

# 2002 AAR Online Program Book

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## A1

Chairs Workshop

**Friday - 8:00 am-4:00 pm**

Carey J. Gifford, American Academy of Religion, Presiding

See the Annual Meeting Program Highlights page for a description and registration form.  
*Separate registration required* (requires PDF).

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## A2

Religion and Media Workshop

**Friday - 8:00 am-5:00 pm**

Sponsored by the Public Understanding of Religion Committee; Arts, Literature, and Religion Section; Religion and Popular Culture Group; Religion, Film and Visual Culture Group; Religion, Culture, and Communication Consultation; and SBL's [Bible in Ancient and Modern Media Section](#)

Stewart M. Hoover, University of Colorado, Boulder, and Jeffrey H. Mahan, Iliff School of Theology, Presiding

Panelists:

Edward Phillip Antonio, Iliff School of Theology

Ronald L. Grimes, Wilfrid Laurier University

S. Brent Plate, Texas Christian University

Wade Clark Roof, University of California, Santa Barbara

Angela Zito, New York University

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## A3

AAR Board of Directors  
**Friday - 9:00 am-5:00 pm**

Vasudha Narayanan, University of Florida, Presiding

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Women's Caucus Workshop  
**Friday - 11:30 am-5:00 pm**

Young Lee Hertig, United Theological Seminary, Presiding

Panelists:

Kathlyn Breazeale, Pacific Lutheran University

Anthea Butler, Princeton University

Mary E. Hunt, Women's Alliance for Theology, Ethics, and Ritual

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EIS Center Orientation  
**Friday - 7:00 pm-9:00 pm**

Carey J. Gifford, American Academy of Religion, Presiding

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Arts Series/Film: [\*Crouching Tiger, Hidden Dragon\*](#)  
**Friday - 7:00 pm-9:30 pm**

Sponsored by the Religion, Film, and Visual Culture Group

Amir Hussain, California State University, Northridge, Presiding

See the Annual Meeting Program Highlights page for a description.



Regional Secretaries  
**Saturday - 10:00 am-11:00 am**

Mark Lloyd Taylor, Seattle University, Presiding

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Publications Committee I  
**Saturday - 8:30 am-10:45 am**

Terry Godlove, Hofstra University, Presiding

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Committee on Teaching and Learning  
**Saturday - 8:30 am-11:00 am**

Thomas V. Peterson, Alfred University, Presiding

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Student Liaison Group Business Meeting  
**Saturday - 9:00 am-10:45 am**

Richard Amesbury, Claremont Graduate University, Presiding

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Regions Committee and Regional Officers  
**Saturday - 8:00 am-10:00 am**

Mark Lloyd Taylor, Seattle University, Presiding

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Working with Reporters: Your Role as a News Source  
**Saturday - 9:00 am-11:30 am**

Sponsored by the AAR's Religion and Media Center and the Pew Charitable Trusts

Kyle Cole, American Academy of Religion, Presiding

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Academic Relations Task Force  
**Saturday - 10:00 am-11:30 am**

Warren G. Frisina, Hofstra University, Presiding

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Plenary Address  
**Saturday - 11:30 am-12:30 pm**

Vasudha Narayanan, University of Florida, Presiding  
Theme: *Bharata Natyam: Beyond the Borders of Religion*

Francis Barboza, West Orange, NJ

Panelists:  
Arti Dhand, University of Toronto  
Meera Vignarajah, Toronto, ON

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 **A15**

Publications Committee II  
**Saturday - 12:30 pm-1:00 pm**

Terry Godlove, Hofstra University, Presiding

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 **A16**

Special Topics Forum  
**Saturday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm**

Sponsored by the American Academy of Religion, the [Society of Biblical Literature](#), and the [Association of Theological Schools in the United States and Canada](#)

Christopher Wilkins, Association of Theological Schools in the United States and Canada,  
Presiding

Theme: *AAR, SBL, and ATS Grants Forum*

Panelists:

Barbara Ashbrook, National Endowment for the Humanities, Washington, DC  
Patrick Henry, Institute for Ecumenical and Cultural Research, Collegeville, MN  
James W. Lewis, Louisville Institute, Louisville, KY  
Christine O'Brien, National Research Council, Washington, DC  
Michael Hawes, Canada and United States Fulbright Program, Ottawa, ON

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 **A17**

Special Topics Forum  
**Saturday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm**

Sponsored by the EIS Advisory Committee

Edward R. Gray, Atlanta, GA, Presiding

Theme: *If I Knew Then What I Know Now: Lessons from the First Year on the Job*

Panelists:

Jane F. Crosthwaite, Mount Holyoke College

Michael Penn, Mount Holyoke College

Glenn Holland, Allegheny College

Eric Boynton, Allegheny College

Christopher Stanley, St. Bonaventure University

Peter Trudinger, St. Bonaventure University

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Academic Teaching and the Study of Religion Section and Study of Islam Section  
**Saturday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm**

Jonathan E. Brockopp, Bard College, Presiding

Theme: *Teaching Islam after September 11*

Panelists:

Frederick M. Denny, University of Colorado, Boulder

Anna M. Gade, University of Chicago

Zayn Kassam, Pomona College

Omid Safi, Colgate University

Jane Dammen McAuliffe, Georgetown University

Business Meeting:

Jonathan E. Brockopp, Bard College, and Zayn Kassam, Pomona College, Presiding

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Arts, Literature, and Religion Section  
**Saturday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm**

Susan G. Cumings, Georgia College and State University, Presiding

Theme: *Religious Seeing and Seeing Religiously*

Stephen T. Campagna-Pinto, Colgate University

*Poetic Ecology as Spiritual Critique: Wright's Guggenheim Museum and the Demands of Vision*

Paul Myhre, Wabash College

*The Experience of Loss and Grief as Illustrated through the Paintings of Edvard Munch, 1885 to 1900*

Ulrike Vollmer, University of Sheffield

*Towards an Ethics of Seeing: Sally Potter's The Tango Lesson*

Elijah Mueller, Marquette University

*John Damascene's On the Divine Images: Witness, Theosis, and Humanized Revelation*

Hartwig Bischof, University of Vienna

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Ethics Section and Bioethics and Religion Group

**Saturday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm**

Suzanne Holland, University of Puget Sound, Presiding

Theme: *Religious Ethics and Public Discourse: Canadian and American Considerations of Stem Cells and Reproductive Technologies*

Laura Kicklighter, University of Texas

*Liberation from the Private Sphere: Arguing for Religious Voices in National Policy*

Theme: *The Place of Ethics in National Policy Making in Canada on Reproductive Technology*

Panelists:

Ian Shugart, Health Canada, Ottawa, ON

John Berkman, Catholic University of America

Joseph Boyle, University of Toronto

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North American Religions Section

**Saturday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm**

Charles H. Lippy, University of Tennessee, Chattanooga, Presiding

Theme: *American Christianity and Social Welfare*

Priscilla Eppinger, Graceland University  
*A Theological Basis of Nineteenth-Century Social Reform*

Christopher Glen White, Harvard University  
*"Faith as a Moral Act": Nineteenth-Century Liberals on Religious Experience and Social Action*

Matthew Hedstrom, University of Texas, Austin  
*Rufus Jones, Quaker Mysticism, and the Transformation of American Religion*

Responding:  
Elizabeth McKeown, Georgetown University

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Religion and the Social Sciences Section  
**Saturday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm**

Susan E. Henking, Hobart and William Smith Colleges, Presiding  
Theme: *Critical Psychology and Its Critics*

Panelists:  
Naomi R. Goldenberg, University of Ottawa  
Diane Jonte-Pace, Santa Clara University  
James W. Jones, Rutgers University  
H. John McDargh, Boston College

Responding:  
Jeremy R. Carrette, University of Stirling

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Women and Religion Section  
**Saturday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm**

Mary C. Churchill, University of Colorado, Boulder, Presiding  
Theme: *Delores Williams: The Womanist Who Went before Us in the Wilderness*

Panelists:  
Hyun-Kyung Chung, Union Theological Seminary, New York  
Michelle Gonzalez, Loyola Marymount University  
Dwight N. Hopkins, University of Chicago



Andrea Smith, University of California, Santa Cruz  
Judith Plaskow, Manhattan College  
Emilie Townes, Union Theological Seminary

Responding:

Delores S. Williams, Union Theological Seminary, New York

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Afro-American Religious History Group  
**Saturday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm**

Debra Mubashshir, Beloit College, Presiding  
Theme: *The Politics of Identity in Black Protestantism*

Julius Bailey, University of Redlands  
*Benjamin T. Tanner and the Creation of the AME Church Newspaper the Child's Recorder, 1868-1884*

Shalanda Denise Dexter, Princeton University  
*Black Pentecostalism and Urban Identity*

Anthea Butler, Princeton University  
*Making the Unrespectable Respectable: Black Pentecostal Women and Identity*

Responding:

Marcus Bruce, Bates College

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Bonhoeffer: Theology and Social Analysis Group and Christian Systematic Theology  
Group  
**Saturday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm**

Barry A. Harvey, Baylor University, Presiding  
Theme: *Sin, Suffering, and Finitude: In Conversation with Dietrich Bonhoeffer*

Hilda Koster, University of Chicago  
*Suffering with Creation: Bonhoeffer's Promise for an Ecological Soteriology*

Christina-Maria Franke, Humboldt University, Berlin  
*Shame: The Basic Reality of Sin*

Elaine Robinson, Texas Christian University  
*Suffering in the Wilderness: Dietrich Bonhoeffer's Stellvertreter Meets Delores Williams' Sister Hagar*

Kirsten Busch Nielsen, University of Copenhagen  
*Religion between Imago Dei and Sin in the Theology of Dietrich Bonhoeffer*

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Comparative Studies in Hinduisms and Judaisms Group  
**Saturday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm**

Barbara A. Holdrege, University of California, Santa Barbara, Presiding  
Theme: *Re-imagining the Nation-State: Religious Nationalisms in India and Israel*

Panelists:  
Richard D. Hecht, University of California, Santa Barbara  
Roger Friedland, University of California, Santa Barbara  
Ainslee T. Embree, Columbia University  
Stanley J. Tambiah, Harvard University  
Paul Morris, Victoria University, Wellington

Responding:  
Mark Juergensmeyer, University of California, Santa Barbara

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Feminist Theory and Religious Reflection Group  
**Saturday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm**

Flora A. Keshgegian, Episcopal Theological Seminary of the Southwest, Presiding  
Theme: *Author/izing Lives: Uses of Memoir and Autobiography in and for Religious Knowledge*

Amy Carr, Western Illinois University  
*The Ends of Memoir and Testimony*

Marian Ronan, American Baptist Seminary of the West  
*Dangerous Memories: Autobiographical Strategy in the Religious Writings of James Carroll*

Shannon Craigo-Snell, Yale University  
*Writing the Female Body: Quaker Autobiography as Theological Disruption*

Amy M. Hollywood, Dartmouth College  
*Medieval Christian Women's Writing and the Problem of Autobiography*

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 **A28**

Gay Men's Issues in Religion Group  
**Saturday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm**

Jay E. Johnson, Richmond, CA, Presiding  
Theme: *A Global Queer(y)ing of Religion*

Christopher Lamb, Cambridge, United Kingdom  
*Seeing How Things Really Are When in the Mythic Matrix Queerness Is All Around!*

Jeffrey Mann, Muskingum College  
*Life as a Gay Filipino: Perception, Identity, and Ethics*

Horace Leedolphus Griffin, Seabury-Western Theological Seminary  
*Out of Africa: African Myth, Ritual, Homoeroticism, and Homosexual Expression*

Ken Hamilton, The Union Institute and University  
*The Flames of Namugongo: Postcoloniality Meets Queer on African Soil?*

Responding:  
James E. Miller, Madison, WI

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 **A29**

Kierkegaard, Religion, and Culture Group  
**Saturday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm**

David J. Gouwens, Brite Divinity School, Presiding  
Theme: *Sources of the Self: Charles Taylor and Søren Kierkegaard*

Panelists:  
Edward F. Mooney, Sonoma State University  
Stephen Crites, Wesleyan University

Marilyn Piety, Drexel University  
Abraham H. Khan, University of Toronto

Responding:  
Stephen N. Dunning, University of Pennsylvania

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Mysticism Group  
**Saturday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm**

Neil Douglas-Klotz, Edinburgh Institute for Advanced Learning, Presiding  
Theme: *How Do Mystics Understand Self-Annihilation versus Self-Actualization?*

Sarah K. Pinnock, Trinity University  
*Bodily Mysticism of the Annihilated Self*

Stuart R. Sarbacker, Loyola University, Chicago  
*The Numinous and Cessative as Dimensions of Indian Mysticism*

John R. Haule, C. G. Jung Institute, Boston  
*Self-Annihilation and Ecstasy: The Engine of Franciscan Sadhana*

Margaret E. Taylor-Ulizio, Marquette University  
*The Christological Basis for Self-Actualization and Self-Annihilation in the Works of Catherine of Siena and Teresa of Avila*

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Native Traditions in the Americas Group  
**Saturday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm**

Justine Smith, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary, Presiding  
Theme: *Indigenous Religious Identity in the Americas and the Politics of Blood Quantum*

Panelists:  
Eva Garroutte, Boston College  
Angela Gonzales, Cornell University  
Kehaulani Kauanui, Wesleyan University  
Audra Simpson, McGill University

Responding:  
John Mohawk, State University of New York, Buffalo

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 **A32**

New Religious Movements Group  
**Saturday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm**

Mike Ashcraft, Truman State University, Presiding  
Theme: *New Religious Movements in Canada and East Asia*

James A. Beverley, Tyndale Seminary  
*God's Dominion and New Religious Movements*

Sushil Jain, Institute of Asian Cultures, Windsor, ON  
*Globalization, Immigration and Religious Accommodation: The Sikhs in Canada*

Alison R. Marshall, Brandon University  
*Cooperation and Lingji Performance on Taiwan*

James Richardson, University of Nevada, Reno  
*"Deprogramming" around the World: Still a Problem?*

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 **A33**

Platonism and Neoplatonism Group  
**Saturday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm**

Jay Bregman, University of Maine, Orono, Presiding  
Theme: *Neoplatonism and the Body*

Mark McPheran, University of Maine, Farmington  
*Socrates' Last Words*

Twyla Gibson, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor  
*Sight and Insight: The Body as an Instrument of the Soul in Plato and Plotinus*

Wendy Wiseman, University of California, Santa Barbara  
*The "Perverted Imp": Plotinus and the Metaphysics of Shame*

Torrance Kirby, McGill University

*"Glorified Body": Resurrection and the Secular Political Order in the Thought of Richard Hooker*

Alison Teply, University of Cambridge

*Cambridge, Platonism, and the Body*

Business Meeting:

Jay Bregman, University of Maine, Orono, and Thomas A. Carlson, University of California, Santa Barbara, Presiding



**A34**

Religion and Ecology Group and Religion and Science Group

**Saturday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm**

Sarah McFarland Taylor, Northwestern University, Presiding

*Theme: From Ecosystems to Outer Space: Exploring the Connections among Religion, Science, and Ecology*

James Proctor, University of California, Santa Barbara

*American Environmentalism: Science or Religion?*

Susan Power Bratton, Baylor University

*The Precautionary Principle and the Biblical Wisdom Literature: Toward an Ethic of Ecological Prudence in Ocean Management*

Beth Blissman, Oberlin College

*From Theory to Pedagogy: Engaging Science, Religion, and Ecosocial Location*

Lee W. Bailey, Ithaca College

*Spaceship Epiphanies and Cosmologies*

Responding:

Lisle Dalton, Hartwick College

Business Meeting:

Sarah McFarland Taylor, Northwestern University, Presiding



**A35**

Religion in Latin America and the Caribbean Group  
Saturday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm

Presider, TBA

Theme: *Decolonizing Spiritualities*

Nelson Maldonado-Torres, Duke University

*Spiritualities of Liberation in the Americas: Gregory Baum, Frantz Fanon, and Guillermo Gómez-Peña*

David Tombs, Trinity College, Dublin

*The Principle of Mercy: Jon Sobrino and the Spirituality of Decolonization*

Shelley C. Wiley, Concordia College, Moorhead

*The Spirits Are Dancing within Us*

Mark Lewis Taylor, Princeton University

*Decolonizing Spiritualities: Discourse and Symbols*

Responding:

Christopher D. Tirres, Harvard University



Religion, Film, and Visual Culture Group  
Saturday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm

William L. Blizek, University of Nebraska, Omaha, Presiding

Theme: *Reading Film as Text: Methodology and the Study of Religion and Film*

Randal Cummings, California State University, Northridge

*Pedagogical Uses of Feature Films for Religion Courses*

Melanie Jane Wright, University of Cambridge

*Passionate about Joan: New Approaches in Religion and Film*

Stephen Jenkins, Humboldt State University

*Popcorn for Prasadam: Contemporary Cinema as a Ritual Space for Penetrating Maya*

Ken Derry, University of Toronto

*Paul Ricoeur's Mythology of Evil as Religion and Film Hermeneutic*

John Schultes, Iowa State University

*Perceptions and Realities: Hollywood Films Tackle Religion*

Business Meeting:

Tony S. L. Michael, University of Toronto, and Rubina Ramji, University of Ottawa, Presiding

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Tibetan and Himalayan Religions Group

**Saturday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm**

Janet Gyatso, Harvard University, Presiding

Theme: *Religious Life in the Time of the Fifth Dalai Lama*

Kurtis R. Schaeffer, Harvard University

*Controlling Time and Space in Lhasa: The New Year and City Pilgrimage Routes under the Fifth Dalai Lama*

Bryan Cuevas, Florida State University

*Religious Life in a Seventeenth-Century Tibetan Monastery*

Jacob Dalton, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor

*Rnying-ma Politics in the Seventeenth-Century*

Trent Pomplun, Loyola College, Maryland

*Tibetan Prophetic Literature in the Notizie Istoriche of Ippolito Desideri, S. J.*

Responding:

Matthew Kapstein, Columbia University

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Modern Historical Consciousness and the Christian Churches Seminar

**Saturday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm**

Sheila E. McGinn, John Carroll University, Presiding

Theme: *Modern Historical Consciousness and the Christian Churches*

Charles J. T. Talar, University of St. Thomas

*Defining Historical Consciousness*

Marcus J. Borg, Oregon State University

*Historical Consciousness and the Jesus Seminar*



Responding:  
Karen L. King, Harvard University

Bill J. Leonard, Wake Forest University  
*Historical Consciousness and Baptists in the South: Owning and Disowning a Tradition*

Responding:  
Molly T. Marshall, Central Baptist Theological Seminary

Business Meeting:  
Harvey Hill, Berry College, Presiding

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History, Method, and Theory in the Study of Religion Consultation  
**Saturday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm**

Michel Gardaz, University of Ottawa, Presiding  
Theme: *Expositions and Journals in the Nineteenth Century*

Bradley L. Herling, Boston University  
*The "Indian Sphinx": Conceiving South Asian Religion in A. W. von Schlegel's Indische Bibliothek*

Arie L. Molendijk, University of Groningen  
*Religion at the 1883 Colonial and Export Trade Exhibition in Amsterdam*

John Harding, University of Pennsylvania  
*Exhibiting Buddhism: Religion, Nationalism, and Japanese Agency at the 1893 World's Parliament of Religions*

Responding:  
John Burris, Rollins College

Business Meeting:  
Gregory D. Alles, McDaniel College, Presiding

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Religion and Human Rights Consultation  
**Saturday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm**

Arvind Sharma, McGill University, Presiding  
Theme: *Religion, Violence, and Human Rights*

Paul Allen Williams, University of Nebraska, Omaha  
*Human Rights Atrocities and the Ambiguities of the "Missionary Position": The Case of the Disciples of Christ Congo Mission (DCCM) in the Congo Free State, 1897-1908*

Robert Erlewine, Rice University  
*Never without Shame: Intersubjectivity, the Holocaust, and Ethical Responsibility*

Melissa Fennewald, Florida State University  
*Anatomy of Religious Terrorism in the United States*

Thomas A. Idinopulos, Miami University  
*Radical Islam, Human Rights, and Terrorism*

Anna Doswell, University of Derby  
*Blasphemy, Religious Hatred, and Free Speech: Exploring a Dilemma for Contemporary Human Rights Discourse*

Responding:

Simeon O. Ilesanmi, Wake Forest University, and Sumner B. Twiss, Brown University

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Special Topics Forum  
**Saturday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm**

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

Daisy L. Machado, Texas Christian University, Presiding  
Theme: *The Public Role of Racial and Ethnic Scholars*

Panelists:

Ada María Isasi-Díaz, Drew University

Chris Jocks, Dartmouth College

Sheema Khan, Council on American-Islamic Relations, Ottawa, ON

Cheryl A. Kirk-Duggan, Graduate Theological Union

Jung Ha Kim, Georgia State University

Responding:

Michael Eric Dyson, University of Pennsylvania

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**A42**

Academic Teaching and the Study of Religion Section  
**Saturday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm**

Christopher Johnson, Gustavus Adolphus College, Presiding  
Theme: *Making Justice: Pedagogies of Transformation*

