



## **DRAFT - Preliminary 2013 Annual Meeting Sessions**

### **P22-101**

#### **International Qur'anic Studies Association**

Theme: *Business Meeting*

---

### **A22-100**

#### **American Lectures in the History of Religions**

Louis A. Ruprecht, Georgia State University, Presiding

Theme: *American Lectures in the History of Religions Committee Meeting*

Friday - 9:00 AM-12:00 PM

Panelists:

Ebrahim E. I. Moosa, Duke University

---

### **A22-101**

#### **Public Understanding of Religion Committee**

Michael Kessler, Georgetown University, Presiding

Theme: *Public Understanding of Religion Committee Meeting*

Friday - 9:00 AM-12:00 PM

Panelists:

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

Diane L. Moore, Harvard University

Erik Owens, Boston College

Josef Sorett, Columbia University

Steve Herrick, American Academy of Religion

---

### **A22-102**

#### **Teaching and Learning Committee**

Tina Pippin, Agnes Scott College, Presiding

Theme: *Teaching and Learning Committee Meeting*

Friday - 9:00 AM-12:00 PM

Panelists:

Lerone Martin, Wake Forest University

Todd Penner, Austin College

Susan Willhauck, Atlantic School of Theology

Paul Myhre, Wabash Center

Andrew Park, United Theological Seminary

Ellen Posman, Baldwin Wallace University

Elizabeth Hardcastle, American Academy of Religion

Reid Locklin, University of Toronto

---

### **A22-108**

#### **Graduate Student Committee**

Elonda Clay, Lutheran School of Theology, Chicago, Presiding

Theme: *Graduate Student Committee Meeting*

Friday - 9:00 AM-12:00 PM

---

### **A22-103**

#### **Theological Education Committee**

Jeffrey Williams, Brite Divinity School, Presiding

Theme: *Theological Education Committee Meeting*

Friday - 9:00 AM-1:00 PM

Panelists:

Arthur Holder, Graduate Theological Union

Anant Rambachan, Saint Olaf College

Jeanne Stevenson-Moessner, Southern Methodist University

Julia Watts Belser, Georgetown University

Stephanie Gray, American Academy of Religion

---

### **A22-107**

#### **Women's Lounge Roundtable**

Su Yon Pak, Union Theological Seminary, Presiding

Theme: *T.A.B.L.E.S. of Multiplicity*

Friday - 11:30 AM-1:30 PM

Panelists:

Su Yon Pak, Union Theological Seminary

---

**A22-104**

**International Connections Committee**

Amy L. Allocco, Elon University, Presiding

Theme: *International Connections Committee Meeting*

Friday - 9:00 AM-3:00 PM

---

**A22-105**

**Status of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Intersex, and Queer Persons in the Profession**

Melissa M. Wilcox, Whitman College, Presiding

Theme: *Business Meeting*

Friday - 9:00 AM-5:00 PM

Panelists:

Melissa M. Wilcox, Whitman College

---

**A22-109**

**THATCamp - The Humanities and Technology Camp**

Kelly Bulkeley, Graduate Theological Union, Presiding

Christopher Cantwell, University of Missouri, Kansas City, Presiding

Theme: *THATCamp AAR2013*

Friday - 9:00 AM-5:00 PM

---

**A22-200**

**Regional Coordinators**

Susan E. Hill, University of Northern Iowa, Presiding

Theme: *Regional Coordinators Meeting*

Friday - 1:00 PM-5:00 PM

---

**A22-201**

**Rethinking Islamic Studies Workshop**

Danielle Abraham, Harvard University, Presiding  
Omid Safi, University of North Carolina, Presiding

Theme: *Teaching Islamic Studies: Key Topics and Best Practices*

Friday - 1:00 PM-5:00 PM

---

**A22-202**

**The Study of Religion as an Analytical Discipline Workshop**

Ipsita Chatterjea, Vanderbilt University, Presiding  
Randy Reed, Appalachian State University, Presiding

Theme: *Methodologies and the Analytical Study of Religion*

Friday - 1:00 PM-5:00 PM

Panelists:

Steven Engler, Mount Royal University  
Michael Stausberg, Bergen University  
Jens Kreinath, Wichita State University  
Kocku von Stuckrad, University of Groningen  
Ann Taves, University of California, Santa Barbara  
Michael Kinsella, University of California, Santa Barbara  
John Thibdeau, University of Colorado, Boulder  
Philip Deslippe, UC Santa Barbara

---

**A22-203**

**Tours**

Theme: *Baltimore City Tour*

Friday - 1:00 PM-5:00 PM

---

**P22-207**

## **Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion**

Theme: *Teaching with Social Media*

Friday - 1:00 PM-5:00 PM

Panelists:

Mary E. Hess, Luther Seminary  
Robert Williamson, Hendrix College  
Roger Nam, George Fox Evangelical Seminary

---

### **A22-204**

#### **Religion and Ecology Workshop**

Heather Eaton, Saint Paul University, Presiding

Theme: *Mapping the Field of Religion and Ecology: Theories, Methods, and Future Directions*

Friday - 1:45 PM-5:00 PM

Panelists:

Lucas Johnston, Wake Forest University  
Barbara A. B. Patterson, Emory University  
Matthew Riley, Drew University  
Cynthia Moe-Lobeda, Seattle University

---

### **A22-205**

#### **Theological Education Workshop**

Pui Lan Kwok, Episcopal Divinity School, Presiding

Theme: *Teaching Theology in a Global and Transnational World*

Friday - 1:45 PM-5:00 PM

Panelists:

William A. Dyrness, Fuller Theological Seminary  
Miguel A. De La Torre, Iliff School of Theology  
Eleazar S. Fernandez, United Theological Seminary of the Twin Cities  
John Thatamanil, Union Theological Seminary  
Dwight N. Hopkins, University of Chicago  
Cecilia Gonzalez-Andrieu, Loyola Marymount University  
Teresia Mbari Hinga, Santa Clara University

---

**P22-208**

**International Qur'anic Studies Association**

Gabriel Said Reynolds, University of Notre Dame Department of Theology, Presiding  
Emran El-Badawi, University of Houston, Presiding

Theme: *Qur'an Manuscripts: Text, Object and Usage*

Friday - 1:30 PM-5:45 PM

Keith Small, London School of Theology

*Gems of the Bodleian: Qur'an Manuscripts at Oxford University*

Simon Rettig, Freer Gallery of Art and Arthur M. Sackler Gallery

*Codicology versus History of Art? Rethinking the Visual Study of Qur'an Manuscripts*

Alasdair Watson, Bodleian Libraries

*The King's Mushafs: A Glimpse at Some of the Qur'ans from Tipu Sultan's Royal Library*

Asma Hilali, Institute of Ismaili Studies

*The Manuscript 27.1 DAM: Sacred Words and Words about the Sacred*

Aziz Al-Azmeh, Central European University, Budapest

*International Qur'anic Studies Association Keynote Lecture*

Responding:

Jane Dammen McAuliffe, Bryn Mawr College

---

**A22-106**

**Religion and Media Workshop**

Jenna Supp-Montgomerie, Auburn Media and University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill,  
Presiding

Ann M. Burlein, Hofstra University, Presiding

Kathleen Foody, College of Charleston, Presiding

Theme: *Persuasion's Power: How Religion Makes its Publics*

Friday - 11:00 AM-6:00 PM

Panelists:

Laila Al-Arian, Al-Jazeera English

Jason C. Bivins, North Carolina State University

Tracy Fessenden, Arizona State University

Christian Lundberg, University of North Carolina

Arvind Mandair, University of Michigan

Lisa Webster, Graduate Theological Union

---

**A22-400****Receptions/Breakfasts**

Theme: *AAR Welcome Reception*

Friday - 7:00 PM-9:00 PM

---

**A22-401****Films**

David A. Shefferman, Manhattan College, Presiding

Theme: *Avalon*

Friday - 8:00 PM-10:00 PM

---

**A22-402****Films**

Santiago Pinon, Texas Christian University, Presiding

Theme: *Cloud Atlas*

Friday - 8:00 PM-10:00 PM

---

**A22-403****Films**

Kent Brintnall, University of North Carolina, Charlotte, Presiding

Theme: *Pink Flamingos*

Friday - 8:00 PM-10:00 PM

---

**A22-405****Films**

Kathleen M. Erndl, Florida State University, Presiding

Theme: *My Name is Khan*

Friday - 8:00 PM-10:00 PM

---

**A22-404****Receptions/Breakfasts**

Theme: *Luce Summer Seminars Reception*

Friday - 8:30 PM-10:00 PM

---

**A23-1**

**Receptions/Breakfasts**

John R. Fitzmier, American Academy of Religion, Presiding

Theme: *AAR New Members' Breakfast*

Saturday - 7:30 AM-8:45 AM

---

**A23-2**

**Receptions/Breakfasts**

Susan E. Hill, University of Northern Iowa, Presiding

Theme: *Regional Officers' Breakfast*

Saturday - 7:30 AM-8:45 AM

---

**A23-100**

**Graduate Student Committee**

Elonda Clay, Lutheran School of Theology, Chicago, Presiding

Theme: *Graduate Student Business Meeting and New Member Welcome*

Saturday - 9:00 AM-10:00 AM

---

**A23-139**

**Student Lounge Roundtable**

Jennifer Adler, Vanderbilt University, Presiding

Theme: *Digital Tools for Dissertation Writers*

Saturday - 10:00 AM-11:00 AM

---

**P23-130**

**Society for Ancient Mediterranean Religions**

David Eastman, Ohio Wesleyan University, Presiding

Theme: *Healing and Funerary Ritual in Text and Practice*

Saturday - 9:00 AM-11:15 AM

Megan Nutzman, University of Chicago

*Elijah's Touch: A Healing Dream in the Jerusalem Talmud*



Wendy Closterman , Bryn Athyn College  
*Reading the Gospel of Luke's Passion Narrative as a Reverse Funeral*

Harlow Gregory Snyder, Davidson College  
*For Weddings and a Funeral: Marital and Mortuary Imagery in the Flavia Sophe Inscription*

Responding:

Nicola Denzey, Brown University

---

### **A23-101**

#### **Special Topics Forum**

Daniel Sack, National Endowment for the Humanities, Presiding

Theme: *Grants and Application Strategies from the National Endowment for the Humanities*

Saturday - 9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Panelists:

Julia Nguyen, National Endowment for the Humanities  
Leah Weinryb Grohsgal, National Endowment for the Humanities

---

### **A23-102**

#### **Teaching and Learning Committee**

Richard M. Carp, St. Mary's College of California, Presiding

Theme: *Imagined Solidarities: Undergraduate Teachers and Students*

Saturday - 9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Panelists:

Wesley Barker, Georgia State University  
Brock Bingaman, Wesleyan College  
Lucia Hulsether, Harvard Divinity School  
Lucas Johnston, Wake Forest University  
Jennifer Rapp, Deep Springs College

---

### **A23-103**

#### **Women's Lounge Roundtable**

Su Yon Pak, Union Theological Seminary, Presiding

Theme: *Truth Telling*

Saturday - 9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Panelists:

Su Yon Pak, Union Theological Seminary

---

**A23-104**

**Arts, Literature, and Religion Section and Queer Studies in Religion Group**

J. Terry Todd, Drew University, Presiding

Theme: *Queering the Aesthetic: The Politics of Beauty*

Saturday - 9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Meredith Minister

*Mechthild of Magdeburg's Poetry as a Queer Aesthetic for Higher Education*

Will Livingston, Vanderbilt Divinity School

*The Queer Art of War Photography*

Kris Trujillo, U.C. Berkeley

*Communicability, Communication, Community; or Asynchrony, Affect, and Immune-deficiency in Mapplethorpe and Guibert*

Stefanie Knauss, Villanova University

*Nothing but Kitsch? The Critical Potential of Camp for Queer Theological Aesthetics*

Responding:

Angela Yarber, Wake Forest

---

**A23-105**

**Buddhism Section and Japanese Religions Group**

Jason Josephson, Williams College, Presiding

Theme: *Committed Scholars: Buddhist Studies and Politics in Early Twentieth-Century Japan*

Saturday - 9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Makoto Hayashi, Aichi Gakuin University

*The Birth of Buddhist Universities*

Jolyon Thomas, Princeton University

*Free Inquiry and Japanese Buddhist Studies: The Case of Katō Totsudō*

Orion Klautau, Heidelberg University  
*Takakusu Junjirō and the Ideal of a Buddhist Citizenry in Early Twentieth-Century Japan*

Bryan Lowe, Vanderbilt University  
*The Evils of Buddhist Politics: National History (kokushi) and the State Buddhism Model*

Responding:

James C. Dobbins, Oberlin College

---

**A23-106**

**Comparative Studies in Religion Section**

David Mozina, University of North Carolina, Charlotte, Presiding

Theme: *Precarious Intimacies: Trance, Possession, and the Body*

Saturday - 9:00 AM-11:30 AM

G. William Barnard, Southern Methodist University

*Multidimensional Bodies: Spirit Possession in the Santo Daime Tradition in Brazil*

Mary Keller, University of Wyoming

*The Indigenous Spirit of Possession Studies*

Alexander Fernandez, Florida International University

*Of Bliethe Spirits: Embodying Possession in Haitian Vodou as Made Wo/Manifest*

Corinne Dempsey, Nazareth College

*(Dis)Embodied Vulnerabilities in Icelandic Trance*

Responding:

Jeffrey J. Kripal, Rice University

---

**A23-107**

**Ethics Section and African Religions Group and Pentecostal—Charismatic Movements  
Group and Religion and Migration Group and Religious Conversions Group**

Alison R. Marshall, Brandon University, Presiding

Theme: *The Politics and Ethics of Conversion: Pentecostalism and Migration in African  
Contexts*

Saturday - 9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Laura Tilghman, University of Georgia

*The Rapture and the Rupture: Pentecostal Conversion and Weakened Rural Linkages of*

*Migrants in Northeastern Madagascar*

Devaka Premawardhana, Colorado College

*Between River and Road: Circular Migrations and Reversible Conversions in Northern Mozambique*

Hans Olsson, Lund University, Centre for Theology and Religious Studies

*With Jesus in Paradise? Pentecostals and Migrants in Contemporary Zanzibar*

Marybeth Acac, Temple University

*From Catholic to Born Again Christian: Overseas Filipina Workers in Cairo*

Responding:

Michael J. McClymond, Saint Louis University

---

**A23-108**

**History of Christianity Section and Wesleyan Studies Group**

Douglas M. Strong, Seattle Pacific University, Presiding

Theme: *Methodism in the American Civil War Era*

Saturday - 9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Michael K. Turner, Hood Theological Seminary

*Mr. Lincoln and the Methodists: Mythmaking in the Civil War Era*

Susan Moudry, Baylor University

*Providence with a Purpose: The "Full Flower" of Civil Religion in the Rhetoric of Bishop Matthew Simpson*

Jared Maddox, Southern Methodist University

*The Presence of Pro-Slavery Arguments in the Methodist Episcopal Church and their Role in the Suppression of Abolition: An Examination of Border Methodism and Border Slavery by J. Mayland M'Carter*

Joseph Cunningham, Eureka College

*Free Methodist Responses to Political Violence, 1860-65*

Business Meeting:

Russell E. Richey, Candler School of Theology, Emory University

---

**A23-109**

**Religion and Politics Section**

Jennifer A. Herdt, Yale University, Presiding

Theme: *Thomas Aquinas and the Democratic Virtues*

Saturday - 9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Mark D. Jordan, Washington University

*Democratic Moral Education and the Gifts of the Holy Spirit*

Adam Eitel, Princeton Theological Seminary

*Aquinas, Love, and Democratic Virtue*

Michael Lamb, Princeton University

*Aquinas and the Virtues of Hope*

Jean Porter, University of Notre Dame

*Justice, the Right, and Equality before the Law: Recovering a Neglected Ideal*

John R. Bowlin, Princeton Theological Seminary

*Democracy, Tolerance, Aquinas*

---

## A23-110

### Religion in South Asia Section

Lesley Orr, University of Glasgow, Presiding

Theme: *Sectarianism and the Boundaries of Religious Identity in South Asia*

Saturday - 9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Elaine Fisher, Columbia University

*The Sources of Sectarian Debate: Philology and Sectarianism in Early Modern South India*

Anand Venkatkrishnan, Columbia University

*God's Name on Any Lips: The Chequered Career of the Bhagavannāmakāumudī*

Jason Schwartz, UCSB

*Why I Am So Clever, Why I Write Such Excellent Books, and What I Did to the Gods: Hemādri Re-imagines Mainstream Brahmanical Religion*

Valerie Stoker, Wright State University

*Allies or Rivals? Mādhvas and Śrīvaiṣṇavas at Sixteenth-Century Tirupati*

Responding:

Rachel Fell McDermott, Barnard College

---

## A23-111

### **Study of Islam Section**

Shiraz Hajjani, University of Chicago, Presiding

Theme: *Venture of Islam (University of Chicago Press, 1974) - 40 Years On - Do We Need New Paradigms for the Study of Islamicate Civilizations?*

Saturday - 9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Panelists:

Asma Afsaruddin, Indiana University

Kecia Ali, Boston University

Vincent Cornell, Emory University

Ali S. Asani, Harvard University

---

### **A23-112**

#### **Animals and Religion Group**

Rebekah Sinclair, Claremont Graduate University, Presiding

Theme: *Political Animals and Animal Politics: The Knots of Sovereignty and Animality*

Saturday - 9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Eric Daryl Meyer, Fordham University

*Fallen Humanity and Sovereign Difference: Agamben and Derrida among Eden's Creatures*

Daniel Horan, Boston College

*Humans as "Poor in Creation": Animality, Kinship, and the (De)constructive Promise of Jacques Derrida for a Theology of Creation*

Beatrice Marovich, Drew University

*Sovereign Side-effects: Creatures, Bare Life, and the Chimera of Kinship*

Donovan Schaefer, Haverford College

*Animalism: Religion, Affect, and Nonsovereign Bodies*

Paul Waldau, Canisius College

*Getting into and beyond Derrida's *The Beast and the Sovereign**

Responding:

Mary-Jane Rubenstein, Wesleyan University

Business Meeting:

David Aftandilian, Texas Christian University

---

**A23-113**

**Anthropology of Religion Group**

James Bielo, Miami University, Presiding

Theme: *How to Do Things with Scripture: Lived Religion and Sacred Texts in Christian and Muslim Contexts*

Saturday - 9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Justine Howe, Case Western Reserve University

*"The Context Changes the Meaning": The Circumstances of Revelation and Lay Interpretations of the Qur'an in the United States*

Rebekka King, Middle Tennessee State University

*Bible Reading and Bible Rejecting: Negotiating Discursive Identities through Biblical Criticism and Interpretations*

Sarah Tobin, Free University, Berlin

*Gendering Shari'a: Women Using Islamic Law for Equality in Marriage*

Susannah Laramee Kidd, Emory University

*Reading Genre in the Ethnography of Protestant Women's Textual Practices*

Jeffrey Guhin, Yale University

*Scripture as Moral Technology: How to Do Things with the Bible and the Qur'an*

Business Meeting:

Margarita M. W. Suárez, Meredith College

Laurel Zwissler, Central Michigan University

---

**A23-114**

**Asian North American Religion, Culture, and Society Group**

Devin Singh, Yale University, Presiding

Theme: *Re-membering Home: Indigenous and Colonial Encounters in Asian North American Religious Spaces*

Saturday - 9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Melissa Borja, Columbia University

*Migrating Spirits: Refugee Resettlement and Indigenous Hmong Religion*

Ren Ito, Emmanuel College, University of Toronto

*Recalling Ambivalent Histories: Indigeneity in Asian North American Theological Perspective*

Justin Tse, University of British Columbia

*Strategies of Reconciliation: Cantonese Evangelical Ministries to First Nations in Vancouver,*

*British Columbia*

JuneHee Yoon, Drew University

*Imported? Understanding Homosexuality in Korean-American Confucian Communities and the Meaning of Finding a Forgotten Past*

Responding:

Lisa Mar, University of Maryland

---

### **A23-115**

#### **Buddhism in the West Group and Society of Buddhist-Christian Studies**

Wendy Cadge, Brandeis University, Presiding

Theme: *New Perspectives on Buddhism and Multiple-Religious Belonging*

Saturday - 9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Harold Kasimow, Grinnell College

*Reflections on Jewish and Christian Encounters with Buddhism*

Richard K. Payne, Institute of Buddhist Studies at the Graduate Theological Union

*Integrating Christ and the Saints into Buddhist Ritual: The "Christian Homas" of Yogi Chen Proposal*

Emily Sigalow, Brandeis University

*Hybridizing Beliefs: Jewish-Buddhist Perspectives on Death, Suffering, and God*

Kristin Johnston Largen, Gettysburg Lutheran Theological Seminary

*Whose Buddhism? Whose Identity? Presenting [and/or Misrepresenting] Shin Buddhism for a Christian Audience*

Responding:

Donald K. Swearer, Harvard University

---

### **A23-116**

#### **Critical Theory and Discourses on Religion Group**

Ipsita Chatterjea, Vanderbilt University, Presiding

Theme: *Core Categories in the Study of Religion*

Saturday - 9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Shenandoah Nieuwsma, UNC-CH

*Cutting Through the Fog: "Spirituality" as Discursive Strategy in Post-WWII Medical Literature*



Gregory A. Lipton, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill  
*Universalizing Ibn 'Arabi: Aryanism and the Perennialist Discourse of Religious Authenticity*

Daniel Miller, Landmark College  
*"Religion" and the Depoliticization of Genealogical Critique*

Lori K. Pearson, Carleton College  
*Monotheism and Modernity: Marianne Weber on Marriage and Secularization*

David Feltmate, Auburn University, Montgomery  
*What Constitutes the Paranormal? Why the Margins Matter in the Categorization of Beliefs and Practices in the Study of Religion*

Responding:

Jacques Berlinerblau, Georgetown University

---

### **A23-117**

#### **Islamic Mysticism Group**

Vernon James Schubel, Kenyon College, Presiding

Theme: *Islamic Mystical Thought*

Saturday - 9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Mohammed Rustom, Carleton University

*Of Aspiration and Poverty: Ibn 'Arabi's Letter to Fakhr al-Din al-Razi*

Stephen Burge, Institute of Ismaili Studies

*Praying Day and Night: Al-Suyuti's Prayer Manual and Shadhili Spirituality*

Mohammad Hemyari, George Washington University

*Performing the Secret: Transforming Vision Through Symbolic Metaphor in the Gulshan-i Rāz of Shaykh Maḥmūd Shabistarī*

Farhad Dokhani, Harvard University

*Shaykh Hadi Najmabadi and Shari'at Sangalaji: Two Prominent Reformist Shi'i Clerics' Challenge to Taqlīd and Their Intellectual Link to Sayyid Jamal al-Din "al-Afghani"*

Business Meeting:

Omid Safi, University of North Carolina

Martin Nguyen, Fairfield University

---

### **A23-118**

#### **Lesbian-Feminist Issues and Religion Group**

Robyn Henderson-Espinoza, University of Denver/Illiff School of Theology, Presiding

Theme: *Lesbian Sexuality and the Ethics of Truth-Telling*

Saturday - 9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Jennifer Stockwell, Methodist Theological School, Ohio

*Narrative Social Ethics: (Women's) Transformational Autobiography and the Limits of Genre*

Stephanie Budwey, Boston University School of Theology

*"The Maiden Mary, Not So Mild": Queering Marian Hymnody*

LaChelle Schilling, Claremont Graduate University

*"We Haven't Had Sex Yet?": Redefining the (A)sexual in Lesbian Relationships*

Amy Milligan, Elizabethtown College

*Expanding Sisterhood: Jewish Lesbians and Externalizations of Yiddishkeit*

Responding:

Jennifer Rycenga, San Jose State University

Business Meeting:

Marie Cartier, California State University, Northridge

---

## **A23-119**

### **Middle Eastern Christianity Group**

Jason R. Zaborowski, Bradley University, Presiding

Theme: *Middle Eastern Christians: Betwixt and Between*

Saturday - 9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Daniel Bannoura, University of Chicago

*Ibn at-Tayyib's Commentary on Genesis*

Michel Andraos, Catholic Theological Union

*New Shifts in Self-Understanding among Christian Communities in the Levant*

Jessica Lee Ehinger, University of Oxford

*The Conversion of 'Alī al-Tabarī and Medieval Middle Eastern Christian Identity*

Hiroko Miyokawa, National Institutes for the Humanities

*The Revival of the Coptic Language and the Formation of Coptic Ethno-Religious Identity in Modern Egypt*

Melanie Trexler, Georgetown University

*Arab and Baptist? Constructing Identity betwixt and between American Baptists and Middle*

*Eastern Christians in the United States*

Responding:

David Grafton, Lutheran Theological Seminary in Philadelphia

Business Meeting:

Nelly Van Doorn-Harder, Wake Forest University

---

**A23-120**

**New Religious Movements Group**

W. Michael Ashcraft, Truman State University, Presiding

Theme: *Legal Issues in New Religions*

Saturday - 9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Joshua Fler, Florida State University

*"Under the Cloak of Religion": Citizenship and the House of David Colony*

S. Free Williams, University of Virginia

*Judges, Scholars, and NRMs: Negotiating the Definition of Religion*

Spencer Dew, Centenary College of Louisiana

*"You Have Just Read a State of Louisiana Document": Religious Pedagogy and the Seizure of Expert Discourse by the Washitaw De Dugdahmoundyah*

Brad Stoddard, Florida State University

*Serpent Handling, the First Amendment, and the Legal Construction of Religious Orthopraxy*

Responding:

Eric Mazur, Virginia Wesleyan College

---

**A23-121**

**Nineteenth Century Theology Group and Reformed Theology and History Group**

Dawn DeVries, Union Presbyterian Seminary, Presiding

Theme: *Mercersburg: A Reformed Ressourcement*

Saturday - 9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Panelists:

Bradford Littlejohn, University of Edinburgh

Linden Jay DeBie, Community Church of Douglaston

William Evans, Erskine College  
David Bains, Samford University  
Theodore Trost, University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa

Responding:

Lee Barrett, Lancaster Theological Seminary  
George Hunsinger, Princeton Theological Seminary

---

**A23-122**

**Open and Relational Theologies Group**

Marit Trelstad, Pacific Lutheran University, Presiding

Theme: *Postcolonialism Meets Open and Relational Theologies*

Saturday - 9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Tim Hartman, University of Virginia

*A Failure of Imagination: The Intersection of Gospel and Culture Today*

Kayko Driedger Hesslein, Graduate Theological Union

*Both/And: Interactive Multicultural Theory Meets Chalcedonian Christology*

Walter Eberle, Union Theological Seminary

*A Whiteheadian Approach to Propositions as a Foundation for Global Emergence*

Reichard Joshua, Oxford Graduate School

*Mutually-Transformative Missions: A Post-Colonial, Process-Relational, Pentecostal-Charismatic Missiology*

Responding:

Mayra Rivera, Harvard University

Business Meeting:

Thomas Oord, Northwest Nazarene University

---

**A23-123**

**Platonism and Neoplatonism Group**

John Kenney, Saint Michael's College, Presiding

Theme: *Participation and Transcendence in Early Christian Platonism*

Saturday - 9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Hans Boersma, Regent College

*Sex, Beauty, and Participation in Gregory of Nyssa: An Analogical Approach*

Joseph Clair, Princeton University

*Living Sacrifices: Augustine and Porphyry on Purification and Ascent*

Kathleen Gibbons, Wilfrid Laurier University

*Origen and Plato's Gorgias in Boethius's Consolation of Philosophy*

Kellen Plaxco, Marquette University

*Transforming Participation: Didymus the Blind's Use of a Platonic Concept*

---

**A23-124**

**Psychology, Culture, and Religion Group**

Eileen Campbell-Reed, Luther Seminary, Presiding

Theme: *Works in Progress and Business Meeting*

Saturday - 9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Business Meeting:

Kirk A. Bingaman, Fordham University

Hetty Zock, University of Groningen

---

**A23-125**

**Religion and Popular Culture Group**

Isaac Weiner, Georgia State University, Presiding

Theme: *Hero, or Superhero?: Religious Transcendence in Comic Books and Comedic Performances*

Saturday - 9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Brenda Beck, University of Toronto

*Re-Telling An Ancient Religious Epic: Adapting Folk Art To Create An Animated TV Story Series*

Dennis Kelley, University of Missouri

*"Coyote could be Very Foolish or Very Wise...": Sacred Humor in Indian Country as a Window Into the Spirituality of the "Nones"*

A. David Lewis, Boston University

*The Muslim Superhero in Contemporary American Popular Culture*

Christine Atchison, Kingston University

*Comic Books and Transcendental Style*

Responding:

Shanny Luft, University of Wisconsin at Stevens Point

---

**A23-126**

**Religion and Public Schools: International Perspectives Group**

Bruce Grelle, California State University, Chico, Presiding

Theme: *Schempp at 50: Revisiting the Idea of "Neutrality" in Teaching about Religion*

Saturday - 9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Brendan Randall, Harvard Graduate School of Education

*Reinterpreting Schempp: Moving Beyond the Dichotomy of Devotional Religious Education and the Academic Study of Religion*

Richard Layton, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign

*Abington and Teacher Neutrality: Moving from a Legal to an Educational Paradigm*

Marion Maddox, Macquarie University

*What Chance of an Australian Schempp?*

Erik Owens, Boston College

*Schempp in Turkey? Secularism, Neutrality and Religion Education in Turkish Schools*

Business Meeting:

Tim Jensen, University of Southern Denmark

---

**A23-127**

**Religion in Europe Group**

Todd Green, Luther College, Presiding

Theme: *Religion and the Formation of National Identities in Contemporary Europe*

Saturday - 9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Benjamin Zeller, Lake Forest College

*One Foot in Helsinki, One Foot in Mayapur: ISKCON Finland as a Glocal European Religion*

Hasan Azad, Columbia University

*Patrolling Muslims: The Politics of Islamic Space in Britain*

George Faithful, Seton Hall University

*Atoning for the Sins of the Fatherland: The Gendered Nationalism of the Ecumenical Sisterhood of Mary*

Business Meeting:

Kocku von Stuckrad, University of Groningen

---

**A23-128**

**Religion in Latin America and the Caribbean Group**

Michelle Gonzalez Maldonado, University of Miami, Presiding

Theme: *Religious Responses to Colonization in Latin America*

Saturday - 9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Sigifredo Romero, Florida International University

*Liberationist Christianity and the Violence: From Institutionalized Violence to Martyrdom*

Mary Louise Stone, California Institute of Integral Studies

*Motherline of the Americas: Weaving the Mother's Community*

Robert Green, College of the Holy Cross

*Constructing Negro Piety: Saint Martín de Porres, Racial Regimes, and the Euro-Catholic Literary Imagination*

Garry Sparks, University of Louisville

*Beyond Mere Mayan Resistance: Use of Mendicant and Pre-Hispanic Ritual Discourse in Sixteenth-Century Mesoamerican Documents*

Business Meeting:

Jalane D. Schmidt, University of Virginia

---

**A23-129**

**Religion, Media, and Culture Group and Sociology of Religion Group**

Mia Lövhelm, Faculty of Theology, University of Uppsala, Presiding

Theme: *Media, Religion and Gender: Key Issues and New Challenges*

Saturday - 9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Panelists:

Diane Winston, University of Southern California

Joyce Smith, University of Toronto

Stewart M. Hoover, University of Colorado Boulder

Curtis Coats, University of Colorado

Mary E. Hess, Luther Seminary

---

**A23-130**

**Religions in Chinese and Indian Cultures: A Comparative Perspective Group**  
Tao Jiang, Rutgers University, Presiding

Theme: *Representations of Emotions in Chinese and Indian Religions*

Saturday - 9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Maria Heim, Amherst College

*The Embodiment of Emotion in Mencius and Buddhaghosa*

Alexus McLeod, University of Dayton

*The Role of Anxiety in the Zhuangzi and the Upanishads*

Tyson Yost, Cornell University

*Deceptive Appearances: Indian Aesthetics of Humor in a Chinese Avadana Narrative*

Sthaneshwar Timalisina, San Diego State University

*Relishing the Self: Comparative Perspectives on Rasa and Emotions*

Responding:

Chakravarthi Ram-Prasad, Lancaster University

Business Meeting:

Chakravarthi Ram-Prasad, Lancaster University

Tao Jiang, Rutgers University

---

**A23-131**

**Sikh Studies Group**

Balbinder Bhogal, Hofstra University, Presiding

Theme: *Homeland, Education, Hermeneutics, and Textual History*

Saturday - 9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Kamalroop Singh Birk, Birmingham University

*The Textual History of the Dasam Granth Sahib*

Harjeet Grewal, University of Michigan

*Janamsakhi Literature and Contemporary Hermeneutics*

Prabhsharanbir Singh, University of British Columbia

*Religion and Subjectivity: Sikh Encounter with Education in the Colonized Punjab*

Simran Singh, Columbia University

*Do Sikhs Have a Homeland?*



Business Meeting:

Michael Hawley, Mount Royal University

---

**A23-132**

**Tantric Studies Group**

John Nemece, University of Virginia, Presiding

Theme: *Alternative Perspectives on Tantra: From Bhakti and Stotra to Purana and Ayurveda*

Saturday - 9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Michael Slouber, St. Mary's College of Maryland

*Tantra in the Doctor's Eye: Tantric Influence in Ayurvedic Medical Texts*

Hamsa Stainton, University of Kansas

*Tantric Poetry and Poetics: Rethinking Stotras from Kashmir*

Ryan Damron, UC Berkeley

*Puranic Inflections: Visions of the Divine Feminine in Buddhist Tantra*

Patton Burchett, New York University

*Agradās and the Tantric Dimensions of Rasik Bhakti: Insights into Bhakti's Ambiguous Relationship with Tantra*

Responding:

Loriliai Biernacki, University of Colorado, Boulder

---

**A23-133**

**Transformative Scholarship and Pedagogy Group**

Jennifer McBride, Wartburg College, Presiding

Theme: *Incarcerated Religion: Teaching Behind Walls*

Saturday - 9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Evelyn L. Parker, Perkins School of Theology - Southern Methodist University

*Experiencing "God's Tangible Grace": Teaching Girls in Juvenile Detention*

Elizabeth Margaret Bounds, Emory University

*"I Live in Fear and Anger": Teaching in a Women's Prison*

Rima Vesely-Flad, Union Theological Seminary

*Teaching Practices at Sing Sing Prison*

Sarah Farmer, Emory University

*"Hidden from Existence, but I Will Not Hide": Teaching Art in the Prison Context*

Responding:

Traci C. West, Drew University

Business Meeting:

Darby Ray, Bates College

Gabriella Lettini, Starr King School for the Ministry and Graduate Theological Union

---

### **A23-134**

#### **Transhumanism and Religion Group**

Calvin Mercer, East Carolina University, Presiding

Theme: *Perspectives on Human Enhancement*

Saturday - 9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Hannah Scheidt, Northwestern University

*The Fleshless Future: A Phenomenological Perspective on Mind Uploading*

Francesca Ferrando, Universita' di Roma Tre

*Have Humans Always Been Posthuman? Spiritual Genealogies of the Posthuman*

Max Thornton, Drew University

*Jesus H+ Christ: Resurrection and Transhumanism*

Sean O'Callaghan, Salve Regina University

*Transhumanism and Hyper-real Spirituality: Exploring the Possibilities H+ Has to Offer to Cyber-spiritual Actors Who Self-identify as Other-than or More-than Human*

Business Meeting:

Calvin Mercer, East Carolina University

---

### **A23-135**

#### **Vatican II Studies Group**

Massimo Faggioli, University of Saint Thomas, Minnesota, Presiding

Theme: *Vatican II in 1963 and Its First Results: The Challenges of Liturgical Reform*

Saturday - 9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Georgia M. Keightley, Independent Scholar

*Sacrosanctum Concilium's Incarnational Ecclesiology*

Pierson Shaw, University of St. Michael's College, University of Toronto

*Sacrosanctum Concilium's Call for Liturgical Renewal: New Tensions Raised by the Apostolic Tradition*

Jonathan Tan, Australian Catholic University  
*The Impact of Sacrosanctum Concilium on Liturgical Renewal in Asia*

Nicholas Denysenko, Loyola Marymount University  
*Sacrosanctum Concilium and Liturgical Ressourcement in the Orthodox Church*

Catherine Osborne, Franklin and Marshall College  
*"I Fear the Fixed Point of View": Sacrosanctum Concilium and the Flexible Worship Space in the United States*

Responding:

Gilles Routhier, Université Laval

Business Meeting:

Peter De Mey, Catholic University of Leuven

---

**A23-136**

**Womanist Approaches to Religion and Society Group**

Melva L. Sampson, Emory University, Presiding

Theme: *Panel Discussion of Tracey Hucks' Yoruba Traditions and African American Religious Nationalism (University of New Mexico Press, 2012)*

Saturday - 9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Panelists:

Katie G. Cannon, Union Presbyterian Seminary

Angela Sims, Saint Paul School of Theology

Jacob K. Olupona, Harvard University

Dianne Diakité, Emory University

Charles H. Long, Chapel Hill, NC

Responding:

Tracey Hucks, Haverford College

---

**A23-137**

**Stand-alone MA Programs in Religion Seminar**

William Lindsey, University of Kansas, Presiding

Theme: *On Preparing MA Students for Doctoral Programs*

Saturday - 9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Panelists:

Signe Cohen, University of Missouri  
Janet Gyatso, Harvard University  
Martha Newman, University of Texas, Austin  
Kurtis Schaeffer, University of Virginia  
Judith Weisenfeld, Princeton University

Business Meeting:

Stephen C. Berkwitz, Missouri State University

---

### **P23-121**

#### **International Qur'anic Studies Association**

Helen Blatherwick, University of London, Presiding

Theme: *Approaches and Theories on the Translation of the Qur'an*

Saturday - 9:00 AM-11:30 AM

A. J. Droge, University of Toronto  
*Traduttore, Traditore? Revisiting Mr. Nabokov*

Devin J. Stewart, Emory University  
*The Translation of Divine Epithets in the Qur'an*

Shawkat Toorawa, Cornell University  
*Translation and the Sad Fate of the Qur'an's Most (?) Important Feature*

Maria Massi Dakake, George Mason University  
*The Original Soul and the "Womb" of Kinship: The Feminine and the Universal in Qur'an 4:1*

---

### **A23-138**

#### **Tours**

Evan Berry, American University, Presiding  
Beth Norcross, Wesley Seminary, Presiding

Theme: *Chesapeake Watershed Environmental and Ecojustice Tour*

Saturday - 9:00 AM-12:00 PM

---

**A23-140**

**Tours**

Gary Vikan, Walters Art Museum, Presiding

Theme: *Jacob Lawrence's Genesis Series at the Walters Art Museum*

Saturday - 10:00 AM-12:00 PM

---

**A23-141**

**Tours**

Paul Anderson, Center for Study and Preservation of the Majority Text, Presiding

Theme: *Manuscript Tour of the Walters Art Museum*

Saturday - 10:00 AM-12:00 PM

---

**A23-142**

**Student Lounge Roundtable**

Maren Wood, Lilli Research Group, Presiding

Nathan Schneider, Freelance Journalist, Presiding

Theme: *Employment Beyond the Academy*

Saturday - 11:00 AM-12:00 PM

---

**A23-144**

**Plenaries**

John L. Esposito, Georgetown University, Presiding

Theme: *Karen Armstrong: The Science of Compassion*

Saturday - 11:45 AM-12:45 PM

Panelists:

Karen Armstrong, Charter for Compassion

---

**A23-145**

**Status of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Intersex, and Queer Persons in the Profession**

Melissa M. Wilcox, Whitman College, Presiding

Theme: *LGBTIQ Mentoring Lunch*

Saturday - 11:45 AM-12:45 PM

Panelists:

Rebecca Alpert, Temple University  
Pamela Lightsey, Boston University  
Heather White, New College of Florida  
Mark Jordan, Washington University  
Claudia Schippert, University of Central Florida  
Jennifer Harvey, Drake University  
Kent Brintnall, University of North Carolina, Charlotte  
Mary E. Hunt, Women's Alliance for Theology, Ethics, and Ritual  
Rudy V. Busto, University of California, Santa Barbara  
W. Scott Haldeman, Chicago Theological Seminary  
Randall Miller, Pacific School of Religion  
Patrick S. Cheng, Episcopal Divinity School

