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Conference Information

Meeting Site. The 218th Meeting of the American Oriental Society will be held Friday, March 14–Monday, March 17, 2008, in Chicago, IL. Hotel rooms for participants have been blocked at the Renaissance Chicago Hotel, One West Wacker Drive, Chicago, IL 60601.

Hotel reservations should be booked by members directly with the hotel. Direct phone: (312) 372-7200; Fax: (312) 372-0093; Toll-free Marriott reservation line 1-800-228-9290. 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 20, 2008 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. Conference rates per night for rooms are \$169 single or double, \$209 for the Executive Level. Rates are in effect for March 14–20, 2007. Parking rate is \$28 during the business day; \$40 overnight.

The Society’s contract with the Renaissance Chicago 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 on the Chicago River, in the heart of the North Loop, within walking distance to the renewed Theater District and the famous “Magnificent Mile,” known for fine shopping and dining. The hotel boasts a 24-hour Business Center, Indoor Pool and an updated Fitness Center.

Transportation: Area Airports:

Chicago/OHare – ORD:

- Phone: 1-773-686-2200
- Hotel Direction: 18 mi SE
- Driving Directions: Take I-190 East to I-90 (Kennedy Expressway) East to the Ohio Street Exit. Ohio Street is a one-way street east-bound. Take Ohio to Clark, turn right. Go across the river and turn left at the first light (Wacker). Hotel is on the right at the corner of Wacker and State.
- Bus service, fee: \$26.00 (one way)

- Subway service, fee: \$2.00 (one way)
- Estimated taxi fare: \$35.00 (one way)

Chicago/Midway – MDW:

- Phone: 1-773-838-0600
- Hotel Direction: 12 mi NE
- Driving Directions: Go North on Cicero Ave. to I-55 North. I-55 North to Lake Shore Drive. Exit on Randolph St. West to Dearborn St. Turn right. Continue then take a right on Wacker Drive. Hotel is on the corner of Wacker & State.
- Bus service, fee: \$22.00 (one way)
- Subway service, fee: \$2.00 (one way)
- Estimated taxi fare: \$26.00 (one way)

Union Station (Amtrak & Metra) 1.5 mi SW, 225 S. Canal St.

Conference Meeting Rooms. All sessions will be held at the Renaissance Chicago Hotel. The Annual Subscription Banquet will take place on Sunday evening, March 16, also at the hotel.

Registration: Early registration is on Friday, March 14, 9:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m. The Registration Desk is in the Gold Coast Room on the Third 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, 2008, may check in and pickup their prepared meeting packets at the “Pre-Registered Desk”. Pre-registered members who have not yet paid their 2008 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 2008. Non-registered members who have not yet paid their 2008 dues may also do so here.

Special Events:

Reception: An introductory reception hosted by the AOS will be held on Friday, March 14, from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. in the Renaissance Ballroom A/B/C. 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 15, 8:30 a.m.–9:30 a.m., in the Michigan Room on the Fourth Floor.

Members and Guests are invited to a Reception hosted by the University of Chicago, on Saturday evening, March 15, 6:00 p.m.–8:00 p.m., at the Oriental Institute, 1155 E. 58th St. Transportation will be provided, and busses will leave the hotel between 5:40 p.m.–6:45 p.m. and return between 7:30 p.m.–8:15 p.m.

Plenary Session. The Plenary Session, entitled “Exile and Banishment”, will be held on Sunday morning, March 16, 8:30 a.m.–11:00 a.m., in Renaissance Ballroom A/B.

Special Session. Presidential Address 2007: “Between Something and Nothing, One Year After”, presented by Paul Kroll, University of Colorado on Sunday morning, March 16, 11:00 a.m.–11:45 a.m., in the Renaissance Ballroom A/B

Business Meeting. A general Business Meeting of the Society will be held on Sunday, March 16, beginning at 11:45 a.m., in the Renaissance Ballroom A/B. 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 16, 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, 2008, 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 from 6:00 p.m.–7:30 p.m.

The Presidential Address “Syriac, Arabic, and the Grapevines of Paradise: A Cautionary Tale” will be delivered by Sidney H. Griffith following the Annual Subscription Dinner, at approximately 9:00 p.m. All members and guests are invited to attend the address.

36th NACAL 2008. A joint AOS-NACAL session (Ancient Near East I) has been scheduled for Friday afternoon, March 14. 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 14, 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 17, 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 CDL 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 218th ANNUAL MEETING

—OUTLINE—

Thursday, March 13th

3:30 p.m.–5:00 p.m. JAOS Editorial Board Meeting
Wrigleyville Boardroom

Friday, March 14th

Friday Morning

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

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

9:30 a.m.–12:00 p.m. Morning Registration *Gold Coast Room*

Friday Afternoon

1:00 p.m.–5:00 p.m. Afternoon Registration and Book Exhibit
Gold Coast Room

Friday Afternoon Sectional Meetings

- A. Ancient Near East I: AOS/NACAL: Linguistics
in Memory of Alan S. Kaye
(2:00 p.m.–5:00 p.m.) *Bucktown Room*
- B. Ancient Near East II: History and Historiography
(2:00 p.m.–5:00 p.m.) *Renaissance Ballroom A/B*
- C. East Asia I: Text, Language, Linguistics
(1:15 p.m.–3:30 p.m.) *Bridgeport Room*
- D. East Asia II: Rhetorical Strategies in the *Huainanzi*
(3:45 p.m.–5:30 p.m.) *Bridgeport Room*
- E. Islamic Near East I: Literature: Aesthetics;
Pragmatics; Hamadhānī; Style and Skill
(1:00 p.m.–6:00 p.m.) *Renaissance Ballroom D*
- F. South and Southeast Asia I: *Śāstra*, Ritual, and Society
(2:00 p.m.–4:30 p.m.) *Renaissance Ballroom C*

