HCC-105 (Plaza Level)

History of Interpretation

S18-227 Sat 1:00 PM–3:30 PM HCC-210 (Second Level)

S18-318 Sat 4:00 PM–6:30 PM HBB-Adams B (Third Level)

S20-325 Mon 4:00 PM–6:30 PM SB-Clarendon (Third Level)

Homiletics and Biblical Studies

S18-319 Sat 4:00 PM–6:30 PM SB-Liberty A (Second Level)

S19-316 Sun 4:00 PM–6:30 PM HCC-209 (Second Level)

S21-120 Tue 9:00 AM–11:30 AM HCC-204 (Second Level)

Ideological Criticism

S18-320 Sat 4:00 PM–6:30 PM MCP-Suffolk (Third Level)

S19-141 Sun 9:00 AM–11:30 AM HCC-311 (Third Level)

S19-239 Sun 1:00 PM–3:30 PM HCC-311 (Third Level)

S21-121 Tue 9:00 AM–11:30 AM HBB-Mariner (Second Level)

Intertextuality and the Hebrew Bible

S19-123 Sun 9:00 AM–11:30 AM HCC-204 (Second Level)

Intertextuality in the New Testament

S18-130 Sat 9:00 AM–11:30 AM SB-Hampton (Third Level)

S19-124 Sun 9:00 AM–11:30 AM SB-Republic A (Second Level)

S19-319a Sun 4:00 PM–6:30 PM MCP-New Hampshire (Fifth Level)

Inventing Christianity: Apostolic Fathers, Apologists, and Martyrs

S19-320 Sun 4:00 PM–6:30 PM SB-Clarendon (Third Level)

S21-124 Tue 9:00 AM–11:30 AM SB-Beacon H (Third Level)

Islands, Islanders, and Scriptures

S19-321 Sun 4:00 PM–6:30 PM MCP-Grand Ballroom D

S20-112 Mon 9:00 AM–11:30 AM MCP-St. Botolph (Second Level)

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PP – Park Plaza • SB – Sheraton Boston • WCP – Westin Copley Place

Israelite Prophetic Literature

S18-230	Sat 1:00 PM–3:30 PM	MCP-Grand Ballroom A
S19-125	Sun 9:00 AM–11:00 AM	SB-Arnold Arboretum (Fifth Level)

S19-226	Sun 1:00 PM–3:30 PM	MCP-Falmouth (Fourth Level)
S19-322	Sun 4:00 PM–6:30 PM	MCP-St. Botolph (Second Level)

Israelite Religion in Its West Asian Environment

S18-131	Sat 9:00 AM–11:00 AM	HCC-204 (Second Level)
S19-227	Sun 1:00 PM–3:30 PM	SB-Back Bay C (Second Level)
S21-125	Tue 9:00 AM–11:30 AM	HCC-110 (Plaza Level)

Jesus Traditions, Gospels, and Negotiating the Roman Imperial World

S19-323	Sun 4:00 PM–6:30 PM	SB-Back Bay A (Second Level)
S21-126	Tue 9:00 AM–11:30 AM	HCC-109 (Plaza Level)

Jewish Christianity / Christian Judaism

S19-228	Sun 1:00 PM–3:30 PM	SB-Beacon A (Third Level)
S19-324	Sun 4:00 PM–6:30 PM	MCP-Exeter (Third Level)
S20-221	Mon 1:00 PM–3:30 PM	SB-Beacon H (Third Level)

Jewish Interpretation of the Bible

S20-125	Mon 9:00 AM–11:30 AM	HCC-201 (Second Level)
S20-325	Mon 4:00 PM–6:30 PM	SB-Clarendon (Third Level)

Jewish-Christian Dialogue and Sacred Texts

S20-126	Mon 9:00 AM–12:00 PM	MCP-Provincetown (Fourth Level)
S20-222	Mon 1:00 PM–3:30 PM	MCP-Dartmouth (Third Level)

Johannine Literature

S19-134	Sun 9:00 AM–11:30 AM	SB-Back Bay A (Second Level)
S19-229	Sun 1:00 PM–3:30 PM	HCC-207 (Second Level)
S20-127	Mon 9:00 AM–11:30 AM	SB-Back Bay D (Second Level)
S20-223	Mon 1:00 PM–3:30 PM	SB-Back Bay D (Second Level)

John's Apocalypse and Cultural Contexts Ancient and Modern

S19-231	Sun 1:00 PM–3:30 PM	MCP-Grand Ballroom D
S20-128	Mon 9:00 AM–11:30 AM	HCC-101 (Plaza Level)
S21-127	Tue 9:00 AM–11:30 AM	SB-Beacon E (Third Level)

Josephus

S18-231	Sat 1:00 PM–3:30 PM	SB-Beacon A (Third Level)
S20-124	Mon 9:00 AM–11:30 AM	HCC-306 (Third Level)
S21-128	Tue 9:00 AM–11:30 AM	SB-Boston Common (Fifth Level)

Joshua-Judges

S18-132	Sat 9:00 AM–11:30 AM	MCP-Harvard (Third Level)
S19-126	Sun 9:00 AM–11:30 AM	MCP-Clarendon (Third Level)

Latino/a and Latin American Biblical Interpretation

S18-232	Sat 1:00 PM–3:30 PM	HBB-Adams B (Third Level)
S20-326	Mon 4:00 PM–6:15 PM	SB-Liberty A (Second Level)

Latter-day Saints and the Bible

S20-224	Mon 1:00 PM–3:30 PM	HCC-103 (Plaza Level)
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Letters of James, Peter, and Jude

S18-133	Sat 9:00 AM–11:30 AM	HBB-Adams B (Third Level)
S19-327	Sun 4:00 PM–6:30 PM	SB-Olmsted (Fifth Level)

Levites and Priests in History and Tradition

S20-225	Mon 1:00 PM–3:30 PM	MCP-Fairfield (Third Level)
S20-327	Mon 4:00 PM–6:30 PM	MCP-Fairfield (Third Level)

LGBT/Queer Hermeneutics

S18-134	Sat 9:00 AM–11:30 AM	SB-Constitution Ballroom (Second Level)
S18-324	Sat 4:00 PM–6:30 PM	HCC-210 (Second Level)
S19-141	Sun 9:00 AM–11:30 AM	HCC-311 (Third Level)
S19-239	Sun 1:00 PM–3:30 PM	HCC-311 (Third Level)

Linguistic, Literary, and Thematic Perspectives on the Qur'anic Corpus (IQSA)

P18-325	Sat 4:00 PM–6:30 PM	SB-Beacon B (Third Level)
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Linguistics and Biblical Hebrew

S19-127	Sun 9:00 AM–11:30 AM	HCC-304 (Third Level)
S19-230	Sun 1:00 PM–3:30 PM	MCP-Grand Ballroom EF
S19-328	Sun 4:00 PM–6:30 PM	HCC-304 (Third Level)
S20-337	Mon 4:00 PM–6:30 PM	HCC-103 (Plaza Level)
S21-130	Tue 9:00 AM–11:30 AM	HCC-311 (Third Level)

Literature and History of the Persian Period

S18-233	Sat 1:00 PM–3:30 PM	MCP-Suffolk (Third Level)
S18-326	Sat 4:00 PM–6:30 PM	MCP-Clarendon (Third Level)
S21-131	Tue 9:00 AM–11:00 AM	HBB-Washington (Third Level)

Mark

S20-129	Mon 9:00 AM–11:30 AM	SB-Riverway (Fifth Level)
S20-328	Mon 4:00 PM–6:30 PM	HCC-108 (Plaza Level)

