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Conference Information

Meeting Site: The 220th Meeting of the American Oriental Society will be held Friday, March 12–Monday, March 15, 2010, in St. Louis, Missouri. Hotel rooms for participants have been blocked at the Sheraton St. Louis City Center Hotel & Suites, 400 South 14th Street, St. Louis, MO 63103.

Hotel reservations should be booked by members directly with the hotel. Direct phone: 314-231-5007; Toll Free: 1-800-325-3535 Sheraton Hotels. 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 19, 2010 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 $159 single or double; there is no “Executive Level”. Rates are in effect for March 10–15, 2010. The hotel has agreed to offer conference rates up to 2 days after the meeting depending upon availability.

Transportation: The Sheraton St. Louis City Center Hotel is conveniently located off Highway 40/I-64 and near the MetroLink Station. It is just 20 minutes from St. Louis-Lambert International Airport. For driving directions, refer to the hotel’s website: http://www.sheratonstlouiscitycenter.com/directions.

We have arranged with American Airlines for discounted fares (10%) to St. Louis. Go to the American Airlines website (http://www.aa.com/) for flight reservations, and use the discount code: A5830AF. You may also phone 1-800-433-1790 and use the same code.

The Society’s contract with the Sheraton St. Louis City Center 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 Sheraton St. Louis City Center Hotel is a landmark hotel located in the heart of the downtown historic area of St. Louis. Built in 1929, this landmark building combines modern comforts with Midwestern charm and hospitality. The hotel is steps from the Metro Link/Light Rail system, linking downtown and attractions.
including the Gateway Arch, Busch Stadium, Riverboat Casinos, and Union Station.

**Conference Meeting Rooms:** All sessions will be held at the Sheraton St. Louis City Center Hotel in rooms on the Thirteenth Floor. The Annual Subscription Banquet will take place on Sunday evening, March 14, also at the hotel.

**Registration:** Early registration is on Friday, March 12, 10:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m. The Registration Desk is in Salon D on the Thirteenth 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, 2010, may check in and pickup their prepared meeting packets at the “Pre-Registered Desk”. Pre-registered members who have not yet paid their 2010 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 2010. Non-registered members who have not yet paid their 2010 dues may also do so here.

**Special Events:**

**Reception:** An introductory reception hosted by the AOS will be held on Friday, March 12, from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. in City View B. 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 13, 8:00 a.m.–9:00 a.m., in City View A.

**Plenary Session.** The Plenary Session, entitled “Poverty”, will be held on Sunday afternoon, March 14, 3:00 p.m.–5:00 p.m., in Salon A.

**Business Meeting.** A general Business Meeting of the Society will be held on Sunday, March 14, beginning at 5:00 p.m., in Salon A. 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 14, from 7:30 p.m.–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, 2010, by sending $45.00 to the AOS Office. A limited number of unsold tickets will be available for purchase for $45 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 6:30 p.m.–7:30 p.m.

The Presidential Address, “The Secret Lives of Texts” will be delivered by Stephanie W. Jamison, following the Annual Subscription Dinner, at approximately 9:00 p.m. All members and guests are invited to attend the address.

Book Exhibit and Sale. The Annual Book Exhibit will commence on Friday afternoon, March 12, at 1:00, and continue daily during the meeting. Beginning on Sunday afternoon and continuing through Monday morning March 15, 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.

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Meeting Arrangements Organized by
Bill Sanford of Chatterton Meeting Planners, Hamden, Connecticut
PROGRAM OF THE 220th ANNUAL MEETING

—OUTLINE—

Thursday, March 11th

3:30 p.m.–5:00 p.m. JAOS Editorial Board Meeting
Breakout Room 2

Friday, March 12th

Friday Morning
9:00 a.m.–9:30 a.m. Program Section Chairs Meeting
Breakout Room 2
9:30 a.m.–12:00 p.m. AOS Board of Directors Meeting
Breakout Room 2

10:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m. Morning Registration Salon D

Friday Afternoon
1:00 p.m.–5:00 p.m. Afternoon Registration Salon D
1:00 p.m.–5:00 p.m. Book Exhibit Salon D