Friday Evening

6:00 p.m.–8:00 p.m. Cocktail Reception for Members and Guests
Renaissance Ballroom A/B/C

Saturday, March 15th

Saturday Morning

8:30 a.m.–9:30 a.m. Breakfast for Graduate Students
and Recent PhD's (Hosted by the AOS)
Michigan Room

8:30 a.m.–12:00 p.m. Morning Registration and Book Exhibit
Gold Coast Room

Saturday Morning Sectional Meetings

- A. Ancient Near East III: Mesopotamian Literature
(9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.) *Renaissance Ballroom A/B*
- B. East Asia III: Inscription and Letter
(9:30 a.m.–11:45 a.m.) *Bridgeport Room*
- C. Inner Asia (9:30 a.m.–10:30 a.m.) *Bucktown Room*
- D. Islamic Near East II: Religion: Qurʾān: Terms; Issues
(9:30 a.m.–12:00 p.m.) *Renaissance Ballroom D*
- E. South and Southeast Asia II: Religion and Philosophy:
Iranian and Indian Religion; Purāṇas and Pilgrimage;
Indian Philosophy (9:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m.)
Renaissance Ballroom C

Saturday Afternoon

1:00 p.m.–5:00 p.m. Afternoon Registration and Book Exhibit
Gold Coast Room

Saturday Afternoon Sectional Meetings

- A. Ancient Near East IV: Ugarit
(1:30 p.m.–3:30 p.m.) *Bucktown Room*
- B. Ancient Near East V: Archæology and Art
(1:30 p.m.–3:30 p.m.) *Renaissance Ballroom A/B*
- C. Ancient Near East VI: Economy and Society
(4:00 p.m.–6:30 p.m.) *Renaissance Ballroom A/B*
- D. East Asia IV: Poetics and Performance
(1:15 p.m.–4:30 p.m.) *Bridgeport Room*

- E. Islamic Near East III: Philosophy and Science:
Ikhwān al-Ṣafāʾ, Ghazālī; History of Science
(1:30 p.m.–3:30 p.m.) *Renaissance Ballroom D*
- F. Islamic Near East IV: Language: Revolutionary Grammar
(4:00 p.m.–6:00 p.m.) *Renaissance Ballroom D*
- G. South and Southeast Asia III: Buddhist Traditions of South
and East Asia: South Asian Buddhism; East Asia and
South and Southeast Asia Joint Session: Cross-cultural
Transmission between South and East Asian Buddhism
(1:30 p.m.–6:30 p.m.) *Renaissance Ballroom C*

Saturday Evening

- 6:00 p.m.–8:00 p.m. Reception: Hosted by the University of Chicago
at the Oriental Institute, University of Chicago
(Transportation to 1155 E. 58th St. will be
provided and will leave the hotel beginning
at approximately 5:40 p.m.)

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Gold Coast Room
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Renaissance Ballroom A/B
- 11:00 a.m.–11:45 a.m. Special Session: Presidential Address 2007:
Between Something and Nothing, One Year After.
Paul Kroll, University of Colorado
Renaissance Ballroom A/B
- 11:50 a.m.–12:30 p.m. Annual Business Meeting
Renaissance Ballroom A/B

Sunday Afternoon

- 1:00 p.m.–5:00 p.m. Book Exhibit and Sale *Gold Coast Room*

Sunday Afternoon Sectional Meetings

- A. Ancient Near East VII: Religion and Magic
(1:30 p.m.–4:30) *Renaissance Ballroom A/B*
- B. East Asia V: History and Historiography
(1:30 p.m.–4:15 p.m.) *Bridgeport Room*

- C. Islamic Near East V: Religion, Law and Society
(1:30 p.m.–3:50 p.m.) *Renaissance Ballroom D*
- D. Islamic Near East VI: History: The Making of Dynasties
(4:10 p.m.–5:30 p.m.) *Renaissance Ballroom D*
- E. South and Southeast Asia IV: Linguistics and Literature
Linguistics, Lexicography, and Grammars;
Literature in Translation (1:30 p.m.–5:30 p.m.)
Renaissance Ballroom C

Sunday Evening

- 6:00 p.m.–7:30 p.m. Social Hour (Cash Bar) *Renaissance Foyer*
- 7:30 p.m.–11:00 p.m. Annual Subscription Dinner and
9:30 p.m. Presidential Address
Renaissance Ballroom

Monday, March 17th

Monday Morning

- 9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m. Book Sale Continues *Gold Coast Room*

Monday Morning Sectional Meetings

- A. Ancient Near East VIII: Law and Society
(9:00 a.m.–11:00 a.m.) *Renaissance Ballroom A/B*
- B. East Asia VI: Fashioning Images and Deploying Descriptions
(9:00 a.m.–11:45 a.m.) *Bridgeport Room*
- C. Islamic Near East VII: Early and Later Sufism.
Papers dedicated to Gerhard Bowering from his Students
(9:00 a.m.–10:30 a.m.) *Renaissance Ballroom D*
- D. Islamic Near East VIII: Literature
(10:50 a.m.–12:00 p.m.) *Renaissance Ballroom D*
- E. South and Southeast Asia V: Sanskrit Epics,
organized by James Fitzgerald
(9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.) *Renaissance Ballroom C*

