Religion and Science Group

Lisa L. Stenmark, San Jose State University, Presiding

Theme: *The Ethics of Exploration: Theological and Ethical Issues in Space Travel*

Panelists:

Laurie Zoloth, Northwestern University
Paul Root Wolpe, University of Pennsylvania
John Minogue, DePaul University
Shannon Lucid, NASA
John Glenn, NASA

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Chairs Workshop - Being a Chair in Today’s Consumer Culture: Navigating in the Knowledge Factory

Friday - 9:00 am-4:00 pm

Sponsored by the Academic Relations Task Force

Carey J. Gifford, American Academy of Religion, Presiding

Panelists:

Elizabeth A. Say, California State University, Northridge
Gerald S. Vigna, Alvernia College
Steve Friesen, University of Missouri, Columbia
Carol S. Anderson, Kalamazoo College
William K. Mahony, Davidson College

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**A19-2**

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

Jane Dammen McAuliffe, Georgetown University, Presiding

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**A19-5**

Genes, Ethics, and Religion: A Blueprint for Teaching  
Friday - 9:00 am-5:00 pm

Sponsored by the Public Understanding of Religion Committee

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

Panelists:

Suzanne Holland, University of Puget Sound
Sondra Ely Wheeler, Wesley Theological Seminary
Michael J. Dougherty, Hampden Sydney College

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**A19-3**
Religion and Media Workshop - Film and the Possibilities of Justice: Documentary Film in and out of the Classroom
Friday - 10:00 am-6:00 pm

S. Brent Plate, Texas Christian University, Presiding

Panelists:

Barbara Abrash, New York University
Judith Helfand, Working Films
Robert West, Working Films
Heather Hendershot, Queens College
Macky Alston, Hartley Film Foundation

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A19-4

Women's Caucus Workshop
Friday - 11:30 am-3:30 pm

Sponsored by the Women's Caucus

Laurie Wright Garry, California Lutheran University, Presiding

Panelists:

Grace Kim, Moravian Theological Seminary
Barbara A. McGraw, Saint Mary's College of California
Harriet Luckman, Fairfield University
Paula Trimble-Familetti, San Francisco Theological Seminary
Rebecca Moore, San Diego State University

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A19-100

Teaching and Learning Committee Meeting
Friday - 6:30 pm-8:30 pm
Eugene V. Gallagher, Connecticut College, Presiding

A19-101

EIS Center Orientation
Friday - 7:00 pm-9:00 pm
Sponsored by the EIS Advisory Committee
Shelly C. Roberts, American Academy of Religion, Presiding
See the Program Highlights for a description.

A19-102

Friday - 7:00 pm-8:30 pm
Sarah Feinbloom, San Francisco, CA, Presiding
See the Program Highlights for a description.

A20-1

Student Liaison Group Business Meeting
Saturday - 7:30 am-9:00 am
Kimberly Bresler, Princeton Theological Seminary, Presiding
A20-3
Regional Secretaries Meeting
Saturday - 7:30 am-9:30 am
Stacy L. Patty, Lubbock Christian University, Presiding

A20-2
Academic Relations Task Force Meeting
Saturday - 8:00 am-9:30 am
Warren G. Frisina, Hofstra University, Presiding

A20-4
International Connections Committee
Saturday - 8:00 am-10:00 am
Mary McGee, Columbia University, Presiding

A20-5
Publications Committee Meeting
Saturday - 8:30 am-11:30 am
Francis X. Clooney, Boston College, Presiding

A20-6
Arts Series/Films: *The Holy Artwork*
Saturday - 9:00 am-11:30 am

See the Program Highlights for a description.

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A20-7

Special Topics Forum
Saturday - 9:00 am-11:30 am

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

Kyle Cole, American Academy of Religion, Presiding

Theme: *Navigating the News Interview: Scholars as Primary Sources*

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A20-8

Special Topics Forum
Saturday - 9:00 am-11:30 am

Maggie Kulyk, American Express Financial Advisors, Presiding

Theme: *Planning Your Retirement Income*

See the Program Highlights for a description.

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A20-9

Special Topics Forum
Saturday - 9:00 am-11:30 am

Sponsored by the Student Liaison Group

Melissa Johnston-Barrett, Emory University, Presiding
Theme: *Interviewing: A Behind-the-Scenes Look*

Panelists:

Faith Kirkham Hawkins, Emory University

Wade Clark Roof, University of California, Santa Barbara

Dianne Stewart, Emory University

Kevin Jaques, Indiana University, Bloomington

Martha L. Moore-Keish, Columbia Theological Seminary

F. Douglas Powe, Emory University

Patricia O'Connell Killen, Pacific Lutheran University

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A20-10

**Academic Teaching and the Study of Religion Section**

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

Deanna A. Thompson, Hamline University, Presiding

Theme: *Teaching and Learning Near and Across Borders*

Steven W. Ramey, University of North Carolina, Pembroke

*Critiquing Borders: Teaching a Post-Colonial World Religions Survey*

Frances M. Leap, Seton Hill University

"*Why Do They Hate Us*: Christian and Muslim Ethics Crossing Boundaries

Abdul Mawgoud Dardery, South Valley University

c*o-presenter with Frances M. Leap*

Jannette Gutierrez, University of Georgia

*Adult Religious Education for Whom? Asian and North Asian Women Theological Educators Teaching in a White-Dominated Environment*
Sara Patterson, Claremont Graduate University  
*Disrupting Tradition Definitions: Using Religion to Complicate "Culture" in American Studies/American History Classrooms*

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**A20-11**

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

Martha Serpas, University of Tampa, Presiding

Theme: *Reflections on Graham Greene on His Centennial*

Angela Franks, Boston College  
*Corpus Christi: Suffering, Embodiment, and Sanctity in Graham Greene's The End of the Affair*

Mark G. Bosco, Loyola University Chicago  
*Coloring Catholicism Greene*

Danny L. Franke, Alderson-Broaddus College  
*Graham Greene's A Burnt-Out Case: Lessons in Vocation and Spirituality/Religion for a Postmodern Society*

Darren J. N. Middleton, Texas Christian University  
*Greene, God, Greene-Eyed God: Sleuthing The End of the Affair's Literary and Theological Sources*

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**A20-12**

**Comparative Studies in Religion Section**  
**Saturday - 9:00 am-11:30 am**

Barbara Darling Smith, Wheaton College, Presiding

Theme: *Animals and Religious Ritual: Spanning the Globe*

Panelists:

Laura Hobgood-Oster, Southwestern University

Mary N. MacDonald, Le Moyne College Religious Studies Dept
A20-13

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

David Clairmont, University of Chicago, Presiding

Theme: *An Evaluation of A Companion to Religious Ethics*

Panelists:

Darrell J. Fasching, University of South Florida

John Kelsay, Florida State University

Joseph Prabhu, California State University, Los Angeles

William Schweiker, University of Chicago

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A20-14

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

Colleen McDannell, University of Utah, Presiding

Theme: *Bluegrass, Polkas, Folksongs, and Father Divine: Music in American Religion*

Anne Pryor, Wisconsin Arts Board
*In Church There Is No Beer: Polka Mass as a Regional Devotion*

Erica Hurwitz, University of Vermont
*The Model Church: Evangelicalism as Source and Model for Values in Bluegrass Lyrics*
Leonard Norman Primiano, Cabrini College  
"It's Good to Be Here around the Body of God": Tradition and Innovation in the Music of Father Divine's Peace Mission Movement

Brian Walsh, University of Toronto  
"At Home in the Darkness, but Hungry for Dawn": Global Homelessness and a Passion for Homecoming in the Music of Bruce Cockburn

David H. Perkins, Vanderbilt University  
Selling the Sacred: Contemporary Christian Worship Music as General Market Commodity

Responding:

Stephen A. Marini, Wellesley College

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

Elizabeth Margaret Bounds, Emory University, Presiding

Theme: After Fifty Years: The Legacy and Impact of Brown vs. Board of Education

Stephanie Y. Mitchem, University of Detroit Mercy  
Testing Inequality: Losing Brown vs. Board of Education, Maintaining Race

Carroll Ann Friedmann, University of Virginia  
Brown vs. Board of Education: Blessing or Band-Aid?

Donald H. Matthews, University of Missouri, Kansas City  
The Science of Theological Ethical Racism and Its Impact on Brown vs. Board of Education and the Fourteenth Amendment

Responding:

Alton B. Pollard, Emory University
Theology and Religious Reflection Section
Saturday - 9:00 am-11:30 am

Ellen T. Armour, Rhodes College, Presiding

Theme: Borders and Boundaries I

Michael Nausner, Drew University
Crossing or Inhabiting Boundaries? A Theological Hermeneutic of the Boundary

Ruben Rosario-Rodriguez, Saint Louis University
A Rarely Crossed Border: Latino/a Protestantism Engages Guadalupan Devotion

Flora A. Keshgegian, Episcopal Theological Seminary of the Southwest
Beyond Borders? Eschatological and Redemptive Themes in Discourses of (Dis)location

Arthur Sutherland, Loyola College in Maryland
Crossing By Faith: A Typology of Borders

Pragmatism and Empiricism in American Religious Thought Group
Saturday - 9:00 am-11:30 am

Eddie S. Glaude, Princeton University, Presiding

Theme: Secularization, Norms, and Traditions: Responses to Jeffrey Stout

Panelists:
Linell E. Cady, Arizona State University
M. Gail Hamner, Syracuse University
Timothy P. Jackson, Emory University
Kathleen Roberts Skerrett, Grinnell College
Philip G. Ziegler, Atlantic School of Theology

Responding:
Ronald F. Thiemann, Harvard University
A20-18

Womanist Approaches to Religion and Society Group
Saturday - 9:00 am-11:30 am

Yolanda Yvette Smith, Yale University, Presiding

Theme: *A Dialogue among Womanist, Mujerista, Asian, and Native American Women on the Impact of HIV/AIDS Both Nationally and Internationally*

Panelists:

Stephanie Buckhanon Crowder, Vanderbilt University

Corliss Heath, Emory University

Nantawan Lewis, Metropolitan State University

Rosetta E. Ross, Spelman College

Rosalind F. Hinton, DePaul University

Sharon Grant, Southern Methodist University

A20-19

Childhood Studies and Religion Consultation
Saturday - 9:00 am-11:30 am

Bonnie Miller-McLemore, Vanderbilt University, Presiding

Theme: *Children as Agents of Good and Evil*

Jennifer E. Beste, Xavier University
*Conceptions of Children's Moral Agency in Contemporary Catholicism*

David Hadley Jensen, Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary
*Depravity, Innocence, and Disease: Contested Understandings of Children and Sin in Christian Theology*
Jason A. Mahn, Emory University

Joyce Ann Mercer, San Francisco Theological Seminary

Responding:

John Wall, Rutgers University

Business Meeting:

Marcia Bunge, Valparaiso University, Presiding

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A20-20

Regions Committee and Regional Officers Meeting
Saturday - 9:30 am-11:00 am

Stacy L. Patty, Lubbock Christian University, Presiding

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A20-21

Plenary Address
Saturday - 11:30 am-1:00 pm

Jane Dammen McAuliffe, Georgetown University, Presiding

Theme: TEXTureS, Gestures, Power: Orientation to Radical Excavation

Panelists:

Vincent L. Wimbush, Claremont Graduate University

Responding:

Charles Hallisey, University of Wisconsin, Madison
Laurie Louise Patton, Emory University
G. John Renard, Saint Louis University

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A20-22

Special Topics Forum
Saturday - 11:45 am-1:00 pm

Sponsored by the Student Liaison Group and the American Theological Library Association

Kimberly Bresler, Princeton Theological Seminary, Presiding

Theme: *AAR Student Luncheon: Alternative Careers for Religion Doctoral Students*

Panelists:

Valerie R. Hotchkiss, Southern Methodist University
Raul Fernandez-Calienes, St. Thomas University
Pamela L. Schaeffer, Society of the Sacred Heart
Lynn Allan Kauppi, Antioch, TN
Clifford Blake Anderson, Princeton Theological Seminary

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A20-50

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

Sponsored by the *Journal of the American Academy of Religion*

Ebrahim E. I. Moosa, Duke University, Presiding

Theme: *When Reconciliation Fails: Global Politics and the Study of Religion*

Panelists:

Mona Siddiqui, University of Glasgow
Walter Mignolo, Duke University
S. Mostafa Mohaghhegh Damad, Academy of Sciences, Islamic Republic of Iran

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A20-51

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

Sponsored by the Religion and Disabilities Task Force

Kent A. Eaton, Bethel Seminary San Diego, Presiding

Theme: *Hidden Spectacles: Disabled/Disability Viewings of Gibson's Passion*

Panelists:

Jin Hee Han, New York Theological Seminary

Mary Jo Iozzio, Barry University

Glen G. Scorgie, Bethel Seminary San Diego

Kerry Wynn, Southeast Missouri State University

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A20-52

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

Sponsored by the Teaching and Learning Committee

Eugene V. Gallagher, Connecticut College, Presiding

Theme: *AAR Excellence in Teaching Forum: A Conversation about Teaching with Timothy Renick, Winner of the AAR Excellence in Teaching Award*

Panelists:
A20-53

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

Glenn Ambrose, University of the Incarnate Word, Presiding

Theme: San Antonio Ritual Drama and Dance: Hispanic Roots and Contemporary Flowering

Panelists:

James L. Empereur, San Fernando Cathedral

A20-54

Buddhism Section and Tibetan and Himalayan Religions Group
Saturday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm

Lori Meeks, University of Southern California, Presiding

Theme: Buddhism and Healing

David Drewes, Indiana University, Bloomington
Medical Benefits of Mahāyāna Sutras

Andrew Goble, University of Oregon
What’s Buddhist about Buddhist Medicine?: The Case of Medieval Japan

Janet Gyatso, Harvard University
The Word of the Buddha and the Eye of the Scientist: Early Modern Debates in Tibet, 1550-1750

Pamela D. Winfield, Meredith College
Curing with Kaji: Healing and Esoteric Empowerment in Japan

Responding:

Luis O. Gomez, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor
Ethics Section and Religion and the Social Sciences Section
Saturday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm

Glen Stassen, Fuller Theological Seminary, Presiding

Theme: *Earth Ethics: Celebrating the Work of Larry Rasmussen*

Daniel T. Spencer, University of Montana
"Only Connect!: Exploring Ecological Restoration as a Case Study in Larry Rasmussen's Earth Ethic Centered in Sustainable Community"

Donald M. Braxton, Juniata College
*Naturalizing Transcendence: Cosmologies of Emergence as the Foundation of Rasmussen's Earth Ethics*

Cynthia Moe-Lobeda, Seattle University
*Earth-Honoring Religious Ethics: Methodological Contours*

Responding:

Larry Rasmussen, Union Theological Seminary

Philosophy of Religion Section
Saturday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm

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

Theme: *Philosophy and/as/in/of Religion*

Thomas A. Lewis, Harvard University
*Hegel's Pragmatism?: Toward an Open-Ended Consummation of the Philosophy of Religion*

Tyler T. Roberts, Grinnell College
*Philosophical Turnings to and from Religion: Badiou, de Vries, and Zizek*
Adam Graves, University of Pennsylvania
*On the (Im)possibility of a Phenomenology of Revelation: Jean-Luc Marion on the Anonymity of the Call*

Jeffrey W. Robbins, Lebanon Valley College
*Becoming Theological: Rethinking Philosophy of/and Religion*

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**A20-59**

**Black Theology Group**
**Saturday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm**

Juan Floyd-Thomas, Texas Christian University, Presiding

Theme: *The Executed God: Crime and Christology*

J. Kameron Carter, Duke University
*The Liturgy of a New Israel, or the Early American Execution Homily as Racial Performance*

Leslie R. James, DePauw University
*Back Wall and the Black Other Side of God: Lockup at Home and Abroad*

Raedorah Stewart-Dodd, Pasadena, CA

Responding:

Mark Lewis Taylor, Princeton Theological Seminary

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**A20-60**

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

Anita De Luna, Our Lady of the Lake University, Presiding

Theme: *Spiritual Practice in Latino/a Art and Devotion*

Daniel Groody, University of Notre Dame
*An Undocumented Spirituality: Mexican Immigration and the Eucharist*
Claire Wolfteich, Boston University
Practical Theological Approaches to Research and Teaching in Spirituality: A Case Study of Devotional Practices in the Farm Worker Movement Led by Cesar Chavez

Jennifer Hughes, Graduate Theological Union
Spiritual Practice vs. Art in a Mexican Cult

Joseph de León, Graduate Theological Union
The Passion of Christ Pageant at the San Fernando Cathedral: A Theo-Catharsis of Love

Business Meeting:
Wendy Wright, Creighton University, Presiding

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A20-61

Christian Systematic Theology Group
Saturday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm

Cynthia Rigby, Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary, Presiding

Theme: The City of God and Earthly Cities

Hans Boersma, Trinity Western University
Bordering on the Augustinian: Radical Orthodoxy’s Interpretation of the Civitas Dei and Civitas Terrena in St. Augustine

Angela Franks, Boston College
The Cosmos, the Temple, and the City: Biblical Visions and Contemporary Revisions

Cat Ngoc Jonathan Tran, Duke University
The Tale of Two Cities: Gift-Giving in the City of God

Kimberly Faye Baker, University of Notre Dame
Moving beyond Ourselves: Augustine on Living as the Body of Christ

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

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A20-62
Confucian Traditions Group  
Saturday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm

Lionel M. Jensen, University of Notre Dame, Presiding

Theme: Confucianism and the Rule of Law

Karen Turner, College of the Holy Cross  
The Roots of Confucian Resistance to Law

Tao Jiang, Southern Illinois University, Carbondale  
Rule of Ritual and Rule by Law: The Qing Code and Its Ritual Ground

Youngmin Kim, Bryn Mawr College  
Individual Morality, Law, and the Political in the Confucian Tradition

Responding:

Randall Peerenboom, University of California, Los Angeles  
Henry Rosemont, Jr., St. Mary’s College of Maryland, Brown University

Business Meeting:

Mark Csikszentmihalyi, University of Wisconsin, Madison, Presiding

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Europe and the Mediterranean in Late Antiquity Group  
Saturday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm

David Frankfurter, University of New Hampshire, Presiding

Theme: Illness and Healing: Late Antique Practices and Discourses

Zsuzsanna Varhelyi, Boston University  
Praying for Health: The Role of the Peer Community in Elite Healing in the Roman Empire

Vasiliki Limberis, Temple University  
Breads of Healing: Metabolizing Miracles and Metaphors in Fourth-Century Cappadocia

Dayna Kalleres, Stanford University  
Healing the Judaizing Christian: Disease, Dismay, and Division in John Chrysostom’s Congregation
Evangelical Theology Group  
Saturday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm

Susie Stanley, Messiah College, Presiding

Theme: Contemporary Popular Expressions of Evangelicalism

Valerie Rempel, Mennonite Brethren Biblical Seminary  
"Almost Like God": Women and the Language of Submission in the Novels of Grace Livingston Hill

Young Hoon Yoon, Drew University  
The Puzzle of the Origins of WWJD?: Charles Sheldon's In His Steps and American Evangelicalism

Valarie H. Ziegler, DePauw University  
Someday My Prince Will Come: Genesis 1-3 and Gender Roles in Evangelical Marriage Manuals

Responding:

Susan Hill Lindley, St. Olaf College

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

Rosemary P. Carbine, College of the Holy Cross, Presiding

Theme: Subaltern/Gendered Subjectivity

Jill Gorman, Rollins College  
Can the Subaltern (Slave) Speak? The Representation of Female Slaves in Late Antique Christian Imperialist Discourse
Yvonne Zimmerman, University of Denver
*Crime and Punishment: Human Trafficking and the Problem of "Home"

Ann Pellegrini, New York University
*A New Sex Wars?: Feminist and Christian Anti-Trafficking Activism

Responding:
Laura S. Levitt, Temple University

Business Meeting:
Liora Gubkin, California State University, Bakersfield, Presiding

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**A20-66**

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

Donald L. Boisvert, Concordia University, Presiding

Theme: *Power and Submission, Pain and Pleasure: The Religious Dynamics of Sadomasochism*

Justin Tanis, Metropolitan Community Church
*Ecstatic Communion: The Spiritual Dimensions of Leathersexuality*

Thomas V. Peterson, Alfred University
*S/M Rituals in Gay Men's Leather Communities: Initiation, Power Exchange, and Subversion*

Ken Stone, Chicago Theological Seminary
“You Seduced Me, You Overpowered Me, and You Prevailed”: Religious Experience and Homoerotic Sadomasochism in Jeremiah

Timothy R. Koch, New Life Metropolitan Community Church
*Choice, Shame, and Power in the Construction of Sadomasochistic Theologies*

Julianne Buenting, Chicago Theological Seminary
*Oh, Daddy! God, Dominance/Submission, and Christian Sacramentality and Spirituality*

Kent Brintnall, Emory University
*Rend(er)ing God's Flesh: The Body of Christ, Spectacles of Pain, and Trajectories of Desire*
Kierkegaard, Religion, and Culture Group and Nineteenth-Century Theology Group
Saturday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm

Andrew J. Burgess, University of New Mexico, Presiding

Theme: Jon Stewart's Kierkegaard's Relation to Hegel Reconsidered: Critique and Appreciation

Robert L. Perkins, Stetson University
Jon Stewart's Mediated Kierkegaard

David Kangas, Florida State University
Which Hegel? Reconsidering Hegel and Kierkegaard

Stephen N. Dunning, University of Pennsylvania
Response to Kierkegaard's Relation to Hegel Reconsidered, by Jon Stewart

Rick A. Furtak, Colorado College
Ancient Passion, Modern Abstraction: Kierkegaard on the Hellenistic and the Hegelian Conceptions of Philosophy

Pre-printed papers for this and other sessions of the Nineteenth-Century Theology Group may be obtained from C. J. T. Talar, University of St. Thomas, 9845 Memorial Drive, Houston, TX 77024 for $20.00.