Friday Afternoon Sectional Meetings
A. Ancient Near East I: Language & Linguistics
   (2:00 p.m.–3:30 p.m.) Salon B
B. Ancient Near East II: Law & Economy
   (2:00 p.m.–5:00 p.m.) Salon A
C. Islamic Near East I: Religion: Shi‘ism I; Christian Arabic
   (12:30 p.m.–5:00 p.m.) Salon F
D. South and Southeast Asia I: Buddhism, Jainism, and South India (2:00 p.m.–5:00 p.m.) Salon E

Friday Evening
6:30 p.m.–8:00 p.m. Cocktail Reception for Members and Guests
City View B
Saturday, March 13th

**Saturday Morning**
8:00 a.m.–9:00 a.m. Breakfast for Graduate Students and Recent PhD’s (Hosted by the AOS)
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**Saturday Morning Sectional Meetings**
   In Honor of Amélie Kuhrt (9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.) *Salon A*
B. East Asia I: Yin-femininity, Eunuchs, Courtesans
   (9:00 a.m.–10:15 a.m.) *Salon B*
C. East Asia II: History in Chinese Literature
   (10:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m.) *Salon B*
D. Inner Asia (9:30 a.m.–12:00 p.m.) *Salon C*
E. Islamic Near East II: Law (9:00 a.m.–11:00 p.m.) *Salon F*
F. Islamic Near East III: History (11:30 a.m.–1:30 p.m.) *Salon F*
G. South and Southeast Asia II: Philosophy
   (9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.) *Salon E*

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A. Ancient Near East IV: Mesopotamian Literature
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B. East Asia III: Language, Poetics, Control of Knowledge
   (1:00 p.m.–2:45 p.m.) *Salon B*
C. East Asia IV: Geographic Themes in Song Dynasty Literature
   (3:15 p.m.–5:00 p.m.) *Salon B*
D. Islamic Near East IV: Theology and Philosophy
   (3:00 p.m.–5:00 p.m.) *Salon F*
E. South and Southeast Asia III: South Asian and Indo-Persian Literature (Joint Panel with Islamic Near East)
   (1:30 p.m.–5:00 p.m.) *Salon E*
Sunday, March 14th

Sunday Morning
8:30 a.m.–12:00 p.m.  Morning Registration  Salon D
8:30 a.m.–12:00 a.m.  Book Exhibit  Salon D

Sunday Morning Sectional Meetings
A. Ancient Near East V: Religion & Magic.
   In Honor of Tzvi Abusch (9:00 a.m.–12:30 p.m.)  Salon A
B. Islamic Near East V: Qur’an (9:00 a.m.–11:00 a.m.)  Salon F
C. Islamic Near East VI: Language (11:15 a.m.–12:15 p.m.)  Salon F
D. South and Southeast Asia IV: The Royal and the Priestly
   (10:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.)  Salon E

Sunday Afternoon
12:00 p.m.–5:00 p.m.  Book Exhibit and Sale  Salon D

Sunday Afternoon Sectional Meetings
A. Islamic Near East VII: Literature (1:15 p.m.–2:45 p.m.)  Salon F

3:00 p.m.–5:00 p.m.  Plenary Session: Poverty  Salon A
5:00 p.m.–6:00 p.m.  Annual Business Meeting  Salon A

Sunday Evening
6:30 p.m.–7:30 p.m.  Social Hour (Cash Bar)  City View C
7:30 p.m.–11:00 p.m.  Annual Subscription Dinner and
9:00 p.m.  Presidential Address  City View B
Monday, March 15th

Monday Morning
9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.  Book Sale Continues Salon D

Monday Morning Sectional Meetings
A. Ancient Near East VI: History & Society
   (9:00 a.m.–11:00 a.m.) Salon A
B. Islamic Near East VII: Shi’ism II
   (9:00 a.m.–11:0 a.m.) Salon F
C. South and Southeast Asia V: Sciences, History, and Arts in South and Southeast Asia
   (9:00 a.m.–11:45 a.m.) Salon E
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Gary Beckman, University of Michigan, Chair (2:00 p.m.–3:30 p.m.) Salon B

1. Rebecca Hasselbach, University of Chicago
   Akkadian Demonstratives from a Comparative Perspective
2. Peter T. Daniels, New York
   Arabian Sibilants Again
3. H. Craig Melchert, University of California, Los Angeles
   History of the “LITUUS” in the Anatolian Hieroglyphs
4. Aaron Michael Butts, University of Chicago
   Establishing a terminus ante quem for Greek-Syriac Bilingualism:
   Evidence from Grammatical Replication

