



**Middle East Studies Association
53rd Annual Meeting
November 14-17**

Abountiful meeting program of more than 300 sessions (starts on page 12), a Book Bazaar (see page 4) featuring mountains of books brought to you by the people who publish your work, and an exciting FilmFest (sneak peak on page 9) await you at MESA's 53rd annual meeting in one of America's favorite cities, New Orleans. Rich in history, unparalleled in live music, a foodie's paradise, and around-the-clock nightlife make New Orleans magical. Gathering with friends and colleagues is priceless. Rather than extol the virtues of New Orleans here, we suggest you turn to page 6 for the insider's guide to the city by New Orleans native and MESA member Nabil Al-Tikriti.

MESA's affiliated associations and other groups will hold a majority of their events on Thursday, November 14 (see page 10). The first panel session will be on that day at 5:30pm and the meeting will conclude at the close of the last panel session on Sunday, November 17 at 3:30pm.

Registration

To preregister for the MESA 2019 annual meeting, complete the registration form located on the back page of this program and return it along with payment to the MESA Secretariat. If paying by credit card save a stamp and register online by logging into your myMESA account at <https://mesana.org/mymesa/login.php>. Pre-registration is recommended as onsite registration rates are higher. The preregistration deadline is **October 24, 2019**.

| Category | Preregistration | Onsite |
|------------------------|-----------------|--------|
| full/associate | \$150 | \$200 |
| student/retired member | \$90 | \$125 |
| student non-member | \$120 | \$150 |
| General non-member | \$200 | \$250 |

ALERT: Avoid Hotel Booking Scams

Housing companies or wholesalers NOT affiliated with MESA may contact attendees to book hotel rooms for the 2019 annual meeting. These companies may actually put people at risk for credit card and identity theft. If the hotel is almost sold out, MESA staff will let you know. Don't believe a thing these scammers say. We do not recommend doing business with them. All housing for the MESA 2019 annual meeting is handled through the link above.

The best way to support your fellow meeting participants is to plan to depart New Orleans sometime Sunday afternoon or evening and to attend the many fine sessions that will be held on that day before you leave.

Finally, two requests. First, if you have the means, please book your stay at the Sheraton New Orleans Hotel using the link on the hotel page on MESA's website and printed below. We need maximum bookings to meet our contractual obligations. Second, please support the companies that go to great expense to exhibit in the Book Bazaar, by visiting the Book Bazaar and buying a book. The book publishing enterprise faces a lot of challenges. It's in all of our interests to try to help keep it viable.



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Rates/Reservations

\$225 single/double
\$250 triple
\$275 quad

**Cutoff Date
Oct. 21**

<https://book.passkey.com/e/49880909>
(plus room tax of 16.35% + \$3/night occupancy fee)

Travel/Ground Transportation

The Louis Armstrong New Orleans International Airport (MSY) serves the greater New Orleans area. The airport is approximately 25 minutes from the Sheraton. For ground transportation, contact Airport Shuttle New Orleans at 504-522-3500 or 866-596-2699, or book online at <https://www.airportshuttleneworleans.com/>. Roundtrip service is \$44 per person. One way is \$24.

Share Your Paper with Co-Panelists by Oct. 15

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Panel Chairs Invited

Volunteers are invited to chair panels assembled from individually submitted papers at the MESA 2019 annual meeting. For a list of available panels, please visit MESA's website at mesana.org, click on "Annual Meeting" at the top and then on "Chairs." Email your choices to Mark Lowder at mark@mesana.org.

Before you volunteer, please note that MESA membership and annual meeting pre-registration are required of all meeting participants.

Thematic Conversations and Roundtables

Thematic Conversations offer an alternative place to pose new questions for research, explore new trends and approaches to old questions, meet like-minded scholars, and engage in open academic exchange in an unstructured space. The conversations have a session leader and discussants who set the agenda for the conversation. They are (un)structured to provide for maximum participation from those in attendance, and there are no formal presentations. Seating is limited to 30 people.

Roundtables promote informed discussion and debate concerning the current state of scholarship in particular fields, work currently in progress or the particular problems involved in the employment of new approaches, new models, etc. The roundtable format lends itself to open discussion in an atmosphere where participants provide their points of view and engage the audience in active discussion. Participants do not prepare papers and do not lecture to the audience. Seating is restricted to 25-30 maximum.

Roommates

If you are interested in sharing a room at the Sheraton New Orleans Hotel during the MESA annual meeting, please visit MESA's website at <https://mesana.org/annual-meeting/roommate-locator>. MESA maintains a "roommates wanted" page on its website where those wanting to share rooms can find each other.

Child Care

MESA can help parents find a local provider and will reimburse half of the cost of day care services up to a maximum of \$200 for the conference. Upon request, the Secretariat will be happy to post contact information of parents who want to share sitting services during the meeting. For further information, please contact Rose Veneklasen at rose@mesana.org or 520 333-2577.

Book Bazaar

Easily the largest display of Middle East studies titles anywhere, MESA's annual book bazaar will include old and new friends—U presses, small publishing houses, independent book sellers, and even artisans sharing their talents. All will gather in New Orleans for a three-day festival of books. The book bazaar will be open 9-6 Friday and Saturday (Nov. 15 & 16), and 8-12 on Sunday (Nov. 17). Visit MESA's website for a list of exhibitors.

You don't have to rent space to exhibit at the MESA meeting. For \$40 per title, publications can be placed on view in MESA's Cooperative Book Display. This is an ideal arrangement for individuals, independent authors, and small presses with few Middle East studies titles.

If you would like additional information about exhibiting at MESA 2019, please visit MESA's website or contact Rose Veneklasen at rose@mesana.org or 520-333-2577.

No Show Policy

We understand that things come up at the last minute that prevent a participant from attending the meeting. As a courtesy to your co-panelists, please notify MESA if you cannot attend the meeting. If you are scheduled to participate in the annual meeting in any capacity and you don't show up and haven't informed the MESA Secretariat, you will be considered a 'no-show' and will not be eligible to participate in the next year's meeting. A no-show is someone who is not physically present at his/her panel at the conference and hasn't notified the MESA Secretariat beforehand.

Anti-Sexual Harassment

MESA's Anti-Sexual Harassment Committee (ASH) will be in full operation at the MESA 2019 meeting in New Orleans. We ask everyone to read the ASH committee protocol that is posted on MESA's website. If you are not familiar with what kinds of behavior constitute sexual harassment, the protocol outlines those in detail.

ASH will have a committee member and an ombudsperson on call at the MESA meeting. They will be available to swiftly address instances of sexual harassment by offering support to survivors, while working to hold offenders accountable.

We encourage anyone who experiences sexual harassment at the meeting to report it to the designated ASH committee member and/or ombudsperson. They are in place to help you. Anyone who witnesses instances of sexual harassment at the meeting are also encouraged to speak up. Bystander accounts are enormously helpful in addressing sexual harassment. Share what you witnessed with the ASH committee member and/or the ombudsperson. All reporting is held in the strictest of confidence.

The elimination of sexual harassment will require everyone's help. It will require a change in the culture that has made SH possible. MESA's goal is to eradicate sexual harassment by educating members, maintaining a zero tolerance policy, and acting quickly when instances arise.



MESA Members Meeting

Saturday, November 16 ♦ 1:15pm-2:45pm ♦ Sheraton New Orleans Hotel

The members meeting is an annual meeting of the membership open to all members. Voting is restricted to full and student MESA members. The meeting mainly consists of reports (see agenda below right). Where members play an important role is in voting for the Nominating Committee and on any resolutions that are being presented. A member in good standing can add names to the list of people who will be invited to run for the Nominating Committee, augmenting those proposed by MESA's Board.

Quorum

A minimum of 35 voting-eligible members must be in attendance for votes to be taken. Failing that, the meeting can be held but votes cannot be taken.

Resolutions

When important issues are before the membership, resolutions are sometimes presented at the members meeting. Resolutions can originate from MESA's Board

or from the membership. For resolutions to be acted upon at the 2019 Members Meeting, they must be in the hands of the MESA Secretariat by Thursday, October 31, 2019. Instructions for submitting resolutions can be found in MESA's Bylaws which are posted on MESA's website at mesana.org.

Sample Agenda

- I. Call to Order
- II. Report of the Executive Director
- III. In Memoriam and Moment of Silence
- IV. 2019 Election of Officers Results
- V. Nominating Committee Vote and Call for Names
- VI. IJMES Report
- VII. RoMES Report
- VIII. Committee on Academic Freedom Report
- IX. New Business
- X. Adjournment

Your Conference Paper: Share it and Prepare for It

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Planning for your presentation

Former MESA board member, James Gelvin (UCLA), kindly shared with MESA some tips on preparing and delivering conference papers that he created for his graduate students. We think they are great tips for those new to paper presentations and for anyone who struggles with the medium. Gelvin begins by reminding folks that, "a conference presentation is a distinct category of communication." Have a look at his tips at: <https://mesana.org/pdf/conference-paper-tips.pdf>.

Book Bazaar

Hours

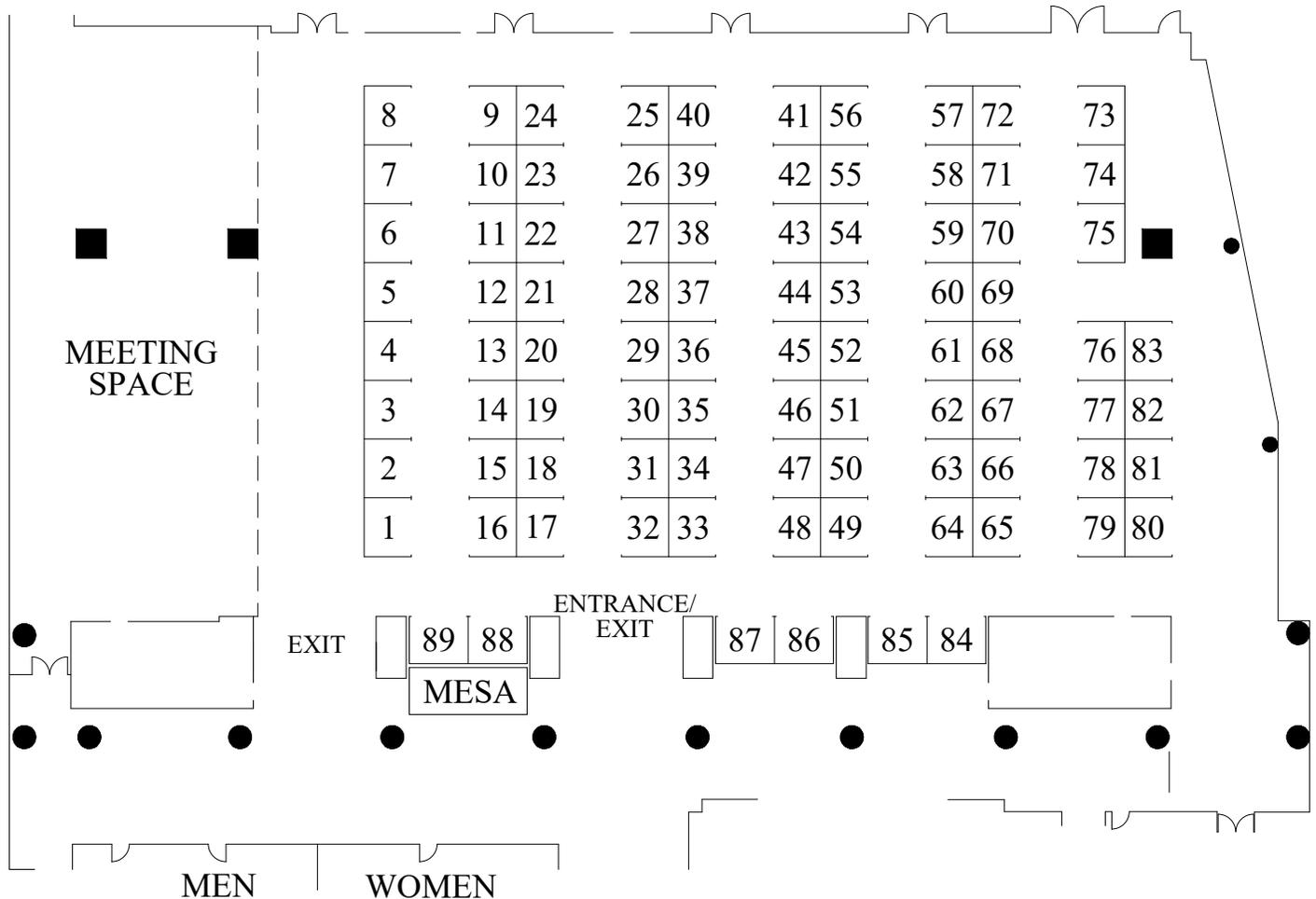
Friday
9-6

Saturday
9-6

Sunday
8-12

Location

Napoleon Ballroom - 3rd Floor



MESA Cooperative Book Display: Exhibit without Renting Space

MESA's Cooperative Book Display (CBD) is a low-cost option to display books without having to rent a booth. It is perfect for any individual, publisher, organization, or other interested party looking for the opportunity to be a part of the Book Bazaar at an affordable price. Pay \$50/title and provide two copies of each title. Your publication is displayed at MESA's premium location booth and is included in a catalogue. To reserve space in the CBD, complete and mail/fax/email the CBD Reservation Form plus send TWO copies of each title to the address below by October 18, 2019. Please note: All CBD titles become the property of MESA. Please direct questions to Rose Veneklasen at rose@mesana.org or 520-333-2577. MESA 2019 CBD, 3542 N. Geronimo Ave., Tucson, AZ 85705.

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“Laissez les bons temps roulez” (“Let the good times roll”)

“Bienvenu a la Nouvelle Orleans,” says no one ever, except in tourist industry videos aimed at the Francophone or domestic exotica market. While the French, Spanish, Creole, Italian, and several other communal legacies abound in the city’s history, they tend to whisper through the architecture and subtle local customs rather than shout out faux greetings in a foreign tongue. Surviving legacies tend toward the sorts of signals locals use like dog whistles for mutual recognition. For example, people still shout out “laissez les bons temps rouler” when appropriate. They also know what it means [“let the good times roll”], live like they mean it, and invite others to do the same. Likewise, they remember what the Vieux Carré is [“Old Quarter,” i.e. French Quarter], have a vague sense of what Café du Monde actually means, and spell certain stock expressions with eaux, as in “Geaux Saints.” Beyond that, seek not contemporary French culture, as seekers of such are likely to find disappointment.



Go ahead, start your visit with every tourist’s ritual stroll down Bourbon St. At some point early in your first evening, walk from one end to the other to get it out of your system. Duly convinced of late American decadence, then do yourself, your bank account, your iPhone, your reputation, your loved ones, and your descendants all a favor and proceed elsewhere. Anyone who spends more than fifteen minutes on Bourbon deserves what happens to them. Duly warned, it’s also worth pointing out, however, that just off and at the end of Bourbon St. remain some useful destinations to keep in mind.

Pat O’Brien’s, with an entrance just off Bourbon, is a famous establishment meriting a visit for its “dueling piano” bar, classic courtyard architecture, and signature cocktails. [Café Lafitte in Exile](#), located at the far end of Bourbon, offers the perfect atmosphere for a very specific, exclusively male, clientele. [Lafitte’s Blacksmith Shop](#), which the aforementioned Café Lafitte is said to have been exiled from, is a cozy, rustic, and truly historic little bar a block off Bourbon.

Unusually for an American city, New Orleans (b. 1718) boasts a genuinely rich history worthy of exploration. Having just celebrated the city’s tri-centennial, residents are justifiably proud about the city’s cultural legacy. The epicenter of local history is of course the [French Quarter](#), around which visitors should strive to visit [Jackson Square, St. Louis Cathedral](#), the Louisiana history museum at the [Cabildo](#), the [Historic New Orleans Collection](#) (a great structural preservation story), the just renovated [Moonwalk](#), and the [Ursuline Convent](#) (the oldest structure in the entire Mississippi Valley). All can be visited on foot in an afternoon, and each has its own variant reasons for a stop, including detailed museum exhibits on regional history, funerary slabs devoted to early European explorers, views of the river, and a thriving street artist scene. For those with both the inclination and the budget for fine dining, several famous restaurants are located in the Quarter, including [Bayona](#), [Broussard’s](#), and [Galatoire’s](#). Such high end restaurants tend to be better, and far cheaper, for lunch than for dinner. Less expensive tastes to explore in the Quarter include the somewhat touristy [Acme Oyster House](#) for fried seafood and fresh oysters, [Central Grocery](#) for locally famous Muffaletta sandwiches (they close at 5 pm), [Napoleon House](#) (muffalettas and bar), and the world famous [Café du Monde](#) for beignets and café au lait, 24/7. Right near the convention hotel is [Mother’s](#), a lunch

restaurant featuring Creole cooking, justly famous for its Red Beans and Rice and unfortunately long lines.

There are several live music venues in the city, the most famous of which are the [House of Blues](#) on the downtown side of the Quarter just off Decatur St., and [Tipitina’s](#), uptown near the river. For those interested in less prominent live music locations throughout the city, check local listings at www.wwoz.org.



New Orleans is a city of neighborhoods, several of which deserve a visit, and some of which are within walking distance from downtown. Just outside the French Quarter lie the neighborhoods of Tremé, Fauburg Marigny, and Bywater. [Tremé](#), now famous as the setting for HBO’s realist 2010-2013 [television series](#), is a small neighborhood which abuts [St. Louis Cemeteries #1 and #2](#). These cemeteries are absolutely worth a visit, if only to see the city’s distinct, historic, and geographically appropriate cemetery design. Plots and crypts are all above ground, tend to be owned by extended families, get recycled from generation to generation, and often strive to outdo each other in extravagance and philosophical messaging. Those who go should try to find “Voodoo Queen” [Marie Laveau’s](#) tomb, buried right next to New Orleans’ first African-American mayor, [Dutch Morial](#). Homer Plessy, of [Plessy vs. Ferguson](#) and “Separate, but Equal” fame, is also buried in the same cemetery. One cautionary note: these cemeteries are best visited by day, as the location is notorious for tourist muggings after dusk.



The [Fauburg Marigny](#) is the neighborhood bordering the Quarter on Esplanade Ave. The most important street in this neighborhood is [Frenchman St.](#), a center of live music and bars just beyond the Quarter. Unfortunately, while once this street served as a social refuge for locals, in recent years it has been discovered by road-tripping Col students. The street remains worth a visit during daytime hours, as it features [Mona's Cafe](#), a Palestinian-owned landmark specializing in Arab cuisine for those who prefer the MESA culinary mold. Mona's, whose main store and restaurant is in Mid-City, also serves as a communal center for the city's modest Arab-American population. For those who enjoy urban biking, rent a bicycle from [Bicycle Michael's](#), a locally owned business owned by engaged and well-informed scholars and gentlemen. If you do wish to explore the nightlife (best on a weeknight), several live music venues merit mention: [Spotted Cat](#), [Apple Barrel](#), [DBA](#), [Three Muses](#), [Maison](#), and the high end Jazz club and restaurant [Snug Harbor](#). If you choose to explore this end of the Quarter, you will need only a 20 minute brisk walk along the river to return to the conference hotel on Canal St. downtown.

If determined to experience a truly local hang out featuring a daily changing menu, walk another 10 minutes away from the Quarter on Dauphine St. and patronize [Lost Love Lounge](#), managed by Muriel, your correspondent's sister-in-law. If you walk that direction, you will eventually reach [Bywater](#), once known as the Upper Ninth and the next neighborhood along the river after Fauburg Marigny. Once a working class

neighborhood of Italian immigrants, then a primarily poor African-American area following 1960s white flight, Bywater is now a rapidly gentrifying neighborhood made up of resident hipsters, artists, and other assorted urban pioneers fighting off the scourge of tourism-driven rental properties. [Elizabeth's](#), on Chartres St. right off the river, is a wonderful place for breakfast and lunch, and might as well have provided the model for "Treme's" struggling restaurant owner character. [Vaughan's Lounge](#) (4229 Dauphine St.) is the place to be on a Thursday night, when Kermit Ruffins performs. [Mimi's](#) (Royal St.), [Markey's](#) (Royal St.), and the [AllWays Lounge](#) are other storied local drinking holes, each of which might require either a taxi or a ride on the Rampart St. / St. Claude Ave. streetcar to reach from downtown. [Bacchanal](#), a wine bar located at Chartres and Poland Streets at the far end of Bywater, sometimes features live performances in its backyard. Such performances remain a bone of contention between an activist city council and neighborhood residents who continue to fight for their right to hear live, local music right next door.



In the 1920s, as in other pre-automobile U.S. cities, New Orleans had well over 100 private streetcar lines, including the famous line on Desire St. At its low point, only the iconic St. Charles Ave. streetcar remained. However, a modest streetcar renaissance began with Clinton era federal transportation grants, and now five lines exist. The first new one runs right along the river from Canal St. to Esplanade Ave. The newest, running along [Rampart St.](#) and St. Claude

Ave. along the Fauburg Marigny and Bywater, opened in 2016. If you can spare the time, you should not miss the iconic [St. Charles Ave. streetcar line](#), which runs from Canal St. along an oak tree studded St. Charles Ave. through the Garden District, past [Loyola](#) and [Tulane](#) Universities, [Audubon Park](#) (featuring the best zoo in the region), and dozens of gorgeous old mansions indicative of the city's past wealth and glory, on to Carrollton Ave. This most affluent part of the city was nicknamed the "Isle of Denial" in the wake of Katrina because it was largely untouched, and remains the city's premier residential neighborhood. While there are numerous places of local interest in this area, for MESA visitors the one to consider might be [The Columns](#), a hotel bar in a classic old St. Charles mansion with a large veranda overlooking the avenue and its streetcar line. For those interested in fine dining, another option in this part of town is [Commander's Palace](#), a world famous restaurant located in the Garden District.

Another wonderful neighborhood is [Mid-City](#), which has bounced back nicely from its 10-15 ft. inundation of floodwaters following Katrina. As the name suggests, this is a large residential area in the middle of the city, convenient to everywhere else. There are dozens of locally owned restaurants and bars, and touring Mid-City offers one a great sense of the old city's local working class patterns. Another streetcar line runs from [Canal St.](#) to either the Canal Cemeteries or City Park, and is the best way to access this area without a car. One celebrated example of locally owned restaurants is [Mandina's](#), which is right on the Canal streetcar line, near where it intersects with Carrollton Ave. The carnivores amongst us should get a taxi to [Dickie Brennan's Steakhouse](#), a truly amazing steakhouse experience. Another famous establishment in this neighborhood is [Parkway Bakery & Tavern](#), which specializes in po-boys, the city's answer to grinders, hoagies, and submarine sandwiches. The po-

boys here are excellent, and the owner has lovingly placed on his walls an outstanding collection of New Orleans memorabilia. Also roughly in this area is a local icon, [Rock N' Bowl](#), a bowling alley carved out of an old paint factory on Carrollton Ave. which features live music most nights, great New Orleans bar food, and a veritable museum of local music legends.



Those looking for remnants of the Katrina disaster might prove as disappointed as those searching for native French speakers. Those interested in this part of the city's history should seek out several brave attempts at environmentally appropriate and architecturally fascinating housing in the Lower Ninth, famously co-financed by Brad Pitt. They can also try to find the [Musicians' Village](#), an attempt to provide affordable and locally appropriate housing for area musicians in the wake of the storm, assisted by Habitat for Humanity.



Considering New Orleans' reputation as Sodom on the Mississippi, visitors might be surprised to learn that the city is a very child friendly milieu, with a number of destinations to delight children. Right at the foot of Canal St. lies the [New Orleans Aquarium](#), where several donors were once dumped in the drink when their viewing platform collapsed during a fund-raising cocktail. On the corner of Canal and Decatur lies the [Insectarium](#), a certain hit with some children. This can be visited on a joint ticket with the [Audubon Park Zoo](#), a nicely designed and managed representative of the zoological genre, located uptown at the back of the park across from Tulane and Loyola Universities. In Mid-City's venerable and resurgent [City Park](#) there is [Storyland](#), an old fairy tale themed park that every local fondly remembers from his/her own childhood. Also in City Park is the New Orleans Museum of Art's [Sculpture Garden](#), which boasts some excellent pieces just across from a rustic park café featuring another

[Café du Monde](#) branch. Those who want to see swamps complete with snakes, alligators, pelicans, and nutria should find a way to get over to the West Bank's [Jean Lafitte National Park](#), which boasts a highly informative visitor's center and several stunningly beautiful boardwalks over swamp land.

To visit everywhere listed in this article would require well over a week of full time tourism. Hopefully those with an extra day or two on either end of MESA will find time to explore those destinations which interest them most. Whatever you do, we hope you enjoy yourself to the fullest, support local culture, make all your panels, and laissez les bons temps rouler, wherever you are.

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MESA '19 FilmFest Preview

MESA in New Orleans will have lots of attractions apart from those in the French Quarter. Whether you're looking for a break from the hubbub or seeking out a specific film, the FilmFest will have some eye-popping films to add to your MESA experience. Here are some of the films we expect to screen.

House in the Fields



Set in an Amazigh community in Morocco's High Atlas Mountains, **House in the Fields** presents an everyday portrait of a village and community confronted by sudden social change. The central focus is on the intimate lives of two sisters. The eldest has dropped out of school in preparation for her wedding. She is engaged to a man she barely knows and once married will move to Casablanca. She hopes to find work in the city but doesn't know whether her husband will permit it. Her younger sister enjoys school and dreams of becoming a judge, contrary to village attitudes.