---

**A23-143**

**Southeastern Commission for the Study of Religion (SECSOR)**

Sally Smith Holt, Belmont University, Presiding

Theme: *Southeastern Commission for the Study of Religion (SECSOR) Meeting*

Saturday - 11:30 AM-1:00 PM

---

**A23-200**

**Academic Relations Committee**

David Harrington Watt, Temple University, Presiding

Theme: *Supporting Adjunct Faculty and Assisting the Chairs of Religious Studies Departments*

Saturday - 1:00 PM-3:00 PM

Panelists:

Courtney Bender, Columbia University  
Elonda Clay, Lutheran School of Theology, Chicago  
Toddie Peters, Elon University  
Joseph A. Favazza, Stonehill College  
Christine E. Gudorf, Florida International University

---

**A23-210**

**Theology and Religious Reflection Section**

Su Yon Pak, Union Theological Seminary, Presiding

Theme: *Critical Christian Studies of the United States' Imperialist Militarism from Asian/Asian North American Perspectives*

Saturday - 1:00 PM-3:00 PM

Panelists:

Tat-siong Benny Liew, College of the Holy Cross  
Nami Kim, Spelman College  
Michael Sepidoza Campos, Graduate Theological Union  
K. Christine Pae, Denison University  
Anne Joh, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary  
Jeremy Posadas, Austin College

---

**A23-214**

**Bible in Racial, Ethnic, and Indigenous Communities Group**

Eleazar S. Fernandez, United Theological Seminary of the Twin Cities, Presiding

Theme: *Biblical Translation and Postcolonial Feminist Hermeneutics*

Saturday - 1:00 PM-3:00 PM

Jayachitra Lalitha, Tamilnadu Theological Seminary  
*Towards a Postcolonial Feminist Biblical Hermeneutic Relevant for a Postcolonial India*

Sabine Dievenkorn, Comunidad Teologica Evangelica  
*Ideology, Culture, and Translation: A Women-friendly and Culture-sensitive Bible Translation from Chile*

Responding:

Valerie Bridgeman, Lancaster Theological Seminary

Business Meeting:

Eleazar S. Fernandez, United Theological Seminary of the Twin Cities  
Hugh Rowland Page, University of Notre Dame

---

**A23-232**

**North American Hinduism Group**

Alexandra Kaloyanides, Yale University, Presiding

Theme: *Aspirational Hinduisms: Transmitting Identity and Ritual in North America*

Saturday - 1:00 PM-3:00 PM

Amy L. Allocco, Elon University

*Shifting Landscapes of Authority and Authenticity: Snake Blemish Rituals in Three Spaces*

Nanette Spina, University of Georgia

*Healing Takes Different Forms: Coping with Illness, Trauma, and Loss in a Sri Lankan-Canadian Temple Community*

Rita Biagioli, University of Chicago

*The Transmission of Religiosity at Hindu Summer Camp*

Aimee Hamilton, Pacific Lutheran University

*Sensational Bodies: Bridal Adornment in Affective Media*

Responding:

Phyllis Herman, California State University Northridge

Business Meeting:

Michael Altman, Emory University

Shreena Gandhi, Kalamazoo College

---

**P23-238**

**Society for Ancient Mediterranean Religions**

Eric Orlin, University of Puget Sound, Presiding

Theme: *Shared Lives, Different Religions? The Roman Empire in the First Two Centuries*

Saturday - 1:00 PM-3:00 PM

Jörg Rüpke, Universität Erfurt

*Individualization and Group Formation in Second Century Rome: The Destruction of the Temple of Jerusalem, Mithraism, Christianity, and the Sodales of the Imperial Cult*

Nicola Denzey, Brown University

*The Myth of Conversion: Christian Adherence, Group, and Religious Identity in Second Century Rome*

Zsuzsanna Varhelyi, Boston University

*Telling a Li(f)e: The Uses and Abuses of Religious Biographies*

Responding:

Hindy Najman, Yale University



---

**A23-201****Graduate Student Committee**

Matthew Puffer, University of Virginia, Presiding

Theme: *Job Market Realities, Strategies, and Opportunities*

Saturday - 1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Panelists:

Kristy Slominski, University of California, Santa Barbara

Charles Mathewes, University of Virginia

Maren Wood, Lilli Research Group

R. Marie Griffith, Washington University in St. Louis

John R. Fitzmier, American Academy of Religion

---

**A23-202****Women's Lounge Roundtable**

Theme: *Alliance Building*

Saturday - 1:00 PM-3:30 PM

---

**A23-203****Social Theory and Religion Cluster and Religion and Ecology Group**

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

Theme: *Querying Natural Religion: Immanence, Gaia, and the Parliament of Lively Things*

Saturday - 1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Panelists:

Adrian Ivakhiv, University of Vermont

Bron Taylor, University of Florida

Daniel Deudney, Johns Hopkins University

Jane Bennett, Johns Hopkins University

Tim Morton, Rice University

William E. Connolly, John Hopkins University

---

**A23-204****Arts, Literature, and Religion Section and Religion and Humanism Group**

W. David Hall, Centre College, Presiding

Theme: *Inhuman Differences: Expanding the Theological Resources of Religion, Literature, and Art*

Saturday - 1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Forrest Clingerman, Ohio Northern University

*The Collapse of Anonymity: Investigating Works of Art at the Intersection of Humanism and the Inhuman*

J. Sage Elwell, Texas Christian University

*Making the Mask of Inhumanity: Oliver de Sagazan's Transfiguration and the Technological Inhuman*

Daniel Boscaljon, University of Iowa

*The Blackness of Space Illiminable: Art and the Depth of the Inhuman*

---

### **A23-205**

#### **Buddhism Section and Confucian Traditions Group**

Thomas A. Wilson, Hamilton College, Presiding

Theme: *Collaborative Arenas: The Seventeenth-Century Intersection of Buddhist-Confucian Philosophizing, Politicizing, and Publishing*

Saturday - 1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Beverley Foulks McGuire, University of North Carolina-Wilmington

*Re-envisioning Ritual: Ouyi Zhixu's Commentary on the Four Books*

Jennifer Eichman, Cornell College

*A Very Selective Synthesis: Zhou Rudeng's Handbook on Mind Cultivation*

Hsueh-Yi Lin, University of Wisconsin-Madison

*Ambivalent Conversion: Crossovers between Early Qing Literati and Buddhist Communities in Qian Qianyi's Buddhist Projects*

Marcus Bingenheimer, Temple University

*"We Confucians" – Affirmation and Accommodation of Buddhist and Confucian Identities as Found in Buddhist Temple Gazetteers*

Responding:

Pauline Lee, Washington University, Saint Louis

---

### **A23-206**

#### **Religion and the Social Sciences Section**

Robert P. Jones, Public Religion Research Institute, Presiding

Theme: *The Big Picture: Understanding the Global Religious Landscape*

Saturday - 1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Panelists:

Conrad Hackett, Pew Forum on Religion and Public Life

James Bell, Pew Research Center

Brian Grim, Pew Research Center

Responding:

Timothy S. Shah, Georgetown University

Mark Tessler, University of Michigan

---

**A23-207**

**Religion in South Asia Section**

John E. Cort, Denison University, Presiding

Theme: *A Proliferation of Friends: Hindus, Muslims, and Jains in History, Narrative, and Ritual in South Asia*

Saturday - 1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Peter Gottschalk, Wesleyan University

*The Past as a Shared and Contested Country: Between History and Memory*

Aditya Malik, University of Canterbury

*Hammira, the Stubborn Hero of Ranthambore: Reimagining Hindu-Muslim Histories through Literary Texts*

Lindsey Harlan, Connecticut College

*Hindu Heroes with Muslim Fast Friends: Debari Pir Baba and Other Honored Muslim Guests at Udaipur's Rajput Hero Celebrations*

Vasudha Narayanan, University of Florida

*Veda, Purana, and Mantra in Tamil Islamic Literature*

Responding:

Ann Grodzins Gold, Syracuse University

Business Meeting:

Donald R. Davis, University of Wisconsin, Madison

Valerie Stoker, Wright State University

---

**A23-208**

**Study of Islam Section**

Suzanne Holland, University of Puget Sound, Presiding

Theme: *Legal Truth is the Daughter of Time, or Authority?: Grounding Innovation in Islamic Law*

Saturday - 1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Matthew Ingalls, Yale University

*A "Marginalized" Authority: Commentary, Canonization, and Legal Change*

Rumee Ahmed, University of British Columbia

*The Mu'tazilī in al-Jaṣṣāṣ: Authority, Theology, and Legal Change After the Miḥna*

Ayesha S. Chaudhry, University of British Columbia

*Towards a Gender-Egalitarian Islamic Law: The Case Study of Guardianship*

Jonathan Brown, Georgetown University

*Prohibiting the Prophet's Sunna: The Sharī'ah Debate over Underage Marriage in the Ottoman Middle East*

Responding:

Mahan Mirza, Zaytuna College

---

**A23-209**

**Teaching Religion Section and SBL Academic Teaching and Biblical Studies Section and Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion**

Paul Myhre, Wabash Center, Presiding

Theme: *Teaching and Learning Roundtable Discussions*

Saturday - 1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Taylor Halverson, Brigham Young University

*To Grade or Not to Grade? Assessing Learning in Theology, Religion, or Biblical Studies*

John Hilton, Brigham Young University

*Assessing Outcomes besides Factual Ones*

Carmen Palmer, Toronto School of Theology

Amy Merrill Willis, Lynchburg College

*Circles and Spirals: Service Learning in Biblical Studies and Back Again*

Jane S. Webster, Barton College

*Teaching (the Relevance of) the Bible in the Undergraduate Classroom*

Sharon Albert, Muhlenberg College  
*Backchannel Bridges: Students Texting in Class?!*

Karen-Marie Yust, Union Presbyterian Seminary  
*Case Study Fishbowl*

David B. Howell, Ferrum College  
*Designing a Critical Thinking Discussion in the Religious Studies Classroom*

C. Hannah Schell, Monmouth College  
*Thinking Dialogically: Conversation Synthesis Assignments*

Allison Ralph, The Catholic University of America  
*Revelation of Syllabus: An Experiential Analogy for Learning Early Christian History*

Sharon Brown, Moravian College and Theological Seminary  
*Teetering on the Edge and Almost Falling Off: Teaching the Bible and Cultural Competency to Seminary Students*

---

**A23-211**

**Women and Religion Section and Mormon Studies Group**

Susanna Morrill, Lewis and Clark College, Presiding

Theme: *Mormon Domesticities: Changing LDS Gender Constructions and Performances*

Saturday - 1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Amanda Hendrix-Komoto, University of Michigan  
*Defining Marriage within the Woman's Suffrage Movement: Mormons, Free Love, and the Politics of Domesticity in the Late Nineteenth Century*

Natalie Rose, Michigan State University  
*A Marriage Ideal: The Returned Male Missionary, Young Women, and the Future of Mormonism*

Kate Holbrook, Boston University  
*The Home-makers: Why Many Latter-day Saint Women Chose to Work at Home*

Responding:

Patrick Mason, Claremont Graduate University

Business Meeting:

Quincy Newell, University of Wyoming

---

**A23-212**

**African Diaspora Religions Group**

Maha Marouan, University of Alabama, Presiding

Theme: *Technology, Identity, and "Authenticity" in African Diaspora Religions*

Saturday - 1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Martin Tsang, Florida International University

*Virtual Ashe: The Cyber Cartographies of Afro-Cuban Orisha Worship*

Funlayo Easter Wood, Harvard University

*Cyber Spirits, Digital Ghosts: Diasporic Religious Identity in the Age of Collaborative Consumption*

Genevieve Nrenzah, University of Bayreuth, Germany

*Kofi oo Kofi: Building on the Modernity and Internationalization of Neoindigenous Religions in Ghana*

Lisanne Norman, Harvard University

*"Elegba Friended Me on Facebook": African American Yoruba Presence and Participation in Online Orisha Communities*

Business Meeting:

Maha Marouan, University of Alabama

---

**A23-213**

**Augustine and Augustinianisms and SBL History of Interpretation Section**

Paul R. Kolbet, Yale University, Presiding

Theme: *A Conversation Between AAR and SBL on Michael Cameron's Christ Meets Me Everywhere: Augustine's Early Figurative Exegesis (Oxford University Press, 2012)*

Saturday - 1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Panelists:

J. William Harmless, Creighton University

Maureen A. Tilley, Fordham University and University of Dayton

Matthew Drever, University of Tulsa

Jonathan Yates, Villanova University

Responding:

Michael Cameron, University of Portland

Business Meeting:

Kari Kloos, Regis University

---

**A23-215**

**Body and Religion Group**

Nikki Bado, Iowa State University, Presiding

Theme: *Presenting, Performing, Practicing, and Placing Bodies*

Saturday - 1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Marie Pagliarini, Saint Mary's College

*"Indelible Religion": Tattooing and Spirituality in the San Francisco Bay Area*

Michelle Summers, University of California, Riverside

*The Birth of the Twentieth Century American Liturgical Dancer: Modernity, Multiculturalism, and Reform*

Kevin Schilbrack, Western Carolina University

*Embodied Practices as Texts*

Brian Jenkin, Boston University

*Religion, Externalism, and the Ecological Self*

Business Meeting:

George Pati, Valparaiso University

Nikki Bado, Iowa State University

---

**A23-216**

**Bonhoeffer: Theology and Social Analysis Group**

Nicola Wilkes, University of Cambridge, Presiding

Theme: *New and Constructive Readings of the Emergent Bonhoeffer, 1930-1937*

Saturday - 1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Michael B. Lukens

*Bonhoeffer's Turn to the Real: Reflections from the Sutz Letters*

Nathaniel Lee, Baylor University

*The New Black Ecclesiology: A Bonhoefferian Examination of the Social Imagination in the Collective Work of J. Kameron Carter and Willie J. Jennings*

Dallas Gingles, Southern Methodist University

*The Free Act Bound*

Nik Byle, University of South Florida

*Heidegger's Simul versus Bonhoeffer's New Creation and the Possibility of Philosophy's Interaction with Theology*

---

**A23-217**

**Chinese Religions Group and Daoist Studies Group**

Michael Puett, Harvard University, Presiding

Theme: *Submerged Readings of the Zhuangzi 莊子 – An Exercise in Rescuing and Retrieving Voices Mostly Disregarded in the Contemporary Academic Discourse*

Saturday - 1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Scott Cook, Grinnell College

*The Lüshi Chunqiu 呂氏春秋 as Commentary on the Zhuangzi 莊子*

Tobias Zuern, University of Wisconsin-Madison

*Hidden Receptions in the Han Dynasty - The Huainanzi's 淮南子 Reading of Master Zhuang 莊子 in the Chapters "Originating [in] the Way" ("Yuan Dao" 原道) and "Activating the Genuine" ("Chu Zhen" 俶真)*

Mark Csikszentmihalyi, University of California, Berkeley

*Streaming the Zhuangzi 莊子 into a "Single Way" in the Late Song Dynasty*

Aaron Reich, University of Wisconsin

*Forgetting the Brush: The Zhuangzi 莊子 and Daoist Notions of Creativity in Song Literati Painting Theory*

Business Meeting:

David Mozina, University of North Carolina, Charlotte

Elena Valussi, Loyola University, Chicago

---

**A23-218**

**Christianity and Academia Group**

Darby Ray, Bates College, Presiding

Theme: *Academic Relationships: Cultivating External Resources for Students, Faculty, and Administrators*

Saturday - 1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Andrew Salzmänn, Boston College



*Hosting the Conversation: Contextual Theology as a Resource for a Theology of Administration*

Alexander Chow, Renmin University of China

*The Interdisciplinary Role of Theology: Sino-Christian Theology as a Case Study*

Christiaan Jacobs-Vandegeer, Australian Catholic University

*Between Rhetoric and Reality, Catholic Identity in Higher Education*

Melody Pugh, University of Michigan

*"The Only Bible They'll Ever Read": Christian College Students and the Development of Biblical Literacy*

Business Meeting:

David S. Cunningham, Hope College

---

**A23-219**

**Cognitive Science of Religion Group and Science, Technology, and Religion Group**

Claire White, CSUN, Northridge, Presiding

Theme: *"Why Religion is Natural and Science is Not": Critical Engagement with Robert N. McCauley's New Book*

Saturday - 1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Panelists:

James Van Slyke, Fresno Pacific University

Jason Slone, Tiffin University

Greg Peterson, South Dakota State University

Andrew Aghapour, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

Responding:

Robert N. McCauley, Emory University

Business Meeting:

Claire White, California State University, Northridge

Jason Slone, Tiffin University

---

**A23-220**

**Comparative Religious Ethics Group**

Irene Oh, George Washington University, Presiding

Theme: *Pedagogy and Comparative Religious Ethics: Teaching the Moral Traditions of Others*

Saturday - 1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Steven Benko, Meredith College

*Critical Thinking and Teaching Comparative Religious Ethics*

Mark Larrimore, Eugene Lang College

*Wider Moral Communities: A Framework for Teaching Comparative Religious Ethics*

Kathleen Tierney, Stanford University

*“The Goal of Complex Thinking: Comparative Religious Ethics as a Pedagogy for Freshman”*

Responding:

Elizabeth Barre, Rice University

---

### **A23-221**

#### **Critical Approaches to Hip-Hop and Religion Group**

Christopher Driscoll, Rice University, Presiding

Theme: *The Religion and Hip Hop Cipher: CIPHERING THE CRITICAL APPROACHES*

Saturday - 1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Jon Gill, Claremont Graduate University

*The Freestyle MC Cypher as Propositional and Ritual Aesthetic Religious Shrine Organism (A.R.S.O.)*

Courtney Bryant, Vanderbilt University

*The Cost of Admission: The Politics of Gender and Inclusion in the Hip Hop Cipher*

Kamasi Hill, Garrett Evangelical Theological Seminary

*Sampling Broken Pieces: Historical Memory and Hip-Hop Aesthetic in the Vinyl Art of Walter Loby Hamilton*

Ilya Merlin, University of North Carolina, Charlotte

*The Cipher: 'It's' Discursive Hierophany and Propensity for Capture*

Joseph Winters, University of North Carolina, Charlotte

*Constructing Constellations: Adorno, Lupe Fiasco, and the Work of the Negative*

Business Meeting:

Monica Miller, Lewis and Clark College

---

### **A23-222**

**Eastern Orthodox Studies Group and SBL Development of Christian Theology Group**  
Mark Weedman, Crossroads College, Presiding

Theme: *Book Review Session: The Unity of Christ: Continuity and Conflict in Patristic Tradition*  
(Yale University Press, 2012)

Saturday - 1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Panelists:

Stephen E. Fowl, Loyola College  
Oliver Crisp, Fuller Theological Seminary  
Brian E. Daley, University of Notre Dame  
Kevin Madigan, Harvard University  
Paul Gavrilyuk, University of Saint Thomas  
George Hunsinger, Princeton Theological Seminary

Responding:

Christopher A. Beeley, Yale University

---

**A23-223**

**Ecclesiological Investigations Group**

Mark Chapman, Ripon College Cuddesdon, Presiding

Theme: *The Managerial Turn and the Thinning of Denominational Identity*

Saturday - 1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Michael Montgomery

*Value Relational Organizational Strategies as a Test Case for the 'Managerial Turn' in Ecclesiology*

Ulla Schmidt, Centre for Church Research

*Church reform, managerialism and Lutheran identity*

Ulrich Schmiedel, University of Oxford

*Economized or Elasticized? Managerialism, Sectarianism, and the Identity of Christianity*

Martyn Percy, Ripon College, Oxford

*Inward Turns in the Church of England: Management as a Function of Organizational Bureaucracy and the Retreat from Institutional identity*

Nell Becker Sweeden, George Fox Evangelical Seminary

*Postdenominationalism and Activism: Re-forming Denominations toward Spaces of Collaboration*

---

**A23-224**

**Feminist Theory and Religious Reflection Group**

Mary Keller, University of Wyoming, Presiding

Theme: *The Self and Other Fictions in Feminist Theory and Religious Reflection*

Saturday - 1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Brandy Daniels, Vanderbilt University

*Building Up and Breaking Down: Sociality, Social Justice, and the Self in Womanism and Feminism*

Susannah Laramee Kidd, Graduate Division of Religion, Emory University

*Struggling with the Text: Beyond Autonomy or Heteronomy in Protestant Women's Reading Practices*

Amy Brown, University of Florida

*Pregnancy and a Feminist Critique of Individualism and Autonomy in Christian and Evolutionary Understandings of Subjectivity*

Elizabeth Pyne, Fordham University

*Ecofeminism After the Poststructuralist Turn: Butlerian Deconstruction and Ethical Eating*

Responding:

Ellen T. Armour, Vanderbilt University

Business Meeting:

Mary Keller, University of Wyoming

---

**A23-225**

**Gay Men and Religion Group**

J. Terry Todd, Drew University, Presiding

Theme: *How to Be Gay (Harvard University Press, 2012) in Religious Studies: David Halperin and His Critics*

Saturday - 1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Panelists:

Kent Brintnall, University of North Carolina, Charlotte

Roger A. Sneed, Furman University

Anthony Hoshaw, Chicago Theological Seminary

Kathryn Lofton, Yale University

Mark Jordan, Washington University

Responding:

David M. Halperin, University of Michigan

Business Meeting:

W. Scott Haldeman, Chicago Theological Seminary

J. Terry Todd, Drew University

---

**A23-226**

**Hinduism Group and Mysticism Group**

Gerald J. Larson, University of California, Santa Barbara, and Indiana University, Bloomington,  
Presiding

Theme: *Mystical Emotion in Hindu Tradition: Bliss, Joy, Wonder and Fear*

Saturday - 1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Stephen Kaplan, Manhattan College

*Is Bliss an Emotion? Is There a Neuroscience of Mystical Literature?*

Alfred Collins, Alaska Pacific University

*Puruṣa's Pleasure: Does Consciousness Experience Emotion in Sāṃkhya/Yoga?*

June McDaniel, College of Charleston

*Shakti Rasas: Wonder, Terror, Love and Complaint to the Goddess Kali*

Sthaneshwar Timalsina, San Diego State University

*Fear and the Orgasmic Self: Transformative Role of Fear in Upaniṣadic Discourse*

Responding:

David P. Lawrence, University of North Dakota

---

**A23-227**

**Kierkegaard, Religion, and Culture Group**

M. Jamie Ferreira, University of Virginia, Presiding

Theme: *Kierkegaard at 200: Thinking Backward, Living Forward*

Saturday - 1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Panelists:

Niels Jørgen Cappelørn, Søren Kierkegaard Research Center

John D. Caputo, Syracuse University  
George Pattison, University of Glasgow  
Eric Ziolkowski, Lafayette College

---

**A23-228**

**Korean Religions Group**

Boudewijn Walraven, Leiden University, Presiding

Theme: *Buddhist Rituals and Seon/Zen in the Chosŏn Dynasty*

Saturday - 1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Suah Kim, Tongmyong University

*The Dharani of One Thousand Hands and Esoteric Rituals in the Late Joseon Dynasty*

Seong-Uk Kim, University of California, Los Angeles

*Ch'oŭi Ŭisun's New Definition of Zen: Affirmation of the Kataphatic Discourse in Zen*

Jongmyung Kim, The Academy of Korean Studies, Korea

*The Sŏn Monk Hyujŏng (1520-1604) and Buddhist Ritual in Chosŏn Korea*

Mi yeon Choi, Korea National University of Arts

*Palatial Buddhist Rituals and the Ch'ŏyong Dance in Chosŏn Korea*

Sung-Eun Kim, Leiden University

*Ritual Monks and Buddho-Confucian Rituals*

Responding:

Pori Park, Arizona State University

Business Meeting:

Timothy S. Lee, Brite Divinity School

---

**A23-229**

**Law, Religion, and Culture Group**

Jenna Reinbold, Colgate University, Presiding

Theme: *Religious Accommodation and Higher Education: Contemporary and Historical Questions*

Saturday - 1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Lauren Kerby, Boston University

*Rethinking Accommodation: Muslim Students and Human Rights at the Catholic University of America*

Rachel Gable, Harvard University

*The Problems with Pluralism: Vanderbilt's All-Comers Policy, Christian Student Groups, and the Battle over What Counts as Discrimination on Campus*

Brendan Randall, Harvard Graduate School of Education

*Open for the Holidays: Religious Accommodation and Cultural Dominance in American Higher Education*

Janet Bordelon, New York University

*Education, Religion and the Politics of Secularization: A Historical Legal Analysis of Bob Jones University vs. United States*

Responding:

Diana L. Eck, Harvard University

Business Meeting:

Kathleen M. Sands, University of Hawai'i, Manoa

Tisa Wenger, Yale University

---

**A23-230**

**Martin Luther and Global Lutheran Traditions Group**

Deanna A. Thompson, Hamline University, Presiding

Theme: *Luther, Apocalyptic, and the Eschaton*

Saturday - 1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Robert O. Smith, Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

*Prophecy, the Pope, and the Turk: Luther's Pastoral Apocalyptic*

Allen G. Jorgenson, Waterloo Lutheran Seminary

*Luther on 1 Corinthians 15: From Eschaton to Eschata*

James G. Kroemer, Marquette University and Concordia University, Wisconsin

*"Doctor Martin, Get Up": Luther's View of Life after Death*

Vitor Westhelle, Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago

*Luther and the Apocalyptic*

Responding:

Barbara Rossing, Lutheran School of Theology

Business Meeting:

Kirsi Stjerna, Lutheran Theological Seminary, Gettysburg

---

**A23-231**

**Native Traditions in the Americas Group**

Lawrence W. Gross, University of Redlands, Presiding

Theme: *Applying the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples*

Saturday - 1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Caroline Old Coyote, Montana State University--Bozeman

*A Historical Look at the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples*

Francine Spang-Willis, Montana State University, Bozeman

*Using the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples to Create a Better Society for All*

Emerson Bull Chief, Montana State University--Bozeman

*The United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, Crow Indian Indigenous Science, and Decolonization*

John Marian, Chief Dull Knife College

*The United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples and Reclaiming Sacred Land*

Responding:

Ines M. Talamantez, University of California, Santa Barbara

---

**A23-233**

**Open and Relational Theologies Group**

Tripp Fuller, Claremont Graduate University, Presiding

Theme: *Emergent Church Explorations*

Saturday - 1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Timothy Murphy, Claremont Lincoln University

*The Emergent Church in its Planetary Context*

Brian Brandsmeier, United Church of Christ

*New Life Through Creative Transformation*

John R. Franke, First Presbyterian Church

*The Pluralist Reformation: Open Theology and the Practice of Emergent Christianity*

Jeremy Fackenthal, Vincennes University

*Process Theopoetics and the Emergent Church: Inviting Collaboration and Relationality*

Callid Keefe-Perry, Boston University School of Theology



*Theological Epistemology in The Emergent Church: A Form of Paul Ricoeur's Relational Attestation*

Sara Rosenau, Drew University  
*Becoming Emergent: Theorizing A Practicing Church*

Responding:

Diana Butler Bass, self-employed/independent  
Philip Clayton, Claremont School of Theology

---

**A23-234**

**Psychology, Culture, and Religion Group**

Kirk A. Bingaman, Fordham University, Presiding

Theme: *Healing and Therapeutic Practices Unmoored from Religious Origins*

Saturday - 1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Pamela Cooper-White, Columbia Theological Seminary, Decatur, GA  
*Gettysburg Ghost Hunters: A Cultural-Hermeneutical Study*

Shenandoah Nieuwsma, UNC-CH

*Exploring a Politics of Healing: Spirituality as a Nonreligious Health Technique in the US Military*

Philip Browning Helsel, Princeton Theological Seminary

*"Universal Life Energy" and the Body of Faith: Negotiating Power and Gender in the Catholic Affiliated Health Care Centers Employing Reiki Practitioners*

Hetty Zock, University of Groningen

*Compassion as a Relational Affect: The Reconstruction of a Religious Virtue into a Psychological Concept*

Ira Helderman, Vanderbilt University

*If a Christmas Tree Falls in a Forest: The Mindfulness Movement in the Buddhist/Psychotherapist Relationship*

---

**A23-235**

**Religion and Science Fiction Group**

Bruce M. Sullivan, Northern Arizona University, Presiding

Theme: *Seen and Unseen: Revelation through Science Fiction*

Saturday - 1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Christopher Dowdy, Southern Methodist University

*Captain America's Black Body: Trauma, Moral Scarring, and Collective Memory in Morales*

*and Baker's Truth: Red, White, and Black*

Andrew Jacobs, Saint Joseph's College, New York

*What is the Sound of Palmer Eldritch Clapping? Philip K. Dick as Zen Master*

George Faithful, Seton Hall University

*Salvation from Illusion, Salvation by Illusion: The Gospel According to Christopher Nolan*

Peter Herman, Georgetown University

*Rotting Corpses in Pulp Horror: Reading Robert Kirkman's The Walking Dead as a Charnel Ground Meditation*

Responding:

Laura Ammon, Appalachian State University

Business Meeting:

Rudy V. Busto, University of California, Santa Barbara

Bruce M. Sullivan, Northern Arizona University

---

**A23-236**

**Ricoeur Group**

Jeffrey F. Keuss, Seattle Pacific University, Presiding

Theme: *Paul Ricoeur and Narrative Identity in a Technological Age*

Saturday - 1:00 PM-3:30 PM

David A. Stosur, Cardinal Stritch University

*"Little Did He Know": Harold Crick's (Ipse-/Idem-) Identity Exploration in Stranger than Fiction*

Kenneth A. Reynhout, Bethel Seminary

*Ricoeur, Evolutionary Science, and Moral Identity*

Sungho Lee, Graduate Theological Union

*A Constructive Comparison between Paul Ricoeur's Critical Hermeneutics and Ian Barbour's Critical Realism in the Field of Science and Religion*

Tara Flanagan, Loyola University Chicago

*The Limits of Narrativity for Patients at the End of Life: The Body, Technology, and the Practice of Accompaniment in Paul Ricoeur's Living Up to Death*

Business Meeting:

Michael DeLashmutt, Luther Seminary

---

**A23-237**

**Ritual Studies Group**

Grant H. Potts, Austin Community College, Presiding

Theme: *Secular Rituals and Social Stratification*

Saturday - 1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Amy Fisher, University of Toronto

*Homelessness and Stuckedness: Rethinking Liminality in an Urban Shelter*

Terry Shoemaker, Western Kentucky University

*Star Spangled Saints: Ritual Practices that Legitimate War and Violence in the American Church*

George Gonzalez, Monmouth University

*The Ritualization of Consumer Capitalism: Catherine Bell's Ritual Theory, Ritual Practice in the Age of Branding*

Andrea Tucker, Vanderbilt University

*Rituals of Mourning and Celebration in the Transgender Day of Remembrance*

Responding:

Jone Salomonsen, University of Oslo

Business Meeting:

Jens Kreinath, Wichita State University

---

**A23-238**

**Roman Catholic Studies Group**

Cristina L. H. Traina, Northwestern University, Presiding

Theme: *Critical Catholic Studies: Scholars Confront the Field*

Saturday - 1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Panelists:

Valentina Napolitana

James Fisher, Fordham University

Peter C. Phan, Georgetown University

Julie Byrne, Hofstra University

Bryan Massingale, Marquette University

Ludger Viefhues-Bailey, Le Moyne College

Manuel A. Vasquez, University of Florida

Business Meeting:

Jeannine Hill Fletcher, Fordham University  
Amy Koehlinger, Oregon State University

---

**A23-239**

**, Secularism and Secularity Group**

Jonathon Kahn, Vassar College, Presiding

Theme: *Is the School a Secular Site?: The Study of American Education, Religion, and Secularity*

Saturday - 1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Jeffrey Guhin, Yale University

*Threatening the Secular Sacred: Public Schools, Naturalist Science, and Modern Gender in Catholic, Muslim, and Evangelical Education*

Leslie Ribovich, Princeton University

*The Religious Popular Constitutionalism of Character Education: Practicing the Religion Clauses through Character Education Programs*

Charles McCrary, Florida State University

*Benjamin Rush's "Republican Machines" and the Naturalization of Religion*

Robert Gross, University of Wisconsin

*Protestant Economists, Catholic Schools, and the Transformation of Educational Competition in Nineteenth-Century America*

Responding:

John Modern, Franklin and Marshall College

---

**A23-240**

**Space, Place, and Religious Meaning Group**

David Simonowitz, Pepperdine University, Presiding

Theme: *Visual Culture, Architecture, and the Mediation of Sacred Landscapes and Identities*

Saturday - 1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Jessica Carr, Indiana University

*"A Worthy Temple": Palestine and Visual Culture in the Jewish Encyclopedia*

Juan E. Campo, University of California, Santa Barbara

*Representation of Sacred Landscapes in Visual Media: A Comparative Look at Two Modern*

*Mass Pilgrimages*

Jennifer Axsom Adler, Vanderbilt University

*Reflecting Revelation: Photography, Theology, and the Spatial Thought of James Wideman Lee (1849-1919)*

Leah Payne, George Fox University

*"A Glorious Symbol": Building a Female Worship Space*

Responding:

Jeanne Halgren Kilde, University of Minnesota

---

**A23-241**

**Theology and Continental Philosophy Group**

Thomas Lynch, Durham University, Presiding

Theme: *Figures of Immanence: Beyond Incarnational Logic*

Saturday - 1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Steven Shakespeare, Liverpool Hope University

*The Ruse in the Cross of the Present: Figuring the Immanent Paradox in Kierkegaard*

Aleksey Dubilet, University of California, Berkeley

*The Political Immanence of Animality: On Georges Bataille's "Left Sacred"*

Daniel Barber, ICI Berlin Institute for Cultural Inquiry

*The Immanent Refusal of Conversion: From Taubes to Malcolm X*

Anthony Paul Smith, DePaul University

*The Real and I: On Hallaj and the Tradition of Islamic Immanence*

Responding:

Beatrice Marovich, Drew University

---

**A23-242**

**Theology of Martin Luther King Jr. Group**

Angela Sims, Saint Paul School of Theology, Presiding

Theme: *Two Score and Ten Years Later - Reflections on the Fiftieth Anniversary of the March on Washington*

Saturday - 1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Jermaine McDonald, Emory University

*Precursor to the Dream: Martin Luther King and the Appeal for a Second Emancipation*

*Proclamation*

Marcia Price, Howard University

*Good Christians, Good Citizens: Dr. King's Theological Imperative for Social Action as a Framework for a Church Response to Youth Violence*

Melissa Matthes, United States Coast Guard Academy

*Sermons, Mourning and the Assassination of Martin Luther King, Jr*

Responding:

Gwendolyn Zoharah Simmons, University of Florida

Lewis V. Baldwin, Vanderbilt University

Business Meeting:

Karen Jackson-Weaver, Princeton University

Stephen G. Ray, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary

---

**A23-243**

**Tibetan and Himalayan Religions Group**

Alyson Prude, University of Wisconsin, Whitewater, Presiding

Theme: *Writing Tibetan Women*

Saturday - 1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Alison Melnick, University of Virginia

*The Literary Life of Jetsün Mingyur Peldrön: The 18th Century Creation of a Public Identity*

Kristen Muldowney, Rubin Museum of Art

*Outward Beauty, Hidden Wrath: Examining the Hagiography of the Dharma Protectress Achi Chökyi Drölma*

Sarah Harding, Naropa University

*Did Machik Lapdrön Really Teach Chöd?*

Peter Faggen, University of Chicago

*Gender, Power, and Authority: Promoting Rigdzin Palmo as Machik Lapdrön in Amdo*

Michael R. Sheehy, Tibetan Buddhist Resource Center and The New School University

*Materializing Dreams and Omens: Narrative Devices in the Autobiographical Writing of the Tibetan Yoginī Trinle Wangmo*

Responding:

Sarah Jacoby, Northwestern University

Business Meeting:

Sarah Jacoby, Northwestern University  
Andrew Quintman, Yale University

---

**A23-244**

**Western Esotericism Group**

Marco Pasi, Universiteit van Amsterdam, Presiding

Theme: *Western Esotericism and Technologies of the Self*

Saturday - 1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Claire Fanger, Rice University

*Care of God as Care of the Self: Theurgy and Theology in John of Morigny's Penitential Visions*

Joshua Gentzke, Stanford University

*Eucharist as Technology of the Self: Jacob Böhme's Interiorization of the Lutheran Sacrament*

Stephen Wehmeyer, Champlain College

*"Yo' Kin Cut All Kinda Tricks" - Crossroad Ordeals, Peavine Drills, and Other Technologies of Self in Afro-American Vernacular Esotericism*

Damon Berry, The Ohio State University

*How Does One Roll Away the Stone? The Question of Hallucinogens and the Magickal Self in Aleister Crowley's "The Psychology of Hashish"*

Erik Davis, Rice University

*Robert Anton Wilson's Profane Illuminations*

Business Meeting:

Cathy N. Gutierrez, Sweet Briar College

---

**A23-245**

**Women of Color Scholarship, Teaching, and Activism Group**

Boyung Lee, Pacific School of Religion, Presiding

Theme: *Pedagogy from the Bottom Up: Religion and Activism(s)*

Saturday - 1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Carolyn Roncolato, Chicago Theological Seminary

*Learning to Learn Differently: Tools for Accountable Relationship between Academic Feminist Theology and Marginalized Women in Poverty*

Altagracia Perez, Claremont School of Theology  
*Community Organizing with Urban Congregations/Religious Organizations: An Analysis of the Social Justice Campaigns' Embodiment and Practice of Liberation Theologies and Liberative Pedagogies*

Deborah Buchanan, Lane College  
*Seeking Cosmological Foundations for Womanist Leadership in Higher Education*

Eboni Marshall Turman, Duke University  
*Teaching Anti-Sexism in the Black Church: Marshaling Womanist Response*

Responding:

Evelyn L. Parker, Perkins School of Theology - Southern Methodist University

Business Meeting:

Grace Ji-Sun Kim, Moravian Theological Seminary

---

### **P23-221**

#### **International Qur'anic Studies Association**

Fariad Esack, University of Johannesburg, Presiding

Theme: *Qu'ran and Gender*

Saturday - 1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Juliane Hammer, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill  
*Equity, Equality, or Hierarchy: American Tafsir on Gender Roles in Marriage*

Kecia Ali, Boston University  
*Destabilizing Gender, Reproducing Maternity: Qur'anic Narratives of Mary*

Marion Holmes Katz, New York University  
*The Ethical Body and The Gendered Body In The Qur'an*

Hamza Zafer, University of Washington  
*The Sons (and Daughters) of Israel: Gender In Qur'anic Negotiations of Jewish Lineage*

Responding:

Aziz al-Azmeh, Central European University, Budapest

---

### **P23-239**

#### **Society for Comparative Research on Iconic and Performative Texts (SCRIPT)**

James W. Watts, Syracuse University, Presiding



Theme: *Teaching Texts: Engaging Iconic and Performative Dimensions of Scripture in the Classroom*

Saturday - 1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Yohan Yoo, Seoul National University

*Heuristic Scripture: Grasping the Significance of Scripture in the Life of Adherents*

Song-Chong Lee, The University of Findlay

*Mapping the Gohonzon*

Jason Larson, Hotchkiss School

*Scripting Icons*

Dorina Miller Parmenter, Spalding University

*Materiality and Orality of the Gospels*

Sarah L. Schwarz, Colorado College

*Students as Scribes*

David Dault, Christian Brothers University

*Forensic Material Scriptural Analysis*

Responding:

S. Brent Plate, Hamilton College

---

### **A23-146**

#### **Tours**

Theme: *Saturday: Washington D.C. Transportation*

Saturday - 12:00 PM-5:00 PM

---

### **A23-147**

#### **Tours**

Victoria Barnett, United States Holocaust Memorial Museum, Presiding

Beverly Janet Goines, The Catholic University of America, Presiding

Theme: *The United States Holocaust Memorial Museum*

Saturday - 12:00 PM-5:00 PM

---

### **A23-300**

#### **Student Lounge Roundtable**

Raj Balkaran, University of Calgary, Presiding

Theme: *How to Thrive in Grad School: The Tips You Won't Find in Your Departmental Handbook*

