A1

Chairs Workshop - Scholarship, Service, and Stress: The Tensions of Being a Chair
Friday - 8:00 am-4:00 pm

Carey J. Gifford, American Academy of Religion, Presiding

See the Program Highlights page for a description.

A2

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

Robert A. Orsi, Harvard University, Presiding

A3

Religion and Media Workshop
Friday - 10:00 am-6:00 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; and Religion, Culture, and Communication Consultation

Lynn Schofield Clark, University of Colorado, Boulder, and S. Brent Plate, Texas Christian University, Presiding

Mona Siddiqui, University of Glasgow
Islam in the News

Rubina Ramji, University of Ottawa
From Navy Seals to The Siege: Getting to the Know the Muslim Terrorist, Hollywood Style

Hamid Naficy, Rice University
Identity Politics of Iranian Exile Music Videos
A4

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

Laurie Wright Garry, Saint Gregory's University, and Jennifer Harvey, Union Theological Seminary, New York, Presiding

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

See the Program Highlights page for a description.

A5

Teaching and Learning Committee Meeting
**Friday - 6:30 pm-8:30 pm**

Carey J. Gifford, American Academy of Religion, Presiding

A6

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

Shelly C. Roberts, American Academy of Religion, Presiding

See the Program Highlights page for a description.
Saturday Night and Sunday Morning: Music as Spiritual Practice, a Performance by Don and Emily Saliers
Friday - 7:00 pm-9:00 pm

Sponsored by the Society for the Study of Christian Spirituality
Mark S. Burrows, Andover Newton Theological School, Presiding
See the Program Highlights page for a description.

The Lord of the Rings: The Fellowship of the Ring
Friday - 7:00 pm-9:30 pm

Sponsored by the Religion, Film, and Visual Culture Group
Jill Gorman, Temple University, Presiding
See the Program Highlights page for a description.

Regions Secretaries Meeting
Saturday - 8:00 am-9:00 am
Stacy L. Patty, Lubbock Christian University, Presiding

Academic Relations Task Force Meeting
Saturday - 8:00 am-9:30 am
Warren G. Frisina, Hofstra University, Presiding
International Connections Committee Meeting
Saturday - 8:00 am-10:00 am
Mary McGee, Columbia University, Presiding

A12
Jimmy Carter Center Tour
Saturday - 8:30 am-11:00 am
Sponsored by the Religions, Social Conflict, and Peace Consultation
Please arrive fifteen minutes early and gather by MM-International Hall South.
See the Program Highlights page for a description.

A13
Martin Luther King, Jr. Tour
Saturday - 8:30 am-11:00 am
Sponsored by the AAR's Afro-American Religious History Group; Black Theology Group; and Womanist Approaches to the Study of Religion Group
Please arrive fifteen minutes early and gather by MM-International Hall South.
See the Program Highlights page for a description.

A15
Publications Committee Meeting
Saturday - 8:30 am-11:30 am
Francis X. Clooney, Boston College, Presiding
A16

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

Richard Amesbury, Valdosta State University, Presiding

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A17

Regions Committee and Regional Officers
Saturday - 9:00 am-11:00 am

Stacy L. Patty, Lubbock Christian University, Presiding

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A18

Answering the Reporter’s Call: Being a Reliable News Source
Saturday - 9:00 am-11:00 am

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

Kyle Cole, American Academy of Religion, Presiding

See the Program Highlights page for a description.

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A19

JAAR International Breakfast
Saturday - 9:00 am-11:00 am

Sponsored by the JAAR International Conference

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A20
SLG - Money Matters: A Professional Development Workshop Geared Toward Early Career Decisions  
Saturday - 9:00 am-11:30 am

Sponsored by the Student Liaison Group

Margaret A. Kulyk, American Express Financial Advisors, Presiding

See the Program Highlights page for a description.

Please RSVP online.

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A280

Best Practices in Collecting Oral Histories  
Saturday - 9:00 am-11:30 am

Noted oral historian Clifford Kuhn will conduct a workshop on "Best Practices in Collecting Oral Histories." Kuhn is past president of the Oral History Association. The session will be limited to 25 participants. Contact Barbara DeConcini to register for the workshop. There is no cost, but we hope some participants will agree to conduct interviews as part of the AAR Oral History Project.

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A14

Pitts Theology Library/Michael C. Carlos Museum Tour  
Saturday - 9:30 am-12:00 pm

Pitts tour sponsored by the AAR's Theology and Religious Reflection Section; Reformed Theology Group; Wesleyan Studies Group. Carlos tour sponsored by the AAR's Arts, Literature, and Religion Section; Europe and the Mediterranean in Late Antiquity Group; Anthropology of Religion Consulation

Please arrive fifteen minutes early and gather by MM-International Hall South.

See the Program Highlights page for a description.
David Plante - A Personal Experience
Saturday - 11:30 am-12:30 pm

Robert A. Orsi, Harvard University, Presiding

Theme: *A Personal Experience*

David Plante, Columbia University

See the Program Highlights page for a description.

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**A22**

Japanese Scholars' Lunch Reception
Saturday - 12:30 pm-2:00 pm

Sponsored by the International Connections Committee

Visiting Japanese scholars and invited guests are cordially welcome to a light lunch reception held in honor of Japanese scholars' contributions to the academy.

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**A23**

PEW - From Side Show to Center Stage: Mainstreaming the Study of Religion at Major Research Universities
Saturday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm

Sponsored by the Pew Charitable Trusts

Diane Winston, the Pew Charitable Trusts, Presiding

Theme: *From Side Show to Center Stage: Mainstreaming the Study of Religion at Major Research Universities*

Panelists:
Robert Wuthnow, Princeton University
Robert Sullivan, University of Notre Dame
Angela Zito, New York University
Donald Miller, University of Southern California
James Davison Hunter, University of Virginia
A24

SLG - Introduction to the AAR
Saturday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm

Sponsored by the Student Liaison Group

Richard Amesbury, Valdosta State University, Presiding

Theme: Introduction to the AAR

Panelists:
Kimberly Rae Connor, University of San Francisco
Carey J. Gifford, American Academy of Religion
Susan E. Henking, Hobart and William Smith Colleges
Sarah Heaner Lancaster, Methodist Theological School in Ohio
Mark Lloyd Taylor, Seattle University

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A25

Arts, Literature, and Religion Section and History, Method, and Theory in Religion Group
Saturday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm

Norman J. Girardot, Lehigh University, Presiding

Theme: New Directions in the Study of Art and Religion: The Case of Self-Taught/Outsider/Vernacular Art

Panelists:
Paul Ivey, University of Arizona
Charles Russell, Rutgers University
Jenifer Borum, City University of New York
David Parker, University College Northampton
Carol Crown, University of Memphis
Jeffrey Hayes, University of Wisconsin, Milwaukee
Erika Doss, University of Colorado, Boulder

See the Program Highlights page for a description.
Buddhism Section
Saturday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm

Anne M. Blackburn, Cornell University, Presiding

Theme: Contributions to the Study of Buddhism

Michael Como, College of William and Mary
Medicine, Immortality and Yoshino

David Drewes, University of Virginia
Caitya Comparisons in Indian Buddhist Texts: A Reevaluation of the Evidence for a Cult of the Book in Indian Mahayana

Christian K. Wedemeyer, University of Chicago
Beef, Dog, and Other Mythologies: Connotative Semiotics in Mahayoga Tantra Ritual

Justin McDaniel, Ohio University
Negotiating with the Pali: Lao Buddhist Homiletics and the Kammavaca Nissaya

Kyoko Tokuno, University of Washington
Unraveling the Paradox of "Canonical Apocrypha" in Chinese Buddhism

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

Ethics Section
Saturday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm

Darryl Michael Trimiew, Colgate Rochester Crozer Divinity School, Presiding

Theme: Brother, Can You Spare a Dime? Exploring the Moral Obligations to Eliminate Marginality
Albino Barrera, Providence College
*Ethical Foundations for Ameliorative Economic Policies: An Illustration of Why Religion Matters for Social Ethics*

James L. Rowell, University of Pittsburgh
*Religious Realism and Inequality in Comparative Analysis*

Joseph S. Pettit, DePaul University
*Religion, Inequality, and the Common Good: Why Democracy Needs Religion*

Randall H. Miller, Graduate Theological Union
*Colored Justice: A Comparison of the Understandings of Social Injustice in Rawls and King*

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**A28**

Philosophy of Religion Section

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

Philip L. Quinn, University of Notre Dame, Presiding

Theme: *Wittgenstein and the Philosophy of Religion: Fifty Years after the Philosophical Investigations*

Thomas Arnold, Harvard University
*Inheriting the Investigations: Wittgenstein, Cavell, and Philosophy of Religion's Discipline*

Thomas Carroll, Boston University
*Religious Experiences and Religious Beliefs in Light of the Private Language Argument*

Kaitlin Magoon, University of Chicago
*Nonsense and the Mystical: Wittgenstein's Philosophy of Language and New Approaches to Negative Theology*

Ludger Viefhues, Yale University
*The Unorthodox Wittgenstein of the Investigations and Consequences for Category Formation in Religious Studies*

Responding:
John A. Knight, University of Chicago

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**A29**
Religion and the Social Sciences Section  
Saturday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm

Kathleen Greider, Claremont School of Theology, Presiding

Theme: *Neuro-Physical Understandings of the Brain*

Rebecca Sachs Norris, Merrimack College  
*A Silk Purse out of a Sow's Ear: Contributions of Psychological Anthropology and Neurobiology to the Study of Transcendence and the Body*

Kelly Bulkeley, Graduate Theological Union  
*New Neuroscientific Views of the Unconscious: Implications for Religious Studies*

Alice Maung-Mercurio, Luther Seminary, Saint Paul  
*The Gendered Brain and Mystical Experience: Neuro-Physiological, Psychological, and Social Narrative Views of Sex-Differences in Religious/Mystical Experiences*

Responding:  
David A. Hogue, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary

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**A30**

Religion in South Asia Section  
Saturday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm

Christian Lee Novetzke, University of Pennsylvania, Presiding

Theme: *Kabir between Religious and Political Discourses*

Linda Hess, Stanford University  
*Political/Spiritual Kabir*

Purushottam Agrawal, Jawaharlal Nehru University  
*Kabir's Sadhana*

Milind Wakankar, State University of New York, Stony Brook  
*The Inner Citadel of Caste: The Dalit Critique of Kabir in Hindi Criticism*

Nancy M. Martin, Chapman University  
*The Weaver of Dignity: Low-Caste Theology in the Songs of Kabir*

Responding:  
Rebecca Manring, Indiana University, Bloomington
A31

Theology and Religious Reflection Section
Saturday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm

Joerg Rieger, Southern Methodist University, Presiding

Theme: Religion and Globalization I

Emily Askew, Vanderbilt University
Challenging the Globe: Theological Spatiality and Space Theory

Ray C. Gingerich, Eastern Mennonite Seminary
Religio-Economic Systems and the Powers: Toward a Theology of Economic Transformation

Larry Golemon, Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching
Theology and Culture in the Belly of the Whale: Post-Liberalism as a Contextual Response to Globalization in North America

Laurel C. Schneider, Chicago Theological Seminary
Making Room for G*d: Constructing Theology in Light of Global Nationalisms

A32

Native Traditions in the Americas Group and Women and Religion Section
Saturday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm

Eva Garroutte, Boston College, Presiding

Theme: Deconstructing Captivities: Native Women in the Contact Zone

Panelists:
Laura E. Donaldson, Cornell University
Michelene Pesantubbee, University of Iowa
Joel W. Martin, University of California, Riverside
Vera B. Palmer, Dartmouth College

Responding:
Mary C. Churchill, University of Colorado, Boulder
African Religions Group and Religion, Medicine, and Healing Group
Saturday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm

Teresa Mbari Hinga, DePaul University, Presiding

Theme: *Healing Practices in African Religious Traditions*

Jude Aguwa, Mercy College
*Emergent Issues in the Study of African Medicine*

Mary Ann Clark, University of Houston
*Healing Rituals in the Suburbs: African-Based Healing among Middle-Class Americans*

Mei Mei Sanford, College of William and Mary
*The Drop of Oil That Puts out the Fire: The Yoruba Orisa Sopanna in the New Age of Smallpox*

Ina Johanna Fandrich, Louisiana State University
*A Lusty and Paying Ghost: Voodoo Queen Marie Laveaux's Tomb as a National Shrine of Healing*

Black Theology Group and Latina/o Religion, Culture, and Society Group
Saturday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm

Stacey Floyd-Thomas, Texas Christian University, Presiding

Theme: *The Ties That Bind: African-American and Hispanic-American/Latino Theologies in Dialogue*

Panelists:
Michelle A. Gonzalez, Loyola Marymount University
Traci C. West, Drew University

Responding:
Benjamin Valentin, Drew University
Anthony B. Pinn, Macalester College
A35

Christian Spirituality Group
Saturday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm

Stephanie Paulsell, Harvard University, Presiding

Theme: Postmodern Medievals? Late Modern Appropriation of Medieval Devotional Culture in Interdisciplinary Perspective

Panelists:
Candace Hull Taylor, University of California, Davis
Patricia Donohue White, Duquesne University
Stephen Katz, University of California, Berkeley
Elizabeth Drescher, Graduate Theological Union

A36

Saturday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm

James L. Ford, Wake Forest University, Presiding

Theme: Recent Research on Japanese Religions and Society

Pamela D. Winfield, Temple University
Repositioning Power: How Mandala Installation Affects the Reading of Shingon Ritual Spaces

Kenneth Lee, Stetson University
Medieval Japanese Cult of Shotoku Worship

Nam-lin Hur, University of British Columbia
Zen Monks and the Diplomacy of Foreign Conquest in Late Sixteenth-Century Japan

Yuki Miyamoto, University of Chicago
Rebirth in the Pure Land or God's Sacrificial Lambs? Interpretations of the Atomic Bombings by True Pure Land Buddhism (Hiroshima) and Catholicism (Nagasaki)

Responding:
Paula K.R. Arai, Carleton College

Business Meeting:
Ruben L.F. Habito, Southern Methodist University, and Christopher Ives, Stonehill College, Presiding
Kierkegaard, Religion, and Culture Group  
**Saturday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm**

Amy Laura Hall, Duke University, Presiding

**Theme:** *Kierkegaard, Eschatology, and Terror*

Hugh Pyper, University of Leeds  
"Your Wish Is My Command": The Peril and Promise of the Bible As "Letter from the Beloved"

Martin Beck Matustik, Purdue University  
*Violence and Secularization, Evil and Redemption*

Vanessa Rumble, Boston College  
*Kierkegaard on Violence and Transcendence: An Ethics of the Sublime*

Responding:  
Patricia Huntington, Loyola University, Chicago

**Business Meeting:**  
Marcia C. Robinson, Syracuse University, Presiding

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Korean Religions Group  
**Saturday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm**

Sungtaek Cho, Korea University, Presiding

**Theme:** *Religions and Public Values of Contemporary Korea*

Seung-Hwan Lee, Seoul, Korea  
*The Concept of the Public in Korean Neo-Confucianism and Its Modern Transformation*

Don Baker, University of British Columbia  
*The Religion and the Rise of Civil Society*

Hong-Bin Lim, Korea University  
*The Irrelevance of the Tragic in Korea's Religious Consciousness*
James T. Bretzke, University of San Francisco  
_Theology of Accompaniment in Post-Minjung Korea_

Responding:  
Young-chan Ro, George Mason University  
Robert C. Neville, Boston University

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**A39**

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

David James Livingston, Mercyhurst College, Presiding

Theme: _Clergy Sexual Abuse: Theological and Gender Perspectives_

Panelists:  
Donald Cozzens, Saint Marys Seminary  
Marie M. Fortune, Seattle, WA  
Merle Longwood, Siena College  
William Schipper, Saint John's University

Responding:  
Elaine Graham, University of Manchester  
Theme: _Masculinities: Heroes and Predators_

John Blevins, Emory University  
_On Being a Father without a Script_

Business Meeting:  
Mark Justad, Vanderbilt University, Presiding

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**A40**

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

Eileen V. Barker, London School of Economics, Presiding

Theme: _New Religious Movements in the South and the Legal and Political Struggles of New Religious Movements_
Timothy Miller, University of Kansas
*How Prevalent Are New Religious Movements in the American South? A Regional Look at NRMs, with an Exploration of Some Problems with NRMs Methods and Demography*

Phillip C. Lucas, Stetson University
*The Communication That Heals: Spiritualism and the New Age Movement at Cassadaga, Florida*

Gregory L. Reece, University of Montevallo
*Graceland Too: The Ambiguity of Elvis Devotion in the American South*

Lee Irwin, College of Charleston
*Walking the Line: Native Pipe and Sweat Ceremonies in Prison*

Amy E. Lorion, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill
*Unwitting Collaborators: Mary Baker Eddy, Her Critics, and the Development of Christian Science Theology*

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**Religion and Ecology Group**

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

Heidi Hadsell, Hartford Seminary, Presiding

Theme: *Religion and United Nations Sustainability Politics: From Rio to Johannesburg and Beyond*

Rick Clugston, Center for Respect of Life and Environment, Washington, DC
*The Earth Charter: Past Challenges and Future Prospects*

Heather Eaton, Saint Paul University
*Religion and Ethics at the United Nation's Earth Summit in Rio, 1992*

Bron Taylor, University of Florida
*Religion and Ethics at the United Nation's Sponsored World Summit on Sustainable Development in Johannesburg, 2002*

Mary Evelyn Tucker, Bucknell University
*The Search for Viable Global Ethics in and around the United Nations*

Responding:
Gary Gardner, Worldwatch Institute, Washington, DC
Religion and Popular Culture Group
Saturday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm
Valarie H. Ziegler, DePauw University, Presiding

Theme: *America the Violent*

Jane Caputi, Florida Atlantic University
*Religion, Ritual Sacrifice, and the Iconic Serial Killer*

Jon Pahl, Lutheran Theological Seminary, Philadelphia
*Spectacles of Sacrifice in a Theater of Terror: Religion and the Cinema of Adolescence from Reefer Madness (1936) to Scream (1996)*

Whitney Bauman, Graduate Theological Union
*Terror, Violence, Natality, and Revelation: Bowling For Columbine and the Culture of Fear*

Kent Brintnall, Emory University
*Tarantino's Incarnational Theology: Reservoir Dogs, Crucifixions, and Spectacular Violence*

Religion, Film, and Visual Culture Group
Saturday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm
Rubina Ramji, University of Ottawa, Presiding

Theme: *The Mythologies of Film*

Tony Chartrand-Burke, Wilfrid Laurier University
*Gnostic Mythology in Disney's Pinocchio*

Andrew DeJohn, University of Chicago
*Constituting and Confronting Evil: Satan, Postmodernism, and the Mythological Language of Film*

Stephen Butler Murray, Skidmore College
*Tolkien and Tillich: A Theological Reading of the Mythology of Evil in The Lord of the Rings*

Kathryn Blanchard, Duke University
*“It Came to Me”: Gift and Reciprocity in Peter Jackson's The Lord of the Rings*
A44

Religious Freedom, Public Life, and the State Group
Saturday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm

Esther D. Reed, University of Saint Andrews, Presiding

Theme: Challenges to Dominant Paradigms of Religion and the State

Tisa Wenger, Southern Methodist University
Religious Freedom Debates in the Pueblo Dance Controversy

Barbara A. McGraw, Saint Mary's College, Moraga
America's Sacred Ground and the Marketplace: Rediscovering the Religious and Moral Roots of Economic Freedom

Perry Glanzer, Baylor University
Taking Worldviews Seriously across the Curriculum: Why Training Public School Teachers to Teach about Religion Is Not Enough

Hajer Ben Hadj Salem,
Public Activism for American Muslim Civil Liberties after September 11

June McDaniel, College of Charleston
Mandatory Monotheism and Some Problems of Religious Freedom in Bali

Business Meeting:
Eric Mazur, Bucknell University, Presiding

A45

Roman Catholic Studies Group
Saturday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm

Rodger Payne, Louisiana State University, Presiding
Theme: Catholicism and Civil Rights in the Twentieth-Century South

Panelists:
Gregory Nelson Hite, University of Virginia
Charles R. Gallagher, Milwaukee, MI
Andrew S. Moore, Middle Tennessee State University
Justin Poche, University of Notre Dame

Responding:
Peter A. Huff, Centenary College of Louisiana

Augustine and Augustinianisms Consultation
Saturday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm

Robert P. Kennedy, Saint Francis Xavier University, Presiding and Kim Paffenroth, Iona College, Presiding

Theme: The Many Augustines

Paul Rigby, Saint Paul University
*The Psychologists' Augustine: Narcissistic Readings of the Confessions*

James K.A. Smith, Calvin College
*On (True) Religion: Contesting Postmodern Augustines*

Brad Green, Baylor University
*The Protomodern Augustine? Colin Gunton and the Failure of Augustine*

Charles A. Wiley, Princeton Theological Seminary
*If Augustine Is on Our Side: Claiming Augustine on the Church Visible and Invisible*

Business Meeting:
Robert P. Kennedy, Saint Francis Xavier University, Presiding

Relics and Sacred Territory (Space) Consultation
Saturday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm
James K. Wellman, University of Washington, Presiding

Theme: *Types of Relics: Toward a Typology and Location*

Robert Alvis, University of Massachusetts, Boston
*Relics of National Sacrifice: Toward a Typology*

Kristin Scheible, Harvard University
*Stealing, Hoarding, Guarding: Nagas and the Three Types of Buddha Relics in the Pali Vamsas*

Cornelia B. Horn, University of Saint Thomas
*Transgressing Claims to Sacred Space: The Advantage of Portable Relics in the Christological Conflicts in Syria-Palestine in the Fifth and Sixth Centuries*

Scott Noegel, University of Washington
*Osiris' Head: Relics and Metonymy in Ancient Egypt*

Brannon Wheeler, University of Washington
*The Treasure of the Ka'bah: Relics and Territory in Islam*

Business Meeting:
Scott Noegel, University of Washington, Presiding

**A267**

Study of Islam Section  
**Saturday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm**

Muhammad Hozien, William Paterson University, Presiding

Theme: *Al-Ghazali on Theology and Philosophy and His Critics*

Ebrahim Moosa, Duke University
*Dialectics of Conscience: Subjectivity and Ethics in Ghazali*

Eric Ormsby, McGill University
*Al-Ghazali on Love of God*

Frank Griffel, Yale University
*MS. London, British Library OR. 3126: An Unknown Work by Al-Ghazali on Metaphysics and Theology*

Timothy J. Gianotti, University of Oregon
*Al-Ghazali on the Real Religious Science: An Introduction to the Jurisprudence of the Heart (Fiqh Al-Qalb)*
James Pavlin, Rutgers University

*A Medieval Struggle over Quranic Interpretation: Ibn Taymiyyah's Critique of Al-Ghazali's Metaphysics in the Mishkat al-Anwar*

Responding:
Mashhad Al-Alaaf, Saint Louis University

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**A275**

Confucian Traditions Group

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

Mark Csikszentmihalyi, University of Wisconsin, Madison, Presiding

Theme: *Confucianism in Contemporary China: Portents, Prospects, and Ambiguities*

Panelists:
Mark Allen Berson, Hamline University
Vivian-Lee Nyitray, University of California, Riverside
Thomas Selover, University of Saskatchewan

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**A48**

*JAAR* - Contesting Religions: Prospects and Perils in a Global Context

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

Sponsored by JAAR

Ebrahim E. I. Moosa, Duke University, Presiding

Theme: *Contesting Religions: Prospects and Perils in a Global Context*

Panelists:
Avisahi Margalit, Hebrew University of Jerusalem
Madhu Kishwar, Delhi University
Maysoon Melek, United Nations Population Fund, New York
Enrique Dussel, Universidad Autonoma de Mexico

See the [Program Highlights](#) page for a description.
REM - Surviving and Flourishing: Challenges and Opportunities of Racial and Ethnic Minorities in the Profession  
Saturday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm

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

David Kyuman Kim, Brown University, Presiding

Theme: *Surviving and Flourishing: Challenges and Opportunities of Racial and Ethnic Minorities in the Profession*

Panelists:
Mary C. Churchill, University of Colorado, Boulder
Andrew Sung Park, United Theological Seminary, Dayton
Joretta L. Marshall, Eden Theological Seminary
Luis G. Pedraja, Memphis Theological Seminary
Marcia Y. Riggs, Columbia Theological Seminary

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Regions - The Use and Abuse of Adjunct Faculty in Religious Studies  
Saturday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm

Sponsored by the Regions Committee

Mark Lloyd Taylor, Seattle University, Presiding

Theme: *The Use and Abuse of Adjunct Faculty in Religious Studies*

Panelists:
Elizabeth Pullen, Drew University
John Curtis, American Association of University Professors
Carey J. Gifford, American Academy of Religion
Julie J. Kilmer, Elmhurst College

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

Fred Glennon, Le Moyne College, Presiding

Theme: Teaching a Key Concept: A Workshop

Patricia O'Connell Killen, Pacific Lutheran University
Because key concepts provide the bedrock upon which any course is built, teaching them effectively is important and challenging. Not only are the concepts sometimes inherently difficult, but finding the space where the concepts and the students meet can be quite difficult as well. Why? Because key concepts are the point at which academic disciplines and students' intellectual development meet most directly. In this workshop, through a process of guided reflection, workshop participants will analyze their experience of teaching key concepts and situate them within a theory of the design of intellectual experience.

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

Pia Altieri, University of Chicago, Presiding

Theme: Rethinking Comparative Ethics: A Diverse Division of Labor

Panelists:
Francisca Cho, Georgetown University
John Grim, Bucknell University
Anna L. Peterson, University of Florida
Darlene Fozard Weaver, Villanova University

Responding:
Robin W. Lovin, Southern Methodist University
William Schweiker, University of Chicago

Business Meeting:
Mary N. MacDonald, Le Moyne College, and Selva Raj, Albion College, Presiding
Ethics Section and Religion and Disability Studies Group  
**Saturday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm**

Amy Laura Hall, Duke University, Presiding

Theme: *Better People? Eugenics and the Church in U.S. History*  
Panelists:  
Sharon M. Leon, University of Minnesota, St. Paul  
Dennis Durst, Saint Louis University  
Christine Rosen, Ethics and Public Policy Center, Washington, DC

Responding:

Stephen G. Ray, Louisville Presbyterian Theological Seminary

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

Teresa M. Shaw, Claremont Graduate School, Presiding

Theme: *Reviewing The Next Christendom: The Coming of Global Christianity by Philip Jenkins*

Panelists:  
Vincent L. Wimbush, Claremont Graduate University  
Wietse de Boer, Miami University, Ohio  
Cynthia Hoehler-Fatton, University of Virginia  
Lamin Sanneh, Yale University

Responding:  
Philip Jenkins, Pennsylvania State University

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

Roberto R. Lint-Sagarena, University of Southern California, Presiding
Theme: Replotting American Religion: The Transnational Perspective
Ethan Sharp, Indiana University, Bloomington
Testimonies, Transition, and Transnational Mexican Communities

Alexei Krindatch, Russian Academy of Science
The Orthodox (Eastern) Christian Churches in the American Religious Landscape: The Questions of Nature and Identity

Dana Evan Kaplan, University of Miami
The Renaissance of Jewish Religious Life in Contemporary Cuba

Abbas Barzegar, University of Colorado, Boulder
Latino and African American Muslim Communities

**A56**

Philosophy of Religion Section and Theology and Continental Philosophy Group
Saturday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm

Michiko Yusa, Western Washington University, Presiding

Theme: Kyoto School Thought in Dialogue with Western Thought

James W. Heisig, Nanzan Institute for Religion and Culture
Nishida Kitaro's Medieval Bent

Yoshio Tsuruoka, University of Tokyo
Interpretations of Western Mysticism by Some Kyoto School Thinkers: Suzuki, Nishitani, and Ueda

John C. Maraldo, University of North Florida

Thomas P. Kasulis, Ohio State University
Watsuji Tetsuro's Critique of Modern European Social Philosophy and Its Impact on the Kyoto School

**A57**
Religion, Social Conflict, and Peace Consultation and Religion and the Social Sciences Section  
Saturday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm

Cynthia Stewart, Nashville, TN, Presiding

Theme: **Nonviolence across the Disciplines**

Roger S. Gottlieb, Worcester Polytechnic Institute  
*Love's Limits: Religious Nonviolence in the Civil Rights Movement*

Susan Abraham, Harvard University  
*When Karl Rahner Meets Ashis Nandy: Christian and Postcolonial Resources for Nonviolent Resistance in India*

Sharon D. Welch, University of Missouri, Columbia  
*The Art of Peacemaking and Global Action to Prevent War*

Responding:  
J. Denny Weaver, Bluffton College

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A58

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

Patrick Olivelle, University of Texas, Austin, Presiding

Theme: **Apparent and Inherent Debates: Dialogics in South Asian Religious Traditions**

Laurie Louise Patton, Emory University  
*Samvada as a Literary and Philosophical Genre*

Steven Lindquist, University of Texas, Austin  
*Sarcasm As Strategy: The Dialogics of the Yajnavalkya-Debates*

David Gray, Rice University  
*Generous Sacrifice: Buddhist Responses to the Purusasukta*

Robert A. Yelle, University of Toronto  
*Monological Gods, Dialogical Selves: Canon and Monotheism As Strategies for Interreligious Debate in Nineteenth-Century India*

Responding:  
Frederick M. Smith, University of Iowa
Study of Islam Section  
Saturday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm

Alan Godlas, University of Georgia, Presiding

Theme: Reinventing Tradition? Modalities of Modern Islam

Christi Caldwell, Cambridge, MA  
The Politicization of Gender in Bangladesh

David L. Johnston, Yale University  
Fuzzy Reformist-Islamist Borders: Malik Bennabi and Rashid al-Ghannushi on Civilization and Civil Society

Karen G. Ruffle, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill  
Take Me to Karbala: Hazrat Zaynab Bint `Ali and the Shi`i Community of Remembrance

Amy C. Bard, Columbia University  
"How Could Your Wits Attain the Heights of Our Wisdom!": Voice, Diction, and Authority in South Asian Shi`i Women's Sermons

Kristin Sands, Sarah Lawrence College  
Muslims Taking It to the Internet: Suffering, Interpretation and Activism

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

Jeanne H. Kilde, Macalester College, Presiding


Panelists:
Paula M. Cooey, Macalester College
Rita M. Gross, University of Wisconsin, Eau Claire
Judith Weisenfeld, Vassar College
Peter W. Williams, Miami University
Bonhoeffer: Theology and Social Analysis Group  
**Saturday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm**

Jeffrey C. Pugh, Elon University, Presiding

Theme: *Discerning God's Will: Bonhoeffer's Legacy in Times of Turmoil*

Panelists:
Jean Bethke Elshtain, University of Chicago  
Stanley M. Hauerwas, Duke University  
George Hunsinger, Princeton Theological Seminary

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

Robert A. Segal, University of Lancaster, Presiding

Theme: *Communication, Public Arenas, Secularity, and the Quest of Modern Culture*

Norichika Horie, University of the Sacred Heart  
*Construction of Religion As Culture*

Robert J. Baird, Woodrow Wilson National Fellowship Foundation, Philadelphia, PA  
*Thinking at the Boundaries of Religion and the Secular: Talal Asad's Formations of the Secular*

Kocku von Stuckrad, University of Amsterdam  
*Religion As Communication: Do We Need a New Paradigm?*

Responding:  
Gustavo Benavides, Villanova University
Feminist Theory and Religious Reflection Group
Saturday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm

Judith Poxon, Syracuse University, Presiding

Theme: *The Rhetorics of Motherhood*

Kimerer L. LaMothe, Harvard University
"Giving Birth to a Dancing Star": Friedrich Nietzsche and Isadora Duncan on Religion, Dance, and Motherhood

Rita Sherma, Binghamton University
*The River and the Tigress: Indian Religious Ideals of the Maternal and Their Social Implications*

Jeong Sug Kim, Garrett Evangelical Theological Seminary
*Embodied Spirit: Subjectivity of Korean Women - A Construction of Narrative Identity from an Autobiographical Ethnography of Han*

Lorena E. Cuevas, New York, NY
*Rhetoric of Motherhood and Resistance in Chile*

Responding:
Kathleen Roberts Skerrett, Grinnell College

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

Jay E. Johnson, Richmond, CA, Presiding

Theme: *Queer Lives and Religious Faith: Teasing out Treasures (and Tensions) from Our Traditions*

Roger J. Corless, Duke University
*Analogue Consciousness Isn't Just for Faeries: Applying Harry Hay's Insights to Buddhism and Christianity*

Lars Gårdfeldt, University of Karlstad
*Hagiography As Fagiography*
Paul J. Gorrell, Drew University
Erotic Conversion as a Response to the Priest Pedophilia Crisis

Edward Ingebretsen, Georgetown University
The Church Colonial: Soulforce, Resistance, and Panic over Native Uprisings

Yaakov Ariel, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill
Gay and Orthodox? Sexual Orientation and Return to Tradition

Responding:
Robert C. Neville, Boston University

Business Meeting:
Donald L. Boisvert, Concordia University, Montreal, and Jay E. Johnson, Richmond, CA, Presiding

Indigenous Religious Traditions Group
Saturday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm

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

Theme: Indigenous Educational Systems and Religion

Deborah Grenn-Scott, New College of California
Oral Tradition, Ceremony, and Prayer As Educational System among South Africa Lemba

Azim A. Nanji, University of Florida
Children in Madrasa: Islamic Education in Indigenous Muslim Communities in East Africa

Dianne Quigley, Syracuse University
The Value of Indigenous Science to Problems of Environmental Health Research

Michael McNally, Carleton College
Indigenous Pedagogy in the Classroom: A Service Learning Model for Discussion

Responding:
Ina Johanna Fandrich, Louisiana State University

Business Meeting:
Jacob K. Olopuna, University of California, Davis, and Ines T. Talamantez, University of California, Santa Barbara, Presiding
A66

Nineteenth-Century Theology Group  
Saturday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm

David C. Ratke, Lenoir-Rhyne College, and Charles J. T. Talar, University of Saint Thomas, Presiding

Theme: *The Left-Wing Hegelians and Alienation from Religion*

Heiko Schulz, University of Essen  
*True Consciousness Dreaming: Feuerbach's Critique of Religion Reconsidered*

Todd Gooch, Eastern Kentucky University  
*Stirner's Egoistic Atheism in Relation to Feuerbach and Bauer*

Theme: *Historians of Theology in the Late Nineteenth Century: In Honor of Claude Welch*

Peter C. Hodgson, Vanderbilt University  
F. C. Baur, Theologian of History: Revisited after Forty Years
Michael J. Himes, Boston College  
J. A. Möhler As Historian of Theology

A67

Platonism and Neoplatonism Group  
Saturday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm

Willemien Otten, Utrecht University, Presiding

Theme: *Myth, Imagination, and Ecstasy in Platonic and Neoplatonic Thought I*

Jeffrey Brodd, California State University, Sacramento  
*Julian, Myth, and Platonism*

Burcht Pranger, University of Amsterdam  
*Augustine and the Epiphany of Scripture*

Geoffrey McVey, Miami University  
*Ficino's Demons: The Ambivalence of Phantasia in Fifteenth-Century Neoplatonism*
A68

Tillich: Issues in Theology, Religion, and Culture Group and Pragmatism and Empiricism in American Religious Thought  
Saturday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm

Frederick J. Ruf, Georgetown University, Presiding

Theme: Paul Tillich and American Pragmatism

Robison B. James, University of Richmond  
The Pragmatism of Paul Tillich, Especially in His Theory of the Religious Symbol

Richard Grigg, Sacred Heart University  
Remaking Tillich as a Pragmatist: From Foundationalist Ontology to Pragmatic Construction

David H. Nikkel, University of North Carolina, Pembroke  
The Varieties of Mystical Experience: Paul Tillich and William James

Responding:  
Michael Raposa, Lehigh University

A69

Reformed Theology and History Group  
Saturday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm

Robert Sherman, Bangor Theological Seminary, Presiding

Theme: The Legacy of Colin Gunton for Reformed Theology

Panelists:  
John Webster, University of Aberdeen  
Katherine Sonderegger, Virginia Theological Seminary  
Bruce McCormack, Princeton Theological Seminary  
Richard J. Mouw, Fuller Theological Seminary
Religion in Latin America and the Caribbean Group  
Saturday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm

Jeanette Reedy Solano, California State University, Fullerton, Presiding

Theme: Race, Religion, and Empire

Panelists:
Walter Mignolo, Duke University
Eduardo Mendieta, State University of New York, Stony Brook
Santiago H. Slabodsky, Duke University

Responding:
Shelley C. Wiley, Concordia College, Moorhead

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Tibetan and Himalayan Religions Group  
Saturday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm

Bryan Cuevas, Florida State University, Presiding

Theme: Lineage Construction in Tibet

Jacob Dalton, School of Oriental and African Studies, London
Strategies of Lineage Construction in the Sutra Empowerment Tradition

Ronald M. Davidson, Fairfield University
The Construction of Esoteric Indian Buddhist Lineages: The Case of the gSar-ma Translators

Frances M. Garrett, University of Toronto
The Role of Illness in Tibetan Historiography

David Germano, University of Virginia
The Construction of Lineages and Cosmological Narratives in early medieval Tibet: The rNying ma Creation of a Buddhist Vehicle Termed rDzogs Chen

Responding:
T. Griffith Foulk, Sarah Lawrence College
A72

Wesleyan Studies Group  
Saturday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm

Sarah Heaner Lancaster, Methodist Theological School in Ohio, Presiding

Theme: *Celebrating the Tercentenary: Mission and Evangelism*

Laceyee Warner, Duke University  
*Saving Women: Evangelistic Ministry in Southern Methodism*

Jeffrey Williams, Claremont Graduate University  
*Conversion and Communitas: Rethinking the Historiography on Early American Methodism*

Rosemary Keller, Union Theological Seminary, New York  
"The Call of My Career": Anna Howard Shaw As the "New Woman" of American Methodism

Business Meeting:  
K. Steve McCormick, Mount Vernon Nazarene University, Presiding

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A73

Zen Buddhism Seminar  
Saturday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm

Jin Y. Park, American University, Presiding

Theme: *Zen Buddhism and Scholarsticism*

Tao Jiang, Southern Illinois University  
*A Synchronic Analysis of Emptiness in Lin-ch'i's Zen*

Youru Wang, Rowan University  
*How "Living Words" Function in Zen Soteriological Practices: Philosophical Investigation of Three Types of "Living Words"*

Ding-hwa Evelyn Hsieh, Truman State University  
*Poetry and Chan Gong'an: From Xuedou Chongxian (980-1052) to Wumen Huikai (1183-1260)*

A. Charles Muller, Toyo Gakuen University  
*Gihwa's Analysis of the Relationship between the Worded and Wordless Teachings: The O ga Hae Seoreui*
Childhood Studies and Religion Consultation

Saturday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm

Marcia Bunge, Valparaiso University, Presiding

Theme: Research on Children and Childhood in Religious Studies

Lesleigh Cushing, Colgate University
I Will Also Forget Thy Children: Childhood in Jewish Studies

John Wall, Rutgers University
The Christian Ethics of Children: Emerging Questions and Possibilities

Ruqayya Yasmine Khan, Trinity University
Childhood in Islamic Studies

Responding:
Christine E. Gudorf, Florida International University
Ray Hiner, University of Kansas
Reflections on Children and Religion in American Historiography

Bonnie Miller-McLemore, Vanderbilt University
Children and Children's Spirituality in Religious Education and Popular Spiritual Literature

Karen-Marie Yust, Christian Theological Seminary
A Critical Analysis of Children's Ministries: Implications for Scholarship in Practical Theology

Responding:
Barbara Pitkin, Stanford University

Business Meeting:
Nelly Van Doorn-Harder, Valparaiso University, Presiding
Outsider Art Exhibit Reception  
**Saturday - 5:00 pm-6:30 pm**

1280 Peachtree Street

Please join us at a special reception sponsored by the AAR Arts Series and the Atlanta College of Art highlighting an exhibit of Outsider Art. This exhibition coincides with A25 "New Directions in the Study of Art & Religion: The Case of Self-Taught/Outsider/ Vernacular Art," sponsored by the Arts, Literature, and Religion Section and the History, Method, and Theory in the Study of Religion Consultation. Directions: from the Peachtree Center MARTA Station, go four stops north to the Arts Center Marta stop. Follow the signs to the Atlanta College of Art. For more information contact Brent Plate, B.plate@tcu.edu.

