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Organized by Shira Telushkin

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**How Religion Matters: Critical Perspectives on Material Culture**

*Organized by Sarah Porter and Tyler Schwaller*

**De/constructing Empire through Material Culture**

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**Holy Objects and Their Agencies**

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**People and/as Property**

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**Land, Artifacts, and Bodies: Indigenous Materiality and the Display of History, Science, and Religion**

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THURSDAY

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PANEL 1:00–3:00 PM

SPERRY ROOM
“APPLYING TO PH.D. PROGRAMS”

Anne Monius
Professor of South Asian Religions, Harvard Divinity School

Laura Nasrallah
Professor of New Testament and Early Christianity, Harvard Divinity School

Joseph Vignone
Ph.D. Candidate in Near Eastern Languages and Civilization, Harvard University

REGISTRATION 3:00–4:15 PM
BRAUN ROOM

SESSION I 4:15–6:00 PM

ANDOVER 102
BREAD, STONE, AND NUTS: MATERIAL CULTURE AND MATERIAL RELIGION

Just Accidents: Work of Human Hands
Mark Nicolais, University of Missouri

Aural Aesthetics and Kinesthetic Conversations: Examining Physical Epistemologies through Kola Nut Divination
Funlayo Wood, Harvard University

The Leontocephaline from Villa Albagni as a Representation of Time
Sharon Khalifa-Gueta, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev
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SPERRY ROOM
WELLNESS AND ITS PARADOXES: BODIES, HEALTH AND ACTIVISM IN RELIGION

Health Activism and the Racialization of Religion in Canadian Organ Donation Outreach
Ayan Kassim, University of Toronto

To “Dwell in Houses of Clay”: The Paradox of the Material Body
Christine S. Hill, Lehigh University

Perspectives of Emotional Health and Resource Utilization: An Exploratory Study of Muslims in Boston
Kanwal Haq, Boston University School of Medicine

ANDOVER CHAPEL
HEALING AND HUMANITY: THEOLOGY IN PRACTICE

Doing Practical Theology in an Apocalyptic Mode
Gregory Williams, Duke Divinity School

The Radical Cure: Time in Psychedelic Healing
Patricia Kubala, University of California, Berkeley

Compost: A Practice to Heal Humanity’s Rift with Geologic Time
Patrick A. Kelly, Drew University
“Studying Up? A Brief History on the ‘Religion of the Future’”
Courtney Bender, Columbia University

Courtney Bender is Professor and Chair of the Department of Religion at Columbia University. Her research focuses on the social and cultural processes that shape religious practice, experience and interaction in contemporary American life. Professor Bender is the author of Heaven’s Kitchen: Living Religion at God’s Love We Deliver (University of Chicago Press 2003), The New Metaphysicals: Spirituality and the American Religious Imagination (University of Chicago Press 2010) and the co-editor of volumes on religious pluralism, secularism, and the sociology of religion. In addition to pursuing research for a new project titled Secular Temples, she recently served as the chair of the Social Science Research Council’s research program New Directions in the Study of Prayer (2011–15).
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ISLAMIC MODERNITIES IN DYNAMIC TIME

Creative Temporality and the Political Imperative in Modern South Asia: Muhammad Iqbal’s Spiritual Interpretation of Modern Muslim Politics
Adnan Rehman, Boston University

Making a “New World” for the “Unborn Infinity”: Evocations of Futurity in the Thought of Muhammad Iqbal
Faridah Zaman, University of Chicago

How Tafsir al-Manar Witnessed the Rise of the Arab General Audience
Nadirah Mansour, Princeton University

The Science of Friendship: Social Bonds, Religious Knowledge, and Late Qajar Cultures of Ethics
Robert Ames, Harvard University

ANDOVER 103
RELIGION, IDENTITY, AND SOCIAL TRANSFORMATION
ON THE MARGINS: ETHNOGRAPHIES OF CIVIL SOCIETY, TEMPORALITY AND IDENTITY FORMATION

Returning to Islam in the Philippines: Social Change through Self-Transformation
Marybeth T. Acac, Temple University

