Tuesday June 25

AO25-100
American Academy of Religion
Theme: AAR Inaugural Online Annual Meeting Welcome Session
Tuesday, 10:00 AM - 10:45 AM

AO25-101
Academic Relations Committee
Theme: Department Chairs and Program Directors Brunch
Tuesday, 11:00 AM - 12:15 PM

AO25-102
International Development and Religion Unit
Theme: The Implications of Religious Engagement at Policy and Practice Levels in Development
Tuesday, 11:00 AM - 12:15 PM
Olivia Wilkinson, Joint Learning Initiative on Faith and Local Communities, Presiding
• Shafaat Saleem, Nova University, Lisbon
  How Faith Based Organizations Contribute Or Hinder Development In Pakistan? The Case Of Al-Khidmat Foundation
• Sherrie Steiner and Alek Barovic
  A Demographic Perspective on Integrating Youth leaders into Interfaith Engagement with the G20 to Address Climate Change and Implement the SDGs
• Lincoln Lau, University of Toronto and Daryn Go, International Care Ministries
  A qualitative and quantitative triangulation approach to validate the measurement of spiritual constructs

AO25-103
Religion, Media, and Culture Unit
Theme: Contemporary Paganism, Magic, and Online Worlds: Cyberhenge at 20
Tuesday, 11:00 AM - 12:15 PM
Laurel Zwissler, Central Michigan University, Presiding
Panelists
Heather Freeman, University of North Carolina, Charlotte
Odalis Garcia Gorra, University of Texas
Chris Miller, University of Waterloo
Julia Phillips, University of Bristol
Angela Puca, Leeds Trinity University
Ceri Houlbrook, University of Hertfordshire
Lilith Dorsey, Voodoo Universe and Pop Occulture Show
Responding
Douglas E. Cowan, University of Waterloo

AO25-104
Science, Technology, and Religion Unit
**Theme: Religion, Science and Violence: Imagining past Colonizing Epistemes**
Tuesday, 11:00 AM - 12:15 PM
Elaine Nogueira-Godsey, Drew Theological School, Presiding
Panelists
Lisa Stenmark, San Jose State University
Whitney Bauman, Florida International University
Nina Hoel, University of Oslo
Renny Thomas, Indian Institute of Science Education and Research

AO25-200
Films
**Theme: Simulating Religious Violence**
Tuesday, 12:30 PM - 1:45 PM

AO25-201
Islamic Mysticism Unit
**Theme: Roundtable Discussion of Mohammed Rustom's Inrushes of the Heart: The Sufi Philosophy of ʿAyn al-Quḍāt**
Tuesday, 12:30 PM - 1:45 PM
Etin Anwar, Hobart and William Smith Colleges, Presiding
Panelists
Syed Zaidi, Fordham University
Munjed Murad, United Theological Seminary of the Twin Cities
Ilma Qureshi, University of Virginia
Andi Herawati, Indiana University
Responding
Mohammed Rustom, NYU Abu Dhabi
AO25-404
Moral Injury and Recovery in Religion, Society, and Culture Unit
Theme: Moral Injury and Chaplaincy Panel
Tuesday, 12:30 PM - 1:45 PM
Brian Powers, Durham University, Presiding
Individual, Relational, and Systemic Factors Related to Chaplain Moral Injury
Kristen Hydinger, Boston University
Laura Captari, Boston University
Elise Choe, Boston University
Steven Sandage, Boston University
Xiaodi Wu, Boston University
Responding
Nancy J. Ramsay, Brite Divinity School
Brian Powers, Durham University

AO25-202
Full Papers Available
Nineteenth Century Theology Unit
Theme: Nineteenth-Century Dutch Theology and Modernity
Tuesday, 12:30 PM - 1:45 PM
Annette G. Aubert, Westminster Theological Seminary, Presiding
• Bruce Pass, University of Queensland
Herman Bavinck and Christian (Idealist) Historiography
• George Harinck, Theological University Utrecht
Dutch Nineteenth-Century Protestant Theologians on the Position of Jews in Society
• Arie Molendijk, University of Groningen
Protestant Theology and Modernity in the Nineteenth-Century Netherlands

AO25-203
Publications Committee
Theme: Religious Studies on YouTube
Tuesday, 12:30 PM - 1:45 PM
Kristian Petersen, Old Dominion University, Presiding
Panelists
Andrew Henry, Boston University
Andrew Aghapour, National Museum of American History
Angela Puca, Leeds Trinity University