Masoretic Studies

S19-127a	Sun 9:00 AM–11:30 AM	WCP-Essex North (Third Level)
S20-130	Mon 9:00 AM–11:30 AM	HCC-105 (Plaza Level)
S20-329	Mon 4:00 PM–6:30 PM	MCP-Exeter (Third Level)

Matthew

S18-327	Sat 4:00 PM–6:30 PM	MCP-Exeter (Third Level)
S20-330	Mon 4:00 PM–6:30 PM	SB-Constitution B (Second Level)

Meals in the Greco-Roman World

S19-128	Sun 9:00 AM–11:30 AM	SB-Beacon B (Third Level)
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Meals in the HB/OT and Its World

S19-329	Sun 4:00 PM–6:30 PM	SB-Fairfax B (Third Level)
S21-132	Tue 9:00 AM–11:30 AM	HBB-Lincoln (Third Level)

Megilloth

S18-135	Sat 9:00 AM–11:30 AM	SB-Olmsted (Fifth Level)
S19-129	Sun 9:00 AM–11:30 AM	SB-Beacon H (Third Level)

Metacriticism of Biblical Scholarship

S18-136	Sat 9:00 AM–11:30 AM	MCP-Simmons (Third Level)
S19-130	Sun 9:00 AM–11:30 AM	SB-Dalton (Third Level)

Metaphor Theory and the Hebrew Bible

S19-131	Sun 9:00 AM–12:00 PM	SB-Olmsted (Fifth Level)
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Midrash

S19-132	Sun 9:00 AM–11:15 AM	MCP-Orleans (Fourth Level)
S20-131	Mon 9:00 AM–11:30 AM	MCP-Northeastern (Third Level)

Mind, Society, and Religion in the Biblical World

S19-133	Sun 9:00 AM–11:30 AM	SB-Boston Common (Fifth Level)
S19-314	Sun 4:00 PM–6:30 PM	SB-Republic A (Second Level)
S20-132	Mon 9:00 AM–11:30 AM	MCP-Grand Ballroom D

Minoritized Criticism and Biblical Interpretation

S18-137	Sat 9:00 AM–11:30 AM	MCP-Columbus I & II (First Level)
S18-328	Sat 4:00 PM–6:30 PM	MCP-Columbus I & II (First Level)
S19-141	Sun 9:00 AM–11:30 AM	HCC-311 (Third Level)
S19-239	Sun 1:00 PM–3:30 PM	HCC-311 (Third Level)

Mysticism, Esotericism, and Gnosticism in Antiquity

S18-329	Sat 4:00 PM–6:30 PM	MCP-Boylston (First Level)
S19-231	Sun 1:00 PM–3:30 PM	MCP-Grand Ballroom D
S20-331	Mon 4:00 PM–6:30 PM	HCC-209 (Second Level)

Nag Hammadi and Gnosticism

S18-330	Sat 4:00 PM–6:30 PM	SB-Beacon A (Third Level)
S19-155	Sun 9:00 AM–11:30 AM	MCP-Grand Ballroom A
S19-330	Sun 4:00 PM–6:30 PM	HCC-313 (Third Level)
S20-227	Mon 1:00 PM–3:30 PM	MCP-Exeter (Third Level)

New Testament Textual Criticism

S19-134	Sun 9:00 AM–11:30 AM	SB-Back Bay A (Second Level)
S19-233	Sun 1:00 PM–3:30 PM	HCC-304 (Third Level)
S20-133	Mon 9:00 AM–11:30 AM	HCC-304 (Third Level)
S20-229	Mon 1:00 PM–3:30 PM	HCC-210 (Second Level)



Novum Testamentum Graecum: Editio Critica Maior

S19-233	Sun 1:00 PM–3:30 PM	HCC-304 (Third Level)
S20-334	Mon 4:00 PM–6:30 PM	MCP-Suffolk (Third Level)

Papyrology and Early Christian Backgrounds

S18-235	Sat 1:00 PM–3:15 PM	MCP-Dartmouth (Third Level)
S18-332	Sat 4:00 PM–6:45 PM	MCP-Berkeley (Third Level)
S19-134	Sun 9:00 AM–11:30 AM	SB-Back Bay A (Second Level)
S19-234	Sun 1:00 PM–3:45 PM	SB-Berkeley (Third Level)

Paul and Politics

S18-221	Sat 1:00 PM–3:30 PM	SB-Republic B (Second Level)
S19-331	Sun 4:00 PM–6:30 PM	MCP-Brandeis (Third Level)
S20-142	Mon 9:00 AM–11:30 AM	MCP-Grand Ballroom EF
S20-335	Mon 4:00 PM–6:30 PM	MCP-Yarmouth (Fourth Level)

Paul Within Judaism

S18-138	Sat 9:00 AM–11:30 AM	MCP-Grand Ballroom EF
S19-136	Sun 9:00 AM–11:30 AM	MCP-Grand Ballroom EF

Pauline Epistles

S18-236	Sat 1:00 PM–3:30 PM	HCC-306 (Third Level)
S19-332	Sun 4:00 PM–6:30 PM	HCC-306 (Third Level)
S20-336	Mon 4:00 PM–6:30 PM	HCC-207 (Second Level)
S21-133	Tue 9:00 AM–11:30 AM	SB-Riverway (Fifth Level)

Pauline Theology

S18-333	Sat 4:00 PM–6:30 PM	SB-Constitution Ballroom (Second Level)
S19-137	Sun 9:00 AM–11:30 AM	HCC-306 (Third Level)
S20-230	Mon 1:00 PM–3:30 PM	HCC-304 (Third Level)

Pentateuch

S18-139	Sat 9:00 AM–11:30 AM	MCP-Massachusetts (Fifth Level)
S19-121	Sun 9:00 AM–11:30 AM	SB-Fairfax A (Third Level)
S20-134	Mon 9:00 AM–11:30 AM	HCC-207 (Second Level)

Performance Criticism of Biblical and Other Ancient Texts

S18-334	Sat 4:00 PM–6:00 PM	SB-Republic B (Second Level)
S20-231	Mon 1:00 PM–3:30 PM	HCC-313 (Third Level)
S21-134	Tue 9:00 AM–11:30 AM	HCC-304 (Third Level)

Philo of Alexandria

S19-138	Sun 9:00 AM–11:45 AM	HCC-103 (Plaza Level)
S19-333	Sun 4:00 PM–6:30 PM	MCP-Tremont (First Level)
S20-124	Mon 9:00 AM–11:30 AM	HCC-306 (Third Level)

Philology in Hebrew Studies

S18-335	Sat 4:00 PM–6:30 PM	HCC-204 (Second Level)
S19-236	Sun 1:00 PM–3:30 PM	HCC-209 (Second Level)
S20-135	Mon 9:00 AM–11:30 AM	MCP-Tufts (Third Level)
S20-232	Mon 1:00 PM–3:30 PM	SB-Beacon A (Third Level)
S20-337	Mon 4:00 PM–6:30 PM	HCC-103 (Plaza Level)

Polis and Ekklēsia: Investigations of Urban Christianity

S18-140	Sat 9:00 AM–11:30 AM	SB-Back Bay D (Second Level)
S18-237	Sat 1:00 PM–3:30 PM	HCC-208 (Second Level)

Postcolonial Studies and Biblical Studies

S19-141	Sun 9:00 AM–11:30 AM	HCC-311 (Third Level)
S19-239	Sun 1:00 PM–3:30 PM	HCC-311 (Third Level)
S20-233	Mon 1:00 PM–3:30 PM	SB-Beacon E (Third Level)