Women with Gunpowder Earrings



Iranian director Reza Farahmand's film **Women with Gunpowder Earrings** confronts the dilemma facing Noor al-Helli, an Iraqi journalist covering the war against the Islamic State on the Iraq-Syria border. She is a reporter with an anti-IS stance and takes great risks to show the cruelty of the Islamists. Her perspective changes when she meets women and children captured as IS sympathizers. Confronted with women living in misery and holding antithetical views she attempts to understand what led them to adopt this worldview.

Imprisoning a Generation



Much has been said about the effects of Israeli occupation on Palestinian lives. **Imprisoning a Generation** presents the impact on four young Palestinians. This low-key film does not scream at the audience but instead simply shows what it is like to live in Aida refugee camp near Bait Jala, in East Jerusalem, in Hebron and in Bethlehem. Each of the stories reveals a facet of life under Israeli control. This beautifully crafted film documents the plight of youthful detainees in the Israeli prison system as well as Palestinian resistance. It analyzes how Israeli occupation forces attempt to intimidate the next generation into fear, silence and complicity.

And There was Israel



Regardless of one's point of view, today Israel, as a country, is a "fact on the ground." But this was never inevitable. **And there was Israel** merges historic American, British and French newsreel footage with the commentaries of seven scholars from different disciplines who provide engaging analyses of the path from Zionist ambition through to the expulsion of Palestinians from the newly created state. Invented history and clever manipulation helped avert potentially disastrous pitfalls, yet these actions set the pattern for the conflict that exists today.

10 Days Before the Wedding



10 Days Before the Wedding is a feature length romantic comedy filmed amid the destruction of war-torn Aden. Even though fighting in the area ended several years ago, the prospective couple face numerous obstacles to getting married. Social and economic problems arise within the groom's family. Their landlord decides he would like the bride for his own. Despite these setbacks the couple perseveres. In addition to a delightful story, 10 Days speaks out against wartime conditions, the government, families that "pimp" out their daughters for financial security and war profiteering.

Meetings in Conjunction



♦ AATA—American Association of Teachers of Arabic

Thursday, 11/14

Executive Board Meeting, 9am-12nn, 4-Oakley

Panel: "Arabic Literature in the Arabic Language Classroom,"

1-3pm, 4-Nottoway

Business Meeting, 3:30-5pm, 4-Nottoway

♦ AATP—American Association of Teachers of Persian

Thursday, 11/14

Annual General Meeting, 3-4:30pm, 3-Napoleon Ballroom, Section D3

Reception in honor of Professor John Perry, recipient of the AATP Lifetime Achievement Award, 7:30-9:30pm, 4-Oakley

♦ ACIE—American Councils for International Education

Saturday, 11/16

Arabic Council of Directors, Arabic Flagship Program Meeting, 2-6pm, 8-Armstrong

♦ AIMS—American Institute for Maghrib Studies

Thursday, 11/14

Board Meeting, 9am-1pm, 4-Edgewood A/B

Business Meeting, 3-4:30pm, 3-Napoleon Ballroom, Section D1

♦ AIYS—American Institute for Yemeni Studies

Thursday, 11/14

Board Meeting, 4-5:30pm, 4-Ellendale

Friday, 11/15

Information Meeting, 4-5:30pm, 8-Endymion/Mid-City

♦ ARCE—American Research Center in Egypt

Friday, 11/15

"Doing Research in Egypt: What You Need to Know", 10:15am-12:15pm, 4-Edgewood A/B

♦ American University in Cairo—AUC

Friday, 11/15

"Doing Research in Egypt: What You Need to Know", 10:15am-12:15pm, 4-Edgewood A/B

Saturday, 11/16

Reception, 7:30-9:30pm, 2-Lagniappe

♦ AASA—Arab American Studies Association

Saturday, 11/16

Joint Reception with AMEWS, AMEA, AMECYS, 8-11pm, 4-Bayside A

♦ Arab Barometer

Saturday, 11/16

Reception, 7-8:30pm, 4-Evergreen

♦ Arab Political Science Network (APSN)

Friday, 11/15

Information and Business Meeting, 1-2pm, 4-Oakley

♦ Arabic Collections Online (ACO)

Saturday, 11/16

Board Meeting, 12-2pm, 4-Oakley

♦ Arabic Council of Directors, Arabic Flagship Program

Saturday, 11/16

Meeting, 2-6pm, 8-Armstrong

♦ Arizona State U, Center for Maghrib Studies

Friday, 11/15

Board Meeting, 7-10pm, 4-Oakley



♦ AGAPS—Association for Gulf and Arabian Peninsula Studies

Thursday, 11/14

Board Meeting, 11am-2pm, 4-Southdown

Senior Advisory Council Meeting, 12:30-2pm, 8-Endymion/Mid-City

General Business Meeting, 3-5pm, 8-Orpheus

Happy Hour Reception, 5:30-8:30pm, Napoleon House, 500 Chartres St.)

♦ AIS—Association for Iranian Studies

Thursday, 11/14

Members General Meeting, 3-4:30pm, 4-Oakley

♦ AIS—Association for Israel Studies

Thursday, 11/14

Reception, 8-10pm, 4-Gallier A/B

♦ AMEWS—Association for Middle East Women's Studies

Thursday, 11/14

Board Meeting, 3-5pm, 8-Bacchus/Iris/Muses

JMEWS Editorial Board Meeting, 6-7pm, 8-Bacchus/Iris/Muses

Saturday, 11/16

Business Meeting, 7-8pm, 4-Bayside C

Joint Reception with AASA, AMEA, AMECYS, 8-11pm, 4-Bayside A

♦ AMEA—Association of Middle East Anthropology

Saturday, 11/16

Joint Reception with AASA, AMEWS, AMECYS, 8-11pm, 4-Bayside A

♦ AMECYS—Association of Middle East Children and Youth Studies

Saturday, 11/16

Joint Reception with AASA, AMEWS, AMEA, 8-11pm, 4-Bayside A

♦ ASA—Assyrian Studies Association

Friday, 11/15

Board Meeting, 6-8pm, 4-Evergreen

♦ CASA—Center for Arabic Study Abroad

Thursday, 11/14

Governing Board Dinner Meeting, 6-9pm, Palace Cafe (Canal Street Rm)

Friday, 11/15

Alumni Reception, 6-8pm, 2-Lagniappe

Saturday, 11/16

Consortium Annual Luncheon, 11:30am-1pm, location TBA

♦CIRS–Center for International and Regional Studies, Georgetown University in Qatar
Friday, 11/15
Reception, 7-9pm, Palace Cafe, 605 Canal St.

♦Consortium of Middle East NRCs and FLAS-granting Centers
Saturday, 11/16
Business Meeting, 11am-1pm, 8-Armstrong

♦Duke University, Middle East Studies Center and Islamic Studies Center and the Duke-UNC Consortium
Thursday, 11/14
Reception, 7:30pm, Antoine's Restaurant, 713 Saint Louis Street

♦Harvard, CMES
Saturday, 11/16
Reception, 8:30-10pm, 4-Gallier A/B

JMEWS

♦JMEWS–Journal of Middle East Women's Studies
Thursday, 11/14
Editorial Board Meeting, 6-7pm, 8-Bacchus/Iris/Muses

♦LSA–Lebanese Studies Association
Thursday, 11/14
Board Meeting, 2-3pm, 4-Edgewood A/B
Business Meeting, 3-4pm, 5-Rampart

♦MECPD–Middle East Center & Program Directors
Saturday, 11/16
Annual Meeting, 9-11am, 8-Armstrong

♦MELG–Middle East Law and Governance Journal
Friday, 11/15
Business Meeting, 8:30-10:30am, 4-Ellendale

♦MELA–Middle East Librarians Association
Thursday, 11/14
Vendor Showcase, 9am-2pm, 4-Bayside A

♦MEM–Middle East Medievalists
Thursday, 11/14
Board Meeting, 12-2pm, 4-Ellendale
Business Meeting, 3-5pm, 4-Bayside B
Reception, 8:30-10pm, 2-Lagniappe

♦MEOC–Middle East Outreach Council
Friday, 11/15
Business Meeting, 4-5pm, 5-Rampart
Board Meeting, 5-6:30pm, 5-Grand Couteau

♦MESA–Middle East Studies Association
Thursday, 11/14
CUMES Undergraduate Research Poster Session, 4-5pm, 4-Gallier A/B
CUMES Business Meeting, 5:15-6:15pm, 4-Evergreen
Friday, 11/15
Affiliate Officers Meeting, 7:30-9am, 4-Gallier A/B
Committee on Academic Freedom Meeting, 9:30am-12:30pm, 4-Gallier A/B
Task Force for Civil and Human Rights Meeting, 5-6:30pm, 4-Ellendale
Saturday, 11/16

Middle East Center & Program Directors Meeting, 9-11am, 8-Armstrong
RoMES Editorial Board Meeting, 9:30-11am, 4-Estherwood
MESA Members Meeting, 1:15-2:45pm, 5-Grand C
MESA Global Academy Meeting, 3-5pm, 8-Endymion/Mid-City
Sunday, 11/17
Meeting and Workshop - Editors of Middle East Studies Journals, 8-11am, 8-Orpheus

♦OTSA–Ottoman and Turkish Studies Association
Thursday, 11/14
Board Meeting, 3-5pm, 8-Endymion/Mid-City
Reception, 7:30-8:30pm, 4-Southdown
Members' Meeting, 8:30-10pm, 4-Southdown

♦PARC–Palestinian American Research Center
Thursday, 11/14
Board Meeting, 12-4pm, 3-Borgne
Friday, 11/15
Organizing Faculty-Led, Student Trips to Palestine: A Conversation on Opportunities, Obstacles and Best Practices, 5:30-7pm, 5-Rampart

♦SAS–Society for Armenian Studies
Thursday, 11/14
Executive Council Meeting, 9:30-11:30am, 4-Ellendale
Annual Membership Meeting, 3-5pm, 3-Napoleon Ballroom, Section D2

♦SSA–Syrian Studies Association
Friday, 11/15
Board Meeting, 1-2, 4-Ellendale
Business Meeting, 5-6pm, 4-Estherwood
Reception, 6-7:30pm, 4-Estherwood

♦TARII–The Academic Research Institute in Iraq
Saturday, 11/16
Board Meeting, 1-3pm, 4-Ellendale
Reception, 8:30-9:30pm, 4-Southdown

♦UCLA–University of California, Los Angeles
Saturday, 11/16
Center for Near Eastern Studies Alumni Reception, 8:30-10pm, 4-Bayside B

♦WOCMES–World Congress for Middle Eastern Studies
Saturday, 11/16
International Advisory Council Meeting, 11am-1pm, 8-Endymion/Mid-City

Program

5:30-7:30PM Thursday November 14

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Room TBA

5431 Legal Regimes of Refugee Settlement in the Middle East

Organized by **Vladimir Hamed-Troyansky**

Chair: **Reem Bailony**, Agnes Scott Col
Discussant: **Laura Robson**, Portland State U

Aslı Z. Igsiz, NYU—*Rethinking Politics of Expertise and Human Displacement in the Post-Second-World-War Era*

Vladimir Hamed-Troyansky, Furman U—*Making the Late Ottoman Refugee Regime*
Lauren Banko, Yale—*“Masquerading as Refugees”: The Absence of the Refugee in Interwar Palestine*

Ramazan Hakki Oztan, U Neuchatel—*Rethinking the Settlement Law of 1934 and the Kemalist Population Politics*

000 5:30-7:30pm

Room TBA

5433 Ottoman Political Economy in the Mediterranean

Organized by **Ellen M. Nye**

Chair: **Maurits Van Den Boogert**, Brill

Irena Fliter, U Goettingen—*The Commerce of the Camondos: Jewish Merchants between Ottoman and European Authorities in the Late Eighteenth Century*

Michael Talbot, U Greenwich—*Peaceful Commerce and the Abode of Holy War: Regulating Trade between Algiers and Western Europe in the Eighteenth Century*

Ellen M. Nye, Yale—*Ottoman Monetary Policy and the Shaping of Inter-Imperial Credit Relations at the Turn of the 18th Century*

000 5:30-7:30pm

Room TBA

5473 Ideologies, Political Formations, and Conflict in Kurdistan

Organized by **Huseyin Rasit**

Chair: **Vera Eccarius-Kelly**, Siena Col
Discussant: **Mehmet Gurses**, Florida Atlantic U

Morgan Tufan, Stanford—*Allegiance and Autonomy in Early Modern Kurdistan*

Arin Savran, Trinity Col Dublin—*The “Other” Middle East Peace Talks: A Conflict Transformation Perspective on the Peace Process between Turkey and the Kurdistan Workers’ Party (PKK), 2009-2015*

Kaner Turker, Clark U—*Assembling Community Economies in Northern Kurdistan*
Huseyin Rasit, Yale—*A Tale of Two Kurdistans: Ideological Structures and Political Formations in Kurdistan-Syria and Kurdistan-Iraq*

Cezary Blaszczyk, U Warsaw—*The Ideology of Democratic Confederalism and the Rule of Law*

000 5:30-7:30pm

Room TBA

5475 The Turkish War of Independence 1919-22

Organized by **Mesut Uyar**

Organized under the auspices of
Antalya Bilim U

Chair: **Virginia Aksan**, McMaster U

Mesut Uyar, Antalya Bilim U—*A Deadly Dilemma, Confronting or Embracing Defeat: The Ottomans in the Aftermath of the First World War*

Veysel Simsek, McGill U—*Mapping the Turkish Offensive in the War of Independence, August–September 1922*

Benjamin C. Fortna, U Arizona—*Kuḫcubaḫı Eḫref in the Turkish War of Independence*

Ibrahim Sani Mert, Antalya Bilim U—*Professional Military Education during the Turkish War of Independence*

000 5:30-7:30pm

Room TBA

Roundtable

5481 Advancing and Integrating Legal Scholarship in and on the Middle East

Organized by **Mai El-Sadany**

Organized under the auspices of
The Tahrir Institute for Middle East Policy

Chair: **Nathan J. Brown**, George Washington U

Ghuna Bdiwi, York U

Mona Oraby, Amherst Col

Mai El-Sadany, Tahrir Inst for Middle East Policy

Allison McManus, Tahrir Inst for Middle East Policy

000 5:30-7:30pm

Room TBA

5483 Women in Lebanon: From Late Colonialism to Early Independence

Organized by **Ziad M. Abu-Rish** and **Nova Robinson**

Chair: **Tsolin Nalbantian**, Leiden U

Nadya J. Sbaiti, AUB—*A Single Source: Towards a Theory of Women’s Activism in Lebanon, 1930-1960*

Sana Tannoury-Karam, Arab Council for Social Sciences—*Demanding Political Rights, Challenging Democratic Principles: Emily Fares-Ibrahim and the Feminist Struggle for Suffrage in Mandate Lebanon*

Ziad M. Abu-Rish, Ohio U—*Getting the Vote: Suffrage and the Women’s Movement in Post-Independence Lebanon*

Nova Robinson, Seattle U—*Reaching Rural Women: The Village Welfare Society, Women’s Rights, and Development Discourse in Post-Independence Lebanon*

000 5:30-7:30pm

Room TBA

5491 From Libya to Lausanne: International Law, Diplomacy, and the Making of Ottoman Sovereignty in Wartime

Organized by **Pinar Odabasi Tasci** and **Kate Dannies**

Chair/Discussant: **Lale Can**, City Col of New York CUNY

Will Smiley, U New Hampshire—*A Question of Interest: The Russian Indemnities Arbitration and Its Eurasian Context*

Pinar Odabasi Tasci, U Akron—*Edirne during the Balkan Wars: Reclaiming Sovereignty and Utilizing Violence in the Ottoman Western Borderlands*

Kate Dannies, Miami U—*The 1917 Law of Family Rights and the Ottoman Quest for Sovereignty in World War I*

Aimee Genell, U West Georgia—*From the Legalist Empire to the Sovereign State: International Law at the Treaty of Lausanne*

5:30-7:30PM Thursday November 14

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Room TBA

5495 Multilingualism, Cultural Diversity, and the Evolution of Arabic Literature

Organized by **Linda Istanbuli**

Huda Fakhreddine, U Penn–*Arabic Poetry by Other Means*

Linda Istanbuli, UC Berkeley–*Arabic Fiction and the Reclaiming of a Complex Cultural Space*

Ahmed Idrissi Alami, Purdue U–*Appropriation of Imperial Texts and the Reconfiguration of Arab Cultural History*

Gretchen Head, Yale–NUS Col–*Arabic Literature's Contested Borders across the Sahara*

000 5:30-7:30pm

Room TBA

5555 Community, Social History, and the State: New Directions in the History of the Maghrib

Organized by **James McDougall**

Chair: **Jennifer Sessions**, U Virginia
Discussant: **James McDougall**, Trinity Col, U Oxford

Malika Rahal, Institut d'histoire du temps présent (CNRS)–*A Social History of the Post-Independence: City Youth and the Return to the Countryside*

Idriss Jebari, Bowdoin Col–*Radical Histories in the Post-Colonial Maghrib: Students, Leftists and Cultural Dissidents (1960s-1970s)*

Sarah Ghabrial, Concordia U–*A Social History of Colonialism?: Negotiating Islamic Legal 'Modernization' in Algeria (1870-1930)*

Joshua Schreier, Vassar Col–*Palestine in the Maghreb: Nationalists, Islamic Reformists, and Jews in Algeria*

Elizabeth M. Perego, Shepherd U–*Memory Activism, the Malleability of Time, and Writing in the "White" of the Past in Post-Independence Algeria*

000 5:30-7:30pm

Room TBA

5589 The Corporation

Organized by **Deen Sharp**

Ibrahim Elhoudaiby, Columbia U–*A Tale of Two Firmans: Suez Canal, Universal Company, and Shifting Legalities*

Kristen Alff, U Virginia–*The Disappearance of Female Shareholders: Abstracting the Corporation in the Levant, 1880-1918*

Stephanie Wright, Australian National U–*Liberalization and the Role of the Corporation in Eastern Mediterranean Port-Cities, 1780-1840*

Deen Sharp, MIT–*Capitalized Urbanization*

000 5:30-7:30pm

Room TBA

5604 Documentary Diplomacy & the Archive

Organized by **Hadi Gharabaghi**

Chair: **Hadi Gharabaghi**, NYU
Discussant: **Terri Ginsberg**, AUC

Aysehan Jülide Etem, Indiana U–*After Diplomacy, What's Next?: Incomplete Archives of Turkey's Educational Film Center*

Kaveh Askari, Michigan State U–*Preserving an Orphan Film Project: NIRT at MSU in the 1970s*

Hadi Gharabaghi, NYU–*The Syracuse Documentary Mission in Iran (1950-1959) & the Archive Today*

000 5:30-7:30pm

Room TBA

Roundtable

5619 Race in the Middle East

Organized by **Sherene Seikaly**

Chair: **Sherene Seikaly**, UC Santa Barbara

Sophia Azeb, U Chicago

Eve Troutt, U Penn

Marc Lamont Hill, Temple U

000 5:30-7:30pm

Room TBA

5632 The Middle East as Featured in Political Science

Organized by **Rabab El-Mahdi**

Organized under the auspices of AUC

Chair/Discussant: **Ellen Lust**, U Gothenburg

Melani C. Cammett, Harvard–*Trends in Political Science Scholarship on the Middle East*

Amr Adly, AUC–*Political Economy in the Middle East: The Limits of Universalism*

Lisa Anderson, Columbia U–*Revisiting the State in the Middle East and North Africa*

Rabab El-Mahdi, AUC–*Redefining Politics in the Middle East*

000 5:30-7:30pm

Room TBA

5636 Towards a Sensory History of Middle Eastern Societies: Paradigms and Emerging Trends

Organized by **Christian Lange**

Organized under the auspices of
The ERC Project

Adam Bursi, Utrecht U–*I Would Never Touch You: Haptic Questions within Early Islamic Pilgrimage*

Christian Lange, Utrecht U–*Al-Jahiz on the Senses*

Arash Ghajarjazi, Utrecht U–*The Senses (Re)Organized: Towards a Cultural History of Anatomy in 19th Century Iran*

Eyad Abuali, Utrecht U–*Music and Meditation: Sound, Vision, and Identity from Classical to Medieval Sufism*

000 5:30-7:30pm

Room TBA

5667 Rebel Rule in the Middle East: Providing Services in Bids for Legitimacy

Organized by **Brynjar Lia**

Chair: **Pinar Tank**, Peace Research Inst Oslo

Pinar Tank, Peace Research Inst Oslo–*Contested Sites of Public Service Provision: Education in Rojava*

Mathilde Becker Aarseth, U Oslo–*Service Provision and Taxation in Mosul under the Islamic State*

Dag Tuastad, U Oslo and **Erling Sogge**, U Oslo–*Kinship Politics and Service Provisions in Palestinian Refugee Camps*

Anne Stenersen, Norwegian Defence Research Establishment–*Taxation and Public Service Provision in Taliban-Controlled Areas of Waziristan*

Brynjar Lia, U Oslo–*Service Provision in Jihadi Proto-States: A Comparison*

5:30-7:30PM Thursday November 14

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Room TBA

5682 Mapping Connections across Space and Time: Combining Ethnography and Radical Cartography in Cairo, Beirut and Istanbul
Organized by **Carl Rommel** and **Patricia Scalco**

Carl Rommel, U Helsinki–*Spatial Connections and Temporal Inflections: Mapping Large and Small Egyptian Projects (Mashari') through Ethnography and Cartography*
Patricia Scalco, U Helsinki–*Spatio-Temporal (Dis)Connections in the Istanbul Grand Bazaar: Ethnographic and Cartographic Insights on the Politics of Location through the Centuries-old Carpet Trade*
Samuli Lähteenaho, U Helsinki–*Circulation of Waste and the Deferral of Future on the Littoral of Beirut*
Philippe Rekacewicz, U Helsinki–*Ethnographic Insight through the (Radical) Cartographer's Eye: Mapping Spatiotemporal (Dis)Connections in Three Middle East Contexts*

000 5:30-7:30pm

Room TBA

5702 Teaching Middle Eastern Studies in the American South: Approaches, Challenges, and Strategies
Organized by **Constanze Weise**

**Sponsored by
Arab American Studies Association**

Chair: **Selden Deemer**, U North Georgia

Awad Awad, U North Georgia–*Landing the Flying Carpet: A Call for a Critical Turn in Teaching Arabic as a Foreign Language*
Constanze Weise, Henderson State U–*Teaching Middle Eastern History and the History of Islam in the American South*
Hassan Hussain, U North Georgia–*Integrating Refugees into Arabic Language Instruction on the Foothills of the Appalachians*

000 5:30-7:30pm

Room TBA

5717 Contesting Masculinities and Gender in Diverse Media

Chair: **Mohammed A. Salih**, U Penn

Mikiya Koyagi, U Texas Austin–*Technology and Manhood in Early Pahlavi Iran*
Mehdi Faraji, NYU–*A Double Masculinity: The Art of Living Hegemonic and Mundane Masculinity in Post-Revolutionary Iran*
Babak Tabarraee, U Texas Austin–*Hāmūn and the Iranian Psyche: Failed Masculinity and Intellectual Fandom*
Ashkon Molaei, UC Santa Barbara–*Women's Representation and Gender Discourse under an Islamist State: The Case of Iran and State-Sanctioned Video-Sharing Site, Aparat*

000 5:30-7:30pm

Room TBA

5726 New Perspectives on Qajar Iran

Chair: **Mira Xenia Schwerda**, Harvard

Kimya Oskay, Freie Universität Berlin–*The Visual Tactics of Iran from 1870 to 1896: Employment of Photographs by the Qajar Palace*
Navid Zarrinnal, Columbia U–*Reading the Roshdiyeh Diaries: An Iranian Educator in the Ottoman World*
Chelsi Mueller, Tel Aviv U–*Surveilling the Arabian Frontier in Late Qajar and Early Pahlavi Iran*
Serpil Atamaz, CSU Sacramento–*From the Forefront to the Sidelines: Female Revolutionaries in Ottoman Turkey and Qajar Iran*

000 5:30-7:30pm

Room TBA

5730 Archeology and Museumology

Chair: **Erin O'Halloran**, Oxford U

Lubna Omar, Binghamton U–*Saving Cultural Heritage, but not Syrian Archaeologists*
Javier Guirado, Georgia State U–*I Can't Get No Satisfaction: The Contested Legacy of Sheikh Abdullah bin Jassim's Palace and the National Museum of Qatar*
Philip Geisler, Berlin Graduate School Muslim Cultures and Societies–*The Performativity of Objects: Reconstituting the Islamic Art Museum*

Scott Curtis, Northwestern U Qatar–*Images of Unity: The Use of Media in the New Qatar National Museum*

Ioannis N. Grigoriadis, Bilkent U–*Introducing Archaeology and Museology to the Ottoman Empire: The Case of Theodore Macridy Bey*

000 5:30-7:30pm

Room TBA

5739 The Gulf: Games of Thrones

Chair: **Nimah Mazaheri**, Tufts U

Mariam Alkazemi, Virginia Commonwealth U–*Browsing Alarabiya and Aljazeera: Examining the Impact of the Saudi-Qatari Crisis on Media Coverage of the Syrian Conflict on Facebook*

Matthew Timmerman, American U–*Composition from Competition: How Regional Rivalry Strengthens Arab Monarchy*

