**THURSDAY, OCTOBER 28**

**M28-1**

**Participatory Mission Theology**
Thursday, 8:00 am–6:00 pm
Hyatt Regency, Hanover G

**A28-200**

**Nurturing the Next Generation of Scholars Workshop Part I**
Thursday, 12:00 pm–5:00 pm
Hyatt Regency, Hanover AB
Matthew Williams, The Fund for Theological Education, Presiding
Sponsored by the American Academy of Religion and The Fund for Theological Education
This two-part workshop is designed for students from under-represented racial/ethnic groups who are considering the pursuit of a PhD or ThD in religion, theology, or biblical studies. The goals of this workshop are to introduce prospective graduate students to the professional guilds, provide opportunities for participants to dialogue with distinguished faculty and current graduate students, provide useful information on the graduate application process, and increase the pipeline for future faculty of color in the guild. Students who participate in this workshop have been preselected from an application pool.

**M28-201**

**Society of Anglican and Lutheran Theologians**
Thursday, 1:15 pm–8:30 pm
Saint Luke’s Church, 435 Peachtree Street NE
Theme: *Exploring Postcolonial Missiology: Part One*
1:15 pm Registration and Social Gathering Time
1:45 pm Welcome and Announcements
2:00 pm Maria Erling, Lutheran Theological Seminary, Gettysburg
   *Reluctant Insiders: Anglican and Lutheran Participation at Edinburgh, 1910*
3:30 pm Break
4:00 pm Rowan Strong, Murdoch University
   *Mission and Empire: The Origins and Continuities of Anglican Missionary Understanding*
5:30 pm Vespers
6:30 pm SALT Conference Dinner at Location TBA
For more information, visit the SALT website at anglicanlutherantheologians.org.

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**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 29**

**A29-104**

**Religion in the Schools Task Force Meeting**
Friday, 8:00 am–10:00 am
Hyatt Regency, Spring
Diane L. Moore, Harvard University, Presiding

**M29-2**

**New Directions in Religious Studies: Conference for Middle and Secondary School Teachers**
Friday, 8:00 am–4:00 pm
Hyatt Regency, Fairlie

**M29-3**

**Lutheran Women in Theological and Religious Studies**
Friday, 8:30 am–12:45 pm
Lutheran Theological Center, 700 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive
Theme: *Listening Closely, Defining the Conversation*
Lutheran women in theological and religious studies, as well as some local Lutheran clergy women, gather annually for scholarship, worship, and friendship. Lutheran women scholars, including graduate students and women who teach or study at Lutheran institutions, are invited.

Papers and presentations will highlight the work of Lutheran women of color in the United States and Swedish feminist Luther scholars visiting the United States. Registration will include information on local transportation.

For questions or to register and make a dinner reservation, please contact Sandra Mejia-Vega at 1-773-380-2885 or sandra.mejia@elca.org.

**M29-4**

**Society of Anglican and Lutheran Theologians**
Friday, 8:30 am–12:45 pm
Saint Luke’s Church, 435 Peachtree Street NE
Theme: *Exploring Postcolonial Missiology: Part Two*
8:30 am Coffee and Conversation
9:00 am Jorgen Skov Sorensen, Council on International Relations of the Evangelical Lutheran Church, Denmark
   *From the Authority of Edinburgh 1910 to the Authenticity of the Individual 2010*
10:35 am SALT Business Meeting
11:05 am Short Break
11:15 am Jayakiran Sebastian, Church of South India
   *Not Hurrying on to a Receding Future, nor Hankering after an Imagined Past*
For more information, visit the SALT website at anglicanlutherantheologians.org.
A29-102

Luce Seminars on Theologies of Religious Pluralism and Comparative Theology Fellows: Cohort Two
Friday, 9:00 am–5:00 pm
Hyatt Regency, Hanover G
John Thatamanil, Vanderbilt University, Presiding
This all-day seminar will be the second meeting of the second cohort of the American Academy of Religion/Henry Luce Foundation Summer Seminar Fellows. By invitation only.

A29-105

Status of Women in the Profession Committee, Status of Racial and Ethnic Minorities in the Profession Committee, and Status of LGBTQ Persons in the Profession Task Force Joint Meeting
Friday, 9:00 am–12:00 pm
Hyatt Regency, Techwood
Melissa M. Wilcox, Whitman College, and Judith Plaskow, Manhattan College, and Miguel A. De La Torre, Iliff School of Theology, Presiding

A29-106

History of Religions Jury Meeting
Friday, 9:00 am–12:00 pm
Hyatt Regency, University
Pamela Klassen, University of Toronto, Presiding

A29-108

Regions Task Force Meeting
Friday, 9:00 am–12:00 pm
Hyatt Regency, Roswell
Brian Pennington, Maryville College, Presiding

A29-109

International Connections Committee Meeting
Friday, 9:00 am–12:00 pm
Hyatt Regency, Piedmont
Tat-siong Benny Liew, Pacific School of Religion, Presiding
A29-111
Teaching and Learning Committee Meeting
Friday, 9:00 am–12:00 pm
Hyatt Regency, Marietta
Tina Pippin, Agnes Scott College, Presiding

A29-112
Public Understanding of Religion Committee Meeting
Friday, 9:00 am–12:00 pm
Hyatt Regency, Lenox
Sarah M. Pike, California State University, Chico, Presiding

A29-115
Nurturing the Next Generation of Scholars Workshop Part II
Friday, 9:00 am–1:00 pm
Hyatt Regency, Hanover AB
Matthew Williams, The Fund for Theological Education, Presiding
Sponsored by the American Academy of Religion and The Fund for Theological Education
By invitation only.

A29-116
Technology Task Force Meeting
Friday, 9:00 am–11:00 am
Hyatt Regency, Greenbriar
Mark Juergensmeyer, University of California, Santa Barbara, and Donna Bowman, University of Central Arkansas, Presiding

M29-5
Dharma Academy of North America (DANAM)
Friday, 9:00 am–11:00 am
Marriott Marquis, International 2
Neela Bhattacharya Saxena, Nassau Community College, New York, and Phyllis Herman, California State University, Northridge, Presiding
Theme: Gynocentric Matrix of Indic Traditions: Dharma, Culture, and the Feminine
Panelists:
Pankaj Jain, University of North Texas
Ecofeminism and the Bishnois of Rajasthan
Kathleen Erndl, Florida State University, Tallahassee
“When a Woman Becomes Chandika”: Justice, Violence, and the Feminine in Popular Hindi Film
Ramdas Lamb, University of Hawai‘i, Manoa
Dharma, Females, and the Challenge of Education in Rural Chhattisgarh
Frederique Appfel-Marglin, Smith College (Emerita)
Enacting the World with the Goddesses of Orissa
Neela Bhattacharya Saxena, Nassau Community College
Dance of Light at the Feet of a Dark Girl: Kali in Kazi Nazrul Islam’s Song

M29-6
Encyclopedia of the Bible and Its Reception Editorial Board Meeting
Friday, 9:00 am–5:00 pm
Marriott Marquis, International 10

A29-103
Religion and Media Workshop: Religion Counts
Friday, 9:30 am–5:00 pm
Hyatt Regency, Hanover C
Theme: Demographic Technologies and the Politics of Surveillance
9:15 am–9:45 am Welcome
Katharine Henderson, Auburn Theological Seminary
9:45 am–11:15 am Counting Religion/Religious Counting
John Durham Peters, University of Iowa
Titus Hjelm, University College London
Bruce Lawrence, Duke University
11:30 am–1:00 pm Mobilizing Minorities
William Elison, Stanford University
Brannon Ingram, University of North Carolina
Rupa Viswanath, University of Pennsylvania
1:00 pm–2:30 pm Lunch Discussions
2:30 pm–3:00 pm U.S. Census Videos
3:00 pm–4:30 pm Roundtable: Secularism, Number, and the Nation: The American Case
Sarah Barringer Gordon, University of Pennsylvania
Janet Jakobsen, Barnard College
John Lardas Modern, Franklin and Marshall College
Separate registration is required. See page 22 for details.
M29-103
Qur’an Group and the Institute of Ismaili Studies
Friday, 9:30 am–2:00 pm
Marriott Marquis, International 6
Theme: The Meaning of the Word: Lexicology and Tafsir
This workshop will explore how exegetes approach the meanings of individual words in the Qur’an, and how religious beliefs are informed by discussions of lexicology. Whilst lexicology is regarded as playing a crucial part in the interpretation of the Qur’an, there are few studies of how exegetes approach these questions. The workshop will focus on two areas: 1) The interplay between the development of theological ideas and the interpretation of individual words; and 2) The methodologies that exegetes employ when dealing with questions of lexicology.
If you are interested in attending, or have any questions, please contact Stephen Burge, sburge@iis.ac.uk.

M29-104
North American Association for the Study of Religion Executive Council Meeting
Friday, 10:00 am–12:00 pm
Hyatt Regency, Kennesaw

M29-112
GLOPENT Americas Meeting
Friday, 10:00 am–1:00 pm
Hyatt Regency, Harris

M29-110
Explorations in Theology and Apocalyptic Working Group
Friday, 10:15 am–2:45 pm
Marriott Marquis, International 8

M29-105
Dharma Academy of North America (DANAM)
Friday, 11:00 am–1:00 pm
Marriott Marquis, International 2
Rita Sherma, Taksha University and ITBB, and Kathleen Erndl, Florida State University, Presiding
Theme: Feminism in Dharma Traditions
Panelists:
- Phil Goldberg, Taksha University
  The Feminization of Guru Teachings and Transmissions in the West
- Veena Howard, University of Oregon, Eugene
  Gandhi’s Understanding of the Feminine
- Nikky Singh, Colby College
  Feminist Perspectives from Sikh Dharma
- Sherry Fohr, Converse College
  Inadvertent Feminism in Svetambar Jainism
- Rita Gross, University of Wisconsin, Eau Claire
  New Perspectives on Models of Female Empowerment in Buddhist History

M29-106
Encyclopedia of the Bible and Its Reception Editorial Board Meeting
Friday, 11:00 am–5:00 pm
Marriott Marquis, International A

A29-113 🚗 🚗 SOLD OUT

African-American Religion and Civil Rights Tour
Friday, 12:00 pm–5:00 pm
Meet in Hyatt Regency Lobby
Rosetta E. Ross, Spelman College, Presiding
Sponsored by the Afro-American Religious History Group, Black Theology Group, Religion, Social Conflict, and Peace Group, Womanist Approaches to Religion and Society Group, and Theology of Martin Luther King Jr. Consultation
This walking tour examines four sites among Atlanta’s treasure house dealing with the African American religious experience and specifically the Civil Rights struggle.

The Auburn Avenue Research Library on African American Culture and History is dedicated to preserving African American heritage by providing a home to the manuscripts, photographs, oral histories, books, periodicals, and works of art that contain the history of peoples, of nations, of beliefs and dreams, and of a past worth sharing with the future.
The African American Panoramic Experience (APEX) Museum interprets and presents history from an African American perspective in order to better understand and appreciate the contributions of African Americans to America.

Ebenezer Baptist Church has been a spiritual home to many citizens of the "Sweet Auburn" community. After giving a trial sermon to the congregation at the age of nineteen, Martin Luther King Jr. was ordained as a minister, where he remained until his death.

The King Center utilizes diverse communications media to educate people all over the world about King's life, work, and his philosophy and methods of nonviolent conflict-reconciliation and social change.

A29-114

AAR Leadership Summit Luncheon
Friday, 12:00 pm–1:00 pm
Hyatt Regency, Courtland
John R. Fitzmier, American Academy of Religion, Presiding
Members of AAR’s Board of Directors, Committees, and Task Forces are invited to this luncheon to recognize their service to and leadership within the Academy.

M29-108

Women’s Caucus
Friday, 12:00 pm–3:00 pm
Hyatt Regency, Auburn

M29-109

Society for the Arts in Religious and Theological Studies and the Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion
Friday, 12:30 pm–6:30 pm
Marriott Marquis, International 5
Theme: Art and Pedagogy Workshop

A29-107

Job Placement Task Force Meeting
Friday, 1:00 pm–5:00 pm
Hyatt Regency, Vinings
Timothy M. Renick, Georgia State University, Presiding

A29-200

AAR Board of Directors Meeting
Friday, 1:00 pm–5:00 pm
Hyatt Regency, Executive Conference Suite 219
Ann Taves, University of California, Santa Barbara, Presiding

A29-201

SOLD OUT

Rethinking Islamic Studies Workshop
Friday, 1:00 pm–5:00 pm
Hyatt Regency, Hanover D
Carl Ernst, University of North Carolina, and Richard C. Martin, Emory University, Presiding
Sponsored by the Study of Islam Section and Contemporary Islam Group
The purpose of the workshop is two-fold. The main goal is to identify and discuss research problems in the study of Islam that are now confronting scholar members of the American Academy of Religion. Participants (AAR members, including graduate students and faculty) will receive a copy of Rethinking Islamic Studies: From Orientalism to Cosmopolitanism, edited by Carl W. Ernst and Richard C. Martin (University of South Carolina Press, 2010), in which fourteen scholars write on specific problems, methods, and theories in Islamic studies today. Within this framework, a second goal is for participants to meet in broad thematic breakout groups, to present current research projects for review, and to offer constructive analysis by members of the group. Each group will be led by two scholars experienced in research, publication, and grant funding.

The thematic breakout groups are:

Ethics and Law
Jonathan Brockopp, Pennsylvania State University
Ebrihem E. I. Moosa, Duke University

Gender and Sexuality
Kecia Ali, Boston University
Scott A. Kugle, Institute for the Study of Islam in the Modern World

History and Historiography
Vincent Cornell, Emory University
Ahmet T. Karamustafa, Washington University, Saint Louis

Religion, Politics, and Society
Charles Kurzman, University of North Carolina
Bruce Lawrence, Duke University

Ritual and Practice
Joyce Flueckiger, Emory University
Frederick Denny, University of Colorado

Text and Interpretation
Tamara Sonn, College of William and Mary
Andrew Rippin, University of Victoria

M29-200

Bonhoeffer Society Editorial Board and Board of Directors Meeting
Friday, 1:00 pm–6:00 pm
Hyatt Regency, Roswell
M29-202
North American Paul Tillich Society
Friday, 1:00 pm–3:30 pm
Hyatt Regency, Edgewood

M29-203
Society for Buddhist-Christian Studies Board Meeting
Friday, 1:00 pm–3:30 pm
Hyatt Regency, Greenbriar

M29-204 ★
Thomas F. Torrance Theological Fellowship
Friday, 1:00 pm–4:00 pm
Marriott Marquis, International B
    David Ferguson, University of Edinburgh
    *The Ascension of Christ in the Theology of Thomas F. Torrance*
Our session will begin with a thirty-minute meeting for members. See www.tftorrance.org for more information.

M29-209
Womanist In-Gathering
Friday, 1:00 pm–5:00 pm
Marriott Marquis, International 1

VISIT THE EXHIBIT HALL!

Hyatt Regency, Grand Hall Ballrooms

M29-205
Dharma Academy of North America (DANAM)
Friday, 2:00 pm–4:00 pm
Marriott Marquis, International 2
Kusumita P. Pedersen, St. Francis College, and Purushottama Bilimoria, University of Melbourne, Presiding
Theme: *Representations of the Feminine in the Modern Period*
Panelists:
    Carl Olson, Allegheny College
    *The Feminine Thread in Two Novels of Bankimchandra Chatterji*
    Elisabeth Benard, University of Puget Sound
    *The Jetsunma Phenomena in Tibetan Buddhism*
Harshita Mruthinti Kamath, Emory University
*The Enactment and Aesthetics of Female Impersonation: Performing Satyabhama in Telegu South India*

Pramila Venkateswaran, Nassau Community College
*A Face of the Feminine in Tamil Nadu: Reading Kannaki in “Cilappattikaram”*

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**M29-206**

**Psychology, Culture, and Religion Group**

Friday, 2:00 pm–7:00 pm
Marriott Marquis, International 4
2:00 pm Theme: *Psychological and Religious Perspectives on Southern Cultures and Sensibilities*
Panelists:
- Mindy McGarrah Sharp, Phillips Theological Seminary
- Jeanne Stevenson-Moessner, Southern Methodist University
- Jessica Van Denend, Union Theological Seminary
Responding:
- Eileen Campbell-Reed, Luther Seminary
3:30 pm Break
4:00 pm Theme: *Jung’s Red Book (Norton W. W. and Company, 2009): Explorations at the Edge of Genius and Madness*
Panelists:
- Felicity Brock Kelcourse, Christian Theological Seminary
- Kelly Bulkeley, Graduate Theological Union
- Pamela Cooper-White, Columbia Theological Seminary
5:30 pm Lisa Cataldo, Fordham University
*Praxis Reflection on Jung’s Red Book: Mandala Meditation*
7:00 pm PCR annual dinner at a local restaurant. Location TBA.

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**A29-203**

**Status of LGBTIQ Persons in the Profession Task Force Meeting**

Friday, 3:00 pm–7:00 pm
Hyatt Regency, Piedmont
Melissa M. Wilcox, Whitman College, Presiding

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**M29-207**

**Society for the Study of Christian Spirituality**

Friday, 3:30 pm–5:30 pm
Marriott Marquis, International C
Barbara Anne Keely, United Theological Seminary of the Twin Cities, Presiding
Theme: *What Is Meant by “Spiritual Formation” in the Shaping of Religious Leaders?*
The purpose of this workshop is to explore what is understood by “spiritual formation” and how the formation of students is being incorporated into master-level degree programs. Presentations include goals for spiritual formation within programs, courses being taught, and spiritual growth experiences offered. The workshop will explore the implications for teaching and research.

Barbara Anne Keely will present insights gleaned from a consultation with faculty from twelve seminaries. The panel will expand the conversation to a broader ecumenical context.
Panelists:
- Doug Hardy, Nazarene Theological Seminary
- Tim Hessel-Robinson, Brite Divinity School
- Elisabeth Koenig, General Theological Seminary
- Valerie Lesniak, Seattle University

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**M29-300**

**Art/s of Interpretation Group**

Friday, 4:00 pm–6:00 pm
Hyatt Regency, Edgewood
Greg Alles, McDaniel College, Presiding
Theme: *Rethinking Eliade*
- Casey Koons, Syracuse University
  *Matter over Mind: Mircea Eliade and Cognitive Science*
- Bryan Rennie, Westminster College
  *Mircea Eliade and the Cognitive Study of Religion: Consonances between Cognitive Science and Eliadean Concepts*
- Lisa J. M. Poirier, Miami University
  *Mapping Missions with GIS: Sacred Spaces in Contact Zones*

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**M29-301**

**Dharma Academy of North America (DANAM)**

Friday, 4:00 pm–6:00 pm
Marriott Marquis, International 2
Anne Vallely, University of Ottawa, Presiding
Theme: *The Feminine in Jainism*
Panelists:
- Nika Kuchuk, University of Ottawa
  *From Icon to Temple: The Embodied Presence of the Goddess Padmavati*
- Christian Haskett, Washington & Lee University
  *The Visual Vocabulary of Possession Performance and the Categories of Jain and Woman*
- Bradley Boileau, University of Ottawa
  *Between the Veil and the Vow: Ascetic Wifehood, Jain Sati, and the Devotional Cult of Rajulmata at Mount Girnar*
- Sherry Fohr, Converse College
  *Indigenous Feminism in Shvetambar Jainism*
PROGRAM SESSIONS

Friday, October 29

M29-302
Feminist Liberation Theologians’ Network
Friday, 4:00 pm–6:00 pm
Hyatt Regency, Greenbriar
The Network has explored “feminist” and “liberation” dimensions of its work. At this annual gathering, discussion will focus on the development of “critical theologies” from a variety of feminist liberation starting points. All are welcome.
RSVP: Mary E. Hunt, Women’s Alliance for Theology, Ethics, and Ritual (WATER), 1-301-589-2509, mbhunt@bres.com or to Elisabeth Schüssler Fiorenza, Harvard University, 1-617-495-5751, or eschussler@hks.harvard.edu.

M29-303
North American Association for the Study of Religion
Friday, 4:00 pm–6:30 pm
Marriott Marquis, International 8
Theme: Theorizing Religion
Winnifred Fallers Sullivan, State University of New York, Buffalo, Presiding
Elysee Nouvet, York University
Rattling ‘el Mundo’: Sensing Power through Piety
Ann Burlein, Hofstra University
Knowledge Is Made for Cutting: Using Foucault’s “Birth of the Clinic” to Reanimate the Contemporary Significance of Cognitive Science Accounts of Religion
Gustavo Benavides, Villanova University
Linguistic versus Discursive Grounds for the Systematic Neglect of Theories of Religion
Arthur McCalla, Mount Saint Vincent University
Benjamin Constant: Theorist of Religion and Modernity
Responding:
Nancy Levene, Indiana University

M29-304
North American Paul Tillich Society
Friday, 4:00 pm–6:30 pm
Hyatt Regency, Auburn

M29-305
Women and Religion Section and the Society for Buddhist–Christian Studies
Friday, 4:00 pm–6:30 pm
Marriott Marquis, International 6
Miriam Levering, University of Tennessee, Presiding
Theme: The Scholarly Contributions of Rita Gross
Colleagues of Rita Gross will examine her scholarly contributions in six different areas.
Judith Simmer Brown, Naropa Institute
Tibetan Buddhist Studies
Kathleen Erndl, Florida State University
Teacher and Mentor
Nancy Falk, Western Michigan University
Colleague
Paul Knitter, Union Theological Seminary
Contributions to Buddhist–Christian Dialogue
Terry Muck, Ashbury Theological Seminary
Buddhist–Christian Studies
Rosemary Radford Ruether, Pacific School of Religion
Women and Religion
Responding:
Rita Gross, University of Wisconsin, Eau Claire

M29-306
Karl Barth Society of North America
Friday, 4:00 pm–6:30 pm
Marriott Marquis, International 7
Amy Marga, Luther Theological Seminary
Barth and Catholicism in the 1920s: How the Encounter Drove Him More Deeply into Reformation Theology
Arne Rasmussen, Umea University, Sweden
Were Barth’s Politics in the 1930s Really Reactionary? Historians in Dispute

M29-307
Film Screening: Mysteries of the Jesus Prayer
Friday, 4:00 pm–5:00 pm
Hyatt Regency, Hanover AB
Join us for a sneak preview of a new feature film and book on monasticism and eremetic practices. For centuries monks, nuns and spiritual hermits have prayed the Jesus Prayer in far away caves and monasteries. They have remained mostly unknown to the rest of the western world… until now. In early 2011, the documentary feature film and book Mysteries of the Jesus Prayer will take you on an epic journey of prayer and discovery.

M29-308
Society for the Study of Native American Religious Traditions
Friday, 4:30 pm–6:30 pm
Hyatt Regency, Harris

M29-400
Journal of Feminist Studies in Religion Preconference Meeting
Friday, 6:00 pm–8:45 pm
Hyatt Regency, Lenox

M29-412
Søren Kierkegaard Society Banquet
Friday, 7:00 pm–9:30 pm
Commerce Club, 34 Broad Street
Keynote Speaker: Murray Rae, University of Otago, New Zealand

M29-401
Welcome Reception
Friday, 7:00 pm–9:00 pm
Hyatt Regency, Centennial I
Join your friends and colleagues for conversation and fun at the Welcome Reception. Light refreshments, cash bar, and live jazz combine to make this a great way to catch up with friends old and new.

M29-402
Society for Hindu–Christian Studies
Friday, 7:00 pm–9:00 pm
Hyatt Regency, Fairlie
John J. Thatamanil, Vanderbilt University, Presiding
Panelists:
Laurel Schneider, Chicago Theological Seminary
Brad Bannon, Harvard University
Lance Nelson, University of San Diego
Francis X. Clooney, S. J., Harvard University
Responding:
Michelle Voss Roberts, Rhodes College

M29-403
New Religious Movements Group
Friday, 7:00 pm–8:30 pm
Hyatt Regency, Auburn
Theme: Ethics in the Study of New Religious Movements
Join us for an open discussion on the variety of ethical issues related to the scholarly study of new religious movements.

M29-404
Religious Studies Review Annual Editorial Board Meeting
Friday, 7:00 pm–10:00 pm
Hyatt Regency, Roswell

M29-405
Society for the Arts in Religious and Theological Studies Reception
Friday, 7:00 pm–9:00 pm
Hyatt Regency, Hanover E

M29-411
The Word Made Fresh
Friday, 7:00 pm–9:00 pm
Marriott Marquis, International 6
Thomas Oord, Northwest Nazarene University, Presiding
Amos Yong, Regent University
In the Days of Caesar: Pentecostalism and Political Theology
Responding:
J. Kameron Carter, Duke University
Serene Jones, Union Theological Seminary
Graham Ward, University of Manchester
The Word Made Fresh is an annual lectureship held in conjunction with the Society of Evangelical Scholars, which seeks to stimulate creative dialogue among scholars on themes reflective of evangelical Christianity. See The Word Made Fresh: A Call for a Renewal of the Evangelical Spirit at http://people.bu.edu/bpstone/theology/word.html.
The Color of Paradise is a fable of a child's innocence and a complex look at faith and humanity. Visually magnificent and wrenchingly moving, the film tells the story of a boy whose inability to see the world only enhances his ability to feel its powerful forces. (www.sonymovies.com)
M29-410

Pluralism Project Reception
Friday, 9:00 pm–11:00 pm
Hyatt Regency, Hanover FG
Theme: Case Studies of Multireligious America
You are invited to join us for our annual reception honoring Pluralism Project friends, affiliates, and advisors. This year’s program will explore new developments in our Case Study Initiative, which seeks to apply the case method to the disputes and dilemmas of multireligious America. Highlights from our recent case study workshops, courses, and our 2010 Case Study Summer Fellowship program will serve as a starting point for discussion. We invite you to bring your ideas for new cases, as well as your reflections on utilizing the method in your own teaching context. Visit www.pluralism.org/casestudy for more information.

M29-413

Feminist Studies in Religion Reception
Friday, 9:00 pm–11:00 pm
Hyatt Regency, Greenbriar

M30-1

Journal of Feminist Studies in Religion Board Meeting
Saturday, 7:00 am–9:30 am
Hyatt Regency, Marietta

M30-2

North American Paul Tillich Society
Saturday, 7:00 am–8:00 am
Marriott Marquis, M109

M30-3

Spiritus Editorial Board Meeting
Saturday, 7:00 am–9:00 am
Hyatt Regency, Spring

M30-421

Regent College Breakfast Reception
Saturday, 7:00 am–8:30 am
Hyatt Regency, Courtland

A30-1

New Members’ Breakfast
Saturday, 7:30 am–8:45 am
Hyatt Regency, Dunwoody
John R. Fitzmier, American Academy of Religion, Presiding
New (first-time) AAR members in 2010 are cordially invited to a continental breakfast with members of the Board of Directors.

A30-2

Regional Officers’ Breakfast
Saturday, 7:30 am–8:45 am
Hyatt Regency, Fairlie
Brian Pennington, Maryville College, Presiding
Networking and information session for those who serve the AAR in the regions. By invitation only.

A30-3

Theological Education Steering Committee Meeting
Saturday, 7:30 am–8:45 am
Hyatt Regency, Greenbriar
John Thatamanil, Vanderbilt University, Presiding

A30-4

Sustainability Task Force Meeting
Saturday, 7:30 am–8:45 am
Hyatt Regency, Edgewood
Bobbi Patterson, Emory University, Presiding

A30-5

Academic Relations Committee Meeting
Saturday, 7:30 am–8:45 am
Hyatt Regency, Harris
Fred Glennon, Le Moyne College, Presiding

M30-4

Dialog Editorial Council Meeting
Saturday, 7:30 am–11:30 am
Hyatt Regency, Kennesaw

M30-5

Society for Hindu–Christian Studies Board Meeting
Saturday, 7:30 am–8:30 am
Marriott Marquis, International B
M30-7

Art/s of Interpretation Group
Saturday, 8:00 am–10:00 am
Hyatt Regency, Roswell
Randall Cummings, California State University, Northridge, Presiding
Theme: Reclaiming Eliade
Carl Olson, Allegheny College
"Conflicting Methodological Metaphors: Eliade and Deleuze in Dialogue"
Jess Hollenback, University of Wisconsin
"What's Wrong with Symbols? Revisiting Mircea Eliade in 2010"
Ali Zaidi, State University of New York, Canton
"The Fantastic Fiction of Mircea Eliade"

M30-8

La Comunidad
Saturday, 8:30 am–11:30 am
Marriott Marquis, L403

A30-100

Special Topics Forum
Marriott Marquis, M304
Elizabeth Lawson, Temple University, Presiding
Theme: Student Town Hall Meeting: Come, Listen, Learn, Get Involved!
Sponsored by the Graduate Student Committee
Students comprise one third of the membership of the AAR. We bring renewed vitality and fresh perspectives to the study of religion. And, yes, we know how to have a good time. Can we shape the future of the Academy? Yes we can! Join us for our Student Town Hall, a forum where you can offer your suggestions, hear about new initiatives led by the Graduate Student Committee, and get a preview of this year's student-focused programming. Topics about which we are most concerned include: how you can be involved in the AAR; ways you can be a force for positive change in your department; and of course, how you can secure research funding and navigate the career search. Our future is full of promise.
Panelists:
Steven Barrie-Anthony, University of California, Santa Barbara
Whitney Bauman, Florida International University
Almeda Wright, Pfeiffer University
Cameron Jorgenson, Campbell University

A30-101 AAR

Special Topics Forum
Hyatt Regency, Hanover E
Louis A. Ruprecht Jr., Georgia State University, Presiding
Theme: Bondage and Liberation: Questioning Debts to Slavery and Enslavement to Debt
Sponsored by the American Lectures in the History of Religions
Few ideas carry greater resonance in a variety of religious traditions, literatures, and practices than the twinned conceptions of bondage and liberation. And few patterns bear greater poignancy in this postcolonial moment than the seemingly endless cycle of bondage, liberation, and renewed forms of oppression. This is the disturbing antiprogressive undertone of the Modern that came into singular focus during the French Revolution and its aftermath: today's liberators become the oppressors of tomorrow; the guillotine is placed in the service of human rights; the world Camus imagined, one with "neither victims nor executioners," fails to materialize. Building on the 2009 AAR/ALHR panel's interest in "the nexus of religion and colonialism," this panel explores the themes of bondage and liberation with a particular focus on the connections among religions and economies. The panel will point to new theoretical possibilities opened by renewed attention to economic and class concerns in the study of the history of religions in our "new" age of globalization.
Panelists:
Ebrahim E. I. Moosa, Duke University
Gregory Schopen, University of California, Los Angeles
Opal Moore, Spelman College

A30-102 CANCELLED

Wildcard Session
Theme: The Politics of the Veil: Author Meets Critics with Joan Wallach Scott

A30-103

Buddhism Section
Marriott Marquis, A706
Daniel Stevenson, University of Kansas, Presiding
Theme: The Impact of Biological Theories of Evolution on East Asian Buddhism Around the Early Twentieth Century
Erik J. Hammerstrom, Pacific Lutheran University
"Invocation of Darwinism by Chinese Buddhists in the 1920s and 1930s"
Justin R. Ritzinger, Harvard University
"Dependent Coevolution: Kropotkin's Theory of Mutual Aid and Its Appropriation by Chinese Buddhists"
Responding:
Charles B. Jones, Catholic University of America
A30-104  ❄️

Christian Systematic Theology Section
Marriott Marquis, Marquis Ballroom B
Joy Ann McDougall, Emory University, Presiding
Theme: An Ecumenical Exchange on Kathryn Tanner’s Christ the Key (Cambridge University Press, 2010)
Panelists:
  - Janet Martin Soskice, University of Cambridge
  - Ian A. McFarland, Emory University
  - Hilda Koster, Concordia College, Moorhead
Responding:
  - Kathryn Tanner, University of Chicago

A30-105  ⭐

Ethics Section
Marriott Marquis, A707
Felicia George Euell, Montclair United Methodist Church, Presiding
Theme: Ethical Diversity in the Face of War
  - Roger S. Gottlieb, Worcester Polytechnic Institute
    Terrorism/Empire/Anti-Terrorism: Reflections on Justice and Trauma
  - Jonathan Koscheski, Florida International University
    The Earliest Christian War: Second and Third Century Martyrdom and the Creation of a Christian Culture of Violence
  - Nahed Artoul Zehr, Florida State University
    The Just War and Jihad Traditions in the “Long War”
  - Alejandro Chavez Segura, University of Saint Andrews
    Ethics of War and Violence in Buddhism: Compassion and Loving-kindness, the Antidote for Violence and War
  - Gabriella Lettini, Starr King School for the Ministry
    Witnessing Moral Injury: The First Truth Commission on Conscience in War
Business Meeting:
  - Stacey M. Floyd-Thomas, Vanderbilt University, and Miguel A. De La Torre, Iliff School of Theology, Presiding

A30-106

Philosophy of Religion Section
Marriott Marquis, A701
Sarah Coakley, University of Cambridge, Presiding
Theme: Analytic Philosophy of Religion
  - Kaitlin Magoon, University of Chicago
    Seeing God in the Dark: Recent Wittgensteinian Approaches to an “Apothecary” Epistemology
  - Jacob Sherman, Cambridge University
    The Stubborn and Exorbitant Weight of Things: Philosophy of Religion Beyond the Linguistic Turn
  - Jonathan Teubner, University of Cambridge
    Taste and See: Cooperation and Epistemic Transformation (A Response to Sarah Coakley)
  - John Knight, Marist College
    Falsification, Kripke’s Causal Theory of Reference, and Analytic Theology

A30-107

Religion and Politics Section
Marriott Marquis, M103-104
Susan B. Thistlethwaite, Chicago Theological Seminary, Presiding
Theme: Global Dynamics
  - Harvey Stark, Princeton University
    Muslim-American Soldiers Fighting in Muslim Countries
  - M. Christian Green, Emory University
    Apostasy, Blasphemy, Conversion, and Defamation: The New Alphabet of Religion and International Human Rights
  - Michael Kessler, Georgetown University
    Funding Religion as Part of Foreign Policy: The Silence of the Establishment Clause
  - Dalia Fahmy, Rutgers University
    Understanding Moderate Political Islam: What Can the Case of Egypt’s Muslim Brotherhood Tell Us?

A30-108

Teaching Religion Section
Marriott Marquis, M106-107
Mike Gutzler, Pennsylvania State University, Abington, Presiding
Theme: The Dumbest Generation: How the Digital Age Stupefies Young Americans and Jeopardizes Our Future (Or, Don’t Trust Anyone Under 30): A Response from the Religion Department
Panelists:
  - Derek Nelson, Thiel College
  - Daniel J. Peterson, Seattle University
  - Brenda Ihssen, Pacific Lutheran University
  - Virginia Bartlett, Vanderbilt University
Responding:
  - Mark Bauerlein, Emory University

A30-109

Theology and Religious Reflection Section and Feminist Theory and Religious Reflection Group
Marriott Marquis, Marquis Ballroom D
Shelly Rambo, Boston University, Presiding
Theme: Responses to Serene Jones’s Trauma and Grace: Theology in a Ruptured World (Westminster John Knox Press, 2009)
  - Amy Carr, Western Illinois University
    Liturgies for the Living Dead: Jones, Lange, and the Tension between Trauma as Disabling Terror and Liberating Trope
  - Annie Hardison-Moody, Emory University
    Gestures of Fragility and Hope: Reflections of Relationality in Serene Jones’s Trauma and Grace: Theology in a Ruptured World
  - Peter Heltzel, New York Theological Seminary
    Dreams of Disruption: Serene Jones’s Theology of Grace and the Future of Evangelical Feminism
  - Jenny Daggers, Liverpool Hope University
    The Promise of Maternality and the Kindness of God: Trinitarian Reflections on Serene Jones’s Maternal Loss
Responding:
  - Serene Jones, Union Theological Seminary
PROGRAM SESSIONS

A30-110 🌟 🏛️
Afro-American Religious History Group
Marriott Marquis, L405-406
Josef Sorett, Columbia University, Presiding
Theme: Missionary Innovation: African American Religion and the New South
Lerone Martin, Emory University
Selling to the Souls of Black Folk: Atlanta, the Phonograph, and the Transformation of American Religion and Culture, 1920–1941
Elizabeth Jimison, Harvard University
Writing and Righting Race: Women's Interracial Cooperation in the Colored Methodist Episcopal Church and Methodist Episcopal Church, South
Brandi Hughes, University of Michigan
(En)Gendering the Trans-Nation: The Missionary Sojourns of Black Womanhood from Atlanta through Monrovia
Brandon Winstead, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary
“We are Responsible to God”: Black Nazarene Women’s Theology of Evangelistic Responsibility and Its Relationship to Their Contributions to the Church of the Nazarene’s Gulf Central District, 1953–1969
Responding:
Paul Harvey, University of Colorado
Business Meeting:
Anthea Butler, University of Pennsylvania, and Kathryn Lofton, Yale University, Presiding

A30-111
Chinese Religions Group and Confucian Traditions Group
Hyatt Regency, Hanover D
Thomas A. Wilson, Hamilton College, Presiding
Theme: Ritual and Its Malcontents
Michael Ing, Harvard University
The Ancients Did Not Fix Their Graves: Failures in Early Confucian Ritual
Kenneth Holloway, Florida Atlantic University
Ritual as a Marker of Religious Community in Pre-Qin China
Catherine Hudak Klancer, Boston University
The Play’s Not the Thing: Religious Belief and Ritual Infraction in the Analects
Keith Knapp, The Citadel
Daughter-in-law, There is a Maggot in My Soup: Medieval Accounts of Unfilial Children
Responding:
Ute Huesken, University of Oslo

A30-112 🎉
Critical Theory and Discourses on Religion Group
Marriott Marquis, A703
Terry F. Godlove, Hofstra University, Presiding
Theme: Emile Durkheim and Australian Aboriginal Religions
Jens Kreinath, Wichita State University
Ethnographic Traces and Visual Devices in the Les Formes Élémentaires de la Vie Religieuse: Emile Durkheim and the Aboriginal Aranda in Alice Springs
Ian Keen, Australian National University
Warner’s Durkheimian Analysis of Yolngu (“Murngin”) Religion and Society: A Reassessment
Stephanie Frank, University of Chicago
The Limits of Rationality and Transparency: “Australian Totemism” and Moral Authority in Durkheim’s Elementary Forms
Marion Maddox, Macquarie University
Breaking the Great Australian Silence: How Durkheim Makes Room for Indigenous Religious Life
Responding:
Jonathan Z. Smith, University of Chicago

A30-113
Gay Men and Religion Group
Marriott Marquis, A601
Donald L. Boisvert, Concordia University, Presiding
Theme: Exploring Gay Male Desire
W. Scott Haldeman, Chicago Theological Seminary
Playing Desire Ritually: Thinking Compassionate Strippers and Seductive Preachers from the “Pew”
Patrick S. Cheng, Union Theological Seminary, New York
“I am Yellow and Beautiful”: Queer Asian Reflections on Gay Male Cyberculture and Theology
Catherine Roach, University of Alabama
Men Who Love Men and the Women Who Love to Read About It: Gay and Slash Romance in the “Erotic Faith” of Popular Romance Fiction
Roger A. Sneed, Furman University
Who Is He And What Is He To You? The Internet, the Down Low, and the Virtual Performance of Black Gay Masculinities
Responding:
Paul J. Gorrell, Stockton, NJ

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A30-114  🦌

Indigenous Religious Traditions Group
Marriott Marquis, A705
Jace Weaver, University of Georgia, Presiding
Theme: Trickster, Game, and Struggles for Self-Determination

Karyna Do Monte, Florida International University
Politics of Language in the Brazilian Amazon: A Case Study of the Madeira River Dam Complex

Angela D. Blaver, Kennesaw State University, and Kathleen J. Martin, California Polytechnic State University
"Trickster’s Art and Artifice": Indigenous Peoples, Missionary Interpretations

Anaís Spitzer, University of New Mexico
A Hedging Toss: The Role of Game and the Game of Roles in Navajo Cosmology

Michelene Pesantubbee, University of Iowa
Tracking the Celestial Tiger Across the Sky

Responding:
Roger Maaka, Eastern Institute of Technology

A30-115

Islamic Mysticism Group
Hyatt Regency, Hanover FG
Omar Ali-De-Unzaga, Institute of Ismaili Studies, Presiding
Theme: Revisiting al-Qushayri and His Legacy

Matthew Ingalls, Yale University
Recasting the Risala in Fifteenth-Century Egypt

Kristin Sands, Sarah Lawrence College
On the Subtleties of Method and Style in the Lata’if al-isharat of al-Qushayri

Alan Godlas, University of Georgia
Influences of al-Qushayri’s Lata’if al-isharat on the Qur’anic Commentaries of Ruzbihan al-Bagli and the Kubrawi School

Francesco Chiabotti, Providence University
The Spiritual and Physical Progeny of ‘Abd al-Karim al-Qushayri

Martin Nguyen, Fairfield University
Al-Tafsir al-kabir: The Influence and Authenticity of al-Qushayri’s Major Commentary

Responding:
Annabel Keeler, University of Cambridge

A30-116  🌟

Religion and Popular Culture Group
Marriott Marquis, M301
John Lardas Modern, Franklin and Marshall College, Presiding
Theme: Religion and Humor in Popular Culture: The Sacred, the Satirical, and the Scatological

Kelly J. Baker, University of Tennessee
“Dum, Dum, Dum, Dumb, Dumb”: Humor, Religious Intolerance, and South Park

David Feltmate, University of Waterloo
It’s Funny Because It’s True? Religion and Humor in The Simpsons

Steven A. Benko, Meredith College
The Passion and Monty Python’s Life of Brian: Laughter and Religious Laughter

Rudy V. Busto, University of California, Santa Barbara
“It’s the Same Shit!: Nostalgia, Alienation, and the Chicana Sacred in George Lopez’s Comedy

Responding:
Lisle Dalton, Hartwick College, and Gregory Grieve, University of North Carolina, Greensboro, Presiding

A30-117  🌟

Science, Technology, and Religion Group
Marriott Marquis, A602
Francisca Cho, Georgetown University, Presiding
Theme: The Science of Morality: Recent Trends and Future Prospects

Ki Joo Choi, Seton Hall University
Moral Praiseworthiness: Scientific and Theocentric Assessments in Dialogue

Greg Peterson, South Dakota State University
Can There Be a Eudaimonics?