Melissa M. Wilcox, University of California, Santa Barbara  
*Teaching toward Justice: Dilemmas of Pedagogical Activism*

Laura Hobgood-Oster, Southwestern University  
*An Interdisciplinary Investigation of Environmental Justice in the Borderlands*

Beth Blissman, Oberlin College  
*Academically-Based Community Service: A Liberation Feminist Pedagogy for Non-Violence and Justice-Making*

Fran Grace, University of Redlands  
*Teaching Religion and Hate: The Crucible for a "Pedagogy of Emergence/y"*

Glenn Whitehouse, Florida Gulf Coast University  
*A Mockery of Justice: Using Role-Playing to Teach Intercultural Ethics*

**A43**

Arts, Literature, and Religion Section  
**Saturday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm**

Clark M. Brittain, Greenville Technical College, Presiding  
Theme: *Hermeneutics*

Margo Kitts, Merrimack College  
*Sanctified Violence in Ritual and in War: Homeric Oath-Sacrifice and Ritual Performance as Metaphorical Transformation*

David L. Simmons, University of Chicago  
*The Faustian Hermeneutic: Biblical Interpretation and Goethe's Poetics of Allegory*

Neil Douglas-Klotz, Edinburgh Institute for Advanced Learning  
*Re-hearing Qu'ran in Open Translation: Ta'wil, Postmodern Inquiry, and Poetic Hermeneutics*

Andrew Hass, University of Houston  
*"Literature and Theology" and the Re-sourcing of Kant*

Gitte Butin, University of Virginia  
*Harrowing Hermeneutics: Caputo's Radical Hermeneutics "In the Penal Colony"*

Thomas B. Ellis, University of Pennsylvania  
*On the Death of the Pilgrim: The Postcolonial Hermeneutics of J. L. Mehta*

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**A44**

**Buddhism Section and Japanese Religions Group**  
**Saturday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm**

Jacqueline I. Stone, Princeton University, Presiding  
Theme: *Colonialism, Transnational Exchange, and Buddhism in China, Korea, and Japan*

Micah L. Auerback, Princeton University  
*Rethinking "Pro-Japanese" Korean Buddhism*

Akeshi Kiba, Otani University  
*Modern Japanese Buddhist Proselytization in East Asia: Societal Reform and the Doctrine of Memorializing Enemies and Compatriots with Equal Compassion*

Pori Park, University of Colorado, Boulder  
*The Intersection of Politics and Religion: The Japanese Buddhist Presence in Korea*

Fumihiko Sueki, University of Tokyo  
*Modern Chinese Buddhist Perspectives on Japanese Buddhism*

Responding:  
Nam-lin Hur, University of British Columbia

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**A45**

**Comparative Studies in Religion Section**  
**Saturday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm**

Karen L. King, Harvard University, Presiding  
Theme: *Reading, Remembering, and Reciting: Textual Practice as Spiritual Practice*

David Carpenter, St. Joseph's University  
*(Trans)formation through the Veda: The Case of the Indian Svādhyāya*

Shawn Madison Kraemer, St. Joseph's University  
*Lectio Divina and the Perfection of the Soul: The Physiological Process of Memoria and the Transformation of the Individual in Medieval Western Christian Monasticism*

Michael D. Swartz, Ohio State University  
*Semiotics, Kinetics, and Mnemonic Strategies in Rabbinic Judaism*

Dale S. Wright, Occidental College  
*Empty Texts/Sacred Meaning: Reading as Spiritual Practice in Chinese Buddhism*

Responding:  
Janet Gyatso, Harvard University



History of Christianity Section  
**Saturday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm**

Selva Raj, Albion College, Presiding  
Theme: *Translations and Conversions*

Rachel Fulton, University of Chicago  
*God's "Uuord" and the Conversion of Saxony*

Deeana Klepper, Boston University  
*Medieval Franciscan Hebraists: Constructing a Historical Jesus*

Kerry Fast, University of Toronto  
*"To Be Brought Up in a Christian Home": The WMS Work among Chinese and Aboriginal Girls in British Columbia*

Paul V. Kollman, University of Notre Dame  
*Converting Slaves: The Place of Work in Catholic and Quaker Evangelization in Nineteenth-Century East Africa*

Eliza Kent, Chicago, IL  
*The Devil in the Topknot: Conflicting Definitions of Conversion in Colonial South India*

Mathew N. Schmalz, College of the Holy Cross  
*Dalit Christian Conversion, Resistance, and Salvation in Northern India*

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**A47**

North American Religions Section  
**Saturday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm**

Timothy Van Meter, Bethany Seminary, Presiding  
Theme: *Ritual, Representation, and Media in Public Commemoration*

Carolyn Marvin, University of Pennsylvania  
*Being There: The Role of Presence in Ritual Reconstructions of September 11*

Stewart M. Hoover and Anna Maria Russo, University of Colorado, Boulder  
*Rituals of Crisis and Commemoration in the Mediated Experience: The Cultural Wake of 9-11/11-9*

Edward Tabor Linenthal, University of Wisconsin, Oshkosh  
*The Construction of an Imagined Bereaved Community: Oklahoma City and the Media*

Sarah Pike, California State University, Chico  
*No Novenas for the Dead: Public Rites of Mourning and the Burning Man Festival*

Responding:  
Diane Winston, Pew Charitable Trusts

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**A48**

Religion in South Asia Section  
**Saturday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm**

Frederick M. Smith, University of Iowa, Presiding  
Theme: *Is Vedanta Really the "End" of the Veda?: The Continuation of Vedic Worlds in Vedantic Thought*

Sucharita Adluri, University of Pennsylvania  
*Scriptural Authority in Ramanuja's Sri-Bhasya*

Signe Cohen, University of Pennsylvania  
*"Like Oil in Sesame Seeds": Upanishadic Views of the Vedanta within the Veda*

Laurie Louise Patton, Emory University  
*The Veda in American Vedanta*

Valerie Stoker, University of Pennsylvania  
*Madhva and the Veda: Defining Sarvavidya*

Responding:  
Francis X. Clooney, Boston College

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Study of Islam Section  
**Saturday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm**

Zayn Kassam, Pomona College, Presiding  
Theme: *Intimate Acts and Public Consequences: Sex, Gender, and Power in Islamic Societies before the Modern Era*

Scott A. Kugle, Swarthmore College  
*Shah Hussayn's Sexual-Spiritual Play: Homoerotic Acts and Public Morality in the Mughal Era*

Kecia Ali, Duke University  
*Prohibited Acts and Forbidden Partners: The Consequences of Unlawful Sexual Activity in Ninth-Century Sunni Legal Texts*

Kathryn M. Kueny, Lawrence University  
*Excising the Other: Islamic Visions of Male Circumcision*

Khaleel Mohammed, Brandeis University  
*"Your Wives Are a Tilth for You..." Interpretations of Qur'an 2:223*

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Women and Religion Section  
**Saturday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm**

Victoria Rue, St. Lawrence University, Presiding  
Theme: *Prayers at a Different Altar*

Panelists:  
Miri Hunter Haruach, New College of California  
Arisika Razak, California Institute of Integral Studies  
Michelle D. Herrera, California Institute of Integral Studies

Responding:

Carol P. Christ, Ariadne Institute for the Study of Myth and Ritual, Athens, Greece

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Chinese Religions Group  
**Saturday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm**

Lee H. Yearley, Stanford University, Presiding

Theme: *Conceptual Metaphor and the Study of Chinese Religion*

Panelists:

John Berthrong, Boston University

Edward Slingerland, University of Southern California

Griet Vankeerberghen, California State Polytechnic University

Responding:

Mark Allen Berkson, Hamline University

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Church-State Studies Group  
**Saturday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm**

Barbara A. McGraw, Saint Mary's College of California, Presiding

Theme: *Issues in Religious Liberty (United States)*

Ronald B. Flowers, Texas Christian University

*To Defend the Constitution*

Stephen R. Haynes, Rhodes College

*Public School Bible Courses in Tennessee: A Case Study*

William R. Barnett, Le Moyne College and Jane E. Hicks, Augustana College

*Grading the Court on Zelman: School Voucher Programs and the Politics of Establishment Jurisprudence*

Eric Michael Mazur, Bucknell University

*Examining the Canon in Church-State Studies*



Business Meeting:  
Eric Michael Mazur, Bucknell University, Presiding

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Critical Theory and Discourses on Religion Group  
**Saturday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm**

Frank J. Korom, Boston University, Presiding  
Theme: *Violence as Constitutive of Religion*

Jacob Kinnard, College of William and Mary  
*Communitas and Conflict: Rethinking and Reapplying Turner's Analysis of the Pilgrimage Process*

William A. Barbieri, Catholic University of America  
*Discourses of Militancy in Islam: A Heterological View*

Robert A. Segal, Lancaster University  
*The Frazerian Roots of the Theories of Girard and Burkert on Religion and Violence*

Jay Geller and Richard Hecht, Vanderbilt University  
*The Hermeneutics of Violence and the Violence of Hermeneutics: From Walter Benjamin to Jacques Derrida to Sam D. Gill, with Sidetracks to Michael Taussig and Michael Bernstein*

Responding:  
Gustavo Benavides, Villanova University

Business Meeting:  
Gustavo Benavides, Villanova University, and Steven Engler, Mount Royal College, Presiding

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Europe and the Mediterranean in Late Antiquity Group  
**Saturday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm**

Kate Cooper, University of Manchester, Presiding  
Theme: *Sexuality in the Late Antique Mediterranean, Part One*

Panelists:  
Cynthia M. Baker, Santa Clara University

Virginia Burrus, Drew University  
Lynn R. LiDonnici, Vassar College  
Terry Wilfong, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor

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Evangelical Theology Group  
**Saturday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm**

John Sanders, Huntington College, Presiding  
Theme: *Nonviolent Theologies of the Atonement*

Thomas Finger, Elizabethtown College  
*Christus Victor as Nonviolent Atonement*

Hans Boersma, Trinity Western University  
*Penal Substitution and the Possibility of Unconditional Hospitality*

T. Scott Daniels and Marty Michelson, Southern Nazarene University  
*Passing the Peace: Worship and Evangelism from a Non-Substitutionary Atonement Perspective*

J. Denny Weaver, Bluffton College  
*Nonviolent Analysis of Anselmian Atonement Violence*

Responding:  
Katherine Sonderegger, Virginia Theological Seminary

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Gay Men's Issues in Religion Group and Lesbian-Feminist Issues and Religion Group  
**Saturday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm**

Elizabeth A. Say, California State University, Northridge, Presiding  
Theme: *Sexual Freedom, Religious Freedom, and the Limits of Tolerance: Responses to Love the Sin* by Janet R. Jakobsen and Ann Pellegrini

Panelists:  
Gayle R. Baldwin, University of North Dakota  
Marcella Althaus-Reid, University of Edinburgh  
Rebecca T. Alpert, Temple University  
Kathleen Roberts Skerrett, Grinnell College

Responding:

Ann Pellegrini, University of California, Irvine, and Janet R. Jakobsen, Barnard College

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Latina/o Religion, Culture, and Society Group

**Saturday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm**

Michelle Anne Gonzalez, Loyola Marymount University, Presiding

Theme: *Race and Liberation: Commentaries on Andrés G. Guerrero's A Chicano Theology*

Hector Avalos, Iowa State University

*Is a Chicano Theology Feasible?: A Critique of Andrés G. Guerrero's A Chicano Theology*

Christopher D. Tirres, Harvard University

*"Liberation" in the Latina/o Context: Reassessing Guerrero's A Chicano Theology*

Robert D. Maldonado, California State University, Fresno

*Malinchista Hermeneutics: Resistance and Appropriation in the Chicano Bible*

Responding:

Andrés G. Guerrero, Aims Community College

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Person, Culture, and Religion Group

**Saturday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm**

Kelley A. Raab, St. Lawrence University, Presiding

Theme: *Critical Dialogue between Religion and Evolutionary Psychology*

William S. Waldron, Middlebury College

*Buddhism and the Sciences of Mind: A Critical Dialogue*

Nathaniel Barrett, Boston University

*Existential Semiotic and the Cultural Critique of Evolutionary Psychology*

Kelly Bulkeley, Graduate Theological Union

*The Evolution of Wonder: Religious and Neuroscientific Perspectives*

Responding:  
Jeffrey Schloss, Westmont College

Business Meeting:  
Franz Aubrey Metcalf, The Forge Institute, and Kelley A. Raab, St. Lawrence University,  
Presiding

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**A59**

Pragmatism and Empiricism in American Religious Thought Group  
**Saturday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm**

Frederick J. Ruf, Georgetown University, Presiding  
Theme: *Pragmatism and Feminism*

Deborah Whitehead, Harvard University  
*Feminism, Religion, and Democracy in the American Pragmatic Tradition*

Marit Trelstad, Pacific Lutheran University  
*Possession, Intuition, and James's "Leaky Consciousness"*

Elizabeth Pritchard, Bowdoin College  
*Surrender Your Gender: Religious Subjectivity in William James's The Varieties of Religious Experience*

Responding:  
Nancy K. Frankenberry, Dartmouth College

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**A60**

Roman Catholic Studies Group  
**Saturday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm**

Richard Curtis, Claremont Graduate University, Presiding  
Theme: *Reconsidering Catholic Social Thought*

John Berkman, Catholic University of America  
*Social Injustice, Eugenics, and the Dignity of the Poor: The Ryan-Sanger Debate over Fertility Control*

Melissa Stewart, Vanderbilt University

*Intra-Catholic Pluralism: Resources to Resist a Universalizing, Characterless Globalization*

Andrew Skotnicki, St. Patrick's Seminary

*Foundations Once Destroyed: The Catholic Church and Criminal Justice*

Dominic F. Doyle, Boston College

*Charles Taylor's A Catholic Modernity? and Nicholas Boyle's Who Are We Now? Christian Humanism from Hegel to Heaney: A Comparison of Two Catholic Humanist Critiques of Friedrich Nietzsche*

Responding:

Maura A. Ryan, University of Notre Dame

Business Meeting:

Nancy Dallavalle, Fairfield University, and Jeffrey Marlett, College of Saint Rose, Presiding



**A61**

Schleiermacher Group

**Saturday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm**

Timothy R. Clancy, Gonzaga University, Presiding

Theme: *Schleiermacher and Religious Pluralism*

Philip L. Quinn, University of Notre Dame

*Schleiermacher and the Challenge of Religious Diversity*

Jacqueline Marina, Purdue University

*Schleiermacher on the Out-Pourings of the Inner Fire: Experiential Expressivism and Religious Pluralism*

Thomas E. Reynolds, Vanderbilt University

*Dialectical Pluralism: Rethinking Schleiermacher and the Problem of the Religions*

Responding:

Jack C. Verheyden, Claremont School of Theology



**A62**

Constructions of Ancient Space Seminar  
**Saturday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm**

James W. Flanagan, Case Western Reserve University, Presiding  
Theme: *Expanding Critical Spatiality*

Jon L. Berquist, Chalice Press  
*Critical Spatiality and the Uses of Theory*

Claudia V. Camp, Texas Christian University  
*Storied Space, or Ben Sira "Tells" a Temple*

William E. Deal, Case Western Reserve University  
*Rhetorics of Religious Space: Some East Asian Perspectives*

Thomas B. Dozeman, United Theological Seminary  
*"Scriptural Maps" and the Journey from Kadesh through Transjordan*

David M. Gunn, Texas Christian University  
*Covering David: Michelangelo's David from the Piazza della Signoria to My Refrigerator Door*

Business Meeting:

James W. Flanagan, Case Western Reserve University, Presiding

Papers will not be read at the meeting but are posted on the seminar's website(<http://guildzone.org>) and should be read by all attending the session. Seminar members online discussions begin by September 1. Annual Meeting session focuses on method and theory issues raised in papers and discussion. Further information is available on the website or from Jon L. Berquist([jberquist@aol.com](mailto:jberquist@aol.com)) or James W. Flanagan([flanagan@po.cwru.edu](mailto:flanagan@po.cwru.edu)), co-chairs.



Anthropology of Religion Consultation  
**Saturday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm**

Pamela Klassen, University of Toronto, Presiding  
Theme: *Experiencing Experience: Fieldwork Dilemmas in the Study of Religion*

Julie S. Heath, Indiana University, Bloomington  
*A Place at the Table: Unity and Difference in Fieldwork on Religious Practice*

Aryana Bates, Drew University  
*White Lesbian, Black Church: The Ethnographer as Participant in a Pluralistic Community*

Cat McEarchern, University of Stirling  
*Going Native in Academia: Studying Neo-Paganism as Insider and Outsider*

Courtney Bender, Columbia University  
*The Elusive Subject: Finding and Interpreting the "Religious" in the Ethnography of Daily Life*

Responding:  
Ruth Marie Griffith, Princeton University

Business Meeting:  
Pamela Klassen, University of Toronto, and June McDaniel, College of Charleston, Presiding

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Augustine and Augustinianisms Consultation  
**Saturday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm**

Kevin L. Hughes, Villanova University, Presiding  
Theme: *Augustine Reading and Reading Augustine*

Michael Cameron, Archdiocese of Chicago  
*Augustine Reading Paul Reading Moses: Christ Accursed and How Signs Work*

Donald Jacob Uitvlugt, University of Notre Dame  
*The Creation of Tradition: Isidore of Seville as a Reader of Augustine*

Andrea J. Dickens, University of Virginia  
*Can Illumination Be Auditory? The Augustinian Legacy in William of St. Thierry and Bernard of Clairvaux*

Peter Thuesen, Tufts University  
*Augustine as Nemesis: The Beechers as Readers of the Bishop of Hippo*

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Cultural History of the Study of Religion Consultation  
**Saturday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm**

**New Program Unit**

Leigh E. Schmidt, Princeton University, Presiding  
Robert A. Orsi, Harvard University, Presiding  
Theme: *Toward a Cultural History of the Study of Religion*

Panelists:

David S. Chidester, University of Cape Town  
Joyce Burkhalter Flueckiger, Emory University  
Peter Harrison, Bond University  
Donald S. Lopez, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor

Business Meeting:

Robert A. Orsi, Harvard University, and Leigh E. Schmidt, Princeton University, Presiding

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Religion and Disability Studies Consultation  
**Saturday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm**

J. Eric Pridmore, Drew University, Presiding

Theme: *Living Bodies Interpreting Texts: Susan Wendell on The Rejected Body*

Sharon V. Betcher, Drew University

*De-Colonizing Disabled Bodies: "The Blind See, the Lame Walk, the Deaf Hear..."*

Molly Haslam, Vanderbilt University

*Experiencing the Sacred: Beyond the Limits of Language and the Cultural Linguistic Approach to Religion*

Susanne Rappmann, Karlstad University

*The Disabled Body of Christ as a Critical Metaphor*

Maria Truchan-Tataryn, University of Saskatchewan

*Transfigured Bodies: Wendell and Eastern Christian Iconography*

Responding:

Nancy L. Eiesland, Emory University

Kerry Wynn, Southeast Missouri State University

Tom Craig, International Communicology Institute

Business Meeting:

Maureen Connolly, Brock University, Presiding

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 **A67**

Introduction to the AAR  
**Saturday - 5:00 pm-6:15 pm**

Sponsored by the Student Liaison Group

Richard Amesbury, Claremont Graduate University, Presiding  
Theme: *Introduction to the AAR*

Panelists:

Susan E. Henking, Hobart & William Smith Colleges

Anita L. Bradshaw, Lutheran Seminary

Sarah Heaner Lancaster, Methodist Theological School in Ohio

Mark Lloyd Taylor, Seattle University

Kimberly Rae Connor, University of San Francisco

Carey J. Gifford, American Academy of Religion

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 **A68**

AAR Donors Reception  
**Saturday - 5:30 pm-6:45 pm**

Individuals whose generosity has allowed us to continue many of our special programs are invited to a reception hosted by the AAR Board of Directors to learn about some exciting new initiatives.

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 **A69**

Reception for Racial and Ethnic Minority Members  
**Saturday - 6:15 pm-7:00 pm**

The Committee on the Status of Racial and Ethnic Minorities in the Profession invites interested persons to a reception celebrating the contributions of racial and ethnic minority scholars in the Academy.

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 **A70**

Presidential Plenary Address  
**Saturday - 7:15 pm-8:30 pm**

Robert A. Orsi, Harvard University, Presiding  
Theme: *Embodied Cosmologies*

Vasudha Narayanan, University of Florida

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 **A71**

AAR Members Party  
**Saturday - 8:30 pm-11:00 pm**

Following the success of last year's party, AAR members are invited to join one another at the AAR Members Party for music and dancing. Don't forget your free drink ticket that will be mailed with your name badge!

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 **A72**

Arts Series/Films: [\*In the Light of Reverence\*](#)  
**Saturday - 8:30 pm-11:00 pm**

Sponsored by the Native Traditions in the Americas Group

Andrea Smith, University of California, Santa Cruz, Presiding

See the Annual Meeting Program Highlights page for a description.

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 **A73**

Arts Series/Films: [\*Jesus Christ Vampire Hunter\*](#)  
**Saturday - 8:30 pm-11:00 pm**

Sponsored by Religion, Film, and Visual Culture Group

Lee Demarbre, Ottawa, Ontario, Presiding

See the Annual Meeting Program Highlights page for a description.

