

CALL FOR PAPERS

AMERICAN ACADEMY OF RELIGION/WESTERN REGION
SOCIETY OF BIBLICAL LITERATURE/PACIFIC COAST REGION

ANNUAL MEETING

SATURDAY, MARCH 22nd THROUGH

MONDAY, MARCH 24th

2003

Hosted by:

University California at Davis

Members of the AAR/WR and SBL/PCR are cordially invited to submit a one-page abstract of a proposed paper to any one of the sections listed below. Along with your abstract, you must submit the Program Participant form: filled out clearly. It is particularly important to write or type your email address clearly and provide us with your second choice section in case your first choice is not able to use your paper, and your audio-visual equipment needs.

Whether or not you communicate with the section chair by email, you are required to submit a hard copy of this information and your abstract either by postal mail, or by facsimile. Multiple submissions are not permitted. Section chairs will forward to your second choice section chair those proposals they cannot accommodate. No person may appear in the program more than two times (as presenter, moderator, respondent, or panel participant).

Pre-registration information and materials will be sent to all members in early February of 2003. In order to receive full program copy and details of meeting arrangements, you *must* return the pre-registration form to the WECSOR office. **All participants are advised that current membership in the AAR and/or SBL is required for your paper to be accepted for presentation at the conference.** Membership information for the AAR can be found at <http://www.aarweb.org/renewal/page01.asp>, and for the SBL at <http://www.sbl-site.org/>

Please go to the new WECSOR web site for updates in the future at

<http://www.sjsu.edu/weccor/>

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Paper proposals for the AAR meeting must be received by the Section Chairs listed in the Section to which you are submitting them no later than September 15, 2002. **Current membership in the AAR and /or SBL is required.** For questions and/or further information of a general nature about the program, contact the AAR Program Chair: Patrick Horn at 909-607-3411 or patrick.horn@cgu.edu (Pat Horn). For questions specific to a section, contact the relevant Section Chair listed below.

AAR/WR Call for Papers

Buddhist Studies

Themes: Open call with special interest in Buddhism and the Arts. Send proposals to: Zhiru Ng, Religious Studies, Pomona College, Claremont, CA 91711 or email to Zhiru_Ng@pomona.edu

Education and Workshops

Submissions for papers and panels are welcome on all topics in teaching religious studies or theology, particularly those that address the viability or methodology of teaching religious pluralism in secular and/or denominational institutions. Please send all proposals to Paul Levesque. Electronic submissions are welcome. Paul Levesque, Section Co-Chair, Dept. of Comparative Religion, P.O. Box 6868, Calif. State University, Fullerton, Fullerton, CA 92634. (714) 278-5902 (ph), (714) 278-1502 (fax), plevesque@Fullerton.edu.

Judaism

Theme: Submissions for papers and panels are welcome on all topics in Jewish Studies, particularly those that address the relationship of Judaism or Jewish thought with other religious cultures. Send proposals to: Charlotte Elisheva Fonrobert, Department of Religious Studies, Building 70, Stanford University, Stanford, CA 94305 or FAX to (650) 725-1476 or e-mail to fonrober@stanford.edu.

Latino/Latina Religions

Papers and full panel proposals comparing Latino/a with Asian American or Native American religions are welcome. Comparative themes and issues might include: diaspora, migration, cosmogony, land/home, concepts of the sacred, race identification, syncretism, and theology. We also welcome papers and proposals on Latino religious history relevant to northern California, and the Central/Sacramento valley in particular. Email proposals to Prof. Roberto Lint-Sagarena (lint@usc.edu).

Person, Culture, and Religion

Topics: (1) The Influence of Culture on the Formation of Images of God; (2) Shame, Attachment and the Prevention of Violence; (3) Proposals on other topics having to do with psychology and psychotherapy, pastoral care and counseling, and religion and culture. Send proposals to: Kirk A. Bingaman, Ph.D., San Francisco Theological Seminary, 2 Kensington Rd., San Anselmo, CA 94960, (415) 258-6652 (phone), (415) 256-9801 (fax).