Joseph Bankard, Northwest Nazarene University
Moral Instincts and the Problem with Reductionism: A Critical Exploration into the Work of Marc Hauser

Responding:
Jeffrey Schloss, Westmont College
Lori Marino, Emory University
Michel Spezio, Scripps College
Saturday, 9:00 am–11:30 am

A30-118

Theology and Continental Philosophy Group
Marriott Marquis, L508
Tyler T. Roberts, Grinnell College, Presiding
Theme: Liturgy, Sacrament, and Prayer
Kendall Walser Cox, University of Virginia
Liturgy, kenosis, and Creation: Living Before God Without God In Jean-Yves Lacoste’s Experience and the Absolute
Andrew Prevot, University of Notre Dame
Prayer and Experience: Between Jean-Yves Lacoste and Jean-Louis Chrétien
Daniel Wade McClain, Catholic University of America
Sacramental Bodies and Sacramental Polities: Discipleship at the Horizon of Secularism
Min-Ah Cho, Emory University
The Quest for Heterological Sacramentality: Rethinking the Body of Christ through Michel de Certeau

A30-119

Religion and the Literary in Tibet Seminar
Marriott Marquis, L507
Kurtis Schaeffer, University of Virginia, Presiding
Theme: Tibetan Literature Up to the Twelfth Century
Panelists:
Jacob Dalton, University of California, Berkeley
Carl Yamamoto, Towson University
Benjamin Bogin, Georgetown University
Lara Braithstein, McGill University
José I. Cabezón, University of California, Santa Barbara
Bryan J. Cuevas, Florida State University
Holly Gayley, University of Colorado
Frances Garrett, University of Toronto
Janet Gyatso, Harvard University
Sarah Jacoby, Northwestern University
Jann Ronis, University of Virginia
Nicole Willock, Indiana University
Business Meeting:
Andrew Quintman, Yale University, Presiding

A30-120

Religions in Chinese and Indian Cultures: A Comparative Perspective Seminar
Marriott Marquis, M109
Tao Jiang, Rutgers University, Presiding
Theme: Philosophy: Indian and Chinese Perspectives
Panelists:
David Lawrence, University of North Dakota
Sthaneswar Timalsina, San Diego State University
Yong Huang, Kutztown University
Dan Lusthaus, Harvard University
Responding:
Chakravarthi Ram-Prasad, Lancaster University
Business Meeting:
Tao Jiang, Rutgers University, and Chakravarthi Ram-Prasad, Lancaster University, Presiding

A30-121

Animals and Religion Consultation
Marriott Marquis, Marquis Ballroom A
Celia Deane-Drummond, University of Chester, Presiding
Theme: Thinking Animals, Rethinking Theology: Abrahamic and Indigenous Traditions
Erin Daryl Meyer, Fordham University
Jacques Derrida, Gregory of Nyssa, and the Human-Animal Distinction in the Song of Songs
David Grummett, University of Exeter
Christ the Lamb of God and the Christian Doctrine of God
Geoffrey Claussen, Jewish Theological Seminary
Compasion for Animals in the Thought of the Musar Movement
David Aftandilian, Texas Christian University
Towards a Native American Theology of Animals
Responding:
David Clough, University of Chester
Business Meeting:
David Aftandilian, Texas Christian University, Presiding
A30-122

Body and Religion Consultation and North American Hinduism Consultation
Marriott Marquis, M105
Rebecca Sachs Norris, Merrimack College, Presiding
Theme: Deities, Humans, and Temples: Hindu Bodies in Transnational Contexts
George Pati, Valparaiso University
Construction and Deconstruction of Temple Bodies and Identities
Arthi Devarajan, Emory University
Dancing "From Within": Pedagogies of South Indian Identity among Suburban American Hindus
Shana Sippy, Carleton College
The Desecration of Divine Bodies: Tracing the Development of a Hindu Discourse, Moving From Bodies in Pain to Models of Moral Virtue
Tulasi Srinivas, Emerson College
Truant Ascetics? Transnationalism, Salvation, and the Contested Body in the Satya Sai Movement
Responding:
Vasudha Narayanan, University of Florida

A30-123

Buddhism in the West Consultation and Religion and Migration Consultation
Marriott Marquis, A708
Wakoh Shannon Hickey, Alfred University, Presiding
Theme: Buddhist Women Migrants, Migrating Women's Buddhism: The Complexities and Challenges for Buddhist Women in Oceania
Amy Holmes-Tagchungdarpa, University of Alabama
Genealogies of Nonviolent Resistance between Oceania and the Himalayas: Women as Participants and Symbols in the Parihaka Community and the Tibetan Satyagraha Protest Movement
Bante Sujato, Santi Forest Monastery
The Trials of Ordination for Buddhist Nuns in Contemporary Australia and Ancient India
Kalzang Dorjee Bhutia, University of Alabama
Evoking Buddhist Landscape in Aotearoa: Women as Agents of the Adaptation of Buddhism to New Zealand Soil
Ruth Gamble, Australian National University
Laying out the Dead: The Shifting Traditions of Tibetan Women's Role in the Disposal of the Dead, from Tibet, to Exile, to Australia
Business Meeting:
Marie Marquardt, Agnes Scott College, Presiding

A30-124 ★

Childhood Studies and Religion Consultation
Marriott Marquis, M101
Bonnie Miller-McLemore, Vanderbilt University, Presiding
Theme: Children’s Agency in Contested Spaces
Cristina Traina, Northwestern University
Children as Workers: Deconstructing Christian Traditions
Jon Waind, McGill University
The Language of Rights and the Order of Love: Tracing Feminist Trajectories of Justice to a Good Place for Children
Sean O’Neil, University of Florida
At Play in Peril: Children’s Spiritual Points of View in Films Treating Latin American Military Regimes of the 1970s
Responding:
Kristin Herzog, Durham, NC
Business Meeting:
John Wall, Rutgers University, and Laurie Zoloth, Northwestern University, Presiding

A30-125 ★

Latina/o Critical and Comparative Studies Consultation
Marriott Marquis, L506
Laura Perez, University of California, Berkeley, Presiding
Theme: Islam in the Borderlands: Remixing Mestizaje
Harold Morales, University of California, Riverside
Luces Sobre Islam: Locating Latino/a Muslims within Virtual Borders
Patrick Bowen, University of Denver
Culture and Identity in The Latino Muslim Voice Newsletter
Adan Stevens-Diaz, Temple University
The Muslim Narrative among United States Latinos/as
Responding:
Ruth Mas, University of Colorado
Business Meeting:
Luis Leon, University of Denver, Presiding
### A30-126 ⭐

**Liberal Theologies Consultation**

Marriott Marquis, L505  
Daniel McKanan, Harvard University, Presiding  
Theme: *Liberalism, Cosmopolitanism, and Public Reason*  
Emily R. Mace, Princeton University  
*“The Brotherhood of Jesus with a Plus”: Christian and Post-Christian Perspectives in a Fin de Siècle Sunday School*  
Matthew Hagele, Florida State University  
*Religious Community: Locke and Institutional Participation*  
Michael L. Raposa, Lehigh University  
*On Being a Liberal Theologian in a Postliberal Age*  
Jonathan Rothchild, Loyola Marymount University  
*Revisiting Public Reason: Sen’s Contribution to Debates on Justice and Its Import for Theological Reflection*  
Responding:  
Ellen M. Umansky, Fairfield University  
Mary Doak, University of San Diego  
Business Meeting:  
Krista Duttenhaver, University of Notre Dame, Presiding

### A30-127 ⭐

**Liberation Theologies Consultation**

Marriott Marquis, A704  
Thia Cooper, Gustavus Adolphus College, Presiding  
Theme: *Practicing Liberation Theology in the Twenty-first Century*  
Jenny Te Paa, College of Saint John the Evangelist, Auckland  
Monica A. Coleman, Claremont School of Theology  
Ivan Petrella, University of Miami  
Business Meeting:  
Thia Cooper, Gustavus Adolphus College, Presiding

### A30-128 ⭐

**Religion and Cities Consultation**

Marriott Marquis, M102  
Omar McRoberts, University of Chicago, Presiding  
Theme: *Religion in Cities: The Changing Faithscape*  
Richard Bohannon, College of Saint Benedict and Saint John’s University  
*What Counts as a City? Reflections on Religion and the City in a Globalizing World*  
Lissa McCullough, Los Angeles, CA  
*Paolo Soleri on Urban Evolution and Religion*  
Catherine Bowler, Duke University  
*Victory and the American Prosperity Gospel*  
Sarah Raven, Iliff School of Theology  
*“Don’t Push Me Cuz I’m Close to the Edge”: The Problem of Theodicy in Urban Poetry*  
Responding:  
Lawrence Mamiya, Vassar College  
Business Meeting:  
Katie Day, Lutheran Theological Seminary, Philadelphia, Presiding

### A30-129 ⭐

**Religion in Europe Consultation**

Marriott Marquis, L504  
Robert Alvis, Saint Meinrad School of Theology, Presiding  
Theme: *Religious Ferment in Contemporary Europe*  
John P. Burgess, Pittsburgh Theological Seminary  
*Monasticism as a Force for Religious and Cultural Renewal in Post-Communist Russia*  
Brian Bennett, Niagara University  
*The Myth of Cyril and Methodius and Competing Visions of Europe*  
Iva Meredjanova, Sofia University  
*Post-Communist Wars in the Balkans and Interreligious Peacebuilding*  
Business Meeting:  
Robert Alvis, Saint Meinrad School of Theology, and Andrii Krawchuk, University of Sudbury, Presiding
A30-130  🎤  🌟  

Religion in Southeast Asia Consultation  
Marriott Marquis, L503  
Jason Carbine, Whittier College, Presiding  
Theme: Religious Borders, Identities, and Hybridities within and beyond Southeast Asia  
Francis Bradley, University of Wisconsin  
The Patani Scholarly Network and the Rise of Islamic Educational Institutions in Southeast Asia  
Catherine Newell, University of London  
Dhammakaya Meditation: The "Unorthodox" Heart of a Global Buddhist Movement  
Eu Kit Lim, Iliff School of Theology and University of Denver  
“What’s this Hybridity Stuff?” Examining the Promise of Resistance in Constructions of Hybrid Identities Among Malaysian Pentecostal Chinese  
Jessica Lee Patterson, University of San Diego  
A Buddha’s Identity Crisis  
Responding:  
Elizabeth Collins, University of Ohio  
Business Meeting:  
Jason Carbine, Whittier College, and Anna M. Gade, University of Wisconsin, Presiding  

A30-131  🎤  🌟  

Religion, Memory, History Consultation  
Hyatt Regency, Hanover AB  
Anne Murphy, University of British Columbia, Presiding  
Theme: Remembering Loss: The Work of Memory in Facing the Violence of the Past  
Leigh Sangster, Emory University  
Collective Memory, Postmemory, and Buddhist Imagery in Contemporary Tibetan Art  
Brian Britt, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University  
Memory of Disaster: From Simulacra to Agency  
Mona Hassan, Duke University  
Remembering Baghdad: Visual, Musical, and Literary Commemorations of the City’s Fall to the Mongols in 1258  
Brandi Denison, University of North Carolina  
Redemption in the American West: Confounding Colonial Memories through Песнь воинов  
Business Meeting:  
David Reinhart, University of Wisconsin, Whitewater, Presiding  

A30-132  🎤  🌟  

Ricoeur Consultation  
Hyatt Regency, Hanover C  
Jeffrey F. Keuss, Seattle Pacific University, Presiding  
Theme: Ricoeur, Liturgy, and the Phenomenology of Religious Experience  
Mark Godin, Glasgow, United Kingdom  
Paul Ricoeur and Worshipful Inventions: Tracing Liturgical Imagination through the Art of Narrative Identity  
Michele Petersen, University of Iowa  
Paul Ricoeur and the Heart of Meaning  
Brian A. Butcher, Pacific College  
Figuring Liturgically: A Ricoeurian Approach to Liturgical Theology  

A30-133  🎤  🌟  

Space, Place, and Religious Meaning Consultation  
Marriott Marquis, A702  
David Simonowitz, Pepperdine University, Presiding  
Theme: Portmanteau Space: Bringing Religious Meanings to Nonreligious Space  
Joanne Punzo Waghorne, Syracuse University  
Space without Place: Borderless “Spirituality” within a Global City in Asia  
Alain Epp Weaver, University of Chicago  
Palestinian Refugee Cartography and the Sacralization of Space  
Daniel Sack, University of Chicago  
Prayer at the Crossroads: The O’Hare Airport Chapel as Religious Space  
Responding:  
David Bains, Samford University  
Business Meeting:  
Jeanne Halgren Kilde, University of Minnesota, and Leonard Norman Primiano, Cabrini College, Presiding  

A30-134  🎤  🌟  

Transformative Scholarship and Pedagogy Consultation  
Marriott Marquis, M108  
Tina Pippin, Agnes Scott College, Presiding  
Theme: Teaching for Transformation: Examining the Lessons, Challenges, and Possibilities of Community-based Pedagogy  
Panelists:  
Nathaniel Smith, Emory University  
Jennie S. Knight, Emory University  
Charon Hribar, Union Theological Seminary  
Charlene Sinclair, Union Theological Seminary  
Colleen Wessel-McCoy, Union Theological Seminary  
Business Meeting:  
Shannon Craigo-Snell, Yale University, Presiding
A30-135  ★
Women of Color Scholarship, Teaching, and Activism Consultation
Marriott Marquis, M302
Natalie Avalos Cisneros, University of California, Santa Barbara, Presiding
Theme: IntellectualModes of Resistance Activity
Grace Ji-Sun Kim, Moravian Theological Seminary
Multiculturalism, Race, and Politics
Karen Crozier, Fresno Pacific University, and Helen Easterling Williams, Azusa Pacific University
Activism Within and Beyond Identity Politics
Responding:
Emilie M. Townes, Yale University
Business Meeting:
Katie G. Cannon, Union Presbyterian Seminary, Presiding

A30-136
Publications Committee Meeting
Marriott Marquis, L501
Cheryl A. Kirk-Duggan, Shaw University, Presiding

A30-137  CANCELLED
Pitts Theology Library Special Collections Tour
Saturday, 9:00 am–12:00 pm

A30-138  ⚡
Jimmy Carter Presidential Library and Museum Tour
Saturday, 9:00 am–12:00 pm
Buses pick up at Hyatt Regency-Baker Street Exit
Ellen Ott Marshall, Emory University, Presiding
Sponsored by the Religion and Politics Section and the Religions, Social Conflict, and Peace Group
The Jimmy Carter Presidential Library and Museum is home to the presidential papers of the Carter Administration. An exhibit of significant events occurring during Carter’s life and political career includes photographs with interpretative text. Several exhibits focus on important twentieth century issues such as war and peace, disarmament, and the economy.
Tour fee: $20.

A30-139  🎨
High Museum of Art Tour
Saturday, 9:00 am–12:00 pm
Meet in the Hyatt Regency Lobby
Diane Apostolos-Cappadona, Georgetown University, Presiding
Sponsored by the Arts, Literature, and Religion Section and the Society for the Arts in Religious and Theological Studies
The High Museum of Art’s collections consist of more than 11,000 pieces and include nineteenth and twentieth century American and decorative art, significant European pieces, modern and contemporary art, photography, African art, and folk art.
Tour fee: $15.

M30-100
African Association for the Study of Religions
Marriott Marquis, M303
Lilian Dube, University of San Francisco, and Mutombo Nkulu-Nsengha, California State University, Northridge, Presiding
Theme: The State of African Religious Studies Scholarship
Robert Baum, University of Missouri
Innovations in Traditional Societies: New Perspectives on the Precolonial History of African Religions
Elias Bongmba, Rice University, AASR President 2010–2015
Reflections on Gender in Colonial Religious Thought
Melissa Browning, University of Chicago
Researching Religion in Post-Colonial Space
Discussion
Business Meeting:
Lilian Dube, AASR North American Representative 2010–2015, Presiding

M30-101  ⚡
Colloquium on Religion and Violence
Marriott Marquis, L404
Martha Reineke, University of Northern Iowa, Presiding
Panelist:
Jon Pahl, Lutheran Theological Seminary, Philadelphia
Responding:
Kathryn Lofton, Yale University
Michael Hardin, Preaching Peace
10:45 am Business meeting, open to all interested persons.
The Colloquium on Religion and Violence is an international association founded in 1990, which is dedicated to the exploration, criticism, and development of René Girard’s mimetic model of the relationship between violence and religion in the genesis and maintenance of culture.
M30-102

Dharma Academy of North America (DANAM)
Saturday, 9:00 am–10:30 am
Marriott Marquis, International 2
Kusumita P. Pedersen, St. Francis College, and Jeffery Long, Elizabethtown College, Presiding
Theme: *Panel Discussion of Interpreting Ramakrishna, by Swami Tyagananda and Pravrajika Vrajapran* (Motilal Banarsidas, 2010)
Panelists:
- Francis X. Clooney, Harvard Divinity School
- Gerald James Larson, Indiana University, Bloomington (Emeritus), University of California, Santa Barbara (Emeritus)
- June Mcdaniel, College of Charleston
- Joseph Prabhu, California State University, Los Angeles
- Anantanand Rambachan, Saint Olaf College
Responding:
- Swami Tyagananda, Hindu Chaplain, Harvard University and Massachusetts Institute of Technology Ramakrishna Vedanta Society, Boston
- Pravrajika Vrajapran, Sarada Convent, Vedanta Society of Southern California

M30-104 CANCELLED

Jesuit College and University Chairs
Saturday, 9:00 am–12:00 pm

M30-106

North American Paul Tillich Society
Saturday, 9:00 am–11:30 am
Marriott Marquis, International 4

M30-107

Cognitive Science of Religion Consultation
Saturday, 9:00 am–11:00 am
Marriott Marquis, International A
Theme: *Reductionism in the Cognitive Science of Religion*
- Laura Weed, College of Saint Rose
  *Against Reductionism in Causation*
- Paul Cassell, Boston University
  *Ritual, Religious Experience, and Adaptive Social Organization*
- Andrew Aghapour, University of North Carolina
  *Biocognitive Straw Men and Sui Generis Defensives: Science, Religion, and the Rhetoric of Reductionism*

M30-108

Niebuhr Society
Marriott Marquis, International 6
John D. Carlson, Arizona State University, Presiding
Theme: *Reinhold Niebuhr and Martin Luther King, Jr. in the Era of Obama*
Panelists:
- Christopher Evans, Colgate Rochester Crozer Divinity School
- William D. Hart, University of North Carolina, Greensboro
- David Little, Harvard University
Business Meeting:
  Kevin Carnahan, Central Methodist University, Presiding

M30-109

International Society for Chinese Philosophy
Saturday, 9:00 am–12:00 pm
Marriott Marquis, International B
Chung-ying Cheng, University of Hawai‘i, Presiding
Theme: *Seeking New Meanings of God and Dao: Dao of God and God of Dao*
  Chung-ying Cheng, University of Hawai‘i
  *On Supreme Sincerity and Ultimate Enlightenment as Divinity: Dao of God and God of Dao in Zhong Yong*
  Robert Neville, Boston University
  *Making Ultimate Reality Intimate: Contrary Images of Buddha-mind, Dao, and God*
  Joseph Grange, University of Maine
  *God as Rising Up, Soul as Expression: Dao as Unsayable, Dao as Livable*
  Chad Meister, Bethel College
  *God of Dao and Theosis in Christian Philosophical Theology*
Responding:
  Chung-ying Cheng, University of Hawai‘i
  Robert Neville, Boston University

M30-110

Society for Buddhist–Christian Studies
Marriott Marquis, International 7
Terry C. Muck, Asbury Theological Seminary, Presiding
Theme: *Can/Should Buddhists and Christians Do Buddhology/Theology Together?*
Panelists:
- Grace Burford, Prescott College
- Wendy Farley, Emory University
- John Makransky, Boston College
- Amos Yong, Regent University
11:00 am Business meeting
M30-111
Society for the Study of Anglicanism
Saturday, 9:00 am–11:30 am
Marriott Marquis, International 5
Martyn Percy, Ripon College Cuddesdon, Presiding
Theme: The Bonds and Limits of Communion: Fidelity, Diversity, and Conscience in Contemporary Anglicanism
The Annual SSA meeting is co-hosted by the Center for Anglican Communion Studies at the Virginia Theological Seminary and Ripon College Cuddesdon
Speakers:
- Rob Slocum, Saint Catharine College, Kentucky
- Bishop Ted Gulick, Diocese of Kentucky
Responding:
- Paul Collinns, Chichester, UK
- Mark Chapman, Oxford, UK
- Gerard Mannion, Leuven, Belgium
10:30 am Coffee Break
Plenary
Short Business Meeting
All are welcome. For more information, please contact Martyn Percy, mpercy@ripon-cuddesdon.ac.uk; Rob Slocum, rbslocum@genevanonline.com; or Barney Hawkins, bhawkins@vts.edu.

M30-112
Society for the Study of Christian Spirituality
Saturday, 9:00 am–11:00 am
Marriott Marquis, International 9
Janet Ruffing, Yale University, President-elect, Presiding
Theme: 2010 Presidential Address
9:00 am Steven Chase, Collegeville Institute
Reading Job: Entertaining Spiritualities of Suffering
10:30 am Business meeting
All are welcome. For more information, please visit the SSCS website, sscs.press.jhu.edu, or contact Anita Houck, Secretary, abouck@ saintmarys.edu.

M30-113
Polanyi Society
Saturday, 9:00 am–11:30 am
Marriott Marquis, International 1
Theme: The Next Generation Engages Polanyi, Part One
Panelists:
- Andrew Fort, Texas Christian University
- Chakravarti Ram-Prasad, University of Lancaster
- J. E. Llewellyn, Missouri State University
- Neil Dalal, University of Alberta
- Frederick Smith, University of Iowa

M30-114
Association for the Study of Esotericism
Saturday, 9:00 am–11:00 am
Hyatt Regency, University
Theme: Symposium on Esotericism in the Academy
Panelists:
- Claire Fanger, Rice University
- Lee Irwin, College of Charleston
- Arthur Versluis, Michigan State University
Symposium followed by open discussion. For more information, visit www.aseweb.org.

M30-118
Dharma Academy of North America (DANAM)
Saturday, 9:00 am–11:00 am
Marriott Marquis, International 2
Jack Llewellyn, Missouri State University, and Brian Black, University of Lancaster, Presiding
Theme: Selves and Experience: Shankara and The Self Possessed
Panelists:
- Andrew Fort, Texas Christian University
- Chakravarti Ram-Prasad, University of Lancaster
- J. E. Llewellyn, Missouri State University
- Neil Dalal, University of Alberta
- Frederick Smith, University of Iowa

M30-123
Karl Barth Society of North America
Saturday, 9:00 am–11:30 am
Marriott Marquis, International 8
Theme: The Eucharist and Ecumenism by George Hunsinger (Cambridge University Press, 2008)
Panelists:
- William G. Rusch, Former Director of the NCCC Commission on Faith and Order
- Susan K. Wood, Marquette University
- Donald Dayton, Azusa Pacific University
Responding:
- George Hunsinger, Princeton Theological Seminary
M30-124

Soren Kierkegaard Society
Saturday, 9:00 am–12:00 pm
Marriott Marquis, International 3
John Davenport, Fordham University, Presiding
Theme: Selfhood, Church, and Society
   Robert L. Perkins, Stetson University
   Kierkegaard’s Political Theology
   J. Michael Tilley, Georgetown College
   Immersion and Reflective Action: Kierkegaard and Social Theory
   Will Williams, Baylor University
   Irony as the Birth of Kierkegaard’s "Single Individual"

M30-125 ⭐

Psychology, Culture, and Religion Group
Saturday, 9:00 am–11:30 am
Hyatt Regency, Piedmont
Greg Schneider, Pacific Union College, Presiding
Theme: Works in Progress/Business Meeting

M30-126

Mennonite Scholars and Friends Forum
Saturday, 9:00 am–11:00 am
Marriott Marquis, International C

M30-116

Art/s of Interpretations Group
Saturday, 10:00 am–12:00 pm
Hyatt Regency, Techwood
Jennifer Reid, University of Maine, Farmington, Presiding
Theme: Remembering Eliade — Mircea Eliade and the Imagination of Matter: An Empirical Approach
Panelists:
   David Carrasco, Harvard University
   Charles Long, University of California, Santa Barbara

M30-117 ⭐

Christian Theological Research Fellowship
Saturday, 10:00 am–12:00 pm
Hyatt Regency, Vinings
Joel Scandrett, Wheaton College, Presiding
Theme: Edinburgh and Ecumenism — 100 Years On
On the centennial of the historic Edinburgh Missionary Conference, this session will explore that event’s ongoing influence, particularly in the area of ecumenical promise and challenge.
   Marilyn McCord Adams, University of North Carolina
   Recent Developments in the Anglican Communion, or Ecumenism Misapplied
   Joseph Bracken, Xavier University
   Catholicism, Ecumenism, and "the One and the Many"
   Hans Boersma, Regent College
   Heavenly Participation: Ecumenical Dialogue and the Recovery of a Sacramental Mindset
Business Meeting:
   Bernie A. Van De Walle, Ambrose University College, Presiding

A30-141 📜 🍽️

Special Topics Forum
Saturday, 11:45 am–12:45 pm
Hyatt Regency, Lenox
Melissa M. Wilcox, Whitman College, Presiding
Theme: LGBTIQ Mentoring Lunch
Sponsored by the Status of LGBTIQ Persons in the Profession Task Force
All graduate students and junior scholars who identify outside of normative gender histories and/or sexualities are welcome to join us for an informal lunch. No fee or preregistration is required; please bring your own lunch.
Panelists:
   Rebecca Alpert, Temple University
   Rudy V. Busto, University of California, Santa Barbara
   Monica A. Coleman, Claremont School of Theology
   Horace Griffin, Pacific School of Religion
   W. Scott Haldeman, Chicago Theological Seminary
   Jennifer Harvey, Drake University
   Jay E. Johnson, Pacific School of Religion
   Laurel Schneider, Chicago Theological Seminary
   Daniel T. Spencer, University of Montana
   Traci C. West, Drew University
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**A30-120**

**North American Association for the Study of Religion Business Meeting**

Saturday, 11:45 am–12:45 pm

Marriott Marquis, International 8

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**M30-122**

**Christian Theological Research Fellowship**

Saturday, 12:00 pm–1:00 pm

Marriott Marquis, International 4

Bernie A. Van De Walle, Ambrose University College, Presiding

Theme: *A Discussion of James K. A. Smith’s Desiring the Kingdom: Worship, Worldview, and Cultural Formation* (Baker Academic, 2009)

This session welcomes James K. A. Smith to interact with those in attendance on his new book, *Desiring the Kingdom*, the first volume in Baker's Cultural Liturgies series. In this work, Smith seeks to revision Christian education as a formative process that redirects our desire toward God's Kingdom and its vision of flourishing. In the same way, Smith revisions Christian worship as a pedagogical practice that trains our love.

Panelist:

James K. A. Smith, Calvin College

Responding:

D. Stephen Long, Marquette University

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**M30-122**

**North American Paul Tillich Society**

Saturday, 11:45 am–12:45 pm

Marriott Marquis, International A

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**A30-200**

**Special Topics Forum**

Saturday, 1:00 pm–3:30 pm

**M30-120**

**Plenary Address**

Saturday, 11:45 am–12:45 pm

Hyatt Regency, Centennial II-IV

Ann Taves, University of California, Santa Barbara, Presiding

Theme: *Frans de Waal: Morality before Religion — Empathy, Reciprocity, and Fairness in our Fellow Primates*

Homo homini lupus – “man is wolf to man” – is an old Roman proverb popularized by Thomas Hobbes. Even though it permeates large parts of law, economics, and political science, the proverb fails to do justice to our species’ thoroughly social nature as well as to canids, which are among the most gregarious and cooperative animals. For the past quarter century, this cynical view has also been promoted by an influential school of biology, followers of Thomas Henry Huxley, which holds that we are born nasty as a result of “selfish” genes. Accordingly, it is only with the greatest possible effort that we can hope to become moral beings. Charles Darwin, however, saw things differently: he believed in continuity between animal social instincts and human morality. He wrote an entire book entitled *The Expression of the Emotions in Man and Animals*. Modern psychology and neuroscience support Darwin’s view about moral emotions. Human moral decisions often stem from “gut” reactions, some of which we share with other animals. de Waal will elaborate on the connection between morality and primate behavior. Other primates show signs of empathy, prosocial tendencies, reciprocity, and a sense of fairness that promote a mutually satisfactory modus vivendi. de Waal will review evidence for continuity to support the view that the building blocks of morality are older than humanity.

Panelists:

Frans de Waal, Emory University

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**M30-121**

**North American Paul Tillich Society**

Saturday, 11:45 am–12:45 pm

Marriott Marquis, International A

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Special Topics Forum
Marriott Marquis, L506
Tim Jensen, University of Southern Denmark, Presiding
Theme: Beyond the Rainbow Generation? Religion and Pluralism in a Globalized World
Sponsored by the International Connections Committee
Religious and cultural diversity has evolved from, at times, parochial efforts to encourage members of the majority culture in the world to move beyond their comfort zone to face new challenges, as we struggle to forge a world community out of disparate individuals connected by globalization and commodification. What are the challenges we face as a world community and how might we meaningfully rethink our new roles and collective responsibilities as global citizens? In what ways do religions help and/or hinder these ideas of and efforts for a world community? How do people of faith seeking to participate as responsible global citizens evoke their faith traditions as inspiration in this quest and, conversely, how might loyalty of and commitment to respective faith tradition inhibit their quest for global citizenship? In addition to religious pluralism, what about pluralisms that exist within a religious tradition? What might these intrareligious pluralisms signify in terms of possibilities and limitations for community?
Panelists:
- Diana Eck, Harvard University
- Mike Grimshaw, University of Canterbury
- Changgang Guo, Shanghai University
- Simeon O. Ilesanmi, Wake Forest University
- Marion Maddox, Macquarie University
- Paul Morris, University of Wellington

Panelists:
- Michael Patrick Murphy, University of San Francisco
- Theodore Vial Jr., Iliff School of Theology
- Anne E. Monius, Harvard University
- Charles Mathewes, University of Virginia
- Amir Hussain, Loyola Marymount University
- Jacob N. Kinnard, Iliff School of Theology
- Karen Jackson-Weaver, Princeton University
- Cynthia Read, Oxford University Press
- Patricia Thomas, Oxford University Press

Special Topics Forum
Marriott Marquis, A703
Kimberly Connor, University of San Francisco, Presiding
Theme: How to Get Published
Sponsored by the Publications Committee
Based on notions that scholars have an understanding of the books needed in the fields of religion, religious studies, and theology, the AAR publishing program with Oxford University Press (OUP) produces quality scholarship for religious scholars and their students. OUP is an outstanding international publisher and the AAR has published hundreds of titles, many of which have become critical tools in the development of our fields and in training new scholars. AAR/OUP books include five published series: Academy Series; Reflection and Theory in the Study of Religion Series; Religion, Culture, and History Series; Religion in Translation Series; and Teaching Religious Studies Series.
The panel provides an opportunity to hear from experienced OUP and AAR editors, and to ask any and all questions you might have regarding the AAR/OUP series. Also, the JAAR Editor will discuss essay publishing. You will have opportunities to speak with individual editors. In addition, come meet an author who has journeyed from start to finish in the publishing process and can answer your most pressing questions.

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- Cynthia Read, Oxford University Press
- Patricia Thomas, Oxford University Press

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- Mormon Literature: Where are We Going? Where have We Been?
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- This Is the (Right) Place: Memorializing Sacred Space and Time in Salt Lake Valley
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- David Morgan, Duke University

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- Obstetrical Buddhism: Pregnancy According to the Mulasarvastivāda Vinaya
- Pierce Salguero, Johns Hopkins University
- How to Read a Buddhist Medical Treatise: The Social Logic of Medical Metaphors in Early Medieval Chinese Buddhism
- Joshua Capitanio, University of the West
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Saturday, 1:00 pm–3:30 pm

A30–205

Comparative Studies in Religion Section and African Religions Group
Marriott Marquis, A602
Cynthia Hoehler-Fatton, University of Virginia, Presiding

Theme: Just Between Us? Ritual Syncretism across Religion, Society, and Politics in Contemporary Africa

Peter Hoesing, Florida State University
“Obulamu Bulungi”: Spirit Possession and Social Harmony in Southern Uganda

Dianna Bell, Florida State University
Understanding Muslim Participation in Christian Services in Mali, West Africa, through Communitas

Joseph Hellweg, Florida State University
Homologous Sacrifice: “Dozo” Hunting, Islam, and the Failure of Religious and Political Pluralism in Côte d’Ivoire, West Africa

Isabel Mukonyora, Western Kentucky University
Oral Tradition and Ritual Meaning among Masowe Apostles

Responding:
Rosalind Hackett, University of Tennessee

A30–206

Ethics Section
Marriott Marquis, A707
On-cho Ng, Pennsylvania State University, Presiding

Theme: Ethics of the Other(s): Levinas in Dialogue with Buddhism (Indian and Chinese), Confucianism, Daoism, and Islam

Dan Lusthaus, Harvard University
Acting Toward the Other With/out Violence in Buddhism

Tsingsong Vincent Shen, University of Toronto
Ethics of Generosity to the Other in the Awakening of Faith and Huiyuan’s Concept of Huixiang

Fei Lan, University of Toronto
Selfhood and Otherness: A Comparative Look at the Father–Son Relationship in Light of Levinas and Dai Zhen’s Philosophy

Yong Huang, Kutztown University
Daoist Ethics of the Other: Patient Relativism in the Zhuangzi

Mohammad Ashraf Adeel, Kutztown University
The Dialectics of the Unseen: An Ethics of the Other in the Qur’an

A30–207

History of Christianity Section
Hyatt Regency, Hanover E
Daniel Ramírez, University of Michigan, Presiding

Theme: Author Meets Critics: Thomas A. Tweed’s Crossing and Dwelling (Harvard University Press, 2008)

Panelists:
Richard Callahan, University of Missouri
Marie Marquardt, Agnes Scott College
Ivan Strenski, University of California, Riverside
Grant Wacker, Duke University

Responding:
Thomas A. Tweed, University of Texas

A30–208

North American Religions Section and Native Traditions in the Americas Group
Hyatt Regency, Hanover FG
Ines M. Talamantez, University of California, Santa Barbara, Presiding

Theme: Defining Religious Freedom: Reading Tisa Wenger’s We Have a Religion: The 1920s Pueblo Indian Dance Controversy and American Religious Freedom (University of North Carolina Press, 2009)

Panelists:
Quincy Newell, University of Wyoming
Greg Johnson, University of Colorado
Kenneth Mello, Southwestern University

Responding:
Tisa Wenger, Yale University

A30–209

Religion and Politics Section and Religion, Memory, History Consultation
Marriott Marquis, A601
David Reinhart, University of Wisconsin, Whitewater, Presiding

Theme: Political Memory: Possibilities in Religious Remembering

Alain Epp Weaver, University of Chicago
Remembering the Nakha in Hebrew: Sacramental Memory Performance at the Sites of Destroyed Palestinian Villages

Luke Blair, University of Pennsylvania, and John Stevenson, University of Chicago
What Do the Dead Say? “Let the Saviors Rule”

Christopher J. Dowdy, Southern Methodist University
Exchanging Absences: Memory Work, Unilateral Repentance, and Commemorative Silence at Sites of Racial Violence

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Saturday, 1:00 pm–3:30 pm
Kevin O'Neill, University of Toronto
*The Passion of Guatemala: The Politics of Truth and Resurrection*

**Responding:**
Jean Bethke Elshtain, University of Chicago

**A30-210**

**Religion and the Social Sciences Section**
Marriott Marquis, M101
John D. Carlson, Arizona State University, Presiding
**Theme:** Twenty-first Century Christianity in Social Context
James Fenimore, United Methodist Church
*High-tech Worship: Christian Worship Technology and Gender Politics*

Philip Webb, DePaul University
*Family Values, Social Capital, and Contradictions of American Modernity*

Seth M. Walker, University of South Florida and Valencia Community College
*"His Friesus Confitavit Cervisa": The Economic Dimensions of Monastic Brewing in the Contemporary World*

Mimi Hanaoka, Columbia University
*The Politics of Piety in Early Islamic Persia*

Mona Hassan, Duke University
*Islamist Remembering and Longing for a Lost Caliphal Ideal: The Politics of Memory, Culture, and Emotion*

Rachel Scott, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University
*The Concept of the Golden Age in the Thought of Muhammad al-Awwa*

Adam Gaiser, Florida State University
*Duelling Hajji: Race, Ritual, and Authority in the Hajj Accounts of Malcolm X and Elijah Muhammad*

**Responding:**
Omid Safi, University of North Carolina

**A30-211**

**Religion in South Asia Section**
Marriott Marquis, M304
John E. Cort, Denison University, Presiding
**Theme:** New Directions in the Study of Religion in South Asia
Brian Collins, University of Chicago
*Apaddharma as a State of Exception; or, Parashurama the Werewolf*

Simone Barretta, University of Pennsylvania
*The Tantric Self: Body, Mind, and Society in the Tantric Saivism of Medieval Kashmir*

Carole Barnsley, Transylvania University
*Ismā'īlī Ginans (Hymns) as a Means of “Boundary Maintenance”*

Elliott McCarter, University of Texas
*Tales from Kuruksetra*

George Pati, Valparaiso University
*Sneham as Bhakti: Bhakti as Emancipation in the Modern Malayalam Poems of Kumanan Aan*

**Responding:**
John Stratton Hawley, Columbia University

**Business Meeting:**
Phillip Cary, Eastern University, Presiding

**A30-212**

**Study of Islam Section**
Marriott Marquis, A704
Ahmet T. Karamustafa, Washington University, Saint Louis, Presiding
**Theme:** Rethinking History, Reimagining Community
Matthew Pierce, Boston University
*Killing the Imams: Classical Shi’i Narratives of the Twelve Imams and the Neccesity of Martyrdom*

Mimi Hanaoka, Columbia University
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**Responding:**
Omid Safi, University of North Carolina

**A30-213**

**Augustine and Augustinianisms Group**
Marriott Marquis, L401
Phillip Cary, Eastern University, Presiding
**Theme:** Rhetoric and Soteriology
Stephen Pardue, Wheaton College
*Intellectual Humility in Augustine: A Christological and Linguistic Account*

Amalia Jiva, Boston University
*Between Fear of Reification and Gratitude for Revelation: Augustine’s Linguistics of Incarnation*

Christopher A. Stephenson, Lee University
*“Aware How Ill I Was, Unaware How Well I Was Soon to Be”: The Rhetoric of Medicine and Healing in Augustine’s Soteriology*

Jonathan Teubner, University of Cambridge
*Peripatetic Prepositions: The Soteriological Significance of Pilgrimage Images in Augustine’s Enarrationes in Psalms*

**Business Meeting:**
Phillip Cary, Eastern University, Presiding

**A30-214**

**Buddhist Critical–Constructive Reflection Group**
Hyatt Regency, Hanover AB
Kalzang Dorjee Bhutia, University of Alabama, Presiding
**Theme:** Remembering What is Forgotten: Reassessing the Traveling Oral Archive as a Source of Empowerment for Buddhist Women
Leah Weiss Ekstrom, Boston College
*Disrupting Gender Disparity in Contemporary North American Buddhism: Remembering and Fostering Women Teachers, Students, and Buddhist Feminism*

Amy Holmes-Tagchungdarpa, University of Alabama
*Forgotten Lives: Forgetting and Remembering Women in Tibetan Buddhist Traditions of the Himalayas through Oral Life Stories*

Ruth Gamble, Australian National University
*Forgotten Conversations: Disruptions in the Transmission of Oral Instructions for Women from Tibet, through Exile, to the West*

**Responding:**
Rita M. Gross, University of Wisconsin, Eau Claire

**Business Meeting:**
Roger Jackson, Carleton College, and John J. Makransky, Boston College, Presiding
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PROGRAM SESSIONS

A30-215
Contemporary Pagan Studies Group and Men, Masculinities, and Religions Group
Marriott Marquis, M102
Chas Clifton, Colorado State University, Pueblo, Presiding
Theme: Pagan Masculinities
- Helen A. Berger, West Chester University
  Pagan Men and Gender Equity by the Numbers
- Christopher W. Chase, Iowa State University
- Marion G. Mason, Bloomsburg University
  Gender Differences among Pagan Seminary Students
Responding:
- Douglas Ezzy, University of Tasmania
- Mark Justad, Guilford College

A30-216
Daoist Studies Group
Marriott Marquis, L507
David Mozina, University of North Carolina, Charlotte, Presiding
Theme: World of an Object: The Social and Cosmic Networks of Daoist Material Culture
- David Boyd, Indiana University
  The Embodiment of Immortality
- Suzanne Cahill, University of California, San Diego
  Mirrors and Daoism in Han through Tang Dynasty China
- Jonathan Pettit, Indiana University
  Resurrecting Maoshan: The Renovation of Temple Ruins in Medieval Daoism
- Neil McGee, Columbia University
  Wang Liyong’s Transformations of Lord Lao and Its Place in the Visual Propaganda Program of Song Gaozong (r. 1127–1162)
Responding:
- Gil Raz, Dartmouth College
Business Meeting:
- Xun Liu, Rutgers University, and Gil Raz, Dartmouth College, Presiding

A30-217
Evangelical Theology Group and Korean Religions Group
Marriott Marquis, L508
Soong-Chan Rah, North Park Theological Seminary, Presiding
Theme: Evangelicalism in Korean Context
- Chong Kim, University of Central Missouri
  Jesus the Filial Son: Kil Son-ju and the Korean Protestant Discourse on Confucianism
- William Yoo, Emory University
  Inside the Mental and Spiritual World of Yun Chi Ho, the First Korean Southern Methodist
- Elizabeth Underwood, Eastern Kentucky University
  Constructing a Heritage: The Yanghwajin Controversy and Evangelicalism in Korea
- Myung-Sahm Suh, University of Chicago
  The Rise and Development of the Christian Right in the Republic of Korea
Responding:
- Andrew Sung Park, United Theological Seminary

A30-218
Hinduism Group and Yoga in Theory and Practice Consultation
Hyatt Regency, Hanover D
Vijaya Nagarajan, University of San Francisco, Presiding
Theme: Yoga, Divinity, and Power in the Hindu Purāṇas
- Shaman Hatley, Concordia University
  Yoginis, Yamala Tantras, and the Mother Goddesses of Koṭivarṣa: A Study of the Skanda Purāṇa
- Andrew J. Nicholson, Stony Brook University
  Lords of Yoga in the Īśvara Gītā: Mainstreaming the Yoga of the Pāśupatas
- Sucharita Adluri, Cleveland State University
  Actualizing Viṣṇu: Defining Yoga in the Viṣṇu Purāṇa
- Travis L. Smith, University of Florida
  “A Gentle Approach”: The Early Skanda Purāṇa on the Pāśupata Appropriation of Varanasi
Responding:
- James Fitzgerald, Brown University