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Women's Caucus Reception  
**Saturday - 9:00 pm-11:00 pm**

Sponsored by the Women's Caucus

Interested persons are invited to a reception honoring women's contributions in the Academy

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Student Member Reception  
**Saturday - 10:00 pm-12:00 am**

AAR and SBL student members are invited to drop by for conversation with fellow students.  
Beer, wine, soda, and light snacks provided.

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*JAAR* Editorial Board  
**Sunday - 7:00 am-7:30 am**

Glenn E. Yocum, Whittier College, Presiding

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AAR Annual Business Meeting and Continental Breakfast  
**Sunday - 7:30 am-8:45 am**



Special Topics Forum

**Sunday - 9:00 am-11:30 am**

Sponsored by the Academic Relations Task Force and the Caucus of Scholars at Religiously Affiliated Institutions

Stephen R. Haynes, Rhodes College, Presiding

Theme: *Academy, University, and Faith Community: Teaching Religion at Religiously Affiliated Institutions*

Panelists:

William J. Cahoy, St. Johns University

Mary Todd, Concordia University

Bill J. Leonard, Wake Forest University

Annette Moran, Carroll College

Ted Grimsrud, Eastern Mennonite University

Keith J. Wilson, Brigham Young University

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Interested persons are invited to attend a luncheon immediately following. See AM137 for more information.

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Special Topics Forum

**Sunday - 9:00 am-11:30 am**

Sponsored by the Public Understanding of Religion Committee

Dena S. Davis, Cleveland-Marshall College of Law, Presiding

Theme: *Religion and Public Policy: Embryos, Stem Cells, and Clones*

Panelists:

James F. Childress, University of Virginia

Ronald M. Green, Dartmouth College

Moira McQueen, University of Toronto  
Laurie Zoloth, San Francisco State University

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Academic Teaching and the Study of Religion Section  
**Sunday - 9:00 am-11:30 am**

Sid Brown, University of the South, Presiding  
Theme: *Preparing Scholar-Teachers: Reflections on Professional Development and Practice*

Theodore Brelsford, Lynn Huber, and Gary M. Laderman, Emory University  
*Preparing Scholar-Teachers in Emory University's Graduate Division of Religion*

Michael Barnes, University of Dayton  
*Student Responses to a Teacher's Religious Goals*

Sandra L. Gravett, Appalachian State University  
*"You Want Me To Teach What?": A Survival Guide for Teaching outside of Your Academic Training*

Kristin Scheible, Harvard University  
*Cultivating Mutual Respect for Effective Teaching and Learning in the Study of Religion*

Business Meeting:  
Christine M. Bochen, Nazareth College of Rochester, and Barbara A. B. Patterson, Emory University, Presiding

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Arts, Literature, and Religion Section  
**Sunday - 9:00 am-11:30 am**

Darlene Fozard Weaver, Villanova University, Presiding  
Theme: *Artistic Responses to Loss*

Maria Tattu Bowen, University of Portland  
*Apokatastasis Pantou Redux: Loss and Restoration in the Poetry of Czeslaw Milosz*

J. Heath Atchley, Alfred University  
*The Language of Loss, the Loss of Language: DeLillo on Religion, Terror, and Mourning*

Peter J. Thuesen, Tufts University  
*Twice Lost: The Deaths of the Unconverted in Harriet Beecher Stowe and Robert Lowell*

Jacqueline A. Bussie, University of Virginia  
*Laughter and the Holocaust: Risibility as Resistance in Elie Wiesel's Gates of the Forest*

Oren Stier, Florida International University  
*"Til the Mourning Comes": Working through Loss in Holocaust Documentary Films*

Business Meeting:  
Jennifer L. Geddes, University of Virginia, and S. Brent Plate, Texas Christian University

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Buddhism Section  
**Sunday - 9:00 am-11:30 am**

James C. Dobbins, Oberlin College, Presiding  
Theme: *Transnational Exchange and Buddhist Modernism in Asia*

Anne M. Blackburn, Cornell University  
*A Cosmopolitan in Colombo: Hikkaduve Sri Sumangala's Nineteenth-Century Transnational Buddhism*

Anne R. Hansen, University of Wisconsin, Milwaukee  
*Monk Travels and the Politics of Textual Production in Colonial Cambodia*

Kosei Ishii, Komazawa Junior College  
*Thoughts and Genealogy of Ultranationalists Strongly Influenced by Buddhist Philosophy: The Exchange of Japanese Nationalists and Ceylonese Buddhists*

Richard Jaffe, Duke University  
*Paper, Ink, Bone, and Stone: Mapping Buddhism in an Age of Empire*

Responding:  
Richard King, University of Derby

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Comparative Studies in Religion Section, Religion in South Asia Section, and Ritual Studies

**Sunday - 9:00 am-11:30 am**

Daniel R. Gold, Cornell University, Presiding

Theme: *Ritual Levity, Ritual Play in South Asian Christian, Muslim, Buddhist, and Hindu Traditions*

Panelists:

Corinne Dempsey, University of Wisconsin, Stevens Point

William P. Harman, University of Tennessee, Chattanooga

Rachel Fell McDermott, Barnard College

Tracy Pintchman, Loyola University, Chicago

Selva Raj, Albion College

Whitney Sanford, Iowa State University

Elizabeth L. Wilson, Miami University

Responding:

Jonathan Z. Smith, University of Chicago



Ethics Section

**Sunday - 9:00 am-11:30 am**

David Craig, Indiana University, Purdue University, Presiding

Theme: *Justice and Civil Liberties in the Wake of September 11*

Molly Hadley Jensen, Vanderbilt University

*Ethics of the Borderlands: Blurring the Boundaries of National Identity to Include a Recognition of Others*

David True, Union Theological Seminary and Presbyterian School of Christian Education

*Democracy and the Good: Martin Luther King, Jr. on the Pursuit of the Good in the Political Realm*

Richard B. Miller, Indiana University, Bloomington

*Islam and Social Criticism in the Aftermath of September 11*

Purushottama Bilimoria, Deakin University, Melbourne

*The Right to Flee and to Seek Refuge: Mispredications in the Oceanic Contexts*

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History of Christianity Section  
**Sunday - 9:00 am-11:30 am**

Amy DeRogatis, Michigan State University, Presiding  
Theme: *Christian Images of Islam and Muslim Images of Christianity*

Stephen J. Shoemaker, University of Oregon  
*Christmas in the Qur'an: New Evidence Regarding the Christian Sources of the Qur'anic Nativity Traditions*

Jason R. Zaborowski, Catholic University of America  
*The Coptic Neo-Martyr John of Phanijoit: The Re-conversion of an Apostate Christian "Deceived by Lust of a Saracen Woman" (c.1210)*

David Freidenreich, Columbia University  
*Neither Fish Nor Fowl: The Conception of Islam in Classical Canon Law Sources on Commensality*

Antonia Atanassova, Boston College  
*Truth and Selectiveness: Muslim-Christian Dialogue in the Balkans*

Responding:  
William A. Graham, Harvard University



North American Religions Section  
**Sunday - 9:00 am-11:30 am**

Philip L. Barlow, Hanover College, Presiding  
Theme: *Author Meets Critics: Sarah Barringer Gordon's The Mormon Question: Polygamy and Constitutional Conflict in Nineteenth-Century America*

Panelists:  
Kathleen Flake, Vanderbilt University  
Richard Ostling, Associated Press  
Stephen J. Stein, Indiana University, Bloomington  
John F. Wilson, Princeton University

Responding:  
Sarah Gordon, University of Pennsylvania



Business Meeting:

Judith Weisenfeld, Vassar College, and Peter W. Williams, Miami University, Presiding

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Philosophy of Religion Section

**Sunday - 9:00 am-11:30 am**

William J. Wainwright, University of Wisconsin, Milwaukee, Presiding

Theme: *War and the Religious Traditions*

Panelists:

James T. Johnson, Rutgers University

Sallie B. King, James Madison University

Henry Rosemont, St. Mary's College, Maryland

Business Meeting:

Thomas P. Kasulis, Ohio State University, Presiding

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Religion and the Social Sciences Section

**Sunday - 9:00 am-11:30 am**

Elizabeth M. Bounds, Emory University, Presiding

Theme: *Doing Our First Works Over: White Theologians and Ethicists Talk about Race*

Panelists:

Karin Case, Union Theological Seminary, New York

Robin Hawley Gorsline, Brooklyn, NY

Jennifer Harvey, Union Theological Seminary, New York

Sally MacNichol, Union Theological Seminary, New York

Aana Vigen, Union Theological Seminary, New York

Responding:

Dwight N. Hopkins, University of Chicago

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Study of Judaism Section and Theology and Religious Reflection Section  
**Sunday - 9:00 am-11:30 am**

Leora Batnitzky, Princeton University, Presiding

Theme: *Judaism in and Jewish Responses to John Milbank's Radical Orthodoxy*

Panelists:

Steven Kepnes, Colgate University

Randi Rashkover, York College of Pennsylvania

Peter Ochs, University of Virginia

Responding:

John Milbank, University of Virginia

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Women and Religion Section  
**Sunday - 9:00 am-11:30 am**

Naomi R. Goldenberg, University of Ottawa, Presiding

Theme: *God-She and Goddess: Does Gender Make a Difference?*

Carol P. Christ, Ariadne Institute for the Study of Myth and Ritual, Athens, Greece  
*Goddess, God-She, and Process Philosophy*

Hyun-Kyung Chung, Union Theological Seminary, New York  
*Goddess in Korea*

Ruth Mantin, University College Chichester

*Telling the Difference: Theology, Identity and Socio/Political Transformation*

Melissa Raphael, University of Gloucestershire

*From Jerusalem to Auschwitz and Back: The Shekhinah among Women during the Holocaust*

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Afro-American Religious History Group and Black Theology Group  
**Sunday - 9:00 am-11:30 am**

David Daniels, McCormick Theological Seminary, Presiding  
Theme: *Migration and Interreligious Faith Communities of African Descent in Canada: Historical and Contemporary Voices*

Panelists:

Carol B. Duncan, Wilfrid Laurier University  
Michael Wilkinson, Nazarene University College  
C. Denise Gillard, Toronto, ON

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Bonhoeffer: Theology and Social Analysis Group  
**Sunday - 9:00 am-11:30 am**

Lisa Dahill, Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching, Presiding  
Theme: *Bonhoeffer, Community, and Politics*

Nancy Berlinger, The Hastings Center, Garrison, NY  
*Bonhoeffer on Truth Telling: Relevance for Reconciliation after Harm*

Jacqui Stewart, University of Leeds  
*Bonhoeffer, Bauman, and Theology of Community*

Ralf Wuestenberg, University of Heidelberg  
*Reconstructing the Doctrine of Reconciliation within Politics*

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Indigenous Religious Traditions Group  
**Sunday - 9:00 am-11:30 am**

Dennis Kelley, University of California, Santa Barbara, Presiding  
Theme: *Religion and Political Reality: Native Americans Today*

Richard Grounds, University of Tulsa  
*yUdjEhanAno^ so^KAnAno^ ("We Yuchi People, We Are Still Here")*

Philip P. Arnold, Syracuse University  
*Eating Locust at Onondaga: Indigenous Responses to United States Terrorism*

Ines M. Talamantez, University of California, Santa Barbara  
*Remembering, Re-learning: Placing Ancestral Wisdom in the Academy*

Responding:

Suzanne J. Crawford, University of California, Santa Barbara

Business Meeting:

Jacob K. Olupona, University of California, Davis, and Ines M. Talamantez, University of California, Santa Barbara, Presiding

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**A94**

Latina/o Religion, Culture, and Society Group

**Sunday - 9:00 am-11:30 am**

Francisco Lozada, University of the Incarnate Word, Presiding

Theme: *Editors Meet Critics: A Reader in Latina Feminist Theology: Religion and Justice*

Panelists:

M. Shawn Copeland, Marquette University

Timothy M. Matovina, Loyola Marymount University

Rita Nakashima Brock, Oakland, CA

Benjamin Valentin, Drew University

Responding:

Daisy L. Machado, Texas Christian University, and Jeanette Rodriguez, Seattle University

Business Meeting:

Rüdiger V. Busto, Stanford University, and Michelle Anne Gonzalez, Loyola Marymount University, Presiding

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**A95**

Lesbian-Feminist Issues and Religion Group

**Sunday - 9:00 am-11:30 am**

Sue E. Houchins, University of California, Berkeley, Presiding

Theme: *Religious Authority and the Power of Definition: Queer Ripostes*

Elizabeth Currans, University of California, Santa Barbara

*Embodiment of Belief: Symbolic Struggle in the San Francisco Dyke March*

Andrea Smith, University of California, Santa Cruz  
*Safety in Home? Gender, Race, and Religious Fundamentalism*

Miri Hunter Haruach, New College of California  
*In the Sweet Bi and Bi: The Politics of Bisexuality*

Business Meeting:

Peggy Schmeiser, University of Ottawa, and Jennifer Rycenga, San José State University,  
Presiding

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Mysticism Group  
**Sunday - 9:00 am-11:30 am**

David Perrin, St. Paul University, Presiding  
Theme: *Current and New Methodologies for the Study of Mysticism*

Willemien Otten, Utrecht University  
*The Mystical Embrace: Desire and the Body in Eckhart and Eriugena*

Martin T. Adam, McGill University  
*A Post-Kantian Perspective on Recent Debates about Mystical Experience*

Arthur Versluis, Michigan State University  
*Method in the Study of Mysticism and the Esoteric*

Willem Zwart, University of Colorado, Boulder  
*Toward an Anthropology of Consciousness*

Business Meeting:

Neil Douglas-Klotz, Edinburgh Institute for Advanced Learning, Presiding

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New Religious Movements Group  
**Sunday - 9:00 am-11:30 am**

Dell deChant, University of South Florida, Presiding  
Theme: *Some Case Studies of New Religious Movements in Transition*

J. Gordon Melton, Institute for the Study of American Religion  
*Al-Qaeda as a New Religious Movement*

Michael F. Strmiska, Miyazaki International College  
*Neopagan Movements in Lithuania and Latvia*

Cat McEarchern, University of Stirling  
*Varieties of Nature in Modern Paganism*

Business Meeting:  
Mike Ashcraft, Truman State University, Presiding

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Nineteenth-Century Theology Group  
**Sunday - 9:00 am-11:30 am**

Theodore Vial, Virginia Wesleyan College, Presiding  
Theme: *The Idea of the University*

Friedrich Wilhelm Graf, University of Munich  
*Why Still Theology? Strategies of Legitimation: Protestant Theology in German Protestantism in the Late Nineteenth and Early Twentieth Century*

Harvey Hill, Berry College  
*Scientific History and Catholic Theology: The Impact of the French University on the Modernist Crisis*

M. Gail Hamner, Syracuse University  
*The Test Case of Psychology: Science and Religion in the Nineteenth Century*

Rebecca S. Chopp, Colgate University  
*Twentieth-Century Changes to the Nineteenth-Century Models and Current Attempts to Retrieve Some of the Nineteenth-Century Models*

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Platonism and Neoplatonism Group and Augustine and Augustinianisms Consultation  
**Sunday - 9:00 am-11:30 am**

Kim Paffenroth, Iona College, Presiding  
Theme: *Augustine on the Body*

Robert P. Kennedy, St. Francis Xavier University  
*Augustine on Human Embodiment and Communication*

M.B. Pranger, University of Amsterdam  
*The Gift of Destiny: Augustine, Anselm, Henry James*

William Robert, University of California, Santa Barbara  
*Reading Augustine's Corpus: Confessional Hermeneutics and the Cosmological Body*

Nicole Roskos, Drew University  
*Loving and Despising the Body: The Ambivalence of Death in Augustine's Good Creation*

Responding:  
Margaret R. Miles, Graduate Theological Union

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 **A100**

Religion and Popular Culture Group  
**Sunday - 9:00 am-11:30 am**

Edward Ingebretsen, Georgetown University, Presiding  
Theme: *Entertaining Evil*

Justin Holcomb, University of Virginia  
*Evil, Vampires, and Religious Symbolism*

Laurel Zwissler, University of Toronto  
*Jesus Christ, Action Hero: Christianity Battles Evil in the Canadian Horror Film Jesus Christ, Vampire Hunter*

Paul Custodio Bube, Lyon College  
Left Behind *with* Harry Potter

Brian M. Britt, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University  
*The Fall from Eden, Critical Theory, and the Teletubbies*

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 **A101**

Theology and Continental Philosophy Group  
**Sunday - 9:00 am-11:30 am**

Jeff Kosky, Bucknell University, Presiding

Theme: *Discussion of Richard Kearney's The God Who May Be: The Hermeneutics of Religion*

Panelists:

Jeffrey Bloechl, College of the Holy Cross

Nicholas Conostas, Harvard University

Serene Jones, Yale University

Craig Nichols, Boston University

Responding:

Richard Kearney, Boston College

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**A102**

Religion, Ethics, and Society in Contemporary East Asia Consultation  
**Sunday - 9:00 am-11:30 am**

Michiko Yusa, Western Washington University, Presiding

Theme: *Interplay of Religious Elements and the Effects of Globalization in Asian Societies at Large*

Thomas Selover, University of Saskatchewan

*Confucius on Horseback, 2002: Governing by Virtue in Globalizing China*

Peter T.C. Chang, Harvard University

*Wang Yang Ming's Liang-Chih and the Freedom of Conscience*

Christine E. Gudorf, Florida International University

*Religious Resources for Environmentalism in Indonesia*

Responding:

Max L. Stackhouse, Princeton University

Robert C. Neville, Boston University

Dale S. Wright, Occidental College

Business Meeting:

Young-chan Ro, George Mason University, and Michiko Yusa, Western Washington University, Presiding

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 **A103**

Committee on the Status of Racial and Ethnic Minorities in the Profession Business Meeting

**Sunday - 11:30 am-12:45 pm**

Peter J. Paris, Princeton University, Presiding

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 **A104**

Mentoring Session with the Women's Caucus and the Status of Women in the Profession Committee

**Sunday - 11:30 am-1:00 pm**

Rebecca T. Alpert, Temple University, and Young Lee Hertig, United Theological Seminary, Presiding

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 **A105**

Special Topics Forum

**Sunday - 1:00 pm-2:30 pm**

Robert A. Orsi, Harvard University, Presiding

Theme: *The Professional as Personal: Telling the History of the AAR and the Study of Religion in North America from Personal Experience*

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 **A106**

Arts, Literature, and Religion Section

**Sunday - 1:00 pm-2:30 pm**

Jamie S. Scott, York University, Presiding

Theme: *Urban Spaces/Religious Practices/Literary Productions*

Graham Ward, University of Manchester

*A Theological Defense of Syncretism: The Contemporary City and Salman Rushdie's Satanic Verses*

Wesley A. Kort, Duke University

*Between Conrad's London and Sacred Space*

Roland T. Boer, Monash University

*The Allegory of Paris in Walter Benjamin's Arcades*

Pamela D. Winfield, Temple University

*Two Tales of a City: Kūkai and Dōgen on Religious Activity within/without Kyoto*

Clara Joseph, University of Calgary

*Between Space and Practice: The Risk Literature of Mahatma Gandhi and Arundhati Roy*

Chelva Kanaganayakam, University of Toronto

*Remembering Gunga: Urban Space and Hindu Ritual*



**A107**

Ethics Section

**Sunday - 1:00 pm-2:30 pm**

Gloria H. Albrecht, University of Detroit Mercy, Presiding

Theme: *NAFTA, Free Trade, and Globalization*

Stephen Martin, Seton Hall University

*Public Theology, Economics, and "Sacred Space": The Theology/Economics of D. Stephen Long and Bernard Lonergan*

Ken Estey, New York, NY

*An Ethic of Accountability: NAFTA, Free Trade, and Labor Rights*

Lucinda J. Peach, American University

*Globalization and Corporate Social Responsibility for Human Rights: The Case of Myanmar*

Scott T. Kline, McGill University

*Toward an Ethic of Embedded Economy? The World Faiths in Dialogue with the Institutions of Globalization*



**A108**

Philosophy of Religion Section  
**Sunday - 1:00 pm-2:30 pm**

Pauline C. Lee, Stanford University, Presiding  
Theme: *Anthropos and Ethics: Description, Comparison, and Construction*

Mark Allen Berkson, Hamline University  
*Conceptions of Self and Modes of Connection: Comparative Soteriological Structures in Classical Chinese Thought*

Thomas A. Lewis, University of Iowa  
*Anthropology and the Categories of Comparison: Hegel on Tradition*

Jonathan Schofer, University of Wisconsin, Madison  
*Self, Subject, and Chosen Subjection: The Case of Rabbinic Ethics*

Aaron D. Stalnaker, Georgetown University  
*Constructive Comparisons: Preliminary and Final Ends in Comparative Religious Ethics*

Responding:

Lee H. Yearley, Stanford University

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Religion and the Social Sciences Section  
**Sunday - 1:00 pm-2:30 pm**