Poverty in the Biblical World

S18-320	Sat 4:00 PM–6:30 PM	MCP-Suffolk (Third Level)
S19-331	Sun 4:00 PM–6:30 PM	MCP-Brandeis (Third Level)

Prayer in Antiquity

S19-139	Sun 9:00 AM–11:30 AM	MCP-Harvard (Third Level)
S21-135	Tue 9:00 AM–11:30 AM	HBB-Belvidere B

Prophetic Texts and Their Ancient Contexts

S18-238	Sat 1:00 PM–3:30 PM	SB-Fairfax A (Third Level)
S19-322	Sun 4:00 PM–6:30 PM	MCP-St. Botolph (Second Level)

Pseudepigrapha

S18-336	Sat 4:00 PM–6:30 PM	SB-Jamaica Pond (Fifth Level)
S19-334	Sun 4:00 PM–6:30 PM	SB-Arnold Arboretum (Fifth Level)
S20-137	Mon 9:00 AM–11:30 AM	SB-Fairfax A (Third Level)

Psychology and Biblical Studies

S18-141	Sat 9:00 AM–11:30 AM	HBB-Belvidere A
S18-201	Sat 11:45 AM–12:45 PM	MCP-Vermont (Conference) (Fifth Level)

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S18-149	Sat 9:00 AM–11:30 AM	MCP-Tremont (First Level)
S18-239	Sat 1:00 PM–3:30 PM	SB-Dalton (Third Level)
S18-337	Sat 4:00 PM–6:30 PM	MCP-Orleans (Fourth Level)
S19-237	Sun 1:00 PM–3:30 PM	SB-Liberty A (Second Level)

Qumran

S19-238	Sun 1:00 PM–3:30 PM	HCC-309 (Third Level)
S19-338	Sun 4:00 PM–6:30 PM	HCC-210 (Second Level)
S20-138	Mon 9:00 AM–11:30 AM	HCC-110 (Plaza Level)
S20-338	Mon 4:00 PM–6:30 PM	HCC-110 (Plaza Level)
S21-130	Tue 9:00 AM–11:30 AM	HCC-311 (Third Level)

Qur'an and Biblical Literature

S18-142	Sat 9:00 AM–11:00 AM	HBB-Belvidere B
S20-339	Mon 4:00 PM–6:00 PM	MCP-Northeastern (Third Level)

Racism, Pedagogy and Biblical Studies

S18-338	Sat 4:00 PM–6:30 PM	SB-Hampton (Third Level)
S20-340	Mon 4:00 PM–6:30 PM	HCC-201 (Second Level)

Reading, Theory, and the Bible

S19-141	Sun 9:00 AM–11:30 AM	HCC-311 (Third Level)
S19-239	Sun 1:00 PM–3:30 PM	HCC-311 (Third Level)
S20-234	Mon 1:00 PM–3:00 PM	MCP-Northeastern (Third Level)
S20-341	Mon 4:00 PM–6:00 PM	MCP-Boston University (Third Level)

Recovering Female Interpreters of the Bible

S18-241	Sat 1:00 PM–3:30 PM	MCP-Clarendon (Third Level)
S20-140	Mon 9:00 AM–11:00 AM	SB-Hampton (Third Level)

Redescribing Early Christianity

S18-339	Sat 4:00 PM–6:30 PM	HBB-Belvidere A
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Religious Competition in Late Antiquity

S19-143	Sun 9:00 AM–11:30 AM	SB-Liberty C (Second Level)
S19-240	Sun 1:00 PM–3:30 PM	SB-Republic A (Second Level)
S20-235	Mon 1:00 PM–3:30 PM	MCP-Grand Ballroom EF
S21-136	Tue 9:00 AM–11:30 AM	SB-Republic A (Second Level)

Religious Experience in Antiquity

S18-143	Sat 9:00 AM–11:30 AM	MCP-Boylston (First Level)
S18-242	Sat 1:00 PM–3:30 PM	SB-Liberty A (Second Level)
S19-144	Sun 9:00 AM–11:30 AM	SB-The Fens (Fifth Level)
S19-314	Sun 4:00 PM–6:30 PM	SB-Republic A (Second Level)

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Religious World of Late Antiquity

S18-144	Sat 9:00 AM–11:30 AM	HBB-Maverick A (Second Level)
S19-145	Sun 9:00 AM–11:30 AM	SB-Beacon F (Third Level)
S19-336	Sun 4:00 PM–6:30 PM	SB-Liberty A (Second Level)
S20-141	Mon 9:00 AM–11:30 AM	MCP-Clarendon (Third Level)

Rhetoric and the New Testament

S19-141	Sun 9:00 AM–11:30 AM	HCC-311 (Third Level)
S19-239	Sun 1:00 PM–3:30 PM	HCC-311 (Third Level)
S20-343	Mon 4:00 PM–6:30 PM	HCC-210 (Second Level)
S21-137	Tue 9:00 AM–11:30 AM	SB-Back Bay A (Second Level)

Rhetoric of Religious Antiquity

S18-145	Sat 9:00 AM–11:30 AM	HCC-109 (Plaza Level)
S18-243	Sat 1:00 PM–3:30 PM	MCP-Harvard (Third Level)
S19-146	Sun 9:00 AM–11:30 AM	MCP-Falmouth (Fourth Level)
S20-236	Mon 1:00 PM–3:30 PM	MCP-Clarendon (Third Level)

Ritual in the Biblical World

S19-147	Sun 9:00 AM–11:30 AM	MCP-Northeastern (Third Level)
S20-237	Mon 1:00 PM–3:30 PM	SB-Clarendon (Third Level)

Scripture and Paul

S18-146	Sat 9:00 AM–11:30 AM	SB-Back Bay C (Second Level)
S18-244	Sat 1:00 PM–3:30 PM	SB-Back Bay C (Second Level)

Second Corinthians: Pauline Theology in the Making

S19-231	Sun 1:00 PM–3:30 PM	MCP-Grand Ballroom D
S21-138	Tue 9:00 AM–11:30 AM	SB-Commonwealth (Third Level)

Senses and Culture in the Biblical World

S19-144	Sun 9:00 AM–11:30 AM	SB-The Fens (Fifth Level)
S19-335a	Sun 4:00 PM–6:00 PM	MCP-Falmouth (Fourth Level)

Slavery, Resistance, and Freedom

S19-141	Sun 9:00 AM–11:30 AM	HCC-311 (Third Level)
S19-239	Sun 1:00 PM–3:30 PM	HCC-311 (Third Level)
S20-142	Mon 9:00 AM–11:30 AM	MCP-Grand Ballroom EF

Social History of Formative Christianity and Judaism

S18-340	Sat 4:00 PM–6:30 PM	SB-Olmsted (Fifth Level)
S19-234	Sun 1:00 PM–3:45 PM	SB-Berkeley (Third Level)
S19-336	Sun 4:00 PM–6:30 PM	SB-Liberty A (Second Level)

Social Sciences and the Interpretation of the Hebrew Scriptures

S18-245	Sat 1:00 PM–3:30 PM	HCC-304 (Third Level)
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Social Scientific Criticism of the New Testament

S18-147	Sat 9:00 AM–11:30 AM	SB-Jamaica Pond (Fifth Level)
S18-246	Sat 1:00 PM–3:30 PM	HBB-Adams A (Third Level)
S19-237	Sun 1:00 PM–3:30 PM	SB-Liberty A (Second Level)