Christian De-othering: Border Makings and Crossings in Old City Jerusalem
Georgios Tsourous, University of Kent

Renegotiating Faith and Identity in Private to Public Transitions: The Case of a Sufi Muslim Convert community in 21st Century France and Italy
Lulie El-Ashry, Harvard University
**SPERRY ROOM**

**THE BODY IN RELIGION**

**THE BODY AS VESSEL**

At the Center of the Crossroad: The Haitian Vodou Dance as Space/Time Machine  
*Maria Rosella Molinu, Independent Scholar*

The Prophet Matthias and the Construction of Religious Madness in Antebellum America  
*Alexandra Prince, University of Buffalo*

The Violence of Charity: Proxy Penance in Thirteenth-Century Female Hagiography  
*Gavin Fort, Northwestern University*

Knowing God through the Taboo of Incest in Kabbalah  
*Leore Sachs Shmueli, Bar Ilan University*

**ANDOVER CHAPEL**

**SAINTS, SPIRITS AND SUBVERSIVE ENCOUNTERS: RELIGION AND LITERATURE**

Sisters, Saints, and the Subversion of the Temporal: Time as a Narrative and Imaginative Force in Mark Salzman’s *Lying Awake*  
*David J. C. Waters, Harvard Divinity School*

Vladimir Solovyov’s Three Encounters: Utterance, Threshold, and the Beautiful Lady  
*Ashley Morse, Harvard University*

Wisdom. The Quest for Primordial Knowledge in the Study of Religion and Literature around 1900  
*Sebastian P. Klinger, Princeton University*
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ANOVER 102
DIVERSE MINDSCAPES AND IMPERIAL NETWORKS: EXAMINING ISLAMIC NOTIONS OF TIME

Understanding Early Islamic Diversity Through a Qurʾānic Notion of Time
Conor Dube, New York University

Sufi Networks between Empires: Sainthood and Recognition in Southern Punjab
Mishal Khan, University of Chicago

‘Mawlids’ in Mappila Mindscape: Muslim Social Life in Colonial Kerala, South-West India
Muhammed Niyas Ashraf, Berlin Graduate School Muslim Cultures and Societies

ANOVER 103
RELATIONALITY, MULTIPLICITY AND TEMPORALITY IN THE PHILOSOPHY OF RELIGION

The Grace of Time: Pannenberg on the Temporality of Creation
Mark P. Hertenstein, Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary

Toward Relationality, Correspondence, and Dynamics: How Does Pannenberg Overcome Previous Theories of Time and Eternity?
Seung Hyun Yoo, Graduate Theological Union

Hume, James, Hume, and James on Self-Multiplicity
Russell Johnson, University of Chicago

Gravity and Grace
Christophe Porot, Harvard Divinity School
SPERRY ROOM

THE BODY IN RELIGION

THE BODY IN DEATH

*Secretum Meum Mihi*: Cardinal Newman and the Theological Problem of Destroying Your Own Corpse
*Alexa Winstanley-Smith, Yale Divinity School*

Stealing the Prophet’s Body
*Abdul Latif, Harvard Divinity School*

Qoheleth and Epicurus on the Harm of Death
*Jesse Peterson, Durham University*

ANDOVER CHAPEL

RELIGION, IDENTITY, AND SOCIAL TRANSFORMATION

SOUND AND ITS ABSENCE: AFFIRMATIONS OF RELIGIOUS IDENTITY AND AUTHORITY

From “Joyful Noise” to Simply “Noise”?: Pentecostal Sonic Theology as a Path to Urban Presence
*Mariam Goshadze, Harvard University*

Wa Reggae: Religion and Folklore
*Meng Ren, University of Missouri*

“Maybe Jesus Knows Sign”: Resistance through Identity Formation
*Timothy Y. Loh, Georgetown University*

Transforming through Transcending: From Silence to Sound in Afro-Brazilian Religion
*Genevieve E. Dempsey, University of Chicago*
FRIDAY