Tyler B. Parker, Boston Col–*Small Sheikhdome Strength: Cavalier, Cautious, and Compliant GCC Alignments*

Ildiko Kaposi, Gulf U for Science and Technology–*Law as Culture in Media Ownership Regulation in the GCC*

Husain Alshabib, Independent Researcher–*How Did the Gulf Kingdoms Survive the Arab Spring?*

000 5:30-7:30pm

Room TBA

5742 Sufism in Medieval and Ottoman Times

Chair: **Madeline Zilfi**, U Maryland College Park

Mustafa Kaya, U Chicago–*Between Comradery and Conflict: Narratives of Encounters between Sufis in the Fifteenth Century*

Caitlyn Olson, Harvard–*Commanding Right Belief and Forbidding Wrong: Islamic Theology for the 10th/16th-Century Moroccan Masses*

Christian Blake Pye, U Texas Austin–*Tahqiq and Human Perfection: The Impact of the Philosophy of Ibn 'Arabi on Early-Modern Sovereigns*

Baris Basturk, U Arkansas–*E?refo?lu Rumi: A Shaykh Between "High" and "Popular" Sufi Islam*

5:30-7:30PM Thursday November 14

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Room TBA

5754 Egypt since 2011

Chair: **Nathaniel Greenberg**, George Mason U

Ronnie Close, AUC–*Cairo’s Ultras: Resistance & Revolution in Egypt’s Football Culture*

Mansoor Moaddel, U Maryland–*The Secular Shift in Values in the Post-Arab Spring*

Caroline Seymour-Jorn, U Wisconsin Milwaukee–*Re-Reading the Walls: An Interdisciplinary Approach to Post-Revolutionary Egyptian Street Art*

Michelle Weitzel, New School for Social Research–*Engineering Affect: Street Politics and the Microfoundations of Governance*

000 5:30-7:30pm

Room TBA

5757 Zionist Settlers and the Palestine/Israel Conflict

Chair: **Maayan Hillel**, Northwestern U

Martin Kear, U Sydney–*Dueling States: Understanding the Intractability of the Palestinian/Israeli Conflict*

Orli Sela, Tel Aviv U–*A Land Flowing with Milk and Honey...and Water? The Perception of Water Availability and Legal Interests in the Early Years of Israel*

Yaron Shemer, UNC–Chapel Hill–*Witnessing, Steadfastness, and Agency: The National Cartoon Figures of the Israeli Srulik and the Palestinian Handhala*

Natasha Roth-Rowland, U Virginia–*The Home Front: Women in Israel’s Far-Right Settler Movement*

Guy Yadin Evron, NYU–*‘The Senate Has Decided That Jerusalem Must Be Built’: Reconsidering the Hebrew University’s return to East Jerusalem*

8:00-10:00AM Friday November 15

TODAY'S AFFILIATED MEETINGS

7:30-9am

MESA Affiliated Associations Officers Meeting – 4-Gallier A/B

8:30-10:30am

MELG Journal Business Meeting – 4-Ellendale

9:30am-12:30pm

MESA's Committee on Academic Freedom Meeting – 4-Gallier A/B

10:15am-12:15pm

"Doing Research in Egypt: What You Need to Know" presented by **AUC and ARCE** – 4-Edgewood A/B

1-2pm

Arab Political Science Network (APSN) Meeting – 4-Oakley

1-2pm

SSA Board Meeting – 4-Ellendale

4-5pm

MEOC General Meeting – 5-Rampart

4-5:30pm

AIYS Informational Meeting – 8-Endymion/Mid-City

5-6:30pm

MESA's TFCHR Meeting – 4-Ellendale

5-6:30pm

MEOC Board Meeting – 5-Grand Couteau

5-7:30pm

SSA Business Meeting & Reception – 4-Estherwood

5:30-7pm

PARC presents "Organizing Faculty-Led Student Trips to Palestine" – 5-Rampart

6-8pm

Assyrian Studies Association Board Meeting – 4-Evergreen

6-8pm

CASA Alumni Reception – 2-Lagniappe

7-10pm

Center for Maghreb Studies, Arizona State University Reception 4-Oakley

000 8:00-10:00am

Room TBA

Roundtable

5396 De-Centering Egyptian History: Can the "Margins" Speak? Cities, Towns, Villages, and Ecologies on the Periphery

Organized by **Mohamed Gamal-Eldin**, New Jersey Inst of Technology/Rutgers U Newark and **Lucia Carminati**, Van Leer Jerusalem Inst

Hanan H. Hammad, Texas Christian U
Beth Baron, City U New York
Peter Gran, Temple U
Zeinab Abul-Magd, Oberlin Col
Matthew H. Ellis, Sarah Lawrence Col

000 8:00-10:00am

Room TBA

5411 The Politics of Suffering: Minorities and the State in the Modern Middle East

Organized by **Amy Fallas** and **Weston Bland**

Chair: **Heather J. Sharkey**, U Penn
Discussant: **Alda Benjamen**, U Penn Museum

Jeremy Randall, Graduate Center CUNY–*Modular Sectarianism within Lebanon (1943-1975): Maronites, the Merchant-Republic, and Phoenicia*

Weston Bland, U Penn–*Wild Libya: Narratives of Violence on Egypt's Western Border*

Chris Rominger, U North Florida–*Constructing and Debating the "Jewish Question" in Tunisia, 1914-1925*

Amy Fallas, UC Santa Barbara–*Vanguard of the Persecuted? Middle East Christians and American Statecraft under Trump*

000 8:00-10:00am

Room TBA

5445 Urbanism and Infrastructure in the Contemporary Middle East

Organized by **Gokce Gunel**

Chair: **Joanne Nucho**, Pomona Col
Discussant: **Ilana Feldman**, George Washington U

Sophia Stamatopoulou-Robbins, Bard Col–*Failure to Build: Insurgent Sewage and Infrastructural Time in Palestine*

Gokce Gunel, U Arizona–*A Seascape of Power: Turkish Energy Infrastructures in Africa*

Joanne Nucho, Pomona Col–*Crossed Wires: Electricity Generator Subscription Services, Power Outages, and the State in Lebanon and Beyond*

Bridget Guarasci, Franklin & Marshall Col–*Infrastructures Warzone Ecologies in Iraq's Marshes*

000 8:00-10:00am

Room TBA

Thematic Conversation

5449 Mapping Islam in Middle America
Organized by **Camila Pastor de Maria y Campos**, Centro de Investigacion y Docencia Economicas

Miguel Fuentes Carreno, UC Santa Barbara

Brittany Dawson, UC Berkeley
Mariam Saada, UCLA

000 8:00-10:00am

Room TBA

5456 Slaves as Agents and Free People as Low-Status Dependents: The Ottoman and Post-Ottoman Worlds
Organized by **Suraiya Faroqhi**, Ibn Haldun U, Istanbul

Veruschka Wagner, U Bonn–*De Jure Legal Property, De Facto Social Agents – An Analysis of the Legal and Factual Status of Slaves in 16th and 17th Century Istanbul Court Registers*

Dina Rizk Khoury, George Washington U–*Documenting and Regulating Slaves and Bonded Laborers in the Persian Gulf 1880s-1920s*

Amal Sachedina, George Mason U–*The Lasting Legacy of Slavery in the Politics of Social Interactions in Nizwa, Oman*

Betul Argit, Marmara U–*Freed Palace Slaves and Their Former Owners in the Ottoman World: The Role of Inheritance*

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5467 After the American Era: The New Regional Politics of the Middle East
Organized by **Curtis Ryan**

Ruth Hanau Santini, Università L'Orientale, Naples, Italy–*Multiple Hierarchies in the Changing MENA Regional Order*

Morten Valbjorn, Aarhus U–*Bringing the Global/Regional IR Debate into the Discussion about Changes in Global/Regional Structures of Middle East IR*

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Daniel Neep, Georgetown U—*Back to the Future! Why International Relations of the Middle East Needs the Nineteenth Century*
Waleed Hazbun, U Alabama—*In America's Wake: Turbulence and Insecurity in the Middle East*

Curtis Ryan, Appalachian State U—*Shifting Theories and Shifting Alliances in the 'New' Middle East*

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5511 Reconsidering Jihadism
Organized by **Mark Sedgwick**

Chair: **Anne Stenersen**, Norwegian Defence Research Establishment
Discussant: **Brynjar Lia**, U Oslo

Anthony Celso, Angelo State U—*Sunni Jihadist Groups and Their Progressive Development of a Total War Doctrine*

Thomas Hegghammer, Norwegian Defence Research Establishment—*Muslim Foreign Fighting in the Early 20th Century*

Bjarke Aae, Aarhus U—*Intra-Jihadi Contention and Its Wider Effects: The Case of Libya*

Mark Sedgwick, Aarhus U—*The Muslim Brothers and the Origins of Modern Jihadism*

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Room TBA

5513 Vernacular Transactions in the Middle East
Organized by **Levi Thompson** and **Qussay Al-Attabi**

Chair: **Ziad Fahmy**, Cornell U
Discussant: **Marilyn L. Booth**, U Oxford

Qussay Al-Attabi, Kenyon Col—*The Politics of Translating Iraqi Vernacular Poetry*

Noha Radwan, UC Davis—*The Pluralism of "Arabics" in the Egyptian Spring*

Levi Thompson, U Colorado Boulder—*Vernacular Transactions in Ahmad Shamlu's Persian Translations of Langston Hughes' Poetry*

Kristin Gee Hickman, U Mississippi—*Training Linguistic Sensibilities: Memory, Modernity, and the Writing of Moroccan Arabic*

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5519 Infrastructure and Power: Oil, Water, Energy
Organized by **Owain Lawson** and **Natasha Pesaran**

Shima Houshyar, CUNY Graduate Center—*Iran's Past Energy Futures: Infrastructure, Temporality, and National Modernity in Southwest Iran*

Natasha Pesaran, Columbia U—*The Iraq-Mediterranean Oil Pipelines and the Post-war Petroleum Order: Transit Agreement Negotiations in Lebanon and Syria in the 1950s*

Katayoun Shafiee, U Warwick—*Governing Democratic Futures: Risky Measures of Economic Science along an Iranian Waterway*

Noura Wahby, U Cambridge—*Governing Cairo's Fragmented Waterscape: Technology and Informality*

Owain Lawson, Columbia U—*Power Failures: Narrating the Litani Disaster, 1958-1962*

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5531 Articulating Community and Inter-confessional Interactions across the Middle East and North Africa
Organized by **Richard Antaramian** and **Murat C. Yildiz**

Chair: **Michelle U. Campos**, U Florida
Discussant: **Lior B. Sternfeld**, Penn State U

Sinem Adar, Humboldt U—*Rethinking the Relationship between Family Law Pluralism and Modern Nation-State*

Richard Antaramian, U Southern California—*Armenians and Sufis*

Murat C. Yildiz, Skidmore Col—*Sports and Communal Boundaries in Late Ottoman Istanbul*

Chris Silver, McGill U—*Cosmopolitan Nationalism? Border-Crossing Music and the Making of the Nation in the Interwar Maghrib*

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5533 Cartographies of Violence and Spaces of Resistance in Kurdistan
Organized by **Sardar Saadi**

Chair: **Gulay Kilicaslan**, York U, Toronto
Discussant: **Deniz Duruiz**, Northwestern U

Gulay Kilicaslan, York U, Toronto—*Forced Migration and Kurdish Political Mobilization in Kurdistan and Turkey*

Sardar Saadi, U Toronto—*Neighborhood as the Battleground: The Urban Dynamics of the Kurdish Movement and Self-Rule Resistance in Sur*

Elif Genc, New School for Social Research—*Necroviolence vs. Necroresistance: The "Weaponization of Life" [and Death]*

Berivan Sarikaya, U Toronto—*Between Silence and Resistance: Kurdish Women Political Prisoners*

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Roundtable

5538 History on the Move: Mobility and Circulation in and beyond the Modern Middle East

Organized by **Jessica M. Marglin** and **Fahad A. Bishara**

Lale Can, City Col of New York CUNY
Berke Torunoglu, Princeton

Kristen Alff, U Virginia

Jessica M. Marglin, U Southern California

Will Hanley, Florida State U

Fahad A. Bishara, U Virginia

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5542 Between Ayans, Janissaries and Centralization: 19th Century Ottoman Provincial Political Economy before 1850s

Organized by **M Safa Saracoglu**

Chair: **Christine Philliou**, UC Berkeley

M. Safa Saracoglu, Bloomsburg U—*After the Janissaries, before Midhat Pasha: Ottoman Provincial Economic Institutions between 1826 and 1849*

Ugur Bayraktar, Universitat Basel—*Transcending the Local: Empire, Notables, and Administration in Ottoman Albania and Kurdistan, 1835-1878*

Selçuk Dursun, Middle East Technical U—*Provincial Political Ecology in the Ottoman Empire: Management of Royal Forests and Local Politics before 1850s*

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5610 Current Issues in Hebrew Pedagogy
Organized by **Yael Gaulan**

**Organized under the auspices of
School of Hebrew, Middlebury College**

Itamar Manoff, U British Columbia—*Can Hebrew be ‘Disinvented’ in the Classroom? Reflections on Critical Hebrew Education in Israel and Palestine*

Yael Gaulan, Hebrew U and **Yuli Hatzofe**, Hebrew U—*Teaching Hebrew as a Political Act: “Ulpanim” for African Asylum Seekers in Israel*

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5627 Zionism at Imperial Crossroads: From Fin de Siècle Anatolia to 1948 Palestine

Organized by **Omri Eilat**

Chair/Discussant: **Hillel Cohen**, Hebrew U

Omri Eilat, Tel-Aviv U—*Ottomanizing the Professional Elite of the Jewish Yishuv, 1890-1918*

Dotan Halevy, Columbia U—*The Zionist Gaza: Utopia and Ruins at an Imperial Borderland*

Liora Sion, U Copenhagen—*The Colonial Legacy of the British Mandatory Rule and the Assassination of British Agents*

Louis Fishman, Brooklyn Col CUNY—*Modern Jewish Settlements in Ottoman Anatolia: Between Ottomanism and Zionism*

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5634 Negotiating Social Identities and Livelihoods in Interwar Turkey
Organized by **Semih Gokatalay**

Chair: **Yigit Akin**, Tulane U

Discussant: **Roger A. Deal**, U South Carolina Aiken

Semih Gokatalay, UC San Diego—*Turning Ottoman Merchants into Turkish Businessmen: Commercial Fairs and Capitalist Development in Post-Ottoman Turkey*

Gozde Emem Gokatalay, Independent Scholar—*Turning Ethnic Minorities into Religious Minorities: Debates on the Migration of Gagauzes to Turkey in the Interwar Period*

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5639 Navigating Transition: Responses to Tunisia’s Changing Political Landscape
Organized by **Mohamed-Dhia Hammami** and **Nate Grubman**

Nate Grubman, Yale—*What’s the Difference? Party Platforms in Postuprising Tunisia*

Pietro Marzo, Laval U—*Germany’s Soft Power in Tunisian Democratization*

Kimberly Guiler, U Texas Austin—*Benefiting from Victimhood: Why Mainstream Muslims Elect Islamists*

Mohamed-Dhia Hammami, Wesleyan U—*Democratization as a Conflict : Tunisia’s Active Army of Labor in a War of Position*

Nicholas Lotito, Yale—*An Organizational Theory of Military Responses to Revolution*

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5660 The Politics and Poetics of Language in the Persianate World
Organized by **Alexander Jabbari** and **Ferenc Csirkes**

Chair: **Sooyong Kim**, Koç U

Marijana Misevic, Harvard—*Cosmopolitan and Vernacular in a Quadrilingual Ottoman Poem from Bosnia*

Ferenc Csirkes, Sabanci U—*Cross-Linguistic Poetic Play in a Time of Tumult: The Divan of Masih of Tabriz from Late and Post-Safavid Iran*

Alexander Jabbari, U Oklahoma—*The Erotics of Language in 20th Century Iranian Poetry*

Metin Yuksel, Hacettepe U—*Reading Cegerxwîn’s Poetry: Awakening, Solidarity and Autobiography*

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5680 Representations of the Feminine in Modern Arabic Visual and Performing Arts
Organized by **Nada Saab**

**Organized under the auspices of
Lebanese American University (LAU)**

Chair: **Nada Saab**, Lebanese American U
Discussant: **Gabriella Nassif**, SUNY Buffalo

Nada Saab, Lebanese American U—*Sexuality and Fantasy in the Theater of Sa’d Allah Wannus*

Yasmine Nachabe Taan, Lebanese American U—*Women Who Cross Dressed in 1920s Lebanon*

Myriam Sfeir, Lebanese American U—*Chez Maurice Chambers on Stage*

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5688 Enforced Disappearances in the Middle East: Histories, Trends, Theories and Approaches in Activism
Organized by **Jessica Mecellem**

Leila Zonouzi, UC Santa Barbara—*Diasporization of the Intelligentsia: The Case of Iran and Turkey*

Jessica Mecellem, U the South—*The Origins of Enforced Disappearance as a State Security Practice*

Ozgur Sevgi Goral, U Paris 8—*Unpacking the Memory Debate in Turkey: Amnesia, Cultural Aphasia and Enforced Disappearances*

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5718 Contending Visions of Media

Chair: **Youness Mountaki**, Wofford Col

Eoghan Stafford, Harvard Kennedy School of Government—*Opposition Representation in the Media in Algerian Elections: 2007-2017*

Gabriel Lavin, UCLA—*The Audible Empire: British Intelligence, the BBC, and the Curation of Cultural Content for the Aden Protectorate and Gulf Arab Territories, 1933-1939*

Mary Elston, Harvard—*Social Media Suhba: The Limits of Online Islamic Education in Contemporary Cairo*

Sahar Bostock, Columbia U—*Arab Palestinian Listenership to the Radio in Mandate Palestine*

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5749 The Abbasids: Society and Culture

Chair: **Rosabel Ansari**, Georgetown U

Aseel Najib, Columbia U—*Religio-Legal Conceptualizations of Land Ownership in the Early Abbasid Period*

Andrew McLaren, Columbia U—*Quotation and Structure: Letters in Ibn A’tam al-Kufi’s (fl. 3rd/9th) Kitab al-Futuh*

Ilona Gerbakher, Columbia U—*“Nothing but a Great Whorehouse.” Sex Work in Abbasid Baghdad*

Rachel Friedman, U Calgary—*On Accessing the Qur’an: Abbasid-Era Discourse on Methods of Interpretation*

Abolfazl Moshiri, U Toronto—*Al-Hallaj and the Abbasid Golden Age of the Devil*

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5409 Israel in the Middle East: Following the 2019 Elections
Organized by **Itamar Radai**

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Association for Israel Studies (AIS)**

Chair: **Itamar Radai**, Tel Aviv U
Discussant: **Robert O. Freedman**, Johns Hopkins U

Ilan Peleg, Lafayette Col—*The Impact of the Israeli 2019 Elections on the Israeli Right*
Joshua Teitelbaum, Bar-Ilan U—*Israel and the Persian Gulf: New Challenges in an Evolving Relationship*

Eyal Zisser, Tel Aviv U—*Israel and Syria: Revolution, Civil War and Peace Process – between Moscow and Tehran*

Yoav Alon, Tel Aviv U—*25 Years Down the Road: Jordanian-Israeli Relations*

Harel Chorev, Tel Aviv U—*Israel and the Challenge of the Young Palestinian Generation Z*

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5413 Beyond Sectarianism: New Directions in Iraqi Studies
Organized by **Zahra Ali**

Chair: **Omar Sirri**, U Toronto
Discussant: **Omar Dewachi**, Rutgers U

Zahra Ali, Rutgers U—*“Militia-zation” and Protest Movements in Post-2014 Iraq*

Marsin Alshamary, MIT—*Politician Preachers: Clerical Participation in the Iraqi Parliamentary Elections*

Shamiran Mako, Boston U—*Statebuilding minus Peacebuilding: Evaluating and Remediating the Legacies of Iraq’s De-Baathification Commission*

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5452 Rentierism and Power Dynamics in/ of the Gulf Countries: Evolving Nexuses
Organized by **Makio Yamada** and **Emma Soubrier**

Chair: **Jill Crystal**, Auburn U
Discussants: **Adam Hanieh**, SOAS U London and **Michael Herb**, Georgia State U

Jessie Moritz, Australian National U—*The Transnational Dimensions of Civil Society in Gulf Rentier States*

Makio Yamada, Princeton—*How Do Low Oil Prices Affect Rentier Peripheries?*

Dania Thayer, American U—*The Plight of Youth and Institutional Development in Rentier Economies*

Emma Soubrier, Arab Gulf States Inst in Washington—*Arms Trade in the Gulf as an Illustration of “Globalized Rentierism”*

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5454 Studying the Sira in the Digital Age
Organized by **Sarah Bowen Savant**

Chair: **Mathew Barber**, Aga Khan U

R. Kevin Jaques, Indiana U—*Tubba’ and How the Ka’bah Got the Kiswah: The Differing Versions in the Ibn Ishaq Sirah Tradition*

Abdul Rahman Azzam, Qatar National Library—*The Lady of the Two Belts*

Sarah Bowen Savant, Aga Khan U-ISM—*The Written Legacy of Orality: Ibn Ishaq’s Text and Its Versions*

Maxim Romanov, U Vienna—*Something Old, Something New, Something Borrowed: Computational Analysis of Writing Practices of Islamic Scholars*

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5478 Medieval Armenian Entanglements
Organized by **Alison Vacca**

**Sponsored by
Society for Armenian Studies (SAS)**

Tamar M. Boyadjian, Michigan State U—*The “Eastern” Queen: Intersecting Representations of Armenian Princesses in Medieval Mediterranean Literature*

Alison Vacca, U Tennessee—*The Women and the Foreigners of Abbasid Armenia, a Study of Sasna Crer*

Sergio La Porta, CSU Fresno—*Hell Hath No Fury: Sexual and Communal Relations in Twelfth-Century Arts’akh*

Michael Pifer, U Michigan—*“Straight Like a Minaret”: Armenian Riddles in a Mediterranean Milieu*

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5493 (Alternative) Arts as (Alternative) Politics: Iranian Aesthetic Dissidence from the Revolution to the Present
Organized by **Norma Claire Moruzzi**

Chair: **Kaveh Ehsani**, DePaul U
Discussant: **Pamela Karimi**, U Massachusetts
Norma Claire Moruzzi, U Illinois Chicago—*Breaking Down Walls: Iranian Art Installations, Condemned Buildings, and Utopian Possibilities*

Mahrou Zhaf, Boston Graduate School of Psychoanalysis—*Alternative Masculinities in Iranian Cinema: Mehrjui’s Men*

Leili Adibfar, U Illinois Chicago—*Ali Shariati: Islam, Modernity, and the Complicated Aesthetic of the Iranian Revolution*

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5505 Women’s Tafsir: Beyond Feminism
Organized by **Ellen McLarney** and **Hina Azam**

**Sponsored by
Association for Middle East Women’s Studies (AMEWS)**

Hina Azam, U Texas Austin—*Women and Gender in the Qur’an: A Narrative Ethics Approach*

Hanadi Al-Samman, U Virginia—*Towards a Queer Qur’anic Tafsir*

Ellen McLarney, Duke U—*Qur’an Tafsir in Popular Culture: Bint al-Shati’s Literary Interpretations*

Jamila Davey, U Texas Austin—*The Beauty of Joseph and the Gendered Gaze: Assia Djebar’s Literary Account of Sura XII*

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5512 Non-Sunni Muslims, Yezidis, and the (Local) Ottoman State: Politics of Difference between Persecution and Accommodation
Organized by **Benjamin Weineck**

Chair/Discussant: **Vefa Erginbas**, Providence Col

Ines Asceric-Todd, U Edinburgh—*Heretics, Atheists or Simply Undesirable? The Ottoman Officials’ Treatment of Bayrami-Melami Sufis and the Anatolian Kizilbas in the Late 16th Century*

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Benjamin Weineck, U Bayreuth–*Kizilbash and Nusayri in the Ottoman State, 16-18th Centuries: Ottoman Strategies of Accommodation in Comparative Perspective*
Bahadin H. Kerborani, U Chicago–*Yezidi Resistance on the Peripheries of the Ottoman Empire*
Thomas Kuehn, Simon Fraser U–*Zaydi Elites Claim an Ottoman Yemeni Fatherland: Negotiating Imperial Citizenship in Ottoman Yemen, 1908-1914*

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Roundtable

5525 AATP Roundtable–Teaching Material for Persian Language
Organized by **Pouneh Shabani-Jadidi**

Sponsored by
American Association of Teachers of Persian (AATP)

Chair: **Pouneh Shabani-Jadidi**, McGill U

Michelle Quay, Columbia U
Peyman Nojournian, U Southern California
Farima S. Mostowfi, Georgetown U
Mohamad Esmaili-Sardari, JHU SAIS
Anousha Shahsavari, U Texas Austin
Latifeh E. Hagigi, UCLA
Azita Taleghani, U Toronto
Pardis Minuchehr, U Virginia

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Thematic Conversation

5537 The Semantics of Slavery and Strong Asymmetrical Dependencies
Organized by **Craig Perry**, Emory U

Elizabeth Urban, West Chester U
Karen Moukheiber, U Balamand
Chris PreJean, UCLA
Matthew Gordon, Miami U
Parisa Vaziri, Cornell U
Stephan Conermann, U Bonn, Germany
Hannah Barker, Arizona State U

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5544 The 1960s: Reshaping Pasts and Futures
Organized by **Nelida Fuccaro**

