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Conference Information

Meeting Site: The 228th Meeting of the American Oriental Society will be held Friday, March 16–Monday, March 19, 2018, in Pittsburgh, PA USA. A block of conference-rate accommodations has been reserved for participants at the Omni William Penn Hotel, 530 William Penn Place, Pittsburgh, PA 15219 USA. Conference rate per night for rooms is \$179 single or double, and includes complementary WiFi and access to the hotel fitness center. The hotel is located only a few blocks away from Pittsburgh's thriving Cultural District, with its museums and performance halls and stages.

Transportation:

- From Pittsburgh International Airport (PIT): 30 minutes/19 miles. Follow the signs to Pittsburgh via I-279 North (Fort/Pitt Bridge and Tunnel). Go through the tunnel. Take the Liberty Avenue Exit (straight off the bridge). Proceed approximately 3 blocks and turn right on Sixth Avenue. At the third intersection, turn right onto William Penn Place. The hotel is located on the left.
- From the North via I-79 South: Take I-79S to I-279S. Proceed on I-279S to I-579S (Veteran's Bridge). From I-579S take the Sixth Avenue/Exit (Mellon Arena), bear right on Sixth Avenue and cross Grant Street. Go one block and turn left on William Penn Place to the hotel's main entrance on the left.
- From the South & West via I-79 North: From I-79N, follow the signs to I-376 East to Pittsburgh. Follow I-376E to Pittsburgh (Fort/Pitt Tunnel.) Go through the tunnel. Take the Liberty Avenue Exit (straight off the bridge). Continue for approximately 3 blocks. Turn right on Sixth Avenue. At the third intersection, turn right onto William Penn Place. The hotel is located on the left.
- From the East via I-76W & I-376W: Take I-76 (Pennsylvania Turnpike) and exit on to I-376W towards Pittsburgh. Take the Grant Street Exit (on the left) to Grant Street. Follow Grant Street 6 blocks to Sixth Avenue and then turn left onto Sixth Avenue. Immediately turn left onto William Penn Place to the hotel's main entrance.

- Port Authority of Allegheny County offers service to Pittsburgh International Airport via the West Busway (28X Airport Flyer). The route runs to and from Pittsburgh International Airport, Downtown Pittsburgh and Oakland approximately every 30 minutes (<http://www.flypittsburgh.com/parking-transport/public-transportation>)

Self-parking is offered in the Mellon Square parking garage located across from the hotel. Rates are: \$19 Monday-Friday, 6:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.; \$6 Monday-Friday, 4:00 p.m. to 5:59 a.m. (Day rates start at 6:00 a.m.) and all day Saturdays, Sundays, and Holidays and weekends. There are no in/out privileges for this lot. Valet parking is available to overnight guests (\$36 per night) and includes in/out privileges.

Conference Meeting Rooms: All sectional meetings, Editors and Board meetings, and the Business meeting will be held at the Omni William Penn Hotel. Meeting rooms are located on the Conference Level.

Registration: Early registration is on Friday, March 16, 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. The Registration Desk is in the Lawrence Welk Room on the Mezzanine Level. Please note that there will be Two Registration Desks:

1. Pre-Registered: Members who have pre-registered by mail before March 1, 2018, may check in and pickup their prepared meeting packets at the “Pre-Registered Desk”. Pre-registered members who have not yet paid their 2018 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 2018. Non-registered members who have not yet paid their 2018 dues may also do so here.

Special Events

- **Reception:** An introductory reception hosted by the AOS will be held on Friday, March 16, from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. in the *Riverboat Room on the William Penn Level*. 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: Saturday, March 18, 8:00 a.m.–9:00 a.m., in the *Bob Hope Room on the Mezzanine Level*
- **Reception to Mark the Publication of *A History of the Encyclopaedia of Islam* by Peri Bearman (Lockwood Press).** Co-hosted by Lockwood Press and Brill. All are welcome. Saturday, March 17, 5:30 p.m.–6:30 p.m. *Lawrence Welk Room*
- **Islamic Near East IX: Joint Session with Ancient Near East.** Sunday, March 18, 1:00 p.m.–2:30 p.m. *Conference Room A*
- **Plenary Session:** The Plenary Session, entitled “Beasts”: Sunday afternoon, March 18, 2:45 p.m.–4:45 p.m., in the *Three Rivers Room on the William Penn Level*
- **Business Meeting:** A general Business Meeting of the Society will be held on Sunday, March 20, beginning at 5:00 p.m., in *Three Rivers Room on the William Penn Level*. 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 19, from 7:30 p.m. to 11:00 p.m., in *Urban Room on Level 17*. 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 \$75 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 *Urban Room* with cash bar from 6:30 p.m.–7:30 p.m.
- **The Presidential Address:** “Reading Ancient Mail” will be delivered by John Huehnergard, following the Annual Subscription Dinner, at approximately 9:00 p.m. All members and guests are invited to attend the address.
- **Ancient Near East VI: Joint Session with South and Southeast Asia.** Monday, March 19. 9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m. *Frick Room*