Saturday - 4:00 PM-5:00 PM

---

**P23-344**

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

Nadine S. Pence, Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion, Presiding

Theme: *Designing Successful Grant Projects*

Saturday - 4:00 PM-5:30 PM

Panelists:

Patricia O'Connell Killen, Gonzaga University

Helen Blier, Association of Theological Schools

---

**A23-311**

**Teaching Religion Section**

Jacqueline A. Bussie, Concordia College-Moorhead, Presiding

Theme: *Naming and Negotiating Christian Privilege in the Religious Pluralism Classroom*

Saturday - 4:00 PM-6:00 PM

Caryn D. Riswold, Illinois College

*Teaching the College Nones: Christian Privilege and Being an Atheist Ally*

Mara Brecht, St. Norbert College

*Pluralism and the Problem of "Soteriological Privilege"*

Krista Hughes, Hanover College

*Idol or Incarnation? Christian Symbols as Barriers and Bridges to the Religious Other*

---

**A23-338**

**Student Lounge Roundtable**

Elizabeth Mary Rohlman, University of Calgary, Presiding

Theme: *Grant-Writing 101: Crafting a Successful Proposal*

Saturday - 5:00 PM-6:00 PM

---

**A23-301**

**Plenaries**

Erik Owens, Boston College, Presiding

Theme: *Pope Francis and the State of Global Catholicism*

Saturday - 4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Panelists:

Joan Chittister, Benedictine Sisters of Erie

Ingrid Mattson, Huron University College at the University of Western Ontario

Ivan Petrella, Universidad Di Tella and Universidad San Andres

Thomas Reese, National Catholic Reporter

George Weigel, Ethics and Public Policy Center

---

**A23-302****Public Understanding of Religion Committee and Religion, Media, and Culture Group**

Kathryn Reklis, Fordham University, Presiding

Theme: *Making (the Study of) Religion Online: New Media and the Study of Religion*

Saturday - 4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Panelists:

Kathryn Lofton, Yale University

Paul Brandeis Raushenbush, The Huffington Post Media Group

Jonathan VanAntwerpen, Social Science Research Council

Jeffrey Sharlet, New York University

Business Meeting:

Sarah McFarland Taylor, Northwestern University

Jenna Supp-Montgomerie, Auburn Media and University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill

---

**A23-303****Publications Committee**

Kimberly Rae Connor, University of San Francisco, Presiding

Theme: *How to Get Published*

Saturday - 4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Panelists:

John A. Knight, Marist College  
Anne E. Monius, Harvard University  
Robert A. Yelle, University of Memphis  
Cynthia Read, Oxford University Press  
Aaron W. Hughes, University of Rochester  
Karen Jackson-Weaver, Princeton University  
Amir Hussain, Loyola Marymount University  
Theodore Vial, Iliff School of Theology

---

**A23-304**

**Status of Racial and Ethnic Minorities in the Profession Committee**

Nargis Virani, The New School, Presiding

Theme: *Racial-Ethnic Demographic Shifts and the Future of American Religions and Politics*

Saturday - 4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Panelists:

David Daniels, McCormick Theological Seminary  
Gastón Espinosa, Claremont McKenna College

---

**A23-305**

**History of Christianity Section**

Joel Carpenter, Calvin College, Presiding

Theme: *Caritas and Colonialism: The Search for Sanctification in a Global Context*

Saturday - 4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Peter J. Yoder, Berry College

*From Conversion to Caritas: Sanctification in the Early Mission Endeavors of the Halle Pietists*

Judith Becker, Leibniz-Institute of European History

*"The Misery of the Poor Heathens Awakened in My Heart:" Basel Missionary Conceptions of Conversion and Sanctification in the Early Nineteenth Century Colonial World*

Mrinalini Sebastian, Lutheran Theological Seminary Philadelphia

*En-texturing the Contact Space: Contextual Transactions between Missionaries and 'Native' Christians*

Andrew Barnes, Arizona State University

*Missions and the Communication of Sanctification: The Example of the Sudan Interior Mission*

---

**A23-306**

**North American Religions Section; Anthropology of Religion Group; Asian North American Religion, Culture, and Society Group; Cultural History of the Study of Religion Group; North American Hinduism Group; Religion in Latin America and the Caribbean Group**

David Hackett, University of Florida, Presiding

Theme: *Placing the Subfield: North American Religions, Religion in the Americas and Beyond*

Saturday - 4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Panelists:

Manuel A. Vasquez, University of Florida

Hilit Surowitz-Israel, Rutgers University

Jennifer Scheper Hughes, University of California, Riverside

Shreena Gandhi, Kalamazoo College

Responding:

Thomas Tweed, University of Notre Dame

Business Meeting:

Julie Byrne, Hofstra University

Sylvester Johnson, Northwestern University

---

**A23-307**

**Philosophy of Religion Section**

Michael Rea, University of Notre Dame, Presiding

Theme: *Atheist (Religious) Experience*

Saturday - 4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Daniel Boscaljon, University of Iowa

*Awed beyond Prayer: Adoration and the Promise of Atheist Religious Experience*

Scott O'Leary, University of Saint Mary

*Mystery or Wonder: On the Impossibility of Atheistic Religious Experience*

J. Sage Elwell, Texas Christian University

*Ecstasy, Terror, and Delirium: Atheism and the Failure of Religious Experience*

Anna Farennikova, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

*Atheist Experience*

Amber Griffioen, University of Konstanz  
*On the Possibility of Atheist Religious Experience*

---

**A23-308**

**Religion and the Social Sciences Section and Critical Approaches to Hip-Hop and Religion Group**

Elonda Clay, Lutheran School of Theology, Chicago, Presiding

Theme: *The Meaning of Methods: Religion in Hip-Hop Meets the Social Sciences*

Saturday - 4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Panelists:

Carol B. Duncan, Wilfrid Laurier University  
John L. Jackson, University of Pennsylvania  
Alton B. Pollard, Emory University  
Margarita Simon Guillory, University of Rochester  
Ralph Watkins, Columbia Theological Seminary

---

**A23-309**

**Religion in South Asia Section and Religion, Film, and Visual Culture Group**

Ellen Goldberg, Queen's University, Presiding

Theme: *Bollywood and Religion*

Saturday - 4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Diana Dimitrova, University of Montreal  
*Indian Cultural Identity in Bollywood during the Late 1990s-2000s*

Kathleen M. Erndl, Florida State University  
*"Repair Almost Anything": Images of Muslim and Indian Identity in My Name is Khan*

Pankaj Jain, University of North Texas  
*Portrayal of Hindu and Muslim Relations in Bollywood*

Aditi Sen, Queen's University  
*The Outsiders: Hinduism and Bollywood Horror Films*

Business Meeting:

Ken Derry, University of Toronto  
Rachel Wagner, Ithaca College

---

**A23-310**

**Study of Islam Section**

Adil Khan, Loyola University New Orleans, Presiding

Theme: *Putting the Prophet to Work: Social, Political, and Religious Dimensions of Literary Depictions of Muhammad*

Saturday - 4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Alfons H. Teipen, Furman University

*The "Poisoning Jewess" Motif in Early Muslim Biographies of Muhammad*

Mimi Hanaoka, University of Richmond

*Dreaming of the Prophet of Islam: The Political Lives of Religious Dreams*

Matthew Hotham, University of North Carolina--Chapel Hill

*"His Minty Breath Was Antidote to Scorpio's Sting": Muhammad's Bodily Ascension in Nizami Ganjavi's Makhzan al-Asrar*

Rachel Friedman, University of California, Berkeley

*The Construction of Prophetic History in Mamlūk Mystical Poetry*

Responding:

Frederick S. Colby, University of Oregon

Business Meeting:

Frederick S. Colby, University of Oregon

---

**A23-312**

**Women and Religion Section**

Kate Ott, Drew University, Presiding

Theme: *Over Forty: The Future of Women and Religion?*

Saturday - 4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Responding:

Su Yon Pak, Union Theological Seminary

Business Meeting:

Nami Kim, Spelman College

Deborah Whitehead, University of Colorado, Boulder

---

**A23-313**

**Bible, Theology, and Postmodernity Group and SBL Biblical Criticism and Literary Criticism**

Andrew P. Wilson, Mount Allison University, Presiding

Theme: *Transfiguration*

Saturday - 4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Jon Stovell, McMaster Divinity College

Beth Stovell, St. Thomas University

*Transfigured Suffering, Transfigured Selfhood: The Transfiguration in Relation to Self, Other, Suffering, and Glory in the Kingdom of God*

Ryan Coyne, The University of Chicago

*Transfiguration and the Event in Heidegger's Paul*

Robert Overy-Brown, Claremont Graduate University

*Transfiguration and Particularity of the Christian Event(s): Reading Between Levinas and Žižek*

---

**A23-314**

**Bioethics and Religion Group**

George D. Randels, University of the Pacific, Presiding

Theme: *Religion, Bioethics Advisory Committees, and National Health Policy*

Saturday - 4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Panelists:

James F. Childress, University of Virginia

Emily Weston Cox, Florida State University

---

**A23-315**

**Buddhism in the West Group**

David McMahan, Franklin and Marshall College, Presiding

Theme: *Creating and Negotiating New Forms of Buddhist Community, Identity, and Practice*

Saturday - 4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Ann Gleig, University of Central Florida

*Hashtag Meditation, Cyborg Buddhas, and Enlightenment as an Epic Win: Buddhism, Technology and the New Social Media*



Scott Mitchell, Institute of Buddhist Studies  
*American Gāthā: Shifting Identities in US Shin Buddhist Music*

Alexander McKinley, Duke University  
*Fluid Minds: Being a Buddhist the Shambhalian Way*

Susan Zakin, University of Chicago  
*The Task of the Translator: Adapting the Wisdom of Chöd for the Modern West*

Business Meeting:

David McMahan, Franklin and Marshall College

---

**A23-316**

**Buddhist Philosophy Group**

Andrew J. Nicholson, Stony Brook University, Presiding

Theme: *What's Wrong with Duality? Classical Pan-Indian Perspectives on Nonduality*

Saturday - 4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Panelists:

Dan Lusthaus, Harvard University  
John D. Dunne, Emory University  
John Nemece, University of Virginia  
Catherine Prueitt, Emory University

Responding:

Mario D'Amato, Rollins College

Business Meeting:

Richard Nance, Indiana University  
Sara L. McClintock, Emory University

---

**A23-317**

**Christian Spirituality Group**

Kristy Nabhan-Warren, University of Iowa, Presiding

Theme: *The Ethnographic Lens and New Approaches to the Study of Christian Spirituality*

Saturday - 4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Susan Ridgely, University of Wisconsin, Oshkosh

*Evangelical Youth Today: Towards a Spirituality of Practice*

Tone Stangeland Kaufman, MF Norwegian School of Theology  
*A Plea for Ethnographic Methods and a Spirituality of Everyday Life in the Study of Christian Spirituality: A Norwegian Case of Clergy Spirituality*

Candy Gunther Brown, Indiana University  
*Feeling is Believing: Pentecostal Prayer and Complementary and Alternative Medicine*

Brett Hendrickson, Lafayette College  
*Restoring the People: Reclaiming Indigenous Spirituality in Contemporary Curanderismo*

Pamela Klassen, University of Toronto  
*The Politics of Protestant Healing: Theoretical Tools for the Study of Spiritual Bodies and the Body Politic*

Business Meeting:

Lisa Dahill, Trinity Lutheran Seminary

---

**A23-318**

**Confucian Traditions Group**

Robert C. Neville, Boston University, Presiding

Theme: *The Neo-Confucian Problem of Evil*

Saturday - 4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Yong Huang, Kutztown University

*Moral Luck and Moral Responsibility: The Cheng Brothers on the Problem of Evil*

Simon Man Ho Wong, Hong Kong University of Science and Technology

*Evil Nature and the Radical Evil—An Example of the Development of Confucianism in Modern Times*

Xiaomei Yang, Southern Connecticut State University

*Wang Yangming on Evil*

On-cho Ng, Penn State University

*Evil, Perfection and Perfectibility: E (Evil) in Li Guangdi's Shan (goodness)-based Philosophical Anthropology*

Responding:

Deborah A. Sommer, Gettysburg College

Business Meeting:

Thomas A. Wilson, Hamilton College  
Yong Huang, Kutztown University

---

**A23-319**

**Contemplative Studies Group**

John Makransky, Boston College, Presiding

Theme: *Subjectivity, Practice, Methodology: Critical Issues in Contemplative Studies*

Saturday - 4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Kenneth T. Rose, Christopher Newport University

*The Recollective Sublime: Religious Universals and Shared Contemplative Landmarks in Yoga, Bhāvanā, and Mystical Theology*

Roger S. Gottlieb, Worcester Polytechnic Institute

*God or Exercise? Medicine or Spirituality? Two questions about Contemporary Yoga*

Arthur Versluis, Michigan State University

*The Challenges of Contemplative Science*

Tara Soughers, Boston University

*Engaging the Saints: Exploring Spiritual Experience through Contemplative Practice*

Margaret Benefiel, Andover Newton Theological School

*Turning the Lens on Ourselves: Epistemological Foundations for Contemplative Higher Education*

Responding:

Robert K. C. Forman, City University of New York

Business Meeting:

Louis Komjathy, University of San Diego

Anne C. Klein, Rice University

---

**A23-320**

**Indigenous Religious Traditions Group and Religions, Medicine, and Healing Group**

Gregory D. Alles, McDaniel College, Presiding

Theme: *Encounters and Exchanges: Indigenous and Other Medicines and Religions*

Saturday - 4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Frank Blibo, Harvard University

*Rationales, Reception and Re-interpretation of Missionary Medicine in Colonial Malawi, 1875-*

1914:Livingstonia

Shin Kwon Kim, University of Oxford

*Religious Etiology of Epidemic Disease: Cholera, Ghost Rite, and Missionary Medicine in Nineteenth Century Korea*

Sarah Dees, Indiana University

*“Old Remedies in New Clothes” : Historical Appropriation of Native American Spiritual and Medical Practices*

Evelyn Efua Arhin-Sam, Florida International University

*Appeasing Nsukwakwa (The River that Cries Anyhow): Indigenous Notions of Community Illness and Women as Healers in a Ghanaian Village*

Hajung Lee, Boston University, Religious Studies

*Lee Je-Ma’s Sasang Constitutional Medicine in Contemporary Dietary Therapy in South Korea*

Responding:

Linda L. Barnes, Boston University School of Medicine

---

**A23-321**

**International Development and Religion Group**

Jill DeTemple, Southern Methodist University, Presiding

Theme: *Evangelicalism and International Development*

Saturday - 4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Shelini Harris, Australian National University

*Evangelical Organizations and International Development Aid: Unholy Marriage?*

Deke Bowman, Eastern University

David Bronkema, Eastern University

Heather Newton, Algonquin, IL

*Towards an Understanding of the Evangelical Sector in International Development*

Responding:

David King, Memphis Theological Seminary

Business Meeting:

Nathan R. B. Loewen, Vanier College

---

**A23-322**

**, Interreligious and Interfaith Studies Group and Transformative Scholarship and**

## **Pedagogy Group**

Diana L. Eck, Harvard University, Presiding

Theme: *Transforming Campus Culture Through Interreligious Learning and Action*

Saturday - 4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Tiffany Steinwert, Syracuse University

Diane Swords, Syracuse University

*Dialogue in Action: Toward a Critical Pedagogy for Interfaith Education*

Eboo Patel, Interfaith Youth Core

Cassie Meyer, Interfaith Youth Core

*Engaging Interfaith Studies Across the Curriculum: From Niche to Norm*

Or Rose, Hebrew College

Jennifer Howe Peace, Andover Newton Theological School

*Interreligious Learning through Relationship Building: A Model of Institutional Transformation at a Rabbinical School and a Seminary*

---

## **A23-323**

### **Jain Studies Group**

Christian Haskett, Centre College, Presiding

Theme: *On the Margins of Jainism*

Saturday - 4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Sarah Pierce Taylor, University of Pennsylvania

*Sacrifice as Metaphor, Sacrifice as Practice: Jinasena's Adipurana and the Medieval Jain Community of the Deccan*

Michael Slouber, St. Mary's College of Maryland

*Love, Violence, and Healing in Jain Tantra: Anecdotes and Analysis*

Lindsey Harlan, Connecticut College

*Jains to the Rescue: On Sati and Jati Saviors of Maharana Raj Singh and his Son, Sultan Singh*

Anne Valley, University of Ottawa

Kamini Gogri, University of Mumbai

*The Everyday Marginal: Ancestor Worship, Goddess Veneration, and Spirit Possession Among Jains*

Responding:

Richard H. Davis, Bard College

Business Meeting:

John E. Cort, Denison University  
Lisa Owen, University of North Texas

---

**A23-324**

**Latina/o Religion, Culture, and Society Group**

Lauren Guerra, Graduate Theological Union, Presiding

Theme: *The Shifting Lenses of Gendering*

Saturday - 4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Harold Morales, Indiana University of Pennsylvania

*Islam, Latinamente: The Triple Bind of Gender, Race, and Religion on Spanish Language News Broadcasting*

Adrian Emmanuel Hernandez-Acosta, Harvard Divinity School

*Your Jotería Speaks in Tongues: Queer Interventions in (the Study of) Latina/o Theology*

Cari Myers, Iliff School of Theology

*Hagar at Woman Hollering Creek*

Robyn Henderson-Espinoza, University of Denver/Iliff School of Theology

*Crossing between and beyond "Machismo" and "Madonna": Reimagining Latina/o Genders*

Maria Frahm-Arp, University of Johannesburg

*I Am Not a Feminist but Am Equal to Any Man in the Work Place*

Business Meeting:

Neomi De Anda, Catholic Theological Union

---

**A23-325**

**Men, Masculinities, and Religion Group and Religion, Affect, and Emotion Group**

Robert A. Atkins, Grace United Methodist Church, Naperville, IL, Presiding

Theme: *Masculinities and Religious Affects*

Saturday - 4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Annie Blazer, College of William and Mary

*Muscular Affect: The Power Team and the Heavy Lifting of Masculine Intensity*

Linda G. Jones

*"With Tender Mercy and Forbearance in Adversity": Affectivity and Masculine Religious*

*Identity in Medieval Andalusí Oratory, Biography, and Adab Literature*

Patrick Blanchfield, Emory University

*Affects of Crisis: Ethics, Paternity, and Pedagogy at the Grave of Schleiermacher's Son*

Heleen Zorgdrager, Protestant Theological University (NL)

*"I Want a Man like Putin": Homophobia and Hypermasculinity in the Affective Politics of the Russian Orthodox Church*

Responding:

Abigail Kluchin, Columbia University

---

**A23-326**

**Practical Theology Group**

Jan Holton, Yale University, Presiding

Theme: *Beyond Single Identity Politics*

Saturday - 4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Nancy J. Ramsay, Brite Divinity School

*Intersectionality/Simultaneity: Theoretical and Methodological Resources for Disclosing and Engaging the Complexity of Social Identities*

Insook Lee, New York Theological Seminary

*The Multiple Religious Identities of Korean and Korean-American Women: A Form of Formless Practical Theology*

Tom Beaudoin, Fordham University

J. Patrick Hornbeck, Fordham University

*Deconversion and Catholic Multiplicity*

Heidi Neumark, Trinity Lutheran Church of Manhattan

Jeremy Posadas, Austin College

*Congregation-Based Community Organizing: Beyond Single-Identity Politics*

Jeanne Stevenson-Moessner, Southern Methodist University

*"So I Lost Africa": At the Intersection of Race, Gender, Age, and Religion*

---

**A23-327**

**Pragmatism and Empiricism in American Religious Thought Group**

Molly Farneth, Princeton University, Presiding

Theme: *Uncanny Bedfellows: Radical Democracy, Pragmatism, and the Messianic*

Saturday - 4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Melvin Lee Rogers, University of Virginia  
*To Awaken His Audience: David Walker and the Prophetic Power of the Appeal*

Ian Ward, University of Maryland  
*Beyond Fugitive Politics*

Vincent Lloyd, Syracuse University  
*"Not Hopeless But Unhopeful": Du Bois the Messianic Pragmatist*

Joseph Winters, University of North Carolina, Charlotte  
*Dewey, Walker, and the Piety of the Uncommon*

Responding:

Jonathon Kahn, Vassar College

---

**A23-328**

**Reformed Theology and History Group**

Suzanne McDonald, Calvin College, Presiding

Theme: *Sanctified by the Spirit*

Saturday - 4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Panelists:

Matthew Myer Boulton, Christian Theological Seminary

Richard J. Mouw, Fuller Theological Seminary

Sue Rozeboom, Western Theological Seminary

Philip G. Ziegler, University of Aberdeen

Business Meeting:

Kang Na, Westminster College

---

**A23-329**

**Religion and Cities Group**

Irene Stroud, Princeton University, Presiding

Theme: *Religion in Cities: Negotiating Culture, Politics and Identity*

Saturday - 4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Jennifer Ortgren, Emory University

*"Girls Just Wanna Have Fun" : The Changing Religious Practices of Urban Women in Udaipur, Rajasthan*



Nathan Schneider

*No Revolution Without Religion: From Occupy Wall Street to the Rolling Jubilee*

Soundarya Chidambaram, Johns Hopkins University

*Sectarianism in the Slums: India's Urban Poor and Their Interactions with the Hindu Right*

Responding:

Helene Slessarev-Jamir, Claremont Lincoln University and Claremont School of Theology

Business Meeting:

Katie Day, Lutheran Theological Seminary, Philadelphia

---

### **A23-330**

#### **Religion and Ecology Group**

Christopher Chapple, Loyola Marymount University, Presiding

Theme: *Biodemocracy: Religion, Democracy, and The Earth Charter in the Twenty-first Century*

Saturday - 4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Mary Evelyn Tucker, Yale University

*The Earth Charter and Journey of the Universe: An Integrated Framework for Biodemocracy*

Heather Eaton, Saint Paul University

*Biodemocracy, Gender and The Earth Charter*

James Miller, Queen's University

*Religion and Biodemocracy in China*

Matthew Riley, Drew University

*The Democratic Roots of the Ecologic Crisis: Lynn White, Biodemocracy, and The Earth Charter*

---

### **A23-331**

#### **Religion and Sexuality Group**

Scott A. Kugle, Emory University, Presiding

Theme: *Shifting Centers, Fluid Identities: Embodiment and the Erotic*

Saturday - 4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Jason James Kelly, Queen's University

*Divine Average: The Erotic Roots of Mystical Humanism*

Erin Dufault-Hunter

*"LUGs (Lesbians Until Graduation)" and Other Apparent Anomalies: How Female Fluidity Challenges both Traditional and Progressive Frameworks of Christian Sexual Ethics*

Sadiyya Shaikh, University of Cape Town

*Breaking Sexual Desire, Bolstering Spiritual Cultivation: Feminist Readings of Al-Ghazali*

Business Meeting:

Monique Moultrie, Georgia State University

---

**A23-332**

**Religion in Europe and the Mediterranean World, 500--1650 CE Group**

Martha Newman, University of Texas, Austin, Presiding

Theme: *History and Political Theology*

Saturday - 4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Stephen J. Shoemaker, University of Oregon

*Eschatology and Empire in Late Antiquity and Early Islam*

Kathleen M. Self, St. Lawrence University

*Personal Bonds: Personhood in Medieval Icelandic Conversion Narratives*

Jessica Andruss, University of Chicago

*The Jerusalem Karaites and the "Community of Israel" in Salmon ben Yerūhīm's Commentary on Lamentations*

Lauren Griffin, University of California Santa Barbara

*The Venerable Bede and Local Memory in Early Modern England*

Alissa MacMillan, Institute for Advanced Study in Toulouse

*An Early Modern Holism: Hobbes, Spinoza, and the Social Self*

Responding:

Constance Furey, Indiana University

Business Meeting:

Constance Furey, Indiana University

Martha Newman, University of Texas, Austin

---

**A23-333**

**Religion, Colonialism, and Postcolonialism Group**

Mark Elmore, University of California, Davis, Presiding

Theme: *Within and Beyond the Nation State: Fashioning Postcolonial Community*

Saturday - 4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Adrian Hermann, University of Munich

*Independent Catholic Churches and Transregional Contacts in Asia around 1900: The Iglesia Filipina Independiente, the Independent Catholics of Ceylon, and the Emergence of an Indigenous-Christian Public Sphere*

Ruth Marshall, University of Toronto

*Speaking in Tongues in the Postcolony: The Political Challenge of Pentecostalism*

David M. Buyze, University of Vermont

*Postcolonial Communities and National Melancholia*

Business Meeting:

Syed Adnan Hussain, University of Toronto

Kathleen Foody, College of Charleston

---

**A23-334**

**Religion, Memory, History Group**

David Reinhart, University of Wisconsin, Whitewater, Presiding

Theme: *Theodicy's Empire: Memory's Performance of Race and Class in American Religion*

Saturday - 4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Jennifer Rapp, Deep Springs College

*The Fugitive Sacred, Race, and History in the Poetry of Natasha Trethewey*

Stephanie Gaskill, UNC-Chapel Hill

*Performing Race and Repentance: The History of Racialized Criminality in Angola's The Life of Jesus Christ Play*

Lisle Dalton, Hartwick College

*Railroad Museums and Public Memory: Sacralizing Industrial History via Narrative and Nostalgia*

C. Hannah Schell, Monmouth College

*Theodicy's Empire: Interrogating the Oklahoma City Bombing Memorial*

Responding:

J. Kameron Carter, Duke University

Business Meeting:

Yuki Miyamoto, DePaul University

---

**A23-335**

**Religion, Sport, and Play Group**

Eric Bain-Selbo, Western Kentucky University, Presiding

Theme: *Morality in Religion and Sport*

Saturday - 4:00 PM-6:30 PM

D. Gregory Sapp, Stetson University

*Image is Everything: The Athlete as Personal Hero*

Ryan Darr, Yale University

*Baseball as a School of Virtue?: A Challenge to the Primacy of Practices in Jeffrey Stout and Stanley Hauerwas*

Carmen Marie Nanko-Fernandez, Catholic Theological Union

*¿El Santo? Baseball and the Canonization of Roberto Clemente*

Cooper Harriss, University of Pittsburgh

*Ali Akbar, or, the Fighter Who Wouldn't Fight: Religion, Violence, and the Body in Muhammad Ali's Nation of Islam*

Responding:

Amy Koehlinger, Oregon State University

Business Meeting:

Rebecca Alpert, Temple University

---

**A23-336**

**Sacred Space in Asia Group**

Brian J. Nichols, Mount Royal University, Presiding

Theme: *Sacred Cities: Urban Buddhism in Modernizing Asia, 1850 - 1950*

Saturday - 4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Anne M. Blackburn, Cornell University

*Seat of the Raj, Space for the Dharma: Colombo in the Late Nineteenth Century*

Matthew King, University of Toronto

*Critique, Complicity, and Reform: The Invention of Buddhism and Mongolia in Ikh Khüree, 1900-1937*

Xia Shi, University of California, Irvine

*Reconfiguring Traditions: Gender, Philanthropy and "Redemptive Societies" in Early Twentieth-Century Shandong*

Gregory Adam Scott, Columbia University

*Shanghai Buddhist Books (Shanghai Foxue Shuju) and Shanghai as a Nexus of Chinese Buddhist Publishing in the 1930s*

Responding:

Zhiru Ng, Pomona College

---

**A23-337**

**Religion and the Literary in Tibet Seminar**

Kurtis Schaeffer, University of Virginia, Presiding

Theme: *Religion and the Literary in Tibet: Year 4*

Saturday - 4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Panelists:

Jann Ronis, University of California, Berkeley

Frances Garrett, University of Toronto

Responding:

Benjamin Bogin, Georgetown University

Lara Braitstein, McGill University

David Germano, University of Virginia

Brandon Dotson, Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München

Roger Jackson, Carleton College

Holly Gayley, University of Colorado, Boulder

Sarah Jacoby, Northwestern University

Jonathan Gold, Princeton University

Nancy Lin, Vanderbilt University

Antonio Terrone, Northwestern University

Janet Gyatso, Harvard University

Nicole Willock, University of Denver

Leonard W.J. Van Der Kuijp, Harvard University

Carl Yamamoto, Towson University

JosT I. Cabezen, University of California, Santa Barbara

Business Meeting:

Andrew Quintman, Yale University

---

**P23-302**

**African Association for the Study of Religions**

Althea Spencer Miller, Drew University, Presiding

Theme: *Sacred Texts and Pedagogy*

Saturday - 4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Mark Osama Ighile, Redeemer's University, Nigeria

*Literature and the Africans' Expression of the Bible*

Yushau Sodiq, Texas Christian University

*How Do Africans Respond to Global Islamophobia?*

Mary Nyangweso Wangila, East Carolina University

*Challenges of Teaching and Researching Religions in Africa*

---

**P23-323**

**International Qur'anic Studies Association**

Michael Pregill, Elon University, Presiding

Theme: *Qur'an and Biblical Literature*

Saturday - 4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Michael Graves, Wheaton College

*Kernel Texts and Prophetic Logia: Biblical and Quranic Scholarship in Dialogue*

David Penchansky, University of Saint Thomas

*Daughters of Deity in the Bible and the Qur'an*

Abdulla Galadari, University of Aberdeen

*Begotten of God: A Quranic Interpretation of the Logos*

David B. Hollenberg, the University of Oregon

*Ships of Faith, Islands of Salvation: Stories of the Prophets as Intra-Sectarian Shi'ite Polemic*

Clare Wilde, University of Auckland

*Quranic Echoes of the Bnay Qeyama*

---

**P23-340**

**Søren Kierkegaard Society**

Christopher Barnett, Villanova University, Presiding

Theme: *Reading Hugh Poyer's The Joy of Kierkegaard (Equinox, 2011)*

Saturday - 4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Panelists:

Hugh Pyper, University of Sheffield  
Steven Shakespeare, Liverpool Hope University  
Paul Martens, Baylor University  
Lee Barrett, Lancaster Theological Seminary  
Andrew Torrance, University of Otago

---

**A23-400**

**Committee Meetings**

John L. Esposito, Georgetown University, Presiding

Theme: *AAR Annual Business Meeting*

Saturday - 6:30 PM-7:30 PM

---

**A23-402**

**Receptions/Breakfasts**

John R. Fitzmier, American Academy of Religion, Presiding

Theme: *Friends of the Academy Reception*

Saturday - 7:30 PM-8:30 PM

---

**A23-403**

**Status of Racial and Ethnic Minorities in the Profession Committee**

Theme: *Racial and Ethnic Minorities' Reception*

Saturday - 7:30 PM-8:30 PM

---

**A23-404**

**Committee Meetings**

Amir Hussain, Loyola Marymount University, Presiding

Theme: *JAAR Editorial Board Meeting*

Saturday - 7:30 PM-8:30 PM

---

**A23-401**

**Tours**

Theme: *Fell's Point Ghost Walk*

Saturday - 7:00 PM-9:00 PM

---

**P23-401**

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

Theme: *Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion Reception*

Saturday - 8:00 PM-9:30 PM

---

**A23-409**

**Plenaries**

John L. Esposito, Georgetown University, Presiding

Theme: *A Lifetime of Learning: An Interview with Diana Eck*

Saturday - 8:30 PM-9:30 PM

Panelists:

Charles A. Kimball, The University of Oklahoma

Diana L. Eck, Harvard University

---

**A23-405**

**Films**

Theme: *Departures (Okuribito)*

Saturday - 8:00 PM-10:00 PM

---

**A23-406**

**Films**

Christopher Carter, Claremont School of Theology, Presiding

Theme: *Soul Food Junkies*

Saturday - 8:00 PM-10:00 PM

---

**A23-407**

**Films**

Michael Pasquier, Louisiana State University, Presiding



Theme: *Water Like Stone: A Portrait of a Louisiana Fishing Village*

Saturday - 8:00 PM-10:00 PM

---

**A23-408**

**Status of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Intersex, and Queer Persons in the Profession**

Theme: *LGBTIQ Scholars/Scholars of LGBTIQ Studies Reception*

Saturday - 8:00 PM-10:00 PM

---

**A23-410**

**Receptions/Breakfasts**

Amir Hussain, Loyola Marymount University, Presiding

Theme: *JAAR Reception for Authors and Board Members*

Saturday - 9:00 PM-10:00 PM

---

**A24-2**

**AAR Midwestern Region**

Forrest Clingerman, Ohio Northern University, Presiding

Theme: *Midwest Regional AAR Board Meeting*

Sunday - 7:30 AM-8:45 AM

Panelists:

Amy Carr, Western Illinois University

Scott Paeth, DePaul University

Thomas Pearson, Wabash Center

Sarah Riccardi, Missouri State University

---

**A24-1**

**Status of Women in the Profession Committee**

Su Yon Pak, Union Theological Seminary, Presiding

Theme: *Status of Women in the Profession Committee Meeting*

Sunday - 7:00 AM-9:00 AM

---

**A24-101**

**Publications Committee**

Kimberly Rae Connor, University of San Francisco, Presiding

Theme: *Meeting*

Sunday - 9:00 AM-11:00 AM

---

**A24-110**

**Philosophy of Religion Section**

Mary-Jane Rubenstein, Wesleyan University, Presiding

Theme: *Genealogies of Religious Philosophies*

Sunday - 9:00 AM-11:00 AM

Liane Carlson, Columbia University

*Beyond the Hermeneutics of Suspicion: Freud, Judaism, and Two Types of Genealogy*

Evan Morse, Yale University

*Wittgenstein's Private Religion: The Influence of James' Varieties*

Walter Eberle, Union Theological Seminary

*Non-Ontotheological Metaphysics: A Whiteheadian Approach to a Violent World*

Michael Slater, Georgetown University

*William James on the Violence of Monistic Metaphysical Theories*

---

**A24-119**

**Bioethics and Religion Group**

George D. Randels, University of the Pacific, Presiding

Theme: *New Examinations of Bioethical Concepts: Language, Rhetoric, and the Patient as Person in Bioethics*

Sunday - 9:00 AM-11:00 AM

Trevor Bibler, VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY

*Biomedical Ethics and Miracles: Toward a Taxonomy of Clinical Miracle Language*

Terri Laws, Rice University

*The Tuskegee Syphilis Study as "Sacred Rhetoric"*

Jamie Beachy, Iliff School of Theology

*Levinas and the Wisdom of Love in Ethical Decision-making*

Amy Michelle DeBaets, Kansas City University of Medicine and Biosciences

*Osteopathic Spirituality and Practice: Toward a More Holistic Bioethics*

Business Meeting:

Laura Kicklighter, Lynchburg College

---

**A24-131**

**Men, Masculinities, and Religions Group**

Garth Kasimu Baker-Fletcher, Texas College, Presiding

Theme: *Soldiers, Abuse, Masculinities, and Moral Injuries*

Sunday - 9:00 AM-11:00 AM

David Bell, Georgia State University

*Conflict, Cognition, and Moral Injury: Understanding Religious Attachments and Cognitive Dissonance as Concatenate Factors in the Experience of Moral Trauma*

Sheila McCarthy, University of Notre Dame

*Moral Injury in Veterans and Survivors of Sexual Violence: A Wound in Need of Spiritual Healing*

Rosemary Blackburn-Smith Kellison, Florida State University

*Situating Moral Injury within Just War Reasoning*

Responding:

Rita Brock, The Soul Repair Center, Brite Divinity School

Business Meeting:

Robert A. Atkins, Grace United Methodist Church, Naperville, IL

---

**A24-134**

**Qur'an Group**

Gordon D. Newby, Emory University, Presiding

Theme: *The Qur'an in Context: Ibn Taymiyya to the Present*

Sunday - 9:00 AM-11:00 AM

Elliott Bazzano, Le Moyne College

*Interpreting the Faith of Pharaoh: An Assessment of Ibn Taymiyya's Qur'anic Hermeneutics*

Rahel Fischbach, Georgetown University

*Politics of Scripture: The (Un)making of a European Qur'ān*

SherAli Tareen, Duke University

*Contesting Pluralism through the Qur'an*

Waleed Ahmed, Georg-August-Universität Göttingen  
*Al-Iklīl fīl Mutashābih wal Ta'wīl and the Formation of Ibn Taymiyya's Scriptural Hermeneutics*

Responding:

Fariad Esack, University of Johannesburg

Business Meeting:

Anna M. Gade, University of Wisconsin, Madison  
Walid Saleh, University of Toronto

---

### **A24-100**

#### **Graduate Student Committee**

Elonda Clay, Lutheran School of Theology, Chicago, Presiding

Theme: *Cultivating Leadership for the New Academy and Civic Engagement: Interrogating Leadership Skills, Styles, and Contexts*

Sunday - 9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Kristy Slominski, University of California, Santa Barbara

*Taking Initiative: Skills for Making Your Own Leadership Opportunities in Academia*

Linwood Blizzard, Boston University

*Prophetic Leadership in the Wake of Tragedy*

Remi Alapo, UTS - The Interfaith Seminary

*Understanding Leadership Styles in a Multi-Cultural Society*

Kyle Schenkewitz, Saint Louis University

*Ignatian Pedagogy and the Cultivation of Graduate Student Leaders*

Emily Michelle Ledder, Emory University

*Public Leadership, Private Religion: Community-Based Advocacy and the Role of Religious and Theological Language*

---

### **A24-102**

#### **Status of Persons with Disabilities in the Profession Committee**

Julia Watts Belser, Georgetown University, Presiding

Theme: *Status of Persons with Disabilities in the Profession Committee Meeting*

Sunday - 9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Panelists:

Deborah Creamer, Iliff School of Theology  
Mary Jo Iozzio, Barry University  
Sharon V. Betcher, Self-employed  
Kirk VanGilder, Gallaudet University  
Darla Schumm, Hollins University  
Judith Plaskow, Manhattan College  
Soraya Shahrak, American Academy of Religion

---

### **A24-103**

**Status of Women in the Profession Committee**  
Kecia Ali, Boston University, Presiding

Theme: *Religion and the War on Women*

Sunday - 9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Panelists:

Natalia M. Imperatori-Lee, Manhattan College  
Shelly Rambo, Boston University  
Erin Runions, Pomona College  
Gabriella Lettini, Starr King School for the Ministry and Graduate Theological Union  
Aishah Shahidah Simmons, AfroLez Productions

---

### **A24-104**

**Arts, Literature, and Religion Section**  
S. Brent Plate, Hamilton College, Presiding

Theme: *Sacred Objects in Secular Museums*

Sunday - 9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Panelists:

Crispin Paine  
Gretchen Buggeln, Valparaiso University  
Sonia Silva, Skidmore College  
Gary Vikan, Walters Art Museum

Business Meeting:

Diane Apostolos-Cappadona, Georgetown University  
Eric Ziolkowski, Lafayette College

---

**A24-105**

**Buddhism Section**

Jamie Hubbard, Smith College, Presiding

Theme: *Millennialism, Eschatology, and the Latter Day of the Dharma*

Sunday - 9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Stuart Young, Bucknell University

*Buddhist Saints for the Precipice of End Times: Indian Patriarchs as World Saviors in China*

April Hughes, Princeton University

*Saviors from Chaos and Destruction: Maitreya Buddha and Prince Moonlight in Dunhuang Manuscripts*

Jacqueline I. Stone, Princeton University

*"First Learn about the Time": Mappō and Millennialism in Nichiren's Thought*

Vesna Wallace, University of California, Santa Barbara

*Millennialism, Śambhala, and Social Utopia as Registers of Time: From India to Tibet and Mongolia*

Mariko Namba Walter, Association for Central Asia and Silk Road Studies

*Buddhist Eschatology - Religious Frontiers between Northwest India and Iran: Maitreya, Buddhist Hells and the End of Dharma*

Responding:

Mark L. Blum, University of California, Berkeley

---

**A24-106**

**Christian Systematic Theology Section**

David Stubbs, Western Theological Seminary, Presiding

Theme: *Practices of the Body of Christ*

Sunday - 9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Anthony Siegrist, Prairie College