Chair: **Nelida Fuccaro**, NYU Abu Dhabi
Discussant: **Vivian Ibrahim**, U Mississippi

Vivian Ibrahim, U Mississippi–*Cultural Exchange, International Aid and Sovereign Rights: Egyptian Antiquities in the 1960s*
Nelida Fuccaro, NYU Abu Dhabi–*Oil's Militant Public Cultures: Intertwining Past and Futures in the Making of Petroleum Arabism, 1959-1964*

Maya Kesrouany, NYU Abu Dhabi–*Painted Drafts: The Pre-Memory of 1960s and 70s Socialist and Communist Trends in Egypt*
Laure Guirguis, Aarhus Inst of Advanced Studies–*Archives of Past Defeats and Imagined Futures: From Left-wing Melancholy to New Paths in Resistance, Historiography and Political Criticism?*

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5599 Newsmen: Facilitating Mediterranean Information Flows since 1900

Organized by **Arthur Asseraf**

Sponsored by
American Institute for Maghrib Studies (AIMS)

Chair/Discssant: **Amahl Bishara**, Tufts U

Valentina Zagaria, London School of Economics–*Chamseddine and the Making of a Hopeful Story in Times of Border Deaths*
David Stenner, Christopher Newport U–*Muhammad Ali al-Tahir and the Forgotten History of Palestinian-Maghribi Anticolonialism*
Arthur Asseraf, U Cambridge–*Fixer, Journalist, Scammer, Spy: Khoualdia Salah and the Networks of Pan-Islamic News around 1900*
Zoe LeBlanc, Vanderbilt U–*Information and the Egyptian Cause: Muhammed Abd al-Qadir Hatim and Egypt's News Infrastructure*

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5605 Methodological Advances in the Study of Middle East and North African Elections
Organized by **Daniel L. Tavana**

Chair: **Elizabeth R. Nugent**, Yale
Discussant: **Luciano Zaccara**, Qatar U

Aytug Sasmaz, Harvard–*Recruitment and Selection of Candidates for the First Democratic Local Elections in Tunisia: The Tale of Two Parties*

Christiana Parreira, Stanford–*The Art of Not Governing: Local Governance and Family-Party Relations in Postwar Lebanon*

Daniel L. Tavana, Princeton–*The Origins of Electoral Opposition under Authoritarian Rule: Evidence from Kuwait*
Yuree Noh, Harvard–*Public Goods Provision in Authoritarian Regimes: Education versus Infrastructure in Postwar Algeria*

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5609 Medicine on the Move: Medical Agents Crossing Borders, Part I - Webs of Influence

Organized by **Hagit Krik**

Chair: **Liat Kozma**, Hebrew U

Benoit Pouget, Aix Marseille U, CNRS, EFS, ADES–*French Medical Support for Lebanon from Independence (1943/46) to the Beginning of the Civil War (1975): Medical Mobilities, Nation Building and Health Diplomacy*
Moriel Ram, SOAS U London–*Health Archipelago: Israeli Medical Knowledge and Aid in Africa*

Hratch Kestonian, Graduate Center CUNY–*Armenian Doctors with No Borders: Producing, Translating, and Circulating Medical Knowledge, 1875-1925*

Hagit Krik, Hebrew U–*Networking Care: British Nurses in the Middle East*

Francisco Javier Martínez, CIDEHUS, U Évora, Portugal–*Medical Circulations in Pre-Colonial Morocco: Protestant Missionary Physicians and Moroccan Modern Doctors, 1877-1916*

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5620 New Research on Egypt's Counterrevolution

Organized by **Killian Clarke**

Chair/Discussant: **Nathan J. Brown**, George Washington U

Amy Austin Holmes, AUC—*Comparing International Support for Egypt's Coup and Counterrevolution*

Killian Clarke, Princeton—*The Popular Roots of Egypt's Counterrevolution*

Michael Hoffman, U Notre Dame—*Depression, Disappointment, and Democratic Values after Failed Revolution*

Dalia Fahmy, Long Island U—*The Three Faces of the Muslim Brotherhood*

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Roundtable

5631 Lisa Wedeen's Authoritarian Apprehensions: Ideology, Judgment, and Mourning in Syria

Organized by **Danny Postel**

Chair: **Danny Postel**, Northwestern U

Anne-Marie McManus, Washington U St. Louis

Paul Amar, UC Santa Barbara

Lisa Wedeen, U Chicago

Suad Joseph, UC Davis

Bassam Haddad, George Mason U

Timothy Mitchell, Columbia U

Brinkley Messick, Columbia U

Lori Allen, SOAS U London

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5640 "Ancient" Knowledge and "New" Learning in the Early Modern Ottoman World

Organized by **Side Emre**

Chair: **Taylor M. Moore**, Rutgers U

Carlos Grenier, Florida International U—*Solomon, His Temple, and Ottoman Imperial Anxieties*

A. Tunç Sen, Columbia U—*Rivalry of "Occult" Powers and Sufi Disdain for Astrologers in the Ottoman World*

Side Emre, Texas A&M U—*"Mystical Cosmologies" in Early Modern Ottoman Sufi Literature: An Analysis of Letters, Numbers, and Diagrams*

Emin Lelic, Salisbury U—*Physiognomical Roots of Early Modern Ottoman "Proto-Ethnology"*

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5719 Journalism and Film Histories

Chair: **Ece Algan**, Loughborough U London

Fatima El Issawi, U Essex—*Egyptian Journalists and the Struggle for Change following the 2011 Uprising: The Ambiguous Journalistic Agency between Change and Conformity*

Hazem Fahmy, U Texas Austin—*Whom Should We Shoot: Assigning Blame and Revising History in 70s Egyptian Cinema*

Ayse Basaran, Istanbul Sehir U—*The Commercialization of the Ottoman Printing Enterprise: 1831-1863*

Najmeh Moradiyan-Rizi, U Kansas—*Gendering the Screen, Rewriting the Past: On the Early Cinematic Career of Shahla Riahi, the First Iranian Woman Filmmaker*

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5745 Islamic Theologies and Ideologies

Chair: **Youssef Yacoubi**, Seton Hall U

Maryam Alemzadeh, Brandeis U—*Bringing Religion Back In: Cultural Practice and Post-Revolutionary Institution Building in Iran (1979-80)*

Dragos Stoica, Independent Scholar—*No Sovereignty but God's Sovereignty: A Comparison between Sayyid Qutb's Doctrine of Hakimiyyah and Rousas Rushdoony's Reconstructionist Theonomy*

Zeynep Oktay Uslu, Bogaziçi U—*Alevism as Islam: How Alevi Poetry Forces Us to Rethink Shahab Ahmed's Conceptualization of Islam*

Nadav Samin, National U Singapore—*The Making of a Da'wa: Muhammad b. 'Abd al-Wahhab between Poesy and Scripture*

Harald Viersen, Radboud U Nijmegen—*Meaning and Islam: Tracing Wittgenstein in the Writings of Talal Asad*

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5762 Literature and Literary Production I

Chair: **Jonas Elbousty**, Yale

Merve Tabur, Pennsylvania State U—*Ecological Futures and Biopolitics in "Iraq+100"*

Seerwan Hariry, U Texas Austin—*Arabo-Kurdish Novel as an Alternative Source for Documenting Kurdish History: A Case Study of Iraqi and Syrian Kurdish Novels*

Hiroki Okazaki, Chiba U—*Representation of the Palestinian Experience in Contemporary Syrian Literature*

Ian Campbell, Georgia State U—*Double Estrangement in Arabic Science Fiction: Ahmad Sa'dawi's "Frankenstein in Baghdad"*

Debra Beilke, Concordia U St. Paul—*Embodying Iraq: The Aesthetics of War in Betool Khedairi's "Absent" and Sinan Antoon's "The Corpse Washer"*

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5773 Politics and Resistance in the Ottoman Balkans

Chair: **Amy Singer**, Brandeis U

Naqaa Abbas, Qatar U—*Ali Pasha of Yannina and the Manipulation of Orientalism*

Fredrick Walter Lorenz, UCLA—*Migrants, Militias, and Martinis: Generative Forces of Local Security in the Late Ottoman Balkans*

K. Herman Adney, UCLA—*Rebellion on the White Sea: The Peasant Challenge to Economic Development in Nineteenth-Century Macedonia and Thrace*

Jelena Radovanovic, Princeton—*Negotiating Property of Pious Foundations in Post-Ottoman Niš*

Mohamed Abdou, NYU—*Waqf Reform as International Treaty: Empire, Sovereignty, and Minority Rights in the Khedival Waqfs in Kavala and Thasos, 1902-1924*

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5774 Politics in Turkey I

Chair: **G. Carole Woodall**, U Colorado Colorado Springs

Azat Gundogan, Florida State U–
*Caught between Kemalist and Islamist
Authoritarianisms: The Masses as Auxiliary
Power in Turkey*

Vahram Ter Matevosyan, American U
Armenia–*Transnational History of Kemalism:
Turkey and the Soviet Union*

Jamie Pelling, Princeton–*National Defense,
Religious Duty, and the Ottoman Navy: A
Glimpse into Ottoman Society*

Pelin Ayan Musil, Anglo-American U,
Prague–*What Went Wrong with the Theories
of Moderation and What Does the AKP Case of
Turkey Show Us?*

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5776 Social Reform and the Politics of Modernity

Chair: **Mirna Lattouf**, Arizona State U

Stefano Taglia, Oriental Inst - Czech
Academy of Sciences–*Their Faces Reveal
a Countenance of Stupidity and Imbecility:
Cannabis Addicts as a Social Problem in the
Late Ottoman Empire*

Sari Madi, U Montreal–*Institutional
Change in Tunisia and Lebanon: The Cases of
the Labour Code and the Social Pact*

Avner Wishnitzer, Tel Aviv U–*A Pillow
Talk: On Sleep and Sleeplessness in the
Eighteenth-Century Ottoman Empire*

Yasmin Shafei, AUB–*The
Professionalization of Psychiatry and
Constructions of the “New Woman” in Egypt,
1880-1950*

Hamdi Karakal, Bilkent U –*Sword vs.
Mountain: Folk Songs’ Depiction of Ottoman
Settlement Policies towards Avsar Tribe in the
19th Century*

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5784 Infrastructure: Concrete and Constructed

Chair: **Ingy Higazy**, UC Santa Cruz

Tariq I. Adely, Georgetown U–*Literary
Infrastructures: Reading and Writing the
Nation in Jordan*

Alaa Attiah, AUC–*Tolls Politics and Poetics*
Sara Dima Abisaab, NYU–*The Municipal
Act of 1977: Municipal and Infrastructural
Politics in Postwar Lebanon*

Anthony Greco, UC Santa Barbara–
Engineering Egypt, 1800-1920

Nada El-Kouny, Rutgers U–*A Comparative
Analysis of Wasta as “Social Infrastructure”
in Rural Egypt*

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5796 Recentering the Maghreb, Part I

Organized by **Brahim El Guabli** and
Edwige Tamalet Talbayev

**Organized under the auspices of
Center for Maghreb Studies,
Arizona State U**

Chair/Discussant: **Brian T. Edwards**,
Tulane U

Edwige Tamalet Talbayev, Tulane
U–*Linguistic Recenterings: Theorizing a
Maghrebi “Pluri-langue”*

Paraska Tolan-Szkilnik, U Penn–*The
Red in Red-Carpet Regalia: The Journées
Cinématographiques de Carthage and the
Fight for African Liberation*

Chouki El Hamel, Arizona State U–*The
Hidden Story of the Moroccan Maroons*

Brahim El Guabli, Williams Col–
Theorizing the Sahara/Desert as a Center

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5400 The Question of Palestine in American and Ethnic Studies

Organized by **Bayan Abusneineh**

Sponsored by

Arab American Studies Association

Chair: **Sherene Seikaly**, UC Santa Barbara

Tamar Ghabin, SOAS U London—*Asserting ‘A Sense of Place’: Tracing Black-Palestinian Solidarity to the Prison*

Tareq Radi, NYU—*From Mortgages to Foreclosure: Financialized Urbanization as Allotment in the West Bank*

Bayan Abusneineh, UC San Diego—*Reproducing Race: Discourses of the Body, Nation, and Reproduction in Palestine and Israel*

Loubna Qutami, UC Berkeley—*Crisis, Grief and the Paralysis of Insecurity: Palestinian Youth Movements after the Arab Uprisings*

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5410 Gulf Technostates: Science, Modernity, and Expertise

Organized by **Feras Klenk** and **Natalie Koch**

Chair: **Jocelyn Sage Mitchell**,

Northwestern U Qatar

Discussant: **Gokce Gunel**, U Arizona

Calvert W. Jones, U Maryland—*Gender and the Gulf Technostate: Civic Effects of Desegregating the Public Sphere*

Feras Klenk, U Arizona—*Start Up Nation: Building an Entrepreneurial Society in Oman*

Andrea Wright, William & Mary—*Dreams of Modernity: Indian Migrant Laborers and Technostate Logics*

Natalie Koch, Syracuse U and **Neha Vora**, Lafayette Col—*Laboratories of Liberalism: American Higher Education in the Arabian Peninsula and the Discursive Production of Authoritarianism*

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5424 The Social Life of Texts and Textual Practices in Modern and Contemporary Iran

Organized by **Seema Golestaneh**

Discussant: **Mohamad Tavakoli-Targhi**, U Toronto

Neda Bolourchi, Rutgers U—*Riots and Revolution: The Forgotten Mottos and Impact of Shuresh*

Seema Golestaneh, Cornell U—*Hafez in the Age of Mechanical Reproduction: Poetic Verse and Material Objects in Iran*

Hosna Sheikholeslami, Denison U—*“Books are Objects and Ideas”: Examining the Material Infrastructures of Translation in Contemporary Iran*

Sheida Dayani, Harvard—*Iranian Improvisatory Theatre and the Anachronistic Notion of Censorship*

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5428 Alternative Histories of Knowing in Modern Lebanon

Organized by **Susanna Ferguson**

Sponsored by

Lebanese Studies Association (LSA)

Chair: **Nadya J. Sbaiti**, AUB

Edward Falk, UC San Diego—*Educating Race and Nation in Ottoman Lebanon*

Johanna L Peterson, UC San Diego—*The Case of the Tripoli Girls’ School: Rethinking Women, Education, Nation, and Citizenship*

Susanna Ferguson, Columbia U—*On The Study of Heavenly Bodies: Girls’ Education in Ottoman Mount Lebanon before the Utilitarian Age*

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5448 State of the Field: Queer and Feminist Theories and Methodologies

Organized by **Miguel Fuentes Carreno** and **Camila Pastor de Maria y Campos**

Camila Pastor de Maria y Campos, Centro de Investigacion y Docencia Economicas—*Prostitutional Proletariats: Remuneration, Cohabitation and Labor in the Mandate Mediterranean*

Paul Amar, UC Santa Barbara—*“The State of the Field: Deep Cartographies of Epistemology and Citation; Red Lines of Sex and Gender”*

Miguel Fuentes Carreno, UC Santa Barbara—*Abortion, Misoprostol and Resistance to Pharmocracies in Egypt*

Dina Fergani, U Toronto—*Three Bodies of Kamshish: Embodied Revolts, Global Solidarity and Local Decolonization*

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5466 Rethinking 1919: The Global History of a Nationalist Revolution

Organized by **Kyle Anderson**

Sponsored by

American Research Center in Egypt (ARCE)

Chair: **Ziad Fahmy**, Cornell U

Christopher S. Rose, U Texas—*Disease, Famine, and Death in Egypt 1914-1919: ‘Peasants in Revolt’ Revisited*

Nefertiti Takla, Manhattan Col—*Labor Uprisings in Early Interwar Alexandria: Rethinking the Egyptian Revolution of 1919 in the Framework of the Global Economy*

Kyle Anderson, SUNY Old Westbury—*Whose Revolution? The Dayrut Train Massacre and British Military Labor Recruitment in World War I*

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Roundtable

5510 Fieldwork in Zones of Conflict: Access, Ethics, Security
Organized by **Tine Gade**

Organized under the auspices of
Hybrid Pathways to Resistance in the Islamic World (RCN Project 2017-20)

Chair: **Kjetil Selvik**, Norwegian Inst of International Affairs

Tine Gade, Norwegian Inst of International Affairs

Are John Knudsen, Chr. Michelsen Inst

Morten Boas, Norwegian Inst of International Affairs

Carmen Geha, AUB

Dlawaer Ala'Aldeen, Middle East Research Inst

Mathilde Becker Aarseth, U Oslo

Abdoul Wakhab Cissé, ARG

Virginie Collombier, European U Inst

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Thematic Conversation

5524 Big Data and Mega Corpora in Middle East Studies

Organized by **Richard Nielsen** and **Charles Kurzman**

Eid Mohamed, Doha Inst for Graduate Studies

Richard Nielsen, MIT

Sarah Bowen Savant, Aga Khan U-ISMC

Tamar Mitts, Columbia U

Charles Kurzman, UNC Chapel Hill

VJ Um Amel, UC Santa Barbara

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5559 Pious Encounters with Empire
Organized by **Tyler Kynn** and **Dzenita Karic**

Discussant: **Leyla Amzi-Erdogdular**, Rutgers U

Yahya Nurgat, U Cambridge—*Sacred Space, Ritual and Religious Experience and the Ottoman Hajj, 1660-1760*

Tyler Kynn, Yale—*The Seasonal Empire: Ottoman Authority in the Early Modern Harameyn*

Sohaib Baig, UCLA—*The Hajj in the Shadows of Mughal Decline: Indian Travelogues and New Articulations of Imperial Politics, 1786-1822*

Dzenita Karic, Oriental Inst in Sarajevo—*The Hajj under Two Empires: Reshaping of Ritual and Religion in the 19th Century Bosnia*

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5562 From Revolution to Devolution? Exploring the Potential for Decentralizing Reforms in the Middle East and North Africa
Organized by **Omar M. Dajani**

Chair/Discussant: **Asli Bali**, UCLA

Peter Bartu, UC Berkeley—*There Will Be Blood: Iraqi-Kurdistan's Elastic Autonomy*

Omar M. Dajani, McGeorge School of Law, UOP and **Dahlia Scheindlin**, Independent Scholar—*"Stuck Together": A Confederal Solution for Israel/Palestine?*

Omar Shehabi, Yale Law School—*Dans ses frontières authentiques? Morocco's Advanced Regionalization and the Question of Western Sahara*

Elissa Miller, Tufts U—*A Dual Approach to Decentralization in Libya*

Benoit Challand, Scuola Normale Superiore—*Reconstituting the Collective Body: Yemeni Debates about Federalism after President Saleh*

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5592 The Archives of Arab Thought
Organized by **Esmat Elhalaby**

Discussant: **Ussama Makdisi**, Rice U/UC Berkeley (Visiting)

Hanan H. Hammad, Texas Christian U—*The Evolution of Persian Studies in Egypt from Orientalism to Khomeinism*

Esmat Elhalaby, NYU Abu Dhabi—*Philologist as Guest: Arab Indology and Global Intellectual History*

Ziad Dallal, Bard Col—*Saving the Text: History, Literature, and the Nahdah Archive*

Hana Sleiman, U Cambridge—*Streams of Knowledge: Hadith and the History of Historiography*

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5602 Exploring Freedom, Emancipation, and Manumission in the Middle East
Organized by **Lisa Nielson** and **Kathryn Hain**

Chair: **Karen Moukheiber**, U Balamand
Discussant: **Lisa Nielson**, Case Western Reserve U

Elizabeth Urban, West Chester U—*How Free Were the Early Islamic Mawali?*

Kathryn Hain, Northeast Community Col—*Unwelcomed Freedom: What Do You Do When You Dismantle a Royal Harem?*

Chris Prejean, UCLA—*Enslaved to Freedom: Forced Freedom in Iraq from 8th through the 10th Century C.E.*

Hadi Hosainy, Texas Christian U—*Manumission and Kinship Formation in Islamic Law*

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5611 Reversing the Telescope: Global and Transregional Histories of the Middle East
Organized by **Adrien Zakar** and **Erin O'Halloran**

Chair: **John Chen**, Columbia U
Discussant: **Ilham Khuri-Makdisi**, Northeastern U

Adrien Zakar, Stanford—*The Global Nakbah: Disaster and Disasters in Arab Historiography*

Ulug Kuzuoglu, Columbia U—*Forgotten Traces: The Arabic Script in the Chinese Alphabet*

Erin O'Halloran, Oxford U—*From Mosul to Guernica: Europe and Its Orient, 1919-1939*

Nadim Bawalsa, Independent Scholar—*"Be Civilized but Do Not Imitate:" How Arabic-Speaking Migrants Brought the World to Interwar Latin America*

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Roundtable

5653 Middle Eastern Studies within Jewish Studies and Vice Versa
Organized by **Mark Wagner**

Chair **Mark Wagner**, Louisiana State U

Alma Rachel Heckman, UC Santa Cruz
Annie Greene, Col of William and Mary
Nancy E. Berg, Washington U in St Louis
Alon Tam, U Penn
Ari Ariel, U Iowa

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5658 The Nahj al-Balagha as a Case Study of Early Islamic Pietistic Literature
Organized by **Chad Mowbray**

Sarah Aziz, U Chicago—*The Imam's Battle Prayer: An Inquiry into Ali ibn Abi Talib's Supplications in Siffin*

Ameena Yovan, U Chicago—*The Kharijites in the Caliphate of Ali: Developing Ideologies of Rule*

Sam Jaffe, U Chicago—*Philosophy of Governance in the Thought of 'Ali ibn Abi Talib*

Elon Harvey, U Chicago—*Commander of the Faithful or Faithful Commander? Challenging Umayyad Ideals of Leadership in the Nahj al-Balagha*

Chad Mowbray, U Chicago—*The Meaning of Rhetorical Order and Disorder in the "Creation Khutbah" of 'Ali*

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5675 Imperial Creditors, Global Crises: Views from the Ottoman Provinces
Organized by **Zoe Griffith**

Chair: **Antonis Hadjikyriacou**, Boğaziçi U
Discussant: **Ali Yayıcioglu**, Stanford

Zoe Griffith, Baruch Col CUNY—*Paying for a New Order: Financiers and Ottoman Reforms in Egypt, 1786-1806*

Gürer Karagedikli, Middle East Technical U—*Villagers and Waqfs: Credit Activities of Pious Endowments in Rural Societies in Early Modern Ottoman Europe, 1740s-1810s*

Yasar Tolga Cora, Boğaziçi U—*Rumors of Bankruptcies and Financial Difficulties: Crisis in the Ottoman Markets (1906-1908)*

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5696 Assyrian Studies in Political Science: Critical Approaches and Emerging Trends
Organized by **Nahrain Rasho**

Sponsored by
Assyrian Studies Association (ASA)

Chair: **Nahrain Rasho**, UC Davis

Michael Youash, U Toronto—*Insecurity and Federalism's Diminishing Promise in Iraq: Assyrian Struggles in the Nineveh Plain Belie Iraq's Federal Bargain*

Riva Gewarges, McMaster U—*The Internationalization of Indigenous Rights: The Case of the Assyrian People*

Nahrain Rasho, UC Davis—*Regional Autonomy and Local Ethnic Conflict: The Kurdistan Region of Iraq and the Assyrian Minorities*

Mariam Georgis, U Manitoba—*Erasing Assyrians: National Narratives, Indigeneity and Constitutional Rights in Post-2003 Iraq*

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Room TBA

5720 Shall We Go to the Cinema?

Chair: **Ghenwa Hayek**, U Chicago

Nadia G. Yaqub, UNC Chapel Hill—*The City in Alternative Arab Cinema of the 1970s*

Touria Khannous, Louisiana State U—*Trauma and Class Representation in Faouzi Bensaidi's Film "Volubilis"*

Zeina Tarraf, AUB—*Controversy and the Circulation of Contested Memories: The Case of "The Insult"*

Suzi Mirgani, Georgetown U Qatar—*Filmmaking and the Arts as Civil Society in the Gulf Cooperation Council*

Viviane Saglier, Concordia U—*Emergency, Film Festivals, and the Life of Cinema in Gaza*

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5746 Islam and the West: Discourses, Spaces, and Practices

Chair: **Talinn Grigor**, UC Davis

Sena Duran, U Michigan—*Sexual Terror and the Arab Demon: Identifying Ethnoreligious Monstrosity in "The Exorcist"*
Semra Horuz, TU Wien - Bilgi U—*Ottoman Bourgeois en route: Conceptions of Cityspace, Architecture and Art in 19th Century Ottoman Travelogues on Europe*

Ihsan Alkhatib, Murray State U—*American Muslims, Law and Interfaith Divorce*

Pegah Zohouri Haghian, U Oxford—*Negotiating the Politics of Islamic Reformation in the "West:" The Case of Nasr Hamid Abu Zayd and Abdolkarim Soroush*
Eliana Abu-Hamdi, MIT—*The Growing Invisibility of Islamic Space in America: The Case of Park51*

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Room TBA

5763 Literature and Literary Production II

Chair: **Kimberly Canuette Grimaldi**, U Texas Austin

Greg Bell, Princeton—*Avant the Avant-Garde: Mikhail Naimy and the Literature of Commitment (al-Iltiz'm)*

Saniya Taher, UC Berkeley—*"I Returned but Did Not Return"/"Odt Wa Laken Lam A'od": The Exilic, Metamorphic Self in Husayn al-Barghouthi's "Al-daw' al-'azraq" and "Sa-akunu bayna al-lawz"*

Yael Kenan, U Michigan—*Here, I Didn't Die; I Haven't Died Yet': Time, Place and the Body in Darwish's Memory for Forgetfulness*

Rania Mahmoud, U Arkansas—*Naguib Mahfouz's "Sugar Street": A Tale of Female Development in a Mostly Male Narrative*

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5765 Migrants and Refugees I

Chair: **Kenneth Christie**, Royal Roads U

Nina Ter Laan, Utrecht U—*Creating an Alternative Religious Space: Home-Making Practices among Dutch and Belgian Muhijarat in Morocco*

Brian Van Wyck, Harvard—*“Not Far Away in the Orient”: Orientalism, Islam, and Integration Policies in West Germany, 1979-1984*

Navid Fozi, Bridgewater State U—*A Religious Minority in Transit: Iranian Baha’i and Convert Asylum Seekers in Turkey*

Marwan D. Hanania, UC Berkeley—*New Migrants: Amman, 1990-2019*

Zahra Babar, Georgetown U Qatar—*The Golden Ticket: Pakistani Migrants in the Persian Gulf*

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5775 Politics in Turkey II

Chair: **Hale Yilmaz**, Southern Illinois U Carbondale

Sonay Ban, Temple U—*“Art as the Backyard of Terrorism”: Repercussions of Turkish Cultural Policies on Cinematic Censorship after the 2000s*

Ekrem Karakoc, Binghamton U—*Business-Politics Ties in the Rise of Right-Wing Populism: Turkish Case*

Matthew deTar, Ohio U—*FETÖ: Brief History of an Acronym*

Bengi Ruken Cengiz, Sabanci U—*Turkish Citizenship in the Eyes of Citizens: Change or Continuity?*

SPECIAL SESSION

5794 Special Session-Hirak - Algeria’s New Revolution? Organized by **Robert P. Parks** and **James McDougall**

Robert P. Parks, Centre d’Études Maghrébines en Algérie

James McDougall, Trinity Col, U Oxford

Malika Rahal, Institut d’histoire du temps présent (CNRS)

Muriam Haleh Davis, UCSC

From late February this year, Algerians began taking to the streets of towns and cities across the country in their thousands, then in their millions, in massive, peaceful, weekly demonstrations. The effectively incapacitated President Abdelaziz Bouteflika, whose projected candidacy for a fifth term of office sparked the protests, resigned in early April, and several of the country’s most prominent businessmen close to his circle were arrested. By early June, the caretaker government under interim President Abdelkader Bensalah was paralysed and unable to find credible candidates for a new presidential election. Two former Prime Ministers and several other former ministers had been referred to the Supreme Court on corruption charges, and the men who had run the internal security services since the early 1990s were in jail. Popular pressure, having forced incremental concessions, was calling for systemic change. This special session will provide an opportunity to discuss these extraordinary events, their origins and potential outcomes. Participants will address the historical context, the place of the hirak in Algeria’s long tradition of protest and in relation to similar movements elsewhere, the role of actors and institutions, popular culture, media, and mobilization.