B. Ancient Near East II: Law & Economy. Steven Garfinkle,
Western Washington University, Chair (2:00 p.m.–5:00 p.m.)
Salon A

5. Xiaoli Ouyang, New York University
   The Temple Treasury and Local Politics in Umma during the Ur
   III Period (c. 2112–2004 BCE)
6. Laura Culbertson, University of Chicago
   The Musicians of Girsu
7. Tonia M. Sharlach, Oklahoma State University
   The Court of the Third Dynasty of Ur: Definition and Evolution
8. Edward Stratford, Brigham Young University
   Principal and Agent: Coordinating Activity and Competing Interests in the Old Assyrian Trade

(Break)
Friday Afternoon

9. Martha T. Roth, University of Chicago
   Acts and Actors in the Laws of Hammurabi
10. Jonathan S. Tenney, Loyola University, New Orleans
    The Servile Work Force of Kassite Nippur in Local and National
    Perspective
11. Andrew D. Gross, The Catholic University of America
    Finalizing Legal Transactions at Emar and Elsewhere
12. John P. Nielsen, Loyola University, New Orleans
    Evidence for Land Organization at Kish in the early
    Neo-Babylonian Period

C. Islamic Near East I: Religion. (12:30 p.m.–5:00 p.m.)
   Salon F

- Shi‘ism I. Organized by Matthew Melvin-Koushki.
  Devin Stewart, Emory University, Chair. (12:30 p.m.–2:00 p.m.) Salon F
13. Mushegh Asatryan, Yale University
    Who were the Mufadṣaliyya? A Study of an Early “Extreme”
    Shi‘ite Sect
14. Hussein Abdulsater, Yale University
    Dynamics of Absence: Twelver Shi‘ism During the Minor Occultation
15. Matthew Melvin-Koushki, Yale University
    Imami Hurufism and the neo-Ikhwan al-Ṣafawi in Early 9th/15th
    Century Iran: Ṣāvin al-Dīn Ibn Turka’s Intellectual Hierarchy

- Christian Arabic. Organized by Alexander Treiger.
  Sidney Griffith, Catholic University, Chair. (2:15 p.m.–5:00 p.m.) Salon F
16. Adam McCollum, Beeson Divinity School
    The Fall of Satan in the Arabic Version of Jacob of Edessa’s Hexa-
    emeron
17. Sandra T. Keating, Providence College
    ‘Holy is the One Who Was Crucified for Us’: Abū Rāvīṭa’s Defense
    of the Trishagion against the Melkites
Friday Afternoon

18. ALEXANDER TREIGER, Dalhousie University
   Greek into Arabic in Byzantine Antioch: ’Abdallāh ibn al-Fadl’s 
   Book of the Garden (Kitāb al-Rawḍa)
   (Break)

19. SAMUEL NOBLE, Yale University
   New Elements in Muslim-Christian Polemic in 7th/13th Century Egypt

20. REV. ABIJAR BAHKOU, Baylor University
   The Use of Analogies in Christian Arab—Muslim Debates in the Middle Ages

D. South and Southeast Asia I. Buddhism, Jainism, and South India. VIDYUT AKLUJKAR, University of British Columbia, Chair
   (2:00 p.m.–5:00 p.m) Salon E

• Indian Buddhist and Jain Texts and Terms

21. JAMES APPLE, University of Calgary
   The Phrase ‘dharmaparyāyo hastagato’ in Mahāyāna Buddhist literature: Re-thinking the Cult of the Book in Middle Period Indian Mahāyāna Buddhism

22. CHRISTIAN WEDEMEYER, University of Chicago,
   Thus Have We Heard: Rhetorics of Seduction and Solidarity in Mahāyāna Sūtra Literature

23. SHENGBAI LI, University of Wisconsin-Madison,
   Ethical Foundations of Candrakīrti’s Thought

24. CHRISTIAN HASKETT, Washington and Lee University
   Upavasatha, uposatha, poṣadha and posaha
   (Break)

25. MARI JYVÄSJÄRVI, Harvard University
   Retrieving a Text’s Hidden Meaning: Hermeneutical Processes in the Brhadātmanāsikṣa