AO25-204
Queer Studies in Religion Unit
Theme: Queer and Trans Studies in Religion Across Cultures and Contexts
Tuesday, 12:30 PM - 1:45 PM
• Emma Thompson, Princeton University
  Rethinking Homohindunationalism
• Kori Pacyniak, University of California, Riverside
  Neither Confusing Nor Scandalous: The Joy and Resistance of Trans Catholic Realities
• Levi McLaughlin, North Carolina State University
  The Karma of Gender: How Transgender and Gender Non-Conforming Members of Soka Gakkai in Japan Challenge Temporalities and Institutional Fixity

AO25-303
Applied Religious Studies Committee
**Theme: Academic-adjacent Careers**
Tuesday, 2:00 PM - 3:15 PM
Molly Bassett, Georgia State University, Presiding
Panelists
Alice Hunt, American Academy of Religion
Rebecca Alpert, Temple University
Ernest Brooks, Isaacson, Miller

AO25-300
Comparative Studies in Religion Unit
**Theme: Hermeneutical Justice at the Intersection of Religious Studies and Disability Studies: A Roundtable Conversation**
Tuesday, 2:00 PM - 3:15 PM
Ivette Vargas-O'Bryan, Austin College, Presiding
Panelists
Christopher Jensen, Carleton University
David Schones, Austin College
Melanie Coughlin, Carleton University
Avital Rom, Needham Institute
Alicia Spencer-Hall, Queen Mary University of London
Tulika Singh, University of Alberta

AO25-301
Daoist Studies Unit
**Theme: Transcending Texts: Vernacular Drama, Visual Culture, and Collective Memory as Alternative Approaches to the Study of Daoism**
Tuesday, 2:00 PM - 3:15 PM
Tobias Zürn, Other, Presiding
• Yongshan He, University of Toronto
  A Sovereign in Monk’s Garb: Understanding Daoist Visual Art through Vernacular Dramas
• Yue Dai, Washington University in St. Louis
  Mediating the Divine and the Profane: The Empowerment of the Hungry Ghost "Burning Face" in Chinese Liturgical Paintings
• Ziqi Xuan, University of Hong Kong
  The Sacred Mountain as a Realm of Memory: Daoist Priests, Spirit Mediums, and the Officials at Mount Tai

AO25-302
Religious Reflections on Friendship Seminar
**Theme: “Good Friendship”: From Existential Loneliness—& Violence—to Community Formation**
Tuesday, 2:00 PM - 3:15 PM
Laura Duhan-Kaplan, Vancouver School of Theology, Presiding
• Christopher Morales, Augustana College
  Existential Loneliness and the Politics of Friendship
• John M. Thompson, Christopher Newport University
  Taming a Killer and placating a King: Buddhist Friendship and (Non)violence
• Laura Duhan-Kaplan, Vancouver School of Theology and Anne-Marie Ellithorpe, Vancouver School of Theology
  Community Formation through Friendship: Diverse Religious Approaches

AO25-401
Applied Religious Studies Committee and Graduate Student Committee
**Theme: Beyond the Ivory Tower: Thriving in Alternative Career Paths**
Tuesday, 3:30 PM - 4:45 PM
Ristina Gooden, Vanderbilt University, Presiding
Panelists
SueJeanne Koh, University of California, Irvine

AO25-400
Childhood Studies and Religion Unit
**Theme: Memory Bearers and Mediators of Traditional Knowledge in American Jewish Girls’ Novels**
Tuesday, 3:30 PM - 4:45 PM
Jodi Eichler-Levine, Lehigh University, Presiding
• Sarah Schwartzman Ramsey, University of Colorado
  Just Like Grandma Did: Reading and Writing as Religious Memory Work in Jewish Girls’ Fiction
• Dainy Bernstein, University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign
  Protecting and Negotiating Jewish Identity in Haredi Books for Girls and Boys
Responding
Jodi Eichler-Levine, Lehigh University
AO25-402
Religion in Europe Unit
Theme: What is "Religion in Europe"?
Tuesday, 3:30 PM - 4:45 PM
John McCormack, Aurora University, Presiding
• Joel Swanson, University of Chicago
   “A Pathologically Abnormal Situation”: Le Cercle Gaston Crémieux and the [Im]possibility of an An-economic Jewishness
• A. Sophie Lauwers, KU Leuven
   Religion as/against heritage and the politics of belonging in Europe
• Emilia Bachrach, Oberlin College and Conservatory
   India Dance Studios as Religious Spaces in Barcelona
• Karsten Lehmann, University College for Teacher Education of the Churches, Vienna/Krems
   Religion in Europe is...highly diverse and in need for explication
• Ehsan Sheikholharam, Kennesaw State University
   Atheist Spirituality: Reflections on André Comte-Sponville’s L’Esprit de l’athéisme: Introduction à une spiritualité sans Dieu