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**A. Ancient Near East I: AOS-NACAL: Linguistics—In
Memory of Alan S. Kaye.**

GENE B. GRAGG, University of Chicago, Chair (**2:00 p.m.–5:00
p.m.**) *Bucktown Room*

1. REBECCA HASSELBACH, University of Chicago
Early Semitic and Language Typology

Friday Afternoon

2. JANLING FU, Harvard University
A Case for Markedness in Amarna Canaanite? Distinctions between *qtl/yqtl* in the Byblian Corpus
3. ELITZUR AVRAHAM BAR-ASHER, Harvard University
Synchronic and Diachronic Analysis of the Tenses of Jewish Babylonian Aramaic
4. NA'AMA PAT-EL, Harvard University
The Proleptic Genitive in Aramaic: A Re-Evaluation
(Break)
5. AARON RUBIN, Pennsylvania State University
The Development of the Amharic Definite Article
6. FUMI KARAHASHI, Chuo University, Japan
Some Notes on the Sumerian Interrogative Pronoun a-na
7. J. CALE JOHNSON, University of California, Los Angeles
Mirativity in Sumerian
8. PETER T. DANIELS, New York
H.C. Rawlinson's Contributions to Persian and Assyrian Studies

B. Ancient Near East II: History and Historiography.

GARY BECKMAN, University of Michigan, Chair **(2:00 p.m.–5:00 p.m.)** *Renaissance Ballroom A/B*

9. DANA M. PIKE, Brigham Young University
Hammurabi's Claims of Divine Election in his Royal Inscriptions
10. THEO P. J. VAN DEN HOUT, University of Chicago
The Rise of Literacy in the Hittite Kingdom and the Dating of Hittite Texts
11. ILYA YAKUBOVICH, University of Chicago
The Deeds of Anitta and the Legend of Sargon
12. ILONA ZSOLNAY, Brandeis University
The Transformation of Ishtar in the Inscriptions of Tukultī-Ninurta I and its Ramifications
(Break)

Friday Afternoon

13. ANGELA ROSKOP ERISMAN, Hebrew Union College
The Habur Campaigns in 9th Century Annals: Reflections on
Composition Technique
14. STEVEN W. HOLLOWAY, American Theological Library Association,
Chicago
The Curious Case of the Missing Priests in Royal Mesopotamian
Inscriptions
15. SARAH C. MELVILLE, Clarkson University
Reflections on Assyrian Strategy, “the Land of Assur” and the
Collapse of the Empire

C. East Asia I: Text, Language, Linguistics. NEWELL ANN VAN
AUKEN, Grinnell College, Chair (1:15 p.m.–3:30 p.m.) *Bridgeport
Room*

16. DONALD HARPER, University of Chicago
Cosmology and Philosophy in Early China: Reading the Shanghai
Museum Manuscript Copy of *Hengxian* (Enduringness Precedes)
17. MATTHIAS L. RICHTER, University of Colorado at Boulder
Psychological Foundations for Ritual: Early Chinese Texts on
Natural Disposition (*xing*) and Actual Inner Condition (*qing*)
18. TIMOTHY MICHAEL O’NEILL, University of Washington
Language Theory in the *Xunzi* and the *Great Preface*

(Break)

19. DAVID PRAGER BRANNER, University of Maryland
Loan-graphs and the Sound of Written Chinese
20. RICHARD VANNESS SIMMONS, Rutgers University
Two Generations of a Jingjiāng Village Dialect

D. East Asia II: Rhetorical Strategies in the *Huainanzi*. ANTJE
RICHTER, University of Colorado at Boulder, Chair (3:45 p.m.–5:30
p.m.) *Bridgeport Room*

21. SARAH A. QUEEN, Connecticut College
Orality and Performance in *Huainanzi* 17, “A Forest of Persua-
sions”

Friday Afternoon

22. ANDREW MEYER, Brooklyn College
Paradox and Anecdote in *Huainanzi* 18, “Among Others”
23. JOHN S. MAJOR, New York
Refutation and Argumentation in “Huainanzi” 19, “Cultivating Effort”
24. JUDSON B. MURRAY, Wright State University
Summary (*lüe*) as a Rhetorical Strategy in *Huainanzi* 21, “An Overview of the Essentials”

E. Islamic Near East I: Literature. (1:00 p.m.–6:00 p.m.)
Renaissance Ballroom D

- **Aesthetics.** MAJD AL-MALLAH, Grand Valley State University, Chair (1:30 p.m.–2:30 p.m.)
25. ANYA KING, Indiana University
The *Mukhtaṣar fī al-Ṭīb* of Sahlān b. Kaysān: A Unique Source for the History of Near Eastern Aromatics and Perfumery
26. RABAB HAMIDUDDIN, School of Oriental and African Studies, London
‘The Gift’ of the Spiritual: A Ṭayyibī *Qaṣīdah* Personified as the Speaking Soul
27. TAHERA QUTBUDDIN, University of Chicago
Nature Imagery in The Classical Arabic Oration (*Khutba*): The Aesthetics of Orality and Persuasion
- (*Break*)
- **Pragmatics.** SAMER ALI, University of Texas at Austin, Chair (2:50 p.m.–3:50 p.m.)
28. MAURICE POMERANTZ, University of Chicago
“Your Letter has Arrived”: Understanding Epistolary Relationships in the Fourth/Tenth Century
29. BEATRICE GRUENDLER, Yale University
The Apostil (*Tawqīḥ*): Royal Brevity in the Islamic Appeals Court (*Mazālim*)

