

2007 Additional Meetings (San Diego)

Program Book Text

Time and room assignments are subject to change; final time and room assignments are available in the onsite *Annual Meeting Program At-A-Glance*.

Location Key: **CC** San Diego Convention Center
GH Manchester Grand Hyatt
HG Hilton Gaslamp
MG San Diego Marriott Gaslamp
MM San Diego Marriott Hotel & Marina
OH Omni San Diego Hotel



M15-50

Seventh Day Adventist Religion Chairs

Thursday - 1:00 pm-6:30 pm
MM-Torrance



M15-51

Society of Anglican and Lutheran Theologians

Thursday - 1:00 pm-6:30 pm
MM-Leucadia Oceanside Pacific Point Loma Leucadia

Theme: *Thinking Scripturally: The Bible and Theology*

2:00 pm-3:30 pm Carol Newsom, Emory University

Three Perspectives on Good and Evil: The Bible's Internal Dialogue

4:00 pm-5:30 pm *How Should Scripture Inform Thinking about Sexuality?*

Panelists:

Marit Trelstead, Pacific Lutheran University

John Hoffmeyer, Lutheran Seminary at Philadelphia

Ian McFarland, Emory University

6:30 pm-8:30 pm Dinner

The Society of Anglican and Lutheran Theologians (SALT) is an informal network of scholars and pastors committed to ongoing theological inquiry in the context of these two denominational families. Our annual meeting is held just prior to the AAR and SBL meeting. Most of our 250 members teach and/or pastor in seminaries, colleges, or churches; others are active in SALT to remain connected to colleagues in their own denominational cultures. We welcome other interested persons. For more information: CrossRoads@hope.edu.



M15-52

United Methodist Women of Color Scholars Program

Thursday - 1:00 pm-6:30 pm
GH-Del Mar



M15-101

Hispanic Theological Initiative Consortium Reception

Thursday - 5:00 pm-6:00 pm
MM-Warner Center



M15-102

Hispanic Theological Initiative Consortium Dinner

Thursday - 6:00 pm-9:00 pm
MM-Coronado



M15-103

Adventist Society for Religious Studies, Section 1

☐ **Thursday - 7:00 pm-11:00 pm**
CC-25B

Today through Saturday, the Adventist Society for Religious Studies will address the topic *Adventism and Community*. The presidential address, *The Adventist Community and Education* will be presented by David Taylor from Loma Linda University. A business session will follow.

For additional information regarding this section contact Ernest Furness at P.O. Box 8050, Riverside, CA 92515, or FurnessEF@secc-sda.org.

 **M15-104**

Scriptural Reasoning Theory Sessions

☐ **Thursday - 7:00 pm-11:00 pm**
GH-Del Mar

 **M15-106**

United Methodist Women of Color Scholars Program

☐ **Thursday - 7:00 pm-11:00 pm**
GH-Mohsen A

 **M16-1**

New Developments in Religious Studies VII: Keeping Ourselves Current

☐ **Friday - 7:00 am-6:30 pm**
GH-Manchester E

Co-sponsored by the Program in Religion and Secondary Education at Harvard Divinity School, Religious Studies in Secondary Schools, and the Council for Spiritual and Ethical Education

This annual national conference provides an opportunity for secondary school teachers in

independent and public schools to join together to meet colleagues from across the country and to hear about new developments in the fields of ethics and the major religious traditions of the world. Nationally and internationally known scholars share information about new research and resources, and teachers talk together about innovative projects they are developing.

Please visit www.hds.harvard.edu/prse/ndrs for updated information including the agenda, presentation descriptions, and registration forms.

 **M16-2**

Lutheran Women in Theological Studies (LWTRS)

☐ **Friday - 7:00 am-6:30 pm**
GH-Del Mar A

Lutheran women in theological and religious studies as well as some local Lutheran clergywomen gather annually for scholarship, worship, and friendship. Lutheran women scholars - including graduate students - and other women who teach or study at Lutheran colleges and seminaries are welcome to attend all or part of the meeting. Questions?

To register please contact Sandra Mejia at 773-380-2885 or sandra.mejia@elca.org.

 **M16-3**

Young Scholars in American Religion, 2003-2006

☐ **Friday - 9:00 am-6:30 pm**
MM-Rancho Las Palmas

 **M16-4**

***Believers Church Bible Commentary* Editorial Council**

☐ **Friday - 9:00 am-3:30 pm**
GH-Edward A

 **M16-6**

***The Encyclopedia of the Bible and Its Reception* Editorial Board Meeting**

☐ **Friday - 9:00 am-3:30 pm**
MM-Encinitas



***The Encyclopedia of the Bible and Its Reception* Editorial Board Meeting**

☐ **Friday - 9:00 am-6:30 pm**
MM-Santa Rosa



Dharma Association of North America (DANAM)

☐ **Friday - 9:00 am-11:45 am**
GH-Manchester D

Theme: Dharma, Karma, and Moksha and the Jaina Tradition (DKM1)

Anne Vallely, University of Ottawa, Presiding

The panel will discuss sadharma-dharma and varnashrama dharma as they are understood within Jaina Tradition. The panelists will conduct an intensive study of Jaina Tradition in India during the summer of 2007. This experience will afford them a unique and privileged position to explore the ways in which Jainas themselves understand and talk about their tradition. In this panel, the papers will each explore how central religious ideas are conceptualized, discussed, practiced and also reified in the self-presentation of Jaina Tradition.

Panelists: TBA

For updates, continue to check at: www.danam-web.org/events.htm.



North American Association for the Study of Religion Executive Meeting

☐ **Friday - 9:00 am-11:30 am**
MM-Torrey 1

 **M16-10**

Adventist Society for Religious Studies, Section 2

☐ **Friday - 9:00 am-12:45 pm**
CC-29D

 **M16-11**

Scriptural Reasoning Theory Sessions

☐ **Friday - 9:00 am-11:30 am**
GH-Mohsen B

 **M16-12**

Society of Anglican and Lutheran Theologians

☐ **Friday - 9:00 am-11:30 am**
GH-Betsy A

9:00 am-10:30 am John Webster, University of Aberdeen

Biblical Reasoning

11:00 am-11:30 am Business Meeting

For more information: CrossRoads@hope.edu

 **M16-13**

Society for Buddhist-Christian Studies

☐ **Friday - 9:00 am-11:30 am**
GH-Edward C



M16-14

North American Paul Tillich Society

☐ **Friday - 9:00 am-11:15 am**
GH-Manchester A

Marcia MacLennan, Kansas Wesleyan University, Presiding

Theme: *Paul Tillich and Jewish Thought*

Bryan Wagoner, Harvard University

Judaism in the Life and Thought of Paul Tillich

Anne Marie Reijnen, Faculté Universitaire de Théologie Protestante, Brussels, Institut Catholique de Paris

Liberal Theology, Zionism, and Christian Nationalism: A Topical Inquiry into the Dialogue between Paul Tillich and Martin Buber

Stephen Butler Murray, Skidmore College

The Relevance of Paul Tillich to the Future of the Jewish-Christian Dialogue



M16-15

World Religions Reader Advisory Committee

☐ **Friday - 9:00 am-3:30 pm**
GH-Edward D



M16-19

Conference on Contemporary Pagan Studies

☐ **Friday - 9:00 am-5:00 pm**
CC-31A

9:00 am-11:30 am: Mentoring Sessions

The morning will be devoted to mentoring sessions with senior scholars assisting junior scholars. If you are interested, please look for details at www.paganstudies.org.

11:30 am-1:00 pm: Lunch Break

1:00 pm-2:30 pm: Papers

David Edleson, Middlebury College

“Thou Art Goddess”: Wicca, “Radical Immanence,” and the Worship of the Naked Celebrant

Chris Klassen, Wilfrid Laurier University

Evil or Enchanted: Student Responses to Witchcraft

2:45 pm-4:30 pm: Research Reports

Research reports on projects in literature, psychology, and anthropology. There will be time after the presentations for a discussion of the various projects and how they may relate to each other or to other projects under way.

4:30 pm-5:00 pm: Business Meeting



M16-22

United Methodist Women of Color Scholars Program

☐ **Friday - 9:00 am-11:30 am**
CC-31A



M16-23

***The Encyclopedia of the Bible and Its Reception* Editorial Board Meeting**

☐ **Friday - 10:30 am-3:30 pm**
MM-Mission Hills



M16-24

***The Encyclopedia of the Bible and Its Reception* Editorial Board Meeting**

☐ **Friday - 10:30 am-3:30 pm**
MM-Balboa

 **M16-16**

North American Paul Tillich Society

☐ **Friday - 11:30 am-1:15 pm**
GH-Manchester A

Loye Ashton, Tougaloo College, Presiding

Theme: *Paul Tillich as Biblical Theologian*

Ron MacLennan, Bethany College

Paul Tillich: Biblical Theologian of Connectedness

Francis Ching-Wah Yip, Chinese University of Hong Kong

Tillich as a New Testament Theologian?

Matthew Lon Weaver, Duluth, MN

The Existential Reception of Revelation: Paul Tillich as Biblical Theologian

 **M16-17**

Numata Chair Coordinators Meeting

☐ **Friday - 11:45 am-6:30 pm**
MM-Solana

 **M16-18**

Theological Education for a Sustainable Future

☐ **Friday - 11:45 am-6:30 pm**
CC-30B

The CRLE, an affiliate of the Humane Society of US, will host the afternoon session *Theological Education for a Sustainable Future*.

Over the past 15 years, various initiatives have sought to strengthen theological education commitments to the care of creation. The organizers of Theological Education to Meet the Environmental Challenge, the Forum on Religion and Ecology, and the Web of Creation will reflect on their experiences and discuss opportunities for sustainable theological education.

The workshop will also feature examples of how seminaries are making their institutions more sustainable.

Participants will also explore how to strengthen institutional commitment to sustainability, particularly how they can respond to two key issues: climate change and humane sustainable food. To register, contact Christine Gutleben cgutleben@hsus.org.



M16-50

International Bonhoeffer Society: Editorial Board, Annual Meeting, Board of Directors

☐ **Friday - 1:00 pm-6:30 pm**
MM-Marina G



M16-51

Theology and Ethics Colloquy

☐ **Friday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm**
GH-Cunningham C



M16-52

Dharma Association of North America (DANAM)

☐ **Friday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm**
GH-Manchester D

Theme: *The Ethics of Dharma* (DKM2)

Convener: Purushottama Bilimoria, Deakin University, Australia

Rita D. Sherma, Binghamton University, Presiding

Purushottama Bilimoria, Deakin University, Australia

Is Dharma Rational? And Karma Intelligible? Is Moksha (a) Way Out? Critique of Mohanty, Matilal, Daya Krishna

Joseph Prabhu, California State University, Los Angeles

Dharma through Thick and Thin

Shyam Ranganathan, York University

How to Generalize and How Not to Generalize about “Dharma”, “Karma” and “Moksa”

Christopher Key Chapple, Loyola Marymount University

Dharma, Karma, and Moksha in Jaina Tradition

Guy Petterson, University of Melbourne, Australia

Salvation through Deeds?: Madeleine Biardeau's “Anthropology of Desire”

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M16-53

North American Association for the Study of Religion

☐ **Friday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm**
CC-23A

Theme: *Ritual Transformation of Agency*

Jens Kreinath, Wichita State University and University of Heidelberg

Mimesis, Fractal Dynamics, and Agency in Yoruba Spirit Possessions

Gustavo Benavides, Villanova University

Priestly, Institutional, and Material Agency in Roman Catholic Sacramental Practice

Steven Engler, Mount Royal College and Pontifícia Universidade Católica de São Paulo

Patronage and Distributed Agency in Brazilian Spirit-possession

Responding:

Ivan Strenski, University of California, Riverside

 **M16-54**

Adventist Society for Religious Studies, Section 3

☐ Friday - 1:00 pm-8:30 pm
CC-30A

 **M16-55**

Scriptural Reasoning Theory Sessions

☐ Friday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm
GH-Mohsen B

 **M16-56**

Womanist Approaches to Religion Consultation

☐ Friday - 1:00 pm-5:00 pm
CC-23C

 **M16-57**

Society for Buddhist-Christian Studies

☐ Friday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm
GH-Edward C

 **M16-58**

Thomas F. Torrance Theological Fellowship

☐ **Friday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm**
GH-Betsy B

1:00 pm Business Meeting

2:00 pm Eric G. Flett, Eastern University

Persons, Powers, and Pluralities: Thomas F. Torrance's Trinitarian Ontology of Culture

See www.tftorrance.org for more information.