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• South Indian Brahmins

26. Thennilapuram Mahadevan, Howard University
   Gotra Census of Tamil Brahmins

27. Elaine Fisher, Columbia University
   “Secular” Sanskrit Intellectuals? Nilakantha Dikṣita and the Saubhāgyacandrātapa

28. Joël Dubois, California State University, Sacramento
   Traditional Brahmin Education in Modern South India

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29. Grant Frame, University of Pennsylvania, and Caroline Waerzeggers, Vrije Universiteit (Amsterdam)
   The Prebend of Temple Scribe in First-Millennium Babylonia
Saturday Morning

30. MARGARET COOL ROOT, University of Michigan
   “Darius Rising” on Mount Bisitun

31. MATTHEW W. STOLPER, University of Chicago
   Interrogation, Auditing and Exchange according to an
   Unparalleled Persepolis Fortification Document

32. WOUTER HENKELMAN, Vrije Universiteit (Amsterdam) & École
    Pratique des Hautes Études (Paris)
   Exit Atossa, Enter Irdabama: Royal Women in the Fortification
   Archive
   (Break)

33. MARK B. GARRISON, Trinity University, San Antonio, Texas
   Archers in Persepolitan Glyptic: A Newly Discovered Scene of
   Warfare from the Persepolis Fortification Archive

34. TYTUS K. MIKOLAJCZAK, University of Chicago
   Seals on Journal and Account Tablets in the Persepolis Fortifica-
   tion Archive

35. PAUL-ALAIN BEAULIEU, University of Toronto
   Cultural Hybridity in the Cylinder of Antiochus I

B. East Asia I: Yin-femininity, Eunuchs, Courtesans. RICHARD
   VANNESS SIMMONS, Rutgers University, Chair (9:00 a.m.–10:15
   a.m.) Salon B

36. MARGARET J. PEARSON, Skidmore College
   Yin 雌 Meanings in the Shijing and Zhouyi

37. XIAOSHAN YANG, University of Notre Dame
   Legality and Politics in the Xuande Gate Incident

38. VICTORIA CASS, University of Colorado
   The Theater of Erotic Misery: Southern Syncretism and Late
   Imperial Courtesan Culture
Saturday Morning

C. East Asia II: History in Chinese Literature. Victoria Cass, University of Colorado, Chair (10:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m.) Salon B

39. Yue Zhang, University of Toronto
   Historical Reception of Zuo Si’s (ca. 250–ca. 305) Poems on History during the pre-Song Periods (308–960)

40. Timothy M. Davis, Brigham Young University
   Epigraphy and Historical Memory in the Late Western Jin (265–317 AD: The Grave Memoir Inscriptions of Shi Xian and Shi Ding

41. Steven B. Miles, Washington University in Saint Louis
   The Cultural Construction of Frontier: Cantonese Travel Writing from the West River Basin, 1830–1850

42. Stephan N. Kory, Indiana University, Bloomington
   Evidence for the Transmission of Pyro-plastronomic Oracle Manuals in Medieval China

43. Manling Luo, Indiana University
   The Power of Assorted Knowledge: A Mid-Tang Case of Miscellany

D. Inner Asia. Ron Sela, Indiana University, Chair (9:30 a.m.–12:00 p.m.) Salon C

44. Daniel J. Beben, Indiana University
   Local Narratives of the “Great Game” and the Partition of Badakhshan

45. Ron Sela, Indiana University
   “Compose this History in Turkic!” Notes on Central Asian Historiography

E. Islamic Near East II: Law. Peri Bearman, Harvard University, Chair (9:00 a.m.–11:00 a.m.) Salon F

46. Behnam Sadeghi, Stanford University
   The Traveling Tradition Test: A New Method of Dating Traditions

47. Mark S. Wagner, Louisiana State University
   The Problem of Non-Muslims Who Insult the Prophet Muhammad
Saturday Morning

48. AHMED EL SHAMSY, University of North Carolina
Did Medieval Muslim Jurists Write Doctoral Dissertations?

49. NECMETTIN KIZILKAYA, Selcuk University, Turkey; Columbia University
Theory and Practice of al-Qawā'id al-Fiqhiyyah: Ibn Nujaym's
(d. 970/1562) al-Ashbāḥ wa 'l-naẓāʿir and al-Bahr al-rāʾiq sharḥ
Kanz al-daqāʾiq