Daphne C. Wiggins, Duke University, Presiding  
Theme: *Postmodern Perplexities: Pluralism and Religious Institutions*

Malory Nye, University of Stirling  
*Minority Religions and the Politics of Multiculturalism*

Aryana Bates, Drew University  
*Elements of Pluralism in a Contemporary Black Church: God and Identity at Liberation in Truth, Unity Fellowship Church, Newark, NJ*

Chad Seales, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill  
*Cuban Catholics as Elite Facilitators of a Pan-Latina/o Movement in the Archdiocese of Atlanta*

Michael C. Mason, Australian Catholic University  
*Secularization Is Alive and Well and Living in Australia*

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 **A110**

Study of Islam Section  
**Sunday - 1:00 pm-2:30 pm**

Diana Lobel, Boston University, Presiding  
Theme: *Imagination in Medieval Islamic Thought*

Panelists:  
Scott C. Alexander, Catholic Theological Union  
Vincent J. Cornell, Duke University  
Aaron William Hughes, University of Calgary  
Steven M. Wasserstrom, Reed College

Responding:  
Elliot R. Wolfson, New York University

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 **A111**

Study of Judaism Section  
**Sunday - 1:00 pm-2:30 pm**

Martin Lockshin, York University, Presiding  
Theme: *The Multi-faceted Judaism of Toronto*

Irving Abella, York University  
*When Toronto Jews Became White*

Rina Cohen, York University  
*Diversity of Routes and Roots: Russian and Israeli Immigrants in Toronto*

Stuart Schoenfeld, York University  
*The Jewish Revival in Downtown Toronto: 20 Years Later*

Alex Pomson, York University  
*Jewish Scholarship in Toronto*

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 **A112**

**African Religions Group**  
**Sunday - 1:00 pm-2:30 pm**

Kathleen O'Brien Wicker, Scripps College, Presiding  
Theme: *The Role of Religion in Peace Making in Africa*

Gwinyai Muzorewa, Lincoln University  
*An Analysis of the Traditional Rituals among the Shona of Zimbabwe That Can Have a Transforming Effect for Peace upon African Politicians*

Samuel K. Elolia, Emmanuel School of Religion  
*Peace Building through African Traditions among the Pastoralist People of Kenya*

Samuel Paul, Fuller Theological Seminary  
*A Negotiated Settlement: Why Was South Africa's Truth and Reconciliation Commission Successful?*

Adewale A. Kuyebi, University of Manitoba  
*Osun Osogbo in America: A Religious Peaceful Co-Existence*

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**Asian North American Religion, Culture, and Society Group**  
**Sunday - 1:00 pm-2:30 pm**

Elijah Siegler, University of California, Santa Barbara, Presiding  
Theme: *Teaching Asian/American/Religions: What, Why, and How*

Panelists:

Sharon Kim, Occidental College  
Greer Anne Wenh-In Ng, University of Toronto  
Richard H. Seager, Hamilton College  
Duncan Williams, Trinity College

Responding:

Russell Jeung, Foothill College

Business Meeting:

Jane Naomi Iwamura, University of Southern California, and David Kyuman Kim, Brown University, Presiding

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 **A114**

Chinese Religions Group  
**Sunday - 1:00 pm-2:30 pm**

Russell Kirkland, University of Georgia, Presiding  
Theme: *Daoist Matters of Life and Death: Immortality, Immortals, and "Super"-Deities*

Shin-yi Chao, University of British Columbia  
*The Impact of Daoist Liturgy on the Pantheon of Chinese Popular Religion*

Julius Tsai, Stanford University  
*The Emplacement of the Five Perfect Scripts in Early Lingbao Ritual*

Brian Hoffert, North Central College  
*Bridging the Gap between "Philosophical" and "Religious" Taoism*

Responding:  
Terry Kleeman, University of Colorado, Boulder

Business Meeting:  
Randall Nadeau, Trinity University, Presiding

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 **A115**

Christian Systematic Theology Group  
**Sunday - 1:00 pm-2:30 pm**

David S. Cunningham, Seabury-Western Theological Seminary, Presiding  
Theme: *Feminist Engagements with Systematic Loci*

Panelists:  
Katie Geneva Cannon, Union Theological Seminary and Presbyterian School of Christian Education  
Amy Plantinga Pauw, Louisville Presbyterian Seminary  
Leanne Van Dyk, Western Theological Seminary

Responding:  
William C. Placher, Wabash College

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**A116**

Church-State Studies Group and Native Traditions in the Americas Group  
**Sunday - 1:00 pm-2:30 pm**

Michael McNally, Carleton College, Presiding

Theme: *Religion and the Legal Status of First Nations Peoples in Canada*

Alain Durocher, Graduate Theological Union

*Christian Churches and Canadian State, Hand in Hand in Guilt and in Remorse: Bringing Justice to the First Nations of Canada*

Kathleen M. Sands, University of Massachusetts, Boston

*Sacred Land, Communal Sovereignty: The Limitations of "Religion" as a Constitutional Construct*

Will J. Friesen, Fresno Pacific University

*Lighting Up the South - Plugging Up the North: A Canadian Church Response*

Denise Nadeau, San Francisco Theological Seminary and Alannah Young, University of British Columbia

*Decolonizing Bodies: Defiance and Rebellion against the Canadian Nation-State*

Responding:

Winnifred Fallers Sullivan, University of Chicago

Business Meeting:

Andrea Smith, University of California, Santa Cruz, and Michelene Pesantubbee, University of Colorado, Boulder, Presiding



**A117**

Critical Theory and Discourses on Religion Group  
**Sunday - 1:00 pm-2:30 pm**

Matthew S. Waggoner, University of California, Santa Cruz, Presiding

Theme: *Material Economies of Religion/Other Views of the Other*

Maria Heim, California State University, Long Beach

*Commodification, Classification, and Contestation in the South Asian Gift*

Steven Engler, Mount Royal College

*Michel Despland on Modernity and (Material) Economies of Religion*

Finbarr Curtis, University of California, Santa Barbara  
*The Certainty of Scientific Creationism*

Richard S. Weiss, University of Chicago  
*The Other and the Possibility of Utopia*

Responding:

Michel Despland, Concordia University, and Martin B. Baumann, University of Hannover

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 **A118**

Eastern Orthodox Studies Group and Religion in Central and Eastern Europe  
Consultation

**Sunday - 1:00 pm-2:30 pm**

Robin Darling Young, Catholic University of America, Presiding  
Theme: *East Central European Religions in North America*

Myrosław Tataryn, University of Saskatchewan  
*Father Nicholas Shumsky: Dual Loyalties, One Life*

Harriet Luckman, Fairfield University  
*From Deification to Assimilation: The Evolution of Holiness*

Peter Galadza, St. Paul University  
*Ukraine Is with Us - "Understand Ye Churches and Submit": Canadian Ukrainian Orthodox  
Phyletism and Its Influence on Greco-Catholicism, 1916-1991*

Responding:

Andrii Krawchuk, St. Paul University

Business Meeting:

J. Shawn Landres, University of California, Santa Barbara, and Andrii Krawchuk, St. Paul  
University, Presiding

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 **A119**

Europe and the Mediterranean in Late Antiquity Group

**Sunday - 1:00 pm-2:30 pm**



Sarah Iles Johnston, Ohio State University, Presiding  
Theme: *Sexuality in the Late Antique Mediterranean Part Two*

Isabelle Kinnard, University of Chicago  
*Like a Virgin: Sacrifice and Gender Transformation in Perpetua's Passion*

Derek Krueger, University of North Carolina, Greensboro  
*The Representation of Same-Sex Monastic Cohabitation and Companionship in the Christian East: A Narrative Eros Reconsidered*

Ayse Tuzlak, Skidmore College  
*Male Brides and Lions: Mithraism and Masculinity in the Roman Empire*

Responding:  
Harry O. Maier, Vancouver School of Theology

Business Meeting:  
Sarah Iles Johnston, Ohio State University, Presiding

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Hinduism Group  
**Sunday - 1:00 pm-2:30 pm**

Kathleen M. Erndl, Florida State University, Presiding  
Theme: *Hinduism and the Feminine: Reinterpretations and Reclamations*

Francis X. Clooney, Boston College  
*Beauty Embraced and Eclipsed in the Saundarya Lahari*

Phyllis Herman, California State University, Northridge  
*Sita Rasois and Shakta Pithas: A Feminine Reclamation of Mythic and Epic Proportions*

Laurie L. Patton, Emory University  
*Vedic Metaphor and Feminist Ethical Thought*

Karen Pechilis Prentiss, Drew University  
*Female Gurus and the Divine Feminine*

Rita Sherma, Claremont Graduate University  
*Liberation and Lokasangraha: The Teleological Significance of Biogenesis and Diversity in Shakta Ontology*

Responding:  
Tracy Pintchman, Loyola University, Chicago

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 **A121**

**Kierkegaard, Religion, and Culture Group**  
**Sunday - 1:00 pm-2:30 pm**

Hugh Pyper, University of Leeds, Presiding  
Theme: *Kierkegaard and the Media*

Edward K. Kaplan, Brandeis University  
*Kierkegaard and Baudelaire: Empathy, Irony, and the Religious*

Lissa McCullough, Hanover College  
*Kierkegaard: Prophet of the New Media?*

Brian C. Barlow, Brenau University  
*Søren Kierkegaard, C.S. Lewis, and the Present Age: On the Literary Critique of Media, Culture, and Character in Modernity*

Responding:  
Amy Laura Hall, Duke University

Business Meeting:  
Timothy H. Polk, Hamline University, Presiding

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 **A122**

**Pragmatism and Empiricism in American Religious Thought Group**  
**Sunday - 1:00 pm-2:30 pm**

David C. Lamberth, Harvard University, Presiding  
Theme: *Pragmatic Approaches to Religion: Rorty and Burke*

Thomas W. Simpson, University of Virginia  
*Rorty and Rauschenbusch on Religion and Reform*

Beth Eddy, Princeton University  
*Kenneth Burke's Natural Piety and the Shaping of Identity*

Mark Hadley, Western Maryland College  
*Pragmatism as Ethical Polytheism*

Responding:  
Eddie S. Glaude, Bowdoin College

Business Meeting:  
David Lamberth, Harvard University, and Frederick J. Ruf, Georgetown University, Presiding

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 **A123**

Religion and Popular Culture Group and Religion, Culture, and Communication  
Consultation

**Sunday - 1:00 pm-2:30 pm**

Gary M. Laderman, Emory University, Presiding  
Theme: *Popular Religion, Popular Culture, and the Supernatural*

Lynn Schofield Clark, University of Colorado, Boulder  
*The "Funky" Side of Religion: Religion, Media, and the Supernatural in the Ethnographic  
Narratives of United States Adolescents*

James H. Thrall, Duke University  
*Who's in Charge of Heaven?: The Afterlife, Film, and Ethics*

Bradford Verter, Bennington College  
*Occult Eroticism: Black Magicians, Yellow Journalists, and Sex Cults in the 1920s*

Responding:  
Leonard Norman Primiano, Cabrini College

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 **A124**

Religion in Latin America and the Caribbean Group

**Sunday - 1:00 pm-2:30 pm**

Iain S. Maclean, James Madison University, Presiding  
Theme: *Charismatic and Pentecostal Movements in the Americas*

Bobby C. Alexander, University of Texas, Dallas  
*Social Mobility and Cultural Dissonance in a Transnational Mexican Pentecostal Church: A  
Case Study of the Dallas Mission*

Lois Lorentzen, University of San Francisco  
*El Milagro Esta en Casa: Gender in a Migrant Pentecostal Church*

Philip Wingier-Ray, Chicago Theological Seminary  
*Where Are the Poor: An Ethnographic Study of an Ecclesial Base Community and a Pentecostal Church in Cuernavaca Mexico*

Responding:  
Jorge A. Aquino, Graduate Theological Union

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**A125**

Ritual Studies Group  
**Sunday - 1:00 pm-2:30 pm**

Nikki Bado-Fralick, Iowa State University, Presiding  
Theme: *By and through the Body: Ritual Postures, Gestures, and Practices*

Rebecca Sachs Norris, Merrimack College  
*"In My Flesh I Will See God": Ritual and the Role of the Body in the Transmission of Religious Knowledge*

James B. Jeffries, University of California, Santa Barbara  
*Dear Gifts/Grave Gestures: The Huron Feast of the Dead*

Sonia Zylberberg, Concordia University  
*Jewish Women's Seders: A New Ritual Practice*

Barbara Laishley, University of Pittsburgh  
*Walking the Cosmos: Rituals of Participation*

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**A126**

Roman Catholic Studies Group  
**Sunday - 1:00 pm-2:30 pm**

William P. George, Dominican University, Presiding  
Theme: *The Challenges of Canadian Catholic Perspectives*

Indre Cuplinskas, University of Toronto  
*Jeunesse Etudiante Catholique: From a Catholic Québec to Catholics in Québec*

Regina A. Boisclair, Alaska Pacific University

*"Qui Perd Sa Langue, Perd Sa Foi:" The Rise and Decline of Francophone Canadian Catholicism in New England*

Amy Lorion, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill

*Rethinking Western New York: The Burned-Over District from the Canadian Border*

Frederick G. Erb, III, Pennsylvania State University

*What American Educators Need to Know about the"" "Toronto Model" of Catholic Higher Education*

Responding:

John D. Dadosky, Regis College



Schleiermacher Group

**Sunday - 1:00 pm-2:30 pm**

Dawn A. De Vries, Union Theological Seminary and Presbyterian School of Christian Education, Presiding

Theme: *Schleiermacher's Practical Theology*

Wilhelm Graeb, Humboldt University

*Practical Theology as Theology of Religion*

Elizabeth W. Corrie, Emory University

*The Distinctiveness of the Lord's Supper within the Cultus*

Thandeka, Williams College

*Schleiermacher's Theory of Human Affect*

Responding:

Jeffrey Hensley, Virginia Theological Seminary

Business Meeting:

Julia A. Lamm, Georgetown University, Presiding



Tibetan and Himalayan Religions Group  
**Sunday - 1:00 pm-2:30 pm**

Matthew Kapstein, Columbia University, Presiding  
Theme: *The Tibetan Buddhist Encounter with Modernity*

Gray Tuttle, Harvard University  
*Dharma Centers and Peace Rituals in Republican China (1914-1934): Tibetan Lamas Teach the First Wave of Chinese Laity*

Yinong Zhang, Cornell University  
*Renewing Religious Practice in a Tibetan Village of Post-Reformed China*

Sharon J. Hepburn, Trent University  
*Cultural Continuity and Change among Tamang Thangka Painters in the Kathmandu Valley*

Abraham Zablocki, Cornell University  
*Reformers vs. Traditionalists in Transnational Tibetan Buddhism*

Responding:  
Georges Dreyfus, Williams College

Business Meeting:  
Matthew Kapstein, Columbia University, Presiding

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Womanist Approaches to Religion and Society Group  
**Sunday - 1:00 pm-2:30 pm**

Patricia-Anne Johnson, California State University, Long Beach, Presiding  
Theme: *Hospitality as Haute Couture: Womanist Interdisciplinary Designs for Theory and Praxis*

Panelists:  
Stacey Floyd-Thomas, Brite Divinity School  
Sandra J. Hayes, Iliff School of Theology, University of Denver  
Lehlohonolo H. Montjane, Boston University  
Yolanda Yvette Smith, Yale University

Responding:  
N. Lynne Westfield, Drew University

Business Meeting:

Marcia Y. Riggs, Columbia Theological Seminary, and Rosetta E. Ross, United Theological Seminary of the Twin Cities, Presiding

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Studies in Yogācāra Buddhism

**Sunday - 1:00 pm-2:30 pm**

Joe Wilson, University of North Carolina, Wilmington, Presiding

Theme: *Yogacāra Buddhism in Interdisciplinary Perspectives*

Panelists:

Mario D'Amato, Hampshire College

William S. Waldron, Middlebury College

John P. Keenan, Middlebury College

Dan Lusthaus, University of Missouri, Columbia

Business Meeting:

Joe Wilson, University of North Carolina, Wilmington, Presiding

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Religions, Medicines, and Healing Consultation

**Sunday - 1:00 pm-2:30 pm**

Jualynne E. Dodson, University of Colorado, Boulder, Presiding

Theme: *The Living and the Powerful Dead: Cases of Affliction and Healing*

Ulrike Wiethaus, Wake Forest University

*Performing the Crucifixion as Healing Spectacle: Cult, Class, and Gender in the Case of the German Stigmatic Therese Neumann*

Paula K.R. Arai, Carleton College

*Ancestors as Healers in Japanese Buddhism*

Suzanne J. Crawford, University of California, Santa Barbara

*Healing Waters: Sacred Springs and Wells in Ireland*

Nathaniel S. Murrell, University of North Carolina, Wilmington

*Obeah: Mystery of Iniquity, or a Caribbean System of Medicine*

Responding:  
Linda L. Barnes, Boston University

Business Meeting:  
Linda L. Barnes, Boston University, and Jualynne E. Dodson, University of Colorado, Boulder,  
Presiding

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 **A132**

Annual Meeting Planning for Atlanta 2003  
**Sunday - 2:00 pm-3:30 pm**

Aislinn Jones, American Academy of Religion, Presiding

Please join Aislinn Jones, the Annual Meeting Program Director, for conversation about the Annual Meeting planning process, future meeting dates, and program structure and policies.

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 **A133**

Special Topics Forum  
**Sunday - 3:00 pm-4:30 pm**

Sponsored by the Roman Catholic Studies Group

Jeffrey Marlett, College of Saint Rose, Presiding  
Theme: *"Crisis" in the Roman Catholic Church: Scholarly Resources for Reform*

Panelists:  
Chester Gillis, Georgetown University  
Phyllis Zagano, New York, NY  
Paul F. Lakeland, Fairfield University  
Maria José Rosado Nunes, Pontifical Catholic University of Sao Paolo

Responding:  
Thomas P. Rausch, Loyola Marymount University

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**A134**

Academic Teaching and the Study of Religion Section

**Sunday - 3:00 pm-4:30 pm**

Christine M. Bochen, Nazareth College of Rochester, Presiding

Theme: *Innovating Pedagogy/Pedagogical Innovations: Tools, Theories, Strategies, and Models*

Belden C. Lane, Saint Louis University

*Strategies for Teaching Intersubjectivity: Spiritual Perception and the Natural World*

Madeline Duntley, College of Wooster

*"Stories in My Neighbour's Faith": A Canadian Model for Teaching "Lived Religion" in the Intro Course*

Johannes Strobel, University of Missouri, Columbia

*Applying Theories and Models of Learning Technology in Religion Studies Classrooms: Two Cases*

Victoria Rue, St. Lawrence University

*Acting Religious: Theatre as a Pedagogical Tool for Religious Studies*

Tinu Ruparell, Liverpool Hope University College

*Being the Text: Hybridised Identities and Teaching Comparative Religion*



**A135**

Arts, Literature, and Religion Section and Religion, Film, and Visual Culture Group

**Sunday - 3:00 pm-4:30 pm**

S. Brent Plate, Texas Christian University, Presiding

Theme: *What is Visual Culture? And What Does It Have to Do with the Study of Religion?*

Panelists:

Erika Doss, University of Colorado, Boulder

Gretchen Buggeln, Winterthur Museum, Winterthur, DE

Philip Lutgendorf, University of Iowa

Roberto R. Lint-Sagarena, University of Southern California

Jane Naomi Iwamura, University of Southern California

Responding:

David Morgan, Valparaiso University

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 **A136**

Buddhism Section  
**Sunday - 3:00 pm-4:30 pm**

Collett D. Cox, University of Washington, Presiding  
Theme: *Buddhist Manuscript Cultures*

Stephen C. Berkwitz, Southwest Missouri State University  
*Writing the Past and Rewriting the Present in Sri Lankan Buddhist Manuscripts*

Damchö Diana Finnegan, University of Wisconsin  
*Locating Meaning: The Written Text as a Physical Presence in the Tibetan Buddhist World*

Daniel Marc Veidlinger, University of Chicago  
*Merit-Making Media: Pali Manuscripts from Northern Thailand*

Natalie Gummer, Beloit College  
*The Fluid Boundaries of Buddhist Manuscripts: Towards an "Indefinite" Edition*

Responding:  
Anne Clark, University of Vermont

Business Meeting:  
Anne M. Blackburn, Cornell University, and Peter N. Gregory, Smith College, Presiding

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 **A137**

Comparative Studies in Religion Section  
**Sunday - 3:00 pm-4:30 pm**

Pashington Obeng, Harvard University, Wellesley College, Presiding  
Theme: *Weeping in the Religious Imagination*

John Stratton Hawley, Barnard College, Columbia University  
*The Four Marks of the Gopis' Tears*

Amy C. Bard, Columbia University  
*"No Power of Speech Remains": Tears and Transformation in South Asian Majlis Poetry*

Kimberley C. Patton, Harvard University

*"Make My Stony Heart Gush Forth Fountains": Holy Tears in Eastern Christianity*

Responding:

Gary L. Ebersole, University of Missouri, Kansas City

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**A138**

History of Christianity Section

**Sunday - 3:00 pm-4:30 pm**

Amanda Porterfield, University of Wyoming, Presiding

Theme: *Continuities and Discontinuities in the History of Christianity*

Panelists:

Elizabeth A. Clark, Duke University

Ronald L. Numbers, University of Wisconsin, Madison

Hans J. Hillerbrand, Duke University

E. Brooks Holifield, Emory University

Business Meeting:

Georgia Frank, Colgate University, and Anne Thayer, Lancaster Theological Seminary,  
Presiding

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**A139**

North American Religions Section

**Sunday - 3:00 pm-4:30 pm**

Jordan Paper, York University, Presiding

Theme: *Religious Diversity in Toronto*

Jamie S. Scott, York University

*Introduction to the Religious Diversity of Toronto*

Saroj Chawla, York University

*Hindu Family Shrines and Religious Practices in Toronto*

Carol B. Duncan, Wilfrid Laurier University

*African-Caribbean Aesthetic Representations of the Sacred in Toronto*

Woo Terry, University of Toronto

*Attending to Religion at Home and Work: The Chinese Immigrant Experience in Toronto*

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**A140**

Philosophy of Religion Section

**Sunday - 3:00 pm-4:30 pm**

Eric Boynton, Colgate University, Presiding

Theme: *The Character of Religious Knowing*

Andrew Chignell, Yale University

*Two Religious Ethics of Belief: Immanuel Kant and Thomas Reid*

Laura Weed, College of Saint Rose

*The Epistemology of Religious Experience*

Jerome Gellman, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev

*Beyond Belief: The Nature of Creedal Affirmation*

Jonathan Gold, University of Chicago

*Simplicity Naturalized: Distinguishing Religious from Scientific Uses of Epistemology*

Responding:

Roger Trigg, University of Warwick

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**A141**

Study of Islam Section

**Sunday - 3:00 pm-4:30 pm**

Marcia Hermansen, Loyola University, Chicago, Presiding

Theme: *Sufism and the State*

Panelists:

David Buchman, Hanover College

Devin DeWeese, Indiana University, Bloomington

R. Michael Feener, Reed College

Rob Rozehnal, Duke University

Omid Safi, Colgate University

Responding:  
Bruce B. Lawrence, Duke University

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 **A142**

Study of Judaism Section  
**Sunday - 3:00 pm-4:30 pm**

Hava Tirosh-Samuelson, Arizona State University, Presiding  
Theme: *What is Alive (for Us) in Spinoza's Philosophy?*

Michael Rosenthal, Grinnell College  
*Spinoza and the Persistence of Religion*

Idit Dobbs-Weinstein, Vanderbilt University  
*Ethica or Religio: The Two Concrete Possibilities for Founding the Modern State*

Heidi Ravven, Hamilton College  
*Did Spinoza Get Ethics Right?*

Responding:  
Kalman P. Bland, Duke University

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 **A143**

Theology and Religious Reflection Section  
**Sunday - 3:00 pm-4:30 pm**

Sharon D. Welch, University of Missouri, Columbia, Presiding  
Theme: *Theology and Whiteness: How Can Traditional White Theologians Begin to Talk about Race?*

Panelists:  
Letty M. Russell, Yale University  
James W. Perkinson, Ecumenical Theological Seminary  
Karen Baker-Fletcher, Claremont School of Theology  
Mark Lewis Taylor, Princeton Theological Seminary

Responding:  
Peter J. Paris, Princeton Theological Seminary

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 **A144**

Women and Religion Section  
**Sunday - 3:00 pm-4:30 pm**

Gail Sutherland, Louisiana State University, Presiding  
Theme: *Friendship, Fluidity, and Mindfulness: Cross-Cultural Conversations on Religion and Feminism*

Ann Mongoven, Indiana University, Bloomington  
*"Is It Not a Delight When Good Friends Come from Afar?"*

Mary Ann Clark, University of Houston  
*When Men Are Wives and Women Are Kings: Using Santería Ritual Practice to Deconstruct Notions of Gender*

Anne C. Klein, Rice University  
*Mindfully Surpassing Mind-Body Dualisms*

Business Meeting:  
Mary C. Churchill, University of Colorado, Boulder, and Jacqueline Z. Pastis, La Salle University, Presiding

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 **A145**

Afro-American Religious History Group  
**Sunday - 3:00 pm-4:30 pm**

Presider, TBA  
Theme: *Race Politics during the Late Twentieth-Century*

Juan Floyd-Thomas, Texas Christian University  
*"The Substance of Things Hoped For": Rev. Leon Sullivan, the Great Society, and the Creation of the Opportunities Industrialization Center Movement, 1964-74*

Michelle Johnson, Claremont Graduate University  
*A Decade of Rage: Race, Religion, and Sexuality in Black America, 1990-2000*

Isaac Kawuki-Mukasa, University of Toronto

*"That All May Be One": A Critical Review of the United Church of Canada's Policy Against Racism*

Responding:

Jualynne E. Dodson, University of Colorado, Boulder

Business Meeting:

David Daniels, McCormick Theological Seminary, Presiding

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**A146**

Bioethics and Religion Group

**Sunday - 3:00 pm-4:30 pm**

Michael M. Mendiola, Pacific School of Religion, Presiding

Theme: *Bioethics and the Challenges of Religious Discourse*

Margaret R. McLean, Santa Clara University

*Towards a Theological Understanding of Procreative Liberty: The Case of Preimplantation Genetic Diagnosis*

M. Christian Green, University of Chicago

*Religion, Ethics, and Public Health: Connections, Themes, and Applications to the Problem of Violence*

Jennifer E. Beste, Yale University

*Overcoming Barriers to Adequate Palliative Care for Terminally Ill Patients*

Nancy Berlinger, The Hastings Center, Garrison, NY

*Medical Error and the Culture(s) of Forgiveness*

Business Meeting:

Suzanne Holland, University of Puget Sound, Presiding

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**A147**

Confucian Traditions Group

**Sunday - 3:00 pm-4:30 pm**

Mark Csikszentmihalyi, University of Wisconsin, Madison, Presiding  
Theme: *Innovation and Transmission in Confucian Traditions*

Jeffrey L. Richey, Berea College  
*Searching for Yan Hui: Transmission and Transformation in Early Confucian Traditions*

Jane Geaney, University of Richmond  
*"Home-Schooling" as a Contested Concept in Early Confucianism*

Keith Knapp, The Citadel  
*From Honoring Parents to Feeding Them: The Transformation of Lowly Yang into Exalted Gongyang in Early Medieval China*

Jennifer Oldstone-Moore, Wittenberg University  
*Ritual in Republican China: Creating Citizens for a Modern Nation*

Responding:  
Thomas A. Wilson, Hamilton College

Business Meeting:  
Edward Slingerland, University of Southern California, and Mark Csikszentmihalyi, University of Wisconsin, Madison, Presiding

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**A148**

Feminist Theory and Religious Reflection Group  
**Sunday - 3:00 pm-4:30 pm**

Mary McClintock Fulkerson, Vanderbilt University, Presiding  
Theme: *Cartographies of Grace: Responses to Serene Jones's Feminist Theory and Christian Theology*

Cynthia Rigby, Austin Theological Seminary  
*"Bounded Openness": Jones's Approach to a Feminist Christian Systematics*

Rosemary P. Carbine, Saint Mary's College, South Bend  
*Mirror, Mirror: Reflections of the Self in Feminist Theory and Christian Theology*

Ada María Isasi-Díaz, Drew University  
*Communities of Accountability: Serene Jones's Feminist Theory and Christian Theology*

Responding:  
Serene Jones, Yale University



Business Meeting:

M. Gail Hamner, Syracuse University, and Karen Trimble Alliaume, Lewis University, Presiding

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Hinduism Group

**Sunday - 3:00 pm-4:30 pm**

Katherine Janiec Jones, University of Chicago, Presiding

Theme: *The Religious Significance of Literary Genres and Practices*

Anne E. Monius, Harvard University

*"Rise Up and Fly!": The Songs of Women and the Play of the Lord in Śaiva Siddhānta Philosophy*

Donald R. Davis, Bucknell University

*Beyond Manu: Dharmaśāstra as Historical Scripture*

Maria Heim, California State University, Long Beach

*Reading Dharmaśāstra as Aesthetics*

Emily Hudson, Emory University

*When Heaven Is for Sinners: The Mahābhārata's Literary Approach to the Problem of Suffering*

Responding:

Parimal G. Patil, Harvard University

Business Meeting:

Sarah Caldwell, Harvard University, and Tracy Pintchman, Loyola University, Chicago

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Indigenous Religious Traditions Group and Religion in Latin America and the Caribbean Group

**Sunday - 3:00 pm-4:30 pm**

Jean Molesky-Poz, University of San Francisco, Presiding

Theme: *Land and Reparations in the Americas: Politics and Religion*

Iain S. Maclean, James Madison University

*Only as Much Land Reparation as Possible?*

Responding:  
Nelson Maldonado-Torres, Duke University

Business Meeting:  
Lois Lorentzen, University of San Francisco, and Nelson Maldonado-Torres, Duke University,  
Presiding

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 **A151**

Japanese Religions Group  
**Sunday - 3:00 pm-4:30 pm**

Peter Nosco, University of Southern California, Presiding  
Theme: *The Early Modern Characteristics of Tokugawa Religiosity*

Diana E. Wright, Western Washington University  
*Keikoin: Ise's Tokugawa Convent*

Nam-lin Hur, University of British Columbia  
*Buddhist Crime and Women in Tokugawa Japan: Nyobon and Early Modern Religiosity*

Janine Tasca Sawada, University of Iowa  
*Divination as Cultivation*

Barbara Ambros, Harvard University  
*Pilgrimage as Package Tour: Early Modern Pilgrimage Confraternities at Sagami Oyama*

Responding:  
Helen Hardacre, Harvard University

Business Meeting:  
Ruben L.F. Habito, Southern Methodist University, and Christopher Ives, Stonehill College,  
Presiding

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 **A152**

Millennialism Studies Group  
**Sunday - 3:00 pm-4:30 pm**

Richard McGregor, McGill University, Presiding  
Theme: *Millennialism and September 11*

Jean E. Rosenfeld, University of California, Los Angeles  
*The Religion of Usamah bin Ladin: Terror as the Hand of God*

Wendy Love Anderson, University of Chicago  
*True and False Prophecy at the Millennium: The Case of September 11*

Michael Christensen, Drew University  
*Apocalyptic Interpretations of September 11*

Glenn William Shuck, Rice University  
*Marks of the Beast: Evangelical Apocalyptic Fiction, Identity, and the Internalization of Evil*

Paul Corey, McMaster University  
*Millennialism in the Age of Revaluation*

Business Meeting:  
Eugene V. Gallagher, Connecticut College, Presiding

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 **A153**

Pragmatism and Empiricism in American Religious Thought Group and History,  
Method, and Theory in the Study of Religion Consultation  
**Sunday - 3:00 pm-4:30 pm**

Arthur McCalla, Reed College, Presiding  
Theme: *Implications of Pragmatism for the Study of Religion*

Panelists:

Steven Engler, Mount Royal College  
Jonathon Samuel Kahn, Columbia University  
Victor Anderson, Vanderbilt University  
William David Hart, Duke University  
Wayne Proudfoot, Columbia University

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 **A154**

Reformed Theology and History Group  
**Sunday - 3:00 pm-4:30 pm**

Katherine Sonderegger, Virginia Theological Seminary, Presiding  
Theme: *The Real Presence in the Lord's Supper - A New Proposal*

Panelist:

George Hunsinger, Princeton University

Ralph Del Colle, Marquette University

Carl E. Braaten, Center for Catholic and Evangelical Theology

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Religion and Science Group

**Sunday - 3:00 pm-4:30 pm**

Ernest L. Simmons, Concordia College, Moorehead, Presiding

Theme: *Science and Models of the Divine: James Edward Huchingson's Pandemonium*

Tremendum: Chaos and Mystery in the Life of God

Paul L. Allen, St. Paul University

*Tremendous Metaphysics? Kybernete, Emergent Probability, Spirit, and James Huchingson*

Joseph A. Bracken, Xavier University

*The Divine Matrix and Pandemonium Tremendum*

Taede A. Smedes, University of Groningen

*On Philosophical Quicksand: A Closer Look at Huchingson's Model of the Pandemonium*

Tremendum

Responding:

James E. Huchingson, Florida International University

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Theology and Continental Philosophy Group

**Sunday - 3:00 pm-4:30 pm**

Jeffrey W. Robbins, Lebanon Valley College, and G. Chad Snyder, Elon University, Presiding

Theme: *A Theology of Desire: In Memory of Charles E. Winquist*

Panelists:

John D. Caputo, Villanova University

Edith Wyschogrod, Rice University

Mark C. Taylor, Williams College

Theresa Sanders, Georgetown University

James B. Wiggins, Syracuse University

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 **A157**

**Womanist Approaches to Religion and Society Group**  
**Sunday - 3:00 pm-4:30 pm**

Presider, TBA

Theme: *Sisters in the Wilderness: Grappling with Delores Williams' Womanist God-Talk*

Panelists:

Renee K. Harrison, Emory University

Emily Holmes, Emory University

Ba Sean Jackson, Emory University

Veronice Miles, Emory University

A. Nevell Owens, Emory University

Meghan T. Sweeney, Emory University

Responding:

Dianne Stewart, Emory University

Delores S. Williams, Union Theological Seminary, New York

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 **A158**

**Religions, Social Conflict, and Peace Consultation**  
**Sunday - 3:00 pm-4:30 pm**

**New Program Unit**

Jeanne Matthews Sommer, Warren Wilson College, Presiding

Theme: *Religious Responses to a Post-September 11 World*

Caryn D. Riswold, Illinois College

*A Religious Response Veiled in a Presidential Address: A Theological Study of Bush's September 20, 2001 Speech*

Kenneth L. Kraft, Lehigh University

*September 11 as Dharma Teacher: A Buddhist Perspective*

Joseph Prabhu, California State University, Los Angeles

*A Gandhian Perspective on the Terrorist Crisis*

Laura L. M. Crawford, Chicago Theological Seminary  
*Abraham, Agamemnon, Bush and Bin Laden: Franz Hinkelammert Illuminates Popular Theologies of Human Sacrifice*

Business Meeting:  
Cynthia Stewart, Nashville, TN, Presiding

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 **A159**

Retired Members Reception  
**Sunday - 5:30 pm-6:30 pm**

All members of the AAR who are retired from full-time employment are cordially invited to an open house hosted by Barbara DeConcini, executive director, and Vasudha Narayanan, president.

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 **A160**

Plenary Address  
**Sunday - 7:15 pm-8:15 pm**

Yvonne Sherwood, University of Glasgow, Presiding  
Theme: *Other Testaments: An Interview with Jacques Derrida "On Religion"*

Jacques Derrida, École des Hautes Études en Science Sociales, University of California, Irvine

Panelists:  
John D. Caputo, Villanova University  
Kevin Hart, Monash University

See the Annual Meeting Program Highlights page for description.

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 **A161**

Arts Series Performance  
**Sunday - 4:00 pm-11:00 pm**

RY-Concert Hall

Diane Apostolos-Cappadona, Georgetown University, Presiding

See the Annual Meeting Program Highlights page for a description.

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 **A162**

JAAR Editorial Board Reception  
**Sunday - 8:30 pm-10:00 pm**

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 **A163**

Arts Series/Film: [\*Harry Potter and the Sorceror's Stone\*](#)  
**Sunday - 8:30 pm-10:30 pm**

Sponsored by the Religion, Film, and Visual Culture Group

John Lyden, Dana College, Presiding

See the Annual Meeting Program Highlights page for a description.

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 **A164**

Arts Series/Film: *When Night Is Falling*  
**Sunday - 8:30 pm-10:30 pm**

Sponsored by the Lesbian-Feminist Issues and Religion Group

Laurel C. Schneider, Chicago Theological Seminary, Presiding

See the Annual Meeting Program Highlights page for a description.

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 **A165**

AAR Nominations Committee Meeting  
**Monday - 7:00 am-8:30 am**

Raymond B. Williams, Wabash College, Presiding

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 **A166**

AAR Program Unit Chairs Breakfast  
**Monday - 7:30 am-8:45 am**

Barbara DeConcini, American Academy of Religion, Presiding

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 **A167**

Religion in the Schools Task Force Meeting  
**Monday - 7:30 am-8:45 am**

Marcia Beauchamp, Freedom Forum First Amendment Center, Presiding

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 **A168**

International Members Continental Breakfast  
**Monday - 7:30 am-8:45 am**

Mary McGee, Columbia University, Presiding

All AAR international attendees are invited to an information session and continental breakfast hosted by the AAR's Committee on International Connections.

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 **A169**

A Dialogue between Canadian and U.S. Feminist Scholars of Religion on Strategies for Responding to Militarism  
**Monday - 9:00 am-11:30 am**

Sponsored by the Status of Women in the Profession Committee



Janet R. Jakobsen, Barnard College, Presiding

Theme: *A Dialogue between Canadian and United States Feminist Scholars of Religion on Strategies for Responding to Militarism*

Panelists:

Amila Buturovic, York University

Judith Rebick, Associated Press

Gwendolyn Zoharah Simmons, University of Florida

See the Annual Meeting Program Highlights page for a description.

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Buddhism Section

**Monday - 9:00 am-11:30 am**

John D. Dunne, University of Wisconsin, Madison, Presiding

Theme: *Translators and Translation Strategies in Buddhist History*

Charles D. Orzech, University of North Carolina, Greensboro

*The Idea of the Esoteric: Using Theories of Translation and Metaphor to Explore the Propagation of Esoteric Buddhism in Tang China*

Vesna A. Wallace, University of California, Santa Barbara

*Translation Strategies of the Mongols: The Past and Present*

Jonathan C. Gold, University of Chicago

*Just How Much Sanskrit Do I Need? Sakya Pandita on Buddhism in Tibetan Translation*

Jan Nattier, Indiana University, Bloomington

*How to Do Things with Translations: Methodological Reflections on Early Chinese Buddhist Texts*

Responding:

Natalie Gummer, Beloit College

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Ethics Section

**Monday - 9:00 am-11:30 am**

Pamela K. Brubaker, California Lutheran University, Presiding  
Theme: *Patriotism and Dissent in Religious Traditions*

Paul N. Alexander, Southwestern Assemblies of God University  
*"National Pride is Abomination in the Sight of God": Early Pentecostal Dissent from American Patriotism and the Long Road Forward*

Kristin Heyer, Boston College  
*United States Catholic Discipleship and Citizenship: Patriotism or Dissent?*

Crystal Downing, Messiah College  
*Tongue in Check: Bakhtin, Taliban Terror, and Anabaptist Pacifism*

Alan Revering, Quincy University  
*"God Bless America": Patriotism and Political Theology*

George D. Randels, University of the Pacific  
*Whether Patriots, Too, Can Be Saved?*

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North American Religions Section and Roman Catholic Studies Group  
**Monday - 9:00 am-11:30 am**

Roberto R. Lint-Sagarena, University of Southern California, Presiding  
Theme: *Mission Encounters: Roman Catholics and Native Americans*

Steven T. Hoskins, Trevecca Nazarene College  
*No Longer a Black Robe: Isaac Jogues and the Clash of Visionary Cultures in the Jesuit Missions in Seventeenth-Century New France*

Emma J. Anderson, Harvard University  
*The Algonquin Perception of Jesuits as Shaman in Early Seventeenth-Century Quebec*

Quincy Newell, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill  
*Weaving a Tangled Web: Indian Intermarriage in the Nineteenth-Century Spanish Catholic Missions of California*

Michelene Pesantubbee, University of Colorado, Boulder  
*Ineffective or Insidious?: French Catholic Missionary Impact on Native Women in Louisiana Territory in the Eighteenth Century*

Responding:  
Richard Goode, David Lipscomb University

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 **A173**

Philosophy of Religion Section and Critical Theory and Discourses on Religion  
Group

**Monday - 9:00 am-11:30 am**

Warren G. Frisina, Hofstra University, Presiding

Theme: *Postcolonial Theory and the Philosophy of Religion(s)*

Paulo Goncalves, University of London

*The Impropriety of Philosophy of Religion and the Possibility of Transformation*

Grace M. Jantzen, University of Manchester

*Uneasy Intersections: Postcolonialism, Feminism, and the Study of Religion*

Richard King, University of Derby

*Postcolonial Theory and the Philosophy of Religion: Reflections on Philosophy "After the Age of Europe"*

Arvind Mandair, Hofstra University

*The Auto-Immunity of the Philosophy of Religion: Onto-Theology, Historical Difference, and the Construction of Indic Religions*

Responding:

Tomoko Masuzawa, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor

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 **A174**

Religion and the Social Sciences Section

**Monday - 9:00 am-11:30 am**

Glen Stassen, Fuller Theological Seminary, Presiding

Theme: *Religion in the Workplace*

Douglas A. Hicks, University of Richmond

*A Map of Spirituality and Religion in the Workplace*

Beth Graybill, Franklin and Marshall College

*Negotiating Business and Religion: Amish Women Entrepreneurs and the Marketing of Cultural Tourism*

Ken Estey, New York, NY  
*Religion: Resource and Resistance in the Workplace*

Responding:  
Mary McClintock Fulkerson, Vanderbilt University

Business Meeting:  
Elizabeth M. Bounds, Emory University, and Glen Stassen, Fuller Theological Seminary,  
Presiding

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Religion in South Asia Section and Hinduism Group  
**Monday - 9:00 am-11:30 am**

T.S. Rukmani, Concordia University, Presiding  
Theme: *The Kumbh Melā : When the Divine Meets the Mundane*

Panelists:  
Mathieu Boisvert, University of Quebec, Montreal  
John Earl Llewellyn, Southwest Missouri State University  
James G. Lochtefeld, Carthage College  
Kama MacLean, La Trobe University  
William Pinch, Wesleyan University

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Study of Islam Section  
**Monday - 9:00 am-11:30 am**

Gordon D. Newby, Emory University, Presiding  
Theme: *Interpreting the Qur'an: Past and Present*

David Vishanoff, Emory University  
*Some Epistemological and Hermeneutical Dimensions of the Doctrine of the Created Qur'an*

Andrew J. Lane, University of Toronto  
*Al-Zamakhsharī's (d.1144CE) Use of an Earlier Source, al-Zajjāj's (d.ca.922CE) Ma'ānī l-Qur'ān, in His Qur'ān Commentary, "al-Kashshāf"*

Michael Frishkopf, University of Alberta

*Public Qur'anic Recitation and the Sonic Contestation of Islam in Contemporary Egypt*

David L. Johnston, Yale University

*Humanity as God's Caliphs: A Growing Overlap of Reformism and Islamism on Human Rights Discourse?*

Responding:

Jane Dammen McAuliffe, Georgetown University

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Study of Judaism Section

**Monday - 9:00 am-11:30 am**

Peter Ochs, University of Virginia, Presiding

Theme: *Textual Reasoning at the AAR: Rational Rabbis*

Panelists:

Menachem Fisch, Tel Aviv University

Shaul Magid, Jewish Theological Seminary

Elizabeth Shanks Alexander, University of Virginia

Aryeh Cohen, University of Judaism

This session is organized in cooperation with the Society for Textual Reasoning Rational Rabbis.