Friday Afternoon

30. BILAL ORFALI, Yale University
Zād Safar al-Mulūk: An Anthology on Travel Literature by Abū
Maṣūʾir al-Thaʿālibī

(*Break*)
- **Hamadhānī.** BEATRICE GRUENDLER, Yale University, Chair (4:10
p.m.–5:10p.m.)
31. ROBERT RIGGS, University of Pennsylvania
Free Will? You Would Have to be Crazy to Believe It: An Anal-
ysis of al-Hamadhānī’s *al-Māristāniyya*
32. JEANNIE MILLER, New York University
Character Discontinuity and the Underworld in al-Hamadhānī’s
maqāmāt
33. IRFANA HASHMI, New York University
Problematizing al-Hamadhānī’s Sources in *al-Maqāma*
al-Waʿziyya

(*Break*)
- **Style and Skill.** BEATRICE GRUENDLER, Yale University, Chair
(5:20 p.m.–6:00 p.m.)
34. AZIZ QUTBUDDIN, School of Oriental and African Studies, London
A Relational Approach to the Analysis of *Tahmūd* (illustrated
through an Opening by Hilāl al-Ṣābiʿ)
35. JOCELYN SHARLET, University of California, Davis
Identity, Professional Skills, and Social Mobility of Medieval Ara-
bic and Persian Poets
- F. South and Southeast Asia I. Śāstra, Ritual, and Society.**
CHRISTIAN K. WEDEMEYER, University of Chicago, Chair (2:00–4:30
p.m.) *Renaissance Ballroom C*
36. TOKE LINDEGAARD KNUDSEN, Brown University
Astronomy as Revelation
37. MARK MCCLISH, University of Texas at Austin
Examining the Evidence for a Verse-form *Arthaśāstra*

Friday Afternoon–Evening–Saturday Morning

38. DONALD R. DAVIS, JR., University of Wisconsin-Madison
The Good of Hindu Law: *Varṇāśramadharmā* and Sacrifice
(*Break*)
39. ANNE MOCKO, University of Chicago
Kāṭṭo in Context: Notes on the Sanskrit Debt of a Nepali Royal
Funerary Practice
40. PANKAJ JAIN, University of Iowa
Sustaining Dharma: The Role of Dharma in Environmentalism

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Exhibit. Gold Coast Room**

Saturday Morning Sectional Meetings

A. Ancient Near East III: Mesopotamian Literature.

PIOTR MICHALOWSKI, University of Michigan, Chair (**9:00 a.m.–
12:00 p.m.**) *Renaissance Ballroom A/B*

41. NIEK VELDHUIS, University of California, Berkeley
Semitic Lexicography in the Mid-Third Millennium
42. PAUL DELNERO, The Johns Hopkins University
Grammatical Variation and the Dating of Sumerian Literary
Compositions
43. RICHARD E. AVERBECK, Trinity Evangelical Divinity School
Gudea's Seven Stage Ziggurat?

Saturday Morning

44. ALHENA GADOTTI, Cornell University
Nanna-Suen's Origins: Exploring the Dark Side of the Moon
(*Break*)
45. JOHN LYNCH, University of California, Los Angeles
Gilgamesh, Enkidu and the Problem of Paradise
46. JEFFREY COOLEY, Xavier University
Venus Phenomena and the Story of *Inana and Shukaletuda*
47. KAREN SONIK, University of Pennsylvania
Resurrecting Apsu: The Bad King and the Naked Dead
48. SARA MILSTEIN, New York University
Descending to Heaven: A Re-evaluation of Ea's Role in the Context of Netherworld Literature
- B. East Asia III: Inscription and Letter.** RICHARD VANNESS SIMMONS, Rutgers University, Chair (9:30 a.m.–11:45 a.m.) *Bridgeport Room*
49. JONATHAN PETTIT, Indiana University
A Savior in Stone: Cū Róng's (652–705) Inscription at Qǐmǔ's Shrine
50. SUH-JEN YANG, Suffolk University
The Origin of Han Yu's (768–824) Inscriptions—the Han (206 B.C.–A.D. 220) Stele Inscription
51. LEI XUE, Columbia University
Eulogy on Burying a Crane (Yiheming): Text and Context
(*Break*)
52. ANTJE RICHTER, University of Colorado at Boulder
Reading Letters in Early Medieval Chinese Poetry
53. MANLING LUO, Washington State University
Self-Marketing and Patronage in Late Medieval Chinese Letters

Saturday Morning

C. Inner Asia. DENIS SINOR, Indiana University, Chair (9:30 a.m.–10:30 a.m.) *Bucktown Room*

54. CHRISTOPHER I. BECKWITH, Indiana University
Dialectic in Buddhist and Islamic Central Asian Philosophical Texts
55. KHODADAD REZAKHANI, University of California, Los Angeles
Bactria in Late Antiquity: A Survey of the Economy

D. Islamic Near East II: Religion: Qurʾān. SHAWKAT M. TOORAWA, Cornell University, Chair (9:30 a.m.–12:00 p.m.) *Re-naissance Ballroom D*

• **Terms (9:30 a.m.–10:30 a.m.)**

56. AILIN QIAN, University of Pennsylvania
Spice, Spiced Wine and Pure Wine
57. JAMES BELLAMY, University of Michigan
A Brief Note on the Lord of Pegs

(Break)

• **Issues (10:50 a.m.–12 p.m.)**

58. TODD LAWSON, University of Toronto
Trends in Shīʿī Exegesis: Ismāʿīlī and Jaʿfarī Understandings of Qurʾān 4:157–8
59. DAGMAR RIEDEL, Columbia University
In Praise of Academic Grazing: From Script to Print to Script
60. DAVID POWERS, Cornell University
Q. 4:176 and Bibliothèque Nationale 328a