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Room TBA

5795 Medicine on the Move: Medical Agents Crossing Borders, Part II - Contested Identities

Organized by **Hagit Krik**, Hebrew U

Nicole Khayat, Hebrew U—*A Nurse and a Scholar: Kulthum ‘Awda’s Intellectual and Physical Journey*

Philippe Bourmaud, Université Jean Moulin - Lyon 3—*Trajectories of Professionalization. Global Mobilities and the Making of Modern Nursing in the Middle East (1900s-1940s)*

Yoni Furas, U Haifa—*Open Borders, Glass Ceiling: A Syrian Doctor in Palestine’s Mandate Health System*

Benjamin Nurieli, Hebrew U—*Students from “Developing Countries” at the Hebrew U Medical School, 1961-1972*

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Roundtable

5403 Reimagining the Revolutionary Year of 1958: New Perspectives on Iran, Turkey, Saudi Arabia, the United States, and the Soviet Union
Organized by **Jeffrey G. Karam**

Chair/Discussant: **Salim Yaqub**, UC Santa Barbara

Elizabeth Bishop, U d'Oran (Algeria)
Jeffrey G. Karam, Lebanese American U
Nathan Citino, Rice U
John Ghazvinian, U Penn
Murat Kasapsaracoglu, Antalya Bilim U

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Roundtable

5408 Organization of Sources and Connected Histories: The Case of Ottoman-Armenian Studies
Organized by **Dzovinar Derderian**

Sponsored by
Society for Armenian Studies (SAS)
& **Ottoman and Turkish Studies Association (OTSA)**

Chair: **Bedross Der Matossian**, U Nebraska-Lincoln

Murat Cankara, Social Sciences U Ankara
Yasar Tolga Cora, Boğaziçi U
Dzovinar Derderian, Independent Scholar
Anoush Tamar Suni, U Michigan

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5435 Approaching Enslavement in the Ottoman Empire and Crimean Khanate (16th and 17th Centuries)
Organized by **Victor Ostapchuk**, U Toronto

Suraiya Faroqhi, Ibn Haldun U, Istanbul–*African Slaves in Sixteenth-Century Ottoman Anatolia*

Firat Yasa, Düzce U–*Born and Bred in Seventeenth-Century Crimea: Child Slavery, Social Reality and Cultural Identity*
Guel Sen, U Bonn–*Galley Slavery in the Mediterranean: The Organization of Unfree Labor for the Ottoman Imperial Shipyards*
Maryna Kravets, U Toronto–*Sexual Violence in the Slaving Zone of the Crimean Khanate: Fact or Folklore?*

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5438 Transitions in 7th-9th Century Iraq and Syria: Muslims and Non-Muslims
Organized by **Pamela Klasova**

Sponsored by
Middle East Medievalists (MEM)

Chair: **Alison Vacca**, U Tennessee
Discussant: **Luke Yarbrough**, UCLA

Simcha Gross, UC Irvine–*From Local Community to Transregional Authorities: The Spread of Babylonian Rabbinic Influence between the Sasanian and Early Islamic Periods*

Pamela Klasova, Bowdoin Col–*The Foundation of Wasit: History and Memory*
Michael Payne, Brown U–*Zandaqa, Race, and the Reactionary Politics of al-Jahiz*
Jessica Mutter, Bowdoin Col–*Syriac Christian Responses to Islam: Conversion and Apostasy in the Legal Literature*

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Room TBA

5444 Chequebooks or Change? Assessing Gulf Rentierism after the Arab Uprisings
Organized by **Geoff Martin**

Chair: **Fahed Al-Sumait**, Gulf U for Science and Technology, Kuwait
Discussant: **Michael Herb**, Georgia State U

Justin Gengler, SESRI, Qatar U, **Michael Ewers**, UNC Charlotte, and **Bethany Shockley**, American U Sharjah–*Inequality and Citizen Preferences toward Fiscal Reform in the Gulf Oil Monarchies*
Batul K. Sadliwala, Tufts U–*At Work in Kuwait: A Network Survey of Interpersonal Interactions and the Making of Office Life*
Crystal A. Ennis, Leiden U–*Promises and Expectations: Radical Transformations and Job Creation in the Sultanate of Oman*
Courtney Freer, London School of Economics and Political Science–*The Rentier State and Religious Sphere: Examining the Limits of Co-optation*
Geoff Martin, U Toronto–*‘Want-Avoid’: Rentier Mentality in Ontological and Epistemological Perspective*

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Room TBA

5479 Revisiting the “Jewish Question” and the “Arab Question”: Past Denials and Contemporary Engagements
Organizer: **Leila Farsakh**

Chair/Discussant: **Leila Farsakh**, U Massachusetts Boston

Gil Anidjar, Columbia U–*Jackals and Arabs (Once More: The German-Jewish Dialogue)*
Hillel Cohen, Hebrew U–*Jewish Alternatives to Balfour Declaration*
Hakem Al-Rustom, U Michigan–*Returning to the Critique of Europe: On Arabs, Jews, and Arab-Jews*
Amal Ghazal, Simon Fraser U–*Palestine in Algeria: The Emergence of an Arab-Islamic Question in the Interwar Period*
Moshe Behar, U Manchester–*Is Bilingualism a Form of Normalization?*

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Room TBA

5500 State of the Field: Whose Universalism? Unsettling the Geographies of the World in Queer and Feminist Studies
Organized by **Dina Fergani**

Chair: **Sima Shakhsari**, U Minnesota
Discussants: **Dina Fergani**, U Toronto and **Sima Shakhsari**, U Minnesota

Sonali Pahwa, U Minnesota–*Strategic Universalism in Arab Women’s Social Media*
Silvia Marsans-Sakly, Fairfield U–*Process and Practice of Revolutionary Democracy: The World Social Forum in Tunisia*
Heba Ghannam, American U–*An Intersectional and Counterhegemonic Account of the Arab Spring*
Nadje Al-Ali, Brown U–*Critiquing U.S. Centrism*

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Room TBA

5536 Narratives of Selfhood and Accounts of Culpability in the Late Ottoman World
Organized by **Ugur Z. Pece**

Chair: **Julia Phillips Cohen**, Vanderbilt U
Discussant: **Christine Philliou**, UC Berkeley

Ümit Selim Kurt, Van Leer Jerusalem Inst–*Life and Death from Yemen to Euphrates: Syrian Governor Cemal Pasha in Armenian Memoirs*

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Secil Yilmaz, Franklin and Marshall Col–
Becoming Riza Nur: Selfhood, Desire, and Life in Hayatim ve Hatiratim

Emre Can Daglioglu, Stanford–*What Can a Propaganda Book Tell Us about the Genocide? Faiz el-Ghusein’s Memoir on the Armenian Genocide*

Ugur Z. Pece, Lehigh U–*Reminiscing in Greek, Narrating in Turkish: Constructing Ethnic Origin in Ahmet Cevat Emre’s “İki Neslin Tarihi”*

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Room TBA

5543 Voyage to Tomorrow: Futurism and Science Fiction in Middle Eastern Art & Design

Organized by **Elizabeth Rauh**

Sponsored by

Association for Modern and Contemporary Art of the Arab World, Iran and Turkey (AMCA)

Chair: **Elizabeth Rauh**, U Michigan

Discussant: **Nasser O. Rabbat**, MIT

Anneka Lenssen, UC Berkeley–*Futurity and the Arts of a New Syria, 1960-1970*

Pamela Karimi, U Massachusetts–*Life after Earth: Nader Khalili’s “Futuristic Homes for Lunar Surfaces”*

Joan Grandjean, U Geneva–*Gulf Futurism: An Art Historical Approach, Definition, and Characteristics*

Sascha Crasnow, U Michigan–*Subverting Narratives of Occupation in Science Fiction: Larissa Sansour’s “Nation Estate” and “In the Future They Ate From the Finest Porcelain”*

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Room TBA

5553 Arab Political Science Network: Arab Scholars and Politics during Times of Uncertainty

Organized by **Nermin Allam**

Organized under the auspices of APSN

Chair/Discussant: **Dalia Fahmy**, Long Island U

Mona Farag, Zayed U–*The Misconception of Communitarian Norms and the Khaleeji Identity: The Breakdown of the GCC in the Midst of Ancient and Contemporary Threats*

Hind M Ahmed Zaki, Harvard–*The Arab Spring and Arab Academics: Unequal Patterns of Knowledge Production*

Nermin Allam, Rutgers U–*Affective Encounters: Locating Hope in MENA Politics*

Eid Mohamed, Doha Inst for Graduate Studies–*Politics and Popular Culture in Egypt since 2011: Contested Narratives and Competing Identities*

SPECIAL SESSION

5791 Special Session–The Neoliberalization of the University

Organized by **Joshua Stacher** and **Sherene Seikaly**, UC, Santa Barbara

Chair: **Joshua Stacher**, Kent State U

Omar Dahi, Hampshire Col

Joel Beinin, Stanford

Maya Mikdashi, Rutgers U

Last April, the Provost of Stanford began procedures to disable one of the nation’s most esteemed academic presses. According to the provost, Persis Drell, the subsidy cut would encourage “a financial model for the press that is sustainable.” This announcement galvanized immediate resistance and the provost relented on the subsidy cut for one year, although the nature of this reprieve is still unclear. This is part of a broader attack that forces academics to protect spaces for knowledge production in the humanities and social sciences. But there are costs.

In many instances, administrative changes are not only destroying careers but result in the narrowing down of remaining spaces for dissent. At Hampshire College, one of the most progressive liberal arts Colleges in the US, a de facto decision made by about four or five people (President and a few Board of Trustees members) not to accept students for the Fall 2019 semester had catastrophic implications for staff and faculty, who were told more than 50% of all employees would be fired by the end of the academic year. Extraordinary mobilization and a public campaign forced the President to resign and is now fighting to revive the College based on the principles of democratic governance. This destruction of universities as public goods is not limited to North America.

Administrators at UK universities have used government policy to broadly marketize education and assess productivity while also introducing Prevent, which effectively asks professors to monitor students and report on them as part of a “deradicalization agenda.” American-led corporatization of the American University of Beirut (AUB) and the American University in Cairo (AUC) has been underway. Faculty and senior administrators battle over economic efficiency, top-down strategic visions imposed from above and abroad, and institutional hiring priorities. All over, specific administrators that operate on behalf of the superrich are grabbing larger portions of the surplus product, which enflames more class struggle.

The participants of this panel will discuss the neoliberalization of the university. The panelists will help us think about the assaults on humanities, social sciences, and area studies before leading a discussion about how to collectively respond and actively resist these encroachments. We will also discuss different organizing strategies to redistribute resources by redirecting them to spending for human needs, including university activities and presses.

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5586 Recentering the Maghreb, Part II
Organized by **Edwige Tamalet Talbayev**, Tulane U and **Brahim El Guabli**, Williams Col

Organized under the auspices of
Center for Maghreb Studies,
Arizona State U

Chair/Discussant: **Brian T. Edwards**, Tulane U

Katarzyna Pieprzak, Williams Col—*Bidonvilles, High-Rises, and Their Aftermath: Re-Centering the Maghreb in the Global History of Mass Housing*

Anne-Marie McManus, Washington U St. Louis—*Absent Centers: The Postcolonial Arab Left in/and the Maghreb*

Hakim Abderrezak, U Minnesota—*New Migratory Trends and Centering Narratives of the Maghreb*

Felicia McCarren, Tulane U—*Contraflow: Micro-politics and Geo-poetics in the Moroccan South*

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5597 Rethinking 1919: The Afterlives of a Contested Revolution

Organized by **Katharine Halls**

Alia Mossallam, Alexander von Humboldt Foundation—*Prelude to a Revolution - Mapping the Growth of Political Dissent by Egyptian Peasants across the Geographies of World War I*

Katharine Halls, U Manchester—*'Not Worthy of Belief': Testimonies of Rape in Egypt, 1919*

Dina Heshmat, AUC—*A Story of Defeat and Resistance: 1919 as Narrated after 1967*

Khaled Fahmy, Cambridge U—*The Great Theft of History: World War One and the Prelude to Revolution*

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5623 Food for Thought: The Transfer of Knowledge along Middle Eastern Foodways

Organized by **Sara Pekow**

Laura Bier, Georgia Tech—*The Hidden Histories of Bulu Beef in Egypt*

Ari Ariel, U Iowa—*Yemeni Jewish Cultural Practice: Between Israel and Yemen*

Michael Ferguson, Concordia U—*Towards a History of African Foodways in Late Ottoman Izmir*

Sara Pekow, Graduate Center CUNY—*The Application of the Science of Nutrition in Syria*
Nicholas Bascuñan-Wiley, Northwestern U—*Layered Authenticities: The Commodification of Arab Identity in the Chilean Foodscape*

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5633 Re-Examining the State in the Middle East

Organized by **Oliver Schlumberger**

Chair: **Nadine Sika**, AUC

Discussant: **Lisa Anderson**, Columbia U

Inna Rudolf, King's Col London—*Contesting the Monopoly on Violence: Al-Hashd al-Sha'abi and the Iraqi State*

Koray Saglam, Eberhard Karls U Tuebingen—*The Political Economy of Personalized State Capture*

Oliver Schlumberger, Tuebingen U—*When Does Regime Breakdown Lead to State Collapse?*

Renad Mansour, Chatham House—*Chaos or Business as Usual? Rethinking State-Building in Iraq (and Elsewhere)*

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5655 Beyond Monarchy? Political Economy and Society in Contemporary Morocco

Organized by **Chantal Berman**

Chair: **Michelle Weitzel**, New School for Social Research

Erin Snider, Texas A&M U—*Debt, Taxes, and Protest: Morocco and the Development of Global Financial Orders in the Middle East*

Chantal Berman, Harvard—*Social Mobilization and State Response in Phosphate Mining Towns: Tunisia and Morocco in Comparative Perspective*

Diana Partridge, U Maryland—*Nation of Lobbyists: Why Social Movements become Sustained*

Daniele Rossi-Doria, International Inst Social Studies, The Netherlands—*Collective Action, Institutional Appropriation and Local Development: The Case of Water User Associations in Ain Leuh, Morocco*

Carolyn Barnett, Princeton—*The Politics of Women's Economic Empowerment in Morocco*

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5670 Economy-Making at Empire's End: Law and Capital in the Ottoman Gilded Age

Organized by **Camille Cole**

Discussant: **Ahmad Shokr**, Swarthmore Col

Nora Barakat, NYU Abu Dhabi—*Codification and Conflicts over Capital in the Eastern Mediterranean*

Camille Cole, Yale—*Guaranteeing Fraud: Shaykh and Merchant Partnerships in 'Amara Land Auctions, 1900-1914*

Elizabeth Williams, U Massachusetts Lowell—*Capital, Sovereignty, and Debt: Securing Rural Credit in the Late Ottoman Empire, 1880-1918*

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5681 What Violence Generates: Views from Turkey, Syria, Lebanon, Iraq, and Pakistan

Organized by **Sumayya Kassamali**

Veronica Ferreri, Zentrum Moderner Orient—*Legal Death and the Infrastructure of (Non-)Legal Personhood in the Syrian Displacement in Lebanon*

Madiha Tahir, Columbia U—*Sensing the Drone in Pakistan's Tribal Areas*

Huma Gupta, MIT—*Broadcasting Development & Revolution in Iraq, 1955-1963*
Sumayya Kassamali, Tufts U—*The Intimate Violences of Migrant Domestic Labor in Lebanon*

Onur Gunay, Princeton—*Violence and Multiple Sovereignties in Kurdish Istanbul*

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5695 Female Religiosity and Sainthood in Early Modern Iran and Central Asia
Organized by **Aziza Shanazarova**

Devin A. DeWeese, Indiana U—*On His Mother's Side: Tracing Sanctity and Initiation through Female Ancestors in 18th- and 19th-Century Central Asia*

Michael Krautkraemer, Indiana U—*Cloistered by the Graves of Her Forefathers: The Genealogy and Hagiography of a Female Saint of Yarkand*

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Aziza Shanazarova, Indiana U
Bloomington—*A Female Saint in Muslim
Polemics: Aga-yi Buzurg and the Rhetoric of
Female Religiosity*

Ahoo Najafian, Carleton Col—*Soul of the
World: Ghazals of Jahan Malik Khatun*

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Thematic
Conversation

**5715 Covering Muslim Women:
Working with Journalists for Accurate
Representation**

Organized by **Sarah Gualtieri**

Suad Joseph, UC Davis
Sarah Gualtieri, U Southern California
Brahim Chakrani, Michigan State U

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**5724 Arabic: Language, Pedagogy, and
Media**

Chair: **Adil Elkhiyari**, Qalam wa Lawh
Center for Arabic Studies, Rabat Morocco

Mona Farrag Attwa, Tilburg U - U of
Colorado Boulder—*Structuring Arabic Inter-
Dialectal Communication: Pan-Arab Popularity
and Media*

Said Hannouchi, Harvard—*Cross-Cultural
Sensitivity and Willingness to Engage in Arab
Cultural Practices*

Hanada Al-Masri, Denison U—*The
Effectiveness of Oral History Projects as
Interactive Pedagogical Tools: A Case Study
of the Arab American Migrant Community in
Central Ohio*

Renee Spellman, U Arizona—*Examining
Palestinians' Literacy and Social Media
Practices, Motivations, and Linguistic Choices*

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5748 Medieval Islam and Islamic Law

Chair: **Josie Hendrickson**, U Alberta

Sami Al Daghistani, Columbia U—
*Environmental and Economic Ethics:
Revisiting the Islamic Tradition*

Evan Metzger, UCLA—*Not All Zakat Is
Equal: Zakat and Legality in Mamluk Egypt*
Yasser Sultan, Georgetown U—*Space &
Gender in Islamic Law: The Early Discourses*

Mariam Sheibani, Harvard—*Innovation,
Borrowing, and the 'Anxiety of Influence' in
Mamluk Legal Thought: The Case of Ibn 'Abd
al-Salam and al-Qarafi's Canon Collections*

Mohammed Al Dhfar, U Nottingham—
*Tafsir and the Conflict of the Empires in the
14th Century: Al-Subki on al-Zamakhshari's
Kashshaf*

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**5764 Literature and Literary
Production III**

Chair: **Rania Mahmoud**, U Arkansas

Sami Alkyam, Allegheny Col—*Poetry and
Righting: How Do You Think I Feel?*

William Tamplin, Harvard—*Return to the
Desert: Environmental Apocalypse and the
Figure of Jesus Christ in Two Novels by 'Abd
al-Rahman Munif and Ibrahim al-Kuni*

Domenico Ingenito, UCLA—*"We Bade
Farewell in Kashgar:" Sa'di's Geopoetics of
Seduction and Nostalgia*

Marjan Moosavi, U Toronto—*Ambivalent
Dances and Anxious Dilemmas: A Comparative
Study of the Dramatization of Living Young in
Plays from Egypt, Iran and Syria*

Burcu Alkan, Justus Liebig U—*The Case of
Psychoanalysis in "Tradition vs. Modernity":
Epistemologies of the Self-in-Crisis in the
Modern Turkish Novel*

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5766 Migrants and Refugees II

Chair: **Azzedine Layachi**, St. John's U

Philippe Atallah, U Penn—*Interstellar
Diaspora: Arabfuturism and the Search for a
Space*

Duygu Ergun, U Michigan—*"The Album is
Alive:" Politics of the Photographic Image in
Yasemin Samdereli's "Almanya: Welcome to
Germany"*

Danae C. Panissié, U Tuebingen—*Priorities
vs. Realities: German Migration Policies in the
Middle East*

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**5772 Ottoman History: Sources and
Perspectives**

Chair: **Mark Stein**, Muhlenberg Col

Melis Hafez, Virginia Commonwealth U—
Late Ottoman Moral Entrepreneurs

Patrick Schilling, Georgetown U—*Model
and Rival: The Image of Russia in Ahmed
Midhat Efendi's "Acâib-i Âlem" (1882)*

Christine Isom-Verhaaren, Brigham
Young U—*Why Did the Noble Corsair Cigala
Marry the Dizdar's Daughter?*

Basil Salem, U Chicago—*Biographical
Dictionaries as Emotional Histories: Towards
a New Reading of Biographical Writing in
Eighteenth-Century Damascus*

Usman Ahmedani, U Amsterdam—*For
Love and Homeland: The Travels of Abdülhak
Hamit Tarhan's "Tarik"*

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5779 The Kurds: Politics and Identity

Chair: **Mohammed A. Salih**, U Penn

Ufuk Sahin, Freie Universität Berlin—
*The Rise and Fall of Turkey's Policy of
Transforming the Turkish-Kurdish Conflict*
Jacob Maze, Charles U—*Moderation in
Ideology but Immoderation in Tactics:
Understanding the Hybrid Transformation of
the Kurdish Movement in Turkey*

Asli Bali, UCLA—*Democratic Confederalism?
Political Experimentation and Institutional
Design in Turkish Kurdistan*

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5391 Modes and Methods of Manuscript Publication in the Early Modern Period: The Ottoman, Safavid, and European Realms

Organized by **Evren Sunnetcioglu**

Chair/Discussant: **John Curry**, U Nevada Las Vegas

Aslihan Gurbuzel, McGill U—*Manuscript as Family Archive: Notes on the Life of an 'Ulama Family in Early Modern Ottoman Bursa*

Evren Sunnetcioglu, Central European U—*From Archival Documents to a Reference Book of Jurisprudence: A Culture of Compiling Legal Opinions in the Early Modern Ottoman Empire*

Melis Taner, Özyeğin U—*An "Elegant" Compilation*

Paul Babinski, Princeton—*Haqvirdi's Manuscripts: A Persian Amanuensis in Early Modern Europe*

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5393 Whither Islamic Finance: Beyond Conventional Banking?