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Theology and Religious Reflection Section

**Monday - 9:00 am-11:30 am**

Kwok Pui Lan, Episcopal Divinity School, Presiding

Theme: *Critical Readings of Kathryn Tanner's Jesus, Humanity, and the Trinity: A Brief Systematic Theology*

Ian Curran, Emory University

*Postmodern Culture and Christian Doctrine in Kathryn Tanner's Jesus, Humanity and the Trinity*

Christine Helmer, Claremont School of Theology

*A Systematic Theological Theory of Truth in Kathryn Tanner's Jesus, Humanity and the Trinity*

Amy Plantinga Pauw, Louisville Presbyterian Seminary  
*Community of Argument and Community of Gift: Kathryn Tanner's Incipient Ecclesiologies*

Responding:  
Kathryn Tanner, University of Chicago

Business Meeting:  
Paul F. Lakeland, Fairfield University, Presiding

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 **A179**

African Religions Group  
**Monday - 9:00 am-11:30 am**

Martin A. Klein, University of Toronto, Presiding  
Theme: *Crisis and Response in Indigenous African Religious Traditions*

Cynthia Hoehler-Fatton, University of Virginia  
*Who Speaks for ATR?*

Mabiala Kenzo, Canadian Theological Seminary  
*Truly Astonishing Gods: Gods in the Fictive Universe of Ben Okri*

Emily J. Choge, Fuller Theological Seminary  
*A Call to Repentance: An African Christian Response to Crisis*

Sodiq Yushau, Texas Christian University  
*Nigerian Civil Government and the Application of Islamic laws: Can Conflict Lead to Accommodation?*

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 **A180**

Asian North American Religion, Culture, and Society Group and SBL's Asian and Asian-American Hermeneutics Group  
**Monday - 9:00 am-11:30 am**

Rita Nakashima Brock, Starr King School for the Ministry, Presiding  
Theme: *Asian and Asian American Sacred Texts in a Pluralistic Context*

Panelists:  
Tat-Siong Benny Liew, Chicago Theological Seminary

Nikky Singh, Colby College  
Khiok-Khng Yeo, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary  
Mark T. Unno, University of Oregon

Responding:  
Henry Wolfgang Rietz, Grinnell College

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 **A181**

Black Theology Group  
**Monday - 9:00 am-11:30 am**

Anthony B. Pinn, Macalester College, Presiding  
Theme: *Sociological/Theological Implications of Du Boisian Thought: Toward Theological Analyses of the Black Condition and Religious Identity*

James Anthony Noel, San Francisco Theological Seminary  
*The Souls of Black Folks: W. E. B. Du Bois and the African American Folk Tradition*

James W. Perkinson, Ecumenical Theological Seminary  
*Du Boisian Doubleness vs. Binary Blackness: On the Need to Read the Two as Too Few in Black Struggles for Liberation*

Ralph C. Watkins, Augusta State University  
*Soul-to-Soul: From W. E. B. Du Bois to C. Eric Lincoln: Moving toward a Sociology of the Black Condition and Religious Identity in the Twenty-first Century*

James H. Evans, Colgate Rochester Divinity School  
*W. E. B. DuBois and the Paradigm of Black Christian Scholarship*

Business Meeting:  
Anthony B. Pinn, Macalester College, Presiding

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 **A182**

Confucian Traditions Group  
**Monday - 9:00 am-11:30 am**

Philip J. Ivanhoe, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Presiding  
Theme: *Justified Belief in Confucian Traditions*

Thornton C. Kline, St. Mary's College of Maryland  
*Cultivated Intuitions*

David Tien, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor  
*Wang Yangming and Warranted Belief*

Pauline C. Lee, Stanford University  
*Li Zhi's (1527-1602) Conception of the Mind and His Radical Views on Gender Relations*

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Evangelical Theology Group  
**Monday - 9:00 am-11:30 am**

David Kling, University of Miami, Presiding  
Theme: *Women in American Evangelical Academia*

Nicola Hoggard-Creegan, Bible College of New Zealand, and Christine D. Pohl, Asbury  
Theological Seminary  
*Living on the Boundary: Women's Experience in the Evangelical Academy*

Heather Ann Ackley Bean, Azusa Pacific University  
*The Impact of Gender Issues on Teaching Religion in Evangelical Colleges and Universities*

Wyndy Corbin, Ashland Theological Seminary  
*Ghettoizing Gender: Genderless Male and Gendered Female and the Pedagogical and Ethical  
Implications in Evangelical Seminary Education*

Responding:  
Nancy A. Hardesty, Clemson University

Business Meeting:  
Margaret Lamberts Bendroth, Calvin College, Presiding

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Korean Religions Group  
**Monday - 9:00 am-11:30 am**



Young-chan Ro, George Mason University, Presiding

Theme: Syncretism: The Religious Contexts of Christian Beginnings in Korea by *David Chung* (SUNY 2001) and Christ and Caesar in Modern Korea by *Wi Jo Kang* (SUNY 1997)

Panelists:

Eun Hee Shin, University of Toronto

Hearn Chun, McCormick Theological Seminary

Anselm K. Min, Claremont Graduate School

Andrew Sung Park, United Theological Seminary

Sunju Chong, Chicago Theological Seminary

Responding:

Wi Jo Kang, Wartburg Theological Seminary

Kang-nam Oh, University of Regina

Business Meeting:

Sungtaek Cho, State University of New York, Stony Brook, and Bockja Kim, Hong Kong University, Presiding



Men's Studies in Religion Group  
**Monday - 9:00 am-11:30 am**

Mark J. Justad, Vanderbilt University, Presiding

Theme: *Masculinity in Nineteenth and Twentieth-Century Religious Experience*

Jean-François Roussel, University of Montreal

*The Concept of Masculinity in Men's Studies*

Kevin Lewis O'Niell, Harvard University

*Esto Vir!: Masculinity, Christianity, and American Secondary Education*

David Hadley Jensen, Manchester College

*Playful Parenting: The Burden and Promise of Horace Bushnell's Christian Nurture*

Jeffrey Williams, Claremont Graduate University

*The Male Body as Afflicted and Afflicter: Evangelicalism and Physical Violence in Early America*

Responding:

David James Livingston, Mercyhurst College

Business Meeting:

Mark J. Justad, Vanderbilt University, and David James Livingston, Mercyhurst College,  
Presiding

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**A186**

Nineteenth-Century Theology Group

**Monday - 9:00 am-11:30 am**

James C. Livingston, College of William and Mary, Presiding

Hans Schwarz, University of Regensburg, Presiding

Theme: *Theology and Its Scientific Critics in the Late Nineteenth Century*

Russell C. Kleckley, Newberry College

*Darwin's "Bulldog" and the Evolution of Theology: T. H. Huxley on the Essence of Christianity*

Richard England, Salisbury University

*Design Redesigned after Darwin: George Romanes and Aubrey Moore on Evolution and Immanence, 1882-1894*

Adam C. English, Baylor University

*Maurice Blondel's Synthesis of the Natural Sciences and a Theistic Philosophy of Action*

Anna Madsen, University of Regensburg

*Religion and Science in Conflict or Harmony? Ernst Haeckel's Monistenbund and the Keplerbund of Eberhard Dennert*

The business meeting will be held prior to this session at 7:00 am. The meeting will be in the same room.

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**A187**

Platonism and Neoplatonism Group

**Monday - 9:00 am-11:30 am**

Burcht Pranger, University of Amsterdam, Presiding

Theme: *Neoplatonism and the Body II*

J. Warren Smith, Duke University

*The Resurrection Body and the Body of Paradise*

Peter Ellard, Siena College

*The Body in the Twelfth-Century Chartrian Thought of William of Conches*

Willemien Otten, Utrecht University

*Nature's Body in Chartrian Philosophy*

Geoffrey McVey, Syracuse University

*The Body in Correspondence*

Business Meeting:

Thomas A. Carlson, University of California, Santa Barbara, and R.D. Hedley, University of Cambridge, Presiding

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**A188**

Reformed Theology and History Group

**Monday - 9:00 am-11:30 am**

R. Ward Holder, St. Anselm College, Presiding

Theme: *Hell and Damnation in the Reformed Tradition*

Douglas McCready, Roslyn, PA

*Classic Reformed Thinking about Hell*

James P. Byrd, Vanderbilt University

*The Attraction of Hell: Reading Paradise Lost through the Theology of Jonathan Edwards*

Chris Hinkle, Harvard University

*A Hell for Liberals?*

Scott Collins-Jones, Pittsburgh Theological Seminary

*Restricting Reprobation: Reflections on Questions of Perdition and Church Practice*

Business Meeting:

Kathryn Greene-McCreight, Yale University, and Robert J. Sherman, Bangor Theological Seminary

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**A189**

Religion and Ecology Group

**Monday - 9:00 am-11:30 am**

Bron Taylor, University of Florida, Oshkosh, Presiding  
Theme: *People Shaping Place and Place Shaping People: Sacred Geography and the New Eco-Anthropology*

Gustavo Benavides, Villanova University  
*Meaning, Cognition, and the Recalcitrance of the World*

Nancy McCagney, University of California, Santa Barbara  
*Sacred Places: The Interplay of Religion, Environment, and Climate in Ancient Times*

Prabha C. Reddy, Northwestern University  
*Sanctifying the Earthly and Cosmic Bodies of Siva in the Land of Srisailam: An Ecoreligious Study*

Responding:  
Anna Peterson, University of Florida

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Religion, Holocaust, and Genocide Group  
**Monday - 9:00 am-11:30 am**

Susan L. Nelson, Pittsburgh Theological Seminary, Presiding  
Theme: *Genocide, Theology, and the Clergy*

Rachel Payne, Boston University  
*Religious Elements of the Ottoman-Armenian Conflict*

Juan A. Herrero Brasas, California State University, Northridge  
*Fra. Satan and the Horrified Bishops: The Role of the Clergy in the Ustashi Genocide and in the 1991-1995 Balkan War*

Katharina Von Kellenbach, St. Mary's College of Maryland  
*God's Love and Women's Love: Prison Chaplains Counsel the Wives of National Socialist Perpetrators*

Björn Krondorfer, St. Mary's College of Maryland  
*Complicity, Resistance, Agency: Reading Memoirs of German Theologians*

Business Meeting:  
Susan L. Nelson, Pittsburgh Theological Seminary, and Oren Stier, Florida International University, Presiding

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 **A191**

Theology and Continental Philosophy Group  
**Monday - 9:00 am-11:30 am**

Bruce Ellis Benson, Wheaton College, Presiding  
Theme: *Towards the Outside: Perspectives on Derrida's Religious Thought*

Robert Gibbs, University of Toronto  
*Messianic Epistemology*

Robyn Horner, Australian Catholic University  
*Aporia or Excess? Two Strategies for Thinking R/revelation*

Walter Lowe, Emory University  
*The Believer and the Sophist*

James K.A. Smith, Calvin College  
*Hope without Hope? A Phenomenological Critique of Derrida's "Messianic" Expectation*

Business Meeting:  
Jeffrey Bloechl, College of the Holy Cross, and Cleo McNelly Kearns, Princeton University,  
Presiding

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 **A192**

Tillich: Issues in Theology, Religion, and Culture Group  
**Monday - 9:00 am-11:30 am**

**New Program Unit**

Mary Ann Stenger, University of Louisville, Presiding  
Theme: *Tillich in Dialogue*

Marc Boss, Institut Protestant de Théologie  
*Pragmatism and Beyond: Richard Rorty and Paul Tillich in Dialogue*

Peter Slater, University of Toronto  
*Bakhtin and Tillich*

Jonathan Rothchild, University of Chicago  
*Framing, Fragmenting, and Freud (?): Models of the Self and Faith Formation in Paul Tillich and Iris Murdoch*

Britt-Mari Sykes, University of Ottawa

*Critical Psychology and Ultimate Concern: Paul Tillich's Answer to Faith in the Postmodern World*

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 **A193**

Wesleyan Studies Group

**Monday - 9:00 am-11:30 am**

A. Gregory Schneider, Pacific Union College, Presiding

Theme: *Wesleyan Methodist Ecclesiology*

Karen D. Scheib, Emory University

*A Wesleyan Approach to Communion Ecclesiology*

Dean G. Blevins, Trevecca Nazarene University

*Holy Church, Holy People: A Wesleyan Exploration into Congregational Holiness and Personal Testament*

J. Douglas Harrison, University of Southern California

*Santification as Transubstantiation and the Liturgical Recovery of the Church as the Object of Holiness*

Tim Macquiban, Oxford Brookes University

*Maintaining Denominational Solidarity: The Dangers of Blueprint Ecclesiologies in Recent Methodist Statements*

Business Meeting:

K. Steve McCormick, Mount Vernon Nazarene University, Presiding

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 **A194**

Law, Religion, and Culture Consultation

**Monday - 9:00 am-11:30 am**

Natalie B. Dohrmann, North Carolina State University, Presiding

Theme: *Multiplying and Dividing: Pluralism and Transformation in Law and Religion*

Hans G. Kippenberg, University of Bremen

*Roman Law and Concepts of Religious Diversity*

James McBride, New York, NY

*Judicial Mimesis of Theological Rhetoric: Rosenberger versus Rector and the Case of Legal Transubstantiation*

Garen Murray, Graduate Theological Union

*Dancing with the Devil, Walking with Jesus: The Multiple Conversions of Women on Death Row*

James T. Richardson, University of Nevada, Reno, with Alain Garay, Paris, France

*The European Court of Human Rights, Legal Pluralism, and Religious Freedom*

Responding:

Robert A. Yelle, University of Chicago

Business Meeting:

Winnifred Fallers Sullivan, University of Chicago, Presiding



Wabash Student-Teacher Luncheon

**Monday - 11:30 am-1:00 pm**

Sponsored by the Student Liaison Group and the Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion

Richard Amesbury, Claremont Graduate University, Presiding

The Wabash Center cordially invites AAR student members to gather for conversation and a light lunch. Attendance is limited to the first 75 students who sign up. Please RSVP online.



EIS Advisory Committee Meeting

**Monday - 11:30 am-1:00 pm**

Carey J. Gifford, American Academy of Religion, Presiding



Walking Tour of Toronto's Religious and Civic Sites

**Monday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm**

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Special Topics Forum

**Monday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm**

Sponsored by the History of Religions Jury

Alan F. Segal, Barnard College, Columbia University, Presiding

Theme: *American Lectures in the History of Religions - Sufis and Hindus: Sixteenth-Century India*

Willard G. Oxtoby, University of Toronto, emeritus

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Is Teaching Graduate Students How to Teach Just a Fad?

**Monday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm**

Sponsored by Teaching and Learning Committee and the [Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion](#)

Stephen C. Berkwitz, Southwest Missouri State University, Presiding

Theme: *Is Teaching Graduate Students How to Teach Just a Fad?*

Panelists:

Rebecca S. Chopp, Colgate University

Malcolm David Eckel, Boston University

James Harlan Foard, Arizona State University

Richard A. Rosengarten, University of Chicago

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 **A200**

Academic Teaching and the Study of Religion Section  
**Monday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm**

Barbara A. B. Patterson, Emory University, Presiding  
Theme: *Crossing Borders: The Scholarship of Teaching and Learning in Canada*

Panelists:  
Mathieu Boisvert, University of Quebec, Montreal  
Pamela Klassen, University of Toronto  
Janet McLellan, Wilfrid Laurier University  
William C. James, Queens University  
Michel Desjardins, Wilfrid Laurier University

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 **A201**

Arts, Literature, and Religion Section  
**Monday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm**

Martha Serpas, University of Tampa, Presiding  
Theme: *Literature and Religion*

Jacqueline J. Lewis, Drew University  
*Trying to Be Grown: Reading Black Women's Fiction for the Serious, Responsible, Psycho/Sexual/Ethical Voice of Black Adolescent Girls*

Elias Kifon Bongmba, Rice University  
*Surviving Death: Reflections on Mariama Ba's So Long a Letter*

Rachel Wagner, University of Iowa  
*Form Criticism and the Romantic Poet: Reading William Blake's Apocalypse*

Helen Benet-Goodman, University of Virginia  
*Ontological Security as a Basis for Forgiveness in Cat's Eye by Margaret Atwood*

John Utz, Duke University  
*Russell Banks and the Hermeneutics of Grief*

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 **A202**

Comparative Studies in Religion Section

**Monday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm**

Thomas Tweed, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, Presiding

Theme: *Globalization, Religious Displacements, and the Problem of Authenticity*

Paul Christopher Johnson, University of Missouri, Columbia

*Diasporic versus Homeland Versions of Authenticity and the Questions of "Ritual Failure"*

Gregory Bruce Johnson, University of Chicago

*Incarcerated Traditions: Hawaiian Ethnicity in a Mainland Prison*

Hugh B. Urban, Ohio State University

*"Osho": Transnationalism and Tantric Sex, from East to West and Back Again*

Sam D. Gill, University of Colorado, Boulder

*Afri-Brazilian Dance or Aerobics without Orixás?: The New Form of Colonialism*

Responding:

Tomoko Masuzawa, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor

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**A203**

Ethics Section

**Monday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm**

Darryl Michael Trimiew, Colgate Rochester Divinity School, Presiding

Theme: *New Uses of Non-Western Classical Sources for Ethics*

Thomas B. Ellis, University of Pennsylvania

*On Viraha Bhakti: The Contemporary Ethical Implications of a Classical Hindu Theme*

Matthew Kosuta, University of Quebec, Montreal

*Ethics of War in Early Buddhist Suttas*

Huang Yong, Kutztown University of Pennsylvania

*Moral Copper Rule: A Confucian-Daoist Proposal for Global Ethics*

Business Meeting:

Pamela K. Brubaker, California Lutheran University, and Fred Glennon, Le Moyne College,  
Presiding

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 **A204**

History of Christianity Section and SBL's Early Christian Families Group  
**Monday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm**

Halvor Moxnes, University of Oslo, Presiding

Theme: *Marriage, Family, and Christianization: The Case of the Late Roman Aristocracy*

Julia Hillner, University of Manchester

*Domus, Family, and Inheritance: The Family House in Late Ancient Rome*

Anne Kurdock, University of Manchester

*Pagan and Christian Dynastic Strategies: A Comparative Approach*

Kate Cooper, University of Manchester

*Early Christian Household Manuals: Mapping the Matrona's Authority*

Mary Rose D'Angelo, University of Notre Dame

*Early Christian Familial Regrouping and the Social Politics of Rome: Romans 16 and the Libertini Portraits*

Responding:

Andrew S. Jacobs, University of California, Riverside

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 **A205**

Philosophy of Religion Section  
**Monday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm**

Kevin Schilbrack, Wesleyan College, Presiding

Theme: *Philosophy of Religious Rituals*

Panelists:

Thomas P. Kasulis, Ohio State University

Steven D. Kepnes, Colgate University

Thornton C. Kline, St. Mary's College of Maryland

Michael Raposa, Lehigh University

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 **A206**

Religion and the Social Sciences Section

**Monday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm**

Richard D. Hecht, University of California, Santa Barbara, and Wade Clark Roof, University of California, Santa Barbara, Presiding