Psychology/Social Sciences

Proposals are invited on themes of a) conceptions of selfhood and therapeutic practice in Eastern religions, b) religious and psychological dimensions of dreaming, and c) any other topic related to religion, psychology, and the social sciences. Send proposals to both co-chairs: Kelly Bulkeley, section co-chair, Graduate Theological Union, 226 Amherst Avenue, Kensington, CA 94708, 510-528-7198 (ph) or kellybulkeley@earthlink.net and Siroj Sorajjakool, section co-chair, Loma Linda University, Loma Linda, CA 92350, 909-796-6140 (ph) or

ssorajjakool@univ.llu.edu.

Ecology and Religion

Submissions for papers are welcome on any topic related to ecology and religion. Please send submissions to Patrick Horn at Patrick.Horn@cgu.edu.

Ethics

Submissions for papers are welcome for (1) any of a broad array of ethical issues, (2) sexual ethics. Send HARD COPY ONLY to Sheilah M. Jones, Department of Theological Studies, University Hall, One LMU Drive, Los Angeles, Ca. 90045. 310-338-1729.

History of Christianity

Themes: (1) Cultural Christianities: Issues of Contact, Exchange and Hybridity and (2) Historical, Theological, and Cultural Explorations in the History of Christianity. Send proposals to: Laura Ammon, 1834 W. Arrow Rte #87, Upland, CA 91786 or email to lauraammon@linkline.com.

Islamic Studies

Submissions for papers are welcome on any topic related to Islamic studies. Please send submissions to Juan Campo at jcampo@religion.ucsb.edu. (Please note that this is an email correction as of September 3, 2002).

Nineteenth Century

Theme: Religion in Nineteenth Century Thought. Send proposals to Brad Starr, Dept. of Comparative Religion, California State University, Fullerton, Fullerton, CA 92834-6868 714-278-3917 (ph) or email to bstarr@fullerton.edu or FAX to 714-278-5820.

Pan-African/Womanist

Submissions for papers are welcome on any topic related to Pan-African or Womanist studies. Please send submissions to Monica Coleman at revmonica@worldnet.att.net.

Philosophy of Religion

Proposals are welcome on any topic related to the subject-matter of this section, including topics in theology. Please send proposals via e-mail to both Section Chairs. (NOTE: please do not send attachments. Include your communication in the body of the email itself.) Send proposals to Dr. Harriet E. Baber, Section Co-Chair, Department of Philosophy, University of San Diego, 5998 Alcalá Park, San Diego, CA 92110, (619) 260-4600 Ext. 4401 [voice], (619) 426-0265 [home], (619) 260-4227 [FAX], <http://www.sandiego.edu/~baber> at baber@sandiego.edu and to Serguei Dolgopolski, PhD Candidate, Section Co-Chair, Joint Doctoral Program in Jewish Studies, University of California at Berkeley, 605 Ohlone Ave # 638, Albany CA, 94706, (510) 5287731 [home] at sergey@uclink.berkeley.edu.

Queer Studies and Religion

This year the Queer Studies and Religion section seeks to cast a broad net. We seek papers exploring the relationship between religion, conceived broadly, and the concerns of g/l/b/t (aka "queer") folk. We are also sponsoring a panel that will treat the following topic: "Queerness in the non-Semitic religions." Papers for the regular section should be of about twenty minutes in length when read; papers for the panel can be shorter and more schematic to allow more room for discussion among panelists and between panelists and attendees. Send paper proposals to Paul Giurlanda, Chair, Religious Studies Department, St. Mary's College of California, Moraga CA 94575. The above address works for submissions of hard copy; however, I would prefer submissions in the form of email attachments to the following email address: pgiurlan@stmarys-ca.edu.

Religion in America

Themes: Religion in America, including New Age Religions, Immigrant Religions, American Religious Pluralism, and other related topics. Send proposals to Rebecca Moore, Department of Religious Studies, San Diego State University, 5500 Campanile Drive, San Diego, CA 92182-8143, 619/594-6252, <http://www-rohan.sdsu.edu/~remoore>, remoore@mail.sdsu.edu.

Religion and the Arts

This section invites innovative work in any format: individual scholarly papers, creative art work, and panel proposals. We wish to highlight work that provides new insights and theoretical directions concerning the interplay between religion and art. We are especially encouraging proposals that deal with how new religious traditions utilize art, art in Afro-Caribbean religions, religious art from the North American west coast (any culture, any era), feminist perspectives on religion and art, and comparisons of aesthetic and religious experience. Send two copies of proposals to Jennifer Rycenga, Comparative Religious Studies Program, San Jose State University, One Washington Square, San Jose, CA 95192-0097, and/or by email to jrycenga@earthlink.net and LMPARE849@aol.com.