Organized by **Clement Moore Henry**

Chair: **Clement Moore Henry**, U Texas Austin (Emeritus)

Discussant: **Ibrahim Warde**, Tufts U

Mahmoud El-Gamal, Rice U—*The Financial Meeting Point of Three Islamisms: Pietist, Parasitic, and Political*

Walid Hegazy, Hegazy & Partners Law Firm—*Islamic Finance: What Went Wrong?*

Miriam R. Lowi, Col of New Jersey—*Islamic Banking and Finance in GCC States*

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5469 Time and Anthropology of Islam

Organized by **Delbar Khakzad**

Chair: **Mohamad Tavakoli-Targhi**, U Toronto

Hassan Arif, McGill U—*Avicenna's Response to the Challenge of Time and Temporality*

Delbar Khakzad, U Toronto—*A New Time, a Modern Calendar: The Formation of the Hijri-Shamsi Calendar Alongside the Islamic Hijri Calendar in 19th Century Iran*

Parnia Vafaekia, U Toronto—*Iranian*

Landscapes of the Shi'i Messianism

Hamza Esmili, ENS/EHESS, Paris—*Giving Time. About an Islamic Da'awa in Paris Suburbs*

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Roundtable

5497 Generating Precarity in the Middle East

Organized by **Jennifer Derr**, UC, Santa Cruz

Chair/Discussant: **Elliott Colla**, Georgetown U

Naghmeb Sohrabi, Brandeis U
Ilana Feldman, George Washington U
Lewis Turner, Arnold Bergstraesser Inst

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5527 Beyond Islamic Art: New Approaches to the Material Culture of the Middle East

Organized by **Stefan Maneval**

Chair: **Stefan Maneval**, Martin-Luther-Universität Halle-Wittenberg

Daniella Talmon-Heller, Ben-Gurion U—*From Master Copy to Sacred Relic to Museum Artifact: The Vicissitudes of the 'Uthmani Qur'an (7th-20th Centuries)*

Irfana Hashmi, Whittier Col—*The Lockers of Shaykh Ahmad al-Ghunaymi al-Ansari at al-Azhar Mosque, 1634 to 1637*

Katie J. Hickerson, U Chicago—*The Three-Dome Problem: The Syncretic Architecture of Healing in Sudan*

Sara Kuehn, IDEMEC-CNRS—*Piercing the Skin: Materializing the Sensory in Rifa'i and Sa'di Dhikr Rituals (Remembrance of God)*

Enaya Othman, Marquette U—*Crossroad Imagination: The Thob Mediating between Palestinian Material Culture and Gendered Activism*

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Thematic Conversation

5529 State of the Field: The Politics of Translation, Teaching, Knowledge Production

Organized by **Dima Ayoub**

Session Leaders: **Dima Ayoub**, Middlebury Col and **Minoo Moallem**, UC Berkeley

Amal Amireh, George Mason U
Nadje Al-Ali, Brown U

Asli Zengin, Brown U

Maya El Helou, U Toronto

Sarah Ghabrial, Concordia U

Lucia Sorbera, U Sydney

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5551 Gender and Labor in Israel/Palestine

Organized by **Hilary Falb Kalisman** and **Julia Shatz**

Chair/Discussant: **Ellen L. Fleischmann**, U Dayton

Deborah Hertz, UC San Diego—*Hebrew Bedouins and Muscular Eves: Sexuality Violence and Romance in Era of First Kibbutzim*

Julia Shatz, CSU Fresno—*Gendered Expertise: Palestinian Women in Social Welfare Work during the Mandate*

Hilary Falb Kalisman, U Colorado Boulder—*The Gender of Teaching in Mandate Palestine*

Jennifer Olmsted, Drew U—*Shifting Concepts of Gendered Employment in Palestine*

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5564 Contemporary Arabic Literature and Theatre in Northern Europe

Organized by **Johanna Sellman**

Discussant: **Haytham Bahoora**, U Toronto

Margaret Litvin, Boston U—*Hailed and Haunted: Syrian Playwrights in 2016-2018 Berlin*

Alexandra Chreiteh (Shraytekh), Tufts U—*Indigeneity without Land: Barakat and Koni in Perspective*

Johanna Sellman, Ohio State U—*Rasha Abbas's Short Stories and the Project to Reinvent Exile Literature*

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5567 Debating the Nation: Transformative Politics and Discursive Trends in Pahlavi Iran
Organized by **Kelly Houck**

Chair: **Kamran Aghaie**, U Texas Austin

Andrew Akhlaghi, U Texas Austin—*The Tehran Bread of 1942: A Reexamination of the Crowd*

David Rahimi, U Texas Austin—*Fashioning Intimate Consumers: Iran and the US Point IV Program in the 1950s*

Kelly Houck, U Texas Austin—*Educating the Masses: Domestic and International Efforts at Educating Rural Iran, 1960-1979*

Bryan Sitzes, U Texas Austin—*Hunters, Technocrats, and Academics: The Challenges and Solutions of Pre-revolution Iranian Environmentalists*

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5573 Slavery, Power, and the State in the Premodern Islamic World
Organized by **Hannah Barker**

**Sponsored by
Middle East Medievalists (MEM)**

Chair: **Matthew Gordon**, Miami U

Craig Perry, Emory U—*Nubia, the Buja, and the Slave Trade at the Frontiers of Medieval Egypt*

Hannah Barker, Arizona State U—*Flight, Apostasy, Murder: Resistance by Elite Slaves in the Mamluk Era*

Thomas A. Carlson, Oklahoma State U—*Enslaving Dhimmis: Rulers, Fiqh, and Religious Diversity in Late Medieval Türkmen States*

Baki Tezcan, UC Davis—*Empowering the Emasculated: Arabic and Turkish Literary Sources on African Eunuchs*

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5585 Magical Materialities: Toward A History of (Occult) Technology in the Islamicate World from the 13th to the 21st Century
Organized by **Taylor M. Moore**

Chair: **Side Emre**, Texas A&M U

Taylor M. Moore, Rutgers U—*Occult(ed) Ontologies*

Noah Gardiner, U South Carolina—*Are Islamic Books of Magic Magical Books? Materiality and Textuality in Medieval Arabic Occult Texts*

Nicholas Harris, U Penn—*Becoming a Time-Lord: Later Islamicate Alchemy as a Technology of Time*

Matthew Melvin-Koushki, U South Carolina—*Talismans as Technology: The Construction and Operation of Magical Machines in Early Modern Persian Grimoires and Chronicles*

Alireza Doostdar, U Chicago—*Sensing Jinn*

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5624 Rethinking 1919: Political Economy, Political Strategy and Political Ideas
Organized by **Hussein A H Omar**

Discussant: **Aimee Genell**, U West Georgia

Hussein A H Omar, U Col Dublin—*Neither Wilson nor Lenin: 1919 as a Revolution in Ideas*
Neil Ketchley, U Oslo—*Telegraphing Revolt: Protest Diffusion in the 1919 Egyptian Revolution*

Ahmad Shokr, Swarthmore Col—*Capitalism after Empire? Nationalism and Economic Thought in Egypt Circa 1919*

Aaron G. Jakes, The New School—*"But These Excesses Were Abnormal and Short-Lived": 1919, the Milner Mission, and the Legacies of Colonial Economism in Egypt*

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Roundtable

5651 Iraqi Studies across Disciplines: The Future for an Iraqi Research Center

Organized by **Amanda Long**, The Academic Research Inst in Iraq

**Sponsored by
The Academic Research Institute in Iraq
(TARII)**

Chair: **Peter Wien**, U Maryland

Matthieu Rey, CNRS - Wits U

Katharyn Hanson, Smithsonian Institution

Alda Benjamen, U Penn Museum

Antoine Borrut, U Maryland

Nabil Al-Tikriti, U Mary Washington

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5668 Different Faces of State and Society Relationship in Anatolia during Late Ottoman and Early Republican Era: Negotiation, Conflict or Cooperation
Organized by **Mustafa Batman**

Chair: **Seda Ozdemir Simsek**, Boğaziçi U

Seda Ozdemir Simsek, Boğaziçi U—*Different Representations of Greek-Turkish Forced Population Exchange: State and the Middle Class Immigrants in Ayvalik*

Mustafa Batman, Yale—*Dynamics of Contention: Analyzing Mass Protests in Erzurum and Bitlis 1906 - 1908*

Önder Uçar, Boğaziçi U—*Young Turk Officials' Alternative Approaches to the Armenian Question: Two Sub-District Governors of Zeitun*

Özkan Akpınar, Özyeğin U—*Immigrants, Local Tribes and the State: Land Property Disputes in Late 19th Century Sivas*

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5669 Gender on the Line in the Long Nineteenth Century: Translating Violation and Protection in Ottoman and Egyptian Debates about the “Woman Question”

Organized by **A. Ebru Akcasu**

Chair: **Usman Ahmedani**, U Amsterdam

Marilyn L. Booth, U Oxford and **A. Holly Shissler**, U Chicago—*Translating ‘Women of Islam’ from Istanbul to Alexandria to Paris*
A. Ebru Akcasu, Charles U and **Maha AbdelMegeed**, AUB—*The Woman Question: Historicizing the Debates on ‘Human Nature’*
Claire Savina, Aga Khan Centre, London and **Hannah Scott Deuchar**, NYU—*“Define ‘Rape’?”: Translation and Correction of Sexual Violence across French, Ottoman and Egyptian Penal Codes*

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5689 Refugees, Order, and Change in Syria, Lebanon, and Jordan

Organized by **Daniel Masterson**

Chair/Discussant: **Kelsey P. Norman**, Rice U

Allison Hartnett, Yale—*Capitalizing on Crisis: Firm Owners and Informal Refugee Labor in Jordan*

Daniel Masterson, Stanford—*Who Returns, Who Stays? Understanding the Dynamics of Syrian Refugee Return*

Lama Mourad, Harvard—*General (In) Security: Ambiguity and Spatial Fix in Lebanon’s GSO*

Diala Lteif, U Toronto—*Refugees and the Making of Beirut*

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5693 From the Cold War to the War on Terror: The Paradoxes of U.S. Involvement in the Middle East & South Asia since the Second World War

Organized by **Satgin Hamrah**

Organized under the auspices of
Tufts U-History Department and Fletcher School & Harvard-History Department

Wendy Qian, Tufts U—*Iraqi Modernism and the Cold War: 1958-1979*

Marino Auffant, Harvard—*Democratic Radicalism, Autocratic Moderation, and the Global Politics of Oil: The Making of the U.S.-Saudi Energy Partnership, 1967-1973*

Neha Ansari, Tufts U—*Defeating with Drones: Challenging Coercive Airpower Theories with Evidence from FATA*

Daniel Chardell, Harvard—*Unmoored in the Storm: Arab Opposition to the Gulf War and the End of the Cold War in the Middle East*

Satgin Hamrah, Tufts U—*The Mobilization of Militant Islamists in the Cold War & Its Long Term Impact on the Greater Middle East and South Asia*

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5699 Muslim Youth and Sports

Organized by **Terrence Peterson** and **Gwyneth Talley**

Terrence Peterson, Florida International U—*Sports, Development, and Muslim Youth in the Algerian War, 1957-1964*

Paul Silverstein, Reed Col—*Jeu de Boules/Coup de Boule: On Masculinity, Postcoloniality, and Amazigh Activism*

A. George Bajalia, Columbia U—*Dima Africa, Daily Darija: Spectatorship, Sociality, and Sports among Im/Migrants in Tangier, Morocco*

Gwyneth Talley, UCLA—*Tbourida Women as a Social Nonmovement in Morocco*

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5722 Contestation, Coup, and Islam in Turkey

Chair: **Özde Celiktemel-Thomen**, Middle East Technical U

Yusuf Sarfati, Illinois State U—*Contesting Official Religious Narratives in Turkey: Democratic Islamic Egalitarianism in Ihsan Eliacik’s Works*

Timur Hammond, Syracuse U—*Remembering to Forget: Memorial Practices of the July 15, 2016 Coup Attempt*

Özgür Özkan, U Washington—*The Turkish Military’s Social Alienation through Purges and Promotions: The Composition of Officer Corps and Its Implications for the Military-Society Relations in Turkey*

Nora Fisher-Onar, U San Francisco—*Pathways to Pluralism: Islam, Liberalism and Nationalism in Turkey and Beyond*

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5734 Gender Reform, Resistance, and Trans-Nationalism

Chair: **Helen M. Rizzo**, AUC

Charlotte Lysa, U Oslo—*Fighting for the Right to Play: Female Football and Rightful Resistance in Saudi Arabia*

Elena Aoun, U Louvain and **Alena Sander**, U Louvain—*Colliding Visions – A Fieldwork on the Diffusion of and Resistance to International Women’s Rights Norms in Jordan*

Michael Peddycoart, U Chicago—*Feminine Comrades: Women and Armed Struggle in the PFLP, 1967-1975*

Farinaz Basmechi, U North Texas—*Gendered Framing Processes and Feminist Activism: Protesting Mandatory Hijab in Iran*

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5740 The Gulf: Politics and Society

Chair: **Mehran Kamrava**, Georgetown U Qatar

Robert Mogielnicki, Oxford U/AGSIW—*The Political Instrumentalization of Qatari Special Economic Zones*

Hae Won Jeong, Abu Dhabi U—*UAE’s Look East Policy and Economic Diversification Strategies in Post-Zayed Era*

Farah Atoui, McGill U—*Make Dubai the Happiest City On Earth*

Mai Alkhamissi, Princeton—*Wouldn’t You Want to Live in a Dubai?*

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5743 Islam and Islamist Movements after the Arab Uprisings

Chair: **Didier Leroy**, Royal Higher Inst for Defence

Guy Eyre, SOAS—*Divine Paths to Politics: Salafism, Islamism, and the State in North Africa*

Lucia Ardovini, Swedish Inst of International Affairs and **Erika Biagini**, Dublin City U—*Mapping the Egyptian Muslim Brotherhood’s Internal Divisions after 2013*

Inga Kristina Trauthig, King’s Col London—*The New Islamist Scene in Libya: How Did the Salafi-Madkhalis Develop in Post-Qaddafi Libya?*

Quinn Mecham, Brigham Young U–
*Islamists and the State: Why Some Islamist
Groups Survive and Thrive under State
Repression*

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**5785 Territorial Space and the
Meanings of Citizenship**

Mark Levine, UC Irvine/Lund U–*Chiapas-
Rojava-Western Sahara-Palestine: Post Sovereign
Imaginations of Resistance and Freedom*

Paul M. Esber, U Sydney–*Between Claims,
Residence and Recognition: The Conceptual
Unity of Jins?yah and Muw?tanah?*

Dov Waxman, Northeastern U–*The
Nation-State Law and the Rightwing Populist
Challenge to Israeli Democracy*

Drew Paul, U Tennessee Knoxville–
*Arrested Movement: Palestinian Airport
Detention Narratives*

Saghar Bozorgi, U Texas Austin–*Our Vote
Matters if We Are Ra'yats of Iran: Local Electoral
Struggles and Efforts for Identity Formation in
Kashan and Kermanshah (1909-1915)*

SPECIAL SESSION

**5793 Special Session: Politics and Prospects for Peace and Reconstruction in
Yemen**

Organized by **Stacey Philbrick Yadav** and **Jillian Schwedler**

Chair: **Jillian Schwedler**, Hunter Col CUNY

Adam Hanieh, SOAS U London

Stacey Philbrick Yadav, Hobart & William Smith Cols

Danny Postel, Northwestern U

Waleed F. Mahdi, U Oklahoma

Salwa Dammaj, AIYS

After nearly five years, the effects of the war in Yemen - driven by local, regional, and global dynamics alike - have been fragmentary and highly localized. The erosion of governance has invited partnerships of necessity (and sometimes of choice) with foreign powers, donor agencies, and private or semi-private firms and patrons. One effect of these partnerships has been a “privatization of peace,” where the sources of insecurity vary widely in different parts of the country. This has broad implications for the experience of national belonging, the process of reconstruction, and the prospects for post-war peace.

This roundtable brings together scholars who approach this privatization at different scales. At the local level, participants will offer first-hand accounts of dynamics of community self-organizing in Sana’a and discussion of a recent field study of women’s activism in areas under Houthi and Coalition control, as well as the way the war’s fragmentation is reflected in and reproduced by humanitarian initiatives originating in the Yemeni diaspora. Participants will also address the regional politics of the GCC and its development of patronage ties to members of the Yemeni private sector engaged in reconstruction, and recent political efforts in the United States and Europe to reorient policy toward the war in Yemen and build innovative forms of political solidarity. Together, the roundtable contributors will show how the protracted nature of crisis in Yemen has created new opportunities for specific stakeholders, while rendering the prospect of a sustainable, negotiated peace at the national level more challenging.

7:30-9pm • Grand Ballroom C, 5th Floor

2019 Presidential Panel

Event details coming soon!

2019 MESA Awards Ceremony

Please join MESA in recognizing the very best in the field in 2019,
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MESA Academic Freedom Award

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TODAY'S AFFILIATED MEETINGS

9-11am
Middle East Center & Program Directors Meeting
 8-Armstrong

9:30-11am
RoMES Editorial Board Breakfast
 4-Estherwood

11am-1pm
Consortium of Middle East NRCs and FLAS-Granting Centers Meeting
 8-Armstrong

11am-1pm
WOCMES International Advisory Council Meeting
 8-Endymion/Mid-City

11:30am-1pm
CASA Consortium Annual Luncheon Meeting
 location TBA

12-2pm
Arabic Collections Online Board Meeting
 4-Oakley

12-2pm
Iranian Studies Editorial Board Meeting
 4-Evergreen

1-3pm
TARII Board Meeting
 4-Ellendale

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5395 Popular Culture: Past, Present, Future
 Organized by **Andrew Simon**

Discussant: **Marwan M. Kraidy**, U Penn

Christa Salamandra, CUNY–*Television Matters*
Andrew Simon, Dartmouth Col–*A Comedic Crisis: Overpopulation, Family Planning, and the Popular Press in Egypt*
Michael Frishkopf, U Alberta–*Exploring Cairo's Informal Popular Music Archives: An Actor-Network Theory (Auto)Ethnography*
Ted Swedenburg, U Arkansas–*Popular Music Archives of North Africa*

2-6pm
Arabic Council of Directors, Arabic Flagship Program Meeting
 8-Armstrong

3-5pm
MESA Global Academy Meeting
 8-Endymion/Mid-City

7-8pm
AMEWS Business Meeting
 4-Bayside C

7-8:30pm
Arab Barometer Reception
 4-Evergreen

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AUC Reception
 2-Lagniappe

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AMEWS, AMEA, AMECYS, ASA Reception
 4-Bayside A

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TARII Reception
 4-Southdown

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Harvard CMES Reception
 4-Gallier A/B

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UCLA CNES Reception
 4-Bayside B

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5399 Bilingualism, Translation, and Diglossia in the Nahda
 Organized by **Annie Greene**

Chair: **Annie Greene**, Col of William and Mary
 Discussant: **Basil Salem**, U Chicago

Ilham Khuri-Makdisi, Northeastern U–*The Nahda, Translation Movements between Ottoman Turkish and Arabic, and Bilingualism 1860-1914*
Peter Hill, U Oxford–*'A Man Who Knows Only Arabic': The Multilingual Networks of a Monolingual Intellectual, Mikha'il Mishaqa (1800-1888)*
C. Ceyhun Arslan, Koç U–*Beyond a Monolingual Nahda: The Role of Translations in the Works of Maruf al-Rusafi*
Annie Greene, Col of William and Mary–*The Arabic Languages: Diglossia and Language Hybridity in Baghdadi Print Culture*

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5406 From al-Hadi ila al-Haqq to Husayn al-Huthi: The Zaydi Phenomenon in Yemen
 Organized by **Daniel Martin Varisco**

Sponsored by
American Inst for Yemeni Studies (AIYS)

Discussant: **Brinkley Messick**, Columbia U

Najam Haider, Columbia U–*Making an Imam: The Rebellion of Yahya b. 'Abd Allah in Zaydi Historiography*
Alexander Weissenburger, Austrian Academy of Sciences–*The ahl al-bayt's Return to Power: The Legitimation of Religious Rule in the Speeches of Husayn al-Huthi in the Context of the Current Crisis in Yemen*
Daniel Martin Varisco, American Inst for Yemeni Studies–*Rasulid Sultans and Zaydi Imams: War (Mostly) and Peace (a Little) in Yemen during the 13th-15th Centuries*
David B. Hollenberg, U Oregon–Title TBA

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5439 Territoriality and Population: "Arab" Nation States in the Age of the League of Nations
 Organized by **Adam Mestyan**

Chair/Discussant: **Cyrus Schayegh**, Graduate Inst of International and Development Studies

Jonathan Wyrzten, Yale–*War Makes Boundaries: Interwar Revolts and the Territorialization of the Middle East and North Africa*
Adam Mestyan, Duke U–*The Empty Throne of Syria, 1926-1928: Territorial Unification and the Missing 'Native Ruler'*
Sarah Shields, UNC Chapel Hill–*Taxonomy and Territory: Science, Identity, Borders, and the League of Nations*
Laura Robson, Portland State U–*Statelessness and Citizenship: Enforcing Territoriality in the Mandates*

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Roundtable

5460 Conceptualizing Sectarianism(s): Structures and Changes in Modern Lebanon

Organized by Rima Majed and Pascal Abidor

Sponsored by
Lebanese Studies Association (LSA)

Chair: Seda Altug, Boğaziçi U

Linda Sayed, Michigan State U
Joanne Nucho, Pomona Col
Rima Majed, AUB
Joseph Daher, U Lausanne
Pascal Abidor, McGill U

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5465 Electrifying Media: Telegraph, Radio, and Television in the Modern Middle East

Organized by Matthew Ghazarian

Chair: Ziad Fahmy, Cornell U

Discussant: Yasmin Moll, U Michigan

Matthew Ghazarian, Columbia U–
Telegraphy, Credit, and Sectarianism in the Ottoman East, 1865-81

Pauline Lewis, UCLA–*Telegrams of Violence and Relief: The Telegraph in the Armenian Genocide*

Andrea L. Stanton, U Denver–*Messages to Pilgrims: The Advent of Radio Broadcasting at the Hajj*

Wazmah Osman, Temple U–*Radio Television Afghanistan: A Century of National Broadcasting and Its Backlashes*

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Room TBA

5472 Adaptation, Transformation and Transcendence - Sufi Communities in the Contemporary World

Organized by Feyza Burak-Adli

Chair: Annika Schmeding, Boston U and Harvard

Discussant: Seema Golestaneh, Cornell U

Rose Aslan, California Lutheran U–*Art, Sufism, and Politics in Contemporary Istanbul*
Annika Schmeding, Boston U and Harvard–*The Death of the Pir and the Dream of a New Path - Contemporary Sufism in Afghanistan*

Ezgi Guner, U Illinois Urbana-Champaign–*Turkish Sufi Curricula in Muslim Africa*

Feyza Burak-Adli, Boston U–*Training Sufis in the Secular U: The Rifaiyye and the Institutional Transformations of Sufism in Turkey*

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Room TBA

5502 Socio-Natures of Development and Extractive Capitalism

Organized by Karen Eugenie Rignall and Brittany Cook

Discussant: Bridget Guarasci, Franklin & Marshall Col

Hande Ozkan, Transylvania U, KY–*Local or Parochial? Place, Identity and Energy in Northern Turkey*

Max Ajl, Cornell U–*The Loss of Gabès's Gardens and Environmentalism of the Poor*
Karen Eugenie Rignall, U Kentucky–*Morocco's New Extractivism: Governance, Claims, and Rurality in Natural Resource Extraction*
Brittany Cook, U Louisiana Lafayette–*From Wheat to Olives: Development and the Rural Landscape of Jordan*

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5552 The Vocabularies of Islamic Sovereignty: Fashioning Authority in the Medieval Maghrib and Mashriq

Organized by Ali Karjoo-Ravary

Discussant: Sara Nur Yildiz, Max-Planck Inst for History of Science

Jonathan Brack, Hebrew U–*"The King's Speech": The Muslim, Persian, Buddhist and Mongolian Contexts of the Ilkhan Öljeitü's Questions*

Mohamad Ballan, Stony Brook U–*"The Last of the Himyarites": Pre-Islamic Genealogy and Royal Legitimacy in the Nasrid Kingdom of Granada (1238-1492)*

Ali Karjoo-Ravary, Bucknell U–*Muhammad's Song, Firaydun's Wine: Language and Kingship in 14th Century Anatolia*

Enass Khansa, AUB–*From Damascus to Córdoba: Kinship and the Construction of the Umayyad Caliph Model*

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Room TBA

5574 Encountering the State: The Institutional Mediation of Identity in the Middle East

Organized by Nihal Kayali

Nihal Kayali, UCLA–*Navigating Healthcare: Syrian Refugees' Experiences in Turkey*

Gilad Wenig, UCLAs–*The Military and Religious Politics in Egypt*

Sima Ghaddar, UCLA–*Realms of Belonging: Institution Building and Public Education in 1960's Lebanon*

Maya El Helou, U Toronto–*Queering Uprising Infrastructures*

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5579 Queering Lebanese Social Movements

Organized by Janine A. Clark

Organized under the auspices of
Middle East Law and Governance (MELG)

Chair: Jillian Schwedler, Hunter Col CUNY

Discussant: Lara Deeb, Scripps Col

Sophie Chamas, U Oxford–*Queering the Lebanese Left: Fugitivity and Alter-Politics in Post-Civil War Lebanon*

Janine A. Clark, U Guelph–*LGBT and Queer Women's Regional Ties and Activism*

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5588 Worlding Arabic Literature through Transnational Contexts

Organized by Ahmed Idrissi Alami, Purdue U

Sponsored by

American Association of Teachers of Arabic (AATA)

Chair: Nizar F. Hermes, U Virginia

Discussant: Mbarek Sryfi, U Penn

Sara Forcella, U Rome – *La Sapienza–Scheherazade in Academic Literature: Multidisciplinary and Multi-Theory Interpretations in a Global Context*

Peiyu Yang, McGill U–*Za'ir al-Sin: Translating a Chinese Anti-colonial Struggle for a Nahdawi Context*

Rama Alhajian, Cornell U–*On al-Shidyāq, the Untranslatable: Writing against Equivalence in the Work of a Nahḍah Intellectual*

