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Conference Information

Meeting Site: The 226th Meeting of the American Oriental Society will be held Friday, March 18–Monday, March 21, 2016, in Boston, MA USA. A block of conference-rate accommodations has been reserved for participants at the Omni Parker House Hotel, 60 School Street, Boston, MA 02108. Conference rates per night for rooms are $179 single or double. These rates also valid on March 16 & 17 and March 21 & 22.

Hotel Location: Located on the Freedom Trail, guests enjoy grand views of historic downtown Boston, distinguished decor, and thoughtful amenities that are evident in every striking detail in each of the 551 luxurious guest rooms. Walk to Beacon Hill, Faneuil Hall Marketplace, Quincy Market, the Financial District, shopping, and more. Just 2.5 miles (10-15 minutes) from Logan International Airport.

Transportation: Logan International Airport. There are several ground transportation options between the airport and downtown destinations. The hotel does not provide free shuttle service.

There is a $44 charge for overnight valet parking. Additional fee for late pick-up after 1pm on day of departure is $12. When you arrive, please stop in front of the School Street entrance to the Omni Parker House and speak to the Doorman. He will help you take care of your car and belongings.

Conference Meeting Rooms: All sectional meetings, Editors and Board meetings, and the Business meeting will be held at the Omni Parker House Hotel. All meeting rooms are located on the Mezzanine level, except the Kennedy Room on the Lobby Level, and the Rooftop Ballroom on the 15th Floor.

Registration: Early registration is on Friday, March 18, 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. The Registration Desk is in the Press Room on the Mezzanine level. As a reminder, the location will be prominently advertised on signs in the hotel lobby and by the televised events program in your room and throughout the hotel. Please note that there will be Two Registration Desks:

1. Pre-Registered: Members who have pre-registered by mail before March 1, 2016, may check in and pickup their prepared meeting packets at the “Pre-Registered Desk”. Pre-registered members who have not yet paid their 2016 dues should do so at this desk.
2. Not Registered: All those who wish to attend any of the meetings must register for the entire meeting. On-site registration forms are available at the “Not Registered Desk”. Members and non-members who have not pre-registered should register their attendance by completing On-site Registration forms and remitting appropriate fees at this desk. Non-members who wish to become members may also secure membership application forms, fill them out, and submit them with dues payment to become current members for 2016. Non-registered members who have not yet paid their 2016 dues may also do so here.

Special Events:

• **Joint Ancient Near East/South and Southeast Asia Meeting**: Friday afternoon, March 18

• **Islamic Near East I: In Honor of Bernard Lewis on the Occasion of his 100th Birthday**: Friday afternoon, March 18

• **Reception**: An introductory reception hosted by the AOS will be held on Friday, March 13, from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. in the **Rooflopf Ballroom**. All registered members and guests are cordially invited to attend.

• **The Annual Breakfast for Graduate Students and Recent Ph.D.’s**, hosted by the AOS, will be on Saturday, March 19, 8:00 a.m.–9:00 a.m., in the **Harriet Beecher Stowe Room**.

• **Islamic Near East V: A Corpus or a Canon? The Priorities and Principles of the Library of Arabic Literature**, a presentation by and conversation with the editors of the Library of Arabic Literature, New York University Press: Saturday morning, March 19

• **Special Panel: Digital Humanities Round Table at American Oriental Society (Individual Reflections on Digital Humanities and Discussion)** Saturday morning, March 19
• **Reception at the Harvard Semitic Museum** Members and Guests are invited to a Reception hosted by the Harvard University, on Saturday evening, March 19, 6:30 p.m.–8:30 p.m., at the Harvard Semitic Museum, 6 Divinity Ave., Cambridge. This event is generously supported by the Aga Khan Fund for Iranian Studies of the Department of Near Eastern Languages and Civilizations of Harvard University. Directions and transportation details will be provided at the meeting registration desk.

• **Ancient Near East VIII: Special Session in Honor of Geoffrey Khan:** Sunday morning, March 20

• **Plenary Session:** The Plenary Session, entitled “Travel”, will be held on Sunday afternoon, March 15, 2:30 p.m.–5:00 p.m., in Alcott.

• **Business Meeting:** A general Business Meeting of the Society will be held on Sunday, March 20, beginning at 5:15 p.m., in Alcott. Members are encouraged to attend. The business meeting should adjourn by 6:00 p.m.

• **The Annual Subscription Dinner** with associated events has been scheduled for Sunday evening, March 20, from 7:30 p.m. to 11:00 p.m., in *Rooftop Ballroom*. Reservations and fees are automatically included in registration. Admission is by ticket only which is included among registration materials. A limited number of additional unsold tickets for members and guests will be available for purchase for $65 at Registration on Friday and Saturday only. The AOS will not accept returned tickets for refund from those who realize that they cannot attend the dinner. The Dinner will be preceded by a Social Hour in the adjacent *Wheatley Terrace* with cash bar from 6:30 p.m.–7:30 p.m.

• **The Presidential Address:** “Chinese Painting as a Composite Art” will be delivered by Ronald Egan following the Annual Subscription Dinner, at approximately 9:00 p.m. All members and guests are invited to attend the address.
Registration Book Exhibit and Sale Hours.

The Annual Book Exhibit will commence on Friday afternoon, March 14, at 1:00, and continue daily during the meeting in Press Room III on the Mezzanine level. Beginning on Sunday afternoon and continuing through Monday morning March 21, all books exhibited will go on sale. Publishers’ discount sales brochures will also be available with which one may order titles directly from publishers. In addition to the combined publishers book exhibit sponsored by the Scholar’s Choice, several other publishers and vendors, among them Brill, CDL Press, De Gruyter, Eisenbrauns, ISD (Ian Stevens), and New York University Press will oversee independent exhibits and discounted sales. Those wishing to purchase at discount from these publishers should deal directly with them.

Registration Hours

- Friday morning: 10:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.
- Friday afternoon: 1:00 p.m.—5:00 p.m.
- Saturday morning: 8:30 a.m.—12:00 p.m.
- Saturday afternoon: 1:00 p.m.—5:00 p.m.
- Sunday morning: 8:30 a.m.—12:00 p.m.

Book Exhibit Hours

- Friday afternoon: 1:00 p.m.—6:00 p.m.
- Saturday: 8:30 p.m.—6:00 p.m.
- Sunday: 8:30 a.m.—6:00 p.m.
- Monday morning: 9:00 a.m.—12:00 p.m.

NOTE: The book exhibit hours will continue all day beginning at 8:30 a.m., when publisher representatives are present.

The Book Exhibit and Registration room will be closed and locked after 6:00 p.m. each day of the meeting. We request that all meeting participants exit the Book Exhibit and Registration room promptly by 6:00 p.m.