Theme: *Religious Pluralism in Southern California*

Vincent F Biondo, University of California, Santa Barbara

*Integration versus Isolation: The Challenge of Islamic Education in Southern California*

Kathleen Garces-Foley, University of California, Santa Barbara

*The Catholic Project of Multiculturalism in Los Angeles*

David Machacek, University of California, Santa Barbara

*Pacific Pluralism: The Working Model*

Todd Perreira, University of California, Santa Barbara

*From Confucian Korea to Protestant America: The Gendering of Confucian Status and Christian Identity in the City of Angels*



Religion in South Asia Section

**Monday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm**

Susanne Mrozik, Harvard University, Presiding

Theme: *You Are How You Eat: Food and the Formation of Identity*

James Egge, University of Chicago

*Do Not Try This at Home: On Some Theravada Buddhist Stories of Excessive Giving*

Robert Menzies, University of Iowa

*Fast/Food: Consumption and Transgression in Vrat Katha*

Katherine Ulrich, Swarthmore College

*Food Fights: Hindu, Buddhist, and Jain Dietary Polemics in South India*

Elizabeth L. Wilson, Miami University

*Eliminating Bad Karma through Food Offerings: Buddhist Practice and Pre-Buddhist Precedents*

Responding:

Joseph Walser, Tufts University

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**A208**

Study of Judaism Section

**Monday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm**

Barry Mesch, Hebrew College, Presiding

Theme: *Judaism and Science: Dialogue or Discord?*

Solomon Schimmel, Hebrew College

*Human Nature in Judaism and in Evolutionary and Neuropsychology: Implications for Traditional Ethics and Morality*

Jacob Meskin, Hebrew College

*From "Competition" to "Comparison" and Beyond: Exploring the Novel Relationship between Science and Judaism in the Work of R. Soloveitchik*

Steven Goldman, Lehigh University

*Rabbinic Judaism and the Science Wars*

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**A209**

Theology and Religious Reflection Section

**Monday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm**

Paul F. Lakeland, Fairfield University, Presiding

Theme: *The Work of Gregory Baum: An Appreciation*

Panelists:

Harold Wells, University of Toronto

Carolyn Sharp, St. Paul University

Derek Simon, McGill University

Responding:

Gregory Baum, McGill University

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**A210**

Church-State Studies Group

**Monday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm**

Thomas Hughson, Marquette University, Presiding  
Theme: *Issues in Religious Liberty (Canada, South Africa, United Kingdom)*

Christopher C. Brittain, University of Toronto  
*Religion and the State in the Ontario Separate Schools Debate*

Martyn Percy, Sheffield University  
*"Long to Reign over Us"? Church, State, and Monarchy: The Changing Shape of Religious Establishment in Britain*

Esther D. Reed, University of St. Andrews  
*Trade Unions, Labour Law, and the Employment Status of Clergy: What Principles Should Inform the Churches' Practice?*

Samuel Paul, Fuller Theological Seminary  
*From Apartheid to Democracy: A South African Model of Religious Pluralism Embracing Diversity, Inclusivity, and Community*



Comparative Studies in Hinduisms and Judaisms Group and Anthropology of Religion Consultation  
**Monday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm**

Rebecca Sachs Norris, Merrimack College, Presiding  
Theme: *Constructions of "Self" and "Other": Ethnographic Encounters with Hindu and Jewish Communities*

Fiona Bowie, University of Wales, Lampeter  
*Constructing Experience: Comparative Ethnographies of Mata Amritanandamayi's Mission and the Focolare Movement*

Faydra Shapiro, Wilfrid Laurier University  
*Falling in Love with the Inner Other: An Ethnography of the Israel Experience Program*

Malory Nye, University of Stirling  
*The Problem of Religion in the Ethnographic Study of Culture: Fieldwork Experiences among British Hindu Communities*

Responding:  
Kathryn Teague McClymond, Georgia State University  
Janice Boddy, University of Toronto

Business Meeting:

Barbara Holdrege, University of California, Santa Barbara, and Paul Morris, Victoria University,  
Presiding

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Eastern Orthodox Studies Group  
**Monday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm**

Robin Darling Young, Catholic University of America, Presiding  
Theme: *Eastern Christianity and Islam*

David Vila, John Brown University  
*Allegations of Violence in Early Arabic Christian Apologetics against Islam*

Telford Work, Westmont College  
*Sharpening the Doctrine of God: Theology between Christianity and Early Islam*

Business Meeting:

Robin Darling Young, Catholic University of America, Presiding

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Latina/o Religion, Culture, and Society Group and Religions, Medicines, and Healing  
Consultation  
**Monday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm**

Rüdiger V. Busto, Stanford University, Presiding  
Theme: *La Cultura Cura/Culture Heals: Religion and Healing Issues in Catholic and  
Pentecostal Latino/a Communities*

Kenneth Davis, St. Meinrad School  
*Naturalismo*

Angel Mendez, University of Virginia  
*God: Banquete de los Sentidos*

Otto A. Maduro, Drew University  
*Latina/o Pentecostalism in Newark, NJ: An Experience in Shattered Preconceptions*

Bobby C. Alexander, University of Texas at Dallas  
*Social Mobility and Cultural Dissonance in a Transnational Mexican Pentecostal Church: A Case Study of the Dallas Mission*

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Lesbian-Feminist Issues and Religion Group  
**Monday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm**

Emily Erwin Culpepper, University of Redlands, Presiding  
Theme: *Lesbian Wraiths: Cosmological Themes in Filmic Representations*

Panelists:

Jane Caputi, Florida Atlantic University  
Peggy Schmeiser, University of Ottawa  
Marie Cartier, Claremont Graduate University  
L. J. Tessier, Youngstown State University

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Millennialism Studies Group and New Religious Movements Group  
**Monday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm**

Jeffrey Kaplan, University of Wisconsin, Oshkosh, Presiding  
Theme: *Millennialism and Violence: Lessons from the Year 2000 for a Post September 11 World*

Panelists:

David Rapaport, University of California, Los Angeles  
E. Randolph Daniel, University of Kentucky  
Michael Barkun, Syracuse University  
Eugene V. Gallagher, Connecticut College  
Benjamin Beit-Hallahmi, University of Haifa  
Dick Anthony, Richmond, CA

Leena Malkki, University of Helsinki

Responding:

Catherine Wessinger, Loyola University, New Orleans

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 **A216**

Nineteenth-Century Theology Group and Tillich: Issues in Theology, Religion, and Culture Group

**Monday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm**

Garrett Green, Connecticut College, and Robison B. James, University of Richmond, Presiding  
Theme: *Paul Tillich and Ernst Troeltsch*

Jean Richard, University of Laval  
*Two Turning Points in Modern Theology: Troeltsch and Tillich*

Garrett E. Paul, Gustavus Adolphus College  
*Being and History in Tension: Troeltsch and Tillich on Ontology and Dogmatics*

Mary Ann Stenger, University of Louisville  
*Troeltsch and Tillich: Christians Seeking Religion Outside the Churches*

Responding:

Paul DeHart, Vanderbilt University

Dawn DeVries, Union Theological Seminary and Presbyterian School of Christian Education

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 **A217**

Religion and Ecology Group

**Monday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm**

Adrian Ivakhiv, University of Wisconsin, Oshkosh, Presiding  
Theme: *Engaged Research: Critical Reflections on Religion, Ecology, and the Scholar Activist*

Laurel D. Kearns, Drew University  
*Activism Is What We Do Everyday*

Whitney Bauman, Center for Theology and the Natural Sciences  
*At the Intersection of Advocacy and Academics: Green Studies at the Graduate Theological Union*

Laura Hobgood-Oster, Southwestern University  
*Chemistry, Religion, Water, and Ecojustice*

Barbara Jane Davy, Concordia University  
*Being at Home with Oneself in Daki Menan*

Responding:  
Lois Lorentzen, University of San Francisco

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 **A218**

Religion and Popular Culture Group  
**Monday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm**

Douglas Ottati, Union Theological Seminary, Virginia, Presiding  
Theme: *Baseball, Religion, and American Culture: A Panel Discussion of The Faith of Fifty Million: Baseball, Religion, and American Culture*

Panelists:  
Randall Balmer, Barnard College, Columbia University  
Donna Bowman, University of Central Arkansas  
Joseph Price, Whittier College

Responding:  
Christopher Evans, Colgate Rochester Divinity School  
William R. Herzog II, Colgate Rochester Divinity School

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 **A219**

Wesleyan Studies Group  
**Monday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm**

K. Steve McCormick, Mount Vernon Nazarene University, Presiding  
Theme: *Wesleyan Perspectives on Ethics*

Panelists:  
Theodore R. Weber, Emory University  
Ronald Stone, Pittsburgh Theological Seminary

Responding:  
Rebekah Miles, Southern Methodist University  
Richard P. Heitzenrater, Duke University  
Stephen Long, Garrett-Evangelical Theological School  
Kenneth J. Collins, Asbury Theological Seminary

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 **A220**

Rastafari in Global Contexts: Religion and Culture Seminar - CANCELLED  
**Monday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm**

This session has been cancelled.

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 **A221**

Zen Buddhism Seminar  
**Monday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm**

**New Program Unit**

Jin Y. Park, American University, Presiding  
Theme: *Zen and the Politics of Difference*

Youru Wang, Rowan University  
*A Case Study in Daoist Influence and the Formation of Chan Identity*

Mario Poceski, University of Florida  
*Attitudes towards Canonical Authority in Early Chan*

Albert F. Welter, University of Winnipeg  
*The Textual History of the Linji lu: The Earliest Recorded Fragments*

A. Charles Muller, Toyo Gakuen University  
*Jeong Dojeon and Gihwa: The Chan-Confucian Conflict in the Late Goryeo and Early Joseon*

John R. McRae, Indiana University, Bloomington  
*The Rules of Zen Studies*

Business Meeting:

Gereon Kopf, Luther College, and Jin Y. Park, American University, Presiding

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 **A222**

Religion, Culture, and Communication Consultation  
**Monday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm**

Michele Rosenthal, University of Haifa, Presiding  
Theme: *Digital Religion*

Maryellen Davis, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill  
*Virtual Pilgrimage, Virtual Adoration: Roman Catholic Devotions in the Internet Age*

Katherine G. McCarthy, California State University, Chico  
*Meeting the Other in Cyberspace: Interreligious Dialogue on the Internet*

James Caccamo, Loyola University, Chicago  
*Is It the Form or the Substance? Moving toward a Theory of the Mediation of Religion in Cyberspace*

Responding:  
Bruce B. Lawrence, Duke University

Business Meeting:  
Stewart M. Hoover, University of Colorado, Boulder, and Michele Rosenthal, University of Haifa, Presiding

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Special Topics Forum  
**Monday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm**

Sponsored by the Program Committee

Barbara DeConcini, American Academy of Religion, Presiding  
Theme: *The New Paradigm in International Relations? Reflections after September 11, 2001*

Hans Küng, University of Tübingen

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Buddhism Section  
**Monday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm**

Miriam Levering, University of Tennessee, Knoxville, Presiding  
Theme: *Women, Death, and Salvation in Buddhism*

Mark L. Blum, State University of New York, Albany  
*The Rhetoric of Inclusion: Rationalizing the Spirituality of Women in Kamakura Buddhism*

Alan Cole, Lewis and Clark College  
*Fleshy Morality: Managing the Misdeeds of Mu Lian's Mother in Late Tang China*

Zhiru Ng, Pomona College  
*The Scripture on the Past Vows of Dizang Bodhisattva: Female Practice of Filial Piety and Buddhist Afterlife Beliefs in Medieval China*

Michelle Sorenson, Columbia University  
*Women, Death, and Chiasmatic Complexities in gCod*

Mariko Namba Walter, Harvard University  
*Women in Buddhist Heaven*

Responding:  
Reiko Ohnuma, Dartmouth College



Comparative Studies in Religion Section  
**Monday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm**

Carol S. Anderson, Kalamazoo College, Presiding  
Theme: *Historicizing Sacrifice*

Panelists:  
Robert M. Baum, Iowa State University  
Kay A. Read, DePaul University  
John Rundin, University of Texas, San Antonio  
Gregory Spinner, Central Michigan University  
Katherine Ulrich, Swarthmore College

Business Meeting:  
Carol S. Anderson, Kalamazoo College, and Selva Raj, Albion College, Presiding



History of Christianity Section  
**Monday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm**

Craig D. Atwood, Moravian Theological Seminary, Presiding  
Theme: History of the World Christian Movement: Earliest Christianity to 1453 by Dale Irvin  
and Scott Sunquist

Panelists:

Leslie Callahan, Princeton University  
Valerie Karras, St. Louis University  
Jane E. Merdinger, Catholic University of America  
Maureen A. Tilley, University of Dayton  
Andrew Finlay Walls, University of Edinburgh

Responding:

Dale T. Irvin, New York Theological Seminary  
Scott W. Sunquist, Pittsburgh Theological Seminary

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North American Religions Section and Cultural History of the Study of Religion  
Consultation

**Monday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm**

Paula Kane, University of Pittsburgh, Presiding  
Theme: *The Study of Religion and the Study of Emotion*

John Corrigan, Florida State University  
*Goodbye, Mysterium Tremendum: What's So Scary about Studying Religion and Emotion?*

Gary L. Ebersole, University of Missouri, Kansas City  
*Collective and Individual Religious Emotions: The Locus of a Problem in the History of the Study of Religion*

June McDaniel, College of Charleston  
*The Academic Study of Emotion in the Study of Indian Religious Traditions*

Timothy Nelson, Northwestern University  
*The Greatest of These: Emotion Work, Feeling Rules, and the Christian Experience*

Responding:

Frederick M. Denny, University of Colorado, Boulder

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Philosophy of Religion Section  
**Monday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm**

Joseph Prabhu, California State University, Los Angeles, Presiding  
Theme: *Religious Experience and Epistemology*

Carl Andrew Seaquist, University of Pennsylvania  
*Error, Change and Rule-Following in Religious Rituals*

Daniel A. Arnold, University of Chicago  
*Reconstructing Madhyamaka as Transcendental Argument*

John Cha, Gustavus Adolphus College  
*Reflecting Reality: Critical and Foundational Aspects of Indian Yogācāra Epistemology*

Brad J. Kallenberg, University of Dayton  
*On Resisting Gnosticism*

Responding:  
Gerald J. Larson, Indiana University, Bloomington



Religion and the Social Sciences Section and Black Theology Group  
**Monday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm**

Alton B. Pollard, Emory University, Presiding  
Theme: *Black Casualties of Capitalism: Black Liberation Responses to Economics of War, Prisons, and Violence*

Garen Murray, Graduate Theological Union  
*Don't Bring Me No Bad News: African American Women, Prisons, and Welfare Reform*

Robert Beckford, University of Birmingham  
*Sects, Lies, and Videotape: Black Theology Project in a British Prison*

Tina Houston, Fuller Graduate School of Psychology  
*Moving towards a Liberation Psychology: Young African American Males and Exposure to Violence*

Responding:  
Juan Floyd-Thomas, Texas Christian University

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**A230**

Religion in South Asia Section

**Monday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm**

Swasti Bhattacharyya, University of Southern California, Presiding

Theme: *Body, World, and Liberation in the Yogavāsishtha*

Arindam Chakrabarti, University of Hawaii, Manoa

*Līlā and Cūdālā: Two Women of Loving Wisdom in the Yogavāsishtha/Moksopaya*

Christopher Chapple, Loyola Marymount University

*The Story of the World within the Rock: Elements, Senses, and World Creation in the Yogavāsishtha*

Andrew O. Fort, Texas Christian University

*Embodied Liberation (Jivanmukti) in the Yogavāsishtha*

Menaha Ganesathasan, University of Hawaii, Manoa

*Is the Yogavāsishtha Life Negating? The Story of Karkatī*

Matthew MacKenzie, University of Hawaii, Honolulu

*From Resentment to Freedom: Celebration of the Body in the Yogavāsishtha*

Business Meeting:

Philip Lutgendorf, University of Iowa, and Leslie Orr, Concordia University

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**A231**

Study of Islam Section

**Monday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm**

Amir Hussain, California State University, Northridge, Presiding

Theme: *Negotiating Identity in Relation: Contemporary Islams around the Globe*

Anna Bigelow, University of California, Santa Barbara

*Sharing Saints, Sharing Sites: Sufism in Punjab with and without Muslims*

Valerie J. Hoffman, University of Illinois

*The Articulation of Ibadī Identity in Modern Oman and Zanzibar*

Markus Dressler, New York University

*Questioning the Dichotomous Concept of Religion: The Case of Secularist Turkish Alevism*



Mark J. Sedgwick, American University, Cairo  
*Sufism and Modernity: The Budshishiyya and the Moroccan Francophone Milieu*

Peter Ellard, Siena College  
*Sufis in a Shaker Village: Bring the Kids, Life in the Abode of the Message, a Contemporary Sufi Community in Upstate New York*

Responding:  
Nelly Van Doorn-Harder, Valparaiso University

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**A232**

Study of Judaism Section  
**Monday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm**

Kenneth Seeskin, Northwestern University, Presiding  
Theme: *The Intersection of Practical Law and Philosophical Theory: Maimonidean Responsa concerning the "Other"*

Panelists:  
David Novak, University of Toronto  
James Diamond, University of Waterloo  
Albert Friedberg, University of Toronto

Business Meeting:

Barbara Galli, McGill University, and Randi Rashkover, York College of Pennsylvania,  
Presiding

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**A233**

Theology and Religious Reflection Section  
**Monday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm**

Mark I. Wallace, Swarthmore College, Presiding  
Theme: *Religious Reflections on "Land"*

Michael Nausner, Drew University  
*Homeland as Borderland: A Theological Investigation of Territoriality*

Sally Matless, Harvard University

*The Attitude of Regard: Learning Theological Lessons about the Land from Barry Lopez's Arctic Dreams*

Alon Goshen-Gottstein, Hebrew University of Jerusalem

*Three Theologies of the Land of Israel: Covenant, Commandment, and Energy*

Forrest Clingerman, University of Iowa

*Standing, Emplaced: Theological Modeling, Emplacement, and a Marsh in the Middle of Junkyards*



**A234**

Women and Religion Section and Religion, Holocaust, and Genocide Group  
**Monday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm**

Laurie Zoloth, San Francisco State University, Presiding

Theme: *Gender and Genocide: Subjects, Objects, and Agency*

David Tombs, Trinity College, Dublin

*Gender Violence and Genocide During La Violencia in Guatemala*

Nami Kim, Harvard University

*Genocide or Gynocide? Japan's "Military Comfort System"*

Tam Parker, University of the South

*Survival of the Closest: Gender and Agency in Holocaust Resistance*

Janet L. Jacobs, University of Colorado, Boulder

*Double Vision: Feminist Ethnography and Women's Subjectivity in Holocaust Studies*



**A235**

Asian North American Religion, Culture, and Society Group  
**Monday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm**

Khyati Y. Joshi, Columbia University, Presiding

Theme: *Drawing outside the Lines: Extending the Boundaries of Asian North American Religions*

Patricia Y. C. E. Lin, Institute for Jewish and Community Research, San Francisco  
*The Asian American Jewish Experience: Insights from a National Study*

Elizabeth Cameron Galbraith, Coe College  
*The Culture of Indian Christianity in North America*

Elijah Siegler, University of California, Santa Barbara  
*To Be Chinese, Canadian, and Daoist: Semi-Adhesive Identities at the Taoist Tai Chi Society of Toronto*

Sushil Jain, Institute of Asian Cultures, Windsor, ON  
*Sikhs and the Law: A Religious Minority and Its Legal Encounters in Canada with Respect to Dress and Dagger*

Rüdiger V. Busto, Stanford University  
*A "Living Buddha" in Asian America: Looking for the Dilowa Gegen Khutukhtu*

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**A236**

Bonhoeffer: Theology and Social Analysis Group  
**Monday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm**

Clifford Green, Hartford Seminary, emeritus, Presiding  
Theme: *Bonhoeffer and the Homiletical Challenge*

David L. Barnhart, Vanderbilt University  
*Jesus Walking in the Congregation: Language and Bonhoeffer's Incarnational Preaching*

Rachel Muers, University of Cambridge  
*The Hearing Mind: Bonhoeffer on Wisdom and Folly*

Wesley D. Avram, Yale University  
*The Work of Conscience in Bonhoeffer's Homiletic: From Heidegger to Levinas*

Business Meeting:  
Jeffrey C. Pugh, Elon University, Presiding

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**A237**

Chinese Religions Group and Confucian Traditions Group  
**Monday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm**

Mark Csikszentmihalyi, University of Wisconsin, Madison, Presiding  
Theme: *A Retrospective of Julia Ching's Works on Confucianism and Comparative Religions*

Panelists:

Lionel M. Jensen, University of Notre Dame  
On-cho Ng, Pennsylvania State University  
Ellen Zhang, Temple University  
John A. Tucker, East Carolina University  
Robert C. Neville, Boston University

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 **A238**

Christian Spirituality Group  
**Monday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm**

James J. McGee, Santa Clara University, Presiding  
Theme: *Spirituality and the Work Place*

André L. Delbecq, Santa Clara University, and Elizabeth Liebert, San Francisco Theological Seminary  
*Juxtaposing Christian Discernment with Strategic Decision Theory*

Michael Skelley, DePaul University  
*Work as Spiritual Practice: Spirituality in Organizational Life*

Margaret Benefiel, Andover Newton Theological Seminary  
*Spirituality and Management: Lovers and/or Irreconcilable Foes?*

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 **A239**

Christian Systematic Theology Group  
**Monday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm**

Cynthia L. Rigby, Austin Theological Seminary, Presiding  
Theme: *Christ's Descent into Hell and Ascension into Heaven*

J. David Franks, Boston College  
*The Apocalyptic Verticality of Christ's Descent and Ascension: Balthasar's Christocentric and Trinitarian Eschatology as Political Theology*

Ann M. Caron, St. Joseph College  
*Ascension: The Absence and Presence of Christ*

David R. Law, University of Manchester  
*Descent into Hell, Ascension, and Ubiquitarianism*

Responding:  
Douglas B. Farrow, McGill University

The business meeting will be held at 7:30 am on Tuesday. Please see the Additional Meetings section of the program book for further information.