LUNCH PANEL 1:00–3:00 PM
SPERRY ROOM
“THE JOB MARKET”

Emma Williams
Publisher, Elsevier Publications

Bilal Malik
Allston Burr Assistant Dean of Harvard College, Leverett House, and Lecturer of Anthropology, Harvard University

Gabriela Soto Lavega
Professor of the History of Science, Harvard University

Ann Braude
Senior Lecturer on American Religious History, and Director of the Women’s Studies in Religion Program, Harvard Divinity School

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SESSION IV 3:15–5:00 PM

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SCIENCE, MEDICINE AND LITERACY: INVESTIGATING KNOWLEDGE AND EMPIRE

Post-Humanist Discourse on the Ottomans and the Integration of Islamic Science into European Epistemology
Duygu Yildirim, Stanford University

Missionaries, Madness, and Medicine in the Levant at the Turn of the 20th Century
Hratch Kestenian, The Graduate Center, City University of New York

Tribulation of Modernity: Venereal Diseases in Iran, 1910s-1940s
Jairan Gahan, University of Toronto

The Illiterate Sufi and the Scholar
Mona Zaki, College of William and Mary
CRITIQUING HISTORY, QUESTIONING ETHICS: ENGAGING FOUCALUT, KANT AND BURKE

Edmund Burke and the Complexities of Reading the Past
Colin Devine, Yale Divinity School

The Status of Self-Knowledge in Foucault’s Ethics of The Care of the Self
Daniel Wyche, University of Chicago Divinity School

Anthropology and Critique: Foucault, Kant, and the Death of God
Michael Putnam, Harvard Divinity School

SPERRY ROOM

THE BODY IN RELIGION

THE BODY IN HUMAN HANDS

Religious Circumcision: The History of a Future Debate
Michael J. Lesley, Harvard Divinity School

Doctors and Medicine in Medieval Halakhic Sources
Ezra Blaustein, University of Chicago

Yantra Yoga: Religious Experience and the Body in Modern Buddhism
Naomi Worth, University of Virginia

Living Sacrifices: Kenotic Discourse in Evangelical Athleticism
Zachary Smith, Western Michigan University
ANDOVER CHAPEL

RELIGION, IDENTITY, AND SOCIAL TRANSFORMATION

LEADERSHIP AND SOCIAL MOVEMENTS: RESISTANCE, TRANSFORMATION, LIBERATION

Mou Banerjee, Harvard University

Frederick Douglass and the Foundations of Black Liberation Theology: Examining Respectability, Allyship, and Violence in the Struggle for Black Freedom
Foster J. Pinkney, University of Chicago Divinity School

Democratizing Dialogue: New Social Movements and the Future of Interfaith Activism
Ashley Crouch, Concordia University

Religious Leadership, Identity, and Social Change in Secular Turkey: An Analysis of Kenan Rifai and His Movement (1908-1950)
Gökçen Beyinli, Humboldt University, Berlin

FACULTY PANEL 5:15–6:30 PM

SPERRY ROOM
“ON TIME: THINKING ABOUT TIME IN THE STUDY OF RELIGION”

Aisha M. Beliso-De Jesús
Associate Professor of African American Religions, Harvard Divinity School

Ajantha Subramanian
Professor of Anthropology, Harvard University

Ahmed Ragab
Richard T. Watson Associate Professor of Science and Religion, and Director of the Science, Religion, and Culture Program, Harvard Divinity School

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THE RITUALIZATION OF TIME IN THE QUMRAN COMMUNITY

Enacting the ‘Two Spirits’ Sectarian Drama: Ritual Performance as Time Construction
Warren Campbell, University of Toronto

The Ritualization of Time in the Qumran Community
Katie Maguire, University of Toronto

Liturgy at Qumran: The Breaking of Temporal Boundaries
Demetrios Alibertis, University of Toronto

The Ritualization of Time in the Qumran Community: A Response
Jason Yuh, University of Toronto