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**A75**

Friends of the Academy Reception  
**Saturday - 5:30 pm-6:45 pm**

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

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**A76**

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

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

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**A77**

Awards and President's Address - A New Beginning, Again  
**Saturday - 7:00 pm-8:15 pm**

Jane Dammen McAuliffe, Georgetown University, Presiding

Theme: *A New Beginning, Again*
Robert A. Orsi, Harvard University

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**A78**

AAR Members' Dance Party

**Saturday - 8:30 pm-12:00 am**

AAR members are invited to join one another at the AAR Members' Dance Party for music and dancing. Don't forget the free drink ticket that will be mailed with your name badge!

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**A79**

_The Matrix: Reloaded_

**Saturday - 8:30 pm-11:00 pm**

Sponsored by the Religion, Film, and Visual Culture Group

Julien Fielding, University of Kansas, Presiding

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**A168**

_The Seventh Chamber of Edith Stein: An Interpreted Life_

**Saturday - 8:30 pm-10:30 pm**

Sponsored by the Religion, Genocide, and Holocaust Group and Religion, Film, and Visual Culture Group

Theresa Sanders, Georgetown University, Presiding

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A80

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.

A81

Student Members' Reception  
Saturday - 10:00 pm-11:30 pm

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

A82

JAAR Editorial Board  
Sunday - 7:00 am-8:30 am

Glenn E. Yocum, Whittier College, Presiding

A83

AAR New Members' Continental Breakfast  
Sunday - 7:30 am-8:45 am

New (first-time) AAR members in 2003 are cordially invited to a continental breakfast with members of the Board of Directors.

A84
CIC - Religious Studies in the Japanese Context  
**Sunday - 9:00 am-11:30 am**

Sponsored by the International Connections Committee

Manabu Watanabe, Nanzan University, Presiding

Theme: *Religious Studies in the Japanese Context*

Panelists:
Makoto Hayashi, Aichi Gakuin University
Tsuyoshi Nakano, Soka University
Fumiko Nomura, Kawamura Gakuen Women's University
Susumu Shimazono, University of Tokyo

Responding:
William E. Paden, Vermont College
Paul Swanson, Nanzan University

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**A85**

PUR - Religion in the 2004 Election  
**Sunday - 9:00 am-11:30 am**

Sponsored by the Public Understanding of Religion Committee

Laura Olson, Clemson University, Presiding

Theme: *Religion in the 2004 Election*

Panelists:
Diane Connolly, Religionlink
E.J. Dionne, Brookings Institute, Washington Post
Allen D. Hertzke, University of Oklahoma
Allison Calhoun-Brown, Georgia State University

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TLC - Site Visits in the Study of Religion: Practice, Problems, Prospects  
Sunday - 9:00 am-11:30 am

Sponsored by the Teaching and Learning Committee

Barbara A. B. Patterson, Emory University, Presiding

Theme: *Site Visits in the Study of Religion: Practice, Problems, Prospects*

Panelists:
Marcia Hermansen, Loyola University, Chicago
Patrice Claude Brodeur, Connecticut College
Jeffrey D. Carlson, Dominican University
Karen McCarthy Brown, Drew University
Joyce Burkhalter Flueckiger, Emory University
Grace G. Burford, Prescott College

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A87

Publishers Weekly - Getting Marketing and Publicity for Your Scholarly Book  
Sunday - 9:00 am-11:30 am

Sponsored by AAR, SBL, and Publishers Weekly

Jana Riess, Publishers Weekly, Presiding

Theme: *Getting Marketing and Publicity for Your Scholarly Book*

Panelists:
Roger Freet, HarperSan Francisco
Kelly Hughes, DeChant-Hughes Public Relations
Rudy Faust, Oxford University Press

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A88

Academic Teaching and the Study of Religion Section  
Sunday - 9:00 am-11:30 am
Arthur Sutherland, Loyola College in Maryland, Presiding

Theme: The Craft of a Public Intellectual: Teaching at the Intersections of Religious Studies and the Common Good

Beth Blissman, Oberlin College
Teaching Ethics in a Time of War: Pathways to Place-Based Ecosocial Transformation

Peter Ellard, Siena College
Catholic Social Teaching and Today's College Classroom: The Missing Link of Advocacy

Sheila E. McGinn, John Carroll University
The Religious Studies Introductory Course and the Jesuit Mission in Higher Education in the United States

Stephen A. Wilson, Earlham College
Religious Ethics and the Vocation of the Public Intellectual

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

Wesley A. Kort, Duke University, Presiding

Theme: Music: Enchantment and Protest

David H. Perkins, Vanderbilt University
Spiritual Aphrodisiac: Praise and Worship Music and the Re-enchantment of Western Culture

Cyril Guerette, University of Toronto
Aleatoric Rhetoric: Pr(o)phetic Freestyling from Ancient Israel to the Backalley Cipher

James R. Newell, Vanderbilt University
The Power to Enchant: Meaning and Context in African American and Turkish Religious Music

Responding:
Jeremy Begbie, Cambridge Theological Federation, University of Saint Andrews
Buddhism Section
Sunday - 9:00 am-11:30 am

Robert M. Gimello, Harvard University, Presiding

Theme: Polycentric Buddhism in Peripheral Regions of South and Central Asia

Jason Neelis, University of Florida
Buddhist vs. Brahmanical Perspectives on Gandhara: Sacred Center or Peripheral Frontier?

Mariko Namba Walter, Harvard University
Turfan: The Crossroad of Tokharian and Chinese Buddhism?

Jacob Dalton, University of London
Mahayoga in Post-Tibetan Occupation Dunhuang

Vesna Acimovic Wallace, University of California, Santa Barbara
The Literary Creation of Buddhist Identity and the Expression of Mongolian Ethnicity

Responding:
Daniel Boucher, Cornell University

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

Wade Clark Roof, University of California, Santa Barbara, Presiding

Theme: Ethnic Diversity in American Religious Communities

Kathleen Garces-Foley, University of California, Santa Barbara
Ethnic Diversity and the Culture of Discomfort

R. Scott Hanson, Philadelphia University
Multi-Ethnic Congregations in a Microcosm of World Religions: Snapshots from Flushing, Queens

Russell Jeung, San Francisco State University
Power and Class: Faith-Based Organizing in a Multi-Ethnic Community

Gerardo Marti, Whittier, CA
Can Lightning Strike Twice? A Comparative Analysis of Two Large Multi-Ethnic Congregations in Los Angeles
Responding:
Edwin David Aponte, Southern Methodist University

**A92**

Religion and the Social Sciences Section  
**Sunday - 9:00 am-11:30 am**

Claudia Schippert, University of Central Florida, Presiding

Theme: *The Allure of Violence: Rethinking the Function of Violence in the Religious Imagination*

Matthias Beier, Drew University  
*Redeeming a Violent God-Image: Eugen Drewermann's Contribution to a Theology of Nonviolence*

Kaia Stern, Emory University  
*Shackling the Holy: The Intersection of Criminal Justice and Theology*

Brandi Denison, University of Colorado, Boulder  
*Towards a Responsible Apocalypse: The Apocalyptic Discourse of the American Nonviolence Movement*

Caryn D. Riswold, Illinois College  
*The Rhetoric of Evil and Eradicating Terrorism*

**A93**

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

Zayn Kassam, Pomona College, Presiding

Theme: *Progressive Islam*

Panelists:  
Farid Esack, Xavier University, Cincinnati  
Amir Hussain, California State University, Northridge  
Omid Safi, Colgate University
Gwendolyn Zoharah Simmons, University of Florida
Kecia Ali, Harvard University

Responding:
Tazim Kassam, Syracuse University

Business Meeting:
Jonathan E. Brockopp, Pennsylvania State University, Presiding
Zayn Kassam, Pomona College, Presiding

A94

Study of Judaism Section
Sunday - 9:00 am-11:30 am

Peter Ochs, University of Virginia, Presiding

Theme: *The Land of Israel and the Diaspora in the Talmud*

Panelists:
Menachem Lorberbaum, Tel Aviv University
Dina Stein, Graduate Theological Union, Berkeley
Martin Kavka, Florida State University

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A95

Theology and Religious Reflection Section and Animals and Religion Consultation
Sunday - 9:00 am-11:30 am

John A. Grim, Bucknell University, Presiding

Theme: *Theological Reflection and Other Animals: Recognizing Our Heritage, Recognizing Today's Realities*

Panelists:
Richard Foltz, University of Florida
Laura Hobgood-Oster, Southwestern University
Paul Waldau, Tufts University
Asian North American Religion, Culture, and Society Group and Women and Religion Section  
**Sunday - 9:00 am-11:30 am**

Grace Ji-Sun Kim, Knox College, Presiding

Theme: *The Fifteenth Year of Rita Nakashima Brock's Journeys by Heart: Reflections on a Christology of Erotic Power*

Panelists:  
James H. Cone, Union Theological Seminary, New York City  
Ada Maria Isasi-Diaz, Drew University  
Catherine E. Keller, Drew University  
Kwok Pui-lan, Episcopal Divinity School  
Joan M. Martin, Episcopal Divinity School  
Fumitaka Matsuoka, Pacific School of Religion

Responding:  
Rita Nakashima Brock, Starr King School for the Ministry

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

Debra Mubashshir Majeed, Beloit College, Presiding

Theme: *Images and Innovations of the Black Church Prior to 1945*

Moses N. Moore, Arizona State University  
*A Balm in Gilead: The Social Gospel Ministry of Henry H. Proctor*

Judith Weisenfeld, Vassar College  
*The Negro Soldier and the Sacralization of Military Service*
Richard B. Turner, University of Iowa
*Academic and Popular Images of African-American Islam 1920-1945*

Responding:
Robert Michael Franklin, Atlanta, GA

Business Meeting:
David Daniels, McCormick Theological Seminary, Presiding

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**A98**

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

Donna M. McKenzie, Fordham University, Presiding

Theme: *Health Care, Human Rights, Moral Obligations*

Rachel Muers, University of Cambridge
*Justice to Future Generations: The Contribution of Theological Bioethics*

Janet R. Nelson, Meredith College
*In Suffering and Hope: Moral Obligations for Mental Health Care*

James C. Peterson, Wingate University
*Universal Health Care: A Common Good and Imperative Self-Interest*

Aana Vigen, Union Theological Seminary, New York
"To Count among the Living": What Black and Latina Women with Cancer Know about Healthcare Quality

Business Meeting:
Michael M. Mendiola, Pacific School of Religion, Presiding

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**A99**

Chinese Religions Group  
**Sunday - 9:00 am-11:30 am**

Michael Puett, Harvard University, Presiding
Theme: *Ambivalence of Pattern: New Historical Approaches to Early Medieval Chinese Religions*

Panelists:
Gil Raz, Indiana University, Bloomington
Stephen R. Bokenkamp, Indiana University, Bloomington
Rob Campany, Indiana University, Bloomington

Business Meeting:
Randall Nadeau, Trinity University, Presiding

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**A100**

Christian Systematic Theology Group  
*Sunday - 9:00 am-11:30 am*

Lois Malcolm, Luther Seminary, St. Paul, Presiding

Theme: *Forgiven and Forgiving: Contemporary Systematic Perspectives*

Dan Bell, Lutheran Theological Southern Seminary
"Forgive Us Our Debts As We Forgive Our Debtors": Forgiveness and the End of Economy

Anna Madsen, University of Regensburg
*Painful Forgiveness: The Wrath and Love of God in the Forgiveness of Sins*

Michael Nausner, Drew University
*The Space of Forgiveness: Theological Reflections on Forgiveness from a Space In-between*

Margaret B. Adam, Evanston, IL
*The Interpretation of Forgiveness and the Forgiveness of Interpretation*

Business Meeting:
David S. Cunningham, Hope College, Presiding

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**A101**

Europe and the Mediterranean in Late Antiquity Group  
*Sunday - 9:00 am-11:30 am*

Daniel Boyarin, University of California, Berkeley, Presiding
A102

Hinduism Group

Sunday - 9:00 am-11:30 am

Francis X. Clooney, Boston College, Presiding

Theme: The Ramakrishna Mission and the Face of Contemporary Hinduism

Panelists:
Gerald J. Larson, Indiana University, Bloomington
Anant Rambachan, Saint Olaf College
Gwilym Beckerlegge, Manchester, UK
Rachel Fell McDermott, Barnard College

Responding:
Lola L. Williamson, University of Wisconsin, Madison

A103

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

Sunday - 9:00 am-11:30 am

Ines M. Talamantez, University of California, Santa Barbara, Presiding
Theme: *The Stuff of Creation: A Panel Discussion Marking the Fortieth Year of Charles H. Long’s Alpha: Myths of Creation*
Panelists:
Charles H. Long, Chapel Hill, NC
Philip P. Arnold, Syracuse University
David Carrasco, Harvard University
David Chidester, University of Cape Town
Jacob K. Olupona, University of California, Davis
Jennifer Reid, University of Maine, Farmington
Joanne P. Waghorne, Syracuse University

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**A104**

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

Sarah M. Pike, California State University, Chico, Presiding

Theme: *New Religious Movements at the Interface with Science and Technology*

Alyssa Beall, Syracuse University  
*Home, Home on the Web: Use of the Internet in Neopagan Religions*

Don Baker, University of British Columbia  
*New Korean Religions in North America and on the Web*

Lee Gilmore, Graduate Theological Union  
*Desert Dreams: Reflexivity, Ritual, and the Media at the Burning Man Festival*

Benjamin Zeller, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill  
*Gatekeepers of (Ir)Religion: The Scientific Religion of Heaven's Gate*

Susan J. Palmer, Dawson College  
*Rael, from Contactee-Prophet to Messianic Scientist: A Study in Charisma*

Business Meeting:  
Sarah M. Pike, California State University, Chico, Presiding
Religion and Popular Culture Group  
**Sunday - 9:00 am-11:30 am**  

Richard J. Callahan, University of Missouri, Columbia, Presiding  

Theme: *Death in the Midst of Life*  

Shelly Rambo, Emory University  
*Negotiating Death and Life: Six Feet Under and the Middle Space*  

Diana Walsh-Pasulka, University of North Carolina, Wilmington  
*The Space Between: Purgatory in Contemporary Popular Culture*  

Laurie Zoloth, Northwestern University  
*The Care of the Dying in America: The Ethics and Theology of Hair Dye, Botox, and Prozac*  

Ian Bradley, Saint Andrews University  
*The Use of Popular Songs in Funeral Services in Britain: Pastoral and Liturgical Implications*  

Business Meeting:  
Gary M. Laderman, Emory University, Presiding  

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Roman Catholic Studies Group  
**Sunday - 9:00 am-11:30 am**  

Daniel P. Thompson, Fordham University, Presiding  

Theme: *Critical Perspectives on the Clergy Sexual Misconduct Crisis*  

Gustavo Benavides, Villanova University  
*Sex, Continence, Power*  

Elizabeth Pullen, Drew University  
*Putting Sexual Abuse by Catholic Priests in Context: Authority, Power and Clerical Malfeasance*  

Eamonn Conway, University of Limerick  
*Systemic Issues Regarding Child Sexual Abuse in the Roman Catholic Church*  

Mary J. Henold, University of Rochester  

Responding:  
Dennis M. Doyle, University of Dayton
A107

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

Cleo McNelly Kearns, Princeton University, Presiding

Theme: Political Theology: J. B. Metz and Others

Sung Lim Lee, Seoul, Korea
Anamnestic Rationality and Solidarity for Otherness of Others: Johann Baptist Metz's Political-Theological Discourse

Alan Revering, Quincy University
Metz As Anselm: The Ontological Argument and Political Theology

J. David Franks, Boston College
A Storm Blowing from Paradise: What Metz's Critique of Bourgeois Temporality Owes to Benjamin, Horkheimer, and Adorno

Derek Simon, McGill University
The New Political Theology of Metz: Confronting Schmitt's Political Theology and the Violent Identity Politics of Exclusion

A108

Anthropology of Religion Consultation
Sunday - 9:00 am-11:30 am

Anne Merideth, University of Rochester, Presiding

Theme: Pilgrims and Tourists: Religion and the Construction of Travel

Thomas Bremer, Rhodes College
Half a Pilgrim: Religion, Tourism, and Sacred Spaces

Alexei Khamine, Drew University
Ignatius of Antioch: A Mediterranean Cruise to Martyrdom
Clare Fischer, Graduate Theological Union
*Monument or Mall: Pilgrimage and Tourism in Indonesia*

Laurel Zwissler, University of Toronto
*Pilgrimage and Protest: Travel by Religiously Motivated Activists to Anti-globalization Protests*

Responding:
Thomas A. Tweed, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill

Business Meeting:
Pamela Klassen, University of Toronto, Presiding

Mario I. Aguilar, University of Saint Andrews, Presiding

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Religion in Central and Eastern Europe Consultation
**Sunday - 9:00 am-11:30 am**

Andrii Krawchuk, St. Paul University, Presiding

Theme: *Ethics, Historical Memory and Reconciliation in Post-Communist Societies*

Brendan Ozawa-de Silva, Oxford University
*Lessons from East Germany: Intersections of Historiography, Ethics, and Theology Moving into the Twenty-First Century*

Joseph A. Favazza, Rhodes College
*Religion and Social Reconciliation in Transylvania*

Slavica Jakelic, Boston University, Notre Dame University
*The Problem of Secularization in the Post-communist Societies: The Cases of Bosnian, Croatian and Slovenian Catholicism*

Leslie A. Muray, Curry College
*Christian Ethical Analyses of the Post-Communist Economy and Society in Hungary*

Responding:
Robert Alvis, University of Massachusetts, Boston

Business Meeting:
Andrii Krawchuk, St. Paul University and J. Shawn Landres, University of California, Santa Barbara, Presiding
Religion and Science Group  
Sunday - 9:00 am-11:30 am

Ernest L. Simmons, Concordia College, Moorhead, Presiding

Theme: *Nature, Humanity, and Purpose: Greg Peterson's Minding God*

Nancy Berlinger, The Hastings Center, Garrison, NY  
*Sacred Fools and Heroic Crips: Science and the Myth of Religious Consciousness*

David H. Nikkel, University of North Carolina, Pembroke  
*Minding God and the Body: An Embodied Versus a Functionalist Understanding of Mind*

Jacqueline Cameron, Northwestern University  
*Minding God/Minding Pain: Christian Theological Reflections on Recent Pain Research*

Amos Yong, Bethel College  
*Pneuma and Pratityasamutpada: Cognitive Science, the Christian-Buddhist Dialogue, and the Human Person*

Responding:  
Greg Peterson, South Dakota State University

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Status of Racial and Ethnic Minorities in the Profession Committee Meeting  
Sunday - 11:30 am-12:45 pm

Kwok Pui Lan, Episcopal Divinity School, Presiding

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Mentoring Session with the Women's Caucus and the Status of Women in the Profession Committee  
Sunday - 11:30 am-1:00 pm

Based on the positive feedback from this session last year, the Women's Caucus and the Status of Women in the Profession Committee have invited thirty feminist mid-career and senior AAR scholars to a brown bag lunch with new scholars and graduate students. Please join Katie
Cannon, Elizabeth Castelli, Susan Henking, Serene Jones, Judith Plaskow, Emilie Townes, and many more to discuss pertinent issues like choosing an adviser, getting published, contract negotiation, and the challenge of balancing work and personal commitments. Please bring your questions and your lunch.

