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Conference Information

Meeting Site. The 217th Meeting of the American Oriental Society will be held Friday, March 16–Monday, March 19, 2007, in San Antonio, TX. Hotel rooms for participants have been blocked at the at the Sheraton Gunter Hotel, 205 E. Houston Street, San Antonio, TX 78205.

Hotel reservations should be booked by members directly with the hotel. When calling for reservations, please identify yourself as a member of the AOS. You must make reservations well in advance of the meeting, since room availability cannot be guaranteed after the **February 12, 2006 deadline**. After this cutoff date, any uncommitted rooms in the block we have reserved will be released for general sale, and additional reservation requests will be accepted if rooms are available. Room rates are \$149 single, \$159 double. Rates are in effect for March 14-20, 2007.

Direct phone: Direct phone: (210) 227-3241; Fax: (210) 227-9305; Toll-free main reservation line 888-999-2089 or 800-325-3535. Sheraton Gunter Hotel Website: <http://www.gunterhotel.com/gunterhome.html>. The Society's contract with the Gunter Hotel for securing conference rates requires that a minimum number of rooms per night be reserved and occupied by members for the duration of the meeting. Thus, your stay at the conference hotel assures that the AOS will not be assessed extremely high fees for meeting and banquet space rental. We truly need your cooperation in this matter.

Hotel Location: The hotel is located in the Central Downtown Theater District close to the famed Riverwalk, noted for lively entertainment, fine dining, and convenient shopping. The hotel has a fitness center, whirlpool, and outdoor heated pool. Parking rate is \$14/day + tax-valet.

Transportation: San Antonio International Airport: There are several ground transportation options between San Antonio International and surrounding metropolitan area destinations. Detailed ground transportation information is available at the airport's website: <http://www.sanantonio.gov/aviation/groundtransportation.asp>. For driving directions, refer to the Sheraton Gunter Hotel Website: <http://www.gunterhotel.com/gunterhome.html>.

Conference Meeting Rooms. All sessions will be held at the Sheraton Gunter Hotel. The Annual Subscription Banquet will take place on Sunday evening, March 18, also at the hotel.

Registration: Early registration is on Friday, March 16, 9:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m. The Registration Desk is in Ludwig's on the second floor. 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 take note that in order to make registration more efficient, there will be Two Registration Desks:

1. Pre-Registered: Members who have pre-registered by mail before March 1, 2007, may check in and pickup their prepared meeting packets at the "Pre-Registered Desk". Pre-registered members who have not yet paid their 2007 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 2007. Non-registered members who have not yet paid their 2007 dues may also do so here.

Special Events:

Reception: An introductory reception will be held on Friday, March 16, from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. in Magnolia Room, Gunter Terrace. All registered members and guests are cordially invited to attend.

Breakfast for Graduate Students and Recent Ph.D.'s, hosted by the AOS, will be on Saturday, March 17, 8:30 a.m.-9:30 a.m. in the Quadrangle Room.

Plenary Session. The Plenary Session, entitled "Sacred Space", will be held on Sunday morning, March 18, 8:30 a.m.-10:30 a.m.

Special Session. "Seventy Years Among Orientalists", presented by Denis Sinor, Indiana University on Sunday morning, March 18, 10:45 a.m.-11:30 a.m.

Business Meeting. A general Business Meeting of the Society will be held on Sunday, March 19, beginning at 11:45 a.m. Members are encouraged to attend. The business meeting should adjourn by 12:30 p.m.

The Annual Subscription Dinner with associated events has been scheduled for Sunday evening, March 18, from 7:30 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. Reservations and fees are automatically included in registration.

Admission is by ticket only which is included among registration materials. Additional tickets and tickets for guests can still be reserved until March 1, 2007, by sending \$35.00 to the AOS Office. A limited number of unsold tickets will be available for purchase for \$35 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 with cash bar 6:00 p.m.–7:30 p.m.

Franz Rosenthal Prize Presentation to Joshua Blau, Sunday evening, March 18, 8:45 p.m. Prof. Blau will also present “Elements of Spoken Aramaic in Early Judeo-Arabic Texts Spelt Phonetically” on Monday, March 19, at 9:00–9:30 a.m.