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

Ines M. Talamantez, University of California, Santa Barbara, Presiding

Theme: American Indian Religious Revitalization as Cultural Tool, Survival Method, and Ideological Critique

John Baumann, University of Wisconsin, Oshkosh
Wounded Land: Environmental Resistance and Revitalized Identity

James B. Jeffries, Colgate University
Re-Claiming Religion: The Emergence of Orthodoxy among Native Americans in Seventeenth-Century New France
Amado Láscar, Ohio University
*The Recuperation of the Word*

Michael Zogry, University of Kansas
*The Cherokee Trail of Tears and the Persistence of Cherokee Religious Traditions: A Critique of the Concepts of Revitalization and Perseverance*

Responding:

Kenneth Mello, University of Vermont

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**A20-69**

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

Sara Penn-Strah, Harvard University, Presiding

Theme: *Ritual Expressions in New Religious Movements*

Beth Dougherty, King's College, London
*When Rituals Go Wrong: Angry Goddess, Recalcitrant Reclaimers*

Laurel Zwissler, University of Toronto
*Right Action: Uses of Ritual in Anti-Globalization Protests by Neo-Pagan, United Church, and Catholic Activists*

Lee Gilmore, Graduate Theological Union
*Theater in a Crowded Fire: Ritualizing "Spirituality without Religion" at the Burning Man Festival*

Michael F. Strmiska, Siauliai University, Lithuania
*Putting the Blood Back in Blot: The Revival of Animal Sacrifice in Nordic Neopaganism*

Responding:

Adrian Harris, King Alfred's College Winchester

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**A20-70**
**Religious Freedom, Public Life, and the State Group**  
*Saturday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm*

Diana L. Eck, Harvard University, Presiding

Theme: *Taking Religious Pluralism Seriously: Toward a Democratic Spiritual Politics*

John B. Cobb, Claremont School of Theology  
*Process Politics in a Pluralistic Age*

Rita M. Gross, University of Wisconsin, Eau Claire  
*Buddhist Methods for Promoting Pluralistic Religious Discourse in the Public Square*

M. A. Muqtedar Khan, Adrian College  
*Faith and Freedom in Islamic Context*

David Machacek, Trinity College  
*Unsecular Humanism: From Public Protestantism to the Religion of Conscience*

Michael York, Bath Spa University College  
*Middle Class/"Out Class" Roles for Pagans in Bridging Faith and Freedom*

Responding:

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

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**Wesleyan Studies Group**  
*Saturday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm*

Sarah Heaner Lancaster, Methodist Theological School in Ohio, Presiding

Theme: *Contestations over Basic Wesleyan Values*

Aaron Kerr, Duquesne University  
*John and Charles Wesleys' "Hymns on the Lord's Supper": Their Appropriation and the Contestation of Methodist Ecclesial Identity*

Mary Elizabeth Moore, Emory University  
*Birth and New Birth: Toward a Feminist Reconstruction of Wesleyan Ecclesiology and Ministry*
F. Douglas Powe, Emory University  
*Evangelism in the Wesleyan/Methodist Tradition: Is There One Message for Both Blacks and Whites?*

Carole Dale Spencer, George Fox University  
*Holiness and Mysticism: The Love/Hate Relationship of John Wesley toward William Law and the Quakers*

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**A20-73**

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

**New Program Unit**

J. Joyce Schuld, Cornell University, Presiding

**Theme:** *Foucault in Contemporary Theological and Religious Studies*

Geoffrey Rees, University of Chicago  
*Is "Sex" Worth Dying For? Exploring the Theological Implications of Foucault's Theory of Sexuality*

Min-Ah Cho, Emory University  
*Via Purgatory, She Saw and She Was Seen: Reading Catherine of Genoa’s Purgation and Purgatory with Foucault*

Gregory A. Banazak, SS Cyril and Methodius Seminary  
*Writing Globalization Religiously: The Case of Bartolomé de Las Casas’ Genealogy of the "New World"*

Luis Reyes Ceja, Universidad del Valle de Atemajac  
*co-presenter with Gregory Banazak*

Peter Heltzel, Boston University  
*"Cutting Off the Head of the King" in a Kingdom without One: Foucault, Moltmann, and American Empire*

**Business Meeting:**

Tom Beaudoin, Santa Clara University, Presiding
**Religion and Popular Culture Group**
*Saturday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm*

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

Theme: *Playing with Religion*

Matt Blackmon, Dallas Theological Seminary  
*co-presenter with Kent Berghuis*

Kent Berghuis, Dallas Theological Seminary  
*Would Jesus Play Texas Hold-Em? Reflections on Religion and the World Poker Tour*

Jeremy Biles, University of Chicago  
*SUNDAY! . . . SUNDAY! . . . SUNDAY! The Monster Trucks’ Black Sabbath*

Carmen Marie Nanko, Catholic Theological Union, Chicago  
*Béisbol at the Borders: Crossing the Lines of Faith and Popular Culture*

Frank Ferreri, University of South Florida  
*co-present with Don Surrency*

Don Surrency, University of South Florida  
*Addressing a Methodological Deficiency in the Analysis of Sports as Religion: The Discovery of the Hidden Sacred in Sports*

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**Religions, Social Conflict, and Peace Consultation**
*Saturday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm*

Susan Windley-Daoust, Saint Mary's University of Minnesota, Presiding

Theme: *Looking for Justice in Latin America: Balancing the Demands of Justice and Peace*

David Tombs, Trinity College Dublin  
*The Politics of Forgiveness, Justice, and Reconciliation: The Religious Influence on Transitional Justice Debates in El Salvador and Chile*

Thomas P. Boland, Jr., Union College, New York  
*Too Heavy a Price? Daniel Berrigan, Ernesto Cardenal, and the Nicaraguan Revolution*
Juan Herrero-Brasas, California State University, Northridge

*Latin American Liberation Theology vs. the Just War Tradition: A Matter of Incompatibility or Interpretation?*

Responding:

Eileen M. Fagan, College of Mount Saint Vincent

Business Meeting:

Cynthia Stewart, Nashville, TN, Presiding

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**A20-76**

*JAAR International Attendees Reception*

*Saturday - 3:30 pm–4:30 pm*

Sheila Greeve Davaney, Iliff School of Theology, Presiding

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**A20-100**

*Special Topics Forum*

*Saturday - 4:00 pm–6:30 pm*

Ada María Isasi-Díaz, Drew University, Presiding

Theme: *Latinas' Experiences and Lives in Literature and Theology: A Reading by Sandra Cisneros*

Panelists:

Sandra Cisneros, San Antonio, TX

Responding:

Leticia Guardiola-Saenz, Vanderbilt University
Michelle A. Gonzalez, Loyola Marymount University
Elena Olazagasti, Vanderbilt University

See the Program Highlights for a description.
A20-101

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

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

Laura E. Donaldson, Cornell University, Presiding

Theme: *Racial and Ethnic Minority Scholars and the Relation between the Study of Religion and the Study of Scriptures*

Panelists:

Charles H. Long, Chapel Hill, NC

Rita Sherma, Binghamton University

Kwok Pui Lan, Episcopal Divinity School

Daniel Boyarin, University of California, Berkeley

Tazim Kassam, Syracuse University

Vincent L. Wimbush, Claremont Graduate University

Nikky Singh, Colby College

Rüdiger V. Busto, University of California, Santa Barbara

A reception hosted by the Status of Racial and Ethnic Minorities in the Profession Committee directly follows. See the Program Highlights for a description.

A20-102

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

Arthur Sutherland, Loyola College in Maryland, Presiding
Theme: Identity, Practice, and Location: Sound Pedagogy and Robust Learning in Secular and/or Confessional Contexts

Calvin Mercer, East Carolina University
“But the Bible Says . . .” Teaching Fundamentalist Christian Students

Tanja Juric, University of Toronto
Negotiating Values: Moral Education in a Multicultural and Secular Context

Charlene Burns, University of Wisconsin, Eau Claire
Cognitive Dissonance and the Induced-Compliance Paradigm: Ethical Concerns in Teaching Religious Studies

John K. Simmons, Western Illinois University
Neutral Enthusiasm Meets Biblical Studies: Maximizing Accessibility While Avoiding Difficulties

A20-103

Arts, Literature, and Religion Section and Tillich: Issues in Theology, Religion, and Culture Group
Saturday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm

Darlene Fozard Weaver, Villanova University, Presiding

Theme: Tillich, Literature, and the Arts

Steven Fink, University of Iowa
A Journey behind the Canvas: Bringing Tillich into an Interpretation of the Paintings of Kandinsky

Russell R. Manning, University of Cambridge
Towards a Critical Reconstruction and Defense of Tillich’s Theology of Art

Jessica De Cou, University of Chicago
Drinking to the Dregs: An Exploration of Plath, Hesse, and Tillich toward an Ontology of Suicide

Responding:

Jonathan Rothchild, University of Chicago
**A20-104**

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

Peter N. Gregory, Smith College, Presiding

Theme: *Monks, Clerics, and (Auto)biography*

Benjamin Bogin, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor  
*Entering the Action: The Memoirs of a Monk Turned Ngakpa*

Derek Maher, East Carolina University  
*Biography and Historical Context: Life Narratives of dGe lugs pa Textbook Authors*

Jonathan Gold, University of Vermont  
*Sakya Pandita's Buddhicization of the Rasas: Sanskrit Poetics for a Tibetan Elite*

Patrick Uhlmann, University of California, Los Angeles  
*Chan Master Zhikong in Korea: The Collaboration of Buddhist Monks and Confucian Literati in the Creation of an Icon*

Albert F. Welter, University of Winnipeg  
*Context and Motive: Literati Influence over Chan Buddhism in Early Song China*

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**A20-105**

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

Philip K. Goff, Indiana University-Purdue University, Indianapolis, Presiding

Theme: *Reviewing Mark Noll's America's God: From Jonathan Edwards to Abraham Lincoln*

Panelists:

Catherine L. Albanese, University of California, Santa Barbara

Randall Balmer, Barnard College, Columbia University

Richard Bushman, Columbia University

Amanda Porterfield, Florida State University
A20-106

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

Diane Winston, University of Southern California, Presiding

Theme: Being and Doing: Best Paper Proposals 2004

Matthew Hedstrom, University of Texas, Austin
How the Book Business Psychologized Spirituality, 1920-1950

John H. Lardas, Haverford College
Moby Dick in the Age of the Moving Picture

John Giggie, University of Texas, San Antonio
Purchasing Freedom: Consumer Culture and Black Religion in the American South, 1865-1915

Debra Renee Kaufman, Northeastern University
"Being" and "Doing" Jewish in America: Surveys, Narratives, and Religious Identity

Responding:

Judith Weisenfeld, Vassar College

A20-107

Philosophy of Religion Section
Saturday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm

Philip L. Quinn, University of Notre Dame, Presiding

Theme: Kant and the Philosophy of Religion I (On the 200th Anniversary of His Death)

Andrew C. Dole, Amherst College
The Changing Fortunes of Kant's Copernican Revolution
Robert Erlewine, Rice University
*Kant’s Conflicted Divinity: Contradictory Thrusts in Kant’s Philosophy of Religion*

Jeffrey Hensley, Virginia Theological Seminary
'*Grace Dreamed Up in Slothful Trust*: Kant on Moral Regeneration and Divine Assistance

James DiCenso, University of Toronto
*Kant’s Hermeneutics of Religion: Between Ethics and Politics*

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**A20-108**

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

Vasudha Narayanan, University of Florida, Presiding

Theme: *Teaching Inside-Out: Demographic Changes and Methodological Challenges in Teaching the Religions of South Asia*

Panelists:

Eliza Kent, Colgate University

Anne Vallely, University of Ottawa

Amir Hussain, California State University, Northridge

Stuart R. Sarbacker, Northwestern University

Arti Dhand, University of Toronto

Responding:

Deepak Sarma, Case Western Reserve University

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**A20-109**

*Study of Islam Section and Islamic Mysticism Group*
*Saturday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm*

New Program Unit
Vincent J. Cornell, University of Arkansas, Presiding

Theme: *Discourses of Early Sufism*

Kenneth Garden, University of Chicago
*Al-Ghazali's Four-Part Structure and the Underlying Logic of the Revival of the Religious Sciences*

Joseph Lumbard, American University, Cairo
*From Biography to Hagiography, the Creation of Shaykh Ahmad al-Ghazali*

Maria Massi Dakake, George Mason University
*Intimacy and Union in Early Female Sufi Discourse*

Annabel Keeler, Wolfson College
*Qushayri's Lata'if al-isharat: A "Mystical" Commentary on the Qur'an?*

Responding:

Marcia Hermansen, Loyola University, Chicago

Business Meeting:

Vincent J. Cornell, University of Arkansas, Presiding

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A20-110

**Women and Religion Section**

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

Karen Pechilis, Drew University, Presiding

Theme: *Writing Women into Religious History/ies*

Gina Cogan, Columbia University
*The Presence of the Buddha: Cosmic Connection, Temporal Continuity, and Historical Consciousness in the Lineages of Early Modern Japanese Buddhist Nuns*

Monika Dix, University of British Columbia-Dept of Asian Studies
*Women and Buddhism: Re-Reading Representations of Chūjōhime in Medieval Japanese Buddhist Narratives*
Jennifer Eichman, Princeton University
*Sixteenth-Century Elite Chinese Male Buddhist Writings and What They Tell Us about Female Practice*

Anne Murphy, Columbia University
*Woman as Actor/Woman as Devotee: Women in Sikh Histories*

Laurie Louise Patton, Emory University
*Let the Key Not Rust: Women Sanskritists at the Time of Indian Independence*

Responding:
Joseph Schaller, Nazareth College

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A20-111

**Bonhoeffer: Theology and Social Analysis Group**

Saturday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm

Clifford Green, Hartford Seminary, Presiding

Theme: *Memory and Legacy: Bonhoeffer in Film*

Panelists:
Margaret R. Miles, Berkeley, CA
Josiah U. Young, Wesley Theological Seminary

Responding:
Martin Doblmeier, Journey Films

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A20-112

**Chinese Religions Group**

Saturday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm

Jonathan Herman, Georgia State University, Presiding

Theme: *Re-Evaluating Missionary Sinology*
Wah K. Cheng, Mills College
Terms of Equivalence: John Nevius and the Domestication of Chinese Life

Michael Lazich, Buffalo State College
The Chinese Repository and the Missionary Origins of American Sinology

Eric Reinders, Emory University
Church Missionary Society Publications as Sinological Resources

Michael Walsh, Vassar College
Wickedness in High Places: Missionary Descriptions of a Buddhist Monastery

Responding:

Norman J. Girardot, Lehigh University

A20-113

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

Mary Keller, University of Wyoming, Presiding

Theme: Critical Perspectives on Dubuisson's The Western Construction of Religion

Robert A. Segal, University of Lancaster
Daniel Dubuisson's The Western Construction of Religion

Aaron W. Hughes, University of Calgary
Haven't We Been Here Before?: Rehabilitating "Religion" in Light of Dubuisson's Critique

Gustavo Benavides, Villanova University
Is Religion a Western Invention?

Steven Engler, Mount Royal College
Agency, Order, and Time in the Human Science of Religion

Responding:

Ann Taves, Claremont School of Theology & Claremont Graduate University
Lesbian-Feminist Issues and Religion Group
Saturday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm

Donna M. McKenzie, Fordham 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

Responding:
Rebecca T. Alpert, Temple University

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

David Schultenover, Marquette University, Presiding

Theme: The Reception of Pragmatism in France

Harvey Hill, Berry College
Pragmatism in France: The Case of Edouard LeRoy

Michael J. Kerlin, La Salle University
Blondel and Pragmatism: Truth Is the Equation of Thought and Life

John Shook, Oklahoma State University
Early Responses to American Pragmatism in France: Selective Attention and Critical Reaction

Charles J. T. Talar, University of St. Thomas, Houston
Le Critique Malgré Lui: Marcel Hébert’s Le Pragmatisme
Pre-printed papers for this and other sessions of the group may be obtained from C. J. T. Talar, University of St. Thomas, 9845 Memorial Drive, Houston, TX 77024 for $20.00.

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A20-116

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

Willemien Otten, Utrecht University, Presiding

Theme: Revelation and Interpretation in Platonic and Neoplatonic Traditions I

Zeke Mazur, University of Chicago
How Can One Attain the One-Beyond-Being? Reflections on the Penultimate Stage of Plotinian and Gnostic Mystical Ascent

Siamak Adhami, Saddleback College
A Neopythagorean-Neoplatonic Account of Zoroastrian Theogony

Jay Bregman, University of Maine, Orono
The Neoplatonic Revelation of Transcendentalist Nature

Gregory Shaw, Stonehill College
The Talisman

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A20-117

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

Robert Sherman, Bangor Theological Seminary, Presiding

Theme: The Place of the Bible in Reformed Theology

R. Ward Holder, Saint Anselm College
Not Really Sola Scriptura: Church and Tradition in Calvin's Interpretation of Scripture

Mary McClintock Fulkerson, Duke University
What's the Bible in this Church?: Pondering Illusions of Sola Scriptura
Kang-Yup Na, Westminster College
* Biblical Theology and Dogmatic Theology: The Tortuous and Torturous Tale of Scriptura and Tradition

David H. Kelsey, Yale University
* The Ecological Niche of a Doctrine of Scripture in the "Body of Divinity"

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**A20-118**

**Religion and Popular Culture Group**

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

Sarah McFarland Taylor, Northwestern University, Presiding

**Theme:** Religious Icons and Identities in Popular Culture

Mary Kay Cavazos, Drew University
* A Black Christ beyond Race: Re-Reading Countee Cullen's "The Black Christ"

Jennie S. Knight, Emory University
* The Black Madonna, Mary Magdalene, and the Goddess: Re-Mythologizing the Divine Feminine in Popular Fiction

Shanny Luft, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill
* Satan on the Silver Screen

Michele Rosenthal, University of Haifa
* Religion, Media, and Culture in Israel: The Case of Tele-Rabbi Amnon Yitzhak

Erin H. Addison, University of Arizona
* The Holy We Can See: The Construction and Conservation of Material Remains in the Holy Land

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**A20-119**

**Religion and Science Group and Animals and Religion Consultation**

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

Paul Waldau, Tufts University, Presiding

**Theme:** Religion and Animals: Minding the Work of Marc Bekoff
Donna Yarri, Alvernia College  
*Animals as Kin: The Religious Significance of the Work of Marc Bekoff*

Graham Harvey, Open University  
*Animals, Animists, and Academics*

Jay McDaniel, Hendrix College  
*All Animals Matter: Marc Bekoff's Contribution to Constructive Christian Theology*

Nancy Howell, Saint Paul School of Theology  
"Going to the Dogs": Cannid Ethology and Theological Reflection

Responding:

Marc Bekoff, University of Colorado, Boulder

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

Mary Henold, Valparaiso University, Presiding

Theme: *Modernized Devotions, Modernized Laity: Devotional Paths in American Catholicism*

Timothy M. Matovina, University of Notre Dame  
*Patron Saints and Divine Providence: The Origins of Guadalupan Devotion in San Antonio*

Colleen McDannell, University of Utah  
*Photography, the Saints, and the Dynamics of Devotion*

Maryellen Davis, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill  
“Marylike” Women, “Marylike” Men: Marian Models of Gendered Performance in Roman Catholic Devotional Media

Darryl Victor Caterine, California Lutheran University  
*Modernity and Its Discontents: Catholic Conservativism in the European-American and Latina/o Church*

Responding:

Elizabeth A. Johnson, Fordham University
A20-121

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

Tyler T. Roberts, Grinnell College, Presiding

Theme: The Frankfurt School in Dialogue with Christian Thought

Daniel Barber, Duke University
Adorno and the Philosophical Production of Grace

John Hughes, University of Cambridge
Unspeakable Utopia: Art and the Return to the Theological in the Marxism of Adorno and Horkheimer