Meeting Arrangements Organized by
Bill Sanford of Chatterton Meeting Planners, Hamden, Connecticut
PROGRAM OF THE 226TH ANNUAL MEETING

—OUTLINE—

Thursday, March 17

3:30 p.m.–5:00 p.m. JAOS Editorial Board Meeting
   Dickens Room

Friday, March 18

Friday Morning

9:00 a.m.–9:30 a.m. Program Section Chairs Meeting
   Stowe Room
9:30 a.m.–12:00 p.m. AOS Board of Directors Meeting
   Stowe Room
10:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m. Morning Registration Press Room

Friday Afternoon

1:00 p.m.–5:00 p.m. Afternoon Registration Press Room
1:00 p.m.–5:00 p.m. Book Exhibit Press Room

Friday Afternoon Sectional Meetings

A. Ancient Near East I: Special Joint Session: Ancient Near East/
   South & Southeast Asia (1:00 p.m.–5:00 p.m.) Alcott Room *
B. East Asia I: Global Encounters (2:00 p.m.–3:30 p.m.)
   Holmes-Brandeis

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C. East Asia II: Organized Panel: Empires of the North: Society, Religion, and Geography in the Northern Wei and Northern Zhou (3:45 p.m.–5:15 p.m.) Holmes-Brandeis *

D. Inner Asia I: Philology, Literature, History, and Art History (2:00–5:00 p.m.) Hutchinson-Lowell

E. Islamic Near East I: In Honor of Bernard Lewis on the Occasion of his 100th Birthday (1:30 p.m.–2:45 p.m.) Kennedy

F. Islamic Near East II: Literary Readings of Early Islamic Texts. (1:30 p.m.–2:45 p.m.) Isabella Stewart Gardner

G. Islamic Near East III: Islamic Law (3:00 p.m.–5:00 p.m.) Kennedy

H. Islamic Near East IV: Divine Speech and Attributes (3:00 p.m.–4:15 p.m.) Isabella Stewart Gardner

I. South & Southeast Asia I: Sanskrit Grammar (2:00 p.m.–3:30 p.m.) King *

J. South & Southeast Asia II: Textual Criticism (3:45 p.m.–5:00 p.m.) King *

Friday Evening

6:30 p.m.–8:00 p.m. Cocktail Reception for Members and Guests Roof Top Ballroom

Saturday, March 19

Saturday Morning

8:00 a.m.–9:00 a.m. Breakfast for Graduate Students and Recent PhD’s (Hosted by the AOS) Harriet Beecher Stowe

8:30 a.m.–12:00 p.m. Morning Registration Press Room

8:30 a.m.–12:00 p.m. Book Exhibit Press Room

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A. Ancient Near East II: Language & Linguistics (9:00 a.m.–11:00 a.m.) Alcott *

B. Ancient Near East III: The Development of Writing (11:15 a.m.–12:15 p.m.) Alcott

C. Ancient Near East IV: Empires and their Administration (9:00 a.m.–11:00 a.m.) Isabella Stewart Gardner *
D. Ancient Near East V: New and Old Discoveries and their Interpretation (11:15 a.m.–12:30 p.m.) Isabella Stewart Gardner ✶
E. East Asia III: Sickness and Music (9:00 a.m.–10:30 a.m.) Holmes-Brandeis ✶
F. East Asia East Asia IV: Fu and Poetry (10:45 a.m.–12:15 p.m.) Holmes-Brandeis ✶
G. Islamic Near East V: A Corpus or a Canon? The Priorities and Principles of the Library of Arabic Literature (9:00 a.m.–10:30 p.m.) Hutchinson-Lowell
H. Islamic Near East VI: Approaches to Islamic Intellectual History (9:00 a.m.–11:00 p.m.) Kennedy
I. Special Panel: Digital Humanities Round Table at American Oriental Society (11:00 a.m.–12:30 a.m.) Hutchinson-Lowell ✶
J. South and Southeast Asia III: Law and Society I (9:00 a.m.–10:30 a.m.) King ✶
K. South and Southeast Asia IV: Law and Society II (10:45 a.m.–12:00 p.m.) King

Saturday Afternoon

1:00 p.m.–5:00 p.m. Afternoon Registration Press Room
1:00 p.m.–5:00 p.m. Book Exhibit Press Room

Saturday Afternoon Sectional Meetings

A. Ancient Near East VI: Gods, Religion and Religious Rituals (1:00 p.m.–5:00 p.m.) Alcott ✶
B. Ancient Near East VII: History (2:00 p.m.–5:00 p.m.) Hutchinson-Lowell ✶
C. East Asia V: Literary Criticism and Historiography (1:00 p.m.–3:00 p.m.) Holmes-Brandeis ✶
D. East Asia VI: Specific Texts and Their Structures (3:15 p.m.–5:15 p.m.) Holmes-Brandeis ✶
E. Islamic Near East VII: Commentary and Hermeneutics (12:45 p.m.–2:45 p.m.) Kennedy ✶
F. Islamic Near East VIII: Intellectual and Scientific Life in the Ottoman Empire (1:30 p.m.–3:30 p.m.) Isabella Stewart Gardner
G. Islamic Near East IX: Judeo-Arabic Studies (3:00 p.m.–3:45 p.m.) Kennedy
H. Islamic Near East X: Sufism (3:45 p.m.–4:45 p.m.) Isabella Stewart Gardner
I. Islamic Near East XI: Orientalism (4:00 p.m.–5:00 p.m.) Kennedy
J. South and Southeast Asia V: Epigraphy (1:00 p.m.–3:00 p.m.) King ✶
K. South and Southeast Asia VI: Religious Lineages and Community (3:15 p.m.–5:15 p.m.) King ✶
Saturday Evening
6:30 p.m.–8:30 p.m. Reception for AOS Members and Guests
Harvard Semitic Museum (6 Divinity Ave., Cambridge)

Sunday, March 20

Sunday Morning
8:30 a.m.–12:00 p.m. Morning Registration Press Room
8:30 a.m.–12:00 a.m. Book Exhibit Press Room

Sunday Morning Sectional Meetings
A. Ancient Near East VIII: Special Session in Honor of Geoffrey Khan
   (9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.) Atcott *
B. East Asia VII: Language and Style (9:00 a.m.–10:15 a.m.)
   Holmes-Brandeis *
C. East Asia VIII: Buddhist Culture and Practice (10:30 a.m.–11:45 a.m.)
   Holmes-Brandeis *
D. Islamic Near East XII: Transmission, Tradition and Institutions
   (9:00 a.m.–11:00 a.m.) Kennedy
E. Islamic Near East XIII: 'Abd al-Qāhir al-Ġurğānī (9:00 a.m.–11:00 a.m.)
   Hutchinson-Lowell
F. Islamic Near East XIV: Hadith 11:15 a.m.–1:30 a.m.) Kennedy
G. South and Southeast Asia VII: The Rāmāyaṇa (9:00 a.m.–10:30 a.m.)
   King
H. South and Southeast Asia VIII: The Mahābhārata (10:45 a.m.–12:00 p.m.)
   King

Sunday Afternoon
1:00 p.m.–5:00 p.m. Book Exhibit and Sale Press Room

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Sunday Afternoon Sectional Meetings