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A30–219  🌟

**Kierkegaard, Religion, and Culture Group**  
Marriott Marquis, A701  
Wilberforce O. Mundia, Shaw University, Presiding  
Theme: *Kierkegaard on Politics, Justice, and the Single Individual*  
Deidre Green, Claremont Graduate University  
*Works of Love in a World of Violence: Feminism, Kierkegaard, and the Limits of Self-Sacrifice*  
Tamara Monet Marks, Florida State University  
*The Martyr is the Suffering Single Individual*  
David R. Law, University of Manchester  
*Redeeming the Penultimate: Discipleship and Church in the Thought of Søren Kierkegaard and Dietrich Bonhoeffer*  
Ashley Cake, Syracuse University  
*Corntel West as Kierkegaard’s “Single Individual”: A Christian Conscience in Pursuit of Social Justice*  

*Business Meeting:*  
Andrew J. Burgess, University of New Mexico, and Sylvia Walsh, Stetson University, Presiding  

A30–220

**Psychology, Culture, and Religion Group**  
Marriott Marquis, A708  
Kirk A. Bingaman, Fordham University, Presiding  
Theme: *“Who am I Anyways?” Psychological and Religious Perspectives on Identity*  
Alberto Varona, California Institute of Integral Studies  
*Soul-splitting Headache: Imagining a Soul by Leaving the Best for Last and the Worst Left Behind*  
Leanna Fuller, Vanderbilt University  
*The Role of Collective Identification in Congregational Conflict*  
Anisah Bagasra, Clafin University  
*Religious Commitment, Acculturation, and Identity Formation among Twenty-first Century Muslim-Americans*  
David Hogue, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary  
Mariorose Lescher, Claremont Graduate University  
*A Most Peculiar Self*  

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**Qur’an Group**  
Marriott Marquis, M103–104  
Ludmila Zamah, University of Winnipeg, Presiding  
Theme: *Varieties of Qur’anic Issues*  
Toni Tidwell, Curtin University  
*The Qur’an as Critique and Standard for the Hadith: The Case of Bilquis*  
Bahar Davary, University of San Diego  
*Ecology and Islam: Contemplation of Water, Wind, Coral, and Fish*  
Nermeen Mouftah, University of Toronto  
*Making English an Islamic Language: Redefining Authority and Meaning through Modern English Translations of the Qur’an*  
Joel Blecher, Princeton University  
*Variants, Mistakes, and Conceptions of Inimitability in a Medieval Qur’an Commentary: Notes on an Early Fragment of al-Khaṭīb al-Tanzil wa-Ghurrat al-Tawīl*  
Isla Yázıcıoğlu, Saint Joseph’s University  
*Perhaps Their Harmony is Not that Simple: Said Nursi’s Interpretation of the Relationship between Modern Science and the Qur’an*  

*Business Meeting:*  
Anna M. Gade, University of Wisconsin, and Gordon D. Newby, Emory University, Presiding  

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**Religion in Latin America and the Caribbean Group**  
Marriott Marquis, A702  
Sylvia Marcos, Universidad Autonoma del Tierra, Chihua, Mexico, and Universidad Nacional Autonoma de Mexico, Presiding  
Theme: *Critical Feminist and Decolonial Readings of Mary*  
Jorge A. Aquino, University of San Francisco  
*Gestures Toward a Decolonial Guadalupan Theology*  
Elina Vuola, University of Helsinki  
*Decolonializing the Virgin Mary? Costa Rica’s La Negrita and the Hierarchies of Race, Gender, Religion, and Class*  
Nancy Pineda-Madrid, Boston College  
*Overturning Gendered Stereotypes of Latinas: Guadalupe and Malinche*  
Lilian Dube, University of San Francisco  
*Imaging Mary in Africa: Grassroots Feminist Ecumenical Movements*  
David Sanchez, Loyola Marymount University  
*From Patmos to the Barrio: Subverting Imperial Myths*  

*Responding:*  
Rosemary Ruether, Claremont Graduate University
A30-223 ⭐

Religion, Media, and Culture Group  
Marriott Marquis, L504  
Mark Hulsether, University of Tennessee, Presiding  
Theme: Authenticity and the Real  
Vincent Gonzalez, University of North Carolina  
*Spirit Meters and Balls of Light: The Dynamics of Prayer in Bible-believing Protestant Video Games*  
Deborah Whitehead, University of Colorado  
*The Evidence of Things Unseen: Faith and Authenticity in the Blogosphere*  
Judith Weisenfeld, Princeton University  
*“Something No White Man Has Ever Seen”: Race, Religion, and the Ethnographic Gaze in 1930s American Film*  
Dan Mathewson, Wofford College  
*Smackdown for Jesus: Christian Professional Wrestling and the Play of the Real*  
Business Meeting:  
Lynn Schofield Clark, University of Denver, and Jenna Tiitsman, Auburn Media and University of North Carolina, Presiding

A30-224 ⭐

Religions, Social Conflict, and Peace Group  
Marriott Marquis, Marquis Ballroom D  
Marla J. Selvidge, University of Central Missouri, Presiding  
Theme: Case Studies in Religion and Peacemaking  
John Kess, Duke University  
*Religious Authority in Stateless Societies: The Case of the Catholic Church during the War in the Democratic Republic of Congo*  
Myles Wernitz, Baylor University  
*Worlds Without Ends: Foucault and Augustine on Social Conscripted and War*  
Joyce Dubensky, Tanenbaum Center for Interreligious Understanding  
*Religion, Social Conflict, and Peace: Educating Religious Leaders*  
Jonathan Agensky, University of Cambridge  
*Global Faith-based Humanitarianism and Emergent Transformations in the Evangelical Imaginary*  
Business Meeting:  
Jon Pahl, Lutheran Theological Seminary, Philadelphia, Presiding

A30-225 ⭐

Ritual Studies Group and Body and Religion Consultation  
Marriott Marquis, L503  
Sarah M. Pike, California State University, Chico, Presiding  
Theme: Problematizing Gender and the Concept of the Ritual Body  
Panelists:  
Jone Salomonsen, University of Oslo  
Wendy Griffin, California State University, Long Beach  
Donna Seamone, Acadia University  
Responding:  
Morny Joy, University of Calgary  
Business Meeting:  
Sarah Haynes, Western Illinois University, Presiding

A30-226 ⭐

Roman Catholic Studies Group  
Marriott Marquis, M105  
William Clark, College of the Holy Cross, Presiding  
Theme: Catholicism as Cultural Practice: United States Historical Sources  
Andrew Stern, Southern Catholic College  
*Scarlett O’Hara and Pauline DeCardeu Heyward: Catholic Confederates in History and Imagination*  
Monica Mercado, University of Chicago  
*At Home in an International Church: Catholic Family Almanacs and Women Readers in Nineteenth Century America*  
Adrienne Nock Ambrose, University of the Incarnate Word  
*The Ephemeral Virgin: Representations of the Blessed Virgin Mary during America’s “Chromo Craze” (c. 1865–1900)*  
Kathleen Holscher, Villanova University  
*A Doubled Higher Calling: American Catholics, Memory, and Military Saints*  
Business Meeting:  
Jeaninne Hill Fletcher, Fordham University, and Daniel Speed Thompson, Saint Mary’s University, Presiding

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Sacred Space in Asia Group
Marriott Marquis, A705
Eve Mullen, Emory University, Presiding
Theme: Pilgrimage, Volunteerism, and Mapping Religion
Juan E. Campo, University of California, Santa Barbara
Mass Pilgrimage and the Modern State: Spatial and Ritual Transformations in a Hindu Pilgrimage
Dominick Scarangello, University of Virginia
Overcoming the Nation State, Neoliberal Economics, and Depopulation: The Revivification of a Japanese Local Sacred Site through the Rise of New Communities of Volunteerism and One Stubborn Man’s Vision of “Nature Religion”
Albertus Bagus Laksana, Boston College
Muslim Saints in the Island of the [Hindu] Gods: Pilgrimage, Identity, and Hybridity in Bali
Jason Carbine, Whittier College
Śānasuddhi, Śimāsammuti: Historical and Global Thoughts about a Spatial Basis of the Buddha’s Religion
Responding:
Brian J. Nichols, Rice University
Business Meeting:
Eve Mullen, Emory University, and Steven Heine, Florida International University, Presiding

A30–228

Womanist Approaches to Religion and Society Group and Religion and Sexuality Consultation
Marriott Marquis, M301
Heather White, New College of Florida, Presiding
Theme: Rethinking Womanist Sexual Ethics in the Twenty-first Century
Monique Moultrie, Vanderbilt University
Passionate and Pious: A Womanist and Cultural Analysis of Black Women’s Sexual Decision-making
Alexis S. Wells, Emory University
“I Just Wanna Sex-tify!”. Sexual Testimony and the Construction of Black Female Desire in the Religious Discourse of Juanita Bynum
Stephanie M. Crumpton, Columbia Theological Seminary
Crafting: A Womanist Pastoral Theological Exploration of African-American Women’s Use of Cultural Aesthetics to Heal from Sexual Violence
Michelle R. Jackson, Vassar College
Phillip I. Sheppard, North Park Theological Seminary
Mourning the Loss of Cultural Self-objects: Black Embodiment and Religious Experience after Trauma

A30–229

World Christianity Group
Marriott Marquis, M109
Dale T. Irvin, New York Theological Seminary, Presiding
Theme: Panel Discussion on the Cambridge Dictionary of Christianity (Cambridge University Press, 2010)
Panelists:
Peter C. Phan, Georgetown University
Susanna Snyder, Emory University
Edward Phillip Antonio, Iliff School of Theology
Maria Pilar Aquino, University of San Diego
Amos Yong, Regent University
Valerie Karras, Southern Methodist University
Responding:
Cristina Grenholm, Church of Sweden
Daniel M. Patte, Vanderbilt University
Business Meeting:
Jane Carol Redmont, Guilford College, Presiding

A30–230

Animals and Religion Consultation and Cognitive Science of Religion Consultation
Marriott Marquis, Marquis Ballroom A
Ann Taves, University of California, Santa Barbara, Presiding
Theme: Fellow Primates: A Conversation with Frans de Waal on Cognition, Animals, and Religion
Panelists:
Kimberley Patton, Harvard University
Armin W. Geertz, University of Aarhus
Frans de Waal, Emory University
Responding:
Gabriel Levy, University of Aarhus
Aaron Gross, University of San Diego
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A30–231  ★

Christianity and Academia Consultation
Marriott Marquis, M303
C. Hannah Schell, Monmouth College, Presiding
Theme: How Does the Academy Impinge on the Study of Theology?
William Wright, Eureka College
Academic Theology as Contextual Theology
Douglas Henry, Baylor University
How Curiositas Killed the You-Know-What and What We Can Do About It: Griffith’s Intellectual Appetite
Annemie Dillen, Katholieke Universiteit, Leuven, Joris Geldhof, Katholieke Universiteit, Leuven, and Annemie Patyn, Katholieke Universiteit, Leuven
How Can the Catholic Character of a University be Maintained When its Christian Identity is Fading?
Timothy Hanchin, Boston College
Towards a Hermeneutics of Hospitality: Lonergan’s Integral Hermeneutics in Christian Higher Education

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

A30–232  ★

Martin Luther and Global Lutheran Traditions Consultation
Hyatt Regency, Hanover C
Kirsi Irmeli Stjerna, Lutheran Theological Seminary, Gettysburg, Presiding
Theme: The Lutheran Tradition: New Theological and Global Perspectives
Farisani Elelwani, University of South Africa
The Challenges Facing Lutherans in South Africa
John Reynolds, Union Theological Seminary
The Heart in Sixteenth Century Physiology and the Role of Luther’s Theology in the Life of the Believer
Hans Schwarz, University of Regensburg
Martin Luther’s Reception in Korea
Cecilia Nahnfeldt, Karlstad University, Sweden
Lutheran Vocation and Gender Relations

Business Meeting:
Deanna A. Thompson, Hamline University, Presiding

A30–233  ★

Middle Eastern Christianity Consultation
Marriott Marquis, L405–406
Vida Bajc, Methodist University, Presiding
Theme: Scholars and Experts in Middle Eastern Christian History
Kimberly Lerch, University of Illinois, Springfield
Schakht’s Legacy: Preserver, Producer, and Transmitter of Scientific Knowledge in the Middle East
Jason R. Zaborowski, Bradley University
Arab Christian Physicians as Interreligious Mediators: Abu Shakir as an Ideal Type
David Bertaina, University of Illinois, Springfield
Science, Syntax, and Superiority: Elias of Nisibis on the Arabic and Syriac Languages
Robert Morehouse, Catholic University of America
Logical Contradictions: Ephraemi’s Attack on Philosophy in His Polemics against Bar Dayan and Manti
Mark Swanson, Lutheran School of Theology, Chicago
Qusta ibn Luqa: His Significance in the History of Christian–Muslim Relations

Responding:
Jon Hoover, University of Nottingham

Business Meeting:
Deanna A. Thompson, Hamline University, Presiding

A30–234  ★

Religious Conversions Consultation
Marriott Marquis, M108
Alexander Y. Hwang, Louisville Presbyterian Theological Seminary, Presiding
Theme: Cross-Cultural Dynamics of Conversion
Rose Caraway, University of Florida
“Finding Religion”: Evangelical Conversion and the Decline in Atheism in Post-Soviet Cuba
Garen Murray, Graduate Theological Union
(In)Famous Women: Confession, Conversion, and Celebrity in the Representation of Condemned Women
Edwin Zehner, Saint Lawrence University
Conversions, Therapies, and Other Forms of Change: Toward a More Interdisciplinary Approach
Ryan Williams, University of Cambridge
Deradicalization as Deconversion: Employing Deconversion as an Analytical Framework for Conceptualizing the Deradicalization of Islamic Extremists

Responding:
Linda A. Mercadante, Methodist Theological School, Ohio

Business Meeting:
Marc Pugliese, Brescia University, Presiding
A30–235  ⭐
Sociology of Religion Consultation
Marriott Marquis, L505
Titus Hjelm, University College London, Presiding
Theme: Religion and the Sociology of Pierre Bourdieu
   Jens Kühren, University of Bielefeld
   Religious Taste: A Theoretical Model to Explain Individual Religious Practice and Choices
   Randy Reed, Appalachian State University
   Prophetic Capital: An Application of Pierre Bourdieu to Modern Apocalyptic Fundamentalism
   Rebekka King, University of Toronto
   The Academe, the Author, and the Atheist: The Reception of the Study of Religion by Progressive Christians
   Terry Rey, Temple University
   Catholic Religious Capital and the Haitian Revolution: The Priest and the Prophetess
   Christopher Brittain, University of Aberdeen
   Religion as a “Field”: Bourdieu as a Resource for Analyzing the Conflict over Homosexuality in the Anglican Communion
Responding:
   Sean McCloud, University of North Carolina, Charlotte
Business Meeting:
   Titus Hjelm, University College London, Presiding

M30–105  📜
North American Association for the Study of Religion
Marriott Marquis, International 3
Arvind Mandair, University of Michigan, Presiding
Theme: Talal Asad, Three Decades in Review: The Use and Abuse of Anthropologies of Islam, Genealogies of Religion, and Formations of the Secular
   Ananda Abeysekara, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University
   The Untranslatability of Religion, the Untranslatability of Life: What Remains Unthought about Talal Asad’s Thinking within Religious Studies
   Markus Dressler, Istanbul Technical University
   From Sacred-Profane Binaries, Towards the Religo-secular Continuum, and Back
   Rosemary Hicks, Tufts University
   Asad, W. C. Smith, and Liberal Critiques of Individualist Ethics and Studies of Islam
   Ruth Mas, University of Colorado
   The Distanciation of the Secular

M30–200
Association of Practical Theology
Marriott Marquis, International 7
Bonnie Miller-McLemore, Vanderbilt University, Presiding
Theme: The Clerical Paradigm Revisited: Does Interdisciplinary Evidence of “Wise Practice” Make Us Want to Reclaim the Clerical Paradigm for Practical Theology?
   Larry Golemon, Virginia Theological Seminary
   Reclaiming a Professional (Not Clerical) Paradigm for Practical Theology
   Ruthanna Hooke, Virginia Theological Seminary
   Performance Practices in the Teaching of Preaching
   John Falcone, Boston College
   “Wise Practice” and Class Habitus in Practical Theology
Responding:
   Courtney Goto, Boston University

M30–201
College Theology Society Board Meeting
Saturday, 1:00 pm–6:00 pm
Hyatt Regency, Kennesaw
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Phenomenology and Scripture Group
Saturday, 1:00 pm–3:00 pm
Marriott Marquis, International 6
Adam Wells, The University of Virginia, Presiding

How does scripture give itself? What would it mean to treat scripture as a phenomenon? How does scripture relate to (or create) tradition? This panel will explore phenomenological approaches to scripture. Anyone interested is encouraged to attend.

Richard Oxenberg, Endicott College
Love and Death in the First Epistle of John: A Phenomenological Reflection

Randy Friedman, Binghampton University (SUNY)
The Allegory of Love

Madipoane Masenya, University of South Africa
Parent-Child Relationships with a Family Context: A Hermeneutical Phenomenology of Proverbs 1:8–9

Callid Keefe-Perry, Colgate Rochester Crozer Divinity School
Theopoetic Explorations and Fusings: Hyper-reality, Horizons, and the Reading of Scripture

Responding:
Petra Turner Harvey, University of Virginia
Matthew Puffer, University of Virginia

M30-203

Liverpool Hope and University of Manchester Symposium on Early Methodism: Texts, Traditions, and Theologies
Saturday, 1:15 pm–4:45 pm
Marriott Marquis, International 10
Theme: New Horizons and Frontiers: Evangelical Preachers and Preaching

1:00 pm Welcome
1:10 pm Short papers on evangelical preachers and preaching in Britain, North America, and the Caribbean.

Panelists:
Andrew Cheatle, Liverpool Hope University
Ryan N. Danker, Boston University
Sharon Jaye Grant, Southern Methodist University
Rex D. Matthews, Emory University
Mark R. Teasdale, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary

2:30 pm Questions and roundtable discussion.
Gareth Lloyd, University of Manchester, Presiding

4:15 pm Conclusion
For additional information, contact Gareth Lloyd at gareth.lloyd@manchester.ac.uk.
### A30-301
**Special Topics Forum**  
Marriott Marquis, A703  
Shaun Allen Casey, Wesley Theological Seminary, Presiding  
Theme: *Is the God Beat Dead?*  
Sponsored by the Public Understanding of Religion Committee  
This panel of scholars and journalists will examine the evolution of religion coverage in various media, including the social, political, and economic factors shaping the media's treatment of religion.

**Panelists:**  
- Adelle Banks, *Religion News Service*  
- Sarah Posner, *Religion Dispatches*  
- Mark Silk, Trinity College  
- Bob Smietana, *The Tennessean*

### A30-302
**Arts, Literature, and Religion Section and Music and Religion Consultation**  
Marriott Marquis, M106-107  
Theodore Trost, University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, Presiding  
Theme: *Music of the American Southeast*  
- Roy Whitaker, Claremont Graduate University  
- *Hip-Hop as Sacred Canopy: KRS-One, Peter Berger, and La Frontera*  
- Alisha Lola Jones, University of Chicago  
- *In the Pocket: A Sacred Go-Go Beat Movement of Peculiar People*  
- Jon Gill, Claremont Graduate University  
- *The Ethereal Etched into the Existential: Auerbach and Benjamin's Literary Philosophy as Displayed Theologically by Tori Amos and Illogic*  
- M. Cooper Harris, University of Chicago  
- *A Sense of Ending: The Album, Narrative, and Eschatology in Time (the Revelator) and The Tennessee Fire*

### A30-303
**Buddhism Section and Ritual Studies Group**  
Marriott Marquis, M109  
Timothy Lubin, Washington and Lee University, Presiding  
Theme: *Begging Bowls and Rice Balls: Exoteric South Asian Buddhist Ritual in Comparative Perspective*  
Panelists:  
- Robert DeCaroli, George Mason University  
- Vanessa Rebecca Sasson, Marianopolis College and McGill University  
- Todd Lewis, College of the Holy Cross  
- Alexander von Rospatt, University of California, Berkeley  
- Amy Paris Langenberg, Brown University  
Responding:  
- Ute Huesken, University of Oslo  
**Business Meeting:**  
- Janet Gyatso, Harvard University, and Charles Hallisey, Harvard University, Presiding

### A30-304
**History of Christianity Section**  
Hyatt Regency, Hanover E  
Martha Finch, Missouri State University, Presiding  
Theme: *The Body and Society at Twenty: Peter Brown and the History of Christianity*  
Panelists:  
- Margaret R. Miles, Berkeley, CA  
- Constance Furey, Indiana University  
- Susan Ashbrook Harvey, Brown University  
- Matthew Day, Florida State University

### A30-305
**Religion and the Social Sciences Section**  
Marriott Marquis, M101  
Rebecca Todd Peters, Elon University, Presiding  
Theme: *Social Justice and Religion*  
- Tonya Nashay Sanders, University of Illinois, Chicago  
- *From Isolation to Collaboration: African-American Faith-based Partnerships in Local Community Development*  
- Melissa James, Graduate Theological Union  
- *The Meaning of Service: Service and Meaning-making among Lutheran Volunteer Corps Participants*  
- Sarah Fredericks, University of North Texas  
- *Incorporating Environmental Justice into Sustainability Indicators: A Case Study of the Participation of Religious Studies Scholars in the Development of Policy Indicators*  
Responding:  
- Paul Morris, University of Wellington

### A30-306
**Religion in South Asia Section**  
Marriott Marquis, M304  
Simon Brodbeck, Cardiff University, Presiding  
Theme: *The Mahabharata: End and Endings*  
- Christopher Austin, Dalhousie University  
- *Draupadi's Fall: Narrative Continuity and the Problem of Symmetries in the Mahabharata*  
- Luis Gonzalez-Reimann, University of California, Berkeley  
- *Ending the Mahabharata: A Look at Some Closings Strategies*  
- Michael Baltutis, University of Wisconsin, Oshkosh  
- *The Reinvention of Orthopraxy: Refusing Royal Performances in Book Fourteen of the Mahabharata*  
- Tamar C. Reich, Indiana University of Pennsylvania  
- *Ends and Closures in the Mahabharata*  
Responding:  
- Bruce M. Sullivan, Northern Arizona University
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Bible in Racial, Ethnic, and Indigenous Communities Group; Bible, Theology, and Postmodernity Group; and Latina/o Religion, Culture, and Society Group

Marriott Marquis, M108
Fernando F. Segovia, Vanderbilt University, Presiding
Theme: Latina/o Theology and the Bible
Panelists:
- Cecilia Gonzalez-Andrieu, Loyola Marymount University
- Jorge A. Aquino, University of San Francisco
- Loida Martell-Otero, Palmer Theological Seminary
- Luis R. Rivera, McCormick Theological Seminary
- Michael E. Lee, Fordham University
- Nora O. Lozano, Baptist University of the Americas

A30-312

Black Theology Group

Marriott Marquis, Marquis Ballroom B
Dianne Diakité, Emory University, Presiding
Theme: African-Centered Thought and African Religions in Black Theology
Ralph Watkins, Fuller Theological Seminary
*From Black Theology to Africana Theology: A Methodological Shift in the Construction of an African-centered Theology*
Jawanza Eric Clark, Spelman College
*Reconcepting the Doctrine of Jesus as Savior in Terms of the African Understanding of an Ancestor: A Model for the Black Church*
Adam Clark, Xavier University
*Black Theology, Afrocentricity, and the Womanist Challenge*
Bryson White, Fuller Theological Seminary
*Africana Theology, Ancestor Veneration, and George Washington*

Business Meeting:
- Monica A. Coleman, Claremont School of Theology, and Stephen G. Ray Jr., Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary, Presiding

A30-313

Buddhist Philosophy Group

Hyatt Regency, Hanover FG
Robert Sharf, University of California, Berkeley, Presiding
Theme: Cognitive-Scientific Studies of Buddhist Thought and Practice: Philosophical Interrogations of the Issues
- David McMahan, Franklin and Marshall College
- Buddhist Meditation as Scientific Practice? Sorting Out the Implications of the Neuroscientific Study of Meditation
- William S. Waldron, Middlebury College
- Buddhism and Cognitive Science: Convergent Methods, Divergent Aims
- Jay Garfield, Smith College
- Ask Not What Buddhism Can Do for Cognitive Science; Ask What Cognitive Science Can Do for Buddhism
- Georges Dreyfus, Williams College
- On the Very Idea of a Buddhism Science Dialogue

Business Meeting:
- Daniel A. Arnold, University of Chicago, Presiding

A30-314

Chinese Religions Group

Marriott Marquis, M102
James A. Benn, McMaster University, Presiding
Theme: Crossing Boundaries in Chinese Religions
Joshua Capitanio, University of the West
*“Un Tanisme Tantrique” Revisited: Tantric Elements and Paradigms in Daoist Ritual*
Megan Bryson, Stanford University
*The Transformations of Baijie Shengfei and Mahakala: Religion and Ethnicity in Dali, Yunnan*
Wu Hongyu, University of Pittsburgh
*The Nonregressing Path to the Rebirth in the Pure Land: The Pure Land Thought of Peng Shaosheng*
Frederick Shih-Chung Chen, University of Oxford
*The Great God of the Five Paths: A Blood-sacrifice Pagan Cult During the Reign of Emperor Wu of Liang, or a Religious Propagandist Story Fabricated by the Song Buddhist Vegetarian Reformists?*

Business Meeting:
- James A. Benn, McMaster University, and Mark Halperin, University of California, Davis, Presiding

A30-315

Christian Spirituality Group

Marriott Marquis, M103-104
David Johns, Earlham School of Religion, Presiding
Theme: The Digital Spirit? Spirituality and the New Social Media
Theo Zijderveld, Utrecht University
*Prayer 2.0: Online Prayer and the Transformation of Religion in a Media Age*
Elizabeth Drescher, Santa Clara University
*Tweet if U ♥ Jesus: Spiritual Authority, Identity, and Community in the Digital Reformation*
Mary Hess, Luther Seminary
*New Media, Ministry, and Mission: Teaching in the Global Classroom*
Alyssa Ninan Nickell, Graduate Theological Union
*Real Friendships in Virtual Reality: Embodying Spirituality in the Digital Age*

Business Meeting:
- Tim Hessel-Robinson, Brite Divinity School, Presiding
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Comparative Religious Ethics Group
Hyatt Regency, Hanover AB
Thomas A. Lewis, Brown University, Presiding
Theme: Ambivalent Moral Exemplars
Emily Hudson, Boston University
Rama, the Ambiguous Exemplar: Perfection and Meaning-Without-Saying in the Valmiki Ramayana
Sara L. McClintock, Emory University
Vessantara: Ambiguous Moral Exemplar, Exemplary Exemplar of the Practitioner’s Condition
Anne E. Monius, Harvard University
Elusive Exemplars and Appealing Anti-Heroes: Demons in Kampan’s Iramavataram
Elon Goldstein, Harvard University
Appraising a Problematic Buddhist Hero, Assessing Visions of the Good Life: Harsha’s The Joy of the Serpent-People in Light of Its Literary Precursor
Responding:
Jonathan Gold, Princeton University

A30-317

Cultural History of the Study of Religion Group and Japanese Religions Group
Marriott Marquis, M105
James L. Ford, Wake Forest University, Presiding
Theme: Revisiting Religious Freedom in Modern Japan
Emily Anderson, Washington State University
Censoring Christian Dissent in Modern Japan: Contesting Religious Freedom in the Pages of a Rural Christian Newsletter
Mark R. Mullins, Sophia University
Freedom “For” or “From” Religion? Recent Japanese Responses to Violence and Coercion
Suga Koji, Kokugakuin University, Tokyo
Between Theocracy and Secular Mobilization: Placing the Concept of “State Shinto” in a New Light
Trent Maxey, Amherst College
Between Tolerance and Freedom: State Policy and Buddhist Recognition in Meiji Japan
Barbara Ambros, University of North Carolina
Pets, Death, and Taxes: Defining the Legal Boundaries of Religion
Responding:
Richard Jaffe, Duke University

A30-319

Ecclesiological Investigations Group
Marriott Marquis, M301
Michael A. Fahey, Boston College, Presiding
Theme: Modernity and Its Ecclesial Discontents: Historical Imaginaries, Magisterium, and the Role of the Theologian
Andrew Pierce, Trinity College, Dublin
Medievalism Redivivus
Hans Boersma, Regent College
Typological Similarity and Dissimilarity: Jean Danielou’s Analogical Theology of History
Mark Ryan, Georgian Court University
Charles Taylor’s Modernity and the Church
Paul Lakeland, Fairfield University
Knowing Our Place(s): The Ecclesial Role(s) of the Theologian
Gerard Mannion, Katholieke Universiteit, Leuven
The Evolution of Magisterium: Towards a Teaching Church that Learns

Eastern Orthodox Studies Group
Marriott Marquis, L508
Aristotle Papanikolaou, Fordham University, Presiding
Theme: Protopresbyter Alexander Schmemann: All Aspects of His Legacy
Rico Gabriel Monge, Goleta, CA
Feuerbach, Nietzsche, and the “Life of the World”: A Look at Key Philosophical Influences on Schmemann’s Theology
Brian Butcher, Simon Fraser University and Redeemer Pacific College
“Symbols and Symbolism in the Liturgy” Revisited: A Ricoeurian Critique of Schmemann’s Symbolology
John Jillions, Saint Paul University
“Thicket of Idols”: Alexander Schmemann’s Critique of Orthodoxy
Kristine Suna-Koro, Emory University
Beyond the Lures of Diaspora in the Times of World Christianity: Pondering Over Modern Western Fragmentation of Reality and Theology with Alexander Schmemann
Business Meeting:
Paul Gavrilyuk, University of Saint Thomas, and Eve Tibbs, Fuller Theological Seminary, Presiding
### A30-320

**Feminist Theory and Religious Reflection Group**  
Hyatt Regency, Hanover C  
Mary Keller, University of Wyoming, Presiding  
Theme: *Feminist Rethinkings: Evolution and Strategic Essentialism*  
Donovan Schaefer, Syracuse University  
*Tight Genes: Evolutionary Theory and the Dancing Religious Body*  
Adriaan van Klinken, Utrecht University  
*Beyond the Patriarchy Framework: Feminist Theory and the Study of Masculinities and Religion*  
Tara Flanagan, Loyola University, Chicago  
*Opacity, Agency, and Relationality at the End of Life: Models of Self-Constitution from Judith Butler and M. Shawn Copeland*  
Leah McKeen, Wilfrid Laurier University  
*Evangelical Women and Theories of Agency*  

### A30-321

**New Religious Movements Group**  
Marriott Marquis, A708  
Catherine Wessinger, Loyola University, New Orleans, Presiding  
Panelists:  
Dawn Hutchinson, Christopher Newport University  
John K. Simmons, Western Illinois University  
Janine Villot, University of South Florida  
Dell deChant, University of South Florida  
J. Gordon Melton, Institute for the Study of American Religion  
Business Meeting:  
Douglas E. Cowan, University of Waterloo, Presiding  

### A30-322

**Nineteenth-Century Theology Group and Religion and Humanism Consultation**  
Marriott Marquis, A701  
Todd Gooch, Eastern Kentucky University, Presiding  
Theme: *Nineteenth Century Proposals for a Religion of Humanity*  
Beth Eddy, Worcester Polytechnic Institute  
*The Cathedral of Humanity on Halstead Street: Jane Addams, Auguste Comte, and Edward Caird*  
Ernest Rubinstein, Drew University  
*From Naturalism towards Humanism: An Emersonian Trajectory*  
John Halsey Wood, Saint Louis University  
*Whither the Church? Richard Rath's Challenge to the Dutch Church*  
Emily R. Mace, Princeton University  
*“Fellowship Will Be Our Symbol”: Practicing Religion in Felix Adler's Society for Ethical Culture*  

### A30-323

**Practical Theology Group**  
Marriott Marquis, Marquis Ballroom D  
Teresa Snorton, Association for Clinical Pastoral Education, Inc., and Jeanne Stevenson Moessner, Southern Methodist University, Presiding  
Theme: *Disorderly Conduct: Creative Collaboration among Women Who are Practitioners and Academics in Practical Theology*  
Panelists:  
Insook Lee, Hood Theological Seminary  
Kathleen Greider, Claremont School of Theology  
Beverly Wallace, Evangelical Lutheran Church in America  
Sophia Park, Care and Counseling Center of Georgia  
Jacqueline Kelley, Princeton Baptist Medical Center and Ingalls Center of Pastoral Ministries  
Angella M. Pak Son, Drew University  
Responding:  
Pamela Cooper-White, Columbia Theological Seminary  
Business Meeting:  
Thomas Beaudoin, Fordham University, Presiding  

### A30-324

**Pragmatism and Empiricism in American Religious Thought Group**  
Marriott Marquis, L504  
Randy L. Friedman, Binghamton University, Presiding  
Theme: *New Perspectives on James and Dewey*  
Panelists:  
Stuart E. Rosenbaum, Baylor University  
John J. Stuhr, Emory University  
Responding:  
Melvin Lee Rogers, University of Virginia  
Michael Slater, Georgetown University
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A30–325 ⭐
Reformed Theology and History Group
Marriott Marquis, A706
Cynthia Rigby, Austin Theological Seminary, Presiding
Theme: Reformed Churches and Historically Marginalized People
Matthew J. Tuininga, Emory University
Reformulating the Two Kingdoms Paradigm: A Political Theological Approach to Racism
Rachel Sophia Baard, Villanova University
The Kairos of the Belhar Confession
Eduardus Van der Borgh, Vrije Universiteit, Amsterdam
Adam S. Borneman, Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary
“These Silken Ties”: Ecclesiastical Compromise and the Problem of Slavery in the Presbyterian Schism of 1837–1838

Business Meeting:
Kang-Yup Na, Westminster College, Presiding

A30–326 ⭐
Religion and Ecology Group and Religion, Film, and Visual Culture Group
Marriott Marquis, L405-406
John Lyden, Grand View University, Presiding
Theme: Imagining the Ecological Other from Avatar to True Blood
Jea Sophia Oh, Drew University
Watching Avatar through the Deleuzian 3Ds, Desire, Deteriorialization, and Doubling: A Postcolonial Ecological Review
Tyson-Lord Gray, Vanderbilt University
Environmentalism Goes Blue
Sarah McFarland Taylor, Northwestern University
Green Vampires and the Trouble with Desire: Sustainability Ethos, Consuming Passions, and Erotic Restraint in True Blood, Twilight, and Daybreakers
Chris Klassen, Wilfrid Laurier University
Becoming the “Noble Savage”: Nature Religion and the Other in Avatar

A30–327
Tantric Studies Group
Marriott Marquis, M302
Theme: Tantra, Cosmology, and the Body
David Lawrence, University of North Dakota
Empowered Identity and Cosmic Embodiment in Monistic Saiva Tantra
Jeffrey Lidke, Berry College
The Resounding Field of Visualized Self-awareness: Hermeneutics of the Sri Yantra in Two Trika-Kaula Commentaries on the Nityasodasikarnava Tantra
Simone Barretta, University of Pennsylvania
Mapping the Cosmos: A Study of Tantric Saivite Initiation in the Svacchandatrantra and Its Commentary
Kerry Martin Skora, Hiram College
The Bodily Efflorescence of Words: The Crossing of Divine-voice and the Body-self in Abhinavagupta’s Cosmology

Responding:
Sthaneshwar Timalsina, San Diego State University

A30–328
Tillich: Issues in Theology, Religion, and Culture Group
Marriott Marquis, L503
Sharon Peebles Burch, Interfaith Counseling Center, Presiding
Theme: Tillich and New Directions in Science and Theology
Sam Powell, Point Loma Nazarene University
Tillich’s Theology and Cognitive Science: The Prospects for Theological Anthropology
Ryan T. O’Leary, University of Iowa
Being and Gaia: Seeking Resources Toward a Vocabulary for Naturalistic Theology
J. Patrick Woolley, University of Oxford
Tillich’s Critique of Einstein and the Struggle with Natural Theology: Geometry of Nature and the Finite-Infinite Relation
Adam Pryor, Graduate Theological Union
Tillichian Teleodynamics: An Examination of the Multidimensional Unity of Emergent Life

Business Meeting:
Russell Re Manning, University of Cambridge, Presiding
A30-329 ✮

Wesleyan Studies Group
Marriott Marquis, A702
Douglas M. Strong, Seattle Pacific University, Presiding

Theme: Methodism and the Civil Rights Movement
Ellen J. Blue, Phillips Theological Seminary

Kevin M. Watson, Southern Methodist University
In the Shadow of Segregation: Methodist Seminaries and the Civil Rights Movement

Joseph T. Reiff, Emory and Henry College
Born of Conviction: Methodist Ministers Provoking Civil Rights Debate in 1963 Mississippi

Responding:
F. Douglas Powe Jr., Saint Paul School of Theology
Business Meeting:
Priscilla Pope-Levison, Seattle Pacific University, Presiding

A30-330 ✮

Comparative Philosophy and Religion Seminar
Marriott Marquis, A705
Tsingsong Vincent Shen, University of Toronto, Presiding

Theme: Comparative Philosophy and Religion
Francis X. Clooney, Harvard University
The Necessarily Religious and Interreligious Context of a Robust Philosophy of Religion

Morny Joy, University of Calgary
Is There a Postcolonial Ethics?

Tinu Ruparell, University of Calgary
The Golden Mean

Takushi Odagiri, Stanford University
Rationalism within Empiricism: Nisidha Kitaro and William James

Business Meeting:
Morny Joy, University of Calgary, Presiding

A30-331 ✮

Religion in the American West Seminar
Marriott Marquis, L507
Jane Naomi Iwamura, University of Southern California, Presiding

Travis Ross, University of Nevada, Reno
Sectionalism in California’s Religious Periodicals: Place in Religious Rhetoric

Jonathan William Olson, Florida State University
‘Not Merely Asiatic but Pagan’: Religion, Chinese Exclusion, and the American West

Barry Joyce, University of Delaware
Creating an Axis Mundi in the American Southwest: Religion, Science, and the Sacred at the Chaco Culture National Historical Park

Brett Hendrickson, Arizona State University
Mexican-American Religious Healing and the American Spiritual Marketplace

Responding:
Tisa Wenger, Yale University
Business Meeting:
Quincy Newell, University of Wyoming, Presiding

A30-332 ✮

Queer Theory and LGBT Studies in Religion Consultation
Marriott Marquis, A707
Claudia Schippert, University of Central Florida, Presiding

Theme: Queering Race, Politics, and Religion: Queer Values, Queer Worldmaking

Nesette Falu, Rice University
Invisible Hands: An Epistemology of Black Religious Thought and Queer Sexual Desire Disrupting “Crystallized Culture”

Thelathia Young, Emory University
Black Queer Family Values: Moral Agency Through Creative Resistance

Alicia Juskewycz, Princeton University
“It’s Not About Religion”: LGBTQ-Related Problems, Uganda, and Managing Religion’s Intersections Under United States Foreign Policy

B. Howell Beeler, Emory University
A Revolution We Can Dance To: Queer Worldmaking and Sacred Practice at MondoHomo

Responding:
Janet Jakobsen, Barnard College
Business Meeting:
Claudia Schippert, University of Central Florida, and Melissa M. Wilcox, Whitman College, Presiding

A30-333 ✮

Religion Education in Public Schools: International Perspectives Consultation
Marriott Marquis, A601
Tim Jensen, University of Southern Denmark, Presiding

Theme: Religion Education and Citizenship in Europe and Beyond
Robert Jackson, University of Warwick

Janet Bordelon, New York University
Religion Knows No Boundaries: The Translation of Toledo by the Tony Blair Faith Foundation

Wolfram Weisse, University of Hamburg
Religious Education in Public Schools and the Challenge of Religious Diversity at the University Level: Policy Recommendations of the REDCo Project

Jeffrey Thibert, University of Illinois
The Ambiguous Relationship between Public Religion Education and the Promotion of Religious Freedom

Business Meeting:
Bruce Grelle, California State University, Chico, Presiding
A30-334 ⭐
Sex, Gender, and Sexuality in Premodern Christianity Consultation
Marriott Marquis, L506
Cameron Partridge, Harvard University, Presiding
Theme: Sex, Gender, and Sexuality in Premodern Christianity
Joseph A. Marchal, Ball State University
Intersex After, Before, and Below? The Management and Response of “Members” from a Premodern Paul to an Ultramodern Today
Katie Bugyi, University of Notre Dame
The “Feithful Bisynesse” of the Bee: Authorizing Women in Chaucer’s Lyf of Seinte Cecile and The Second Nun’s Tale
Mikael Hazby, Harvard University
Sexual Difference in the First Apocalypse of James
Samuel Kimbriel, University of Cambridge
Indwelling and Erasing: Johannine Debates on the Role of Sexual Desire in the Purgation of the Soul
Rachel Smith, Harvard University
Exemplarity and Apophasis: Representing Holiness in Thomas of Cantimpré’s Life of Lutgard of Aywières
Business Meeting:
Cameron Partridge, Harvard University, Presiding

A30-335 ⭐
Sikh Studies Consultation
Marriott Marquis, M303
Anne Murphy, University of British Columbia, Presiding
Theme: Reading Sikh Tradition: Postcoloniality, Textuality, and the Space Between
Prabhsharandeep Singh Sandhu, Birmingham University
Theorizing Religion and the Effects of Romanticism in Bhai Vir Singh and Puran Singh
Prabhsharanbir Singh, University of British Columbia
Disoriented Beings: Technics, Education, and the Crisis of a Postcolonial Sikh Subject
Jaspreet Kaur, Pleasanton, CA
Text and Textuality: A Reading of Osho’s Ek Omkar Satnam
Gurveen Khurana, University of California, Riverside
Home and the World: The Nagar Kirtan and Sikh Diaspora
Business Meeting:
Michael Hawley, Mount Royal University, Presiding

A30-336 ⭐
Theology and the Political Consultation
Marriott Marquis, Marquis Ballroom C
Gregory Kaplan, Rice University, Presiding
Theme: Political Theology, Jewish, and Democratic: A Discussion of Bonnie Honig’s Emergency Politics (Princeton University Press, 2009)
Panelists:
Jeffrey Stout, Princeton University
Nancy Levene, Indiana University
Martin Kavka, Florida State University
George Shulman, New York University
Responding:
Bonnie Honig, Northwestern University
Business Meeting:
Corey D. B. Walker, Brown University, Presiding

A30-337 ⭐
Comparative Studies in Religion Section and Death, Dying, and Beyond Consultation
Marriott Marquis, A602
Jill Petersen Adams, Syracuse University, Presiding
Theme: From Life to Death and Back Again
Rodney Knowles IV, Boston University
Dead Man Singing: Don Piper, Near Death Experiences, and Evangelical America
M. Alyson Prude, University of California, Santa Barbara
The Body In and Beyond Death: Questions of Corporeality in a Tibetan Buddhist Context
Stanley Thayne, University of North Carolina
"Or Ever the Silver Cord be Loosed…"
Responding:
Christopher Moreman, California State University, East Bay
Business Meeting:
Kathleen Garces-Foley, Marymount University, Presiding

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North American Association for the Study of Religion
Marriott Marquis, International 3
Paul Johnson, University of Michigan, Presiding
Theme: The Legacy of Lévi-Strauss
Jens Kreinath, Wichita State University
Bricolage and the Fractal Dynamics of Ritual: Claude Lévi-Strauss and His Legacy for the Study of Religion and Practice
Christopher I. Lehrich, Boston University
Overture and Finale: Lévi-Strauss, Music, and Religion
Paul-François Tremlett, University of London
Lévi-Strauss and Religious Studies
Responding:
Ivan Strenski, University of California, Riverside

M30-301 ★

Society for Hindu–Christian Studies
Marriott Marquis, International B
Amy L. Allocco, Elon University, Presiding
Theme: Performance as a Site for Hindu–Christian Encounter
Zoe Sherinian, University of Oklahoma
Religious Encounters through Tamil Outcaste Folk Drumming
Brenda Beck, University of Toronto
A Hindu Folk Epic Ripe with “Christian” Motifs
Eliza F. Kent, Colgate University
Battle Cries: Songs of the Salvation Army in South India
Responding:
George Pati, Valparaiso University
Business Meeting to follow at 6:00 pm.