Larry Golemon, Dominican University of California
The Commodification of God under Global Capitalism

A20-122

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

David Chidester, University of Cape Town, Presiding

Theme: Missionaries, Anthropologists, and the Study of Religion

Dyron Daughrity, University of Calgary
Hinduisms, Christian Missions, and the Tinnevelly Shanars: A Study of Colonial Missions in Nineteenth-Century India

Laura Ammon, Claremont Graduate University
Surfacing Submerged Texts in the Study of Religion: Exploring E. B. Tylor’s Use of Missionary Documents

Elizabeth McKeown, Georgetown University
A Little Further West: Religion among the Boasians

Responding:

Patrick Provost-Smith, Harvard University
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Law, Religion, and Culture Consultation
Saturday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm

Winnifred Fallers Sullivan, University of Chicago, Presiding

Theme: Using Religion to Sell the Law: Legal Rhetoric and the Communication between Center and Periphery

Megan Williams, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor
Religion and the Rhetoric of Late Roman Imperial Law

Greg Johnson, Franklin and Marshall College
Religious Language, Self-Determination, and the Native Hawaiian Recognition Act

William P. George, Dominican University
Nomos and Narrative in the Law of the Sea: Robert M. Cover and International Law

Lucinda J. Peach, American University
"Sex Slaves" or "Sex Workers"? Cross-Cultural and Comparative Religious Perspectives on Sexuality, Subjectivity, and Moral Identity in Anti-Sex Trafficking Discourse

Responding:

Paul C. Johnson, University of Michigan-Ann Arbor

Business Meeting:

Natalie B. Dohrmann, University of Pennsylvania, Presiding

A20-124

Religions, Medicines, and Healing Consultation
Saturday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm

Business Meeting:

Robert A. Orsi, Harvard University, Presiding
Leigh E. Schmidt, Princeton University, Presiding
Lara Medina, Claremont Graduate University, Presiding

Theme: *Healing and Christian Traditions*

Giselle De Nie, Halle, Netherlands
"Inversion of the Order of Things": Some Early Medieval Miraculous Cures Seen in the Light of Modern Cognitive Theories

Linda L. Barnes, Boston University
*Chinese Healing through Missionary Eyes*

Gary M. Laderman, Emory University
*Harvey William Cushing, Brain Surgeon, 1869-1939: The Cult of Doctors and the Modern Culture of Healing*

Responding:

Suzanne J. Crawford, Pacific Lutheran University

Business Meeting:

Linda L. Barnes, Boston University, Presiding

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**A20-125**

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

Pashington Obeng, Harvard University, Wellesley College, Presiding

Theme: *HIV/AIDS and Religion in Africa*

Afe Adogame, University of Bayreuth
"A Walk for Africa": Combating the Demon of HIV/AIDS in an African Pentecostal Church

Musa W. Dube, Scripps College
*Teaching African Religions for HIV/AIDS Prevention*

Beverley Haddad, University of KwaZulu-Natal
*HIV/AIDS and the Church: Compassion or Damnation?*

Emmanuel K. Twesigye, Ohio Wesleyan University
*AIDS and the Movement for the Restoration of the Ten Commandments of God*
A20-126

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

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

A20-127

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.

A20-128

Plenary Address
Saturday - 7:00 pm-8:15 pm

Hans J. Hillerbrand, Duke University, Presiding

Theme: President's Address and Awards Ceremony: Reading the Qur'an with Fidelity and Freedom

Panelists:

Jane Dammen McAuliffe, Georgetown University

See the Program Highlights for a description.
Arts Series/Films: *The Passion of the Christ*
Saturday - 8:30 pm-11:00 pm

See the Program Highlights for a description.

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A20-130

Arts Series/Films: *Santitos (Little Saints)*
Saturday - 8:30 pm-10:30 pm

Craig Skrumedi, University of Ottawa, Presiding

See the Program Highlights for a description.

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A20-131

AAR Members' Dance Party
Saturday - 9:00 pm-11:59 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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A20-132

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 to the Academy.

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A20-133
Student Members' Reception
Saturday - 10:00 pm-11:59 am

Sponsored by the Student Liaison Group

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

A21-1

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

New (first time) AAR members in 2004 are cordially invited to a continental breakfast with members of the Board of Directors.

A21-2

History of Religions Jury Meeting
Sunday - 7:30 am-8:45 am

Alan Segal, Barnard College, Columbia University, Presiding

A21-3

JAAR Editorial Board Meeting
Sunday - 7:30 am-8:45 am

Glenn E. Yocum, Whittier College, Presiding

A21-33

Religion in the Schools Task Force Meeting
Sunday - 7:30 am-8:45 am
Marcia Beauchamp, California Institute of Integral Studies, Presiding

A21-4

Special Topics Forum
Sunday - 9:00 am-11:30 am

Sponsored by the Regions Committee

William D. Lindsey, Philander Smith College, Presiding

Theme: Religion and Public Life in the Southwest/Southern Crossroads Region

Panelists:

Kathlyn A. Breazeale, Pacific Lutheran University

Marjorie Jane Harris, Hendrix College

Cheryl A. Kirk-Duggan, Shaw University Divinity School

Bill J. Leonard, Wake Forest University

Andrew M. Manis, Macon State College

Responding:

Stacy L. Patty, Lubbock Christian University

See the Program Highlights for a description.

A21-5

Special Topics Forum
Sunday - 9:00 am-11:30 am

Sponsored by the Teaching and Learning Committee

Grace G. Burford, Prescott College, Presiding
Theme: Cross-Disciplinary Collaborative Teaching: Challenges and Successes in Co-Teaching Courses in "Religion and __________"

Panelists:

Carol S. Anderson, Kalamazoo College
Laura Ammon, Claremont Graduate University
Roger Brooks, Connecticut College
James Harlan Foard, Arizona State University
Richard D. Hecht, University of California, Santa Barbara
Bruce M. Sullivan, Northern Arizona University

See the Program Highlights for a description.

A21-6

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

Fran Grace, University of Redlands, Presiding

Theme: Pushing the Envelope: Frameworks and Strategies for Better Teaching

T. L. Brink, Crafton Hills College
Power Teaching in the Classroom and Web-Based Learning Objects

James E. Deitrick, University of Central Arkansas
E-Jing: Using Technology to Teach Classical Chinese Texts

Joyce Ann Mercer, San Francisco Theological Seminary
A Madness to Our Method: Congregational Studies as a Cross-Disciplinary Approach to Contextualizing Teaching and Learning in Theological Education

Jeffrey Thibert, University of South Florida
A Call for Reform in the Teaching of the Introductory World Religions Course: Proposal for a Dialogical World Religions Pedagogy

Anita Houck, Saint Mary's College
But Did Jesus Laugh? Humor in the Religious Studies Classroom
A21-7

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

David Jasper, University of Glasgow, Presiding

Theme: *Twenty Years of Religion and Literature: A Review*

Panelists:

James Dougherty, University of Notre Dame
Andrew Hass, University of Stirling
Alison Jasper, University of Stirling
Elizabeth Jay, Oxford Brookes University
Jeffrey F. Keuss, Northwest Graduate School
David E. Klemm, University of Iowa
Robert Lance Snyder, State University of West Georgia
Heather Walton, University of Glasgow
Graham Ward, University of Manchester
Eric Ziolkowski, Lafayette College

Business Meeting:

Jennifer L. Geddes, University of Virginia, Presiding
S. Brent Plate, Texas Christian University, Presiding

A21-8

Buddhism Section
Sunday - 9:00 am-11:30 am
Jacqueline I. Stone, Princeton University, Presiding

Theme: Spells in Buddhism

Paul Copp, Princeton University
The Stuff of Spells: The Superlative Spell and the Poetics of Material Efficacy in Tang Buddhism

Jacob Dalton, British Library
How to Formulate a Canonical Dhārāṇī: Comparisons of Two Chinese and Tibetan Dhārāṇīs from Dunhuang

Richard D. McBride, Washington University in St. Louis
Were Dhārāṇī and Spells Really Proto-Tantric in Medieval Sinitic Buddhism?

Richard K. Payne, Graduate Theological Union
The Clear Light Mantra: Religious Agency in Medieval Japanese Buddhist Ritual

Responding:
Ryuichi Abe, Harvard University

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A21-9

Comparative Studies in Religion Section
Sunday - 9:00 am-11:30 am

Frank Reynolds, University of Chicago, Presiding

Theme: Rethinking Comparative Ethics: Toward Cross-Cultural/Traditional Understanding(s)

Panelists:

Pia Altieri, University of Chicago

Philip P. Arnold, Syracuse University

William A. Barbieri, Catholic University of America

Ronald Green, Dartmouth College

Responding:
Greg Johnson, Franklin and Marshall College
David Little, Harvard University
A21-11

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

Grant Wacker, Duke University, Presiding

Theme: *Gospels of Mammon and Manhood: Religious Identity and Authority in America, 1870-1920*

Jonathan Ebel, Texas Christian University
*Dying the Gospel: Imitatio Christi and the American Fighting Man, 1917-1918*

Matthew Harper, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill
*A Gospel of Respectability: The Manliness, Morality, and Decorum of the “Better Class” of Men in the African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church, 1880-1900*

Richard Pizzi, Indiana University, Bloomington
*The Prosperous Christian: Russell Conwell and Protestant Identity in the Era of High Capitalism*

Responding:

David Hackett, University of Florida

Business Meeting:

Amy DeRogatis, Michigan State University, Presiding
Anne Clark, University of Vermont, Presiding

A21-12

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

Stephen Prothero, Boston University, Presiding
Theme: *Author Meets Critics: William Hutchison's Religious Pluralism in America: The Contentious History of a Founding Ideal*

Panelists:

Deborah Moore, Vassar College

Laurence Moore, Cornell University

Ebrahim Moosa, Duke University

Responding:

William Hutchison, Harvard University

Business Meeting:

John Corrigan, Florida State University, Presiding

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**A21-13**

*Religion in South Asia Section*

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

Richard H. Davis, Bard College, Presiding

Theme: *South Asian Religious Expression and the Secular State*

Cassie Adcock, University of Chicago

*Sacred Cow? Freedom of Religion and the Cow Protection Movement*

Laura Jenkins, University of Cincinnati

*Political and Religious Apostasy: Lower Caste Religious Conversions from Hinduism*

Steven W. Ramey, University of North Carolina, Pembroke

"*We Are Hindu!": Secularism, Tolerance, and the Marginalization of Sindhi Hindus*

Valerie Stoker, Wright State University

*Harming the Common Good? A Kirpan Case in Québec*

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**A21-14**
Study of Islam Section and Theology and Religious Reflection Section  
Sunday - 9:00 am-11:30 am

Zayn Kassam, Pomona College, Presiding

Theme: Theodicy and the Problem of Evil in the Islamic Tradition

Mehdi Aminrazavi, University of Mary Washington  
*Omar Khayyam on Theodicy: The Irreconcilability of the Intellectual and the Existential*

Frank Griffel, Yale University  
*Determination and the Best of All Possible Word in the Early al-Ghazali*

Jon Hoover, Near East School of Theology  
*The Justice of God and the Best of All Possible Worlds: The Optimism of Ibn Taymiyya*

Ibrahim Kalin, College of the Holy Cross  
*“Why Do Animals Eat Other Animals?”: Mulla Sadra on the Best of All Possible Worlds*

Responding:

Eric Ormsby, McGill University

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

Andrea Smith, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Presiding

Theme: Sexual Violence: The Unmentionable Sin  
*Twentieth Anniversary, 2nd Edition (Pilgrim Press), by Marie Fortune*

Panelists:

Carol Adams, Richardson, TX

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

Nantawan Lewis, Metropolitan State University

Traci West, Drew University

Responding:
A21-16

Anthropology of Religion Group and Native Traditions in the Americas Group and Religions, Medicines, and Healing Consultation
Sunday - 9:00 am-11:30 am

Linda L. Barnes, Boston University, Presiding

Theme: The Ethnography of Native Traditions, Plants, and Healing

Suzanne J. Crawford, Pacific Lutheran University
Spirituality and Cancer Survival: Native Women's Wellness in the South Puget Sound

Enrique Maestas, Flatonia, TX
Cultural and Religious History of Texas Native Americans

Lisa Swanson Madera, Florianopolis, Brazil
Visions of Christ: Ayahuasca Use in Two South American Christian Communities

Responding:

Meredith B. McGuire, Trinity University, San Antonio
Jim Spickard, University of Redlands

A21-17

Black Theology Group and Womanist Approaches to Religion and Society Group
Sunday - 9:00 am-11:30 am

Emilie M. Townes, Union Theological Seminary, Presiding

Theme: Brown vs. Board of Education: Fifty Years Later

Panelists:

Barbara Holmes, Memphis Theological Seminary

Susan Holmes Winfield, District of Columbia Superior Court
Comparative Studies in Hinduisms and Judaisms Group
Sunday - 9:00 am-11:30 am

Barbara Holdrege, University of California, Santa Barbara, Presiding

Theme: Constructing Others, Defining Selves

Joel Kaminsky, Smith College
Election and Otherness in Biblical and Rabbinic Literature

Nathaniel Deutsch, Swarthmore College
Deconstructing the Maiden of Ludmir

Tracy Pintchman, Loyola University, Chicago
Good Mothers and Other Mothers, or Another View of Mothers? Reconsidering Maternal Sexuality in Krishna Devotion

Jill Gorman, Rollins College
Screening Female Desire: The Representation of Love in Trembling Before G*d and Fire

Responding:

Robert Goldenberg, State University of New York, Stony Brook

Confucian Traditions Group
Sunday - 9:00 am-11:30 am

Edward Slingerland, University of Southern California, Presiding

Theme: Benevolence and Bodhisattvas: Confucian and Buddhist Accommodations in Medieval China
Kyoko Tokuno, University of Washington
“Translating” the Law of Karma and Rebirth into Confucian Language: A Buddhist Strategy for Cross-Cultural Persuasion in Medieval China

Keith Knapp, The Citadel
The Attraction of Filial Cannibalism: The Confucian Appropriation of the Sujati Jataka

D. Neil Schmid, North Carolina State University, Raleigh
The Practice of "Cutting the Thigh": Gegu as a Buddhist-Confucian Conceptual Blend

Mark Halperin, University of California, Davis - East Asian Languages & Cultures
This Buddhism of Ours: Buddhist Temples and Chinese Literati in Yuan China

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

LATINA/O RELIGION, CULTURE, AND SOCIETY GROUP

A21-20
LATINA/O RELIGION, CULTURE, AND SOCIETY GROUP
Sunday - 9:00 am-11:30 am

Luis León, University of California, Berkeley, Presiding

Theme: Mujerista Theology: A Theology of Struggle and Liberation: The Work of Ada María Isasi-Díaz

Panelists:
Fernando F. Segovia, Vanderbilt University
Kwok Pui Lan, Episcopal Divinity School
Sharon D. Welch, University of Missouri, Columbia
Michelle A. Gonzalez, Loyola Marymount University
M. Shawn Copeland, Boston College
Mary C. Churchill, University of Iowa

Responding:
Ada María Isasi-Díaz, Drew University
A21-21

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

Mark J. Justad, Center for the Study of Religion and Culture at Vanderbilt University, Presiding

Theme: Suffering Manhood: A Response to Mel Gibson's The Passion of the Christ

Panelists:
James Newton Poling, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary
Hary Brod, University of Northern Iowa
Mary Hembrow Snyder, Mercyhurst College
Dennis King Keenan, Fairfield University
David James Livingston, Mercyhurst College
Kathleen Roberts Skerrett, Grinnell College

Business Meeting:
Mark J. Justad, Center for the Study of Religion and Culture at Vanderbilt University, Presiding

A21-22

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

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

Theme: Mystics as Activists

Lynn Bridgers, Spring Hill College
Mystic as Activist: Trauma, Mimesis, and the Currents of Consciousness

Jerome Gellman, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev
Hasidic Mysticism as an Activism
Jerry Law, Claremont Graduate University  
*Mystical Self, Activist Self: Religion and Emancipation in the Thought of Simone Weil*

Lisa Powell, Princeton Theological Seminary  
*Howard Thurman and Troeltsch's Third Type*

Gregory A. Banazak, SS Cyril and Methodius Seminary  
*The Role of Mysticism in Conversion to Social Activism: The Case of Sixteenth-Century Latin America*

Luis Reyes Ceja, Universidad del Valle de Atemajac  
*co-presenter with Gregory A. Banazak*

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

Kelly Bulkeley, Graduate Theological Union, Presiding  

Lucy Bregman, Temple University  
*Psychology Sliding into Spirituality: An Examination of the Death Awareness Movement*

Laura J. Praglin, University of Northern Iowa  
"Spirituality" and "Religion" in the Helping Professions: Who's Defining the Terms?

Lee Hayward Butler, Chicago Theological Seminary  
*African American Spirituality: A Psycho-Theological Tradition*

F. LeRon Shults, Bethel Seminary  
*Modeling Spirituality: Psychology, Religion, and the Dynamics of Transformation*

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**Reformed Theology and History Group**  
Sunday - 9:00 am-11:30 am

Martha L. Moore-Keish, Columbia Theological Seminary, Presiding
Theme: The Role of Discipline in the Reformed Tradition

Stephen Edmondson, Virginia Theological Seminary
*Sinews of the Body: Discipline and Repentance in Calvin*

Glen Segger, Drew University
"Reformatio Legum Ecclesiasticarum": An Attempt to Restore Godly Discipline in the Church of England at the Reformation

Madeline Duntley, College of Wooster
*Clergy, Discipline, and the Salem Witch-Hunt: Popular Stereotypes vs. Seventeenth-Century Ecclesiology*

Nathan Kerr, Vanderbilt University
*The Beauty of True Virtue: Jonathan Edwards, Divine Providence, and the Aesthetic Necessity of Discipline*

Business Meeting:

Robert Sherman, Bangor Theological Seminary, Presiding
Katherine Sonderegger, Virginia Theological Seminary, Presiding

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

Jane Hurst, Gallaudet University, Presiding

Theme: Ethnic and Disability Diversity in Religious Experience

J. Eric Pridmore, Drew University
*Religion in Race and Disability: An Exploitive System Framed as "God-Given"*

Monica A. Coleman, Bennett College for Women
“You Need Jesus!”: The Absence of the Black Church in Black Women’s Writings about Depression

Carmen Marie Nanko, Catholic Theological Union, Chicago
*Living la Lengua Cotidiana: Deaf Latinas/os Negotiating the Borders of Language and Identity*

Nadia Bolz-Weber, University of Colorado, Boulder
*The Deaf as a Cultural Group within the Academic Study of Religion*
Responding:
John Swinton, University of Aberdeen

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A21-26

Scriptural Reasoning Group
Sunday - 9:00 am-11:30 am

New Program Unit

Rachel Muers, University of Exeter, Presiding

Theme: Poverty and Debt-Release: Scriptural and Social-Scientific Reasonings

Robert Gibbs, University of Toronto
Property in Persons: Rereading Scriptural Economics

Basit B. Koshul, Concordia College, Moorhead
The "Economic" in Religion and the "Religious" in Economics: A Qur'anic-Weberian Perspective

Daniel Hardy, University of Cambridge
Poverty and Debt-Release

Responding:

Stanley M. Hauerwas, Duke University
Laurie Zoloth, Northwestern University

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A21-27

Tillich: Issues in Theology, Religion, and Culture Group
Sunday - 9:00 am-11:30 am

Mary Ann Stenger, University of Louisville, Presiding

Theme: Tillich in Dialogue (1) With Feminism, (2) With Nietzsche

Rachel Sophia Baard, Villanova University
Dialogues between Tillich and Feminism: A Rhetorical Map
Tabea Rösler, University of Heidelberg  
*Anthropological Approaches in Paul Tillich’s Mature Systematic Theology*

Jari Ristiniemi, University of Gävle  
*Politics of the Soul in Changing Society: Tillich’s Political Pathos in the 1920s in the Light of Nietzsche’s Moral Philosophy*

Donald Dreisbach, Northern Michigan University  
*Paul Tillich’s Response to Nietzsche*

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**Open and Relational Theologies Consultation**  
**Sunday - 9:00 am-11:30 am**

**New Program Unit**

Thomas Jay Oord, Northwest Nazarene University, Presiding  
**Theme:** *What It Means to Say That God Is Relational*

David R. Larson, Loma Linda University  
*Necessarily, Essentially, Neither, or Both: How Does God Love the Universe?*

Joseph A. Bracken, Xavier University  
*Creatio Ex Nihilo: A Field-Oriented Approach*

Lyle Dabney, Marquette University  
*The Possibility of God: The Spirit in God’s Creation—and in God*

Michael Lodahl, Point Loma Nazarene University  
*Creator-Logos-Spirit: Pursuing Trinitarian Reflection as a Critique of Creatio Ex Nihilo*

**Responding:**

Catherine E. Keller, Drew University  
Philip Clayton, Claremont School of Theology

**Business Meeting:**

Thomas Oord, Northwest Nazarene University, Presiding  
Lynne Faber Lorenzen, Augsburg College, Presiding
Sacred Space in Contemporary Asia Consultation
Sunday - 9:00 am-11:30 am

New Program Unit

Steven Heine, Florida International University, Presiding

Theme: Siting Asian Identities

Panelists:

James Miller, Queen's University
Shin-yi Chao, Tajen Institute of Technology
Greg Grieve, University of North Carolina, Greensboro
Knut Axel Jacobsen, University of Bergen

Responding:

Pamela D. Winfield, Meredith College

Business Meeting:

Steven Heine, Florida International University, Presiding
Pamela D. Winfield, Meredith College, Presiding

Plenary Address
Sunday - 9:00 am-10:00 am

Jane Dammen McAuliffe, Georgetown University, Presiding

Theme: Islam in the West: The North American Context

Panelists:

Tariq Ramadan, University of Notre Dame
See the Program Highlights for a description.