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5616 Surviving Revolution? Disillusions, Expectations and Mobilities in Post-2013 Egypt
Organized by **Marie Vannetzel** and **Marine Poirier**

Organized under the auspices of
CEDEJ

Chair: **Walter Armbrust**, U Oxford
Discussant: **Carl Rommel**, U Helsinki

Youssef El Chazli, CNRS (France)–*The Day After: Dynamics of Collective Demobilization and Individual Disengagement*

Sixtine Deroué, Université Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne–*Becoming a Martyr's Family. State's Recognition of Loss and Social Changes among Families of Revolutionary or Counter-Revolutionary Martyrs*

Giedre Sabaseviciute, Oriental Inst, Czech Academy of Sciences–*"The High Art Unites Us". Dealing with Political Divisions in Cairo's Literary Clubs*

Marie Vannetzel, CNRS - CEDEJ–*"Expectation Kills. Please Do Not Expect." Ethnography of an Egyptian Middle Class Family after the Storm*

Marine Poirier, CEDEJ, Cairo–*Staying Alive. Competing Legacies and Mobilities within the Former Regime's Political Elites*

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Roundtable

5643 Iran's Revolution Turns 40: Consequences of Islamic Republican Governance

Organized by **Nahid Siamdoust**

Chair: **Nahid Siamdoust**, Yale

Alireza Doostdar, U Chicago

Nahid Siamdoust, Yale

Nazanin Shahrokni, London School of Economics

Shervin Malekzadeh, Williams Col

Orkideh Behrouzan, SOAS U London

Kevan Harris, UCLA

Hosna Sheikholeslami, Denison U

Ali Kadivar, Boston Col

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5646 Speculative Imaginaries in the Moving Image: Citizenship, Matter, and Space-Time Slippages in the Global Middle East
Organized by **Rana Jarbou**

Sponsored by
Association for Modern and Contemporary Art of the Arab World, Iran and Turkey (AMCA)

Chair: **Sintia Issa**, UC Santa Cruz
Discussant: **Tarek El-Ariss**, Dartmouth Col

Rana Jarbou, UC Santa Cruz–*#IAMReal - Mediating Difference between Amna and Sophia: Citizenship, Gender and Hyperreality in Saudi Arabia*

Raed El Rafei, UC Santa Cruz–*Queer Subjectivities and Spatial Dimensions in Tripoli, Lebanon*

Suzy Halajian, UC Santa Cruz–*A Grammar Built with Rocks: Basel Abbas and Ruanne Abou-Rahme*

Sintia Issa, UC Santa Cruz–*Mapping Waste Matters for a Time of Flowers: Marwa Arsanios*

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5706 Late Ottoman Communities and the Centralizing State
Organized by **William Bamber** and **Michael Sims**

Pelin Tünaydin, U Washington–*Precarious Belonging: The Ottoman Roma at the End of Empire*

William Bamber, U Washington–*Sartorial Change and the Transformation of Social Order in Mahmud II's Post-Janissary Reforms*

Tuna Basibek, U Washington–*The Ottoman Refugee between Enslavement and Abolitionism, 1856-1890*

Michael Sims, U Washington–*The Impact of April, 1909 on Ottoman Syriac Christian and Kurdish Nationalist Movements*

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5723 Education and Educational Reform in the Middle East

Chair: **Sara MUSAIFER**, U Minnesota/ U Penn

Shaherzad Ahmadi, U St. Thomas–*Allopathy for the Masses: Practicing Modern Medicine in Pahlavi Iran*

Yosra Hussein, Independent Scholar–*Al-Azhar from al-Riwaq to the Classroom: The Modernization of al-Azhar (1895-1910)*

Lydia Wytenbroek, U Virginia–*Nursing (Inter)Nationalism in Iran, 1907-1947*

Rosemary Admiral, U Texas Dallas–*The Influence of Women on the Early Education of Premodern Scholars*

Laurie Brand, U Southern California–*Educating States: Educational Reform in the Wake of the Arab Uprisings*

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5729 Youth Activism in the Middle East

Chair: **Vickie Langohr**, Col of the Holy Cross

Sarah Anne Rennick, Arab Reform Initiative–*Apolitical Engagement and Active Citizenship: Reconceptualizing Arab Youth as Political Actors*

Karim Zakhour, Stockholm U–*While We Wait: Public Space and Youth in the Interior of Tunisia*

Nareman Amin, Princeton–*Revolutionary Religion: Egyptian Youth and Islam in Post-2011 Egypt*

Talha Kose, Ibn Haldun U–*Radicalization in Turkish Universities: A Relational Analysis*

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5733 Exclusions and Belonging: Identities through Conversion, Slavery, and Family

Chair: **Eric Dursteler**, Brigham Young U

Bilal A. Kotil, Istanbul, Turkey–*"Beyond the Circle of Toleration": Runaway Slaves, International Law, and Politics of Intimacy in the Late Ottoman Empire*

Matthew Sharp, U Penn–*Trusting in the Benevolence of the Caliph: Petitions to Abdülhamid II from British Female Converts to Islam*

Aykut Mustak, Independent Scholar–*Spouse Selection among the Ottoman Élite in the Eighteenth Century*

Ezgi Cakmak, U Penn–*Remnants of the Past: Encounters with the History of African Slavery in the Early Turkish Republic*

Ayse Zeren-Enis, Binghamton U–*Women's Petitioning to the Hamidian State: The Case of Mustafa Edib Pasa's Family*

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5735 Gender, Labor, and Political Activism in Iran and Turkey

Chair: **Arash Azizi**, NYU

Yesim Arat, Boğaziçi U–*Feminist Movement and the Women of the Gezi Park*
Amirhossein Teimouri, U Illinois Urbana-Champaign–*Cultural Roots of Conservative Mobilization in Iran’s State Politics (1994-2000)*

Zehra Betul Atasoy, Rutgers U & New Jersey Inst of Technology–*Gendered Expressions of Labor: The Case of Sümerbank Textile Factory, Istanbul*

Samaneh Oladi, Virginia Commonwealth U–*The Contested Debate over Equal Compensation: Between Tradition and Modernity*

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5750 Globalizing Islam

Chair: **Nicholas E. Roberts**, Sewanee: U the South

Inna Blaich Chemla, Ben Gurion U–*Sharia Courts and Legal Pluralism - The Case of Muslim Highlanders in Soviet Dagestan, 1917-1927*

Radha Dalal, Virginia Commonwealth U Qatar–*The Khilafat Movement and the Satirical Press*

Jonathan McCollum, Brigham Young U–*Young Turks, Hamidian Alliances, and Global Muslim Anticolonial Resistance: Volunteerism in the Italo-Turkish War and the Turkish War of Independence*

Glenn E. Robinson, Naval Postgraduate School–*Homogenizing Trends in Islam under Globalization: Revisiting Clifford Geertz*

John M. Willis, U Colorado–*All is a Constant Mobility: Muhammad Iqbal’s Geography of the Middle East*

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5755 North African Politics Post 2011

Chair: **Esen Kirdis**, Rhodes Col

Tereza Jermanová, Charles U in Prague–*“There Was No Alternative.” Explaining the Cross-Partisan Constitutional Agreement in Tunisia after the 2010/11 Uprising*

Chris Thornton, U Oxford–*Political Trajectories and Transitional Administrations: A Paired Analysis of Libya and Tunisia*

Sabina Henneberg, Johns Hopkins SAIS–*Stability and Change in North Africa following the Arab Uprisings*

Eva Schmidt, Berlin, Germany–*The Development of the Field of Gender Politics in the Course of Tunisia’s Democratization Process 2011 -2014*

Mohamed Abufalgha, U Texas Austin–*The Role of Political Parties in Libya Post 2011*

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5767 Pre-Modern Minorities

Chair: **Saghar Sadeghian**, Willamette U

Sona Tajiryan, UCLA–*Indian Diamonds for Mediterranean Coral: A Global Armenian Family Firm of Gem Merchants in Early Modern Safavid Iran*

Armen Abkarian, U Michigan–*“Human-Faced Beasts”: Racial Depictions of the Mongols in Armenian Manuscript Colophons*

Luis Salés, Scripps Col–*Systems-Intelligent Microbehaviors and ‘Abbasid-Era Syriac Christian Courtroom Manuals: An Unexpected Angle on Early Christian-Muslim Relations*

Susan Abraham, U Virginia–*Ink, Agency, and the Writing of Truth in a Seventeenth Century Morisco Text*

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5781 Regional Politics and the Palestine/Israel Conflict

Chair: **Awad Halabi**, Wright State U

Carl Forsberg, Harvard Kennedy School–*The 1974 Rabat Conference: Power and Legitimacy in Arab Summits*

Dominic Coldwell, U Oxford–*The Killing of Sa’d Halawa and His Legacy in Egypt*

Elie Podeh, Hebrew U–*The “Mistress Syndrome”: Israel’s Secret Relations with States and Minorities in the Middle East, 1948-2018*

Pouya Alimagham, MIT–*Two Peoples, One Struggle. The Green Movement and Palestinian Liberation*

SPECIAL SESSION

5792 Special Session-The Arab Barometer 5th Wave
Organized by **Amaney A. Jamal** and **Michael Robbins**

Amaney A. Jamal, Princeton
Abdul-Wahab Kayyali, Princeton
Michael Robbins, Princeton
Mark A. Tessler, U Michigan

The Arab Barometer is the first and largest project of its kind seeking to systematically give voice to the opinions and concerns of ordinary citizens across the Middle East and North Africa. It conducts rigorous and nationally representative public opinion surveys across the Arab world. The project gives a voice to ordinary Arab citizens and allow their views to inform national conversations and policy debates. In the biggest, most in depth and wide-ranging public opinion survey of its kind ever carried out, the Arab Barometer 5th wave explores what it is like to live in the Arab world today. The survey includes more than 27,000 respondents in 2018-9 across the region in 13 countries covering more than 80% of the Arab population living in the Middle East and North Africa. The Arab Barometer 5th wave is a unique resource to scholars working on the Middle East and North Africa since all the data are made available free of charge to scholars and interested individuals thanks to generous funding from the Middle East Partnership Initiative, the BBC Arabic, Princeton University, the University of Michigan, Harvard University and Qatar National Research Foundation. It supports research in a variety of disciplines given the wide variety of topics investigated, including but not limited to economic issues and personal well-being; evaluations of political institutions and political attitudes; engagement in politics; elections; traditional and new media; governance; culture and religion; and international relations. In this special session will serve as a launch event for the study and provide an overview of the major findings from the survey, covering a wide range of topics such as views toward political institutions and governance, economic challenges, the role of women in society, views of international actors, and concerns of youth. Additionally, the session will include an open discussion of potential improvements that can be made on existing questions and allow time to discuss new potential topics areas that can be included in the 6th wave of surveys planned for 2020. Since the Arab Barometer is a public resource, this special session offers an important benefit to MESA members to have the opportunity to engage with the project and provide feedback that could benefit the project's future research.

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Roundtable

5389 Assessment(s) for the 21st Century Literacy in Teaching & Learning Turkish
Organized by **Nalan Erbil-Erkan**

Sponsored by
American Association of Teachers of Turkic Languages (AATT)

Chair: **Roberta Micallef**, Boston U

Zeynep Elbasan, Indiana U
Nalan Erbil-Erkan, U Wisconsin-Madison
Beyza Lorenz, UCLA
Jeannette E. Okur, U Texas Austin
Nilay Sevinc, U Michigan

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5397 Gender and Conflict in Kurdistan
Organized by **Vera Eccarius-Kelly**

Organized under the auspices of
Ahmed Foundation of Kurdish Studies

Chair: **Nader Entessar**, U South Alabama

Ozum Yesiltas, Texas A&M U-Commerce-Rojava: *A Feminist Revolution*
Vera Eccarius-Kelly, Siena Col-Kurdish Women: *Feminist Consciousness in the Diaspora*
Mehmet Gurses, Florida Atlantic U-A Quiet Social Revolution: *The Rise of Kurdish Women in Turkey*
David Romano, Missouri State U-The Demonstration Effect: *Women Fighters in the KDP and PUK*
Michael Gunter, Tennessee Tech U-Gender & Conflict in Iraqi Kurdistan

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5401 Adaptive Emotions: Feelings, History, and Ottoman Society
Organized by **Ido Ben-Ami**

Chair: **Miri Shefer Mossensohn**, Tel Aviv U
Discussant: **Julia Bray**, U Oxford (UK)

Ayse Dalyan, American U Cyprus-Ottoman Poetry in the Context of Culture, Neuroscience and Emotions
Ido Ben-Ami, Tel Aviv U-Early Modern Imperial Ottoman Architecture and the Notion of Bewilderment/Wonder

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Gorkem Ozizmirli, Boston Col–A
Traveler's Fears: Understanding Evliya Çelebi's Identity and Perceptions in the Seventeenth Century Ottoman Empire
Miri Shefer Mossensohn, Tel Aviv U–
Professional Jealousy and Envy: Competition among Physicians in the Ottoman World

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Roundtable

5427 Historicizing the Middle East: Roger Owen's Influence on the Field and Its Future Directions
Organized by **Joelle Abi-Rached**, **Kathryn Schwartz**, and **Sreemati Mitter**

Chair: **Khaled Fahmy**, Cambridge U

Leonard Wood, Sidley Austin LLP
Arbella Bet-Shlimon, U Washington
Johan Mathew, Rutgers U
Sreemati Mitter, Brown U
Kathryn Schwartz, U Massachusetts Amherst
Joelle Abi-Rached, Columbia U

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5432 Geographical Cognizance of the Indian Ocean in West Eurasian Scientific and Political Practices, 700-1700
Organized by **Kaveh Hemmat**

Sponsored by
Middle East Medievalists (MEM)

Chair/Discussant: **Zayde Antrim**, Trinity Col

Hyunhee Park, John Jay Col and Graduate Center CUNY –*Mapping India in West Asia during the 7th through 14th Centuries*

Kaveh Hemmat, Benedictine U–*The Geography of Kingship in Persian Epics, 1000-1400*

Malika Dekkiche, U Antwerp–“A World of Kings and Realms”: Mamluk Diplomacy and the Spatial Turn

Pinar Emiralioglu, Sam Houston State U–*Indian Ocean in Early Modern Ottoman Geographical and Imperial Consciousness*

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5440 Vernacular Arabic and Literary History

Organized by **Elias Muhanna**

Chair: **Margaret Litvin**, Boston U
Discussant: **Qussay Al-Attabi**, Kenyon Col

Johannes Stephan, Freie Universität Berlin–*Middle Arabic Prose as a Mediator between Texts and Traditions*

Greg Halaby, Brown U–*Archiving the Vernacular: Early Literary Forays into Spoken Arabic*

Elias Muhanna, Brown U–*Proofreading the Nahda: The Role of Editors in Shaping a New Arabic Literature*

Alexander Elinson, Hunter Col CUNY–*Blogs, Social Media, and Writing in Yassin Adnan's "Hot Maroc"*

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5441 New Directions in Mental Health in Palestine

Organized by **Heidi Morrison**

Sponsored by

Palestinian American Research Center (PARC) & Association of Middle East Children and Youth Studies (AMECYS)

Chair: **Rachael Stryker**, CSU East Bay
Discussant: **Stephen Sheehi**, Col of William and Mary

Heidi Morrison, U Wisconsin La Crosse–*Ongoing Traumatic Stress Disorder: Listening to How Palestinians Conceive of Their Own Suffering and Well-Being*

Said Shehadeh, Independent Scholar, Ramallah/NY–*On Community Resilience and Palestinian Selfhood: Notes from Clinical Practice in West Bank, Palestine*

Rachael Stryker, CSU East Bay–*Emotional Suspicion and Emerging Pediatric Psychologies in Palestine's West Bank*

Layaly Hamayel, Palestinian Counseling Center–*Who Seeks Counseling/Therapy in Palestine: The Ten-year Pattern of Adult Mental Health Service Utilization Behavior in a Non-profit Centre in the West Bank*

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5442 The Dialogic Persianate: Historical Models of Literary Production and Cultural Exchange (1700-1950)

Organized by **Aria Fani**

Chair: **Aria Fani**, UC Berkeley
Discussant: **Domenico Ingenito**, UCLA

C. Ryan Perkins, Stanford–*The Vernacular Strikes Back: Pashto and Tales from the Other Side*

Nathan Tabor, Western Michigan U–*The Necklace of the Pleiades: Uncharted Rekhtah and Persian Literary History in a 1780s Tazkirah*

Aria Fani, UC Berkeley–*Eqtarah and the Proliferation of Adabiyat as a New Discourse of Literature in Iran and Afghanistan (1916-1949)*

Mana Kia, Columbia U–*The Imprint of History: Sociality and Commemoration between Empires*

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Thematic Conversation

5458 Between Egypt and the Egyptian Diaspora: The Changing Contours of Coptic Studies
Organized by **Heather J. Sharkey**, U Penn

Hiroko Miyokawa, Tokyo U
David D. Grafton, Hartford Seminary
Gaétan Du Roy, Catholic U Louvain
Paul Sedra, Simon Fraser U

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5471 Tunisian Exception? Overlapping Frameworks and Trajectories in the Modern Period
Organized by **Julian Weideman**

Sponsored by
American Inst for Maghrib Studies (AIMS)

Chair/Discussant: **Amy Kallander**, Syracuse U

Rebecca Gruskin, Stanford–*For the Sake of Greener Fields: Tunisian Phosphates and Global Capitalism in the Interwar Period*
Julian Weideman, Princeton–*'Tunisian Islam'? 'Islamic Legislation,' Women's Rights, and Connected Histories of Reform in Tunisia and Egypt*

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Lana Salman, UC Berkeley–*Local Fixes and Global Knowledge Flows: Probing Tunisia's Best Practices in Urban Upgrading Programs*

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5474 Hybrid Pathways to Resistance in the Islamic World: Islamist Groups in Iraq, Mali, Libya and Lebanon
Organized by **Tine Gade**

Organized under the auspices of
Hybrid Pathways to Resistance in the Islamic World (RCN Project 2017-20)

Chair: **Dlauer Ala'Aldeen**, Middle East Research Inst

Kjetil Selvik, Norwegian Inst of International Affairs–*Juggling Roles and Messages: On the Political Strength of Muqtada al-Sadr*

Are John Knudsen, Chr. Michelsen Inst (CMI)–*Sheikhs and the City: Urban Pathways of Resistance in Sidon, Lebanon*

Morten Boas, Norwegian Inst of International Affairs and **Abdoul Wakhab Cissé**, ARGA–*Appetite Comes with Eating - Religious Actors on the Campaign Trail*
Virginie Collombier, European U Inst–*Libya's Salafis after 2011: Conquering or Supporting the Nascent State?*

Tine Gade, Norwegian Inst of International Affairs–*'Kurdish Islam'? The Invention of Sunni Orthodoxy in the Kurdistan Region of Iraq*

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5503 Intersex and Trans* Identities and Rights in Islamic Societies
Organized by **Mehrdad Alipour** and **Indira Falk Gesink**

Chair: **Everett K. Rowson**, NYU

Shaminder Takhar, London South Bank U–*Muslim Hijras, Khawaja Sira and Third Gender Recognition in India*

Indira Falk Gesink, Baldwin Wallace U–*Intersex and Gender Conforming Surgery: A History of "Islamic" Options*

Mostafa Abedinifard, U British Columbia–*Masculinist Gheyrat: The Missing Link in Iranian Transgender Studies*
Mehrdad Alipour, U Exeter–*Intersex and Transsexual People, Gender Conforming Surgery, Medical Treatment, and Illness: A Close Examination of Five Islamic Fatwas*

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5522 On the Margins of Shi'r: Historical and Philosophical Perspectives on the Development of Modern Arabic Poetry (Panel I)
Organized by **Adey Almohsen** and **Hamad Al-Rayes**

Sponsored by
Lebanese Studies Association (LSA)

Chair: **Hamad Al-Rayes**, Loyola U New Orleans

Discussant: **Terri L. DeYoung**, U Washington

Terri L. DeYoung, U Washington–*Egyptian Modernism: From the Center to the Periphery*
Adey Almohsen, U Minnesota–*Before Shi'r, after the Nakba: A History of Palestinian Contributions in Prose-Poetry 1948-63*
Esraa al-Shammari, U Penn–*Salim Barakat and the Language of Poetry*
Hatem Alzahrani, Georgetown U–*The Poet as Palm-Tree: Muhammad al-Thubayti and the Re-Imagining of Saudi Identity*

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5549 Political Ecologies in the Modern Middle East
Organizer: **Nimrod Ben Zeev** and **Ciruce A. Movahedi-Lankarani**

Chair: **Basma Fahoum**, Stanford
Discussant: **Sara Pursley**, NYU

Nimrod Ben Zeev, U Penn–*Political Ecologies of Stone, Race, and Labor in Israel/Palestine, 1948-1964*
Shira Pinhas, Tel Aviv U–*Roads, (Im)Mobility and the Origins of Separatism in Palestine*
Ciruce A. Movahedi-Lankarani, U Penn–*Natural Gas Geology and Imagined Nationalist Futures in Iran*
On Barak, Tel Aviv U–*Jaffa 1929 and the 'Global' of Global Warming*

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT WORKSHOP

**(5797) Professional Development Workshop:
Proposal Writing and Research Design: How To Fund Your Ideas**

Sponsored by
Association for Middle East Women's Studies (AMEWS)

Workshop Leader: **Suad Joseph**, UC Davis

Those embarking on academic careers must master the art of writing proposals for research funding. Whether you are conducting research for a dissertation or book or seeking support for a special project-locating and securing funding is critical. This workshop will provide expert guidelines on how to write compelling proposals from the initial phrasing of the research question, step by step, to the research outcomes, significance, dissemination, and public outreach. It will also address such issues as identifying and working with funding agencies, effectively communicating research methodology and goals, preparing budgets, and planning for the dissemination of results. The workshop will be led by Suad Joseph, Professor of Anthropology and Women and Gender Studies, UC at Davis. She has taught proposal writing and lead workshops for students, faculty, administrators, and NGO practitioners for over 30 years. Information about proposal writing may be found on Dr. Joseph's website at <http://sjoseph.ucdavis.edu/arab-families-working-group-1/images/files/ComponentsofaHumanities-SocialSciencesResearchProposal.pdf>. Please sign up for the workshop in advance by sending an email message to Mark Lowder at mark@mesana.org. Before the workshop, please browse Professor Joseph's website and read the document, "Components of a social science and humanities research proposal."