AO25-403
Sikh Studies Unit
Theme: Emerging Voices: Multidisciplinary Perspectives on Sikhs and Music
Tuesday, 3:30 PM - 4:45 PM
Jasjit Singh, University of Leeds, Presiding
• Davindar Singh, Harvard University
   Divine and Sinful Patrons: Sikh Militancy, Musical Media, and Supply Chain Corruption
• Conner VanderBeek, University of Michigan
   The Aesthetics of Reverb in Sikh Aural Architecture
   Responding
   Francesca Cassio, Hofstra University

AO25-500
AAR Status Committees
Theme: What are the status committees? Representing diverse constituencies in the AAR
Tuesday, 5:00 PM - 6:15 PM
Thelathia Young, Haverford College, Presiding
Panelists
Eziaku Nwokocha, University of Miami
Xochitl Alvizo, California State University, Northridge
Nicholas Shrubsole, University of Central Florida
Yara Gonzalez-Justiniano, Vanderbilt University
AO25-501
Women and Religion Unit
Theme: Intersectional Perspectives on Gender, Violence, and Decolonialism in Religious Contexts
Tuesday, 6:00 PM - 7:15 PM
Tracy McEwan, University of Newcastle, Australia, Presiding
Boyung Lee, Iliff School of Theology, Presiding
• Clara Joseph, University of Calgary
  Nonviolent Decolonism: In the Face of Sr. Valsa John Malamel
• Emily Nelms Chastain, Boston University
  Resisting Boundaries: The Trailblazing Legacy of Jeanne Audrey Powers in American Methodism
• Eilidh Galbraith, University of Aberdeen
  Transgression: Theological violence beyond the binary
• Nomenjanahary Mamisoa Rakotomalala, Graduate Theological Union
  Embodied love for social transformation through theological education in Sub-Saharan Africa: Feminist practical theology perspectives

Wednesday June 26

AO26-100
Academic Labor and Contingent Faculty Committee
Theme: Academic Labor and Contingent Faculty Committee Meeting
Wednesday, 9:30 AM - 10:45 AM
Patrick Reyes, Auburn Seminary, Presiding
Panelists
Willie J. Jennings, Yale University

AO26-101
Status of Racial and Ethnic Minorities in the Profession Committee
Theme: Status of Racial and Ethnic Minorities in the Profession Committee Meeting
Wednesday, 9:30 AM - 10:45 AM
Jacob Robinson, American Academy of Religion, Presiding
Panelists
Angela Parker, Mercer University

AO26-102
Buddhism Unit and Space, Place, and Religion Unit
Theme: Investigating Buddhist Wonder Houses: The Pasts, Presents, and Futures of Museums of the Buddha
Wednesday, 11:00 AM - 12:15 PM
D. Max Moerman, Barnard College, Presiding
- Harsha Gautam, University of Texas, Austin
  *Comparing the ‘4 Cs’: Buddhism in three kinds of Museums*
- Aik Sai Goh, University of Virginia
  *Philanthrocapitalism and the Aesthetics of Spiritual Exemplarity in Post-Handover Hong Kong: The Tsz Shan Monastery Buddhist Art Museum*
- Stephanie Bell, Columbia University
  *The Kōyasan Reihōkan Museum: The Foundation of Temple Museums in Modern Japan*
- Valentina Gamberi, Palacký University Olomouc and Shu-li Wang, Academia Sinica
  *A Hyperreal Sacred: Exploring Buddhist Museums in Taiwan*