A112

A Conversation with the AAR Executive Committee and Board Members
Sunday - 1:00 pm-2:30 pm

Robert A. Orsi, Harvard University, Presiding

Theme: *A Conversation with the AAR Executive Committee and Board Members*

Panelists:
Carol S. Anderson, Kalamazoo College
Barbara DeConcini, American Academy of Religion
Frederick M. Denny, University of Colorado, Boulder
Susan E. Henking, Hobart and William Smith Colleges
Hans J. Hillerbrand, Duke University
William K. Mahony, Davidson College
Jane Dammen McAuliffe, Georgetown University
Mary McGee, Columbia University
Vasudha Narayanan, University of Florida

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A113

PUR - How Religion Matters in Crisis Situations: Perspectives from Law Enforcement, News Media, and Religious Studies Scholars
Sunday - 1:00 pm-2:30 pm

Sponsored by the Public Understanding of Religion Committee

Eugene V. Gallagher, Connecticut College, Presiding

Theme: *How Religion Matters in Crisis Situations: Perspectives from Law Enforcement, News Media, and Religious Studies Scholars*
Panelists:
Eileen V. Barker, London School of Economics
Mark Juergensmeyer, University of California, Santa Barbara
Mary Walsh, CBS News
Representation from members of the FBI

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**A114**

**The Legacy of Franz Rosenthal for Islamic Studies**

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

Sponsored by the Study of Islam Section

Jonathan E. Brockopp, Pennsylvania State University, Presiding

Theme: *The Legacy of Franz Rosenthal for Islamic Studies*

Bruce B. Lawrence, Duke University
*Franz Rosenthal and Ibn Khaldun Revisited*

Gordon D. Newby, Emory University
*Franz Rosenthal and Comparative Semitics*

Frederick M. Denny, University of Colorado, Boulder
*Franz Rosenthal on Faith and Knowledge*

Vincent J. Cornell, University of Arkansas
*Franz Rosenthal and the Historiography of Islam*

Responding:
Wadad Kadi, University of Chicago

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**A115**

**Buddhism Section**

**Sunday - 1:00 pm-2:30 pm**
Richard K. Payne, Graduate Theological Union, Presiding

Theme: Language, Text, and Image in the Transmission of Buddhism

Sarah Horton, Macalester College
Living Buddha Images in Japan: Statues and the Transmission of Buddhism in the Twelfth and Thirteenth Centuries

Hudaya Kandahjaya, Graduate Theological Union
Architectural Prototype of Borobudur

George A. Keyworth, University of Colorado, Boulder
Dissent and the Dharma: Tales of Transmission from behind Bars and Banishment

Karil Kucera, Saint Olaf College
Universal Appeal: Transmitting the Dharma through Text and Image at Baodingshan

D. Neil Schmid, North Carolina State University
Popular Lectures: Liturgical Origins of Art and Text at Dunhuang

Responding:
Bruce C. Williams, University of California, Berkeley

Comparative Studies in Religion Section
Sunday - 1:00 pm-2:30 pm

Mark Wheeler MacWilliams, Saint Lawrence University, Presiding

Theme: Myth-Understanding: Categories, Controversies, and Cross-Cultural Concerns

Takeshi Kimura, University of Tsukuba
What Are Inside and Outside Myths: Japanese Study of Myth

Lesley A. Northup, Florida International University
The Ongoing Christian Myth: On the Necessity of Myth in Religious Studies

Gregory Spinner, Central Michigan University
Judaism Re-mythologized: The Case of Phinehas and the Category of "Myth"

Hiroshi Yamanaka, University of Tsukuba
The Utopian "Power to Live": What the Miyazaki Phenomenon Signifies
A117

North American Religions Section
Sunday - 1:00 pm-2:30 pm

John Corrigan, Florida State University, Presiding


Martha L. Finch, Southwest Missouri State University
"Fashions of Worldly Dames": Dress, Gender, and Visible Sainthood in Early New England

Paul Charles Kemeny, Grove City College

Jennifer Rycenga, San José State University
Abolitionists, Spiritualists, and Exodusters: The Mythic Aura of Kansas in the Late Nineteenth Century

Lawrence Snyder, Western Kentucky University
Funerals without God: Victorian Humanism and the Ritualization of Death

Lynn S. Neal, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill
The Leo Frank Case: Sidelights and Shadows on Religious Intolerance

Responding:
Catherine L. Albanese, University of California, Santa Barbara

A118

Religion in South Asia Section
Sunday - 1:00 pm-2:30 pm

Jeff Brackett, Dickinson College, Presiding

Theme: Faithful Histories: Religion and Historiography in South Asia
Anne Murphy, Columbia University
*The Material of History in Sikh Tradition*

Bradford Phillips, University of Virginia
*For Guru, God, and Country: Envisioning the Resurrection of Divine Rule in Medieval Tibet*

Christopher Lee, Canisius College
*Performing the Past, Present, and Future: History and the Urdu Ghazal in Banaras*

Peter Gottschalk, Wesleyan University
*Through the Historiographic Lens: Religion in Arampur*

Karline McLain, University of Texas, Austin
*Remembering Shivaji: Narrative and Counter-Narrative in Nineteenth and Twentieth-Century Maharashtra*

Responding:
Christian Lee Novetzke, University of Pennsylvania

Business Meeting:
Leslie C. Orr, Concordia University, Montreal, and Philip Lutgendorf, University of Iowa

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**A119**

Theology and Religious Reflection Section
*Sunday - 1:00 pm-2:30 pm*

Cheryl A. Kirk-Duggan, Graduate Theological Union, Presiding

Theme: *Religion and Postcolonialism*

Marion S. Grau, Graduate Theological Union
*Divine Commerce: A Postcolonial Christology for Times of Neo-Colonial Empire*

Arvind Mandair, Hofstra University
*Virtually Religion: Towards a Postcolonial 'Sikh Theology'*

John May, Irish School of Ecumenics
*The Postcolonial Mediation of Transcendence*

Jan H. Pranger, DePaul University
*Beyond Orientalist Constructions of Religious "Others": Christian Encounters with Other Religions in a Postcolonial World*
**A120**

Women and Religion Section  
**Sunday - 1:00 pm-2:30 pm**

Justine Smith, Harvard University, Presiding

Theme: *Sexual/Domestic Violence and Accountability in Religious/Spiritual Communities: Exploring New Women of Color Activisms*

Panelists:
Joy R. Bostic, New York, NY  
Renee L. Hill, All Saints Church, Pasadena, CA  
Kimberleigh Jordan, New York University  
Andrea Smith, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor

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**A121**

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

Cynthia Hoehler-Fatton, University of Virginia, Presiding

Theme: *African Religions and the Arts*

Alisa LaGamma, Columbia University, Metropolitan Museum of Art  
*Exploring the Sources of Inspiration for African Art at the Metropolitan Museum of Art*

Joseph M. Murphy, Georgetown University  
*Crowning the Spirit: Orisa Altar Crowns in South Florida*

Babatunde Lawal, Virginia Commonwealth University  
*Earth, Wind, Fire, and Water: Incarnating Sango, the Yoruba Thunderstorm Deity*

Business Meeting:  
Samuel K. Elolia, Emmanuel School of Religion, Presiding

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Afro-American Religious History Group and Black Theology Group  
Sunday - 1:00 pm-2:30 pm

Rachel E. Harding, University of Denver, Presiding

Theme: *Religion and Social Transformation: The Liberating Scholarship of Vincent Harding*

Panelists:
Jennifer Graber, Duke University
Victor Anderson, Vanderbilt University
Bernice Johnson Reagon, Smithsonian Institution

Responding:
Vincent Harding, University of Denver

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Bonhoeffer: Theology and Social Analysis Group  
Sunday - 1:00 pm-2:30 pm

Mark S. Brocker, Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary, Presiding

Theme: *Engaging Bonhoeffer within Communities of Resistance and Reconciliation*

Willis Jenkins, University of Virginia  
*Kenosis and Resistance: Protest Ecclesiologies in Dietrich Bonhoeffer and Martin Luther King, Jr.*

Steven Bezner, Baylor University  
*Ontological Obedience: Examining Bonhoeffer's Hermeneutics of Nonviolence in Light of the Bruderhof Community*

Katharina Von Kellenbach, Saint Mary's College of Maryland  
*The Gospel of Cheap Grace: Rituals of Forgiveness and Convicted Perpetrators after the Holocaust*

Business Meeting:  
Lisa Dahill, Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching, Presiding
Comparative Studies in Hinduisms and Judaisms Group  
Sunday - 1:00 pm-2:30 pm  

Daniel Matt, Shalom Hartman Institute, Berkeley, CA, Presiding  

Theme: *Mantra and Divine Name in Hindu and Jewish Meditation Traditions*  

Lloyd W. Pflueger, Truman State University  
*Personal and Impersonal Interpretations of "Meditation on the Lord" in Patañjali’s Yogasutra*  

Paul E. Muller-Ortega, University of Rochester  
*Mantra and Meditation in the Upaya Classification of the Saiva Tantra*  

Elliot R. Wolfson, New York University  
*Seeing the Eye That Sees: Embodying the Name in the Meditation Practices of Prophetic Kabbalah*  

Pinchas Giller, University of Judaism  
*Sacred Names in Late Kabbalah*  

Responding:  
Barbara A. Holdrege, University of California, Santa Barbara  

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

Jay Geller, Vanderbilt University, Presiding  

Theme: *Critical Views of Cognitive Science of Religion and Neurotheology*  

Michael T. Bradley, Jr., Decatur, GA  
"*We Shall Take No Account of the Soul*: An Assessment of the Cognitive Basis of Religion"  

Matthew C. Day, New College, Sarasota, FL  
*Religion, Off-Line Cognition, and the Virtues of Embeddedness*  

Jonathon S. Feit, Boston University  
*Neuropsychology and Its Critics*  

Responding:  
Robert N. McCauley, Emory University
A126

Eastern Orthodox Studies Group
Sunday - 1:00 pm-2:30 pm

Eve Tibbs, Fuller Seminary, Presiding

Theme: *Theosis and Its Reception in Western Christianity*

Paul Lehninger, Wisconsin Lutheran College
*Luther and Theosis: Deification in the Theology of Martin*

Anthony D. Baker, University of Indianapolis
*Poiesis and Inversion: The Mysterious Disappearance of Sergei Bulgakov in Von Bathasar's Dramatics of Salvation*

Veli-Matti Kärkkäinen, Fuller Theological Seminary, University of Helsinki
*The Idea of Theosis in Martin Luther's Soteriology: The Ecumenical Significance of a New Interpretation of Luther's Theology of Salvation*

Gösta Hallonsten, Catholic University of America
*The Concept of Theosis in Recent Research: The Need for a Clarification*

A127

Lesbian-Feminist Issues and Religion Group and Religious Freedom, Public, and the State Group
Sunday - 1:00 pm-2:30 pm

Emily Erwin Culpepper, University of Redlands, Presiding

Theme: *Religion, Law, and Politics at Home and Abroad*

Elizabeth Currans, University of California, Santa Barbara
*Sexuality, Race and Politics: California's 2000 Primary Election*
Marvin M. Ellison, Bangor Theological Seminary
*Is Same-Sex Marriage a Must or a Bust? Lessons from the Intra-LGBT Community Debate about Civil and Religious Marriage*

D.Ø. Endsjo, University of Oslo
*LGBT Rights and the Relativism of Human Rights*

Beverly W. Harrison, Cedar Mountain, NC
*Are Fetuses More Full-Bodied Than the Rest of Us? The Christian Right, the Court, and the Struggle for Human Rights in the U.S.*

Responding:
Sheila Briggs, University of Southern California

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**Mysticism Group**

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

John M. Thompson, Hood College, Presiding

**Theme:** Mysticism and Mystics "Within" and "Without" Formally Recognized Spiritual Traditions

Ridgeway Addison, Catholic University of America
*The Confluence of Peace and Nonviolence in the Mystical Theology of Howard Thurman*

Lissa McCullough, Muhlenberg College
*Simone Weil's Radical Mysticism*

Kenneth T. Rose, Christopher Newport University
*Interspirituality and Unsaying: Apophatic Strategies for Departicularizing Christ and the Church in Current Roman Catholic Mystical Movements*

G. William Barnard, Southern Methodist University
*Postmodern Mystical Healings*

**Business Meeting:**
Neil Douglas-Klotz, Edinburgh Institute for Advanced Learning, Presiding
Person, Culture, and Religion Group  
**Sunday - 1:00 pm-2:30 pm**

Pamela Cooper-White, Lutheran Theological Seminary, Philadelphia, Presiding

Theme: *Psyche, Soul, and Self*

Felicity Brock Kelcourse, Christian Theological Seminary  
*A Phenomenology of Psyche, Self and Soul: What Can We Learn from a Name?*

Franz Aubrey Metcalf, The Forge Institute  
*A Winnicottian Transpersonal Psychology*

Marsha Hewitt, Trinity College  
*To Never Wholly Die, Never to Fully Live: Death and Rebirth in the Emergence of Self in the Therapeutic Process*

Wil Brant, Chicago Theological Seminary  
*Souls That Materialize: Implications of Judith Butler's Psyche on the Christian Self*

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**A130**

Platonism and Neoplatonism Group  
**Sunday - 1:00 pm-2:30 pm**

Gregory Shaw, Stonehill College, Presiding

Theme: *Myth, Imagination, and Ecstasy in Platonic and Neoplatonic Thought II*

Jennifer Rapp, Stanford University  
*Debunking the Myth of Platonic Dualism through a Consideration of Platonic Myth: Phaedrus 246a-256e*

Aaron William Hughes, University of Calgary  
*Imagination and Myth in Islamicate Neoplatonism*

Sarah Pessin, California State University  
*The Manifest Image: Revealing the Hidden in Halevi, Saadya and Gabirol*

Stephen Edmondson, Virginia Theological Seminary  
*Awakened to the World: Coleridge and the Imaginative Reading of Scripture*

Business Meeting:  
Willemien Otten, Utrecht University, Presiding
Reformed Theology and History Group  
**Sunday - 1:00 pm-2:30 pm**

Michelle J. Bartel, Hanover College, Presiding

**Theme:** *The Reformed Tradition and The Enlightenment: Continuity or Conflict?*

John Perry, University of Notre Dame  
*From Miracles As Revelation to Miracles As Evidence: How the Enlightenment Shaped the Reformed Doctrine of Cessationism*

Jason A. Nicholls, Marquette University  
*Appealing at "The Bar of Common Sense": Nathaniel Taylor, Reformed Theology and the Scottish Enlightenment*

Virginia W. Landgraf, Princeton Theological Seminary  
*Jacques Ellul As Critic and Heir of the Enlightenment*

Gregory W. Love, San Francisco Theological Seminary  
*I and We: A Reformed Pattern to Human Freedom*

Business Meeting:  
Kathryn Greene-McCreight, Yale University, and Robert J. Sherman, Bangor Theological Seminary, Presiding

Religion and Disability Studies Group  
**Sunday - 1:00 pm-2:30 pm**

Mary Jo Iozzio, Barry University, Presiding

**Theme:** *Biblical Images of Disability in Modern Perspective*

Kerry Wynn, Southeast Missouri State University  
*PBS at the Jabbok*

Rebecca M. Raphael, Southwest Texas State University  
*Images of Disability in Hebrew Prophetic Literature*
Jennifer Koosed, Albright College, and Darla Schumm, Hollins University
*Physically Challenged, Spiritually Lost? Examining the Blind in the Gospel of John*

Responding:
Hector Avalos, Iowa State University

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**A133**

Religion in Latin America and the Caribbean Group
*Sunday - 1:00 pm-2:30 pm*

Iain S. Maclean, James Madison University, Presiding

Theme: *Religion and Violence*

Carole A. Myscofski, Illinois Wesleyan University
*Creating Violence in Colonial Brazil: Imagining Encounters with Amazons and Cannibals*

Jeffrey Mallinson, Union College, Barbourville, KY
*Principalities and Powers: French and Spanish Violence in Florida As Holy Warfare*

Jennifer S. Hughes, Graduate Theological Union
*The Iconography of Suffering: Indigenous Perspectives on Christian Self-Inflicted Violence and the Brutality of the Crucifix in Colonial Mexico*

Lois Lorentzen, University of San Francisco
*Ahora la Luz: Transnational Gangs, Violence, and Religion*

Responding:
Nelson Maldonado-Torres, University of California, Berkeley

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

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**A134**

Tillich: Issues in Theology, Religion, and Culture Group
*Sunday - 1:00 pm-2:30 pm*

Francis Schüessler Fiorenza, Harvard University, Presiding
Theme: Why Tillich? Why Now? Building Bridges

Pia Altieri, University of Chicago
Exploring Tillich's Frontier: Logos in History for History of Religions

Darlene Fozard Weaver, Villanova University
The Boundaries of Agape: Resources in Paul Tillich for a Post-Modern World

Rachel Sophia Baard, Princeton Theological Seminary
Original Grace, Not Destructive Grace: A Feminist Appropriation of Paul Tillich's Notion of Acceptance

David S. Blix, Wabash College
"Icons: and "Artifacts": Tillich on Religion and Culture

Responding:
Langdon Gilkey, University of Virginia

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Modern Historical Consciousness and the Christian Churches Seminar
Sunday - 1:00 pm-2:30 pm

Harvey Hill, Berry College, Presiding

Theme: Modern Historical Consciousness and the Christian Churches

Darrell Jodock, Gustavus Adolphus College
D. F. Strauss' Life of Jesus, F. C. Baur, and Modern Historical Consciousness

Kenneth L. Parker, Saint Louis University
Newman and Acton on Papal Infallibility: Modern Historical Consciousness and Theology

Responding:
Paul Misner, Marquette University

Business Meeting:
Harvey Hill, Berry College, Presiding
Confucian Traditions Group  
**Sunday - 1:00 pm-2:30 pm**

Edward Slingerland, University of Southern California, Presiding

Theme: *Reading Sex and Gender in Confucian Texts*

Vivian-Lee Nyitray, University of California, Riverside  
*Reading Women out of the Text: Breaking the Hermeneutical Circle of Confucian Exegesis*

Paul Rakita Goldin, University of Pennsylvania  
*Manhood in the Analects*

Pauline C. Lee, Santa Clara University  
*What Is Distinctive about Confucian Feminism?*

Jane Geaney, University of Richmond  
*Shame and Sex in Early Confucian Ethics*

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

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**A228**

Religion, Culture, and Communication Consultation  
**Sunday - 1:00 pm-2:30 pm**

Mark Silk, Trinity College, Presiding

Theme: *Re-presenting Religion in the Media*

Matthew S. Waggoner, University of California, Santa Cruz  
*The Photographic Medium: The Specular Production of Religious and Racial Selves in Early American Pentecostalism*

Titus Hjelm, University of Helsinki  
*Our Good Religion: Constructing Deviant Religion in the Finnish Media*

Claudia Schippert, University of Central Florida  
*No Longer Sitting on the Curb: Virtual Heroes and Re-emerging Hagiography in Post-September 11 Media/Religion*

Brian Flanagan, Boston College  
*[www.vatican.va](http://www.vatican.va): The Encoded Ecclesiology of the Vatican Website*
Responding:
Stewart M. Hoover, University of Colorado, Boulder

Business Meeting:
Michele Rosenthal, University of Haifa, and Stewart M. Hoover, University of Colorado, Boulder, Presiding

A138

Pub - Publishing in AAR/OUP Series
Sunday - 3:00 pm-4:30 pm

Sponsored by the Publications Committee

Cynthia Read, Oxford University Press, Presiding

Theme: Publishing in AAR/OUP Series

Panelists:
Kimberly Rae Connor, University of San Francisco
Mark Csikszentmihalyi, University of Wisconsin, Madison
Susan E. Henking, Hobart and William Smith Colleges
Jacob Kinnard, College of William and Mary
James Wetzel, Colgate University

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A139

SWP - Women, Religion, and Global Conflict
Sunday - 3:00 pm-4:30 pm

Sponsored by the Status of Women in the Profession Committee

Janet R. Jakobsen, Barnard College, Presiding

Theme: Women, Religion, and Global Conflict

Panelists:
Loretta Ross, Center for Human Rights Education
Patricia Martinez, University of Malaya
A140

Academic Teaching and the Study of Religion Section
Sunday - 3:00 pm-4:30 pm

Fran Grace, University of Redlands, Presiding

Theme: More Voices, Multiple Lenses: Diverse Perspectives in the Religious Studies Classroom

Edward E. Curtis, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill
Honoring African-American Experience in Teaching about Islam

Shelley C. Wiley, Concordia College, Moorhead
"This Little Light of Mine" and Other Subversive Texts and Strategies

Pamela Owens, University of Nebraska, Omaha
Academic Teaching and the Study of Native American Religion(s): Teaching with and for Respect

Frederick E. Detwiler, Adrian College
Playing Buddha Golf: Pedagogy and Perspective

Florian Pohl, Temple University
Pedagogical Dialogue: The Pesantren Tradition of Yogyakarta, Indonesia

A141

Arts, Literature, and Religion Section
Sunday - 3:00 pm-4:30 pm

Charles Mathewes, University of Virginia, Presiding

Theme: Evil and Negativity
Barbara E. Galli, McGill University
*Facing Evil: The Parable of the Ring in the Hands of Abraham Abulafia and Gotthold Ephraim Lessing*

Eric Boynton, Allegheny College
*Ivan's Rebellion: Love and the Excess of Evil*

Anita Houck, Saint Mary's College, Notre Dame
*Comic Theodicies: Laughter and Divine Responsibility in Modern Literature*