Saturday Morning

E. South and Southeast Asia II: Religion and Philosophy.
DONALD R. DAVIS, JR., University of Wisconsin-Madison, Chair (9:30
a.m.–12:30 p.m.) *Renaissance Ballroom C*

• **Iranian and Indian Religion**

61. YUHAN S.-D. VEVAINA, Harvard University
The *Ahuna Vairiia* Prayer and the 21 *Nasks* of the Zoroastrian
Sacred Corpus
62. JARROD L. WHITAKER, Wake Forest University
On Indra's Body in the *R̥gveda*
63. SIGNE COHEN, University of Missouri-Columbia
The White Yajurveda and the Origins of Karma
64. MATTHEW R. SAYERS, University of Texas at Austin
Claiming Modes of Mediation in Ancient Hindu and Buddhist
Ancestor Worship

(*Break*)

• **Purāṇas and Pilgrimage**

65. BENJAMIN FLEMING, University of Pennsylvania
From Tīrtha to Pan-Indian Pilgrimage: The *Vārāṇasī-māhātmya*,
Purāṇic Transmission, and the Twelve Jyotirlingas
66. TRAVIS L. SMITH, University of Florida
Rewriting the Sacred Center: The *Kāśīkhaṇḍa* and Vārāṇasī's
Viśveśvara Temple

• **Indian Philosophy**

67. NEIL DALAL, University of Texas at Austin
Maṇḍana Mīśra and Śaṅkara's Dispute over *Bṛhadāraṇyakopa-*
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68. ELAINE FISHER, Columbia University
Mīmāṃsā and the Problem of Social History

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69. THEODORE LEWIS, The Johns Hopkins University
Family, Household, and Local Religion at Late Bronze Age Ugarit
70. WAYNE T. PITARD, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
The Narrative Function of Anat and Athirat in *CAT* 1.3 and 1.4
71. DENNIS PARDEE, University of Chicago
Two Epigraphic Remarks on the Kirta Epic
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72. DANIEL E. FLEMING, New York University
Tablet Terminology at Emar and Ugarit: The Inadequacy of ‘Syrian’ and ‘Syro-Hittite’
73. J. N. FORD, Jerusalem
Ugaritic *pqq* “dung pellet” in the Magico-Medical Text RS 24.258 (KTU² 1.114)
74. MATTHEW J. SURIANO, University of California, Los Angeles
Building a Better Lineage at Ugarit: The Ritual and Political Context of KTU 1.161

B. Ancient Near East V: Archæology and Art. KAREN NEMET-NEJAT, Yale University, Chair (1:30 p.m.–3:30 p.m.) *Renaissance Ballroom A/B*

75. MICHAEL TIMOTHY FISHER, University of Chicago
Clay Sealings from Tell Asmar: Stylistic Lag and Transition Between the Early Dynastic and Akkadian Periods in the Diyala Region

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76. CLEMENS REICHEL, University of Chicago
Propaganda versus Realpolitik—Royal Seals of Eshnunna from the Ur III and Isin-Larsa Period in Their Historical/Political Context
77. ADAM S. MASKEVICH, The Johns Hopkins University
Life Amid the Ruins: Small-scale Occupation at Umm el-Marra, Syria
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78. PAULINE ALBENDA, New York
Made in Stone: Assyrian Pictures of Embattled Cities
79. ELEANOR GURALNICK, Chicago
Color at Khorsabad
80. ALEXANDER NAGEL, University of Michigan
Color in Persepolis: New Research on the Polychromy of Achæmenid Sculpture

C. Ancient Near East VI: Economy and Society

STEVEN GARFINKLE, Western Washington University, Chair
(4:00 p.m.–6:30 p.m.) *Renaissance Ballroom A/B*

81. LANCE ALLRED, Cornell University
Beer and Women in Mesopotamia
82. DAVID I. OWEN, Cornell University
New Light on the City of Iri-Sağrig/Āl-Šarrāki
83. XIAOLI OUYANG, Harvard University
“Merchants” in Ur III Umma: How to Characterize Them?
84. EDWARD STRATFORD, University of Chicago
A Year in the Life of Pūšu-kēn
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85. SETH RICHARDSON, University of Chicago
The Late O.B. *kārum* at Sippar
86. JACOB LAUNGER, Roanoke College
The Temple of Ishtar at Old Babylonian Alalakh

Saturday Afternoon

87. JONATHAN S. TENNEY, University of Chicago
Dayyānī-Šamaš, Tambi-Dadu, and Their Four Children: Lower
Class Families around Nippur under the Kassite Kings

D. East Asia IV: Poetics and Performance. DAVID PRAGER
BRANNER, University of Maryland, Chair (1:15 p.m.–4:30 p.m.)
Bridgeport Room

88. MICHELLE LOW, Northern Colorado University
Towards a Definition of *Yongshi*, *Yonghual* and *Huaigu* Subgenres
89. WANG PING, Princeton University
Reading and Writing in Early Medieval China
90. JIE WU, University of Washington
A Brief Discussion of the Seventeen Heptasyllabic Poems on
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91. XIAOSHAN YANG, University of Notre Dame
Tradition and Individuality in Wang Anshi's *Tang Bai Jia Shix-
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92. CHENGJUAN SUN, Harvard University
Li Yus Lyrics and “Tones of a Ruined State”
93. HUICONG ZHANG, Harvard University
Not So “Gracious and Proper”: A Study of Yang Weizhen's Po-
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94. SUN XIAOJING, University of California, Berkeley
Daqu (“big suite”) and Medieval Court Performance

E. Islamic Near East III: Philosophy and Science EVERETT
ROWSON, New York University, Chair (1:30 p.m.–3:30 p.m.) *Re-
naissance Ballroom D*

• **Ikhwān al-Šafāʿ, Ghazālī (1:30 p.m.–2:30 p.m.)**

95. NUHA AL-SHAʿAR, University of Cambridge
Between Love and Social Ambition: The Influence of Sufi and
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Ikhwān al-Šafāʿ, Miskawayh and al-Tawhīdī.