AO26-103
Music and Religion Unit
**Theme: Performing Angst and Authenticity: 30 Years of Tooth & Nail Records and the Underground Christian Music Scene**
Wednesday, 11:00 AM - 12:15 PM
Dan Koch, musician and podcaster, Presiding
- Joel Harrison, Northern Virginia Community College - Manassas
  *Shamecore: Narrating Evangelical Christian Punk Identity in the 1990s*
- Matthew Brake, George Mason University
  *MxPx, Evangelical Sub-Culture, and the Problem of Going Mainstream*
- Mason Mennenga, United Theological Seminary of the Twin Cities
  *Authenticity, Genre, and Religious Deconstruction: Why a Popular Metal Band is Not Christian Anymore*
- Robert Saler, Christian Theological Seminary
  *Punk, Masculinity, and Orthodoxy: Luxury, Tooth and Nail, and the Sexual Politics of Eastern Orthodoxy*

AO26-104
Publicly Engaged Scholarship in the Study of Religion Seminar
**Theme: Wiki Women in Religion: Publicly Engaged Scholarship to Address Systemic Bias in Online Resources**
Wednesday, 11:00 AM - 12:15 PM
Rosalind F. Hinton, LAOUTLOUD, Presiding
Panelists
Colleen D. Hartung, 1000 Women in Religion Wikipedia Project
Clifford L. Anderson,
Christine Meyer,
Telesia Musili, University of Nairobi
Carole Sargent, Georgetown University
Cynthia Rasmussen,

AO26-105
Religion and Disability Studies Unit
**Theme: Pursuing Justice in Ministry and Congregational Leadership**
Wednesday, 11:00 AM - 12:15 PM
David Scott, Independent Scholar, Presiding
Panelists
Almeda Wright, Yale University
John Goldingay, Fuller Seminary
Jill Harshaw, Western Theological Seminary
Responding
Erin Raffety, Princeton Theological Seminary

AO26-200
Global-Critical Philosophy of Religion Unit
**Theme: Theodicies Under Suspicion Part 1**
Wednesday, 12:30 AM - 1:45 PM
Nathan R. B. Loewen, University of Alabama, Presiding
- Timothy D. Knepper, Drake University
  *Theodicy as Empire: A Cross-cultural Exploration*
- Nathaniel Holmes, Florida Memorial University
  *Theodicy in Disguise: Metaphysical Naturalism and the Justification of Evil and Suffering*
- George Schmidt, Vanderbilt University
  *The Natural Evil of the Anthropocene: A Critical Analysis of Climate-Change Adaptation Strategies in Bangladesh Coastal Farmlands*

AO26-201
Religions, Medicines, and Healing Unit
**Theme: Teaching about Religions, Medicines, and Healing**
Wednesday, 12:30 AM - 1:45 PM
Mark Lambert, University of Chicago, Presiding
- Amanda Furiasse, Nova Southeastern University
  *Navigating Medicine’s Borderlands: Curanderismo and Community Partnerships in Health Education*
- Susan Myers, University of St. Thomas
  *Introducing Interreligious Literacy for Undergraduates in Health Care fields*
- Jessica Chapman Lape,
  *Teaching Genealogies of Spiritual Care*
- Tyler Fuller, Boston University
Integrating World Religions and Global Health into a First-Year Writing Seminar: Challenges and Possibilities

AO26-203
Scriptural Reasoning Unit
**Theme: Author Meets Readers: Rebecca Epstein-Levi’s When We Collide: Sex, Social Risk, and Jewish Ethics**
Wednesday, 12:30 AM - 1:45 PM
Deborah Barer, Towson University, Presiding
Panelists
Monique Moultrie, Georgia State University
Nauman Faizi, LUMS University
Brandy Daniels, University of Portland
Julia Watts Belser, Georgetown University
Responding
Rebecca Epstein-Levi, Vanderbilt University
Business Meeting
Kelly Figueroa-Ray, Hamline University, Presiding

AO26-202
Yogācāra Studies Unit
**Theme: Non-Duality in Yogācāra Knowledge and Practice**
Wednesday, 12:30 AM - 1:45 PM
Jingjing Li, Leiden University, Presiding
- Jesse Berger, University of Chicago
  * Dharmaśīla’s Sambandhaparīkṣā and its Yogācāra Reception
- Ronald S. Green, Coastal Carolina University
  * Kuiji’s Reinterpretation of Amitabha’s Physicality: Implications for Yogācāra and Pure Land
- Piotr Pieścik, Jagiellonian University
  * Ryōhen on bimba and pratibimba – an analysis of primary sources