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**A21-30**

**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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**A21-32**

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

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

Laurie Wright Garry, California Lutheran University, Presiding

The Status of Women in the Profession Committee and the Women's Caucus invite women who are graduate students and new scholars to a brown bag lunch with over 30 feminist mid-career and senior AAR and SBL scholars, including Lara Donaldson, Rita Gross, Ann Matter, Margaret Miles, Vasudha Narayanan, Judith Plaskow, Jennifer Rycenga, Emilie Townes, and Karen Trimble Alliaume.

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**A21-31**

**Wabash Student-Teacher Luncheon**

**Sunday - 11:45 am-1:00 pm**

Sponsored by the Student Liaison Group and the Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion

Kimberly Bresler, Princeton Theological Seminary, 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 at www.aarweb.org/students/.
Special Topics Forum  
Sunday - 1:00 pm-2:30 pm  

Theme: Posters Session

Derek N. Anderson, Loyola University, Chicago  
*Theological Nonviolence in Julian of Norwich’s Showings of Divine Love*

Kaiya Ansorge, Emory University  
*The Concept of Miracle: Entering Theology through Aesthetics*

Kirsten Bault, Azusa Pacific University  
*Theology of Employee Selection*

Richard Bohannon, Drew University  
*Power Dynamics and Religious Architecture: A Case Study of the Christian Science Center, Boston, MA*

Peter Foley, University of Arizona  
*Teaching Celtic Spirituality*

Karlynn Greene, Azusa Pacific University  
*Shall We Entreat the Lady: A Theological Question of Antidepressant Medication*

Corliss Heath, Emory University  
*A Womanist Approach to Understanding and Assessing the Relationship between Spirituality and Women’s Mental Health*

Natalie Houghtby-Haddon, George Washington University  
*Freed from Debt and Slavery: The Bent-Over Woman in Luke’s Imagination*

Cameron Jorgenson, Baylor University  
*Visual Ethics: A Teleological Approach to Ethical and Faith Formation*

Steven Keates, Azusa Pacific University  
*Extreme Sports, Mystical Experiences, and Elijah: Danger and the Experience of God*

Kiki Kennedy-Day, Rutgers University  
*Reconsidering Women as Prophets in Islam*

Martha Ann Kirk, University of the Incarnate Word  
*Women of Bible Lands: A Pilgrimage to Compassion and Wisdom*

Jyri Komulainen, University of Helsinki  
*Is a Multi-Religious Identity Theologically Plausible? Some Post-Liberal Reflections*
John Kozyra, Azusa Pacific University
*Conscience, Neuroscience, and Non-Reductive Physicalism*

Michelle Kraft, Azusa Pacific University
*Who's Raising Our Children?*

Alice Maung-Mercurio, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis
*“Feeding the Four Thousand”: Food Production and Consumption in Early Egyptian Monasteries, via Contemporary Analyses of the Physical and Social Organization*

Amanda Pettikas, Azusa Pacific University
*Women in the Friends Church*

Jason Steuber, University of Missouri, Kansas City
*Deus Ex Machina: Automobiles and Mobile Religious Spaces*

Eugene Taylor, Saybrook Graduate School, Harvard University
*Phil 6: Psychological Aspects of the Religious Life, 1901-02: Notes on the Only Graduate Course on the Psychology of Religion That William James Taught at Harvard University*

James Van Slyke, Fuller Theological Seminary
*Theology in the Flesh: The Role of the Body in Religious Experience*

Glenn E. Yocum, Whittier College
*Cosmologies: Combining Religious Studies and Science to Enhance Students' Understanding of Time and the Cosmos*

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**Special Topics Forum**
*Sunday - 1:00 pm-2:30 pm*

Sponsored by the Student Liaison Group

Kimberly Bresler, Princeton Theological Seminary, Presiding

Theme: *Introducing the Teaching Portfolio*

Panelists:

Darren J. N. Middleton, Texas Christian University
Philosophy of Religion Section
Sunday - 1:00 pm-2:30 pm

Patrick M. Clemens, University of California, Santa Barbara, Presiding

Theme: Secularization: Philosophy, Religion, Culture

Nancy Levene, Indiana University, Bloomington
Nothing More Natural Than Culture: Vico and the Secular

J. Heath Atchley, South Hadley, MA
Confronting Secularity: Nietzsche and Deleuze

Anna Mercedes, Drew University
Kenotic Secularization

Marie L. Baird, Duquesne University
Whose Kenosis? An Analysis of Levinas, Derrida, and Vattimo on God's Self-Emptying and the Secularization of the West

Business Meeting:

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

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

Rubina Ramji, University of Ottawa, Presiding
Theme: Thinking beyond Books: Exploring Media in Teaching Islam

Timothy C. Cahill, Loyola University, New Orleans
Teaching Islam in a Wired Environment

June-Ann Greeley, Sacred Heart University
An Introduction to Islam in Image and Sound

Amir Hussain, California State University, Northridge
"A Message on the Wind": Incorporating Audio and Visual Materials into Courses on Islam

Kristin Sands, Sarah Lawrence College
Crossing Borders: Teaching Transnational Islam through the Internet

Responding:

Gwendolyn Zoharah Simmons, University of Florida

Business Meeting:

Omid Safi, Colgate University, Presiding
Nelly Van Doorn-Harder, Valparaiso University, Presiding

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A21-54

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

Robert Gibbs, University of Toronto, Presiding

Theme: Jewish Feminism and Political Theology

Panelists:

Leora Batnitzky, Princeton University

Claire Katz, Pennsylvania State University

Randi Rashkover, York College of Pennsylvania

Hava Tirosh-Samuelson, Arizona State University
A21-55

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

Paul F. Lakeland, Fairfield University, Presiding

Theme: Borders and Boundaries II

Laura Taylor, Vanderbilt University
*La Frontera: The Third Place*

Emily Askew, Carroll College
*Displacement: Against Sedentarist and Nomadic Romance Stories*

William Clark, College of the Holy Cross
*CROSSing Borders, DEFending Borders: The Sacred Space of an Old Immigrant Community*

Business Meeting:

Paul F. Lakeland, Fairfield University, Presiding

A21-56

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

Michelene Pesantubbee, University of Iowa, Presiding

Theme: Contemporary Women's Spirituality

Debra Campbell, Colby College
*The Nun and the Crocodile: The Stories within The Nun's Story*

Mary Ann Clark, University of Houston, Clear Lake
*Where Women Rule: An Explication of Santeria as a Female-Normative Religion*

Wendy Farley, Emory University
*He Stripped Me of My Virtues: Mechthild of Magdeburg and Contemporary Women’s Spirituality*

Diana Walsh-Pasulka, University of North Carolina, Wilmington
*Saint Clare on the Air: Mother Angelica and the Catholic Church*
A21-57

**Anthropology of Religion Group**
Sunday - 1:00 pm-2:30 pm

J. Shawn Landres, University of California, Santa Barbara, Presiding

Theme: *Preservation and Appropriation in the Transnational Trading of Religion*

Saba Soomekh, University of California, Santa Barbara
*The Cultural Journey from Tehran to Los Angeles*

Tulasi Srinivas, Wheaton College
*Sacred Webs: Rethinking Globalization and Religion through the Transnational Sathya Sai Movement*

Seth Kunin, University of Aberdeen
*Structure and Identity Construction among the Crypto-Jews of New Mexico*

Michael D. Hill, Drury University
*The Many Lives of Mama Coca: Andean Sacred Plants in the Context of Mystical Tourism and the New Age Movement*

Responding:

Lois Lorentzen, University of San Francisco

Business Meeting:

Rebecca Sachs Norris, Merrimack College, Presiding

A21-58

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

Duncan Williams, University of California, Irvine, Presiding
Theme: *The Ethnography of Identity and Boundary Negotiation: Case Studies of Hindu and Buddhist Communities in North America*

Emily R. Mace, Princeton University
*Beyond Discrimination: Religion, Ethnicity, and the Challenge of Temple Building*

Douglas M. Padgett, Indiana University, Bloomington
*Lost and Found, Living and Dead: Rites for the Dead in Buddhist Little Saigon*

Jeff Wilson, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill
"There's No Such Thing as Not My Buddhism": Cross-Sectarian Buddhist Hybridity in the American South

Benjamin Zeller, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill
*The God in the Geo-Dome: Ethnic and Spatial Dynamics at an ISKCON Temple*

Responding:

Paul D. Numrich, Loyola University Chicago

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**A21-59**

**Black Theology Group**
**Sunday - 1:00 pm-2:30 pm**

Stacey Floyd-Thomas, Texas Christian University, Presiding

Theme: *Naming Black Women's Diasporic Experience: Womanist? Black? Or . . . ?*

Panelists:

Teresia Mbari Hinga, DePaul University

Lee Hayward Butler, Chicago Theological Seminary

Carol B. Duncan, Wilfrid Laurier University

Responding:

M. Shawn Copeland, Boston College

Business Meeting:

Anthony B. Pinn, Rice University, Presiding
A21-60

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

Chun-Fang Yu, Columbia University, Presiding

Theme: *Spiritual Seekers in a Fluid Religious Landscape: The Creation of New Religious Practices in Late Ming China*

Jennifer Eichman, Princeton University
*Forging New Alliances: Huang Hui's Melding of Confucian and Buddhist Paths to Liberation*

Miaw-fen Lu, Academia Sinica, Taiwan
*Religious Dimensions of Filial Piety Developed during the Late Ming*

Hui-Hung Chen, Academia Sinica, Taiwan
*Visualization as a Spiritual Practice: A Jesuit Meditation in Late-Ming Society*

Responding:

Hun Y. Lye, Warren Wilson College

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A21-61

Christian Spirituality Group
Sunday - 1:00 pm-2:30 pm

Joseph D. Driskill, Pacific School of Religion, Presiding

Theme: *I'm Spiritual, but Not Religious*

Owen C. Thomas, Episcopal Divinity School
*Spiritual but Not Religious: The Influence of the Current Romantic Movement*

Daniel McKanan, St. John's University
*Being Spiritual but Not Religious in Community: A Camphill Case Study*

Solange Lefebvre, Université de Montréal
*Religion, Spirituality, and Youth*
Donna Freitas, St. Michael's College
*I'm Spiritually Homeless! (and Ritudally Invisible): Religion for the Bridget Joneses and Carrie Bradshaws of the World*

Douglas Burton-Christie, Loyola Marymount University
*Spirituality at the End of the World: The Destruction of the Earth and the New Eschatology*

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**A21-62**

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

Trichur Rukmani, Concordia University, Presiding

**Theme:** *Consciousness Theories in Advaita Vedanta*

Andrew O. Fort, Texas Christian University
*Predisposing Consciousness: Vasanas in the Jivanmuktiveka.*

Anantanand Rambachan, St. Olaf College
*The Dilemma of Knowing the Knower*

Chakravarthi Ram-Prasad, Lancaster University
*Auto-Luminosity (Svatah-Prakasata): The Role of Reflexive Consciousness in Advaita Metaphysics and Soteriology*

Kaplan Stephen, Manhattan College
*Consciousness and Ignorance (Avidya), Simultaneous and Coterminus? A Holographic Model to Illuminate the Advaita Debate*

Responding:

Thomas Forsthoefel, Mercyhurst College

Business Meeting:

S. N. Balagangadhara, Ghent University, Presiding

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**A21-63**
Indigenous Religious Traditions Group  
Sunday - 1:00 pm-2:30 pm  

Jacob K. Olupona, University of California, Davis, Presiding  

Theme: *Indigenous Thought, Ethics, and Modernity*  

Yuki Miyamoto, DePaul University  
*Possessed and Possessing: Fox Possession and Discrimination against the Wealthy in Late Modern Japan*  

Fritz Dewiler, Adrian College  
*The Oglala Sun Dance and the Formation of Moral Community*  

Samsul Maarif, Florida International University  

Ahmad Muttaqin, Florida International University  
*Redefining Religion: Indonesian Indigenous Religions vis a vis Hegemony*  

Responding:  

Dianne Stewart, Emory University  

Business Meeting:  

Ines M. Talamantez, University of California, Santa Barbara, Presiding

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Japanese Religions Group  
Sunday - 1:00 pm-2:30 pm  

John Breen, London University, Presiding  

Theme: *Negotiating the Boundaries of Religion in Modern Japan*  

Trent Maxey, Cornell University  
*The Politics of Belief in a Neo-Colonial World: The Urakami Problem, 1865-1873*  

Nancy Stalker, University of Texas, Austin  
*Spiritual Entrepreneurialism: Oomoto Enterprises in Pre-War Japan*
A21-65

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

Timothy H. Polk, Hamline University, Presiding

Theme: Kierkegaard and Constructions of Society and/or Gender

Avron Kulak, York University
Between God, Self, and Neighbor: The Twofold Ethics of Fear and Trembling

Sylvia I. Walsh, Stetson University
Godly and Ungodly Women: Gender and Sexual Politics in Kierkegaard and American Fundamentalism

Keith Hyde, University of Saint Andrews
Keeping Your Distance: Kierkegaard and Social Reform

Kevin Hoffman, Valparaiso University
Compassion and the Descent of Love: Reading Kierkegaard through Nussbaum

Business Meeting:

Timothy H. Polk, Hamline University, Presiding

A21-66

New Religious Movements Group
Sunday - 1:00 pm-2:30 pm

Phillip Charles Lucas, Stetson University, Presiding

Theme: Legal Issues and the Persecution of New Religious Movements

James T. Richardson, University of Nevada, Reno
New Religions in Former Soviet Countries: A Sociology of Law Analysis
Constance A. Jones, California Institute of Integral Studies
*New Religions in China in the Early Twentieth Century: The Case of the True Jesus Church and the Little Flock*

Douglas E. Cowan, University of Missouri, Kansas City
*Researching Scientology: Premises, Promises, and Problematics*

James McBride, Schulte, Roth, and Zabel LLP
*Religious Persecution in the People's Republic of China: Falun Gong's Recourse to American Courts*

Responding:

Massimo Introvigne, Cesnur

Business Meeting:

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

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**A21-67**

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

J. Eric Pridmore, Drew University, Presiding

Theme: *Disability Diversity, Religion, and Identity*

Deborah Creamer, Iliff School of Theology
*Am I Disabled [Enough]? Disability, Diversity, and Identity Hermeneutics*

Lori Rowlett, University of Wisconsin, Eau Claire
*Religion, Heroism, and Vietnam: Constructions of Masculinity in Two Films about Disabled Veterans*

Virginia Bemis, Ashland University
*Rescuing the Perishing: The Hymns of Fanny J. Crosby*

Kerry Wynn, Southeast Missouri State University
*The Deafness of Walter Rauschenbusch*

Responding:

Susanne Rappmann, Karlstad University
A21-68

Religion and Ecology Group  
Sunday - 1:00 pm-2:30 pm

Laura Hobgood-Oster, Southwestern University, Presiding

Theme: *Beyond the Borders: Religion and Ecology in Latin America*

John Hart, Boston University School of Theology  
*Community and Commons: Brazilian Perspectives on Liberation and Creation*

Lisa Swanson Madera, Florianopolis, Brazil  
*Mapping the Trash: The Sacred Cartography of Garbage and Ecological Devastation in the Ecuadorian Andes and on the Southern Coast of Brazil*

Beth Blissman, Oberlin College  
*Straw Bales and Santuarios: New Forms of Religious Response to the Ecological Challenges of the Borderlands*

Laura Yordy, Duke University  
*Nature as Commodity, Nature as Gift in The Aguero Sisters*

Laurel Kearns, Drew University  
*What Does Justice Taste Like? The Churches and Fair-Trade Coffee as Eco-Justice Praxis*

A21-69

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

Shelley Wiley, Morningside College, Presiding

Theme: *Transmodern Dialogues: A Panel in Celebration of Enrique Dussel's 70th Birthday*

Panelists:
Tariq Ramadan, University of Notre Dame
Marc H. Ellis, Baylor University
Eduardo Mendieta, State University of New York, Stony Brook
Lewis R. Gordon, Temple University
Walter D. Mignolo, Duke University
Laura Perez, University of California, Berkeley

Responding:
Enrique Dussel, Universidad Autonoma Metropolitana-Iztapalapa

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

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

Theme: "Power in the Blood": Images of Evil and Violence

Meredith Hammons, Vanderbilt University
*More Than the Word: Images of Jews in Films about Jesus*

Beringia Zen, Pacific School of Religion
*Rebirthing Technology and Orbital Strikes: PlanetSide and the Creation of an Ideology of Non-Consequential Violence*

Mark W. Graham, College of Wooster
*Talk about The Passion: Articulating Christian Aesthetic and Religious Experience*

Susan L. Schwartz, Muhlenberg College
*The Mysterious Powers of a Woman's Blood: The Case of The Red Violin*

Kelly Denton-Borhaug, Goucher College
*A Bloodthirsty Salvation: Behind the Polarized Popular Reaction to a Violent Atonement in Gibson's The Passion*
Religious Freedom, Public Life, and the State Group
Sunday - 1:00 pm-2:30 pm

Sherryl L. Wright, Highland Community College, University of Kansas, Presiding

Theme: Religious Freedom and Negotiating the Church/State Divide

Adrianne Nagy, Boston College
Head Scarves and Peyote: Questioning Religious Freedom in France and the United States

Isaac Weiner, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill
One Nation under Buddha?: Buddhism in American Jurisprudence

Betsy Perabo, Yale University
Soldiering, Obedience to Authority, and the Exercise of Conscience: Christian and Islamic Perspectives

Ann Duncan, University of Virginia
The American Peace Society: Negotiating the Church-State Divide

Lisa L. Stenmark, San Jose State University
The Limits of Politics and the Role of the Church: Hannah Arendt on Brown vs. the Board of Education

Business Meeting:
Eric Mazur, Bucknell University, Presiding

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

Phyllis Zagano, Hofstra University School of Phil & Religious Studies, Presiding

Theme: Meanings of Mary in Grassroots Catholicism

Panelists:
Virgilio Elizondo, University of Notre Dame
Charlene Spretnak, California Institute of Integral Studies
China Galland, Center for Art, Religion, and Education (CARE/Graduate Theological Union)

Business Meeting:

Vincent J. Miller, Georgetown University, Presiding

A21-73

Augustine and Augustinianisms Consultation
Sunday - 1:00 pm-2:30 pm

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

Theme: Love and Augustine

Lynn Bridgers, Spring Hill College
_A Snare of My Own Choosing: Love and the Captive Will in Augustine's Anthropology_

Phillip Cary, Eastern University
_Love and Tears: Augustine's Project of Loving without Losing_

Burt Fulmer, Vanderbilt University
_Identity Creation in Augustine's Theology of Love_

Jennifer Hockenbery, Mount Mary College
_The He, She, and It of God: Translating Augustine's Gendered God-Talk into English_

Responding:

Eric Gregory, Princeton University

Business Meeting:

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

A21-74
Religion, Media, and Culture Consultation  
Sunday - 1:00 pm-2:30 pm

David Morgan, Valparaiso University, Presiding

Theme: *Author Meets Critics: From Angels to Aliens: Teenagers, the Media, and the Supernatural* by *Lynn Schofield Clark*

Panelists:

Wade Clark Roof, University of California, Santa Barbara

Bradford Verter, Bennington College

Jana Riess, Publishers Weekly

Heather Hendershot, Queens College

Responding:

Lynn Schofield Clark, University of Colorado at Boulder

Business Meeting:

Stewart M. Hoover, University of Colorado, Boulder, Presiding

Michele Rosenthal, University of Haifa, Presiding

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A21-75

Ethics Section  
Sunday - 1:00 pm-2:30 pm

Jane Hicks, St. John Fisher College, Presiding

Theme: *Nos Iriamos o Nos Quedariamos: The Ethics of Border Crossings and Global Trade*