F. Islamic Near East III: History. SULEIMAN MOURAD, Smith
College, Chair (11:30 a.m.–1:30 p.m.) Salon F

50. ROBERT J. HAUG, University of Michigan
“It has Superseded Baghdad:” The Changing Political Geog-
raphy of the Muslim World in al-Muqaddasī’s Aḥsan al-tagāṣīm fī
marāfat al-aqālim

51. HAYRETTIN YUCESOY, Saint Louis University
The Caliphate between Sectarian Debates and Regional Powers:
Constructing an Imperial Identity

52. JAMES E. LINDSAY, Colorado State University
Ibn ‘Asākir’s Distinctive Vision of Jihad in his Forty Hadiths for
Inciting Jihad

53. DAVID BERTAINA, University of Illinois Springfield
‘Ali Converts the Emperor: Power Language in a Medieval Shiite
Historical Narrative

G. South and Southeast Asia II: Philosophy.
CHRISTIAN WEDEMEYER, University of Chicago, Chair
(9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.) Salon E

54. SIGNE COHEN, University of Missouri-Columbia
The Creative Self: Ātman in the Early Upaniṣads

55. JAMES KIMBALL, School of Oriental and African Studies, University
of London
The Definitional Role of the “Supreme rsī” in the Yuktidipikā

56. NEIL DALAL, University of Alberta
Parīsaṅkhyaṇa and Prasaṅkhyaṇa in Śaṅkara’s Upadeśasāhasrī
57. **Sucharita Adluri**, Cleveland State University  
The World as Brahman: *Brahmāvasthā* in Viśiṣṭādvaita Vedānta

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58. **Ashok Aklujkar**, University of British Columbia  
*Saṃkarṣa-kāṇḍa*: a Victim in Miṃaṃsā Madhya-vaśya

59. **Purushottama Bilimoria**, Deakin University of Melbourne  
Pūrva Miṃaṃsā on the Negative Indexical (*naṇ*) and the Ontology of abhāva

60. **Steven Lindquist**, Southern Methodist University  
Rethinking Late Vedic Genealogy

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**Saturday Afternoon**

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1:00 p.m.–5:00 p.m. Book Exhibit *Salon D*

**Saturday Afternoon Sectional Meetings**

**A. Ancient Near East IV: Mesopotamian Literature.** **Peter Machinist**, Harvard University, Chair *(2:00 p.m.–5:00 p.m.)*

*Salon A*

61. **Deena Ragavan**, Harvard University  
Temples, Trees and Cosmic Connections in Sumerian Literature

62. **Alhena Gadotti**, Towson University  
A Woman Most Fair: Investigating the Message of Lu-dingir-ra to His Mother

63. **Sara J. Milstein**, New York University  
Revision through Introduction: A Prominent Scribal Technique in the Transmission of Akkadian Literature

64. **Mary R. Bachvarova**, Willamette University  
“He Ruled in Heaven for Nine Years . . .”: On Cosmogonies, King Lists, and Hurro-Hittite Song

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Saturday Afternoon

65. ILONA ZSOĽNAY, University of Pennsylvania
    *Bēlet qabli u tāhāzī*: One Deity or Two?

66. MATTHEW RUTZ, Brown University
    On Medical Training in Kassite Nippur

67. ANNE MARIE KITZ, Kenrick-Glennon Seminary, St. Louis
    Weapons, Curse and Image

B. East Asia III: Language, Poetics, Control of Knowledge.
STEVEN B. MILES, Washington University in Saint Louis, Chair (1:00 p.m.–2:45 p.m.) Salon B

68. YUGEN WANG, University of Oregon
    Poetic Pedagogy and the Rise of the Critic: A Study of Yuan Dynasty Poetry Manuals

69. EN LI, Washington University in St. Louis
    Texts as Arena for Contested Knowledge: A Case-Study on *The Emperor’s Four Treasuries*

70. YANNING WANG, Florida State University
    Poetry of Roaming as a Transcendent in the Qing Dynasty: Li E’s (1692–1752) Case