Alyda Faber, Atlantic School of Theology
*Reading the Letters and Journals: Virginia Woolf's "Poetics of Reality"*

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

Russell T. McCutcheon, University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, Presiding

Theme: *Religion/s between Covers: Dilemmas of the World Religions Textbook*

Carol S. Anderson, Kalamazoo College
*The Disappearance of Women in World Religions Textbooks*

Mark Wheeler MacWilliams, Saint Lawrence University
*Shinto in World Religions Textbooks*

Ross Miller, Prentice Hall/Pearson Higher Education and Melanie White, London, UK
*Creating a World Religions Text for the Twenty-First Century*

Selva Raj, Albion College
*The Quest for a Balanced Representation of South Asian Religions in World Religions Textbooks*

Kay A. Read, DePaul University
*World Religions and the Miscellaneous Category*

Joanne Punzo Waghorne, Syracuse University
*Revisiting the Question of "Religion" in the World Religions Textbook*

Robert M. Baum, Iowa State University
*The Forgotten South: African Religions in World Religions Textbooks*
History of Christianity Section
Sunday - 3:00 pm-4:30 pm

Mark R. Mullins, Sophia University, Presiding

Theme: *Christianity in Japan: Conflicting Experiences*

Dorothea Magdalena Filus, University of Tokyo
*Religious, Social and Political Conflict in a Small Town in Japan*

Ikuo Higashibaba, Tenri University
*Strategies for Resolving Christian Conflicts in Early Modern Japan*

Mira Sonntag, University of Tokyo
*The Second Coming of Christ Movement: A Discourse on Salvation and Rationality in Modern Japan*

Responding:
*Fumitaka Matsuoka, Pacific School of Religion*

Business Meeting:
Anne Clark, University of Vermont, and Anne Thayer, Lancaster Theological Seminary, Presiding

North American Religions Section
Sunday - 3:00 pm-4:30 pm

E. Brooks Holifield, Emory University, Presiding

Theme: *Popular Christianity in the American South: 1945-Present*

Elesha Coffman, Duke University
*Converts in a Strange Land: Catholic Missions in North Carolina under Bishop Vincent S. Waters, 1945-1974*

Seth Dowland, Duke University
*Moral Majority and the Mobilization of White Evangelicals in Alabama*
Jennifer Graber, Duke University
Pax Christi, Pacifism, and the New Catholic Landscape of Richmond, Virginia

Responding:
David E. Harrell, Auburn University

A145

Philosophy of Religion Section
Sunday - 3:00 pm-4:30 pm

Thomas A. Carlson, University of California, Santa Barbara, Presiding

Theme: Mark C. Taylor: Recent Work on Religion, Philosophy, and Network Culture

Panelists:
William G. Doty, University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa
Glenn William Shuck, Rice University
Amy M. Hollywood, Dartmouth College
John D. Caputo, Villanova University

Responding:
Mark C. Taylor, Williams College

A146

Religion and Ecology Group and Religion and the Social Sciences Section
Sunday - 3:00 pm-4:30 pm

Daniel T. Spencer, University of Montana, Presiding

Theme: A Liminal Age: Between Fossil Fuels and the Future

Heather Eaton, Saint Paul University
A Liminal Age and Religious Consciousness

Lee Cormie, University of Toronto
Another World Is Possible: Contributions of the World Social Forum to the Ethics of Alternative Globalization
Cynthia Moe-Lobeda, Seattle University
*Ethics in a Liminal Age: Critical Mystical Vision*

Laurel D. Kearns, Drew University
*Fossil Fuels and Faith: Energy Issues and a Sustainable Future*

Rebecca Kneale Gould, Middlebury College
*Saying L’chaim to a Post-Fossil Fuel Future: Religious Identity, Environmental Activism and American Public*

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**A147**

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

Gordon D. Newby, Emory University, Presiding

Theme: *Inscribing Authority in Medieval and Modern Islamic Societies*

Stuart D. Sears, American University, Cairo  
*Dirty Dirhams and Righteous Rebels: A Controversy Surrounding the Inscription of Qur’anic Text on Early Muslim Coins*

Maria Massi Dakake, George Mason University  
"Rarer Than Red Sulfur": Women and the Early Shi’ite Movement

Erik S. Ohlander, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor  
*A Sethian Genealogy: Connecting Futuwwa, Akhis, and Ribat-Based Sufism in the Early Thirteenth Century*

Amina Steinfels, Gettysburg College  
*In the Presence of the Master: The Malfuzat of Sayyid Jalal al-din Bukhari*

Alfons Teipen, Furman University  
*Unseemly Women in Sacred Biographical Literatures: A Comparison between Early Christian Texts and Early Muslim Narratives about Muhammad*

David Dakake, Temple University  
*Swords Thrown into the Sky: The Decontextualization of Quranic Verses on Jihad in the Fatwa of the World Islamic Front*

Responding:  
Laury Silvers-Alario, Skidmore College

Please join us for iftar during this session.
A148

Comparative Studies in Hinduisms and Judaisms Group and Study of Judaism Group
Sunday - 3:00 pm-4:30 pm

David Blumenthal, Emory University, Presiding

Theme: The Zohar: Pritzker Edition--An Assessment of Daniel Matt's New Annotated Translation

Panelists:
Daniel Matt, Shalom Hartman Institute, Berkeley, CA
Elliot R. Wolfson, New York University
Moshe Idel, Hebrew University

A149

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

Serene Jones, Yale University, Presiding

Theme: The Ethics of Theological Reflection

John Wall, Rutgers University
In the Image of God: The Human Capability for Moral Creativity

Shelly Rambo, Emory University
Witnessing Death and Life: Theologians Occupying the Middle Space

Neal E. Magee, Syracuse University
Vectors and Junkspace: Reconfiguring Theological Reflection

Rosemary P. Carbine, Saint Mary's College, Notre Dame
The Public Theologian: Insights from Intersticiality

A150
Asian North American Religion, Culture, and Society Group  
**Sunday - 3:00 pm-4:30 pm**

Nikky Singh, Colby College, Presiding

**Theme:** *South Asian Religious Communities in the American South*

Steven W. Ramey, Furman University  
*Hindu, Sikh, and Sufi: Recreating a Regional Heritage in the Context of Atlanta*

Khyati Joshi, Fairleigh Dickinson University  
*Desis in Dixie: Indian American Experiences of Religion and Race in Atlanta*

Thomas Russell, Western Kentucky University  
*Bible Belt Jainism: The Rise and Development of the Jain Tradition in the Mid-South*

Responding:  
Diana L. Eck, Harvard University  
Vasudha Narayanan, University of Florida

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Christian Spirituality Group  
**Sunday - 3:00 pm-4:30 pm**

Michael Battle, Duke University, Presiding

**Theme:** *Spiritualities of Resistance and Reconciliation*

Hak Joon Lee, New Brunswick Theological Seminary  
*The Politics of Imago Dei: The Communitarian Anthropology of Martin Luther King, Jr. and Desmond Tutu and the Struggles of Resistance and Reconciliation*

Ann Coble, Westminster College  
*Clarence Jordan: Resistance and Reconciliation in the Cotton Patch*

Kevin Mongrain, Saint Mary's University, San Antonio  
*Ritual and Forgiveness: Inscribing God's Forgiveness on the Human Body of Christ*

Responding:  
Gilbert Bond, Yale University

Business Meeting:  
Arthur G. Holder, Graduate Theological Union, Presiding
Europe and the Mediterranean in Late Antiquity Group
Sunday - 3:00 pm-4:30 pm

Jason D. BeDuhn, Northern Arizona University, Presiding

Theme: *Demons and Demonologies*

Catherine Burris, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill
*Syriac Demonology: Rhetoric and Reality*

David Brakke, Indiana University, Bloomington
*Unutterable Beauty and Unnatural Acts: Gender and the Demonic in Two Egyptian Monastic Communities*

Sarah L. Schwarz, University of Pennsylvania
*Astrology As Demonology in the Testament of Solomon*

Annette Reed, McMaster University
*Fire, Blood, and Water: Demonology and Halakha in the Pseudo-Clementine Homilies*

Nicola Denzey, Bowdoin College
*Roman Christian Demonological Ascent Formulae in Mortuary Context*

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

Evangelical Theology Group
Sunday - 3:00 pm-4:30 pm

John G. Stackhouse, Regent College, Presiding

Theme: *Connections, Tensions, Dissentions: The Current State of Evangelical Theology*

Panelists:
Molly Marshall, Central Baptist Theological Seminary
Henry H. Knight, Saint Paul School of Theology
Hinduism Group
Sunday - 3:00 pm-4:30 pm

T. S. Rukmani, Concordia University, Montreal, Presiding

Theme: *Hinduism and Western Hermeneutics: Problems and Possibilities*

Purushottama Bilimoria, University of Melbourne
*Dialogic Fecundation of Western Hermeneutics and Hindu Mimamsa in the Critical Era*

Jeffery D. Long, Elizabethtown College
*Truth, Diversity, and the Unfinished Project of Modern Hinduism*

Arvind Sharma, McGill University
*Hinduism's Socio-Political Response to Western Hermeneutical Theories of Religion*

Sharada Sugirtharajah, University of Birmingham
*Muller and Textual Management*

Responding:
Laurie Louise Patton, Emory University

Business Meeting:
Tracy Pintchman, Loyola University, Chicago, Presiding
Theme: Revisiting Authenticity Discourses in Japanese Religious Renewal Movements: Theory and a Descent to Cases

Lisa Kuly, Cornell University
Contending Voices of Meaning in the Contemporary Hanamatsuri

Jane Marie Law, Cornell University
Reconsidering Authenticity in Religious Revival and Renewal in Japan: Theoretical Considerations

Kakuju Matsubara, Cornell University
Inventing Zen Tradition and Its Authenticity: The Inside Problems of Tradition Maintenance in Contemporary Rinzai Zen

Mark McGuire, Cornell University
Moments of Recognition and Healing: Shugendo Asceticism and Cultural Property Designation in the Folk Performing Arts of Japan

Responding:
Edmund T. Gilday, Grinnell College

Native Traditions in the Americas Group
Sunday - 3:00 pm-4:30 pm

Michelene Pesantubbee, University of Iowa, Presiding

Theme: Impediments to Spiritual/Cultural Integrity and Creativity in Indigenous America

Joel Geffen, University of California, Santa Barbara
Picture This: The Role of Iconography in Contemporary Yakama Identity Formation

Janet Parker, Chicago Theological Seminary
Steering the Canoe: The Kaswentha Principle in Haudenosaunee Struggles for Land and Self-Determination

Adam Darlage, University of Chicago
Inquisitions at Home and in the New World: Success in Italy and Negotiated Settlements in the Americas

Philip J. Deloria, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor
Indians in Unexpected Places
Pragmatism and Empiricism in American Religious Thought Group  
**Sunday - 3:00 pm-4:30 pm**

Wayne Proudfoot, Columbia University, Presiding

**Theme:** *Pragmatism and Democracy: Assessing Jeffrey Stout's Democracy and Tradition: Religion, Ethics, and Public Philosophy*

**Panelists:**
Stanley M. Hauerwas, Duke University  
Cornel West, Princeton University  
Richard Rorty, Stanford University

**Responding:**
Jeffrey L. Stout, Princeton University

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

Nikki Bado-Fralick, Iowa State University, Presiding

**Theme:** *Bodies in Ritual Practice*

Lisa Battaglia, Vanderbilt University  
*Profaning the Sacred, Sacralizing the Profane: Ritual Space and Ritual Practice among Thai Buddhist Nuns*

Constance Wise, University of Denver  
*Feminist Wiccan Ritual Magic As Effective Cultural Practice*

Jeffrey Samuels, Western Kentucky University  
*The Very Idea of a Practical Canon: The Body as a Key Rubric in Monastic Training*
A160

Schleiermacher Group  
Sunday - 3:00 pm-4:30 pm

Jacqueline Marina, Purdue University, Presiding

Theme: Schleiermacher and Romanticism, Schleiermacher As Romantic

Philip Clayton, Claremont School of Theology
Schleiermacher As Romantic: Joyful Experience, the Individual, and the Whole

David E. Klemm, University of Iowa
Kunstreligion in Early German Romanticism: Schleiermacher and Caspar David Friedrich

Eric Nelson, University of Toledo
Schleiermacher's "Romanticism": The Singular, the Whole, and the Unconditional

Peter Foley, University of Arizona
De-romanticising and Re-romanticising Schleiermacher: Self-Reflexivity and Kant

Responding:
Richard Crouter, Carleton College

Business Meeting:
Julia A. Lamm, Georgetown University, Presiding

A161

Tibetan and Himalayan Religions Group  
Sunday - 3:00 pm-4:30 pm

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

Theme: Women in Tibetan Religious Life: Histories and Contemporary Communities
Bryan Cuevas, Florida State University
*Tibetan Female Revenants*

Robert Trent Pomplun, Loyola College, Maryland
*Hell Hath No Fury: The Lady Tshe-ring Bkra-shis and the Death of Sde-srid Sangs-rgyas Rgya-mtsho*

Alyson Prude, University of California, Santa Barbara
*A Comparative Look at Himalayan Nunneries*

Kurtis Schaeffer, University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa
*A Royal Nun in Fifteenth-Century Tibet*

Karma Lekshe Tsomo, University of San Diego
*Buddhist Women and Social Change in the Spiti Valley*

Business Meeting:
Kurtis Schaeffer, University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, Presiding

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**A162**

**Womanist Approaches to Religion and Society Group**

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

Marcia Y. Riggs, Columbia Theological Seminary, Presiding

Theme: *Unspeakable Things Unspoken: Interdisciplinary Explorations of the Work of Toni Morrison As Fulcrum for Religious Discourse*

Panelists:
C. Dale Gadsden, Harvard University
Charles H. Long, Chapel Hill, NC
Carolyn Medine, University of Georgia
Emilie M. Townes, Union Theological Seminary, New York
David Carrasco, Harvard University

Business Meeting:
Marcia Y. Riggs, Columbia Theological Seminary, Presiding

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**A163**
Religions, Medicines, and Healing Consultation  
Sunday - 3:00 pm-4:30 pm  

Linda L. Barnes, Boston University, Presiding  

Theme: *Religion and the Healing Arts*  

Sunju Chong, University of Chicago  
*Communal Healing in Korean Tradition of Music and Dance in Performance of Mask Dance, Pansori, and Kut*  

Bridget Blomfield, Claremont Graduate University  
*The Zar Ritual: Healing Tradition of Islamic Middle East and Africa*  

James W. Perkinson, Eucumenical Theological Seminary  
*Kongo Nkisi/Canaanite Repartee/Black Savvy: Possession and Healing at the Crossroads*  

Responding:  
Suzanne J. Crawford, University of California, Santa Barbara  

Business Meeting:  
Linda L. Barnes, Boston University, Presiding  

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A277  

Caring for Nature: From Fact to Value, from Respect to Reverence  
Sunday - 3:00 pm-4:30 pm  

Sponsored by the AAR and the Templeton Foundation  

Ian G. Barbour, Carleton College, Presiding  

Theme: *Caring for Nature: From Fact to Value, from Respect to Reverence*  

Holmes, Rolston, III, Colorado State University  

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A164
AAR 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 Robert A. Orsi, president.

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**A165**

Michael Jackson - The Prose of Suffering and the Practice of Silence  
**Sunday - 7:15 pm-8:15 pm**

Robert A. Orsi, Harvard University, Presiding

Theme: *The Prose of Suffering and the Practice of Silence*

Michael Jackson, University of Copenhagen

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**A279**

The Gospel of John  
**Sunday - 8:00 pm-11:00 pm**

Rialto Theater, Georgia State University  
Sponsored by the Religion, Film, and Visual Culture Group

Tony S. L. Michael, University of Toronto

Please meet at the information kiosk in the main lobby of the Marriott Marquis at 7:30 pm to go to the theater.

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**A166**

Places of Peace and Power: The Sacred Sites Slide Show of Martin Gray  
**Sunday - 8:30 pm-10:00 pm**
Diane Apostolos-Cappadona, Georgetown University, Presiding

Martin Gray, Sedona, AZ

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**A167**

*Distance*: Screening and Conversation with Director Kore-eda  
**Sunday - 8:30 pm-10:00 pm**

Sponsored by the Religion, Film, and Visual Culture Group

Hirokazu Kore-eda, Tokyo, Japan, Michiaki Okuyama, Nanzan University, and Paul L. Swanson, Nanzan University, Presiding

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**A169**

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

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**A170**

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

Marcia Beauchamp, The Freedom Forum First Amendment Center, Presiding

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**A171**

AAR Program Unit Chairs Breakfast  
**Monday - 7:30 am-8:45 am**
Barbara DeConcini, American Academy of Religion, Presiding

All program unit chairs should attend this important informational session with the AAR's Program Committee.

**A172**

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

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

**A281**

**Monday - 7:30 am-8:45 am**

**A173**

RSTF - Preparing Teachers to Teach about Religion: Current Practices and Models  
**Monday - 9:00 am-11:30 am**

Sponsored by the Religion in the Schools Task Force

Diana L. Eck, Harvard University, Presiding

Theme: *Preparing Teachers to Teach about Religion: Current Practices and Models*

Panelists:  
Bruce Grelle, California State University, Chico  
Stephen N. Dunning, University of Pennsylvania  
Diane L. Moore, Harvard University

See the Program Highlights page for a description.
SLG - Top Ten Ways to Survive Your First Year on the Job  
Monday - 9:00 am-11:30 am

Sponsored by the Student Liaison Group

Richard Amesbury, Valdosta State University, Presiding

Theme: *Top Ten Ways to Survive Your First Year on the Job*

Sandie Gravett, Appalachian State University

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Afro-American Religious History Group and Religion and Social Sciences Section  
and Womanist Approaches to Religion Group  
Monday - 9:00 am-11:30 am

Sponsored by Religion and Social Sciences Section, Afro-American Religious History Group,  
and Womanist Approaches to the Study of Religion Group

David Daniels, McCormick Theological Seminary, Presiding

Theme: *Centennial Celebration of the Scholarship of W. E. B. DuBois*

Terrence Johnson, Brown University

*Religion, Race, and Liberalism: DuBois and Rawls on the Issue of Justice*

Arthur Sutherland, Loyola College, Maryland

*The Motif of the Stranger in The Souls of Black Folk*

Cheryl Townsend Gilkes, Colby College


Responding:

Nellie McKay, University of Wisconsin, Madison

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A176

Study of Islam Section and Academic Teaching and the Study of Religion Section
Monday - 9:00 am-11:30 am

Amir Hussain, California State University, Northridge, Presiding

Theme: *Sufis in Western Societies: Global Networking and Locality*

Markus Dressler, New York University
*Sufis in the City: The Predicament of Pluralism*

Ron Geaves, Chester College
*Transglobal Mysticism or a Case of Cultural Binary Fission: The Transmigration of Sufism to Britain*

Marcia Hermansen, Loyola University, Chicago
"Global Sufism": Theirs and Ours

Gritt Klinkhammer, University of Erfurt
*Re-traditionalizing Spirituality: The Burhaniya Sufi Order in Germany*

Juliane Hammer, Georgetown University
*Globalizing Sufism in a Virtual World: Sufi Orders on the Internet*

Responding:
Gisela Webb, Seton Hall University

A177

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

Frederick J. Ruf, Georgetown University, Presiding

Theme: *Making Space Sacred*

Joan R. Branham, Providence College
*The Temple That Won't Quit: Constructing Sacred Space in Orlando's Holy Land Theme Park*

Stephen Murphy, University of Virginia
*Conflict, Commemoration, Community, and Making Space Sacred: The Response to Racist Violence at Saint John's Baptist Church, Dixiana, South Carolina*
Ki Joo Choi, Boston College
*Art and Architecture As Religious and Moral Language? Assessing Contemporary Theological Responses through a Liberationist Example*

Crystal Downing, Messiah College
*Readers of the Lost Ark: Containing the Sacred*

Responding:
William G. Doty, University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa

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**A178**

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

David Germano, University of Virginia, Presiding

Theme: *An Appraisal of Ronald Davidson's Indian Esoteric Buddhism in the Context of the Social History of Medieval Esoteric Movements*

Panelists:
Ryuichi Abe, Columbia University
Edward Davis, University of Hawaii
Phyllis Granoff, McMaster University
Jeffrey Stephen Lidke, Berry College
Robert Sharf, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor
Michael D. Swartz, Ohio State University
Hugh B. Urban, Ohio State University

