



## Academy News

### Winnifred Sullivan Named 2017 Marty Award Winner

The Committee on the Public Understanding of Religion is [pleased to announce](#) Winnifred Fallers Sullivan is the recipient of the 2017 Martin E. Marty Award for the Public Understanding of Religion. Sullivan is professor of religious studies and affiliate professor of law at Indiana University Bloomington. She is widely known for her critical studies of American law and jurisprudence about religion. Her public scholarship on religion and her work as an expert witness have had an important impact in courtrooms, prisons, military units, and government offices from city halls to the State Department. Please plan to join us at this year's Annual Meeting in Boston for the Marty Forum on Sunday, November 19, where she will be interviewed by Laurie Patton, president of Middlebury College.



### Executive Director Search Underway

In March of this year, the Board of Directors announced it would begin the search for [a new executive director](#) of the AAR. The [leadership profile](#), including application and inquiry instructions, is now available.

### Get Jobs in Your Inbox



Receive AAR/SBL Employment Services job opening notices as soon as they are posted! Log in to [www.aarsbl.org](http://www.aarsbl.org) using your member credentials, and choose the "Subscriptions" tab on your profile.

### 2017-18 Individual and Collaborative Research Grants

Each year the AAR awards grants of up to \$5,000 for individual and collaborative research projects. Apply now through the [online submission system](#).

See further information on [Individual Research Grants](#) and [Collaborative Research Grants](#). Grant proposals for both programs must be submitted no later than August 1, 2017.



### Leadership Opportunities

### International Education is on the Chopping Block!

Tell Congress and President Trump that international education programs are a vital part of foreign language learning and on-the-ground overseas experience. [Learn more and take action](#) via NHA.

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### Call for *Spotlight on Teaching* Editor

The American Academy of Religion seeks a [Spotlight on Teaching](#) editor. *Spotlight on Teaching* is a venue for exploring opportunities and challenges in teaching and learning about religions and an initiative of AAR and its Committee on Teaching and Learning.

Information about the position is available [here](#). Nominations and applications may be [submitted online](#), and self-nominations are encouraged. Applications must include a letter describing interests and qualifications, plus a current curriculum vita. The application deadline is **August 1, 2017**.

### Call for *Spotlight on Theological Education* Editor

Nominations are also open for a [Spotlight on Theological Education](#) editor. Focusing on topics ranging from environmental justice and intersectionality to budget crises and alternative classrooms, *Spotlight* highlights the particular challenges and opportunities in theological education. *Spotlight on Theological Education* is an initiative of the AAR's Theological Education Committee.

Information about the position is available [here](#). Nominations and applications may be [submitted online](#), and self-nominations are encouraged. Applications must include a letter describing interests and qualifications, plus a current curriculum vita. The application deadline is **August 1, 2017**.

### In Memoriam



Kalman P. Bland (1942-2017), professor emeritus of religious studies at Duke University, passed away on July 15. Ali Mian and Aaron Hughes reflect on Bland's approach to studying the interwoven history of Judaism, Christianity, and Islam in this [In Memoriam](#).

### Publications

#### *Teaching Civic Engagement* - New in AAR/OUP Books

New in paperback! Forrest Clingerman and Reid Locklin's [Teaching Civic Engagement](#), published by Oxford University Press in the AAR Teaching Religious Studies series. AAR members receive a 30% discount on all AAR/OUP series titles. Sign in to [Member Discounts](#) on the AAR website and click the link to OUP.



#### *Reading Religion*: More than 700 Reviews and Counting...



Happy first anniversary to *Reading Religion*, launched a year ago this month!! Have you volunteered to review a book yet? Have you [signed up](#) for the twice-monthly newsletter of recently reviewed books and books available for review? What are you waiting for? [Visit the](#)

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## 2017 Annual Meeting Program Book

The online [AAR Annual Meeting Program Book](#) is published. Start planning your meeting schedule today!

## Member Notes

### Books and Major Publications

Sophia Arjana, Western Kentucky University  
*Pilgrimage in Islam: Traditional and Modern Practices*, Oneworld, 2017.

Philip Francis, University of Maine  
*When Art Disrupts Religion: Aesthetic Experience and the Evangelical Mind*, Oxford University Press, 2017.

Jeffrey Hanson, Harvard University  
*Kierkegaard and the Life of Faith: The Aesthetic, the Ethical, and the Religious in Fear and Trembling*, Indiana University Press, 2017.

Mona Hassan, Duke University  
*Longing for the Lost Caliphate: A Transregional History*, Princeton: Princeton University Press, December 2016.

[Massimo Introvigne](#), Center for Studies on New Religions (CESNUR)  
*Satanism: A Social History*, Leiden, Netherlands: Brill, 2016.

Christopher Moreman, California State University, East Bay  
*The Routledge Companion to Death and Dying*, Routledge, 2017.

Carolyn M. Schneider, Lutheran Theological Seminary, Hong Kong  
*The Text of a Coptic Monastic Discourse, On Love and Self-Control: Its Story from the Fourth Century to the Twenty-First*, Liturgical Press, 2017.

Tisa Wenger, Yale Divinity School  
*Religious Freedom: The Contested History of an American Ideal*, University of North Carolina Press, 2017.

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[Submit your Member Note online](#).

## Dates and Deadlines

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| August 1 | <a href="#">Research Grant Submissions</a>               |
| August 1 | <a href="#">Spotlight on Teaching Editor Nominations</a> |
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| August 1  | <a href="#">Spotlight on Theological Education Editor Nominations</a>       |  |
| August 24 | <a href="#">Annual Meeting Advance Rates End</a>                            |  |
| August 24 | <a href="#">Register for Annual Meeting to Receive Program Book by Mail</a> |  |