ANDOVER 103
POWER, POLITICS AND REBELS: HISTORIES OF RELIGION AND REBELLION IN THE UNITED STATES

Sole and Exclusive: Power, Violence, and Control in the Utah Territory 1847-1857
Brendan Cummins, University of Lethbridge

Patrick Henry’s Middle Way: Separationism and Accomodationism in the Virginia Church-State Debates
Daniel Roeber, Florida State University

Savior from Civilization: Bishop Brent and the Role of the Protestant Missionary in Affecting Social Change and Protecting Traditional Religion in the Philippines, 1901-1918
Jason Ratcliff, Florida State University
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SPERRY ROOM
SPACE, TIME AND DIVINE CHOICE IN ASIAN RELIGIONS

Asia as Symbol: Korean American Identity and Subversive Religious Narratives
Girim Jung, Claremont School of Theology

The Varieties of Secular Experience: Temporality in Contemporary South Korea
Heather Mellquist Lehto, University of California, Berkeley

Not Even Elephants: Clashing Epistemologies of Place in the Tibetan Geography Controversy
Catherine Hartmann, Harvard University

ANDOVER CHAPEL
HOW RELIGION MATTERS
DE/CONSTRUCTING EMPIRE THROUGH MATERIAL CULTURE

Heather McLetchie-Leader, Harvard University

A Matter of Community: The Social Landscape of the Kura-Araxes, 3500-2400 BC
Gabrielle Borenstein, Cornell University

The Shrines of Aspen as Assemblages of “The Local”
Cody Musselman, Yale University
SESSION VI 11:00 AM–12:45 PM

ANDOVER 102  
WISDOM, MORALITY AND THE IMAGINARY: EXPLORING TIME IN JUDAISM

The Imaginary Witness to History: Investigating Post Holocaust Depictions of the Messianic  
Emily Jane Pascoe, University of Toronto

“It is Time to Act for the Lord”: Toward an Understanding of a Paradigm in Jewish History  
Omer Michaelis, Tel Aviv University

Adam’s Wisdom, Israel’s Torah, and the Bending of Time in Sirach  
Rony Kozman, University of Toronto

ANDOVER 103  
ENVISIONING TIME, ENACTING RELIGION: U.S. CULTURAL POLITICS AND RELIGION

A Song That Never Ends: Explo ’72 and the Cultural Politics of 1970s Evangelicalism  
Grace Goudiss, University of California, Berkeley

Re/visioning Eternity: Time and Trauma in the Bible Belt  
McKenna E. Lewellen, Boston University

Hobby Lobby and its Discontents: The Role of Social Change in Informing and Expanding Theologies of Complicity in American Religion and Law  
Eric Stephen, Harvard University
SPERRY ROOM
DESIRE AND THE LOGOS: RELIGION, REASON AND TIME

Plato’s Reason, Clement’s Christ: Obedience to the Logos in Plato and Clement of Alexandria
Christopher McLaughlin, Boston College

What Shall the Logos Do with Those in the Khora?
Danube Noel Johnson, Harvard University

Desire and Time in God
Márton Hoványi, Pázmány Péter Catholic University

ANOVER CHAPEL
HOW RELIGION MATTERS
HOLY OBJECTS AND THEIR AGENCIES

This Miracle Cost Me an Arm and a Leg! Reconsidering the Significance and Function of “Ex-Votos” in Late Antiquity
Jordan Conley, Boston University

Sarah Porter, Independent Scholar

Nieves: (Re)imagining Mexican Street Food in NYC
Luciano Hidalgo, New York University
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“FINDING WORK/LIFE BALANCE IN AN ACADEMIC CAREER”

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Faye Bodley-Dangelo
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KNOW, READ, PERCEIVE: RELIGIOUS EPISTEMOLOGIES AND TIME

Reading the Temporality of Faith: Calvin’s “Faith” as a Special Mode of Temporal Perception
A.M. Bridges, Harvard University

Knowing God in the Abyss of Cosmic Time: An Analysis of Epistemology in Teilhard de Chardin
Joshua Canzona, Georgetown University