Space, Place, and Lived Experience in Antiquity

S18-247	Sat 1:00 PM–3:30 PM	MCP-Tufts (Third Level)
S19-150	Sun 9:00 AM–11:30 AM	MCP-Tufts (Third Level)
S20-145	Mon 9:00 AM–11:30 AM	MCP-Yarmouth (Fourth Level)

Speech and Talk in the Ancient Mediterranean World

S19-241	Sun 1:00 PM–3:30 PM	MCP-Boston University (Third Level)
S19-335a	Sun 4:00 PM–6:00 PM	MCP-Falmouth (Fourth Level)

Student Advisory Board

S18-240	Sat 1:00 PM–3:30 PM	SB-Beacon G (Third Level)
S19-344	Sun 4:00 PM–6:30 PM	HCC-109 (Plaza Level)
S20-116	Mon 9:00 AM–11:30 AM	SB-Dalton (Third Level)
S20-204a	Mon 1:00 PM–3:30 PM	MCP-Orleans (Fourth Level)
S20-228	Mon 1:00 PM–3:30 PM	MCP-Harvard (Third Level)

Synoptic Gospels

S18-149	Sat 9:00 AM–11:30 AM	MCP-Tremont (First Level)
S19-151	Sun 9:00 AM–11:30 AM	HCC-207 (Second Level)
S20-239	Mon 1:00 PM–3:30 PM	SB-Republic A (Second Level)

Syriac Literature and Interpretations of Sacred Texts

S18-248	Sat 1:00 PM–3:30 PM	MCP-MIT (Third Level)
S20-146	Mon 9:00 AM–12:00 PM	HCC-209 (Second Level)
S20-240	Mon 1:00 PM–3:30 PM	SB-Dalton (Third Level)

Teaching Biblical Studies in an Undergraduate Liberal Arts Context

S18-343	Sat 4:00 PM–6:30 PM	MCP-Regis (Conference) (Third Level)
S19-337	Sun 4:00 PM–6:30 PM	SB-Beacon H (Third Level)

Textual Criticism of Samuel–Kings

S20-241	Mon 1:00 PM–3:30 PM	SB-Jefferson (Third Level)
S20-345	Mon 4:00 PM–6:30 PM	SB-Jefferson (Third Level)

Textual Criticism of the Hebrew Bible

S19-242	Sun 1:00 PM–3:30 PM	MCP-Brandeis (Third Level)
S19-338	Sun 4:00 PM–6:30 PM	HCC-210 (Second Level)
S20-242	Mon 1:00 PM–3:30 PM	HCC-208 (Second Level)
S20-346	Mon 4:00 PM–6:30 PM	SB-Beacon H (Third Level)

The Historical Paul

S19-243	Sun 1:00 PM–3:30 PM	HCC-103 (Plaza Level)
S20-147	Mon 9:00 AM–11:30 AM	SB-Republic A (Second Level)

Theological Interpretation of Scripture

S18-345	Sat 4:00 PM–6:30 PM	HCC-103 (Plaza Level)
S19-340	Sun 4:00 PM–6:30 PM	HCC-306 (Third Level)
S21-140	Tue 9:00 AM–11:30 AM	SB-Riverway (Fifth Level)

Theological Perspectives on the Book of Ezekiel

S19-245	Sun 1:00 PM–3:30 PM	HCC-105 (Plaza Level)
S19-322	Sun 4:00 PM–6:30 PM	MCP-St. Botolph (Second Level)
S20-243	Mon 1:00 PM–3:30 PM	HBB-Maverick A (Second Level)

Theology of the Hebrew Scriptures

S19-246	Sun 1:00 PM–3:30 PM	MCP-Exeter (Third Level)
S19-341	Sun 4:00 PM–6:30 PM	HCC-311 (Third Level)
S20-244	Mon 1:00 PM–3:30 PM	MCP-Clarendon (Third Level)
S21-141	Tue 9:00 AM–11:30 AM	HCC-202 (Second Level)

Transmission of Traditions in the Second Temple Period

S20-245	Mon 1:00 PM–3:30 PM	SB-Olmsted (Fifth Level)
S20-348	Mon 4:00 PM–6:30 PM	MCP-Harvard (Third Level)

Ugaritic Studies and Northwest Semitic Epigraphy

S19-247	Sun 1:00 PM–3:00 PM	MCP-Regis (Conference) (Third Level)
S19-342	Sun 4:00 PM–6:30 PM	HCC-203 (Second Level)
S20-148	Mon 9:00 AM–11:00 AM	SB-Arnold Arboretum (Fifth Level)
S20-232	Mon 1:00 PM–3:30 PM	SB-Beacon A (Third Level)

Use, Influence, and Impact of the Bible

S18-346	Sat 4:00 PM–6:30 PM	MCP-Dartmouth (Third Level)
S19-343	Sun 4:00 PM–6:15 PM	SB-Beacon G (Third Level)
S20-148a	Mon 9:00 AM–11:00 AM	HBB-Adams A (Third Level)
S21-142	Tue 9:00 AM–11:30 AM	SB-Arnold Arboretum (Fifth Level)

Violence and Representations of Violence in Antiquity

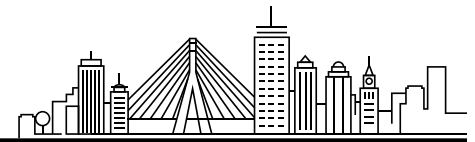
S18-250	Sat 1:00 PM–3:30 PM	SB-Hampton (Third Level)
S19-154	Sun 9:00 AM–11:30 AM	MCP-Suffolk (Third Level)
S20-149	Mon 9:00 AM–11:30 AM	SB-Commonwealth (Third Level)

Warfare in Ancient Israel

S18-251	Sat 1:00 PM–3:30 PM	MCP-Fairfield (Third Level)
S19-248	Sun 1:00 PM–3:30 PM	HCC-110 (Plaza Level)

Wisdom and Apocalypticism

S19-155	Sun 9:00 AM–11:30 AM	MCP-Grand Ballroom A
S19-249	Sun 1:00 PM–3:30 PM	HCC-200 (Second Level)
S20-245a	Mon 1:00 PM–3:30 PM	SB-Constitution B (Second Level)



Wisdom in Israelite and Cognate Traditions

S18-151	Sat 9:00 AM–11:30 AM	MCP-Clarendon (Third Level)
S19-345	Sun 4:00 PM–6:30 PM	HCC-309 (Third Level)
S21-143	Tue 9:00 AM–11:30 AM	HCC-103 (Plaza Level)

Women in the Biblical World

S18-252	Sat 1:00 PM–3:30 PM	MCP-St. Botolph (Second Level)
S20-248	Mon 1:00 PM–3:00 PM	MCP-St. Botolph (Second Level)

Writing Social-Scientific Commentaries of the New Testament

S18-347	Sat 4:00 PM–6:30 PM	HBB-Belvidere B
S20-249	Mon 1:00 PM–3:30 PM	MCP-Tremont (First Level)
S21-144	Tue 9:00 AM–11:30 AM	HCC-101 (Plaza Level)

Writing/Reading Jeremiah

S18-152	Sat 9:00 AM–11:30 AM	SB-Beacon A (Third Level)
S19-322	Sun 4:00 PM–6:30 PM	MCP-St. Botolph (Second Level)
S20-150	Mon 9:00 AM–11:30 AM	MCP-Harvard (Third Level)