A. Ancient Near East IX: Science and Magic (1:00 p.m.–2:15 p.m.) King *
B. Ancient Near East X: Literature (1:00 p.m.–2:15 p.m.)
   Isabella Stewart Gardner *
C. Islamic Near East XV: Shi‘i Studies (1:00 p.m.–2:30 p.m.)
   Kennedy

D. Plenary Session: Travel. (2:30 p.m.–5:00 p.m.) Alcott

5:15 p.m.–6:00 p.m. Annual Business Meeting Alcott

Sunday Evening

6:30 p.m.–7:30 p.m. Social Hour (Cash Bar) Wheatley Terrace

7:30 p.m.–11:00 p.m. Annual Subscription Dinner and Presidential Address Rooftop Ballroom

Monday, March 21

Monday Morning

9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m. Book Sale Continues Press Room

Monday Morning Sectional Meetings

A. Ancient Near East XI: Realia (9:00 a.m.–11:00 p.m.) Alcott *
B. Ancient Near East XII: National and Social Identity
   (11:15 a.m.–12:15 p.m.) Alcott
C. East Asia IX: Ming and Qing Novels (9:00 a.m.–11:00 a.m.) Holmes-Brandeis *
D. Islamic Near East XVI: Literary Studies (9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.) Kennedy *
E. Islamic Near East XVII: Shi‘a in History (9:00 a.m.–10:30 a.m.)
   Isabella Stewart Gardner *
F. Islamic Near East Islamic Near East XVIII: Islamic Readings of the Bible
   (10:45 a.m.–12:15 p.m.) Isabella Stewart Gardner *
G. South and Southeast Asia IX: Theology and Poetry (9:00 a.m.–10:30 a.m.)
   King
H. South and Southeast Asia X: Poets, Poetry, and the Languages of Poetry
   (10:45 a.m.–12:00 p.m.) King *
I. South and Southeast Asia XI: Veda (9:00 a.m.–11:00 a.m.) Hutchinson-Lowell

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Friday Afternoon Sectional Meetings
Sectional Meeting room names marked by a following * are equipped with projectors

A. Ancient Near East I: Special Joint Session: Ancient Near East/South & Southeast Asia. (Organized by Craig Melchert and Anthony Yates, University of California, Los Angeles) CRAIG MELCHERT and ANTHONY YATES, University of California, Los Angeles, Chairs (1:00 p.m.–5:00 p.m.) Alcott Room *

1. GAŠPER BEGUŠ, Harvard University
   Caland System in Tocharian

2. BENJAMIN FORTSON, University of Michigan
   More Reflections on Retroflexion across Word-boundary in the Rigveda

3. PETRA GOEDEGEBUERE, University of Chicago
   Waraika, King of not only Hiyawa, but also of the Lands West of the Euphrates?

4. DIETER GUNKEL, Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München
   On Meter and Word order in the Rigveda

5. REBECCA HASSELBACH-ANDEE, University of Chicago
   Dative or no Dative: The Function of the Morpheme *-is in Semitic
   (Break)

6. JARED KLEIN, University of Georgia
   Indo-European Syncretism as a Problem of both Form and Meaning

7. JESSE LUNDQUIST, University of California, Los Angeles
   Hittite meni/weni and the Reconstruction of the Anatolian 1st Plural Ending

8. NA’AMA PAT-EL, University of Texas, Austin
   On the Fallacy of Source-to-Target Path of Change

9. ELIZABETH TUCKER, University of Oxford
   Old Indo-Aryan Feminines in varī

10. MICHAEL WEISS, Cornell University
    Tocharian and the Question of East-West Archaisms
B. **East Asia I: Global Encounters.** Richard VanNess Simmons, Rutgers University, Chair *(2:00 p.m.–3:30 p.m.)* Holmes-Brandeis

11. Zhiyi Yang, University of Frankfurt  
   Wang Jingwei, Humanist in Lyon

12. Frederik Green, San Francisco State University  
   Painted in Oil, Composed in Ink: Late Imperial Chinese Literati Poems on the Topic of Western-Style Painting

13. Ali Humayun Akhtar, Bates College  
   Edo Japan, Persia, and the VOC: Diplomacy and Commerce during the Career of Arai Hakuseki (d. 1725)

C. **East Asia II: Organized Panel: Empires of the North:** Society, Religion, and Geography in the Northern Wei and Northern Zhou. Scott Pearce, Western Washington University, Chair *(3:45 p.m.–5:15 p.m.)* Holmes-Brandeis *

14. Mandy Jui-Man Wu, Hanover College  
   Visualizing Military Power: The Tombs of the Northern Zhou Imperial Family and Generals

15. Nina Duthie, University of California, Los Angeles  
   Imperial Ritual at the Founding of the Northern Wei

16. Jon Felt, Virginia Tech  
   Two ‘Central Realms’: The World Model of the Shuijing zhu

D. **Inner Asia I: Philology, Literature, History, and Art History.** Kevin van Bladel, Ohio State University, Chair *(2:00–5:00 p.m.)* Hutchinson-Lowell

17. Adam Benkato, Berlin-Brandenburg Academy of Sciences  
   Sogdian Epistolary Formulae in their Central Asian Context

18. Judith Lerner, New York University Institute for the Study of the Ancient World  
   Rapid Changes in Seals and Sealing Practices Concurrent with Muslim Rule as Observed in the Bactrian Documents

19. Kevin Van Bladel, The Ohio State University  
   Ibn al-Muqaffa‘ on the Bactrian Language among the ‘Abbāsid Armies
Friday Afternoon, March 18

20. HADI JORATI, Ohio State University
   The Primary Sources of the History of Khwarazmian Empire: A Re-appraisal

21. XIN WEN, Harvard University
   The Monolingual Polyglot: Practicing Multilingualism on the Silk Road in Eastern Eurasia (800–1000)

E. Islamic Near East I: In Honor of Bernard Lewis on the Occasion of his 100th Birthday. JACOB LASSNER, Northwestern University, Chair (1:30 p.m.–2:45 p.m.) Kennedy

22. JACOB LASSNER, Northwestern University
   The Origins of Jerusalem Revisited

23. PAULA SANDERS, Rice University
   Islamic History for the Ismāʿīlī Community: Remembered, Recovered, Invented

24. MICHAEL BONNER, University of Michigan
   Shaping the Debates: Bernard Lewis and the Earlier Centuries of Islam

F. Islamic Near East II: Literary Readings of Early Islamic Texts. BEATRICE GRUENDLER, Freie Universität Berlin, Chair (1:30 p.m.–2:45 p.m.) Isabella Stewart Gardner

25. KEVIN BLANKINSHIP, University of Chicago
   Al-Maʿarrī’s Imitation as Literary Reading of the Qurʾān

26. HAMZA ZAFER, University of Washington
   Patriarchs of Nations as Prophets to Nations in the Qurʾān

27. ADAM BURSI, University of Tennessee, Knoxville
   Making Christian Space Islamic: A Reading of an Early Hadith

G. Islamic Near East III: Islamic Law. AHMED EL SHAMSY, University of Chicago, Chair (3:00 p.m.–5:00 p.m.) Kennedy

28. RODRIGO ADEM, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill
   The Limits of Human Authority: Jaʿfarī Ijtihād Rejectionism and the Roots of the Ismāʿīlī Twelver Doctrine
29. **Elias Saba**, University of Pennsylvania
   Disputation and Objection: The Rise of Legal Distinctions