The Presidential Address “Between Something and Nothing” will be delivered by Paul W. Kroll following the Annual Subscription Dinner, at approximately 9:00 p.m. All members and guests are invited to attend the address.

35th NACAL 2007. A joint AOS-NACAL session (Ancient Near East I) has been scheduled for Friday afternoon, March 16. NACAL participants who have not registered for the AOS meeting and wish to attend the joint AOS/NACAL session must pay a \$25.00 “cross-registration” premium. If they expect to attend other sessions of the AOS meeting, they are required to register and pay the full AOS registration fee.

Book Exhibit and Sale. The Annual Book Exhibit will commence on Friday afternoon, March 16, at 1:00, and continue daily during the meeting, 8:30 a.m.–12:00 p.m. and 1:00 p.m.–5:00 p.m. Beginning on Sunday afternoon and continuing through Monday morning March 19, 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 Academic Publishers, Eisenbrauns, and Mellen Press will oversee independent exhibits and discounted sales. Those wishing to purchase at discount from these publishers should deal directly with them.

Meeting Arrangements Organized by
Bill Sanford of Chatterton Meeting Planners, Hamden, Connecticut

PROGRAM OF THE 217th ANNUAL MEETING

—OUTLINE—

Thursday, March 15th

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

Friday, March 16th

Friday Morning

9:00 a.m.–9:30 p.m. Program Section Chairs Meeting
Quadrangle Room

9:30 a.m.–12:00 p.m. AOS Board of Directors Meeting
Quadrangle Room

9:30 a.m.–12:00 p.m. Morning Registration *Ludwig's*

Friday Afternoon

1:00 p.m.–5:00 p.m. Afternoon Registration and Book Exhibit
Ludwig's

Friday Afternoon Sectional Meetings

- A. Ancient Near East I: AOS/NACAL: Linguistics
(2:00 p.m.–5:00 p.m.) *L. Mahncke Room*
- B. Ancient Near East II: Writing Systems
(2:00 p.m.–5:00 p.m.) *Crystal Ballroom*
- C. Islamic Near East I: Literature: Beneath the Surface;
Sociability in Medieval Arabic Literature
and Culture; Inversion (2:00 p.m.–5:00 p.m.)
Bluebonnet Room
- D. Islamic Near East II: Law: Shafi'i(tes)
(5:20 p.m.–6:20 p.m.) *Bluebonnet Room*
- E. South and Southeast Asia I: 1. Iranian and Indian Religion;
2. Vedic Language and Linguistics (1:30 p.m.–4:45 p.m.)
Magnolia Room

Friday Evening

6:00 p.m.–8:00 p.m. Cocktail Reception for Members and Guests
Magnolia Room, Gunter Terrace

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and Recent PhD's (Hosted by the AOS)
Quadrangle Room

8:30 a.m.–12:00 p.m. Morning Registration and Book Exhibit
Ludwig's

Saturday Morning Sectional Meetings

- A. Ancient Near East III: Akkadian Literature
(9:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m.) *Crystal Ballroom*
- B. East Asia I: Chinese Phonology and Paleography
(9:00 a.m.–11:00 p.m.) *L. Mahncke Room*
- C. Islamic Near East III: Religion: Qur'anic text; Relics;
God (9:00 a.m.–11:40 a.m.) *Bluebonnet Room*
- D. Islamic Near East IV: History: Commerce
(11:40 a.m.–12:30 p.m.) *Bluebonnet Room*
- E. South and Southeast Asia II: Old Iranian Literature
Epics and Dharmaśāstra; Drama and Poetry
(9:30 a.m.–12:00 p.m.) *Magnolia Room*

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1:00 p.m.–5:00 p.m. Afternoon Registration and Book Exhibit
Ludwig's

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- A. Ancient Near East IV: Sumerian Literature
(2:00 p.m.–3:00 p.m.) *Crystal Ballroom*
- B. Ancient Near East V: Special Session:
Where have all the tablets gone? Preserving
Iraq's Cultural Heritage in Times of Unrest
(3:30 p.m.–5:30 p.m.) *Crystal Ballroom*
- C. East Asia II: Chinese Rhetoric, Poetry, and Music
(1:30 p.m.–5:00 p.m.) *L. Mahncke Room*