SBL AFFILIATES

North American Association for the Study of Religion

S18-127	Sat 9:00 AM–11:30 AM	MCP-Fairfield (Third Level)
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African Association for the Study of Religions

P18-205	Sat 1:00 PM–3:30 PM	HCC-309 (Third Level)
P19-252	Sun 3:00 PM–4:30 PM	MCP-Vineyard (Fourth Level)
P20-201a	Mon 1:00 PM–3:30 PM	MCP-Salon D (Fourth Level)

Anglican Association of Biblical Scholars

P17-210	Fri 3:00 PM–9:00 PM	Offsite - The Cathedral Church of St. Paul, 138 Tremont Street, Boston, MA 02111
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Ethnic Chinese Biblical Colloquium

P20-401	Mon 7:00 PM–9:00 PM	SB-Commonwealth (Third Level)
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Institute for Biblical Research

P17-204	Fri 1:00 PM–3:15 PM	SB-Back Bay C (Second Level)
P17-205	Fri 1:00 PM–4:30 PM	MCP-Columbus I & II (First Level)
P17-226	Fri 3:30 PM–5:30 PM	MCP-Arlington (Third Level)
P17-212	Fri 3:30 PM–5:30 PM	MCP-Wellesley (Third Level)
P17-213	Fri 3:30 PM–5:30 PM	MCP-Exeter (Third Level)
P17-214	Fri 3:30 PM–5:30 PM	MCP-Dartmouth (Third Level)
P17-215	Fri 3:30 PM–5:30 PM	MCP-Clarendon (Third Level)
P17-216	Fri 3:30 PM–5:30 PM	MCP-Northeastern (Third Level)
P17-217	Fri 3:30 PM–5:30 PM	MCP-Berkeley (Third Level)
P17-218	Fri 3:30 PM–5:30 PM	MCP-Fairfield (Third Level)
P17-219	Fri 3:30 PM–5:30 PM	MCP-Harvard (Third Level)
P17-220	Fri 3:30 PM–5:30 PM	MCP-Simmons (Third Level)
P17-221	Fri 3:30 PM–5:30 PM	MCP-Suffolk (Third Level)
P17-222	Fri 3:30 PM–5:30 PM	MCP-MIT (Third Level)
P17-223	Fri 3:30 PM–5:30 PM	MCP-Tufts (Third Level)
P17-224	Fri 3:30 PM–5:30 PM	MCP-St. Botolph (Second Level)
P17-225	Fri 3:30 PM–5:30 PM	MCP-Regis (Conference) (Third Level)
P17-401	Fri 7:00 PM–9:00 PM	WCP-America South & Center (Fourth Level)
P17-402	Fri 9:00 PM–11:00 PM	WCP-America North (Fourth Level)
P18-103	Sat 7:30 AM–8:45 AM	HCC-312 (Third Level)
P18-104	Sat 7:30 AM–8:45 AM	HCC-313 (Third Level)
P18-129	Sat 9:00 AM–11:30 AM	HCC-210 (Second Level)
P18-203	Sat 12:00 PM–3:00 PM	MCP-Hyannis (Fourth Level)
P18-321	Sat 4:00 PM–6:30 PM	HCC-306 (Third Level)

P19-105	Sun 7:30 AM–8:45 AM	SB-Constitution Ballroom (Second Level)
P19-122	Sun 9:00 AM–11:30 AM	HCC-111 (Plaza Level)
P19-225	Sun 1:00 PM–3:30 PM	HCC-111 (Plaza Level)
P19-317	Sun 4:00 PM–6:30 PM	HCC-103 (Plaza Level)

International Organization for Septuagint and Cognate Studies

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P18-322	Sat 4:00 PM–7:00 PM	SB-Beacon H (Third Level)
S19-219	Sun 1:00 PM–3:30 PM	MCP-Northeastern (Third Level)
P19-318	Sun 4:00 PM–7:00 PM	SB-Beacon B (Third Level)
P21-122	Tue 9:00 AM–11:30 AM	HBB-Adams B (Third Level)

International Qur'anic Studies Association

P17-101	Fri 9:00 AM–11:00 AM	WCP-Mastiff (Seventh Level)
P17-301	Fri 4:00 PM–5:15 PM	WCP-Essex Center (Third Level)
P17-304	Fri 5:15 PM–6:30 PM	WCP-Essex North (Third Level)
P18-106	Sat 8:00 AM–9:00 AM	MCP-Vermont (Conference) (Fifth Level)
S18-142	Sat 9:00 AM–11:00 AM	HBB-Belvidere B
P18-323	Sat 4:00 PM–6:00 PM	MCP-Fairfield (Third Level)
P19-106	Sun 8:00 AM–9:00 AM	SB-Jefferson (Third Level)
P19-157	Sun 11:30 AM–12:30 PM	MCP-Provincetown (Fourth Level)
P20-153	Mon 11:30 AM–12:30 PM	SB-Kent (Third Level)
P20-155	Mon 11:30 AM–12:30 PM	SB-Jefferson (Third Level)
P20-220	Mon 1:00 PM–2:30 PM	SB-Commonwealth (Third Level)

International Syriac Language Project

P18-229	Sat 1:00 PM–3:30 PM	SB-Beacon H (Third Level)
P19-319	Sun 4:00 PM–6:30 PM	SB-Dalton (Third Level)

Journal of Feminist Studies in Religion

P20-223a	Mon 1:00 PM–3:00 PM	MCP-Vermont (Conference) (Fifth Level)
P21-129	Tue 9:00 AM–11:00 AM	SB-Back Bay C (Second Level)

Korean Biblical Colloquium

P19-326	Sun 4:00 PM–6:30 PM	HCC-111 (Plaza Level)
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National Association of Professors of Hebrew

P18-331	Sat 4:00 PM–6:30 PM	MCP-Harvard (Third Level)
P19-102	Sun 7:00 AM–8:45 AM	HCC-312 (Third Level)
S19-127	Sun 9:00 AM–11:30 AM	HCC-304 (Third Level)
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S19-246	Sun 1:00 PM–3:30 PM	MCP-Exeter (Third Level)
P20-333	Mon 4:00 PM–6:30 PM	MCP-Provincetown (Fourth Level)
P20-332	Mon 4:00 PM–6:30 PM	HCC-311 (Third Level)

Nida Institute for Biblical Scholarship at the American Bible Society

P20-133a	Mon 9:00 AM–11:30 AM	MCP-Regis (Conference) (Third Level)
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Qur'anic Studies: Methodology and Hermeneutics (IQSA)

P20-139	Mon 9:00 AM–11:30 AM	MCP-Boston University (Third Level)
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Society for Ancient Mediterranean Religions

P18-341	Sat 4:00 PM–6:30 PM	HBB-Maverick A (Second Level)
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Society for Comparative Research on Iconographic and Performative Texts

P19-148	Sun 9:00 AM–11:30 AM	SB-Clarendon (Third Level)
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HCC – Hynes Convention Center • FCP – Fairmont Copley Plaza • HBB – Hilton Back Bay • MCP – Marriott Copley Place
PP – Park Plaza • SB – Sheraton Boston • WCP – Westin Copley Place

Society for Pentecostal Studies

P18-148	Sat 9:00 AM–11:30 AM	SB-Beacon G (Third Level)
P18-342	Sat 4:00 PM–5:30 PM	SB-Clarendon (Third Level)
P19-149	Sun 9:00 AM–11:30 AM	SB-Liberty A (Second Level)
P20-143	Mon 9:00 AM–11:30 AM	MCP-Hyannis (Fourth Level)