30. **Russell Hopley**, Bowdoin College
   
   *(Break)*

31. **Steven Judd**, Southern Connecticut State University
   Al-Awzā‘ī and Islamic Ritual Law

32. **Ahmed El Shamsy**, University of Chicago
   Missing links: Two Early Texts of Islamic Legal Theory

### H. Islamic Near East IV: Divine Speech and Attributes

**Jon Hoover**, University of Nottingham, Chair *(3:00 p.m.–4:15 p.m.)*

**Isabella Stewart Gardner**

33. **Tariq Jaffer**, Amherst College
   Bāqillānī’s Method of Proof for the Qurān’s Inimitability

34. **Aaron Spevack**, Colgate University
   Kurdish Ash’arīs on God’s Speech

35. **Jon Hoover**, University of Nottingham
   Mamluk Ash’arīs on God’s Attributes in the Wake of Ibn Taymiyya

### I. South & Southeast Asia I: Sanskrit Grammar

**Ashok Aklujkar**, University of British Columbia, Chair *(2:00 p.m.–3:30 p.m.)*

**King** *

36. **Anuja Ajotikar**, Harvard University
   Criteria for Determining the Extent of Substituends and Replacements for you and us: the Case of asmabhyam and yuṣmabhyam

37. **TANUJA AJOTIKAR**, Harvard University
   *rurūdiva-rurudima or rudivah-rudivah*: Which are the Proper Counter Examples on A.7.2.8?

38. **Peter M. Scharf**, The Sanskrit Library
   Vedic aorist Passives in r and the Account of Them in Pāṇinian Grammar
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39. Jo Brill, University of Chicago
   Citation Practice and the emerging Concept of Verbal Root

   J. South & Southeast Asia II: Textual Criticism.
   Dominik Wujastyk, University of Alberta, Chair (3:45 p.m.–5:00 p.m.) King *

40. Patrick Olivelle, University of Texas
   On Critically Editing the Yājñavalkya smṛti

41. Adheesh Sathaye, University of British Columbia
   Subhāṣīta Explosions: Why Proverbial Verses Appear and Disappear in Śivadīsa’s Vētāla-paṅcaviṃśatī

42. Peter M. Scharff, The Sanskrit Library; Anuja Ajotikar, Harvard University; and Tanuja Ajotikar, Harvard University
   The Sanskrit Library’s Harvard Sanskrit Manuscript Cataloguing and Text-Image Alignment Projects

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6:30 p.m.–8:00 p.m. Cocktail Reception for Members and Guests Rooftop Ballroom

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A. Ancient Near East II: Language & Linguistics. John Huehnergard, The University of Texas at Austin, Chair (9:00 a.m.–11:00 a.m.) Alcott *

43. Chelsea Sanker, Rutgers University
   An Analysis of Semitic Uvular-Pharyngeal Correspondences: Inter-Dialectal Borrowing in Akkadian

44. Phillip W. Stokes, The University of Texas at Austin
   Tanwin or not Tanwin, That is the Question: A Reanalysis of the Origin and Diachronic Development of ‘Dialectal Tanwin’ in Arabic

45. Peter T. Daniels, Jersey City, NJ
   Did Medieval Arab Scholars Decipher Egyptian Hieroglyphs?

46. Sarah Lynn Baker, The University of Texas at Austin
   “And Now”: Transitions in Northwest Semitic Epigraphy and Narrative
   (Break)

47. Benedikt Peschl, Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München
   Anaptyctic i in the Avestan Manuscript Tradition

48. Øyvind Bjøru, The University of Texas at Austin
   Semantic Transitivity and the Akkadian Verbal Stems

B. Ancient Near East III: The Development of Writing. Peter T. Daniels, Jersey City, NJ, Chair 11:15 a.m.–12:15 p.m. Alcott

49. Ani Honarchian, University of California, Los Angeles
   Alphabet as a Divine Gift: The Creation of the Armenian Alphabet

50. Michael Wingert, University of California, Los Angeles
   Literary Technology and the Development of Syriac Cursive
C. Ancient Near East IV: Empires and their Administration.

Seth Richardson, University of Chicago, Chair 9:00 a.m.–11:00 a.m. Isabella Stewart Gardner *

51. Sigrid K. Kjær, The University of Texas at Austin
    Achaemenid Administrative Structures: Bactrian perspectives

52. Tytus Mikolajczak, University of Chicago
    Persepolis Fortification Seal 1155 and the Connections between Regional Administration and Central Accounting at Achaemenid Persepolis

53. Alice Mandell, University of California, Los Angeles
    Re-examining the Amarna Letters from the Egyptian Centers in the Levant and the “Canaanite” Features in the Amarna Letters from Egypt

54. Susanne Paulus, University of Chicago
    “Hands off my barley” — Legal and Administrative Terminology in Kassite Nippur

55. Laura Culbertson, Independent Scholar
    Wisdom, Authority, Connections: Judges of the Ur III Period

56. C. Jay Crisostomo, University of Michigan
    The Idiosyncrasies of a Babylonian Scribe.

D. Ancient Near East V: New and Old Discoveries and their Interpretation Chair: Tytus Mikolajczak, University of Chicago, Chair 11:15 a.m.–12:30 p.m. Isabella Stewart Gardner *

57. Lorenzo D’Alfonso, Institute for the Study of the Ancient World, New York University
    A New Interpretation of the Inscription of TOPADA

58. Jacob Lauinger, The Johns Hopkins University
    Months and Days at Tell Tayina.

59. Jessie DeGrado and Matthew Richey, University of Chicago
    An Aramaic-Inscribed Lamaštu Amulet from Zinçirli

60. Paul Gauthier, University of Chicago
    Writing Boards and State Payroll in the Middle Assyrian Kingdom
E. East Asia III: Sickness and Music. MEOW HUI GOH, The Ohio State University, Chair (9:00 a.m.–10:30 a.m.) Holmes-Brandeis *

61. ANTJE RICHTER, University of Colorado, Boulder
   Visiting the Sick: Textual Evidence from Early and Early Medieval China

62. ZEYUAN WU, The Ohio State University
   Transforming the World through Music: Qin Songs and Confucianism in Late Imperial China

63. CHEN LIU, Harvard University
   Zither Inscriptions in Medieval China

F. East Asia East Asia IV: Fu and Poetry. ROBERT JOE CUTTER, Arizona State University, Chair (10:45 a.m.–12:15 p.m.) Holmes-Brandeis *

64. YUE ZHANG, Valparaiso University
   In Memory of the Forgotten: A Close Reading of Xie Zhan’s Poem on Zhang Liang

65. QU JINGYI, Nanyang Technological University, Singapore
   Similar Tone with A Different Melody: Ruan Ji’s Escape and Tao Qian’s Reclusion