Responding:
Ronald M. Davidson, Fairfield University

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**A179**

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

Jane Hicks, Saint John Fisher College, Presiding

Theme: *Visions of Rapture or Visions of Desolation? Connecting Globalization to Poverty*
Jim Bailey, Duquesne University  
*Assets, the Poor, and Democracy*

Maria T. Davila, Boston College  
*Empowerment of the Poor and Democracy: New Dimensions on the Question of International Development*

Bron Taylor, University of Florida  
*Earth in Play: Globalization and Religious Ethics at the World Summit on Sustainable Development*

Ken Estey, New York, NY  
*Union Democracy and Global Change: Prospects for the Working Classes*

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**A180**

Christian Spirituality Group and History of Christianity Section  
**Monday - 9:00 am-11:30 am**

Christopher Bellitto, Paulist Press, Presiding

**Theme:** *Paulist Press's Classics of Western Spirituality Series Twenty-Fifth Anniversary*

Panelists:
Bernard McGinn, University of Chicago
Sandra M. Schneiders, Jesuit School of Theology
Ewert H. Cousins, Fordham University

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**A181**

Law, Religion, and Culture Consultation and North American Religions Section  
**Monday - 9:00 am-11:30 am**

Kathleen Flake, Vanderbilt University, Presiding

**Theme:** *Nation, Law and Religion*

James McBride, New York, NY  
*Holy Nation, Holy War: The Controversy over the Pledge of Allegiance in Times of Conflict*
Justin Watson, Le Moyne College  
*Bush, Clinton, and American Civil Religion*

Avi M. Spiegel, Harvard University  
*Healing the Student Body: Spirituality, Yoga, and the Law*

K. Healan Gaston, University of California, Berkeley  
*Re-reading the Judeo-Christian Tradition: Will Herberg's "Protestant, Catholic, Jew" as a Cold War Text*

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**A182**

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

Randi Rashkover, York College of Pennsylvania, Presiding

Theme: *Thinking Ritual*

Panelists:  
Peter Ochs, University of Virginia  
Robert Gibbs, University of Toronto  
Steven D. Kepnes, Colgate University

Responding:  
Graham Ward, University of Manchester

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**A183**

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

Jacqueline Z. Pastis, La Salle University, Presiding

Theme: *Women and Mysticism*

Trish Beckman, University of Missouri, Columbia  
*Authority and Performance with/in Medieval Women's Mystical Texts*

Carol P. Christ, Ariadne Institute for the Study of Myth and Ritual, Lesbos, Greece  
*Embodied Embedded Mysticism: Affirming the (Female) Body and the World Body*
Sarah M. Taylor, Northwestern University  
*Green Mysticism and Spiritual Madness: The Committed "Lunacy" of an Eco-Woman Warrior*

Maria Massi Dakake, George Mason University  
"The Guest of My Inmost Heart": Images of the Divine Beloved in Female Sufi Poetry

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**A184**

Bioethics and Religion Group and Lesbian-Feminist Issues in Religion Group  
**Monday - 9:00 am-11:30 am**

Rebecca T. Alpert, Temple University, Presiding

Theme: *Gay Gene? Religious and Policy Implications of a Possible Genetic Basis for Sexual Orientation*

Panelists:  
Dena S. Davis, Cleveland-Marshall College of Law  
Suzanne Holland, University of Puget Sound  
Kathleen M. Sands, University of Massachusetts, Boston

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**A185**

Christian Systematic Theology Group and Latina/o Religion, Culture, and Society Group  
**Monday - 9:00 am-11:30 am**

Joy McDougall, Emory University, Presiding

Theme: *Innovations and Revelations: Latino/a Systematic Theology*

Alejandro Garcia-Rivera, Jesuit School of Theology  
*The Correspondence of Aesthetics with Doctrines of Revelation and As Theological Method*

Mayra Rivera, Drew University  
*Sophia the Hybrid: A Latina Postcolonial Theology*

Stephen L. Stell, Austin College  
*Sources and Products of Revelation: "Religious Experience" and "Culture" in the Works of Latina/o Theologians*
Comparative Studies in Hinduisms and Judaisms Group  
**Monday - 9:00 am-11:30 am**

Graham M. Schweig, Christopher Newport University, Presiding

Theme: *Erotic Figuring of Divine Love in Jewish and Hindu Traditions*

Sarah Pessin, California State University, Fresno  
*Love's Desire: Eros and Divinity in the Poetry of Solomon Ibn Gabirol*

Yehudit K. Greenberg, Rollins College  
*To Desire or to Love? That Is the Question!*

Steven P. Hopkins, Swarthmore College  
*Extravagant Beholding: The Love of Two Bodies and the Language of Excess in the Song of Songs and South Indian Devotion*

Rita Dasgupta Sherma, Binghamton University  
*Union and Separation from the Kama Sutra to the Gitagovinda*

Responding:  
Francis X. Clooney, Boston College

Business Meeting:  
Barbara A. Holdrege, University of California, Santa Barbara, and Kathryn McClymond, Georgia State University, Presiding

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Cultural History of the Study of Religion Consultation  
**Monday - 9:00 am-11:30 am**

John P. Burris, Rollins College, Presiding

Theme: *The Politics of Making "Religion" in the U.S.*
John Lardas, University of California, Santa Barbara
*Ungraspable Phantoms: The Emergence of the Culture Concept in Antebellum America*

Kent McConnell, Dartmouth College
*Consumer Culture and Remaking "Lost Cause" Religion in the South*

Kristin Schwain, University of Missouri, Columbia
*Religious Experience and Racial Uplift in the Art of Henry Ossawa Tanner*

Russell T. McCutcheon, University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa
*The Cold War, the Humanistic Study of Religion, and the Fallacy of Insufficient Cynicism*

Responding:
Ann Taves, Claremont School of Theology

Business Meeting:
Robert A. Orsi, Harvard University, and Leigh Schmidt, Princeton University, Presiding

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**A188**

Eastern Orthodox Studies Group
**Monday - 9:00 am-11:30 am**

Brian E. Daley, University of Notre Dame, Presiding

Theme: *Maximus the Confessor*

Ian A. McFarland, University of Aberdeen
*Fleshing out Christ: Maximus the Confessor's Christology in Anthropological Perspective*

Stephen J. Shoemaker, University of Oregon
*The Georgian Life of the Virgin Attributed to Maximus the Confessor: Its Authenticity and Importance*

Despina Prassas, Johnson City, NY
*Theoria and Praxis in Saint Maximos the Confessor's "Quaestiones et Dubia"*

Business Meeting:
Robin Darling Young, University of Notre Dame, and James C. Skedros, Holy Cross School of Theology

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**A189**
New Religious Movements Group and Japanese Religions Group  
**Monday - 9:00 am-11:30 am**

Robert Kisala, Nanzan Institute for Religion and Culture, Presiding

**Theme:** *Public Relations and Growth Strategies in New Religious Movements in Japan*

Ben Dorman, Australian National University  
*Japanese Print Media Reporting of Two New Religions in Occupied Japan*

Saburo Morishita, Tenri University  
*The Question of Self Presentation in Tenrikyo*

Manabu Watanabe, Nanzan University  
*Aum Shinrikyo and Its Utilization of Media*

Yoshihide Sakurai, Hokkaido University  
*Cult Controversy and Strategies of the Unification Church of Japan*

Responding:  
Ian Reader, Lancaster University

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A190

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

Darrell Jodock, Gustavus Adolphus College, Presiding

**Theme:** *Historians of Theology in the Late Nineteenth Century: In Honor of Claude Welch*

Paul Misner, Marquette University  
*John Henry Newman As Historian of Christian Thought*

Gregory Walter, Princeton Theological Seminary  
*Defining Protestantism in Albrecht Ritschl's Historical Method*

Walter E. Wyman, Jr., Whitman College  
*Adolf von Harnack As Historian and Theologian*

Thomas Buchan, Drew University  
*Convergences in Historical Theological Method in J. H. Newman and A. von Harnack*

David T. Ball, Methodist Theological School in Ohio  
*Ernst Troeltsch's Method for Discerning the Normative in History*
A191

Person, Culture, and Religion Group  
**Monday - 9:00 am-11:30 am**

Kathleen Bishop, Drew University, Presiding

Theme: *Practicing Theory and Theorizing Practice*

G. William Barnard, Southern Methodist University  
*Scholarship and Healing: Two Worlds, One Life*

Stanford J. Searl, Union Institute, San Diego  
*Making a Place for the Soul: The Pedagogy of Silence*

Al Dueck, Pasadena, CA  
*Ethics, Levinas, and Psychotherapy*

Lee Hayward Butler, Chicago Theological Seminary  
*From Theory to Student to Parish/Client and Back Again: Pastoral Theology As Praxis*

A192

Religion, Holocaust, and Genocide Group and Religion, Film, and Visual Culture Group  
**Monday - 9:00 am-11:30 am**

Jay Geller, Vanderbilt University, Presiding

Theme: *Film and the Holocaust: Reflections of Identity*

Meredith Hammons, Vanderbilt University  
*Blessed Haman and Wicked Mordechai: Inversion of the Story of Esther in Veit Harlan's Jud Suss*

Theresa Sanders, Georgetown University  
*The Cinematic Lives of Edith Stein*

Liora Gubkin, California State University, Bakersfield  
*As If You Were There: Knowledge and Identity in The Devil's Arithmetic*
Responding:
Laura S. Levitt, Temple University

Business Meeting:
Susan L. Nelson, Pittsburgh Theological Seminary, and Oren Baruch Stier, Florida International University, Presiding

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**A193**

Religious Freedom, Public Life, and the State Group

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

Kenneth Woodward, Newsweek, Presiding

Theme: *Bush, the War, and Religious Rhetoric*

Panelists:
Steven Waldman, Beliefnet.com
David Brooks, *Weekly Standard*

Peter Steinfels, *New York Times*

Mark Silk, Trinity College

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**A194**

Wesleyan Studies Group

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

Kenneth J. Collins, Asbury Theological Seminary, Presiding

Theme: *Celebrating the Tercentenary: Worship and Spirituality*

Richard Heitzenrater, Duke University
*Portraits and Piety: Wesleyan Iconography in the Methodist Tradition*

Candy Gunther Brown, Saint Louis University
*Sanctified Singing: The Role of Hymnody in Shaping Wesleyan Traditions, 1736-1915*
Gregory S. Clapper, University of Indianapolis
*Wesley's "Main Doctrines" Were Life Experiences: What This Means for Spiritual Formation and Teaching Doctrine in the Wesleyan Tradition*

L. Edward Phillips, Garrett Evangelical Theological Seminary
*Open Tables and Closed Minds: United Methodist Attitudes toward the "Open" Communion Table*

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**A195**

Constructions of Ancient Space Seminar
**Monday - 9:00 am-11:30 am**

James W. Flanagan, Case Western Reserve University, Presiding

Theme: *Critical Issues in Spatial Studies*

William E. Deal, Case Western Reserve University
*Discourses of Space*

Hayim Lapin, University of Maryland
*Towards a Regional History of Later-Roman Palestine: The Making of Provincial Space*

Christl Maier, Yale University
*Daughter Zion as a Gendered Space in the Book of Isaiah*

William R. Millar, Linfield College
*A Bakhtinian Reading of Narrative Space and Its Connection to Social Space*

Tina Pippin, Agnes Scott College
*Ideology of Apocalyptic Spaces*

David M. Gunn, Texas Christian University
*Spatial Analysis in Modern Historiography Relating to the Book of Judges*

Burke Long, Bowdoin College
*Picturing the Past: The Use of Illustrations in Recent Presentations of Biblical History*

Keith W. Whitelam, University of Sheffield
*Space and the Poetics of Historiography*

Business Meeting:
James W. Flanagan, Case Western Reserve University, Presiding
Animals and Religion Consultation  
**Monday - 9:00 am-11:30 am**

Jay McDaniel, Hendrix College, Presiding

**Theme:** Many Traditions, Many Animals

Jonathan D. Brumberg-Kraus, Wheaton College  
*The Tension between Vegetarianism and Meat-Eating in Judaism*

Kenneth Mello, University of Minnesota, Duluth  
*Sacred Animals in American Indian Creation Narratives*

Stephanie Kaza, University of Vermont  
*Are All Buddhists Vegetarian?*

Thomas Hughson, Marquette University  
*Wolves and Religion: Can Christianity Assimilate "Religious Experience" of Animals?*

Lisa Sideris, McGill University  
*Who Named the Animals? A Comparison of Christian and Islamic Interpretations*

Responding:  
Paul Waldau, Tufts University

Business Meeting:  
Laura Hobgood-Oster, Southwestern University, Presiding

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History, Method, and Theory in the Study of Religion Consultation  
**Monday - 9:00 am-11:30 am**

Michel Gardaz, University of Ottawa, Presiding

**Theme:** Confronting Orientalism: East and West in the Study of Religion Twenty-Five Years after Said’s Orientalism  
Carl Olson, Allegheny College  
*A Critical Look at the Radical Politics That Informs the Orientalism of Said and Postcolonialism*
Mathieu Courville, University of Ottawa  
*Edward Said on the Clash of Civilizations*

Jan H. Pranger, DePaul University  
*Orientalist Constructions of Religious "Others" in European Protestant Theology*

Responding:
Gary L. Ebersole, University of Missouri, Kansas City

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**A198**

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

Paula K.R. Arai, Carleton College, Presiding

Theme: *Monotheism vs. Polytheism? East Asian Views on Religions and Environmental Ethics*

Yoshitsugu Sawai, Tenri University  
*Environmental Ethics and the Japanese Religious Views of Nature*

Katsuhiko Kohara, Doshisha University  
*The Confrontation of Monotheistic and Polytheistic View of Nature in Japan*

Klaus Spennemann, Doshisha University  
*Environmental Ethics and Japanese Religion*

Mitsuya Dake, Ryukoku University  
*Environmental Ethics and the Japanese Religious Views of Nature*

Ranjana Mukhopadhyaya, Tokyo University  
*Science and Popular Ethics in Modern Japanese Religion: Some Theoretical Aspects Revisited*

Responding:
Mary Evelyn Tucker, Bucknell University  
Max L. Stackhouse, Princeton University

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

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**A199**
EIS Advisory Committee Meeting  
**Monday - 11:30 am-1:00 pm**  
Carey J. Gifford, American Academy of Religion, Presiding

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**A200**  
Religion and Disabilities Task Force Meeting  
**Monday - 11:45 am-1:00 pm**  
Kerry Wynn, Southeast Missouri State University, Presiding

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**A201**  
Wabash Student-Teacher Luncheon  
**Monday - 11:45 am-1:00 pm**  
Sponsored by the Student Liaison Group and the Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion  
Richard Amesbury, Valdosta State University, Presiding  
The Wabash Center cordially invites student attendees to gather for conversation and a light lunch. Attendance is limited to the first 75 students who sign up. Please RSVP online.

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**A276**  
AAR Annual Business Meeting  
**Monday - 11:45 am-1:00 pm**  
Robert A. Orsi, Harvard University, Presiding  
AAR members are encouraged to join the AAR's Board of Directors for the annual business meeting of the Academy.
Religions, Social Conflict, and Peace Consultation  
**Monday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm**

Peter Gathje, Christian Brothers University, Presiding

Theme: *Is Religion the Forgotten "Key to Peace" in the Middle East? Analyzing Marc Gopin's Holy War, Holy Peace: How Religion Can Bring Peace to the Middle East and Charles Kimball's When Religion Becomes Evil*

David Mycoff, Warren Wilson College  
*Can Religion Be the Forgotten Key to Peace in the Middle East? The Experience of the Christian Peacemaker Teams in Hebron, 1995 - Present*

Jack Nelson-Pallmeyer, University of Saint Thomas  
*Problematic Interpreters or Problematic Texts? A Response to Charles Kimball*

Jon Pahl, Lutheran Theological Seminary  
*Of Specks and Logs: U.S. Scholars of Religion and Violence in an Age of American Empire*

Sallie B. King, James Madison University  
*An Engaged Buddhist Response to Gopin and Kimball*

Responding:  
Marc Gopin, Tufts University  
Charles A. Kimball, Wake Forest University

Business Meeting:  
Susan Windley-Daoust, University of Saint Thomas, Saint Paul, Presiding

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Walking Tour of Atlanta's Religious and Civic Sites  
**Monday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm**

Sponsored by the North American Religions Section

Peter W. Williams, Miami University, and Jeanne H. Kilde, Macalester College, Presiding

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A203

RDTF- Methodology in the Study of Religion and Disability
Monday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm

Sponsored by the Religion and Disabilities Task Force and the Religion and Disability Studies Group

Robert A. Orsi, Harvard University, Presiding

Theme: Methodology in the Study of Religion and Disability

Panelists:
Nancy L. Eiesland, Emory University
Rosemarie Garland-Thomson, Emory University

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A204

Monday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm

Judith M. Buddenbaum, Colorado State University, Ft. Collins, Presiding


Panelists:
Robert Wuthnow, Princeton University
Gus Niebuhr, Princeton University

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A205

SLG - Introduction to Syllabus Writing Workshop
Monday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm
Sponsored by the Student Liaison Group
Shannon Planck, American Academy of Religion, Presiding

Theme: *Introduction to Syllabus Writing Workshop*

Panelists:
Eugene V. Gallagher, Connecticut College
William C. Placher, Wabash College
Timothy M. Renick, Georgia State University
Emilie M. Townes, Union Theological Seminary, New York City

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**A206**

Arts, Literature, and Religion Section and Roman Catholic Studies Group  
**Monday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm**

Peter Ellard, Siena College, Presiding

Theme: *Comparative Approaches to the Work of Shusaku Endo*

Christopher Link, Boston University
*Bad Priests and the Valor of Pity: Shusaku Endo and Graham Greene on the Paradoxes of Christian Virtue*

Jeffrey F. Keuss, University of Glasgow
*God without Fumie: Reading Shusaku Endo's Silence with Jean-Luc Marion*

Carroll Ann Friedmann, University of Virginia
*Bondage to the Face in Endo's Silence*

Jon K. Cooley, Centre College
*The Violent Bear It Away Silently: Comedic Violence in Shusaku Endo and Flannery O'Connor*

Responding:
Darren J.N. Middleton, Texas Christian University

Business Meeting:
S. Brent Plate, Texas Christian University, and Jennifer L. Geddes, University of Virginia, Presiding
A207

Buddhism Section and Chinese Religions Group
Monday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm

Peter N. Gregory, Smith College, Presiding

Theme: *The Transformation of Buddhism in Contemporary Taiwan*

Scott Hurley, Luther College
*The Development of Religious Ideology in Mid-Twentieth-Century China: Master Yinshun’s Interpretation of Buddhist Doctrine and Its Relationship to the "Humanistic Buddhism" Movement*

Chien-yu Julia Huang, National Tsing Hua University
*The Buddhist Compassion Relief Movement in Taiwan and Its Mission of Education*

Stuart Chandler, Indiana University of Pennsylvania
*Foguanshan and Buddhist-Style Democracy*

Linda Learman, Boston University
*A Buddhist Wedding Ceremony in Taiwan*

Responding:
Chun-Fang Yu, Rutgers University

A208

Comparative Studies in Religion Section and Religion in South Asia Section
Monday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm

Deepak Sarma, Yale University, Presiding

Theme: *Refutation and Ridicule: Hindus, Buddhists, and Jains As Seen by Others*

Panelists:
Elaine Craddock, Southwestern University
Katherine Ulrich, DePauw University
Stuart R. Sarbacker, Loyola University, Chicago
Karen C. Lang, University of Virginia
Hugh Reynolds Nicholson, Coe College
Elizabeth L. Wilson, Miami University
**A209**

Ethics Section  
**Monday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm**

John Kelsay, Florida State University, Presiding

Theme: "Fear and Trembling": Understanding Universal Rights in a Dangerous and Complex World

Michael Skerker, University of Chicago  
*Religion and Nussbaum'sCapabilities Approach*

Irene Oh, University of Virginia  
*Universality Amid Particularity: Islam and Universal Human Rights Discourse*

Donna Yarri, Alvernia College  
*Universal Rights and Liberties in an Age of Terrorism*

Business Meeting:  
Gloria H. Albrecht, University of Detroit, Mercy, and Darryl Michael Trimiew, Colgate Rochester Crozer Divinity School, Presiding

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**A210**

History of Christianity Section  
**Monday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm**