- D. Islamic Near East South and Southeast Asia Joint Session:
Interactions between Sanskritic, Arabic, and
Persianate Intellectuals and Artists
(1:30 p.m.–4:30 p.m.) *Magnolia Room*
- E. Islamic Near East VI: Literature: Greek and Persian
Elements in Ninth Century Arabic Literary Culture
(4:40 p.m.–6:00 p.m.) *Bluebonnet Room*

Sunday, March 18th

Sunday Morning

- 8:30 a.m.–12:00 p.m. Morning Registration and Book Exhibit
Ludwig's
- 8:30 a.m.–11:00 a.m. Plenary Session: Sacred Space
Crystal Ballroom
- 11:00 a.m.–11:45 a.m. Special Session: Seventy Years Among
Orientalists. Denis Sinor *Crystal Ballroom*
- 11:50 a.m.–12:30 p.m. Annual Business Meeting
Crystal Ballroom

Sunday Afternoon

- 1:00 p.m.–5:00 p.m. Book Exhibit and Sale *Ludwig's*

Sunday Afternoon Sectional Meetings

- A. Ancient Near East VI: History, Culture & Religion
(1:30 p.m.–4:30 p.m.) *Crystal Ballroom*
- B. Islamic Near East VII: Theology and Philosophy:
Ash‘ari(tes); Rummānī (1:15 p.m.–2:45 p.m.)
Bluebonnet Room
- C. Islamic Near East VIII: History and Literature
Lives and ‘Afterlives’; Tawḥīdī
(2:55 p.m.–5:30 p.m.) *Bluebonnet Room*
- D. Islamic Near East IX: Religion: Apocalyptic
(5:30 p.m.–6:30 p.m.) *Bluebonnet Room*
- E. South and Southeast Asia III: 1. Buddhism; 2. Grammar
and Etymology (2:00 p.m.–5:15 p.m.) *Magnolia Room*

Sunday Evening

6:00 p.m.–7:30 p.m. Social Hour (Cash Bar) *Yellow Rose Room,
Gunter Terrace*

7:30 p.m.–11:00 p.m. Annual Subscription Dinner,
8:45 p.m. • Franz Rosenthal Prize Presentation,
9:30 p.m. • and Presidential Address *Crystal Ballroom*

Monday, March 19th

Monday Morning

9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m. Book Sale Continues *Ludwig's*

Monday Morning Sectional Meetings

- A. Ancient Near East VII: Economy & Society (9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.)
Crystal Ballroom
- B. Special Session: Franz Rosenthal Prize Communication:
Joshua Blau (9:00 a.m.–9:30 a.m.) *Bluebonnet Room*
- C. Islamic Near East X: Religion and History:
Female Elites; Universals (9:40 a.m.–11:30 a.m.) *Bluebonnet Room*

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Quadrangle Room

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Quadrangle Room

9:30 a.m.–12:00 p.m. Morning Registration. *Ludwig's*

Friday Afternoon

1:00 p.m.–5:00 p.m. Afternoon Registration and Book Exhibit. *Ludwig's*

Friday Afternoon Sectional Meetings

A. Ancient Near East I: AOS-NACAL: Linguistics.
ANNALISA AZZONI, Vanderbilt University, Chair (**2:00 p.m.–5:00 p.m.**) *L. Mahncke Room*

1. HERMANN JUNGRAITHMAYR, Institut für Afrikanische Sprachwissenschaft, Goethe-Universität, Frankfurt
The Semitoid Nature of Mubi (Chadic)

Friday Afternoon

2. ELITZUR AVRAHAM BAR-ASHER, Harvard University
A New Perspective on Barth's Law
3. W. RANDALL GARR, University of California, Santa Barbara [with-drawn]
The Medial Demonstratives *hallazeh*, *hallezû*, and *hallaz*
4. NA'AMA PAT-EL, Harvard University
The Function and Etymology of the Aramaic Particle *LM*
(Break)
5. CHRISTOPHER WOODS, Oriental Institute, University of Chicago
The Conjugation Prefixes, the Dative Case, and the Empathy Hierarchy in Sumerian
6. CALVERT WATKINS, University of California Los Angeles
A Note on the Hittite Funerary Ritual for a Prince or Princess
7. DAVID TESTEN
Potential Iranian and Anatolian Cognates to the Greek Preposition (k)sun
8. WILLIAM W. MALANDRA, University of Texas
Pahlavi *dālman* 'vulture' and the ideogram *CC'* (*šš'*)