M30-302

Journal of Inter-Religious Dialogue
Saturday, 4:30 pm–6:30 pm
Marriott Marquis, International 8
Joshua Stanton, Hebrew Union College, and Stephanie Varnon-Hughes, New York, NY, Presiding
Theme: The Promise and Challenges of Interreligious Dialogue
Panelists:
Aimee Upjohn Light, Duquesne University
Stephen Butler Murray, Endicott College
Amir Hussain, Loyola Marymount University
Nancy Fuchs-Kreimer, Reconstructionist Rabbinical College
Bud Heckman, Religions for Peace International
Christy Lohr, Duke University
Or Rose, Hebrew College
Madhuri Yadlapati, Louisiana State University

M30-303 ★

Religion Dispatches Reception
Saturday, 5:00 pm–7:00 pm
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Special Topics Forums
Saturday, 6:00 pm–8:00 pm
Almeda Wright, Pfeiffer University, Presiding
Theme: Beyond the Boundaries Public Lecture Series I
Shannon Montgomery, Georgia State University
‘An Influence Among Humanity’: Internal Religious Debate over Narrative Paradigms
Montgomery’s project examines a 1911 controversy at Brigham Young University which ended in three professors being fired for teaching evolution. After detailing the basic controversy both nationally and at Brigham Young specifically, the project homes in on a letter signed by more than 80 percent of the student body in that year. The letter, written in support of the teachers, offered a contrasting narrative to that of the school administration. Lodged between embattled professors and school administration (with church officials), the students had to demonstrate fidelity to the religious institution even as they sought the widest academic vision. Montgomery also considers implications for the Church of Latter Day Saints over the next century. She argues that ultimately, the controversy represents a missed opportunity for the church to be viewed as relevant in secular discourse and opens up a discussion about the potential of religious organization in general to better engage in secular discourse.

M30-304 ★

Harvard University Reception
Saturday, 6:00 pm–7:30 pm
The Harvard University Reception (sponsored by the Harvard Divinity School, the Center of the Study of World Religions, and the Committee on the Study of Religion in FAS) at the AAR will take place on Saturday, October 30, 2010 from 6:00 pm–7:30 pm at the French American Brasserie at 30 Ivan Allen Jr. Blvd., Atlanta, Georgia 30308 (phone: 1-404-266-1440), a 5–10 minute walk from the conference hotels.

M30-418

Oxford Bibliographies Online
Saturday, 6:00 pm–8:00 pm
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**Presidential Address**
Saturday, 8:00 pm–9:00 pm
Hyatt Regency, Centennial II–IV
Kwok Pui Lan, Episcopal Divinity School, Presiding
Theme: *Ann Taves: “Religion” in the Humanities and the Humanities in the University*

In recent discussions of the concept of religion, scholars of religion have paid considerable attention to the relationship between the “religious” and the “secular.” In doing so, they have focused our attention outward on the relationship between religion and the state and the historical developments we associate with modernity. If we turn our attention inward to the academy, we can ask how our subject matter is positioned in relation to the subject matters of other disciplines in the humanities. What, we might ask, is the relationship between the subject matter of departments devoted to religious studies, art, literature, philosophy, music, and theater? This question focuses our attention on the place of religious studies in the humanities and in the academic landscape of the modern university more generally. Taves will suggest that an evolutionary perspective, which focuses on the emergent capacities that give rise to the subject matters that we study in the humanities, highlights the essential role that the humanistic disciplines play in our understanding of the human animal.

Panelists:
Ann Taves, University of California, Santa Barbara

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**Science and Religion Hospitality Event Sponsored by ZCRS, CTNS, and IRAS**
Saturday, 7:00 pm–10:00 pm
Hyatt Regency, Fairlil
The Zygon Center for Religion and Science (ZCRS), a partnership of the Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago, and the Center for Advanced Study in Religion and Science (CASIRAS) offers seminary courses, academic conferences, and public lectures, and shares offices with Zygon: Journal of Religion and Science, zygoncenter.org.
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M30-406

**Society for Pentecostal Studies and Wesleyan Theological Society**
Saturday, 7:00 pm–8:30 pm
Hyatt Regency, Greenbriar

M30-407

**International Society for Chinese Philosophy**
Saturday, 7:00 pm–8:30 pm
Marriott Marquis, International 6

M30-408

**Polanyi Society**
Saturday, 7:00 pm–9:30 pm
Marriott Marquis, International 1
Theme: *The Next Generation Engages Polanyi, Part Two*

M30-409

**Unitarian Universalist Scholars and Friends Discussion**
Saturday, 7:00 pm–9:30 pm
Marriott Marquis, International A
Theme: *Practical Theology and Spirituality for Religious Liberals*

Our annual conversation will explore how the discipline of practical theology can inform efforts to deepen spiritual disciplines within Unitarian Universalist congregations. Bringing practical and systematic theologians together with theologically reflective ministers, we will explore both particular practices and scholarly approaches to practice. Is there a distinctly liberal approach to practical theology or spiritual practice? What can systematic and practical theologians learn from one another, and from dialogue with congregational ministers?

Panelists:
Sharon Welch, Meadville Lombard Theological School
Michelle Walsh, Boston University
Myriam Renaud, University of Chicago
Elaine Peresluha, South Church Unitarian Universalist Congregation
Mary McClintock Fulkerson, Duke University
Clyde Grubbs, Pasadena, CA

Responding:
Anthony David, Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Atlanta

A separate reception (M31-408) will be held Sunday evening.

Several panel discussions and workshops sponsored by Starr King School for the Ministry, Meadville Lombard Theological School, Harvard Divinity School, and the Unitarian Universalist Association Panel on Theological Education.

M30-420

**Korean North American Systematic Theology**
Saturday, 7:00 pm–9:00 pm
Marriott Marquis, L503
Theme: *Panel Discussion of Sang Hyun Lee’s New Book From a Liminal Place: An Asian American Theology (Fortress Press, 2010)*
A30-403

JAAR Reception for Authors and Board Members
Saturday, 7:30 pm–8:30 pm
Hyatt Regency, Courtland
Charles Mathewes, University of Virginia, and Amir Hussain, Loyola
Marymount University, Presiding
Reception for JAAR Editorial board members and JAAR authors.

A30-405

Film: New York Doll
Saturday, 8:00 pm–10:00 pm
Hyatt Regency, Hanover D
Philip L. Barlow, Utah State University, Presiding
Sponsored by the Arts, Literature, and Religion Group and the
Mormon Studies Consultation
2005, directed by Greg Whitey. 75 minutes.

New York Doll is a 2005 Sundance Film Festival award winner that
treats the formation, demise, and 2004 reunion performance of the
New York Dolls, an influential "glam–rock," "proto-punk" band who
performed in the early 1970s. On the verge of major success, the
group was brought down by an excess of undisciplined sex, drugs,
drink, and internal conflict. Three band members died, two went on
to achieve modest individual musical success. Against this backdrop,
the film centers on bassist Arthur "Killer" Kane, intersecting his role
in the band, his conversion to religion (Mormonism), his poverty and
loneliness, and his reunion performance with the band, all preceding
his death from leukemia. At once provocative, surprising, and moving,
the film lends itself to considerations of, among other themes,
"redemption," estrangement and reconciliation, and religion and
culture.

A30-406

Film: Dirt!
Saturday, 8:00 pm–10:00 pm
Hyatt Regency, Hanover AB
Roger S. Gottlieb, Worcester Polytechnic Institute, Presiding
Sponsored by the Religion and Ecology Group, the Forum on Religion
and Ecology, and the Sustainability Task Force
2009, directed by Bill Benenson, Gene Rosow, and Eleonore Daily. 86
minutes.

You are invited to watch the topical movie Dirt!, narrated by Jamie Lee
Curtis. This movie brings to life the environmental, economic, social,
and political impact that the soil has. Come, watch, and take part in
a conversation about the Earth's most valuable and underappreciated
source of fertility — from its miraculous beginning to its crippling
degradation. The opening scenes of the film dive into the wonderment
of the soil. Made from the same elements as the stars, plants, animals,
and us, "dirt is very much alive. "The real change lies in our notion of
what dirt is. The movie teaches us: "When humans arrived two million
years ago, everything changed for dirt. And from that moment on, the
fate of dirt and humans has been intimately linked." Dirt is more than
a discussion of what is happening to Earth. It is a call to action.

A30-407

LGBTIQ Scholars and Scholars of LGBTIQ Studies Reception
Saturday, 8:00 pm–10:00 pm
Marriott Marquis, Imperial Foyer
Melissa M. Wilcox, Whitman College, Presiding
Sponsored by the Status of LGBTIQ Persons in the Profession Task
Force and the Human Rights Campaign
LGBTIQ scholars of religion, scholars of LGBTIQ studies in religion,
and friends are invited to a reception. Come network, see old friends,
make new ones, and celebrate the growth of our community and our
subfield within the AAR!

M30-410

Graduate Theological Union Reception
Saturday, 8:00 pm–10:00 pm
Marriott Marquis, International 9

M30-411

Mid-Atlantic American Academy of Religion Regional Reception
Saturday, 8:00 pm–10:00 pm
Marriott Marquis, International B
**M30-412**

**New Religious Movement Group/Nova Religio Reception**
Saturday, 8:00 pm–11:00 pm
Hyatt Regency, Marietta

**M30-413**

**Vanderbilt University Reception**
Saturday, 8:00 pm–9:30 pm
Marriott Marquis, A601

**M30-414**

**Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion Reception**
Saturday, 8:30 pm–10:00 pm
Marriott Marquis, Imperial Ballroom Salon A
A reception for all past and future participants in Wabash Center workshops, colloquies, consultations, and grants. Come and learn about our programs and opportunities.

**M30-416**

**De Gruyter and Brill Publishers Joint Reception**
Saturday, 9:00 pm–11:00 pm
Hyatt Regency, Roswell

**M30-417**

**Fortress Press Reception**
Saturday, 9:00 pm–11:00 pm
Marriott Marquis, A602
AAR members are invited to join Fortress Press for something to drink…something to eat…and lots of good conversation!

**M30-422**

**Pro Ecclesia Reception**
Saturday, 9:00 pm–11:00 pm
Marriott Marquis, International 4

**M30-423**

**Hispanic Theological Initiative Reception**
Saturday, 9:00 pm–11:00 pm
Hyatt Regency, Piedmont
Sponsored by Baylor University Press

**M30-425**

**University of Virginia Reception**
Saturday, 9:00 pm–11:00 pm

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 31**

**M31-1**

**New York Theological Seminary and *Journal of World Christianity* Breakfast**
Sunday, 7:00 am–8:45 pm
Hyatt Regency, Fairlie

**M31-2**

**Temple University Breakfast**
Sunday, 7:00 am–8:45 pm
Hyatt Regency, Greenbriar

**M31-5**

**Center of Theological Inquiry Reception**
Sunday, 7:00 am–8:30 am
Hyatt Regency, Courtland
The Center of Theological Inquiry in Princeton warmly welcomes members, friends, and prospective applicants to a breakfast reception. David Ford and Peter Ochs will launch the book they completed with Daniel Hardy, *Wording a Radiance: Parting Conversations on God and the Church*.

**A31-1**

**AAR Annual Business Meeting**
Sunday, 7:30 am–8:45 am
Hyatt Regency, Dunwoody
Ann Taves, University of California, Santa Barbara, Presiding
Join the AAR Board of Directors for a continental breakfast and a brief business meeting, including an important vote on new bylaws for the Academy.
Whether the indigenous was understood as the decadent or noble savage, “indigeneity” always carried what Johannes Fabian calls “a denial of coevalness;” that is, an othering of the indigenous in time and space. Today, globalization exacerbates the symbolic violence and power asymmetries generated by colonialism. The local knowledge and religions of indigenous peoples are often expropriated to become the raw material for deterritorialized and heavily commodified religious movements that circulate through global electronic media. At the same time, ancestral lands and livelihoods of indigenous peoples are threatened by rapid economic change and ecological degradation. Globalization’s “time-space compression” has also put various peoples in each other’s backyards, challenging the colonial denial of coevalness. Thus, indigenous actors can now have access to global media to build transnational networks of resistance and solidarity on the basis of emerging pan-indigenous identities.

Panelists on this forum will explore critically the genealogy of and contradictions within the category of “indigeneity,” as well as religion’s changing role in the articulation and (de)construction of this category.

Panelists:
- Frank Brennan, Australian Catholic University
- Roger Maaka, Eastern Institute of Technology
- Mary MacDonald, Le Moyne College
- Lynda Newland, University of the South Pacific
- Jace Weaver, University of Georgia
- Andrea Smith, University of California, Riverside
A31-103

Arts, Literature, and Religion Section
Marriott Marquis, M103-104
Eric Ziołkowski, Lafayette College, Presiding
Theme: Protestant Aesthetics
- Glenn Whitehouse, Florida Gulf Coast University
  Reforming the Literary God: Paul Ricoeur’s Protestant Aesthetics
- Gisela Kreglinger, Samford University
  The Protestant Imagination: Novalis’s Hymns to the Night as an Expression of the Poet as Priest
- David H. Perkins, Vanderbilt University
  Hell Yeah! Pairing Southern Religion and Punk/Postmodern Aesthetics in the Construction of Southern Gothic Music
- Regina L. Walton, Boston University
  “Contrary Reports”: The Beauty of Holiness and Contemptus Mundi at Little Gidding
Business Meeting:
  Diane Apostolos-Cappadona, Georgetown University, and Eric Ziołkowski, Lafayette College, Presiding

A31-104

Philosophy of Religion Section and the Society of Christian Philosophers
Marriott Marquis, L401-402
Andrew Chignell, Cornell University, Presiding
Theme: Analytic Theology: Authors, Editors, and Critics
Panelists:
- Ray Paul Bitar, Claremont Graduate University
- Jesse Covenhoven, Villanova University
- William Wood, University of Oxford
Responding:
- Sarah Coakley, University of Cambridge
- Michael Rea, University of Notre Dame
- Oliver Crisp, University of Bristol

A31-105

Religion and Politics Section
Marriott Marquis, A706
Marion Maddox, Macquarie University, Presiding
Theme: Religion and Politics in Theory and Practice
- Bronwyn Roantree, Harvard University
  The Political Self and the Religious Self: Negotiating Multiple Identities in Contemporary Europe
- Lucia Faltin, Cambridge Theological Federation
  Religious Identity and the Development of Secular Constitutionalism in Pluralistic Democratic Culture
- David Buckley, Georgetown University
  Secular Evolution: Understanding Democratic Change in State-Religion Relations

A31-106

Religion and the Social Sciences Section
Marriott Marquis, M301
Carol B. Duncan, Wilfrid Laurier University, Presiding
Theme: Religion and Secularization
- Jennifer Veninga, Graduate Theological Union
  Imagining Religion in a Secular Age: Social Imagination as Methodology
- Jeffrey Guhin, Yale University
  The Sources of Religion and the Future of Secularism: What the Founders Really Said and Why It Matters
- George Gonzalez, Harvard University
  Spiritual Disciplines and the New Metaphors of Contemporary Business Management: A Methodological Proposal for Engaging Late Capitalist Cosmologies
Business Meeting:
  Carol B. Duncan, Wilfrid Laurier University, Presiding

A31-107

Study of Islam Section and Contemporary Islam Group
Marriott Marquis, Marquis Ballroom B
Simon Wood, University of Nebraska, Presiding
Theme: Islam and Ecology: A Reassessment Ten Years after the Earth Charter
- David L. Johnston, University of Pennsylvania
  Intra-Muslim Debates about Ecology: Is Shari’a Still Relevant?
- Anna M. Gade, University of Wisconsin
  Trends in “Green Islam” in Indonesia
- Ahmed Afzaal, Concordia College
  Sacred Stewardship in a Reenchanted World? Lynn White Jr., Max Weber, and Muhammad Iqbal
- Eleanor Finnegan, University of Florida
  Cultivating Nature on American-Muslim Farms: A Study of New Medina, the Bawa Mubahayaddeen Fellowship Farm, and the Dayempur Farm
- Sara Tlili, University of Florida
  The Qur’anic Concept of “Animal” and Its Impact on the Status on Nonhuman Animals
- F. Canguzel Zulfikar, University of North Carolina
  The Eth操itable Ethics of Samiha Ayverdi
Responding:
  Jonathan E. Brockopp, Pennsylvania State University
A31-108
Study of Judaism Section
Marriott Marquis, M109
Kenneth Kolton-Fromm, Haverford College, Presiding
Theme: Old and New Paradigms for the Study of Judaism
- Alisha Pomazon, McMaster University
  *Hermann Cohen and Jewish Studies*
- Sergey Dolgopolski, University of Kansas
  *A Subjectless Thought: Personal, Impersonal, and A-personal in Rhetorical, Philosophical, and Talmudic Texts*
- Benjamin Sax, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University
  *Wissenschaft and Liturgical Theology: Ismar Elbogen’s Early Influence on Franz Rosenzweig*
- Martina Urban, Vanderbilt University
  *A Sociology of Religious Knowledge: German Jewry and New Paradigms for the Study of Religion*

A31-109
Theology and Religious Reflection Section
Hyatt Regency, Hanover FG
Susan Abraham, Harvard University, Presiding
Theme: Polydoxy: Theologies of the Manifold
Panelists:
- Catherine Keller, Drew University
- Mayra Rivera, Harvard University
- Laurel Schneider, Chicago Theological Seminary
- John Thatamanil, Vanderbilt University

A31-110
Women and Religion Section
Marriott Marquis, Marquis Ballroom C
Emily Culpepper, University of Redlands, Presiding
Theme: Celebrating and Ceremorating Mary Daly (1928–2010)
Panelists:
- Mary E. Hunt, Women’s Alliance for Theology, Ethics, and Ritual
- Zayn Cassam, Pomona College
- Xochilt Alvizo, Boston University
- Laura S. Levitt, Temple University
- Judith Plaskow, Manhattan College
- Carol J. Adams, Dallas, TX
- Traci C. West, Drew University

A31-111
Anthropology of Religion Group and Law, Religion, and Culture Group
Marriott Marquis, L508
Bron Taylor, University of Florida, Presiding
Theme: Producing Identification: Case Studies in Law, Anthropology, and Religion
- Tiffany Hodge, Emory University
- Kristen Tobey, DePaul University
- Greg Johnson, University of Colorado
- Teresa Click, Wichita State University

A31-112
Asian North American Religion, Culture, and Society Group
Marriott Marquis, A708
Mimi Khúc, University of California, Santa Barbara, Presiding
Theme: Discipline, Depth, and Agency of Silence
Panelists:
- Wilburn Hansen, San Diego State University
- Patrick S. Cheng, Union Theological Seminary
- Rachel Bundang, Marymount School
- Brett Essaki, University of California, Santa Barbara
Responding:
- Jane Naomi Iwamura, University of Southern California

Business Meeting:
- Nami Kim, Spelman College, and Michael Masatsugu, Towson University, Presiding
**A31-113**

**Bioethics and Religion Group and Science, Technology, and Religion Group**
Marriott Marquis, L506
Theme: *Making Good: Synthetic Biology and the Creation of the World*
Panelists:
- Laurie Zoloth, Northwestern University
- Michael Jewett, Northwestern University
- Cristina Traina, Northwestern University
- Paul Wolpe, Emory University
- Joshua Leonard, Northwestern University
- Leor Weinberger, University of California, San Diego

**A31-114**

**Bonhoeffer: Theology and Social Analysis Group and Kierkegaard, Religion, and Culture Group**
Marriott Marquis, M106-107
Geffrey B. Kelly, LaSalle University, Presiding
Theme: *Bonhoeffer’s Relation to Kierkegaard*
- Matthew David Kirkpatrick, University of Oxford
  *Nachlass Dietrich Bonhoeffer: A Guide to Understanding the Influence of Søren Kierkegaard on Dietrich Bonhoeffer*
- Brian Gregor, Boston College
  *On the Sociality of Revelation: A Dialogue Between Kierkegaard and Bonhoeffer*
- Jonathan Malesic, King’s College, PA
  *Secrecy or Martyrdom? The Options for Bourgeois Discipleship in Kierkegaard and Bonhoeffer*
- Philip G. Ziegler, University of Aberdeen
  *Promiscity in the Christologies of Bonhoeffer and Kierkegaard*

**A31-115**

**Comparative Studies in Hinduisms and Judaisms Group**
Marriott Marquis, M105
Tamar C. Reich, Indiana University of Pennsylvania, Presiding
Theme: *Women’s Leadership: Embodied Dialogue Across Religions*
- Jennifer Thompson, Emory University
  *“He Wouldn’t Know Anything”: Christian Women’s Leadership in Jewish Communities*
- Angela Yarber, Graduate Theological Union
  *Ritual and Subversion: Bharatanatyam and Israeli Folk Dance Empowering Women’s Leadership in Hinduism and Judaism*
- Sherry Fohr, Converse College
  *Ideal Women and Sati-Narratives in Hinduism and Jainism*
- Yudit K. Greenberg, Rollins College
  *The Hindu Jew in the Guru: Hybridity in Female Spiritual Leadership*
Responding:
- Amy L. Allocco, Elon University
Business Meeting:
- Yudit K. Greenberg, Rollins College, Presiding

**A31-116**

**Comparative Theology Group and Mysticism Group**
Marriott Marquis, A602
June McDaniel, College of Charleston, Presiding
Theme: *Divine Union or Divine Relation? Mystical Marriage as a Third Way beyond Mutuality and Elisis Altertatis*
Panelists:
- Francis X. Clooney, Harvard University
- Wendy Farley, Emory University
- Kurt Anders Richardson, McMaster University
- Paul Collins, University of Chichester
Responding:
- Thomas Cattoi, Graduate Theological Union
Business Meeting:
- Thomas Cattoi, Graduate Theological Union, Presiding

**A31-117**

**Cultural History of the Study of Religion Group**
Hyatt Regency, Hanover D
Angela Zito, New York University, Presiding
Theme: *“Religion” in the Making: Social, National, and Global Formations*
- J. Barton Scott, Montana State University
  *Priestly Nation: Religion, Empire, and Quaker Dissent*
- Richard J. Callahan, University of Missouri
  *Globalization, Religion, and the Work of the Sea*
- Rupa Viswanath, University of Pennsylvania
  *Religion, Rights, and the Social: Pariahs in Colonial South India*
- Richard Amesbury, Claremont School of Theology
  *Interreligious Declarations of Human Rights: Grounding Rights or Constructing “Religion”?*
Responding:
- Paul Christopher Johnson, University of Michigan
Business Meeting:
- Tomoko Masuzawa, University of Michigan, and Randall Styers, University of North Carolina, Presiding
A31-118

Hinduism Group
Marriott Marquis, Marquis Ballroom D
Richard H. Davis, Bard College, Presiding
Theme: The Hindu Exhibit: Representing Hinduism in Public Contexts
Tanisha Ramachandran, Wake Forest University
Sweat Pudding and Immoral Idols: E. B. Havell and the Spiritualization of Hindu Art
Christian Lee Novetzke, University of Washington
The Secret Gandhi: Cinema, Caste, and Public Culture on the Eve of Colonialism in India
Tulasi Srinivas, Emerson College
Heavenly Gates: Urban Representations of Transnational Hinduism, Exhibited Affect, and Sai Narratives of Redemption
Hanna Kim, Adelphi University
Bewitched and Bothered in Swaminarayan Akshardham: Boat Rides, Exhibitions, and the Trials of Representing Hinduism
Shana Sippy, Carleton College
Exhibition Agents and Agency: Contemporary Hindu Displays and Constitutions of Community

Business Meeting:
Timothy Lubin, Washington and Lee University, and Vijaya Nagarajan, University of San Francisco, Presiding

A31-119

Japanese Religions Group
Hyatt Regency, Hanover AB
John Harding, University of Lethbridge, Presiding
Jacqueline Stone, Princeton University
Stephen Miller, University of Massachusetts
Linda Chance, University of Pennsylvania
Richard A. Gardner, Sophia University

Responding:
Gary L. Ebersole, University of Missouri, Kansas City

Business Meeting:
Barbara Ambros, University of North Carolina, and James L. Ford, Wake Forest University, Presiding

A31-120

Latina/o Religion, Culture, and Society Group
Marriott Marquis, Marquis Ballroom A
Edwin David Aponte, Lancaster Theological Seminary, Presiding
Theme: Crossing Disciplines at the Table: Latina/os in Conversation with Giorgio Agamben
Panelists:
Orlando Espin, University of San Diego
Jacqueline Hidalgo, Williams College
Néstor Medina, Seminario Evangélico de Teología, Matanzas, Cuba
Elias Ortega-Aponte, Princeton Theological Seminary

A31-121

Native Traditions in the Americas Group and Religions, Medicines, and Healing Group
Marriott Marquis, A601
Kenneth Mello, Southwestern University, Presiding
Theme: Health, Healing, and Death in Native American Religions and Communities
Mark Clatterbuck, Montclair State University
Native Charismatic Healing in Big Sky Country
Carla Ginn, University of Lethbridge
Urban First Nations Grandmothers: Health Promotion Roles in Family and Community
Jennifer Schepers Hughes, University of California, Riverside
Religious Innovation and Indigenous Death in Colonial Mexico
G. William Barnard, Southern Methodist University
Healing in the Santo Daime Tradition in Brazil
Responding:
Suzanne J. Crawford O’Brien, Pacific Lutheran University

Business Meeting:
Kenneth Mello, Southwestern University, Presiding
A31-122

Platonism and Neoplatonism Group
Marriott Marquis, L404
Douglas Hedley, University of Cambridge, Presiding
Theme: Hemology in Plotinus and Origen
Daniel Moseson, Syracuse University
Self, Language, and Apophasism in Plotinus and Merleau-Ponty
Kathleen Gibbons, University of Toronto
Hierarchy before Hemadology in Origen of Alexandria
Kevin Corrigan, Emory University
The Meaning of “One”: Plurality and Unity in Plotinus
Daniel Regnier, University of Saskatchewan
One and the Possibility of Many in Greek and Indian Philosophy: Plotinus and Ramanuja

A31-123

Qur’an Group
Marriott Marquis, A705
Martin Nguyen, Fairfield University, Presiding
Theme: And Among His Signs… Is the Diversity of Tongues and Colors: Non-Arabic Qur’anic Engagement
Homayra Ziad, Trinity College
The Qur’an Commentaries of ‘Abd al-Majid Daryabadi (1892–1977)
Travis Zadeh, Haverford College
“Save in the Language of His Own People”: Isfara’ini’s Taj al-tarajim and the Rise of Persian Commentaries of the Qur’an
Nargis Virani, The New School
Echoes of the Qur’an in Isma’ili Ginan Literature
Kristian Petersen, University of Washington
The Treasure of the Heavenly Scripture Engaging the Qur’an in China
Responding:
Bruce B. Lawrence, Duke University

A31-124

Religion and Disability Studies Group
Hyatt Regency, Hanover E
Molly Haslam, Nashville, TN, Presiding
Theme: Remembering Nancy Eiesland: Disability Perspectives on Theology and the Academy
Jason Hays, Brite Divinity School
Queering Eiesland’s Christ
Troy Mack, Drew University
Healing in the Triune God: Understanding Eiesland’s Disabled God as Trinity, for the Liberation of the Traumatized
Courtney Wilder, Midland Lutheran College
On Christ and Healing: Eiesland, Tillich, and Disability Theology
Deborah Greengstein, Yale University
It’s in Our Hands: The Academy’s Crucial Role in Fostering Full Participation of People with Disabilities in the Life of the Christian Church
Responding:
Sharon Betcher, Vancouver School of Theology

A31-125

Religion, Film, and Visual Culture Group
Marriott Marquis, M304
Tony Michael, York University, Presiding
Theme: Modes of Storytelling: New Currents in Film and Visual Culture
Michael Pittman, Albany College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences
Majid Majidi’s The Color of Paradise: Reflections of Rumi and Reflections on Majidi in the Classroom
Bradley L. Herling, Marymount Manhattan College
Religious Extremity in Michael Haneke’s The White Ribbon
Kevin Cryderman, Emory University
Songs of the Living Dead: The Jesus Archetype and the Paralysis of Historical Imagination in Roy Anderson’s Songs from the Second Floor
J. Ryan Parker, Graduate Theological Union
Choice Matters: The Evolution of Video Games as Locations for Ethical and Theological Reflection
Rachel Wagner, Ithaca College
In Other Worlds: Immersive Technology and the Hunger for the Real
Business Meeting:
John Lyden, Grand View University, Presiding

A31-126

Roman Catholic Studies Group
Marriott Marquis, A701
Theme: Conversations with the Vatican
Marian Ronan, New York Theological Seminary
Sheila McCarthy, University of Notre Dame
Rethinking Centrality and Marginality: Bell Hooks and John Paul II on Capitalism, Work, and Family
Gerard Jacobitz, Saint Joseph’s University
Benedict XVI’s Mission to the Anglicans in Light of the Vatican’s Homosexual Double Bind
Kyle Bell, Franciscan University, Steubenville
The SSPX and the Holy See: Tradition Under Attack
A31-127
Tantric Studies Group and Western Esotericism Group
Hyatt Regency, Hanover C
David Gray, Santa Clara University, Presiding
Theme: East and West: Western Esotericism and Tantra in America
Lisa Brooks, University of Colorado
Tantra and the Soteriology of Contemporary Western Ayurveda
Ann Gleig, Rice University
The Triumph of Tantra: The Rise of a Modern American Tantric Orientation
Gordan Djurdjevic, Simon Fraser University
Secrets of the Typhonian Tantra: Kenneth Grant and Western Occult Interpretations of Indian Esotericism
Joseph Laycock, Decatur, GA
From Esoteric to Exoteric: Pierre Bernard and the Arrival of Tantra in the West
Responding:
Richard K. Payne, Graduate Theological Union

A31-128
Tibetan and Himalayan Religions Group
Marriott Marquis, A707
Andrew Quintman, Yale University, Presiding
Theme: Scientific Buddhism among Tibetans and their Western Interlocutors: Reflections on Donald Lopez’s Buddhism and Science (University of Chicago Press, 2008)
Paul G. Hackett, Columbia University
Patterns of Engagement: From Hinduism and Science to Buddhism and Science
Holly Gayley, University of Colorado
Science versus Superstition: Repositioning Tibetan Buddhism in the People’s Republic of China
Douglas S. Duckworth, East Tennessee State University
Tsultrim Lodro on Philosophy, Science, and Buddhism
David McMahon, Franklin and Marshall College
Science, Meditation, and Multiple Modernities: Tibetan Buddhism in Three Keys
Responding:
Lobsang Tenzin Negi, Emory University
Business Meeting:
Frances Garrett, University of Toronto, and Andrew Quintman, Yale University, Presiding

A31-129
Tillich: Issues in Theology, Religion, and Culture Group
Marriott Marquis, L405-406
Russell Re Manning, University of Cambridge, Presiding
Theme: On Overcoming Dualisms with Paul Tillich: Reconsidering Empire, Secular Reason, Religious Fundamentalism, and Everyday Religious Practices
Jacob J. Ericksson, Drew University
The Ambiguity of Power: Paul Tillich, Empire, and the Kingdom of God
Daniel Miller, Syracuse University
Theology versus Secular Reason: The Dualism of Radical Orthodoxy and the Promise of Paul Tillich’s Correlational Method
Mary Ann Stenger, University of Louisville
Theologies of Culture as a Base for Intereffects and Address Fundamentalisms
Justin Rosolino, Vanderbilt University
“How Do You Get to Carnegie Hall?” A Wittgensteinian Critique of Tillich’s Account of the Subject-Object Divide and a Call to Concrete Christian Practices of Agape in the Everyday
Responding:
Mike Grimshaw, University of Canterbury

A31-130
Christian Zionism in Comparative Perspective Seminar
Marriott Marquis, L503
Goran Gunner, Church of Sweden, Presiding
Theme: Setting the Stage for Christian Zionism Studies
William Girard, University of California, Santa Cruz
Christian Zionism in Copán Ruinas, Honduras
Gershon Greenberg, American University
Christian and Jewish Religious Zionism in the Shadow of the Holocaust
Matt Westbrook, Drew University
Israel as “Lieu de Memoire”: Christian Zionism as an Example of Modern Structural Changes in the Mode of Believing
Rosemary Ruether, Claremont Graduate University
Christian Zionism in Mainline Churches
Faydra Shapiro, Wilfrid Laurier University
Christian Zionism: Navigating the Jewish-Christian Border
Andrew Crome, University of Manchester
The Historical Approach in the Study of Christian Zionism
Responding:
Robert O. Smith, Baylor University
Business Meeting:
Robert O. Smith, Baylor University, Presiding
A31-131  

Religion, Food, and Eating Seminar
Marriott Marquis, L507
Nora L. Rubel, University of Rochester, Presiding
Theme: Religion, Food, and Eating in North America
Amanda Baugh, Northwestern University
*When the Lord Brings You into the Land: Food and Environmentalism in an African American Church*
Kate Holbrook, Boston University
*Good to Eat in the Nation of Islam*
Jeremy Rapport, College of Wooster
*“Join Us! Come, Eat!” Vegetarianism in the Formative Period of the Seventh-day Adventists and the Unity School of Christianity*
Rudy V. Busto, University of California, Santa Barbara
*Consuming Transgressions: The American Taste for (Some) Asian Cuisines and Asian Religions*
Rachel Gross, Princeton University
*Draydel Salad: The Serious Business of Jewish Food and Fun in Postwar America*
Elizabeth Perez, University of California, Berkeley, and Dartmouth College
*Crystallizing Subjectivities in the African Diaspora: Sugar and the Gods of Afro-Cuban Santería*

Business Meeting:
Benjamin Zeller, Brevard College, Presiding

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A31-132  

African Diaspora Religions Consultation
Marriott Marquis, L504
Maha Marouan, University of Alabama, Presiding
Theme: Claiming Africa, Claiming the Americas: Religion and Identity in the Diaspora
Robert R. Henry, Florida State University
*Obeah in Text and Context*
Kimberly Eberhardt Casteline, University of Colorado
*Media and Religion in the Lives of Ghanaian Pentecostals in Diaspora*
Adam Clark, Xavier University
*Maat: A Neo-African Religion*
Elonda Clay, Lutheran School of Theology, Chicago
*The Curious Case of Oprah the Zulu: DNA Ancestry, Celebrity Narratives of Genetic Return, and Motherland Utopias*

Responding:
Jacob Olupona, Harvard University

Business Meeting:
Maha Marouan, University of Alabama, Presiding

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A31-133  

Body and Religion Consultation
Marriott Marquis, M102
Richard M. Carp, Appalachian State University, Presiding
Theme: Among Plants, Demons, and Robots: Defining and Shaping (Human) Bodies
Margaret Withgott, Stanford University
*Is a Plant a Body? Traditional and Biological Views of Non-animal Agency*
Robyn Neville, Emory University
*Tracking the "Useful Adversary": The Role of Demons in the Eastern Christian Contemplative Tradition*
Michal Raucher, Northwestern University
*Negotiating Autonomy and Divine Intervention: The Embodied Experiences of Pregnant Haredi Women in Jerusalem*
Beverley Foulks, University of North Carolina, Greensboro
*Living Karma: Ethicized Bodies in Chinese Buddhism*
Alexander Darius Ornella, Graz University
*Utopia as Dystopia? Reflections on Visions of the Natural Human Body*

Business Meeting:
Richard M. Carp, Appalachian State University, and Rebecca Sachs Norris, Merrimack College, Presiding

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A31-134  

International Development and Religion Consultation
Marriott Marquis, M101
Nathan R. B. Loewen, McGill University, Presiding
Theme: Religious Dimensions of International Development
David P. King, Emory University
*World Vision: Religious Identity in the Discourse and Practice of Development*
John Rees, University of Notre Dame, Australia
*The Dynamics of Religion at the World Bank*
Cynthia Holder Rich, Western Theological Seminary
*To Develop, or Not, or To Shift the Paradigm: A Case Study from Madagascar*
Almas Zakiuddin, University of British Columbia
*"Modernising" Islam: Gender, Politics, and International Development in Bangladesh*

Business Meeting:
Nathan R. B. Loewen, McGill University, and Scott Kline, University of Waterloo, Presiding

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A31-135 ⭐
Scriptural/Contextual Ethics Consultation
Marriott Marquis, L403
Amy Laura Hall, Duke University, Presiding
Theme: Scriptural Resources for a Global Just Peacemaking Ethic
Daniel H. Weiss, Oberlin College
The Channeling of Energies Towards Just Peacemaking in Classical Rabbinic Judaism
David Kratz Mathies, Missouri Western State University
‘Should I Help the Empire with My Hand?’ Confucian Resources for a Paradigm of Just Peacemaking from the Book of Mencius
Ted Grimsrud, Eastern Mennonite University
Old Testament Bases for Christian Peacemaking
Nicholas Rademacher, Cabrini College
Tea for Two: Vietnam War Era Buddhist–Christian Dialogue as Just Peacemaking Ethic for the Twenty-first Century
Responding:
Elizabeth Phillips, University of Cambridge
Business Meeting:
Glen Stassen, Fuller Theological Seminary, Presiding

A31-136 ⭐
Yogācāra Studies Consultation
Marriott Marquis, A703
John Powers, Australian National University, Presiding
Theme: Approaches to Knowing and Perception in the Yogācārabhūmi and Saṃdhinirmocana-sūtra
Dan Lusthaus, Harvard University
Yogācāra, Medical Theory, and the Psychosomatic Segue from the First to the Second Bhūmi in the Yogācārabhūmi
Alexander von Rosattività, University of California, Berkeley
The Bhavanamāyi Bhūmi and Its Relationship to the Śrāvakabhūmi
William S. Waldron, Middlebury College
The Ālayavijñāna Discussion in the Viniścayasyaṃgrahāṇī of the Yogācārabhūmi
A. Charles Muller, University of Tokyo
Woncheuk’s (613–696) Analysis of the Relationship between Bimba and Pratibimba in the Context of the Saṃdhinirmocana-sūtra
Business Meeting:
Dan Lusthaus, Harvard University, Presiding

A31-140 ⭐
Womanist Approaches to Religion and Society Group
Marriott Marquis, A702
Tracey Hucks, Haverford College, Presiding
Theme: Womanist Thought in Pedagogical and Disciplinary Perspectives
Yolanda Y. Smith, Yale University
Black Women’s Spirituality: Shaping Prophetic Theological Education
Arisika Razak, California Institute of Integral Studies
Towards an Embodied Womanist Pedagogy: Liberatory Theory, Healing Praxis, Community-engendering, and Spiritually Supportive
Carla Jean-McNeil Jackson, Richmond, VA
“Coming Out”: A New Pedagogy of the Oppressed
Marcia Y. Riggs, Columbia Theological Seminary
“Leaves the Spirit”: Teaching from an Ethical Posture of Generative Spirit
Cheryl Townsend Gilkes, Colby College
Traditionally Universalist, Hegemonically Christian: A Womanist Approach to African American Religious Agency
Business Meeting:
Linda E. Thomas, Lutheran School of Theology, Chicago, Presiding

M31-3
Theta Kappa Alpha Board of Directors Meeting
Sunday, 9:00 am–11:00 am
Hyatt Regency, Auburn

M31-104 ⭐
North American Levinas Society
Sunday, 10:00 am–12:00 pm
Hyatt Regency, Vinings
James McLachlan, Western Carolina University, Presiding
Theme: Discussion of Diane Perpich’s The Ethics of Emmanuel Levinas and Martin Kavka’s Jewish Messianism and the History of Philosophy
Panelists:
Diane Perpich, Clemson University
Martin Kavka, Florida State University
A31-137

**Plenary Address**

Sunday, 11:45 am–12:45 pm

Hyatt Regency, Centennial II-IV

Ann Taves, University of California, Santa Barbara, Presiding

Theme: *Jonathan Z. Smith—Reading Religion: A Life in Scholarship*

Jonathan Z. Smith is a historian of religion whose research has focused on such wide-ranging subjects as ritual theory, Hellenistic religions, nineteenth-century Maori cults, and the notorious events of Jonestown, Guyana. Smith graduated with a PhD in the history of religions from Yale University in 1969; with a dissertation on anthropological thought, focused on James Frazer’s *The Golden Bough* and the method that Frazer used in the comparison of different religions. Since then much of Smith’s work has focused on the problem of comparison and how best to compare data taken from societies that are very different from one another. After holding positions at Dartmouth College and the University of California, Santa Barbara, Smith began teaching at the University of Chicago, where he served as Dean of the College from 1977–1982 and was appointed Robert O. Anderson Distinguished Service Professor of the Humanities. Smith has written on pedagogy and the reform of undergraduate education in the United States. His recent research has focused on Western theories of difference ranging from contemporary accounts of alien abduction to Greek and Roman ideas about the way that climate shapes human character.

Panelists:

Jonathan Z. Smith, University of Chicago

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A31-138

**Special Topics Forum**

Sunday, 11:45 am–12:45 pm

Marriott Marquis, Marquis Ballroom C

Theme: *SWP, REM, and LGBTQ Women’s Mentoring Lunch*

Sponsored by the Status of Women in the Profession Committee, the Status of Racial and Ethnic Minorities in the Profession Committee, and the Status of LGBTQ Persons in the Profession Task Force

We invite women who are graduate students and new scholars to a luncheon with over thirty womanist and feminist midcareer and senior scholars. Women will have the opportunity to mentor and be mentored in a context where every question is valued. The lunch costs $10 per person; sorry, no refunds. Registration is limited to 100. Register at www.aarweb.org/Jump/WomenMentoring.