Fred Glennon, Le Moyne College

*The Ethics of Economic Border Crossings: Work, the Common Good, and Justice*

Julian Sanborn, Temple University

*Got the Time?: The Impact of Marx's Labor Theory of Value on Workers in the Global Garment Industry*
Kevin York-Simmons, Vanderbilt University
*Thinking Theologically about CAFTA: A Proposal for a North American Response to Free Trade*

Yvonne Zimmerman, University of Denver
*Sexual Exploitation/Gendered Migration: Theorizing Women in Discourses of Human Trafficking*

A21-76

**Scriptural Reasoning Group**  
**Sunday - 1:00 pm-2:30 pm**

**New Program Unit**

Peter Ochs, University of Virginia, Presiding

**Theme:** *Learning and Teaching in the Abrahamic Traditions*

**Panelists:**

Vincent J. Cornell, University of Arkansas

Steven D. Kepnes, Colgate University

Mike Higton, University of Exeter

**Business Meeting:**

Peter Ochs, University of Virginia, Presiding
Rachel Muers, University of Exeter, Presiding

A21-77

**Special Topics Forum**  
**Sunday - 1:00 pm-2:30 pm**

**Sponsored by the Program Committee**

Join the chair of the Program Committee and the Annual Meeting Program Director for an informal chat about the guidelines and policies for proposing a new Annual Meeting program unit.
Jane Dammen McAuliffe, Georgetown University, Presiding

Theme: *Future of the AAR Annual Meeting: New Programs and Initiatives*

Panelists:

Francis X. Clooney, Boston College

Kwok Pui Lan, Episcopal Divinity School

William A. Dyrness, Fuller Theological Seminary

Steven M. Tipton, Emory University

Emilie M. Townes, Union Theological Seminary

Barbara DeConcini, American Academy of Religion

Aislinn Jones, American Academy of Religion

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**A20-55**

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

Mark Wheeler MacWilliams, St. Lawrence University, Presiding

Theme: *Monotheisms in Theory and Practice: Hindu and Comparative Insights*

Panelists:

Francis X. Clooney, Boston College

Alon Goshen-Gottstein, The Elijah School, Jerusalem

Kurt Anders Richardson, McMaster University

Carl Olson, Allegheny College

Robert A. Yelle, University of Toronto

Responding:

Parimal G. Patil, Harvard University
**A21-100**

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

Jill Raitt, University of Missouri, Columbia, Presiding

Theme: *Professional Development: Religious Studies' Contribution to Professional Service*

Panelists:

- Ed Lambeth, University of Missouri, Columbia
- Glenda Nickell, University of Missouri, Columbia
- Satish Nair, University of Missouri, Columbia
- Ken Evans, University of Missouri, Columbia
- L. Scott Smith, Corpus Christi, TX

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**A21-101**

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

Sponsored by the Status of Women in the Profession Committee

Janet R. Jakobsen, Barnard College, Presiding

Theme: *Critical Reflections on the Status of Women in the Profession*

Panelists:

- Mary E. Hunt, Women's Alliance for Theology, Ethics, and Ritual
- Traci C. West, Drew University
- Rosamond C. Rodman, Macalester College
A21-102

**Academic Teaching and the Study of Religion Section and Evangelical Theology Group**

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

Mark U. Edwards, Jr., Harvard University, Presiding

**Theme:** *Faith in the Academy Today: Responses to Scholarship and Christian Faith: Enlarging the Conversation*

Panelists:

Anthea Butler, Loyola Marymount University

Nathan Hatch, University of Notre Dame

James Heft, University of Dayton

Douglas Gordon Jacobsen, Messiah College

Rhonda Hustedt Jacobsen, Messiah College

Responding:

Richard T. Hughes, Pepperdine University

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A21-103

**Arts, Literature, and Religion Section and Theology and Continental Philosophy Group**

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

Deborah J. Haynes, University of Colorado, Boulder, Presiding
Theme: Visual Aesthetics

Gerard Loughlin, University of Durham
Rain, Fire, Water, Snow, Dew: Seeing the Unshowable in Tarkovsky’s Films

James K. A. Smith, Calvin College
Picturing Revelation: Idolatry and the Aesthetic and Rosenzweig and Marion

Eric Boynton, Allegheny College
Evil and the Problem of Commemoration

Susan L. Nelson, Pittsburgh Theological Seminary
The Use of Religious Symbols in the Context of Auschwitz: A Theological Analysis of the Artwork of Marian Kolodziej

A21-104

Ethics Section
Sunday - 3:00 pm-4:30 pm

Darryl Michael Trimiew, Colgate Rochester Crozer Divinity School, Presiding

Theme: The Streets Are Our Teachers: Activism, Protest, and Struggle as Moral Revelations

Ken Estey, New York, NY
The Streets Are Our Teachers: Activism as a Source for Social Ethics

Richard A. Hoehn, Bread for the World
Seminaries and the Arts of Public Engagement

Stephanie Kaza, University of Vermont
Unlearning Consumerism: Everyday Activism for Ethical Awareness

Joseph S. Pettit, Morgan State University
Five Rules for Teaching Social Justice

A21-105

History of Christianity Section
Sunday - 3:00 pm-4:30 pm
Trish Beckman, University of Missouri, Columbia, Presiding

Theme: *Who Are They? Naming and Shaping Jews and Christians*

Dayna Kalleres, Stanford University
*Christian Women and Jewish Seductions: Gender and Conversion in John Chrysostom’s Adversus Iudaeos Homilies*

Daniel E. Joslyn-Siemiatkoski, Boston College
“The People of That Time Too Were Christians”: *The Maccabean Martyrs as Christians in Augustine’s Sermons*

Deborah Schoenfeld, Graduate Theological Union
*The Literal as Polemical: Rashi and the Ordinary Gloss on Genesis 22*

Jessica A. Boon, Duke University
*In the Aftermath of Unity: The Suffering Christ in the Theology of Spanish "Conversos"*

Responding:

Andrew S. Jacobs, University of California, Riverside

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**A21-106**

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

Luis Enrique Murillo, Trinity University, Presiding

Theme: *From Atlantic to Pacific, North and South: Borderlands Religion in North America*

Stephen Berry, Duke University
*Crossings: The Atlantic Passage and the Transfer of Religion in the Eighteenth Century*

D. E. Gene Mills, Jr., Florida State University
*The Death of a "God" and the Dynamic Nature of Religious Exchange: Post-Contact Kahuna Healing in Hawaii*

Kristin McLaren, University of Ottawa
*The Underground Railroad Community and a New Religious Vision for North America*

Lisa J. M. Poirier, Miami University
*Jesuits and the Gendered Contexts of “Conversion” in New France*
A21-107

Religion in South Asia Section and Feminist Theory and Religious Reflection Group
Sunday - 3:00 pm-4:30 pm

Rita Sherma, Binghamton University, Presiding

Theme: Feminist Theory in the Study of South Asian Religions

Karen Pechilis, Drew University
Feminist and Religious Readings of a Hindu Woman Saint’s Story

Susan Landesman, Columbia University
Goddess Tara and the “Great Secret”

Carla Bellamy, Columbia University
Who Died and Left You in Charge? or Possession, Power, and Religious Identity in Contemporary Northwestern India

Loriliai Biernacki, University of Colorado, Boulder
Feminine Speech: The Tantric Mantra and Its Gendered Implications

Responding:

Carol S. Anderson, Kalamazoo College

A21-108

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

Gordon D. Newby, Emory University, Presiding

Theme: Law in Judaism and Islam
David Novak, University of Toronto
*Natural Law as a Border Concept between Judaism and Islam*

David Freidenreich, Columbia University
*Jewish and Islamic Restrictions on Foreign Food: A Case Study in the Significance of Similarity*

Raquel Ukeles, Harvard University
*Comparing Religions One at a Time: Juxtaposing Jewish and Islamic Law to Illuminate Islamic Normative Practice*

Mark Wagner, New York University
*Jewish Mysticism on Trial in a Muslim Court*

Responding:
Abdulaziz A. Sachedina, University of Virginia

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**A21-109**

**Theology and Religious Reflection Section**

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

Stephen G. Ray, Louisville Presbyterian Theological Seminary, Presiding

Theme: *Anthony Pinn's Children of Nimrod*

Panelists:
Peter J. Paris, Princeton Theological Seminary
Sharon D. Welch, University of Missouri, Columbia
William R. Jones, Florida State University
Cheryl A. Kirk-Duggan, Shaw University Divinity School

Responding:
Anthony B. Pinn, Rice University

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**A21-110**
Asian North American Religion, Culture, and Society Group  
Sunday - 3:00 pm-4:30 pm

Su Yon Pak, Union Theological Seminary, Presiding

Theme: Race and Sexuality in Asian American Religions

Wakou Shannon Hickey, Duke University  
Two Buddisms, Three Buddisms, and Racism

Hak Joon Lee, New Brunswick Theological Seminary  
Systematic Distortion of Race: A Habermasian Analysis of the Korean-Black Conflicts in the U.S.

Wan-Li Ho, Emory University  
Taoism and Sexuality

Boyung Lee, Pacific School of Religion  
De-Spiritualization of the Body

Responding:

Rita Nakashima Brock, Starr King School for the Ministry, Graduate Theological Union

Business Meeting:

Duncan Williams, University of California, Irvine, Presiding  
Su Yon Pak, Union Theological Seminary, Presiding

A21-111

Chinese Religions Group and Confucian Traditions Group  
Sunday - 3:00 pm-4:30 pm

Daniel B. Stevenson, University of Kansas, Presiding

Theme: Lineage Construction in Chinese Religions

Gil Raz, Dartmouth College  
Blood Rites and Pure Covenants: Lineage Construction in Early Daoist Ritual and Narrative

Mark Csikszentmihalyi, University of Wisconsin, Madison  
Han through Six Dynasties: Portrayals of Ru in the Standard Histories
Elizabeth Morrison, Middlebury College  
*Reflections on the Emergence of Lineage in Chinese Buddhism*

Edward A. Irons, The Hong Kong Institute  
*Lineage in Guangdong Quanzhendao: Construction, Loyalties, and Real World Effects*

Responding:  

Thomas A. Wilson, Hamilton College

Business Meeting:  

Daniel B. Stevenson, University of Kansas, Presiding

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**A21-112**

**Christian Spirituality Group and Religion and Popular Culture Group**  
Sunday - 3:00 pm-4:30 pm

Randall G. Styers, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, Presiding

Theme: *Religion, Spirituality, and Modernity*

Lynn Schofield Clark, University of Colorado at Boulder  
*Exploring Revolve, the New Testament for Teens at the Intersection of Twenty-First Century Religion, Media, and the Marketplace*

Kathryn Lofton, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill  
*Religious Reunion and the New Spirituality*

James H. Thrall, Duke University  
*Life, Death, and the Bourgeoisie in Evelyn Underhill’s The Grey World*

Responding:  

Leigh E. Schmidt, Princeton University

Business Meeting:  

Gary M. Laderman, Emory University, Presiding
Gay Men's Issues in Religion Group
Sunday - 3:00 pm-4:30 pm

Jay Emerson Johnson, Pacific School of Religion, Presiding

Theme: Differing Accents: Queering White, Gay, Male Religious Discourse

Jakob Hero, Zagreb, Croatia
Do We Really Need That T? Trans-Inclusion in Queer Communities of Faith

Katharine Baker, Vanderbilt University
The Transvestite Christ: Hedwig and the Angry Inch Perform Queer Theology

Burkhard Scherer, Canterbury Christ Church University College
Transgenderism, Homosexuality, and the Pandakas: Gender Identity and "Queer" Sexual Conduct in Early Buddhism and Beyond

Andre Musskopf, Sao Leopoldo, Brazil
"A Gap in the Closet": Gay Theology in Latin American Context

Randy P. Conner, California Institute of Integral Studies; Los Medanos College
Queer Participation in Santeria, Candomble, and Vodou

Jason B. Crawford, Graduate Theological Union
White Weddings? Racisms, Racialized Publics, and the Moral Politics of California's Proposition 22

Business Meeting:

Donald L. Boisvert, Concordia University, Presiding
Jay Emerson Johnson, Pacific School of Religion, Presiding

Korean Religions Group
Sunday - 3:00 pm-4:30 pm

Sungtaek Cho, Korea University, Presiding

Theme: The Absolute and the Individual in Modern Korean Religiosity
Panelists:

Young Sang Ahn, Seoul, Korea
Jong Seong Choi, Seoul National University
Soon Woo Chung, The Academy of Korean Studies

Responding:

Don Baker, University of British Columbia
Seung-Hwan Lee, Korea University
Youngmin Kim, Bryn Mawr College

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

June McDaniel, College of Charleston, Presiding

Theme: Mystical Triggers, Mystical Experience

Stuart R. Sarbacker, Northwestern University
Herbs as a Means to Power in Patañjali’s Yogasutra

Kelly Baker, Florida State University
Henry Ossawa Tanner and Visual Mysticism

Mary Ann Clark, University of Houston, Clear Lake
Ambiguities in Santeria Possession Trance: Challenges to the Unitary and Gendered Self

Glenn Young, University of Missouri, Kansas City
The Sound of Silence: Quasi-Mantric Prayer in Modern Christian Mystical Practices

Business Meeting:

June McDaniel, College of Charleston, Presiding
Neil Douglas-Klotz, Edinburgh Institute for Advanced Learning, Presiding
Religion and Ecology Group  
Sunday - 3:00 pm-4:30 pm

Christopher Chapple, Loyola Marymount University, Presiding

Theme: Building Meta-Ecological Worlds: The Cultural Production of Environmental Awareness

Janel Atlas, Messiah College  
Appealing to the Prodigal Son: Ecological Responsibility in Barbara Kingsolver’s Prodigal Summer

Sarah M. Taylor, Northwestern University  
Ecologies of Hope and Horror: Activist Women, Ecofeminist Science Fiction, and the Prophetic Imagination

Bron Taylor, University of Florida  
Disney Worlds at War

Lucas Johnston, University of Florida  
The Ethics of Restoration Ecology: Recovering the Value of Relationship

Evan Berry, University of California, Santa Barbara  
Historical Issues in Religion and Ecology

Business Meeting:

Christopher Chapple, Loyola Marymount University, Presiding  
Beth Blissman, Oberlin College, Presiding

Religion in Latin America and the Caribbean Group  
Sunday - 3:00 pm-4:30 pm

Iain S. Maclean, James Madison University, Presiding

Theme: Latin American Liberation Theology: The Next Generation

Panelists:

Ivan Petrella, University of Miami

Jung Mo Sung, Universidade Metodista de São Paulo
Ritual Studies Group
Sunday - 3:00 pm-4:30 pm

Ute Huesken, University of Heidelberg, Presiding

Theme: Ritual Failure: Mistakes in Ritual and Ritual Dynamics

Panelists:
Michael Stausberg, University of Heidelberg
Axel Michaels, University of Heidelberg
Eftychia Stavrianopoulou, University of Heidelberg
Gregor Ahn, University of Heidelberg

Responding:
Ronald L. Grimes, Wilfrid Laurier University
Schleiermacher Group
Sunday - 3:00 pm-4:30 pm

Andrew C. Dole, Amherst College, Presiding

Theme: Part I of Schleiermacher's The Christian Faith as the First Year of a Three Year Investigation of the Glaubenslehre

Thomas A. James, Union Theological Seminary
Divine Causality, the Natural Order, and the Charge of "Occasionalism": Examining Schleiermacher's Interpretation of Creation and Preservation

John Crossley, University of Southern California
The Religious Ethics Implicit in Schleiermacher's Doctrine of Creation

Ward Daryll, Kettering College of Medical Arts
Causality and Schleiermacher's Living God

Julia A. Lamm, Georgetown University
System, Structure, and Some Oft-Neglected Propositions

Responding:

John E. Thiel, Fairfield University

Business Meeting:

Julia A. Lamm, Georgetown University, Presiding

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

Frances M. Garrett, University of Toronto, Presiding

Theme: Authoritative Discourse in Tibetan Literary Production

Sam van Schaik, The British Library
Oral Teachings and Written Texts: Transmission and Transformation in Dunhuang

Holly Gayley, Harvard University
The Divinization of Female Agency in a Tibetan Hagiography
A21-123

Tillich: Issues in Theology, Religion, and Culture Group
Sunday - 3:00 pm-4:30 pm

Robison B. James, University of Richmond, Baptist Theological Seminary at Richmond, Presiding

Theme: Tillich and the Post-Modern World

Russell R. Manning, University of Cambridge
Tillich, Taylor, Milbank, and the Prospects for a Postmodern Theology of Culture

Henry W. Spaulding, Trevecca Nazarene University
The End of Modernity and Outwitting Nihilism: Preliminary Thoughts on the Appropriateness and Importance of a Tillichian Engagement with Radical Orthodoxy

Michael DeLashmutt, University of Glasgow
The Shifting Form of Tillich’s Theological Circle: A Ricoeurian Analysis

Jonathan Rothchild, University of Chicago
Global Flows, Head Scarves, and Finite Freedom: Tillich on Globalization

Business Meeting:

Robison B. James, University of Richmond, Baptist Theological Seminary at Richmond, Presiding
Mary Ann Stenger, University of Louisville, Presiding
Zen Buddhism Seminar  
Sunday - 3:00 pm-4:30 pm

John C. Maraldo, University of North Florida, Presiding

Theme: Zen Ethics and Practice

Miriam Levering, University of Tennessee, Knoxville
Zen for the Women's Quarters: The Teachings of Soshin-ni (1588-1675)

Paula K. R. Arai, Carleton College
Zen Practices of Japanese Laywomen

David E. Riggs, International Research Center for Japanese Studies
The Zen Precepts of Soto Zen: Historical Arguments for the Transcendent, or Scholar-Monks in a Bind

Christopher Ives, Stonehill College
What's Compassion Got to Do with It? Determinants and Parameters of Zen Social Ethics

Brian Victoria, Binghamton University
The Ethical Implications of Zen-Related Terrorism in 1930s Japan

Business Meeting:

Gereon Kopf, Luther College, Presiding
Jin Y. Park, American University, Presiding

A21-125

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

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

Theme: Augustine, Just War, and Terrorism: Application or Irrelevance?

William Barbieri, Catholic University of America
Contra Augustinum: On the Irrelevance of Classical Just War Theory Today

Pamela K. Brubaker, California Lutheran University
A Critical Appraisal of Jean Bethke Elshtain’s Just War Against Terror
A21-126

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

Sponsored by AAR, SBL, and Publishers Weekly

Jana Riess, Publishers Weekly, Presiding

Theme: Ask the Experts: Turning the Dissertation into a Marketable “Scholarly Trade” Book

Panelists:

Henry L. Carrigan, Trinity International Press
Elaine Maisner, University of North Carolina Press
Stephanie Wellen Levine, Tufts University
Elda Rotor, Oxford University Press
Mark Oppenheimer, New Haven, CT

See the Program Highlights for a description.

A21-127

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 Jane Dammen McAuliffe, president.
A21-129

Arts Series/Films: Alambrista  
Sunday - 8:30 pm-10:30 pm

David Carrasco, Harvard University, Presiding

See the Program Highlights for a description.

A21-130

Arts Series/Films: Luther  
Sunday - 8:30 pm-10:30 pm

Anne Thayer, Lancaster Theological Seminary, Presiding

Responding:

Mark U. Edwards, Harvard University

See the Program Highlights for a description.

A21-131

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

JAAR Editorial Board members are invited to a reception in their honor.

A21-132

Arts Series/Films: SAVAES (San Antonio Vocal Arts Ensemble)  
Sunday - 8:30 pm-10:00 pm

Diane Apostolos-Cappadona, Georgetown University, Martha Ann Kirk, University of the Incarnate Word, and James L. Empereur, San Fernando Cathedral, Presiding
See the Program Highlights for a description.

**A22-1**

**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 International Connections Committee.

**A22-2**

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

Peter J. Paris, Princeton Theological Seminary, Presiding

**A22-3**

**Program Unit Chairs Breakfast Meeting**  
*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.

**A22-5**

**Special Topics Forum**  
*Monday - 9:00 am-11:30 am*

William K. Mahony, Davidson College, Presiding
Theme: *Academic Freedom and Academic Responsibility in the Study of Religion*

Panelists:

Laurie Louise Patton, Emory University
John Voll, Georgetown University
Francis X. Clooney, Boston College
Jonathan Z. Smith, University of Chicago
Karen McCarthy Brown, Drew University

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**A22-6**

**Special Topics Forum**  
**Monday - 9:00 am-11:30 am**

Sponsored by the Public Understanding of Religion Committee

David G. Hackett, University of Florida, Presiding

Theme: *Contested Sacred Space: The National Park Service in San Antonio and Beyond*

Panelists:

Thomas Bremer, Rhodes College
Steve Whitesell, National Park Service
Edward Tabor Linenthal, University of Wisconsin, Oshkosh
Chris Jocks, Dartmouth College
Dwight Piteaithley, National Park Service

See the Program Highlights for a description.
Arts, Literature, and Religion Section  
Monday - 9:00 am-11:30 am

Jennifer L. Geddes, University of Virginia, Presiding

Theme: Monuments, Memories, and the Memorializing Process

Lorena E. Cuevas, New York, NY  
"All My Love Is Here and Has Remained": Monuments as Tributes to Memory of September 11, 1973 in Chile

Jeffrey F. Meyer, University of North Carolina, Charlotte  
Changing Meanings of Memorials and Monuments: Tiananmen and the Lincoln Memorial in Washington, D.C.