Edwin David Aponte, Southern Methodist University, Presiding

Theme: *Ritual and Redemption*

B. Lilan Laishley, University of Pittsburgh  
*The Harrowing of Hell and Other Medieval Christian Labyrinth Rituals*

Beth Langstaff, Institut zur Erforschung des Urchristentums  
*The Resuscitation of Dead Babies for Baptism: The Fate of a Marian Miracle in the Genevan Reformation*
W. Scott Haldeman, Chicago Theological Seminary
*Race and Rites: Interrogating U.S. Protestant Liturgical History*

Corrie Ellen Norman, Converse College
*Martha and Iron Chef in Rome: Or, Culinary Holiness, Catholic Reform, and Food in the History of Christianity*

Heather D. Curtis, Harvard University
"Acting Faith": Bodily Performance and Rituals of Religious Healing in Late Nineteenth-Century Protestantism

Marie Pagliarini, University of California, Santa Barbara
*Transforming the "Natural" Body: Rituals of Discipline and Pain in the Nineteenth-Century Georgetown Visitation Convent*

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**A211**

Philosophy of Religion Section
**Monday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm**

Jason Slone, Findlay University, Presiding

Theme: *Keeping Religion in Mind: Cognitive Science and the Study of Religion*

Panelists:
Robert N. McCauley, Emory University
Pascal Boyer, Washington University, Saint Louis
Brian Malley, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor
Deb Kelemen, Boston University

Business Meeting:
Thomas A. Carlson, University of California, Santa Barbara, and Thomas P. Kasulis, Ohio State University, Presiding

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**A212**

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

Alton B. Pollard, Emory University, Presiding
Theme: Flags and Voters: The Changing U.S. South

Robert P. Jones, Southwest Missouri State University
*The Unintended Consequences of Dixieland Post-Liberalism*

Marla Frederick, Interdenominational Theological Center
*Women, Televangelism, and Shifting Discourses of Racial Progress*

Francesca Nuzzolese, Columbia Theological Seminary; and John Blevins, Emory University
*Why a Cross on a Flag Is a Bad Idea: A Personal/Psychological Perspective*

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**A213**

**Study of Islam Section**
**Monday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm**

R. Michael Feener, University of California, Riverside, Presiding

Theme: *Expressions of Islam in Southeast Asia*

Vivienne S. M. Angeles, La Salle University
*From Ethnic to Islamic: Visual Expressions of Muslim Identity in Predominantly Catholic Philippines*

Patrice Claude Brodeur, Connecticut College
*Transnational Higher Education Migration Patterns between Indonesia and Canada: The Case of IAINs and McGill University*

Rob Rozehnal, LeHigh University
*Transplanting the Tariqa: Chishti Sabiri Sufism in Malaysia*

Florian Pohl, Temple University
*Religion and Conflict: Religious Education at the Pesantren of Yogyakarta, Indonesia*

Nelly Van Doorn-Harder, Valparaiso University
*Indonesian Muslim Women Working toward Applications of a Discourse on Universal Human Rights*

Responding:
Frederick M. Denny, University of Colorado, Boulder

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**A214**
Study of Judaism Section  
Monday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm

Aryeh Cohen, University of Judaism, Presiding

Theme: Method and Theory in the Study of Early Judaism

Jonathan Schofer, University of Wisconsin, Madison  
The Play of Tropes in Rabbinic Culture: Metaphor Theory and the Fathers According to Rabbi Nathan

Alon Goshen-Gottstein, Elijah School, Jerusalem  
The Role of Polemics in the Shaping of Rabbinic Thought: Methodological Reflections in Light of Jewish and Christian Readings of the Song of Songs

Christopher Beall, Oxford University  
The Archaeology of Variety: Material Remains in the Construction of Diaspora Judaism

Marjorie S. Lehman, Jewish Theological Seminary of America  
Reading Talmudic Texts on Women and Festival Ritual: Methodological Considerations

Asian North American Religion, Culture, and Society Group  
Monday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm

Duncan Williams, University of California, Irvine, Presiding

Theme: Japanese American Immigrants and Religion in the Late Nineteenth and Early Twentieth Centuries

Stephen Ward Angell, Earlham College  
Bunji and Toshi Kida: Quaker Missionaries to the Japanese in California

Michihiro Ama, University of California, Irvine  
The Early History of the "Americanization of Shin Buddhism": The Case of Reverend Itsuzo Kyogoku

Tomoe Moriya, Hannan University  
A Historical Analysis on D. T. Suzuki's Articles for the Shin Bukkyo Magazine

Tara K. Koda, University of California, Santa Barbara  
Buddha in the Land of Tengoku: Buddhism in Plantation Hawaii
A216

Feminist Theory and Religious Reflection Group

Monday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm

Liora Gubkin, University of Southern California, Presiding

Theme: *The Relation of Theory and Praxis/Political Action*

Bonna Devora Haberman, Brandeis University
*Unmasking Feminist Activist Performance*

Aysha Hidayatullah, University of California, Santa Barbara
*Nisa'lya: Naming a Muslim Women's "Feminist" Theology Movement*

Michelle A. Gonzalez, Loyola Marymount University
*Daily Life Is Not Abstract: The Theoretical Turn in Contemporary Latina Theologies*

Business Meeting:
Liora Gubkin, University of Southern California, and M. Gail Hamner, Syracuse University, Presiding

A217

Gay Men's Issues in Religion Group

Monday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm

Donald L. Boisvert, Concordia University, Montreal, Presiding

Theme: *Love Is a Many Splendored Thing: Varied Views on Polyamory*

Julianne Buenting, Chicago Theological Seminary
*(Marriage) Queered: Proposing Polyfidelity As Christian Theo-Praxis*
Robert E. Goss, Webster University
*Proleptic Sexual Love: God's Promiscuity Reflected in Christian Polyamory*

Jay E. Johnson, Richmond, CA
*Trinitarian Tango: Divine Perichoretic Fecundity in Polyamorous Relations*

Mark D. Jordan, Emory University
"One Wife": *The Problem with the Patriarchs and the Promiscuity of Agape*

Ronald E. Long, Hunter College
*Heavenly Sex: The Moral Authority of a Seemingly Impossible Dream*

Responding:
Paul J. Gorrell, Drew University

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**A218**

**Mysticism Group**

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

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

Theme: *Mysticism from a Feminist Perspective*

Beverly Lanzetta, Prescott College
*Julian and Teresa As Cartographers of the Soul: A Contemplative Feminist Study*

Elizabeth Dreyer, Fairfield University
*Feminist Appropriation of Medieval Mysticism: Borrowing or Stealing?*

Tracy Coleman, Colorado College
*Spiritual Freedom within Social Constraints? Eros and Gender in the Construction of Hindu Mysticism*

June McDaniel, College of Charleston
*My Mother, Myself: Female Mystical Identity in Bengali Shaktism*

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**A219**

**Native Traditions in the Americas Group**

**Monday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm**
Andrea Smith, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Presiding

Theme: *Canaanites, Cowboys, and Indians: The Bible and Narratives of Conquest*

Panelists:
Mary Ann Tolbert, Pacific School of Religion
Jace Weaver, University of Georgia
Randall Bailey, Interdenominational Theological Seminary
Justine Smith, Harvard University
Rita Nakashima Brock, Starr King School for the Ministry
Rebecca Parker, Starr King School for Ministry

Responding:
Robert Allen Warrior, University of Oklahoma

Business Meeting:
Michelene Pesantubbee, University of Iowa, Presiding

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**A220**

Pragmatism and Empiricism in American Religious Thought Group  
**Monday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm**

Sigridur Gudmardsdottir, Drew University, Presiding

Theme: *Issues in Pragmatism and Empiricism*

William D. Dean, Iliff School of Theology  
*A Neglected Apology for Mystery*

Jacob Goodson, Northwestern University  
*William James's "Philosophy" in The Varieties of Religious Experience: From Theology to the Science of Religions*

John Walter Woell, Claremont School of Theology  
*The Proliferation of Pragmatisms: A Call for Restraint*

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

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**A221**
Religion and Ecology Group  
**Monday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm**

Roger S. Gottlieb, Worcester Polytechnic Institute, Presiding

**Theme:** *Religion and Conservation in Place*

Anne M. Daniell, Drew University  
*Theology for an Estuary Community: How a Theology of Liminality Can Address the Pontchartrain Basin and Its Constitutive Communities*

Elizabeth Gaines, Taimen Conservation Fund, Livingston, MT  
*Buddhism and Conservation: A Case Study in Restoring Buddhism and Taimen in Mongolia*

Jill DeTemple, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill  
*Whole Person Theology, Whole Earth Ecology: Religion, Development and the Environment in Rural Ecuador*

Nicole Roskos, Drew University  
*For the Love of Trees and Pagans: The Decimation of Sacred Groves in Christian History and Its Appropriation by Contemporary Anti-environmentalism*

**Business Meeting:**  
Bron Taylor, University of Florida, and Christopher Chapple, Loyola Marymount University, Presiding

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Anthropology of Religion Consultation and Religion and Popular Culture Group  
**Monday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm**

Pamela Klassen, University of Toronto, Presiding

**Theme:** *Performing Religion: Places, Objects, and Stories in the Cultural Transformation of Religion*

Jesse Terry Todd, Drew University  
*The Pieta and the Pope at the New York World's Fair*

Beth E. Graybill, University of Maryland  
*Marketing the Amish for God and Profit: Amish Women Entrepreuners and the Production of Religious Tourism*

Jennifer Saunders, Emory University  
*The Local in a Globalized World: Constructing a Hindu Home through Story and Ritual*
Gordon Lynch, University of Birmingham
*Contemporary Ecstasies: Exploring British Club Culture As Mysticism*

Responding:
Karen McCarthy Brown, Drew University

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**A223**

R ritual Studies Group
*Monday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm*

Diane Sharon, Jewish Theological Seminary, Presiding

Theme: *Ritual in/and Torah*

Sara Penn-Strah, Lowell, MA
*Canaanite Ritual in the Joseph Story: Ritualized Bodies*

James W. Watts, Syracuse University
*Ritual Legitimacy and Scriptural Authority*

Bryan Bibb, Furman University
*Interpreting Leviticus: Ritual Words and Literary Worlds*

Nicole Ruane, Union Theological Seminary,
"A Male without Blemish": The Significance of Gender among Sacrificial Victims

Responding:
Heather A. McKay, Edge Hill College

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**A224**

Theology and Continental Philosophy Group
*Monday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm*

Jeffrey Kosky, Washington and Lee University, Presiding

Theme: *Abrahamic Faith in Question: Contemporary Rationality and Culture*

Tyler T. Roberts, Grinnell College
*Trauma and Revelation: Theology without Ideology, Community without Boundaries*
Philip Clayton, Claremont School of Theology
*Spirituality As Spirit and Spirituality toward Spirit*

James Wetzel, Colgate University
*The Shrewdness of Abraham: Violence and Sexual Difference in a Paradigm of Monotheistic Faith*

Daphne Hampson, Oxford University
*The Potential Usefulness of Heidegger for the Future of Theology*

Business Meeting:
Jeffrey Bloechl, College of the Holy Cross, Presiding

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**A225**

*Tillich: Issues in Theology, Religion, and Culture Group*

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

Mary Ann Stenger, University of Louisville, Presiding

Theme: *Tillich in Dialogue: Dynamics of Relationality*

Jonathan Rothchild, University of Chicago
*Self, Otherness, Theology, and Ontology: A Critical Engagement between Tillich and Kristeva, Levinas, and Bataille*

Guy B. Hammond, Highlands, NC
*The Primacy of Ethics: Intersubjectivity in Levinas, Buber, and Tillich*

John C.M. Starkey, Oklahoma City University
*From Symbol and Concept to Narrative: Re-reading Tillich through Ricoeur*

Mary Montgomery Clifford, Chicago Theological Seminary
*Paul Tillich and Pitirim A. Sorokin on Love: A Dialogue between Science and Religion*

Business Meeting:
Robison B. James, University of Richmond, and Mary Ann Stenger, University of Louisville, Presiding

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**A226**
Womanist Approaches to Religion and Society Group  
**Monday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm**

Stacey Floyd-Thomas, Texas Christian University, Presiding

Theme: *The Measure of Womanism: Revisiting Walker's Four-Part Definition*

Panelists:
Kelly Brown Douglas, Goucher College  
Katie G. Cannon, Union Theological Seminary and Presbyterian School of Christian Education  
M. Shawn Copeland, Boston College  
Carol B. Duncan, Wilfrid Laurier University  
Lynne Westfield, Drew University

Responding:
Ada Maria Isasi-Diaz, Drew University  
Letty M. Russell, Yale University

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**Law, Religion, and Culture Consultation**  
**Monday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm**

Jason C. Bivins, North Carolina State University, Presiding

Theme: *Getting It Wrong: Framing Law and Religion*

Grace Kao, Havard University  
*Religion and Human Rights: Three Category Mistakes to Avoid*

Jeremy Schott, Duke University  
*The Anti-pagan Legislation of the Fourth Century and Biblical "Idolater": A Post-Colonial Perspective on Law, Religion, and Empire*

Charles Brian McAdams, Temple University  
*The Use of the Bible in the Closing Arguments of Death Penalty Trials by Prosecutors in Georgia*

Robert A. Yelle, University of Toronto  
*Bentham's Fictions: Canon and Idolatry in the Genealogy of Law*

Responding:
Jonathan Z. Smith, University of Chicago
ARTF - Numbers Count: Gathering, Managing, and Using Census Data in Program Review and Enhancement

Monday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm

Sponsored by the Academic Relations Task Force

Warren G. Frisina, Hofstra University, Presiding

Theme: *Numbers Count: Gathering, Managing, and Using Census Data in Program Review and Enhancement*

Panelists:
Terrence W. Tilley, University of Dayton
Carey J. Gifford, American Academy of Religion

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Cultural History of the Study of Religion Consultation

Monday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm

Sponsored by the International Connections Committee and the Cultural History of the Study of Religion Consultation

John R. McRae, Indiana University, Bloomington, Presiding

Theme: *Response to Modernity: Interactions between Japanese and European Scholarship on Buddhism*

Mark Blum, State University of New York-Albany
*When the Stoics Visited Shinran: Kiyozawa Manshi and the Modernization of Shin Buddhism*

Richard Jaffe, Duke University
*Suzuki Daisetz As Japanese Mahayana Buddhist*
Masahiro Shimoda, University of Tokyo
*Liberating Ourselves from Modernity: Toward a New Horizon of Buddhist Studies in Japan*

Shizuka Sasaki, Tokyo, Japan
*Jodo Shin Buddhism and the Encounter with European Orientalist Scholarship*

Responding:
Constance Furey, Indiana University, Bloomington

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**A231**

SLG - Putting Your PhD to Work: Alternative Careers for Religion Graduates
*Monday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm*

Sponsored by the Student Liaison Group

Richard Amesbury, Valdosta State University, Presiding

Theme: *Putting Your PhD to Work: Alternative Careers for Religion Graduates*

Panelists:
Laura C. Wood, Emory University
Jan C. Heller, Providence Health System
David Little, Harvard University
Rex D. Matthews, Society of Biblical Literature
Rodney Petersen, Boston Theological Institute
Stephen S. Peterson, Allstate Insurance

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**A232**

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

Deanna A. Thompson, Hamline University, Presiding

Theme: *In-spired Minds and En-spirited Teaching: The Whole Person in and out of the Classroom*
Ann Lutterman-Aguilar, Augsburg College
*Experiential, Critical, and Feminist Pedagogies Meet the Lilly Grant: Teaching about Vocation and Identity in a Multicultural World*

Gayle R. Baldwin, University of North Dakota
*From Sole Learning to Soul Learning -- Does It Actually Work?*

Donna Freitas, New York University
*Teaching Spirituality outside the Classroom: Re-envisioning Our Academic Vocation on College Campuses*

John K. Simmons, Western Illinois University
*Vanishing Boundaries: When Teaching about Religion Becomes Spiritual Guidance in the Classroom*

**Business Meeting:**
Sidney Brown, University of the South, and Christopher Johnson, Gustavus Adolphus College, Presiding

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**A233**

**Buddhism Section**

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

Martin Adam, McGill University, Presiding (reinstate)
*Theme: It's Merit That Matters: Variation in the Practices and Aims of Merit Transfer*

Barbra Clayton, Mount Allison University
*The Virtue of Cultivating Merit: Santideva and the Significance of Merit Transfer*

Alan Cole, Lewis and Clark College
*Reading for the Merit: Value and Seduction in Early Mahayana Sutras*

James Egge, Eastern Michigan University
*Three Practices of Merit Transfer in Early Buddhism*

John Clifford Holt, Bowdoin College
*Gone but Not Departed: The Dead among the Living in Contemporary Buddhist Sri Lanka*

Responding:
John S. Strong, Bates College
A234

Comparative Studies in Religion Section and Critical Theory and Discourses in Religion Group
Monday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm

Greg Grieve, University of North Carolina, Greensboro, Presiding

Theme: Historizing Tradition

Jason Carbine, University of Chicago
Simas and Monastic Purification: The Kalyani Inscriptions in Fifteenth-Century Burma

Frederick S. Colby, Miami University
Innovative Tradition in the Celebration of Two Muslim Festivals

Johnson Gregory, Franklin and Marshall College
Traditional Visions and Seeing Like a State

Susanna Morrill, University of Chicago
The Interpretation of Tradition within Mormon Women's Literature

Responding:
Richard S. Weiss, Victoria University

A235

History of Christianity Section
Monday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm

Arun W. Jones, Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary, Presiding

Theme: Visions in Tension in Early Modern and Modern Christianity

Nathan Baruch Rein, Ursinus College
Union and Resistance: "Religion" and the Failure of Protestant-Catholic Ecumenism in Germany, 1540-1551

Haruko Nawata Ward, Columbia Theological Seminary
Catholic Education of Women in Sixteenth-Century Japan
Stephen P. Shoemaker, Harvard University
"A Vile Peece of Paganism": The Debate over the Role of Classical Ethics in Theological Education at Seventeenth-Century Harvard

Miranda Hassett, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill
Poverty, Purity, Suffering, and Growth: American and Ugandan Accounts of the Source of African Christian Moral Authority

Peter R. Gathje, Christian Brothers University
The Open Door Community of Atlanta: Radical Christianity in the Bible Belt

Chong Bum Kim, Harvard University
Saving Body and Soul: Healing in Early Korean Protestantism

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North American Religions Section
Monday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm

Jean Bethke Elshtain, University of Chicago, Presiding

Theme: Religion and War in American Culture

John D. Carlson, University of Chicago
Moral Memory, Ethical Principles, and Political Realism: America's Ironic Experience of War

Jonathan Ebel, University of Chicago
"And for What?: The Religious Meaning of the First World War in America

Charles Mathewes, University of Virginia
Speaking the Unspeakable: Representations of War, Trauma, and Religious Experience in the Twentieth Century

Responding:
Harry Stout, Yale University

Business Meeting:
Diane Winston, the Pew Charitable Trusts, Presiding
Philosophy of Religion Section
Monday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm

Richard King, Liverpool Hope University College, Presiding

Theme: *Religion, Exchange, and the Global Economy: Rethinking the Philosophy of Religion*

Panelists:
Gregory D. Alles, McDaniel College
Jeremy R. Carrette, University of Stirling
Philip Goodchild, University of Nottingham
William Large, College of Saint Mark and Saint John

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Religion and the Social Sciences Section
Monday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm

Cynthia Moe-Lobeda, Seattle University, Presiding

Theme: *Reparation and Reconciliation in Practice and Theory: Possibilities, Problems, and Conundrums*

Flora A. Keshgegian, Episcopal Theological Seminary of the Southwest
*Getting Back to Basics? Rethinking the 3 Rs of Reconciliation, Reparation, and Restorative Justice*

Sharon Tan, Emory University
*Satyagraha, Political Forgiveness, and Reconciliation*

Cynthia Hess, Yale University
*Sites of Violence and of Grace: A Feminist Reconception of Christian Nonviolence*

Zion Zohar, Florida International University, Miami.
*Nonviolence and Peace in the Jewish Mystical Tradition: The Case of the Book of Splendor (the Zohar)*

Business Meeting:
Glen Stassen, Fuller Theological Seminary, and Elizabeth Margaret Bounds, Emory University, Presiding
A239
Religion in South Asia Section
Monday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm
Leslie C. Orr, Concordia University, Montreal, Presiding