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96. ABBAS HAMDANI, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee
Ikhwān al-Ṣafa' between al-Kindī and al-Fārābī
97. FRANK GRIFFEL, Yale University
What Did al-Ghazālī Mean When He Said that the Connection
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• **History of Science (2:50 p.m.–3:30 p.m.)**

98. KEVIN VAN BLADEL, University of Southern California
The Chronographical Contents of the Thousands of Abū Ma'shar
99. ROBERT MORRISON, Whitman College
Astronomy in Judeo-Arabic and Hebrew

**F. Islamic Near East IV: Language: Revolutionary Grammar,
organized by Alexander Key.** KRISTEN BRUSTAD, University of
Texas at Austin, Chair (4:00 p.m.–6:00 p.m.) *Renaissance Ballroom
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100. ELIAS MUHANNA, Harvard University
Semantics or Poetics?: Reframing Ibn Jinnī's Theory of Greater
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101. DOMINIC LONGO, Harvard University
The Mystical Grammar of 'Abd al-Karīm al-Qushayrī (d. 1072)
102. ALEXANDER KEY, Harvard University
"Speech Is Words, Composed." Attacks on Grammar in the
Twelfth-Century Islamic West: *The Reply to the Grammarians*
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103. WOLFHART HEINRICHS, Harvard University
Ibn Khaldūn as an Historical Linguist
104. RACHA EL OMARI, University of California, Santa Barbara
Ar-Rummānī and the Mu'tazilite Grammarians of the 4th/10th
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Saturday Afternoon

G. South and Southeast Asia III: Buddhist Traditions of South and East Asia. 1:30 p.m.–6:30 p.m. Renaissance Ballroom C

- **South Asian Buddhism** ROBERT GOLDMAN, University of California, Berkeley, Chair (1:30 p.m.–3:30 p.m.)
- 105. CHARLES S. PREBISH, Utah State University
Implications of the New Dating of the Buddha: Cooking the Buddhist Books
- 106. STEFAN BAUMS, University of Washington
Stages of Dependent Origination: Sanskrit *varṭman*, Pali *vaṭṭa*, Gāndhārī *vataṇi* and *vaṭa*
- 107. CHRISTIAN HASKETT, University of Wisconsin-Madison
Further Terms for Confession in Indian Buddhism
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- 108. JEFFREY S. DURHAM, University of North Carolina at Wilmington
Irreversibility and Emptiness: Salvific Certitude and Textual Action in the *Aṣṭasāhasrikā-Prajñāpāramitā*
- 109. CHRISTIAN K. WEDEMEYER, University of Chicago
Indigenous Historiography of Indian Esoteric Buddhism: An Analysis of Indic and Tibetan Sources
- 110. JOHN R. B. CAMPBELL, Columbia University
Theater of Embodiment, Poetics of Dislocation: *Mahāyoga* Hermeneutics in the *Pradīpoddyotana-nāma-Ṭīkā*
- **East Asia and South and Southeast Asia Joint Session: Cross-cultural Transmission between South and East Asian Buddhism.** Organized by JASON NEELIS, University of Florida, Chair (4:00 p.m.–6:30 p.m.)
- 111. JAN NATTIER, International Institute for Advanced Buddhology, Soka University, Tokyo
Now You Hear It, Now You Don't: The Expression “Thus I Have heard” in Early Chinese Buddhist Translations
- 112. STEFANO ZACCHETTI, Università Ca' Foscari di Venezia
An Early Collection of Buddhist Scriptures: Some Reflections on An Shigaos Translations

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113. DANIEL BOUCHER, Cornell University
What is a ‘Hīnayāna Zealot’ Doing in Fourth-Century China?
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114. NEIL SCHMID, North Carolina State University
The Narrative Instantiation of Śākyamuni’s Pure Land
115. TANSEN SEN, Baruch College, City University of New York
Buddhism and the Maritime Networks between India and China
116. JASON NEELIS, University of Florida
Overland Shortcuts for the Transmission of Buddhism

Saturday Evening

6:00 p.m.–8:00 p.m. Reception: Oriental Institute. Members and Guests are invited to a reception hosted by the University of Chicago, on Saturday evening, March 16, 6:00 p.m.–8:00 p.m., at the Oriental Institute, 1155 E. 58th St. Transportation will be provided and will leave the lobby area of the hotel 5:40 p.m.–6:45 p.m. and return 7:30 p.m.–8:15 p.m.