Registration Book Exhibit and Sale Hours.

The Annual Book Exhibit will commence on Friday afternoon, March 16, at 1:00, and continue daily during the meeting in *Lawrence Welk Room* on the Mezzanine Level. 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. Several publishers and vendors, among them Brill, CDL Press, De Gruyter, Eisenbrauns, ISD (Ian Stevens), and New York University Press/Library of Arabic Literature, 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 228TH MEETING

Thursday, March 15th

3:30 p.m.–5:00 p.m. JAOS Editorial Board Meeting
Parkview West

Friday, March 16th

Friday Morning

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

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

10:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m. Morning Registration *Lawrence Welk Room*

Friday Afternoon

1:00 p.m.–5:00 p.m. Afternoon Registration *Lawrence Welk Room*

1:00 p.m.–6:00 p.m. Book Exhibit *Lawrence Welk Room*

Friday Afternoon, March 16

Friday Afternoon Sectional Meetings

*Sectional Meeting room names marked by a following * are equipped with projectors and screens*

A. Ancient Near East I: Language & Linguistics. REBECCA HASSELBACH-ANDEE University of Chicago, Chair (1:30 p.m.–5:30 p.m.) *Frick Room* *

1. ANDREW BURLINGAME, University of Chicago
Indefinite Pronouns at Zincirli
2. ØYVIND BJØRU, University of Texas at Austin
Adverbial Use of Prepositions in First Millennium Akkadian
3. PATRICK NIEDZIELSKI, Independent Scholar, Methuen, MA
Configurational Syntax in the Sumerian clause: Evidence from Cross-Referencing
4. FREDERICK BOWMAN, Ohio State University
The Establishment of the Coptic Possessive Article: Hints from Middle Chinese

(Break)

5. PETER T. DANIELS, Independent Scholar, Jersey City, NJ
On Egyptian and South Semitic Letter Order
6. KI-EUN JANG, New York University
The Energic *-n* of the Non-Prefix Conjugation in Ugaritic
7. FEDERICO ZANGANI, Brown University
Papyrus Anastasi I and Eight Ostraca from the Museo Egizio of Turin
8. KATHRYN MCCONAUGHY MEDILL, Johns Hopkins University
Canaanite-Akkadian and the *Idrimi Statue Inscription*

B. East Asia I: Classical Scholarship. DAVID PRAGER BRANNER, New York, Chair (2:30 p.m.–4:00 p.m.) *Phipps Room* *

9. YANXIAO HE, University of Chicago
Narrating Past in Early China: The Qin National Foundation Myths and the Qin Inscriptions
10. XIAOJING MIAO, University of Colorado Boulder
The Self-statement by Historians: from Sima Qian to Liu Zhiji

Friday Afternoon, March 16

11. DAVID B. HONEY, Brigham Young University
Scholarship or Politics? Some Cultural, Political, and Academic
Considerations behind the Imperial Sponsorship of the *Correct
Meaning of the Five Classics* 五經正義.