AO26-300
Human Enhancement and Transhumanism Unit
**Theme: Increasing Access in the Field: An Open Forum on Human Enhancement and Transhumanism**
Wednesday, 2:00 PM - 3:15 PM
Jacob Boss, Queen’s University, Presiding
Panelists
Melanie Dzugan, Fuller Theological Seminary
Calvin Mercer, East Carolina University
Stephen Garner, Laidlaw College
AO26-301
Philosophy of Religion Unit
**Theme: Roundtable Discussion on Caner K. Dagli's "Metaphysical Institutions"
Wednesday, 2:00 PM - 3:15 PM
Munjed Murad, United Theological Seminary of the Twin Cities, Presiding
Panelists
Asma Afsaruddin, Indiana University, Bloomington
Nicholas Boylston, Harvard University
Celene Ibrahim, Groton School
Shankar Nair, University of Virginia
Responding
Caner Dagli, College of the Holy Cross

AO26-302
Religious Conversions Unit
**Theme: New Scholarship in Conversion Studies: Case Studies from Contemporary Israel and the Early U.S.
Wednesday, 2:00 PM - 3:15 PM
Marc Pugliese, Saint Leo University, Presiding
• Kalvin Cummings, *Jonathan Edwards and Mid-Eighteenth Century Afro-Protestant Conversion*
• Daniel Gorman, University of Rochester *Toward a Spiritualist Theology: The Counter-Esotericism of Frederick Willis, 1830–1914*
• Gideon Elazar, Bar-Ilan University *From Upland Southeast Asia to the Israeli Periphery: The Conversion and Immigration of the Bene Menashe*

AO26-303
Womanist Approaches to Religion and Society Unit
**Theme: Emerging Womanist Voices & Identity in Turbulent Times
Wednesday, 2:00 PM - 3:15 PM
Valerie Miles-Tribble, Berkeley School of Theology, Presiding
• Kimberly Carter, California Institute of Integral Studies *Examining Womanist Perspectives: The Intersection, Artistry, and Intuitive Inquiry of AI and Biblical Narratives*
• Cynthia Perry, Black Sports Ministry Network *The Necessity for a Womanist Sports Ethic of Care*
AO26-400
Class, Religion, and Theology Unit
**Theme: Making Alternatives to Capitalism: Cooperatives & the Working-Class Sacred**
Wednesday, 3:30 PM - 4:45 PM
Jeremy Posadas, Stetson University, Presiding
- Hendrawan Wijoyo, Duke Divinity School
  *New Humanity through Cooperative Movements: Mohammad Hatta as a Postcolonial Political Economist*
- Ryan Poll, Northeastern Illinois University
  *Robert Frost, Capitalist Rituals, and the Working-Class Sacred*

AO26-402
Innovations in Chaplaincy and Spiritual Care Unit
**Theme: Frontiers in Professional Chaplaincy Practice and Training**
Wednesday, 3:30 PM - 4:45 PM
- Tara Deonauth, Jeffrey Breau, and Paul Gillis-Smith, Harvard University
  *Ketamine Integration Chaplaincy: A New Model of Spiritual Care for Patients Receiving Ketamine Treatment*
- Thomas Quinn, Seton Hall University
  *Putting Ecospirituality to Work: Environmental Ministry and Chaplaincy*
- Patrick Tugwell, Yale University
  *Capitalizing Hope in Healthcare: Exploring the Future of Hospital Chaplaincy Between Prayer and Profit*
- Leigh Miller, Maitripa College
  *Buddhist Stories Informing Buddhist Spiritual Care Theory and Practice*

AO26-403
Religion and Public Schools: International Perspectives Unit
**Theme: Global Overview of Religious Education (RE)**
Wednesday, 3:30 PM - 4:45 PM
Kate Soules, Boston College, Presiding
- Bernadette Fraioli, Sapienza University of Rome
  *Religious education for a plural society in Bosnia and Herzegovina. Intersections between separate school systems, religious actors and public institutions*
- Caitlyn Bolton, Boston College
  *Saudi Propagation in Africa: Education and Islamic Reform among Zanzibar’s Sufi-Salafis*
- Alexander Fedorov, The University of Hong Kong
  *Underutilized Curriculum: Learning “Ethics and Religious Studies” in Postcolonial Hong Kong*
Responding
Angela Bernardo, Sapienza University of Rome
AO26-401
Theology and Continental Philosophy Unit
Theme: Violence and Interpretation: Conflicts of Values and Violation in Maxwell Kennel's Ontologies of Violence
Wednesday, 3:30 PM - 4:45 PM
Jeremy F. Cohen, McMaster University, Presiding
Panelists
Sam Shuman, Davidson College
Eleanor Craig, Harvard University
Seth Gaiters, Ohio State University
Jamie Pitts, Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary
David Newheiser, Australian Catholic University
Responding
Maxwell Kennel, University of Toronto