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 **A240**

Feminist Theory and Religious Reflection Group and Theology and Continental  
Philosophy Group  
**Monday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm**

M. Gail Hamner, Syracuse University, Presiding  
Theme: *La Toucher/Touching Her: Touch in the Gospels*

Marcella Althaus-Reid, University of Edinburgh  
*El Tocado: Sexual Irregularities in the Translation of the God (The Word) in Jesus*

Grace M. Jantzen, University of Manchester  
*"The Desert in the Desert": Nomad, Refugee, Anchoress*

Gregg Lambert, Syracuse University  
*Untouchable*

Ellen T. Armour, Rhodes College  
*Touching Transcendence: Sexual Difference and Sacrality in Derrida's Response to Le Toucher*

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 **A241**

Gay Men's Issues in Religion Group  
**Monday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm**

Donald L. Boisvert, Concordia University, Presiding  
Theme: *Wrestling with Traditions*

Yaakov Ariel, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill  
*Gay and Orthodox?: Sexual Orientation and Return to Tradition*

David Mellott, Emory University  
*Resisting the Mechanisms of Self-Deception: A Call to Liberation for Gay Roman Catholic Clergy*

Ken Stone, Chicago Theological Seminary  
*"Before the Eyes of All Israel": Public Sex in the Bible*

Timothy R. Koch, Boston University  
*Sacramental Sexuality: Drinking Blood in the Age of AIDS*

Responding:  
*Michael M. Mendiola, Pacific School of Religion*

Business Meeting:  
*Jay E. Johnson, Richmond, CA, Presiding*

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 **A242**

Mysticism Group and Person, Culture, and Religion Group  
**Monday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm**

G. William Barnard, Southern Methodist University, Presiding  
Theme: *Celebrating the Centennial of William James's Varieties of Religious Experience*

Panelists:  
Ellen Kappy Suckiel, University of California, Santa Cruz  
Ann Taves, Claremont School of Theology  
Eugene Taylor, Harvard University  
Osborne Lorentzen, State University of New York, Morrisville

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 **A243**

Native Traditions in the Americas Group  
**Monday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm**

Micheline Pesantubbee, University of Colorado, Boulder, Presiding  
Theme: *A Native American Theology: A Critical Review and Analysis*

Panelists:

Jace Weaver, Yale University

Christine Helmer, Claremont School of Theology

Chris Jocks, Dartmouth College

John Milbank, University of Virginia

Ines M. Talamantez, University of California, Santa Barbara

Responding:

Homer Noley, National United Methodist Native American Center

Clara Sue Kidwell, University of Oklahoma



**A244**

Religion and Popular Culture Group

**Monday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm**

Ann Pellegrini, University of California, Irvine, Presiding

Theme: *Bodies at Rest and in Motion: Gender, Religion, Popular Culture*

Erin Smith, University of Texas, Dallas

*Muscular Christianity, Commerce, and Literary Value: The Case of Harold Bell Wright*

Kathryn Lofton, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill

*Practicing Oprah*

Catherine Roach, University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa

*Religious Studies and Sex-Positive Feminism: An Ethnographic Study of Women Strippers*

Claudia Schippert, University of Central Florida

*Sporting Heroic Bodies in a Christian Nation-at-War: Fighting the Evil Axis in the Lord's Gym*

Business Meeting:

Gary M. Laderman, Emory University, Presiding



**A245**

Religion and Science Group

**Monday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm**

Nancy Howell, Saint Paul School of Theology, Presiding

Theme: *Science, Religion, and Social Location, Chaos, Complexity, and Social Location*

Sang Bok Lee, Northwestern University  
*From Chaos to Cosmos: Taoistic, Whiteheadian, and Neuroreligious Perspectives*

Vaughan McTernan, Beloit College  
*Complexity, Intimacy, and Social Location*

Barbara Strassberg, Aurora University  
*Whose Science and Whose Religion? Anybody Left Out?*

Responding:  
Stacey Ake, Metanexus Institute, Philadelphia

Business Meeting:  
Nancy Howell, Saint Paul School of Theology, and Greg Peterson, South Dakota State University, Presiding



Ritual Studies Group  
**Monday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm**

Mario I. Aguilar, University of St. Andrews, Presiding  
Theme: *Altering States: Consciousness, Symbol, Perspective, Method*

Alexandra Witkin-New Holy, Montana State University  
*Lakota Rock Art, Ritual, and Altered States of Consciousness (ASCs)*

Kristy Coleman, Claremont Graduate School  
*Re-w/riting Signifying Structures: Efficacy and Meaning in a Goddess Spirituality Rite*

Susan Marks, University of Pennsylvania  
*Rites of Passage: The Role of Perspective and the Historian*

Jonathan Klawans, Boston University  
*Sacrifice and Purity: The Twisted Fortunes of Related Ritual Structures*

Business Meeting:  
Nikki Bado-Fralick, Iowa State University, Presiding





Tillich: Issues in Theology, Religion, and Culture Group  
**Monday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm**

**New Program Unit**

Robison B. James, University of Richmond, Presiding  
Theme: *Paul Tillich, Postmodernism, and Process Thought*

John J. Thatamanil, Millsaps College  
*God as Dynamic Ontological Creativity: Exploring the Possibilities for a Tillichian Process Theology*

Luis G. Pedraja, Memphis Theological Seminary  
*The Lure of Faith: Tillich's Understanding of Faith and Whitehead's Lure of God*

Loye Ashton, Boston University  
*Rhythmicity and the Relocation of Tillich in Postmodern Theology*

Edgar A. Towne, Christian Theological Seminary  
*Tillich on the Actuality of God as Apprehended by Faith*

Business Meeting:  
Robison B. James, University of Richmond, and Mary Ann Stenger, University of Louisville,  
Presiding



Plenary Address  
**Monday - 7:15 pm-8:15 pm**

Vasudha Narayanan, University of Florida, Presiding  
Theme: *Have We Distorted the Essence of Religion?*

Arun Gandhi, M.K. Gandhi Institute for Nonviolence

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Arts Series/Film: [\*Memento\*](#)  
**Monday - 8:30 pm-10:30 pm**

Sponsored by the Religion, Film, and Visual Culture Group

Gerard Loughlin, University of Newcastle, Presiding

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 **A250**

Program Unit Chairs and Steering Committee Members Reception  
**Monday - 9:00 pm-10:30 pm**

Barbara DeConcini, American Academy of Religion, Presiding

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 **A251**

Academic Teaching and the Study of Religion Section and Theology and Religious  
Reflection Section  
**Tuesday - 9:00 am-11:30 am**

Valarie H. Ziegler, DePauw University, Presiding  
Theme: *The Pedagogical Crossroads of Theology and Religious Studies*

Michael Battle, Duke University  
*Mutuality: The Spirituality of Teaching*

Caryn D. Riswold, Valparaiso University  
*Teaching as Theological Practice: Co-creating in the Classroom*

Jane Maynard, Church Divinity School of the Pacific  
*Teaching Theological Reflection in Field Education: A Meta-Reflection*

Faith Kirkham Hawkins, Gustavus Adolphus College  
*Teaching/Creative Writing as Parabolic Theology: A Case Study*

Lucretia B. Yaghjian, Weston School of Theology  
*Teaching Theological Reflection Well, Reflecting on Writing as a Theological Practice*

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 **A252**

Buddhism Section

**Tuesday - 9:00 am-11:30 am**

Taigen Daniel Leighton, Graduate Theological Union, Presiding  
Theme: *Discourse and Rhetoric in Medieval Japanese Buddhism*

Ryuichi Abe, Columbia University  
*Poetics, Emptiness, and Mind-Only: On Myōe's Poems and the Yogācāra Theory*

Richard K. Payne, Graduate Theological Union  
*Awakening and Language: Indic Theories of Language in Japanese Esoteric Buddhism*

Jacqueline I. Stone, Princeton University  
*Not Mere Written Words: Perspectives on the Language of the Lotus in Medieval Japan*

Mark T. Unno, University of Oregon  
*The Body of Time and the Discourse of Precepts*

Responding:

Mark L. Blum, State University of New York, Albany



**A253**

Comparative Studies in Religion Section

**Tuesday - 9:00 am-11:30 am**

Mark Wheeler MacWilliams, St. Lawrence University, Presiding  
Theme: *New Horizons in the Comparative Studies of Religion*

Laurie Cozad, University of Mississippi  
*Context as Weapon: The Keepers of Buddhist Orthodoxy versus the Snake in the Grass-Roots Movement*

Lance D. Laird, Evergreen State College  
*Jesus and Other Palestinian Martyrs: Crossing Muslim-Christian Boundaries in Bethlehem*

Svitlana Kobets, University of Toronto  
*Foolishness in Christ: Eastern Orthodox and Western Catholic Perspectives*

Paul Thomas, University of Missouri, Kansas City  
*The Riddle of Ishtar's Shoes: The Religious Significance of the Footprints at Ain Dara from a Comparative Perspective*

Antonia Atanassova, Boston College  
*The Ministry of Fire: Firedancing and Ritual Empowerment on the Balkans*

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 **A254**

History of Christianity Section  
**Tuesday - 9:00 am-11:30 am**

Anne Thayer, Lancaster Theological Seminary, Presiding  
Theme: *Performing Death*

Alexei Khamine, Drew University  
*Ignatius of Antioch: The Persuasive Power of Performance*

Richard Layton, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign  
*Manly Fortitude and Womanly Weeping: Male Grief in Late-Antique Autobiographical Accounts of Bereavement*

Austra Reinis, Princeton University  
*Overcoming Hell, Death, and the Devil: Deathbed Devotion to the Passion in the Ars Moriendi of the German Reformation (1519-1528)*

Muriel Schmid, Universite de Neuchatel  
*"In the Destruction of the Flesh, the Spirit May Be Saved": The Execution Sermon and the Ritual of Salvation*

Responding:  
F. Bruce Gordon, University of St. Andrews

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 **A255**

North American Religions Section  
**Tuesday - 9:00 am-11:30 am**

Grant Wacker, Duke University, Presiding  
Theme: *Borderlands Religion: Aimee Semple McPherson and the International Church of the Foursquare*

Quincy Newell, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill  
*Sister Aimee?: Aimee Semple McPherson and the Construction of Femininity*

Priscilla Pope-Levison, Seattle Pacific University  
*Taking It to the Street: The Gospel Cars of Aimee Semple McPherson and Martha Moore Avery*

Matthew A. Sutton, University of California, Santa Barbara  
*Complicating the Borders of the "Old Religious Right": Aimee Semple McPherson and the Battle for America's Future*

Responding:  
Edith Blumhofer, Wheaton College

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Philosophy of Religion Section  
**Tuesday - 9:00 am-11:30 am**

Amy M. Hollywood, Dartmouth College, Presiding  
Theme: *Virginity, Death, and Subjectivity in Feminist Philosophy of Religion: Françoise Meltzer's* For Fear of the Fire: Joan of Arc and the Limits of Subjectivity

Panelists:  
Ellen T. Armour, Rhodes College  
Thomas A. Carlson, University of California, Santa Barbara  
Cleo McNelly Kearns, Princeton University  
Edith Wyschogrod, Rice University

Responding:  
Françoise Meltzer, University of Chicago

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Religion and the Social Sciences Section  
**Tuesday - 9:00 am-11:30 am**

Claudia Schippert, University of Central Florida, Presiding  
Theme: *Author Meets Critics: Ann Burlein's* Lift High the Cross: Where White Supremacy and the Christian Right Converge

Panelists:  
Tania Oldenhage, Mount Union College  
Jennifer Rycenga, San José State University  
David Harrington Watt, Temple University  
Traci C. West, Drew University

Responding:  
Ann M. Burlein, University of North Carolina, Charlotte

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 **A258**

Religion in South Asia Section  
**Tuesday - 9:00 am-11:30 am**

Rachel Fell McDermott, Barnard College, Presiding  
Theme: *In the Flesh: The Vernacular Tantric Traditions of India and Nepal*

Sarah Caldwell, Harvard University  
*Local Registers of Sakta Tantrism in Kerala Goddess Worship*

Glen Alexander Hayes, Bloomfield College  
*The Guru's Tongue: Metaphor, Ambivalence, and Appropriation in Vaisnava Sahajiya Traditions of Bengal*

Jeffrey Stephen Lidke, Bard College  
*The Dance of Power: Blood and Possession at the Heart of the Mandala*

Hugh B. Urban, Ohio State University  
*The Stinking Fruit in the Garden of Love: The Ambivalent Place of Tantra in Colonial Bengal*

Responding:  
Paul E. Muller-Ortega, University of Rochester

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 **A259**

Study of Islam Section  
**Tuesday - 9:00 am-11:30 am**

Alan Godlas, University of Georgia, Presiding  
Theme: *Power, Authority, and Selfhood in Medieval Islam: Shi'ism and Sufism*

Liyakat Takim, Vanderbilt University  
*Biography as Literary Genre: The Struggle for Authority in Shi'i Rijal Texts*

Joseph Lumbard, Yale University  
*Ahmad al-Ghazzali and the Beginnings of the Persian Sufi Love Tradition*

T. Emil Homerin, University of Rochester  
*"When Rapture Was Intense:" Sufi Writings of Aishah al-Bauniyah*

Maria Massi Dakake, George Mason University  
*The Soul as Barzakh: Mullā Sadrā's Theory of Human Becoming*

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 **A260**

Study of Judaism Section  
**Tuesday - 9:00 am-11:30 am**

Robert Gibbs, University of Toronto, Presiding  
Theme: *Re-viewing Jewish Images*

Barbara E. Galli, McGill University  
*Idolizing the Imageless: The (Anti-)Redemptive Remove in Shoah-Relating Works of Art*

Shaul Magid, Jewish Theological Seminary  
*The Sin of Becoming a Woman: Male Homosexuality and the Castration Complex in Lurianic Kabbala*

Daniel Katz, Judiska Församlingen  
*Musical Esthetics in the Eighteenth-Century Synagogue*

Joel Hecker, Reconstruction Rabbinical College  
*Kissing Kabbalists: A Mystical Gesture between Men and with God*

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 **A261**

Women and Religion Section  
**Tuesday - 9:00 am-11:30 am**

Jacqueline Z. Pastis, La Salle University, Presiding  
Theme: *Canadian Scholarship on Women and Religion*

Norma Baumel Joseph, Concordia University  
*Divorce: Gender, Judaism, and Canadian Multiculturalism*

Gillian McCann, University of Toronto  
*"The Whole World Opened Up": Three Women in Canadian Theosophy*

Vivian Olender, University of Manitoba

*The Participation of Women in the Contemporary Ukrainian Orthodox Church of Canada*

Loraine MacKenzie Shepherd, University of Winnipeg

*Authority, Gender, and Sexual Orientation within the United Church of Canada: A Postmodern Analysis*

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**A262**

Christian Spirituality Group

**Tuesday - 9:00 am-11:30 am**

Edwin David Aponte, Southern Methodist University, Presiding

Theme: *Christian Spirituality and the Multi-Cultural City*

Douglas S. Hardy, Nazarene Theological Seminary

*A Christian Spirituality of the Public Realm*

Eilish Ryan, University of the Incarnate Word

*The Impact of Cultural History on Expressions of Christian Spirituality in San Antonio, Texas*

Madeline Duntley, College of Wooster

*Spirituality and the City: Models of Moments in Japanese American Reflection*

Responding:

Carol Hepokoski, Meadville Lombard Theological School

Business Meeting:

Stephanie Paulsell, Harvard University, and Steven L. Chase, Dominican Center at Marywood, Presiding

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**A263**

Japanese Religions Group

**Tuesday - 9:00 am-11:30 am**

Micah L. Auerback, Princeton University, Presiding

Theme: *The Teachings of Traditional Buddhism in Contemporary Japan: Popular Authors, Mountain Ascetics, the Hidden, the Engaged, and the Grave*



Clark Chilson, Nanzan Institute for Religion and Culture  
*Overt and Covert Shinshu: The Rhetoric of Secrecy in Contemporary Secretive Shinshu  
Confraternities*

Stephen Covell, Princeton University  
*What's Wrong with the World and How to Fix It: The Teachings of the Tendai Kaihogyō Ajari*

Ranjana Mukhopadhyaya, Tokyo University  
*Soteriology and Social Action: From the Case Study of Hoonji, a Nichiren Buddhist Temple in  
Japan*

Mark Rowe, Princeton University  
*Blurring the Lines: Buddhist Responses to the Changing Place of the Dead*

George Tanabe, University of Hawaii, Honolulu  
*Kino Kazuyoshi on Making Fantastic Absolutes Ordinary*

Responding:  
Paul L. Swanson, Nanzan Institute for Religion and Culture

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Korean Religions Group  
**Tuesday - 9:00 am-11:30 am**

Sungtaek Cho, State University of New York, Stony Brook, Presiding  
Theme: *The Korean Transformation of Christianity and the Christian Transformation of Korea*

Don Baker, University of British Columbia  
*Christianity and the New Religions of Korea*

Timothy S. Lee, University of California, Los Angeles  
*Beleaguered Success: Korean Evangelicalism in the Last Decade of the Twentieth Century*

Sung Deuk Oak, Boston University  
*Sunny Spring and Thriving Trees: Christianity and Confucianism in Korea, 1884-1910*

Sumi Jeung, University of Tennessee  
*Redefining the Notion of Self-Sacrifice for the Maturity of Christian Korean Women*

Responding:  
John I. Goulde, Sweet Briar College, and Bockja Kim, Hong Kong University

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**A265**

Person, Culture, and Religion Group

**Tuesday - 9:00 am-11:30 am**

Kathleen Bishop, Drew University, Presiding

Theme: *The Centennial of William James's Varieties of Religious Experience: Continuing the Discussion*

Habibeh Rahim, St. John's University

*Jalaluddin Rumi and William James on Experiencing Faith: Two Savants and One Reality*

Lynn Bridgers, Emory University

*Mysticism and Monism: The Paradox of Pluralism in William James's Varieties*

Jill McNish, Montclair, NJ

*The Jamesian "Sick Soul" as Manifestation of the Inborn Affect of Shame, and the Potential for Shame to Lead to Expanded Personal Identity and the Experience of Mystical Unity*

David R. Perley, University of Toronto

*Seeing the "Unseen World": Mysticism, Language and Philosophy in the Varieties*

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**A266**

Religion, Film, and Visual Culture Group

**Tuesday - 9:00 am-11:30 am**

Rubina Ramji, University of Ottawa, Presiding

Theme: *The Witch, the Tattoo, and the Dragon: Exploring Religious Themes in Film*

Janet Helen Tulloch, Carleton University

*Framing Zeus's Daughters: From Frankenstein's Bride to Dr. Aki Ross, the Female Symbolic in Three Male Creation Stories*

Joanne Pearson, The Open University

*Reconstructing the Witch and Reflecting Wicca: Fantasy and Reality in the Witch Films of the Twentieth Century*

Rachel Wagner, University of Iowa

*Bewitching the Box Office: Harry Potter and Religious Controversy*

Gerard Loughlin, University of Newcastle

*The Vertigo of the Image*

J. Heath Atchley, Alfred University  
*When the Master Is Not Master: The Critique of Enlightenment in Crouching Tiger, Hidden Dragon*

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Special Topics Forum  
**Sunday - 3:00 pm-4:30 pm**

Sponsored by the AAR, [SBL](#), and [Publishers Weekly](#)

Jana Reiss, *Publishers Weekly*, Presiding  
Theme: *Where and How to Publish? A Practical Forum on Getting Your Work in Print*

Panelists:  
Daisy Maryles, *Publishers Weekly*  
Lynn Garrett, *Publishers Weekly*  
Phyllis Tickle, *Publishers Weekly*

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International Connections Committee Meeting  
**Saturday - 8:00 am-9:30 am**

Mary McGee, Columbia University, Presiding

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Religion in the Schools Task Force Reception  
**Date/Time TBA**

The Religion in the Schools Task Force welcomes all interested parties to a light reception.

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