Religion and Literature

This section welcomes any and all papers that explore the intersection of religion, literature, and culture. Suggested topics include the exploration of theoretical perspectives in the study of religion and literature; the work of Laurie Anderson and/or Jean Baudrillard; religious thematics in Guy Debord's *Society of the Spectacle* (1967); religion and the senses, particularly the relationship between religion and visual culture; and finally, the rise and fall of the Oprah book club. Please send an abstract as well as 1-2 page proposal to John Lardas (egkleine@mindspring.com) and William Robert (wrobert@uamail.ucsb.edu).

Religions of Asia/Women in Asian Religions

Submissions are welcome on all topics related to the subject matter of this section. Send proposals to Phyllis Herman, Ph.D., Assistant Professor, Department of Religious Studies, California State University, Northridge, or to pkh45739@csun.edu and to James Bretzke at jbretzke@jstb.edu.

Women and Religion

The Women and Religion Section welcomes papers that address the broad issue of 1) Women, Religion and Community. Papers may address the theme by examining: a) the roles (leadership, dissident, etc) women play in shaping the understanding and/or practices of religious communities; b) the historical writings of a woman in religion whose influence impacted the concept of community; c) women whose religious understanding and motivation influenced social and/or political movements. In addition, special consideration will be given to papers on 2) Indigenous Traditions and Women. 3) All proposals will be considered even if not of these designated themes. A HARD copy of the submitted abstract, no more than two pages, must be sent to both co-chairs. Please submit your proposal (hard copy) with your full name, institution, address, telephone and email address. NO EMAIL SUBMISSIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED. Senders will receive confirmation of receipt of their submission by email. Send proposals to Fran Grace, PhD, Dept. of Religious Studies, Univ. of Redlands, PO Box 3080, Redlands, CA 92373, OFFICE: 909 793-2121, Fran_Grace@redlands.edu and to Delores Rashford, PhD, Holy Names College, Dept of Humanities, 3500 Mountain Blvd, Oakland, CA 94619, 510-436-1000, rashford@hnc.edu.

Indigenous Religions (Special Session)

This special session on Indigenous Religions invites papers on the theme of: "Transformed Continuities: Indigenous Religious Ways." We are soliciting papers on all aspects of Native spiritual traditions, including (but not limited to): a) indigenous religious traditions and the land; b) healing, dreaming, and ritual practice; c) Native cultures and Christianity. All proposals will be considered even if not of these designated themes. Please send papers to both co-conveners: Jean Molesky-Poz, Special Session co-convener, Department of Theology & Religious Studies, Campion D-2, 2130 Fulton Street, University of San Francisco, San Francisco, Ca 94117-1080, (415) 422 5138, moleskypoz@usfca.edu and to Dennis Kelley, Special Session Co-convener, Department of Religious Studies, University of California, Santa Barbara, CA 93106, (805) 962 9717 (o), (805) 893 2059 (fax), setanta@earthlink.net.

SOCIETY FOR BIBLICAL LITERATURE/PACIFIC COAST REGION

SBL/PCR Call for Papers

The 2003 Annual Meeting of the Pacific Coast Region of the Society of Biblical Literature will be held jointly with the Western Region of the American Academy of Religion March 22-24, 2003 at the University of California at Davis. Members wishing to present papers should send or email a one-page abstract to the appropriate section chair listed below by September 15, 2002. First-time presenters and graduate students are encouraged to submit completed papers. Papers from established scholars are particularly encouraged.

Bible and Archaeology

Tammi J. Schneider, Program in Religion, The Claremont Graduate University, Claremont, CA 91711, 909-607-3217, Tammi.Schneider@cgu.edu.

Graeco-Roman Religions

Marvin W. Meyer, Department of Religion, Chapman University, Orange, CA 92666, 714-997-6602, e-mail: meyer@chapman.edu (Please note that this is a correction as of September 5, 2002).

Hebrew Bible

Joel H. Hunt, School of Theology, Fuller Theological Seminary, 135 North Oakland Avenue, Pasadena, CA 91182, 626-584-5217, joelhunt@fuller.edu.