AO26-500
Plenaries
Theme: A Conversation with Sŏn Master Pomnyun on Violence, Nonviolence, and Social Justice
Wednesday, 5:00 PM - 6:15 PM
Jin Y Park, American University, Washington, D.C., Presiding
Panelists
Venerable Pomnyun Sunim, Jungto International Head

AO26-501
American Academy of Religion
Theme: All-Committee Meeting for AAR Standing and Status Committees Chairs
Wednesday, 6:30 PM - 7:45 PM

Thursday June 26

AO27-101
Chinese Christianities Unit
Theme: Liu Institute Series on Chinese Christianities: Series Launch at the AAR
Thursday, 9:30 AM - 10:45 AM
Stephanie Wong, Villanova University, Presiding
Panelists
Alexander Chow, University of Edinburgh
Justin Tse, Singapore Management University
Jin Lu, Purdue University Northwest
Jonathan Seitz, Taiwan Theological Seminary
Chris Payk, Morrison Academy Taipei
Responding
Pui Lan Kwok, Candler School of Theology

**AO17-100**
Status of People with Disabilities in the Profession Committee

**Theme: PWD Status Committee Closed Meeting**
Thursday, 9:30 AM - 10:45 AM
Nicholas Shrubsole, University of Central Florida, Presiding
Panelists
Mary Jo Iozzio, Boston College School of Theology and Ministry
Leonard Curry, Xavier University of Louisiana
Sarah Jean Barton, Duke University
Cassie Houtz, Harvard University
Bob Furtado, Institute on Theology and Disability

**AO27-105**
Contemporary Pagan Studies Unit and Music and Religion Unit

**Theme: Materiality, Identity and Style in Contemporary Pagan Music**
Thursday, 11:00 AM - 12:15 PM
Christopher Chase, Iowa State University, Presiding
• Michael F. Strmiska, Orange County Community College
  Changing Styles in Pagan Music as Signs of Shifting Worldviews
• Michal Puchovský, Institute for Sociology, Slovak Academy of Sciences
  Between folklore and national identity: Comparative analysis of Pagan motives in the music of
  Tomáš Kočko’s Orchestr and Žiarislav & Bytosti
• Padraic Fitzgerald, College of Charleston
  Odin’s Mead : Music in Nordic Neopaganism

**AO27-102**
Middle Eastern Christianity Unit

**Theme: Theologies of Liberation and Contextual Theologies from the Middle East**
Thursday, 11:00 AM - 12:15 PM
Candace Lukasik, Mississippi State University, Presiding
• Elias Halabi, The University of Balamand
  On the Commitment to the Issues of the Earth: An Arab Orthodox Contextual Liberation Theology Document
• Claire Maligot, École Pratique des Hautes Études
Going global while standing with Arab refugees: Left Christians dissenting with their local Church. Missed or "un"-legacies, misconnections & ambiguities of French contributions to the early stages of liberation theologies in the Middle-East (1960s-80s)

- George Takla, Independent Scholar
  *Masculinity between Islam and Markan Jesus*
- Marah Sarji, Princeton Theological Seminary
  *Indecent Palestinian Liberation Theology- Saint Barbara and Palestinian Women Martyrs*

**AO27-103**

Open and Relational Theologies Unit and Ritual Studies Unit

**Theme: Christian Eucharist as Open Table: Ritual and Theological Analysis**

Thursday, 11:00 AM - 12:15 PM

Jon Paul Sydnor, Emmanuel College, Boston, Presiding

- Barry Stephenson, Memorial University
  *A Ritual Theory View of Communion: ‘goal-demoted behaviour, ‘special relationships,’ or a mode of knowing reality?*
- Thomas Hermans-Webster, Other
  *A Table Open to the Cosmos*
- Robert Cornwall, Independent Scholar
  *From the Margins: Opening the Eucharistic Table to All*

**AO27-104**

Yoga in Theory and Practice Unit

**Theme: Alternative Career Paths in Religious Studies: Roundtable Discussion with Scholar-Entrepreneurs in the Field of Yoga Studies**