C. Islamic Near East I: Scholars and History. BRUCE FUDGE,
Université de Genève, Chair (12:30 p.m.–2:30 p.m.) *Conference
Room A* *

12. HADI JORATI, Yale University, The Ohio State University
Textual Criticism and Historiography: The Early Ilkhanid Corpus
13. MICHAEL DANN, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign
Notes on *Rijāl* Literature after Ibn Ḥajar al-‘Asqalānī
(d. 852/1449)

(Break)

14. AAMIR BASHIR, University of Chicago
Training Ḥanafī ‘Ulamā’ in the Modern Period (c. 1800–the
Present): A Comparative Study of Madrasa Curricula in the
South Asian and Turkish Islamic Scholarly Traditions
15. KAMELIYA ATANASOVA, Washington and Lee University
A Sub-Genre of Sufi Autobiographical Writing or Notes on a
Page? A look at Ottoman *vâridât* Writings

**D. Islamic Near East II: In Honor of Geert Jan Van Gelder:
“Keep the Listener from Dozing Off”.** PERI BEARMAN, Harvard
University, Chair (2:45 p.m.–5:30 p.m.) *Conference Room A* *

16. EVERETT ROWSON, New York University
LGBT in Medieval Arabic: A Taxonomy of Sexual Configurations
in a Tenth-Century Work of Erotica

Friday Afternoon, March 16

17. DAVID LARSEN, New York University
Night and Day in Arabic Literary Disputation
18. LI GUO, University of Notre Dame
Shadow Play Jargons from Post-Mamluk Cairo: Based on Manuscript Evidence

(*Break*)
19. EREZ NAAMAN, American University
“A Glance is Enough”: Gesture in Medieval Islamic Cultures
20. LARA HARB, Princeton University
Plot in Aristotelian Arabic Poetics
21. GEERT JAN VAN GELDER, University of Oxford
Ibn Sīnā the Poet

E. South & Southeast Asia I: Veda 1–3. (1:30 p.m.–5:30 p.m.)
*Conference Room B **

Section 1: Rhetoric and Meter. STEPHANIE JAMISON, University of California, Los Angeles, Chair

22. JARROD WHITAKER, Wake Forest University
Scorched-Earth Polemics and the Power of Hate-Speech in Vedic Poetry
23. JOEL BRERETON, University of Texas at Austin
How the Gāyatrī Became the Gāyatrī
24. LAUREN BAUSCH, Dharma Realm Buddhist University
Vedic Koans

(*Break*)

Section 2: Objects and Entities. JARROD WHITAKER, Wake Forest University, Chair

25. CALEY CHARLES SMITH, McGill University
The Ritual Function of the Family Maṇḍala in the Rīgveda
26. STEPHANIE JAMISON, University of California Los Angeles
A Golden Amulet in Vedic and Avestan

Friday Afternoon–Evening, March 16–Saturday Morning March 17

27. HANS HENRICH HOCK, University of Illinois
Two Watery Problems in the Rig Veda

(Break)

Section 3: Recitation and Contemplative Practice. JOEL BR-
ERETON, University of Texas, Chair

28. FINNIAN GERETY, Institute of Sacred Music, Yale University
The Leaves and the Pin: the Construction of OM in Vedic Prose
Texts

29. NEIL DALAL, University of Alberta
Smṛti as Contemplative Practice in Advaita Vedānta

Discussion of Veda Panels

Friday Evening

**6:30 p.m.–8:00 p.m. Cocktail Reception for Members and
Guests** *Riverboat Room*

Saturday March 17th

Saturday Morning

**8:00 a.m.–9:00 a.m. Breakfast for Graduate Students and
Recent Ph.D.'s (Hosted by the AOS)** *Bob Hope Room*

8:30 a.m.–12:00 p.m. Morning Registration *Lawrence Welk
Room*

8:30 a.m.–12:00 p.m. Book Exhibit *Lawrence Welk Room*

Saturday Morning, March 17

Saturday Morning Sectional Meetings

A. Ancient Near East II: Identity. KAREN SONIK, Auburn University, Chair (9:00 a.m.–10:00 a.m.) *Frick Room* *

30. SIGRID K. KJÆR, University of Texas at Austin
Gentiles and Riff-Raff: Terms of Othering in Ethiopic and Old South Arabian Texts
31. ZACHARY RUBIN, Brown University
“Who are you? Who are you?” The Sons of Nippur Text and Scribal Identity at Assur

B. Ancient Near East III: Literature. PIOTR MICHALOWSKI, University of Michigan, Chair (10:30 a.m.–12:00 a.m.) *Frick Room* *

32. GINA KONSTANTOPOULOS, University of Helsinki
The Forest as a Boundary-Zone in Mesopotamia
33. MATTHEW RICHEY, University of Chicago
The Ugaritic *‘ighlu ‘atūku* “Bound Calf” among ‘Anatu’s Antagonists
34. KAREN SONIK, Auburn University
The Women of the Standard Babylonian Gilgamesh Epic
35. ANDREW WILENT, University of Chicago
When is a Door Not a Door? The *arkabinnu* in Mesopotamian Sources