*A Worldly Simplicity: Theological Foundations for a Christian Virtue*

Daniel Marrs, Baylor University

Matt Moser, Baylor University

*Prayer as a Christological Mode of Existence*

Timothy Hiller, University of Chicago

*Theologia Crucis and the Spiritual Practice of Reading in Luther*

Michael J. McClymond, Saint Louis University

*The Practice of Holy Tears: Compunction, Theosis, and Union with the Dying and Rising Christ*

Business Meeting:

David Stubbs, Western Theological Seminary

---

**A24-107**

**Comparative Studies in Religion Section**

Steven P. Hopkins, Swarthmore College, Presiding

Theme: *"First There is a Mountain. . . .": Sacred Mountains and "Otherspace" Journeys from Sinai to Tibetan Geza*

Sunday - 9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Eric D. Mortensen, Guilford College

*Invisible Villages & Wild People in the Mountains: Nags myi rgod tales of the Tibetans of Geza.*

Donald K. Swearer, Harvard University

*The Buddha Tours Northern Thailand: A Chronicle View*

Dan Smyer Yu, Council on International Educational Exchange

*Nestling with Gods: Mandalizing Mountains and Sustaining Potency of Place in Amdo*

Gwynn Kessler, Swarthmore College

*Mount Sinai: The Mountain of God*

Responding:

James Robson, Harvard University

---

**A24-108**

**History of Christianity Section**

Trish Beckman, St Olaf College, Presiding

Theme: *Christian North Africa in Late Antiquity*

Sunday - 9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Joel Layton, Graduate Theological Union

*Asceticism as Legal Rebellion in Third Century Carthage*

Melanie Webb, Princeton Theological Seminary

*The City of God and the Ancient Novel: The peregrinator in Augustine's magnum opus et*

*arduum*

Pierson Shaw, University of St. Michael's College, University of Toronto  
*Episcopal Handlaying in the Hippolytan Community in the Third Century; The North African Connection*

Johannes Börjesson, University of Cambridge  
*Maximus the Confessor and the North African Church*

Business Meeting:

Daniel Joslyn-Siemiatkoski, Graduate Theological Union  
Daniel Ramírez, University of Michigan

---

**A24-109**

**North American Religions Section**

Judith Weisenfeld, Princeton University, Presiding

Theme: *Image as Artifact: Discovering the Thingness of Photographs in American Religious History*

Sunday - 9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Rachel Lindsey, Florida State University

*"Weeping at the Truthful Likeness": Sensing Spirits in Ghost Pictures, ca. 1860-1900*

Lindsay Reckson, Princeton University

*"A Little Annunciation Button": Photography and the Electric Chair, ca. 1900*

Sarah Riccardi, Missouri State University

*Capturing the Incorruptible: Sainly Bodies as Digital Relics*

Michael Pasquier, Louisiana State University

*Preservation is Salvation: Documenting and Archiving the Dead in Coastal Louisiana*

Responding:

Sally M. Promey, Yale University

---

**A24-111**

**Religion and Politics Section**

Najeeba Syeed-Miller, Claremont School of Theology, Presiding

Theme: *Political Theology in Comparative Context*

Sunday - 9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Kjetil Fretheim, Norwegian School of Theology



*Kairos in Palestine: Reinterpreting Political Theology*

Elise Alexander, Harvard Divinity School

*The Kingdom of God and al-Hakima Lillah: Rauschenbusch and Qutb Compared*

Betsy Perabo, Western Illinois University

*Political Theology in Time of War: Nikolai of Japan on Patriotism and Orthodoxy*

Émilie Roy, McMaster University

*Moralizing the State through the Education of Pious Citizens: The Political Project of Bamako's Arabisants*

Business Meeting:

Najeeba Syeed-Miller, Claremont School of Theology

---

**A24-112**

**Religion and the Social Sciences Section and Religious Conversions Group and Secularism and Secularity Group and Sociology of Religion Group**

Per D. Smith, Boston University, Presiding

Theme: *Religious "Nones": Understanding the Unaffiliated*

Sunday - 9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Joseph Blankholm, Columbia University

*After Secularization: Formations of a Secular Movement and a Secular Identity*

Alfredo Garcia, Princeton University

*What Encourages the Nonreligious to Organize?*

Daniel Dion, Loyola University Chicago

*Who are the Nones? Deconstructing a Misleading Category*

Brett Esaki, Central Michigan University

*Sociological Factors Influencing Asian American Religious Nones*

Business Meeting:

Gerardo Marti, Davidson College

---

**A24-113**

**Study of Islam Section and Religion, Colonialism, and Postcolonialism Group**

Kathleen Foody, College of Charleston, Presiding

Theme: *Colonialism and Its Aftermath: Reason, Law, and Community in Islam*

Sunday - 9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Brannon Ingram, Northwestern University

*What Does a Tradition Feel Like? Narrative and Affect in the "Normative World" (Maslak) of Deoband*

M. Mohsin Bhat, Yale University

*Religion and "Cultures of Legality": Constitutionalization of Muslim Social Movement Politics in India*

Timothy Gutmann, University of Chicago

*Demands of Progress: Postcolonial Theory and the Idea of Tradition in Modern Egypt*

Ali Altaf Mian, Duke University

*Knowledge in Late Sunni Traditionalism: Genealogy of a Concept*

Fuad Naeem, Georgetown University

*Translating the Islamic Classical Theological Tradition into the Modern Public Sphere: Muhammad Qasim Nanautvi's Philosophical Apologetics*

Responding:

Ruth Mas, University of Colorado

---

**A24-115**

**Teaching Religion Section**

Eugene V. Gallagher, Connecticut College, Presiding

Theme: *Teaching Tactics: Reading*

Sunday - 9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Jill Peterfeso, Guilford College

*Reading Process Journal*

Carolyn Davis, Vanderbilt University

*Collaborative Close Reading (Modified Jigsaw/Tea Party Method)*

Michael Friedman, Georgetown University

*Commentary through Questioning*

Chris Tirres, DePaul University

*Using Smart Marks for Improved Student Reading*

Karen Derris, University of Redlands

*Hearing, Speaking, Reading*

Eileen Daily, Loyola University Chicago

*A Good Discussion Question*

Kathleen Tierney, Stanford University  
*Interactive Small Groups as an Experiential Model for Close Reading*

Lindsay McAnulty, Catholic University of America  
*The Sneak Peek Video*

Business Meeting:

Carolyn Medine, University of Georgia

---

**A24-116**

**Theology and Religious Reflection Section**

Benjamin Valentin, Andover Newton Theological School, Presiding

Theme: *A Premodern Genealogy of Affect Theory: From Affectus to Affect in Medieval Mysticism*

Sunday - 9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Niklaus Largier, University of California at Berkeley  
*Reading, Prayer, and the Production of Affect*

Aleksey Dubilet, University of California, Berkeley  
*On a Mystical Prehistory of Jouissance: On Joy and Suffering in Angela of Foligno and Hadewijch*

Kris Trujillo, U.C. Berkeley  
*The Queer Kiss of God: Affect and Experience in Bernard of Clairvaux*

Niki Clements, Brown University  
*The Ethical Force of the Affective: John Cassian and Late Antique Ethics*

Rachel Smith, Villanova University  
*"Exceeding Intellect": Affect, Persuasion, Dissuasion in "The Life of Christina the Astonishing"*

---

**A24-117**

**Augustine and Augustinianisms Group and Martin Luther and Global Lutheran Traditions Group**

Jennifer Hockenberry, Mount Mary College, Presiding

Theme: *Contemporary Appropriations of Augustine and Luther on Human Agency*

Sunday - 9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Paul Hinlicky, Roanoke College

*Augustine, Luther, and the Critique of the Sovereign Self*

Jesse Couenhoven, Villanova University

*The Augustinian Background of Luther's Bondage of the Will*

Fred Simmons, Yale Divinity School

*Assessing Two Common Contemporary Augustinian Concessions*

Conor Kelly, Boston College

*Insufficient Alone: Combining Niebuhr and Ramsey for an Improved Augustinian Realism*

Responding:

Kari Kloos, Regis University

---

### **A24-118**

#### **Bible in Racial, Ethnic, and Indigenous Communities Group**

Hugh Rowland Page, University of Notre Dame, Presiding

Theme: *Identity, Setting, and Power: Contextual Readings of Biblical Traditions and Tropes*

Sunday - 9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Dexter E. Callender, University of Miami

*Subjectivity and the Other in Prophetic Consciousness: Contextual Reading and the Construction of Identity*

Ariella Werden, Temple University

*Samson and Rastafari Biblical Hermeneutics: A Creative Claim to a Questionable Character*

Christopher Duncanson-Hales, Saint Paul University

*Rastafari Hermeneutics of Word, Sound, and Power: The Bible, National Geographic, and Coronation Day in Addis Ababa*

Responding:

Leslie R. James, DePauw University

---

### **A24-120**

#### **Black Theology Group and Pentecostal-Charismatic Movements Group**

Erica Ramirez, Drew University, Presiding

Theme: *Race and Global Renewal: Mulattic Tongues and Hybridic Imaginations to the Ends of the Earth*

Sunday - 9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Cheryl J. Sanders, Howard University

*Wanted Dead or Alive: A Black Theology of Renewal*

Angela Tarango, Trinity University

*What is an Indian? Native American Pentecostals and Christian Constructions of the “Red Man”*

Paul Lim, Vanderbilt University

*An Asian-American Reformed/Renewal Critical Engagement with Duke University Theologians of Race*

Nimi Wariboko, Andover Newton Theological School

*Pentecostal Theology as a Discursive Site for Weight of Blackness in Nigeria*

Paul Alexander, Eastern University

*Beyond Whiteness: An Anti/Post-White Liberation Reading of the Exodus and Conquest of Canaan*

Néstor Medina, Regent University School of Divinity

*Transgressing Theological Shibboleths: Culture as Locus of Divine Activity*

Responding:

Willie J. Jennings, Duke University

---

#### **A24-121**

**Bonhoeffer: Theology and Social Analysis Group and Christian Spirituality Group and Religion and Humanism Group and Science, Technology, and Religion Group**

Jennifer McBride, Wartburg College, Presiding

Theme: *Bonhoeffer, Eschatology, and Neuroscience: A Conversation with John de Gruchy about his book Led into Mystery (SCM, 2013)*

Sunday - 9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Panelists:

John W. de Gruchy, University of Cape Town

Responding:

Susan B. Thistlethwaite, Chicago Theological Seminary

William T. Cavanaugh, DePaul University

George Hunsinger, Princeton Theological Seminary

---

#### **A24-122**

**Buddhist Critical—Constructive Reflection Group**

Hsiao-Lan Hu, University of Detroit Mercy, Presiding

Theme: *The Storied Self: Buddhist Self, No-Self, and Narrativity*

Sunday - 9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Malcolm David Eckel, Boston University

*Modes of Recognition: Narrativity and Selfhood in Mahāyāna Literature on the Path*

Melissa Anne-Marie Curley, University of Iowa

*Japanese Prison Narratives in Shin Buddhism*

Sharon A. Suh, Seattle University

*Re-Suturing Disrupted Selves: The Use of Koan to Narrate Buddhist Selves in Film*

William S. Waldron, Middlebury College

*Cognitive Construction and Yogācāra Thought: Contrasting Implications of Theories of Unconscious, Cognitive Construction-Only*

Responding:

Mark Unno, University of Oregon

---

**A24-123**

**Comparative Approaches to Religion and Violence Group**

Margo Kitts, Hawaii Pacific University, Presiding

Theme: *Violence as Imagined Empowerment*

Sunday - 9:00 AM-11:30 AM

David Tombs, Trinity College Dublin

*Crucifixion as a Ritual of Power, Desecration and Sexualized Violence*

Andrew Christian Van Gorder

*Let the Darkness Take Away Evil: Recent Muslim and Christian violence in Nigeria*

Torang Asadi, Harvard University

*"The Mai Mai Rape:" Female Bodies and Collective Identities at War in the Eastern Democratic Republic of Congo*

C. Mackenzie Brown, Trinity University

Nupur Agrawal, Trinity University

*The Rape that Woke India Up*

Carl Olson, Allegheny College

*Violence, Power, the Demonic and Indian Asceticism*

Responding:

Mark Juergensmeyer, University of California, Santa Barbara

Business Meeting:

Michael Jerryson, Youngstown State University

---

**A24-124**

**Comparative Religious Ethics Group**

Jonathan Crane, Emory University, Presiding

Theme: *Abrahamic Virtue Ethics in the Public Sphere: New Directions and Problems*

Sunday - 9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Alexander Green, University of Toronto

*Moral Conflict in the Ethics of Levi Gersonides*

Ahmed al-Rahim, University of Virginia

*Virtue Ethics (adab) and the Creation of Intellectual Guild Identity in Medieval Islam: A Conspectus*

Jennifer A. Herdt, Yale University

*Abrahamic Virtue Ethics and the Problem of Particularity*

Geoffrey Claussen, Elon University

*Moral Accounting in the Face of War: A Jewish Perspective on Humility and Policymaking*

Business Meeting:

Elizabeth Bucar, Northeastern University

---

**A24-126**

**Daoist Studies Group**

Elena Valussi, Loyola University, Chicago, Presiding

Theme: *Seeking the American Daoist Master*

Sunday - 9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Lucas Carmichael, University of Chicago

*Gia-fu Feng and the Popularization of Daoism in America*

Elijah Siegler, College of Charleston

David Palmer, University of Hong Kong

*The Alchemical Wedding of Michael Winn: An American Daoist Master Gets Married atop a Sacred Chinese Mountain*

Louis Komjathy, University of San Diego  
*Interpretive Issues in the Study of American Daoist Masters*

Responding:

Jane Naomi Iwamura, University of the West

---

**A24-127**

**Gay Men and Religion Group**

Patrick S. Cheng, Episcopal Divinity School, Presiding

Theme: *Queering Debates on Animal-Human Relations*

Sunday - 9:00 AM-11:30 AM  
Ken Stone, Chicago Theological Seminary  
*The Queer Hermeneutics of 'Carnophallogocentrism'*

Jay E. Johnson, Pacific School of Religion  
*Liberating Compassion and Gratitude: A Theological Anthropology of Enchanting Animals*

Jacob Erickson, Drew University  
*Of Pleasures, Bestial and Divine: Queer Ecotheology and the Animation of Earth Ethics*

Jared Beverly, Chicago Theological Seminary  
*"... members like those of donkeys ...": A Queer Reading of Ezekiel 23*

Responding:

Ellen T. Armour, Vanderbilt University

---

**A24-128**

**Hinduism Group**

Graham Schweig, Christopher Newport University, Presiding

Theme: *Global Hindu Transmissions and Migrations: Cultural Crossings and Generational Connections*

Sunday - 9:00 AM-11:30 AM  
Purushottama Bilimoria, University of Berkeley  
*Criss-Crossing the Pacific Rim: Transmission Process Among Hindu Transnationals*

Abhishek Ghosh, University of Chicago



*Kṛṣṇa-bhakti in the West: Kedarnath Bhaktivinode and Caitanya-Vaiṣṇava Missionaries*

Ferdinando Sardella, Uppsala University  
*Hinduism, Migration and Religious Return*

Jason D. Fuller, DePauw University  
*The Hindu Mega-Ashram: New Vrindaban and the Global Hare Krishna Movement*

Responding:

John Hawley, Columbia University

Business Meeting:

Richard H. Davis, Bard College  
Rupa Viswanath, University of Gottingen

---

**A24-129**

**Indigenous Religious Traditions Group**

Suzanne Owen, Leeds Trinity University, Presiding

Theme: *Reflections on "Indigenous Religious Traditions"*

Sunday - 9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Panelists:

Steve Friesen, University of Texas, Austin  
Jacob K. Olupona, Harvard University  
Ines M. Talamantez, University of California, Santa Barbara  
Philip P. Arnold, Syracuse University  
Jualynne E. Dodson, Michigan State University

---

**A24-130**

**Interreligious and Interfaith Studies Group**

John Makransky, Boston College, Presiding

Theme: *Religious Self / Religious Other*

Sunday - 9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Thomas Reynolds, Emmanuel College

*Theology and Religious Others: The Unity of the Love of God and Neighbor as an Interreligious Hermeneutic*

Jerome Gellman, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev

*A Non-Pluralistic Jewish Theology for Inter-faith Engagement*

Jerusha Lamptey, Union Theological Seminary

*Thinking Differently about Difference: Muslima Theology and Religious Pluralism*

Veena Howard, University of Oregon

*A Method of Questioning and Deep Understanding for Interreligious Peace: A Muslim Prince's Quest for Reconciliation Between Muslims and the "Hindu Other" in 17th Century India*

Cheryl Townsend Gilkes, Colby College

*Echoes, Resonances, and Kinships: Islam, Slavery, and the Construction of Afro-Christian Tradition in the United States*

---

**A24-132**

**Nineteenth Century Theology Group**

Arthur McCalla, Mount Saint Vincent University, Presiding

Theme: *Myth as a Category in Nineteenth-Century Religious Thought*

Sunday - 9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Alexander Hampton, Clare College, University of Cambridge

*Karl Philip Moritz, the Mythologist: Myth as the Idiom for the Absolute*

Matthias Gockel, Friedrich-Schiller-Universität Jena

*Transforming Myth: The Religious Symbolism in Richard Wagner's "Parsifal"*

Jeffrey Morrow, Seton Hall University

*Babylonian Myths and the Bible: The Historical and Religious Context to Loisy's Application of "Myth" as a Concept*

George Williamson, Florida State University

*The Christ Myth Debate: Radical Theology and German Public Life, 1909-1914*

Business Meeting:

Lori K. Pearson, Carleton College

Todd Gooch, Eastern Kentucky University

---

**A24-133**

**Practical Theology Group**

Christian A. B. Scharen, Luther Seminary, Presiding

Theme: *Theories of Change*

Sunday - 9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Ellen Ott Marshall, Candler School of Theology, Emory

*Theology of Conflict Transformation*

Hee-Kyu Park, Claremont School of Theology

*Lamp for My Feet, Light on My Path: Transformation through Biblical Engagement*

Maria T. Davila, Andover Newton Theological School

*"Marching in the Light of God": Defining the Role of Activism in Discipleship*

Annie Hardison-Moody, North Carolina State University

*Transformations in the Aftermath of Violence: Liberian Women's Practices of Healing Post-conflict*

Responding:

Joyce Ann Mercer, Virginia Theological Seminary

Business Meeting:

Kathleen Greider, Claremont School of Theology

Jan Holton, Yale University

---

**A24-135**

**Religion and Food Group**

Whitney Sanford, University of Florida, Presiding

Theme: *Consuming Identity: Religious Food Practices*

Sunday - 9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Vaughn Booker

*Soul Food Cookbooks and African American Religious Practices*

Adrienne Krone, Duke University

*Bean Piety: Religious Foodways of the Nation of Islam*

Jennifer Thompson, California State University, Northridge

*Growing Vegetables and Market Share in the American Religious Marketplace*

Hisako Omori, Meiji Gakuin University

*Commensality, Embodiment, and Ethnic Identity: Gender and Foodways at a Japanese Canadian Church*

Responding:

Benjamin Zeller, Lake Forest College

Business Meeting:

Nora L. Rubel, University of Rochester

---

**A24-136**

**Religion, Media, and Culture Group**

Heidi Ann Campbell, Texas A and M University, Presiding

Theme: *Reflections on Playing with Religion in Digital Gaming*

Sunday - 9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Rabia Gregory, University of Missouri

*Citing the Medieval: Using Religion as World Building Infrastructure in Fantasy MMORPGs*

Shanny Luft, University of Wisconsin at Stevens Point

*Hardcore Christian Gamers: Understanding How Religion Shapes Evangelical Play*

Rachel Wagner, Ithaca College

*The Importance of Playing in Earnest*

Xenia Zeiler, University of Bremen

*Representation Versus Simulation: The Global Mediatization of Hinduism in Hanuman: Boy Warrior*

---

**A24-137**

**Sacred Space in Asia Group and Space, Place, and Religious Meaning Group**

Airen Hall, Syracuse University, Presiding

Theme: *East Meets West: Adapting Sacred Space to New Contexts in India and North America*

Sunday - 9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Jon Douglas Anderson, The Catholic University of America

*The Aum on the Cross: A Hermeneutical Assessment of "Inculturated" Indian Catholic Ashrams*

Marybeth White, Wilfred Laurier University

*Lao Buddhists in Caledon Ontario: Enlivening the Buddha in a New Spatial Context*

Philip Boo Riley, Santa Clara University

*Store Front Churches, Silicon Valley Style?: Buddhists and Muslims Adapting High-Tech Headquarters*

Responding:

Joanne Punzo Waghorne, Syracuse University

Business Meeting:

David Bains, Samford University  
Leonard Norman Primiano, Cabrini College  
Brian J. Nichols, Mount Royal University

---

**A24-138**

**Scriptural/Contextual Ethics Group**

Rachel Mikva, Chicago Theological Seminary, Presiding

Theme: *The Use (and Abuse) of Texts for Ethics: A Comparative Conversation*

Sunday - 9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Syed Rizwan Zamir, Davidson College

*Reviving a Lost Tradition of Islamic Ethical Reflection: The Case for Islamic Narrative Ethics*

Craig Iffland, University of Notre Dame

*Ethics and the Literalist Approach to Scripture: Aquinas on Romans 13:1-7*

Helen Mesard, University of Virginia

*Theological Humanism and Ethically Productive Interpretation*

Daniel Weiss, University of Cambridge

*Imitation of Scripture? Preserving the Distinction between God's Agency and Human Agency in Classical Rabbinic Ethics*

Responding:

Samuel Brody, University of Chicago

Business Meeting:

Emily Filler, University of Virginia

---

**A24-139**

**World Christianity Group**

Akin Akinade, Georgetown University, Presiding

Theme: *(Re)Negotiating Identity and Belonging in World Christianity*

Sunday - 9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Corey Williams, University of Edinburgh

*Religious Bricolage and Typology: The Case of Chrislam in Nigeria*

Francis Ching-Wah Yip, Divinity School of Chung Chi College, The Chinese University of

Hong Kong

*Chinese Protestants' Strategies of Adaptation to Popular and Political Religion*

Hans Gustafson, Saint John's University (MN) and the University of St. Thomas (MN)

*Revisiting the Multiple Religious Belonging of Nicholas Black Elk in the Context of the Catholic Sacramental Imagination*

Tim Hartman, University of Virginia

*Are We All Syncretists?: Rethinking Christian Identity with Barth and Bediako*

Jonathan A. Seitz, Taiwan Theological Seminary

*Religious Dualism and the Problem of Dual-Religious Identity: Methodologies and Field Studies from Ghana and Hong Kong*

Business Meeting:

Jane Carol Redmont, World Council of Churches

---

**A24-140**

**Yoga in Theory and Practice Group**

Stuart R. Sarbacker, Oregon State University, Presiding

Theme: *Engaging the Jungle Physician: Hermeneutics and Practice in Patañjali's Yogasūtra*

Sunday - 9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Stephanie Corigliano, Boston College

*Love and Detachment: Developing the Rhetoric of Modern Yoga*

Daniella Vaclavik, Florida International University

*Defining Īśvara: A New Perspective in the Hermeneutics of Patañjala Yoga*

Christopher Chapple, Loyola Marymount University

*Powers and Freedom: Reading to the End of Patañjali's Yogasūtra*

Responding:

John R. B. Campbell, University of Virginia

---

**P24-203**

**African Association for the Study of Religions**

Teresia Mbari Hinga, Santa Clara University, Presiding

Theme: *Migrations: Internal and Global*

Sunday - 9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Panelists:

Esther Acolatse, Duke University  
Nasir Baba, Usmanu Danfodiyo University  
E. Obiri Addo, Drew University  
Damaris S. Parsitau, Egerton University

---

#### **A24-141**

##### **Plenaries**

Laurie Zoloth, Northwestern University, Presiding

Theme: *Presidential Address: John Esposito*

Sunday - 11:45 AM-12:45 PM

Panelists:

John L. Esposito, Georgetown University

---

#### **A24-142**

##### **Status of Racial and Ethnic Minorities in the Profession Committee and Status of Women in the Profession Committee**

Michele Saracino, Manhattan College, Presiding

Theme: *Women's Mentoring Lunch*

Sunday - 11:45 AM-12:45 PM

Panelists:

Michele Saracino, Manhattan College

---

#### **A24-200**

##### **Status of Persons with Disabilities in the Profession Committee**

Julia Watts Belser, Georgetown University, Presiding

Theme: *The Status of People with Disabilities in the Profession: An Invitation to Conversation*

Sunday - 1:00 PM-2:30 PM

Panelists:

Judith Plaskow, Manhattan College  
Mary Jo Iozzio, Barry University  
Sharon V. Betcher, Self-employed  
Kirk VanGilder, Gallaudet University  
Darla Schumm, Hollins University  
Deborah Creamer, Iliff School of Theology

---

**A24-201**

**Student Lounge Roundtable**

Amir Hussain, Loyola Marymount University, Presiding  
Aaron W. Hughes, University of Rochester, Presiding  
April Favara, Iliff School of Theology and University of Denver, Presiding

Theme: *Publishing Options for Graduate Students*

Sunday - 1:00 PM-2:30 PM

---

**A24-202**

**Teaching and Learning Committee**

Besheer Mohamed, Pew Research Center Forum on Religion and Public Life, Presiding

Theme: *Pew Research Center Resources for Teaching Religion*

Sunday - 1:00 PM-2:30 PM

Panelists:

Lerone Martin, Wake Forest University  
Ellen Posman, Baldwin Wallace University  
Phillip Connor, Pew Research Center

---

**A24-203**

**Women's Lounge Roundtable**

Su Yon Pak, Union Theological Seminary, Presiding

Theme: *Listening*

Sunday - 1:00 PM-2:30 PM

Panelists:

Su Yon Pak, Union Theological Seminary

---

**A24-204**



**Exploratory Sessions**

Carole Dale Spencer, Earlham School of Religion, Presiding  
Ben Pink Dandelion, University of Birmingham, UK, Presiding

Theme: *Book Review Session on The Oxford Handbook of Quaker Studies (2013)*

Sunday - 1:00 PM-2:30 PM

Panelists:

Matthew Hedstrom, University of Virginia  
Ann K. Riggs, Friends Theological College

Responding:

Stephen Ward Angell, Earlham School of Religion

---

**A24-205****Exploratory Sessions**

Shalahudin Kafrawi, Hobart and William Smith Colleges, Presiding

Theme: *Interreligious Reflections on Immigration*

Sunday - 1:00 PM-2:30 PM

Panelists:

Allen G. Jorgenson, Waterloo Lutheran Seminary  
Muhammad Shafiq, Nazareth College

Responding:

Laura Alexander, University of Virginia

Business Meeting:

Alexander Y. Hwang, Brescia University

---

**A24-206****Exploratory Sessions**

Rita Brock, The Soul Repair Center, Brite Divinity School, Presiding

Theme: *Moral Injury and the Civic Role of Religion in Soul Repair*

Sunday - 1:00 PM-2:30 PM

Panelists:

Coleman A. Baker, Brite Divinity School, Texas Christian University  
Elizabeth Margaret Bounds, Emory University  
Herman Keizer, Brite Divinity School  
Gabiella Lettini, Starr King School for the Ministry and Graduate Theological Union  
Nancy J. Ramsay, Brite Divinity School  
Sarah Shirley, FL Air National Guard; Futurehope Advisors, LLC

---

**A24-207**

**Wildcard Session**

Eric Weed, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary, Presiding

Theme: *Critical Whiteness Studies and Theology*

Sunday - 1:00 PM-2:30 PM

Panelists:

James W. Perkinson, Ecumenical Theological Seminary  
Willie J. Jennings, Duke University  
Jennifer Harvey, Drake University  
Brian Bantum, Seattle Pacific University  
Marc Boswell, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary  
James McLeod, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary  
Beverly Mitchell, Wesley Theological Seminary

---

**A24-208**

**Wildcard Session**

Darby Ray, Bates College, Presiding

Theme: *Religion, Theology, and Class*

Sunday - 1:00 PM-2:30 PM

Panelists:

Gary J. Dorrien, Union Theological Seminary and Columbia University  
Pui Lan Kwok, Episcopal Divinity School  
Stephanie Y. Mitchem, University of South Carolina  
Santiago H. Slabodsky, Claremont School of Theology and Claremont Graduate School  
Susan B. Thistlethwaite, Chicago Theological Seminary

Responding:

Joerg Rieger, Southern Methodist University

---

**A24-209**

**Arts, Literature, and Religion Section**

Theme: *"Has Fiction Lost Its Faith?": A Response to the New York Times Book Review*

Sunday - 1:00 PM-2:30 PM

Matthew Potts, Harvard University

*"There is No God and We are His Prophets": Cormac McCarthy and Christian Faith*

Mara Willard, Harvard University

*"It Was a Mercy": Toni Morrison on Religion and the Visibility of the Good*

Paul J. Contino, Valparaiso University

*On Faith and Fiction: A Response to Paul Elie*

Richard A. Rosengarten, University of Chicago Divinity School

*Manners Mysterious: Flannery O'Connor on Faith and Fiction*

Larry D. Bouchard, University of Virginia

*What Counts as "Faith" in Fiction? Ian McEwan's Saturday (Nan A. Talese, 2005) and Paul Harding's Tinkers (Bellevue Literary Press, 2009)*

Responding:

Stephanie Paulsell, Harvard Divinity School

---

**A24-210**

**History of Christianity Section**

Ralph Keen, University of Illinois at Chicago, Presiding

Theme: *Law and Legal Processes in Christian History*

Sunday - 1:00 PM-2:30 PM

Maria Doerfler, Duke University

*Christ and the Courts of Rome: The Pericope Adulterae in Late Ancient Judicial Theology.*

Brian Hamilton-Vise, University of Notre Dame

*Naturalizing Private Property: An Outline of a Medieval Legal Shift*

Emma Anderson, University of Ottawa

*The Jesuit Martyrs and American Catholic Identity*

---

**A24-211**

**Religion and the Social Sciences Section**

Gerardo Marti, Davidson College, Presiding

Theme: *Religion on the Edge: De-centering and Re-centering the Sociology of Religion* (Oxford University Press, 2012)

Sunday - 1:00 PM-2:30 PM

Panelists:

Melissa M. Wilcox, Whitman College  
David Harrington Watt, Temple University

Responding:

Courtney Bender, Columbia University  
Wendy Cadge, Brandeis University

---

**A24-213**

**Teaching Religion Section and African Diaspora Religions Group**

Maha Marouan, University of Alabama, Presiding

Theme: *Teaching African Diaspora Religions*

Sunday - 1:00 PM-2:30 PM

Panelists:

Carolyn Medine, University of Georgia  
Elias Kifon Bongmba, Rice University

---

**A24-214**

**Women and Religion Section and Gay Men and Religion Group and Lesbian-Feminist Issues in Religion Group and Men, Masculinities, and Religion Group and Womanist Approaches to Religion and Society Group and Women of Color Scholarship, Teaching, and Activism**

Deborah Whitehead, University of Colorado, Boulder, Presiding

Theme: *Approaches to Teaching Religion, Gender, and Sexuality*

Sunday - 1:00 PM-2:30 PM

---

**A24-215**

**Childhood Studies and Religion Group**

Jennifer Caplan, Syracuse University, Presiding

Theme: *Heroes, Heroines and Heritage: Imagining the Child in Texts for American Jewish Children*

Sunday - 1:00 PM-2:30 PM

Laura Tomes, Georgetown University

*Teaching Torah in a Post-Wellhausen World: Anthropologies of Childhood in Nineteenth Century American Jewish Bible Textbooks*

Jodi Eichler-Levine, University of Wisconsin Oshkosh

*Trolls, Talmudists, and Teens in Jewish Graphic Novels*

Joshua Furman, University of Maryland

*Illustrating Identity: Representing American Jewishness in Educational Comic Strips, 1945-1967*

Samira Mehta, Emory University

*Jewish or Jew-ish?: Lessons in Jewish Identity in Children's Books for Interfaith Families*

Responding:

Jonathan Krasner, Hebrew Union College and Jewish Institute of Religion

---

**A24-216**

**Cognitive Science of Religion Group**

Robert N. McCauley, Emory University, Presiding

Theme: *New Quantitative Approaches to the Study of Religious Texts*

Sunday - 1:00 PM-2:30 PM

Ryan Nichols, Cal State Fullerton

Carson Logan, University of British Columbia

Raza Rizvi, California State University, Fullerton

Justin Lynn, California State University, Fullerton

*In the Beginning Was The Word: A Quantitative Analysis of Sermons Across 12 Protestant Denominations*

Wesley Wildman, Boston University

Charles Nunn

Jeffrey Edmonds

Luke Matthews

*Phylogenetic and Social Network Techniques for Explaining the Diffusion of Religious Ideas*

Edward Slingerland, University of British Columbia

*Durkheim with Data: A Massive Database Approach to Testing Functionalist Theories of Religion*

---

**A24-217**

**Confucian Traditions Group**

Catherine Hudak Klancer, Boston University, Presiding

Theme: *Is What You Do Who You Are? Roles and Agency in Confucian Society*

Sunday - 1:00 PM-2:30 PM

Brian Loh, Boston University

*Confucian Ritual and Role as Agency*

Catherine Klancer, Boston University

*Daughters, Wives, Mothers – And Lawyers? Confucianism, Women's Roles, and Empowerment*

Cheryl Cottine, Indiana University

*When Roles Conflict: A Confucian Response*

Keith Knapp, The Citadel

*Fathers, The Neglected Parent in Early Medieval China*

Responding:

Thomas A. Wilson, Hamilton College

---

**A24-218**

**Contemporary Pagan Studies Group**

Chas Clifton, Colorado State University, Pueblo, Presiding

Theme: *What Is Wrong with Pagan Studies? Critiquing Methodologies*

Sunday - 1:00 PM-2:30 PM

Nikki Bado, Iowa State

*Dancing in a Universe of Lights and Shadows*

Amy Hale, St. Petersburg College

*Navigating Praxis: Pagan Studies vs. Esoteric Studies*

Michael York, Academy for Cultural and Educational Studies, London

*An Intersubjective Critique of A Critique of Pagan Scholarship*

Responding:

Shawn Arthur, Appalachian State University

---

**A24-219**

**Ecclesiological Investigations Group and Vatican II Studies Group**

Bradford E. Hinze, Fordham University, Presiding

Theme: *The Ecclesiological Turn of Vatican II: Sacramentality, Authority, Culture*

Sunday - 1:00 PM-2:30 PM

Dennis Doyle, University of Dayton

*The 1963 Draft of Lumen Gentium in the Light of Semmelroth's Contributions and Commentaries: What Was There and What was Still to Come?*

Judith Gruber, Loyola University New Orleans

*Re-Reading the Council's Ecclesiology after the Cultural Turn*

Brianne Jacobs, Fordham University

*Title: That All Might Be Subjects: Hierarchical Authority After Vatican II*

Richard Gaillardetz, Boston College

*Vatican II and the Emergence of a Noncompetitive Theology of the Church*

---

**A24-220**

**Latina/o Religion, Culture, and Society Group**

Sammy Alfaro, Grand Canyon University, Presiding

Theme: *Pueblos y los Espíritus de la Tierra*

Sunday - 1:00 PM-2:30 PM

Rebecca Tatum, Union Theological Seminary

*Environment and Faith, or Faith and Environment? A Story from Amazonas, Brazil*

Daniel Rodriguez, Pepperdine University

*Promised Land or Egypt: The United States from a Hispanic Evangelical Perspective*

Mary Louise Stone, California Institute of Integral Studies

*Andean Panpipes: Communing with the Spirit World*

---

**A24-221**

**Law, Religion, and Culture Group**

Cassie Adcock, Washington University, Saint Louis, Presiding

Theme: *Legal Pluralism in the Islamic World*

Sunday - 1:00 PM-2:30 PM

Gregory Mack, McGill University

*The Saudi Law of Hisbah and Its Enforcement by the Muhtasib*

J. Barton Scott, Montana State University

*Secularism Hurts: Law and Religious "Feeling" in Late Colonial India*

Nina Birgitte Hoel, University of KwaZulu-Natal

*South African Muslim Women's Intra-Islamic Debates on the Muslim Marriages Bill*

---

**A24-222**

**Music and Religion Group and Religion, Film, and Visual Culture Group**

John Lyden, Grand View University, Presiding

Theme: *Hearing Images: Film Music, Meaning-Making, and Lived Religion*

Sunday - 1:00 PM-2:30 PM

Panelists:

Kutter Callaway, Fuller Theological Seminary

Vaughan Roberts, Collegiate Church of St Mary, Warwick

Responding:

Philip Stoltzfus, University of St. Thomas

Clive Marsh, University of Leicester

Maeve Louise Heaney, Santa Clara University

Rebecca Ver Straten-McSparran, King's College London, UK

---

**A24-223**

**Mysticism Group**

Jason N. Blum, Presiding

Theme: *Per Aspera ad Astra: Mystical Journeys Across Traditions*

Sunday - 1:00 PM-2:30 PM

Matthew Dillon, Rice University

*Towards a Hermeneutics of Visionary Memory: Theorizing Ekstasis in Dialogue with Carl Jung's The Red Book.*

John Bugbee, Mount Saint Mary's University

*Dante's Mysticism of Cooperation*

Scott Girdner, Old Dominion University



*Abraham's Journey: al-Ghazali's Mystical Synthesis of Traditionalist and Rationalist Sources and the Dynamics of Scriptural Mysticism*

Responding:

Thomas Cattoi, Graduate Theological Union

---

**A24-224**

**North American Hinduism Group and Tantric Studies Group**

Loriliai Biernacki, University of Colorado, Boulder, Presiding

Theme: *Forging New Directions: American Hindu Tantra*

Sunday - 1:00 PM-2:30 PM

Panelists:

Christa Schwind, University of Denver/Iliff School of Theology

Lola L. Williamson, Millsaps College

Amanda Lucia (Huffer), University of California, Riverside

Responding:

Hugh B. Urban, Ohio State University, Columbus

---

**A24-225**

**Religion and Humanism Group**

Glenn Whitehouse, Florida Gulf Coast University, Presiding

Theme: *Humanism, Sustainability, and Environmentalism*

Sunday - 1:00 PM-2:30 PM

Verna Marina Ehret, Mercyhurst University

*From Consumption to Sustainability: Transforming the Narratives of Humanity and Nature*

Maria Antonaccio, Bucknell University

*Humanism and the Cultural Logic of Sustainability*

Kristel Clayville, University of Chicago

*History in the Environmental Ethics of Hans Jonas and Bill McKibben: A Study in Continuity and Change*

Kevin Aho, Florida Gulf Coast University

*Heideggerian Reflections on a Nondual Ecology*

Business Meeting:

W. David Hall, Centre College

---

**A24-226**

**Science, Technology, and Religion Group**

James Haag, Suffolk University, Presiding

Theme: *Terrence Deacon's Incomplete Nature (W. W. Norton & Company, 2011)*

Sunday - 1:00 PM-2:30 PM

Brian Green, Santa Clara University

*Catholic Thomistic Natural Law and Terrence Deacon's Incomplete Nature: A Match Made in Heaven?*

Adam Pryor, Bethany College

*Making Parts into Wholes: Terrence Deacon's Critique of Mereology*

Nathaniel Barrett, Universidad de Navarra

*Axiological Metaphysics and Deacon's Incomplete Nature: In What Sense Does Value Emerge?*

---

**A24-227**

**Theology and Continental Philosophy Group**

Eric Boynton, Allegheny College, Presiding

Theme: *Rereading Hegel: Deleuze, Malabou, Zizek*

Sunday - 1:00 PM-2:30 PM

Yountae An, Drew University

*Little Time for Grief: The Unexplored Abyss of Zizek's Hegelianism*

Elijah Prewitt-Davis, Drew University

*Admitting a Certain Fear of Zizek's Theology: A Modest Plea for a Deleuzian Reading of the Death of God*

Thomas Lynch, Durham University

*Plasticity and Apocalypticism: Hegel, Taubes and Malabou*

---

**A24-228**

**Tibetan and Himalayan Religions Group**

Nicole Willock, University of Denver, Presiding

Theme: *The Ambivalence of Violence*

Sunday - 1:00 PM-2:30 PM

Panelists:

Elliot Sperling

Carl Yamamoto, Towson University

Brandon Dotson, Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München

Responding:

Jacob Dalton, UC Berkeley

---

**A24-229**

**Tillich: Issues in Theology, Religion, and Culture Group**

Sharon Peebles Burch, Interfaith Counseling Center, Presiding

Theme: *Contemporary Applications of Paul Tillich's Theology*

Sunday - 1:00 PM-2:30 PM

Mike Grimshaw, University of Canterbury

*The Irrelevance and Relevance of the Radical, Impure Tillich*

Samantha Lyon, Boston University

*No Shallow Beauty: A Reinterpretation of Anthropocentrism in Paul Tillich's Theology of Nature*

Michael Turner, University of Chicago

*A Failure to Communicate? A Tillichian Approach to the Symbolism in Cool Hand Luke*

Alexander Blondeau, Luther Theological Seminary, St. Paul

*Intimacy Through Self-Loss: Intersections in the Paradoxical Soteriologies of Paul Tillich and Sebastian Moore*

Business Meeting:

Russell Re Manning, University of Aberdeen

---

**A24-230**

**Wesleyan Studies Group**

Priscilla Pope-Levison, Seattle Pacific University, Presiding

Theme: *Wesleyan Identity In Black Methodist Perspective: A Historical And Constructive Theological Conversation*

Sunday - 1:00 PM-2:30 PM

Dennis C. Dickerson, Vanderbilt University

*Wesleyan Identity In Black Methodist Perspective: A Historical And Constructive Theological Conversation*

Responding:

F. Douglas Powe, Saint Paul School of Theology

Jason Vickers, United Theological Seminary

---

**A24-231**

**Contemporary Islam Group**

Kristian Petersen, Gustavus Adolphus College, Presiding

Theme: *Media of Muslim Public Morality*

Sunday - 1:00 PM-2:30 PM

Etin Anwar, Hobart and William Smith Colleges

*Engendering the Commons: From Masculine to Public Good*

Jairan Gahan, University of Toronto

*The Force of Morality: A History of Prostitution in Contemporary Iran*

Yasmin Moll, New York University

*Translating Islam: The Cultural Politics of Subtitling in Transnational Islamic Television*

Responding:

Karen Ruffle, University of Toronto

---

**A24-212**

**Study of Judaism Section**

Jonathan Crane, Emory University, Presiding

Theme: *Jewish Identities and Critical Theory: The Political Significance of Conceptual Categories*

Sunday - 1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Panelists:

Irene Silverblatt, Duke University

Jonathan Boyarin, University of North Carolina

Sarah Imhoff, Indiana University

Aaron Gross, University of San Diego

Jay Geller, Vanderbilt Divinity School

Shana Sippy, Carleton College  
Annalise Glauz-Todrank, Wake Forest University

Business Meeting:

Sarah Imhoff, Indiana University  
Shaul Magid, Indiana University, Bloomington

---

**P24-229**

**International Qur'anic Studies Association**

Brannon M. Wheeler, United States Naval Academy, Presiding

Theme: *Modern Muslim Critics of Bible and Isra'iliyyat*

Sunday - 1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Gabriel Said Reynolds, University of Notre Dame Department of Theology  
*Reading the Bible with Ahmad Deedat*

Michael Pregill, Elon University  
*Modern Critics of Isra'iliyyat and the Problem of Isma'*

Younus Mirza, Allegheny College  
*Abridging the Isra'iliyyat: Shaykh Ahmad Shakir's (d.1377/1958) Summary of Tafsir Ibn Kathir*

Roberto Tottoli, Universita degli Studi di Napoli l'Orientale  
*Isra'iliyyat: A Tool of Muslim Exegesis and Western Studies*

---

**P24-240**

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

Robyn Walsh, Brown University, Presiding

Theme: *Revisiting "Community" in Early Christianity: Problems and Prospects*

Sunday - 1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Halvor Moxnes, University of Oslo  
*Imagining Early Christian Communities: Tracing the Nineteenth Century Roots of a Social Model*

Sarah Rollens, University of Toronto  
*The Kingdom of God is among You: The Scholarly Fixation on a Q Community*

Richard Last, University of Toronto  
*Gaius, the Guest of Paul, and the Whole Church (Rom 16:23)*

Stanley Stowers, Brown University

*Imagining the Social Formations of Paul and His Romans*

AnneMarie Luijendijk, Princeton University, Department of Religion  
*The Concept of "Community" and Papyrological Evidence: Oxyrhynchus and Antinoë as Case Studies*

---

**P24-a127**

**Journal of Feminist Studies in Religion**

Elisabeth Schüssler Fiorenza, Harvard University, Presiding

Theme: *Comparative Feminist Studies of Scriptures*

Sunday - 1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Rachel Adelman, Hebrew College

*Reading Trans-Gender and Across Genre: Rabbinic Midrash and Feminist Hermeneutics on Esther*

Karen Derris, University of Redlands

*Politics of Mothering in Theravada Buddhism: Interpretive Choices in Reading Pali Canonical and Commentarial Sources*

Wil Gafney, Lutheran Theological Seminary at Philadelphia

*A Womanist Hermeneutic, Reading From, With and For A Black Christian Community*

Aysha Hidayatullah, University of San Francisco

*Challenges to the Broad Acceptance of Muslim Feminist Hermeneutics in Muslim Communities*

Karen Pechilis, Drew University

*Devotional Subjectivity and the Fiction of Femeness: Feminist Hermeneutics and the Articulation of Difference*

---

**A24-250**

**Student Lounge Roundtable**

W. David Hall, Centre College, Presiding

Devorah Schoenfeld, Loyola University, Chicago, Presiding

Theme: *Tips for Finding Academic Employment: Beyond Publish or Perish*

Sunday - 3:00 PM-4:00 PM

---

**A24-251**

**International Connections Committee**

Amy L. Allocco, Elon University, Presiding

Theme: *The Partnership between the American Academy of Religion and the International Association for the History of Religions (IAHR) - How It Can Benefit You*

Sunday - 3:00 PM-4:30 PM

Panelists:

Tim Jensen, University of Southern Denmark  
Rosalind I. J. Hackett, University of Tennessee, Knoxville

---

**A24-252**

**Public Understanding of Religion Committee**

Michael Kessler, Georgetown University, Presiding  
Wendell Berry, Port Royal, Kentucky, Presiding

Theme: *The Marty Forum: Wendell Berry*

Sunday - 3:00 PM-4:30 PM

Panelists:

Norman Wirzba, Duke University

---

**A24-253**

**Religion and the Arts Award Jury**

S. Brent Plate, Hamilton College, Presiding

Theme: *Conversation with Meredith Monk, Winner of 2013 Religion and the Arts Award*

Sunday - 3:00 PM-4:30 PM

Panelists:

Diane Apostolos-Cappadona, Georgetown University  
Ann Pellegrini, New York University  
Meredith Monk, The House Foundation for the Arts

---

**A24-254**

**Special Topics Forum**

Daniel Greene, Newberry Library, Presiding

Theme: *Out of Many: Integrating the Study of America's Religious Diversity into Classrooms*

*Across the Humanities*

Sunday - 3:00 PM-4:30 PM

Panelists:

Michael Bradley, Georgia Perimeter College  
John Cooney, Ivy Tech Community College  
Christopher Cantwell, University of Missouri, Kansas City  
Rebecca Boggs, National Endowment for the Humanities

---

**A24-255**

**Status of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Intersex, and Queer Persons in the Profession**

Kathleen T. Talvacchia, New York University, Presiding

Theme: *Sexual and Gender Identity at the Intersections, Part 1 - Scholarship*

Sunday - 3:00 PM-4:30 PM

Panelists:

Rudy V. Busto, University of California, Santa Barbara  
Patrick S. Cheng, Episcopal Divinity School  
Kelly Brown Douglas, Goucher College  
Mayra Rivera, Harvard University  
Melissa M. Wilcox, Whitman College

---

**A24-256**

**Teaching and Learning Committee**

Tina Pippin, Agnes Scott College, Presiding

Theme: *Conversation with the 2013 AAR Excellence in Teaching Award Recipient Carolyn Medine*

Sunday - 3:00 PM-4:30 PM

Panelists:

Carolyn Medine, University of Georgia

---

**A24-257**

**Exploratory Sessions**

Erik Hammerstrom, Pacific Lutheran University, Presiding



Gregory Scott, Columbia University, Presiding

Theme: *Revisiting the Revival: Holmes Welch and the Study of Buddhism in Twentieth-Century China*

Sunday - 3:00 PM-4:30 PM

Panelists:

Eyal Aviv, George Washington University  
Rongdao Lai, University of Southern California  
Erik Schicketanz, University of Tokyo  
Stefania Travagnin, University of Groningen

Responding:

Raoul Birnbaum, University of California, Santa Cruz

---

**A24-258**

**Exploratory Sessions**

James McGrath, Butler University, Presiding

Theme: *Traditions of East Late Antiquity*

Sunday - 3:00 PM-4:30 PM

Jason DeBuhn, Northern Arizona University  
*Mani and the Mythic Melting Pot: Syncretism or Archaeology of Knowledge in Late Antique Mesopotamia*

Michael Rosenberg, Hebrew College  
*Penetrating Words: Syriac Mariology in a Talmudic Text*

Charles Häberl, Rutgers University  
*From Jerusalem to the Karûn: What can Mandaean Geographies Tell Us?*

Timothy Pettipiece, University of Ottawa  
*"On the Creation of Adam": A Greek/Syriac "Kephalaion" from Titus of Bostra's Contra Manichaeos*

Jennifer Hart, Stanford University  
*The Creation of Disaster: Ritual Error in the Creation Stories of Ptahil and Zurvan*

Yuhan Vevaina, Stanford University  
*Pahlavi and Periodization: The Use and Value of the Term 'Late Antique' for Zoroastrian Literature*

Responding:

Naomi Koltun-Fromm, Haverford College

---

**A24-259**

**Wildcard Session**

Philip G. Ziegler, University of Aberdeen, Presiding

Theme: *One Church -- Holy, Catholic and Apocalyptic (Explorations in Theology and Apocalyptic)*

Sunday - 3:00 PM-4:30 PM

Susan Eastman, Duke University

*One Church Apostolic and Apocalyptic?*

Ry Siggelkow, Princeton Theological Seminary

*The Transgression of the Integrity of the Church*

Joseph L. Mangina, Wycliffe College, Toronto School of Theology

*If It's a Symbol, to Hell with It: Apocalyptic and Transubstantiation*

Chris Huebner, Canadian Mennonite University

*The Apocalyptic Body of Christ? Reflections on Yoder and Apocalyptic Theology*

---

**A24-260**

**Wildcard Session**

Bahar Davary, University of San Diego, Presiding

Theme: *Old Debates, New Directions: Conversations with Mona Siddiqui's Christians, Muslims, and Jesus (Yale University Press, 2013)*

Sunday - 3:00 PM-4:30 PM

Panelists:

Jerusha Lamptey, Union Theological Seminary

Daniel A. Madigan, Georgetown University

Joshua Ralston, Union Presbyterian Seminary

Miroslav Volf, Yale University

Responding:

Mona Siddiqui, Edinburgh University, Divinity School

---

**A24-261**

**Wildcard Session**

Petra Turner, University of Virginia, Presiding

Theme: *Phenomenology and Scripture*

Sunday - 3:00 PM-4:30 PM

Panelists:

Chris Hackett, Australian Catholic University

Kevin Hart, The University of Virginia

Peter Ochs, University of Virginia

Adam Wells, Emory & Henry College

---

**A24-262**

**Wildcard Session**

J. Gordon Melton, Institute for the Study of American Religion, Presiding

Theme: *The Emerging Discipline of International Religious Demography*

Sunday - 3:00 PM-4:30 PM

Panelists:

Todd M. Johnson, Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary

Brian Grim, Pew Research Center

Gina Bellofatto, Boston University

---

**A24-263**

**Wildcard Session**

Katie Day, Lutheran Theological Seminary, Philadelphia, Presiding

Theme: *Yours the Power: Faith-based Organizing in the USA (Brill, 2013): Authors' Panel*

Sunday - 3:00 PM-4:30 PM

Panelists:

Jeffrey L. Stout, Princeton University

Mary McClintock Fulkerson, Duke University

Luke Bretherton, Duke University

John R. Bowlin, Princeton Theological Seminary

---

**A24-264**

**Christian Systematic Theology Section and Animals and Religion Group**

David S. Cunningham, Hope College, Presiding

Theme: *Theology Beyond Humanity: A Conversation on David Clough's On Animals, Volume I: Systematic Theology (T&T Clark, 2012)*

Sunday - 3:00 PM-4:30 PM

Panelists:

Margaret B. Adam, University of Glasgow  
Christopher Carter, Claremont School of Theology  
David Fergusson, University of Edinburgh  
Stephen H. Webb, Wabash College

Responding:

David Clough, University of Chester

---

**A24-265**

**History of Christianity Section and Afro-American Religious History Group and Black Theology Group and Roman Catholic Studies Group**

M. Shawn Copeland, Boston College, Presiding

Theme: *Confronting Black Catholicism in the Americas*

Sunday - 3:00 PM-4:30 PM

Jeffrey Wheatley, Florida State University

*The Church of St. Benedict the Moor: Contestation and Propagation of Black Catholicism in the Late Nineteenth Century*

Ina Johanna Fandrich

*Thomy Lafon – Man of Faith: New Orleans' Legendary Creole Philanthropist*

Stephanie Gaskill, UNC-Chapel Hill

*"The Worst Thing That Ever Happened To Me": Anti-Catholicism in George Jackson's Soledad Brother*

Responding:

Darryl Victor Caterine, Le Moyne College

Business Meeting:

Kathryn Lofton, Yale University

Josef Sorett, Columbia University

---

**A24-266**

**Religion and Politics Section**

Vincent Biondo, California State University, Fresno, Presiding

Theme: *Political Theology and Individual Activism*

Sunday - 3:00 PM-4:30 PM

Matthew Tuininga, Emory University

*Christ or Fuhrer: Luther, Bonhoeffer, and the Two Kingdoms Under Hitler*

Woodard-Lehman Derek, Princeton Theological Seminary

*Hearts Aflame, Tongues of Fire: Vision, Virtue, and Viscera in Vietnam Era Self-Immolation*

Joel Hodge, Australian Catholic University

*The Totalitarian State, Sacred Violence and Christian Resistance: Martyrdom and Solidarity in East Timor during Indonesian Occupation (1975-1999)*

---

**A24-267**

**Theology and Religious Reflection Section**

Omar Shaukat, University of Virginia, Presiding

Theme: *Comparative Political Theologies*

Sunday - 3:00 PM-4:30 PM

Richard Amesbury, University of Zurich

*Religion's Janus Face: Contesting the Neoliberal State from the Perspective of Alternative Political Theologies*

Timothy Stanley, The University of Newcastle, Australia

*Suspending the Political: Sovereignty in Scholem, Barth and Qutb*

Helen Mesard, University of Virginia

*Engagements with Marx and Marxism as a Basis for Comparative Political Theology*

Responding:

Santiago H. Slabodsky, Claremont School of Theology and Claremont Graduate School

---

**A24-268**

**Women and Religion Section and Religion and Food Group**

Nora L. Rubel, University of Rochester, Presiding

Theme: *The Ethics of Food: How Religion Influences Daily Substance*

Sunday - 3:00 PM-4:30 PM

Kate Ward, Boston College

*Poverty, Agency and Food Choice: Challenging Public Policy and Christian Ethics*

Mary Chloe Mulderig, Boston University

*Eating and Cheating Together: Holidays, Piety, and Hypocrisy Among Moroccan Women*

Angela Yarber, Wake Forest

*Not by Bread Alone: Contemporary American Women's Disordered Eating in Preaching and Worship*

Responding:

Jennifer Ayres, Candler School of Theology

---

**A24-269**

**African Religions Group**

Tapiwa Mucherera, Asbury Theological Seminary, Presiding

Theme: *Sense and Disability: Religion as a Source of Discrimination and Empowerment for Disabled Persons in Africa*

Sunday - 3:00 PM-4:30 PM

Elia Shabani Mligo, Amani University Project

*Religion and the Killing of Albino Persons in Tanzania*

Kirk VanGilder, Gallaudet University

*Making Sadza with Deaf Zimbabwean Women*

Ekwutosi Offiong, University of Calabar

*Religion and Social Discrimination: A Case Study of Calabar*

Oyeronke Olademo, University of Ilorin

*The Politics of Identity: Albinos in Yoruba Culture and Religion*

Responding:

Afe Adogame, University of Edinburgh

---

**A24-270**

**Anthropology of Religion Group**

Michal Raucher, Northwestern University, Presiding

Theme: *Engaging the Observer: Reflexivity and Relationship in Ethnographic Fieldwork*

Sunday - 3:00 PM-4:30 PM

Nina Birgitte Hoel, University of KwaZulu-Natal

*Embodying the Field: The Dynamics of Intimacy, Vulnerability, and Affect*

Leah McKeen, Wilfrid Laurier University

*"Are you a Christian?": Negotiating Religious Identity in Fieldwork*

"Helen"

Dawn Llewellyn, University of Chester

*"Coming Clean" in Researching Twelve Step Programs: Anonymity, Disclosure, Transparency, and the Reflexive, Recovering Researcher*

---

**A24-271**

**Buddhist Philosophy Group and Yogācāra Studies Group**

Jin Y. Park, American University, Presiding

Theme: *The Awakening of Mahāyāna Faith: A Few Issues in Its Making and Reading*

Sunday - 3:00 PM-4:30 PM

Stuart Young, Bucknell University

*On Āśvaghōṣa's Authorship of the Awakening of Faith: Reading Doctrine as Hagiography*

C. John Powers, Australian National University

*Proposal for Awakening of Faith Panel, 2013 American Academy of Religion Conference*

Tao Jin, Illinois Wesleyan University

*The Self-Imposed Textual Organization (Kepan) in Qixinlun: Some Major Forms and a Few Possible Problems*

Sumi Lee, University of California, Los Angeles

*Rethinking the "Synthetic" Feature of the Awakening of Mahāyāna Faith: A Comparative Examination of Wōnhyo 元曉 (617-686) and Fazang 法藏 (643-712)*

Responding:

A. Charles Muller, University of Tokyo

---

**A24-272**

**Comparative Studies in Hinduisms and Judaisms Group and Western Esotericism Group**

Hugh Urban, Ohio State University, Presiding

Theme: *Esotericism and Eroticism in Kabbalah, Tantra, and Western Esoteric Traditions*

Sunday - 3:00 PM-4:30 PM

Elliot R. Wolfson, New York University

*Ascetic Eroticism and the Secret of the Secret: A Comparative Analysis of Kabbalistic and Tantric Esotericism*

Jeffrey J. Kripal, Rice University

*The Tantric Transmission: On Altered States of Energy and Esoteric Bodies*

Responding:

Barbara A. Holdrege, University of California, Santa Barbara

Marco Pasi, University of Amsterdam

---

**A24-273**

**Comparative Theology Group and Contemplative Studies Group**

Karen Enriquez, Xavier University, Presiding

Theme: *Overcoming False Paths in the Way of Conversion: Comparing Ignatius of Loyola's Spiritual Exercises and Shantideva's Way of the Bodhisattva*

Sunday - 3:00 PM-4:30 PM

Karen Enriquez, Xavier University

*Surrender to the Transcendent and to the World: The Wisdom chapter of the Bodhicharyavatara and the Fourth Week of the Exercises*

Kevin Johnson, Boston College

*Poetic Knowledge -- Expanding Epistemology Through Contemplation and Inverted Intention in The Bodhicharyavatara and The Spiritual Exercises*

Glenn Willis, Boston College

*Negative Self-Evaluation in the Confession chapter of the Bodhicharyavatara and the First Week of the Exercises*

---

**A24-274**

**Evangelical Studies Group and Open and Relational Theologies Group**

Joy J. Moore, Fuller Theological Seminary, Presiding

Theme: *Arminius and Open Theology*

Sunday - 3:00 PM-4:30 PM

Keith Stanglin, Calvin Theological Seminary

Thomas McCall, Trinity Evangelical Divinity School



*Jacob Arminius: Theologian of Grace*

W. Stephen Gunter, Duke Divinity School  
*Arminius and His Declaration of Sentiments*

Responding:

Roger E. Olson, Baylor University  
Thomas Oord, Northwest Nazarene University

---

**A24-275**

**Feminist Theory and Religious Reflection Group**

Carol White, Bucknell University, Presiding

Theme: *Pussy Riot, Pirates, and Queer Cyborgs*

Sunday - 3:00 PM-4:30 PM

Anne-Marie Korte, Utrecht University, The Netherlands

*'Blasphemous' Art and the Aesthetics of Religion: The Case of Pussy Riot's Punk Prayer*

Hannah Hofheinz, Harvard Divinity School

*Pirate Queen: Marcella Althaus-Reid, Lisa Isherwood, and Kathy Acker*

Julia Reed, Harvard University

*Genealogies of Chalcedon as Feminist Interventions*

---

**A24-276**

**Islamic Mysticism Group**

Elizabeth Alexandrin, University of Manitoba, Presiding

Theme: *Global Sufism*

Sunday - 3:00 PM-4:30 PM

Mentor Mustafa, Boston University

*The Muslim Shrine Then and Now: Resacralizing the Bektashi Sufi Order in Contemporary Albania*

Talia Gangoo

*Sufis as Agents of Islamization in Pre-Modern Kashmir: Theories, Debates, and Paradigms*

Merin Xavier, Wilfrid Laurier

*The Sufi Metaphysics and Cosmology of a Tamil Sufi Sheikh: the Insan Kamil of Bawa*

Edith Szanto, The American University of Iraq, Sulaimani

*Qadiri Sufism in Kurdistan: Ritual Transgressions and Gendered Norms*

---

**A24-277**

**Kierkegaard, Religion, and Culture Group and Tillich: Issues in Theology, Religion, and Culture Group**

Russell Re Manning, Aberdeen, Presiding

Theme: *Schelling, Kierkegaard, and Tillich*

Sunday - 3:00 PM-4:30 PM

Panelists:

Adam Pryor, Bethany College

Stacey Ake, Drexel University

Vincent A. McCarthy, St Joseph's University, Philadelphia

Christian Danz, Universität Wien, Evang.-Theol.Fakultät

Daniel Whistler, University of Liverpool

---

**A24-278**

**Mormon Studies Group and Religion and Popular Culture Group**

Megan Goodwin, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, Presiding

Theme: *Parallel Prejudices: Anti-Mormonism and Religious Intolerance in American History*

Sunday - 3:00 PM-4:30 PM

J. Spencer Fluhman, Brigham Young University

*Representing Mormonism and Islam in Nineteenth-Century America*

Cristine Hutchison-Jones, Harvard University

*"Not Only Immorality, but Treason": American Representations of Mormonism and Roman Catholicism in the First Half of the Twentieth Century*

Matthew Bowman, Georgetown University

*A Dubious Friendship: Conservative Mormons and Evangelicals in the Mid-Twentieth Century*

Responding:

Gregory Grieve, University of North Carolina, Greensboro

---

**A24-279**

**Native Traditions in the Americas Group**

Michael Zogry, University of Kansas, Presiding

Theme: *Exhibiting Identity / Narrating History*

Sunday - 3:00 PM-4:30 PM

Philip P. Arnold, Syracuse University  
*Creating the Skä noñh—Great Law of Peace Center at Onondaga Lake*

Stephanie Sellers, Gettysburg College  
*From 1635 to 2013: The Lasting Mohegan Religious Tradition*

Seth Schermerhorn, Arizona State University  
*Of Pilgrimage and Parody: Don Bahr's Principle of "Parody" and O'odham Methods and Theories of Writing History and Mapping Territory*

Responding:

Kathleen J. Martin, California Polytechnic State University

---

**A24-280**

**Pentecostal—Charismatic Movements Group**

Arlene Sanchez Walsh, Azusa Pacific University, Presiding

Theme: *Apocalypse and Authority in Weberian Perspective*

Sunday - 3:00 PM-4:30 PM

Jeremy Sabella, Boston College

*Apocalypses Now: The Convergence and Clash of Millennial Visions in Cold War Guatemala*

Leah Payne, George Fox University

*"By What Authority Are You Doing These Things?" The Theory(ies) of Authority in American Pentecostal Historiography*

Trad Nogueira-Godsey, University of Johannesburg

*Weberian Sociology and the Study of Pentecostalism: Historical Patterns and Prospects for the Future*

Business Meeting:

Katherine Attanasi, Luther College

Michael J. McClymond, Saint Louis University

---

**A24-281**

**Practical Theology Group and Psychology, Culture, and Religion Group**

Kelly Bulkeley, Graduate Theological Union, Presiding

Theme: *Religious Experiences Through the Senses*

Sunday - 3:00 PM-4:30 PM

Jessica Bratt, Vanderbilt University

*Embodied Knowing: A Survey of Clergy Women*

James Jones, Rutgers University

*Embodied Cognition and the Possibility of Spiritual Sense(s)*

Tiffany Houck-Loomis, Union Theological Seminary and New Brunswick Theological Seminary

*PLAY: A Four-Letter Word in the Academy*

Responding:

Bonnie Miller-McLemore, Vanderbilt University

---

**A24-282**

**Reformed Theology and History Group**

Jennifer Powell McNutt, Wheaton College, Presiding

Theme: *Holy Spirit and Spiritual Practices*

Sunday - 3:00 PM-4:30 PM

David Henreckson, Princeton University

*The Grammar of Virtue: Ethical Anxieties and Moral Formation in the Early Reformed Tradition*

Christina Larsen, University of St Andrews

*Jonathan Edwards and the Pneumatological Dynamics of Christian Practice*

Timothy Baylor, University of Aberdeen

*The God of Peace: Spiritual Practices and the Work of the Spirit in John Owen and Karl Barth*

---

**A24-283**

**Religion, Holocaust, and Genocide Group**

Alana Vincent, University of Chester, Presiding

Theme: *The Generation of Postmemory: Writing and Visual Culture after the Holocaust (Columbia University Press, 2012): A Conversation with Marianne Hirsch*

Sunday - 3:00 PM-4:30 PM

Panelists:

Marianne Hirsch, Columbia University

Responding:

Björn Krondorfer, Dept of Comparative Cultural Studies, Northern Arizona University  
Laura S. Levitt, Temple University

---

**A24-284**

**Religions, Social Conflict, and Peace Group**

Lane Van Ham, University of Arizona, Presiding

Theme: *Conflict, Social Change, and Religious Interventions*

Sunday - 3:00 PM-4:30 PM

Kevin Minister, Southern Methodist University

*Constructing Economic Alternatives: Religious Organizing as a Response to the Structural Violence of Neoliberalism*

Vanessa De Gifis, Wayne State University

*The Qur'anic Concept of Social Change in Muslim Revolutionary Rhetoric*

Tyson-Lord J. Gray, Vanderbilt University

*Climate Change and Water Wars: A Case Study on Post-Civil War Conflict Resolution in South Sudan*

Business Meeting:

Megan Shore, King's University College

Lane Van Ham, University of Arizona

---

**A24-285**

**Scriptural Reasoning Group**

Rumee Ahmed, University of British Columbia, Presiding

Theme: *Teaching and Learning in the Abrahamic Traditions*

Sunday - 3:00 PM-4:30 PM

Panelists:

Frances Clemson, University of Cambridge

Hanoch Ben-Pazi, Bar Ilan University

Mahan Mirza, Zaytuna College

---

**A24-143**

**Tours**

Theme: *Sunday: Washington D.C. Transportation*

Sunday - 12:00 PM-5:00 PM

---

**A24-144**

**Tours**

Mark Singleton, St. John's College, Santa Fe, Presiding  
Andrew J. Nicholson, Stony Brook University, Presiding

Theme: *Yoga: Special Smithsonian Exhibitions at the Freer Sackler Museum of Asian Art*

Sunday - 12:00 PM-5:00 PM

---

**A24-300**

**Student Lounge Roundtable**

James Dennis LoRusso, Emory University, Presiding  
Sabrina MisirHiralall, Montclair State University, Presiding

Theme: *Exploring Pedagogies for Religious Studies Educators Within and Outside of Academia*

Sunday - 4:00 PM-5:00 PM

---

**P24-301**

**African Association for the Study of Religions**

Theme: *Business Meeting*

Sunday - 4:00 PM-5:00 PM

---

**A24-301**

**Graduate Student Committee and SBL Student Advisory Board and the Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion**

Paul Myhre, Wabash Center, Presiding  
Elonda Clay, Lutheran School of Theology, Chicago, Presiding  
Patrick McCullough, University of California, Los Angeles, Presiding

Theme: *New Paradigms in Evolving Learning Contexts: Navigating Changes in Teaching Religion and Theology*

Sunday - 5:00 PM-6:30 PM

Panelists:

Lily Vuong, Valdosta State University  
David Eastman, Ohio Wesleyan University  
Adriana Nieto, University of Denver and Iliff School of Theology  
Shauna K. Hannan, Princeton Theological Seminary

George Tsakiridis, South Dakota State University

---

**A24-302**

**Program Committee**

Robert Puckett, American Academy of Religion, Presiding  
Nelly Van Doorn-Harder, Wake Forest University, Presiding

Theme: *How to Propose a*

Sunday - 5:00 PM-6:30 PM

---

**A24-303**

**Public Understanding of Religion Committee**

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

Theme: *Scholar-Activists: Academics Making a Difference in the Public Sphere*

Sunday - 5:00 PM-6:30 PM

Panelists:

John L. Esposito, Georgetown University  
Arvind Sharma, McGill University Faculty of Religious Studies  
Laurie Zoloth, Northwestern University  
Rahuldeep Singh Gill, California Lutheran University

---

**A24-304**

**Status of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Intersex, and Queer Persons in the Profession**

Horace Griffin, Pacific School of Religion, Presiding

Theme: *Sexual and Gender Identity at the Intersections, Part 2 - Pedagogy*

Sunday - 5:00 PM-6:30 PM

Panelists:

Ellen T. Armour, Vanderbilt University  
Francisco Lozada, Brite Divinity School  
Randall Miller, Pacific School of Religion  
Randall Styers, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill  
Mary Ann Tolbert, Pacific School of Religion

---

**A24-305**

**Arts, Film, Literature, Media, Popular Culture, Visual Culture, and Religion Cluster**

Diane Apostolos-Cappadona, Georgetown University, Presiding

Theme: *The Gothic*

Sunday - 5:00 PM-6:30 PM

Panelists:

Tracy Fessenden, Arizona State University

David Bains, Samford University

Rachel Wagner, Ithaca College

Erik Davis, Rice University

Sarah M. Pike, California State University, Chico

Responding:

Gary M. Laderman, Emory University

Business Meeting:

S. Brent Plate, Hamilton College

---

**A24-306**

**Exploratory Sessions**

Kambiz GhaneaBassiri, Reed College, Presiding

Theme: *The Matter of Islam: Material and Visual Cultures in Comparative Perspective*

Sunday - 5:00 PM-6:30 PM

Kenneth George, University of Wisconsin-Madison

*No Ethics Without Things: Dzikir and the Making of Happy Objects*

Jamal J. Elias, University of Pennsylvania

*Pictures of Praying Children: Moral Education in the Islamic World*

Rudolph Ware, University of Michigan

*The Walking Qur'an: Embodiment, Education, and Epistemology in Islamic Africa*

Anna Bigelow, North Carolina State University

*Material Encounters: The Transactional Sensoria of Multireligious Sites*

Responding:



Colleen McDannell, University of Utah

---

**A24-307**

**Wildcard Session**

Serene Jones, Union Theological Seminary, Presiding

Theme: *Reimagining with Christian Doctrines; Responding to Global Gender Injustices*

Sunday - 5:00 PM-6:30 PM

Joy McDougall, Emory University

*Re-imagining the Condition of Sin as the Bondage of the Eye/I: A Transnational Wager*

Jenny Dagers, Liverpool Hope University

*In a Trinitarian Embrace: Reflections from a Local Eucharistic Community in a Global World*

Eboni Marshall Turman, Duke University

*Black and Blue: A Womanist Assessment of Moral Injury in the Doctrine of the Incarnation*

Cynthia Rigby, Austin Theological Seminary

*Bodies, Whole*

Responding:

Grace Ji-Sun Kim, Moravian Theological Seminary

---

**A24-308**

**Wildcard Session**

Clare Rothschild, Lewis University, Presiding

Theme: *Religion in Past and Present (RGG/RPP) - Review of a Dictionary*

Sunday - 5:00 PM-6:30 PM

Robert A. Segal, University of Aberdeen

*Religious Historical Entries and Religious Historical Scholarship in the RPP*

Klaus-Peter Adam

Richard E. DeMaris, Valparaiso University

*Entries on the Hebrew Bible in the RPP and Entries on the Christian Bible and the New Testament*

Robert Saler, Christian Theological Seminary, Indianapolis, IN

*Church History, Theology, and Philosophy in the RPP*

Responding:

Hans Dieter Betz, University of Chicago

---

**A24-309**

**Wildcard Session**

Ronald S. Cole-Turner, Pittsburgh Theological Seminary, Presiding

Theme: *The Rebirth of Entheogens: New Medical Research on Drug-Related Mystical Experience and its Implications for Religious Studies*

Sunday - 5:00 PM-6:30 PM

Panelists:

G. William Barnard, Southern Methodist University

Leonard M. Hummel, Lutheran Theological Seminary at Gettysburg

William Richards, Johns Hopkins Bayview Medical Center

---

**A24-310**

**Wildcard Session**

Gerard Mannion, University of San Diego, Presiding

Theme: *Toward a Common Vision of the Church: Global and Comparative Perspectives on Faith and Order's Groundbreaking Convergence Document*

Sunday - 5:00 PM-6:30 PM

John Gibaut, World Council of Churches

*The Story of The Church: Towards a Common Vision*

Responding:

Laura Everett, Massachusetts Council of Churches

Fr K. M. George, Orthodox Seminary, Kottayam, Kerala, India

Miriam Haar, Trinity College Dublin

Roger Haight, Union Theological Seminary

---

**A24-311**

**Buddhism Section and Religion in Southeast Asia Group**

Kristin Scheible, Bard College, Presiding

Theme: *Material Culture, Politics, and Religion in Burmese and Tibetan Buddhisms*

Sunday - 5:00 PM-6:30 PM

Alexandra Kaloyanides, Yale University

*Meaning in the Margins: the Changing Iconography of the Burmese Kammavāca*

Jason Carbine, Whittier College

*Sima, Sasana, and Prime Minister U Nu: A Perspective on Buddhist Identity from Mid-Twentieth*

*Century Burma*

Christopher Bell, University of Virginia

*Myth as Murals: The Many Lives of Peihar on the Walls of Meru Sarpa*

---

**A24-312**

**Comparative Studies in Religion Section**

Gerald J. Larson, University of California, Santa Barbara and Indiana University, Bloomington,  
Presiding

Theme: *Raimon Panikkar--Enduring Legacies*

Sunday - 5:00 PM-6:30 PM

Panelists:

Fred Dallmayr, University of Notre Dame

Catherine Cornille, Boston College

Young-chan Ro, George Mason University and University of Notre Dame

Michiko Yusa, Western Washington University

Responding:

Francis X. Clooney, Harvard University

---

**A24-313**

**Ethics Section**

Myles Werntz, Baylor University, Presiding

Theme: *Religious Ethics and The Wire*

Sunday - 5:00 PM-6:30 PM

Panelists:

Brian Bantum, Seattle Pacific University

Eric Gregory, Princeton University

Elise Edwards, Claremont Graduate University

---

**A24-314**

**North American Religions Section**

Arvind Mandair, University of Michigan, Presiding

Theme: *How Religion Speaks the Secular*

Sunday - 5:00 PM-6:30 PM

Jenna Reinbold, Colgate University

*Our Sin Problem: Mike Huckabee, Newtown, and the Religious Right's Formation of the Secular*

Sarah Garlington, Boston University

*Trust and Bureaucracy: Organizational Relationships among Congregations, Nonprofits, and State Agencies*

Lucia Hulsether, Harvard Divinity School

*Baptizing Bin Laden: Embodying and Embalming an Interfaith Exception*

Responding:

Bethany Moreton, University of Georgia

---

**A24-315**

**Philosophy of Religion Section**

Jeffrey Israel, Goucher College, Presiding

Theme: *Emmanuel Levinas: History and Messianism*

Sunday - 5:00 PM-6:30 PM

Oona Eisenstadt, Pomona College

*History as Diachrony: The Master's Tools Dismantle the Master's House*

Sarah Hammerschlag, Williams College

*Jewish Destiny and the Historical Order: Levinas's Experiments with Zionism in the 1950s*

Martin Kavka, Florida State University

*Levinas's Two Messianisms*

---

**A24-316**

**Religion and Politics Section and Religion and Sexuality Group and Religion in Europe Group and Religion, Colonialism, and Postcolonialism Group**

Syed Adnan Hussain, University of Toronto, Presiding

Theme: *Sex, Gender, and Identity: Framing the Gendered Muslim Subject in Europe and South Asia*

Sunday - 5:00 PM-6:30 PM

Bharat Ranganathan, Indiana University

*Islam, Feminism, and Agency*

Amanullah De Sonny, University of Miami  
*British Pakistani Masculinities: Longing and Belonging*

Sarwar Alam, University of Arkansas  
*"O Murshid, My Heart Cries for Thee": Devotionalism and Gender Transgression in the Songs of Miazbandariyya Tradition in Bangladesh*

Jennifer Ung Loh, School of Oriental and African Studies  
*"There Is No Such Thing as Religion Among the Hijra Community": Exploring Hijra Religion in Contemporary India*

---

**A24-317**

**Study of Judaism Section**

Benjamin Sax, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University, Presiding

Theme: *Judaism and the Borders of Textuality*

Sunday - 5:00 PM-6:30 PM

Emily Filler, University of Virginia

*The Violent Jewish Bible: Modern Judaism's Confrontation with Troubling Texts*

Samuel Kessler, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill

*Jewish Identity as Moral Choice: A Reading of Malamud's "The Lady of the Lake"*

Julia Watts Belser, Georgetown University

*Reading the Rain: Rabbinic Ecology, Performative Perception, and the Discourse of Divine Signs*

Aubrey L. Glazer, JCC of Harrison

*Mystical Friendships in the Galilee: Spiritual Affinities between Tiberian Hasidism's Dibbuk Haveirim and Murtada al-Zabidi's Sufi 'Aqd al-Uxuwwa*

---

**A24-318**

**Teaching Religion Section and Religion and Public Schools: International Perspectives  
Group and SBL Sacred Texts and Public Life Group**

Bruce Grelle, California State University, Chico, Presiding

Theme: *Religion and the Bible in Public Schools Fifty Years after Schempp*

Sunday - 5:00 PM-6:30 PM

Panelists:

D. Keith Naylor, Occidental College  
Mark A. Chancey, Southern Methodist University  
Tim Jensen, University of Southern Denmark

---

**A24-319**

**Women and Religion Section and Roman Catholic Studies Group**

Susan M. Maloney, Women Development and Earth Foundation, Presiding

Theme: *U.S. Catholic Women and Priestly Ordination: Perspectives from History, Ethics, and Experience*

Sunday - 5:00 PM-6:30 PM

Panelists:

Mary Jeremy Daigler, Mt. St. Agnes Theological Center for Women, Baltimore  
Anne E. Patrick, Carleton College  
Andrea Johnson, Roman Catholic Womenpriests

---

**A24-320**

**Afro-American Religious History Group**

Sylvester Johnson, Northwestern University, Presiding

Theme: *African Religions Across the Black Atlantic: Christian and Muslim Diasporas*

Sunday - 5:00 PM-6:30 PM

Tshepo Masango Chéry, University of Pennsylvania

*Reverend Daniel Alexander and the Making of Religious Diasporas within and beyond the Black Atlantic*

William Caldwell, Northwestern University

*The Uniting of Asia: Duse Mohamed Ali and the Rise of Anticolonial Islam in America*

Matthew J. Cressler, Northwestern University

*The "Soul" of Black Catholics: Imagining Africa and the Black Catholic Diaspora, 1968–1984*

Responding:

Ras Michael Brown, Southern Illinois University

---

**A24-321**

**Bible, Theology, and Postmodernity Group**

Shelly Rambo, Boston University, Presiding

Theme: *Why Theology?*

Sunday - 5:00 PM-6:30 PM

Panelists:

Susan Abraham, Harvard University  
Daniel Barber, ICI Berlin Institute for Cultural Inquiry  
Marion S. Grau, Graduate Theological Union  
Karmen MacKendrick, Le Moyne College

---

**A24-322**

**Body and Religion Group**

Shawn Arthur, Appalachian State University, Presiding

Theme: *Body to Body: Methodology in Scholarship on Body and Religion*

Sunday - 5:00 PM-6:30 PM

Panelists:

Richard M. Carp, St. Mary's College of California  
Alexander Darius Ornella, University of Hull  
Stefanie Knauss, Villanova University  
Rebecca Sachs Norris, Merrimack College

---

**A24-323**

**Buddhist Critical—Constructive Reflection Group and Religion and Ecology Group**

Eleanor Finnegan, University of Alabama, Presiding

Theme: *Contemporary Buddhist Environmental Philosophy and Activism*

Sunday - 5:00 PM-6:30 PM

Changu Mun, University of Hawai'i  
*Jiyul and Ecofeminism: Hunger Strikes and the Lawsuit for Salamanders*

Ronald S. Green, Coastal Carolina University  
*Farming Satori: the Buddhist Philosophy of naturalist farmer Fukuoka Masanobu*

Go Guang Shi, Dharma Drum Sangha University  
*Master Sheng Yen's Concept of Protecting the Spiritual Environment*

Responding:

Sallie B. King, James Madison University

---

**A24-324**

**Christian Spirituality Group**

Mary Frohlich, Catholic Theological Union, Presiding

Theme: *Encountering the Wild*

Sunday - 5:00 PM-6:30 PM

Jon Kershner, University of Birmingham (UK)

*"Far back in the wilderness:" John Woolman (1720-1772) in the Wild*

Christopher Barnett, Villanova University

*The Paradox of Wilderness—Or Learning How to Be Human in the Natural World*

Elizabeth O'Donnell Gandolfo, Emory University

*Encountering God "Where the Wild Things Are:" Towards an Eco-Spirituality of Parenting*

---

**A24-325**

**Comparative Theology Group**

Kristin Johnston Largen, Gettysburg Lutheran Theological Seminary, Presiding

Theme: *Comparative Theologies of Land, Spirit, and Creation*

Sunday - 5:00 PM-6:30 PM

Karen Bray, Drew University

*Cultivating a Trans-immanent Theology: Uncovering the Feminist Possibilities in the Dialogue between Ch'i and Spirit*

Michael Chaness, Syracuse University

*Is the Land Holy? Is the Holy Land?: The Competing Visions of Vine Deloria, Jr. and Abraham Joshua Heschel*

Brock Bingaman, Wesleyan College

*Red and Green Theology: Native American and Moltmannian Creation Theologies in Conversation*

---

**A24-326**

**Contemporary Pagan Studies Group and New Religious Movements Group**

Amy Hale, St. Petersburg College, Presiding

Theme: *Reconstructions of Real and Imagined Pasts*

Sunday - 5:00 PM-6:30 PM

John Harness, University of Chicago

*"We Are an Old People, We Are a New People": Forgetting and Re-historicizing in Neopagan*



*Identity Formation*

Brian McPhee, University of South Florida

Dell deChant, University of South Florida

*Gaming the Past: The Legend of Zelda, Postmodern Gamers, and "Nostalgia for the Origins"*

Regina Oboler, Ursinus College

*Coming of Age in the Contemporary Pagan Community: Reconstructing Rites*

---

**A24-327**

**Eastern Orthodox Studies Group**

Brandon Gallaher, Faculty of Theology and Religion/Regent's Park College, University of Oxford, Presiding

Theme: *Trinity in Eastern Christian Thought*

Sunday - 5:00 PM-6:30 PM

Joshua Robinson, University of Notre Dame

*The Co-inherence of the Doctrines of Trinity and Creation in the Anti-Proclean Treatise of Bishop Nicholas of Methone*

Knut Alfsvåg, School of Mission and Theology

*Impassibility and Revelation: On the Relation between Immanence and Economy in Orthodox and Lutheran Thought*

Brendan McInerny, Fordham University

*Deification and the Immanent Trinity: Dumitru Staniloae, Hans Urs von Balthasar, and Trinitarian Dia-Logic*

---

**A24-328**

**Indigenous Religious Traditions Group**

Jace Weaver, University of Georgia, Presiding

Theme: *Presenting and Representing Native Spirituality in North America and Oceania*

Sunday - 5:00 PM-6:30 PM

David Wilson, University of Edinburgh

*Spirits Healing the Wounded Land: Shaker and Spiritualist Engagement with Native North American Shamanic Practitioners during the Period 1750-1900*

Gabriel Estrada, California State University Long Beach

*Indigenous Sci-Fi and Transgender Reincarnation in Cloud Atlas (2012)*

Matt Sheedy, University of Manitoba

*From Occupy to Idle No More: The Role of Religion in the Identity Formation of New Social*

*Movements*

Business Meeting:

Jace Weaver, University of Georgia

---

**A24-329**

**Japanese Religions Group**

Asuka Sango, Carleton College, Presiding

Theme: *Oracles, Identity, and Entropy: New Directions in the Study of Pre-Modern Japanese Religions*

Sunday - 5:00 PM-6:30 PM

Stephan N. Kory, Indiana University - Bloomington

*From Deer Scapulae to Turtle Plastrons: The Shinsen kisoki and the Incorporation of Urabe Pyro-plastronomy into the Late Nara and Early Heian Theocracy*

Kristina Buhrman, Florida State University

*Coming to Disbelieve the Words of Snakes: Failed or "False" Oracles in Early Medieval Japan*

Michael R. Bathgate, Saint Xavier University

*Tenjiku, Shintan, Honchō: Space, Time and Entropy in the Konjaku monogatari-shū*

Wilburn Hansen, San Diego State University

*Constructing Nationalist Identity Through Ritual*

---

**A24-330**

**Nineteenth Century Theology Group**

Thomas A. Lewis, Brown University, Presiding

Theme: *Church and State in Napoleon's Wake*

Sunday - 5:00 PM-6:30 PM

Zachary Purvis, University of Oxford

*Schelling, Schleiermacher, and the Direction of Modern Theology in Germany*

Grant Kaplan, Saint Louis University

*Between Rome and Tübingen: The Political Theology of Johann Adam Möhler*

Christian Danz, Universität Wien, Evang.-Theol.Fakultät

*The State as "a Consequence of the Curse of Humanity": The Late Schelling's Philosophy of Religion and of the State*

---

**A24-331**

**Psychology, Culture, and Religion Group**

Hetty Zock, University of Groningen, Presiding

Theme: *Psychological Perspectives on Silence in Religion and Religious Practices*

Sunday - 5:00 PM-6:30 PM

Eileen Campbell-Reed, Luther Seminary

*To Survey Silence: The Paradox and Promise of a Practice*

Peter Capretto, Vanderbilt Divinity School

*Therapeutic Silence at the Margins of Grief and Loss*

Felicity Kelcourse, Christian Theological Seminary

*Golden Silence, Silent Presence: Greeting the Holy Wholly Other*

Brett Esaki, Central Michigan University

*Japanese American Recovery from Trauma through Silence and a Polytheistic Psyche*

---

**A24-332**

**Religion and Disability Studies Group**

Devorah Greenstein, Starr King School for the Ministry, Presiding

Theme: *Specters of Disability: History, Pluralism, and Cultural Studies*

Sunday - 5:00 PM-6:30 PM

Whitny Braun, Loma Linda University

*The First Amendment vs. The Americans with Disabilities Act: A Case Study from an American University in which a Muslim Student Challenges the Presence of a Fellow Student's Service Dog in the Classroom on Religious Grounds*

Hannah Bacon, University of Chester

*The Fat Body as the Impaired Body? Disability Studies and the Medicalization of Fat*

Meredith Minister, Kentucky Wesleyan College

*Beyond Enabling Women*

Blair Hodges, Neal A. Maxwell Institute for Religious Scholarship

*The Place of Intellectual Disability in Criticism and Defense of Nineteenth Century Mormon Polygamy*

---

**A24-400**

**Receptions/Breakfasts**

Amy L. Allocco, Elon University, Presiding

Theme: *International Members' Reception*

Sunday - 6:30 PM-7:30 PM

---

**A24-401**

**Receptions/Breakfasts**

John R. Fitzmier, American Academy of Religion, Presiding

Theme: *AAR Awards Ceremony and Reception*

Sunday - 7:00 PM-8:30 PM

---

**P24-401a**

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

Theme: *New Teachers Dinner*

Sunday - 7:00 PM-8:30 PM

---

**P24-401**

**African Association for the Study of Religions**

Theme: *Dinner*

Sunday - 7:00 PM-10:00 PM

---

**A24-402**

**Arts Series**

J. R. Daniel Kirk, Fuller Theological Seminary, Presiding

Theme: *Lady Parts: Biblical Women and The Vagina Monologues (Wipf and Stock, 2012)*

Sunday - 8:00 PM-10:00 PM

Lise Porter, Fuller Theological Seminary

*Jael*

DeAnna Daniels, Union Presbyterian Seminary

*Bathsheba*

Jessica Becker Beamer

*Mary, Mother of Jesus*

Mallory Magelli, Vanderbilt University

*Samaritan Woman*

Jo-Ann Badley, The Seattle School  
*Mary Magdalene*

Responding:

Kathleen Roberts Skerrett, University of Richmond  
Janet Everhart, Simpson College  
Mary E. Hunt, Women's Alliance for Theology, Ethics, and Ritual  
Kathryn Blanchard, Alma College  
Jane S. Webster, Barton College

---

**A24-403**

**Films**

Joseph Hellweg, Florida State University, Presiding

Theme: *God Loves Uganda*

Sunday - 8:00 PM-10:00 PM

Panelists:

Adriaan van Klinken, University of Leeds  
Richard McCarty, Mercyhurst University  
Marie Cartier, California State University, Northridge

---

**A24-404**

**Films**

Erica Hurwitz Andrus, University of Vermont, Presiding

Theme: *The Big Lebowski*

Sunday - 8:00 PM-10:00 PM

---

**A25-1**

**Receptions/Breakfasts**

Nelly Van Doorn-Harder, Wake Forest University, Presiding

Theme: *Program Unit Chairs' Breakfast*

Monday - 7:15 AM-8:45 AM

---

**A25-100**

**Student Lounge Roundtable**

Justin Tanis, Graduate Theological Union, Presiding

Theme: *Expanding the Classroom: Online Tools to Enhance Learning*

Monday - 9:00 AM-10:00 AM

---

**A25-106**

**Ethics Section**

Christophe D. Ringer, Vanderbilt University, Presiding

Theme: *Ethics, Mass Incarceration and The New Jim Crow*

Monday - 9:00 AM-11:00 AM

Rima Vesely-Flad, Union Theological Seminary

*The Moral Politics of Mass Incarceration*

Jonathan Rothchild, Loyola Marymount University

*Crow, Costs, and Cross: Michelle Alexander and Theologians in Conversation*

Alexandra Chambers, Vanderbilt University

*What Ever Happened to Jane Crow?: The Erasure of Gender and the Gendering of Race in The New Jim Crow*

Jason Springs, University of Notre Dame

*Justice, Religion, and The Fire This Time: Re-thinking Restorative Justice after Michelle Alexander's The New Jim Crow*

Responding:

Juan Floyd-Thomas, Vanderbilt University

---

**A25-110**

**, Study of Islam Section, Study of Judaism Section, Interreligious and Interfaith Studies Group, and Scriptural Reasoning Group**

Rachel Mikva, Chicago Theological Seminary, Presiding

Theme: *Election and Supersessionism in Judaism, Christianity and Islam*

Monday - 9:00 AM-11:00 AM

Panelists:

Asma Afsaruddin, Indiana University

Joel N. Lohr, University of the Pacific

David Novak, University of Toronto

Abdulaziz Sachedina, University of Virginia

R. Kendall Soulen, Wesley Theological Seminary

---

**A25-139**

**Student Lounge Roundtable**

David Walsh, Arizona State University, Presiding

Theme: *Rewarding Online Teaching*

Monday - 10:00 AM-11:00 AM

---

**A25-101**

**Theological Education Committee**

Julia Watts Belser, Georgetown University, Presiding

Theme: *Theology and Environmental Justice*

Monday - 9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Panelists:

Willis Jenkins, Yale University

Cynthia Moe-Lobeda, Seattle University

Melanie L. Harris, Texas Christian University

Tirso Gonzales, University of British Columbia

Rita M. Gross, University of Wisconsin, Eau Claire

---

**A25-102**

**Women's Lounge Roundtable**

Su Yon Pak, Union Theological Seminary, Presiding

Theme: *Engaging Sites*

Monday - 9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Panelists:

Su Yon Pak, Union Theological Seminary

---

**A25-103**

**Buddhism Section**

Gina Cogan, Boston University, Presiding

Theme: *Buddhist Masculinities: Rhetorics and Representations*

Monday - 9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Megan Bryson, University of Tennessee

*Barbarian Buddhist Kingship: Tantric Masculinities in the Dali Kingdom (937-1253)*

Stephen C. Berkwitz, Missouri State University

*The Poetics of Virility: Praising Buddhist Kings in Sinhala Verse*

Mari Jyvasjarvi, Reed College

*Celibate But Manly: Monastic Masculinity in Mūlasarvāstivādin Buddhist Sources*

Liz Wilson, Miami University of Ohio

*Muscles, Morality, and Buddhist Revivalism in 20th Century India: Muscular Buddhist Rhetoric in the Writings of B. R. Ambedkar and His Followers*

Responding:

Barbara Ambros, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill

Business Meeting:

Christian K. Wedemeyer, University of Chicago Divinity School

Lori Meeks, University of Southern California

---

## **A25-104**

### **Christian Systematic Theology Section**

Timothy J. Furry, Cranbrook Kingswood Upper Schol, Presiding

Theme: *Unity in Sacrifice: A Panel on Ephraim Radner's A Brutal Unity (Baylor University Press, 2012)*

Monday - 9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Panelists:

Paul Hinlicky, Roanoke College

Francesca Murphy, University of Notre Dame du Lac

William T. Cavanaugh, DePaul University

Peter Ochs, University of Virginia

Responding:

Ephraim Radner, University of Toronto

---

## **A25-105**

### **Comparative Studies in Religion Section**



Alon Goshen-Gottstein, The Elijah Interfaith Institute, Presiding

Theme: *Religious Genius - Exploring a Category in the Comparative Study of Saints*

Monday - 9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Panelists:

Sidney Griffith, Catholic University of America  
Vanessa R. Sasson, Marianopolis College  
Amanda Lucia (Huffer), University of California, Riverside  
Miriam Levering, University of Tennessee, Knoxville  
Vasudha Narayanan, University of Florida  
Robert C. Neville, Boston University  
Jerome Gellman, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev  
Nikolas Zanetti, Boston University  
Timothy Gianotti, University of Oregon

---

**A25-107**

**North American Religions Section and Afro-American Religious History Group**

Stephen Prothero, Boston University, Presiding

Theme: *Authors Meet Critics: The Color of Christ: The Son of God and the Saga of Race in America by Paul Harvey and Edward Blum (University of North Carolina Press, 2012)*

Monday - 9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Panelists:

Joshua Paddison, Wittenberg University  
Kathryn Gin, Stanford University  
J. Kameron Carter, Duke University Divinity School

Responding:

Edward Blum, San Diego State University  
Paul W. Harvey, University of Colorado  
Gil Anidjar, Columbia University

---

**A25-108**

**Religion and Politics Section and Religion and Migration Group**

Erik Owens, Boston College, Presiding

Theme: *Roundtable: Insights from the 2013 Religion, Values, and Immigration Survey*

Monday - 9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Panelists:

Robert P. Jones, Public Religion Research Institute  
E.J. Dionne, Brookings Institute, Washington Post  
Kristin Heyer, Santa Clara University  
Manuel A. Vasquez, University of Florida  
William Galston, The Brookings Institution

---

**A25-109**

**Religion in South Asia Section**

Whitney Kelting, Northeastern University, Presiding

Theme: *The Art of Prayer: Stotras in Multiple Contexts*

Monday - 9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Lynna Dhanani, Yale University

*Seeing Siva as the Jina: Devotion and Polemics in Hemacandra's Mahadeva Stotra*

Hamsa Stainton, University of Kansas

*Poetry as Prayer: The Saiva Hymns of Jagaddhara of Kashmir*

David Buchta, University of Pennsylvania

*Evoking Rasa through Stotra: Rupa Gosvamin's Lists of Divine Names*

Steven Vose, Florida International University

*The Poet with a Goddess on His Shoulder: The Nexus of Kavya and Bhakti in the Stotras of Jinaprabhasuri*

Responding:

Steven P. Hopkins, Swarthmore College

---

**A25-111**

**Theology and Religious Reflection Section**

Tamsin Jones, University of Victoria, Presiding

Theme: *Theorizing Affect for Theology and Religion*

Monday - 9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Panelists:

M. Gail Hamner, Syracuse University  
Anne Joh, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary  
Ludger Viefhues-Bailey, Le Moyne College

Business Meeting:

Anne Joh, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary  
Tamsin Jones, University of Victoria

---

### **A25-112**

#### **Women and Religion Section and Space, Place, and Religious Meaning Group**

Elizabeth Gish, Western Kentucky University, Presiding

Theme: *The Gendered Politics of Space: Women, Religion, and Nation*

Monday - 9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Andrea Smith, University of California, Irvine

*The Space of the Native within the Academy: Gender, Settler Colonialism and Ethnographic Entrapment*

Susan Abraham, Harvard University

*Gendered Bodies at the Border: Culture, Religion and History in the Partition of India*

Sarah Eltantawi, Harvard University

*Gender, Public Space and the Question of "Democracy" in Egypt*

Stephanie May, Boston College

*Homestead Nation: Religion and the Gendered Boundary of the U.S. Frontier*

---

### **A25-113**

#### **African Religions Group and Gay Men and Religion Group and Lesbian-Feminist Issues in Religion Group**

Joseph Hellweg, Florida State University, Presiding

Theme: *The Souls of Queer Folk: LGBTIQ Africans and the Decolonization of Religion*

Monday - 9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Adriaan van Klinken, University of Leeds

*Queer Lives in a Christian Nation: Zambian Gay Men Negotiating Sexual and Religious Identities*

Gabeba Baderoon, Penn State University

*Self-archives and Communal Autobiographies: The Public Privacy of Queer Muslim and Christian Autobiographies in South Africa*

John Blevins, Emory University

*Different Ways of Doing Violence: Sexuality, Religion, and Public Health in the Lives of Same Gender-loving Men in Kenya*

Chet Jechura, Boston College

*Raising the Queer African Voice: Synthesizing a Queer Critique of Sexual Norms Within a Postcolonial African Context*

Responding:

Charles Gueboguo, University of Michigan

Business Meeting:

Tapiwa Mucherera, Asbury Theological Seminary

---

## **A25-114**

### **Asian North American Religion, Culture, and Society Group**

Mimi Khuc, University of Maryland College Park, Presiding

Theme: *Elusive Bodies: Explorations in Asian North American Identities, Cultural Practices, and Advocacy*

Monday - 9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Ren Ito, Emmanuel College, University of Toronto

*Culture as a Racial Signifier in Asian North American Theologies*

Roy Sano, Pacific School of Religion

*Resistance, Rebellion, and Defiance: Asian Americans Advocating Human Rights*

Thien-Huong Ninh, University of Southern California

*The Cold War is Getting Hotter: The Anti-Communist Interfaith Movement among Vietnamese Catholics and Caodaists in the United States*

K. Kale Yu, Nyack College

*"Sins of My Father": Ethnicity, Culture, and Theological Purity in the Asian American Church*

Responding:

Jane Naomi Iwamura, University of the West

Business Meeting:

Mimi Khuc, University of Maryland College Park

Michael Sepidoza Campos, Graduate Theological Union

---

**A25-115**

**Bible, Theology, and Postmodernity Group and SBL Postcolonial Studies and Biblical Studies Group**

Jon L. Berquist, Disciples Seminary Foundation, Presiding

Theme: *Exploring the Intersections between Postcoloniality and Disability for Biblical and Theological Studies*

Monday - 9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Panelists:

Sharon V. Betcher, Self-employed  
Laura E. Donaldson, Cornell University  
Grant Gieseke, Drew University

Responding:

Yak-hwee Tan, CWM Ltd/Taiwan Theological College and Seminary

Business Meeting:

Tat-siong Benny Liew, College of the Holy Cross  
Shelly Rambo, Boston University

---

**A25-116**

**Black Theology Group**

Andrea C. White, Emory University, Presiding

Theme: *The State of Black Theology in the Twenty-First Century*

Monday - 9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Panelists:

Dwight N. Hopkins, University of Chicago  
Anthony B. Pinn, Rice University  
Kelly Brown Douglas, Goucher College  
Monica A. Coleman, Claremont School of Theology  
Adam Clark, Xavier University

Business Meeting:

Anthony G. Reddie, Aston University

---

**A25-117**

**Body and Religion Group and Hinduism Group and Religion, Film, and Visual Culture  
Group and Ritual Studies Group and Yoga in Theory and Practice Group**

Mark Singleton, St. John's College, Santa Fe, Presiding

Theme: *Yogis in Visual Culture*

Monday - 9:00 AM-11:30 AM

James Mallinson

*Yogi Insignia in Mughal Painting and Avadhi Romances*

Knut Axel Jacobsen, University of Bergen

*Visual Representation of Sāṃkhya-yoga Ascetics and Monastic Traditions*

Shaman Hatley, Concordia University

*On the Accoutrements of the Kāpālīka Yogin: Skull-staves (Khatvāṅga) and Skull-bowls in  
Shaiva Myth, Ritual, and Iconography*

Tamara Sears, Yale University

*Seeing Yoga through the Body*

Cathryn Keller

*Time Stands Still: Photography, Race, and Yesudian's Yoga Body in Europe 1938–1948*

Responding:

Gudrun Bühnemann, University of Wisconsin, Madison

Business Meeting:

Andrew J. Nicholson, Stony Brook University

Mark Singleton, St. John's College, Santa Fe

---

**A25-118**

**Bonhoeffer: Theology and Social Analysis Group**

John Matthews, International Bonhoeffer Society, Presiding

Theme: *Contextualizing Bonhoeffer as Preacher*

Monday - 9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Jacob Phillips, King's College London

*The Unceasing: Investigating Bonhoeffer's 1932 Sermons on Colossians 3:1-4*

Jean-Pierre Fortin, Faculty of Theology, University of St. Michael's College

*Understanding as Love: Dietrich Bonhoeffer's Pastoral Theology*

Joseph McGarry, University of Aberdeen

*Christ for Us Now and Here: Preaching the Gospel with Dietrich Bonhoeffer*

Business Meeting:

Jennifer McBride, Wartburg College

---

**A25-119**

**Buddhist Philosophy Group**

Roger Jackson, Carleton College, Presiding

Theme: *Knowledge and Power in Buddhist Philosophy*

Monday - 9:00 AM-11:30 AM

David Fiordalis, Linfield College

*Knowledge and its Relation to Power: Theory in the Abhidharmakośabhāṣya*

Pierre-Julien Harter, University of Chicago Divinity School

*Having Power over Knowledge: Theory and Practice in the Abhisamayālaṅkāra Tradition*

Daniel Stuart, University of South Carolina

*The Power of Awareness Gone Wide: Action, Knowledge, and Cosmic Sovereignty in the Saddharmasmṛtyupasthāna(sūtra)*

Natalie Gummer, Beloit College

*Textual Techniques of Self-Sacrifice: Knowledge, Power, and the Ethics of Reading the Sovereign Sūtra*

Responding:

Sara L. McClintock, Emory University

---

**A25-120**

**Chinese Religions Group**

Paul Copp, University of Chicago, Presiding

Theme: *Apocrypha, Incantations, and Identities in Medieval Chinese Buddhism*

Monday - 9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Ori Tavor, George Washington University

*Cosmic Resonance, Celestial Retribution, and the Creation of Buddhist Religious Identity in Medieval China*

Frederick Shih-Chung Chen, University of Oxford

*An Apocryphal Version of the Mahāyāna Mahāparinirvāna Sūtra? Or A More Concise and Comprehensive Curriculum on the Teaching of Buddha-nature — A Study of the Foxinghaizang zhihui jietuo po xinxiang jing 佛性海藏智慧解脫破心相經*

Ryan Overbey, University of California, Berkeley

*Until Blood Flows from their Mouths: Shifting Cosmologies in the Ritual Manuals of the Great Peahen Queen of Spells*

Jason Protass, Stanford University

*Visualizing Lineage: Mapping the Decline of Yunmen Chan*

---

## **A25-121**

### **Comparative Approaches to Religion and Violence Group and Critical Theory and Discourses on Religion Group**

Aaron W. Hughes, University of Rochester, Presiding

Theme: *Violence and Religious Rhetoric*

Monday - 9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Leif Tornquist, UNC-Chapel Hill

*'This Mighty Struggle for Life': Anglo-American Protestant Ministers, Biopolitical Violence, and Negative Eugenics in the 1920s United States*

Lesley Turnbull, Cornell University

*'Crafting' History, Social Memory, and Sovereignty: Narratives of Yunnanese Ethno-Religious Conflicts*

Martin Rowe, Boston University

*Sectarian Violence, Street Protests and Counterrevolution in Egypt*

Manuela Ceballos Jaramillo, Emory University

*Sufi Fighters as Sufi Lovers: Militant Piety in Muhammad ibn Yaggabsh al-Tazi's Book of Jihad*

Responding:

Robert A. Segal, University of Aberdeen

---

## **A25-122**

### **Contemporary Islam Group**

Martin Nguyen, Fairfield University, Presiding

Theme: *Memory Work and Culture Making*

Monday - 9:00 AM-11:30 AM



Francesca Chubb-Confer, University of Chicago  
*Memories of a Muslim Future: Muhammad Iqbal's Poetry of Andalusia*

Maheen Zaman, Columbia University  
*Shah Waliullah in Deobandi and Ahl-i Hadith Cultural Memory*

Ailya Vajid, Harvard Divinity School  
*The Multiple Meanings of Mourning: How Shi'i-American Women Reshape the Collective Memory of Karbala through Commemoration*

Nathan Spannaus, McGill University  
*Reclaiming Muslim Identity from the Past: Historical Models in Contemporary Tatar Islam*

Responding:

Omid Safi, University of North Carolina

Business Meeting:

Danielle Widmann Abraham, Harvard Divinity School

---

### **A25-123**

#### **Cultural History of the Study of Religion Group**

J. Barton Scott, Montana State University, Presiding

Theme: *Conceiving Encounter, Evading Lack*

Monday - 9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Panelists:

Ruth Mas, University of Colorado

Arvind Mandair, University of Michigan

Todd Ramón Ochoa, Department of Religious Studies, UNC Chapel Hill

Business Meeting:

Ann M. Burlein, Hofstra University

Randall Styers, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill

---

### **A25-124**

#### **Death, Dying, and Beyond Group**

Diana Pasulka, University of North Carolina Wilmington, Presiding

Theme: *Control Over Death and Identity*

Monday - 9:00 AM-11:30 AM  
Matthew Recla, Boise State University  
*Autothanatos: The Martyr's Self-Formation*

Alda Balthrop-Lewis, Princeton University  
*Annie Dillard against Georges Bataille on Death and Grief in an Exuberant World*

Myrick Shinall, Vanderbilt University  
*Why Do Religious People Choose More Aggressive Medical Care at the End of Life?*

Allison Solso, University of California, Riverside  
*Roadside Shrines and the Contest of Identity*

Business Meeting:

Lucy Bregman, Temple University

---

### **A25-125**

#### **Eastern Orthodox Studies Group**

Peter Galadza, Saint Paul University - Sheptytsky Institute, Presiding

Theme: *Orthodox Political Theology*

Monday - 9:00 AM-11:30 AM  
Alexander Angelov, The College of William and Mary  
*God's Representative on Earth: "Caesaropapism" in Byzantine and Modern Orthodoxy*

Stephen J. Shoemaker, University of Oregon  
*The Last Roman Emperor and Byzantine Political Eschatology: The Late Ancient Origins of a Medieval Tradition*

Pantelis Kalaitzidis, Volos Academy for Theological Studies  
*The Public Role of the Church and Theology: An Eastern Orthodox Approach with Special Reference to the Church of Greece*

Awet Andemicael, Yale University  
*"Beauty Will Save the World": The Aesthetic Dimension of Sergei Bulgakov's Political Theology*

Business Meeting:

Aristotle Papanikolaou, Fordham University  
Vera Shevzov, Smith College

---

### **A25-126**

#### **Ecclesiological Investigations Group**

Bradford E. Hinze, Fordham University, Presiding

Theme: *The Power and Authority of Women in the Church*

Monday - 9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Susan J. Shaw

*Southern Baptists, Roman Catholics, and the Study of Women in Theological Education*

Erin Michele Brigham, University of San Francisco

*Women Religious and the Public Voice of American Catholicism*

Jane Carol Redmont, World Council of Churches

*African, Feminist, Ecumenical: The Ecclesiology of Mercy Amba Oduyoye*

Angela Berlis, University of Bern

*Shared Authority – Leadership of Female Clergy and Female Laity*

Rebecca B. Young, Jakarta Theology Seminary

*Shadows of Lumimu'ut: Tracing the Legacy of Women's Religious Eminence in Minahasa, Sulawesi, Indonesia*

Business Meeting:

Mark Chapman, Ripon College Cuddesdon

---

**A25-127**

**Evangelical Studies Group and Kierkegaard, Religion, and Culture Group**

Meesaeng Choi, Asbury Theological Seminary, Presiding

Theme: *Kierkegaard as a Resource for Evangelical Theology*

Monday - 9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Mark Tietjen, University of West Georgia

*Kierkegaard as a Resource for Evangelical Theology*

Kyle Roberts, Bethel Seminary

*Imagination and the 'Hermeneutic Imperative': Kierkegaard for the Emergent Church*

Jason A. Mahn, Augustana College

*Interrogating Authenticity: Kierkegaard, Evangelicalism, and American Neo-Christendom*

Aaron Edwards, University of Aberdeen

*Life in Kierkegaard's Imaginary Rural Parish: Preaching, Correctivity and the Gospel*

---

**A25-128**

**Latina/o Critical and Comparative Studies Group**

Luis Leon, University of Denver, Presiding

Theme: *Latina/o Social Ethics by Miguel de la Torre (Baylor University Press, 2010), Author Meets Critics*

Monday - 9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Panelists:

Patrick S. Cheng, Episcopal Divinity School  
Thia Cooper, Gustavus Adolphus College  
Stacey M. Floyd-Thomas, Vanderbilt University  
Michelle Gonzalez Maldonado, University of Miami

Responding:

Miguel A. De La Torre, Iliff School of Theology

---

**A25-129**

**Liberal Theologies Group and Pragmatism and Empiricism in American Religious Thought Group**

Beth Eddy, Worcester Polytechnic Institute, Presiding

Theme: *New Approaches to Social Gospel Theology*

Monday - 9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Christina Littlefield, Pepperdine University  
*Pragmatism and Nationalism in the Work of Josiah Strong*

Jonathan Fedors, University of Pennsylvania  
*God's Trombones, the Social Gospel, and the Harlem Renaissance*

Janet Giddings, Santa Clara University and San Jose State University  
*Truly a Preacher: Religious Ideas and Themes in Poetry by the American Poet Edwin Markham (1852-1940).*

Larry Perry, University of Virginia  
*Beyond Black Churches: A Black Spiritual Left*

Responding:

Daniel McKanan, Harvard Divinity School

---

**A25-130**

**Mysticism Group**

Bryan S. Rennie, Westminster College, Presiding

Theme: *Genealogies of the Numinous: Mysterium Tremendum et Fascinans, Majestas, and the Ganz Andere*

Monday - 9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Panelists:

Israel Fischer, Tel Aviv University  
Todd Gooch, Eastern Kentucky University  
Ulrich Rosenhagen, UW-Madison  
Melissa Raphael, University of Gloucestershire  
Yoshitsugu Sawai, Tenri University  
Stuart R. Sarbacker, Oregon State University  
Timothy D. Knepper, Drake University

Responding:

Gregory D. Alles, McDaniel College

Business Meeting:

Thomas Cattoi, Graduate Theological Union

---

**A25-131**

**Native Traditions in the Americas Group and Religion and Food Group**

Dale A. Stover, University of Nebraska at Omaha, Presiding

Theme: *Restoring Right Relationships Between Native Americans and Plant and Animal Beings*

Monday - 9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Gabrielle Tayac, Smithsonian National Museum of the American Indian  
*Mother Water's Lungs: Chesapeake Oysters*

Micheline Pesantubbee, University of Iowa  
*Those Ornerly Cows: Domesticated Bison and Native American Health*

Mary Churchill, Sonoma State University  
*"This Is Dances with Salmon, You Know!": An Unauthorized Interpretation of Smoke Signals*

Michael McNally, Carleton College  
*Manoomin/Wild Rice and Contemporary Anishinaabe Peoplehood*

Responding:

Martha Finch, Missouri State University

Business Meeting:

Michael Zogry, University of Kansas  
Mary Churchill, Sonoma State University

---

**A25-132**

**Religion and Popular Culture Group**

Rabia Gregory, University of Missouri, Presiding

Theme: *Material Interactions: Case Studies in the Cultural Production of Religious Difference*

Monday - 9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Timothy Hutchings, Durham University

*"It Is with Me Always": The Bible as Digital Text*

Sarah Koenig, Yale University

*"Our Peculiarly Responsible Duties as Mothers": Missionary Maternalism and Women's Material Culture in Nineteenth Century America*

Donovan Schaefer, Haverford College

*Theses on Guns, Apocalypticism, and American Religion*

Elliot Ratzman, Swarthmore College

*The Religious Dimensions of Immersion Journalism: From Black Like Me to The Cross in the Closet*

Responding:

Richard Callahan, University of Missouri-Columbia

---

**A25-133**

**Religious Conversions Group**

Linda A. Mercadante, Methodist Theological School, Ohio, Presiding

Theme: *Hybridity, Syncretism, and Multiple Religious Belonging*

Monday - 9:00 AM-11:30 AM

John J. Thatamanil, Union Theological Seminary

*We Are All Multiple: Identity and Conversion after "Religion"*

Reid Locklin, University of Toronto

*Non-Dual Belonging: Conversion, Sanskritization and the Dissolution of the Multiple in Advaita Missionary Movements*

C Lynn Carr, Seton Hall University  
*Orisha Devotees in the U.S.: "Conversion" as Resocialization, Rhetorical Change, and Relationship*

Eric Chalfant, Duke University  
*Taylor-Made: The Unbeliever in A Secular Age*

Business Meeting:

Marc Pugliese, Saint Leo University

---

**A25-134**

**Science, Technology, and Religion Group**

Lea Schweitz, Lutheran School of Theology, Chicago, Presiding

Theme: *Religion, Science, Democracy*

Monday - 9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Panelists:

Philip Clayton, Claremont School of Theology  
Laurel C. Schneider, Vanderbilt University  
Barbara A. McGraw, Saint Mary's College of California  
John Kiess, Loyola University Maryland

Responding:

Lisa L. Stenmark, San Jose State University

Business Meeting:

James Haag, Suffolk University

---

**A25-135**

**Secularism and Secularity Group**

Jonathan VanAntwerpen, Social Science Research Council, Presiding

Theme: *Producing Secularism in Public Spaces*

Monday - 9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Noah Salomon, Carleton College  
*Beyond Salvation? Secular Soteriologies at the Birth of South Sudan*

Elayne Oliphant, Brown University

*Making the Visible Invisible: The Unmarking of Catholicism in Secular France*

David Le, Brown University

*On Reflecting Absence: Secular Formations at Ground Zero*

Responding:

Mayanthi Fernando, University of California, Santa Cruz

Business Meeting:

Per D. Smith, Boston University

---

**A25-136**

**Theology and Continental Philosophy Group**

Tazim Kassam, Syracuse University, Presiding

Theme: *What Does It Mean to "Philosophize" in Islam?*

Monday - 9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Ibrahim Bilal, University of California, Berkeley

*Philosophy and Public Discourse in Islam: Instrumentality versus Pure Reason in Sunni Thought and Falsafa*

M. Owais Khan, Syracuse University

*No to Islamic Ethics*

Omar Shaukat, University of Virginia

*From Philosophy to Prayer: Muhammad Iqbal and His Hermeneutics of the Qur'an*

Ahmed Abdel Meguid, Syracuse University

*Between Physics and Metaphysics: Ibn al-'Arabī and the Foundation of an Islamic Philosophical Anthropology*

---

**A25-137**

**Christian Zionism in Comparative Perspective Seminar**

Goran Gunner, Church of Sweden Research Unit, Presiding

Theme: *Christian Zionism: Defining the Field of Inquiry*

Monday - 9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Joseph Williams, Rutgers University

*Christian Zionism and Identity Formation among Evangelicals in the Twentieth-Century U.S.*

Aron Engberg, CTR Lund University



*The Politics of Apolitical Identities & the Religiousness of Religion - A Contribution to the Discussion on Definitions of Christian Zionism*

Sean Durbin, Macquarie University  
*The Persistence of "Belief" in the Study of Christian Zionism*

Timo R. Stewart, University of Helsinki  
*Redefining Christian Zionism*

Responding:

Nelly Van Doorn-Harder, Wake Forest University  
Robert O. Smith, Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

Business Meeting:

Goran Gunner, Church of Sweden Research Unit

---

**A25-138**

**Global Perspectives on Religion and HIV/AIDS Seminar**

Anthony Petro, Boston University, Presiding

Theme: *Global Perspectives on Religion and HIV/AIDS Seminar*

Monday - 9:00 AM-11:30 AM

James Matarazzo, University of Oxford

*Prayer Alone is Not Enough: Personal Accounts of Faith-based Responses to HIV in El Salvador, Yemen and Zimbabwe*

Business Meeting:

Lynne Gerber, University of California, Berkeley

---

**A25-140**

**Student Lounge Roundtable**

John Soboslai, UCSB, Presiding

Martha Smith Roberts, University of California, Santa Barbara, Presiding

Theme: *Blogging to Learn in Religious Studies Classrooms*

Monday - 11:00 AM-12:00 PM

---

**A25-141**

**Plenaries**

John L. Esposito, Georgetown University, Presiding

Theme: *Plenary Panel: Public Understanding of Religion and Issues of Religious Pluralism*

Monday - 11:45 AM-12:45 PM

Panelists:

Shaun Allen Casey, Wesley Theological Seminary

Josef Sorett, Columbia University

Ingrid Mattson, Huron University College at the University of Western Ontario

---

**A25-142**

**Program Committee**

Nelly Van Doorn-Harder, Wake Forest University, Presiding

Theme: *Program Committee Meeting*

Monday - 11:45 AM-12:45 PM

---

**A25-143**

**Women's Lounge Roundtable**

Bernadette Brooten, Brandeis University, Presiding

Theme: *Lunch Discussion on Sexual and Other Gender-based Violence on College and Seminary Campuses*

Monday - 11:45 AM-12:45 PM

---

**A25-200**

**Student Lounge Roundtable**

Jeremy Kidwell, University of Edinburgh, Presiding

Theme: *Leveraging Web Based Technologies for Teaching in the Humanities*

Monday - 1:00 PM-2:00 PM

---

**A25-206**

**Philosophy of Religion Section and Religion, Holocaust, and Genocide Group**

Bettina Bergo, Loyola College in Maryland, Presiding

Theme: *Eichmann in Jerusalem, Fifty Years Later*

Monday - 1:00 PM-3:00 PM

Claire Katz, Texas A and M University

*Is There a Limit to Responsibility? Arendt's Eichmann in Jerusalem Fifty Years Later*

Martin Shuster, Hamilton College

*Some Notes on Arendt's Eichmann in Jerusalem and Contemporary Theories of Group Intentionality*

Ada Jaarsma, Mount Royal University

*Arendt, Eichmann, and the Existential Dimensions of Judgment*

---

**A25-210**

**Study of Judaism Section**

Shaul Magid, Indiana University, Bloomington, Presiding

Theme: *What Can the Study Of American Judaism Bring to Religious Studies?: A Roundtable on Theory and Methods*

Monday - 1:00 PM-3:00 PM

Panelists:

Laura S. Levitt, Temple University

Tisa Wenger, Yale University

Jodi Eichler-Levine, University of Wisconsin Oshkosh

Rachel Gordan, Northwestern University

Laura Tomes, Georgetown University

---

**A25-224**

**Qur'an Group**

Daniel A. Madigan, Georgetown University, Presiding

Theme: *Approaches in Qur'anic Studies*

Monday - 1:00 PM-3:00 PM

Nevin Reda, Emmanuel College of Victoria University in the University of Toronto

*Bible and Quran: The Story of Abraham and the Dilemma of the Influence Paradigm*

George Archer, Georgetown University

*"In that Sleep of Death": A Ring Compositional Analysis of al-Kahf Regarding Saint Cults and the Barzakh*

Alan Godlas, University of Georgia

*Qur'anic Emotions, Cognition, and Emotional Intelligence*

Vanessa De Gifis, Wayne State University

*Toward a Hermeneutic of Qur'anic Referencing*

Jacob Hicks, Florida State University

*The Right Man for the Job: How Elijah Muhammad and His Followers Use the Qur'an to Demonstrate How He Is Uniquely Suited to Minister to the "Blackman"*

Responding:

Joseph Lombard, Brandeis University

---

**A25-230**

**Religions, Social Conflict, and Peace Group**

Megan Shore, King's University College, Presiding

Theme: *Recognition and Social Transformation: Theory and Practice in Religious Peacemaking*

Monday - 1:00 PM-3:00 PM

Rebecca B. Young, Jakarta Theology Seminary

*Peace Provocateurs: Social Media and the Quelling of Religious Unrest in Indonesia*

Joseph Wiinikka-Lydon, Emory University

*Ironic Recognition and the Critique of Dehumanization in Religion and Violent Conflict*

Jason Springs, University of Notre Dame

*Transforming Conflict on Sacred Ground: On the Limits and Risks of Inter-religious Engagement in Contexts of Structural and Cultural Violence*

William A. Barbieri, Catholic University of America

*Youth Sports and Catholic Peacebuilding*

---

**A25-232**

**Roman Catholic Studies Group**

Kristy Nabhan-Warren, University of Iowa, Presiding

Theme: *Trouble in Paradigms: Research Challenges in American Catholic Studies*

Monday - 1:00 PM-3:00 PM

Panelists:

Brian Clites, Northwestern University, Dept. of Religious Studies

Kathleen Cummings, University of Notre Dame

Michael Pasquier, Louisiana State University

John Seitz, Fordham University

---

**A25-233**

**Womanist Approaches to Religion and Society Group**

Pamela Lightsey, Boston University, Presiding

Theme: *Womanism, Masculinity, and the Communal Body*

Monday - 1:00 PM-3:00 PM

Raedorah Stewart, VISIONS, Inc.