Panelists:

Ellen T. Armour, Vanderbilt University
Julie Byrne, Hofstra University
Monica A. Coleman, Claremont School of Theology
Stacey M. Floyd-Thomas, Vanderbilt University
Melanie L. Harris, Texas Christian University
Mary E. Hunt, Women’s Alliance for Theology, Ethics, and Ritual
Anne Joh, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary
Namsoon Kang, Brite Divinity School
Karen Pechils, Drew University
Judith Plaskow, Manhattan College

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A31-139

**Teaching Religion Section and the Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion**

Sunday, 11:45 am–12:45 pm

Hyatt Regency, Dunwoody

Paul Myhre, Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion, Presiding

Theme: *Teaching Roundtable Discussions*

John P. Falcone, Boston College
*Image Theater as an Emotional “Container” in Critical Classroom Practice*

Velma Love, Florida A&M University
*Autoethnography, Religious Autobiography, and the Scholarship of Teaching and Learning*

Dianne L. Oliver, University of Evansville
*Faith, Truth and Advocacy in the Classroom*

Florian Pohl, Emory University
*Critical Thinking and Inquiry in the Study of Religion*

Julius Bailey, University of Redlands
*Confronting Confusion: The Perils and Prospects of Introducing New Assignments*

Ellen Ott Marshall, Emory University, and Michael Turner, University of Chicago
*Preparing Students for the Assignments We Require*

Laura Silvers, Pfeiffer University
*Teaching with Case Studies*

Arthur Sutherland, Loyola University, Maryland
*The Second Thoughts Presentation as a Learning Activity in Undergraduate Religion and Theology Courses*

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M31-100

**Center for Advanced Holocaust Studies**

Sunday, 11:45 am–12:45 pm

Hyatt Regency, Baker

Theme: *Consultation on Teaching and Research Resources*

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M31-102

**Christian Theological Research Fellowship**

Sunday, 12:00 pm–1:00 pm

Hyatt Regency, University

Theme: *A Discussion of Beth Felker-Jones’ New Book Touched by a Vampire: Discovering the Hidden Messages in the Twilight Saga (Multnomah Books, 2009)*

This session will welcome Beth Felker-Jones to interact with those in attendance on her new book, *Touched by a Vampire*. Felker-Jones notes that the *Twilight* saga isn’t just another fantasy — it teaches girls about love, sex, and purpose. With 48 million copies in print and a succession of upcoming blockbuster films, Felker-Jones asks the important questions about *Twilight*: Can vampires teach us about God’s plan for love? And, can the story’s redemptive qualities outshine its darkness?
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## PROGRAM SESSIONS

### Sunday, 9:00 am–11:30 am

**A31-203**

**Asian Pacific American Religions Research Initiative (APARRI) Board Meeting**

Sunday, 12:00 pm–2:00 pm

Marriott Marquis, M303

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**M31-204**

**Society for the Study of Christian Spirituality Governing Board Meeting**

Sunday, 12:45 pm–2:45 pm

Marriott Marquis, L403

### Sunday, 1:00 pm–2:30 pm

**A31-200**

**Special Topics Forum**

Marriott Marquis, L405–406

Robert Puckett, American Academy of Religion, Presiding

Theme: How to Propose a New Program Unit

Sponsored by the Program Committee

Join the Director of Meetings for an informal chat about upcoming Annual Meeting initiatives as well as the guidelines and policies for proposing a new program unit.

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**A31-201**

**Special Topics Forum**

Marriott Marquis, Marquis Ballroom A

Tina Pippin, Agnes Scott College, and Joseph A. Favazza, Stonehill College, Presiding

Theme: Conversation with Bobbi Patterson, 2010 Excellence in Teaching Award Winner

Sponsored by the Teaching and Learning Committee and the Teaching Religion Section

The Teaching and Learning Committee is pleased to announce Barbara (Bobbi) Patterson is the recipient of the 2010 Excellence in Teaching Award. Patterson, a senior lecturer in the department of religion at Emory University, will make remarks and engage questions and answers from the audience.

Panelists:

Bobbi Patterson, Emory University

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**A31-202**

**Special Topics Forum**

Marriott Marquis, Marquis Ballroom D

Theodore Vial Jr., Iliff School of Theology, Presiding

Theme: Roundtable on Online Publishing

Sponsored by the Publications Committee

With the emergence of twenty-first century technology, texting, electronic media, and databases as source material, all interested persons — from kindergarten through high school and college, to interested novices and scholars, scholars of religion, religious studies, and theology — must be aware of the variety of ways one can pursue publishing opportunities. Many scholars move from journal articles and book chapters to complete volumes. With accessibility to the Kindle and iPads for reading materials, scholars must be cognizant of online publishing — the strengths, weaknesses, strategies, and challenges of using this medium for publishing.

This session focuses on online publication. For example, Religious Studies News and other religious newsletters, blogs, and informational websites are proliferating (see www.religiondispatches.org, www.practicalmattersjournal.org, and the Methodist Studies Journal website—www.methodistreview.org). Many scholarly journals are making the move from print to online/print models, or even moving to online only. This session will explore the dynamics of online publishing by editors and writers working in that modality for publishing.

Panelists:

Elizabeth Margaret Bounds, Emory University

Gary M. Laderman, Emory University

Tamara Sonn, College of William and Mary

Liam Cooper, Wiley-Blackwell Publishing

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**A31-203**

**Wildcard Session**

Hyatt Regency, Hanover C

Néstor Medina, Seminario Evangélico de Teología, Matanzas, Cuba, Presiding

Theme: Enrique Dussel’s Transmodernity Philosophical Project and Theology

Inspired by the work of Enrique Dussel on transmodernity and his proposal of a global philosophical project that seeks to transcend European or North American modernity and engage in dialogue with what Dussel calls “discarded, devalued, and judged useless among global cultures, including colonized or peripheral philosophies,” and by the works of other authors from the working group on globalization, modernity/coloniality, and the geopolitics of knowledge, the panel will examine some of the new voices in theology that have emerged from similar cultural contexts and their ignored potential as other ecologies of knowledge that could contribute to epistemic diversity and to the development of other ways of doing theology.

Bobbi Patterson

Sunday, 9:00 am–11:30 am
Engaging the work of Lee Cormie, who has been a leading voice over the past few decades in articulating the theological significance of the new voices from the cultural margins, the panelists will give presentations on a variety of concrete historical situations and explore the potential of some emerging intercultural theologies as other possible ways of doing theology that respond to the epistemic challenges of pluralism in today's world.

Panelists:
- Alison Hari Singh, University of Toronto
- Grace Ji-Sun Kim, Moravian Theological Seminary
- Michel Andraos, Catholic Theological Union

Responding:
- Lee Cormie, Saint Michael's College

A31-204

Wildcard Session
Marriott Marquis, A704
Katie Day, Lutheran Theological Seminary, Philadelphia, Presiding
Theme: Engaging Global Issues as Public Theologians
The Global Network for Public Theology is a network of twenty-four centers of public theology based in universities and theological schools on seven continents formed in 2007. In its short history it has developed a website, a journal, and is planning its second international meeting. The purpose of the network is to foster international communication and collaboration on global issues, particularly economic and ecological concerns. The network desires to create an additional forum from a variety of disciplines to connect around these shared interests among an expanded community of scholars on global issues that deserve our best theological thinking and leadership.

Panelists:
- J. Jayakiran Sebastian, Lutheran Theological Seminary, Philadelphia
- William Storrar, Center of Theological Inquiry
- David Hadley Jensen, Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary
- Sebastian Kim, York Saint John University
- Eduardus Van der Borght, Vrije Universiteit, Amsterdam

A31-205

Buddhism Section and Japanese Religions Group
Marriott Marquis, M103-104
Galen Amstutz, Acton, MA, Presiding
Theme: Workshop: Defining Shin Buddhist Modernity

Panelists:
- Melissa Anne-Marie Curley, University of Iowa
- Daniel Friedrich, McMaster University
- Orion Klautau, Tohoku University
- Jessica Main, University of British Columbia

A31-206

Christian Systematic Theology Section
Marriott Marquis, Marquis Ballroom C
John Thiel, Fairfield University, Presiding
Theme: Revelation, Experience, and Interpretation: Schillebeeckx Revisited

Panelists:
- Anthony J. Godzieba, Villanova University
- Kevin Hart, University of Virginia
- Lieven Boeve, Katholieke Universiteit, Leuven

A31-207

Comparative Studies in Religion Section
Marriott Marquis, L503
Gustavo Benavides, Villanova University, Presiding
Theme: Politics of Faith in Asia: Local and Global Perspectives of Christianity in Asia
- William Silcott, Wichita State University
- Transformations of a Religious Nation in a Global World: Evangelism and National Identity in South Korea
- Edwin Zehner, Saint Lawrence University
- The Politics of Being Successful, Conflicts and Discourses of the Local and the Translocal in Two Thai Religious Movements
- Jonathan Miles-Watson, Tallinn University
- The Evangelical Challenge to the Processes of Postcolonial Christian Landscapes in Shimla, India

Responding:
- Simon Michael Coleman, University of Sussex

A31-208

Ethics Section
Hyatt Regency, Hanover FG
Marvin M. Ellison, Bangor Theological Seminary, Presiding
Theme: Sexuality and Spirituality Revisited

Panelists:
- Miguel A. De La Torre, Iliff School of Theology
- Patrick S. Cheng, Union Theological Seminary, New York
- Kelly Brown Douglas, Goucher College
- Carter Heyward, Episcopal Divinity School

Responding:
- Ellen T. Armour, Vanderbilt University
- Dennis W. Wiley, Covenant Baptist Church
A31-209

History of Christianity Section
Marriott Marquis, M302
Arun W. Jones, Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary, Presiding
Theme: The Edinburgh Missionary Conference of 1910, One Hundred Years After: Ecumenism, Mission, and Globalization
George Faithful, Saint Louis University
A Rabbi and Twelve-Hundred Missionaries Walk into a Conference: Philo-Semitism and Anti-Semitism at Edinburgh, 1910
Molly Worthen, Yale University
Evangelicals and Edinburgh: The Fall and Rise of Conservative American Ecumenism
Craig R. Clarkson, Baylor University
Edinburgh and the “World”: Reciprocal Influences in the Development of International Ventures in Missionary Cooperation and Unity

A31-210

Philosophy of Religion Section
Marriott Marquis, A706
Ludger Viefhues, LeMoyne College, Presiding
Theme: Religion and the Cognitive in Neurosciences
Stephen Kaplan, Manhattan College
Critical Reflections on the Limits of Three Models and a Proposal for a Fourth Model: Religion and the Neurosciences
Laura Weed, College of Saint Rose
Cognitive Science and Affordances: James, Clark, and Gibson on the Extended Mind
Elias Ortega-Aponte, Princeton Theological Seminary
God's Emotional Commands and Their Rational Tale? Divine Command Theory, Neuroscience, and the Space between Reason and Emotion
Business Meeting:
Joseph Prabhu, California State University, Los Angeles, and University of Chicago, and Ludger Viefhues, LeMoyne College, Presiding

A31-211

Religion and Politics Section and the Public Understanding of Religion Committee
Marriott Marquis, Marquis Ballroom B
Colleen McDannell, University of Utah, Presiding
What is the value of online discussions of religion in American public life? Do features like On Faith contribute to the public understanding of religion, and to the understanding of the role religion plays in American political life? On Faith, a daily, online forum of The Washington Post, is one of Washingtonpost.com's most popular features. Jon Meacham, former editor of Newsweek, a Pulitzer Prize-winning best-selling author and a commentator on politics, history, and religious faith in America, and Sally Quinn, writer and editor for The Washington Post, the author of several books and frequent commentator on MSNBC and Fox News, will present on how they developed this popular feature, what they intended when they began and how the On Faith section has developed over time.
Panelists:
Jon Meacham, Public Broadcasting System
David Waters, Washington Post
Susan B. Thistlethwaite, Chicago Theological Seminary
Sally Quinn, Washington Post
Jason C. Bivins, North Carolina State University

A31-212

Religion in South Asia Section and Sikh Studies Consultation
Marriott Marquis, M101
Robin Rinehart, Lafayette College, Presiding
Theme: Rethinking Punjabi Religion: Vernacularization, Sakhi Sarwar, and Sikh Mysticism
Harpreet Singh, Harvard University
Religious Identities and the Vernacularization of the Panjab
Caroline Sawyer, State University of New York, Old Westbury
The "Man on the Horse" and the Enchanted Universe of Religious Life in Indian Punjab
Balbinder Bhogal, Hofstra University
The Animal Sublime: Rethinking the Sikh Mystical Body
A31-213
Study of Islam Section
Marriott Marquis, A703
Kecia Ali, Boston University, Presiding
Theme: Educating Muslims
Brannon Ingram, University of North Carolina
Islam 101 for Muslims: Fashioning Publics in Three Muslim "Primers" from South Asia
Mashal Saif, Duke University
Pedagogical Politics and Madrasas in British India: Manazir Ahsan Gilani’s Educational Reform Proposal
Margaret Rausch, Lawrence, KS
Islamic Reform, Moroccan Berber Women's Rituals, and the Cultivation of Moral Selfhood: Language, Body, and Affect
Responding:
Ebrahim E. I. Moosa, Duke University

A31-214
Study of Judaism Section
Marriott Marquis, M105
Sarah Imhoff, University of Chicago, Presiding
Theme: Judaism in Critical Perspective
Cody Bahir, California Institute of Integral Studies
Yin Yang and the Tree of Life: A Comparison of Kabbalistic and Chinese Scriptural Interpretation
Pinchas Giller, American Jewish University
“The Secret of the Act”: The Mystique of Religious Practice for a Minor Tsaddik of the Interwar Period
Natalie C. Polzer, University of Louisville
“A System at War With Itself”: An Evaluation of Mary Douglas’s (1924–2007) Contribution to Contemporary Scholarship on Ritual Purity and Impurity

A31-215
African Religions Group
Marriott Marquis, M102
Teresia Mbari Hinga, Santa Clara University, Presiding
Theme: Blurred Boundaries in Scholarship and Lived Religious Experience in Africa: Insider/Outsider, Traditional/Christian, Ethnography/Theology
David Njong, Baylor University
Rethinking the Other in Contemporary African Christian Theology
Elijah Obina, University of Edinburgh
Scott Edmondson, University of Michigan
Powers Against Powers: Ethnography, Pentecostalism, and Anti-Witchcraft Consultations in Ghana

A31-216
Afro-American Religious History Group
Marriott Marquis, A702
James Logan, Earlham College, Presiding
Theme: African-American and Latino/a Mennonites: Marginal No More
Tobin Miller Shearer, University of Montana
Regina Shands Stoltzfus, Chicago Theological Seminary
Black, Female, and Mennonite: Navigating Cultural, Political, and Religious Identity
Felipe Hinojosa, Texas A&M University
“Jesus Christ Made Me a Macho”: Latino/a Identity and Activism within the Mennonite Church, 1968–1974
Responding:
Curtis Evans, University of Chicago

A31-217
Black Theology Group and Religion, Holocaust, and Genocide Group
Marriott Marquis, L401–402
Rebecca Alpert, Temple University, Presiding
Theme: Exodus in America: Religion, Memory, and the Signification of Suffering for Black Christians and White Jews in America
W. David Nelson, Brite Divinity School
Stacey M. Floyd-Thomas, Vanderbilt University
Juan Floyd-Thomas, Vanderbilt University
Responding:
Richard Sarason, Hebrew Union College

A31-218
Buddhist Critical-Constructive Reflection Group and Comparative Religious Ethics Group
Hyatt Regency, Hanover E
Jonathan Schofer, Harvard University, Presiding
Theme: Nondualist Ecology: Perspectives on the Buddhist Environmentalism of David Loy
David Loy, Xavier University
Healing Ecology: A Buddhist Perspective on the Ecocrisis
Responding:
Grace Kao, Claremont School of Theology
Stephanie Kaza, University of Vermont
A31-219
Comparative Theology Group and Mysticism Group
Marriott Marquis, A602
Janet Bregar, California State University, Fullerton, Presiding
Theme: What has Bhakti to Do with Mysticism? Embodiment, Aesthetics, and Models of Realization
Panelists:
Barbara A. Holdrege, University of California, Santa Barbara
Michelle Voss Roberts, Rhodes College
Tracy Sayuki Tiemeier, Loyola Marymount University
Charlotte Radler, Loyola Marymount University
Responding:
Michael T. McLaughlin, Saint Leo University

A31-220
Eastern Orthodox Studies Group
Hyatt Regency, Hanover D
Thomas Cattoi, Graduate Theological Union, Presiding
Theme: Soteriological Models in the East and in the West
Valerie Karras, Southern Methodist University
Irenaeus and Athanasius: ‘Atonement’ Soteriologies?
Daniel J. Lattier, Duquesne University
A Ground of Disunion: The Absence of Épektasis in Western Soteriology and Eschatology
Kyle David Bennett, Fuller Theological Seminary
Cooperation and Participation: An Analysis of the Soteriological Models of Vladimir Lossky and LeRon Shults

A31-221
Feminist Theory and Religious Reflection Group
Marriott Marquis, A705
Christine E. Gudorf, Florida International University, Presiding
Theme: Emerging Feminist Theories in Third Wave, Global, and/or Postcolonial Contexts
Christine Demian-Boulos, University of South Florida
(De)Constructing the Hindu Female Ascetic: Examining Perceptions of the Body and Behavior in Constituting Gender
Melissa Browning, Loyola University, Chicago
Women’s Agency and the African AIDS Pandemic: Reflections on Gender and Sacrifice by HIV Positive Women in Tanzania

Etin Anwar, Hobart and William Smith Colleges
How Feminist is Islamic Feminism in Indonesia? A Genealogical Inquiry
Business Meeting:
Christine E. Gudorf, Florida International University, and Rita M. Gross, University of Wisconsin, Eau Claire, Presiding

A31-222 ★
Lesbian-Feminist Issues and Religion Group
Marriott Marquis, A601
Yvonne Zimmerman, Methodist Theological School in Ohio, Presiding
Theme: Bedazzling Diversity: Mary Daly’s Transformative Influence on Lesbian, Gay, and Feminist Identities
Panelists:
Tiffany Steinwert, Boston University
Jennifer Rycenga, San Jose State University
Dirk von der Horst, Claremont Graduate University
Sheila Briggs, University of Southern California
Robyn Henderson-Espinoza, Iliff School of Theology and University of Denver
Business Meeting:
Yvonne Zimmerman, Methodist Theological School, Ohio, Presiding

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A31-223

Nineteenth-Century Theology Group  
Marriott Marquis, M106-107  
Lori K. Pearson, Carleton College, Presiding  
Theme: *Theology and Race*  
Ben Sanders III, Iliff School of Theology  
*The Nature of “We”: On the Theological Ramifications of Interpreting Kant’s Anthropology*  
Terence Keel, Harvard University  
*Permanent Racial Types and the Regularity of God/Nature in the Thought of Josiah C. Nott*  
David Torbett, Marietta College  
*Race and Conservative Protestantism: Princeton Theological Seminary and the Unity of the Human Species*

A31-224

Psychology, Culture, and Religion Group  
Marriott Marquis, A707  
Lallene Rector, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary, Presiding  
Theme: *The Wounding and Survival of the Religious Self: Psychoanalytical, Theological, and Intergenerational Perspectives on Trauma*  
Lisa M. Cataldo, Fordham University  
*I Know that My Redeemer Lives: A Relational Perspective on Trauma, Dissociation, and Faith*  
Pamela Cooper-White, Columbia Theological Seminary  
*Denial, Victims, and Survivors: Post-traumatic Identity Formation and Monuments in Heaven*  
Trina Armstrong, Claremont School of Theology  
*Healing Generations of Self-hatred: The Intersection of Religion and Post-trauma Psychology Towards the Healing of Intergenerational Transmission of Self-hatred within African-American Family Systems*  
Robert F. Mullen, California Institute of Integral Studies  
*Stigmata, Anorexia, and Self-mutilation: Parallels in Pain and Imagining*

A31-225

Religion and Popular Culture Group  
Marriott Marquis, M304  
Chad Seales, George Mason University, Presiding  
Theme: *Religious Travel and Tourism: Imagined and Practiced*  
Robert Geraci, Manhattan College  
*A Landscape of the Religious Imagination: Travel and Tourism in the Work of Neil Gaiman*  
Ben Brazil, Emory University  
*Vagabonding* as Religious Practice: Ed Buryn’s Countercultural Guidebooks, the New Age, and Spiritual Seeking  
Hillary Kaell, Harvard University  
*Souvenir Buying and Giving as Gendered Activity on Holy Land Pilgrimage*

A31-226

Religions, Social Conflict, and Peace Group  
Marriott Marquis, M301  
Megan Shore, University of Western Ontario, Presiding  
Theme: *Whiteness, Ethnic Identity, and Other Religious Violence*  
David Krueger, Temple University  
*Vikings Red with Blood and Dead: White Martyrdom and Frontier Conquest*  
Elina Hankela, University of Helsinki  
*Limits to Humanity: The Dynamics between Ethnicity and Ubuntu in a South African Inner-city Church*  
James W. Perkinson, Ecumenical Theological Seminary  
*The Ghost in the Global Machine: Categorical Whiteness as “Religious” Violence*  
Jack Downey, Fordham University  
*A World of Pain: Self-mortification and the Cult of Martyrs in Militant Irish Nationalism*

A31-227

Wesleyan Studies Group  
Marriott Marquis, A701  
Jason Vickers, United Theological Seminary, Presiding  
Theme: *The State of Wesleyan and Methodist Studies*  
Panelists:  
Reginald Broadnax, Hood Theological Seminary  
Thomas E. Frank, Emory University  
Douglas Koskela, Seattle Pacific University  
Rebekah Miles, Southern Methodist University  
Susie Stanley, Messiah College

A31-228

Childhood Studies and Religion Consultation and Religion Education in Public Schools: International Perspectives Consultation  
Marriott Marquis, L508  
John Wall, Rutgers University, Presiding  
Theme: *Children’s Education and Religious Pluralism*  
Jeffrey Guhin, Yale University  
*Did They Give Away Too Much? Religious Contestations of School Reform in Egypt and the United States*  
John Howell, University of Chicago  
*Pupils of the Lost Cause: Confederate Textbooks and the Construction of Southernness*  
Kendall Busse, University of California, Santa Barbara, and Colleen Windham-Hughes, University of California, Santa Barbara  
*Children’s Experiences, Religious Literacy, and Character Formation: A Collaboration with Marymount Academy*
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Sunday, 1:00 pm–2:30 pm

A31-229 New! Symbol
Religion and Humanism Consultation and Ricoeur Consultation
Marriott Marquis, A708
Michael De Lashmutt, Sarum College, Presiding
Theme: Ricoeur in Dialogue
Kenneth A. Reynhout, Princeton Theological Seminary
Interpretation as Explanation and Understanding: Ricoeur and the Quest for Interdisciplinarity in Religion and Science
Andrea C. White, Emory University
In Sympathy and Imagination: The Theological Import of Ricoeur’s Agnosticism
Daniel Reher, Fordham University
Ricoeur, the Recognition of the Gift, and the Experience of Grace
Nathan Eric Dickman, Coe College
The Questions of Jesus: Human or Divine?
Business Meeting:
Jeffrey F. Keuss, Seattle Pacific University, Presiding

A31-230 Symbol
Yoga in Theory and Practice Consultation
Hyatt Regency, Hanover AB
Shreena Gandhi, Kalamazoo College, Presiding
Theme: Mind in Modern Yoga
Andrea R. Jain, Rice University
When Mind is Prana: Mind in Jain Modern Yoga
Alejandro Chaoul, University of Texas, Houston
Mind in Tibetan Yoga and Applications in Contemporary Medical Settings
Responding:
John Dunne, Emory University
Business Meeting:
Andrew J. Nicholson, Stony Brook University, and Stuart R. Sarbacker, Oregon State University, Presiding

M31-200
Colloquium on Religion and Violence
Sunday, 1:00 pm–3:30 pm
Hyatt Regency, Techwood
Martha Reineke, University of Northern Iowa, Presiding
Theme: Girard, Global Christianity, and Social Conflict
Nathan R. B. Loewen, Vanier College
Religions as Contingent Variables in Social Conflict
Miguel Rolland, Arizona State University
The Maya Tzotzil Chamula of Chiapas, México, and René Girard’s Anthropology of Mimetic Desire
Jennifer Heckart, Union Theological Seminary, New York
What’s Justice Got to Do with It? Truth, Reconciliation, and René Girard in South Africa

M31-201
Society for the Arts in Religious and Theological Studies
Sunday, 1:00 pm–3:30 pm
Hyatt Regency, Vinings
Theme: Presentations of the 2009-2010 Luce Fellows
Laurie Cassidy, Marywood University
Picturing Suffering: A Christian Social Ethical Response to Photographs of Human Anguish
Sophia Rose Shafi, University of Denver and Iliff School of Theology
Light upon Light: Aineh-Kari in Shi’a Pilgrimage Architecture
Horace Ballard, Yale University
Performing the “Jew”: Religious Others in the Theatre of Victor Séjour
Kimberly Vrudny, University of Saint Thomas
“30 Years/30 Lives”: Documenting the HIV/AIDS Pandemic
Erica Kierulf, Union Theological Seminary, Richmond
Our Truths Are Not Lies: A Womanist Critique of Kara Walker’s Black Paper Silhouettes

M31-202
Theological Reflections on Immigration
Sunday, 1:30 pm–4:00 pm
Hyatt Regency, University

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A31-250 🚫

Special Topics Forum
Marriott Marquis, L401-402
Whitney Bauman, Florida International University, Presiding
Theme: If I Knew Then What I Know Now: Lessons from Academic Life from Those Who Have Gone Before
Sponsored by the Graduate Student Committee and the Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion
This panel will feature four scholars from different fields at various stages in their academic careers. They will be sharing their “hindsight” wisdom on issues such as teaching, completing the dissertation, publishing, getting the first job, tenure-process issues, balancing family and academics, and much, much more! The panel will answer a set of questions posed by the moderator, with plenty of time for questions and discussion from the audience. A light reception will be provided by the Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion.
Panelists:
- Melissa Conroy, Muskingum University
- Carol B. Duncan, Wilfrid Laurier University
- Marion S. Grau, Graduate Theological Union
- Oren Baruch Stier, Florida International University

A31-251 🚫

Special Topics Forum
Marriott Marquis, Marquis Ballroom B
Sarah M. Pike, California State University, Chico, Presiding
Theme: The Marty Forum: Elaine Pagels
Sponsored by the Public Understanding of Religion Committee
The Marty Forum provides an informal setting in which Pagels will talk about her work with Karen King, Hollis professor of divinity, Harvard University.
Panelists:
- Elaine Pagels, Princeton University
- Karen King, Harvard University

A31-252 🌟

Wildcard Session
Marriott Marquis, M102
James W. Watts, Syracuse University, Presiding
Theme: Material Scripture
A mass-produced Bible is both highly-designed and, to an ever-increasing degree, a “designer” object. Published Bibles that reflect the demographics of certain aspects of American culture and lifestyle preferences are becoming prevalent in the marketplace, and this trend is not necessarily well addressed by the current methods of biblical criticism. The panelists will offer varying perspectives on a more “materialist” approach to the printed Bible. These explorations of the physicality and genealogy of printed Bibles open up avenues of ideological and theological critique that stretch far back into the history of modern versions of Scripture and into the history of Western print culture itself.
Panelists:
- James S. Bielo, Miami University
- Timothy Beal, Case Western Reserve University
- David Dault, Christian Brothers University
Responding:
- Dorina Miller Parmenter, Spalding University

A31-253 🌟

Wildcard Session
Marriott Marquis, Marquis Ballroom D
Nevin Reda, University of Toronto, Presiding
Theme: The Last Frontier in Interreligious Dialogue: Dialogue with/among Fundamentalists, Theory, and Practices
Fundamentalism is one of the most important forces in religion today, yet dialogue with and among fundamentalists remains arguably the last unexplored frontier in contemporary interreligious dialogue. Too frequently academic interreligious dialogue excludes in practice and theory persons from religious traditions labelled apologetic, missionary, conservative, traditionalist, antimodernist, and fundamentalist. Dialogue with and among fundamentalists (broadly defined), however, is in fact going on, for the most part without significant contributions from scholars and religious leaders who advocate versions of the pluralist paradigm. This panel discussion seeks to make the case for the expansion of the circle of dialogue to include fundamentalist groups and individuals. Panelists will argue for an empathetic appreciation of the fundamentalist phenomenon as a significant aspect of contemporary religious experience. Panelists will also examine the need for and viability of dialogue between fundamentalists and nonfundamentalists and among fundamentalists themselves, citing case studies of multifaith encounters where meaningful exchange has already taken place.
Panelists:
- Susan K. Harrison, Emmanuel College
- Maura O’Neill, Chaffey College
- Peter A. Huff, Centenary College of Louisiana
- Mohammad Ali Shomali, Imam Khominei Education and Research Institute
Responding:
- Catherine Cornille, Boston College
Moreover, the contributors make a strong case that combining the two affords a new perspective on some of the thorniest issues in religious studies, such as the perennialist-constructivist debate over mysticism and the challenge of religious pluralism.

Panelists:
- Jorge Ferrer, California Institute of Integral Studies
- Jacob Sherman, Cambridge University
- Beverley Lanzetta, University of New Mexico
- G. William Barnard, Southern Methodist University
- Lee Irwin, College of Charleston

Responding:
- Jeffrey J. Kripal, Rice University

A31-256

Christian Systematic Theology Section and the Karl Barth Society of North America

Marriott Marquis, Marquis Ballroom C

David Stubbs, Western Theological Seminary, Presiding

Theme: Unveiling Barth on Revelation

Matthew Myer Boulton, Harvard University
- Conceiving God: Karl Barth, the Virgin Birth, and a Theological Poetics of Scriptural Interpretation

Kathryn L. Reinhard, Fordham University
- Perpetuating Paradox: The Doctrine of Revelation in Maximus and Barth

Petra Turner Harvey, University of Virginia
- The Givenness of Faith: Karl Barth as Corrector of Marion’s Account of Revelation

A31-257

Ethics Section and Kierkegaard, Religion, and Culture Group

Hyatt Regency, Hanover FG

M. Jamie Ferreira, University of Virginia, Presiding

Theme: Kierkegaard, Divine Authority, and Divine Command Morality

Neil Arner, Yale University
- The Intellectual Context for Evaluating Evans’s Attempt to Reconcile Morality Based on Divine Command and Human Nature

R. Zachary Manis, Southwest Baptist University
- Kierkegaard and Evans on the Problem of Abraham

James E. Bruce, John Brown University
- High-festival Conceptions in Kierkegaard’s Works of Love

Responding:
- C. Stephen Evans, Baylor University
A31-258
North American Religions Section
Hyatt Regency, Hanover AB
Gary M. Laderman, Emory University, Presiding
Theme: Keywords in the Study of North American Religion: Anthropomorphism, Agency, and Vernacular
   W. Clark Gilpin, University of Chicago
   *Anthropomorphism: Human Connection to a Universal Society*
   Elizabeth Jemison, Harvard University
   *Writing Agency: Reconsidering Agency in the Study of American Religion*
   Rachel Lindsey, Princeton University
   *The Light of the World: Vernacular Photography and American Religion, 1839–1910*

A31-259
Religion and the Social Sciences Section
Hyatt Regency, Hanover D
Ann B. McClenahan, Harvard University, Presiding
Theme: Psychology, Religion, Clinical, and Field Work
   John Seitz, Fordham University
   *Fieldwork Methods and Psychoanalytic Practice: The Meanings and Limits of Research Relationships*
   Nichole Phillips, Vanderbilt University
   *Sisters and Brothers, Struck By the Spirit: Shouting’s Role in Healthy Self-development*

A31-260
Teaching Religion Section and Religions, Medicines, and Healing Group
Marriott Marquis, M101
Carolyn Medine, University of Georgia, Presiding
Theme: Approaches to Teaching Comparative Religions, Medicines, and Healing
   Kevin Boyd, University of Chicago
   *Death and Dying: Teaching Professionals about Religion, Medicine, and Practice*
   Eliza Kent, Colgate University
   *Skepticism and Converts: Teaching Health and Healing in Asian Religions*
   Brenda Appleby, Saint Francis Xavier University, and Rose M. Tekel, Saint Francis Xavier University
   *Religion, Spirituality, and Health: A Thematic Introduction to Religious Studies*
Responding:
   Lance D. Laird, Boston University

A31-261
Theology and Religious Reflection Section
Hyatt Regency, Hanover E
Anne Joh, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary, Presiding
Theme: The God Question
   Matthew Schunke, Southern Illinois University, Edwardsville
   *Eagleton, Ditchkins, and Methodology in Religious Studies*
   Omar Shaukat, University of Virginia
   *Islam and the God Debate: Islamist Violence as the Paradigm of Religious Irrationality*
   Wendy Wiseman, Ozyegin University, Istanbul
   *Nietzsche’s Labyrinth: The Absence of God and Divinity in the Flesh*
Business Meeting:
   Susan Abraham, Harvard University, and Mayra Rivera, Harvard University, Presiding

A31-262
Women and Religion Section
Marriott Marquis, M301
Su Yon Pak, Union Theological Seminary, Presiding
Theme: Religious Difference and Interreligious Dialogue: Women’s Experience and Analysis
   Emily A. Holmes, Christian Brothers University
   *“You Who Will Never Be Me Nor Mine”: Toward a Feminist Apophatic Theology of Religious Difference*
   K. Christine Pae, Denison University
   *Feminist Interfaith Spiritual Activism Countering Transnationalized Militarism: Empathetic Power of Suffering in Dorothee Soelle and Sister Chan Khong*
   Monica Schaap Pierce, Fordham University
   *From Brokenness to Planetary Wholeness: Emerging Themes in Ecofeminist Interreligious Dialogue*
   Joke Lambelin, Katholieke Universiteit, Leuven
   *Mapping the Contact Zones in No Man’s Land: An Intersectional Framework for Muslim–Christian Dialogue?*
Responding:
   Isra Yazicioglu, Saint Joseph’s University
Sunday, 3:00 pm–4:30 pm

A31-263  
Bible in Racial, Ethnic, and Indigenous Communities Group  
Marriott Marquis, M302  
Valerie Bridgeman, Lancaster Theological Seminary, Presiding  
Sharon Watson-Fluker, The Fund for Theological Education  
A Lay African-American Reads The Africana Bible  
Luis R. Rivera, McCormick Theological Seminary  
A Latino Perspective on The Africana Bible  
Anthony G. Reddie, Queens Theological Foundation  
Standing in the Center, Reading from Without: A Review of The Africana Bible from Britain  
Responding:  
Samuel Murrell, University of North Carolina, Wilmington, and  
Randall C. Bailey, Interdenominational Theological Center  
Business Meeting:  
Fernando F. Segovia, Vanderbilt University, Presiding

A31-264  
Comparative Studies in Hinduisms and Judaisms Group  
Marriott Marquis, A702  
Gregory Spinner, Skidmore College, Presiding  
Theme: Representations of History: Ancient Narratives and Collective Memory  
Tim Langille, University of Toronto  
Memorialization of Figure and Text in the Construction of Diaspora Jewish Identity  
Benjamin Fleming, University of Pennsylvania  
Time Regained? Puranic Perspectives on Myth and History  
Alexei Sivertsev, DePaul University  
‘Otot ha-Mashiah: Spolia of the Past and Collective Memory in Messianic Jerusalem  
Responding:  
Michael D. Swartz, Ohio State University

A31-265  
Confucian Traditions Group  
Marriott Marquis, L503  
Tao Jiang, Rutgers University, Presiding  
Theme: Aspects of “Frontier Confucianism”: Place, Being, and Text  
Alison Marshall, Brandon University  
A Case Study of Chinese Canadian Men from 1910 to 1949: Frontier Confucianism and the Religious Dimensions of Friendship  
Esta (Ariel) Ungar, University of Western Australia  
Frontier Confucianism in Vietnam: Bronze Drums versus Stone Chimes, the Music of Ritual  
Responding:  
Michael Puett, Harvard University  
Business Meeting:  
Thomas A. Wilson, Hamilton College, Presiding

A31-266  
Ecclesiological Investigations Group and Pentecostal–Charismatic Movements Consultation  
Marriott Marquis, A704  
Jeff Gros, Memphis Theological Seminary, Presiding  
Theme: The Church Catholic, Global Christianity, and the Pentecostal Contribution to the Renewal of the Theological Agenda  
Panelists:  
Dennis Doyle, University of Dayton  
Ann K. Riggs, Friends Theological College  
Mark Powell, Harding University  
Responding:  
Wolfgang Vondey, Regent University

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**Islamic Mysticism Group**  
Marriott Marquis, A706  
Vernon James Schubel, Kenyon College, Presiding  
Theme: *Prophecy, Knowledge, and Performance in Sufism*  

- Kazuyo Murata, Yale University  
  *Adam in the Mystical Prophecyology of Ruzbihan Baqli Shirazi*  
- Teseen Thaver, University of North Carolina  
  *Hagiography, History, and Oral Performative Tradition: A Study of Imam Ja’far al-Sadiq’s Entry in Farid al-Din Attar’s Tadhkirat al-Awliya*  
- Ata Anzali, Rice University  
  *A Genealogy of “Erfan” as a Comparative Category*  
- Hussein Rashid, New York, NY  
  *With Every Breath Call Ali: Modern Qawwali and Immigrant Belonging*  

**Business Meeting:**  
Omid Safi, University of North Carolina, and Laury Silvers, Willfrid Laurier University, Presiding  

### A31-268

**Latina/o Religion, Culture, and Society Group**  
Marriott Marquis, M103-104  
Jeremy Cruz, Boston College, Presiding  
Theme: *Las Musas Latinas: Retrieving Theological Voices from the Convencs de las Americas*  

- Ivanessa Arostegui, Florida International University  
  *Señora Juana: The Theology Behind the Art*  
- Neomi De Anda, Loyola University, Chicago  
  *Got Breast Milk? Trinitarian Conceptions in the Work of María Anna Agüedas de San Ignacio*  

**Responding:**  
Gilberto Cavazos-González, Catholic Theological Union  

**Business Meeting:**  
Néstor Medina, Seminario Evangélico de Teología, Matanzas, Cuba, and Carmen Marie Nanko-Fernandez, Catholic Theological Union, Presiding  

### A31-269

**Law, Religion, and Culture Group**  
Marriott Marquis, A708  
Grace Kao, Claremont School of Theology, Presiding  
Theme: *Bodies and Law: Torture, Sex Change, and Same-Sex Marriage*  

- Kathleen M. Self, Saint Lawrence University  
  *Medieval Judicial Ordeal and the Body as Evidence*  
- Hillel Gray, Miami University, Ohio  
  *The Transitioning of Jewish Biomedical Law: Rhetorical and Practical Shifts in Halakhic Discourse on Sex Change Surgery*  
- Kathleen Sands, University of Hawai‘i  
  *Religion, Race, and Colonialism in Hawai‘i’s Civil Union Battle*  

**Responding:**  
Randall Styers, University of North Carolina  

### A31-270

**Native Traditions in the Americas Group**  
Marriott Marquis, L508  
Michael McNally, Carleton College, Presiding  
Theme: *Cherokees, Choctaws, and Native Religion in the Southeast*  

- Micheline Pesantubbee, University of Iowa  
  *Choctaw Women Waiting for the Dead and the Living*  
- Michael J. Zogry, University of Kansas  
  *Change Comes Unto These Hills: Retelling Cultural Narratives*  
- Carrie McLachlan, Western Carolina University  
  *Revisioning the Cherokee Cosmos*  

**Responding:**  
Mary C. Churchill, Sonoma State University  

### A31-271

**New Religious Movements Group**  
Marriott Marquis, A703  
Douglas E. Cowan, University of Waterloo, Presiding  
Theme: *New Religions and the Media*  

- Joseph Laycock, Decatur, GA  
  *Where Do They Get These Ideas? Changing Ideas of “Cults” in Popular Media*  
- Franz Winter, University of Vienna  
  *A Japanese New Religion and the Media: Köfüku No Kagaku and the “Friday Incident”*  
- James Beverley, Tyndale Seminary  
  *Handling Xenu: From South Park and Andrew Morton to Nightline and Oxford University Press*  
- Shannon Trosper Schorey, University of Colorado  
  *From Ufology to Abductees: The MUFON UFO Journal and the Construction of a UFO Community*  

### A31-272

**Practical Theology Group and Liberal Theologies Consultation**  
Marriott Marquis, A601  
Clyde Grubbs, Pasadena, CA, Presiding  
Theme: *Practices of Reconciliation and Forgiveness*  

- Amy Levad, University of Saint Thomas  
  *The Moral Imagination of Restorative Justice*  
- Annie Hardison-Moody, Emory University  
  *“Remember Me that I was Fighting for Peace”: The Paradox of Risk and Hope in the Film Pray the Devil Back to Hell*  

**Responding:**  
Mary McClintock Fulkerson, Duke University, and Michael Battle, Episcopal Church
### A31-276 🌟

**Tantric Studies Group**  
Marriott Marquis, M304  
Richard K. Payne, Graduate Theological Union, Presiding  
Theme: *Tantra: Comparative Reflections on Jainism, Hinduism, and Buddhism*  
- Holly Grether, University of California, Santa Barbara  
- The Ritual Use of Fire and Water in Buddhist and Saiva Tantras  
- Annette Wilke, University of Münster  
- Mysticism Through the Senses: Sonic Ecstasies in Early and Late Tantra  
- Robert Zydenbos, University of Munich  
- The Tantric Goddesses of Southern Jainism  

**Business Meeting:**  
Sthaneshwar Timalsina, San Diego State University, Presiding

### A31-277

**Open and Relational Theologies Consultation**  
Hyatt Regency, Hanover C  
Joseph Bankard, Northwest Nazarene University, Presiding  
Theme: *Religious Love Redefined*  
- Namsoon Kang, Brite Divinity School  
  *A Theology of Natality: Neighbor-love as Passion for the Impossible Newness*  
- Craig A. Boyd, Azusa Pacific University  
  *Classical and Open Theism and the Doctrine of Perichoresis*  
- Jessica S. Smith, Emory University  
  *In the Company of the Angels: Love and Alterity in the Human–Divine Relation*  
- Gregory Love, San Francisco Theological Seminary  
  *The Root of Sin and the Mistrust of God: Problems With an Ambivalent, Violent God-image*  

**Responding:**  
Thomas Oord, Northwest Nazarene University

### A31-278

**Scriptural Reasoning Group**  
Hyatt Regency, Dunwoody  
Nicholas Adams, University of Cambridge, Presiding  
Theme: *Domestic Disputes and Family Dysfunction in the Abrahamic Traditions*  
- J. Wentzel van Huyssteen, Princeton Theological Seminary  
- Christopher Southgate, University of Exeter  
- Kirk Wegter-McNelly, Boston University  
- Business Meeting:  
  Lea Schweitz, Lutheran School of Theology, Chicago, Presiding

### A31-279 🌟

**Religion and Colonialism Consultation**  
Marriott Marquis, A701  
Caleb Elfenbein, New York University, Presiding  
Theme: *Tolerance in Colonial and Imperial Contexts*  
- G. A. Lipton, University of North Carolina  
  *Secular Sufism: Liberalism, Ethnoracism, and the Reformation of the Muslim Other*  
- Jessica Van Denend, Union Theological Seminary  
  *Empathy and the Colonial Other: Reconceptualizing the Historical Origins of Einfühlung/Empathy*  

**Responding:**  
Thomas Oord, Northwest Nazarene University

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Wildcard Session
Marriott Marquis, Atrium Ballroom
Johnny B. Hill, Louisville Presbyterian Theological Seminary, and Karen Jackson-Weaver, Princeton University, Presiding
Theme: The Black Freedom Struggle Today: The Civil Rights Movement: Then and Now
In 2010, the AAR will be meeting in the city of Atlanta, Georgia, considered the organizing base of the modern American civil rights movement. In this session, a public forum will take place on the state of the civil rights struggle, with an awareness of the burgeoning nuances of the black freedom struggle on the backdrop of the nation’s first black president, Barack Obama. This session will explore the legacy of the civil rights movement in today’s social and political context, and also the ways in which the Obama administration poses challenges and opportunities for advancing the cause of civil and human rights, particularly concerning issues of healthcare, housing reform, the prison industrial complex, public education, and the persistence of militarism. This session will also feature some of the nation’s pioneers in the area of civil and human rights, including Congressman John Lewis, Ambassador Andrew Young, Raphael Warnock, Rev. Bernice King, and former mayor of Atlanta, Shirley Franklin. This session will emphasize dialogue and critical reflection on contemporary issues of peace and justice in local spaces, nationally and internationally as well.

