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American Academy of Religion

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RELIGIOUS STUDIES NEWS: OCTOBER ISSUE NOW AVAILABLE!

We are pleased to announce the release of the October issue of *Religious Studies News*. The issue can be accessed at a new address:

<http://www.aarweb.org/publications/rsn-october-2013>.

In this issue you'll find pertinent news about the [Annual Meeting](#), including travel information, pre-conference workshops, highlighted sessions, an interview with the program unit director Nelly van Doorn-Harder, and much more. The [Features](#) section has articles that address sexual harassment in the Academy, mentoring doctoral students of minority communities, as well as Jean Bethke Elshtain's (1941-2013) contributions to the field as a public scholar.

[News](#) includes announcements of AAR awards and grants winners, officer election statements, regional meeting calls for papers, Academy Fund contributors, and more. Finally, this issue of [Spotlight on Teaching](#) focuses on the benefits of team teaching at the collegiate level.

ANNUAL MEETING MOBILE APP IS AVAILABLE!

Plan Your Meeting with the free Annual Meetings mobile app! AAR and SBL introduces the use of Mobile Meeting Guide technology to provide members with a technically reliable, intuitive, and functional meeting solution. The app will provide attendees with:

- The entire event program, including both AAR and SBL programs and Additional Meetings
- Exhibitor info, including an interactive Exhibit Hall map

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- Maps of conference hotels
- Create and customize your own schedule, make notes about sessions, and share information and your schedule with colleagues and friends via built-in social networking
- Because the solution features an intuitive offline program that is native to Android, iPhone, iPad, and iPod Touch devices, no Internet connection is needed!
- Schedule changes are downloaded in the background when Internet access is available.
- New this year — you can create an account on the App which will allow you to sync your schedule, notes, and contacts across multiple devices!

Don't have a smart phone? Don't worry! A similar [web-based solution](#) is accessible via your computer, laptop, or Blackberry.

The app is available now in the App Store and Google Play — simply search for **AARSBL13AM**. On the [AAR](#) and SBL websites, we have posted an [introductory guide](#) to the app. You will also find a Mobile App HelpDesk in the registration area in the Baltimore Convention Center. You can send questions via email to rwilliams@aarweb.org.

Download the app to your mobile device from [Google Play](#) and the [App Store](#) now, or use the web version of the app that is available [here](#). We hope you will find the app useful!

Additional Meetings Print Deadline: October 25

If you plan to arrange a meeting, reception, or other event at the Annual Meeting, you need to reserve [Additional Meetings space](#). Additional Meetings reservations are taken up to the week of the meeting, based on availability, but **October 25** is the deadline for the reservation to be listed in the print version of the *Annual Meetings At-A-Glance*. After October 25, Additional Meetings will be posted in the online [Program Book](#) only.

Employment Center Pre-Registration ends October 28

The deadline for Candidates and Employers to pre-register for the Employment Center is **October 28**. Candidates who register online are able to view Employment Listings, post a CV, and communicate with Employers on-site through the electronic Message Center. Employers are able to post listings online, reserve booth or private interview space, browse Candidate CV's, and arrange interviews through the electronic Message Center. Registration rates will increase after **October 28, 2013**, so be sure to go [online to register](#) today!

AAR MEMBER NAMED 2015 HASKINS PRIZE LECTURER



AAR is pleased to announce that long-time AAR member Wendy Doniger, Mircea Eliade Distinguished Service Professor of the History of Religions at the University of Chicago, will deliver the [Charles Homer Haskins Prize Lecture](#) at the 2015 ACLS Annual Meeting. Named for the first chairman of ACLS (1920-26), the Haskins Prize Lecture series is entitled "A Life of Learning" and celebrates scholarly careers of distinctive importance.

Wendy Doniger's research and teaching interests revolve around two basic areas, Hinduism and mythology. Her courses in mythology address themes in cross-cultural expanses, such as death, dreams, evil, horses, and women; her courses in Hinduism cover a broad spectrum that, in addition to mythology, considers literature, law, gender, and zoology.

Congratulations to Wendy Doniger!

GRANTS

Collaborative International Research Grants: Deadline: January 6, 2014

The American Academy of Religion, a member of the [International Association for the History of Religions](#) (IAHR), is pleased to announce a new Collaborative International Research Grants competition. This initiative is intended to support generative research collaborations between and among scholars located in different geographical regions who wish to pursue focused, joint projects in any area of the study of religion. Applications for awards ranging from \$500 to \$5000 will be reviewed by the AAR's International Connections Committee (ICC).

More information about the research grants, including the application portal, can be found on the [AAR website](#). Please direct inquiries to [Amy Allocco](#), chair, International Connections Committee.