Was Time an Object for Augustine of Hippo?
Sean Hannan, Macewan University

Vegetal Temporality: Unlearning Imperial Time with the Fig Tree of Mark 13:28
Dong Hyeon Jeong, Drew University
ANOVER 103
THE POLITICS OF TEMPORALITY IN ISLAM

Radical Islam & Jihadists: What’s in a Name?
Engy Abdelkader, Georgetown University

On Sabr: Steadfastness and the Temporality of Islamic Struggle in Palestine
Muneeza Rizvi, University of California, Davis

“Revolution against the Self”: A Ramadan Show That Reflects Change within Society after 2011 Uprisings
Nareman Amin, Princeton University

SPERRY ROOM
POSTHUMAN AND TRANSHUMAN BODIES IN RELIGION AND SPIRITUALITY

The Robotic Age and the Kairos of Soulless Theologies
James McBride, New York University

From Humans to Posthumans: The Next Symbolic Paradigm Shift in Religion
Francesca Ferrando, New York University

Posthuman and Transhuman Bodies in Religion and Spirituality
Melanie Swan, New School for Social Research

Respondent
Natasha Vita-More, University of Advancing Technology
ANDOVER CHAPEL

HOW RELIGION MATTERS

PEOPLE AND/AS PROPERTY

In Pursuit of Happiness: Body, Mind, and Soul in the Politics of Speculation in Real Estate
Namita Dharia, Rhode Island School of Design

“Black Owned, Don’t Loot”: Value, Values, and “Passover Posters” in the History of Race Riots in America
Timothy Rainey, Emory University

Making an Ass of Himself: The Entanglement of Christ, Slaves, and Donkeys
Tyler Schwaller, Harvard Divinity School

SESSION VIII  5:15–7:00 PM

ANDOVER 102

STUDYING BOOKS, EXPERIENCING MIRACLES: MEDIATION, EDUCATION AND RELIGION

Between “our book” and “your destiny”: Teaching the Bible to Children
Emily Garcia, Yale Divinity School

The Making of a Rabbi
Daniel Ross, Hebrew Union College

The Trip Was Heavenly: Empiricism and Media/tion in Heaven is for Real and Miracles from Heaven
Kelsey Viscount, Harvard Divinity School
ANDOVER 103
BODIES OF RESISTANCE: RACE, GENDER, SEXUALITY AND STRUGGLES FOR LIBERATION

Bayard Rustin: Black Gay Bodies and Religious Terrorism
Quincy James Rineheart, Chicago Theological Seminary

Mary Magdalene Meets the Supreme Court Plaintiffs: Christian Art and LGBTQ Inclusion in the United States
Benjamin Hollenbach, University of Michigan

Post-Modern Conversion: A Structural Analysis of the Discourse and Narrativization of Transsexual Transition and Christian Conversion
Keegan Lathe-LeBlanc, Concordia University

SPERRY ROOM
SHifting Paradigms, Remaking Praxis: New Methods in Religious Studies

Evaluations of Religion’s Role in Public Policy
Derek Robey, Harvard University

The Shifting Paradigms of African Traditional Religion
Afatakpa Fortune, University of Ibadan

Guns, Religion, and Affect in American Life: Framing an Ethnographic Account
Michael R. Grigoni, Duke University
ANDOVER CHAPEL

HOW RELIGION MATTERS

LAND, ARTIFACTS, AND BODIES: INDIGENOUS MATERIALITY AND THE DISPLAY OF HISTORY, SCIENCE, AND RELIGION

Sacred Lives Under Glass: False Face Medicine Masks, Postcolonial Anthropology, and Haudenosaunee Politics of Refusal in the Twentieth Century
Eli Nelson, Harvard University

Museums as Mestizas: A Multi-Sited Institutional Ethnography of Coast Salish Tribal Museums
Alexandra Peck, Brown University

Casts of Fort Marion Prisoners at the Harvard Peabody Museum: Phrenology, Incarceration, and the Necessary Ordering of Objects
Angel R. Rodriguez, Harvard University

SRC RECEPTION & DINNER 7:00PM–9:00 PM
BRAUN ROOM
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