M16-59

Review of Dykstra, Cole, and Capps, *Losers, Loners, and Rebels: The Spiritual Struggles of Boys* (WJK, 2007)

☐ **Friday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm**
CC-24B



M16-61

Person, Culture, and Religion Group

☐ **Friday - 2:00 pm-6:30 pm**
CC-29B

2:00 pm-4:00 pm Lallene Rector, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary, Presiding

Book Panel — James Perkinson, *White Theology: Outing Supremacy in Modernity*

Panelists:

Marion Grau, Graduate Theological Union

Stephen Ray, Lutheran Theological Seminary, Philadelphia

Laurel Schneider, Chicago Theological Seminary

Mark Lewis Taylor, Princeton Theological Seminary

Responding:

James Perkinson, Ecumenical Theological Seminary

4:00 pm Coffee Break

4:15 pm Hetty Zock, University of Groningen, Presiding

Theme: *Paul Tillich and Carl Rogers – a Film of a Historic Conversation*

Panelists:

Terry D. Cooper, Vanderbilt University

James Jones, Rutgers University

Diane Jonte-Pace, Santa Clara University

Britt-Mari Sykes, University of Ottawa



M16-60

North American Paul Tillich Society

☐ **Friday - 2:15 pm-4:00 pm**
GH-Manchester A

John Thatamanil, Vanderbilt University, Presiding

Theme: *Paul Tillich and Religious Pluralism*

Christian Danz, University of Vienna

Christianity and the Encounter of World Religions: The Contribution of Paul Tillich to Current Discussions in the Theology of Religion

John Starkey, Oklahoma City University

The Human Predicament and Salvation in Tillich and Thatamanil

Andrew Yan, Hope College

Paul Tillich's Encounters with Buddhism: An Implication for His Systematic Theology

Luis Pedraja, Middle States Commission on Higher Education

The Tao of Tillich

 **M16-63**

Enhanced Exegesis Using *BibleWorks*

☐ **Friday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm**
MM-Columbia 1

 **M16-64**

Society for the Study of Native American Religious Traditions

☐ **Friday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm**
GH-Madeleine A

 **M16-101**

Interest Meeting: Current Developments in Synoptic Source Criticism

☐ **Friday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm**
MM-Warner Center

 **M16-102**

Dharma Association of North America (DANAM)

☐ **Friday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm**
GH-Manchester D

Theme: *Beyond Dominant Perspectives: Reflections on Dharma, Karma, and Moksha*
(DKM3)

Convener: Ramdas Lamb, University of Hawai'i, and Adarsh Deepak, DANAM

TBA, Presiding

Koenraad Elst, Author, Antwerp, Belgium

The Non-Retributive Karma Doctrine

Henry John Walker, Bates College

Dharma and Duty in the Gita

Veena R. Howard, University of Oregon, Lone College

A Search for Dharma in Secular World of Diaspora: Is Sadharana Dharma the Only Alternative?

Shiv Raj Pal, Toronto, Canada

Sukshma-Shareer, the Prime Body of the Atma, and Its Relationship to Dharma, Karma and Moksha

Sudhir K. Anand, Author, Los Angeles

The Arya Samaj View of Moksha

Trichur S. Rukmani, Concordia University, Canada, Responding

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M16-103

North American Association for the Study of Religion

☐ **Friday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm**
CC-23A

Theme: *Novelty, Presence, and History: Brief Pre-Modern Discourses on Method and Theory*

Alison Frazier, University of Texas, Austin

Saintly Presence: The Wager of Latin Hagiography in Renaissance Italy

Nancy Levene, Indiana University, Bloomington

Traces of History in St. Anselm

Constance Furey, Indiana University, Bloomington

Utopian History

Responding:

Nathan Rein, Ursinus College

 **M16-105**

***Religious Studies Review* Editors Meeting**

☐ **Friday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm**
GH-Mohsen A

 **M16-106**

Society for the Study of Christian Spirituality

☐ **Friday - 4:00 pm-6:00 pm**
MM-Marina D

Theme: *Teaching for Justice: Research and Teaching Strategies in Higher Theological Education*

Given that we are to live and work toward justice within most faith traditions' perspectives, how does our scholarship and practice encourage "teaching for justice" within institutions of higher education? A panel of scholar-teachers will respond to this question with observations (via programming, syllabi, and/or course assignments) from their research and teaching of spirituality. For more information, please contact Anita Houck at ahouck@saintmarys.edu.

 **M16-107**

Society for Buddhist-Christian Studies

☐ **Friday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm**
GH-Manchester G

Harry Wells, Humboldt State University, Presiding

Theme: *In or Out: Homosexuality, the Church, and the Sangha*

Robert Fastiggi, Sacred Heart Major Seminary, Detroit

The Catholic Church and Homosexuality

Ilene Stanford, Harvard University

In or Out? Marriage as a Social Practice

José Ignacio Cabezón, University of California, Santa Barbara

Is Homosexual Sex "Sexual Misconduct"? Critical Reflections on Some Classical Indo-Tibetan Sources

Michael Sweet, University of Wisconsin, Madison

Shameless Discretion: Insider and Outsider Perspectives of Homoeroticism in the Sangha

Responding:

Richard Reilly, St. Bonaventure University

6:00 pm Business Meeting



M16-109

Review of Mayra Rivera, *The Touch of Transcendence: A Postcolonial Theology of God* (WJK, 2007)

Friday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm
CC-24B



M16-110

Social Ethics in the Churches of Christ

Friday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm
GH-Betsy A

We will continue our conversation on the contribution Churches of Christ scholars can make to the field of Christian ethics. For more information contact Duane Barron,

 **M16-111**

Polanyi Society

☐ **Friday - 4:00 pm-6:00 pm**
GH-Edward B

Jere Moorman, Polanyi Society, Presiding

4:00 pm William Coulson, Center for Studies of the Person

On Having Misread Polanyi's Theory of Personal Knowledge

Responding:

Dale Cannon, Western Oregon University

Philip Rolnick, St. Thomas University

5:15 pm William Kelleher, La Canada, CA

Personal Knowledge as Pure Self-Reflection

Responding:

Phil Mullins, Western Missouri State University

Diane Yeager, Georgetown University

 **M16-112**

Quaker Theological Discussion Group I & II

☐ **Friday - 4:00 pm-11:00 pm**
GH-Maggie

4:00 pm-6:30 pm: Quaker Theological Discussion Group I

Corey Beals, Presiding

Theme: *A Quaker Sacramentology*

Tim Seid

The New and Eternal Covenant

Paul Anderson

An Incarnational Sacramentology

Kent Walkemeyer

Vocation as a Sacramental Way of Life

Responding:

David Johns

Ann Loades

6:30 pm-8:00 pm: Reception (provided by the Earlham School of Religion)

8:00 pm-10:00 pm: Quaker Theological Discussion Group II

Howard Macy, Presiding

Theme: *Book Review: Holiness: The Soul of Quakerism, by Carole Spencer*

Panelists:

Steven Angell

Marge Abbott

Jim LeShana

Responding:

Carole Spencer



M16-113

Feminist Liberation Theologians' Network

☐ **Friday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm**
GH-Annie A

The Network's annual gathering will focus on how to share feminist liberation theological wisdom with future generations. We will explore creative teaching and research possibilities, as well as internships and international exchanges. We are especially interested to hear from young colleagues. All are welcome.

RSVP: Mary E. Hunt, Women's Alliance for Theology, Ethics, and Ritual (WATER), 1-301-589-2509, mhunt@hers.com; Elisabeth Schüssler Fiorenza, Harvard Divinity School, 1-617-495-5751, Eschussler@hds.harvard.edu.

 **M16-114**

Karl Barth Society of North America

☐ **Friday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm**
CC-29C

Mark McInroy, Harvard University

Karl Barth and Personalist Philosophy: A Critical Appropriation

John McDowell, Edinburgh University

Christology and Prayer in Karl Barth's Theology

 **M16-135**

***Journal of Feminist Studies in Religion* Pre-Conference Meeting**

☐ **Friday - 4:00 pm-11:00 pm**
GH-Mohsen B

 **M16-115**

North American Paul Tillich Society

☐ **Friday - 4:15 pm-6:30 pm**
GH-Manchester A

David Nikkel, University of North Carolina at Pembroke, Presiding

Theme: *Paul Tillich, Ethics, and Theology*

Daniel Puchalla, University of Chicago

The Limits of Love, Power, and Justice: Tillich's Ontology and Theology against "Full-Spectrum" Military

Annekatrien Depoorter, Katholieke Universiteit Leuven

Doing Theology in a Context of Religious and Cultural Pluralism: A Comparison and Evaluation of Paul Tillich's Method of Correlation and the Theological Method of Edward Schillebeeckx

Jennifer L. Baldwin, Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago

Erotic Play: A Trip into the Secret Lives of Girls, Feminist Theologies of the Erotic, and the Theological Thought of Paul Tillich

Sigrídur Gotmársdóttir, Drew University

The Apophatic "God above God": Tillich and the Poststructuralist Critique of Negative Theology



M16-116

Søren Kierkegaard Society Banquet

☐ **Friday - 6:00 pm-10:00 pm**
Offsite

Athens Market Taverna

109 West "F" Street

6:00 pm Social Hour

7:00 pm Banquet (Contact Lee Barrett at lbarrett@lancasterseminary.edu)

8:00 pm K. Brian Soderquist, Søren Kierkegaard Center, University of Copenhagen

Using the New Translation of the Journals and Notebooks



M16-117

Black Religious Scholars Group (BRSBG) Tenth Annual Consultation

☐ **Friday - 6:15 pm-10:00 pm**
Offsite

St. Stephen's Cathedral COGIC

5825 Imperial Avenue

San Diego, CA 92114

Participants interested in joining us for an evening of communal reflection and

celebration of the life and work of our past honorees: J. Deotis Roberts, Henry and Ella Mitchell, James Cone, Jacquelyn Grant, Peter Paris, Katie Cannon, Vincent Harding, Delores Williams, Robert M. Franklin, Cheryl Townsend Gilkes, Gayraud Wilmore, and Renita Weems, can register with Stacey Floyd-Thomas, Brite Divinity School, TCU Box 298130 Fort Worth, TX 76123 1-817-257-7140 or s.floyd-thomas@tcu.edu. Cost for the evening will be \$20 and must be prepaid by November 10, 2007. An evening reception will be provided. A bus for transport to and from the site will be available in front of the San Diego Marriott Hotel and Marina.



M16-118

Institute for Biblical Research Annual Meeting (1)

☐ **Friday - 7:00 pm-11:00 pm**
GH-Douglas A



M16-119

Annual Reception: Interreligious Federation for World Peace (IRFWP) and *New World Encyclopedia*

☐ **Friday - 7:00 pm-8:30 pm**
GH-America's Cup A

This year the Interreligious Federation for World Peace (IRFWP) and the Religion Office of the Universal Peace Federation (UPF) continues with the second in the series of receptions

introducing to the Academy the pending launch and ongoing progress of the *New World Encyclopedia* (a full, general knowledge encyclopedia based in universal values). Once again, reception participants will learn of opportunities to involve themselves as writers, editors, and advisers for this trend-setting project.

 **M16-120**

National Association of Baptist Professors of Religion *Perspectives in Religious Studies* Editorial Board

☐ **Friday - 7:00 pm-8:30 pm**
MM-Columbia 3

 **M16-121**

Society for the Arts in Religious and Theological Studies Reception

☐ **Friday - 7:00 pm-8:30 pm**
MM-Coronado

Don Saliers of Emory University will conduct an interview with artist John August Swanson. For information about the artist and his work, see www.johnaugustswanson.com.

 **M16-122**

Society for Hindu-Christian Studies

☐ **Friday - 7:00 pm-11:00 pm**
GH-Molly B

Theme: *How We Do Hindu-Christian Studies*

This panel seeks broad audience participation in a discussion of methods, theories, and approaches in the field of Hindu-Christian studies. Panelists will make brief remarks based on papers that will be made available in advance on the HCS listserv, and audience members will then be invited to join in the discussion. To sign up for the listserv or to get copies (after Nov. 2), please email: cbauman@butler.edu.

T. S. Rukmani, Concordia University, Presiding

Harold Coward, University of Victoria

Hindu-Christian Studies: A Retrospective

Susan Abraham, Harvard Divinity School

Theological Approaches to Hindu-Christian Studies

Brian K. Pennington, Maryville College

Historical-Critical Approaches to Hindu-Christian Studies

Arvind Sharma, McGill University

Hindu-Christian Studies through the Lens of Ethics

Catherine Cornille, Boston College

Missiology and Hindu-Christian Studies

Kristin Bloomer, University of Chicago

Ethnography and Hindu-Christian Studies

Responding:

T. S. Rukmani, Concordia University

The Future of Hindu-Christian Studies



M16-123

Mennonite Scholars and Friends Reception

☐ **Friday - 7:00 pm-8:30 pm**
GH-Ford AB



M16-124

Accordance Seminar

☐ **Friday - 7:00 pm-11:00 pm**

CC-29B

New in Accordance Bible Software: Presentation and demonstration of the latest morphological texts and features, by Roy Brown, developer of Accordance.