71. RICHARD VANNESS SIMMONS, Rutgers University
    More on the Shanghái Dialect: Thrashing Out a Grammar that Works for Learners

C. East Asia IV: Geographic Themes in Sòng Dynasty Literature.
YUGEN WANG, University of Oregon, Chair (3:15 p.m.–5:00 p.m.) Salon B

72. NICOLAS TACKETT, University of California, Berkeley
    Travelers through a Contested Landscape: Eleventh-Century Yan and the Bounding of the Chinese Ecumene

73. JEFFREY MOSER, Harvard University
    Many Places or One Land: Contesting Geography in the Southern Song Dynasty
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74. **Benjamin Ridgway**, Valparaiso University
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77. **Racha el Omari**, University of California Santa Barbara
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**E. South and Southeast Asia III: South Asian and Indo-Persian Literature.** Patrick Olivelle, University of Texas at Austin, Chair 1:30 p.m.–5:00 p.m. Salon E

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81. **Vidyut Aklujkar**, University of British Columbia
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82. Adheesh Sathaye, University of British Columbia
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83. Deven Patel, University of Pennsylvania
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• Indo-Persian Literature and Translations (Joint panel with
  Islamic Near East) 3:30 p.m.–5:00 p.m. Salon E

85. Supriya Gandhi, Harvard University
   Persian Renditions of the Yogavāśishtha in Seventeenth-Century
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86. Travis Zadeh, Haverford College
   Persian Translations and Commentaries of the Qurān in South
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87. Rachana Rao Umashankar, University of North Carolina at
   Chapel Hill
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88. Alireza Korangy, University of Virginia
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Sunday Morning

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A. Ancient Near East V: Religion & Magic. In Honor of Tzvi Abusch. Tzvi Abusch, Brandeis University, Chair (9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.) Salon A

89. MARK E. COHEN, University of Maryland
   Reflections on the Dumuzi/Tammuz Festivals and Rites

90. A.J. FERRARA, New Mexico
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91. JEFFREY STACKERT, University of Chicago
   The Variety of Ritual Applications for Salt and the Maqlû Salt Incantation

92. ABRAHAM WINITZER, University of Notre Dame
   Etana: New Light from an Unlikely Source
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93. DAVID WRIGHT, Brandeis University
   The Religio-Political Ideology of the Covenant Code

94. K. LAWSON YOUNGER, Jr., Trinity International University
   Some Reflections on the Royal Ancestor Cult at Zincirli and its Connections with Astral Religion

95. LOUISE MARIE PRYKE, University of Sydney
   When Religion is Bad for Your Image: The Case of Akhenaton
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B. Islamic Near East V: Qurʾān. Joseph Lowry, University of Pennsylvania, Chair (9:00 a.m.–11:00 a.m.) Salon F

96. David R. Vishanoff, University of Oklahoma
    Psalms of the Muslim David: Rewritten Bible or Rewritten Qurʾān?

97. Mohammad Hassan Khalil, The University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign
    Tarrying in Gehenna “for Ages”? Resolving Qurʾān 78:23

98. Karen Bauer, The Institute of Ismaili Studies
    Historical Narratives and Women’s Status in Classical and Post-Classical Qurʾān Commentaries

99. Todd Lawson, University of Toronto
    The Covenant and the Myth of the False Qurʾān: Theme and Variation in Later Safavid Tafsīr

C. Islamic Near East VI: Language. Jacob Lassner, Northwestern University, Chair (11:15 a.m.–12:15 p.m.) Salon F

100. Bilal Orfali, American University of Beirut
    Al-Ushnāndānī’s Maʿānī al-Shīr: Its Sources, Content, and Reception

101. Michael C. Carter, Sydney University
    The Parsing of Sibawayhi’s Kitāb, Title of Chapter 1, or Fifty Ways to Lose Your Reader

D. South and Southeast Asia IV: The Royal and the Priestly. James L. Fitzgerald, Brown University, Chair (10:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.) Salon E

102. Jarrod L. Whitaker, Wake Forest University
    Encoding and Decoding the Rigveda

103. Patrick Olivelle, University of Texas at Austin
    War and Peace: Semantics of Samdhi and Vigraha in the Arthaśāstra

104. Mark McClish, Ripon College
    Untangling Dharmaśāstra and Arthaśāstra

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   Donors’ Dispositions in the Brahmanical Theory of dāna