B. Ancient Near East II: Writing Systems.

SETH RICHARDSON, Oriental Institute, University of Chicago, Chair
(2:00 p.m.–4:00 p.m.) *Crystal Ballroom*

9. MIGUEL CIVIL, Oriental Institute, University of Chicago
Transfer and Adaptation of Logograms
10. ILYA YAKUBOVICH, University of Chicago
Pragmatics of the Glossenkeil in Bronze Age Syria and Anatolia
11. BENJAMIN STUDEVENT-HICKMAN, Oriental Institute, University of Chicago
The Ninety-Degree Rotation of the Cuneiform Script
(Break)
12. LLOYD B. ANDERSON, Ecological Linguistics
From Mesopotamian Cuneiform to Aegean Syllabaries and Mathematical Notations

Friday Afternoon

13. PETER T. DANIELS, New York
Recent Works on the Origins of Writing
- D. Islamic Near East I: Literature. (1:00 p.m.–5:00 p.m.)**
Bluebonnet Room
- **Beneath the Surface.** MAJD AL-MALLAH, Grand Valley State University, Chair (1:00 p.m.–2:00 p.m.) *Bluebonnet Room*
14. BILAL ORFALI, Yale University
Representations of the Sea in Pre-Islamic Poetry
15. RUQAYYA KHAN, Trinity University
Secrecy in Early Islam
16. HUSAIN K. B. QUTBUDDIN,, University of Cambridge.
'Implicit *Tafsīr*' and the Exoteric Aspect of Ismāʿīlī Exegesis
- **Sociability in Medieval Arabic Literature and Culture.**
(Organized by Samer Ali and Jocelyn Sharlet) EVERETT ROWSON,
New York University, Chair (2:20 p.m.–4:20 p.m.) *Bluebonnet Room*
17. HANAA KILANY, Georgetown University
Uns in the Qurʾān and Ḥadīth
18. DELIA AVILA ATMACA, University of Texas at Austin
The Etiquette of Profanity in 'Ulayya bint al-Mahdī's "Zaynab"
19. CLARISSA BURT, U.S. Naval Academy
Rivalry and Patronage in Umayyad Courtly Circles: 'Adī ibn al-Ruqā'ʿ's Transactional Poetry

(*Break*)
20. SAMER M. ALI, University of Texas at Austin
The Abbasid Literary Salon (*Mujalasa*) and the Public Sphere of Participation
21. JOCELYN SHARLET, University of California, Davis
Friendship, Gift Exchange, and Slaves: The Literary Expression of Material Value and Normative Ethics in Medieval Arabic Culture

Friday Afternoon

- **Inversion.** PHILIP KENNEDY, New York University, Chair
(4:20 p.m.–5:00 p.m.) *Bluebonnet Room*

22. SUZANNE P. STETKEYVCH, Indiana University
Adab in the Afterlife: Performance and Performativity in
al-Maʿarrī’s *Risālat al-Ghufrān* and Ibn Shuhayd’s *Risālat
al-Tawābīʿ wa al-Zawābīʿ*
23. EMILY JANE SELOVE, University of California Los Angeles
Sponging in a Rotten Age: al-Khaṭīb al-Baghdādī’s Monographic
Work on Abusers of Hospitality

- E. Islamic Near East II: Law: Shafiʿi(tes).** JOSEPH LOWRY,
University of Pennsylvania, Chair (5:20 p.m.–6:20 p.m.) *Bluebonnet
Room*

24. AHMED EL SHAMSY, Harvard University
A Textual History of al-Shāfiʿī’s *Kitāb al-Umm* and *Risālah*
25. DAVID R. VISHANOFF, University of Oklahoma
The Paradoxical Hermeneutic of Sunni Jurisprudence: Its Emer-
gence and Triumph from al-Muzanī to Ibn Ḥazm
26. R. KEVIN JAQUES, Indiana University
Competition among Intellectual Elites in 15th Century Damascus:
The Case of Najm al-Dīn Ibn Ḥijjī, Ibn Kishk, and Ibn Naqīb al-
Ashrāf

