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2016 ANNUAL MEETING TRAVEL GRANT WINNERS ANNOUNCED

Religion and the Arts Travel Grant
The AAR is pleased to announce that Kyrah Daniels of Harvard University is the winner of the Religion and the Arts Travel Grant. This grant, funded by Diane Apostolos-Cappadona, Georgetown University, is designed for a graduate student studying Religion and the Arts who is without institutional support to attend the AAR Annual Meeting. For the grant in 2016, the AAR received 13 applications. The jury evaluated each application based on need, active record of membership and involvement in AAR activities, and promising contributions to religion and the arts at this year’s Annual Meeting.

Annual Meeting Travel Grants
The AAR is pleased to announce the winners of our Annual Meeting Travel Grants. These grants are designed to aid members with financial need, especially students, contingent faculty, and international members, to attend the Annual Meeting. For these 25 grants for 2016, the AAR received 81 applications. The jury was impressed with the qualifications and achievements represented in the applicant pool, and exercised great care in evaluating each application to identify candidates based on need, candidates with the most active records of membership and involvement in the AAR, and candidates with the most promising contributions to this year’s meeting.
The 25 grantees are
Sophia Arjana, Boulder, CO
Hunter Bandy, Duke University
Sravana Borkatakay-Varma, Rice University
Stephanie Corigliano, Humboldt State University
Sara Fretheim, Port Coquitlam, British Columbia
Aaron Ghiloni, Trinity College, Queensland
Joel Gruber, University of San Diego
Shekhar Hattangadi, Mumbai, India
Claire Hein Blanton, University of Aberdeen
Hyekyung Jee, Yonsei University
Malene Johnson, Chicago Theological Seminary
Kendrick Kemp, Union Theological Seminary
Jon Kershner, Lancaster University
Wanjoong Kim, Graduate Theological Union
Cory May, University of Aberdeen
Laura McTighe, Columbia University
Dan Moseson, Syracuse University
Aldea Mulhern, University of Toronto
Elaine Nogueira-Godsey, University of Johannesburg
Genevieve Nrenzah, Kumasi, Ghana
Matt Sheedy, University of Manitoba
Michael Sohn, Cleveland State University
Jared Vazquez, University of Denver and Iliff School of Theology
Nargis Virani, Graduate Theological Union
Tobias Zuern, University of Wisconsin

Jurors
The AAR would like to thank the members of the jury for both grants: Christopher Duncanson-Hales, Alex Hwang, Davina Lopez, Matthew Lynch, Evelyn Parker, and Michelene Pesantubbee for their hard work in evaluating all of the applications to reach these decisions.

"RECOVERY" 12-STEP SUPPORT MEETINGS
AAR is currently seeking active members to help coordinate a new gathering at the Annual Meeting geared specifically toward recovering alcoholics, addicts, codependents, and other members of like-minded communities. Responsibilities will include helping to set up and schedule the meetings, as well as helping to provide a welcoming space for open discussion on various topics related to recovery. These meetings will not be officially affiliated with AA or NA but will simply seek to create space for those who desire a clean and sober
conference, and for any others who would benefit from such a gathering. If you are interested in being a part of this important initiative, please contact Kathleen McMahan, kmcmahan@aarweb.org, or Andrew Smith, professor.andy.smith@gmail.com.

More information about the 2016 Annual Meeting is being added to the AAR website daily. Be sure to check back frequently for important news and tips.