Saturday Morning, March 17

C. East Asia II: Rhetoric and Composition. PAUL W. KROLL,
University of Colorado Boulder, Chair (9:30 a.m.–11:00 a.m.)
Phipps Room *

36. ZEYUAN WU, Ohio State University
Becoming a Sage: Creating, Editing, and Reading *Qin* Songs in
Late Ming Print Culture
37. SHAN REN, University of Alberta
Literary Contact Nebulæ in East Asia—Adaptation Novels during
the 16th to 19th Centuries
38. ANTJE RICHTER, University of Colorado Boulder
Writing the Ailing Self: Autobiographical Accounts of Illness in
Early Medieval China

D. Islamic Near East III: Cross Confessional Interactions.
MICHAEL DANN, University of Illinois, Chair (8:30 a.m.–10:30 a.m.)
Conference Room A *

39. RYAN SCHAFFNER, University of Virginia
Name Dropping: Designators for Jesus in 8th and 9th Century CE
Muslim and Christian Disputational Literature
40. NATHANIEL A. MILLER, University of Cambridge
Reading Across Confessional Lines in Ayyubid Egypt: A Judeo-
Arabic Document with Two New Poems by Ibn al-Kīzānī
41. TARA STEPHAN, New York University
Social Regulation in the Mamluk Period: Women and Non-
Muslims

(*Break*)
42. ELON HARVEY, University of Chicago
Five Are Killed: A Reconstructed *Ḥadīth* and Its Talmudic Par-
allel
43. JESSICA ANDRUSS, University of Virginia
“O Israel, Repent and Return!”: Arabic Preaching in Medieval
Jewish Discourse

Saturday Morning, March 17

E. Islamic Near East IV: Fakhr al-Din al-Razi. CARL SHARIF EL-TOBGUI, Brandeis University, Chair (10:45 a.m.–12:00 p.m.)
*Conference Room A **

44. MICHAEL A. RAPOPORT, Yale University
Rāzī's Red Lines: Defense of Ash'arism in his *Commentary* on Ibn Sīnā's *Pointers and Reminders*
45. GIOVANNI CARRERA, McGill/Harvard University
The Evolution of the Razian Corpus: The 14th–15th Century Transmission and Exegetical Practice on al-Rāzī's Works
46. NORA JACOBSEN BEN HAMMED, University of Chicago
Epistemological Skepticism and the Sanctity of Knowledge in Fakhr al-Dīn al-Rāzī

F. South and Southeast Asia II: Indic Sciences: Grammar and Astronomy. HANS HENRICH HOCK, University of Illinois, Chair (9:00 a.m.–11:30 a.m.) *Conference Room B **

47. YIMING SHEN, University of Oxford
More on Śeṣādrisudhī against Nāgeśa: Śeṣādrisudhī's Rejection of the *paribhāṣā yadāgamās tadguṇābhūtās tadgrahaṇena gṛhyante*
48. JO BRILL, University of Chicago
Reference in the Aṣṭādhyāyī

(Break)
49. BILL M. MAK, Kyoto University
Garga and the *Gārgīyajyotiṣa*
50. ANDREA GUTIERREZ, University of Texas at Austin
The Purport and Transmission of the *aṣṭadoṣas* of Cooking

Saturday Afternoon, March 17

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1:00 p.m.–5:00 p.m. Afternoon Registration *Lawrence Welk Room*

12:00 p.m.–6:00 p.m. Book Exhibit *Lawrence Welk Room*

Saturday Afternoon Sectional Meetings

A. Ancient Near East IV: Religion. GARY BECKMAN, University of Michigan, Chair (**2:00 p.m.–5:30 p.m.**) *Frick Room* *

51. PAUL DELNERO, The Johns Hopkins University
Lamenting (and) Politics in Early Mesopotamia
52. JOANN SCURLOCK, Elmhurst College
Nippur's Galileo Problem
(Break)
53. AREN M. WILSON-WRIGHT, University of Zurich
When Did Yahweh Become the Patron Deity of the Northern Kingdom?
54. K. LAWSON YOUNGER, JR., Trinity International University – Divinity School
The Identification of the Deity Aramiš/Aramis of Qarnē/Qarnāna/Qarnayim
55. VICTORIA ALMANSA-VILLATORO, Brown University
“The Metal of the Sky”: Words and Conceptions of iron in Egypt and the Near East