- F. South and Southeast Asia I.** GARY A. TUBB, Columbia Uni-
versity, Chair (1:30 p.m.–4:45 p.m.) *Magnolia Room*

- **Iranian and Indian Religion**

27. JARROD L. WHITAKER, Wake Forest University
Who Gets to Live Forever in Ancient India? Rethinking *āyus*
 (“Lifetime”) in the *R̥gveda* and *Atharvaveda* 1.35
28. SIGNE COHEN, University of Missouri-Columbia
The White Yajurveda and the Origins of Karma

Friday Afternoon–Evening–Saturday Morning

• **Vedic Language and Linguistics**

29. JOEL BRERETON, University of Texas at Austin
Toward Understanding *hí*
30. ALF HILTEBEITEL, George Washington University
Vedic and Epic *Dhātr̥* and *Vidhātr̥*
(*Break*)
31. STEPHANIE W. JAMISON, University of California, Los Angeles
“Women’s Language” in the *R̥gveda*?
32. G. GUTHENBERG, University of Georgia
Functional Outcomes of Verbal Compounding in the *R̥gveda*
33. HANS HEINRICH HOCK, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
Multiple Preverb Accentuation in Vedic
34. PETER M. SCHARF, Brown University
Vedic Accent: Underlying Versus Surface

Friday Evening

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Saturday Morning

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A. Ancient Near East III: Akkadian Literature.

GARY BECKMAN, University of Michigan, Chair (9:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m.) *Crystal Ballroom*

35. NIEK VELDHUIS, University of California, Berkeley [withdrawn]
Semitic Lexicography in the Mid-Third Millennium
36. DANIEL FLEMING, New York University
Yale Does Not Assume Penn: A Reading Hypothesis for the Old Babylonian Gilgamesh Epic
37. SARA MILSTEIN, New York University
An Examination of the Literary Features of the Yale Tablet of the Gilgamesh Epic
38. J. CALE JOHNSON, University of California, Los Angeles
The Kennings in Gilgamesh's Rejection of Inanna and Amorite Cultural Identity

(*Break*)
39. JOHN JACOBS, Yale University
The Structure of the *Enūma Eliš*
40. JACK M. SASSON, Vanderbilt University
Another Wrinkle on Old Adapa
41. JEFFREY COOLEY, Xavier University
Erra and Išum and Babylonian Celestial Divination.

Saturday Morning

B. East Asia I: Chinese Phonology and Paleography. ROBERT
JOE CUTTER, Chair (9:00 a.m.–11:00 a.m.) *L. Mahncke Room*

42. CRISPIN WILLIAMS, University of Kansas
A Phonological Study of the Wenxian Covenant Texts
43. DAVID PRAGER BRANNER, University of Maryland
Explaining Character Structure before *Shuōwén*
44. ADAM SMITH, University of California Los Angeles
Paleographic Data for the Reconstruction of Old Chinese
Phonology–jia3 “Armor”
45. RICHARD VANNESS SIMMONS, Rutgers University
Comparing Common Northern Wu and Common Southern Jiang-
Hwai with Common Dialectal Chinese

C. Islamic Near East III: Religion. (9:00 a.m.–11:40 p.m.)
Bluebonnet Room

- **Qurʾanic text.** R. KEVIN JAQUES, Indiana University, Chair (9:00
a.m.–10:00 a.m.) *Bluebonnet Room*
46. JAMES A. BELLAMY, University of Michigan
God the Solid: Emending the *Sūrat al-ʾIklāṣ*
 47. DAVID S. POWERS, Cornell University
From Nuzi to Medina: Q. 4:12b Revisited
 48. CHRISTOPHER MELCHERT, Oriental Institute, Oxford
Oral and Written Transmission in the Generation of Variant
Readings (*qirʾâʾât*) of the Qurʾan
 - **Relics.** JON MCGINNIS, University of Missouri, St. Louis, Chair
(10:00 a.m.–10:40 a.m.) *Bluebonnet Room*
 49. TRAVIS ZADEH, Harvard University
From Drops of Blood: Charisma and Political Legitimacy in the
Translatio of an ʿUthmanic Codex
 50. SAMUEL NOBLE, Yale University
A Disputation over a Fragment of the True Cross: A Text from
the History of Inter-Religious Relations in Medieval Egypt