Sunday, March 17th

Sunday Morning

8:30 a.m.–12:00 p.m. Morning Registration and Book Exhibit.
Gold Coast Room

8:30 a.m.–11:00 a.m. Plenary Session: Exile and Banishment.
JERROLD S. COOPER, The Johns Hopkins University, Chair. *Renaissance Ballroom A/B*

117. RAYMOND WESTBROOK, The Johns Hopkins University
Ancient Near East: Exile and Banishment in the Ancient Near East
118. STEPHEN BOKENKAMP, Arizona State University
East Asia: Self-exile from the Transcendent Realms: Daoism and Medieval Performance Anxiety

Sunday Morning–Afternoon

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119. MICHAEL COOPERSON, University of California, Los Angeles
Islamic Near East: Invisible Cities
120. ROBERT GOLDMAN, University of California, Berkeley
South and Southeast Asia: Exile and the Kingdom: Banishment,
Abjection, and Loss in the Making of the Indian Epic King

**11:00 a.m.–11:45 a.m. Special Session: Presidential Address
2007: Between Something and Nothing, One Year After.** PAUL
KROLL, University of Colorado *Renaissance Ballroom A/B*

11:50 a.m.–12:30 p.m. Annual Business Meeting. (All members
are encouraged to attend.) *Renaissance Ballroom A/B*

Sunday Afternoon

1:00 p.m.–5:00 p.m. Book Exhibit and Sale. *Gold Coast Room*

Sunday Afternoon Sectional Meetings

A. Ancient Near East VII: Religion and Magic. JACK M. SAS-
SON, Vanderbilt University, Chair (**1:30 p.m.–4:30**) *Renaissance Ball-
room A/B*

121. TZVI ABUSCH, Brandeis University
The Revision of an Incantation: Analysis and Manuscript Support
122. BEATE PONGRATZ-LEISTEN, Princeton University
The Written Manifestation of the Divine Word: The ‘Letter of
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123. JACK M. SASSON, Vanderbilt University
“You must not Covet”: A Possible Context for the 10th Com-
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124. TAWNY L. HOLM, Indiana University of Pennsylvania
An Aramaic Sacred Marriage Text from Egypt

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Sunday Afternoon

125. K. LAWSON YOUNGER, JR., Trinity International University
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126. JOANN SCURLOCK, Elmhurst College
Searching for Meaning: A Further Correspondence between
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127. MARY R. BACHVAROVA, Willamette University
Transmission of Literary and Religious Motifs within and beyond
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128. JOHN JACOBS, Yale University
A Latin “Translation” from *Šumma izbu* in Cicero’s *De divinatione*

B. East Asia V: History and Historiography.

ROBERT JOE CUTTER, Arizona State University, Chair (1:30 p.m.–
4:15 p.m.) *Bridgeport Room*

129. NEWELL ANN VAN AUKEN, Grinnell College
Who Is a *ré*n? The Use of *ré*n in the *Chūnqū*
130. SHUHUI WU, Mississippi State University
Shiji Commentary and Criticism in Late Imperial China: The
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131. ESTHER PARK, Princeton University
The *Shiji* as Defamatory Text: The History and Significance of
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132. NICOLAE CRISTIAN STATU, University of Heidelberg
Restoring the Judgment of the Sage: The Basic Import of the
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133. THOMAS JANSEN, University of Cambridge
Two Competing Histories from the Southern Dynasties Period: A
Comparison of “Discussions” (*lun*) in Shen Yue’s *Song shu* and
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134. HSÜEH-YI LIN, Princeton University
Martyrdom and Beyond: The Donglin Academy and Its Historical
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Sunday Afternoon

C. Islamic Near East V: Religion, Law and Society. JOSEPH LOWRY, University of Pennsylvania, Chair (1:30 p.m.–3:50 p.m.)
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135. AHMED EL SHAMSY, Harvard University
Were there Regional Schools of Law in Medina and Kufa?
136. DAVID VISHANOFF, University of Oklahoma
The Muṣṭazila of Baghdād and the Eastern Zāhiriyya: A Scripturalist Alternative to al-Shāfiʿī's Vision of Islamic Law
137. CHRISTOPHER MELCHERT, University of Oxford
Nasāʿī's Travels
- (*Break*)
138. SEAN ANTHONY, University of Chicago
The Domestic Origins of the Early Islamicate Prison
139. SANDRA TOENIES KEATING, Providence College
Daʿwa and Conversion: The Polemical Context of Aḥmad ibn Ḥanbal's *Radd ʿalā l-Zanādiqa*
140. MARK WAGNER, University of Southern Mississippi
“The Greatest Humiliation”: Legal Debates on the Collection of Excrement in Eighteenth-Century Yemen

D. Islamic Near East VI: History: The Making of Dynasties. MICHAEL BONNER, University of Michigan, Chair (4:10 p.m.–5:30 p.m.)
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141. JENS SCHEINER, Universität Hamburg
Isnād-cum-matn-Analysis and Historical *Akhbār*. The Case of the Conquest of Damascus
142. STEVEN JUDD, Southern Connecticut State University
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Exporting *Kharāj* on the Eastern Frontier
144. ALI QUTBUDDIN, Institute of Ismaili Studies
Religious Diversity and the Mission: The Fatimid Outlook on the Universality of Religions

Sunday Afternoon

E. South and Southeast Asia IV: Linguistics and Literature.

JAMES FITZGERALD, Brown University, Chair (1:30 p.m.–5:30 p.m.)