A31-281
Study of Islam Section; Contemporary Islam Group; and Space, Place, and Religious Meaning Consultation
Sunday, 3:00 pm–4:30 pm
Hyatt Regency, Centennial II-IV
Ruqayya Khan, Trinity University, Presiding
Theme: Islam and Sacred Space in America: Zeroing in on the Park51 Controversy
The controversy concerning the Cultural/Islamic Center near Ground Zero throws into sharp relief some key issues germane to the study of religion in general and of Islam in particular. This AAR round table draws upon the expertise of a diverse group of Religion and Islam scholars to explore different dimensions of the controversy. The table will pay attention to contentions over worship and memorial sites in the context of American religious history as well as to how cultural melancholia and mourning inform the current controversy especially given the approach of the tenth anniversary of 9/11. Moreover, discussants will illuminate the many interconnections between race, immigration, religion and politics embedded in the controversy. The round table also addresses challenges, in light of the controversy, as regards Muslim American outreach and inter-faith work since 9/11. For those engaged with “Islam pedagogies,” a salient issue the table takes up is how, if at all, this controversy shapes the current teaching of Islam at the college and/or university level in the U.S.

Panelists:
Rosemary R. Hicks, Tufts University
Immigration, Pluralism and Religion: Challenges in Muslim-American Identities and Outreach Work
Edward Curtis, Indiana University-Purdue University
Religion, Politics and Race: Challenges to Islam Pedagogies
Nathan Carlin, University of Texas Medical School
Mourning, Memorials, and Religion
Jeanne Halgren Kilde, University of Minnesota
Worship Sites as ContestedSpaces: Memorialization, Religion and Politics

M31-300
North American Hindu Association of Dharma Studies
Sunday, 4:00 pm–5:00 pm
Hyatt Regency, Vinings
Arvind Sharma, McGill University, Presiding
Theme: Are Americans Really Becoming Hindus?
Panelists:
Jeffrey Long, Elizabethtown College
Rita Sherma, Binghamton College
Ramdas Lamb, University of Hawai‘i
Laurie Louise Patton, Emory University
For additional information, please contact arvind.sharma@mcgill.ca.

M31-305
Council on Foreign Relations
Sunday, 4:00 pm–5:00 pm
Marriott Marquis, L403
Theme: Religion and Foreign Policy Conversation: Religious Conflict in Nigeria
Join the Council on Foreign Relations for a conversation on the nexus of religion and foreign policy in Nigeria. John Campbell, CFR senior fellow and former ambassador to Nigeria, and Jacob Olupona, professor of African and African American studies at Harvard University, will discuss Muslim/Christian relations in Nigeria. Refreshments will be served; anyone interested is encouraged to attend. If you plan to attend, please stop by booth #217 in the exhibition hall prior to 3:00 pm on Sunday, October 31.

M31-301
Journal of Religious Ethics Editorial Board
Sunday, 4:30 pm–6:30 pm
Hyatt Regency, Techwood
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**Special Topics Forum**
Marriott Marquis, A701
Terrence E. Dempsey, Saint Louis University, Presiding
Theme: *Conversation with Ena Heller, 2010 AAR Religion and the Arts Award Winner*
Sponsored by the Religion and the Arts Award Jury
Ena Heller has been named the 2010 Religion and the Arts Award winner. She is the Executive Director of the Museum of Biblical Art (MOBIA) in New York City. Heller's professional career has focused on building places of learning within museums. Heller learned the workings of various museum departments through jobs at the Metropolitan Museum of Art and the Museum of Modern Art. She then focused her attention on establishing new places of learning through art, first at the Gallery at the American Bible Society (1998) and later as founding director of the Museum of Biblical Art (2005). MOBIA was conceived as a learning museum, whose unique mission is illustrated by noteworthy exhibitions and publications. At MOBIA and elsewhere Heller has presented papers and public lectures that emphasize the need for teaching art, and the connection between art and religion. In parallel, her independent scholarly research has resulted in contributions to volumes such as *Margins: Women of the Hebrew Bible and their Afterlives* (Sheffield Phoenix Press Limited, 2009) and *Women's Space: Patronage, Place, and Gender in the Medieval Church* (State University of New York Press, 2005).
Panelists:
- Ena Heller, Museum of Biblical Art
- Diane Apostolos-Cappadona, Georgetown University
- Cordula Grewe, Columbia University

**A31–301 🎯**
**Special Topics Forum**
Marriott Marquis, M106-107
Ann Taves, University of California, Santa Barbara, Presiding
Theme: *The Job Market for Academic Positions in Religious Studies: Recession, Depression, or Paradigm Shift?*
Sponsored by the Job Placement Task Force
The market for academic positions in religious studies has undergone dramatic changes in recent years. In the aftermath of 9/11, there was a shift away from advertised positions in subfields that used to constitute the heart of the discipline (e.g., theology, New Testament) and towards a range of new subfields. With the world economic crisis, the number of positions listed through the AAR online Job Postings and the Annual Meeting’s Job Center declined by as much as fifty percent over a twelve-month period.

AAR President Ann Taves has made the shifting academic job market, and the deep challenges it poses to the current generation of graduating doctoral students in the field, one of the signature issues of her presidency. This session will explore the current state of the job market in religious studies by means of the latest data from just-completed surveys of doctoral-granting departments and AAR student members, as well as through data from the AAR’s online Job Postings and its Job Center at the Annual Meeting. A distinguished panel will join Taves and the audience in discussing the current situation, projecting where the field may be headed, and positing some steps that might be taken for the immediate and longer-range future of the field. Are we dealing with a temporary blip or a permanent paradigm shift in the way academic positions in religious studies are conceived and positioned?
Panelists:
- Timothy M. Renick, Georgia State University
- Alice Hunt, Chicago Theological Seminary
- Wayne Proudfoot, Columbia University
- Davina C. Lopez, Eckerd College
- Albert G. Miller, Oberlin College

**A31–302 🎯**
**Wildcard Session**
Marriott Marquis, L503
Vincent Biondo, California State University, Fresno, Presiding
Theme: *The Religion and Daily Life Project*
How exactly does religion influence politics? In what ways does religion continue to shape culture? In the 2009–2010 *Religion and Daily Life Project* for Praeger, prominent international scholars authored chapters on Peacebuilding, Civil Religion, Religious Nationalism, Education, Memorialization, Criminal Justice, Economics, Science, and Nature in Volume Two to identify the role of religion in public life. In Volume Three, chapters on Art, Healing, Children, Family, Women, Sport, Travel, Music, Humor, and Death clarify the ways that religion continues to influence culture, even in societies that claim to be secular. The AAR Annual Meeting makes it possible for the authors to join together to collate their findings and form a consensus for the first time. Following the success of the three volume set will be the opportunity for participants to design a one volume trade paperback for use in college courses.
Panelists:
- Ramdas Lamb, University of Hawai‘i, Manoa
- Monika Arne, University of Hamburg
- John Adams, University of California, Santa Barbara
- Joseph Williams, Rutgers University
- Colleen Windham-Hughes, University of California, Santa Barbara
A31-303  

**Wildcard Session**  
Marriott Marquis, M103-104  
Deborah Creamer, Iliff School of Theology, Presiding  
**Theme: Theology and Technology: Intersecting Realities**  
This wildcard session will focus on how emerging technologies shape epistemology and identity, thus destabilizing power and re-shaping theological discourse. Web 2.0 technologies (wikis, blogs, RSS, Facebook, Twitter, Delicious, YouTube, etc.) highlight new identity spaces and issues of access, power, and knowledge construction. Because issues of power and access are prominent in communities of color and other marginalized communities, attention to the intersecting reality of theology and technology creates space of greater access to persons and communities who would otherwise be absent from this conversation. As technology continues to evolve at a rapid pace, these issues will only become more complex. An ongoing AAR group dedicated to the intersection of theology and technology could provide a meaningful space in which to navigate these new realities. This initial wildcard panel session will focus on a critical analysis of the Postcolonial Theology Network (PTN), a Facebook group encouraging new models of identity and epistemology through broad and diverse theological discourse.  

**Panelists:**  
- Joseph Duggan, University of Manchester  
- Michael Hemenway, Iliff School of Theology and University of Denver  

**Responding:**  
- Wei Hsien Wan, SEGi University College, Kota Damansara

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A31-306  

**Ethics Section**  
Hyatt Regency, Hanover FG  
Klem-Mari Cajigas Chimelis, Vanderbilt University, Presiding  
**Theme: Race-ing Forward, Engendering Justice, and Embodying Ethics**  
Hannah Ka, Claremont Graduate University  
*Respectful Grace and Grateful Respect: A Korean Christian Feminist Ethicist’s Response to Alison M. Jaggar's and Sara Ruddick’s Integration of Justice and Care*  
Robyn Henderson-Espinoza, Iliff School of Theology and University of Denver, and Heike Peckruhn, Iliff School of Theology and University of Denver  
*The Virtue of Queering Ethics: Stanley Hauerwas and Gloria Anzaldúa on Agency and the Performative Nature of the Body*  
K. Christine Pae, Denison University  
*A Solidarity-talk among Women of Color: Searching for a Liberative Feminist Methodology of Christian Ethics*

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A31-307  

**North American Religions Section**  
Hyatt Regency, Hanover AB  
Barbara McClure, Vanderbilt University, Presiding  
**Theme: Souls in Extremis: Sex, Death, and Moral Insanity**  
Marie Pagliarini, Saint Mary’s College  
*“You Are All Mine, and I Am Entirely Thine”: Miracle Cures and the Consummation of Spiritual Marriage in the Georgetown Visitation Convent, 1824–1838*  
Jodie Boyer, University of Toronto  
*Religion, “Moral Insanity,” and Psychology in Nineteenth Century America*  
Alana Vincent, University of Glasgow  
*Ritualized Encounters with Death: Mourning and the First World War in Canada*  
Gary L. Ebersole, University of Missouri, Kansas City

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A31-308  

**Religion and Politics Section**  
Marriott Marquis, Marquis Ballroom C  
Cheryl Townsend Gilkes, Colby College, Presiding  
**Theme: International Irruptions**  
Youshaa Patel, Duke University  
*The Politics of Difference and the Syrian-Muslim Religious Elite*  
Christine E. Gudorf, Florida International University  
*Pentecostalism, Indonesian Law, and Interreligious Violence*  
Comfort Max-Wirth, Florida International University  
*The Occult in Ghanaian Politics*
A31-309
Study of Judaism Section and Critical Theory and Discourses on Religion Group
Marriott Marquis, M105
Jerome Copulsky, Goucher College, Presiding
Theme: Antisemitism and Its Afterlives: Christian Studies of Judaism and the Construction of Modernity
Robert Yelle, University of Memphis
Antisemitism at the Roots of Modern Ecumenicalism: The Deist Construction of “Natural Religion” against Jewish Ritual and Revelation
Bruce Rosenstock, University of Illinois
Judaism and the Dialectical History of Religion: The Afterlife of Bishop Warburton’s Divine Legation of Moses
Leah Hochman, Hebrew Union College and Jewish Institute of Religion
Who’s the (Ugly) Stick-in-the-Mud? Kant, Judaism, and (Beauty’s) Freedom
Jonathan Judaken, University of Memphis
Talcott Parsons, Ambivalent Liberalism, and the Sociology of Modern Anti-Semitism

A31-310
Women and Religion Section
Marriott Marquis, M301
Renee K. Harrison, Howard University, Presiding
Theme: Women, Religious Hybridity, and Multiple Religious Identities
Michelle Voss Roberts, Rhodes College
Women’s Multiple Religious Participation as Comparative Theological Practice
Ofelia Villero, Graduate Theological Union
Mother Philippines or Mother Mary? The Case of “Ciudad Mística de Dios”
Istvan Keul, Norges Teknisk-Naturvitenskapelige Universitet, Trondheim
Staged Epiphanies and Religious Mélange: Female Leadership and the Management of Spiritual Resources in a Contemporary Religious Movement in South Asia
Responding:
Debra Majeed, Beloit College

A31-311
Anthropology of Religion Group and Religion and Cities Consultation
Marriott Marquis, M302
Laurel Zwissler, University of Toronto, Presiding
Theme: Faithscapes, Foodsapes, and Landscapes: Three Anthropological Perspectives on Cities and Religion
Steven W. Ramey, University of Alabama
Global, Regional, and Local Connections in the Formation of Indian-American Communities in Atlanta
Amanda Baugh, Northwestern University
What’s Old is New Again: Religion, Sustainable Agriculture, and the Global Community
Jonathan Miles-Watson, Tallinn University
Colonial Religious Landscapes and Postcolonial Christian Worship in Shimla, India

A31-312
Bible, Theology, and Postmodernity Group
Hyatt Regency, Hanover D
Krista E. Hughes, Hanover College, Presiding
Theme: Review of Mary-Jane Rubenstein’s Strange Wonder: The Closure of Metaphysics and the Opening of Awe (Columbia University Press, 2009)
Panelists:
Abigail Kluchin, Columbia University
Clayton Crockett, University of Central Arkansas
Ryan Coyne, University of Chicago
Karmen MacKendrick, Le Moyne College
Responding:
Mary-Jane Rubenstein, Wesleyan University
Business Meeting:
Jon L. Berquist, Westminster John Knox Press, Presiding
A31-313  
Black Theology Group and Transformative Scholarship and Pedagogy Consultation  
Marriott Marquis, A602  
Johnny B. Hill, Louisville Presbyterian Theological Seminary, Presiding  
Theme: The Activism of Black Theologians: Scholarship, Pedagogy, Institution, and Society  
Panelists:  
- Monica A. Coleman, Claremont School of Theology  
- Karen Baker-Fletcher, Southern Methodist University  
- Harry Singleton, Benedict College  
- Anthony G. Reddie, Queens Theological Foundation  
- Jacquelyn Grant, Interdenominational Theological Center

A31-314  
Bonhoeffer: Theology and Social Analysis Group  
Marriott Marquis, L401-402  
Theme: Further Explorations on Secularity in the Prison Writings  
Jan H. Pranger, Concordia College  
Moving the Goalposts: Bonhoeffer’s Faith and the Secularity of a Post-secular World  
Jeremy D. Posadas, Emory University  
Practicing to Be Religionless Christians among Post-Structuralist People: Reading Bonhoeffer with Foucault  
Jeffrey C. Pugh, Elon University  
Living In the “World Come of Age”: Dietrich Bonhoeffer’s Resistance to Modernity

A31-315  
Chinese Religions Group and Daoist Studies Group  
Marriott Marquis, A707  
Clarke Hudson, University of Virginia, Presiding  
Theme: Topics in Medieval Chinese Religion  
Yan Liu, Harvard University  
Healing by Incantation in Medieval China  
Thomas Michael, Boston University  
Ge Hong and the Formation of the Medieval Daoist Xian  
Terry Kleeman, University of Colorado  
State and Religion in Early Celestial Master Daoism

A31-316  
Christian Spirituality Group  
Marriott Marquis, A706  
Arthur Holder, Graduate Theological Union, Presiding  
Theme: Multiple Religious Belongings in North American Spirituality  
Lilan Laishley, Chattanooga, TN  
The Intersection of Alchemy, Christianity, and Labyrinths in the Nineteenth Century American Frontier Harmony Society  
Carole Spencer, George Fox University  
Hannah Whitall Smith: The Making of an Evangelical Heretic and Feminist Mystic  
Jennifer Wilken, Arizona State University  

A31-317  
Contemporary Islam Group  
Marriott Marquis, L508  
Danielle Widmann Abraham, Harvard University, Presiding  
Theme: Negotiating Practice and Authority in Contemporary Islam  
Tehseen Thaver, University of North Carolina  
Living Qur’an Communities and Female Religious Authority in “Secular” Turkey: A Study of GemalNur Sargut, “Shaikha” of the Rifa’i Sufi Order  
Sadıyya Shaikh, University of Cape Town  
Sex as ‘Ibadah’: Religion, Gender, and Subjectivity amongst South African Women  
Amina Chaudary, Boston University  
Deyvelling and the American Muslim Woman’s Experience  
Responding:  
Juliane Hammer, George Mason University

A31-318  
Contemporary Pagan Studies Group  
Marriott Marquis, A705  
Shawn Arthur, Appalachian State University, Presiding  
Theme: Idolatry and Tangible Sacrality: The Conversation Continues  
Panelists:  
Michael York, Academy for Cultural and Educational Studies, London  
Margot Adler, National Public Radio  
Bron Taylor, University of Florida  
Amy Whitehead, Open University
**Program Sessions**

**A31-319**

**Evangelical Theology Group**

Marriott Marquis, A703  
Michael J. McClymond, Saint Louis University, Presiding  
Theme: *Evangelical Eschatology and Physical Cosmology*

- Wolfgang Vondey, Regent University  
  *About Time: Evangelicalism and Science at the Threshold to the New Physics*
- Andrew Jacobs, Saint Joseph's College, New York  
  *"Thy Kingdom Come": Reconsidering Christian Eschatology in Light of the New Physics*
- Junghyung Kim, Graduate Theological Union  
  *On the Eschatological Transformation of the Physical Universe*

**A31-320**

**Hinduism Group**

Hyatt Regency, Hanover E  
Alf Hiltebeitel, George Washington University, Presiding  
Theme: *Brahmins at the Court of the King: The Brahmin in Political Office in Premodern India*

- Mark McClish, Birmingham Southern College
- Patrick Olivelle, University of Texas
- Timothy Lubin, Washington and Lee University

**A31-321**

**Islamic Mysticism Group and Qur’an Group**

Marriott Marquis, Marquis Ballroom D  
Frederick S. Colby, University of Oregon, Presiding  
Theme: *The Qur’an in the Islamic Mystical Traditions*

- Daniel A. Madigan, Georgetown University  
  *Blurring the Edges of the Text: The Role of Tafsīr in Negotiating Authority among Competing Canons*
- Stephen Burge, Institute of Ismaili Studies  
  *Al-Suyūṭī’s Scattered Pearls: A Sufi Exegesis?*
- Kenneth Honerkamp, University of Georgia  
  *The Qur’anic Roots and Ethical Foundations of Sulūk in Islamic Pedagogic Methodology and its Social Relevance*
- Rachana Rao Umashankar, University of North Carolina  
  *“So that You May Know One Another”: Qur’anic Verses and the Validation of the Shared Sacred Spaces of Sufi Shrines in India*

**A31-322**

**Psychology, Culture, and Religion Group and the Colloquium on Violence and Religion**

Marriott Marquis, M304  
Hetty Zock, University of Groningen, Presiding  

Panelists:  
- Kirk A. Bingaman, Fordham University
- Naomi Goldenberg, University of Ottawa
- Martha J. Reineke, University of Northern Iowa

Responding:  
- James W. Jones, Rutgers University

**A31-323**

**Religion and Ecology Group**

Marriott Marquis, L405-406  
Jimi Wilson, University of Florida, Presiding  
Theme: *Pilgrimage, Place, and Dynamic Systems*

- Elizabeth Allison, California Institute of Integral Studies  
  *The Spiritual Significance of Glaciers*
- Susan Bratton, Baylor University  
  *Interpretation of the Appalachian Trail as a Religious or Spiritual Landscape: Historic Roots, Twenty-first Century Beliefs, and Hiker Experience*
- Terra Rowe, Drew University  
  *John Muir’s Aesth/ethics: A Postmodern, Postcolonial Interpretation of Muir, Wilderness Preservation, and the Transcendent in Nature*

Business Meeting:  
- Whitney Bauman, Florida International University, and A. Whitney Sanford, University of Florida, Presiding

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A31-324  New!

Religion in Latin America and the Caribbean Group and International Development and Religion Consultation
Hyatt Regency, Hanover C
David Shefferman, Manhattan College, Presiding
Theme: Bridging the Gaps: Theorizing Religion and Development in Faith-based Organizations
Panelists:
  - Tim Fogarty, University of Florida
  - Julie Adkins, Southern Methodist University
  - Breton Alvare, Widener University
  - Laurie Occhipinti, Clarion University
  - Jill DeTemple, Southern Methodist University
  - Emily Hogue, United States Agency for International Development
  - Alyson Rose-Wood, National Institutes of Health
Responding:
  - Jose Santos, Southern Methodist University

Sarah Haynes, Western Illinois University
On the Road: Ritual Adaptation in the Tibetan Diaspora
Responding:
  - Donna Seamone, Acadia University

A31-325

Religion, Holocaust, and Genocide Group
Marriott Marquis, A702
Gregory Kaplan, Rice University, Presiding
Theme: Susannah Heschel’s The Aryan Jesus: Christian Theologians and the Bible in Nazi Germany: Author Meets Critics
  - Robert Erlewine, Illinois Wesleyan University
  - Eric Weed, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary
  - James McNutt, Thomas More College
Responding:
  - Susannah Heschel, Dartmouth College

A31-326

Ritual Studies Group
Marriott Marquis, M102
Kerstin Radde-Antweiler, Universitaet Bremen, Presiding
Theme: Perspectives on Ritual Experience
  - Airen Hall, Syracuse University
  - Kimberly Hope Belcher, Saint John’s University
Responding:
  - Airen Hall, Syracuse University

A31-327

Roman Catholic Studies Group and Space, Place, and Religious Meaning Consultation
Marriott Marquis, L404
Jeanne Halgren Kilde, University of Minnesota, Presiding
Theme: Space and Place in Catholic America
  - Judith Dupre, Yale University
  - J. Terry Todd, Drew University
  - Berndette McNary-Zak, Rhodes College
  - Stephanie Bilinsky, Arizona State University
Responding:
  - Leonard Norman Primiano, Cabrini College

A31-328

Theology and Continental Philosophy Group and Theology and the Political Consultation
Marriott Marquis, A704
Ellen T. Armour, Vanderbilt University, Presiding
Theme: Mark L. Taylor’s The Theological and the Political: On the Weight of the World
  - Corey D. B. Walker, Brown University
  - Laurel Schneider, Chicago Theological Seminary
Responding:
  - Mark Lewis Taylor, Princeton Theological Seminary

Sarah Haynes, Western Illinois University
On the Road: Ritual Adaptation in the Tibetan Diaspora
Responding:
  - Donna Seamone, Acadia University
A31–329

Tibetan and Himalayan Religions Group  
Marriott Marquis, A708  
Lara Braitstein, McGill University, Presiding  
Theme: Madness, Smallpox, and Death in Tibet  
Derek Maher, East Carolina University  
 Transformation and Subversion in Tibetan Funeral Rites: Buddhist Media for Overcoming Bon po Competitors  
Brandon Dotson, University of Oxford  
 Transformation and Subversion in Tibetan Funeral Rites: Buddhist Media for Overcoming Bon po Competitors  
Michael Sheehy, Tibetan Buddhist Resource Center and The New School  
 Identity Politics of Reembodiment: Lineage Formation in Tibetan and Mongolian Accounts of Rje btsun Tā ra nā thā’s (1575–1635) Death and the Birth of Khal kha Blo bzang bstan pa’i rgyal mtsāhan (1635–1723)  
David DiValerio, University of Virginia  
 “Holy Madness” as Self-representation: Tsangnyon Heruka and Chogyam Trungpa

A31–330

World Christianity Group  
Marriott Marquis, A601  
Akintunde Akinade, Georgetown University, Presiding  
Theme: Around the World with New Eyes: Ancient and Emerging Voices in World Christianity  
Scott Kenworthy, Miami University, Ohio  
 The Marginalization of Eastern Orthodoxy in the Study of World Christianity  
Dorottya Nagy, Max Planck Institute for the Study of Religious and Ethnic Diversity  
 Migrants: Agents of Christianity as a World Religion  
James Taneti, Union Presbyterian Seminary  
 Women with Bibles: Origins and Development of the Office of Biblewomen in South India  
Melanie Trexler, Georgetown University  
 Arab Baptist Christians: Relations with Muslims in the United States

Responding:  
Lalsangkima Pachuau, Asbury Theological Seminary  
Jonathan Tan, Xavier University

M31–302  
Theology Today Editorial Board Meeting  
Sunday, 5:00 pm–6:00 pm  
Hyatt Regency, Baker

M31–304  
Theta Kappa Alpha Business Meeting and Reception

Sunday, 5:00 pm–7:00 pm  
Hyatt Regency, University

All chapter moderators, members, and anyone interested in learning more about establishing a chapter of Theta Alpha Kappa are invited to join the Board of Directors at this annual meeting and reception, at which the Kathleen Connolly-Weinert Leader of the Year Award will be presented and new initiatives will be announced.

M31–303

Highlands Institute for American Religious and Philosophical Thought Business Meeting

Sunday, 5:45 pm–6:15 pm  
Hyatt Regency, Vinings

A31–409

Special Topics Forum  
Sunday, 6:00 pm–8:00 pm  
Almeda Wright, Pfeiffer University, Presiding  
Theme: Beyond the Boundaries Public Lecture Series II  
Roy Whitaker, Claremont Graduate University

From Multiculturalism to Multireligiosity: Shifting Paradigms of African-American Religious Studies in a Pluralistic Age with Special Reference to Martin Luther King, Jr.

Whitaker’s paper tracks the shifting paradigms of African-American Religious Studies discovering that the pluralistic age is influencing how scholars do Religious Studies with a greater sensitivity to religious diversity. In African-American Religious Thought: An Anthology (2003), Cornel West and Eddie Glaude map the intellectual shift among black thinkers/theologians’ singular focus on Christianity beginning to fade in the late 1960’s; after King’s assassination, James Cone’s Black Power & Black Theology (1969) adds additional evidence as he clarifies in his 1989 forward how he never considered Christianity the exclusive religion of God. Yet, West and Glaude’s periodization may be pushed back a bit if King and other black pluralists like Howard Thurman are factored into the schematization. Whitaker further emphasizes that, in the end, Black Theology is not reducible to Christian Studies. Race and religious pluralism both matter, and need to be part of the contemporary black theological discourse.
Sunday, 6:00 pm and Later

A31-400

Racial and Ethnic Minorities Reception
Sunday, 6:30 pm–7:30 pm
Hyatt Regency, Centennial I
Sponsored by the Status of Racial and Ethnic Minorities in the Profession Committee

M31-400

American Journal of Theology and Philosophy Annual Lecture
Sunday, 6:30 pm–8:00 pm
Hyatt Regency, Vinings

M31-401

Explorations in Theology and the Apocalyptic
Sunday, 6:30 pm–9:00 pm
Marriott Marquis, L403
Benjamin Myers, Charles Sturt University, Presiding
Theme: Aspects of the Political Theology of Johann Baptist Metz
This is the second of two sessions exploring apocalyptic themes in contemporary Christian theology.

Matthew Eggemeier, College of the Holy Cross
Christianity or Nihilism? The Apocalyptic Discourses of Johann Baptist Metz and Friedrich Nietzsche

Jason McKinney, University of Toronto
The Sins of the Father: Suffering, Guilt, and Redemption in Benjamin and Metz

Christopher Craig Brittain, University of Aberdeen
Positivity and Negativity in Political Theology: Metz and Adorno on the Nature of Apocalyptic Hope

Kyle Gingerich Hiebert, University of Manchester
The Architectonics of Hope: On the Tragic Configuration of Johann Baptist Metz’s New Political Theology

M31-402

Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion
Sunday, 6:30 pm–8:00 pm
Hyatt Regency, Edgewood
Theme: New Teachers’ Dinner
An annual gathering of new teachers for dinner and directed table conversations about the first years of teaching. By invitation only.

M31-433

Ecclesiological Investigations International Research Network
Sunday, 6:30 pm–8:30 pm
Marriott Marquis, Atrium Ballroom A
The Ecclesiological Investigations International Research Network invites you to the launch reception of a gathering concerned with “Thinking outside the Ecumenical Box” to be held in Assisi, Italy, 17th–20th April 2012. This reception has been generously sponsored by the Center for Catholic Thought and Culture at the University of San Diego and an anonymous benefactor. The parameters of this initiative and a call for papers will be introduced and information concerning other EI and CCTC initiatives will be disseminated. Drinks and light food will be served. All are welcome.

M31-403

Center for Process Studies Reception
Sunday, 7:00 pm–9:00 pm
Hyatt Regency, Fairlie
Join us for wine, cheese, and conversation. Greet Monica Coleman, codirector at the Center and associate professor of constructive theology and African American religious at Claremont School of Theology. Friends and members of CPS and anyone interested in process-relational approaches to religious studies, theology, biblical hermeneutics, and philosophy of religion are invited. Network, discuss, and schmooze. Informal, fun!

M31-404

Denver University and Iliff School of Theology Joint PhD Reception
Sunday, 7:00 pm–8:30 pm
Hyatt Regency, Harris

M31-405

Forum on Sports and Religion
Sunday, 7:00 pm–9:00 pm
Marriott Marquis, L401 & L402
Theme: Away Down South: Sports and Religion in Dixie
Eric Bain-Selbo, Western Kentucky University, Presiding
The Sports and Religion Forum will present papers and discussions for its fourth annual meeting. Papers will address the following questions, though not limited to these:
• What distinguishes the relationship between sport and religion in the American South?
• How has the relationship of sport and religion changed historically in the American South?
• How has the fervent religiosity of the American South affected the role of sport in that culture?
• How have race and gender played out at the intersection of sport and religion in the American South?
M31-406
Society for Asian and Comparative Philosophy
Sunday, 7:00 pm–8:30 pm
Marriott Marquis, L404
Gereon Kopf, Luther College, Presiding
Theme: Japanese Buddhism and the Kyoto School: Rethinking William LaFleur's Approach and Influences
Daniel Leighton, Loyola University, Chicago
William LaFleur’s Skillful Readings of Lotus Sutra Parables and Upaya
Steven Heine, Florida International University
LaFleur’s Dharma of Method: Interdisciplinary Approaches to Zen Studies
Michiko Yusa, Western Washington University
LaFleur and the Flowering of Studies of the Kyoto School
Responding:
Chris Ives, Stonehill College

M31-407
Princeton Theological Seminary Reception
Sunday, 7:00 pm–10:00 pm
Marriott Marquis, Marquis Ballroom Salon A

M31-408
Unitarian Universalist Scholars and Friends Reception
Sunday, 7:00 pm–9:00 pm
Hyatt Regency, Greenbriar

M31-409
University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, Reception
Sunday, 7:00 pm–8:30 pm
Hyatt Regency, Piedmont

M31-410
Yale Divinity School Reception
Sunday, 7:00 pm–8:30 pm
Marriott Marquis, Marquis Ballroom Salon A

M31-411
University of Iowa Reception
Sunday, 7:30 pm–9:30 pm
Hyatt Regency, Courtland

M31-427
Baha’i Studies Colloquy
Sunday, 7:00 pm–8:30 pm
Hyatt Regency, Techwood
Robert H. Stockman, DePaul University, Presiding
Michael McMullen, University of Houston, Clear Lake
The Decade of Struggle: Challenges for Egyptian Baha’is Since 2000
Susan Maneck, Jackson State University
Accusations against Baha’is within the Context of Islamic Heresiography
Robert H. Stockman, DePaul University
‘Abdu’l-Baha’s Visit to North America, 1912: Analysis of Impact
For additional information about the Baha’i Studies Colloquy, contact Robert Stockman at rstockman@usbnc.org or 1-847-337-7750 (cell).

M31-428
Oxford University Reception
Sunday, 7:00 pm–8:30 pm
Marriott Marquis, International 3
The Theology Faculty of Oxford University welcomes colleagues, friends, alumni/ae and prospective graduate students for drinks and updates on developments and to meet current faculty members.
Information is available at www.theology.ox.ac.uk and www.admin.ox.ac.uk/postgraduate.

M31-432
Continuum Reception
Sunday, 7:00 pm–9:00 pm
Marriott Marquis, International 4

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AWARDS CEREMONY AND RECEPTION (A31-401)

Sunday, October 3, 7:30 pm–8:30 pm
Hyatt Regency, Hanover C

John R. Fitzmier, American Academy of Religion, Presiding
Celebrate the achievements of the 2010 AAR award winners at the ceremony and reception held in their honor.

Martin E. Marty Award for the Public Understanding of Religion
Elaine Pagels, Princeton University

Excellence in Teaching Award
Barbara A. B. Patterson, Emory University

Religion and the Arts Award
Ena Heller, Museum of Biblical Art

2010 Best In-depth Reporting on Religion Awards

News Outlets with Circulations over 100,000:
First Place: Daniel Burke, Religion News Service
Second Place: Todd Jones, Columbus Dispatch
Third Place: Michael Paulson, Boston Globe

News Outlets with Circulations under 100,000:
First Place: Brett Buckner, Anniston (Ala.) Star
Second Place: John Dart, Christian Century
Third Place: Adam Parker, Post and Courier (Charleston, S.C.)

Opinion Writing:
First Place: David Gibson, PoliticsDaily.com
Second Place: Tracey O’Shaughnessy, Republican-American (Waterbury, CT)
Third Place: Joel Engardio, WashingtonPost.com and USA Today

2010 Excellence in the Study of Religion Book Awards

Analytical-Descriptive
Kimberley Christine Patton

Constructive-Reflective
Mark Johnston

2010 Best First Book in the History of Religions
Joseph Kip Kosek

2010 International Dissertation Research Grant
Kathleen Foody, University of North Carolina

2010 Selva J. Raj Endowed International Dissertation Research Grant
Ehud Halperin, Columbia University
Ilyese Morgenstein-Fuerst, University of North Carolina
A31-402 🎥
Film: *White Ribbon*
Sunday, 8:00 pm–10:00 pm
Hyatt Regency, Hanover D
Brad Herling, Marymount Manhattan College, Presiding
Sponsored by the Religion, Film, and Visual Culture Group
2009, directed by Michael Haneke. German, with English subtitles. 144 minutes.
Austrian director Michael Haneke has been challenging his audiences with tales of repression and violence for over twenty years. In films such as *Benny’s Video* (1992), *Funny Games* (1997; American version, 2007), *The Piano Teacher* (2001), and *Caché* (2005), Haneke has consistently interrogated Euro-American middle-class life, exposing the cruelties that reside just beneath its surface.
Haneke’s most recent work, *White Ribbon*, which won the Palme D’Or at Cannes and was nominated for an Academy Award for Best Foreign Language Film, extends on these themes but also charts out fascinating new territory. The film is set in the small town of Eichwald in pre-World War I Germany. At first appearance, the denizens of Eichwald — and especially the children — appear to be solid, upstanding folk. But Haneke proceeds to expose the vicious underside of this surface reality and the traumas that emanate from the patriarchal figures at the center of the film’s action: the local baron, the baron’s steward, the town’s doctor, and especially the Lutheran pastor. Strange, anonymous, brutal crimes begin to occur in the town, and no one can determine their origin. Haneke sustains this mystery brilliantly, opening a unique space for reflection on religion, agency, and modern institutions — and on the violence that continually threatens to engulf us.

M31-431

Samhain Ritual Honoring the Dead
Sunday, 7:30 pm–9:30 pm
Hyatt Regency, University

A31-403 🎥
Film: *Soldiers of Conscience*
Sunday, 8:00 pm–10:00 pm
Hyatt Regency, Hanover AB
Jon Pahl, Lutheran Theological Seminary, Philadelphia, Presiding
Sponsored by the Religion, Film, and Visual Culture Group and the Religions, Social Conflict, and Peace Group
2007, directed by Catherine Ryan and Gary Weimberg. 86 minutes.
“Soldiers of Conscience is a dramatic window on the dilemma of individual U.S. soldiers in the current Iraq War — when their finger is on the trigger and another human being is in their gun-sight. Made with cooperation from the U.S. Army and narrated by Peter Coyote, the film profiles eight American soldiers, including four who decide not to kill and become conscientious objectors; and four who believe in their duty to kill if necessary. The film reveals all of them wrestling with the morality of killing in war, not as a philosophical problem, but as soldiers experience it — a split-second decision in combat that can never be forgotten or undone. *Soldiers of Conscience* is not a film that tells an audience what to think, nor is it about the situation in Iraq today. Instead, it tells a bigger story about human nature and war. The film begins with a little-known fact — after World War II, the Army’s own studies revealed that as many as seventy-five percent of combat soldiers, given a chance to fire on the enemy, failed to do so. The studies showed that soldiers, despite training, propaganda and social sanction, retained a surprising inhibition when it came to taking human life. The statistics surprised and alarmed America’s generals, who developed training techniques to overcome the reluctance to kill. But if the military found a solution to its problem, the moral contradiction for the individual soldier remained. The mental and emotional burdens carried by soldiers who have killed ripple across America’s families and communities after each of its recent wars. As this film shows, every soldier is inescapably a soldier of conscience.” (*soldiers-themovie.com*)

M31-412 🍾
Durham University Reception
Sunday, 8:00 pm–10:00 pm
Marriott Marquis, M106 & M107

M31-429 🍾
Princeton University Reception
Sunday, 8:00 pm–10:00 pm
Marriott Marquis, M301
**Atlanta Artists: Guy Robinson and Keith Prossick**

Sunday, 8:30 pm–9:30 pm
Marriott Marquis, Imperial Ballroom

This session is an opportunity for two of Atlanta's premier artists who work with religious subject matter to discuss their work, its relation to religion, and their philosophies of art. Some of their paintings will be displayed in the Marriott Marquis' Imperial Ballroom throughout the meeting, along with ten Buddhist oxherding paintings and four panels of the AIDS quilt.

Guy Robinson's surrealists works have been exhibited in numerous galleries and have a place in important collections including the Georgia Museum of Contemporary Art.

Keith Prossick, a self-taught artist, works with mandalic forms built from the principles of sacred geometry. He has shown his work at many venues and events in both Georgia and New York. He lives and works at the Colaboratory, a "maker-space" for self-defined artists to work on projects in collaboration with others.

Panelists:
- Guy Robinson, Atlanta, GA
- Keith Prossick, Atlanta, GA

**Jazz Vespers by Dwight Andrews and the Atlanta Jazz Chorus**

Sunday, 8:30 pm–9:30 pm
Marriott Marquis, Marquis Ballroom D

Dwight Andrews

Associate professor of music theory and African American music, Andrews is also senior minister of the First Congregational United Church of Christ in Atlanta. In 1998 he formed the Atlanta Jazz Chorus, a group whose mission is to perform the sacred works of famous jazz masters such as Duke Ellington and to bring out spiritual aspects, ideas, and issues in public performances.

The group — composed of thirty-five singers from the metro-Atlanta area — has rapidly gained an expansive and dedicated audience base.

Panelists:
- Dwight Andrews, Atlanta, GA

**Templeton Lecture — Francisco José Ayala: Darwin’s Gift to Science and Religion**

Sunday, 8:30 pm–9:30 pm
Hyatt Regency, Centennial II-IV

John M. Templeton Jr., John Templeton Foundation, Presiding

Francisco J. Ayala is professor of biological sciences at the University of California, Irvine. He received his PhD in genetics from Columbia University. Ayala was awarded the 2010 Templeton Prize for his achievements as an evolutionary geneticist and for his opposition to the entanglement of science and religion while also calling for mutual respect between the two. His research focuses on the genetic diversity of populations, the structure of parasitic protozoa, and the origin of malaria. He has been a major voice on the ethical issues related to the study of human evolution and a frequent spokesperson in the debate between evolution and creationism. He has published 1,000 articles and is author or editor of thirty-five books, including *Darwin’s Gift to Science and Religion* (Joseph Henry Press, 2007) and *Am I a Monkey? Six Big Questions about Evolution* (John Hopkins University Press, 2010). He is a member of the National Academy of Sciences, past president of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, and recipient of the 2001 National Medal of Science.

Panelists:
- Francisco José Ayala, University of California, Irvine

**Brown University Reception**

Sunday, 9:00 pm–11:00 pm
Hyatt Regency, Kennesaw

**Claremont Reception**

Sunday, 9:00 pm–11:00 pm
Hyatt Regency, Dunwoody

**Columbia University Reception**

Sunday, 9:00 pm–11:00 pm
Marriott Marquis, A707

**Drew University Reception**

Sunday, 9:00 pm–11:00 pm
Hyatt Regency, Lenox
M31-417
Duke University Reception
Sunday, 9:00 pm–11:00 pm
Marriott Marquis, A703

M31-418
Florida State University Reception
Sunday, 9:00 pm–12:00 am
Marriott Marquis, Peachtree Suite

M31-419
Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary Reception
Sunday, 9:00 pm–11:00 pm
Hyatt Regency, Marietta

M31-420
Emory University Reception
Sunday, 9:00 pm–11:00 pm
Marriott Marquis, A706

M31-421
Southern Methodist University Reception
Sunday, 9:00 pm–11:00 pm
Hyatt Regency, Edgewood

M31-422
Syracuse University Reception
Sunday, 9:00 pm–11:00 pm
Hyatt Regency, Baker

M31-423
Union Theological Seminary Reception
Sunday, 9:00 pm–11:00 pm
Marriott Marquis, Marquis Ballroom Salon A

M31-424
University of California, Santa Barbara, Reception
Sunday, 9:00 pm–11:00 pm
Marriott Marquis, A704

M31-425
University of Chicago Reception
Sunday, 9:00 pm–11:00 pm
Hyatt Regency, Centennial I

M31-430
Boston University Reception
Sunday, 9:00 pm–11:00 pm
Hyatt Regency, Piedmont

A31-408
Luce Summer Seminar Group Reception
Sunday, 9:30 pm–11:00 pm
Hyatt Regency, AAR Suite
John Thatamanil, Vanderbilt University, Presiding
By invitation only.