(*Break*)

Saturday Morning

- **God.** JON MCGINNIS, University of Missouri, St. Louis, Chair (11:00 a.m.–11:40 a.m.) *Bluebonnet Room*

51. ALEXANDER TREIGER, Yale University
God as Dazzling Light in Early Arabic Philosophy
52. SANDRA TOENIES KEATING, Providence College
An Early List of the *Ṣifāt Allāh* in the Writings of a Christian Apologist

- D. Islamic Near East IV: History: Commerce.** DAVID S. POWERS, Cornell University, Chair (11:40 a.m.–12:30 p.m.) *Bluebonnet Room*

53. MICHAEL BONNER, University of Michigan
The Arabian “Silent Trade”
54. LEOR HALEVI, Texas A&M University
Rumi Paper: Christian Impurity vs. Economic Necessity in a Fifteenth-Century Fatwa

- E. South and Southeast Asia II.** STEPHANIE W. JAMISON, University of California, Los Angeles, Chair (9:30 a.m.–12:00 p.m.) *Magnolia Room*

- **Old Iranian Literature**

55. PRODS OKTOR SKJÆRVØ, Harvard University
Weaving the Old Avesta
56. YUHAN S.-D. VEVAINA, Harvard University
Associative Exegesis in Zoroastrianism: *Dēnkard* Book 9 and the *Kamnāmaēzā Hāiti* (*Yasna* 46.1–19)

- **Epics and Dharmaśāstra**

57. LUIS GONZÁLEZ-REIMANN, University of California, Berkeley [with-drawn]
Kalpas in the *Mahābhārata*
58. DONALD R. DAVIS, JR., University of Wisconsin-Madison
On *ātmatuṣṭī* as a Source of Dharma

(*Break*)

Saturday Morning–Afternoon

59. EMILY BLANCHARD WEST, College of St. Catherine, and TZVI ABUSCH, Brandeis University

The Wild Man and the Courtesan: The Seductions of Rsyasrnga in India and Enkidu in Mesopotamia

• **Drama and Poetry**

60. BRUCE M. SULLIVAN, Northern Arizona University

Dying on the Stage in the Sanskrit Theatre Tradition

61. GARY A. TUBB, Columbia University

Yamaka in the *Caitanyacandrodaya*

Saturday Afternoon

1:00 p.m.–5:00 p.m. Afternoon Registration and Book Exhibit. *Ludwig's*

Saturday Afternoon Sectional Meetings

A. Ancient Near East, IV: Sumerian Literature. MIGUEL CIVIL, Oriental Institute, University of Chicago, Chair (**2:00 p.m.–3:00 p.m.**) *Crystal Ballroom*

62. PAUL DELNERO, University of Pennsylvania

Memory and Variation in Sumerian Literary Compositions

63. ALHENA GADOTTI, Cornell University

The Conceptualization of Rape in Sumerian Literature

64. NICOLE BRISCH, University of Chicago

Baba—The Different Lives of a Goddess

B. Ancient Near East V: Special Session: Where have all the tablets gone? Preserving Iraq's Cultural Heritage in Times of Unrest. ROBERT K. ENGLUND, University of California, Los Angeles, Chair (**3:30 p.m.–5:30 p.m.**) *Crystal Ballroom*

65. JERROLD S. COOPER, The Johns Hopkins University

66. MICAH GAREN, Photographer, Documentary Filmmaker, and Writer, and Founder of Four Corners Media

67. STEVEN GARFINKLE, Western Washington University

68. RICHARD L. ZETTLER, University of Pennsylvania

Saturday Afternoon

C. East Asia II: Chinese Rhetoric, Poetry, and Music. DAVID PRAGER BRANNER, University of Maryland, Chair (1:30 p.m.–5:00 p.m.) *L. Mahncke Room*