Computer Assisted Greek Acquisition: Demonstration of an introductory Greek language course currently being developed for laptop computers and integrated with biblical software, by David P. Parris, Fuller Theological Seminary.

The session will include an overview of the software, questions from users on specific aspects, and discussion of its applications to research and teaching.



M16-125

Teaching Theology and Religion Editorial Board

☐ **Friday - 7:00 pm-11:00 pm**
GH-Ford C



M16-126

LGBTQ Caucus

☐ **Friday - 7:00 pm-8:30 pm**
GH-Edward B

The LGBTQ Caucus is an informal network of LGBTQ scholars of religion that meets each year during the Annual Meetings to discuss the connections between our scholarship and activist work for social justice, both within the academy and in wider social settings. For

further information, contact: Jay Emerson Johnson at drjay1@earthlink.net.



M16-127

Council of Societies for the Study of Religion Board Meeting

☐ **Friday - 7:00 pm-8:30 pm**
GH-Edward A



M16-128

Society for the Study of Christian Spirituality

☐ **Friday - 7:00 pm-9:30 pm**
Offsite

St. Joseph's Cathedral Auditorium, 1535 3rd Ave.

Theme: *Dying to Live: A Film and Conversation about Spirituality on the Borderlands*

How does “crossing the border” affect one's spirituality? In this session, the short film *Dying to Live* will be shown, followed by a panel discussion with Mexican migrants and others whose lives are profoundly shaped by the tense reality of the U.S.-Mexican border. All are welcome to attend and to stay after the discussion to view displays and share conversation. For more information, please contact Anita Houck at ahouck@saintmarys.edu.



M16-129

The Word Made Fresh

☐ **Friday - 7:00 pm-8:30 pm**
CC-30C

Steve Wilkens, Azusa Pacific University, Presiding

Theme: *The Plurality of Truth*

Speaker: John Franke, Biblical Seminary

Dr. Franke engages postmodern thought and culture from the perspective of Christian faith, speaking about the *Manifold Witness: The Plurality of Truth*.

The Word Made Fresh is a forum that seeks to stimulate creative dialogue among evangelical scholars of diverse backgrounds about pressing issues in contemporary Christianity.

Sponsored by Azusa Pacific University



M16-130

Unitarian Universalist Scholars and Friends Discussion

☐ **Friday - 7:00 pm-10:00 pm**
GH-Molly A

Theme: *Between the Schoolhouse and the Religious Houses: Unitarian Universalist Theology in Context*

Our inaugural Friday evening session will feature a discussion of the historical and cultural contexts for Unitarian Universalist theological work, and the issues implied by these contexts. A panel of scholars and pastors will introduce the theme, with plenty of time for open conversation. Participants include Rebecca Parker, Anthony Pinn, Holly Horn, Samira Mehta, Emily Mace, Gabriella Lettini, Alma Crawford, and Arvid Straube.

Sponsored by Starr King School for the Ministry, Meadville Lombard Theological School, UUA Panel on Theological Education, and Beacon Press.

Individuals who wish to gather for supper prior to the session should contact Dan McKanan at 320/363-3181 or dmckanan@csbsju.edu before November 5 for details.

 **M16-132**

Philadelphia Seminar on Christian Origins

☐ **Friday - 7:00 pm-9:00 pm**
GH-Del Mar B

Robert A. Kraft and Annette Yoshiko Reed, Presiding

 **M16-134**

Dharma Association of North America (DANAM)

☐ **Friday - 7:30 pm-10:00 pm**
GH-Manchester D

Theme: *Bhakti Rasa Through Music and Song (Bhajans)* (RT1)

Ramdas Lamb, University of Hawaii, and Rita D. Sherma, Binghamton University, Presiding

Presenters:

Local Bhajan Group, San Diego

Indira Pal and Shiv Raj Pal (music), Toronto, Canada

For updates, see: www.danam-web.org/events.htm.

 **M16-133**

The Pluralism Project Reception

☐ **Friday - 9:00 pm-11:00 pm**
GH-Manchester I

 **M17-105**

Dharma Association of North America (DANAM)

☐ **Saturday - 4:00 am-5:30 pm**
GH-Manchester D

Theme: *RASA Theory Keynote Presentation* (RT4)

Convener: Adarsh Deepak, DANAM and Takshashila Institute

Rita D. Sherma, Binghamton University, Presiding

TBA

Keynote Presentation

For updates, see: www.danam-web.org/events.htm.

 **M17-1**

Institute for Biblical Research Annual Meeting (2)

☐ **Saturday - 7:00 am-12:45 pm**
GH-Manchester I

 **M17-2**

National Association of Baptist Professors of Religion Executive Committee

☐ Saturday - 7:00 am-8:30 am
MM-Encinitas

 M17-4

Society for Hindu-Christian Studies Board Meeting

☐ Saturday - 7:00 am-8:30 am
GH-Mohsen B

 M17-5

Korean North American Theology

☐ Saturday - 7:00 am-8:30 am
GH-Emma A

Sang Hyun Lee, Presiding

W. Anne Joh will discuss her book, *Heart of the Cross: A Postcolonial Christology*

Hak Joon Lee will discuss his book, *We Will Get to the Promised Land: Martin Luther King Jr.'s Communal-Political Spirituality*

 M17-6

International Schleiermacher Society

☐ Saturday - 7:00 am-11:30 am
GH-Emma B

8:00 am Coffee and breakfast (bring your own)

9:00 am Wendy Farley

"Mind Reduced to the Necessity of Seeking": Opportunities for Buddhist - Christian Dialogue in Schleiermacher's Theological Anthropology

10:00 am *Ethics Series I*: (papers pre-distributed beginning in July; contact Ted Vial,

tvial@iliff.edu.

Peter Foley, University of Arizona

Schleiermacher's Critique of Previous Ethical Theories in the 1803 Grundlinien

Jeffery Kinlaw, McMurray University

Schleiermacher's Critique of Fichte's Political Philosophy

11:15 am Planning

11:45 am-12:45 pm Adjourn to nearby restaurant for lunch

 **M17-7**

***DIALOG* Editorial Meeting**

☐ **Saturday - 7:00 am-11:30 am**
GH-Cunningham A

 **M17-12**

Society for the Arts in Religious and Theological Studies

☐ **Saturday - 7:00 am-11:30 am**
CC-30D

7:00 am Board Meeting

9:00 am Welcome

Wilson Yates, SARTS President

9:10 am William Cahoy, St. John's University School of Theology, Presiding

Presentations by 2006 SARTS Fellowship Award Winners:

Maureen O'Connell

Stephen Lösel

Rebecca Davis

David Friend

Winners of the 2006 SARTS Fellowship Awards will present their projects, ranging from murals in inner-city Philadelphia to the music of Mozart, and from the cuadros of Peruvian women to Reformation architecture in Europe.

10:50 am Break

11:00 am Business Meeting

For additional information regarding this session, visit us online at www.SARTS.org, or contact Kimberly Vrudny at 1-651-962-5337 or kjvrudny@stthomas.edu.



M17-38

United Methodist Women of Color Scholars Program

☐ Saturday - 7:00 am-11:30 am
GH-Randle E



M17-8

Council on Graduate Studies in Religion (CGSR)

☐ Saturday - 8:30 am-12:45 pm
CC-32A



M17-9

Early Methodism: Texts, Traditions, and Theologies: *Charles Wesley and the Struggle for Methodist Identity*

☐ Saturday - 9:00 am-12:45 pm
GH-Del Mar B

Sponsors: Liverpool Hope University, University of Manchester, and Duke University Divinity School

9:00 am Welcome

9:15 am Presentation by Gareth Lloyd on his book *Charles Wesley and the Struggle for Methodist Identity* (OUP: April 2007)

10:10 am Responding:

Richard Heitzenrater, Duke University

ST Kimbrough, Jr., Founding President, Charles Wesley Society

Kenneth Newport, Liverpool Hope University

11:20 am Round-table discussion

12:00 pm Charles Wesley news/publications

Additional information: Kenneth Newport, KNEWPORT@hope.ac.uk.



M17-10

Global Ethics and Religion Forum

☐ **Saturday - 9:00 am-11:30 am**
GH-Ford B

Theme: *Religious Perspectives on Military Humanitarian Intervention*

Nancy M. Martin, Chapman University, Presiding

Panelists:

Joseph Runzo, Executive Director, Global Ethics and Religion Forum

Brian Lepard, School of Law, University of Nebraska

Nathan Tierney, California Lutheran University

Franklin Perkins, DePaul University

William O'Neill, S.J., Graduate Theological Union

Arvind Sharma, McGill University



M17-13

National Association of Baptist Professors of Religion

☐ **Saturday - 9:00 am-11:30 am**
CC-30B



M17-14

Niebuhr Society

☐ **Saturday - 9:00 am-11:30 am**
GH-Ford C

Theme: *Reinhold Niebuhr's Moral Man and Immoral Society*

9:00 am Harlan Stelmach, Dominican University of California

Niebuhr's Immoral Society and Bellah's Good Society: A Conversation about Moral Man

9:45 am Panel Discussion

Gary Dorrien, Union Theological Seminary

Charles Mathewes, University of Virginia

Rebekah Miles, Southern Methodist University

Max Stackhouse, Princeton Theological Seminary

Ronald Stone, Pittsburgh Theological Seminary

Josiah Young, Wesley Theological Seminary

10:50 am Research Reports

K. Healan Gaston, University of California, Berkeley

Kevin Carnahan, Hendrix College



M17-15

Society for Hindu-Christian Studies

☐ **Saturday - 9:00 am-11:30 am**
GH-Mohsen B

Michael McLaughlin, Presiding

Theme: (Re-)Constructing Advaita: Rambachan's *The Advaita Worldview* and Thatamanil's *The Immanent Divine in Conversation*

9:00 am Panel and Discussion

Panelists:

Michelle Voss Roberts, Rhodes College

Michael McLaughlin, St. Leo University

Joseph Prabhu, California State University

Responding:

Anantanand Rambachan, St. Olaf College

John J. Thatamanil, Vanderbilt University

11:30 am Business Meeting

Corinne Dempsey, Presiding



M17-16

Restoration Theological Research Fellowship Annual Meeting

☐ **Saturday - 9:00 am-11:30 am**
CC-25C



M17-17

Mennonite Scholars and Friends Forum

☐ **Saturday - 9:00 am-11:30 am**
CC-26A

Ted Grimsrud, Eastern Mennonite University, Presiding

Theme: *Reflections on J. Denny Weaver's The Nonviolent Atonement*

Panelists:

Sharon Baker, Messiah College

Mark Thiessen Nation, Eastern Mennonite University

Tom Yoder Neufeld, Conrad Grebel University College

Responding:

J. Denny Weaver, Bluffton University

Business meeting



M17-18

Søren Kierkegaard Society

☐ **Saturday - 9:00 am-11:30 am**
CC-26B

Tamara Monet Marks, Florida State University, Presiding

Theme: *Kierkegaard in Dialogue with Non-Christian Religions*

K. Brian Soderquist, Søren Kierkegaard Center, University of Copenhagen

Kierkegaard's Understanding of Non-Christian Religions

Andrew J. Nicholson, State University of New York, Stony Brook

Hinduism-Buddhism: Skillful Means and Bold Assertions

Karen C. Carr, Lawrence University

Daoism: Sin, Spontaneity, Nature, and God

Jennifer Pouya, Texas Christian University

Kierkegaard and the Jewish Shadow

Adam Buben, University of South Florida

Background for a Congruence: Kierkegaard and the Samurai

Abraham Khan, University of Toronto

Kierkegaard and Muhammad Iqbal on Becoming a Self

Responding:

Erik Ziolkowski, Lafayette University



M17-19

La Comunidad/The Community

☐ **Saturday - 9:00 am-11:30 am**
GH-Maggie



M17-20

Towards the Fifth Edition of the UBS Greek New Testament

☐ **Saturday - 9:00 am-11:30 am**
CC-31A

A revised edition of the UBS Greek New Testament is currently in preparation, with special concern to adapt the text critical apparatus more closely to the requirements of academic use.

This meeting will be an opportunity to exchange ideas and experiences with the editors of the Greek New Testament and to suggest improvements for the revision. For further information, please contact Florian Voss, German Bible Society, voss@dbg.de.



M17-21

Teaching Introductory Courses: A Wabash Center Workshop

☐ **Saturday - 9:00 am-3:30 pm**
GH-Randle A

Advanced registration required at www.wabashcenter.wabash.edu/programs/asp.

Led by Barbara Walvoord, author of *Teaching and Learning in College Introductory Religion Courses: A Study of 533 Classrooms* (Blackwell, 2008) and numerous works on teaching in higher education.

An interactive workshop addressing public, private, and religiously affiliated contexts; topics include: faculty and students' goals for learning; assignments and grading; and pedagogical strategies: what highly effective teachers do.

Lunch will be served.