106. MATTHEW SAYERS, Lebanon Valley College
   Synthesized Ritual Classifications in Manu

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Sunday Afternoon Sectional Meetings

A. Islamic Near East VII: Literature. WOLFHART HEINRICH, Harvard University, Chair. (1:15 a.m.–2:45 p.m.) Salon F

107. AILIN QIAN, University of Pennsylvania
   From the Stimuli to the Purple-Flowering Pear: A Rereading of al-Hamadhanī’s Maḏira

108. JOCELYN SHARLET, University of California, Davis
   Alternatives to Moral Authority in Medieval Arabic Literary Culture

109. MAJID AL-MALLAH, Grand Valley State University
   In Praise of al-ʿAzīz: Tamīm b. al-Muʿizz’s Negotiation in his First Ode to the Caliph

3:00 p.m.–5:00 p.m. Plenary Session: Poverty.
   MICHAEL DROMPP, Rhodes College, Chair Salon A

110. EVA VON DASSOW, University of Minnesota
    Ancient Near East: Poverty and Status in the Ancient Near East

111. MICHAEL BONNER, University of Michigan
    Islamic Near East: The Economy of Poverty

112. DAVID PRAGER BRANNER, The City College of New York
    East Asia: The Poor Chinese Scholar

113. GARY TUBB, University of Chicago
    South and Southeast Asia: In the Face of a Chilling Wind: Poverty in the Early Sanskrit Anthologies
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5:00 p.m.–6:00 p.m. Annual Business Meeting (All Members Are Encouraged to Attend.) Salon A

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• Stephanie W. Jamison, University of California, Los Angeles
  The Secret Lives of Texts

Monday, March 15th

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Monday Morning Sectional Meetings

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114. Seth Richardson, University of Chicago
  “Deep History,” Environmental Determinism, and the Mesopotamian Past in the Present

115. Daniel E. Fleming, New York University
  The Land of Amurrum in the Old Babylonian Period

116. Brendon C. Benz, New York University
  The Dynamic of Political Discourse in the Amarna Letters: The Place and Role of the ḫupšu at Gubla

117. Fabrice De Backer, Le Centre national de la recherche scientifique, Paris
  Neo-Assyrian Siege Redoubts Tactics: Some Issues

118. Amanda H. Podany, California State Polytechnic University, Pomona
  Royal Statues Sent to Allies
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B. Islamic Near East VII: Religion: Shi‘ism II. Shawkat M. Toorawa, Cornell University, Chair (9:00 a.m.–11:00 a.m.) Salon F

119. Tahera Qutbuddin, University of Chicago
   The Address of Husayn b. ‘Alī to the Kufan Army in Karbala on the day of Ashura: Dynamics of Orator-Audience Engagement and Authority Assertion in the Classical Arabic Oration

120. Najam Haider, Franklin and Marshall College
   Theology on the Battlefield: Constructions of the Revolt of Zayd b. ‘Alī (122/740)

121. Omid Ghaemmaghami, University of Toronto
   Seeing the Unseen: The Question of Encounters with the Hidden Imam in Early Twelver Shi‘ī Islam

122. Paul E. Walker, University of Chicago
   Egyptian Popular Festivals in the Fatimid Period

C. South and Southeast Asia V: Sciences, History, and Arts in South and Southeast Asia. Gary Tubb, University of Chicago, Chair (9:00 a.m.–11:45 a.m.) Salon E

   • Linguistic and Astronomical Sciences

123. Peter Scharf, Brown University
   Limitative Conditions in the Dhātupātha

124. Stefan Baums, University of Washington
   Nirvacanaśāstra in Gandhāra: Vernacular Uses of a Brahman Technique

125. Toke Lindegaard Knudsen, SUNY College at Oneonta
   Verifying the Words of the Sages

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126. Oskar von Hinüber, Freiburg Universität im Bresgau
   Did Hellenistic Kings Send Letters to Aśoka?
127. Arlo Griffiths, École française d’Extrême-Orient, Jakarta

- Art and Archaeology

128. Abhishek Singh Amar, Ruhr-Universität Bochum
   The Emergence of the Buddhakṣetra of Gotama at Sacred Bodhgaya
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