Judaism in the Graeco Roman Era

John Endres, Jesuit School of Theology at Berkeley, 1735 Leroy Ave., Berkeley, CA 94709, jendres@jstb.edu (Please note that this is a correction as of September 5, 2002).

New Testament Epistles and Apocalypse

Ronald F. Hock, 1053 Canyon Spring Lane, Diamond Bar, CA 91765, hock@mizar.usc.edu.

New Testament Texts and Traditions

Two sessions are currently planned, one open, the other focusing on the theme *The Impact of Culture upon Interpretation* (with papers treating the interplay between the cultural world of the interpreter and that of the text). Papers for both the open and thematic sessions should be sent to: Rebecca Skaggs, Patten College, 2433 Coolidge Avenue, Oakland, CA 94601, (510) 261-8500, ext. 730, RSkaggs@patten.edu (Please note that this is a correction as of September 5, 2002).

Pentateuch

Risa Levitt Kohn, Religious Studies Department, San Diego State University, 5500 Campanile Drive, San Diego, CA 92182-8143, 619-594-5327, rkohn@mail.sdsu.edu.

SBL/PCR Student Essay Prize

Professors wishing to submit papers by doctoral or master's students for the Student Essay Prize should do so to Tammi Schneider by December 1, 2002. Students may also submit their own papers for consideration. All papers, however, must first be submitted to the appropriate section chair by September 15 for inclusion in the meeting program. First-place prizes for both Hebrew Bible/History of Israel and New Testament/Early Judaism are \$150.

Regional Scholar Program

Members who have earned their doctoral degrees within the past four years or who are at the ABD stage of their doctoral programs are invited to submit papers to be considered for the SBL Regional Scholar Program to Jonathan L. Reed by December 1. All papers must first be submitted to the appropriate section chair by September 15 for inclusion in the meeting program. The prize is \$250. The winner's paper will be then be submitted for national recognition at the SBL Annual Meeting.

Those wishing more information on the call for papers, or needing assistance in submitting a paper on an area not covered in the above sections, may contact the Regional Coordinator of the SBL/PCR: Tammi Schneider, Claremont Graduate University, 831 North Dartmouth Ave., Claremont, CA 91711, 909-607-3217, or by email to tammi.schneider@cgu.edu.

Pre-registration information and materials will be sent to all members, and will be available at <http://www.sjsu.edu/wecsor/>. In order to receive full program copy and details of meeting arrangements, you must return the pre-registration form to the WECSOR office. SBL membership is required for your paper to be accepted. Membership inquiries can be emailed to sblorders@aidcv.com.

Advice on Filling out the "Program Participant Form"

This form must accompany each proposal submitted. Proposals submitted without this form will not be accepted. Your name and institution will appear in the Program Book as indicated on the form. Please type or print. ALSO, you MUST register and pay the registration fee in order to present a paper and/or attend the conference. Presenters who do not register and pay the fee will NOT be permitted to present in the next AAR/WR meeting.

*The submission of multiple proposals is **not permitted**. Submit your proposal to only one section and, if desired, indicate a second section choice in the space provided below. First choice **Section Chairs will** forward proposals they cannot accommodate to your second choice. **No individual may appear more than twice in the program (as presenter, moderator, respondent, or panel participant).***

You are required to submit one copy of your proposal, no longer than one page, and a completed Program Participant Form to the section chair.

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PROGRAM PARTICIPANT FORM**

NAME _____

INSTITUTION _____

MAILING ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

PHONE _____ (DAY) _____ (EVENING)

EMAIL _____

MEMBERSHIP: AAR/WR ___ SBL/PCR ___ JOINT ___

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YOUR PARTICIPATION

TITLE of your proposal:

SECTION to which you are submitting this proposal: _____

SECOND SECTION CHOICE (optional): _____

YOUR A.V. NEEDS (*Every attempt will be made to accommodate specific requests, but we cannot guarantee to meet all needs. Equipment requests not included on this form cannot be accommodated.*)

VCR/Monitor ___ Overhead Projector ___ Slide Projector ___ PowerPoint ___ Other ___

WOULD YOU BE WILLING TO SERVE AS A MODERATOR/RESPONDENT?

Yes ___ No ___

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