Mark W. Graham, College of Wooster  
Memorializing May 4, 1970 at Kent State University: The Transformations of Public Art, from Representation to Abstraction and Religious Criticism to Spiritual Reflection

C. Hannah Schell, Monmouth College  
“On These Grounds”: American Sublime and the Process of Memorializing Tragedy

Martin Holland, Rosborough Partners  
copresenter with Hannah Schnell

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

Stephen F. Teiser, Princeton University, Presiding

Theme: Buddhism in the Dark: What Monks and Nuns, Lay People, Artists, Patrons, and Others Did in Buddhist Cave-Temples in India, Central Asia, Tibet, and China

Panelists:

Sarah E. Fraser, Northwestern University

Chunwen Hao, Capital Normal University
Angela F. Howard, Rutgers University
Christian Luczanits, University of Vienna
Keiji Sadakane, Kyoto City University of Arts
Robert Sharf, University of California, Berkeley
Walter Spink, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor
Hung Wu, Methodist Graduate School of Theology, Taiwan
Fuxue Yang, Dunhuang Research Institute
Wei Yang, Northwestern University

A22-9

Comparative Studies in Religion Section
Monday - 9:00 am-11:30 am

Tracy Pintchman, Loyola University, Chicago, Presiding

Theme: Stop in the Name of God! Wayside Shrines in South Asian, Southeast Asian, and North American Traditions

Panelists:

Jill Barnes, University of Iowa
Justin McDaniel, University of California, Riverside
Eliza Kent, Colgate University
June McDaniel, College of Charleston
Selva Raj, Albion College
Anna Bigelow, North Carolina State University
Clayton McNearney, Marshall University

Responding:
A22-10

History of Christianity Section and Religion, Film, and Visual Culture Group
Monday - 9:00 am-11:30 am

Nathan Baruch Rein, Ursinus College, Presiding

Theme: But Is It True? Representations of Christian History in Fiction and Film

Joseph Pearson, Fordham University
"The Wonder of the Ages": Mark Twain's Joan of Arc as History and Anti-Religious Fiction

Jonathan Seitz, Princeton Theological Seminary
“But Is It True?”: Kingsolver’s The Poisonwood Bible on American Imperialism, Foreign Missions, and African Christianity

Hans J. Hillerbrand, Duke University
Will the Real Martin Luther Please Stand Up: Reflections on Film and History

Susan Karant-Nunn, University of Arizona
Gibson’s The Passion of the Christ: Early Modern Models

Jason A. Mahn, Emory University
A Lutheran Luther and a Christian Christ: The Function of Religious Imagery in Twenty-First-Century Film

A22-11

Philosophy of Religion Section
Monday - 9:00 am-11:30 am

Steven Heine, Florida International University, Presiding

Theme: Deconstruction and the Ethical in East Asian Thought

Gereon Kopf, Luther College
The Ethical and the Non-Ethical: Nishida’s Methodic Subversion
Dan Lusthaus, Boston University
*Zhuangzi's Aporetic Ethics as a Response to Mohist and Confucian Ethics*

Jin Y. Park, American University
*The Ethical in Derridean Deconstruction and Contemporary Discourse on Zen Buddhism*

Youru Wang, Rowan University
*Deconstructing Karma and the Aporia of the Ethical in Hongzhou Zen*

Responding:
Robert Magliola, Ling Jiou Shan Buddhist Monastery

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**A22-12**

**Religion and the Social Sciences Section and Person, Culture, and Religion Group**
**Monday - 9:00 am-11:30 am**

Felicity Brock Kelcourse, Christian Theological Seminary, Presiding

**Theme:** *Narrative Methods in Psychology and Religion*

Kathleen Bishop, Madison, NJ
*The Moral of the Story: Narrative Truth and Moral Experience*

Linda Ellison, Harvard University
*Abortion and the Politics of God: Patient Narratives and the Psychology of Religion*

Gordon Lynch, University of Birmingham
*The Role of Discourses of the Self in the Narration of Personal Faith and Spirituality in Contemporary Western Society*

Erin Dufault-Hunter, University of Southern California
*Understanding "Fanatics": A Hermeneutical Approach to Religion*

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**A22-13**

**Study of Islam Section**
**Monday - 9:00 am-11:30 am**
Omid Safi, Colgate University, Presiding

Theme: *Recasting Prophet Muhammad and the Qur'an*

Kecia Ali, Brandeis University
"I Was a Girl of Nine": Recent Online Controversies over the Prophet's Marriage to Aisha

Amer Latif, Marlboro College
*Mercy in Literalness: Ibn al-Arabi’s Quranic Hermeneutics*

Seth Carney, University of London
*The Prophet Muhammad as Ecumenical Figure: Legal and Mystical Interpretations*

Sarah Bowen Savant, Harvard University
*Muhammad’s Spiritual Ancestors and Their Blood Descendants: Charting Persian Identity in Medieval Islam*

Responding:

Ahmet T. Karamustafa, Washington University

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**A22-14**

**Study of Judaism Section**

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

Randi Rashkover, York College of Pennsylvania, Presiding

Theme: *Augustine and Judaism*

Panelists:

Lewis Ayres, Duke University

Paula Fredriksen, Boston University

Chad Pecknold, University of Cambridge

Responding:

Michael A. Signer, University of Notre Dame
Theology and Religious Reflection Section  
Monday - 9:00 am-11:30 am  
Wendy Farley, Emory University, Presiding  
Theme: Interreligious Dialogue in an Age of Globalization  
David R. Brockman, Southern Methodist University  
Turning to the Religious Other: Christian Theology and Interreligious Dialogue in the Age of Globalization  
Hyo-Dong Lee, Vanderbilt University  
Interreligious Dialogue as a Politics of Recognition: A Hegelian Reconfiguration of Interreligious Relationships in an Age of Globalization  
Joseph Lumbard, American University, Cairo  
Koranic Inclusivism in a Broader Historical Context  
Heup Young Kim, Kang Nam University  
A Tao of Interreligious Dialogue in an Age of Globalization

Women and Religion Section  
Monday - 9:00 am-11:30 am  
Marcia Beauchamp, California Institute of Integral Studies, Presiding  
Theme: Untold or Silenced Knowledge? Ethnographies on Neo-Pagan Goddess Spiritualities and the Academy  
Panelists:  
Nikki Bado-Fralick, Iowa State University  
Kristy Coleman, Claremont Graduate University  
Pamela A. Detrixhe, Temple University  
Jone Salomonsen, University of Oslo
Responding:
Sarah Pike, California State University, Chico

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

Peter J. Paris, Princeton Theological Seminary, Presiding

Theme: African Religions and Ecology

Kofi A. Opoku, Lafayette College
Ecology Is Religion: African Traditional Religion and the Environment

Joel Cabrita, University of Virginia
Holy Water, Profane Water: Appropriations of a River

James B. Kantiok, Azusa Pacific University
Women and Leadership in Pre-Islamic and the Early Years of Islam in Hausaland: Nature Spirits and Bori Practices in Northern Nigeria

Business Meeting:

Samuel K. Elolia, Emmanuel School of Religion, Presiding

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

Aminah Beverly McCloud, DePaul University, Presiding

Theme: The Legacy of C. Eric Lincoln and the Study of Islam in North America

Panelists:

Edward E. Curtis, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill

Jamillah Karim, Duke University
Richard B. Turner, University of Iowa

Responding:

Carolyn Rouse, Princeton University

Business Meeting:

Debra Mubashshir Majeed, Beloit College, Presiding

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**A22-19**

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

Amy Plantinga Pauw, Louisville Presbyterian Theological Seminary, Presiding

Theme: *Church, Spirit, and Authority*

Nicholas M. Healy, St. John's University  
*Authority in the Church: Some Constructive Suggestions from Thomas Aquinas*

Dan R. Stiver, Hardin-Simmons University  
*The Fellowship of the Spirit and Dissent in the Free Church Tradition*

Elizabeth Groppe, Xavier University  
*Authority and Ecstasis: The Church in the Power of the Spirit*

Steffen Lösel, Emory University  
*Guidance from the Gaps: The Holy Spirit, Ecclesial Authority, and the Principle of Juxtaposition*

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**A22-20**

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

Brian E. Daley, University of Notre Dame, Presiding

Theme: *Rethinking Gregory of Nyssa*
Vladimir Kharlamov, Drew University
*Deification Innuendo in Gregory of Nyssa*

Jennifer Kreis, Boston College
*Rethinking Gregory of Nyssa’s Apophaticism: Understanding and Theology as Rational and Eschatological*

Gordon S. Mikoski, Princeton Theological Seminary
*From One Degree of Glory to Another: Baptism, Trinity, and Ecclesial Pedagogy in the Thought of Gregory of Nyssa*

David Dunn, Olivet Nazarene University
*Perpetual Purgation: The Internal Logic of Apokatastasis*

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**A22-21**

**Japanese Religions Group and Sacred Space in Contemporary Asia Consultation**

Monday - 9:00 am-11:30 am

**New Program Unit**

Paul L. Swanson, Nanzan Institute for Religion and Culture, Presiding

Theme: *Screening and Panel Discussion of Documentary Film* Opening the Gates to Heaven: A Pilgrimage to Oyama by Barbara Ambros

Panelists:

Andrew Bernstein, Lewis and Clark College

James Robson, University of Michigan

Donald K. Swearer, Harvard University

Responding:

Barbara Ambros, International Christian University, Tokyo

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**A22-22**
Latina/o Religion, Culture, and Society Group  
Monday - 9:00 am-11:30 am

Margarita M. W. Suarez, Meredith College, Presiding

Theme: *Latina/o Religiosity: Public Ritual and American Catholicism*

Lara Medina, Claremont Graduate University  
*Communing with the Dead: Public Ritual, Community Renewal, and Popular Culture in the Southwest*

Mary Ellen O'Donnell, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill  
*Apparitions and Interpretations: The Virgin of Guadalupe and American Cultural Catholicism*

Business Meeting:

Michelle A. Gonzalez, Loyola Marymount University, Presiding  
Benjamin Valentin, Andover Newton Theological School, Presiding

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Lesbian-Feminist Issues and Religion Group and Law, Religion, and Culture Consultation  
Monday - 9:00 am-11:30 am

Natalie B. Dohrmann, University of Pennsylvania, Presiding

Theme: *Religious Values and the Legal Construction of American Marriage*

Fay Botham, Claremont Graduate University  
*How a Catholic Theology of Marriage Crushed California's Anti-Miscegenation Law*

Rosemary Hicks, Columbia University  
*The Debate over Gay-Marriage and the Relationship of Church and State*

Patrick Mason, University of Notre Dame  
*Mormonism and Miscegenation: A Study in Religion, Politics, and Culture*

Chris Talbot, University of Michigan  
*Disciplining Mormons: Polygamy and the Legal Reification of Public and Private*

Responding:

Paul Finkelman, University of Tulsa
Native Traditions in the Americas Group
Monday - 9:00 am-11:30 am

Philip P. Arnold, Syracuse University, Presiding

Theme: Gender and Geography in the Study of Indigenous Mexico and Southwest United States

Anne Key, California Institute of Integral Studies
Birth and Death: The Cihuateteo in Mesoamerican Cosmology

Joseph Kroger, Saint Michael's College
Mexico's Madonnas of Conquest

Juan Avila, University of California, Davis
Luis Valenzuela Beeteme: Yoeme Sacred Geography from a Historical Perspective

Marilyn Notah, University of California, Santa Barbara
The Ideology of the Diné in Relation to Their Land

Responding:

Ines Hernandez-Avila, University of California, Davis

Business Meeting:

Michelene Pesantubbee, University of Iowa, Presiding
Michael McNally, Carleton College, Presiding

Religion and Disability Studies Group and Biblical Scholarship and Disabilities Consultation
Monday - 9:00 am-11:30 am

Deborah Creamer, Iliff School of Theology, Presiding

Theme: Experiences of Disability and the Teaching of Religion: A Roundtable Discussion

Panelists:
Religion, Holocaust, and Genocide Group
Monday - 9:00 am-11:30 am

Katharina Von Kellenbach, Saint Mary's College of Maryland, Presiding

Theme: Theology, Rhetoric, and the Future of Holocaust and Genocide Studies

Tam K. Parker, University of the South
The Good Word, Spoken and Un/done: Ethical Rhetoric and Moral Reasoning in the Perpetration of Atrocity and Genocide

Kevin Lewis O'Neill, Stanford University
The Truth Will Set Us Free: The Practice of Christian Theology within Lay and Faith-Based Truth and Reconciliation Reports

Sarah K. Pinnock, Trinity University
New Directions in Post-Holocaust Theology

Cat Ngoc Jonathan Tran, Duke University
The Politics of Re-Memory

Business Meeting:

Susan L. Nelson, Pittsburgh Theological Seminary, Presiding
Oren Baruch Stier, Florida International University, Presiding
Wesleyan Studies Group  
Monday - 9:00 am-11:30 am

Sondra Matthaei, Saint Paul School of Theology, Presiding

Theme: *Latina/o Studies and Wesleyan Studies*

Daniel Ramirez, Arizona State University  
*Yanking Out the “Royal Telephone”: Convert Agency in Borderlands Methodism and Pentecostalism*

Philip Wingeier-Ray, Pfeiffer University  
*The Class Meeting: Base Christian Communities and Pentecostalism in Cuernavaca, Mexico*

Elaine Robinson, Texas Christian University  
*Recovering Los Desaparecidos, Renewing Wesleyan Theology*

Business Meeting:

K. Steve McCormick, Nazarene Theological Seminary, Presiding

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A22-28

Constructions of Ancient Space Seminar  
Monday - 9:00 am-11:30 am

Jon L. Berquist, Westminster John Knox Press, Presiding

Theme: *Critical Spatiality and/in Representations of the Past, Present, and Future*

Susan L. Graham, Saint Peter’s College  
*Justinian and the Politics of Space*

Mary Huie-Jolly, Knox College, Dunedin  
*Winnicott’s Formation of Self and Lefebvre’s Construction of Space*

Kathryn Muller Lopez, Campbell University  
*Standing before the Throne of God: Critical Spaciality in the Judgment of the Wicked in Apocalyptic Literature*

Wesley A. Kort, Duke University  
*Author Meets Critics: Kort's Place and Space in Modern Fiction*

Business Meeting:
A22-29

Childhood Studies and Religion Consultation
Monday - 9:00 am-11:30 am

Marcia Bunge, Valparaiso University, Presiding

Theme: The Role of Narrative in the Spiritual Formation of Children: Perspectives from Two Award-Winning Authors

Sandy Eisenberg Sasso, Congregation Beth-El Zedeck
Walking in Cain's Shoes: Sacred Narrative with Question Marks

Walter Wangerin, Jr., Valparaiso University
But the Child Is the Hyena: Narrative, Identification, and Faith Formation

Responding:

Jerome W. Berryman, Center for the Theology of Childhood

A22-30

Tantric Studies Consultation
Monday - 9:00 am-11:30 am

New Program Unit

Richard K. Payne, Graduate Theological Union, Presiding

Theme: The "Body" across Tantric Traditions

Vesna Acimovic Wallace, University of California, Santa Barbara
The Body as a Tantric Text: A Buddhist Tantric "Genome Project"

Kerry Martin Skora, Hiram College
The Pulsating Heart and Its Divine Sense-Energies: Abhinavagupta's Embodied Phenomenology of Mantra-Consciousness
Jeffrey Stephen Lidke, Berry College  
_Towards a Theory of Tantra-Ecology_

Shaman Hatley, University of Pennsylvania  
_Mapping the Esoteric Body in Medieval Bengali Islamic Yoga_

Helen Crovetto, Azusa, CA  
_From Tiruvannamalai to Prescott and Bozeman: The Western Baul Lineage_

David G. White, University of California, Santa Barbara  
_A Reflection on the First Consultation in Tantric Studies: The Tantric "Body"_

**Business Meeting:**

Glen Alexander Hayes, Bloomfield College, Presiding  
Sthaneshwar Timalsina, Washington University, St. Louis, Presiding

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**A22-31**

_EIS Advisory Committee_  
**Monday - 11:30 am-1:00 pm**

Shelly C. Roberts, American Academy of Religion, Presiding

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**A22-32**

_AAR Annual Business Meeting_  
**Monday - 11:45 am-1:00 pm**

Jane Dammen McAuliffe, Georgetown University, Presiding

AAR members are encouraged to join the AAR Board of Directors for the annual business meeting of the Academy.

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**A22-33**

_Religion and Disabilities Task Force Meeting_  
**Monday - 11:45 am-1:00 pm**
A22-50

Special Topics Forum
Monday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm

Sponsored by the International Connections Task Force

Mary McGee, Columbia University, Presiding

Theme: *Latin American Discourse: Contributions to the Study of Religion*

Panelists:

Sylvia Marcos, Universidad Autonoma del Estado de Morelos, Claremont Graduate University

Manuel Vasquez, University of Florida

Nelson Maldonado-Torres, University of California, Berkeley

See the Program Highlights for a description.

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Special Topics Forum
Monday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm

Sponsored by the Publications Committee

Cynthia Read, Oxford University Press, Presiding

Theme: *Publishing in the Five AAR/OUP Book 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, Iliff School of Theology

James Wetzel, Colgate University

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**A22-52**

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

Sponsored by the Public Understanding of Religion Committee

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

Theme: *The Marty Forum: A Conversation with Huston Smith*

Panelists:

Huston Smith, Syracuse University, emeritus

Diane Connolly, Religionlink

See the Program Highlights for a description.