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• **Linguistics, Lexicography, and Grammars**

145. STEPHANIE JAMISON, University of California, Los Angeles
Does *Sāre Duhitār* Have a Brother?
146. PETER M. SCHARF, Brown University
Levels in Pāṇini's *Aṣṭādhyāyī*
147. HANS HENRICH HOCK, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign
Kintarhi—‘what then’ or ‘but’?
148. PERIANNAN CHANDRASEKARAN, Norcross, Georgia
Koṭi: a Crore or a Score? Reconstruction and Etymology of
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149. ANDREW GLASS, University of Washington
Going Live with a Dead Language: Dictionary Making in the 21st
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150. RAMASWAMY CHANDRASHEKAR, Brown University
Early Kannada and Telugu Grammar Texts in Sanskrit

• **Literature in Translation**

151. DEVEN M. PATEL, University of Pennsylvania
Source, Exegesis, and Translation: Sanskrit Commentary and Tel-
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152. AUDREY TRUSCHKE, Columbia University
Late 16th Century Sanskrit-Persian Translations

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• **Indo-Islamic Literary and Intellectual History**

153. HOMAYRA ZIAD, Yale University
Illuminationist Trends in the Religious Thought of the Naqshbandi Scholar Khwāja Mir Dard of Delhi (d. 1785)
154. SHERALI TAREEN, Duke University
The Rose and the Rock Revisited: Sufism, Reform, and Heterologies in the Intellectual History of the Deoband Madrasa

Sunday Evening

6:00 p.m.–7:30 p.m. Social Hour (Cash Bar) *Renaissance Foyer*

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

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

- SIDNEY H. GRIFFITH, The Catholic University of America
Syriac, Arabic, and the Grapevines of Paradise: A Cautionary Tale

Monday, March 17th

Monday Morning

9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m. Book Sale Continues. *Gold Coast Room*

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155. LAURA CULBERTSON, University of Michigan
Changes in Disputing and Litigation Procedures under the Reigns of the Ur III Kings

Monday Morning

156. ANDREA SERI, Harvard University
Management of Prisoners of War at Uruk during the Reign of Rīm-Anum
157. ANNUNZIATA ROSITANI, Università della Calabria, Italy
Old Babylonian Harvesters Loan Contracts from Tell ed-Dēr
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158. JEREMIAH PETERSON, University of Pennsylvania
Personal Name Lists at Old Babylonian Nippur: An Overview
159. MAYNARD P. MAIDMAN, York University
Municipal Governance and Malfeasance in Middle Assyria: The Case of Mayor Kušši-harpe Revisited
160. SHALOM E. HOLTZ, Yeshiva University
A Neo-Babylonian Royal Judge and the Career of His Court Scribe

B. East Asia VI: Fashioning Images and Deploying Descriptions. WANG PING, Princeton University, Chair (9:00 a.m.–11:45 a.m.) *Bridgeport Room*

161. MARK PITNER, University of Washington
Disability in Early China
162. XURONG KONG, Kean University
Which Is a *Yongwu fu*, Cao Pi's (187–226 or Fu Xuan's (217–278) "*Fu* on the Willow"?
163. YUE HONG, Harvard University
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164. Y. EDMUND LIEN, University of Washington
Dunhuang Gazetteers of the Tang Dynasty
165. JEONGSOO SHIN, University of Washington
"Admonition for the King of Flowers": Making of King Peony in Korean Literature

Monday Morning

C. Islamic Near East VII: Early and Later Sufism. Papers dedicated to Gerhard Bowering from his Students, organized by Bilal Orfali. PAUL WALKER, University of Chicago, Chair (9:00 a.m.–10:30 a.m.) *Renaissance Ballroom D*

166. SAMUEL NOBLE, Yale University
Tears in Early Sufism
167. YASIR KAZI, Yale University
Contextualizing al-Muḥāsibī's (d. 243/857) View of 'Aql
168. MATTHEW T. WARREN, Yale University
Don't a Poet Know It: Jāmī's (d. 898/1492) Verse Translations of Ibn al-Fāriḍ's (d. 632/1235) Tā'iyyah al-Kubrā and the Consolidation of a Commentary Tradition
169. KAZUYO MURATA, Yale University
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D. Islamic Near East VIII: Literature. TAHERA QUTBUDDIN, University of Chicago, Chair (10:50 a.m.–12:00 p.m.) *Renaissance Ballroom D*

170. DAN SHEFFIELD, Harvard University
Marvelous Journeys to the Land of the *Sagsārān*: Questions of Genre and Register in Classical Persian Literature
171. ARIE SCHIPPERS, University of Amsterdam
Symmetrical Verse Structures in Arabic Andalusī Poetry
172. MOHAMMAD HASSAN KHALIL, University of Illinois
Is Ibn Taymiyyah Really the Author of *Fanā al-Nār*?
173. GABRIEL REYNOLDS, University of Notre Dame
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E. South and Southeast Asia V: Sanskrit Epics, organized by James Fitzgerald. STEPHANIE JAMISON, University of California, Los Angeles, Chair (9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.) *Renaissance Ballroom C*

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RECEPTION FOR MEMBERS
AND GUESTS OF THE SOCIETY
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Date: 15 March 2008

Time: 6:00PM–8:00PM

Location: Oriental Institute, University of Chicago, 1155 E 58th Street, Chicago, IL 60637

Travel arrangements: Buses have been arranged to shuttle members and guests from the Renaissance Hotel to the Oriental Institute. Buses will leave from the hotel at 5:40, 5:55, 6:30, and 6:45PM. Buses will return to the Renaissance Hotel at 7:30, 7:45, 8:00, and 8:15PM.

Special guests: Martha Roth, Dean, Division of the Humanities, University of Chicago; Richard A. Rosengarten, Dean, University of Chicago Divinity School

Guests will be able to tour the permanent collections of the Institute and special arrangements have been made to extend the run of the special exhibit “European Cartographers and the Ottoman World, 1500–1750: Maps from the Collection of O. J. Sopranos” so that it will be on view the evening of the reception. There will be hors d’œuvres, white wine, beer and soft drinks provided, and musicians will be playing in the galleries. The music and food have been chosen to highlight the variety of Asian cultures studied by the members of the AOS.

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