Theme: From Students in India to Experts Back Home: Ethical Issues in Scholarly Interactions with Diaspora Jain Communities

Panelists:
Christopher Chapple, Loyola Marymount University
John Cort, Denison University
Mikal Austin Radford, McMaster University
Anne Vallely, University of Toronto

Responding:
Joyce Burkhalter Flueckiger, Emory University

A240
Study of Islam Section and Women and Religion Section
Monday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm
Tazim Kassam, Syracuse University, Presiding

Theme: Teaching Gender and Islam

Panelists:
Vivienne S. M. Angeles, La Salle University
Shahzad Bashir, Carleton College
Zayn Kassam, Pomona College
Gwendolyn Zoharah Simmons, University of Florida
Sufia Uddin, University of Vermont
Gisela Webb, Seton Hall University

Business Meeting:
Jacqueline Z. Pastis, La Salle University, Presiding
Study of Judaism Section  
**Monday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm**  
Kalman P. Bland, Duke University, Presiding  

**Theme:** *Character, Law, and Authority: Jewish Virtue Ethics, Past and Present*  

Panelists:  
Dov Nelkin, University of Virginia  
Jonathan Schofer, University of Wisconsin, Madison  
Hava Tirosh-Samuelson, Arizona State University  
Heidi Ravven, Hamilton College  

Responding:  
Louis E. Newman, Carleton College  

**Business Meeting:**  
Randi Rashkover, York College of Pennsylvania, and Martin Kavka, Florida State University, Presiding

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A242  
Theology and Religious Reflection Section  
**Monday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm**  
Paul F. Lakeland, Fairfield University, Presiding  

**Theme:** *Discussion of Stephen G. Ray's* Do No Harm: Social Sin and Christian Responsibility  

Panelists:  
Victor Anderson, Vanderbilt University  
Mary McClintock Fulkerson, Duke University  
Alistair McFadyen, University of Leeds  

Responding:  
Stephen G. Ray, Louisvile Presbyterian Theological Seminary

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A243  
Christian Systematic Theology Group  
**Monday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm**
Evangelical Theology Group  
**Monday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm**

Anthea Butler, Loyola Marymount University, Presiding

**Theme:** *Theological Boundaries in American Evangelicalism*

Matt Blackmon, Dallas Theological Seminary  
*The Buswell-Chafer Controversy Circa 1936-7: An Unusually Civil War of Words?*

Donald L. Denton, Westmont College  
*The Problematic Nature of Evangelical Boundaries: The Significance of Narrative Identity*

Will Eisenhower, Faith Presbyterian Church  
*The Long Kiss Goodbye: Problems and Possibilities Inherent in Left-Wing Evangelical Identity*

Responding:  
Wyndy Corbin, Ashland Theological Seminary

Korean Religions Group  
**Monday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm**

Eun Hee Shin, Simpson College, Presiding
Theme: *Women, Religion, and Ritual Values in Contemporary Korea*

Kim Unheyn, Presbyterian College and Theological Seminary
*Subjectivity and Difference: Toward a Korean Christian Feminism from Daoist Perspective*

Grace Kim, University of Toronto
*Korean Women's Place*

Sunju Chong, University of Chicago
*Philosophical and Psychological Reflection of the Effect of Save-Face in Korean Tradition: A Redress of the Deficit in Globalized and Postmodern Context*

Chansoon Lim, Drew University
*Dynamics between Confucianism and Christianity in the Case of Ancestor Worship for the Public Values of Contemporary Korea*

Responding:
Bockja Kim, Hong Kong University
Kang-nam Oh, University of Regina

Business Meeting:
Sungtaek Cho, Korea University, and Bockja Kim, Hong Kong University, Presiding

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**A246**

**Latina/o Religion, Culture, and Society Group**
**Monday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm**

Jorge A. Aquino, Graduate Theological Union, Presiding

Theme: *Nueva Sur: Regional Latino Religion*

Stewart Stout, Chicago Theological Seminary
*A Faith That Travels: Border-Crossing Narratives among Mexican Evangélicos*

Daniel Ramirez, Duke University
*Public Lives and Migrating Faiths: Latino Churches in the New South*

Margarita M. W. Suarez, Meredith College
*Public Ministry Empowering Hispanic Immigrants in North Carolina: The Reverend Maria Palmer*

Thomas Russell, Western Kentucky University
*Latino Roman Catholicism Music City Style!*
Lesbian-Feminist Issues and Religion Group  
**Monday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm**

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

**Theme:** *Carnal Appetites: Food, Sex, Religion*

**Panelists:**
- Marcella Althaus-Reid, University of Edinburgh
- Julianne Buenting, Chicago Theological Seminary
- Susan E. Hill, University of Northern Iowa
- Lori Rowlett, University of Wisconsin, Eau Claire
- Zandra Wagoner, University of La Verne

**Responding:**
Susan E. Henking, Hobart and William Smith Colleges

**Business Meeting:**
Elizabeh A. Say, California State University, Northridge, and Jennifer Rycenga, San José State University, Presiding

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Religion and Disability Studies Group  
**Monday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm**

Bill J. Leonard, Wake Forest University, Presiding

**Theme:** *Everyday Intimacies: Lived Theology of Disability*
Elizabeth L Agnew, University of Notre Dame
"The Full Imago Dei": The Implications of Wesleyan Scriptural Holiness for Conceptions of Suffering and Disability

Deborah Creamer, University of Denver
"God Doesn't Treat His Children That Way": The Experience of Disability in the Families of God

J. Douglas Harrison, University of Southern California
"The Lame Shall Enter First": The Unconventional Body As the Gracious Disruption of the Family and Cosmos in the Stories of Flannery O'Connor

Christopher Hinkle, Harvard University
*Smart Enough for Church?* Liberal Protestantism and Cognitive Disability

Business Meeting:
J. Eric Pridmore, Drew University, Presiding

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**Religion and Popular Culture Group**
**Monday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm**

Louis A. Ruprecht, Jr., Claremont Graduate University, Presiding

Theme: *Music Matters*

Ennis B. Edmonds, Kenyon College
"The Stone That the Builder Refuse": Rastafari and Jamaican Popular Music

Evelyn L. Parker, Southern Methodist University
"I'm No Showpiece": Gender, Race, and Class Work in Hip-Hop Gospel

Theodore Trost, University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa
*Protest Songs and Battle Hymns of the Republic: Singing America in a Dangerous Time*

Jessica De Cou, University of Iowa
*Wide Awake: The Appropriation of the Desert Fathers and Social Justice in U2's "Bad"*

Chad Seales, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill
*U2's Bono As Public Theologian of an Emerging World Polity*
Religion and Science Group
Monday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm

Lou Ann G. Trost, Graduate Theological Union, Presiding

Theme: *Pluralism and the Science-Religion Dialogue*

Mikael Stenmark, Uppsala University
*A Religiously Neutral Science? Islamic and Christian Perspectives*

James F. Moore, Valparaiso University
*Inter-religious Dialogue as an Evolutionary Process*

Harry Lee Poe, Union University, Jackson
*Religious Pluralism and the Science and Religion Dialogue*

Responding:
Lisa L. Stenmark, San José State University

Business Meeting:
Greg Peterson, South Dakota State University, Presiding

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Religion, Film, and Visual Culture Group
Monday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm

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

Theme: *Authoring Books on Religion, Film and Visual Culture*

Panelists:
S. Brent Plate, Texas Christian University
John Lyden, Dana College
Bryan Stone, Asia Pacific University
Robert K. Johnston, Fuller Theological Seminary
Richard Burridge, King's College, London
Religion, Holocaust, and Genocide Group

Monday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm

Richard Hecht, University of California, Santa Barbara, Presiding

Theme: Other Voices: Religious Persecution and Cultural Genocide beyond Europe

Anne Waters, State University of New York, Binghamton
Indigenism in the Americas

Subodh Atal, Columbia, MD
Article 370: An Impediment to Defusing the Kashmir Crisis

Vesna Acimovic Wallace, University of California, Santa Barbara
Who Spoke for Buddhists in Communist Mongolia?

Sachi Dastidar, State University of New York, Old Westbury
"Where Do My People Go?" The Quest of Bangladeshi Hindu Minorities

Responding:
Rao Balagangadhara, University of Ghent

David Clohessy - A Clergy Abuse Survivor's Historical View of The Crisis - A Perspective From 13 Years In The Trenches

Monday - 7:15 pm-8:15 pm

Robert A. Orsi, Harvard University, Presiding

Theme: A Clergy Abuse Survivor's Historical View of the Crisis - A Perspective From Thirteen Years In The Trenches

David Clohessy, Survivors Network of those Abused by Priests

See the Program Highlights page for a description.
Voices of Inner Strength Gospel Choir  
**Monday - 8:30 pm-10:00 pm**  
Diane Apostolos-Cappadona, Georgetown University, Presiding  
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**A255**

*Ramadan: A Fast of Faith and My Journey, My Islam*  
**Monday - 8:30 pm-10:00 pm**  
Sponsored by the Study of Islam Section  
Jonathan E. Brockopp, Pennsylvania State University, Presiding  
See the [Program Highlights](#) page for a description.

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**A256**

*Trembling Before G*d*  
**Monday - 8:30 pm-10:00 pm**  
Sponsored by the Gay Men's Issues in Religion Group and Religion, Film, and Visual Culture Group  
See the [Program Highlights](#) page for a description.

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**A257**

AAR Program Unit Chairs and Steering Committee Members Reception  
**Monday - 9:00 pm-10:30 pm**  
Program unit chairs and steering committee members are invited to a reception in their honor hosted by the Program Committee.
A258

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

Joseph A. Favazza, Rhodes College, Presiding

Theme: *Texts and Contexts: Exploring Frameworks for Sound Teaching and Learning*

Anne Moore, University of Calgary
*Clifford Geertz, Andrey Tarkovsky, and Martin Scorsese: Intersection of Religion and Film as a Problem of Meaning*

Dereck Daschke, Truman State University
"That's News to Me...": Midwestern Undergraduates Find Religion – In the News!

Alfred Benney, Fairfield University
*What Can You Do with Digital Video That You Can't Do with a Book?*

Julia Winden Fey, University of Central Arkansas
*From World Religions and Sexuality to World Religions and the W.A.R. Project: Clustering the Introductory Course*

Richard M. Carp, Appalachian State University
*Experiential Religious Studies in the Context of World Civilization General Education*

A259

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

Jennifer L. Geddes, University of Virginia, Presiding

Theme: *Religion and the Tragic*

Panelists:
Graham Ward, University of Manchester
Kenneth Surin, Duke University
Regina Schwartz, Northwestern University
A260

Buddhism Section
Tuesday - 9:00 am-11:30 am

John S. Strong, Bates College, Presiding

Theme: *Buddhist Responses to Orientalist Modernities in South and Southeast Asia*

Anne M. Blackburn, Cornell University
*Desirable Knowledge: Buddhist Education in Late Nineteenth-Century Colombo*

Thomas Borchert, University of Chicago
*Whose Orient? Sipsongpanna Buddhism in Chinese and Thai Academic Discourse*

Jacob N. Kinnard, College of William and Mary
*Locative Orientalism and the Construction of One Buddhism*

David L. McMahan, Franklin and Marshall College
*Anagarika Dharmapala and the Discourse of Scientific Buddhism*

Juliane Schober, Arizona State University
*Missionizing the Dhamma: Burmese Buddhism Engages the Modern World*

Responding:
Donald K. Swearer, Swarthmore College

A261

Comparative Studies in Religion Section
Tuesday - 9:00 am-11:30 am

Mary N. MacDonald, Le Moyne College, Presiding

Theme: *New Horizons in the Comparative Study of Religion*

Eyal Regev, Bar-Ilan University
*Sectarian Practice and Organization in Qumran in Light of the Regulations of the Shakers, Hutterites, Mennonites and Amish*

Christopher Roberts, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill
*From Lévi-Strauss to Mauss: Or, from Loquacious Myths and Mute Rituals to the Mythico-Ritual Complex*
Alex Snow, Syracuse University
*Kukai, Hazrat Inayat Khan, and String-Theory: Comparative Cosmologies of Vibration*

Elizabeth Cameron Galbraith, St. Olaf College
*Agape, Bodhisattva, and Maya in Shusaku Endo’s Deep River*

Abraham Velez de Cea, Georgetown University
*The Need for a More Realistic Understanding of Religious Ethical Traditions*

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**A262**

Ethics Section  
**Tuesday - 9:00 am-11:30 am**

Gloria H. Albrecht, University of Detroit, Mercy, Presiding

Theme: *Voices of the Silenced: The Problematic Necessity of Airing Dirty Laundry*

Crystal Downing, Messiah College
*Bakhtin in the Barbershop*

Catherine Roach, University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa
*Call Off Your Old Tired Ethics: Religious Studies and the Sex Workers' Rights Movement*

Roger A. Sneed, Vanderbilt University
*Letting the Queen Speak: Representations of Homosexuality in Black Liberation Theology and African American Cultural Criticism*

Darryl Michael Trimiew, Colgate Rochester Crozer Divinity School
*Who Speaks for Us? The Problem of Moral Leadership in the Black Community*

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**A263**

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

Anne Clark, University of Vermont, Presiding

Theme: *Memoria, Habitus, Imitatio: The Power of the Past in the Present*

Michael Penn, Mount Holyoke College
*Defeat into Victory: Syriac Christian Transformations of the Islamic Conquest*
Judith L. Bishop, Graduate Theological Union
Memory Morphing across Time and Space: Construction, Deconstruction, and Reconstruction of the Medieval Image of Brigit of Ireland

Alison Knowles Frazier, University of Texas, Austin
Imitating Augustine: Hermits vs. Canons in Renaissance Manuscript and Print

Timothy J. Johnson, Flagler College
Michel de Certeau, Bonaventure’s Journey of the Soul into God, and Peripatetic Prayer

Steven Engler, Mount Royal College
Time, Habit, and Embodied Memory in English Puritanism

Responding:
Theodore Vial, Virginia Wesleyan College

A264
North American Religions Section
Tuesday - 9:00 am-11:30 am

Jane Naomi Iwamura, University of Southern California, Presiding

Theme: Promise and Problems in Asian American History

Jennifer Snow, Columbia University
"The Evolution of the Japanese": Scientific Racism and Missionary Responses to Japanese Immigration

Jeffrey Staley, Seattle University

Jason Steuber, University of Missouri, Kansas City

Drew Bourn, University of California, Santa Barbara
Kannon Reversed: How the Statue of a Buddhist Deity of Compassion became the Object of Horror in a Baltimore Cemetery

Responding:
Bruce B. Lawrence, Duke University
Philosophy of Religion Section  
Tuesday - 9:00 am-11:30 am  

Joseph Prabhu, California State University, Los Angeles, Presiding  

Theme: Authority and Subjectivity  

Kathleen Tierney, Stanford University  
*Spiritual Exercises: Transformations of the Self in the Work of Pierre Hadot and Iris Murdoch*  

Pamela M. Hall, Emory University  
*Tragedy As Moral Pedagogy in Recent Virtue Ethics*  

Kerry Mitchell, University of California, Santa Barbara  
*Authority and Self-Knowledge: The Foundation of the Author in Divine and Human Law*  

Thomas E. Reynolds, Saint Norbert College  
*Between Openness and Closure: The Paradox of Authority in Religion*  

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Religion in South Asia Section  
Tuesday - 9:00 am-11:30 am  

Swasti Bhattacharyya, Buena Vista University, Presiding  

Theme: Sacred Groves: Houseplants, Cremation Grounds, Santal Spirits, and Embedded Ecologies  

Tracy Pintchman, Loyola University, Chicago  
*Grove, Goddess, Houseplant, Bride: Ascetic/Domestic Values in the Worship of Tulsi*  

Elaine Craddock, Southwestern University  
*Cremation Ground As Sacred Grove: The Life and Poetry of Karaikkal Ammaiyan*  

Selva Raj, Albion College  
*The Santal Sacred Grove: Site of Construction and Contestation of Identity*  

Vijaya Nagarajan, University of San Francisco  
*Sacred Groves As Embedded Ecological Commons: A Theoretical Exploration in Tamil Nadu*
A268

Study of Judaism Section
Tuesday - 9:00 am-11:30 am

Martin Kavka, Florida State University, Presiding

Theme: Strategies of Jewish Identity

Rebecca T. Alpert, Temple University
Reflections on Teaching Judaism in Indonesia

Pinchas Giller, University of Judaism
Shar'abi Rising: Canon Limitation in Late Classical Kabbalah

Masen Uliss, University of California, Santa Barbara
The Americanization of Chabad Literature

Laurie Zoloth, Northwestern University
The Cousins Club: The Yearning for the Lost Tribes and the Use of Human Genetics to Find Them

A269

Theology and Religious Reflection Section
Tuesday - 9:00 am-11:30 am

Eric Boynton, Allegheny College, Presiding

Theme: Religion and Globalization II

Luis Reyes Ceja, Universidad del Valle de Atemajac, and Gregory A. Banazak, Saints Cyril and Methodius Byzantine Catholic Seminary
Empire before and after Modernity

Thomas A. Carlson, University of California, Santa Barbara
Global Responsibility and Self-Creativity in the Thought of Michael Serres
A270

Women and Religion Section
Tuesday - 9:00 am-11:30 am

Jung Ha Kim, Georgia State University, Presiding

Theme: *Women's Bodies As "Fundamentalist" Battleground*

Linda Ellison, Harvard University
*Abortion and the Politics of God: Women's Bodies As Fundamentalist Background*

Julia Sheetz-Willard, Temple University
*"Causes of Unrest": Gender and the Bible in the 1920's Fundamentalist-Modernist Debates*

Nancy E. Nienhuis, Harvard University
*Historical and Contemporary Responses to Battering*

Beverly Mayne Kienzle, Harvard University
*Historical and Contemporary Responses to Battering*

Christy Cousino, Indiana University, Bloomington
*"The Woman Shall Conquer": Sex, Reproduction, and Mothering on the Catholic Apocalyptic Battlefield*

A271

African Religions Group
Tuesday - 9:00 am-11:30 am

Samuel K. Elolia, Emmanuel School of Religion, Presiding

Theme: *African Religion(s) in a Global Context*
Elias Kifon Bongmba, Rice University  
*African Churches in Houston*

Mabiala Justin-Robert Kenzo, Canadian Theological Seminary  
*Hermeneutics of African Traditional Religions*

Isabel Mukonyora, University of Virginia  
*Religious Plurality, Globalization, and the Quest for Belonging from the Margins*

Samuel Paul, University of Southern California  
*Interpretation of the New Testament from the Third World: A Global Perspective*

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**A272**

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

Carol B. Duncan, Wilfrid Laurier University, Presiding

Theme: *Competing Faith Claims and the Nature of Black Theology and the Theologian*

Monica A. Coleman, Claremont Graduate University  
*Metaphysics and Black Religions: A Case Study of Process Metaphysics and Yoruba-Based Religions*

Anthony B. Pinn, Macalester College  
*Rethinking the Nature of Religion and the Doing of Black Theology: A Humanist and Comparative Perspective*

Josef Sorett, Harvard University  
*Langston's Legacy: Couplets of a Doubly-Conscious Faith*

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

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**A273**

Chinese Religions Group  
*Tuesday - 9:00 am-11:30 am*

Jeffrey L. Richey, Berea College, Presiding
Theme: *Sanctity in the Chinese Religious Tradition*

Mark Csikszentmihalyi, University of Wisconsin, Madison
*Sages and Worthies: Debates over the Transcendence of the Shengren in Early Confucianism*

Keith Knapp, The Citadel
*Confucian and Christian Miracles in Early Medieval Eurasia*

Thomas Michael, George Washington University
*Regard the Descended Spirit, So Good and Ravishing: Shamanism in Early China*
Chun-Fang Yu, Rutgers University
*Eminent Nuns and Exemplary Laywomen: Feminine Sanctity in the Chinese Buddhist Tradition*

Responding:
Livia Kohn, Boston University

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**A274**

**Ritual Studies Group**

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

Norma Baumel Joseph, Concordia University, Montreal Presiding

Theme: *Golden Apple or Forbidden Fruit? Using Multimedia and Video in Studying and Teaching Ritual*

Panelists:
Todd E. Johnson, Loyola University, Chicago
James Caccamo, Loyola University, Chicago
Eileen Crowley-Horak, Reston, VA

Responding:
Mary E. Hess, Luther Seminary, St. Paul