69. ANTHONY E. CLARK, University of Alabama
Confucius Said What? *Baobian* and the Voice of Judgment in the *Hanshu*
70. MATTHEW WELLS, Eastern Oregon University
Self and Self-Narrative in Early China
71. KONG XURONG, Kean University
Yongwu Fu and Intention? A Thematic Study of Fu Xuan's *Yongwu Fu*
72. BRIGITTA LEE, Princeton University
Emulation as Evaluation: A Study of the Relationship between Ban Jieyu's "Song Of Lament (*Yuan Shi*)" and Jiang Yan's (444–505) Imitation
(Break)
73. HONGYU HUANG, Yale University
Wu Weiye's War Poems and the Chinese Tradition of Poetry as Witness to Historical Trauma
74. Y. EDMUND LIEN, University of Washington
Why Simple Lines in the "Da Si Yue" Baffle the Best Minds
75. DING XIANG WARNER, Cornell University
Casting away Hat-pins: Wang Bo's Poetry from the Shu Years
76. ANNA M. SHIELDS, Princeton University
A Poetic Discussion of Career and Companionship: Linked Verses by the Mid-Tang Poets Han Yu and Meng Jiao

Saturday Afternoon

D. Islamic Near East and South and Southeast Asia Joint Session: Interactions between Sanskritic, Arabic, and Persianate Intellectuals and Artists. Organized by CHRISTOPHER MINKOWSKI, University of Oxford, and SHAWKAT M. TOORAWA, Cornell University, Chairs (1:30 p.m.–4:30 p.m.) *Magnolia Room*

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78. KIM PLOFKER, Brown University
Links between Sanskrit and Muslim science in Jaina astronomical works
79. SUPRIYA GANDHI, Harvard University
A Study of Dārā Shukūh’s Comparative Method in the *Majma’ al-Baḥrayn*
80. TOKE LINDEGAARD KNUDSEN, Brown University.
The Pārthapura School and Islamic Influence
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81. SUNIL SHARMA, Boston University
Azad Bilgrami’s Translation of Arabic and Sanskrit Poetics into Persian
82. SHAWKAT M. TOORAWA, Cornell University
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83. CHRISTOPHER MINKOWSKI, University of Oxford
J. B. Chaudhuri, Muslims, and Sanskrit Learning
84. MATTHEW C. SMITH, Harvard University
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85. AWAD AWAD, University of California Los Angeles
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86. AMENEH EMAMI, University of California Los Angeles
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89. PIOTR MICHALOWSKI, University of Michigan
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90. MARTIN KERN, Princeton University
East Asia: The Space of the Zhou Ancestral Sacrifice
91. FEDERICA VENTURI, Indiana University
Inner Asia: Covering Sacred Grounds: Chronicles of Holy Places in Tibetan Literature

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92. A. KEVIN REINHART, Dartmouth College
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Sunday Afternoon

1:00 p.m.–5:00 p.m. Book Exhibit and Sale. *Ludwig's*

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95. TZVI ABUSCH, Brandeis University
The Expansion of Babylonian Incantations: A Critical Analysis
96. ALAN LENZI, University of the Pacific
Re-Reading KAR 44, the Vademecum of the Exorcist
97. PATRICK MORGAN, University of Michigan
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98. EVA VON DASSOW, University of Minnesota, and DOUGLAS R. FRAYNE, University of Toronto
Naram-Sin, King of Uruk

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99. JENNIFER SINGLETARY, Brown University
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Paleography, Gods, and Diviners in Emar
101. EDWIN YAMAUCHI, Miami University
Jesus, the False Messiah, in Mandaeen Texts

B. Islamic Near East VII: Theology and Philosophy. MICHAEL
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103. TARIQ JAFFER, University of Oregon
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104. RACHA EL OMARI, University of California Santa Barbara
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105. BRUCE FUDGE, Southwestern University
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C. Islamic Near East VIII: History and Literature. (2:55 p.m.–
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109. AHMED H. AL-RAHIM, Yale University
Avicenna's Immediate Disciples and Their Works
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110. IKRAM MASMOUDI, Middlebury College
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7:30 p.m.–11:00 p.m. Annual Subscription Dinner. *Crystal Ballroom*

Presentation of the Franz Rosenthal Prize to Joshau Blau.
JACOB LASSNER (at approximately 8:45 p.m.) *Crystal Ballroom*

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- PAUL KROLL, University of Colorado
Between Something and Nothing

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122. LAURA CULBERTSON, University of Michigan
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123. LANCE ALLRED, Cornell University
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128. ANDREW GROSS, University of Pittsburgh
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- JOSHUA BLAU, Hebrew University
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