Saturday Afternoon, March 17

B. East Asia III: Language and Dialect. DAVID B. HONEY, Brigham Young University, Chair (1:30 p.m.–3:00 p.m.) *Phipps Room* *

56. YICHUN XU, Ohio State University
Making Cakes Out of Morning Dew: Wu Vernacular in the Mid-Qing Novella, *He Dian* (Which Classic?)
57. DAVID PRAGER BRANNER, New York
How Simple is the Grammar of the Bronze Inscriptions?
58. RICHARD VANNESS SIMMONS, Rutgers University
Further exploration of Mandarin Sòng, Jīn and Yuán Rhyming Practice

C. East Asia IV: Poetry. ANTJE RICHTER, University of Colorado at Boulder (3:30 p.m.–5:00 p.m.) *Phipps Room*

59. LI E, Susquehanna University
Outside of the City: Nature and the Reconstructed Space of “Mountains and Forests” in Yang Wanli’s (1127–1206) Poems
60. THOMAS DONNELLY NOEL, University of Vermont
The Poetics of Divination and the Prosody of Mountains and Waters: A Vertical Perspective
61. PAUL W. KROLL, University of Colorado
Li Bo and the *zan*

D. Islamic Near East V: Early Islamic History. MAREIKE KOERTNER, Trinity College, Chair (1:00 p.m.–3:00 p.m.) *Conference Room A* *

62. PHILIP GRANT, University of Edinburgh
Hierarchy at Samarra, and Elsewhere: Violence, Political Order, and the Abbasid Caliphate of the 3rd Century AH
63. ANDREW MCLAREN, Columbia University
What Makes Historiography Islamic? The *khilāfa* of Ḥasan b. ‘Alī in Arabic and Persian Texts

Saturday Afternoon, March 17

64. BRIAN ULRICH, Shippensburg University
Factionalism and Eastern Conquests during the Marwānid Period
65. SEAN W. ANTHONY, The Ohio State University
A Newly Discovered Letter Attributed to the Umayyad Caliph
ʿUmar ibn ʿAbd al-ʿAzīz (r. 99–101/717–20)

E. Islamic Near East VI: Theology. PAUL WALKER, University of Chicago, Chair (3:15 p.m.–5:30 p.m.) *Conference Room A* *

66. RACHA EL OMARI, University of California Santa Barbara
“God Only Does Good Acts, Despite His Capacity to Do Evil Acts”: A Diachronic Look at a Muʿtazilī Precept
67. STEVEN GERTZ, Georgetown University
We Are God’s Champions: *Wilāya* in the Work of al-Ḥakīm al-Tirmidhī and Qāḍī al-Nuʿmān
68. ELIAS G. SABA, Grinnell College
God’s Language or Human Language: Lexicography, Synonyms, and Theology in the 4th/10th Century

(Break)

69. HANS-PETER POEKEL, Orient-Institut Beirut
Intellectual Encounters on the Inimitability of the Qurʾān in the Context of Muʿtazilī Thought
70. SAYEH MEISAMI, University of Dayton
Intellection and the Evolution of the Human Soul in the Philosophy of Ḥamīd al-Dīn Kirmānī
71. SHATHA ALMUTAWA, Willamette University
God in *Rasāʾil Ikhwān al-Ṣafāʾ*

Saturday Afternoon, March 17

F. South and Southeast Asia III: The Sanskrit Epic. PETER C. BISSCHOP, Leiden University, Chair (1:30 p.m.–2:30 p.m.) *Conference Room B* *

72. JOHN M. TAYLOR, University of Texas at Austin
Idealized Masculinity in the *Nalopākhyāna*: Nala's Empowerment through the Eight Boons
73. AARON SHERRADEN, University of Texas at Austin
Śambuka's Long, Winding Road to Heaven
74. RAJ RAJAN, Philadelphia
Time and Caste as the Justifiers of Parasurama's Action and Chirakarin's Inaction in the *Mahabharata*