Society for the Arts in Religious and Theological Studies (SARTS)

P17-403	Fri 7:30 PM–9:00 PM	Offsite - Old South Church (Mary Lyon Hall), 645 Boylston Street (Copley Square)
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Søren Kierkegaard Society

P20-144	Mon 9:00 AM–11:30 AM	MCP-Orleans (Fourth Level)
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The Qur'an and Late Antiquity (IQSA)

P18-344	Sat 4:00 PM–7:00 PM	HCC-208 (Second Level)
P19-152	Sun 9:00 AM–11:30 AM	MCP-Provincetown (Fourth Level)
S20-221	Mon 1:00 PM–3:30 PM	SB-Beacon H (Third Level)

The Qur'an and the Biblical Tradition (IQSA)

P17-207	Fri 1:00 PM–3:30 PM	SB-Beacon A (Third Level)
P19-244	Sun 1:00 PM–3:30 PM	MCP-Provincetown (Fourth Level)

The Qur'an: Manuscripts and Textual Criticism (IQSA)

P20-347	Mon 4:00 PM–6:30 PM	SB-Back Bay A (Second Level)
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The Qur'an: Surah Studies (IQSA)

P18-249	Sat 1:00 PM–3:00 PM	MCP-Orleans (Fourth Level)
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P19-153	Sun 9:00 AM–11:30 AM	MCP-Vermont (Conference) (Fifth Level)
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Westar Institute

P17-209a	Fri 1:00 PM–8:00 PM	MCP-Grand Ballroom G-K
P17-209b	Fri 1:00 PM–8:00 PM	MCP-Grand Ballroom G-K

SPECIAL SESSIONS

Critical Editions of the German Bible Society: How to use the Biblia Hebraica Stuttgartensia and the Nestle-Aland and the NT Virtual Manuscript Room

S18-312	Sat 4:00 PM–6:00 PM	HCC-313 (Third Level)
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David Noel Freedman Award for Excellence and Creativity in Hebrew Bible Scholarship

S20-113	Mon 9:00 AM–10:30 AM	MCP-Suffolk (Third Level)
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From Colleague to Leader: Transitions in the Life of an Academic

S20-118	Mon 9:00 AM–11:00 AM	MCP-Dartmouth (Third Level)
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Online Teaching and Biblical Studies

S18-234	Sat 1:00 PM–3:30 PM	MCP-Vineyard (Fourth Level)
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Orality, Memory, Performance Criticism, and Related Disciplines

S17-303	Fri 4:30 PM–6:00 PM	HCC-310 (Third Level)
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Paul J. Achtemeier Award for New Testament Scholarship

S19-331a	Sun 4:00 PM–5:30 PM	SB-Liberty C (Second Level)
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Provenience and Policy

S20-136	Mon 9:00 AM–11:30 AM	SB-Clarendon (Third Level)
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Religion and Philosophy in Late Antiquity

S19-142	Sun 9:00 AM–11:30 AM	MCP-Arlington (Third Level)
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SBL Presidential Address

S18-401	Sun 7:00 PM–8:00 PM	MCP-Grand Ballroom EF
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SBL–Westar Institute Public Lecture

S20-402	Mon 7:00 PM–8:30 PM	MCP-Grand Ballroom G-K
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Scholarship, Archaeology, and New Media

S19-147a	Sun 9:00 AM–11:30 AM	MCP-Tremont (First Level)
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Student Lounge Roundtable

S18-201a	Sat 11:30 AM–1:00 PM	HCC-303 (Third Level)
S18-247a	Sat 1:00 PM–2:30 PM	HCC-303 (Third Level)
S18-253	Sat 2:30 PM–4:00 PM	HCC-303 (Third Level)
S18-342a	Sat 4:00 PM–5:30 PM	HCC-303 (Third Level)
S19-156a	Sun 10:00 AM–11:30 AM	HCC-303 (Third Level)
S19-158	Sun 11:30 AM–1:00 PM	HCC-303 (Third Level)
S19-241a	Sun 1:00 PM–2:30 PM	HCC-303 (Third Level)
S19-251a	Sun 2:30 PM–4:00 PM	HCC-303 (Third Level)
S19-336a	Sun 4:00 PM–5:30 PM	HCC-303 (Third Level)
S20-145a	Mon 9:00 AM–10:30 AM	HCC-303 (Third Level)
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S20-156	Mon 12:00 PM–1:30 PM	HCC-303 (Third Level)
S20-250	Mon 1:30 PM–3:00 PM	HCC-303 (Third Level)
S20-251	Mon 3:00 PM–4:30 PM	HCC-303 (Third Level)
S20-349	Mon 4:30 PM–6:00 PM	HCC-303 (Third Level)

THATCamp — The Humanities and Technology Camp

S17-103	Fri 9:00 AM–5:00 PM	HCC-208 (Second Level)
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The Grant Application Process

S19-339	Sun 4:00 PM–6:00 PM	MCP-Regis (Conference) (Third Level)
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Using Performance to Teach the Bible/Orality, Memory, Performance Criticism, and Related Disciplines

S17-209	Fri 1:00 PM–4:30 PM	HCC-310 (Third Level)
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Wiki, Women, and Bible Workshop and Happy Hour

S19-347	Sun 5:30 PM–7:30 PM	HCC-200 (Second Level)
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Wisdom of the Ages

S20-247	Mon 1:00 PM–3:00 PM	SB-Liberty A (Second Level)
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BUSINESS MEETINGS AND RECEPTIONS

Ancient Israel and Its Literature Editorial Board

S20-105	Mon 9:00 AM–10:00 AM	MCP-SBL Press Suite
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Ancient Near East Monographs Editorial Board

S18-101	Sat 7:30 AM–8:30 AM	HCC-308 (Third Level)
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Annual Business Meeting

S19-104	Sun 7:30 AM–8:30 AM	HCC-105 (Plaza Level)
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Annual Meeting Program Committee

S17-202	Fri 1:00 PM–5:00 PM	HCC-308 (Third Level)
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Archaeology and Biblical Studies Editorial Board

S18-111	Sat 9:00 AM–10:00 AM	MCP-SBL Press Suite
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Bible and Its Reception Editorial Board

S18-210a	Sat 1:00 PM–2:00 PM	MCP-SBL Press Suite
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Bible Odyssey Editorial Board

S19-201	Sun 12:00 PM–1:30 PM	HCC-308 (Third Level)
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Brown Judaic Studies Editorial Board

S20-152	Mon 11:30 AM–1:00 PM	MCP-SBL Press Suite
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Conversation with the SBL Council

S19-310	Sun 4:00 PM–5:30 PM	MCP-Suffolk (Third Level)
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Council

S18-107	Sat 8:30 AM–11:00 AM	SB-Kent (Third Level)
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Early Christianity and Its Literature Editorial Board

S18-102	Sat 7:30 AM–8:30 AM	HCC-105 (Plaza Level)
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Early Judaism and Its Literature Editorial Board

S20-214	Mon 1:00 PM–2:00 PM	MCP-SBL Press Suite
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Educational Resources and Review Committee

S19-251	Sun 2:00 PM–4:00 PM	SB-Kent (Third Level)
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Emory Studies in Early Christianity and Rhetoric of Religious Antiquity Editorial Boards

S19-101 Sun 7:00 AM–8:30 AM HCC-308 (Third Level)

Finance Committee

S17-203 Fri 1:00 PM–3:30 PM SB-SBL Suite

International Cooperation Initiative Executive Board

S18-108 Sat 8:30 AM–9:30 AM SB-Boardroom (Third Level)