A free copy of Barbara Walvoord's book, *Teaching and Learning in College Introductory Religion Courses* is included.



M17-22

Dharma Association of North America (DANAM)

☐ **Saturday - 9:00 am-11:55 am**
GH-Manchester D

Theme: *Rasa and Vaishnava Traditions* (RT2)

Conveners: Graham M. Schweig, Christopher Newport University, and Lance Nelson, University of San Diego

Graham M. Schweig, Christopher Newport University, and TBA, Presiding

Graham M. Schweig, Christopher Newport University

The Conception and Meaning of Rasa in Bhakti: The Caitanya Vaishnava School

David Buchta, University of Pennsylvania

Bhayanaka as Bhakti-Rasa in Gaudiya Vaishnavism

Krisztina Danka, Eotvos Lorand University of Budapest, Hungary

Rasa -- Aesthetics and Metaphysics Interwoven: Literary Works As Revelations in the

Bengali Vaishnava Tradition

Lance Nelson, University of San Diego

Bhakti-rasa for the Advaitin Renouncer: Madhusudana Sarasvati's Theory of Devotional Sentiment

Gerald T. Carney, Hampden-Sydney College

Rasa as Foundation and Bridge

Neelima Shukla-Bhatt, Wellesley College

Usefulness of the Concept of Bhakti-rasa in Studying Bhakti Forms

Deepak Shimkhada, Claremont College

Paintings: Expressions of Rasa in the 1648 Bhagavata Purana

Ithamar Theodor, University of Haifa

The Infiltration of Rasa into Vaisnavism

For updates, see: www.danam-web.org/events.htm.



M17-23

The Society for the Study of Anglicanism

☐ **Saturday - 9:00 am-12:45 pm**
GH-Manchester H

Theme: *Anglicanism and the Interpretation of Scripture*

The meetings this year are in association with the Ecclesiological Investigations Group and the Anglican Association of Biblical Scholars.

8.45 am Coffee

9:00 am Introduction

9:15 am Katherine Grieb, Virginia Theological Seminary

10:00 am Gerald West, University of KwaZulu-Natal

10:45 am Coffee Break - donuts and pastries served

11:15 am Responding:

Richard A. Burrige, King's College London

Jo Bailey Wells, Duke University

11.45 am Discussion:

Ellen B. Aitken, McGill University Montreal and Anglican Association of Biblical Scholars,
Presiding

12.30 pm Short Business Session and Announcements

12.45 pm Close

RSVP and Further Enquiries to Co-conveners Rob Slocum, rbslocum@genevaonline.com,
and Martyn Percy, mpercy@ripon-cuddesdon.ac.uk.



M17-24

North American Association for the Study of Religion

☐ **Saturday - 9:00 am-11:30 am**
CC-28A

Theme: *Taxonomies in the Study of Religion*

Panelists:

Craig Martin, Syracuse University

Strategic Uses of "Religion": Taxonomy and Metonymy in Political Discourse

Leah Payne, Vanderbilt University

Time on Their Side: Using Philosophy of Time to Understand Distinctions between Early American Pentecostals and Fundamentalists

Thomas B. Ellis, Appalachian State University

Spirituality Redescribed, Self-esteem Misrecognized

Responding:

Aaron Hughes, University of Calgary

 **M17-25**

Adventist Society for Religious Studies, Section 4

☐ **Saturday - 9:00 am-12:45 pm**
CC-28C

 **M17-26**

Theology for the Presbyterian Church (USA)

☐ **Saturday - 9:00 am-11:30 am**
CC-28D

Presbyterian Church (USA) pastors and scholars are invited to this meeting dedicated to doing theology for the church. This year's gathering will focus on emerging Korean American Presbyterian theology and in its engagement with what it means to confess Christ in the changing context of Korean American life. A panel made up of a pastor (Kevin Park), professor (Young Lee Hertig), and a governing body leader (Heahwan Rim) will offer presentations, which will be engaged in group discussion. Further information: Anita Brown, Office of Theology and Worship, (888) 728-7228 x5033, abrown@ctr.pcusa.org.

 **M17-27**

Society for the Study of Christian Spirituality

☐ **Saturday - 9:00 am-11:30 am**
CC-30C

9:00 am 2007 Presidential Address

Stephanie Paulsell, Harvard University

Lost in the Mystery of God: Childhood and the History of Christian Spirituality

10:30 am Business Meeting

Mary Frohlich, Catholic Theological Union, President-elect, Presiding

All are welcome. For more information, please contact Anita Houck at ahouck@saintmarys.edu.



M17-28

Emergent Church Forum

☐ **Saturday - 9:00 am-11:30 am**
CC-29C

Keith Matthews, Azusa Pacific University, Presiding

Theme: *Emergent Church*

Panelists:

Tony Jones, National Coordinator of Emergent Village

Scot McKnight, North Park University

Diana Butler Bass, Author of *Christianity for the Rest of Us*

Co-sponsored by Paraclete Press and Azusa Pacific University

For additional information, contact Don Thorsen, Azusa Pacific University:
dthorsen@apu.edu.



M17-29

Person, Culture, and Religion Group

☐ **Saturday - 9:00 am-11:30 am**
CC-29B

9:00 am Works in progress – New scholars and graduate students welcome!

10:30 am Extended Business Meeting

Theme: *The Return of the Repressed?: The Place of Psychology in the AAR*

-What's in a name? – PCR or Psychology and/of Religion or...?

-Planning future meetings and co-sponsorships



North American Paul Tillich Society and Polanyi Society

☐ **Saturday - 9:00 am-11:30 am**
GH-Oxford

Walter Gulick, Montana State University, Billings, Presiding

Durwood Foster, Pacific School of Religion, and Richard Gelwick, Bangor Theological Seminary

How Tillich's Recently Retrieved Paper, "Participation and Knowledge: Problems of an Ontology of Cognition," Engages Polanyi's Thought

Responding:

Donald Musser, Stetson University

Robert Russell, Center for Theology and the Natural Sciences

11:15 am Business Meeting:

Walter Mead, Illinois State University, Presiding



Lutheran Women in Theological Studies (LWTRS)

☐ **Saturday - 9:00 am-11:30 am**
GH-Cunningham B

Lutheran women in theological and religious studies as well as some local Lutheran clergywomen gather annually for scholarship, worship, and friendship. Lutheran women scholars - including graduate students - and other women who teach or study at Lutheran colleges and seminaries are welcome to attend all or part of the meeting. Questions?

To register please contact Sandra Mejia at 773-380-2885 or sandra.mejia@elca.org.



M17-32

Colloquium on Violence and Religion

☐ **Saturday - 9:00 am-11:30 am**
GH-Connaught

Martha Reineke, University of Northern Iowa, Presiding

9:00 Nikolaus Wandinger, Institut für Systematische Theologie

"Sacrifice" in "Harry Potter" from a Girardian perspective

Responding:

Matthew G. Condon, Indiana University Purdue University, Indianapolis

Paul Nuechterlein, Prince of Peace Lutheran Church, Portage, MI

10:10 Break

10:20 Book Review: *Stricken By God: Non-Violent Identification and the Victory of Christ*,
Brad Jersak and Michael Hardin, Eds.

Panelists:

John Phelan, North Park Seminary

Tony Bartlett, Bexsley Hall Episcopal Divinity School

S. Mark Heim, Andover Newton Theological Seminary

Marit Trelstad, Pacific Lutheran University

Questions: contact martha.reineke@uni.edu.



M17-33

New Religious Movements Group Meeting with Branch Davidians

☐ **Saturday - 9:00 am-11:30 am**



M17-34

Karl Barth Society of North America

☐ **Saturday - 9:00 am-11:30 am**
CC-28B

George Hunsinger, Princeton Theological Seminary, Presiding

Theme: *Discussion of Alyssa Lyra Pitstick, Light in Darkness: Hans Urs von Balthasar and the Catholic Doctrine of Christ's Descent into Hell (Wm. B. Eerdmans, 2007)*

Panelists:

Paul J. Griffiths, University of Illinois at Chicago

David Lauber, Wheaton College

John Webster, Aberdeen University

Responding:

Alyssa Lyra Pitstick



M17-40

***Journal of Feminist Studies in Religion* Board Meeting**

☐ **Saturday - 9:00 am-11:30 am**
GH-Cunningham C



M17-11

Graduate Theological Union Alumni Luncheon

☐ **Saturday - 11:00 am-12:45 pm**
MM-Marriott Hall Salon 6



M17-42

Christian Scholarship Foundation

☐ Saturday - 11:30 am-1:00 pm
GH-Mohsen A



M17-35

Society for the Arts in Religious and Theological Studies Board Meeting

☐ Saturday - 11:45 am-3:30 pm
CC-30D



M17-37

North American Association for the Study of Religion Business Meeting

☐ Saturday - 11:45 am-12:45 pm
CC-28A



M17-50

Christian Theological Research Fellowship

☐ Saturday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm
CC-29B



M17-51

Syntactically-Tagged Databases for the Hebrew Bible and Greek New Testament

☐ Saturday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm
MM-New York

This session will overview the latest quantum leap for computerized research and teaching in biblical texts: databases tagged for syntactical structures and functions. The session is

appropriate for anyone interested in computer applications for exegesis and teaching of the Hebrew Bible and Greek New Testament. For more information, contact Michael Heiser at mheiser@logos.com.



Dharma Association of North America (DANAM)

☐ **Saturday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm**
GH-Manchester D

Theme: *Theorizing Rasa: Culture and Gender* (RT3)

Conveners: Rita D. Sherma, University of Arizona, and Adarsh Deepak, DANAM

Rita D. Sherma, Binghamton University, Presiding

Susan Schwartz, Muhlenberg College

Rasa/Rakta: Transformations in Red

Alfred Collins, Anchorage, Alaska

The Savor of What Is: Rasa as Culture Theory

Neela Bhattacharya-Saxena, Nassau Community College

Dance of the Dual Self in Artistic Creations: A Shakta Reading of Rasa Theory

Madhu Khanna, Indira Gandhi National Centre for the Arts

Rasa and Bhava in the Nityapuja of Goddess Tripurasundari

George Pati, Valparaiso University

Mohiniattam: The Rasa and Bhava of Devotionalism

Purushottama Bilimoria, Deakin University, Australia

Grief and Mourning: Theorizing on the Troubled Bhava-s Cross-Culturally

For updates, see: www.danam-web.org/events.htm.



M17-53

Mission and Biblical Interpretation: Toward a Missional Hermeneutic

☐ Saturday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm
CC-28C

What would it mean to read the Bible with an explicit methodological starting point in an ecclesial location understood as fundamentally missional? Join us for our sixth annual session focused on such questions, as Princeton Theological Seminary professors Darrell Guder and J. Ross Wagner present their work on missional hermeneutics in the seminary classroom. We anticipate a thought-provoking and productive discussion. For information, visit www.gocn.org or contact Michael Barram, Saint Mary's College of California, mbarram@stmarys-ca.edu.



M17-54

Springer Religious Studies Advisory Board Meeting

☐ Saturday - 1:00 pm-6:30 pm
GH-Connaught



M17-55

Academic Advisory Board of *Reviews in Religion and Theology* and Editorial Board of *Conversations in Religion and Theology*

☐ Saturday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm
GH-Maggie



M17-100

American Theological Library Association Member Reception

☐ Saturday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm
MM-Marina D



M17-101

Society for the Arts in Religious and Theological Studies

☐ **Saturday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm**
CC-30D

Frank Burch Brown, Christian Theological Seminary (visiting fellow at the University of Chicago), Presiding

SARTS hosts a conversation with author Robin Margaret Jensen, Luce Chancellor's Professor of the History of Christian Worship and Art in the Divinity School at Vanderbilt University. Her most recent books include: *The Substance of Things Seen: Art, Faith, and the Christian Community* (Eerdmans, 2004) and *Face to Face: Portraits of the Divine in Early Christianity* (Augsburg Fortress, 2005).

Panelists:

Lewis Ayres, Emory University

James Francis, University of Kentucky

Georgia Frank, Colgate University

For more information about becoming a member of SARTS, visit us online at www.SARTS.org, or contact Kimberly Vrudny at 1-651-962-5337 or kjvrudny@stthomas.edu.



M17-102

College Theology Society Board Meeting

☐ **Saturday - 4:00 pm-8:30 pm**
MM-Atlanta



M17-103

The Fund For Theological Education Reception Honoring 2007-2008 Doctoral Fellows

☐ **Saturday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm**
GH-Douglas D



M17-104

African Association for the Study of Religions

☐ **Saturday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm**
GH-Del Mar B

Kathleen O'Brien Wicker, Presiding

4:00 pm *Celebration of AASR's Fifteenth Anniversary*

Panelists:

Jacob Olupona

Rosalind Hackett

Teresia Hinga

Bella Mukonyora

4:30 pm Business Meeting

Elom Dovlo, AASR President, Welcome

Afe Adogame, AASR Secretary's Report

Kathleen Wicker, AASR-NA Report

5:10 pm *Report on the Botswana Conference*

Teresia Hinga, AASR-NA Representative to the Botswana Conference

5:40 pm Bella Mukonyora

Understanding Death and Healing: Masowe Apostolic Story of Liberation

Discussion following

7:00 pm AASR-African Religions dinner off-site

For additional information regarding this session, contact Kathleen Wicker at 1-909-399-9971 or kwicker@scrippscollege.edu.