66. LU KOU, Harvard University
   What is New in Chen Dynasty (557–89) Court Poetry? Analysis of Poetic Improvisation on Assigned Topic (fude)

67. HIN MING FRANKIE CHIK, Arizona State University
   Debate on the Choice of Capital in Eastern Han Dynasty: The Inner Logic of the Rhapsodies on Capitals

G. Islamic Near East V: A Corpus or a Canon? The Priorities and Principles of the Library of Arabic Literature. (Presentation and Conversation) PHILIP F. KENNEDY, New York University, Chair (9:00 a.m.–10:30 a.m.) Hutchinson-Lowell

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H. 伊斯兰近东 VI: 回到伊斯兰思想史。Sajjad Rizvi, 朴次茅斯大学，主席 (9:00 a.m.–11:00 p.m.) Kennedy

68. Ebrahim Moosa, University of Notre Dame
   通过比较穆斯林法和法学理论的哲学进展来识别趋势：比较前现代和现代作者的角度 [取消]

69. Ahab Bdaïwi, University of St. Andrews
   是要历史化还是不要历史化，这是一个问题：在Dimitri Gutas和Henry Corbin之间导航阿威罗伊 (d. 1037) [取消]

70. Eric van Lit, Yale University
   远距离阅读在古典后伊斯兰思想史

(休息)

71. Sajjad Rizvi, University of Exeter
   在文化背景下研究哲学：什叶派哲学案例

72. Hossein Kamaly, Barnard College
   重新思考思想史超越‘教派’和‘学派’

I. 特别小组: 数字人文科学圆桌会议在美国东方学会（个人反思数字人文科学和讨论）。Eric van Lit, 洛克菲勒大学，主席 (11:00 a.m.–12:30 p.m.) Hutchinson-Lowell *

- Charles G. Häberl, 普林斯顿大学 (伊斯兰近东)
- Enrique Jiménez, 洛克菲勒大学 (古代近东)
- Timothy Lubin, 华盛顿大学和利华大学 (南亚和东南亚)
Saturday Morning March 19

J. South and Southeast Asia III: Law and Society I.
Patrick Olivelle, University of Texas, Chair (9:00 a.m.–10:30 a.m.) King *

73. DAVID BRICK, Yale University
Mādhava’s Defense of Cross-Cousin Marriage and Its Impact on Brahmanical Custom

74. CHRISTOPHER FLEMING, University of Oxford
The Concept of Property According to Kamalākarabhaṭṭa (1610–1640): A Dharmaśāstrin’s Response to Navya-Nyāya

75. TIMOTHY LUBIN, Washington and Lee University
A Genealogy of South Asian Sale Deeds

76. MARK MCCLIISH, Northwestern University
From Law to dharma

K. South and Southeast Asia IV: Law and Society II.
Joel Brereton, University of Texas (10:45 a.m.–12:00 p.m.) King

77. CHRISTOPHER MINKOWSKI, University of Oxford
Two Brief Sanskrit Accounts of the Doctrines of the Mlecchas

78. JASON SCHWARTZ, University of California, Santa Barbara
Universal Dharma and Particularized Revelation: Big Tent Brahmanism in the Twilight of the Śaiva Cosmopolis

79. DONALD R. DAVIS, JR., University of Texas at Austin
Varttā as Vaiśyadharma
Saturday Afternoon, March 19

1:00 p.m.–5:00 p.m. Afternoon Registration Press Room
1:00 p.m.–5:00 p.m. Book Exhibit Press Room

Saturday Afternoon Sectional Meetings

A. Ancient Near East VI: Gods, Religion and Religious Rituals. PIOTR Michalowski, University of Michigan, Chair (1:00 p.m.–5:00 p.m.) Alcott *

80. JO ANN HACKETT, University of Texas at Austin
   Our Lady and her History: Another Suggestion for the Punic Deity Tinit

81. THOMAS BENFEY, Princeton University
   “Religion, Religions, Religious” in Sasanian Iran

82. IRENE SIBBING PLANHTOLT, University of Pennsylvania
   A portrait of a Deity: Hymn K 232+3371+12776, Healing Deities and Mesopotamian Scholarly Tradition

83. RYAN CONRAD DAVIS, University of Texas at Austin
   A Performance Approach to the Assured Results of Ancient Near Eastern Ritual

84. SHANA ZAIA, Yale University
   Adad in Assyria: A Case Study of Assyrian Authority

   (Break)

85. NICOLE BRISCH, University of Copenhagen
   The Eres-Dingir Priestess in Old Babylonian Nippur

86. RAANAN EICHLER, Harvard University
   Ancient Near Eastern Boxes and the Biblical “Box of God”

87. ELIZABETH KNOTT, New York University
   The Scribal Settings of Mari’s Ēstar Rituals

88. AREN WILSON-WRIGHT, University of Texas at Austin
   From the Stable to the Palace: The Trajectory of the Goddess Athtart in New Kingdom Egypt
89. **Andrea Trameri**, Institute for the Study of the Ancient World, New York University
   Ritual Text and Ritual Practice in the Hittite Tradition: Implications from the Study of a Composite Incantation for the Netherworld Deities (CTH 446)

**B. Ancient Near East VII: History.** **Jacob Lauinger**, The Johns Hopkins University, Chair *(2:00 p.m.–5:00 p.m.) Hutchinson-Lowell*

90. **Hervé Reculeau**, University of Chicago
   Irrigation in the Middle Euphrates Valley: A View from the 18th c. BC Mari Letters

91. **Matthew Rutz**, Brown University
   Hammurabi’s Deeds

92. **Mary Frazer**, Yale University
   Remembering the Enemy’s Insults: Middle Babylonian-Middle Assyrian Royal Correspondence in Seventh Century BCE Nineveh
   *(Break)*

93. **Edward Stratford**, Brigham Young University
   50 Shades of Clay: Initial p-XRF Analysis of Old Assyrian Tablets

   The Origins of the Assyrian King List

95. **Seth Richardson**, University of Chicago
   Neo-Neo Sumerian Kingship: the Late Old Babylonian Period

**C. East Asia V: Literary Criticism and Historiography.**
**Ronald Egan**, Stanford University, Chair *(1:00 p.m.–3:00 p.m.) Holmes-Brandeis*

96. **Junlei Zhang**, Arizona State University
   Writing A Drama Is Drawing A Painting? A Discussion of the Connection Between Words and Images in Ming Drama Criticism

97. **Jue Chen**, Colgate University
   *Biannian* as Poetic Criticism
Saturday Afternoon, March 19

98. **Christopher K. Tong**, Washington University in St. Louis
Nonhuman Poetics and Wang Guowei’s *Renjian cihua* [withdrawn]

(Break)

99. **Michael A. Fuller**, University of California, Irvine
Undoing a Historiographic Dichotomy: Poetry ‘Speaking of One’s Resolve’ or ‘Based on Feelings’

100. **Thomas D. Noel**, University of Vermont
“Lovers of the Odd”: One Tang Archaist’s Rejection of Ancient History and Revival of Classical Historiography

D. East Asia VI: Specific Texts and Their Structures. **Michael A. Fuller**, University of California, Irvine (3:15 p.m.–5:15 p.m.)