Thursday, 11:00 AM - 12:15 PM

Allyson Huval, Georgetown University, Presiding

Panelists

- Raj Balkaran, Oxford Centre for Hindu Studies
- Corinna Lhoir, University of Hamburg
- Seth Powell, Harvard University
- Christopher Miller, Arihanta Institute
- Laura von Ostrowski, University of Hamburg

**AO27-203**

Body and Religion Unit

**Theme: Mind and Body**

Thursday, 12:30 AM - 1:45 PM

Panelists

- Christopher Chapple, Loyola Marymount University
- Abhishek Jain, Loyola Marymount University
Roy Pereira, St. Xavier’s College, Mumbai

AO27-200
Liberation Theologies Unit
Theme: Global Liberation Theologies from Human and Non-Human Subalterns
Thursday, 12:30 AM - 1:45 PM
Alina Jabbari, American University of Iraq, Sulaimani, Presiding
• Moses Shanthi Kumar Bollam John, Union Theological Seminary
  CAN THE SUBALTERN SING? Towards a Dalit Sonic Liberation Theology for an Anti-Caste Society
• Iskander Abbasi, University of Johannesburg
  The Earth as New Margins: Towards an Islamic Ecoliberation Theology of the Earth
  Responding
Ali Lutz, Partners in Health

AO27-201
Platonism and Neoplatonism Unit
Theme: Platonism, Neoplatonism and Participatory Metaphysics
Thursday, 12:30 AM - 1:45 PM
Derek Michaud, University of Maine, Presiding
• Seth Hart, Durham University and Jonathan Lyonhart, Lincoln Christian University
  Henri Bergson vs The Cambridge Platonists: Bergsonian Durée and Morean Divine Space
• Micah Hogan, Marquette University
  Kindled by the Word: Clement of Alexandria’s Erotic Theology
• Nathaniel Metz, Baylor University
  Sergei Bulgakov, the Fall, and the Problem of a Violent Creation
• Sean Dempsey, University of Arkansas
  “The Door in the Dark”: Theosis, Theurgy, and Cybernetics

AO27-202
Space, Place, and Religion Unit and Teaching Religion Unit
Theme: Teaching Religion with Architecture: Toward a Cross-Disciplinary Syllabus
Thursday, 12:30 AM - 1:45 PM
Isaiah Ellis, University of Toronto, Presiding
Panelists
George Pati, Valparaiso University
Lisa Beyeler-Yvarra, Yale University
Ehsan Sheikholharam, Kennesaw State University

AO27-300
Christian Spirituality Unit
Theme: New directions, Actors, and Reconstruction in Christian spirituality studies and methodology.
Thursday, 2:00 PM - 3:15 PM
David B. Perrin, St. Jerome's University, Presiding
• Mark Burchick, Towson University
  Choreographing Shadows: Interdisciplinary Collaboration to Orchestrate Ethical AI Image-Making
• George Schmidt, Vanderbilt University
  Toward a Theology of the Professional-Managerial Class: Spiritual Taylorism and the Spiritual Consultant
• Dorcas Dennis, University of North Carolina At Wilmington
  "All 'the Borders' Are Opened For You": Performing Travel Breakthroughs in Ghanaian Pentecostal Ritual Spaces

AO27-301
Confucian Traditions Unit
Theme: Confucian Traditions in Dialogue
Thursday, 2:00 PM - 3:15 PM
Bin Song, Washington College, Presiding
• Shumo Wang, Duke University
  Bowing to the Sage: Confucius Veneration Ceremony in San Francisco's Chinese Diasporic Community (1982-Present)
• Fang Bi, Minzu University of China
  Review on the Theory of Self-Cultivation of Islamic-Confucian
• Eunchul Jung, Drew University
  Reimagining Femininity: Toward an East Asian Feminist Discourse Beyond Masculine Constructs

AO27-302
Contemporary Islam Unit
Theme: Enacting Social Justice in Contemporary Muslim Contexts
Thursday, 2:00 PM - 3:15 PM
Nicole Correri, Boston University, Presiding
• Hamidreza Salehyar, University of Toronto
  Devotion, Mourning, and Ritual in Contemporary Shi’i Tehran
• Samira Musleh, University of Minnesota
  Islamophobia vs. Anti-Muslim Racism: Choice, Corporeality, and Culpability in Contemporary Social Justice Rhetoric
• Amina Tawasil, Columbia University
  An Iranian Seminarian Woman Navigating Religious Conservatism and Secularism
  Responding
  Kayla Renee Wheeler, Xavier University
AO27-303
Gay Men and Religion Unit