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**A22-53**

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

Fred Glennon, Le Moyne College, Presiding

Theme: *The Classroom as Borderland/Borderlands in the Classroom*

Richard M. Carp, Appalachian State University

*Borders at the Center: Teaching the Borders of/in the Classroom*

Hjamil A. Martinez Vazquez, DePaul University

*Building a Borderland in the Classroom: Pedagogy for the Analysis of Religion in the Borderlands*
Richard Bautch, St. Edward's University
*Exchanging Customs and Concepts in the Classroom as Borderlands*

Business Meeting:

Sidney Brown, University of the South, Presiding
Christopher Johnson, Gustavus Adolphus College, Presiding

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**A22-54**

**Buddhism Section**
**Monday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm**

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

Theme: *Studies in Buddhist Philosophy and Mental Culture*

Noa Ronkin, Stanford University
*Selfless Minds and Causal Relations: Revisiting the Theravadin Abhidhamma Analysis of Consciousness*

Jason Carbine, University of Chicago
*Defending the Front-Line Fortress: Transmitting the Patthana in Contemporary Burma*

Kevin Vose, University of Virginia
*Knowing the Ultimate: Debates in the Eleventh- and Twelfth-Century Revival of Candrakirti’s Madhyamaka*

Joseph Walser, Tufts University
*Nagarjuna in the Region of Mathura*

Business Meeting:

Anne M. Blackburn, Cornell University, Presiding
Peter N. Gregory, Smith College, Presiding

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**A22-55**

**North American Religions Section**
**Monday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm**
Reeva Simon, Columbia University, Presiding

Theme: Finding Islam in New York City

Zaheer Ali, Columbia University
"Black Mecca": The Nation of Islam's Mosque No. 7, Harlem, and Islam in New York City

Linda Beck, Barnard College, Dept of Political Science
The “Other” Black Muslims: The Transnational Community of West African Muslims in New York City

Munir Jiwa, Massachusetts Institute of Technology
Muslim Visual Artists and the Boundaries of Muslim Identity

Yusuf Nuruddin, Brooklyn, NY
Islam, Afrocentricity, and Urban Mythology: Syncretizing Qur'anic and Kemetic Cultures in the Inner City

Nequin Yavari, New York, NY
Reconstructing the Past: The “Founding” Texts of a Sufi Revivalist Movement in New York City

A22-56

Philosophy of Religion Section
Monday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm

Eric Boynton, Allegheny College, Presiding

Theme: Kant and the Philosophy of Religion II (On the 200th Anniversary of His Death)

Terry Godlove, Hofstra University
Kant and the Quest for Modesty

Wendy Wiseman, University of California, Santa Barbara
Rending the Veil: The Kantian Sublime and Nietzsche's Dionysus

Gerald J. Larson, emeritus, University of California, Santa Barbara and Indiana University, Bloomington
Kant's Influence on New Directions in Contemporary Indian Philosophy

Andrew Saldino, Syracuse University
Foucault's Imperative for Theological Thinking
Religion and the Social Sciences Section  
Monday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm

Douglas A. Hicks, University of Richmond, Presiding

Theme: Religious Responses to the Impact of Free Trade

Rebecca Todd Peters, Elon University
Lessons from the FTAA: Reorienting Economic Theory

Lorena E. Cuevas, New York, NY
From the End of the World -- Goods of the Earth, Goods for the People: The Mapuche of Chile
Hold the World Leaders Accountable in the Age of Free Trade Agreements

Ruth J. Chojnacki, University of Chicago
Indigenous Apostles: Proclaiming Religion, Reclaiming the Land in Mexico’s Maya Highlands

Julian Sanborn, Temple University
"Nothing for Ourselves Alone, but Everything for Everyone": How the Zapatistas Sparked a
Global Resistance

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

Phyllis Herman, California State University, Northridge, Presiding

Theme: Can Muslims Talk to Hindus? An Exploration of Islamic Categories for Hindu-Muslim
Dialogue

Panelists:

Irfan A. Omar, Marquette University

Chakravarthi Ram-Prasad, Lancaster University

Mahmoud Ayoub, Temple University

Arvind Sharma, McGill University
A22-59

**Study of Judaism Section**  
**Monday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm**

Pinchas Giller, University of Judaism, Presiding

Theme: *Authority and Its Grounds*

Michael Gottsegen, Harvard University  
*Two Stages in the Development of Levinas's Political Theology*

Kenneth Koltun-Fromm, Haverford College  
*Reading Practices and Religious Authority: Abraham Geiger's Biblical Criticism and the Study of Judaism*

Robert Erlewine, Rice University  
*Purging Myth, Purging Intolerance: Cohen, Assmann, and the Promise of Ethical Monotheism*

Jonathan Schofer, University of Wisconsin, Madison  
*Rabbinic Ethics and Rabbinic Authority: Tropes for Transformation through Torah*

Business Meeting:

Martin Kavka, Florida State University, Presiding  
Randi Rashkover, York College of Pennsylvania, Presiding

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A22-60

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

Jung Ha Kim, Georgia State University, Presiding

Theme: *Scholarly and Popular Treatments of Mary Magdalene*
Deanna A. Thompson, Hamline University
*Jesus Loved Her More Than the Rest: Mary Magdalene, the Early Church, and What's Been Covered Up*

Melanie L. Harris, Union Theological Seminary
*A Womanist Look at Soteriology in the Gospel of Mary*

Jane F. Crosthwaite, Mount Holyoke College
*The Shaker Message from Mary Magdalene: Visionary Encouragement for the Celibate Life*

Responding:

Jacqueline Z. Pastis, La Salle University

Business Meeting:

Jacqueline Z. Pastis, La Salle University, Presiding

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**A22-61**

**Bioethics and Religion Group**
Monday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm

Paul R. Johnson, D'Youville College, Presiding

Theme: *The Ethics of Health Care Delivery/Religious Ethics, Medicine, and Technology*

Michael McKenzie, Keuka College
"Noncompliant Patients" in Rural Health Care: The Need for the "Agapic Voice" in the Patient-Physician Relationship

Rebecca Edmondson, Boston University
*When Religion and Bioethics Collide: Catholic Hospitals and Emergency Contraception for Victims of Rape*

Swasti Bhattacharyya, Buena Vista University
*Babes, Science, and the Mahabharata: A Hindu Ethic Applied to Assisted Reproductive Technology*

Laurie Zoloth, Northwestern University
*Living under the Fallen Sky: Biotechnology, Escatology, and Forbidden Knowledge*

Business Meeting:
A22-62

Critical Theory and Discourses on Religion Group
Monday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm

Paul Christopher Johnson, University of Michigan-Ann Arbor, Presiding

Theme: Monotheism(s) and Polytheism(s): Rhetorics and Legacies

Greg Grieve, University of North Carolina, Greensboro
Symbol, Idol, and Murti: Monotheism's Spiritual Legacy and the Rhetoric of Scripturalism

Michael Hawley, Mount Royal College
Encounters with Monotheisms: Radhakrishnan on Christian, Hindu, and Islamic Monotheism

Wouter Hanegraaff, University of Amsterdam
Mysteries of Incarnation: The Hermetic Animation of Statues in Christian Monotheism

Kocku von Stuckrad, University of Amsterdam
European Polytheism Revisited: From “Pagan Dreams” to Visual Culture in Renaissance Studies

Responding:

Steve Wasserstrom, Reed College

Business Meeting:

Steven Engler, Mount Royal College, Presiding
Kocku von Stuckrad, University of Amsterdam, Presiding

A22-63

Europe and the Mediterranean in Late Antiquity Group
Monday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm

Charlotte Fonrobert, Stanford University, Presiding
Theme: "Outside the Canon": Oral, Visual, and Other Extra-Textual Cultures in Late Antiquity

Shira L. Lander, St. Mary's Seminary and University
“The Word Made Flesh”: Case Studies of Confluence and Conflict in the Shrines of the Terebinths of Mamre and the Maccabean Martyrs in Daphne, Syria

Georgia Frank, Colgate University
Hell Overheard: Romanos the Melodist on the Death of Christ

Caroline T. Schroeder, Stanford University
Playing the Harlot in an Egyptian Monastery: The Rhetorics of Sexuality and Prophecy in Shenoute’s Letters

Responding:
Patricia Cox Miller, Syracuse University

Business Meeting:
Jason D. BeDuhn, Northern Arizona University, Presiding
Naomi Koltun-Fromm, Haverford College, Presiding

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

Anthea Butler, Loyola Marymount University, Presiding

Theme: Evangelicalism in Latina/o and Latin American Communities

Philip Wingeier-Rayo, Pfeiffer University
The Search for an Évangelical Identity of Social Engagement: The Church in Cuba

Bobby C. Alexander, University of Texas at Dallas
The Role of a Mexican Protestant Church and Its U.S. Missions in Transnational Migration

Ruben Rosario-Rodriguez, Saint Louis University
Popular Religion or Academic Movement? Reconsidering Teología en Conjunto

Responding:
Daniel Ramirez, Arizona State University
Islamic Mysticism Group and Mysticism Group
Monday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm

Barbara R. von Schlegell, University of Pennsylvania, Presiding

Theme: In Theory and in Practice: Sufi Thinkers on the Integration of Ontology and Ethics

Richard J. McGregor, Vanderbilt University
The Ontology of the Master-Disciple Relationship: The Shaykhs of the Wafa‘iyya

Timothy Gianotti, University of Oregon
Knowledge Illuminating Practice, Practice Precipitating Knowledge: The Symbiotic Relationship of the Practical and the Theoretical in the Mystical Thought of Abu Hamid al-Ghazali

Neil Douglas-Klotz, Edinburgh Institute for Advanced Learning
Languages of Experience: The Theory and Practice of a General Semantics Sufi

Laury Silvers, Skidmore College
The Presence of Theoretical Sufism in the Early Period: With an Example of the Interrelationship between the Theoretical and the Practical from the Work of Abu Bakr al-Wasiti (d. ca. 320/928)

Responding:

T. Emil Homerin, University of Rochester

Korean Religions Group
Monday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm

Hong-Bin Lim, Korea University, Presiding

Theme: Religion and National Identity in Modern Korea

Pori Park, Arizona State University
The Development of Buddhist Nationalism during Japanese Colonial Rule (1910–1945)
Paul Hyoshin Kim, Little Falls, NJ
*Taksa Ch’oe Pyŏnghŏn and the Struggle for a “Christian-Korean” Identity*

Andrew Eungi Kim, Korea University
*The Rituals, Beliefs, and Symbols of Korean Civil Religion: The Making of Korean Nationhood and Peoplehood*

Responding:

Jin Y. Park, American University
John I. Goulde, Sweet Briar College

Business Meeting:

Sungtaek Cho, Korea University, Presiding

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**A22-67**

**Men's Studies in Religion Group and Childhood Studies and Religion Consultation**
**Monday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm**

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

Theme: *Making Boys: Religion and the Gender Construction of Boys*

Reidar Aasgaard, University of Oslo
*From Boy to Man: Jesus in the Infancy Gospel of Thomas*

Susan Ridgely Bales, Carleton College

Ludger Viefhues, Yale University
*On Grace, Sissies, and Exploding Manholes: Normative Masculinity and the Impossible Theology of Boyhood of Focus on the Family*

Mark J. Justad, Center for the Study of Religion and Culture at Vanderbilt University
*Religion and the Gender Construction of Boys in a Postpatriarchal Context*

Responding:

Donald E. Capps, Princeton Theological Seminary
New Religious Movements Group
Monday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm

William M. Ashcraft, Truman State University, Presiding

Theme: Community and Identity in New Religious Movements

Tulasi Srinivas, Wheaton College
Bodily Betrayals: Desire, Identity, and Discipline in the Construction of Transnational Sai Devotion

Gilbert Bradshaw, Brigham Young University
Alcohol, Gangs, and Education: Secularization of Youth of the Charismatic Renewal in an Indigenous Guatemalan Community

Yaakov Ariel, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill
Ritual and Renewal: Creating Jewish Traditions 1960s-1970s

Martha Bradley, University of Utah
Religious Communal Groups as Spatial Communities

Responding:

Jean E. Rosenfeld, University of California, Los Angeles

Platonism and Neoplatonism Group
Monday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm

Gregory Shaw, Stonehill College, Presiding

Theme: Revelation and Interpretation in Platonic and Neoplatonic Traditions II

William P. Franke, Vanderbilt University
Apophasis and the Neoplatonic Interpretation of Religious Revelation
David Wisdo, Columbus State University
_Exegete and/or/as Philosopher: Origen on Self-Knowledge in the Commentary on the Song of Songs_

Anders S. Tune, Wittenberg University
_Augustine's Theological Use of the "Books of the Platonists"_

Robert L. Fastiggi, Sacred Heart Major Seminary
_Platonism as Divine Revelation according to Marsilio Ficino (1433-1499)_

Business Meeting:
Willemien Otten, Utrecht University, Presiding

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**A22-70**

**Pragmatism and Empiricism in American Religious Thought Group**
**Monday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm**

Warren G. Frisina, Hofstra University, Presiding

Theme: _Issues in Pragmatism and Empiricism: Kaplan and Democracy, Dewey, and Language and Experience_

William Plevan, Princeton University
_Democracy and the Jewish Tradition: Mordecai Kaplan and the Democratization of Judaism_

Christopher D. Tirres, Harvard University
_Dewey at the San Fernando Cathedral_

John Shook, Oklahoma State University
_Dewey's Hegelianism and His Repair of the Religious/Secular Divide_

Michael Slater, Brown University
_Does the Linguistic Turn Have Limits? Experience and the Scope of the Conceptual in Contemporary Pragmatism_

Ronney B. Mourad, Albion College
_Language Use as a Transcendental-Pragmatic Condition of Experience_

Business Meeting:
Frederick J. Ruf, Georgetown University, Presiding
David C. Lamberth, Harvard University, Presiding
Religion and Science Group  
Monday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm  

Greg Peterson, South Dakota State University, Presiding  

Theme: Study of Mind in Buddhism and Cognitive Science  

Daniel A. Arnold, University of Chicago  
Causes and Reasons in Buddhist Philosophy: Reflections in Light of Vincent Descombes’s Critique of Cognitivism  

Zhihua Yao, University of Hong Kong  
Would Dignaga Agree with the Higher-Order Perception or Higher-Order Thought Theory?  

James Boyd Apple, University of Alberta  
Buddhist Theories of Mind as Representationalist Analysis: Bridging the Gap between “First Person” Accounts for “Third Person” Problems  

Lili Zhang, Emory University  
Sudden Enlightenment in The Platform Sutra  

Business Meeting:  

Lisa L. Stenmark, San Jose State University, Presiding  

Theology and Continental Philosophy Group  
Monday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm  

Alex R. Hawkins, Duke University, Presiding  

Theme: St. Paul and Philosophy  

Dennis King Keenan, Fairfield University  
Zizek, St. Paul, and Agape  

Douglas K. Harink, King’s University College  
False Universal? Badiou's Paul, sans Jesus, Israel, and the Church
Philip Goodchild, University of Nottingham

*Who Needs Universalism?*

Responding:

Walter James Lowe, Emory University

Business Meeting:

Ellen T. Armour, Rhodes College, Presiding

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**A22-73**

**Womanist Approaches to Religion and Society Group**

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

Cheryl Townsend Gilkes, Colby College, Presiding

Theme: *A Real Woman with a Dollar in Her Shoe: Black Women and Theologies of Prosperity*

Panelists:

Stephanie Y. Mitchem, University of Detroit Mercy

Responding:

Teresa L. Fry Brown, Emory University
Paula McGee, Claremont Graduate University
Karen Baker-Fletcher, Southern Methodist University

Business Meeting:

Evelyn L. Parker, Southern Methodist University, Presiding
Marcia Y. Riggs, Columbia Theological Seminary, Presiding

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**A22-74**

**Animals and Religion Consultation**

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

Barbara K. Darling-Smith, Wheaton College, Presiding
Theme: *Animals as Subjects, Objects, and Symbols*

Laura Yordy, Duke University
*An Eco-Critical Reading of Athanasius’ Life of Saint Anthony*

Aaron Gross, University of California, Santa Barbara
*The Ethical Human Subject, Animals, and Dietary Ritual: The Case of Kashrut*

Juan Herrero-Brasas, California State University, Northridge
*Latin American Liberation Theology and the Struggle for Animal Liberation*

Anne Vallely, University of Ottawa
*Animals, Jainism, and the Religious Imperative*

Christopher Moreman, Indiana University of Pennsylvania
*The Symbolic Connection between Birds and Spirits of the Dead*

Business Meeting:

Paul Waldau, Tufts University, Presiding

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**A22-75**

**Religion in Central and Eastern Europe Consultation**
**Monday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm**

Andrii Krawchuk, University of Sudbury, Presiding

Theme: *From Traumatic Memory and Violence to the Quest for Peace and Tolerance: Religious, Ethical, and Legal Dimensions*

Robert E. Alvis, St. Meinrad School of Theology
*Ethics and the Practice of Memory: Catholic Responses to the Expulsion of Ethnic Germans from Postwar Poland*

Slavica Jakelic, University of Virginia
*Considering the "Peacemakers" and "War Legitimizers" within Collectivistic Religions: The Role of the Roman Catholic Church in the Wars in Bosnia and Croatia*

David Tombs, Trinity College Dublin
*The Guatemalan Genocide and Reconciliation through Justice*

James T. Richardson, University of Nevada, Reno
*Constitutional Courts and Religion in Former Soviet Countries*
A22-76

Bus Tour of San Antonio Religious Sites
Monday - 1:00 pm-5:00 pm

Please meet at the signposted area outside the convention center, Alamo Street entrance at 12:45 pm. Bus tour is by reservation only; please have your ticket ready. Tour tickets will be mailed with the name badge materials in September.

Thomas Bremer, Rhodes College, Timothy M. Matovina, University of Notre Dame, Steve Whitesell, National Park Service, and Peter W. Williams, Miami University, Presiding

See the Program Highlights for a description.

A22-101

Special Topics Forum
Monday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm

Sponsored by International Connections Committee and Religion and the Schools Task Force

Marcia Beauchamp, California Institute of Integral Studies, Presiding

Theme: Rethinking Religious Education and Plurality in Europe and the United States

Panelists:

Robert Jackson, University of Warwick

David Chidester, University of Cape Town

Tim Jensen, University of Southern Denmark
A22-103

Buddhism Section
Monday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm

Karen Derris, University of Redlands, Presiding

Theme: Buddhist Education: Teaching, Texts, and Bodies in Tibet, Sri Lanka, China, and Thailand

Thomas Borchert, University of Chicago
Theravada Monastic Training in the Chinese National Sangha

Georges Dreyfus, Williams College
The Two Methodologies of Tibetan Scholastic Education: A Few Considerations

Justin McDaniel, University of California, Riverside
Abbreviating the Buddha: Teaching the Dhammapada in Thailand

Jeffrey Samuels, Western Kentucky University
Learning to Attract the Heart: The Aesthetics of Ritual Performance in Contemporary Sri Lanka

Responding:

Anne M. Blackburn, Cornell University

A22-104

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

Mark Allen Berkson, Hamline University, Presiding
Theme: *Methods of Metaphor and Metonymy in New Comparative Studies of Religions: Turning from West to East and Back*

James Egge, Eastern Michigan University
*Comparative Analysis of Religious Metaphor: Appreciating Similarity as well as Difference*

Julie Gifford, Miami University of Ohio
*The Art of Seeing the Invisible: An Interpretation of the Terraces atop Barabudur*

Shubha Pathak, University of Chicago
*Reminding the Amnesiac Metaphor of “Epic”: A New Method for Critically Examining the Categories of Cross-Cultural Comparative Religious Study*

Laurie L. Patton, Emory University
*Laughter and the Creeper Mantra: Comparative Implications for the Category of Metonymy*

Responding:

Edward Slingerland, University of Southern California

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**A22-105**

**Ethics Section**
**Monday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm**

William David Hart, University of North Carolina, Greensboro, Presiding

Theme: *Christ Sets You Free, Indeed!: The Christian Case for (Radical) Democracy*

Panelists:

Stanley M. Hauerwas, Duke University

Jeffrey L. Stout, Princeton University

Cornel West, Princeton University

Responding:

Romand Coles, Duke University

Business Meeting:

Gloria H. Albrecht, University of Detroit Mercy, Presiding
History of Christianity Section
Monday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm

Amy DeRogatis, Michigan State University, Presiding

Theme: Christianity on the Frontiers and Borderlands

Emma J. Anderson, Harvard University
The Missionary, "the Apostate," and "the Sorcerer": A Study in Jesuit-Aboriginal Interaction in Early Seventeenth-Century Canada

Linford Fisher, Harvard University
“Such a Dore of Opportunity”: Roger Williams and Indian Conversion

Brian C. R. Zugay, Parsippany-Troy Hills, NJ
Making Church Building "Universally Popular": Frontier Church Extension and the Institutionalization of Architectural Practice in American Evangelical Protestantism

Alan Terlep, University of Chicago
Redeeming the Apostate: James Brookes in Missouri, 1858-1873

Alan Watt, New Braunfels, TX
Religious History in the Borderlands: A Comparison of California and Texas in the Context of the Farm-Worker Movement in the 1960s

Responding:

Edwin David Aponte, Southern Methodist University

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North American Religions Section and Study of Judaism Section
Monday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm

Rebecca T. Alpert, Temple University, Presiding

Theme: New Directions in the Study of American Judaism
Jeffrey Gurock, Yeshiva University
*American Jewish Orthodox Social Norms as Viewed through the Vista of Sports, 1950-2004*

Andrew Heinze, University of San Francisco
*God's Partners or God's Servants? "Democratic Judaism" vs. "Autocratic Christianity" in American Popular Theology*

Ellen M. Umansky, Fairfield University
*From Christian Science to Jewish Science: Spiritual Healing and American Jews*

Shuly Schwartz, Jewish Theological Seminary
*They Married What They Wanted to Be: Rabbis' Wives as American Jewish Leaders*

Responding:

Jonathan D. Sarna, Brandeis University

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**A22-108**

**Religion in South Asia Section and Hinduism Group**

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

Leslie C. Orr, Concordia University, Presiding

**Theme: Unwritten Hinduism**

**Panelists:**

Vasudha Narayanan, University of Florida

Joyce Burkhalter Flueckiger, Emory University

Charles Hallisey, University of Wisconsin, Madison

Velcheru Narayana Rao, University of Wisconsin, Madison

Responding:

Ann Grodzins Gold, Syracuse University

**Business Meeting:**

Philip Lutgendorf, University of Iowa, Presiding

Leslie C. Orr, Concordia University, Presiding
A22-109

Study of Islam Section
Monday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm

Margaret A. Leeming, University of California, Santa Barbara, Vassar College, Presiding

Theme: Test Cases and Contestations of Islamic Law

Paul R. Powers, Lewis and Clark College
Offending Man and God: Crime, Sin, and Expiation in Islamic Law

Paul Heck, Georgetown University
No Monopoly of Salvation: The Case of Muhammad al-Habash (Damascus, Syria)

Mona Hassan, Princeton University
Delineating Islam: The Scholarly Activities of an Early Muslim Woman

Jacqueline Brinton, University of Virginia
Rethinking the Role of Religious Discourse and Practice in Political Reform: The Case of the Ottoman Ulama and the Reforms of Mahmud II

A22-110

Theology and Religious Reflection Section
Monday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm

Darby Kathleen Ray, Millsaps College, Presiding

Theme: Space, Body, Beauty: Aesthetics and Material Practices

Rachel Sophia Baard, Villanova University
Material Theology: Talal Asad and the Task of Rhetorical Theology

S. T. Campagna-Pinto, Claremont McKenna College
Manhattan Jeremiad: Theological Implications of the World Trade Center Memorial

Beth Felker Jones, Huntington College
Body as Icon and Beauty Transformed
Afro-American Religious History Group
Monday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm

Eddie Glaude, Jr., Princeton University, Presiding

Theme: Survival, Resistance, and Transmission: New Historiographical and Methodological Perspectives for the Study of Slave Religion

Panelists:
J. Gordon Melton, Institute for the Study of American Religion
Heather White, Princeton University
Yolanda Pierce, University of Kentucky

Responding:
Albert J. Raboteau, Princeton University

Anthropology of Religion Group
Monday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm

Rebecca Sachs Norris, Merrimack College, Presiding


Thomas Tweed, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill
Organic Channels and Cultural Currents: Theorizing Spatial Representation

Ann Taves, Claremont School of Theology & Claremont Graduate University
Where (Fragmented) Selves Meet Cultures: Theorizing Spirit Possession
Bonhoeffer: Theology and Social Analysis Group
Monday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm

Lori Brandt Hale, Augsburg College, Presiding

Theme: Resistance and Patriotism: Re-Examining Bonhoeffer

Christine Schliesser, Fuller Theological Seminary/ Tuebingen University
Accepting Guilt for the Sake of Germany: An Analysis of Bonhoeffer’s Concept of Accepting Guilt and Its Implications for Bonhoeffer’s Political Resistance

Stephen Butler Murray, Skidmore College
The Vocation of the Patriot as the Loving Critic: A Comparison in the Theological and Social Ethics of Dietrich Bonhoeffer and William Sloane Coffin

Responding:

Craig J. Slane, Simpson College

Business Meeting:

Lisa Dahill, Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching, Presiding

Christian Systematic Theology Group and Roman Catholic Studies Group
Monday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm

Michelle A. Gonzalez, Loyola Marymount University, Presiding
Theme: *Ekklesia and/as Koinonia: The Ecclesiological Influence of Latin American Theologies in North America*

Panelists:

William T. Cavanaugh, University of St. Thomas, St. Paul

Virgilio P. Elizondo, University of Notre Dame

Ada Maria Isasi-Diaz, Drew University

Michael E. Lee, Fordham University

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**A22-115**

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

Christine D. Pohl, Asbury Theological Seminary, Presiding

Theme: *Evangelicals and the Public Arena: Public Policies and Political Engagement*

Brantley Gasaway, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill

“Mr. President, You Should Be Ashamed”: The Progressive Evangelical Critique of the Bush Administration

Kenneth A. Reynhout, Bethel Seminary St. Paul

Liberating Evangelical Spirituality

James K. A. Smith, Calvin College

Empire, Ekklesia, and Evangelical Public Theology: A Critical Proposal

Responding:

Richard J. Mouw, Fuller Theological Seminary

Business Meeting:

David Kling, University of Miami, Presiding

Anthea Butler, Loyola Marymount University, Presiding
**A22-116**

**Feminist Theory and Religious Reflection Group**  
**Monday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm**

M. Gail Hamner, Syracuse University, Presiding

Theme: *Religion in French Feminist Thought*

Emily Holmes, Emory University  
*Incarnate Words in French Feminist Thought*

Melissa M. Wilcox, Whitman College  
*Subject, Abject, Sacred, Profane: Kristeva and Otto as Tools for Theorizing Religion and Social Power*

Phyllis H. Kaminski, Saint Mary's College  
*Daughters Thinking Religious Experience: Living the Difference(s) with and beyond Luce Irigaray*

Jone Salomonsen, University of Oslo  
*Refusing to be a Woman, Claiming to be a Witch: Inviting Students of French Feminism and American Witchcraft to Engage in Dialogue*

Responding:

Morny Joy, University of Calgary

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**A22-117**

**Indigenous Religious Traditions Group and Religion in Latin America and the Caribbean Group**  
**Monday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm**

Jeanette Reedy Solano, California State University, Fullerton, Presiding

Theme: *Re-Inventing America at the Borders*

Michael D. Hill, Drury University  
"*The True Story of the Andes Is Just about to Be Written...": New Age Andean Spirituality, Mestizo Double Consciousness, and Mythic-Historical Revision*
Terry Rey, Florida International University  
*Habitus and Hybridization: A Bourdieuan Interpretation of Syncretism in Afro-Atlantic Religion*

Ramón Grosfoguel, University of California, Berkeley  
*Religion and Borders in the Americas: Afro-Caribbean and Chicana Perspectives*

Lois Lorentzen, University of San Francisco  
*Religion at the Gendered Borders: Santissima Muerte, St. Jude, and Transgendered Sex Workers in San Francisco, CA and Guadalajara, Mexico*

Responding:

Luis Leon, University of California, Berkeley

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**A22-118**

**Islamic Mysticism Group**  
**Monday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm**

**New Program Unit**

Carl W. Ernst, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, Presiding

**Theme:** *Transformations of Islamic Mystical Traditions*

Yuan-Lin Tsai, Nanhua University  
*Sufism in Wang Dai-yu’s San-yi (the Threefold of Oneness) Theory: The Advent of Chinese Muslim Syncretism*

Elizabeth R. Alexandrin, McGill University  
*The Sphere of "Walayah": Typologies of the Imam in the 'Majalis al-Mu'ayyadiyyah*

Vernon James Schubel, Kenyon College  
*No Sympathy for the Devil: Adam, Iblis, and Hallaj in the Alevi-Bektashi Tradition*

Shafique Virani, Zayed University  
*Uneasy Bedfellows: Sufism and Ismailism in the Wake of the Mongol Invasions*

Responding:

Barbara R. von Schlegell, University of Pennsylvania
A22-119

Japanese Religions Group  
Monday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm

Paula K. R. Arai, Carleton College, Presiding

Theme: Viewing the World and the Academy through Japanese Religions

Panelists:

William R. LaFleur, University of Pennsylvania

James W. Heisig, Nanzan Institute for Religion and Culture

Mary Evelyn Tucker, Bucknell University

Helen Hardacre, Harvard University

Business Meeting:

Paula K. R. Arai, Carleton College, Presiding
Ruben L. F. Habito, Southern Methodist University, Presiding

A22-120

Person, Culture, and Religion Group  
Monday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm

Sandra Lee Dixon, University of Denver, Presiding


Christopher Glen White, Georgia State University

A Mind “Intensely Unsettled”: Problems of Faith and Spiritual Assurance in Nineteenth-Century American Culture

Hans Alma, Leiden University

Spirituality: A Secular View -- Transcendence and Spirituality in Philosophy and Psychology of Art
Carol Matthews, Johnson County Community College
*Between Two Worlds: Rituals of Mythic Identity and Crisis in a New Age Bookstore Community*

David L. Smith, Central Michigan University
*The Authenticity of Alan Watts*

Responding:

A. Gregory Schneider, Pacific Union College

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**A22-121**

*Religion and Ecology Group and Religious Freedom, Public Life, and the State Group*

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

John Baumann, University of Wisconsin, Oshkosh, Presiding

Theme: *Religion, Ecology, and the Politics of 2004*

Panelists:

Karen Baker-Fletcher, Southern Methodist University

David L. Barnhill, University of Wisconsin, Oshkosh

John B. Cobb, Claremont School of Theology

Roger S. Gottlieb, Worcester Polytechnic Institute

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**A22-122**

*Religion and Popular Culture Group*

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

Gary M. Laderman, Emory University, Presiding

Theme: *Listening Party: Serious Reflections on Religion and Music*

Panelists:
Anthony B. Pinn, Rice University
Erica Hurwitz, University of Vermont
Robin Sylvan, University of California, Davis
Titus Hjelm, University of Helsinki
Christopher Partridge, University College Chester

This experimental, participatory session will include selections and comments from the audience, so bring your own music.

A22-123

Religion and Science Group
Monday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm

Ernest L. Simmons, Concordia College, Moorhead, Presiding

Theme: Exploring Altruism: Science, Religion, and Love

Jeffrey Schloss, Westmont College
Evolution and Love: Perspectives from Biology

Jason McMartin, Claremont Graduate University
Compatibility Issues: Virtue Ethics and Sociobiology

Jennifer Thweatt-Bates, Princeton Theological Seminary
Particularity and the Evolution of Morality

Charlene Burns, University of Wisconsin, Eau Claire
Seeds of Divine Love Scattered through the Cosmos: A Theological Interpretation of Altruism in Nature

Responding:

Stephen G. Post, Case Western Reserve University

A22-124
Religion, Film, and Visual Culture Group  
Monday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm

John Lyden, Dana College, Presiding

Theme: "Our Lives Teach Us Who We Are": Issues of Identity

Clive Marsh, Methodist Church in Great Britain  
Love, Actually?: Sentimentality as Problem and Opportunity in the Use of Film for Teaching Theology and Religion

Brannon Hancock, University of Glasgow  
A Community of Characters: The Narrative Self in the Films of Wes Anderson

Christine Kraemer, Boston University  
Self and (M)other: Apocalypse as Return to the Womb in Neon Genesis Evangelion

David Rogers, Biscoe, AR  
The Post-Modern Scooby Doo: Paradigm Surrender in an Age of Media Bombardment

J. Heath Atchley, South Hadley, MA
The Silences of Secularity: Sofia Coppola's Lost in Translation

Business Meeting:

Tony S. L. Michael, University of Toronto, Presiding

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Ritual Studies Group  
Monday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm

W. Scott Haldeman, Chicago Theological Seminary, Presiding

Theme: Death, Sacrifice, and Politics

Jacob Dalton, British Library  
A Rite of Human Sacrifice in Tibetan Buddhism: Religious vs. Secular Perspectives

Jalane D. Schmidt, Oberlin College  
Catholic Gallstones and Santeria Squash: Displays of Dissonance at a Cuban Shrine
Thomas Quartier, Radboud University Nijmegen
*Roman Catholic Funeral Rites and Human Finitude: Empirical Explorations in a Modernized Context*

Responding:

Donna Lynne Seamone, McMaster University

Business Meeting:

Nikki Bado-Fralick, Iowa State University, Presiding
Donna Lynne Seamone, McMaster University, Presiding

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**A22-130**

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

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Theme: *In Particulars: Writing from Particularistic Religious Traditions in a Pluralistic Society*

Panelists:

Peter Ochs, University of Virginia
Lauren F. Winner, Columbia University
Stephen Prothero, Boston University

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**A22-127**

**Plenary Address**  
**Monday - 7:00 pm-8:00 pm**

Jane Dammen McAuliffe, Georgetown University, Presiding

Theme: *A God of Incredible Surprises*
Panelists:

Virgilio Elizondo, University of Notre Dame

See the Program Highlights for a description.

A22-128

Arts Series/Films: Ilha da Magia: Nature, Spirit, and Belief on Santa Catarina Island, Brazil
Monday - 8:30 pm-10:00 pm

Lisa Swanson Madera, Florianopolis, Brazil, Presiding

See the Program Highlights for a description.

A22-131

Plenary Address
Monday - 8:30 pm-9:30 pm

Theme: The Science and Religion Dialogue: Where It Stands Today -- and Why It Matters

Panelists:

George Ellis, University of Cape Town

A22-129

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.
Buddhism Section
Tuesday - 9:00 am-11:30 am

Andy Rotman, Smith College, Presiding

Theme: Buddhist Saints and Sainthood

Vanessa Rebecca Sasson, McGill University
Ambivalent Sainthood: A Look at the Buddha's Mother in the Pali and Sanskrit Literature of Early Buddhism

Karen Derris, University of Redlands
Reconsidering Pacceka-buddhas: How Solitary Are "Solitary Buddhas"?

John S. Strong, Bates College
The Development of a Cult: The Arhat Gavampati in South and Southeast Asia

Ryan Bongseok Joo, Princeton University
The Study of Early Sixteen Arhat Images in Medieval China

Responding:

Hank Glassman, Haverford College

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Comparative Studies in Religion Section and Religion in South Asia Section
Tuesday - 9:00 am-11:30 am

Bradley S. Clough, American University, Cairo, Presiding

Theme: Revealing and Creating through Miracles: Ethnographic Encounters with the Wonderous in South Asian Traditions

Panelists:

Ann Grodzins Gold, Syracuse University

Joyce Burkhalter Flueckiger, Emory University

Selva Raj, Albion College
A23-3

History of Christianity Section
Tuesday - 9:00 am-11:30 am

Arun W. Jones, Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary, Presiding

Theme: Conversion and Gender Roles/Biblical Translations: When Culture Meets the Word

Kathleen M. Self, Skidmore College
Converter Queens and Caustic Pagans: Gender Roles in Medieval Conversion Narratives

Meghan T. Sweeney, Emory University
Gender in Teresa of Avila and Its Role in the Conversion of Edith Stein

Quincy Newell, University of Wyoming
Reckoning Kinship: Colonial Deconstruction and Reconstruction of Families at Mission San Francisco de Asís

Brian P. Bennett, Niagara University
The Mythos of Logos: Paratextual Accounts of the Church Slavonic Bible

Monica Siems, University of California, Santa Barbara
Joseph Renville's Bibles: The Presence and Shape of the Word among Early Dakota Christians

Kris Pratt, Baylor University
Transforming the South: Race Relations in the Cotton Patch Version of the New Testament

A23-4

North American Religions Section
Tuesday - 9:00 am-11:30 am
Julie Byrne, Duke University, Presiding

Theme: Miracles and Madonnas, Saints and Apparitions

Anne Pryor, Wisconsin Arts Board
Signs and Miracles: Supernatural Events at a Marian Apparition

Michael Pasquier, Florida State University
Our Lady of Tickfaw: The Making of a New Marian Cult in America

Leonard Norman Primiano, Cabrini College
Building an Altar for St. Joseph: Healings, Miracles, and Vows in the Contemporary Catholic Reality of Italian-American Women

Responding:

Paula Kane, University of Pittsburgh

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A23-5

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

Cynthia Moe-Lobeda, Seattle University, Presiding

Theme: Religious Groups and Social Engagement: Some Methodological Reflections

Jeff Jordan, University of Georgia
Religion and Community Development

Ayman Reda, Michigan State University
Religious Charities and Government Funding

Thia Cooper, University of Edinburgh
Struggling toward a New Earth: The Integration of Faith and Development Practice within CSOs

Responding:

Elizabeth Margaret Bounds, Emory University

Business Meeting:
A23-6

Study of Islam Section
Tuesday - 9:00 am-11:30 am

Ruqayya Y. Khan, Trinity University, Presiding

Theme: Contemporary Islam in a Contested World

Franz Volker Greifenhagen, Luther College
"Clashism" Alive and Well? Some Recent Evangelical Christian Publications on Islam

Roy Jackson, King’s College, London
Avoiding the Deadly Boring God: Muhammad Iqbal’s Admiration for the "Nietzschean God" of Islam

Roxanne D. Marcotte, University of Queensland
Religious Freedom in Islam

Simon Wood, University of Nebraska, Lincoln
Islamic Da'wah and the "Religion of the Other": Rashid Rida’s Revision of Islamic Exclusivism

Responding:

Nelly Van Doorn-Harder, Valparaiso University

A23-7

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

Martin Kavka, Florida State University, Presiding

Theme: Maimonides's Political Theology

Panelists:

Aryeh Botwinick, Temple University
Women and Religion Section
Tuesday - 9:00 am-11:30 am

E. Ann Matter, University of Pennsylvania, Presiding

Theme: *Theory and Method in the Study of Women and Religion*

Constance Wise, Metropolitan State College of Denver
*Every Woman Creates the Meaning of Woman: A Process Thought Alternative to Gender Essentialism*

Sarah Azaransky, University of Virginia
*Feminist Theological Method and "Usable Aspects of the Past"

Elizabeth Goodine, Temple University
*The Power of Self-Differentiation as Seen in the Martyrdom of Blandina of Lyon*

Donna Wallace, Santa Clara University
*Goddess in the Academy: Why Do We Fear?*

Comparative Studies in Hinduisms and Judaisms Group
Tuesday - 9:00 am-11:30 am

Yudit Kornberg Greenberg, Rollins College, Presiding

Theme: *Cooking, Giving, Feasting: Food Practices of Jews and Hindus*

Gregory Spinner, Central Michigan University
*Altar, Table, and Charity Plate: Food in the Rabbinic Practice of Gemilut Hasadim*
Norma Baumel Joseph, Concordia University

Food Gifts – Female Gift Givers: A Taste of Jewishness

Jeffrey Lidke, Berry College

Cooking Consciousness: The Preparation and Transformation of Food in Four Hindu Contexts

Kathryn McClymond, Georgia State University

You Are Where You Eat: Food, Utopia, and Hindus in America

Responding:

Katherine Ulrich, Wesleyan University

Business Meeting:

Kathryn McClymond, Georgia State University, Presiding

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Eastern Orthodox Studies Group
Tuesday - 9:00 am-11:30 am

Vivian Olender, University of Manitoba, Presiding

Theme: Contemporary Orthodox Eschatology

Alexei Khamine, Drew University

Apocalyptic Discourses in Action: Nineteenth- to Twentieth-Century Russia

Thomas Cattoi, Boston College

Living in the End Times: Eschatology, Exclusivism, and Fragmentation in the Experience of Nineteenth- and Twentieth-Century Lithuanian Old-Believers

Paul Gavrilyuk, University of St. Thomas, St. Paul

Universal Salvation in the Eschatology of Sergius Bulgakov

Business Meeting:

Robin Darling Young, University of Notre Dame, Presiding
James C. Skedros, Holy Cross Greek Orthodox School of Theology, Presiding
A23-11

Lesbian-Feminist Issues and Religion Group
Tuesday - 9:00 am-11:30 am

Linda A. Moody, Antioch University Los Angeles, Presiding

Theme: *Ring around the Collar: Lesbian Identity and the Church*

Julia Sheetz-Willard, Temple University
*Getting Disoriented: Authority, Identity, and Mainline Protestant Debates over the Bible and Gay/Lesbian Ordination*

Rebecca Edmondson, Boston University
*Leaving the Ecclesial Closet Behind: The Evolution of the Lesbian Clergy Identity*

Gayle R. Baldwin, University of North Dakota
*The Resurrection of Matthew Shepard; the Disappearance of Sakia Gunn: Race, Gender, Sexual Orientation, and the Religious Imagination*

Business Meeting:

Gayle R. Baldwin, University of North Dakota, Presiding
Elizabeth A. Say, California State University, Northridge, Presiding

A23-12

Nineteenth-Century Theology Group
Tuesday - 9:00 am-11:30 am

Daniel Hardy, University of Cambridge and Theodore Vial, Virginia Wesleyan College, Presiding

Theme: *The Theological Genesis, Criticisms, and Appropriations of the "Science of Religions" circa 1870-1900*

Robert A. Segal, University of Lancaster
*William Robertson Smith’s Theory of Religion: Anthropological or Theological?*

Ivan Strenski, University of California, Riverside
*Explaining Tiele’s Shift from “History” to Phenomenology of Religion*
Thomas Ryba, Purdue University, University of Notre Dame
*Religion Marked as Development: Tiele, Newman, and Developmental Biology in the Early Nineteenth Century*

Lori K. Pearson, Carleton College
*Troeltsch and Theories of Culture*

Pre-printed papers for this and other sessions of the group may be obtained from C. J. T. Talar, University of St. Thomas, 9845 Memorial Drive, Houston, TX 77024 for $20.00.

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**A23-13**

**Religion and Popular Culture Group and Religion, Media, and Culture Consultation**  
**Tuesday - 9:00 am-11:30 am**

Rochelle L. Millen, Wittenberg University, Presiding

Theme: *After The Passion Is Gone: What the Film Tells Us about Religion in America*

Panelists:

Michael Berenbaum, University of Judaism

J. Shawn Landres, University of California, Santa Barbara

Mark Silk, Trinity College, Hartford

Karen Jo Torjesen, Claremont Graduate University

Stephen R. Haynes, Rhodes College

S. Brent Plate, Texas Christian University

Julie J. Ingersoll, University of North Florida

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**A23-14**

**Academic Teaching and the Study of Religion Section**  
**Tuesday - 9:00 am-11:30 am**
Joseph A. Favazza, Rhodes College and Rosetta E. Ross, Spelman College, Presiding

Theme: *Teaching Black/Being Black: Influences of Blackness on Best Teaching Practices*

Panelists:

Carol B. Duncan, Wilfrid Laurier University

Stephen G. Ray, Louisville Presbyterian Theological Seminary

Stacey Floyd-Thomas, Texas Christian University

Juan Floyd-Thomas, Texas Christian University

Arthur Pressley, Drew University

Lynne Westfield, Drew University

Lincoln Galloway, Claremont School of Theology