G. South and Southeast Asia IV: Material Textuality in Early India 1–3. (1:00 p.m.–5:30 p.m.) *Conference Room C* *

Section 1. PATRICK OLIVELLE, University of Texas, Chair

75. RICHARD SALOMON, University of Washington
Echoes of the Questions of King Milinda in Gāndhāri (?)
76. ZHANG ZHAN, New York University, Institute for the Study of the Ancient World
How to Make a Contract in Khotanese?
77. JOSEPH LAROSE, McMaster University
Lost in Edition: Punctuation in Indian Buddhist Monastic Legal Texts
78. JAMES B. APPLE,
Atiśa's **Bodhipathakrama*: A Significant, yet Forgotten, Manuscript in the History of Inner Asia

(*Break*)

Section 2. RICHARD SALOMON, University of Washington, Chair

79. MATTHEW D. MILLIGAN, Georgia College & State University
Variance and Usage of Early Buddhist Investment Formulæ: Comparing Indian and Sri Lankan Epigraphy
80. MADHUSUDAN RIMAL, University of Alberta
The *Rasaratnākara* in the Nepalese collection

Saturday Afternoon, March 17

81. RYAN RICHARD OVERBEY, Skidmore College
On Some Uses of the Buddhist Abecedary in the *Mahāvairocana Sūtra*
82. BENJAMIN FLEMING, University of Pennsylvania
Digitizing Penn's Indic Manuscripts
- (*Break*)

Section 3. DAVID BRICK, Yale University, Chair

83. ELIZABETH ANGOWSKI, Harvard University
Reimagining Vessantara in Tibet: New Scholarship on the *Life of Drimé Kunden*
84. ELIZABETH A. CECIL, Leiden University
Seeing Double in Daśapura: Yaśodharman's Twin Columns as Monuments to Competition and Camaraderie
85. PETER C. BISSCHOP, Leiden University
Brothers in Arms or Brothers in Trouble? The Twin Shrine, Column and Varāha at Eran

5:30 p.m.–6:30 p.m. Reception to Mark the Publication of *A History of the Encyclopaedia of Islam* by Peri Bearman (Lockwood Press). Co-hosted by Lockwood Press and Brill. All are welcome.
Lawrence Welk Room

Sunday Morning, March 18

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8:30 a.m.–12:00 p.m. Book Exhibit *Lawrence Welk Room*

Sunday Morning Sectional Meetings

A. Ancient Near East V: History. STEVEN GARFINKLE, Western Washington University, Chair (**9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.**) *Frick Room* *

86. JOSHUA JEFFERS, University of Pennsylvania
New Visual Evidence for the “City on the Seashore” Scene in Sennacherib’s Throne Room
87. ADRIANNE SPUNAUGLE, University of Michigan
Landscapes of Empire
88. ANNA GLENN, Johns Hopkins University
Širgida—Hymns and Royal Ritual in the Old Babylonian Period
(*Break*)
89. RYAN H. SCHNELL, University of Chicago
Shall No Man Raise His Sister’s Son?: The Anatolian Avuncular System in the II and I Millennia BCE
90. ALEXANDER NAGEL, Smithsonian Institution, National Museum of Natural History
Babylon is Here. Scholarship on Ancient Mesopotamia in Washington, D.C., around 1900
91. DAVID DANZIG, Institute for the Study of the Ancient World, New York University
Ethnicity in Upper-Class 1st Millennium BCE Nippur, or What’s in a List of Names?

Sunday Morning, March 18

B. East Asia V: Sinological Perspectives. RICHARD VANNESS
SIMMONS, Rutgers University, Chair (10:00 a.m.–11:30 a.m.) *Phipps
Room **

92. MARIO DE GRANDIS, Ohio State University
Anthologizing Hui Folk Literature for Nation Building
93. GANG ZHOU, Louisiana State University
Sinology, Sinologism, New Sinology
94. SUAHE KIM, Tongmyong University
Chan Buddhism and Chan-ch'a rite in Korean Buddhism

C. Islamic Near East VII: Language and Epistemology.
RODRIGO ADEM, Harvard University, Chair (8:30 a.m.–10:30 a.m.)
*Conference Room A **

95. SHUAIB ALLY, University of Toronto)
Jurjānī on the Relationship between Eloquent Speech and the
Psychology of the Listener
96. CARL SHARIF EL-TOBGUI, Brandeis University
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