*Bodacious! Honoring Womanist Works of All the Folks: Rev. Dr. Linda H. Hollies*

Amey Victoria Adkins, Duke University

*From Hottentot to HeLa: Considering the Unsolicited Immortality of Black Women's Bodies*

Michele Watkins, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary

*Democratic Womanism and the Politics of Communal Salvation*

Darrius Hills, Rice University

*Humanizing Mr. \_\_\_\_\_ and Redeeming Tea Cake: Womanist Literary Conceptions of Relationality as a Resource for Reconstructing Black Male Identity*

Marsha Snulligan-Haney, Interdenominational Theological Center

*Differing Women, Differing Values: Creating Prophetic Dialogue among Women from Differing Cultural Assumptions about Women*

Business Meeting:

Tracey Hucks, Haverford College

---

**A25-236**

**Student Lounge Roundtable**

Joseph Blankholm, Columbia University, Presiding

Theme: *Publishing Your Research Online—for Your Peers and for the Public*

Monday - 2:00 PM-3:00 PM

---

**A25-201**

**Academic Relations Committee**

David Harrington Watt, Temple University, Presiding

Theme: *Academic Relations Committee Meeting*

Monday - 12:30 PM-3:30 PM

Panelists:

Joseph A. Favazza, Stonehill College

Toddie Peters, Elon

Courtney Bender, Columbia University  
Christine E. Gudorf, Florida International University  
Elonda Clay, Lutheran School of Theology, Chicago

---

**A25-202**

**Christian Systematic Theology Section**

Bernard Chris Dorsey, University of Chicago, Presiding

Theme: *Critically Exploring Theology's Turn to Practice*

Monday - 1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Daniel del Nido, Columbia University

*Christian Virtues as Embodied Habits: Contemporary Perspectives*

Natalie Wigg-Stevenson, Emmanuel College

*Reflexivity in Ethnographic Theology*

Bård Eirik Hallesby Norheim, NLA University College, Bergen

*Practicing Baptism: The Construction of the Self through Christian Practices in the Light of Lutheran Theology*

John F. Hoffmeyer, The Lutheran Theological Seminary at Philadelphia

*Sacramental Theology in a Consumer Society*

---

**A25-203**

**Comparative Studies in Religion Section**

Kurt Anders Richardson, University of Toronto, Presiding

Theme: *Comparative Messianism: Figuration and Expectation in Non-Abrahamic Religions*

Monday - 1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Helen Hardacre, Reischauer Institute

*Messianism in Early Japan*

Shiraz Hajjani, University of Chicago

*Ismailism and Persian Messianisms*

Gil Raz, Dartmouth College

*Messianism in Daoism*

Hugh B. Urban, Ohio State University, Columbus

*An Avatar for Our Age: Kalki as "Messianic" Figure in Ancient and Contemporary Hinduism*

Responding:

Francis X. Clooney, Harvard University

Business Meeting:

Kimberley C. Patton, Harvard University  
Eric D. Mortensen, Guilford College

---

**A25-204**

**Ethics Section**

Jennifer S. Leath, Yale University, Presiding

Theme: *Questioning the Capitalist Moment: Ethical Approaches to Economic Justice*

Monday - 1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Panelists:

Melissa Snarr, Vanderbilt University  
Ronald Neal, Wake Forest University  
Laura Stivers, Dominican University of California  
Keri Day, Brite Divinity School

Responding:

Emilie M. Townes, Yale University

Business Meeting:

Victor Anderson, Vanderbilt University  
Stacey M. Floyd-Thomas, Vanderbilt University

---

**A25-205**

**North American Religions Section**

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

Theme: *Religious Change and Technological Mediation in Modern America*

Monday - 1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Panelists:

John Modern, Franklin and Marshall College  
Brendan Pietsch, Nazarbayev University  
Kati Curts, Yale University  
Sonia Hazard, Duke University  
Pamela Klassen, University of Toronto

---

**A25-207**

**Religion and Politics Section**

Robert F. Shedinger, Luther College, Presiding

Theme: *Race, Labor, and Political Theory in America*

Monday - 1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Ann Duncan, Goucher College

*Social Justice and a City in Crisis: Baltimore's Catholic Charities and Viva House Catholic Worker Community*

Jonathan Malesic, King's College (Pa.)

*Emancipating Labor from Jim Crow and Neoliberalism: Reassessing Booker T. Washington's Christian Work Ethic for the Postindustrial Era*

Terrence Johnson, Haverford College

*Public Reason and the Moral Problem of Blackness: Creating a Transformative Model of Deliberation*

Joseph Kosek, George Washington University

*Neither Capitalist Nor Socialist: Religion and Decentralist Economics in America, 1918-1941*

---

**A25-208**

**Religion and the Social Sciences Section and Cultural History of the Study of Religion Group and Queer Studies in Religion and Religion and Sexuality Group**

Wallace Best, Princeton University, Presiding

Theme: *Sexual Binaries / Religious Histories: A Roundtable Discussion*

Monday - 1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Panelists:

Rebecca L. Davis, University of Delaware

Samira Mehta, Emory University

Anthony Petro, Boston University

Heather White, New College of Florida

Gillian Frank, Princeton University

---

**A25-209**

**Study of Islam Section**

Juliane Hammer, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, Presiding



Theme: *On Normativity in the Field of Islamic Studies*

Monday - 1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Jonathan E. Brockopp, Pennsylvania State University, University Park

*Interpreting Material Evidence: Religion at the "Origins of Islam"*

Elliott Bazzano, Le Moyne College

*Normative Approaches to Qur'anic Exegesis: From the Premodern Middle East to Modern West*

Sarah Eltantawi, Harvard University

*Order, Not Instability: Postcoloniality and Islamic Law from the Northern Nigerian Perspective*

Zareena Grewal, Yale University

*Recuperating Orthodoxy, Studying Muslims: New Directions in the Anthropology of Islam*

David Freidenreich, Colby College

*Islamic Studies and Jewish Studies: Differences in Context*

Responding:

Aaron W. Hughes, University of Rochester

---

**A25-211**

**Tibetan and Himalayan Religions Group and Buddhism Section and Body and Religion Group and Chinese Religions Group**

Andrew Quintman, Yale University, Presiding

Theme: *Self-Immolations in the Tibetan Buddhist World*

Monday - 1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Julie Regan, Harvard University, Faculty of Arts and Sciences

*Burning Questions*

Jack Downey, La Salle University

*A Burnt Offering: Tibetan Self-Immolation and Mystical-Political Dharma*

Elliot Sperling

*Self Immolation as a Tactic: Reactions and Responses from within the People's Republic of China*

Janet Gyatso, Harvard University

*Scholarship in the Face of Sadness*

Responding:

James A. Benn, McMaster University

---

**A25-212**

**Anthropology of Religion Group and Hinduism Group**

Rupa Viswanath, University of Gottingen, Presiding

Theme: *Material Hinduism*

Monday - 1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Tracy Pintchman, Loyola University, Chicago

*The Goddess's Shaligrams*

Peter Gottschalk, Wesleyan University

*Recentering the Material Temple in Studies of Ritual, Memory, and Archaeological Practices*

Joyce Burkhalter Flueckiger, Emory University

*Agency of the Material Guise (Vesam) in a South Indian Goddess Tradition*

Deeksha Sivakumar, Emory University

*Assembling Dolls for Bommai Golu: Display Shows, Display Tells*

Responding:

Corinne Dempsey, Nazareth College

---

**A25-213**

**Childhood Studies and Religion Group and SBL Recovering Female Interpreters of the Bible Group**

Jaqueline S. Du Toit, University of the Free State, Presiding

Theme: *The Bible as a Contested Site of Interpretation: Women Biblical Interpreters on Childhood and Parenthood through the Centuries*

Monday - 1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Dawn Llewellyn, University of Chester

Paul Middleton, University of Chester

*Motherhood, Martyrdom, and the Threat to Christian Identity: Voicing a Modern and Ancient Taboo*

Heather E. Weir, Wycliffe College, Toronto School of Theology

*Teaching Children or Children Teaching? Dialogue in Biblical Pedagogy*

Joni S. Sancken, Eastern Mennonite Seminary, Eastern Mennonite University

*Christological Formation of Children through Reading the Old Testament*

Marion Taylor, Wycliffe College

*Jephthah's Daughter: Noble and Obedient Unto Death or Misguided?*

---

**A25-214**

**Cognitive Science of Religion Group**

Jason Slone, Tiffin University, Presiding

Theme: *Beyond W.E.I.R.D. (Western, Educated, Industrialized, Rich, Democratic): Cross-Cultural Methods and Findings in the Cognitive Science of Religion*

Monday - 1:00 PM-3:30 PM

J. Bradley Wigger, Louisville Presbyterian Theological Seminary

*What Do Angels, Ancestors, and Invisible Friends Know?: Theory of Mind among Children of Kenya and Malawi*

Maya Marin, Queen's University of Belfast

Claire White, California State University, Northridge

Daniel Fessler, University of California, Los Angeles

*Not All Supernatural Agents are Morally Interested: Adaptationist Theories of Religion Reconsidered*

Kelly Bulkeley, Graduate Theological Union

*Religious Studies in the Era of Big Data*

Joseph Bankard, Northwest Nazarene University

*Training Emotion Cultivates Morality: How Loving-kindness Meditation Hones Compassion and Increases Prosocial Behavior*

---

**A25-215**

**Comparative Religious Ethics Group and Religion in Southeast Asia Group**

Richard Fox, Universität Heidelberg, Presiding

Theme: *Islam and Public Ethics in Indonesia*

Monday - 1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Mun'im Sirry, University of Chicago

*Islamic Public Debates in Contemporary Indonesia*

Megan Brankley, Princeton University

*Authority, Authenticity, and Islamic Higher Education in 1970s Indonesia*

Muhamad Ali, University of California at Riverside

*Pancasila and the Limits of Monotheistic Pluralism*

Responding:

John Kelsay, Florida State University

Business Meeting:

Vivienne Angeles, La Salle University

Jason Carbine, Whittier College

---

**A25-216**

**Comparative Studies in Hinduisms and Judaisms Group and Law, Religion, and Culture Group**

Philippe Bornet, University of Lausanne, Presiding

Theme: *Legal Genres, Hermeneutical Strategies, and Sources of Authority: Perspectives from Hindu and Jewish Law*

Monday - 1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Timothy Lubin, Washington and Lee University

*The Learned Reason of the Brahmanical Jurist: Hermeneutical Strategies in Dharmaśāstra*

Jordan D. Rosenblum, University of Wisconsin-Madison

*Telling Tales and Making Law: Navigating Genres in the Sea of Talmud*

Beth Berkowitz, Barnard College

*Black Cats, Good Luck, and Rabbinic Hierarchies: Exploring Rabbinic Lawmaking in the Babylonian Talmud*

Donald R. Davis, Jr., University of Wisconsin-Madison

*Good Ol' Common Sense: Yukti and Sevara in Hindu and Jewish Law*

Responding:

Mary McGee, Alfred University

Business Meeting:

Barbara A. Holdrege, University of California, Santa Barbara

Marla Segol, State University of New York, Buffalo

---

**A25-217**

**Eastern Orthodox Studies Group**

Scott Kenworthy, Miami University, Ohio, Presiding

Theme: *The Aesthetics of Identity: Material Culture, Race, Ethnicity, and Eastern Orthodox Christianity*

Monday - 1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Elena Kravchenko, University of Texas at Austin  
*Building a Sacred Relationship: Female Bloggers' Affective Attachment to Orthodox Icons and Their Referents*

Timothy Carroll, University College London  
*St Innocent's Abroad: An Ethnography of the Orthodox American as Pilgrim and Expat*

Aaron Sokoll, University of California - Santa Barbara  
*Hearing Racial and Religious Identity in Eastern Orthodox America*

Sarah Riccardi, Missouri State University  
*Digital Identities: The Role of E-Commerce in the Configuration of the Orthodox Self*

Responding:

Rudy V. Busto, University of California, Santa Barbara

---

## **A25-218**

### **Evangelical Studies Group**

Paul Barton, Seminary of the Southwest, Presiding

Theme: *A Discussion on the Fragmentation of Evangelicalism: Reviewing Ken Collins's Power, Politics, and the Fragmentation of Evangelicalism: From the Scopes Trial to the Obama Administration (InterVarsity Press, 2012)*

Monday - 1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Panelists:

Luke Bretherton, Duke University  
Roger E. Olson, Baylor University  
Joy J. Moore, Fuller Theological Seminary

Responding:

Kenneth J. Collins, Asbury Theological Seminary

Business Meeting:

Paul Barton, Seminary of the Southwest

---

## **A25-219**

### **Interreligious and Interfaith Studies Group**

Ravi M. Gupta, College of William and Mary, Presiding

Theme: *Interreligious and Interfaith Studies: Maps and Models*

Monday - 1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Oddbjørn Leirvik, University of Oslo

*Interreligious Studies: A Relational Approach to the Study of Religion*

C. Denise Yarbrough, University of Rochester

*Mapping the Discourse: A Case Study in Creating “Interfaith Community” on a “Multi-Faith” Campus*

Anne Hege Grung, University of Oslo

*Inter-religious or Trans-religious: Exploring the Term ‘Inter-religious’ in a Feminist Postcolonial Perspective*

Seung Chul Kim, Nanzan University

*How Can We Get Over the Monotheistic Scheme for Interreligious Dialogue?*

Rachel Pang, University of Toronto

*Transcending Sects: Shabkar and Religious Ecumenism in Tibet, 1781-1851*

Business Meeting:

Jennifer Howe Peace, Andover Newton Theological School

Homayra Ziad, Trinity College

---

## **A25-220**

### **Japanese Religions Group**

Levi McLaughlin, North Carolina State University, Presiding

Theme: *Thinking with Things: Materiality in Japanese Buddhism*

Monday - 1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Pamela D. Winfield, Elon University

*Zen Matters: Materiality and Mind in 13th Century Zen Transmission Certificates*

Matthew Mitchell, Duke University

*Displaying the Treasury of Loyal Retainers (Chūshingura): Relics, Popular Culture, and Buddhist Images at Sengakuji*

Jessica Starling, University of California, Berkeley

*Preparing the Buddhist Feast: Labor, Gender, and Community at a Contemporary Jōdo Shinshū Ritual*

Mark Rowe, McMaster University

*Japanese Temple Buddhism in Depopulated Areas*

Responding:

Hank Glassman, Haverford College

Business Meeting:

Barbara Ambros, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill

Mark Rowe, McMaster University

---

**A25-221**

**Liberation Theologies Group**

Thia Cooper, Gustavus Adolphus College, Presiding

Theme: *Liberation Theologies in the Twenty-First Century: A Multiplicity of Contexts in Dialogue*

Monday - 1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Matthew Palombo, University of Johannesburg

*The Problem of Interfaith Dialogue: A Liberatio-Political Framework for Muslim-Christian Relations*

Elina Hankela, University of Johannesburg

*Liberating Humanity in the Twenty-First Century? Voices from Inner-city Johannesburg*

Charon Hribar, Drew University and Union Theological Seminary

*Moving from a Preferential Option for the Poor toward the Right to Not Be Poor: The Role of Liberation Theology in the United States in the Midst of a Twenty-First Century Global Economic Crisis*

Stephen Butler Murray, Harvard University

*Navigating the Wilderness through Exile and the Courage to Be: The Influence of Paul Tillich on the Womanist Theology of Delores S. Williams*

Business Meeting:

Thia Cooper, Gustavus Adolphus College

---

**A25-222**

**Music and Religion Group**

Philip Stoltzfus, University of St. Thomas, Presiding

Theme: *Negotiating Identity in Music*

Monday - 1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Alexandra Gelbard, Michigan State University

*Leaves, Cleansing, and Battles: Examining Religious Ritual Behaviors within the Conga Music*

*Genre of Santiago de Cuba*

Usaama al-Azami, Princeton University  
*Islam and Music in Modernity: Legal Norms, Popular Trends*

Cuilan Liu, Harvard University  
*The Role of Music in Buddhist Canon Law*

Daniel Rober, Fordham University  
*Messiaen's Saint Francois d'Assise in Conversation with Theological Aesthetics*

Christopher Roberts, Lewis and Clark College  
*Against the Heroism of Death: Heidegger's "Being-towards-Death" and the Late Johnny Cash*

Business Meeting:

Theodore Trost, University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa

---

### **A25-223**

#### **Pragmatism and Empiricism in American Religious Thought Group**

Beth Eddy, Worcester Polytechnic Institute, Presiding

Theme: *Pragmatism, Nationalism, and Virtue*

Monday - 1:00 PM-3:30 PM  
Daniel Ott, Monmouth College  
*Nonviolence and Moral Equivalency*

Deborah Whitehead, University of Colorado, Boulder  
*Pragmatism's Manifest Destiny: Narrative, Nationalism, and American Identity in the Pragmatist Tradition*

Ross Moret, Florida State University  
*Jeffrey Stout and the Democratic Virtues*

Business Meeting:

William David Hart, University of North Carolina, Greensboro

---

### **A25-225**

#### **Religion and Disability Studies Group**

Mary Jo Iozzio, Barry University, Presiding

Theme: *Deaf/Disability Theology and Ritual*

Monday - 1:00 PM-3:30 PM



Kirk VanGilder, Gallaudet University  
*The Strange Ritual of the Gallaudet Rat Funeral*

Jason Hays, Lexington Theological Seminary  
*Visual Textuality: Deconstructing Logocentrism and Constructing Deaf Religious Identities through Signed Narratives and Ritual*

Michelle A. Walsh, Boston University  
*Linking Constructive Practical and Disability Theologies through Trauma Studies*

Laura Kicklighter, Lynchburg College  
*Closing the Gap between Theology and Practice: Exploring the Relationship between Disability Theologies and Disability Ministry*

Sarah Barton, Duke Divinity School  
*A Critical Approach to the Integration of Christian Disability Theology in Clinical Rehabilitation*

Business Meeting:

Julia Watts Belser, Georgetown University

---

**A25-226**

**Religion and Ecology Group**

Matthew Riley, Drew University, Presiding

Theme: *Internal and External Spaces of Loss, Learning and Hope*

Monday - 1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Rachel Myslivy, University of Kansas  
*A Sense of Place in the Green Sisters of Kansas*

Amanda Baugh, California State University Northridge  
*Religious Environmentalism in the "Inner City"*

Nancy Menning, Ithaca College  
*Teaching Hope: Death, Rites of Passage, and Environmental Loss*

Kiara Jorgenson, Luther Seminary  
*Ecological Vocation: A Practical Antidote to Nature-Deficit Disorder*

Business Meeting:

Heather Eaton, Saint Paul University  
Lucas Johnston, Wake Forest University

---

**A25-227**

**Religion and Migration Group**

Grace Ji-Sun Kim, Presiding

Theme: *Justice Detained: Christian Responses to Immigrant Incarceration in the New Jim Crow Era*

Monday - 1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Marie Marquardt, Emory University

*When Does the Night Turn to Day? In Search of De-centering Solidarity among Detained Immigrants, Religious Workers, and Academics*

Jessica Smith, Emory University

*The (Non)Sense of Detention: The Ethics of Presence in the US Immigration Debate*

Susanna Snyder, University of Texas

*Looking through the Bars: Immigration Detention and the Ethics of Mysticism*

Responding:

Miguel A. De La Torre, Iliff School of Theology

Asante Todd, Vanderbilt University

Business Meeting:

Susanna Snyder, University of Texas

Alison R. Marshall, Brandon University

---

**A25-228**

**Religion and Popular Culture Group and Religion, Film, and Visual Culture Group**

Elijah Siegler, College of Charleston, Presiding

Theme: *Morality and Meaning in the Films of the Coen Brothers*

Monday - 1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Eric Mazur, Virginia Wesleyan College

*"Turn to the Right!": Raising Arizona and the Lessons of the 1980s*

Erica Hurwitz Andrus, University of Vermont

*The Case of the Disappearing "Oriental Monk": The Big Lebowski, Fan Religion, and the Consumption of "Asian Wisdom"*

M. Gail Hamner, Syracuse University

*Searching for Transcendence: Alienation and Intimacy in The Man Who Wasn't There*

Gabriel Levy, Norwegian University of Science and Technology

*The Hermeneutics of Simplicity in the Coen Brothers' A Serious Man*

Responding:

Finbarr Curtis, Georgia Southern University

---

**A25-229**

**Religion, Memory, History Group and SBL Bible and Cultural Studies Section**

Althea Spencer Miller, Drew University, Presiding

Erin Runions, Pomona College, Presiding

Theme: *Memory, Orality, and Forgetting*

Monday - 1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Panelists:

Denise K. Buell, Williams College

Lynne Darden, Union Theological Seminary

Melissa Guzman, University of California, Santa Barbara

Daya Youming, Taiwan Theological College and Seminary

Mallory Hennigar, Syracuse University

Tat-siong Benny Liew, College of the Holy Cross

Justine Smith, Harvard University

Katrina Van Heest, Claremont Graduate University

---

**A25-231**

**Ritual Studies Group and SBL Ritual in the Biblical World Group**

Sarah Haynes, Western Illinois University, Presiding

Theme: *Ritual Studies and the Eucharist: Then and Now*

Monday - 1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Peter Ben-Smit, Vrije Universiteit, Amsterdam

*Productive Ritual Failure*

Jens Kreinath, Wichita State University

*Finding the Eucharist in Central Australia*

Responding:

Kerstin Radde-Antweiler, Institute for Religious Studies

Jonathan Schwiebert, Washington University in St. Louis

---

**A25-234**

## **Yogācāra Studies Group**

Jay Garfield, Smith College, Presiding

Theme: *Reading the Madhyāntavibhāga-bhāṣya*

Monday - 1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Malcolm David Eckel, Boston University

*"From Apprehension Comes No-Apprehension": The Role of the Madhyantavibhaga in Bhaviveka's Account of Yogācāra*

Jonathan Gold, Princeton University

*Reading the Madhyāntavibhāga as a Method for Interpreting Scripture*

C. John Powers, Australian National University

*Alayavijñāna in Madhyāntavibhāga*

Roy Tzohar, Tel-Aviv University

*Sthiramati's Critique of Signification and the Philosophical Role and Status of the Madhyāntavibhāga Language Use*

Mario D'Amato, Rollins College

*The Non-existence of Consciousness in Madhyāntavibhāga-bhāṣya*

Business Meeting:

Dan Lusthaus, Harvard University

C. John Powers, Australian National University

---

## **A25-238**

### **Tillich: Issues in Theology, Religion, and Culture Group**

Wolfgang Vondey, Regent University, Presiding

Theme: *Paul Tillich in Conversation with Contemporary Pentecostal Theology*

Monday - 1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Nimi Wariboko, Andover Newton Theological School

*Political Theology from Tillich to Pentecostalism in Africa*

Frank Macchia, Vanguard University

*Justification in the Ecstasy of the Spirit: A Pentecostal Engagement with the Pneumatology of Paul Tillich*

Lisa Stephenson, Lee University

*Spiritual Presence and the Divine Feminine: A Tillichian-Pentecostal-Feminist Spirituality*

Responding:

Mark Lewis Taylor, Princeton Theological Seminary  
John Thatamanil, Union Theological Seminary

---

**A25-239**

**Religion, Affect, and Emotion Group**

Abigail Kluchin, Columbia University, Presiding

Theme: *Mapping the Affective Turn in Religious Studies*

Monday - 1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Yonatan Brafman, Columbia University

*Halakhic Emotions: Soloveitchik on the Expressive, Disciplinary, and Critical Roles of Emotions in Jewish Religious Law*

J. Barton Scott, Montana State University

*Soul Force: Gandhi, Theosophy, and the Politics of Affect*

Robert Davis, Harvard University

*History and the Hydraulics of Religious Affect*

Responding:

Jenna Supp-Montgomerie, Auburn Media and University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill

Business Meeting:

Donovan Schaefer, Haverford College

---

**A25-237**

**Student Lounge Roundtable**

Krista Dalton, Columbia University, Presiding

Theme: *Using Social Media to Develop Your Academic Brand*

Monday - 3:00 PM-4:00 PM

---

**A25-235**

**Tours**

David Bains, Samford University, Presiding

Jeanne Halgren Kilde, University of Minnesota, Presiding

Gretchen Buggeln, Valparaiso University, Presiding

Theme: *Historic Religious Architecture Tour of Baltimore*

Monday - 1:00 PM-5:00 PM

---

**A25-305****Ethics Section**

Monique Moultrie, Georgia State University, Presiding

Theme: *The Ethics of Family, Gender and Sexual Politics*

Monday - 4:00 PM-6:00 PM

Jon Waind, McGill University

*Rights, Capabilities and the Vocation of the Family*

Christine McCarthy, Fordham University

*"Fundamental Responsiveness": A Catholic Ethic of Care for Family Planning*

Essien D. Essien, University of Uyo

*Reconstituting African Gender and Sexuality Construction in the framework of African Religio-Cultural Policies, Politics and Traditions*

Ayman Shabana, Georgetown University

*Conceptualization of Maternity and Attitudes towards Surrogacy in Islamic Law and Ethics*

Daniel A. Morris, University of Iowa

*Positive Law and Familial Reconciliation: A Reflection on Same-Sex Marriage Policy*

---

**A25-311****Study of Judaism Section**

Jerome E. Copulsky, Goucher College, Presiding

Theme: *Judaism and Aesthetics*

Monday - 4:00 PM-6:00 PM

Elias Sacks, University of Colorado at Boulder

*Aesthetic Politics: Poetry, Music, and Citizenship in Mendelssohn's Hebrew Writings*

Alana Vincent, University of Chester

*The Salt Cellar and the Kiddush Cup: Gender and Jewish Aesthetics*

Dustin Atlas, Rice University

*Aniconic Idols: The Dialectical Employment of Aniconic Thought in Martin Buber and Moses Mendelssohn*

Benjamin Sax, Virginia Tech

*Baudrillard, Simulation, and Quotation in Modern Jewish Thought*

---

**A25-312**

## **Teaching Religion Section**

Sufia Uddin, Connecticut College, Presiding

Theme: *Teaching About Self and Other*

Monday - 4:00 PM-6:00 PM

Katherine Daley, Georgia State University

*Negotiating the Human Category in World Religion Textbooks*

Jonathan Herman, Georgia State University

*Dumbing Down the Tao: The Paradox of Domesticating an Esoteric Tradition*

Andrew Davison, University of Cambridge

Cindy K. Wesley, Wesley House Methodist Theological College

*Building Bridges: Teaching Theology in an Ecumenical Context*

Tina Pippin, Agnes Scott College

*Bringing Our Lives to the Classroom: Autoethnography and the Spaces of Diversity in Studying Religion and Social Justice*

Responding:

Carolyn Medine, University of Georgia

---

## **A25-315**

### **Animals and Religion Group**

Aaron Gross, University of San Diego, Presiding

Theme: *Thinking Animals, Rethinking Religious Identities*

Monday - 4:00 PM-6:00 PM

Sarra Tlili, University of Florida

*A Stand against Dogs or a Stand against Petting? Some Dog Themes in Islamic Tradition*

Enoch Gbadegesin, Rice University

*A Critical Appraisal of the Sacred Role of Dogs in an Indigenous Religious Tradition among the Yoruba of Nigeria*

Andrea Cooper, New York University

*Centaur and Muselmann: On the Threshold of the Human Animal*

Roger Horowitz, Hagley Museum and Library

*The Religious Exemption: Kosher Meat and U.S. Humane Slaughter Legislation*

Responding:

Barbara Ambros, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill

---

**A25-317**

**Childhood Studies and Religion Group**

Vanessa R. Sasson, Marianopolis College, Presiding

Theme: *Projections, Prodigies, and Precocity: The Fashioning of Young Exemplars in Religious Traditions*

Monday - 4:00 PM-6:00 PM

Panelists:

Benjamin Bogin, Georgetown University

Erin Cline, Georgetown University

Wendy Love Anderson, Washington University in St. Louis

Maureen Walsh, Georgetown University

Business Meeting:

Susan Ridgely, University of Wisconsin, Oshkosh

---

**A25-321**

**Feminist Theory and Religious Reflection Group and Men, Masculinities, and Religion Group**

Ivory L. Lyons, University of Mount Union, Presiding

Theme: *Pragmatic and Theoretical Troubles with Patriarchal Religious Authority*

Monday - 4:00 PM-6:00 PM

Won Chul Shin, Candler School of Theology, Emory University

*Han-pu-ri: A Resolution of Korean Women's Han from the Abnormal Absence in the Ecclesiastical Leadership*

Kathryn Sargent, Claremont Graduate University

*Constructing "Right" Female Bodies: A Foucaultian Perspective on Evangelical Men, Sin, and Displaced Guilt*

Christine E. Gudorf, Florida International University

*The Impact of Current Demographic Trends On Feminist Theories of Sacrifice and Exclusion of Women from Sacramental Ministry*

Responding:

Mark Justad, Guilford College

---



**A25-328**

**Religion and Popular Culture Group**

Richard Callahan, University of Missouri-Columbia, Presiding

Theme: *Discussing the "Nones": What They Say about the Category of Religion and American Society*

Monday - 4:00 PM-6:00 PM

Panelists:

Steven W. Ramey, University of Alabama  
Sean McCloud, University of North Carolina, Charlotte  
Monica Miller, Lewis and Clark College  
Cassie Trentaz, Warner Pacific College

Responding:

Patricia O'Connell Killen, Gonzaga University

Business Meeting:

Chad Seales, University of Texas at Austin  
Gregory Grieve, University of North Carolina, Greensboro

---

**A25-332**

**Religions, Medicines, and Healing Group**

Yasaman Munro, Wilfrid Laurier, Presiding

Theme: *Drawing Boundaries: The Ethics of Negotiating Spiritual and Medical Frameworks*

Monday - 4:00 PM-6:00 PM

Ira Helderman, Vanderbilt University

*Prescribing the Dharma: The Buddhist/Psychotherapist Relationship in Historical Context*

Mara Block, Harvard University

*Mental Illness as Shattered Subjectivity: Anton T. Boisen and the Use of Psychotherapeutic Techniques in Spiritual Healing*

Candy Gunther Brown, Indiana University

*Ethical Considerations When Integrating Complementary and Alternative Medicine (CAM) into Biomedical Healing Contexts*

John Blevins, Emory University

*Where to Draw the Line: Crossing the Boundaries of Religion and Public Health*

Business Meeting:

Lance D. Laird, Boston University

Stephanie Y. Mitchem, University of South Carolina

---

**A25-333**

**Roman Catholic Studies Group**

Mara Brecht, St. Norbert College, Presiding

Theme: *Authority and Autonomy: Exploring the Problematics of Catholic Identity*

Monday - 4:00 PM-6:00 PM

Judith Gruber, Loyola University New Orleans

*(A) Challenging Tradition: Rewriting Catholic Identity / Catholic Studies after the Cultural Turn*

Cristina Traina, Northwestern University

*Creating Memories, Creating a Self: The Baltimore Catechism Revisited*

Jacob Kohlhaas, Duquesne University

*Catholic Theology of Parenthood: The Dominance of Sexual Ethics*

Jack Dudley, University of Wisconsin - Madison

*Authorizing Catholicism: Literary Authorship and Church Authority in the Twentieth Century*

Responding:

Margaret McGuinness, La Salle University

---

**A25-300**

**Employment Services Advisory Committee**

Stephanie Gray, American Academy of Religion, Presiding

Charles Haws, McAfee School of Theology, Presiding

Theme: *Employment Services Advisory Committee Meeting*

Monday - 4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Panelists:

David Eastman, Ohio Wesleyan University

Linda A. Moody, Mount St. Mary's College

Anthony B. Pinn, Rice University

Ellen White, Assumption College

---

**A25-301**

**Teaching and Learning Committee**

Erin Runions, Pomona College, Presiding

Theme: *Memory, Orality and Forgetting: Pedagogy Panel*

Monday - 4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Panelists:

Jione Havea, Southern Methodist University

Lynn Huber, Elon University

Rebecca Raphael, Texas State University

---

**A25-302**

**Arts, Literature, and Religion Section**

Diane Apostolos-Cappadona, Georgetown University, Presiding

Theme: *Muslim Identity through the Arts, Literature, and Performance*

Monday - 4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Hassan Lachheb, Indiana University

*"Dear Mohammed": The Dialectics of the Written and the Oral in the Letters to the Prophet Mohammed*

Fateme Montazeri, Graduate Theological Union

*The Qur'an and the Illustrations of the Qisas al-Anbiya: Iconography of the Story of Nuh in Eight Manuscripts of the Sixteen Century in Comparison to the Qur'anic Narrative*

El-Sayed El-Aswad, United Arab Emirates

*Religious Rituals and Folk Theater in Muslim Societies: A Comparative Study*

Cara Burnidge, Florida State University

*Love is a Battlefield: Negotiating Muslim-American Femininity*

Responding:

David Thomas, University of Birmingham

---

**A25-303**

**Christian Systematic Theology Section**

Ellen T. Charry, Princeton Theological Seminary, Presiding

Theme: "A New Way of Doing Theology": *David Brown and the Practices of Art and Faith*

Monday - 4:00 PM-6:30 PM  
Jolyon Mitchell, Edinburgh University  
*"Visual Art and Media"*

Lizette Larson-Miller, CDSP/GTU  
*"Liturgy and Sacraments"*

Steven Guthrie, Belmont University  
*"Songs and Music"*

George Pattison, University of Glasgow  
*"Poetry and Drama"*

Responding:

David Brown, University of St Andrews

---

### **A25-304**

#### **Comparative Studies in Religion Section and Comparative Theology Group**

Asa Kasher, Tel Aviv University, Presiding

Theme: *Book Session: Models of God and Alternative Ultimate Realities (Springer, 2013)*

Monday - 4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Jeffery D. Long, Elizabethtown College  
*Ultimate Complexity: A Hindu Process Theology*

Rita M. Gross, University of Wisconsin, Eau Claire  
*Buddhist Ultimates? A Difficult Question*

William C. Chittick, Stony Brook University  
*Ibn 'Arabī on the Ultimate Model of the Ultimate*

Charles Taliaferro, St. Olaf College  
*Models of God and Global Warming*

Jeanine Diller, University of Toledo  
*Epilogue to Models of God and Alternative Ultimate Realities*

---

### **A25-306**

#### **North American Religions Section**

Sylvester Johnson, Northwestern University, Presiding

Theme: *Religion and US Empire*

Monday - 4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Panelists:

Tracy Leavelle, Creighton University  
Jonathan Ebel, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign  
Sarah Dees, Indiana University  
Charles Strauss, Mount St Mary's University  
Tisa Wenger, Yale University

---

**A25-307**

**Philosophy of Religion Section**

Sarah Hammerschlag, Williams College, Presiding

Theme: *Kant's Philosophy of Religion as Critical and Constructive*

Monday - 4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Charles Lockwood, Harvard University  
*Rethinking Kant's Copernican Turn*

John Hare, Yale University  
*Kant and Depravity*

Andrew Chignell, Cornell University  
*Reason's Limits and Kantian Hopes*

Amy M. Hollywood, Harvard University  
*Kant and Enthusiasm*

---

**A25-308**

**Religion and the Social Sciences Section**

John D. Carlson, Arizona State University, Presiding

Theme: *Break Every Yoke: Religion, Power and the Ends of Mass Incarceration*

Monday - 4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Panelists:

Hakim Ali, Reconstruction, Inc.  
Joshua Dubler, Columbia University  
John D. Carlson, Arizona State University

Doris Green, Men and Women In Prison Ministries  
Vincent Lloyd, Syracuse University  
Laura McTighe, Columbia University

Responding:

James Logan, Earlham College

---

**A25-309**

**Religion in South Asia Section**

Amy L. Allocco, Elon University, Presiding

Theme: *When God/desses Appear in Field Notes: Ethnographic and Theological Intersections in the Study of Hinduism*

Monday - 4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Harshita Mruthinti Kamath, Middlebury College

*Performative Maya: Constructing a New Feminist Theology on the Stages of a South Indian Village*

Vasudha Narayanan, University of Florida

*Dressed for Love, Dressed for Liberation: Ritual and Reflexivity in Performing Nammalvar's Poetry*

Laurie Louise Patton, Duke University

*Twilights Recited, Twilights Lived: Personal Transformation in Women's Performance of Vedic Mantra*

Joyce Burkhalter Flueckiger, Emory University

*When the Goddess Speaks Her Mind: Possession, Presence, and Agency in the Gangamma Tradition of Tirupati*

Responding:

Francis X. Clooney, Harvard University

---

**A25-310**

**Study of Islam Section**

Jonathan Brown, Georgetown University, Presiding

Theme: *Islamic Law in the Making: Jurists and Their Sociocultural Contexts*

Monday - 4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Taymaz Garadjalou Tabrizi, McMaster University

*Mut'a Marriage, Prostitution and the Moral Predicament of Shi'i Muslim Jurists*

Aun Ali, Institute of Islamic Studies, McGill University  
*The Shi'i Madhhab and its Relationship to Sunnism in Light of the Issue of Documentary Evidence in Islamic Law*

Dale Correa, New York University  
*When Abū Hanīfa Just Isn't Enough: Regional Priority in Transoxanian Hanafīs' Legal Theory*

