



Clarissa Breu

2022 Bernadette J. Brooten Award for Scholarship in Gender, Sexuality, and Embodiment

The 2022 Bernadette J. Brooten Award for Scholarship in Gender, Sexuality, and Embodiment has been awarded to Clarissa Breu for her paper entitled, “Female Seed as a Metaphor: Queer Kinship in Revelation 12, Ancient Medical and Literary Texts and the Septuagint”

Clarissa Breu (PhD, Vienna 2019) is post-doc assistant of New Testament Studies at Göttingen University’s Theological Faculty. In her research, she explores the intersection between cultural analysis and New Testament texts. Her first book (*Autorschaft in der Johannesoffenbarung*, Tübingen 2020) is a study on authorship. For her second book project, she now focuses on performativity, embodiment and gesture in the Gospel of John. Breu’s Brooten paper has been published in JSNT 45/1 (2022).

The goal of the Bernadette J. Brooten Award is to support and encourage early career researchers developing innovative approaches to the critical study of gender, sexuality, and/or embodiment in relation to biblical texts and traditions (broadly cast), especially with projects that foreground feminist, womanist, queer, and, or, as trans approaches. The award is given to a SBL member who is current graduate student or has received a Ph.D. or Th.D. in biblical studies or a related field within the last ten years and includes a cash prize of \$1,000. Papers for this award are evaluated on the basis of three categories:

- Persuasive thesis that engages emerging methodologies and changing paradigms in relation to gender, sexuality, and/or embodiment, and demonstrates quality of scholarship and significance to the field;
- Clarity of expression and thought
- Originality and creativity

The members of the 2022 Brooten Award Committee are Sheila Briggs, Deirdre Good, and Ken Stone.

We would like to express our sincere gratitude to the numerous contributors for making this scholarship award possible.