International Cooperation Initiative Forum

S18-204 Sat 12:00 PM–1:00 PM SB-Kent (Third Level)

International Meeting Program Committee

S20-151 Mon 10:30 AM–12:30 PM SB-Boardroom (Third Level)

International Voices in Biblical Studies Editorial Board

S18-105 Sat 7:30 AM–8:30 AM MCP-SBL Press Suite

Journal of Biblical Literature Editorial Board

S19-103 Sun 7:15 AM–8:45 AM HCC-200 (Second Level)

Nominating Committee

S19-135 Sun 9:00 AM–12:00 PM SB-SBL Suite

NRSV Review Board

S18-252a Sat 2:30 PM–4:00 PM WCP-St. George A-B (Third Level)

Professional Development Committee

S17-211 Fri 3:00 PM–5:00 PM HCC-110 (Plaza Level)

Program Unit Chairs Meeting

S21-101 Tue 7:30 AM–8:45 AM HCC-312 (Third Level)

Regional Coordinators Committee

S17-206 Fri 1:00 PM–5:00 PM HCC-104 (Plaza Level)

Research and Publications Committee

S20-342 Mon 4:00 PM–5:30 PM MCP-SBL Press Suite

Review of Biblical Literature Editorial Board

S19-156 Sun 9:30 AM–10:30 AM HCC-308 (Third Level)

SBL Council and AAR Board Reception

S17-349 Fri 6:30 PM–7:30 PM MCP-AAR Suite

SBL Press Authors and Editors Reception

S20-350 Mon 6:30 PM–7:30 PM HCC-312 (Third Level)

SBL Press Book Series Editors

S20-102 Mon 7:30 AM–9:00 AM HCC-308 (Third Level)

SBL Student Member Happy Hour

S18-348 Sat 5:30 PM–7:00 PM HCC-312 (Third Level)

SBL Women Members Breakfast

S20-101 Mon 7:00 AM–9:00 AM HCC-312 (Third Level)

SBL Women Student Members Networking Session

S18-202 Sat 11:45 AM–12:45 PM HCC-313 (Third Level)

Semeia Studies Editorial Board

S17-302 Fri 4:00 PM–6:00 PM MCP-SBL Press Suite

Society of Biblical Literature Commentary on the Septuagint

S20-238 Mon 1:00 PM–2:30 PM SB-Kent (Third Level)

Status of Women in the Profession Committee

S17-102 Fri 9:00 AM–5:00 PM HCC-105 (Plaza Level)

Student Advisory Board

S17-201 Fri 12:00 PM–2:00 PM HCC-110 (Plaza Level)

TC: A Journal of Biblical Textual Criticism Editorial Board

S19-105a Sun 7:30 AM–8:30 AM MCP-SBL Press Suite

Underrepresented Racial and Ethnic Minorities in the Profession Committee

S17-208 Fri 1:00 PM–5:00 PM HCC-201 (Second Level)

Underrepresented Racial and Ethnic Minorities in the Profession Committee Luncheon

S20-154 Mon 11:30 AM–1:00 PM HCC-108 (Plaza Level)

Writings from the Ancient World Editorial Board

S19-250 Sun 1:00 PM–3:00 PM MCP-SBL Press Suite

Writings from the Greco-Roman World Editorial Board

S19-346 Sun 4:00 PM–5:30 PM MCP-SBL Press Suite

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OTHER EVENTS (ADDITIONAL MEETINGS) SESSION INDEX

Aarhus University, Denmark

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Academy Anonymous Recovery Meetings (AARM)

M17-402 Fri 7:30 PM–8:30 PM HBB-Lincoln
M18-111 Sat 12:00 PM–1:00 PM HBB-Lincoln
M19-408 Sun 7:30 PM–8:30 PM HBB-Lincoln
M20-103 Mon 12:00 PM–1:00 PM HBB-Lincoln

Accordance Bible Software

M17-114 Fri 9:00 AM–5:00 PM SB-Gardner
M18-101 Sat 9:00 AM–11:30 AM MCP-Yarmouth

Analytic Theology Lecture Series

M19-201 Sun 3:00 PM–4:30 PM HBB-Adams
M19-301 Sun 4:30 PM–6:00 PM HBB-Westminster

Association for Interreligious and Interfaith Studies

M17-109 Fri 11:30 AM–5:15 PM HBB-Adams

Association for Theopoetics Research and Exploration

M19-104 Sun 9:00 AM–11:30 AM HBB-Belvidere A

Auburn Theological Seminary

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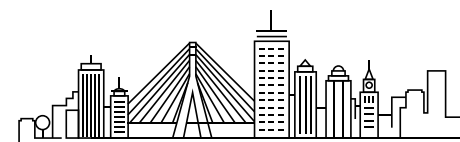
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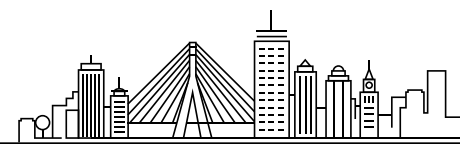
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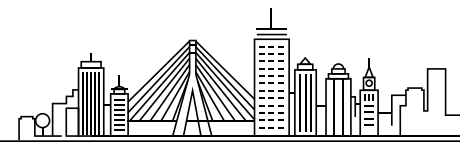
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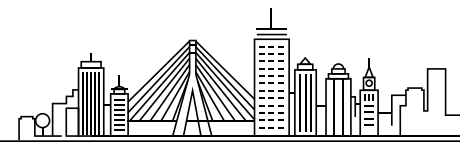
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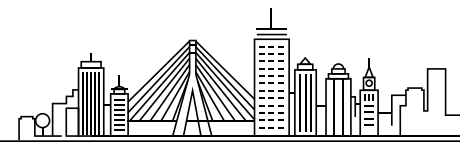
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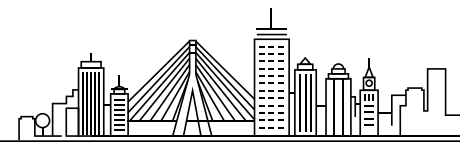
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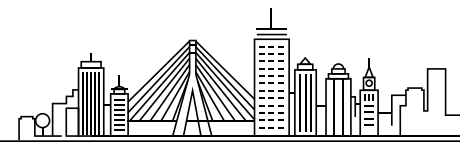
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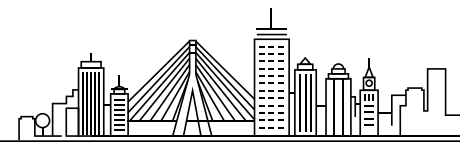
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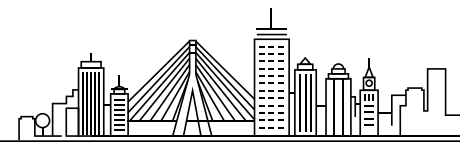
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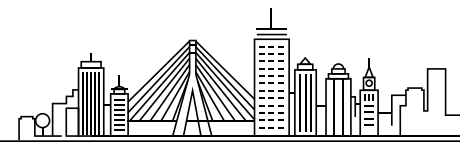
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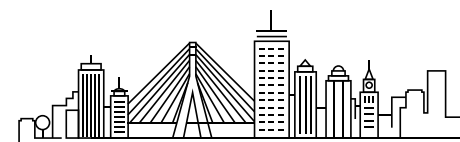
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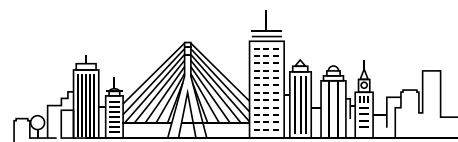