Marion Holmes Katz, New York University  
*"Orphaned" Manuscripts and the Reconstruction of Pre-Modern Islamic Legal History*

Anna M. Gade, University of Wisconsin, Madison  
*Islamic Law and the Environment in Indonesia: Fatwa and Da'wa*

Responding:

Kecia Ali, Boston University

---

### **A25-313**

#### **Theology and Religious Reflection Section and Theology and Continental Philosophy Group**

Rebecca Alpert, Temple University, Presiding

Theme: *Judith Butler's Parting Ways (Columbia University Press, 2012)*

Monday - 4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Panelists:

Claire Katz, Texas A and M University  
Samuel Brody, University of Chicago  
Yaniv Feller, University of Toronto  
Mark Lewis Taylor, Princeton Theological Seminary  
Saba Mahmood, University of California, Berkeley  
Martin Kavka, Florida State University

Responding:

Judith Butler, University of California, Berkeley

Business Meeting:

Ellen T. Armour, Vanderbilt University

---

### **A25-314**

#### **Afro-American Religious History Group and Latina/o Critical and Comparative Studies**

**Group**

Tracey Hucks, Haverford College, Presiding

Theme: *African Diasporic Spirits in the Americas*

Monday - 4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Cláudio Carvalhaes, Lutheran Theological Seminary at Philadelphia

*Christians and Yorubá People Eating Together in Brazil: Eucharist and Food Offerings*

Jonathan Pimentel Chacon, Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago

*Le Spirale: Frankétienne and the Echoes of the Santo Domingo Revolution*

Richard Turner, University of Iowa

*Jazz, the Second Line, and Afro-American Religious Internationalism in New Orleans*

Emma Gobin, Musée du Quai Branly

*Sacralized Bodies, "Distributed Personhood," and Ritual Kinship in Cuban Santería: The Material Mediations of Religious Identity*

Responding:

Aisha Beliso-De Jesus, Harvard University

Business Meeting:

Laura Perez, University of California, Berkeley

Luis Leon, University of Denver

---

**A25-316****Buddhist Critical—Constructive Reflection Group**

Christopher Ives, Stonehill College, Presiding

Theme: *Buddhist Grounds for Social Action*

Monday - 4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Vanessa Kettering, Claremont Graduate University

*Toward a Secular Buddhist Ethic: On Self-Mastery, Morality and Eudaimonia*

Kin Cheung, Temple University

*Ethical Implications of Upāya-Kauśalya: Helping Without Imposing*

Charles R. Strain, DePaul University

*Engaged Buddhist Praxis and Climate Change: Challenges and Reformulations*

Responding:

Grace G. Burford, Prescott College



Business Meeting:

Christopher Ives, Stonehill College  
Grace G. Burford, Prescott College

---

**A25-318**

**Chinese Religions Group**

Beverley Foulks McGuire, University of North Carolina-Wilmington, Presiding

Theme: *Gentry Religion in Late Ming-Early Qing China*

Monday - 4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Robert M. Gimello, University of Notre Dame

*Irony and Anguish in the Buddhist Art of Chen Hongshou*

Jiang Wu, University of Arizona

*Dimensions of "Textual Spirituality": Gentry Reading of the Śūraṅgama Sūtra in the Ming*

Charles B. Jones, Catholic University of America

*Coral Grove (Shanhu Lin 珊瑚林) by Yuan Hongdao 袁宏道 (1568-1610): Religion and Salon Culture in the Late Ming Dynasty*

Dewei Zhang, McMaster University

*Lu Guangzu 陆光祖 (1521-1597): A Minister Living with Buddhism*

Business Meeting:

James A. Benn, McMaster University

Mark Halperin, University of California, Davis

---

**A25-319**

**Christian Spirituality Group and Korean Religions Group**

Daeseop Yi, Graduate Theological Union, Presiding

Theme: *Protestant Spirituality in Korea: Hybridized Thoughts, Practices, and Communities*

Monday - 4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Chanhong Kim, Boston University

*Yu Yong-mo's Understanding of God and His Spirituality*

Debernieri Torrey, University of Utah

*The Evolution of the Yesuwon Community and its Role for the Korean Church*

Chong Bum (Sean) Kim, University of Central Missouri

*"Madman of the Gospel": Mysticism and Millenarianism in the Spirituality of Kil Son-ju*

Myounghun Yun, Vanderbilt University

*Cultural Incarnation and Adaptation of a Contemporary American Evangelical Spirituality into a Korean Religious Men's Movement the Father School: A Participant Observation Study*

Responding:

Sophia Park, Holy Names University

Bomyung Seo, Chicago Theological Seminary

---

**A25-320**

**Critical Theory and Discourses on Religion Group and Religion, Media, and Culture Group**

Peyi Soyinka-Airwele, Ithaca College, Presiding

Theme: *Transnational Theories of Conspiracy: Between the Secular and the Religious*

Monday - 4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Michael McVicar, Florida State University

*The World is on Fire: Conspiracies of Islam, Humanism, and Post-Colonialism in Conservative Political Discourse in the United States*

Perin Gurel, University of Notre Dame

*"Capitalism with Ablutions": Visualizing America's "Moderate" Islam in Turkey*

Damon Berry, The Ohio State University

*Winning Back Ourselves: Conspiratorial Anti-Christianity in the New Right from 1968 France to Contemporary America*

Brian Clites, Northwestern University, Dept. of Religious Studies

*"He's One of the Cardinal's Men": Conspiratorial Fear among Survivors of Clergy Sexual Abuse*

---

**A25-322**

**Liberal Theologies Group**

Anita L. Bradshaw, Presiding

Theme: *Liberalism after Neoliberalism: Revitalizing the Tradition*

Monday - 4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Jon Armajani, College of St. Benedict/St. John's University

*Defenses of Liberal Islamic and Christian Theologies: Fatima Mernissi and Naim Stifan Ateek*

Rick Benjamins, PThU Amsterdam

*Neither Neo- nor Post-: A Liberal Theological View of Humanity*

Rebecca Chabot, Iliff School of Theology/University of Denver

Sarah Neeley, University of Denver/Iliff School of Theology

*Re-envisioning a Liberal, Existentialist Ethic: A Response to the "Posts" Problems with Liberal Theology*

Dorothy Dean, Vanderbilt University

*Theology in a Post-Christian Milieu: Is Liberal Theology's Greatest Asset also Its Greatest Curse?*

Michael Hogue, Meadville Lombard Theological School

*An American Liberal Political Theology*

Responding:

Muhamad Ali, University of California at Riverside

Mark Hulsether, University of Tennessee, Knoxville

Michael Miller, Christian Theological Seminary

Sheri Prud'homme, Graduate Theological Union

Business Meeting:

Daniel McKanan, Harvard Divinity School

---

**A25-323**

**Middle Eastern Christianity Group and SBL Syriac Literature and Interpretations of Sacred Texts Group**

Cornelia Horn, Saint Louis University, Presiding

Theme: *Constructing and Subverting Boundaries*

Monday - 4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Caleb McCarthy, University of California, Santa Barbara

*Middle Eastern Christians, American Missions and Higher Education*

Anna Chrysostomides, University of Oxford

*Dangerous Encounters and Nebulous Boundaries: Portrayals of Conversion to Islam in Eighth-Century Christian Neo-Martyr Narratives*

Adam Gaiser, Florida State University

*"We Meet the Lances with Our Chests": Khārijī Concepts of Shirā' in a Near Eastern Context*

Ahmad F. Yousif, International Institute of Islamic Thought and Civilization, Malaysia

*"What Do You Say That Christ [and Muhammad Are]?" Constructing Jesus and Muhammad in Early 'Abbasid Interreligious Interactions*

Joshua Mugler, Georgetown University  
*Faith Boundaries: Theodore Abu Qurra and the Instability of "Heresy"*

Responding:

Cynthia J. Villagomez

---

**A25-324**

**New Religious Movements Group**

David Feltmate, Auburn University, Montgomery, Presiding

Theme: *Noninstitutional New Religiosities*

Monday - 4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Laurie A. Cozad, Lesley University

*Contextualizing Cannabis Ministries: Peers, Politics, and Laundry Lists*

Renee Lockwood, University of Sydney

*Corporate Religion: Locating the Spiritual in the Spiritless*

Dusty Hoesly, University of California, Santa Barbara

*"We Do Not Stand between You and Your God": The Universal Life Church as a New Religious Movement*

Cimminnee Holt, Concordia University

*"I-Theism" in the Church of Satan: Self-Religiosity in Secular Societies*

Business Meeting:

Marie W. Dallam, University of Oklahoma

---

**A25-325**

**Platonism and Neoplatonism Group**

Douglas Hedley, University of Cambridge, Presiding

Theme: *Cambridge Platonism Revisited*

Monday - 4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Eric Parker, McGill University

*The Chaldean Triad: Erôs, Alêtheia, Pistis, and the Relationship between Faith and Reason in the Works of Peter Sterry*

Heather C. Ohaneson, Columbia University

*Ralph Cudworth, Menasseh ben Israel, and the Readmission of Jews to England: The Political Circumstances of a Seventeenth-Century Theological-Philosophical Encounter*

Alexander Hampton, Clare College, University of Cambridge  
*Romantic Spinozism and Cambridge Platonism: Herder's Cudworth-Inspired Revision of Spinoza*

Business Meeting:

John Kenney, Saint Michael's College

---

**A25-326**

**Queer Studies in Religion Group**

Steffan Matthias, King's College, London, Presiding

Theme: *Death, Negativity and Queer Apophaticism*

Monday - 4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Sharon Fennema, Harvard Divinity School

*The Negative Space of Queer Theology: Apophatic Modalities of Failure, Silence, and Passivity*

Richard Coble, Vanderbilt University

*Death and the Death Drive: A Search for the Body in Queer Theory*

Eleanor Craig, Harvard Divinity School

*Maybe Future? Mutational Queers and the Mirror of Death*

Brandy Daniels, Vanderbilt University

*Jouissance as Ekstasis: Sex, Queer Identity, and Apophaticism in the Eastern Orthodox Tradition*

Responding:

Laurel C. Schneider, Vanderbilt University

Business Meeting:

Claudia Schippert, University of Central Florida

Kent Brintnall, University of North Carolina, Charlotte

---

**A25-327**

**Religion and Cities Group and Religions, Social Conflict, and Peace Group**

Lane Van Ham, University of Arizona, Presiding

Theme: *Street Fighters and Street Uniters: Religion and Social Conflict in Urban Space*

Monday - 4:00 PM-6:30 PM

William French, Loyola University of Chicago

*Urban Gun Violence and Culture Wars: Religion and the NRA*

Elizabeth W. Corrie, Emory University

*Pitching a Tent in the Inner East: The East Belfast Mission and the Protestant Loyalist Flag Protests*

Grant Wadley, Harvard Divinity School

*Where There Is No Love, Put Art: The Potential of Community Muralism for Urban Housing*

Responding:

Katie Day, Lutheran Theological Seminary, Philadelphia

---

**A25-329**

**Religion and Science Fiction Group and Tibetan and Himalayan Religions Group**

Scott Mitchell, Institute of Buddhist Studies, Presiding

Theme: *Boarding the Maṇḍala's Gate: An Exploration of Science Fiction Encounters with Buddhism*

Monday - 4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Michael Nichols, Saint Joseph's College

*The Doctor and the Demon: Mara in the British Science Fiction Series Doctor Who*

Joel Gruber, University of California, Santa Barbara

*The Dharma of Doctor Strange: The Shifting Representations of Tibet and Tibetan Buddhism within a Science Fiction Comic Serial*

Kurtis Schaeffer, University of Virginia

*To Glimpse the Minds of Stars and Nebulae: Tibetan Buddhism in the Science Fiction Novels of Olaf Stapledon*

David Germano, University of Virginia

*Tibet in Mars and Hyperion during the 1990s*

Responding:

Alexander Gardner, Shelley and Donald Rubin Foundation

---

**A25-331**

**Religion, Holocaust, and Genocide Group**

Sarah K. Pinnock, Trinity University, Presiding

Theme: *Is Forgiveness Possible after Genocide?*

Monday - 4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Joseph D. Moser, Northwestern University  
*Forgive and Remember: Levinas and Rwanda in Dialogue*

Saffet Catovic, Drew University  
*In Search Of Justice and Forgiveness: A Bosnian Muslim's Odyssey*

Katharina von Kellenbach, St. Mary's College of Maryland  
*Composting Guilt: An Ecological Critique of Forgiveness Understood as Purification of Past Wrongs*

Responding:

Jill Petersen Adams, Syracuse University

Business Meeting:

Sarah K. Pinnock, Trinity University

---

#### **A25-334**

##### **Schleiermacher Group**

James Brandt, Saint Paul School of Theology, Presiding

Theme: *Schleiermacher's Christian Ethics*

Monday - 4:00 PM-6:30 PM  
CJ Dickson, Princeton Theological Seminary  
*Schleiermacher on Christian Virtue*

Matthew Robinson, Northwestern University  
*Schleiermacher on Freie Geselligkeit: Prototype for Philosophical Ethics and Form of the Church — On Relating Philosophical and Christian Ethics in Schleiermacher*

Cathie Kelsey, Iliff School of Theology  
*The Faith Assumptions that Make Glaubenslehre and Sittenlehre the Two Halves of Schleiermacher's Dogmatics*

Ed Waggoner, Brite Divinity School  
*Where Divine and Human Spirits Meet: the Promise, Puzzle and Peril of Schleiermacher's Distinctively Christian Ethics*

Business Meeting:

Steven Jungkeit, Harvard University

---

#### **A25-335**

##### **Science, Technology, and Religion Group**

Greg Peterson, South Dakota State University, Presiding

Theme: *Cosmic Quest, Cosmic Contact: Astrobiology, Astrotheology, Astroethics*

Monday - 4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Connie Bertka

*Christianity and the Discovery of Extraterrestrial Life: Insights from Science and Religion, and the Sociology of Religion*

Margaret Race, SETI Institute

*Astrobiology, Ethics and Policy: The Need for Interdisciplinary Perspectives*

John Hart, Boston University School of Theology

*Cosmic Contact: Hawking, Hynek, and Cosmoethics*

Albert Harrison, University of California, Davis

*Space Exploration: Carrying God's Banner or Questioning God's Work?*

Chris Crews, The New School

*What if Gliese 581 d Had Life? Christian Fundamentalism and the Politics of Astrobiology*

Ted Peters, Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary

*Astrotheology and Extraterrestrial Life*

---

## **A25-336**

### **Scriptural Reasoning Group**

Nicholas Adams, University of Edinburgh, Presiding

Theme: *Scripture as a Source of Reasoning*

Monday - 4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Ashleigh Elser, University of Virginia

*Halivni as Reparative Reader*

Mian Muhammad Nauman Faizi, University of Virginia

*Distinguishing Dialogue and Monologue: Patterns of Scriptural Interpretation in Iqbal*

Mark James, University of Virginia

*Consonants and Vowels: Masoretic Commentary as Scriptural Logic*

Responding:

Randi Rashkover, George Mason University

Business Meeting:



Rumee Ahmed, University of British Columbia  
Simeon Zahl, Faculty of Theology, University of Oxford

---

**A25-337**

**Sociology of Religion Group**

Ipsita Chatterjea, Vanderbilt University, Presiding

Theme: *General Sociological Theory and Religion*

Monday - 4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Anna Strhan, University of Kent

*Conservative Evangelicals, Coherence, and the Moral Lives of the Metropolis*

Robert Geraci, Manhattan College

*Framed and Unframed: The Performance of Religion at the Indian Institute of Science*

Francois Thibeault, Université du Québec à Montréal

*Buddhist Globality: How Buddhism is Modeled through and beyond Buddhists*

Jenna Supp-Montgomerie, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

*Ships in the Night: The Importance of Disconnection in the Study of Religion*

Responding:

Gustavo Benavides, Villanova University

Business Meeting:

Ipsita Chatterjea, Vanderbilt University

Melissa M. Wilcox, Whitman College

---

**A25-338**

**Tantric Studies Group**

Glen Alexander Hayes, Bloomfield College, Presiding

Theme: *Lived Tantra in Buddhist and Hindu Traditions*

Monday - 4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Xenia Zeiler, University of Bremen

*Yantras as Visual Tantric and Yogic Constructs: Origin and Recent Mediatized Transformations*

Laura Harrington, Boston University

*Barbarians at the Gate: Transformations of the Tibetan Myth of Shambhala through the Age of Globalization*

David DiValerio, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee

*How to Become a Siddha in Tibet: A Case Study*

Luke Whitmore, University of Wisconsin Stevens Point

*Touching Power: The Popular Faces of Kedarnath-Centered Esoteric Practice*

Responding:

Ronald M. Davidson, Fairfield University

Business Meeting:

John Nemecek, University of Virginia

Loriliai Biernacki, University of Colorado, Boulder

---

**A25-340**

**Wesleyan Studies Group**

Jason Vickers, United Theological Seminary, Presiding

Theme: *Toward A Wesleyan Theology of Ecology*

Monday - 4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Jay McDaniel, Hendrix College

*Holy Communion: Works of Mercy and Piety for an Ecological Age*

Jane Ellen Nickell, Allegheny College

*A Wesleyan Oikos Ethic*

Carolyn Davis, Vanderbilt University

*Cross-Pollination: Toward a Wesleyan-Feminist Soteriology of Ecology*

Business Meeting:

Rex D. Matthews, Emory University

---

**A25-341**

**World Christianity Group**

Daniel Groody, University of Notre Dame, Presiding

Theme: *Contemporary Issues of Migration and Theology*

Monday - 4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Marion S. Grau, Graduate Theological Union

*Circumambulating Exodus-Migration-Conquest: A Theological Hermeneutics of Migratory Narrativity*

Luis Rivera-Pagan, Princeton Theological Seminary  
*Xenophilia or Xenophobia: A Theology of Migration*

Elaine Padilla, New York Theological Seminary  
*Expanding Space: A Possibility of a Cavernous Mode of Dwelling*

Jonathan Tan, Australian Catholic University  
*An Asian Theology of Migration and Its Interreligious Implications: Insights from the Documents of the Federation of Asian Bishops' Conferences (FABC)*

Business Meeting:

Jane Carol Redmont, World Council of Churches  
Jayachitra Lalitha, Tamilnadu Theological Seminary

---

**A25-400**

**Films**

Asuka Sango, Carleton College, Presiding

Theme: *Ending Note: Death of a Japanese Salesman*

Monday - 8:00 PM-10:00 PM

Responding:

Mark Rowe, McMaster University  
Michiaki Okuyama, Nanzan Institute for Religion and Culture  
Timothy Benedict, Princeton University

---

**A25-401**

**Films**

Martha Ann Kirk, University of the Incarnate Word, Presiding

Theme: *Love is a Verb*

Monday - 8:00 PM-10:00 PM

---

**A25-402**

**Films**

Kate Ott, Drew University, Presiding

Theme: *The Secret History of Sex, Choice, and Catholics*

Monday - 8:00 PM-10:00 PM

Panelists:

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

---

**A25-403**

**Receptions/Breakfasts**

Theme: *Program Unit Chairs' and Steering Committee Members' Reception*

Monday - 8:00 PM-10:00 PM

---

**A26-100**

**Study of Islam Section and Islamic Mysticism Group**

Theme: *Beyond Sunni-Shi'i Debates: Negotiating Ahl al-Bayt in Theology, Tafsir, and Ritual Iconography*

Tuesday - 8:30 AM-10:00 AM

Nebil Husayn, Princeton University

*Treatises on the Salvation of Abu Talib*

Tehseen Thaver, University of North Carolina

*Sufism, Shi'ism and Traditions of Qur'an Commentary in Early Islam: The Case of al-Sharif al-Radi (d. 1015 CE)*

Sophia Shafi, Iliff School of Theology

*Every Piece of Land Is Karbala: Souvenirs and Permanent Mementos*

Responding:

Frederick S. Colby, University of Oregon

---

**A26-101**

**Daoist Studies Group**

Clarke Hudson, University of Virginia, Presiding

Theme: *Explorations in Daoist Literature*

Tuesday - 8:30 AM-10:00 AM

Cuma Ozkan, University of Iowa

*Buddhist Madhyamaka and Daoist Chongxuan (Twofold Mystery) in the Early Tang (618-720)*

David Chai, University of Toronto

*Mending the Inborn Nature: Reading the Zhuangzi in the Song*

C. Lynne Hong, Chinese Culture University  
*Clearing as Connection: An Alternative Approach to Dao in Zhuangzi Waiwu*

Responding:

Clarke Hudson, University of Virginia

---

**A26-102**

**Hinduism Group**

Richard H. Davis, Bard College, Presiding

Theme: *Transformations and Reconfigurations of Sacred Sites in South Asia*

Tuesday - 8:30 AM-10:00 AM

Luke Whitmore, University of Wisconsin Stevens Point

*The Decline of Walking: What it Says about Tirtha-Yatra in the Twenty-First Century*

R. Jeremy Saul, University of Michigan

*Making Faith: The Ascent of Hindu Pilgrimage Shrines in an Era of Economic Liberalization*

Matthew Sayers, Lebanon Valley College

*Feeding the Dead at Gayā: From the Buddha's Enlightenment to a Purāṇic Legend*

Abhishek Singh Amar, Hamilton College

*Hindu Temples in Buddhist Caves: Rematerialization and Modern Transformations of Ancient Sacred Sites in Western India*

---

**A26-103**

**Religion, Affect, and Emotion Group and Religion, Media, and Culture Group**

Andrew Aghapour, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Presiding

Theme: *Religion, Technology, and Affect*

Tuesday - 8:30 AM-10:00 AM

Liane Carlson, Columbia University

*"Wondrous Contact": Books, Bodies, and the Absolute in the Romantic Encyclopedia*

Ann Pellegrini, New York University

*Enchanted Couches and Electric Imaginaries: Freud in the Revival Hall*

Yasmin Moll, New York University

*Producing the "New Egypt": Religion, Media and Revolution*

---

**A26-104**

**Space, Place, and Religious Meaning Group**

William R. McAlpine, Ambrose University College, Presiding

Theme: *Understanding the Experience of Sacred Space from Post-Modern Europe to Contemporary China*

Tuesday - 8:30 AM-10:00 AM

Andrew T. Lewis, Graduate Theological Union

*Rethinking Postmodern Spatiality: Space After Cities of God*

Bert Daelemans, Katholieke Universiteit, Leuven

*Fifty Shades of Grey: Contemporary Church Architecture*

Shawn Arthur, Appalachian State University

*Negotiating China's Temples: Examining How Lay Practitioners Understand and Use Sacred Space*

---

**A26-122**

**Religion, Film, and Visual Culture Group**

Jeanette Reedy Solano, California State University, Fullerton, Presiding

Theme: *A Century of Visual Culture and Evangelical Christianity*

Tuesday - 8:30 AM-10:00 AM

Andrew Coates, Duke University

*Seeing the Literal: Aniconism, Images, and Common Sense in Clarence Larkin's "Dispensational Truth"*

Cynthia Hogan, UNC- Chapel Hill

*The Apocalypse and the Art Museum: The Paintings of the Reverend McKendree Robbins Long*

Monique Ingalls, University of Cambridge

*Visual-izing Congregational Song: Evangelical Christian Worship Videos as Audiovisual Icons*

---

**A26-108**

**Ethics Section**

Victor Anderson, Vanderbilt University, Presiding

Theme: *The Ethics of Environmental Justice*

Tuesday - 9:00 AM-11:00 AM

Russell Powell, Princeton Theological Seminary

*Plural Approaches, Responsible Solutions: Assessing Ethical Plurality in Environmental*

*Sustainability*

Ilsup Ahn, North Park University

*A Covenantal-Confessional Approach to Christian Environmental Ethics: The Case of Ecological Justice in Mexico's Maquiladoras*

Augustine Joseph, KU Leuven

*Integrity as a Positive Fundamental Option: A Comprehensive Solution for Environmental Disaster.*

Tyson-Lord J. Gray, Vanderbilt University

*Environmental Ethics and the 'Sense of Place': An Eco-critical Reading of Sula by Toni Morrison*

---

**A26-113**

**Religion and the Social Sciences Section**

Rebecca Todd Peters, Elon University, Presiding

Theme: *Catholicism on the Borders*

Tuesday - 9:00 AM-11:00 AM

Jeanine Viau, Loyola University Chicago

*Calling Out In The Wilderness: Is "Nones" an Appropriate Designation?*

Jill Krebs, Drew University

*Miracles, Catholicism, and Spirituality: Marian Devotion at the Boundary*

Graham Hill, University of California, Berkeley

*God Without Religion: Non-religious Christianity in Mexico City*

Responding:

Sarah McFarland Taylor, Northwestern University

---

**A26-114**

**Study of Judaism Section**

Robert Erlewine, Illinois Wesleyan University, Presiding

Theme: *The New Hegel and the Normative Interpretation of Modern Jewish Philosophy*

Tuesday - 9:00 AM-11:00 AM

Paul Nahme, University of Kansas

*Between Kant and (the New) Hegel: Hermann Cohen's Interpretation of the Noahide and the Aesthetics of the Secular*

Yonatan Brafman, Columbia University

*Are Halakhic (Jewish Legal) Claims Aesthetic Expressions? Habermas' Hegelian Account of Rationality and Religious Discourse*

Shira Billet, Princeton University

*The Sociality of Reason in Hegel and Neo-Kantian Studies of Religion: Hermann Cohen's Study of Judaism and Emile Durkheim's Theory of Knowledge*

Responding:

Randi Rashkover, George Mason University

---

**A26-105**

**Arts, Literature, and Religion Section**

Robert MacSwain, The University of the South, Presiding

Theme: *Reflections on the Fiftieth Anniversary of the Death of C. S. Lewis*

Tuesday - 9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Wesley A. Kort, Duke University

*Reassessing C. S. Lewis*

Robert Song, University of Durham

*The Abolition of Humanity?: C. S. Lewis and a Post-human Future*

William Abraham, Southern Methodist University

*The Christian Apologist: From Philosophy to Fairy Tales*

Douglas Hedley, University of Cambridge

*Lewis and the Living Imagination*

Responding:

Stephanie Paulsell, Harvard Divinity School

---

**A26-106**

**Buddhism Section**

Guhrun Bühnemann, University of Wisconsin, Madison, Presiding

Theme: *Vision, Text, and Image in Buddhism*

Tuesday - 9:00 AM-11:30 AM

David Gray, Santa Clara University

*Re-envisioning the Self: Iconography and Awakening in Tantric Buddhist Sādhana*

Eric Greene, University of Bristol



*Visionary Meditation Texts in Fifth-century China*

Charles D. Orzech, University of Glasgow

*Subjects of Liturgy: Vision, Text, and Image in Tang Esoteric Ritual Manuals*

Xiaomin Zu, Princeton University

*The Morning Bell Gatha and the Transformation of Ānanda into the Avatar of Chinese Monastics*

Pamela D. Winfield, Elon University

*Image, Text, and Vision in Japanese Esoteric Buddhism*

Responding:

Robert Company, Vanderbilt University

---

**A26-107**

**Comparative Studies in Religion Section**

Marie W. Dallam, University of Oklahoma, Presiding

Theme: *New Directions in the Comparative Study of Fundamentalism*

Tuesday - 9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Rosemary R. Hicks, Bard College

*“Islamic Fundamentalism”: A History*

Shaul Magid, Indiana University, Bloomington

*Fundamentalism as Re-education: The Artscroll Publishing Project as an American Jewish Fundamentalism*

Simon Wood, University of Nebraska, Lincoln

*Rashid Rida’s The Caliphate and Islamization of Governance*

David Harrington Watt, Temple University

*“The Christian Roots of ‘Islamic Fundamentalism’”*

Responding:

Khalid Yahya Blankinship, Temple University

---

**A26-109**

**History of Christianity Section and Mormon Studies Group**

Colleen McDannell, University of Utah, Presiding

Theme: *Mormons and Other Christians in Conversation*

Tuesday - 9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Brian Birch, Utah Valley University

*"What Power Shall Stay the Heavens": Continuing Revelation and Doctrinal Authority among the Latter-day Saints*

Stephen Taysom, Cleveland State University

*"I Will Possess the Bodies Thou Hast Created": Exploring Mormon Exorcism, 1820-1977*

Julius Bailey, University of Redlands

*Polygamists or What Not, One Wife or Forty: Ambivalent Attitudes Toward Mormonism in Nineteenth-Century AME Church Print Culture*

Neil Young, Princeton University

*"The God Makers": A Cult Movie of 1980s Evangelical Anti-Mormonism*

Responding:

Sara Patterson, Hanover College

---

#### **A26-110**

##### **North American Religions Section**

Martha Smith Roberts, University of California, Santa Barbara, Presiding

Theme: *Teaching Religious Pluralism: Building Bridges of Understanding or Bulwarks of Tolerance?*

Tuesday - 9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Panelists:

Vincent Biondo, California State University, Fresno

Henry Goldschmidt, The Interfaith Center of New York

Tiffany Puett, University of Waterloo

Jamie Anne Read, University of Waterloo

Martha Smith Roberts, University of California, Santa Barbara

Responding:

Courtney Bender, Columbia University

---

#### **A26-111**

##### **Philosophy of Religion Section**

Sarah Stewart-Kroeker, Princeton Theological Seminary, Presiding

Theme: *Freedom and Necessity in the Augustinian Tradition*

Tuesday - 9:00 AM-11:30 AM  
Jesse Couenhoven, Villanova University  
*Ought and Can in the Augustinian Tradition*

Darlene Fozard Weaver, Duquesne University  
*Interpersonal Trust and Enhancing Human Freedom*

Adam Eitel, Princeton Theological Seminary  
*Aquinas on Love and Necessity*

David Hunt, Whittier College  
*Augustine against the PAPists*

Business Meeting:

Ludger Viefhues-Bailey, Le Moyne College  
Michael Rea, University of Notre Dame

---

## **A26-112**

### **Religion and Politics Section**

Parveen Hasanali, Guilford College, Presiding

Theme: *Discourses of Resistance and Oppression in the Culture Wars*

Tuesday - 9:00 AM-11:30 AM  
Andrew Murphy, Rutgers University  
David Gutterman, Willamette University  
*Forging an Identity of Resistance: Orthodox Catholics and Jews in the Contemporary United States*

Nathan Walker, Harvard Divinity School  
*Theolegal Marriage*

Rita Trimble, Ohio State University  
*The Threat of "Demographic Winter": A Transnational Politics of Motherhood and Endangered Populations in Pro-Family Documentaries*

Julie Mavity Maddalena, Southern Methodist University  
*What is it Really Like to Struggle?: A Feminist, Theo-ethical Response to the Systematic Political Oppression of Single Working-class Mothers in the US*

---

## **A26-115**

### **Theology and Religious Reflection Section**

Ed Waggoner, Brite Divinity School, Presiding

Theme: *New Materialisms*

Tuesday - 9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Joerg Rieger, Southern Methodist University

*The New Materialism in Religious Studies and Beyond: Another Constructive Proposal for the Study of Religion and Theology*

Kimerer L. LaMothe

*Becoming a Bodily Self: Religious Experience and the New Materialism*

Kevin Minister, Southern Methodist University

*Organizing Conversions: Theorizing the Religious Experience of Conversion with New Materialisms in Response to Religious Involvement in Community Organizing*

Responding:

Tamsin Jones, University of Victoria

---

## **A26-116**

### **Women and Religion Section**

Michal Raucher, Northwestern University, Presiding

Theme: *Women, Identity, and Religious Activism*

Tuesday - 9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Dawn-Marie Gibson, University of London

*Contemporary Nation Women*

Rosemary P. Carbine, Whittier College

*The Nuns on the Bus: Women, Sacramentality, and the U.S. Public Church*

Monique Moultrie, Georgia State University

*The Personal Cost and the Personal Joy: Faith as a Site of Black Lesbian Activism*

Samaneh Oladi Ghadikolaei, University of California Santa Barbara

*Sacred Activism: Women's Involvement in Reformation of Family Law*

Responding:

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

---

## **A26-117**

### **Body and Religion Group and Religion and Disability Studies Group**

George Pati, Valparaiso University, Presiding

Theme: *Religious Reflection on Chronic Pain and Disability*

Tuesday - 9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Devan Stahl, Saint Louis University

*Virtual Bodies in the Medical Domain: How Medicine (Mis)Represents the Suffering Body*

Deborah Creamer, Iliff School of Theology

*Reflections on Chronic Pain: Expanding Disability and Embodiment Theologies*

Sharon V. Betcher, Vancouver School of Theology

*Cryptography/Disability Theology in the Ruins of God*

Tara Flanagan, Loyola University, Chicago

*Hosting the Unwelcome Guest: Interpreting the Body in Pain as a Site of Dispossession and Possession*

Michelle Lelwica, Concordia College--Moorhead, MN

*When the Body Hurts: A Critical Analysis of Popular Discourses on Chronic Pain*

Responding:

Rebecca Sachs Norris, Merrimack College

---

**A26-118**

**Contemporary Pagan Studies Group**

Jone Salomonsen, University of Oslo, Presiding

Theme: *Popular and Para-Paganisms*

Tuesday - 9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Suzanne Owen, Leeds Trinity University

*Is Anything 'Sacred' at Beltane at Thornborough?*

Helen Berger, Women's Studies Research Center, Brandeis University

*Solitary Practitioners in the United States*

Era Elizabeth Pope, University of North Carolina Charlotte

*"We Prefer the Term Caster": Constructions of Witchcraft in Beautiful Creatures*

Gwendolyn Reece, American University

*Pagan Practices and their Impediments*

Business Meeting:

Jone Salomonsen, University of Oslo

---

**A26-119**

**Critical Theory and Discourses on Religion Group**

David Walker, Yale University, Presiding

Theme: *Contested Representations in Religion and Politics*

Tuesday - 9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Caleb McCarthy, University of California, Santa Barbara

*Liberal Takfir and the State*

Atalia Omer, University of Notre Dame

*Imagining and Reimagining Palestine in Chicago: The Rhetoric of "No Place" and the Contested Role of Diaspora and Solidarity Activism in Conflict and Peacebuilding*

Jens Kreinath, Wichita State University

*Covering the Conflict in Syria: Mainstream Media, Representation Strategies, and the Politics of Religion*

Business Meeting:

William E. Arnal, University of Regina

---

**A26-120**

**Death, Dying, and Beyond Group and Secularism and Secularity Group**

A. David Lewis, MCPHS U, Presiding

Theme: *Memorializing the Secular: Martyrs, Mourners and Saints on the (Non)religious Borderland*

Tuesday - 9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Brett Krutzsch, Temple University

*"Secular" Martyrs and Contemporary Gay Subjects*

Brian Palmer, Uppsala University

*Memorializing Secular Saints in Sweden*

Pamela A. Detrixhe, Temple University

*To Protect and to Serve: Philadelphia Police Officer Funerals as Multivocal Negotiated Space*

Joseph Ballan, University of Chicago

*On Not Lighting Candles: Charles Reznikoff's "Kaddish"*

---

**A26-121**

**Kierkegaard, Religion, and Culture Group**

Marcia C. Robinson, Syracuse University, Presiding

Theme: *Thinking with Kierkegaard in a Global Context*

Tuesday - 9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Christopher Barnett, Villanova University

*Caveat Emptor: Kierkegaard and the Perils of Google*

Jennifer Veninga, St. Edward's University

*Eternity Is Not in a Financial Predicament: Or, Why Kierkegaard Would Not Buy Shares in a Transnational Corporation*

Tamara Monet Marks, Florida State University

*Globalization, Martyrdom, and the Internet: Recent Buddhist Self-Immolations and Christian Martyrdom*

Nigel Hatton, University of California, Merced

*Slavery and the Critique of Christianity in the Writings of Søren Kierkegaard and Frederick Douglass*

Business Meeting:

David J. Gouwens, Brite Divinity School

---

**A26-123**

**Sociology of Religion Group and SBL Ideological Criticism Group**

Randy Reed, Appalachian State University, Presiding

Theme: *Theorizing Time, Change and Religion*

Tuesday - 9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Alisha Pomazon, St. Thomas More College, University of Saskatchewan

*Desperate for Change: Hermann Cohen's Fight for Religious, Social, Political and Academic "Progress"*

Natalie Houghtby-Haddon, George Washington University

*"The Fierce Urgency of Now": Fifty Years after the March on Washington for Jobs and Freedom, Has Anything Changed?*

Angela Coco, Southern Cross University (Lismore)

*Working on Pagan Time: Changing Consciousness through a Pagan Worldview*

German McKenzie, Catholic University of America

*What has Charles Taylor Brought to the Sociological Table? An Exploration of his View on Social Change in his Meta-Narrative on Secularization in the West*

Steven Knowles, University of Chester

**A26-124**

**Christian Systematic Theology Section**

Rachel Muers, University of Leeds, Presiding

Theme: *Ecumenical and Comparative Practices*

Tuesday - 10:30 AM-12:00 PM

Eugene R. Schlesinger, Marquette University

*The Ecumenical Potential of Chauvet's Sacramental Theology for Reformed-Catholic Ecumenism*

R. Brad Bannon, Harvard Divinity School

*Negative Theology as Embodied, Interreligious, Dialogical Practice*

Christopher A. Stephenson, Lee University

*Speaking to Another, Speaking for Another: Lex Orandi, Lex Credendi and the Problem of Authority in Pentecostal-Roman Catholic Ecumenical Dialogue*

---

**A26-125**

**Religion in South Asia Section**

John Hawley, Columbia University, Presiding

Theme: *Bhakti Across Boundaries*

Tuesday - 10:30 AM-12:00 PM

Anne E. Monius, Harvard University

*Linguistic Anxiety and Geographical Aspiration in the Tamil Saiva Literary World*

Gil Ben-Herut, Emory University

*Remembering the Ancient Ones and the Recent Ones: Situating Early Virasaivism in its Broader South Indian Context*

Jon Keune, University of Göttingen

*Emphatically Ignoring the Neighbors: The Selective Inter-Regional Orientation of the Varkari Tradition*

Responding:

Karen Pechilis, Drew University

---

**A26-126**

**Black Theology Group**



Terrence Johnson, Haverford College, Presiding

Theme: *Black Theology and Its Transnational and Pedagogical Relationship to Social and Political Issues*

Tuesday - 10:30 AM-12:00 PM

Elias Ortega-Aponte, Drew University Theological School

*Azucar Negra: Latin American Liberation Theology and the Invisibility of Afro-descendientes*

Rufus Burnett, Duquesne University

*I Heard My Teacher Moan and Shout: A Theological Reflection on Decolonizing Pedagogies*

Shonda Nicole Gladden, Garrett Evangelical Theological Seminary

*Not Buying the Game: Commodification and the Limbo of The Wire*

Responding:

Anthony G. Reddie, Aston University

---

#### **A26-127**

##### **Chinese Religions Group**

Mark Halperin, University of California, Davis, Presiding

Theme: *New Perspectives on Twentieth-Century Chinese Religion*

Tuesday - 10:30 AM-12:00 PM

Xiaofei Kang, George Washington University

*Women's Liberation and Anti-Superstition in Wartime Communist Propaganda: Re-examining the Story of "Young Blackie Gets Married"*

Jun Hyung Chae, University of Chicago

*Doctrinal Shift of a 'Quasi-Religion' in Modern China: The Case of Daoyuan, 1921-1937*

Jonathan A. Seitz, Taiwan Theological Seminary

*Theorizing Christianity as a Chinese Religion*

---

#### **A26-128**

##### **Ritual Studies Group**

Sarah Haynes, Western Illinois University, Presiding

Theme: *Ritual Aesthetics - Ritual Ecology*

Tuesday - 10:30 AM-12:00 PM

Nathaniel Barrett, Universidad de Navarra

*How Sound Specifies Religious Meaning: An Ecological Approach*

Sammit Khandeparkar, Arizona State University

*Staged Rituals and Pollution: Role Played by Ritual and Notions of Pollution in the Emergence of a Brahman Caste in Twentieth-Century India*

Colleen D. Hartung, Chicago Theological Seminary

*Considering the Boundary between Ritual Sound and Noise*

Michael Houseman, Ecole Pratique des Hautes Etudes

*Prescriptive Self-consciousness and the Hokey Aesthetics of Neopagan and New Age Ceremonial*

---