Holmes-Brandeis *

101. **Matthias L. Richter**, University of Colorado at Boulder
Interweaving Technical Text and Narrative in *Guoyu* ‘Yueyu xia’

102. **Lawrence Whitney**, Boston University
Rethinking Xunzi in Light of Recent Textual and Historical Scholarship on the Literature of the Warring States

(Break)

103. **Tobias Benedikt Zürn**, University of Wisconsin, Madison
The *Imaginaire* of Writing as Weaving and Intertextual Practice in the *Huainanzi*

104. **Shu-hui Wu**, Mississippi State University
Structure of the Commentaries in the *Later Han History* (*Hou Hanshu*) and Fan Ye’s Historiographical Expression
Saturday Afternoon, March 19

E. Islamic Near East VII: Commentary and Hermeneutics.

DEVIN J. STEWART, Emory University, Chair (12:45 p.m.–2:45 p.m.) Kennedy *

105. NATHANIEL A. MILLER, University of Chicago
    Quranic Isrāʾ and Pre-Islamic Ḥijāzī Imagery of Rule

106. SEAN W. ANTHONY, Ohio State University
    Two ‘Lost’ Sūrah of the Qurʾān: Sūrat al-Khalīfah and Sūrat al-Hafid between Textual and Ritual Canon (1st–3rd/7th–9th centuries)

107. LYALL ARMSTRONG, American University of Beirut
    The Qusṣāṣ in Early Qurʾān Commentaries

    (Break)

108. STEVEN GERTZ, Georgetown University)
    Debating the Ahl al-Bayt: Early Twelver Shiʿī and Sunnī Commentary on al-Aḥzāb 33–4

109. CARL SHARIF EL-TOBGUI, Brandeis University
    Ibn Taymiyya’s Hermeneutics to the Text: Context, Use, and Non-Literal Meaning in the Qurʾān

F. Islamic Near East VIII: Intellectual and Scientific Life in the Ottoman Empire.

JANE HATHAWAY, Ohio State University, Chair (1:30 p.m.–3:30 p.m.) Isabella Stewart Gardner

110. HELEN PFEIFER, University of Cambridge
    A Man of Letters between Mamluk Cairo and Ottoman Istanbul

111. GOTTFRIED HAGEN, University of Michigan
    The Place of “Cosmological Knowledge” in Ottoman Society
112. **B. Harun Küçük**, University of Pennsylvania
    Papaya Soup for Hypochondriacs: Science as Practice and Culture in Early Modern Istanbul

113. **Jane Hathaway**, Ohio State University
    The Chief Harem Eunuch as Patron of Intellectual Life in the Ottoman Provinces

**G. Islamic Near East IX: Judeo-Arabic Studies.** **Ross Brann**, Cornell University, Chair (3:00 p.m.–3:45 p.m.) *Kennedy*

114. **Benjamin Kantor**, University of Texas at Austin
    The Standard Language Ideology of Saadia Gaon and the Arabic Grammarians

115. **S.J. Pearce**, New York University
    A “Negative Relief” of Kitāb al-Ḥiyawān in a Preface to Hidāya ilā farā'id al-qulūb

**H. Islamic Near East X: Sufism.** **Steven Judd**, Southern Connecticut State University, Chair (4:00 p.m.–5:00 p.m.) *Isabella Stewart Gardner*

116. **John Zaleski**, Harvard University
    The Discernment of Incursive Thoughts (*Khaṭṭīrāt/Khawāṣir*) in al-Ḥāritī al-Muḥāṣibī and al-Junayd al-Baghdādī: A Case Study in the Development of Ṣūfī Concepts and Terminology

117. **Pascal Held**, University of Chicago
    ‘Abd al-Qādir al-Jilānī’s Theory on the Origin of the Term ‘Ṣūfī’

**I. Islamic Near East XI: Orientalism.** **Carl Sharif El-Tobgui**, Brandeis University, Chair (5:00 p.m.–6:00 p.m.) *Kennedy*

118. **Bruce Fudge**, University of Geneva
    “Frugal Orientalism”: Borges and the New Translations of the *Thousand and One Nights*

119. **Ehsan Estiri**, Ohio State University
    The Constitutive Nature of Orientalist Narratives
Saturday Afternoon, March 19

**J. South and Southeast Asia V: Epigraphy.** Richard Salomon, University of Washington, Chair (1:00 p.m.–3:00 p.m.) King *

120. Stephan Baums, University of Munich
   A Gândhāri Stotra in Śārdīlavikrīḍita Meter

121. James Apple, University of Calgary
   The Old Tibetan Version of the Kāśyapaparivarta preserved in Fragments from Dunhuang

122. Matthew Milligan, The University of Texas at Austin
   Administration and Donative Epigraphy at Early Buddhist Pilgrimage Sites

123. Luther Obrock, University of Pennsylvania
   Reading the Kalyana Inscription: Sanskrit, Religion, and the Sultanate in the Fourteenth Century Deccan

**K. South and Southeast Asia VI: Religious Lineages and Community.** Adheesh Sathaye, University of British Columbia, Chair (3:15 p.m.–5:15 p.m.) King *

124. Dragomir Dimitrov, Philipps-Universität Marburg
   Trials and Tribulations of the Cult of Maitreya in Theravāda Buddhism

125. Elaine Fisher, University of Wisconsin-Madison
   Hinduism In Translation: The Monastic Lineages of the Pañcārādhya Vīraśaivas Across Regions

126. Elizabeth Ann Cecil, Brown University
   Kaman, Kāmyaka & Kāmyakeśvara: Piety and Polity in Early Medieval Rajasthan (8th–10th centuries CE)
   (Break)

127. Ajay Rao, University of Toronto
   Recounting Reconsecration

128. Daniel M. Stuart, University of South Carolina, Columbia
   Confrontation and Procedure: The Vote in Early Buddhist Monasticisms
Saturday Evening–Sunday Morning, March 20

Saturday Evening

6:30 p.m.–8:30 p.m. Reception for AOS Members and Guests.
Harvard Semitic Museum (6 Divinity Ave., Cambridge)

Sunday, March 20th

Sunday Morning

8:30 a.m.–12:00 p.m. Morning Registration Press Room
8:30 a.m.–12:00 p.m. Book Exhibit Press Room

Sunday Morning Sectional Meetings

A. Ancient Near East VIII: Special Session in Honor of Geoffrey Khan. (Organized by Na’ama Pat-El, The University of Texas at Austin) Jo Ann Hackett, The University of Texas at Austin, Chair (9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.) Alcott *