M17-106

Association of Practical Theology

☐ **Saturday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm**
CC-31A

Susan Dunlap, Duke University, Presiding

Theme: *Pedagogies in Practical Theology: Interreligious Perspectives on Teaching Spiritual Practices*

Panelists:

John Makransky, Boston College

Abdullah T. Antepi, Hartford Seminary

Kathleen Dolphin, St. Mary's College

6:15 pm Business Meeting

Kathleen A. Cahalan, Saint John's University, Presiding

For additional information, contact Kathleen Cahalan, kcahalan@csbsju.edu or Claire Wolfteich, [cwofftei@bu.edu](mailto:cwolftei@bu.edu).



M17-107

Intra-Christian Conversions Study Group

☐ **Saturday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm**
GH-Betsy A

The Intra-Christian Conversions Study Group invites those interested in the issues of intra-Christian conversions (Protestant to Catholic and Orthodox and vice versa) to attend the group's inaugural meeting. High-profile recent converts, including Francis Beckwith (former President of ETS, Baylor University), will discuss the issues involved in their decision to leave one Christian tradition for another. For additional information, contact Alexander Hwang at hwangalex@yahoo.com or Marc Pugliese at marcpug@gmail.com.



M17-108

Society for Buddhist-Christian Studies

☐ **Saturday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm**
CC-31B

Christopher Ives, Stonehill College, Presiding

Theme: *The Thought and Legacy of Masao Abe*

Panelists:

Donald W. Mitchell, Purdue University

Michiko Yusa, Western Washington University

James Fredericks, Loyola Marymount University

John B. Cobb, Jr., Claremont School of Theology

Stephen Rowe, Grand Valley State University

William R. LaFleur, University of Pennsylvania

Steven Heine, Florida International University

Discussion



M17-109

How Can/Does Christian Theological Education Rise to the Challenge of Religious Pluralism?

☐ **Saturday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm**
GH-Edward D



M17-111

Center for Advanced Holocaust Studies

☐ **Saturday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm**
GH-Cunningham B

Theme: *Teaching the Holocaust in a Seminary or Religious Studies Course*

Holocaust studies is an interdisciplinary field that offers rich resources for seminary education and religious studies. Join us for a roundtable consultation on incorporating this history in courses on ethics, systematic theology, church history, biblical studies, and interfaith issues. For additional information regarding this session, contact Victoria Barnett at 1-202-488-0469 or vbarnett@ushmm.org.

 **M17-112**

Dharma Association of North America (DANAM)

☐ **Saturday - 5:30 pm-7:00 pm**
GH-Manchester D

Theme: *DANAM Awards Ceremony (DAC)*

Adarsh Deepak, DANAM, Presiding

DANAM Takshashila Sustained Lifetime Achievement Award

Book Awards (2)

For updates, see: www.danam-web.org/events.htm.

 **M17-149**

Night at the Museum - Night under the Stars Reception and Museum Tour

☐ **Saturday - 6:30 pm-10:30 pm**
Offsite

Featuring the Dead Sea Scrolls Exhibition and four pages from the Prophets volume of *The Saint John's Bible*. Dr. Peter Flint and Dr. James Charlesworth lead guided tours.

Sponsored by: Abingdon Press, Collegeville Institute for Ecumenical & Cultural Research, Liturgical Press, Saint John's School of Theology Seminary, and Upper Room and Discipleship Resource Book Publishing.

Location: Rooftop of San Diego Natural History Museum. Free bus transportation available

to Reception/Exhibition.

 **M17-110**

Institute for Ancient Near Eastern and Afroasiatic Cultural Research

☐ **Saturday - 7:00 pm-8:30 pm**
GH-Madeleine A

The theme of this year's symposium is *The End of Biblical Studies: A New Beginning for Afroasiatic Studies?* It will consider whether deprivileging biblical studies within the academy might promote a deeper appreciation for the broad spectrum of Afroasiatic languages and literatures. Selected IAACR fellows and guests will review Hector Avalos' *The End of Biblical Studies* (Amherst, NY: Prometheus Books, 2006).

7:00 pm Opening Remarks

Hugh R. Page, Jr., University of Notre Dame

7:15 pm Author's Presentation

Hector Avalos, Iowa State University

7:30 pm-8:15 pm Panel Review / Discussion

Participant names and institutions available at www.iaacr.org.

8:15 pm Meeting of IAACR Fellows

 **M17-114**

Wesleyan Theological Society and Society for Pentecostal Studies Reception

☐ **Saturday - 7:00 pm-8:30 pm**
GH-Douglas A

 **M17-115**

***Smyth and Helwys Commentary* Editorial Board**

☐ **Saturday - 7:00 pm-8:30 pm**

 **M17-116**

Evangelical Philosophical Society

☐ **Saturday - 7:00 pm-11:00 pm**
CC-31B

Michael Licona, University of South Africa, Presiding

Theme: Resurrecting Jesus, *by Dale Allison*

Panelists:

Stephen T. Davis, Claremont-McKenna College

William Lane Craig, Talbot School of Theology

Gary Habermas, Liberty University

Responding:

Dale Allison, Pittsburgh Theological Seminary

Audience discussion to follow.

For further information regarding this session, contact Scott Smith,
scott.smith@truth.biola.edu.

 **M17-117**

A Forum on Sports and Religion: Perspectives on the Pigskin

☐ **Saturday - 7:00 pm-8:30 pm**
GH-Betsy C

A panel featuring authors in the Mercer Series on Sports and Religion explores various ways that football and faith intersect. Topics include football as an expression of muscular Christianity; football as a quasi-religion; the devotion of fans; the Big Game as focus of pilgrimage; and football and ethics.

Eric Bain-Selbo, Western Kentucky University, Presiding

Panelists:

Joseph Price, Whittier College

Craig Forney, Palomar College

Greg Sapp, Stetson University

Christopher Anderson, Drew University

Marc Jolley, Mercer University



M17-118

Religion and Science Hospitality Event

☐ **Saturday - 7:00 pm-9:30 pm**
CC-30A

Sponsored by three science/religion centers:

The Institute for Religion in an Age of Science (IRAS) has summer conferences at Star Island, NH; 2008 Topic: *Autonomous Individuality: Myth or Reality?* IRAS co-publishes *Zygon: Journal of Religion & Science*.

Zygon Center for Religion and Science (ZCRS), a partnership of Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago and CASIRAS, brings together scientists and theologians to research crucial issues of human concern. ZCRS supports masters and doctoral students through LSTC and shares quarters with Zygon.

The Center for Theology and the Natural Sciences (CTNS) supports research, provides graduate courses through the Barbour Chair at the Graduate Theological Union, Berkeley, CA, publishes *Theology and Science*, and runs the Science and Transcendence Advanced Research Series (STARS).



M17-119

Presbyterian Scholars Reception

☐ **Saturday - 7:00 pm-8:30 pm**

MM-Marina E

Members of the Presbyterian Church (USA) and faculty at Presbyterian institutions are invited to this reception to meet and connect with each other. In addition to light refreshments, we hope to find ways to link more closely with one another and with the church—sponsored by the Office of Theology and the Office of Theological Education. For further information contact Anita Brown, Office of Theology Worship and Education, 1-888-728-7228 x5033.

M17-120

Association of Theological Schools Reception

Saturday - 7:00 pm-8:30 pm
GH-Manchester I

M17-121

Brigham Young University and Friends Reception

Saturday - 7:00 pm-8:30 pm
MM-Irvine

M17-122

University of St. Michael's College Faculty of Theology and Toronto School of Theology Annual Reception for Friends and Graduates

Saturday - 7:00 pm-8:30 pm
GH-Ford AB

M17-123

Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning Reception

Saturday - 7:00 pm-8:30 pm
GH-Randle C-E



M17-124

Georgetown University Theology Department Reception

☐ **Saturday - 7:00 pm-8:30 pm**
MM-Torrey 3



M17-125

Dharma Association of North America (DANAM)

☐ **Saturday - 7:00 pm-9:00 pm**
GH-Manchester E

Theme: *DANAM Reception and Showing Nava-Rasa Through Dance*

Conveners: “Friends of DANAM”, Aesthetes, and Rasika-s

DANAM Reception immediately follows the DANAM Awards Ceremony. Come join us for informal meetings and discussions with colleagues and friends over light refreshments and beverages (wine and cheese) and viewing video shows (10-min long) of the Nava Rasa-s (Nine Emotional Sentiments-s) through Dance in both Kathak and Bharatnatyam styles.

For updates, see: www.danam-web.org/events.htm.



M17-126

King’s College London Reception

☐ **Saturday - 7:00 pm-8:30 pm**
GH-Manchester B

This reception is for alumni, students, prospective students, friends, and guests of King’s College London to hear about recent developments in the Department of Theology & Religious Studies, and innovations in theology in London. It is also to launch the publication of *Imitating Jesus: An Inclusive Approach to New Testament Ethics* (Eerdmans, 2007) by Richard A. Burridge, Dean of King’s College London, and to give advance information about *Transformation Theology* (T&T Clark, 2008), a new project by Professor Oliver Davies and other King’s College theologians.



M17-127

Buddhist Studies Reception Honoring Patricia Crosby

☐ **Saturday - 7:00 pm-8:30 pm**
MM-Marriott Hall Salon 6

As executive editor for University of Hawai'i Press, Patricia Crosby has been instrumental in promoting the academic study of Buddhism. She has actively assisted the development of both individual projects and publication series that have made important contributions. Her energetic support and wise counsel are deeply appreciated by many scholars in the field, and we would like to invite you to join us in celebrating her work.

Sponsored by the *Pure Land Buddhist Studies Series* (Institute of Buddhist Studies, Berkeley), *Studies in East Asian Buddhism* and *Classics in Buddhist Studies* (Kuroda Institute), *Studies in the Buddhist Traditions* (University of Michigan), *Topics in Contemporary Buddhism* (University of Hawai'i), and the *Bukkyo Dendo Kyokai English Tripitaka Series*" (Numata Center for Buddhist Translation and Research, Berkeley).



M17-128

Manchester University Reception

☐ **Saturday - 7:00 pm-8:30 pm**
GH-Maggie



M17-129

Society for the Study of Chinese Religions

☐ **Saturday - 7:00 pm-8:30 pm**
GH-Randle A



M17-130

***Faith and Order* Fiftieth Anniversary Reception**

☐ **Saturday - 7:00 pm-8:30 pm**
GH-Manchester F



M17-131

Celebrating Leadership in Sustainable Theological Education

☐ **Saturday - 7:00 pm-8:30 pm**
CC-32B

This reception, following the session on *Sustainable Theological Education*, is to honor those who have worked to make theological education more sustainable and green.

It is also celebrating the launch of new initiative to move theological education forward on this topic.

Sponsored by the Forum on Religion and Ecology, Drew Theological School and the publishers of two new books, *Eco-Spirit: Religion and Philosophy for the Earth* (Fordham) and *Earth and Word: Classic Sermons on Saving the Planet* (Continuum), as well as the Center for Respect of Life and Environment in celebration of their Food, Farming, and Faith Initiative.

Food and drink that is humane and sustainable will be served.



M17-132

The Nordic Universities Reception

☐ **Saturday - 7:00 pm-8:30 pm**
CC-33C



M17-146

Reception for LGBT Scholars and Scholars of LGBT Studies

☐ **Saturday - 7:00 pm-9:00 pm**
HG-Marina AB



M17-147

Synousia Meeting: Suhrawardi and Dumery

☐ Saturday - 7:00 pm-8:30 pm
MM-Laguna

 **M17-113**

Baker Academic and Brazos Press Reception

☐ Saturday - 8:00 pm-10:00 pm
GH-Randle B

 **M17-133**

Center for the Study of Religion and American Culture Reception

☐ Saturday - 9:00 pm-11:00 pm
MM-Marina D

Members are invited to a reception hosted by the Center for the Study of Religion and American Culture.

 **M17-134**

Vanderbilt University Alumni, Faculty, and Friends Reception

☐ Saturday - 9:00 pm-11:00 pm
MM-San Diego A

 **M17-135**

Hispanic Theological Initiative Reception

☐ Saturday - 9:00 pm-11:00 pm
CC-30E

 **M17-136**

Fortress Press Reception

☐ **Saturday - 9:00 pm-11:00 pm**
GH-Edward

Fortress Press invites all AAR and SBL attendees to join us for hospitality, conversation, and the presentation of the 4th Annual Fortress Press innovative teaching awards. To help us select these innovative teachers, we invite you to nominate a colleague at www.fortresspress.com and click on Events.