**Theme: Desire, Sexuality, and Advocacy in Religious Discourse: Embodied Experiences Across Diverse Contexts**

Thursday, 2:00 PM - 3:15 PM

Michael Pettinger, New York University, Presiding

- David Dawson Vasquez, University of St. Thomas

*Gay Desire and the Longing for Beauty*

- Joshua Howard, Emory University

*Raising a Son, Razing a Nation: White Christian Nationalism and the Farcical Mission to Turn Every Boy into a Straight Man*

- Ross Potter, Independent Scholar

*SILENT VIOLENCE: The Sources of Internalized Homophobia and the Damage It Does to Both Self and Others*

AO27-400
Pentecostal–Charismatic Movements Unit

**Theme: Pentecostal Movements and the Spirit**

Thursday, 3:30 PM - 4:45 PM

Michael Kamenicky, Lee University, Presiding

- Meng Liu, Boston University

*Reconceptualizing “Spiritual” since the 20th Century: An Inter-Continental Perspective on the Global South and East*

- Robert McBain, Oral Roberts University

*The Paradox of Spirit-empowered Depression*

Responding

Daniel Ramirez, Claremont Graduate University

AO27-402
Schleiermacher Unit

**Theme: Art and Religion in Schleiermacher's Thought**

Thursday, 3:30 PM - 4:45 PM

Calli Micale, Yale University, Presiding

- Annette G. Aubert, Westminster Theological Seminary

*Music in the Aesthetic Lectures and other Writings of Friedrich Schleiermacher*

Responding

Kevin Vander Schel, Gonzaga University

AO27-401
Theological, Pedagogical, and Ethical Approaches to Israel/Palestine Seminar
Theme: The Palestine Taboo: Academic Freedom and Pedagogy
Thursday, 3:30 PM - 4:45 PM
Rebecca Alpert, Temple University, Presiding
Panelists
Robert O. Smith, University of North Texas
Janet R. Jakobsen, Barnard College
Jairo Funez, Texas Tech, Dept of Education
A. Kayum Ahmed, Columbia University

AO27-501
Mahabharata and Classical Hinduism Seminar
Theme: Heaven and Earth in Mahābhārata Interpretations
Thursday, 5:00 PM - 6:15 PM
Arti Dhand, University of Toronto, Presiding
• Adam Bowles, University of Queensland
  Before the Gītā: Battlefield, bhūmi, and the cosmographs of the Mahābhārata
• Christopher Austin, Dalhousie University
  The amśāvataraṇa Intervention: from the Ādiparvan to Kṣemendra
• Roberto Morales-Harley, Universidad de Costa Rica
  The Unburdening of the Earth: The Greek Structure of the *Mahābhārata*

AO27-503
Martin Luther and Global Lutheran Traditions Unit
Theme: History, Society, and Practice: New Perspectives on Global Lutheran Traditions
Thursday, 5:00 PM - 6:15 PM
Marit Trelstad, Pacific Lutheran University, Presiding
• Harald Hegstad, MF Norwegian School of Theology, Religion and Society and Steinunn Björnsdóttir, The Evangelical Lutheran Church of Iceland
  Baptism in times of change: Exploring new patterns of baptismal theologies and practices in Nordic Lutheran churches
• Laura Gifford, Fortress Press
  The Freedom of a Christian Education: Oregon Lutherans, the Ku Klux Klan, and the Compulsory Education Bill of 1922
• Steven Rizzo, Harvard University
  Luther and Las Casas: Coloniality, Theology, and the Concept of the Human
• Sigríður Guðmarsdóttir, University of Iceland
  Ground, Singularity, Relation: Thatamanil, Indigenous Storytelling and the Hidden people of Iceland

AO27-503
Regions Committee
Theme: Regions Committee Meeting and Info Session
Thursday, 5:00 PM - 6:15 PM
Matthew Vaughan, Columbia University, Presiding

AO27-500
Status of LGBTIQ Persons in the Profession Committee

Theme: LGBTIQ+ Status Committee Meeting
Thursday, 5:00 PM - 6:15 PM
Melissa M. Wilcox, University of California, Riverside, Presiding

Panelists
Jessica Vazquez Torres, Crossroads Antiracism Organizing and Training
Eziaku Nwokocha, University of Miami
Teresa Smallwood, United Lutheran Seminary
Daniel Ballon-Garst, Emory University
Siobhan Kelly, Harvard University