129. JOHN HUEHNERGARD, The University of Texas at Austin) Opening Remarks

130. ELEANOR COGHLI, University of Zürich
The Role of Aktionsart in the Development of the Eastern Aramaic Perfects

131. JOHN HUEHNERGARD, The University of Texas at Austin
Ugaritic ʿ from Semitic ḫ

132. REBECCA HASSELLACH-ANDEE, University of Chicago
The Origin of the Third Person Markers on the Suffix Conjugation in Semitic

133. DEVIN J. STEWART, Emory University
Conjectural Emendation and Anomalies in the Qur’anic Text

(Break)

134. KEVIN VAN BLADEL, Ohio State University
An Arabic Account of the Mandæans and Their Language circa 900

135. NA’AMA PAT-EL, The University of Texas at Austin
Parallel Development and Historical Linguistic
136. **Charles G. Häberl**, Rutgers, the State University of New Jersey
   The Origin and Meaning of Mandaic *eutra*

137. **Geoffrey Khan**, University of Cambridge
   Concluding Comments

**B. East Asia VII: Language and Style. Matthias L. Richter**,
University of Colorado, Chair (9:00 a.m.–10:15 a.m.) *Holmes-Brandeis*

138. **Michael Opper**, University of Michigan
   Medial Glides in Sinitic: Evidence and Productivity [withdrawn]

139. **Richard VanNess Simmons**, Rutgers University
   Veiled Innovations in the *Zhōngyuán yīnyün*: Did a Mixed Guānhuà Koiné Make its Way into Yuàn Drama?

140. **E. Bruce Brooks**, University of Massachusetts at Amherst
   On the Stylistic Study of Ancient Texts

**C. East Asia VIII: Buddhist Culture and Practice. Antje Richter**,
University of Colorado, Chair (10:30 a.m.–11:45 a.m.) *Holmes-Brandeis*

141. **Cuilan Liu**, McGill University
   The Ownership of a Female Servant: Re-examining a Monastic Dispute in the Tibetan Legal Document P. T. 1079

142. **Fletcher Coleman**, Harvard University
   Bodies Embodied: A Reevaluation of Chinese Aśoka Style Reliquaries

143. **Stephanie Balkwill**, University of Southern California
   The Lives of Elite Women in the Imperial Nunnery of the Northern Wei
D. Islamic Near East XII: Transmission, Tradition and Institutions. Rana Mikati, The College of Charleston, Chair (9:00 a.m.–11:00 a.m.) Kennedy

144. Tahera Qutbuddin, University of Chicago
   Preservation of Early Arabic Oratorical Texts: Questions of Orality, Authenticity, and Modes of Transmission

145. David Calabro and Brian Hauglid, Brigham Young University
   Ibn Bishr’s Kitāb Muhtada al-Dunyā wa-Qiṣaṣ al-ʿanbiyāʾ: At the Beginnings of the Islamic Tradition of Stories of the Prophets

146. Jordi Ferrer I Serra, Lund University
   The “Palace” of al-Khawarnaq: An Ancient Ruin, a Banqueting Tent or... an Abbasid Concoction?

147. Devin J. Stewart, Emory University
   The Inaugural Ceremony (Iljās) in the Madrasahs of Fifteenth Century Cairo

   Alexander Key, Stanford University, Chair (9:00 a.m.–11:00 a.m.) Hutchinson-Lowell

148. Alexander Key, Stanford University
   ʿAbd al-Qāhir al-Ǧurjānī: Theory in Grammar Time

149. Lara Harb, Princeton University
   Form, Content and the Inimitability of the Qurān in ʿAbd al-Qāhir al-Jurjānī’s Works

150. Jeannie Miller, University of Toronto
   Al-Bayān and Genre from al-Jāḥiẓ to al-Jurjānī

(Break)
151. AVIGAIL NOY, Harvard University  
The Legacy of `Abd al-Qahir al-Jurjani in the Arabic East, 1200–1300

152. MATTHEW L. KEEGAN, New York University  
Al-Muṭarrizi’s Commentary on al-Ḥarirī’s Maqāmāt: Jurjānian Poetics in Practice

**F. Islamic Near East XIV: Ḥadīth.** SEAN W. ANTHONY, Ohio State University, Chair (11:15 a.m.–1:30 a.m.) Kennedy

153. MICHAEL DANN, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign  
The Discourse on Bid'ah in 2nd/8th Century Iraq

154. ISSAM EIDO, Vanderbilt University  
The Muṭṣazilite Approach toward Ḥadīth Criticism: The Origin and Evolution

155. GARRETT DAVIDSON, The College of Charleston  
The Recanonization of al-Bukhārī’s Ṣaḥīḥ: Between the Manuscript Tradition and Printed Text

(Break)

156. RANA MIKATI, The College of Charleston  
Defection at the Battle of Ṣiffīn: The Origin and Evolution of the Ābdūl

157. MAREIKE KOERTNER, Trinity College  
The Speaking Wolf and the Mistaken Orientalist—Re-evaluating an Early Ḥadīth

**G. South and Southeast Asia VII: The Rāmāyaṇa.** AJAY RAO,  
University of Toronto, Chair (9:00 a.m.–10:30 a.m.) King

158. VIDYUT AKLUJKAR, University of British Columbia  
The Song of the Birds in Ānanda-rāmāyaṇa

159. ROBERT GOLDMAN, The University of California at Berkeley  
Avatāra’s End: The Complex Theology of the Uttarākāṇḍa of the Vālmikirāmāyaṇa
Sunday Morning–Afternoon, March 20

160. AARON SHERRADEN, University of Texas at Austin
It was an Accident! Who is Śambhu, Anyway? Shifting Narrative in Vimalasūri’s Paīmacariya

161. SALLY J. SUTHERLAND GOLDMAN, The University of California at Berkeley
A Narrative of Rape: SexualAggression and the Uttarakāṇḍa

H. South and Southeast Asia VIII: The Mahābhārata. CHRISTOPHER MINKOWSKI, University of Oxford, Chair (10:45 a.m.–12:00 p.m.) King

162. STEPHANIE W. JAMISON, University of California Los Angeles
Uttāṇka in the Mahābhārata: Dharma in Action

163. JARROD WHITAKER, Wake Forest University
Bleeding for Heaven: On the Complex Martial Messages of Mahābhārata 12.96–104

164. TIM LORNDALE, University of Pennsylvania
Who is the Real Hero of the Sāhasabhīmavijaya?: Narrative Structure and Duryodhana’s Characterization in an Old Kannada Mahābhārata

Sunday Afternoon

1:00 p.m.–5:00 p.m. Book Exhibit and Sale Press Room

Sunday Afternoon Sectional Meetings

A. Ancient Near East IX: Science and Magic. TZVI ABUSCH, Brandeis University, Chair (1:00 p.m.–2:15 p.m.) King *

165. GINA KONSTANTOPOULOS, Institute for the Study of the Ancient World, New York University
May the Evil Tongue Stand Aside: Concerning the Dispelling Language and Function of Mesopotamian Incantations