 **M17-137**

Walter de Gruyter Reception

☐ **Saturday - 9:00 pm-11:00 pm**
MM-Manchester 1

 **M17-138**

W.F. Albright Institute Reception

☐ **Saturday - 9:00 pm-11:00 pm**
MM-Santa Rosa

 **M17-139**

**Institute for the Study of Asian American Christianity (ISAAC) and the Nagel
Institute for the Study of World Christianity Reception**

☐ **Saturday - 9:00 pm-11:00 pm**
MM-Manchester 2

 **M17-140**

University of California, Santa Barbara Religious Studies Reception

☐ **Saturday - 9:00 pm-11:00 pm**
GH-Douglas C



M17-141

New Religious Movements Group Reception

☐ Saturday - 9:00 pm-11:00 pm
MM-New York



M17-142

Jesuit Departments of Theology and Religious Studies Reception

☐ Saturday - 9:00 pm-11:00 pm
MM-Anaheim



M17-143

Harvard Reception

☐ Saturday - 9:00 pm-11:00 pm
MM-San Diego C



M17-144

Wm. B. Eerdmans Publishing Company Reception

☐ Saturday - 9:00 pm-11:00 pm
MM-Marina G



M17-145

Milltown Institute (Ireland) Reception

☐ Saturday - 9:00 pm-11:00 pm
GH-Madeleine C

Milltown Institute-Ireland alumni/ae, colleagues, friends, and guests are invited to drop in to an Irish reception. Information regarding postgraduate studies in Dublin: Biblical Studies, Patristic, History of Theology, Systematic Theology, Moral Theology, Ecumenics, Liturgical

Studies, Pastoral Ministry (including D.Min.), Spirituality, Mission Theology, Canon Law and Supervisory Practice for Ministry will be available. Contact: info@milltown-institutue.ie.

 **M18-1**

Institute for Biblical Research Worship Service

Sunday - 7:00 am-8:30 am
MM-San Diego C

 **M18-2**

Temple University Reception

Sunday - 7:00 am-8:30 am
CC-26B

 **M18-3**

Churches of Christ Professors Meeting

Sunday - 7:00 am-8:30 am
CC-30A

 **M18-4**

Lutheran Professors and Graduate Students Breakfast

Sunday - 7:00 am-8:30 am
MM-Marriott Hall Salon 5

Sponsored by Augsburg Fortress.

Join us for our annual breakfast. Seating is limited so please make your reservation as soon as possible and no later than November 9, 2007 at www.augsburgfortress.org/aarsblbreakfast.

 **M18-5**

Disciples of Christ Faculty/ Student Breakfast

Sunday - 7:00 am-8:30 am
CC-29B

 **M18-6**

Free Methodist and Wesleyan Church Scholars Breakfast

Sunday - 7:00 am-8:30 am
GH-Maggie

 **M18-7**

Unitarian Universalist Scholars and Friends Breakfast

Sunday - 7:00 am-8:30 am
GH-America's Cup B

Persons connected to the Unitarian Universalist tradition are invited to meet and share a light continental breakfast. Sponsored by Starr King School for the Ministry, Meadville Lombard Theological School, UUA Panel on Theological Education, and Beacon Press. For more information contact Dan McKanan at dmckanan@csbsju.edu.

 **M18-8**

Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary Alumni/ae Breakfast

Sunday - 7:00 am-8:30 am
GH-Madeleine CD

We welcome Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary alumni/ae to our Annual AAR and SBL Sunday Morning Worship Breakfast. This will be an occasion for us to hear from one another and to interact with interim president Haddon Robinson. This will also be a time for worship and scriptural reflection. Please join us for this event!

 **M18-9**

I58 Scholars Breakfast

Sunday - 7:00 am-8:30 am
GH-Randle D

This is a breakfast reception for all those who are committed to an enacted inaugurated eschatology and fully pneumatological model of discipleship. The breakfast is an opportunity to meet and hear from others who are keen to develop new models of theological education and scholarship grounded in a present-tense experience of the Kingdom.

For further information contact Crispin Fletcher-Louis at principal@wtclondon.co.uk.

 **M18-27**

Dempster Fellowship Selection Committee Breakfast

Sunday - 7:00 am-8:30 am
MM-Los Angeles

 **M18-44**

North American Paul Tillich Society Board of Directors Meeting

Sunday - 7:00 am-8:30 am
HG-Marina AB

 **M18-10**

***International Journal of Public Theology* Editorial Board Meeting**

Sunday - 9:00 am-11:30 am
GH-Betsy A

 **M18-11**

Jesuit Departments of Theology and Religious Studies Colloquium

☐ Sunday - 9:00 am-11:30 am
MM-Santa Rosa



M18-12

Dharma Association of North America (DANAM)

☐ Sunday - 9:00 am-11:45 am
GH-Manchester D

Theme: *The Dharma of Moksha-Seekers: Asceticism and Social Engagement* (DKM4)

Conveners: Swami Tyagananda, Vedanta Society, and Ramdas Lamb, University of Hawai'i

Swami Tyagananda, Vedanta Society, Presiding

Tulasi Srinivas, Wheaton College

The Truant Ascetic: Transcendence and Escape in The Transnational Sathya Sai Movement

Antoinette E. Denapoli, Emory University

God Depends on His Devotees: Social Engagement and Reciprocity between Ascetics and Householders in Rajasthan

Pravrajika Vrajaprana, Vedanta Society

Bridging the Gap between the Sacred and the Secular: Seva as Ascetic Practice

Graham M. Schweig, Christopher Newport University

Sri Krishna Chaitanya as Ascetic, Ecstatic, and Teacher

Ramdas Lamb, University of Hawaii

Ramanandi Sadhus and the Proliferation of Ram Bhakti in North India

Responding:

Swami Tyagananda, Vedanta Society

For updates, see: www.danam-web.org/events.htm.

 **M18-13**

Theta Alpha Kappa Board Meeting

Sunday - 9:00 am-11:30 am
MM-Encinitas

 **M18-32**

Feminist Catholic Liturgy Sponsored by the Roman Catholic Women Priest's Movement

Sunday - 9:00 am-11:30 am
GH-Gallery

 **M18-14**

Dempster Fellowship Selection Committee

Sunday - 11:45 am-3:30 pm
GH-Betsy A

 **M18-15**

Christian Theological Research Fellowship

Sunday - 11:45 am-12:45 pm
GH-Madeleine AB

 **M18-17**

***Biblical Interpretation* Editorial Board Meeting**

Sunday - 11:45 am-12:45 pm
GH-America's Cup C



M18-18

Hebrew Union College Annual Alumni Luncheon

☐ Sunday - 11:45 am-12:45 pm
OH-Grand Ballroom A



M18-19

North American Hindu Association of Dharma Studies

☐ Sunday - 11:45 am-12:45 pm
MM-Anaheim



M18-20

***Journal for the Study of The New Testament* Editorial Board Meeting**

☐ Sunday - 11:45 am-12:45 pm
GH-America's Cup A



M18-21

Electronic Books and Databases for Research in Josephus, Philo, and the Pseudepigrapha

☐ Sunday - 11:45 am-12:45 pm
MM-Manchester 1

This meeting presents an overview of searchable, morphologically tagged databases of the Greek Old Testament Pseudepigrapha, the writings of Philo (the Philo Concordance Project), and the Niese edition of *The Works of Josephus* with critical apparatus. Along with these databases, scholarly monographs now available in digital form for the study of these texts will be presented. For more information, contact Michael Heiser at mheiser@logos.com.



M18-22

Lunch Table Teaching Conversations

☐ **Sunday - 11:45 am-12:45 pm**
GH-Randle A

Sponsored by The Wabash Center and the AAR Academic Teaching and the Study of Religion Section

Register to join small-table conversations on specific issues in the teaching of religion and theology. Enjoy a simple box lunch.

Topics include:

Teaching multiple intelligences; Collaborative teaching; Teaching and podcasting; Teaching the Bible to the biblically literate; and Teaching controversial topics.

Advanced registration required. Additional topics, descriptions, more information, and registration online:

www.wabashcenter.wabash.edu/programs/article.aspx?id=10894.



M18-49

North American Paul Tillich Society Business Meeting

☐ **Sunday - 11:45 am-12:45 pm**
HG-Santa Rosa



M18-50

Society of Christian Philosophers

☐ **Sunday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm**
GH-Ford C

R. Douglas Geivett, Biola University, Presiding

Theme: *Author Meets Critics: Stephen T. Davis' Christian Philosophical Theology*

Panelists:

Charles Taliaferro, St. Olaf College

Christine Helmer, Northwestern University

William Lane Craig, Biola University

Responding:

Stephen Davis, Claremont McKenna College

 **M18-51**

A Discourse Annotation Database for Biblical Texts

☐ **Sunday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm**
MM-Columbia 1

This meeting presents a searchable database of descriptive annotations of grammatical features based on their function within the discourse. These annotations describe the pragmatic choices of the biblical writers/editors and their effects. The descriptive aspect of the methodology takes into account stylistic idiosyncrasies. The function-based aspect allows for stylistic comparison. The Greek NT database is complete. Preliminary data for the Hebrew Bible and LXX will be presented. For information contact Steve Runge at srunge@logos.com.

 **M18-52**

Dharma Association of North America (DANAM)

☐ **Sunday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm**
GH-Manchester D

Theme: *Tantra and Rasa: Embodied Divinity and Aesthetic Self-Realization* (RT5)

Convener: David Peter Lawrence, University of North Dakota

E.H. Rick Jarow, Vassar College, Presiding

David Peter Lawrence, University of North Dakota

Suggestion, Universalization, and the Disclosure of Sakti: Revisiting Abhinavagupta on the Relations of Aesthetics and Monistic Saivism

Kerry Martin Skora, Hiram College

Abhinavagupta's Aesthetics of Touch: Synaesthetic Awareness and Lucid Dream-Play

Loriliai Biernacki, University of Colorado

The Ethics of Delight

Sthaneshwar Timalsina, San Diego State University

Aesthetic and Mystical: Reading Tripura Literature through the Lens of Rasa

Jeffrey Stephen Lidke, Berry College

A Tantric Semiotics of the Body as Rasa in Classical Indian Dance

David Mellins, Columbia University, Responding

For updates, continue to check at: www.danam-web.org/events.htm.



M18-53

International Society for Chinese Philosophy

☐ **Sunday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm**
GH-Betsy B

Vincent Shen, University of Toronto

The Concept of Truth in Classical Confucianism

Chenyang Li, Central Washington University

Cheng and Truth in the Zhongyong

James Wang, Chinese University of Hong Kong

Heidegger and Laozi on Truth

Jeffrey Dippmann, Central Washington University

Truth and Double Truth in Chinese Buddhism



M18-55

Art/s of Interpretation Group

☐ Sunday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm
GH-Randle D

Lisa J. Poirier, Miami University, Ohio, Presiding

Theme: *Syncretism and the Abrahamic Religions*

"Every religion has its prehistory, and wherever a prehistory seems to be missing, we are merely uninformed and our research has not been sufficiently painstaking yet. From this point of view every religion is a syncretism." -- Joachim Wach (*Regionswissenschaft Leipzig*, 1924 p. 86)

Join us for a lively round-table discussion that will focus on the extent, impact, history, politics, and hermeneutics of "syncretism" on, within, and around the Abrahamic traditions.

Rick Talbott, California State University, Northridge

Resurrecting Attis: How Religious Syncretism Revitalizes and Adapts Old Myths to New Religious Paradigms

Randal Cummings, California State University, Northridge

From Crossroads to Crosshairs: Judaism, Christianity and Islam in the Crucible of Syncretism

Responding:

Amir Hussain, Loyola Marymount University

Jess Hollenback, University of Wisconsin, La Crosse

 **M18-56**

Educating Religious Leaders for a Multi-religious World: A Proposal for Action

☐ Sunday - 1:00 pm-3:30 pm
GH-Ford A

 **M18-100**

Sites of Paul in Asia Minor- Turkey and the Seven Churches of the Revelation

☐ **Sunday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm**
MM-New York

Tutku Tours invites all AAR and SBL attendees to join us, for a one-hour slide presentation about the Sites of Paul in Asia Minor, Turkey, and The Seven Churches of the Revelation.

For more information, please contact us

Levent Oral, President

info@tutkutours.com

www.tutkutours.com

www.ephesusmeeting.com



M18-101

Dharma Association of North America (DANAM)

☐ **Sunday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm**
GH-Manchester D

Theme: *Rethinking Practice and Embodiment in Frederick M. Smith's The Self Possessed: Deity and Spirit Possession in South Asian Literature*

Christopher Chapple, Loyola Marymount University, Presiding

Panelists:

David Gitomer, DePaul University

Kathleen M. Erndl, Florida State University

John Nemecek, University of Virginia

Ronald M. Davidson, Fairfield University

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

Lloyd Pflueger, Truman State University

Responding:

Frederick M. Smith, University of Iowa

For latest updates of the agenda, please continue to check the website at: www.danam-web.org/events.htm.