M31-426
John Templeton Foundation Reception
Sunday, 10:00 pm–12:00 am
Hyatt Regency, Hanover FG
Connect with your colleagues to hear the 2010 Templeton Prize Laureate, Dr. Francisco Ayala in the Hyatt Centennial Ballroom II-IV at 8:30 on Sunday, October 31, and then greet Dr. Ayala at a reception that follows immediately in the Hyatt Hotel Hanover FG. Enjoy Jazz, scrumptious deserts and conviviality!
### Monday, November 1

#### M1-1

**Fuller Theological Seminary Breakfast**  
Monday, 7:00 am–9:00 am  
Hyatt Regency, Dunwoody

#### M1-2

**Society for Mormon Theology and Philosophy**  
Monday, 7:00 am–9:00 am  
Marriott Marquis, L403  
Theme: Discussion of Grant Hardy’s Understanding the Book of Mormon (Oxford University Press, 2010)  
Panelists:  
- Daniel Peterson, Brigham Young University  
- James McLachlan, Western Carolina University  
Responding:  
- Grant Hardy, University of North Carolina, Asheville

#### A1-1

**Program Unit Chairs’ Breakfast**  
Monday, 7:15 am–8:45 am  
Hyatt Regency, Centennial I  
John R. Fitzmier, American Academy of Religion, Presiding  
Program Unit Chairs are invited to a continental breakfast featuring information on upcoming program initiatives.

#### A1-2

**Yerkes Primate Center Tour**  
Monday, 8:30 am–11:30 am  
Buses pick up at Hyatt Regency-Baker Street Exit  
Frans de Waal, Emory University, Presiding  
Sponsored by the Science, Technology, and Religion Group, the Animals and Religion Consultation, and the Cognitive Science of Religion Consultation  
The Yerkes National Primate Research Center of Emory University is an international leader in biomedical and behavioral research. This research provides a critical link between research with small laboratory animals and clinical trials with humans. Yerkes Research Center is dedicated to advancing scientific understanding of primate biology, behavior, veterinary care, and conservation. The tour will be led by Yerkes director and AAR plenary speaker Frans de Waal.

#### A1-100

**Special Topics Forum**  
Marriott Marquis, A701  
Jennifer Harvey, Drake University, Presiding  
Theme: Scholarship and Activism  
Sponsored by the Status of LGBTIQ Persons in the Profession Task Force  
How do scholars interested in religion connect scholarship and activism in the context of LGBTIQ communities? The panelists in this Special Topics Forum will address the ways in which they bring scholarship and activism together in their lives and careers.  
Panelists:  
- Edward Gray, Gill Foundation  
- Sylvia Rhue, National Black Justice Coalition  
- Thelathia Young, Emory University  
- Orlando Espin, University of San Diego  
- Mary E. Hunt, Women's Alliance for Theology, Ethics, and Ritual

#### A1-101

**Arts, Literature, and Religion Section**  
Marriott Marquis, A703  
Virgil W. Brower, Northwestern University and Chicago Theological Seminary, Presiding  
Theme: Regina Schwartz's Sacramental Ethics: Poetics at the Dawn of Secularism with Author Responding  
Panelists:  
- Hent de Vries, Johns Hopkins University  
- Benjamin Myers, Charles Stuart University  
- Kevin Hart, University of Virginia  
- Jennifer Geddes, University of Virginia  
- Thomas Altizer, Mt. Pocono, PA  
Responding:  
- Regina Schwartz, Northwestern University
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**PROGRAM SESSIONS**

**Monday, 9:00 am–11:30 am**

**A1-102**

**Buddhism Section**

Marriott Marquis, M106-107

Dennis Hirota, Ryukoku University, Presiding

Theme: *From Early Buddhism to Buddhist Environmentalism: Topics in Buddhist Studies*

Nathan McGovern, University of California, Santa Barbara
Rethinking the Early Buddhist/Brabman Divide: A Comparative Study of References to Brabmans in the Pali and Chinese Canons

Claire Maes, Universiteit Gent
How to Understand a Jain Infiltration in Buddhist Monastic Texts?
A Critical Analysis of Buddhist Monastic Rules Laid Down to Protect One Sense faculties Life (Ekindriyaṃ Jīvaṃ)

Oliver Freiberger, University of Texas
The Foundation of the Sangha in Buddhist Historiography and Hagiology

Paul Brownell, Australian National University
Defining and Understanding Hermeneutics in the Yogacara Text, A Commentary on Differentiating the Middle from the Extremes (Dbus Dang Mha’Rnam Par ‘Byed Pa’i Grel Pa): A Meditative Analysis

Seth DeVere Clippard, Arizona State University
Expanding the Circle of Purity: An Analysis of Chinese Buddhist Environmentalism

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**A1-103**

**Christian Systematic Theology Section**

Marriott Marquis, Marquis Ballroom D

Gerard Loughlin, Durham University, Presiding

Theme: *Revelation, Image, and Drama*

Michael Gibson, Vanderbilt University
*The Luminous Frame: Film as Iconographic Mediation of Revelation*

Eve Tibbs, Fuller Theological Seminary
*An “Iconic” Scriptural Hermeneutic*

David S. Cunningham, Hope College
*God’s Spies: The Theatrical Company (and the Church) in a Dramatic Doctrine of Revelation*

Jinhyou Kim, University of Oxford
*Desire, Revelation, and Aesthetic: Towards an Aesthetic Doctrine of Revelation*

Business Meeting:

Gerard Loughlin, Durham University, Presiding

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**A1-104**

**Comparative Studies in Religion Section**

Marriott Marquis, L506

Ivan Strenski, University of California, Riverside, Presiding

Theme: *Lévi-Strauss and the Semiotics of Religion*

Craig Martin, Saint Thomas Aquinas College
*On the Texts of Science and Capitalism*

Christopher Roberts, Reed College
*Ritual, Redundancy, and the Entropic A Priori*

Joel Noret, FRS-FNRS, Belgium
*The “Bricolage” of the Place of the Dead in Southern Benin*

Responding:

Jens Kreinath, Wichita State University

Business Meeting:

Kimberley Patton, Harvard University, and Tracy Pintchman, Loyola University, Chicago, Presiding

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**A1-105**

**North American Religions Section**

Marriott Marquis, M101

Paul Harvey, University of Colorado, Presiding

Theme: *The Future of Southern Religious History*

Panelists:

Alison Greene, Yale University
Michael Pasquier, Louisiana State University
Randall Stephens, Eastern Nazarene College
Curtis Evans, University of Chicago
Ted Ownby, University of Mississippi

Responding:

Lauren Winner, Duke University

Business Meeting:

Rudy V. Busto, University of California, Santa Barbara, and Kathleen Flake, Vanderbilt University, Presiding
A1-106

Philosophy of Religion Section
Marriott Marquis, L401-402
Michael Rea, University of Notre Dame, Presiding
Theme: Possible Futures of the Philosophy of Religion

Eric Bugis, Yale University
Overcoming Post-secular Oscillations: The Aesthetic Validity of Kant’s “Religion”

Tim Knepper, Drake University
The End of the Philosophy of Religion?

J. Aaron Simmons, Hendrix College, and John Sanders, Hendrix College
A Goldilocks God? The Future of the Philosophy of the Religious between Presence and Absence

Thomas D. Carroll, Mount Ida College
The Problem of Relevance and Analytic Philosophy of Religion: Reflection on a Possible Future

A1-107

Religion and Politics Section
Marriott Marquis, A706
Andrew Murphy, Rutgers University, Presiding
Theme: American Cultures and Religious Identities

Richard Amesbury, Claremont School of Theology
“Emblems of Belief”: Military Headstones as Markers of American National Identity

Katherine Rousseau, University of Denver
The Elasticity of Hope: The 2008 HOPE Poster and Eschatology in Public Time

Cara Burnidge, Florida State University
“Muhammad Was a Punk Rocker”: The Taqwacores and Muslim-American Identity Politics

David Decosimo, Princeton University
For Sacred Value: Waterboarding, Horrendous Evil, and the Wrongness of Torture

A1-108

Religion in South Asia Section
Marriott Marquis, A708
James Lochtefeld, Carthage College, Presiding
Theme: Weaponry and Violence in South Asian Religions

Jarrod L. Whitaker, Wake Forest University
“I Took the Bold Mace for Might”: Ritually Making the Body into a Weapon in Ancient India

Laurie Louise Patton, Emory University
Singing to the Weapons: The Aesthetics of a Vedic Hymn of War

James Bigari, Miami University, Ohio, and Elizabeth L. Wilson, Miami University, Ohio
Waging War Against Negative Emotions: The Weaponry of the Bodhisattva in Shantideva’s Bodhicaryavatara

Nawaraj Chaulagain, Harvard University
Honoring the Bombs: Tantric Rites, Ritual Violence, and Maintenance of Power

Robin Rinehart, Lafayette College
Of Swords, Rifles, and Riddles: The Sikh ‘Shastra-nam–mala

A1-109

Study of Judaism Section
Marriott Marquis, L507
Benjamin Pollock, Michigan State University, Presiding
Theme: Jews as Others See Them

April C. Armstrong, Princeton University
“Meet the American Jew”: How American Jews Introduced Themselves to Southern Baptists

Muhammad Ali, University of California, Riverside
“They are Not Alike”: Indonesian Muslim Intellectuals Perceiving Judaism and Jews

Michael Karlin, Emory University
“Never Again!” Jewish Survival as a Model for African American Religion

Craig Ginn, University of Calgary and Mount Royal University
Anti-Semitism in African American Spirituals: Imitating Protestant Hymnody and Supersessionist Ecclesiology or Initiating Liberationist Theology and Black Power?

A1-110

Teaching Religion Section
Marriott Marquis, L405-406
John Knight, Marist College, Presiding
Theme: “Does It Fit?” The Classroom as a Context for the Making and Testing of Knowledge

Panelists:
Ann Burlein, Hofstra University
Kathryn D. Blanchard, Alma College
Michel Andraos, Catholic Theological Union

Responding:
Eugene V. Gallagher, Connecticut College

A1-111

Theology and Religious Reflection Section
Hyatt Regency, Hanover FG
Andrea Smith, University of California, Riverside, Presiding
Theme: Rethinking Class in Religious and Theological Studies

Panelists:
Joerg Rieger, Southern Methodist University
Pamela K. Brubaker, California Lutheran University
Stephanie Y. Mitchell, University of South Carolina
Jung Mo Sung, Universidade Metodista, São Paulo
Kenneth Surin, Duke University
A1–112

Women and Religion Section

Hyatt Regency, Hanover D

Kate Ott, Religious Institute on Sexual Morality, Justice, and Healing, Presiding

Theme: Migration, Relocation, and Diaspora: Experiences of Women

Leila M. Ortiz, Lutheran Theological Seminary, Philadelphia
Power and Subservience Redefined among Puerto Rican Pentecostal Women: Contesting Gender in Urban Storefront Churches
Allie Jones, Claremont School of Theology
Crossing the Border: A Story of Sexual Victimization
Gemma Cruz, DePaul University
Between Oppression and Liberation: Religion and Gendered Migration

A1–113

African Religions Group

Marriott Marquis, M304

Elias Bongmba, Rice University, Presiding


Isabel Phiri, University of KwaZulu-Natal
Simangaliso Kumalo, University of KwaZulu-Natal
Jim Cochrane, University of Cape Town
Gary Gunderson, University of Memphis
Tiniko Maluleke, University of South Africa
Sarojini Nadar, University of KwaZulu-Natal

Business Meeting:
Laura Grillo, Pacifica Graduate Institute, Presiding

A1–114

Anthropology of Religion Group

Marriott Marquis, A705

J. Shawn Landres, Jumpstart/Project on Emergent Religious and Social Entrepreneurship, Presiding

Theme: Crossing the Lines: Anthropology and Evangelicalism in the Americas

Renea Brathwaite, Regent University
A Desperate Hope: The Color Line Washed Away in the Blood?
Ethan P. Sharp, University of Texas, Pan American
Evangelicalism among Mexican Catholics: Witnessing and Testimonies in Transnational Circuits
William Girard, University of California, Santa Cruz
Remaking Nations: Pentecostal Discourses of “Honduras” and the “United States” in Copán Ruinas, Honduras

Responding:
James S. Bielo, Miami University

Business Meeting:
J. Shawn Landres, Jumpstart/Project on Emergent Religious and Social Entrepreneurship, Presiding

A1–115

Bible in Racial, Ethnic, and Indigenous Communities Group

Marriott Marquis, L505

Tat-siong Benny Liew, Pacific School of Religion, Presiding

Theme: Bible and Colonization: Asia/Oceania

Eleazar S. Fernandez, United Theological Seminary of the Twin Cities
Nami Kim, Spelman College
Peter C. Phan, Georgetown University
J. Jayakiran Sebastian, Lutheran Theological Seminary, Philadelphia
Jenny Te Paa, College of Saint John the Evangelist, Auckland
Changgang Guo, Shanghai University
Hisako Kinukawa, Tokyo, Japan

A1–116

Buddhist Critical-Constructive Reflection Group

Marriott Marquis, A601

Anne Klein, Rice University, Presiding

Theme: What’s at Stake in Contemplative Science? Reductionism, Embodiment, and Other Key Issues in the Secularization and Scientific Study of Contemplative Practices

Panelists:
J. Shawn Landres, Jumpstart/Project on Emergent Religious and Social Entrepreneurship, Presiding

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Brendan Ozawa-de Silva, Emory University
Brooke Dodson-Lavelle, Emory University
Andreas Doctor, Kathmandu University
Wendy Hasenkamp, Emory University
Responding:
Martijn van Beek, Aarhus University

A1-117
Chinese Religions Group
Marriott Marquis, L508
Robert M. Gimello, University of Notre Dame, Presiding
Theme: Repentance in Chinese Popular Religion
Mariko Namba Walter, Harvard University
“For the Sake of Not to Fall into Hell”: A Dunhuang Repentance Text
Hudaya Kandahjaya, Numata Center for Buddhist Translation and Research
The Origins of the Eighty-eight Buddhas Repentance
Kendall Marchman, University of Florida
Journey to the West: Personal Repentance for the Sake of All
Beverley Foulks, University of North Carolina, Greensboro
Repentance Rituals for Eliminating Karma: The Penitential Practice of Ouyi Zhixu (1599–1655)
Responding:
D. Neil Schmid, North Carolina State University

A1-118
Christian Spirituality Group and Theology of Martin Luther
King Jr. Consultation
Marriott Marquis, Marquis Ballroom C
Karen Jackson-Weaver, Princeton University, Presiding
Theme: Spirituality and the Civil Rights Movement
Peter Heltzel, New York Theological Seminary
The Mystical–Prophetic Spirituality of Howard Thurman and Martin Luther King Jr.
J. Cayenne Claassen-Luttner, Emory University
Co-opting Saint Martin? How a Radical Baptist Becomes an Ecumenical Saint
John Roedel, Graduate Theological Union
Only the Samaritan Had Mercy: The Importance of Martin Luther King Jr.’s Moral Flaws for the Practice of Nonviolence
Luther E. Smith Jr., Emory University
Howard Thurman: Spirituality as More Than an Implication
Responding:
Barbara A. Holmes, Memphis Theological Seminary

A1-119
Comparative Religious Ethics Group
Marriott Marquis, L503
Anne R. Hansen, University of Wisconsin, Presiding
Theme: Spatial, Narrative, and Embodied Production of Ethical Values
Faraz M. Sheikh, Indiana University
Practices of the Self in Muslim Moral Discourse: Authoritative Narratives, Emotions, and the Elusive Nature of Submission
Jessica Wroblewski, Saint Mary’s College
The Space of Welcome: Ethics as Hospitality
Irene Oh, George Washington University
Halal: Food, Gender, and Ethical Reflection in Modern Muslim Communities
Gabriel Robinson, University of Chicago
Cosmological Crossings and Christian Frames: Christian, Norse, and Japanese Mythology in the Comic Series Lucifer
Responding:
Elizabeth Bucar, University of North Carolina, Greensboro
Business Meeting:
Jonathan Schofer, Harvard University, Presiding

A1-120
Contemporary Islam Group
Marriott Marquis, A602
Robert Rozehnal, Lehigh University, Presiding
Theme: Mobilizing and Marketing Islam: Media, Technology, and Modernity
Abbas Barzegar, Emory University
Free Food and Martyrdom: Media Representations of the Islamic Right in Iran’s Post-Election Crisis
Francis James Sanzaro, Syracuse University
Islam and the Architectural Avant Garde in Istanbul, Cairo, and Dubai
Robert Riggs, University of Pennsylvania
Global Networks, Local Concerns: Paradoxes in the Utilization of Emerging Technologies for Shi’i Religious Leaders
Edith Szanto, University of Toronto
Beyond Carnival and Spectacle: Contemporary Twelver Shi’i Muharram Rituals in Syria
Responding:
Kambiz GhaneaBassiri, Reed College
Business Meeting:
Anna Bigelow, North Carolina State University, Presiding
A1-121  
Contemporary Pagan Studies Group  
Hyatt Regency, Hanover AB  
Jone Salomonsen, University of Oslo, Presiding  
Theme: Paganism, Ethnicity, and Ultranationalism  
Koenraad Elst, Mortsel, Belgium  
From the Mono/Poly Debate to the Identitarians: Politicized Pagan Revivalism in Europe  
Thad N. Horrell, Iliff School of Theology and University of Denver  
Heathen Ethnic Projects and the Problem of Race in the United States  
Kaarino Aitamurto, University of Helsinki and Aleksanteri Institute  
The Liaisons of Nationalism, Conservatism, and Leftist Ideology within Rodnoverie: Approaching the Paradigm  
Michael Strmiska, Orange County Community College, State University of New York  
Transatlantic Tensions in Norse Paganism: Left-Wing/Right-Wing Tendencies in America and Europe  
Responding:  
Mathias Gardell, Stockholm University  
Business Meeting:  
Wendy Griffin, California State University, Long Beach, and Michael York, Academy for Cultural and Educational Studies, London, Presiding

A1-122  
Hinduism Group  
Marriott Marquis, A707  
Ramdas Lamb, University of Hawai‘i, Presiding  
Theme: Religion on the Ground: Village Hinduism in Practice  
Veena Rani Howard, University of Oregon  
Santana Nature of Hinduism and a Rural Saint Tradition in Bihar  
Jon Keune, Columbia University  
Varkari Pilgrimages and Local Traditions in Marathwada (Central Maharashtra)  
Antoinette DeNapoli, Grinnell College  
Gender, Asceticism, and Vernacular Religion in Rajasthan: A Devotional Model  
Purushottama Bilimoria, Deakin and Melbourne Universities  
How the Swamy Ayyappan Set Captures Rural Imagination in the South  
Pankaj Jain, University of North Texas  
How Can We Cut God’s Trees: Sacred Groves in Bhil Villages

A1-123  
Practical Theology Group  
Marriott Marquis, Marquis Ballroom B  
Dale P. Andrews, Vanderbilt University, Presiding  
Theme: Rapture, Lament, Suffering, and Practical Theology  
Anne Carter Walker, Claremont School of Theology  
A Practical Theology for the Privileged  
Millicent Feske, Saint Joseph’s University  
Auli Vähäkangas, University of Helsinki  
Contextual Pastoral Counseling among the Terminally Ill AIDS Patients in Tanzania  
Elizabeth O’Donnell Gandolfo, Emory University  
The Dangerous Memory of El Mozote: A Practical Theological Defense of Hope in the Memory of Suffering  
Responding:  
Stephanie M. Crumpton, Columbia Theological Seminary

A1-124  
Pragmatism and Empiricism in American Religious Thought Group  
Marriott Marquis, M108  
William David Hart, University of North Carolina, Greensboro, Presiding  
Theme: Pragmatism, Politics, and the Personal  
Deborah Whitehead, University of Colorado  
Engendering Religion: James, Gender, and the Academic Study of Religion  
Joshua Daniel, University of Chicago  
Cultivating Trust: Reading George Herbert Mead through Annette Baier  
Joseph Winters, University of North Carolina, Charlotte  
William James, the More, and the Painful Pleasures of Being at Home with the World  
Stephen Bush, Brown University  
The Politics of the Varieties: William James on Individuality, Pluralism, and Religion  
Business Meeting:  
Beth Eddy, Worcester Polytechnic Institute, and Eddie S. Glaude Jr., Princeton University, Presiding
Reformed Theology and History Group
Marriott Marquis, M105
Kang-Yup Na, Westminster College, Presiding
Theme: Reformed Reflections on Mission
Joshua Ralston, Emory University
Gathered from All Nations: Refugees and Reformed Ecclesiology
John Halsey Wood, Saint Louis University
John Livingston Nevius and the New Missions History
Shannon Nicole Smythe, Princeton Theological Seminary
The Apostolicity of Jesus Christ and Its Missional Correspondence in Karl Barth’s Doctrine of Election
David Y. Kim, Harvard University
Renovation of Citizenship and the Problem of the Erroneous Conscience

Religion in Latin America and the Caribbean Group
Marriott Marquis, A702
Jennifer Schepfer Hughes, University of California, Riverside, Presiding
Theme: Of Spirits and Virtual Bodies: New Research on the Crossings of Body and Spirit in Latin American Religions
Sean O’Neil, University of Florida
Anointing Beyond the Grave? Assessing the Legacy of Padre Emiliiano, a Transnational Charismatic Catholic Priest
Katerina Kerestetzi, University Paris Ouest-Nanterre
Penetrating the World of the Dead: The Reproduction of Palo Monte’s Religious Practice (Cuba)
Ramiro Jaimes Martinez, Universidad Autonoma de Baja California, and Rebecca Moore, San Diego State University
Religious Conversion and Rehabilitation: Neo-Pentecostal Treatment Centers in Tijuana, Mexico
Responding:
Mario I. Aguilar, University of Saint Andrews
Business Meeting:
Jorge A. Aquino, University of San Francisco, and Jennifer Schepfer Hughes, University of California, Riverside, Presiding

Religion and Popular Culture Group
Marriott Marquis, M103-104
Lisle Dalton, Hartwick College, Presiding
Theme: 2-D Hierophanies: Religious Creativity and Cultural Critique in Comic Books, Manga, Anime, and Graphic Novels
Catherine Pruett, Emory University
In Medias Res: Tracing the Play of Divine Consciousness in Revolutionary Girl Utena
Megan Goodwin, University of North Carolina
Conversion to Narrative: Magic as Religious Language in Grant Morrison’s Invisibles
A. David Lewis, Boston University
Ever-ending Battle: The Superhero Afterlife Subgenre and the Rupture of Narrative Character
Andrew Tripp, Boston University
Phallocracy in Alan Moore’s From Hell
Franz Winter, University of Vienna
A Case Study in the Importance of the Manga-culture for Japanese New Religions: The “Greek God” Hermes in Kōfuku no Kagaku

Religion, Media, and Culture Group
Marriott Marquis, M302
Jonathan Boyarin, University of North Carolina, Presiding
Theme: Responses to Jeremy Stolow’s Orthodoxy by Design
Panelists:
Michele Rosenthal, University of Haifa
Shaul Magid, Indiana University
David Morgan, Duke University
John Durham Peters, University of Iowa
Responding:
Jeremy Stolow, Concordia University
### A1-129 ★

**Schleiermacher Group**  
Hyatt Regency, Hanover E  
Dawn A. De Vries, Union Presbyterian Seminary, Presiding  
**Theme:** *New Work on Schleiermacher, Part Two*  
Andrew Dole, Amherst College  
*Determinism and the Monologen*  
Frances M. Henderson, Princeton Theological Seminary  
*Between Gadamer and Frei: Retrieving Schleiermacher's Hermeneutic of Understanding from His Mid-twentieth Century Interpreters*  
Marcia Mount Shoop, University Presbyterian Church, Chapel Hill  
*Embodying Theology: Schleiermacher’s “Gefühl” and Going Metaphysical*  
C. J. Dickson, Princeton Theological Seminary  
**Literary Form in the Later Schleiermacher**  
**Business Meeting:**  
Andrew Dole, Amherst College, Presiding  

### A1-130 ★

**Scriptural Reasoning Group**  
Marriott Marquis, A704  
Ayesha Chaudhry, Colgate University, Presiding  
**Theme:** *The Promise of Scriptural Reasoning for Scriptural Hermeneutics*  
Mike Higton, University of Exeter  
*“It Could Go Off at Any Minute”: Carrying a “Hard Saying” of Jesus’s from Evangelicalism to Scriptural Reasoning*  
Daniel H. Weiss, Oberlin College  
*Keeping the Oral Torah Oral: Rabbinic Hermeneutics and the Need for Interfaith Text Study*  
Tom Greggs, University of Chester  
*Locating and Complexifying ‘the Other’ and ‘the Self”: a Path to Discovering the Hermeneutics of Agape*  
Rumee Ahmed, Colgate University  
*Know Your Competition: The Crisis of Meaning for the Qur'anic Challenge*  
**Responding:**  
Randi Rashkover, George Mason University  
**Business Meeting:**  
Tom Greggs, University of Chester, Presiding  

### A1-131 ★

**Theology and Continental Philosophy Group**  
Marriott Marquis, M102  
Bruce Ellis Benson, Wheaton College, Presiding  
**Theme:** *Affect and/or Theology*  
Jeffrey McCurry, Duquesne University  
*Affective Evidence and the Problem of Resentment: Augustine, the Neo-Augustinians, and Nietzsche on Loving God*  
Abigail Khuchin, Columbia University  
*Julia Kristeva and the Hermeneutics of Affect*  
David U. B. Liu, North Carolina State University  
*Ipoety, Flux, and Auto-affection in (through) Michel Henry*  
William Robert, Syracuse University  
*The Sense of Passion*  
**Business Meeting:**  
Bruce Ellis Benson, Wheaton College, Presiding  

### A1-132

**Wesleyan Studies Group and World Christianity Group**  
Marriott Marquis, M301  
Jane Carol Redmont, Guilford College, and Priscilla Pope-Levison, Seattle Pacific University, Presiding  
**Theme:** *The Legacy of Edinburgh 1910: Wesleyan Trajectories of Ecumenism, Mission, and Interreligious Relations for the Twenty-first Century*  
Philip Wingeier-Rayo, Pfeiffer University  
*Edinburgh 1910: A Reflection on Missions and World Christianity*  
Benjamin L. Hartley, Eastern University  
*A Reexamination of John R. Mott's Contributions to Methodist Missions, Interreligious Dialogue, and Race Relations after Edinburgh 1910*  
Kevin York-Simmons, Vanderbilt University  
*Morality and Missions after Edinburgh: From Rethinking Missions to Rethinking Ethics*  
Glory Dharmaraj, Women’s Division, United Methodist Church  
*Interfaith Relations: Edinburgh 2010 and a Monitoring Tool*  

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A1-133

Womanist Approaches to Religion and Society Group
Marriott Marquis, Marquis Ballroom A
Monique Moultrie, Vanderbilt University, Presiding

Theme: The Cultural Production of Femaleness in the Visual Arts
Pamela Lightsey, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary
“Ain’t Nothin’ An Old Man Can Do Fuh Me But…”: Moms Mabley and the Need for Funny During the Civil Rights Movement
Tamura Lomax, Vanderbilt University
Tyler Perry’s Cinematic Theology and His Burden of Representation
Zeena Regis, Columbia Theological Seminary
“I’m Not Here to Make Friends; I’m Here to Win”: Representations of Black Female Friendships in Contemporary Christian Film
Tinesha J. Williams McNeill, Hillside, NJ
A Wolf in Sheep’s Clothing: The Demystification of Tyler Perry’s Subliminal Misogyny
Cheryl A. Kirk-Duggan, Shaw University
Signifying, Loving, and Relationality Embodied: Towards a Womanist Theological Anthropology Amidst Selected Cultural Productions of Tyler Perry

A1-134

Death, Dying, and Beyond Consultation
Marriott Marquis, L504
Lucy Bregman, Temple University, Presiding

Theme: Spiritualism
Corinne Dempsey, University of Wisconsin, Stevens Point
The Curse and the Gift of Spirit Encounters in Contemporary Iceland
Nell Champoux, Syracuse University
Approaching a World Beyond: Spiritualism and Death in the Thought of William James
Cathy N. Gutierrez, Sweet Briar College
The Dead Tell of Dying: Reflections on Death in American Spiritualism
Christa Shusko, York College of Pennsylvania
Beautiful Corpse: The Bones of Mary Cragin and the Acceptance of Spiritualism in the Oneida Community

A1-135

Religion in Europe and the Mediterranean World, 500–1650
CE Consultation
Marriott Marquis, L404
Constance Furey, Indiana University, Presiding

Theme: Interpreting Isaac and Ishmael across Religious Traditions
Deana Klepper, Boston University
Isaac, Ishmael, and the Rejection of the Jews in Medieval Christian Thought
Carol Bakhos, University of California, Los Angeles
Siblings and Rivals: Representations of Isaac and Ishmael in Jewish and Muslim Sources
A1-137 Food, Justice, and Sustainability: Atlanta’s Urban Agriculture Tour

Monday, 9:00 am–12:00 pm
Buses pick up at Hyatt Regency-Baker Street Exit
A. Whitney Sanford, University of Florida, and Laurel D. Kearns, Drew University, Presiding

Sponsored by the Religion and Ecology Group, the Forum on Religion and Ecology, and the AAR Task Force on Sustainability

This bus tour will take us to places in urban Atlanta where residents are working to address food, justice, and sustainability concerns in their communities. Tour guide Erin Croom of Georgia Organics (www.georgiaorganics.org) will lead us through several sites to show how local organizations have been addressing hunger and nutrition by developing new forms of urban agriculture and garden-based education.

The tour will include sites such as the Edgewood Community Garden (www.fiskars.com/content/garden_en_us/Garden/ProjectOrangeThumb/orangeEvent/edgewoodcommunity), Oakleaf Mennonite Farm (www.localharvest.org/farms/M34689), and Truly Living Well Natural Urban Farms (www.trulylivingwell.com). The Edgewood Garden works with local schools, religious organizations, and senior centers. The Oakleaf Mennonite Farm is a diverse vegetable and small-animal farm founded by the Berea Mennonite Church in East Atlanta with the belief that local, fresh, responsible eating is part of the Christian call to stewardship and creation care.

Truly Living Well is an African American owned and operated urban farm that provides food and educational services for local communities. A portion of the tour fee will be donated to these organizations.

Tour fee: $30

A1-138 BAPS Shri Swaminarayan Mandir Tour

Monday, 9:00 am–12:00 pm
Buses pick up at Hyatt Regency-Baker Street Exit
Paul Courtright, Emory University, Presiding

Sponsored by the Hinduism Group and the North American Hinduism Consultation

The BAPS Shri Swaminarayan Mandir is the largest Hindu temple of its kind outside of India. The temple boasts hand-carved stone spires that tower seventy-five feet. More than 12,300 tons of stone was quarried and shipped to the craftsmen in India. Then, the nearly 35,000 pieces were shipped to Atlanta, where more than 900 volunteers dedicated their time in putting this marvel together.

Tour fee: $20

A1-139 William Breman Jewish Heritage Museum Tour

Monday, 9:00 am–12:00 pm
Meet in Hyatt Regency Lobby
Kathryn McClymond, Georgia State University, Presiding

Sponsored by the Study of Judaism Section and the Religion, Holocaust, and Genocide Group

The Museum’s extraordinarily vivid exhibitions use the personal remembrances of Atlantans to explain seminal moments in the Jewish experience. Creating Community tells the story of Atlanta Jews creating and experiencing community. Absence of Humanity tells the story of the Holocaust through historical photographs and documents, personal memorabilia and family pictures, and in the voices of those who survived and made new lives in Atlanta.

Tour fee: $10

A1-140 Drepung Loseling Monastery Tour

Monday, 9:30 am–1:00 pm
Buses pick up at Hyatt Regency-Baker Street Exit
John Dunne, Emory University, Presiding

Sponsored by the Tibetan and Himalayan Religions Group and the Buddhism in the West Consultation

Drepung Loseling provides theoretical knowledge and practical training in Tibetan Buddhist scholarly traditions for Western students, scholars, and the general public and helps preserve the endangered Tibetan culture. The tour will be led by the abbot, Geshe Lobsang Tenzin Negi.

Tour fee: $30

A1-145 Graduate Student Committee Meeting

Monday, 9:00 am–11:00 am
Meet in Hyatt Regency Lobby
Kathryn McClymond, Georgia State University, Presiding

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M1-100 Society for Comparative Theology

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A1-141  
**Plenary Address**

Monday, 11:45 am–12:45 pm  
Hyatt Regency, Centennial II-IV  
Ann Taves, University of California, Santa Barbara, Presiding  
Theme: *Anne Harrington: Religion and the Placebo Effect — Historical Issues, Present-Day Challenges*

We know that the human body sometimes responds to a doctor’s reassuring words and the solace of sugar pills as if they were real treatments. Medicine calls this “the placebo effect.” For the past decade, humanistic scholars of medical practice have been interested in the complex, ambivalent ways that medicine and medical science imagines and employs this concept.

What happens, though, when the concept of the placebo effect is invoked as an explanation in contexts where the suffering person has placed his or her faith, not in sugar pills or a fake injection, but in God’s divine mercy, or in the power of prayer? What changes? What is gained? What is at risk? We may not have to guess. Talk about the placebo effect can in fact be found these days in a range of uneasy conversations at the boundaries of religion and medical science. We see it being invoked in everything from arguments about the importance of the “faith factor” in healing, to projects designed to find out whether prayer “really” works, to arguments that our brains are “wired” to believe in God because doing so is good for our health. Where did all these different conversations and projects come from? How should we put the pieces together? And — most important — what are the larger take home questions and challenges for religious studies?

Panelists:

Anne Harrington, Harvard University

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A1-143  
**Career Services Advisory Committee Meeting**

Monday, 11:45 am–12:45 pm  
Marriott Marquis, L501  
Jessica Davenport, American Academy of Religion, Presiding

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A1-144  
**CANCELLED**

Michael C. Carlos Museum Tour  
Monday, 12:30 am–4:00 pm
### A1-204

**Comparative Studies in Religion Section**

**Marriott Marquis, L506**

Kimberley Patton, Harvard University, Presiding

Theme: *Making an Object a Subject: Relationships, Rituals, and the Life of Material Culture*

- Sean McCloud, University of North Carolina, Charlotte
  - *Objects as Demonic Subjects in Spiritual Warfare Grimoires*

- Amy Whitehead, Open University
  - *Gift Giving and Power Perspectives in an English Goddess Temple*

- David Mozina, University of North Carolina, Charlotte
  - *Materiality of Ritual Performance in a Daoist Ritual*

- Marla Segol, Skidmore College
  - *Bringing Up Golem: Letter Magic and Astrology in the Sefer Yetzirah Manuscript Tradition*

Responding:

- Eric D. Mortensen, Guilford College

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### A1-205

**History of Christianity Section**

**Marriott Marquis, M103-104**

David Harrington Watt, Temple University, Presiding

Theme: *How Has Orsi’s Madonna of 115th Street Affected the Way We Think about Religion?*

Panelists:

- Judith Weisenfeld, Princeton University
- Stephen J. Stein, Indiana University
- Kathryn Lofton, Yale University
- Leigh E. Schmidt, Harvard University

Responding:

- Robert Orsi, Northwestern University

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### A1-203

**Christian Systematic Theology Section**

**Marriott Marquis, Marquis Ballroom D**

Cynthia Rigby, Austin Theological Seminary, Presiding

Theme: *Revelation, Language, and Canon*

- Adam Nigh, University of Aberdeen
  - *Scripture as the Divine Assumption of Fallen Human Language*

- Duane Stephen Long, Marquette University
  - *Canon(s) as Criteria for Biblical Interpretation*

- Marsaura Shukla, University of Chicago
  - *Cactus Flowers: Revelation and Inspiration in the Desert of Criticism*

- Timothy Stanley, University of Manchester
  - *The Return of the Scroll: Canon after Codex*

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### A1–206

**North American Religions Section**
Marriott Marquis, M102
Courtney Bender, Columbia University, Presiding

**Theme:** Secular/Religion: Moving Beyond the Secular/Religious Binary

- Geoffrey Pollick, Drew University
  The Masses/Pagan Revolt: Max Eastman and "Religion" among Modern United States Radicals
- Healan Gaston, Harvard University
  "A Pagan Philosophy from Abroad": Secularism and Public Education in the Interwar Catholic Imagination
- Benjamin Zeller, Brevard College
  Science and Religion Beyond Scopes: When Physicists See the Light

**Responding:**
Tracy Fessenden, Arizona State University

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### A1–207

**Philosophy of Religion Section**
Marriott Marquis, A601
Sarah Hammerschlag, Williams College, Presiding

**Theme:** Post-Heideggerian Phenomenology of Religion

- Bradley Onishi, University of California, Santa Barbara
  The Hermeneutics of Absence: Marion's Counter-experience and Bataille's Inner Experience
- Nathan Crawford, Loyola University, Chicago
  Revelation as the Event of Attunement: A Reappropriation of Heidegger through Marion
- Daniel Boscaljon, University of Iowa
  Moving Beyond the Symbolic: The Material Potential of Post-Heideggerian Theology
- Troy Mack, Drew University
  An Embodied History, Constantly Evolving: Embodiment, Evolution, and Revelation in a Heideggerian Project

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### A1–208

**Religion in South Asia Section**
Marriott Marquis, M301
Ananda Abeysekara, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University, Presiding

**Theme:** Taking Refuge in the State: Buddhists, Non-Buddhists, and the State in Contemporary Sri Lanka

- Daniel W. Kent, Whitman College
  To Kill with Kindness: Buddhist Understandings of War and Intentional Killing in Sri Lanka's Civil War
- Benjamin Schonthal, University of Chicago
  Buddhism, Secularism, and the History of Religions in Sri Lanka's Constitutions
- Oshan Fernando, East York, Ontario
  (Re)Imagining the State: The Politics of Converting to Christianity in Sri Lanka

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### A1–209

**Study of Islam Section**
Marriott Marquis, Marquis Ballroom A
Nargis Virani, The New School, Presiding

**Theme:** Law, Theology, and Politics

- Dale J. Correa, New York University
  Between Reason and Revelation: The Theological Associations of Ijmā’ and Their Epistemological Ramifications
- Nathan French, University of California, Santa Barbara
  For the Benefit of Suicide? A Discussion of Martyrdom Operations within Contemporary Fatawa Literature in the Digital Domain
- SherAli Tareen, Duke University
  Can God Lie? Can God Produce a Second Muhammad? Intra-Muslim Polemics on the Boundaries of Divine and Prophetic Authority in Nineteenth Century India
- Gregory Mack, McGill University
  The Modern Muhtasib: Religious Policing in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia
- Philip Dorroll, Emory University
  "The Turkish Understanding of Religion": Sonmez Kutlu, Hanifi Ozcan, and the Epistemology of Cultural and Religious Pluralism

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### A1–210

**Study of Judaism Section**
Marriott Marquis, L505
Martin Kavka, Florida State University, Presiding

**Theme:** Jewish Identity and Race in the United States

- Sarah Imhoff, University of Chicago
  Constructing the American Jewish Body: Medical, Racial, and Gender Discourses
- Annalise Glauz-Todrank, University of California, Santa Barbara
  How Racial Discourse Influences Jewish Legal Rights: An Analysis of Three Cases
- Ruchama Johnston-Bloom, University of Chicago
  "I Declared Myself a Mutation": Jewish Identity, Race, and Gender in How I Became Hettie Jones
- Aaron Gross, University of San Diego
  Idolaters Are Not Called "Adam"

**Responding:**
Nora L. Rubel, University of Rochester
### A1-211

**Teaching Religion Section**  
**Marriott Marquis, L405-406**  
Elizabeth Corrie, Emory University, Presiding  
**Theme: Educating for Social Transformation in Religious Studies and Beyond: Perspectives from Atlanta Area Activists and Educators**  
Panelists:  
Lucia Hulsether, Agnes Scott College  
Alexis Chase, Georgia Interfaith Power and Light  
Letitia Campbell, Emory University  
Bryan Cronan, Emory University  
K. Rashid Nuri, Truly Living Well Natural Urban Farms  
Max Evans, Emory University  
Brian G. Campbell, Emory University

### A1-212

**Theology and Religious Reflection Section**  
**Marriott Marquis, A707**  
Mark Scott, Concordia University, Presiding  
**Theme: Aesthetics and the Political**  
  - Krista E. Hughes, Hanover College  
  - Jinhyok Kim, University of Oxford  
  - Christopher Boesel, Drew University  
  - Jorge A. Aquino, University of San Francisco  
  - Elisabeth Vasko, Duquesne University  
  - Courtney Goto, Emory University  
  - Issei Garden as a “Territory of Play” and Performance  
  - Mimi Khúc, University of California, Santa Barbara  
  - The Vietnam Veterans Memorial: Race, (Civil) Religion, and Asian America  
  - Anne Blankenship, University of North Carolina  
Responding:  
Karen Pechils, Drew University  
Kathleen Erndl, Florida State University

### A1-213

**Women and Religion Section and Comparative Studies in Hinduisms and Judaisms Group**  
**Marriott Marquis, A705**  
Lyonne Fein, Denison University, Presiding  
**Theme: Female Leadership and Alternative Authorities in Hinduisms and Judaisms**  
Antoinette DeNapoli, Grinnell College  
Real Sadhus Sing to God: Devotion, Performance, and (Symbolic) Capital in the Leadership of Female Ascetics in Rajasthan  
Melia Belli, University of Texas, Arlington  
Gender, Legitimacy, and the Visual Vocabulary of Queenship: Abhyabai Holkar’s Memorial Commission  
June Leavitt, Ben Gurion University of the Negev  
The Race and Rage of Fertility: Some Problems with Matriarchal Leadership in Ancient Judaism  
Beatrice Wallins, Seattle University  
Breaking the Rules: Gender and Models of Religious Leadership in Second Temple Period Judaism  
Responding:  
Karen Pechils, Drew University  
Kathleen Erndl, Florida State University

### A1-214

**Asian North American Religion, Culture, and Society Group**  
**Hyatt Regency, Hanover D**  
Michael Masatsugu, Towson University, Presiding  
**Theme: Aesthetics, Cultural Production, and Religious History in Asian Pacific America**  
Courtney Goto, Emory University  
Issei Garden as a “Territory of Play” and Performance  
Mimi Khúc, University of California, Santa Barbara  
The Vietnam Veterans Memorial: Race, (Civil) Religion, and Asian America  
Anne Blankenship, University of North Carolina  
Jonathan H. X. Lee, San Francisco State University  
The Ethics of Identity Formation: History and Collective Healing in Cambodian America  
Responding:  
Edward K. Chan, Kennesaw State University
### A1-215

**Bible, Theology, and Postmodernity Group**

Marriott Marquis, A703  
Anne Joh, Garrett Evangelical Theological Seminary, Presiding  
Theme: *The Body of Christ*  
Panelists:  
- Mark Lewis Taylor, Princeton Theological Seminary  
- Shelly Rambo, Boston University  
- Adam Kotsko, Kalamazoo College  
- Jon L. Berquist, Westminster John Knox Press