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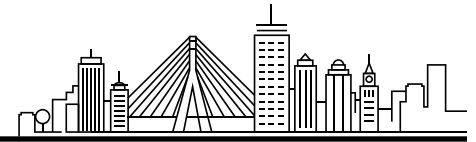


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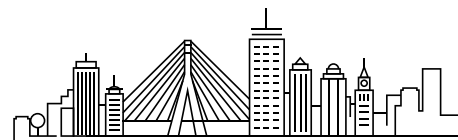


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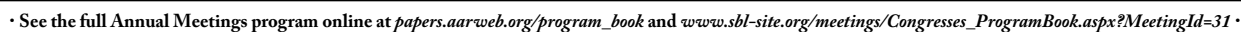


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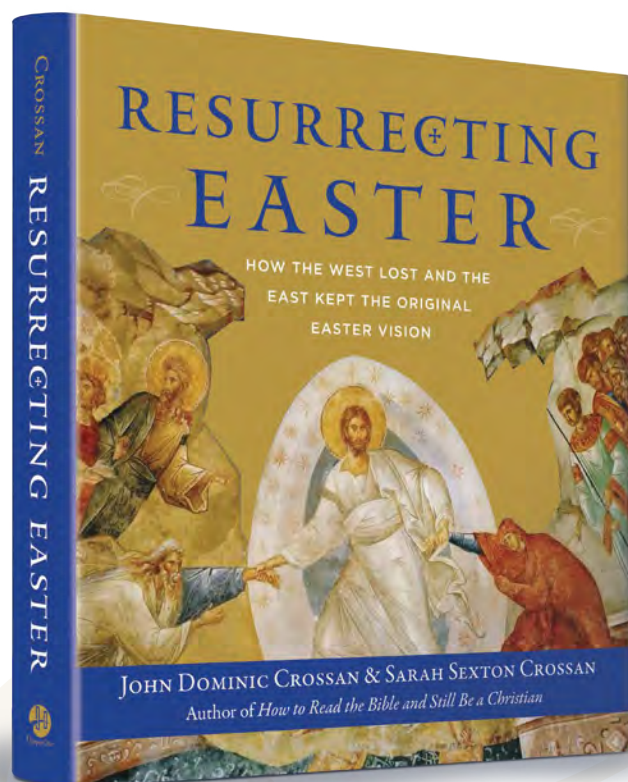
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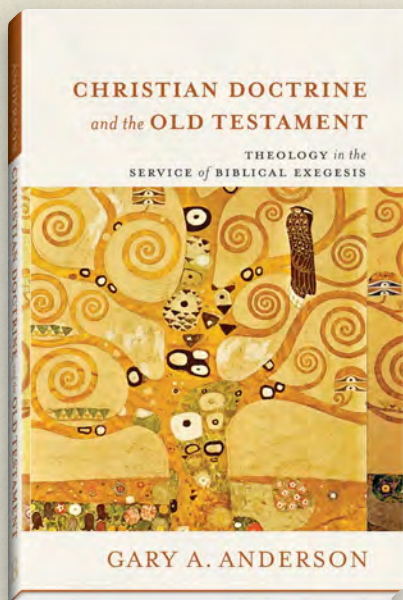
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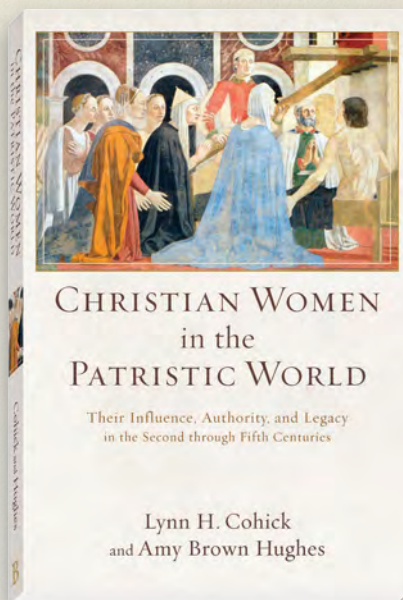
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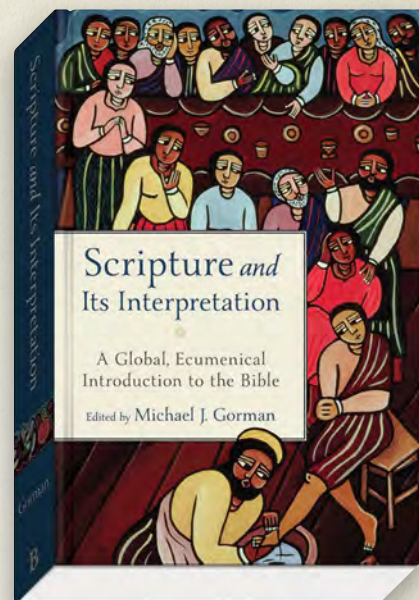
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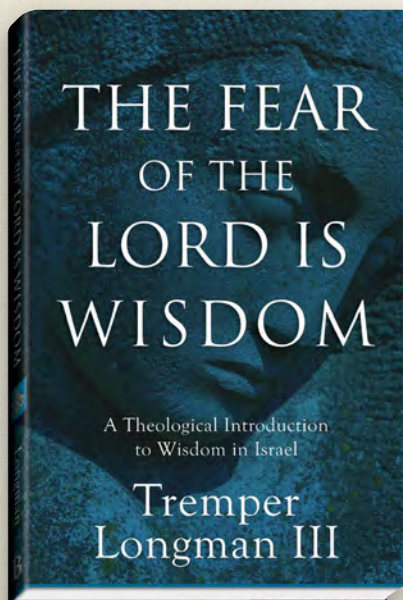
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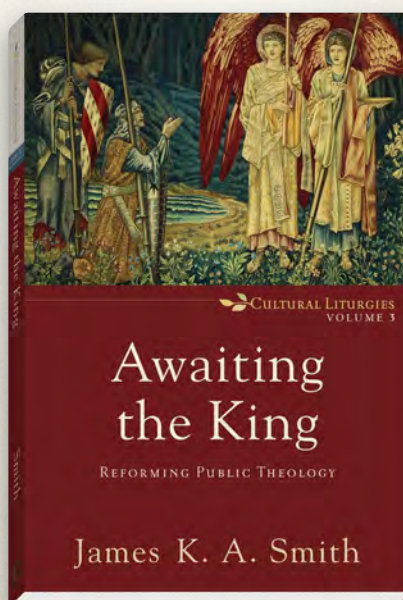
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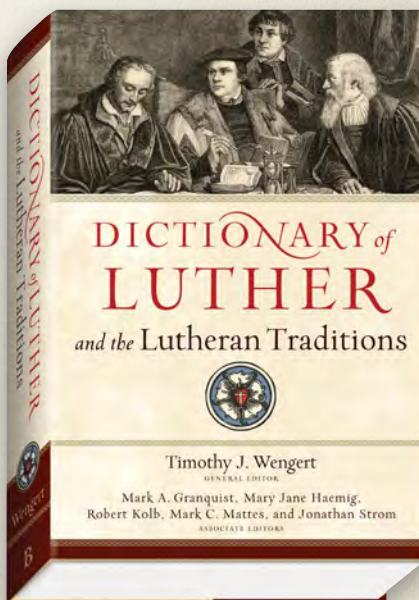
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