 **M18-103**

Across the Pond! Ecclesiological Investigations from UK PhD Students

Sunday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm
GH-America's Cup D

An open meeting, including:

Mike Cranston

Living At the Edge: Mission to Contemporary Cultures in Southampton England (Anglican Church Attendance is 1.6% of Population)

Nicholas Bamford

Unity or Division: The Challenge of 'Ecumenism' to The Greek Orthodox Church in the UK

 **M18-104**

Theta Alpha Kappa Board Meeting and Reception

Sunday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm
GH-Betsy C

 **M18-105**

Korean Biblical Colloquium

Sunday - 4:00 pm-6:30 pm
OH-Grand Ballroom E

4:00 pm Greetings

4:20 pm Michelle Lee-Barnewall, Biola University

Paul, the Stoic and the Body of Christ: Corporate Identity and Ethics in 1 Corinthians

5:00 pm Ixang Lee, Hebrew University of Jerusalem

Did Ezekiel Know the Deuteronomistic Literature?

5:40 pm Business Meeting

6:00 pm Dinner (at a nearby Korean restaurant, TBA)

Papers will be circulated in advance and discussed at the session. For additional information, please contact John Ahn, jahn@austinseminary.edu; or Paul Kim, pkim@mtso.edu.



M18-99

University of Southern California School of Religion Reception

Sunday - 5:30 pm-8:00 pm
HG-Marina AB



M18-102

Baylor University Press Reception

Sunday - 5:30 pm-7:30 pm
MM-Marina G



M18-157

Highlands Institute for American Religious Philosophical Thought

Sunday - 5:45 pm-6:15 pm
MM-Orlando



M18-159

American Journal of Theology and Philosophy

☐ **Sunday - 6:30 pm-8:00 pm**
MM-Orlando

Jennifer G. Jesse, Truman State University, Presiding

William Dean, Iliff School of Theology

Can Liberal Theology Recover?

Responding:

Robert C. Neville, Boston University School of Theology

We are anticipating a lively conversation about the future of liberal theology. Everyone is welcome!

For additional information, contact Jennifer Jesse at jgjesse@truman.edu.



M18-106

InterVarsity Press Reception: The Legacy of John Paul II, An Evangelical-Catholic Conversation with Timothy George and Thomas Rausch, S.J.

☐ **Sunday - 7:00 pm-11:00 pm**
MM-Marriott Hall Salon 1

Please join us as Alister McGrath addresses the renewed emergence of atheism— particularly scientific atheism—as typified in such high-profile books as *Atheist Universe* by David Mills and *The God Delusion* by Richard Dawkins. McGrath brings to this discussion his own embrace and subsequent rejection of atheism, as well as years of dialogue with leading atheists as in his newest InterVarsity Press publication, *The Dawkins Delusion?*

Reception begins at 8:00 pm, comments at 8:30 pm.



M18-107

Center of Theological Inquiry Reception

☐ **Sunday - 7:00 pm-8:30 pm**

GH-Douglas A

The following events will take place during this year's reception for CTI members and friends: launch of the final Volume 4 of the CTI series, *God and Globalization* (Continuum, 2007), with Max Stackhouse, author and series editor; launch of the new *International Journal of Public Theology* (Brill), with Sebastian Kim, editor; and brief presentation by William Storrar, director, on the Center's new website from 2008. All interested welcome.

M18-109

Yale University Reception

Sunday - 7:00 pm-8:30 pm
MM-San Diego B

M18-110

Dempster Fellowship Selection Committee

Sunday - 7:00 pm-8:30 pm
GH-Connaught

M18-111

Indiana University Religious Studies Alumni Reception

Sunday - 7:00 pm-8:30 pm
MM-Columbia

M18-112

University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill Department of Religious Studies Reception

Sunday - 7:00 pm-8:30 pm
MM-Carlsbad



M18-113

Evangelical Philosophical Society

☐ **Sunday - 7:00 pm-8:30 pm**
MM-Anaheim

William Lane Craig, Biola University, Presiding

Theme: *Authors Meet Critics: Naturalism*, by *Stewart Goetz and Charles Taliaferro*

Panelist:

Matthew Bagger, Brown University

Responding:

Stewart Goetz, Ursinus College

Charles Taliaferro, St. Olaf College

For further information regarding this session, contact Scott Smith,
scott.smith@truth.biola.edu.



M18-114

Westminster John Knox Press Reception

☐ **Sunday - 7:00 pm-8:30 pm**
MM-Marriott Hall Salon 6



M18-115

Oxford University Reception

☐ **Sunday - 7:00 pm-8:30 pm**
MM-Marriott Hall Salon 2

The Theology Faculty of Oxford University welcomes colleagues, friends, alumni/ae, and prospective graduate students for drinks and updates on developments and to meet current faculty members. Information is available at www.theology.ox.ac.uk and

 **M18-116**

United Church of Christ Scholars Reception and United Church of Christ in the West Keynote

☐ Sunday - 7:00 pm-8:30 pm
CC-32B

 **M18-117**

University of Notre Dame Theology Department Reception

☐ Sunday - 7:00 pm-8:30 pm
GH-Randle B

 **M18-118**

Wabash Center Dinner for New Teachers

☐ Sunday - 7:00 pm-8:30 pm
GH-Cunningham B

Annual gathering of new teachers for dinner and directed table conversations about the first years of teaching. Nomination of new teachers for participation is required. October 1 deadline. Contact: Paul Myhre, myhrep@wabash.edu.

 **M18-119**

Ashland Theological Seminary Reception

☐ Sunday - 7:00 pm-8:30 pm
GH-America's Cup C

 **M18-120**

Gay Men's Issues In Religion Group Reception

☐ Sunday - 7:00 pm-8:30 pm
GH-Cunningham A

 **M18-121**

Iliff School of Theology and University of Denver Joint PhD Program Reception

☐ Sunday - 7:00 pm-8:30 pm
GH-Cunningham C

 **M18-122**

Princeton University Department of Religion Reception

☐ Sunday - 7:00 pm-11:00 pm
MM-Marina E

 **M18-123**

University of Wales, Lampeter Reception

☐ Sunday - 7:00 pm-8:30 pm
GH-Edward A

The Department of Theology and Religious Studies at Lampeter invites past, present, and potential students, colleagues, and friends. Several academic staff members will be present and printed information will be available.

Full information on Lampeter's research profile may be found at www.lamp.ac.uk/trs/.

 **M18-124**

Society for Asian and Comparative Philosophy

☐ Sunday - 7:00 pm-8:30 pm
CC-31A

Jin Y. Park, American University, Presiding

Theme: *Japanese Approaches to Ethics*

Yuki Miyamoto, DePaul University

Sacred Pariahs: Hagiographies of Alterity, Sexuality, and Salvation in Atomic Bomb Literature

Victor Forte, Albright College

Attainment through True Entrusting: Ethical Reflections on Shinran's Promise

James Mark Shields, Bucknell University

Irony, Contingency, and Solidarity: Three Jewels of Postmetaphysical Buddhist Criticism

Gereon Kopf, Luther College

The Specific as the Embodied Dialectic of the Many and the One: Mutai's Reading of Tanabe's Logic of the Specific



M18-128

Bahá'í Studies Colloquy 2007

☐ **Sunday - 7:00 pm-8:30 pm**
GH-Maggie

Christopher White, Georgia State University, Presiding

Susan Maneck, Jackson State University

A Nineteenth Century Zoroastrian-Bahá'í Dialogue: Manakji Limji Hataria and Bahá'u'lláh

Ahang Rabbani, Houston, Texas

A Lifetime with Bahá'u'lláh: The Reminiscences of Husayn Ashchi

Discussion

For additional information about the Bahá'í Studies Colloquy, contact Robert Stockman at rstockman@usbnc.org or 1-847-337-7750 (cell).

 **M18-129****Muktabodha Indological Research Institute Reception**

☐ **Sunday - 7:00 pm-8:30 pm**
GH-Randle E

We invite you to drop by for conversation with our faculty and refreshments including authentic Indian mithai.

This is also an opportunity to view and discuss the new Shaiva manuscript collection on our digital library, with its detailed, searchable catalog; see footage of a recently documented Agnishtoma Somayaga in Goa; and learn more about our efforts to preserve the study and practice of the endangered Taittiriya-Hiranyakeshi Vaidika tradition.

For information about Muktabodha, please see www.muktabodha.org.

 **M18-130****Springer Science and Religion Reception**

☐ **Sunday - 7:00 pm-8:30 pm**
MM-Warner Center

You are cordially invited to a reception hosted by Springer in dedication to *The Encyclopedia of Sciences and Religions*.

The Encyclopedia of Sciences and Religions will be published by Springer in 2011 and is currently being edited by Nina Azari, University of Hawai'i, Hilo, who will chair an AAR session on Tuesday 20 November between 9:00 am-11:30 am together with one of the section editors of the *Encyclopedia*, Kelly Bulkely, Graduate Theological Union, Berkeley.

 **M18-131****University of the West Reception for Buddhist Scholars and Students**

☐ **Sunday - 7:00 pm-8:30 pm**
CC-26B

The University of the West invites you to enjoy some refreshments and chat with professors and students from the Department of Religious Studies. UWest, located in Rosemead,

California, was founded in 1991 by the renowned Buddhist Master Hsing Yun. UWest is one of only three Buddhist-affiliated campuses in the US to offer accredited degrees. Learn about UWest's programs in Buddhism, Chinese Buddhism, and Comparative Religious Studies and about life on this small, unique campus.

 **M18-132**

Religion Editorial Board Meeting

☐ Sunday - 7:00 pm-8:30 pm
MM-Encinitas

 **M18-156**

Hendrickson Publishers Reception

☐ Sunday - 7:00 pm-11:00 pm
MG-Presidio Ballroom

 **M18-162**

Mercer University Press Book Meeting: David L. Paulsen and Donald W. Musser, *Mormonism In Dialogue with Contemporary Christian Theologies*

☐ Sunday - 7:00 pm-8:30 pm
GH-Edward D

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 **M18-108**

University of Iowa Reception

☐ Sunday - 7:30 pm-9:30 pm
GH-Molly B



M18-133

Society for Scriptural Reasoning: Quranic Reasoning

☐ **Sunday - 8:00 pm-10:00 pm**
GH-Edward C

Theme: *Oneness of God in the Qur'an*

This session explores the Qur'anic claim that guided rational reflection on the natural world leads to faith in the One, with Most Beautiful Names. We begin with a paper by Joseph Lombard centered on selected Qur'anic verses and then discuss these verses in small groups. For the paper, responses and to contribute a response, see:

etext.lib.virginia.edu/journals/jsrforum/gateways.html.



M18-125

2007 Templeton Prize Laureate Lecture Charles Taylor: *Religions Mobilizations*

☐ **Sunday - 8:15 pm-9:15 pm**
MM-San Diego A



M18-23

Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary Alumni Reception

☐ **Sunday - 9:00 pm-11:00 pm**
GH-Edward B



M18-134

Union Theological Seminary in the City of New York and Columbia University Reception

☐ **Sunday - 9:00 pm-11:00 pm**
MM-San Diego C

 **M18-135**

Duke University Graduate Reception

☐ **Sunday - 9:00 pm-11:00 pm**
CC-29B

 **M18-136**

Nazarene Theological Seminary Alumni/ae and Friends Reception

☐ **Sunday - 9:00 pm-11:00 pm**
MM-Torrey 3

 **M18-137**

Emory Graduate Division of Religion Reception

☐ **Sunday - 9:00 pm-11:00 pm**
MM-Marina D

 **M18-138**

Center for Process Studies Reception

☐ **Sunday - 9:00 pm-11:00 pm**
GH-America's Cup D

Join us for wine, cheese, and conversation. Friends and members of CPS and anyone interested in process-relational approaches to religious studies, theology, biblical hermeneutics, and philosophy of religion are invited. Greet John Cobb, Roland Faber, and other co-directors!