### A1-216

**Bioethics and Religion Group**

Marriott Marquis, L504  
Laura Kicklighter, Lynchburg College, Presiding  
Theme: *Four Religious Views for Four Bioethical Issues*  
Panelists:  
- Michal Raucher, Northwestern University  
  *Jewish Nazis: Abortion Ethics in Israel and the Rhetoric of the Holocaust*  
- Purushottama Bilimoria, Deakin and Melbourne Universities  
  *A Hindu Bioethical Response: The Challenge of Euthanasia*  
- Marcie Middlebrooks, Cornell University  
  *Bioethics and Korean Buddhist Mobilizations around the Hwang Woo Suk Stem Cell Scandal*  
- Raymond Ward, Boston College  
  *Kathryn Tanner and John Milbank on Grace: Two Models for Rationing Health Care*

#### Business Meeting:

Laura Kicklighter, Lynchburg College, Presiding

### A1-217

**Buddhist Philosophy Group and Yogācāra Studies Consultation**

Marriott Marquis, A702  
A. Charles Muller, University of Tokyo, Presiding  
Theme: *Philosophical Issues in the Madhyāntavibhāga*  
Panelists:  
- Daniel McNamara, Emory University  
  *On the Status of the Trisvabhāvantideśa in Contemporary Conceptions of Yogācāra Thought*  
- Ching Keng, National Chengchi University  
  *Two Models for the Three-Nature Theory in the Early Yogācāra Tradition*  
- Jonathan Gold, Princeton University  
  *Mining Vasubandhu’s Commentary on the Madhyāntavibhāga for Yogācāra Philosophical Motives*  
- Mario D’Amato, Rollins College  
  *A Semiotic Soteriology: A Reading of Three Key Doctrines in “Distinguishing the Middle from the Extremes”*

Responding:  
Robert M. Gimello, University of Notre Dame

### A1-218

**Comparative Theology Group**

Marriott Marquis, A602  
Robert Smid, Curry College, Presiding  
Theme: *Unacknowledged Pioneers of Comparative Theology*  
Panelists:  
- Karen Crozier, Fresno Pacific University  
- Lawrence A. Whitney, Boston University  
- Christian S. Krokus, University of Scranton  
- June-Ann Greeley, Sacred Heart University  
- Donald Wallenfang, Loyola University, Chicago

Responding:  
Jay McDaniel III, Hendrix College  
Business Meeting:  
  Jorunn Jacobsen Buckley, Bowdoin College, and Jens Kreinath, Wichita State University, Presiding

### A1-219

**Critical Theory and Discourses on Religion Group**

Marriott Marquis, M105  
Jason C. Bivins, North Carolina State University, Presiding  
Theme: *Noncanonical Scholarship in the Study of Religion*  
Panelists:  
- Brian Collins, University of Chicago  
  *Unmasking the Sovereign Sadist: Robert Eisler’s Man Into Wolf*  
- Alexander van der Haven, Webster University  
  *Scientific Immanence as Religion: Schröder as a Religious Thinker*  
- Jeffrey J. Kripal, Rice University  
  *What We Have Damned: Reading (and Laughing with) Charles Fort in Today’s Academy*  
- Paul Christopher Johnson, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor  
  *“Spirit Possession” and the Uses of Africa in the Work of Michel Leiris and the Collège de Sociologie*

Responding:  
Hugh B. Urban, Ohio State University, Columbus  
Business Meeting:  
  Jorunn Jacobsen Buckley, Bowdoin College, and Jens Kreinath, Wichita State University, Presiding

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**Daoist Studies Group**  
Marriott Marquis, L503  
Harold D. Roth, Brown University, Presiding  
Theme: *Representations of Daoism in Medieval and Modern East Asia*  
Shin-yi Chao, Rutgers University, Camden  
The Dynamic Between Liturgical Innovation and Pantheon Growth in Daoism of the Song-Yuan Period: A Case of Zhenwu (Perfected Warrior)  
Paul Amato, Arizona State University  
Zhang Daoling at Mount Longhu: The Revision of a Hagiography and the Creation of a Lineage  
Helen Hwang, University of California, Los Angeles  
Exploring the Visual Representations of Magu: Her Transnational Identities from a Daoist Goddess to the Cosmogonist Uncovered  
Clarke Hudson, University of Virginia  
*Man Does Not Part His Robes, Nor Does the Woman Loosen Her Belt*: Online Chinese Discussions of Non-Contact "Sexual" Alchemy  
Responding:  
Livia Kohn, Boston University

### A1-221

**Ecclesiological Investigations Group**  
Marriott Marquis, Marquis Ballroom B  
Julie Clague, University of Glasgow, Presiding  
Theme: *Breaking the Mould, Traversing the Boundaries: Conceptions of Mission and Unity in a Fragmented and Postcolonial World*  
Adriaan van Klinken, Utrecht University  
*The Body of Christ with AIDS* as a Stepping Stone towards a Postcolonial Ecclesiology  
Nathaniel Wood, Fordham University  
Truth, Kenosis, and the Unity of the Churches: On the Ecumenical Implications of Khomiakov’s "Sobornost" Ecclesiology  
Elina Hellqvist, University of Helsinki and University of Eastern Finland  
*An Ecclesiological Impasse? Orthodox-Protestant Relations in the WCC*  
Steven Battin, University of Notre Dame  
Rethinking Ecclesial Unity in the Context of the Colonial Divide  
Risto Saarinen, University of Helsinki  
Recognition as a Concept of Unity  
Responding:  
Jenny Te Paa, College of Saint John the Evangelist, Auckland  
Business Meeting:  
Gerard Mannion, Katholieke Universiteit, Leuven, Presiding

### A1-222

**Evangelical Theology Group**  
Marriott Marquis, A704  
Esther Acolatse, Duke University, Presiding  
Theme: *Reading Jesus from the Margins*  
Brian Bantum, Duke University  
The Mulatto Jesus? Jesus Between the Margins and the Center  
Mary Veeneman, North Park University  
Reading Jesus and the Kingdom of God with James Cone  
Peter Slade, Ashland University  
John Perkins, the Joshua Generation, and the Reenvisioning of Evangelicalism  
J. Denny Weaver, Bluffton University  
Anabaptist Atonement Theology, Interethnic Inclusivity, and Evangelical Justification  
Responding:  
Joy J. Moore, Duke University  
Business Meeting:  
Michael J. McClymond, Saint Louis University, Presiding

### A1-223

**Korean Religions Group**  
Marriott Marquis, L507  
Miriam Levering, University of Tennessee, Presiding  
Theme: *Diagnosing the Field: Recent Publications on Korean Religions*  
Panelists:  
Don Baker, University of British Columbia  
Richard D. McBride II, Brigham Young University, Hawai‘i  
Jin Y. Park, American University  
Timothy Lee, Brite Divinity School  
Responding:  
Young-chan Ro, George Mason University  
Business Meeting:  
Timothy Lee, Brite Divinity School, and Jin Y. Park, American University, Presiding

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A1–224

Lesbian–Feminist Issues and Religion Group
Marriott Marquis, M108
Christine Libby, Indiana University, Presiding
Theme: Carving Spaces for Lesbian–Feminist Identities in Religion
Catherine Lafuente, Claremont Graduate University
Lesbianism and Islamic Law: Examining the Boundary Between Love and Legality
Eziaku Nwokocha, University of California, Santa Barbara
Ezili Dantò: Rethinking Sexuality and Gender Discourse in Haitian Vodou
Heike Peckruhn, Iliff School of Theology and University of Denver
Sexing Atonement: Irigarayan Readings of Otherness, Difference, and the Cross
Jacob J. Erickson, Drew University
The Law Queers: Reimagining Luther’s Theology of Justification
Marie Cartier, Claremont Graduate University
“Theelogy”: The “Not Necessarily Christian Alternative” Available to Pre-Stonewall Gay Women
Responding:
Susan E. Henking, Hobart and William Smith Colleges

A1–225

Nineteenth–Century Theology Group
Marriott Marquis, M106–107
Theodore Vial Jr., Iliff School of Theology, Presiding
Theme: Science, Secularism, and Values
Robert Segal, University of Aberdeen
E. B. Tylor’s Reconciliation of Religion with Science
Jeffrey A. Wilcox, Wabash College
A “Manly” Religion: Paul Carus and the Religion of Science
Lori K. Pearson, Carleton College
Trefethen on Religion, Secularity, and Cultural Values
J. Thomas Howe, Regis University
Affirmations after God: Friedrich Nietzsche and Richard Dawkins on Atheism
Business Meeting:
Lori K. Pearson, Carleton College, Presiding

A1–226

Platonism and Neoplatonism Group
Marriott Marquis, A701
John Peter Kenney, Saint Michael’s College, Presiding
Theme: Medieval Platonism: Islam and Christianity
A. David Owen, Harvard University
Collaring the Dove: Ibn Hazm and the Reception of Plato’s Symposium
Shatha Almutawa, University of Chicago
Al-Farabi and Plato’s Laws
Danielle Dubois, Johns Hopkins University
Henological and Trinitarian Structures in Marguerite Porete’s Mirror of Simple Souls
Ahmed Abdel Meguid, Emory University
The Platonic Origin of al-Junayd’s Conception of Islamic Monotheism as the Separation of the Transcendent and the Immanent
Business Meeting:
John Peter Kenney, Saint Michael’s College, Presiding

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Religion and Disability Studies Group
Marriott Marquis, L401–402
Deborah Creamer, Iliff School of Theology, Presiding
Theme: Disciplinary Perspectives on Disability
Julia Watts Belser, Missouri State University
Reading Talmudic Bodies: Disability, Narrative, and the Gaze in Rabbinic Judaism
Taylor S. Hines, University of California, Santa Barbara
Masterying the Body: Late Nineteenth and Early Twentieth Century American Religious Healing, Contemporary Medicine, and the Othering of Disability
Robyn Neville, Emory University
The Case for the Study of Disability in the Middle Ages: Debilitas and Its Representations
Mary E. Lowe, Augsburg College
Disability Theology and Sin Redefined
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Deborah Creamer, Iliff School of Theology, Presiding
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Jain Studies Consultation
Marriott Marquis, M302
Anne E. Monius, Harvard University, Presiding
Theme: Jain Bodily Practices and Representations of the Body
Mari Jyvasjarvi, Harvard University
Adapting Ascetic Practices for the Female Body: The Case of Jain Monastic Texts
Lisa Owen, University of North Texas
Monastic Bodies: The Roles of Portraiture in Ellora’s Jain Caves
Anne Valley, University of Ottawa
The Discursive and Phenomenological Body within Jainism
M. Whitney Kelting, Northeastern University
Jinamutas: Pregnant with the Embodiments of Jainism

Business Meeting:
Christoph Emmrich, University of Toronto, and Anne E. Monius, Harvard University, Presiding

A1–233 ★

Music and Religion Consultation
Marriott Marquis, M304
Philip Stoltzfus, United Theological Seminary of the Twin Cities, Presiding
Theme: Explorations in Music and Religion
Dirk von der Horst, Claremont Graduate University
Exegesis, Eroticism, and Experience in the Era of Electronic Reproducibility: Two Performances of Thomas Tomkins’s Then David Mourned
David M. Wilmington, Baylor University
Freedom and the Groove: Why Virtue Ethics Needs Jazz Improvisation
Christopher D. L. Johnson, University of Alabama
The Aesthetics of Nonsense: Compositional and Interpretive Creativity in the Meaningless Syllables of Byzantine Chant
Joseph Ballan, University of Chicago
Vladimir Jankelovitch’s Apophasic Philosophy of Music
Ferdia Stone-Davis, Ely, United Kingdom
Music, Beauty, and Ekstasis

Business Meeting:
Theodore Trost, University of Alabama, Presiding

A1–234 ★

Religion and Humanism Consultation
Hyatt Regency, Hanover E
Verna Ehret, Mercyhurst College, Presiding
Theme: The Rhetorics of Humanism
Terence Martin, Saint Mary’s College
The Ironic Rhetoric of Erasmus
Santiago Pinon, University of Chicago
Defending Human Rights Openly but Not Directly: Francisco Vitoria and the Use of Rhetoric
W. David Hall, Centre College
Shades of Irony: Giambattista Vico’s Criticism of the Ironic Viewpoint, the (Post)Modern Glorification of the Ironist, and the Possibilities for a Theological Reappropriation of Irony
Douglas Harrison, Florida Gulf Coast University
The Repurpose Driven Life: Contemporary Evangelicalism’s Covert Appropriation of Humanism

Responding:
Maria Antonaccio, Bucknell University

Business Meeting:
Glenn Whitehouse, Florida Gulf Coast University, Presiding

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Religion and Sexuality Consultation
Marriott Marquis, A706
Heather White, New College of Florida, Presiding
Theme: New Approaches to the Study of Religion and Sexuality
John Anderson, Loyola University, Chicago
“Avowal,” Suspicion, and Homosexual Subjectivity in Mainline Protestant Discourse
Veena Rani Howard, University of Oregon
Gandhi’s Celibacy as Hermeneutics: Negotiating the Power of Virility and Vulnerability for Women’s Issues
Devin Kuhn, California Polytechnic State University
Holy Jealousy and Divine Play? Ethical and Religious Considerations in Polyamorous Relationships
Brent Hagerman, Wilfrid Laurier University
Galong, Galong, Galong: Moral Regulation and the Art of Tracing in the Music of Yellowman

Responding:
Kent Brintnall, University of North Carolina, Charlotte

Business Meeting:
Monique Moultrie, Vanderbilt University, Presiding
## Oakland Cemetery Tour
**Monday, 1:00 pm–4:00 pm**
Meet in Hyatt Regency Lobby
Jill Petersen Adams, Syracuse University, Presiding

Sponsored by the Death, Dying, and Beyond Consultation

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Tour fee: $15

## Sacred and Religious Sites of Atlanta Tour
**Monday, 1:00 pm–5:00 pm**

Buses pick up at Hyatt Regency-Baker Street Exit
Jeanne Halgren Kilde, University of Minnesota, and David Bains, Samford University, and Hazem Ziada, Southern Polytechnic State University, Presiding

Sponsored by the Space, Place, and Religious Meaning Consultation

Covering historic and new buildings reflecting the diversity and innovation of religion in Atlanta today, this motor-coach tour will journey from Downtown north to Midtown and Buckhead to visit four Atlanta religious sites:

- **Catholic Shrine of the Immaculate Conception.** Home of the oldest Catholic congregation in the city, dating to the 1840s, this Gothic-style building is a restoration of the 1873 church, which was gutted by fire in 1982.

- **Buckhead Church,** established in 2001, is an urban satellite of evangelical minister Andy Stanley’s North Point Community Church, a well-known megachurch.

- **Peachtree Reform Temple** is the home of the oldest Jewish congregation in the city (dating to 1860) and site of a 1958 racially motivated bombing. This neoclassical building was erected in 1931.

- **Al-Faroq Masjid.** One of several mosques in the Atlanta area, this diverse congregation was established in 1980 and includes primarily Middle Eastern, South Asian (primarily Pakistani), and African American Muslims.

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Andrea C. White, Emory University
*Womanist Hermeneutic of Revelation*

Rachel Muers, University of Leeds
*Truth is My Authority: Thinking Revelation as Testimony*

Wayne Morris, University of Chester
*Beyond the Written Text: Revelation in the Deaf Community*

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**A1-303**

**Comparative Studies in Religion Section**

Marriott Marquis, L506

Kevin Schilbrack, Western Carolina University, Presiding

Theme: Interpretation, Explanation, and Clifford Geertz

Robert Segal, University of Aberdeen
*Clifford Geertz’s Interpretive Approach to Religion*

Jung Lee, Northeastern University
*The Value of Reality: Geertz, Normativity, and the Comparative Study of Religions*

Stephen Bush, Longmont, CO
*Are Meanings the Name of the Game? Religion as Symbolic Meaning and Religion as Power*

Witold Wolny, University of Virginia
*What, How, and Why: Geertzian Definition of Religion and Neurotheological Project on Meta and Megatheology*

Responding:

Jason Springs, University of Notre Dame

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**A1-304**

**Ethics Section**

Marriott Marquis, M101

Jacob Robinson, Vanderbilt University, Presiding

Theme: The Ethics of Social Responses to “Natural” Disasters and Risks

William Schambacher, Claremont Graduate University
*Haiti: Failed Development Policy, Failed Justice, More of the Same to Come, Maybe?*

Yvonne Zimmerman, Methodist Theological School, Ohio
*Will the Pure in Heart See God? Ethics and Religiously Motivated “Relief Work” After the Haiti Earthquake*

Aaron D. Conley, Iliff Seminary and University of Denver
*Whose History Counts amidst a Hurricane of Societal Privilege?*

Cassie Trentz, Chicago Theological Seminary
*Complicating “Risk”: “Risk Environments,” Religion, and HIV/AIDS*

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**A1-305**

**History of Christianity Section**

Marriott Marquis, M105

Nathan Baruch Rein, Ursinus College, Presiding

Theme: Christians and Torture, from Golgotha to Abu Ghraib: Victims, Voyeurs, and Perpetrators

David Tombs, Trinity College, Dublin
*Crucifixion as Spectacular Torture and Gendered Violence*

Michael Ostling, Central Michigan University
*Piety in the Torture Chamber: Hearing Christianity in the Testimony of Accused Polish Witches*

Denise Kettering, Brethren Historical Library and Archives
*The Bloody Theater: Female Mennonite Martyrs on Display*

Haruko Nawata Ward, Columbia Theological Seminary
*Beyond Torture to Paradise: Women Martyrs’ Claim of Spiritual Authority at the Closing of Japan’s Christian Century (1624–1650)*

Sarah Sentilles, California State University, Channel Islands
*On Torture and Photography: How the Crucifixion Shapes Understandings of and Responses to Violence Against “Others”*

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**A1-306**

**North American Religions Section**

Marriott Marquis, M102

David Harrington Watt, Temple University, Presiding

Theme: Rhetorics of Progress: Science and Technology in the Making of American Religions

Brandi Denison, University of North Carolina
*Farming, Race, and Religion in the American West*

Jenna Tiitsman, Auburn Media and University of North Carolina
*Kingdom Came: Oneida, the Telegraph, and American Utopia*

Laurie Maffly-Kipp, University of North Carolina
*African American Missionaries and the Material Display of Civilization*

Randall Styers, University of North Carolina
*Superstition and Scientific Progress*

Responding:

Leigh E. Schmidt, Harvard University
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**A1-307**

**Philosophy of Religion Section**

Marriott Marquis, A601

Jeffrey Kosky, Washington and Lee University, Presiding

**Theme:** The Presence/Absence of God

- Scot Douglass, University of Colorado
  *Between Two Events: Paul, Dostoevsky, and the Christian New*
- Jerome Gellman, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev
  *The Terror of God's Hiddleness in Early Hasidic Judaism*
- Liane F. Carlson, Columbia University
  *The Loneliness of Eternity: Friedrich von Schelling's 1813 Ages of the World*
- Jason Smick, Santa Clara University
  *Ricoeur, Heidegger, and the Unthought of the Phenomenology of Religion: Philosophy*

**Daniel Cerván,** Saint Paul University

*Armed Violence Reduction: A Promising Contribution in the Solution for the Nigerian Ethnoreligious Conflict*

**Isabel Corpas de Posada,** Universidad de San Buenaventura

*In the Intersection of Social Sciences and Theology: A Research Group Turns into an Academic Program*

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**A1-310**

**Religion in South Asia Section**

Marriott Marquis, M301

Brian Pennington, Maryville College, Presiding

**Theme:** Owning Local Culture: Branding the Garhwal Himalaya as “Land of the Gods”

- Luke Whitmore, Emory University
  *“Kedarnath Earns, Madmaheshwar Spends”: Garhwal Deity Procession in the Age of Bagpipes and YouTube*
- Karin Polit, University of Heidelberg
  *The Performance of the Chakravyuha: Aesthetizing Ancient Local Traditions in the Garhwal Himalayas*
- Andrea Marion Pinkney, National University of Singapore
  *Ritual Tokens as Trademark: Marketing Himalayan Shrines with Prasada*

Responding:

- James Lochtefeld, Carthage College

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**A1-311**

**Study of Islam Section**

Marriott Marquis, Marquis Ballroom A

Juliane Hammer, George Mason University, Presiding

**Theme:** Muslims and Religious Others

- Fuad S. Naem, Georgetown University
  *Idolatrous Muslims, Monotheist Hindus: Maulana Muhammad Qasim Nanautvi of Deoband, Swami Dayananda Sarasvati of the Arya Samaj, Interereligious Polemics, and the Making of Modern Muslim Identity in South Asia*
- Anna Bigelow, North Carolina State University
  *Sharing the Sacred, Defining the Secular: Multireligious Sites in Muslim Contexts*
- Mahboob Afsar Mohammad, University of Texas, Austin
  *Shi’i Rituals and Non-Shi’i Devotees: An Alternate Muharram in a South Indian Village*
- Alfons Teipen, Furman University
  *Some Observations on the Portrayal of the Jews of Medina in Early Muslim Biographies of Muhammad*
- Kieko Obuse, University of Oxford
  *Japanese Muslim Views of Buddhism: Converts’ Dilemmas*

Responding:

- Nelly van Doorn-Harder, Wake Forest University

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### A1-312 🌟

**Study of Judaism Section**  
Marriott Marquis, L505  
Shaul Magid, Indiana University, Bloomington, Presiding  
*Theme: Jews, Judaism, and Race*  
Heather Miller Rubens, University of Chicago  
*Irish-Jews versus Anglo-Jews: Religion, Race, and Imitations of Empire*  
Jodi Eichler-Levine, University of Wisconsin, Oshkosh  
*“Weren’t Never Friends”: The Ruptures of Race, Religion, and Gender in Tony Kushner’s Caroline, or Change*  
Mari Rethelyi, University of Iowa  
*Imagined Histories, Invented Identities: The Racial Option in Jewish Thought*  
Allison Schottenstein, University of Texas  
*Between Two Borders: “Rabbi” Sam Perl, Jewish Acculturation, and Charro Days*  
Business Meeting:  
Aryeh Cohen, American Jewish University, and Shaul Magid, Indiana University, Presiding

### A1-313 *

**Teaching Religion Section**  
Marriott Marquis, L405-406  
Melanie L. Harris, Texas Christian University, Presiding  
*Theme: Prevailing Structure, Countervailing Voice: The Dangerous Religious Studies Classroom*  
Miguel P. Conchas, University of the Incarnate Word, and Martha Ann Kirk, University of the Incarnate Word  
*Christian-Muslim Encounters Through Using Online International Exchanges in Undergraduate Religious Studies Classes*  
Amy Weigand, Temple University  
*Problems as Solutions: Training the Critical Citizen through the World Religions Course*  
Titus Hjelm, University College London  
*Contemporary Critique of Ideology in the Religion Classroom*  
Erin Michele Brigham, Graduate Theological Union  
*Creating a Public Space Through Community-based Learning*  
Bret Lewis, Arizona State University  
*Keeping Score on Religion: Quantifying the Impact of Religious Studies Courses on Undergraduate Attitudes*  

### A1-314 🍃

**Theology and Religious Reflection Section and Liberation Theologies Consultation**  
Marriott Marquis, A707  
Mayra Rivera, Harvard University, Presiding  
*Theme: Review of Néstor Míguez, Joerg Rieger, and Jung Mo Sung’s Beyond the Spirit of Empire: Theology and Politics in a New Key, Reclaiming Liberation Theology Series (London: SCM Press, 2009)*  
Panelists:  
Victor Anderson, Vanderbilt University  
Nancy Bedford, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary  
Gary Dorrien, Union Theological Seminary and Columbia University  
Edward Phillip Antonio, Iliff School of Theology  
Responding:  
Joerg Rieger, Southern Methodist University  
Jung Mo Sung, Universidade Metodista, São Paulo

### A1-315 🌟

**Women and Religion Section**  
Marriott Marquis, A705  
Marcia C. Robinson, Syracuse University, Presiding  
*Theme: Women’s Voices: Rereading and Reconsidering Women’s Religious Writings and Testimonies*  
Diane Segroves, Vanderbilt University  
*Appropriating Etty: Reading Religious Identity in the Writing of Etty Hillesum*  
Christina Busman, Princeton Theological Seminary  
*Rereading God’s Fierce Whimsy: Embracing the Enduring Relevance of Dialogic Theology*  
Ji Li, Chinese University of Hong Kong  
*“Voici des Lettres de vos Filles”: Gender, Writing, and Religious Literacy in Nineteenth Century Rural China*  
Jessica Wilbanks, University of Houston  
*Old Wine in New Vessels: Situating the Testimony of Grace Ihere within Nigeria’s Literary Tradition*  
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Rosetta E. Ross, Spelman College, Presiding
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**Bonhoeffer: Theology and Social Analysis Group**
Marriott Marquis, Marquis Ballroom C
Jennifer McBride, Emory University, Presiding

Theme: *Time in Letters and Papers from Prison*
- Arthur M. Sutherland, Loyola University
  *The Significance of Liturgical Time and Gift Exchange in Bonhoeffer’s Letters and Papers from Prison*
- Howard Pickett, University of Virginia
  *The Torsos and the Hypocrites: Polyphonic Integrity in Bonhoeffer’s Letters and Papers from Prison*
- Jennifer Heckart, Union Theological Seminary
  *God Gathers Up Again with Us Our Past: Memory and Time in Bonhoeffer’s Letters and Papers from Prison*

Business Meeting:
- Jennifer McBride, Emory University, Presiding

**A1-317**

**Confucian Traditions Group**
Marriott Marquis, M301
Pauline Lee, Washington University, Saint Louis, Presiding

Theme: *“Qing” (Feelings) and “Yu” (Desires) in Ming/Qing Confucian Thought*
- Fei Lan, University of Toronto
  *Yu: The Unfolding of the Other — On Dai Zhen’s Concept of Human Desire*
- Suk Choi, Towson University
  *Zhu Xi and Dai Zhen on “Xin,” “Qing,” and “Yu”*
- Hsueh-yi Lin, Princeton University
  *Martyrdom and Beyond: Regulated Passions in the Donglin Movement*
- Jinli He, Trinity University
  *The Concept of “Yu” in Wang Guowei’s Thinking*

Responding:
- On-cho Ng, Pennsylvania State University

**A1-318**

**Gay Men and Religion Group**
Marriott Marquis, L503
Paul J. Gorrell, Independent Scholar, Presiding

Theme: *Religious Experience/Persecution*
- Cyril Orji, University of Dayton
  *Why are They after “Gays” in Uganda? An Interplay of Race, Ethnicity, Class, and Sexual Orientation*
- Philip Abrahamson, Holy Cross Greek Orthodox School of Theology
  *Gay Devotion to Eastern Orthodox Iconography*
- Tony Hoshaw, Chicago Theological Seminary, and Kunitoshi Sakai, Chicago Theological Seminary
  *Toward A Gay Male Eclecology*
- John–Charles Duffy, University of North Carolina
  *Sentimental Politics: Gay Male Mormon Suicides as Symbolic Capital*

Responding:
- J. Terry Todd, Drew University

Business Meeting:
- Paul J. Gorrell, Stockton, NJ, Presiding

**A1-319**

**Indigenous Religious Traditions Group**
Marriott Marquis, L404
Suzanne Owen, Leeds Trinity, Presiding

Theme: *Christianity and Indigenous Traditions*
- Seth Schermerhorn, Arizona State University
  *Rethinking Indigenous Christianities: Challenges Posed by Yoeme Oral Traditions to Academic Understandings*
- Jude Aguwa, Mercy College
  *The Changing Conditions of Nigeria’s Indigenous Medicine*
- Eric D. Mortensen, Guilford College
  *Unmapping the Colonial Imagery: Why the Term “Indigenous” Should be Dismantled*
- Kathleen J. Martin, California Polytechnic State University
  *Traditional Responsibility and Native Rights to Land and Sacred Places*

Business Meeting:
- Suzanne Owen, Leeds Trinity University College, Presiding

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**Law, Religion, and Culture Group**
Marriott Marquis, A706
Jenna Gray-Hildenbrand, University of California, Santa Barbara, Presiding
Panelists:
- Sarah Barringer Gordon, University of Pennsylvania
- Courtney Bender, Columbia University
- Kathleen Moore, University of California, Santa Barbara
- David Sehat, Georgia State University
- Joshua Dubler, Columbia University
- W. Clark Gilpin, University of Chicago
Responding:
- Winnifred Fallers Sullivan, State University of New York, Buffalo

**Business Meeting:**
Greg Johnson, University of Colorado, Presiding

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**Men, Masculinities, and Religions Group**
Marriott Marquis, A704
Garth Kasimu Baker-Fletcher, Texas College, Presiding
Theme: *Men and Masculinities in Christianity and Judaism: A Critical Response*
Panelists:
- Amanullah De Sondy, Ithaca College
- Rebecca Alpert, Temple University
- Kwok Pui Lan, Episcopal Divinity School
- Ronald E. Long, Hunter College
Responding:
- Björn Krondorfer, Saint Mary’s College of Maryland
- Stephen B. Boyd, Wake Forest University

**Business Meeting:**
Robert A. Atkins Jr., Grace United Methodist Church, Naperville, IL, Presiding

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**Mysticism Group**
Hyatt Regency, Hanover D
Rkia Elarou, Cornell, Emory University, Presiding
Theme: *Mystical Paths in Islam*
- Mushheb Asatryan, Yale University
- Mystical Shi‘ism between the Two Occultations: “Kitab al-Sirat” and its Milieu
- Rafal Stepien, Columbia University
- Sarwar Alam, Emory University
- The Mystic Poetry of ‘Aṭṭār Neishabūrī
- F. Betul Yavuz, Rice University

**Responding:**
Björn Krondorfer, Saint Mary’s College of Maryland
The Hidden Belief in the Manifest God: Exploring Unconventional Currents of the Ottoman Sufi Thinking

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**Religion and Ecology Group**
Hyatt Regency, Hanover C
Lucas Johnston, Wake Forest University, Presiding
Theme: *Engaging New Concepts in Religion and Ecology*
- Todd LeVasseur, University of Florida
- Resiliency is the New “S” Word: Creativity at the Edge of Systems
- Daniel McFee, Mercyhurst College
- Jeffrey Stout, Epistemic Negligence, and Satisficing as Applied to Species Depletion
- Norman Wirzba, Duke University
- A World of Priests: Learning to Receive and Give Again the Gift of Creation
- Julia Watts Belser, Missouri State University
- Unmaking the Demonization of Paganism: An Ecofeminist Critique of Idolatry Discourse in Jewish Environmental Thought
- P. Joshua Griffin, Episcopal Diocese of California
- The Ecological Death of God: Caputo’s “Event” in the Context of Catastrophic Climate Change after Copenhagen
A1-324
Religion, Film, and Visual Culture Group and Religions, Social Conflict, and Peace Group
Marriott Marquis, M103-104
Charon Hribar, Union Theological Seminary, and Jon Pahl, Lutheran Theological Seminary, Philadelphia, Presiding
Theme: Moral Injury and Conscience in War
Panelists:
  - Rita Nakashima Brock, Faith Voices for the Common Good
  - Ian Slattery, Luna Productions
  - Camillo Mac Bica, School of Visual Arts
  - Gabriella Lettini, Starr King School for the Ministry
Responding:
  - Pamela Lightsey, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary

A1-325
Religions, Medicines, and Healing Group
Marriott Marquis, M108
Emily Wu, Graduate Theological Union, Presiding
- Holly Folk, Western Washington University
  - Science and Spirit in Victorian Physiology: The Protean Character of American Vitalism
- Monica C. Reed, Florida State University
  - “Science and Health”: Christian Scientists’ Influence on the Medical Profession
- Emily Merriman, San Francisco State University
  - “The God Concept”: The Religious and Scientific Thought of Bill Wilson, Cofounder of Alcoholics Anonymous
- Laura Ashley Squires, University of Texas
  - Narratives of Conversion and Healing Among Early Christian Scientists
Responding:
  - Linda L. Barnes, Boston University
Business Meeting:
  - Linda L. Barnes, Boston University, Presiding

A1-326
Roman Catholic Studies Group
Marriott Marquis, L504
Linh Hoang, Siena College, Presiding
Theme: Global Perspectives
Christian S. Krokus, University of Scranton
  - Recovering the Work of Louis Massignon, Jean-Mohammed Abd-el-Jalil, and Georges Anawati for a Contemporary Roman Catholic Understanding of Islam’s Significance for the Church
Albertus Bagus Laksana, Boston College
  - “Catholic”ism and Race in Colonial Indonesia: The Dutch Jesuit Missionaries, the Natives, and the Language of Universalism
Jill DeTemple, Southern Methodist University
  - Blessed are the Cheese-Makers? Negotiating Catholic Liberation in Contemporary Ecuador
Duncan Wielzen, Katholieke Universiteit, Leuven
  - The “Evil Eye” and Infant Baptism: A Case Study for Liturgical Inculturation in the Caribbean?

A1-327
Science, Technology, and Religion Group
Marriott Marquis, A708
Hava Tirosch Samuelson, Arizona State University, and Lea Schweitz, Lutheran School of Theology, Chicago, Presiding
Theme: The Challenges of the Modern Sciences for Jewish Faith
Norbert Samuelson, Arizona State University
  - “Science and Health”: Christian Scientists’ Influence on the Medical Profession
Peter Ochs, University of Virginia
  - “The God Concept”: The Religious and Scientific Thought of Bill Wilson, Cofounder of Alcoholics Anonymous
Bradley Shavit Artson, American Jewish University
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Suzanne Brody, American Jewish University
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Theology and Continental Philosophy Group
Marriott Marquis, A703
Claire Katz, Texas A&M University, Presiding
Theme: Practice and Pedagogy
Theodore Dickinson, Syracuse University
Teaching with Fear and Trembling: The Classroom as a Space of Dramatic and Bewildering Trial
Natalie Wigg, Vanderbilt University
Beyond Candles and Casseroles: A Theory of Teaching as Practice
Luke Moorhead, Yale University
Pedagogy and/as Practice: Bourdieu and the Ambiguities of Religious Study
Kathleen Douglass, Iliff School of Theology and University of Denver
Foucault’s “Care of the Self”: The Practice of Words in Becoming Undone

A1-329

Western Esotericism Group
Hyatt Regency, Hanover E
Cathy N. Gutierrez, Sweet Briar College, Presiding
Theme: The Commodification of the Esoteric
Brian Bennett, Niagara University
Alphabet Mysticism in Post-Soviet Russia
Christa Shusko, York College of Pennsylvania
The Commodification of Alchemy, or Paying to Smell like the Sacred Whore of Babylon
Andrew Ventimiglia, University of California, Davis
Failure to Circulate: Global Religious Media and the Obstacles of International Copyright
Kenny Smith, Emory University
The Healing Power of Giving…Money

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Buddhism in the West Consultation
Marriott Marquis, M304
Kimberly Beek, McMaster University, Presiding
Theme: Current Research on North American Buddhism
Laurie Cozad, University of Mississippi
Hurricane Katrina: The Promise of Chaos
David Barnhill, University of Wisconsin, Oshkosh
Kenneth Rexroth: Engaged Buddhism, Social Ecology, and Utopianism
Eric Ekstrand, University of Houston
A Unity in Complexity: The Influence of Chan on the Sensed, the Imagined, and the Quizzical in Wallace Stevens
Gregory Grieve, University of North Carolina, Greensboro
Sitting on a Virtual Cushion: Online Buddhist Meditation Methods in a Second Life Cyber-Sangha
Business Meeting:
Jeff Wilson, University of Waterloo, Presiding

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Mormon Studies Consultation
Hyatt Regency, Hanover AB
James M. McLachlan, Western Carolina University, Presiding
Theme: The Mormon Jesus: Ruminations and Reflections
Sheila Taylor, Graduate Theological Union
“And the Word Was Made Flesh”: The Meaning of the Incarnation in LDS Christology
Richard Mouw, Fuller Theological Seminary
The Mormon Jesus and the Nicene Christ
Sharon Adams, University of Colorado
Coming Face to Face with the “Mormon Jesus” through Paintings by Del Parson, Greg Olsen, and Paul Grass
Douglas Davies, Durham University
Mormonism and the Christological Spectrum
Business Meeting:
Grant Underwood, Brigham Young University, Presiding

A1-332

North American Hinduism Consultation
Marriott Marquis, L507
Shreena Gandhi, Kalamazoo College, Presiding
Theme: Constructions of Hinduism in North America
Caleb Simmons, University of Florida
Translating Culture Reimagining Religion: Virgin Comic’s Ramayan 3392 AD, Misappropriation, and Native Intuition
Michael J. Altman, Emory University
“The Manners and Customs of Nations”: India in American Schoolbooks, 1830–1860
Norris Palmer, Saint Mary’s College of California
Of Cows, Castes, Cartoons, and Classrooms: The Misconception of Hinduism in the American Popular Imagination
Shubha Pathak, American University
Re-embraced Gods, Temple Dances, and Stolen Gold: Looking at Hindu-Americans Through and Beside the Lens of Last Year’s Washington Post
Responding:
Joanne Punzo Waghorne, Syracuse University
Business Meeting:
Shreena Gandhi, Kalamazoo College, and Jeffery D. Long, Elizabethtown College, Presiding
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Open and Relational Theologies Consultation
Marriott Marquis, Marquis Ballroom B
Thomas Oord, Northwest Nazarene University, Presiding
Theme: Agape, Eros, and Alterity
   Risto Saarinen, University of Helsinki
      Intimate Agape?
   Andrea Hollingsworth, Loyola University, Chicago
      Eros's Aporia: Relationality and Impossibility in the Love Poetry of
      John Donne
   John Sanders, Hendrix College, and J. Aaron Simmons, Hendrix
      College
      Justice Than Which None Greater Can be Conceived: Defending an
      Open Approach to Alterity and Responding to John Caputo
   Clayton Crockett, University of Central Arkansas, and Jay
      McDaniel III, Hendrix College
      From an Idolatry of Identity to a Planetization of Alterity: A
      Relational–Theological Approach to Hybridity, Sin, and Love
Responding:
   F. LeRon Shults, Agder University
Business Meeting:
   Thomas Oord, Northwest Nazarene University, Presiding

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Pentecostal–Charismatic Movements Consultation
Marriott Marquis, M106-107
Valerie Cooper, University of Virginia, Presiding
Theme: Pentecostalism and the Political in Africa and Black America
   Jonathan Burrow-Branine, Wichita State University
      Possession and the Politics of Religious Experience in Pentecostal Communities
   Stephen William Martin, King's University College
      African Christianity and the Coming of the City of God: An
      Investigation of the Public Significance of African-initiated Churches
      in Contemporary South Africa
   Wilberforce O. Mundia, Shaw University, and Imali Abala, Ohio
      Dominican University
      Modes of Charismatic Testimony: Exploring Some Negative Effects of
      Western Christianity on Postcolonial Kenya
   Jonathan Chism, Rice University
      Martin Luther King Jr. and Black Pentecostal Activism in the Post-
      Civil Rights Era
Responding:
   Peter J. Paris, Princeton Theological Seminary
Business Meeting:
   Amos Yong, Regent University, Presiding

A1-335

Religion and Migration Consultation
Marriott Marquis, A701
Zain Abdullah, Temple University, Presiding
Theme: Religious Encounters: Migrations, Genders, and Theologies across
   Time and Space
   Nicke Pruiksma, Utrecht University
      Reconsidering Context: Gendered Transnational Practices in the
      Celestial Church of Christ Covenant Parish, Amsterdam
   Alison Marshall, Brandon University
      Chinese Masculinities: Homosociality, Ambiguity, and New Efficacies
      among Chinese Canadian Immigrants from 1911–1949
   Adedamola Osinulu, University of California, Los Angeles
      The City and the Spirit: Nigerian Pentecostalism as a Response to the
      Urbanism of Lagos
   Jeremy Rehwaldt, Midland Lutheran College
      Representations of and Response to Latino Immigrants among White
      Christians in the Rural Midwest
   Lucía Hulsether, Agnes Scott College
      “A Foretaste of the Kingdom of God”: Representation, Power, and
      Identity at a “Multicultural” Church
Responding:
   Manuel A. Vasquez, University of Florida

A1-403

Special Topics Forums
Monday, 6:00 pm–8:00 pm
Almeda Wright, Pfeiffer University, Presiding
Theme: Beyond the Boundaries Public Lecture Series III
   Dong-Sik Park, Claremont Graduate University
      The Pursuit of Harmony in Differences between Religion and Science
Dong-Sik Park applies Sri Aurobindo’s marvelous insight, “For all
   problems of existence are essentially problems of harmony,” to the
   debate of religion and science. Park argues that the debate of religion
   and science seems to be that of dualisms: creation and evolution, of
   sacred and secular, of theism and atheism, or of believers and non-
   believers. For theists science is unholy.
   For atheist religion is absurd. However, instead of following the
   Either-Or paradigm, he pushed for a “Both-And.” He explores
   multiple perspectives in science and religion, including two
   extremes between science and religion, Daniel Dennett and Pat
   Robertson. However, Park argues that “we need harmony through
   contrasts or differences in order to combine this “ugly ditch”
   between science and religion.”
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Asbury Theological Seminary and Azusa Pacific University Reception
Monday, 7:00 pm–8:30 pm
Hyatt Regency, Marietta

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Society for Asian and Comparative Philosophy
Monday, 7:30 pm–8:30 pm
Hyatt Regency, Techwood
Steven Heine, Florida International University, Presiding
Theme: Body and Bioethics in Japan and Beyond: Rethinking William LaFleur's Approach and Influences
   Ed Drott, University of Missouri
   Religion, the Body and Ethical Intuition in Japan: Reflections on the Cross-cultural Bioethics of William LaFleur
   Vanessa Sasson, McGill University
   Imagining the Fetus: William LaFleur's Influence on the Field
   Jeff Wilson, University of Waterloo
   From Scholarly Monograph to Performed Rite: Tracing the Influence of William LaFleur's Liquid Life on Ritual Activity in North America
Responding:
   Damien Keown, Goldsmiths, University of London

A1-401
Film: Chaplains Under Fire
Monday, 8:00 pm–10:00 pm
Hyatt Regency, Hanover AB
Lee Adair Lawrence, Brooklyn, NY, Presiding
2010, directed by Lee Adair Lawrence and Terry Nickelson. 94 minutes.
Are government rules against proselytizing preventing military chaplains from praying in accordance with their faiths? Are care chaplains violating the Constitution, viewing troops as "low-hanging fruit," ripe for conversion? A new documentary, Chaplains Under Fire, goes behind the contradictory headlines to the heart of what chaplains do and the church-state tensions they face.

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Program Unit Chairs and Steering Committee Reception
Monday, 8:00 pm–10:00 pm
Hyatt Regency, AAR Suite
Program Unit Chairs and steering committee members are invited to a reception celebrating their contributions to the AAR Annual Meeting.