166. M. WILLIS MONROE, Brown University
Physical Markers of Textual Formatting in Late-Babylonian Astrology

167. CHRISTOPHER WOODS, University of Chicago
The Abacus in Mesopotamia: Considerations from a Comparative Perspective
B. Ancient Near East X: Literature. Petra Goedegebuure, University of Chicago, Chair (1:00 p.m.–2:15 p.m.) Isabella Stewart Gardner *

168. John Wee, University of Chicago
   An Esoteric Babylonian Commentary, Explained
169. Sam Mirelman, Institute for the Study of the Ancient World, New York University
   Towards a Model of Liturgical Literacy in 1st Millennium BCE Mesopotamia
170. Hannah Marcuson, University of Chicago
   The Function of Analogy in Hittite Ritual
171. Harold Torger Vedeler, Central Connecticut State University
   Cognition and Divine Communication in Gudea A

C. Islamic Near East XV: Shi‘i Studies. Sajjad Rizvi, University of Exeter, Chair (1:00 p.m.–2:30 p.m.) Kennedy

172. Paul E. Walker, University of Chicago
   An Islamic Typology
173. Christopher Melchert, Oxford University
   Agents of the Imams Mūsā al-Kāẓim and ʿAlī Riḍā
174. Naajam Haider, Barnard College/Columbia University
   The Remembered Imam: Mūsā al-Kāẓim and the Influence of Classical Rhetoric in Early Muslim Historical Writing
175. Edmund Hayes, Colby College
   Ibn Rawḥ al-Nawbakhtī: Knowledge as Power in the Struggle for the Soul of Early Occultation-Era Imami Shi‘ism

D. Plenary Session: Travel. Beatrice Gruendler, Freie Universität Berlin, Chair (2:30 p.m.–5:00 p.m.) Alcott

176. Paul-Alain Beaupré, University of Toronto
   Ancient Near East
177. Stephen West, Arizona State University
   East Asia
   (Break)
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178. Everett Rowson, New York University

Islamic Near East

179. Robert Goldman, University of California, Berkeley

South Asia

5:15 p.m.–6:00 p.m. Annual Business Meeting (All Members Are Encouraged to Attend.) Alcott

Sunday Evening

6:30 p.m.–7:30 p.m. Social Hour (Cash Bar) Wheatley Terrace

7:30 p.m.–11:00 p.m. Annual Subscription Dinner Rooftop Ballroom

Presidential Address (Near the Conclusion of the Dinner, at approximately 9:00 p.m) Rooftop Ballroom *

• Ronald Egan, Stanford University
  Chinese Painting as a Composite Art

Monday, March 21st

Monday Morning

9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m. Book Sale Continues Press Room

Monday Morning Sectional Meetings

A. Ancient Near East XI: Realia. Philip Zhakevich, Columbia University, Chair (9:00 a.m.–11:00 p.m.) Alcott *

180. Shyantti Thavapan, Yale University
  Color in the Glass Texts from Ancient Mesopotamia

181. Federico Zangani, Brown University
  Writing to the Great Kings, Sailing the Great Green: Combining Evidence from Amarna and Uluburun

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182. **Philip Zhakevich**, Columbia University
   Ancient Hebrew Terms Designating Mud and Plaster

183. **Émilie Pagé-Perron**, University of Toronto
   The Fishermen of Early Dynastic Lagash

**B. Ancient Near East XII: National and Social Identity.** **Sarah C. Melville**, Clarkson University, Chair *(11:15 a.m.–12:15 p.m.)*

184. **Jennifer Finn**, Marquette University
   Wars with Time: Reconstituted Battle Narratives and Social Identity in the Ancient Near East

185. **Sarah C. Melville**, Clarkson University
   Ideology, Politics, and the Neo-Assyrian Understanding of Defeat

186. **Lance Allred**, Museum of the Bible
   Royal Veneration Names in the Ur III Period

**C. East Asia IX: Ming and Qing Novels.** **Stephen West**, Arizona State University Chair *(9:00 a.m.–11:00 a.m.)*

187. **Mengjun Li**, University of Puget Sound
   Enlightenment and Love: Existential Dilemmas and the Conflation of Genres in *Dream of Returning to Lotus*

188. **Yiu Chun Lam**, The University of Hong Kong
   The Concept of *Qing* in *Honglou Meng*, Its Lineage to the Late-Ming Sensitivity and Emotion Communion between Cao Xueqin and Zhi Yanzhai

189. **Jessica Moyer**, Smith College
   Spatializing Labor, Ritual, and Emotion in *Honglou meng* and *Honglou fumeng*

190. **Ji Hao**, College of the Holy Cross
   Gender and Sexuality in *Xiyou ji*
Monday Morning, March 21

D. Islamic Near East XVI: Literary Studies.
TAHERA QUTBUDDIN, University of Chicago, Chair (9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.) Kennedy *

191. NUHA ALSHAAR, American University of Sharjah/Institute of Ismaili Studies
The Relationship between Hadith and other Popular Literary Genres

192. RANA R. SIBLINI, Münster University
“I wish I knew would I spend one more night”: the Calling of Nostalgia in pre-Modern Arabic Poetry

193. BEATRICE GRUENDLER, Freie Universität Berlin
Of Rats and Wise Men—Versions of a Chapter in Kalila wa-Dimna
(Break)

194. BILAL ORFALI, American University of Beirut
Against Muslim Cities: On hijāʾ al-mudun in Arabic Literature

195. AILIN QIAN, Independent Scholar
Al-Ṣaymarî the Misanthrope

E. Islamic Near East XVII: Shi’a in History. EDMUND HAYES, Colby College, Chair (9:00 a.m.–10:30 a.m.) Isabella Stewart Gardner *

196. PATRICK SCHARFE, Texas Tech University
Friendship over Sect: The Abbasid Caliph al-Ṭāʾī and his Patronage of the ‘Alid Poet al-Sharîf al-Rāḍî

197. RACHEL HOWES, California State University, Northridge
Contemporary Literary and Intellectual Reactions to the Egyptian “Great Crisis” of 1058–1074CE/450-466AH

198. MOHAMMAD SAGHA, University of Chicago
Daylamî Dynastic Formations, Military-Factionary Politics, and the Zaydi Imamate of the South Caspian
Monday Morning, March 21

**F. Islamic Near East**: Islamic Near East XVIII: Islamic Readings of the Bible. Adam Bursi, University of Tennessee, Knoxville, Chair (10:45 a.m.–12:15 p.m.) Isabella Stewart Gardner *

199. Clint Hackenburg, Denison University
   Contextualizing Early Biblical Testimonia of Muḥammad: A Study of Ibn al-Layth’s Risāla

200. Samuel Ross, Yale University
   A Survey of Tafsîr Evidence for Medieval Muslim Engagement with the Bible

201. Ryan Schaffner, Ohio State University
   The Bible through a Qurʾanic Filter: Scripture Falsification (Tahrîf) in Early Muslim Polemical Thought

**G. South and Southeast Asia IX: Theology and Poetry.**
Vidyut Aklujkar, University of British Columbia, Chair (9:00 a.m.–10:30 a.m.) King

202. Jonathan Edelman, University of Florida
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