 **M18-139**

Brown University Reception

☐ **Sunday - 9:00 pm-11:00 pm**

 **M18-140**

Society for Mormon Philosophy and Theology

Sunday - 9:00 pm-11:00 pm
GH-Randle D

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 **M18-141**

University of Chicago Divinity School Reception

Sunday - 9:00 pm-11:00 pm
GH-Manchester D-F

 **M18-142**

University of Virginia Reception for Faculty, Alumni, and Friends

Sunday - 9:00 pm-11:00 pm
MM-Torrey 2

 **M18-143**

Drew University Reception for Alumni/ae

Sunday - 9:00 pm-11:00 pm
GH-Manchester A

 **M18-144**

Princeton Theological Seminary Alumni/ae Reception

☐ Sunday - 9:00 pm-11:00 pm
GH-Douglas B

 **M18-145**

Boston University Reception

☐ Sunday - 9:00 pm-11:00 pm
CC-29A

 **M18-146**

Marquette University Department of Theology Reception

☐ Sunday - 9:00 pm-11:00 pm
MM-Manchester 1

 **M18-147**

Perkins School of Theology, Southern Methodist University

☐ Sunday - 9:00 pm-11:00 pm
CC-33B

 **M18-148**

Johns Hopkins University Reception

☐ Sunday - 9:00 pm-11:00 pm
GH-Molly B

 **M18-149**

Scottish Universities Reception

☐ **Sunday - 9:00 pm-11:00 pm**
GH-Manchester I

Former students and friends of the sponsoring Scottish universities (Aberdeen, Edinburgh, Glasgow, St. Andrews, and Stirling), and the Highland Theological College are cordially invited to get together to renew acquaintances, catch up on news of developments and plans, and simply enjoy the company, with drinks and light refreshments. For further information, contact Prof. L. W. Hurtado, New College/School of Divinity, University of Edinburgh, l.hurtado@ed.ac.uk.

 **M18-150**

Brite Divinity School Reception

☐ **Sunday - 9:00 pm-11:00 pm**
CC-33A

 **M18-151**

Durham University Department of Theology and Religion Reception

☐ **Sunday - 9:00 pm-11:00 pm**
MM-Columbia

The Department of Theology and Religion at Durham, UK welcomes alumni/ae, colleagues, friends, and guests. Information will be available at www.dur.ac.uk/theology.religion for those interested in the following research areas: Biblical and Ancient Languages, Catholic Studies, Church History, Ethics, Hebrew Bible, Jewish Studies, New Testament, Philosophical Theology, Study of Religion, and Systematic and Contemporary Theology. Several faculty will be present, and information brochures will be available.

 **M18-152**

Concordia Reception (Concordia Seminary, Concordia Theological Seminary, Concordia Academic Press)

☐ **Sunday - 9:00 pm-11:00 pm**
MM-Laguna



M18-154

The Graduate School and Friends of Jewish Theological Seminary Reception

☐ Sunday - 9:00 pm-11:00 pm
GH-Madeleine CD



M18-155

Florida State University Religion Department Reception

☐ Sunday - 9:00 pm-11:00 pm
GH-Madeleine AB



M18-158

Robert M. Price and *The Pre-Nicene New Testament*

☐ Sunday - 9:00 pm-11:00 pm
GH-Del Mar B

Please join Robert M. Price, editor of the *Journal of Higher Criticism*, in celebrating publication of his latest book, *The Pre-Nicene New Testament: Fifty-four Formative Texts*. Mingle and munch. There will be light refreshments and no doubt lively conversation----Εγω βρωσω εχω φαγεινην μειζ ουκ οιδατε. Hosted by Signature Book and the Smith-Pettit Foundation. Call Tom's cell at 1-801-835-8742.



M18-161

**Religion, Politics, and the State Group and Cambridge University Press
Reception Introducing a New Cambridge Journal for 2008: *Politics and Religion***

☐ Sunday - 9:00 pm-11:00 pm
OH-Grand Ballroom D

AAR members interested in the new, peer-reviewed Cambridge journal, *Politics and Religion*, which will launch early in 2008, are invited to meet members of the journal's editorial team, hear a bit about their vision for this exciting new journal, and to discuss opportunities for research and publication at the intersections of religion, politics, and public

life. Refreshments will be provided!

 **M18-153**

John Templeton Foundation Reception

Sunday - 9:30 pm-11:30 pm
MM-San Diego B

 **M19-1**

Restoration Quarterly Breakfast

Monday - 7:00 am-8:30 am
GH-Del Mar

 **M19-2**

Dead Sea Discoveries Editorial Board Meeting

Monday - 7:00 am-8:30 am
MM-Torrey 2

 **M19-3**

Trinity Evangelical Divinity School Alumni Breakfast

Monday - 7:00 am-8:30 am
MM-Torrey 1

 **M19-4**

Fuller Theological Seminary Breakfast

Monday - 7:00 am-8:30 am
GH-Manchester G

Speaker: Richard J. Mouw, President and Professor of Christian Philosophy, Fuller Theological Seminary

Threescore and... : Fuller and the Future

For reservations contact Fuller's Office of Alumni/ae and Church Relations: alum-alumni@dept.fuller.edu or call 1-626-584-5498 by November 12.

 **M19-5**

Friends of Regent College

☐ **Monday - 7:00 am-8:30 am**
GH-Annie

 **M19-6**

Lutheran Theological Society of North America

☐ **Monday - 7:00 am-8:30 am**
GH-America's Cup D

7:00 am Morning Prayer

7:15 am Phyllis Anderson, President, Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary

Theological Education: Institutional, Ecumenical, and Ecclesial Perspectives

No registration required. Questions?

Please contact Sandra Mejia at 773-380-2885 or sandra.mejia@elca.org.

 **M19-7**

Union Seminary and Presbyterian School of Christian Education Annual Breakfast

☐ **Monday - 7:00 am-8:30 am**
MM-Manchester

 **M19-18**

Westminster Theological Alumni Breakfast

☐ Monday - 7:00 am-8:30 am
GH-Randle B

 **M19-19**

Society of John Wesley Scholars Breakfast

☐ Monday - 7:00 am-8:30 am
GH-Ford B

 **M19-20**

Reclaiming Liberation Theology Breakfast Meeting

☐ Monday - 7:00 am-8:30 am
GH-Cunningham

 **M19-15**

***Religion Compass* Editorial Board Meeting**

☐ Monday - 7:30 am-9:00 am
GH-Mohsen

 **M19-8**

Wabash Center Grant Writing Consultation

☐ Monday - 9:00 am-3:30 pm
CC-28C

Drop in for conversation about your grant ideas or help with grant writing. Appointments are not required, but may be made in advance. Contact: Paul Myhre, myhrep@wabash.edu.

 **M19-9****Consultation on Dutch Protestant Traditions**

☐ **Monday - 9:00 am-11:30 am**
GH-Molly A

The topic of this year's consultation is *The Question of Theocracy*. The notion of theocracy has recently been linked to Islamic and Christian fundamentalism and thus summarily dismissed. Theocratic theology, however, does not belong to fundamentalism; the rich and complex theology of the Dutch theologian, A.A. van Ruler (1908-1970), is intentionally theocratic and clearly not fundamentalistic. The consultation will explore the Utrecht theologian's controversial theocratic theology and assess the place of theocracy in the Dutch theological tradition as a whole. The honorary chair of the consultation is Paul Fries of New Brunswick Theological Seminary. The consultation is sponsored by the Abraham Kuyper Center for Public Theology, kuyper.conference@ptsem.edu at Princeton Theological Seminary. All are warmly invited to attend.

 **M19-10*****Journal for the Study of Judaism* Editorial Board Meeting**

☐ **Monday - 11:45 am-12:45 pm**
MM-Encinitas

 **M19-11****Electronic Books and Databases for Ugaritic and Northwest Semitic Inscriptions**

☐ **Monday - 11:45 am-12:45 pm**
MM-Orlando

This meeting includes a demonstration of the use of a searchable database for the Ugaritic corpus (Ugaritic Databank, Madrid) and searchable scholarly reference works for Ugaritic. The session will also feature a new database for Microsoft Windows users for select Northwest Semitic inscriptions representing languages and dialects such as Hebrew, Aramaic, Phoenician, Moabite, and Ammonite. The inscriptions database includes morphological tagging. For more information, contact Michael Heiser at mheiser@logos.com.



M19-12

Wabash Center Religiously Affiliated College and University Faculty Lunch

☐ **Monday - 11:45 am-12:45 pm**
CC-32B

Annual gathering for lunch and directed table conversations concerning the context of our teaching in religiously affiliated college and university institutions. Space is limited.

Advance registration is required. October 31 deadline.

www.wabashcenter.wabash.edu/programs/article.aspx?id=10897.



M19-14

University of Regensburg Institute of Protestant Theology Alumni Luncheon

☐ **Monday - 11:45 am-1:00 pm**
TBA



M19-101

Initiative for the Study of Religion and Culture in Africa and the African Diaspora (ISRCAD) - *Biblia Africana* Authors Reception

☐ **Monday - 7:00 pm-8:30 pm**
GH-Molly A

This gathering is being held to: (1) share information about ISRCAD; (2) call attention to new and ongoing projects under the aegis of the Africana Studies Department at the University of Notre Dame -- including its Peters Fellowship Program and Africana Core Texts Initiative; and (3) celebrate completion of the *Biblia Africana* commentary project. For further information, please contact Hugh R. Page, Jr., hpage@nd.edu.



M19-102

Society of Christian Philosophers

☐ **Monday - 7:00 pm-8:30 pm**

GH-Ford C

Doug Harink, King's University College, Presiding

Theme: *William J. Abraham's* Crossing the Threshold of Divine Revelation

Panelists:

D. Stephen Long, Marquette University

James Beilby, Bethel University

James K. A. Smith, Calvin College

Responding:

William J. Abraham, Southern Methodist University



M19-104

European Society of Women in Theological Research

☐ **Monday - 7:00 pm-8:30 pm**
MM-Anaheim



M19-106

Ethnic Chinese Biblical Colloquium

☐ **Monday - 7:00 pm-11:00 pm**
GH-Mohsen B

Mary Foskett, Wake Forest University, Presiding

Theme: *The Bible in Asia*

7:00 pm Panelists:

Devadasan N. Premnath, St. Bernard's School of Theology and Ministry

John Y. Yieh, Virginia Theological Seminary

8:30 pm Break

9:00 pm Business Session: ECBC members only

For additional information, contact Jeffrey Kuan at kjkuan@psr.edu.



M19-107

Society for the Study of Christian Spirituality Governing Board Meeting

☐ **Monday - 7:00 pm-8:30 pm**
GH-Connaught



M19-108

Bahá'í Studies Colloquy 2007

☐ **Monday - 7:00 pm-8:30 pm**
GH-Maggie

Susan Maneck, Jackson State University, Presiding

Christopher White, Georgia State University

How Can My Pen Write Superhuman Things? Juliet Thompson and the Imagined Middle East

Hutan Hejazi, Rice University

Seculars, Catholics, and Bahá'ís: A Pedagogical Structure of Conversion in Modern Spain

Discussion

For additional information about the Bahá'í Studies Colloquy, contact Robert Stockman at rstockman@usbnc.org or 1-847-337-7750 (cell).



M19-109

Azusa Pacific University Reception

☐ **Monday - 7:00 pm-8:30 pm**



M19-110

Sheffield University Alumni Reception

☐ **Monday - 7:00 pm-11:00 pm**
GH-Betsy C



M19-114

Society for Asian and Comparative Philosophy

☐ **Monday - 7:00 pm-8:30 pm**
GH-Cunningham

Deepak Shimkhada, Claremont-McKenna College, Presiding

Theme: Demanding Equality on Religious Grounds: Celebrating the Buddhist and Interreligious Scholarship of Bibhuti Singh Yadav

Douglas L. Berger, Southern Illinois University

The Social Meaning of the Middle Way: B.S. Yadav and the Madhyamika Critique of the Indian Ontologies of Identity and Difference

Stephen Kaplan, Manhattan College

Unpacking the Place of the Grasper in Yogacara and Advaita

Ralph Marshall, St. Francis High School

Deconstruction and Reconstruction: Bibhuti Yadav's Interpretation of Vallabha and its Importance for Interreligious Dialogue

William Allen, Temple University

Bibhuti Yadav on Interreligious Dialogue

Responding:

Purushottama Billmoria, Melbourne University

 **M19-117**

China Academic Consortium Reception

☐ Monday - 7:00 pm-8:30 pm
GH-Randle A

 **M19-111**

***Pro Ecclesia* Reception**

☐ Monday - 9:00 pm-11:00 pm
MM-Cardiff

 **M19-112**

Syracuse University Department of Religion Reception

☐ Monday - 9:00 pm-11:00 pm
GH-Del Mar

 **M19-113**

Sheffield Phoenix Press/ Sheffield University Reception

☐ Monday - 9:00 pm-11:00 pm
GH-Douglas A

 **M19-116**

Centre of Theology and Philosophy Annual Party

☐ Monday - 9:00 pm-12:00 am
Offsite

The Centre of Theology and Philosophy Annual Party

in cooperation with SCM Press and Wm. B. Eerdmans Publishers

Monday 19th November, 2007

9:00 pm-12:00 midnight

For more information, please visit www.theologyphilosophycentre.co.uk/aar/.

 **M19-118**

Claremont Reception

☐ **Monday - 9:00 pm-11:00 pm**
MM-Marriott Hall Salon 1