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5560 The Dimensions of Sacred Sound: Analyzing the Various Contemporary Lives of the Islamic Call to Prayer
Organized by **Laura Thompson**

Chair: **Ali Asgar Alibhai**, U Texas at Dallas
Discussant: **Denise Gill**, Stanford

Eve McPherson, Kent State U Trumbull–*The Persuasive Voice, the Call, and Neil Armstrong’s “Conversion” to Islam*

Laura Thompson, Harvard–*Does God Belong in a Discotheque?: Remixing the Islamic Call to Prayer in a Tunisian Nightclub*
Ian VanderMeulen, NYU–*Medina Acoustics and Immersive Religion: The Islamic Call to Prayer in Rabat’s Traditional Quarter*

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5566 Ibn Khaldun in the Ottoman Empire
Organized by **Vefa Erginbas**

Chair: **Vefa Erginbas**, Providence Col

Kenan Inan, Avrasya U–*Tursun Bey’s Tarih-i Ebü’l-Feth (1488) and Ibn-i Haldun’s Mukaddime*

Vefa Erginbas, Providence Col–*Ibn Khaldunism in the Seventeenth Century: Khaldunian Concepts in Katip Celebi’s “Fadhla”*

Uygar Aydemir, Üsküdar U–*Mahmud Nedim Pasha’s “Ayine-i Devlet” as a Modern Khaldunian Political Credo*

Madeleine Elfenbein, U Göttingen–*Namik Kemal and Ibn Khaldunism in an Age of Nationalist Historiography*

Yeliz Cavus, Ohio State U–*Between Ibn Khaldunism and Ottoman Exceptionalism: Abdurrahman Seref Efendi’s “Tarih-i Devlet-i Osmaniyye” (“History of the Ottoman State”)*

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5601 Industrial, Institutional, and Ideological: Cinema Histories in the Middle East/North Africa
Organized by **Laura Fish**

Chair: **Chris Silver**, McGill U

Morgan Corriou, Paris 8 U–*Trading Egyptian Cinema in Colonial Maghreb*

Laura Fish, U Texas Austin–*Marketing beyond the Masses: Iran’s Film Trailers and Popular Cinema History*

Muge Turan, U Toronto–*Ghost Voices in Turkish Popular Cinema*

Tamara Maatouk, Graduate Center CUNY–*The Public Sector in Egyptian Cinema, 1957-1971: A State Venture*

Peter Limbrick, UC Santa Cruz–*Genealogies of Realism and Modernism in Arab Cinema*

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5603 Securing Insecurity: Transnational Disciplinary Regimes and Middle Eastern Diasporas
Organized by **Amy Malek**

Elif Sari, Cornell U–*Not So ‘Golden’ Anymore: Iranian LGBTI Refugees in Turkey*

Jean Beaman, UC Santa Barbara–*Diaspora, Difference, and France’s Maghreb Second-Generation*

Amy Malek, Col of Charleston–*Im/Mobility, In/Security, and Non/Belonging: Paradoxes of Iranian Dual Citizenship*

Joshua Donovan, Columbia U–*Disciplining Diasporas, Surveilling Subjects: The French Mandate and the Syro-Lebanese Mahjar*

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5628 The Production of Space and the Modern Middle East
Organized by **Amr T. Leheta**

Chair: **Mostafa Minawi**, Cornell U & AUB

Aslihan Gunhan, Cornell U–*Displaced Modernities: The Ottoman Empire, Turkey and the Specters of Armenian Architects*

Emilio Ocampo Eibenschutz, Cornell U–*Space, Abolitionism, and Empire: Slave Markets in the 19th C. Western Indian Ocean*

Amr T. Leheta, Cornell U–*Space & Sovereignty in Undefined Territory: Tiran and Sanafir in Modern Times*

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5652 Race in the Middle East and North Africa: “Blackness” in Literature, Media, and Legal Scholarship
Organized by **Sara Seweid-DeAngelis** and **Razan Idris**

Razan Idris, U Penn–*Blackness and Marriage in al-Mudawwana: A History of Maliki Legal Interpretation*

Sara Seweid-DeAngelis, U Minnesota–*Blackness in Medieval Arabic Literature: Deviance and Animality in “Alf Layla W Layla”*

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5687 The Sultan’s Creole: Shifts and Oscillations in Algeria’s Political, Economic, Foreign Policy, and Counterterrorism Strategies under Bouteflika
Organized by **William Lawrence**

Chair: **William Lawrence**, George Washington U

Discussant: **Robert P. Parks**, Centre d’Études Maghrébines en Algérie

Abdelkader Berrahmoun, Middlebury Inst of International Studies at Monterey–*Evolution of the Algerian Opposition from 1999 to the Present*

Karima Benabdallah, Independent Researcher–*Algerian Foreign Policy: Between Old Dogmas and the Need for Change*

Jacob Mundy, Colgate U–*Oil for Insecurity and the Making of the Jihadi Working Class*

Djallil Lounnas, Al Akhawayn U–*From National Reconciliation to Renewed Eradication: Algeria’s Shifting Strategies in the Fight against Terrorism, 1999 to 2018*

Yahia Zoubir, KEDGE Business School–*Twenty-Years of Bouteflika’s Sultanist Rule: The Endurance of Neopatrimonialism*

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5771 **Missionaries and Foreigners in the Ottoman Empire**

Chair: **Nancy L. Stockdale**, U North Texas

Mary Momdjian, UCLA—*From the Mundane to the Intellectual: A Reconstruction of the Life and Times of a Hybrid Levantine Consul through His Inventory*

Israa Alhassani, James Madison U—*Dorothy Van Ess, a Missionary Educator in Basra 1912-1950*

Mazin Tadros, Georgia Gwinnett Col—*17th Century Jesuit Reports and the Syrian Other*

Devrim Umit, Karabuk U, Turkey—*Caught by the Storm: Robert College of Istanbul and the Committee of Union and Progress, 1909-1914*

Kathryn Kalemkerian, McGill U—*An Encounter between Race and Masculinity: Ottoman Beirut, the Missionaries, and the Case of John Wortabet*

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5777 **Socialism and the Cold War in the Middle East**

Chair: **James Clark**, U Nebraska Omaha

James H. Meyer, Montana State U—*Escape to the East: Nâzim Hikmet and the Early Cold War Borderlands*

Sarp Kurgan, UC Santa Barbara—*A Model Revisited: Marxist-Leninist Currents in Iran and Turkey, 1920s-1983*

Lina Wang, U Washington—*"The Road to Korea as Allah's Road": The Roles of Army Imams and Religious Motifs in Turkey's Participation in the Korean War*

Reuben Silverman, UC San Diego—*Beggars or Choosers: The American Cold War Order and Turkey's Democrat Party Diplomats, 1954-1958*

Ellis Garey, NYU—*Reconsidering Early Arab Communism: Fu'ad al-Shamali & the Lebanese People's Party*

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5782 **Dressed to Conceal/Dressed to Impress**

Chair: **James H. Sunday**, Johns Hopkins U

Farha Ghannam, Swarthmore Col—*Entanglements: The Social Life of Hair in Urban Egypt*

Gustavo Espinosa, Col of William & Mary—*Girls Dressed as Boys: Queering the Global Discourse on Afghanistan's Bacha Posh*

James Redman, Zayed U Abu Dhabi—*Silversmithing, Writing and Protection: The Imperfect Nature of Pious Texts*

Manami Goto, Tokyo U Foreign Studies—*Fashioning the Mask: Material, Craft, and Memory*

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5392 The Suez Canal in Multi-Scaled Historical Perspectives: Local Meet Regional Meet Global

Organized by **Lucia Carminati** and **Mohamed Gamal-Eldin**

Discussant: **Zachary Lockman**, NYU

Mohamed Gamal-Eldin, New Jersey Inst of Technology/Rutgers U Newark –*Surveillance and Policing of Port Sa’id, Ismailia and Suez’s Streets: An Urban History of the Suez Canal Zone*

Mariam Abdelazim, New Jersey Inst of Technology–*Ismailia: From a Colonial City to an Egyptian Conglomerate*

Lucia Carminati, Van Leer Jerusalem Inst–*Fecal Matters. The Historical Role of Refuse and Olfaction in Port Said and the Suez Canal Region*

Olga Verlato, NYU–“*Their Parents Are All Sailors and Factory Workers:*” *Daily Life and Ideology in the Italian Schools of Suez, Zagazig, and Alexandria in Late-Nineteenth Century Egypt*

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5394 Morocco under Mohamed VI, Twenty Years On

Organized by **Daniel Zisenwine**

Sponsored by American Institute for Maghrib Studies (AIMS)

Chair: **Gregory White**, Smith Col
Discussant: **Bruce Maddy-Weitzman**, Tel Aviv U

Mohamed Daadaoui, Oklahoma City U–*The King’s Dilemma in Morocco: Social Unrest and the Failure of Regime Control*

Daniel Zisenwine, Tel Aviv U–*The Return to Africa and Other Diplomatic Efforts: Mohamed VI’s Foreign Policy*

Francesco Cavatorta, Laval U–*The Continuity of Popular Dissatisfaction*

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5415 Epidemics, Public Health Regimes, and Social Histories in the Broader Middle East in the Long Nineteenth Century

Organized by **Amir A. Afkhami** and **Ranin Kazemi**

Chair: **Ali Gheissari**, U San Diego

Andrew Robarts, Rhode Island School of Design–*Quarantines, Public Health, and State-Society Relations in the Ottoman-Russian Black Sea Region, Late 18th-Early 19th Centuries*

Amir A. Afkhami, George Washington U–*Cholera and Revolution in Qajar Iran*

Burcak Ozludil, New Jersey Inst of Technology–*When the Asylum Catches Cholera: Istanbul, 1893*

Ranin Kazemi, San Diego State U–*Epidemics and Protests in Qajar Iran: The Case of the Public Health Crisis and Social Agitations in 1890-92*

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5416 Crime, Criminality, and Criminalization across the Modern Middle East

Organized **Sara Farhan** and **Pelle Valentin Olsen**

Chair/Discussant: **Sara Farhan**, York U

Kimberly Katz, Towson U–*The Crime of Returning Home: Palestinians and the Israel-Jordan Border in the 1950s*

Peter Wien, U Maryland–*Killing Shahbandar: Locating a 1940 Political Murder in Damascus between Working Class Self-Assertion and Young Men’s Patron-Client Dependency*

Carl Shook, Loyola U Chicago–*Making the ‘Other’ Illegal: Criminalization of Iranian Nationals in Northern Iraq, 1918-1988*

Samar Nour, U Toronto–*Juvenile Delinquency and Colonial Modernity in Egypt 1882-1951*

Pelle Valentin Olsen, U Chicago–*Juvenile Delinquents as Lumpenproletariat: Problematic Youth and Rehabilitation Efforts in Hashemite Iraq*

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Roundtable

5419 An Encyclopaedic Collection of Early Modern Knowledge: The Library Inventory of Bayezid II

Organized by **Ferenc Csirkes**

Chair: **Gulru Necipoglu**, Harvard

Cornell Hugh Fleischer, U Chicago
Cemal Kafadar, Harvard

Noah Gardiner, U South Carolina
A. Tunç Sen, Columbia U

Guy Burak, NYU

Nukhet Varlik, Boğaziçi U-Newark

Pinar Emiralioglu, Sam Houston State U

Sooyong Kim, Koç U

Nikolay Antov, U Arkansas

Aleksandar Shopov, Max Planck Inst for the History of Science

Himmet Taskomur, Harvard

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5436 After the Colonial Turn: Middle East Studies and Challenges of Theory

Organized by **Muriam Haleh Davis**

Chair: **Aaron G. Jakes**, The New School

Anthony Alessandrini, Kingsborough Community Col CUNY

Hussein A H Omar, U Col Dublin

Naghmeb Sohrabi, Brandeis U

Muriam Haleh Davis, UC Santa Cruz

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5470 The Mixed Legacies of Recent Uprisings in the Middle East: Authoritarianism, Social Policy, and Conflict

Organized by **Bruce Rutherford**

Chair/Discussant: **Steven Heydemann**, Smith Col

Bruce Rutherford, Colgate U–*The Causes and Consequences of Egypt’s Deepening Authoritarianism*

Elizabeth R. Nugent, Yale–*Propaganda and Personality: Determinants of Support for Authoritarianism in Egypt*

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Markus Loewe, German Dev't Inst (DIE)–*New Social Contracts in MENA Countries? Evidence from Social Policy Reforms in Egypt, Morocco and Iran*

Jeannie Sowers, U New Hampshire–*Targeting Infrastructure, Health, and Civilians in the Yemen War*

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5480 Intersections of Sufism and Law in the Maghreb and Mashreq

Organized by **Kameliya Atanasova**

Discussant: **Jamal J. Elias**, U Penn

Nathan Hofer, U Missouri–*Bureaucratic Sufism in the Ayyubid and Mamluk Sultanates*

Elias Saba, Grinnell Col–*Sufis and Sufism in the Jamal al-Din al-Asnawi's Biographical Dictionary*

Carolyn Baugh, Gannon U–*Ibn Khaldun's Fatwa on Sufism: The Shifa' al-sa'il fi tahdhib al-masa'il*

Kameliya Atanasova, Washington & Lee U–*Ibn 'Abbad's Fatwa on the Prophet's Birthday: An Example of Sufi-Legal Discourse in Fourteenth-Century Maghreb*

Matthew Ingalls, American U in Dubai–*Reconstructing Sixteenth-Century Sufism through the Fatwas of Ibn Hajar al-Haytami (d. 974/1567)*

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5487 Concepts on the Move in Transottoman Spaces. Case Studies from the Long 19th Century

Organized by **Dennis Dierks** and **Barbara Henning**

Chair: **Stefan Rohdewald**, Giessen U
Discussant: **Michael A. Reynolds**, Princeton

Robert Born, Leibniz Inst for the History and Culture of Eastern Europe (GWZO), Leipzig–*Monument Protection in the Middle East during World War I as an Arena of Transnational Exchange?*

Barbara Henning, Otto-Friedrich-Universität Bamberg–*Ottoman Concepts of Social Difference from a Transcultural Perspective: Late-Ottoman Layiha-Reports on Tribal Society*

Lyubomir Pozharliev, Transottomanica, Justus-Liebig U–*Vehicles as "Civilization": The Steamship Transport between the Danube and the Black Sea in the Second Half of the 19th Century*

Dennis Dierks, U Jena–*Explaining 'Science' and 'Progress' at the Periphery. Transimperial Knowledge Circulations in Ottoman and Habsburg Bosnia*

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5489 The Ottoman Capitulations "Revisited:" New Approaches and New Perspectives on a Much-Discussed Ottoman Institution

Organized by **Tommaso Stefani**

Chair: **Joshua White**, U Virginia

Tommaso Stefani, Yale–*An Ottoman Institution or Part of a Mediterranean-Wide Tradition of Charters for Foreign Merchants? The Ottoman Capitulations in a Comparative Perspective (16th-Century)*

Ana Sekulic, Princeton–*The Making of an Ottoman Document: Tracing the History of the Franciscan Ahdname, 16th-19th Century*

Ian Hathaway, European U Inst–*Permits, Passes, and the Capitulations. A Comparative View of Travel Papers and Practices from the Venetian Republic and the Ottoman Empire*

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5518 De-centering the Middle East: Challenging the Status Quo
Organized by **Sargon Donabed**

Chair/Discussant: **Sargon Donabed**, Roger Williams U

Mariam Georgis, U Manitoba
Gregory Christakos, St. Vladimir's Orthodox Theological Seminary
Riva Gewarges, McMaster U
Michael Youash, U Toronto

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5523 On the Margins of Shi'r: Historical and Philosophical Perspectives on the Development of Modern Arabic Poetry (Panel II)

Organized by **Adey Almohsen** and **Hamad Al-Rayes**

Sponsored by

Lebanese Studies Association (LSA)

Chair: **Adey Almohsen**, U Minnesota
Discussant: **Huda Fakhreddine**, U Penn

Nevine Fayek, U Muenster–*Arabic Prose Poetry - A Path of Its Own: Reviewing Early Approaches to Prose Poetry from the Egyptian Press Archive of the 1930s and 1940s*

Delilah Clark, Francis Marion U–*Mediation and Meditation: Fu'ad Rifqa's Phenomenological Poetry*

Rawad Wehbe, U Penn–*Khalil Hawi: Poetry on the Margins of Suicide*

Hamad Al-Rayes, Loyola U New Orleans–*Exhuming the "Dead Chorus" in Qassim Haddad and Amin Saleh's Al-Jawashin*

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5547 Composing Sexed Subjects: Love, Affection, and Desire in the Middle East

Organized by **Tugce Kayaal**

Chair: **Suad Joseph**, UC Davis
Discussant: **Baki Tezcan**, UC Davis

Stefan Hock, Georgetown U–*Pious Youths with Unsound Habits: Medical Professionals, Sexual Health, and Forging a New Nation in Early Republican Turkey*

Tugce Kayaal, U Michigan–*A Groovy Kind of Love: Adolescent Female Same-Sex Desire and "Illicit Intimacies"*

Sahin Acikgoz, U Michigan–*Under Metronormative Eyes: Ihsan Hala and the Discontents of the Biomedical Transgender Modernity Turkey*

Duygu Ula, Barnard Col–*Classed Sexualities in Yesim Ustaoglu's "Clair Obscur"*

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5561 The Dimensions of Sacred Sound: Historicizing the Various Lives of the Islamic Call to Prayer in the Medieval World

Organized by **Ali Asgar Alibhai**

Chair: **Laura Thompson**, Harvard

Discussant: **Lisa Nielson**, Case Western Reserve U

Andrew Petersen, U of Wales—*The Form and Function of Minarets in Early Islam*

Sihem Lamine, Harvard—*Minarets in Times of Discord in Fatimid Tunisia*

Ali Asgar Alibhai, U Texas Dallas (EODIAH)—*Melodies of Power: Understanding Sacred Sound and the Demarcation of Space in Almohad Andalus and the Maghrib*

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5572 Revisiting Rome in the Medieval Middle East

Organized by **Alexander Brey** and **Emily Selove**

Mohammed Allehbi, Vanderbilt U—*Parallels in Criminal Justice: The Abbasids and Imperial Rome*

Alexander Brey, Wellesley Col—*A Tale of Two Tents: Roman-Byzantine Tents in Umayyad Visual Culture*

Emily Selove, U Exeter—*Donkeys across Time and Space: Some Shared Features of Roman and Medieval Arabic Literature*

Jordan Pickett, U Georgia—*Roman and Byzantine Hydraulic Infrastructure Survivals in the Umayyad Levant*

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5582 Building Up Morphological Competence in Arabic as a Foreign/Second Language: Insights from Innovative Data-Driven Pedagogical Research

Organized by **Mahmoud Azaz**

Organized under the auspices of U Arizona, School of Middle Eastern and North African Studies

Chair: **Mahmoud Azaz**, U Arizona

Youness Mountaki, Wofford Col—*The Relative Effects of Processing Instruction and Traditional Instruction on the Acquisition of Arabic Subjunctive*

Hicham Assaoui, U Arizona—*Building Morphological Awareness One Morpheme at a Time: Evidence from Arabic Verbal Morphology*

Mahmoud Azaz, U Arizona—*Effects of Structured Input and Structured Output in Instructed Second Language Acquisition of Morphosyntactic Intricacies: The Case of Agreement Asymmetry in Arabic*

Riyad Alhomsy, U Texas Austin—*Effects of Co-Curricular Technology Engagement on Agreement Morphology in Arabic as a Foreign/Second Language*

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5657 Infrastructures of Istanbul: Unearthing the Networks of a Modern City

Organized by **Sarah El-Kazaz**

Chair/Discussant: **Begum Adalet**, Cornell U

Amy Mills, U South Carolina—*Dismantling the Infrastructure of Occupation*

Nurcin Ileri, Université Grenoble Alpes, LARHRA—*A Switchboard Saga: Electrical Network(s) in Istanbul from Empire to Nation-State (1910-1937)*

Sarah El-Kazaz, Oberlin Col—*Remaking Property: Infrastructure, Affect, Geopolitics and Evolving Property Rights in Istanbul*

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Room TBA

5661 Fantasy and Imagination in Classical Persian Literature: Representation of Science, Illusion, and Nature in Context

Organized by **Kamran Talattof**

Chair: **Kamran Talattof**, U Arizona

Sajedah Hosseini, U Arizona—*Imagined Philosophy: Animal Symbolism in Attar's Poetry*

Kamran Talattof, U Arizona—*Faith, Facts, and Fantasy: Nezami's Various Portrayal of the Story of Ascension*

Gianni Izzo, U Arizona—*Sacred Botany of the 'Alam al-Mithal: A Survey of Harmal from the Vedas to the Shi'a Imami Traditions*

Shahram Parastesh, U Arizona—*The Gentle Winds: Time, Space, and Nature in Classical Persian Poetry*

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5685 Transitional Spaces and Liminal Figures: Performing Iranian Modernities

Organized by **Leila Pourtavaf**

Golbarg Rekabtalaei, Seton Hall U—*Cosmopolitan Tehran and the Shaping of the Urban "Modern Woman," 1920s-1950s*

Ida Meftahi, U Maryland—*(Geo)Political Tumults and Leisurely Spaces in Lalehzar-Tehran, 1900-1926*

Leila Pourtavaf, NYU—*Labor, Intimacy and Power: The Servant Class of Gulistan Harem in Late Qajar Iran*

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Room TBA

5721 Displacement, Resistance, and War

Chair: **Timothy Schorn**, U South Dakota

Esha Momeni, UCLA—*The Messianic Generation: Current Politics of Mourning Rituals in Iran*

Isabel Käser, SOAS U London—*'Irade' – or Obtaining 'the Will to Resist' in the Kurdistan Women's Liberation Movement*

Natalie -Towe, Concordia U and **Maha Tazi**, Concordia U—*Victims of Gender-Based Violence or Victims of War? An Intersectional Analysis of Representations of Syrian Refugee Women*

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Shirin Saeidi, U Arkansas—*“It Will Not Be Easy, but You Can Be Strong:” Martyrdom and Gendered Strategies for Cultivating Resilience in Contemporary Iran*

Lewis Turner, Arnold Bergstraesser Inst—*Syrian Refugee Men as Objects of Humanitarianism*

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5737 Gender Trials in MENA I

Chair: **Angel M. Foster**, U Ottawa

Dawn Chatty, U Oxford—*A Curious Twist: Transnational Women’s Lives between Oman and the UAE*

Angelica Maria DeAngelis, American U Kuwait—*The Moudawana Syndrome: Discourse and Popular Culture in Zakia Tahri’s Number One (2004)*

Nehal Elmeligy, U Illinois Urbana-Champaign—*Making Cairene Roads Less Travelled: Consequences of Egypt’s 2016 IMF Loan on Women’s Mobility*

Bader Mousa Al-Saif, Kuwait U—*“Religions Are Not Limited to Men Only!” Islamic Feminism in Saudi Arabia*

Zakia Salime, Rutgers U New Brunswick—*Gender and Land Grab in Morocco*

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5759 Occupational Challenges and Hazards in the West Bank

Chair: **Richard Cahill**, Berea Col

Maya Rosenfeld, Hebrew U—*The Role of the Palestinian Prisoners’ Movement as a Vanguard of the National Movement in the OPT: Past and Present*

Paul Kohlbry, Johns Hopkins U—*Settler Capital and the Temporalities of Palestinian Land Politics*

Joshua Stacher, Kent State U—*Questioning Strava’s Darkness: GPS, Big Data, and Who’s Running in Palestine*

Sophia Goodfriend, Duke U—*A Street View of Occupation: Google Maps and the Politics of Representation in Hebron*

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5770 Ottoman Politics, Governance, and Authority

Chair: **Carter V. Findley**, Ohio State U

Doga Ozturk, Ohio State U—*Ottoman Orders and Medals in Egypt: Symbols of Ottoman Consciousness, 1841-1909*

Ashley Sanders Garcia, UCLA—*Dependent Power: Ottoman Governors and Algerian Elites in Constantine, 1567-1837*

Gunes Murat Tezcur, U Central Florida and **Yusuf Magiya**, Columbia U—*Provincial Power & Representation: An In-depth Analysis of the Ottoman and Turkish Governors between 1876 and 2014*

Peter Kitlas, Princeton—*Ragusa in the Middle?: Exploring 18th Century Diplomatic Mediations between Morocco and the Ottoman Empire*

Charles Wilkins, Wake Forest U—*Mustafa b. Taha (d. 1681) and the Rise of the Urban Notables of Aleppo*

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3-5pm

Celebrating Scholarship: MESA Book Awards Recipients Discuss Their Work

Recipients of this year’s Hourani, Keddie, and Mernissi prizes engage in a discussion with members of the book-prize selection committee. In the panel the authors will discuss the approaches they took; the challenges they faced in research, writing, and framing their books; and the contributions they have made towards pushing Middle East studies in new directions.

Committee Members

Fred M. Donner, U Chicago
Ellen McLarney, Duke U
Sussan Siavoshi, Trinity U

Awards Recipients

Will be announced via the mobile meeting app. and on a sign near MESA registration following the Awards Ceremony on Friday evening.

SPECIAL SESSION

5790 Special Session-Archive: Endangerment, Ruination and Retrieval

Organized by **Dina Rizk Khoury**, George Washington U, **Omar Sirri**, U Toronto, and **Mezna Qato**, Cambridge U

Sara Farhan, York U
Laila Moustafa, U Illinois
Omar Dewachi, Rutgers U New Brunswick
Khaled Fahmy, Cambridge U

What is the relationship between the stories we tell and the materials with which we use to tell them? Concern with archival practice and theory has grown exponentially in the last decade. In a long century of colonialism, repression, and decimation across the Middle East, disciplinary practices in the humanities and social sciences have been particularly entangled with the question of archival precarity, and the search for paper trails. This special session brings together two historians, a medical anthropologist, and an archivist to consider the challenges to collection, documentation, and preservation, across the region, and what those challenges might tell us about the futures of history-writing, and the limits of current disciplinary methods and practices. This session will ask us to see how endangerment of materials emerges, what happens to materials during and after endangerment, and the vexed, complex, consequences of war, violence, ecological and economic disaster to erasures of data and records. Moreover, how does the disappearance of archives choke capacities for accountability and justice? Omar Dewachi will address the biological afterlives of war, and the possibilities of archiving pathogens and ecological consequences of violence. Sara Farhan will explore the politics and practices of seizure, access, and replevin through an examination of the misadventures of the ISIS Papers, Khaled Fahmy will reflect on the archival challenges to writing a history of the 1967 war, and the conditions of archives under authoritarianism, and Laila Hussein Mustafa will contour the terrains of preservation efforts of endangered materials across the region.

We hope this session will bring to the fore the work of practitioners and scholars who use non-normative approaches to archives, collected or not, state-produced or not, and think through some of the questions emerging from their work, and the ways that work advances both archival theory and practice.

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Room TBA

Roundtable

5437 Doing Palestine while Palestinian: Overcoming the Fragmentation of our Intellectual Diaspora

Organized by **Nadim Bawalsa**

Sponsored by
Palestinian American Research Center

Chair: **Salim Tamari**, IPS

Nadim Bawalsa, Independent Scholar
Amal Egeiq, Williams Col
Manal A. Jamal, James Madison U
Samer Al-Saber, Stanford
Refqa Abu-Remaileh, Freie Universität Berlin

000 5:30-7:30pm

Room TBA

Roundtable

5451 The Gulf Regional Security Complex at 40

Organized by **Matteo Legrenzi** and **Emma Soubrier**

Chair: **Kristian Coates Ulrichsen**, Rice U

Waleed Hazbun, U Alabama
F. Gregory Gause III, Texas A&M U
Sean Foley, Middle Tennessee State U
Matteo Legrenzi, Ca' Foscari U Venice
Fred H. Lawson, Naval Postgraduate School
Emma Soubrier, Arab Gulf States Inst in Washington

000 5:30-7:30pm

Room TBA

5468 Liberal Cinema, Illiberal Reactionism: Organized Laborers, Egyptianness, "Foreigners," and the Secular Faithful

Organized by **Mohannad Ghawanmeh**

Discussant: **Joel Gordon**, U Arkansas

Mario M. Ruiz, Hofstra U—*Seeing and Hearing the Egyptian Labour Corps (1917)*
Mohannad Ghawanmeh, UCLA—*Egyptianness and the Cinema of the Nation, 1896-1934*
Deborah Starr, Cornell U—*Togo Mizrahi, Agent of Exchange*
Heba Arafa Abdelfattah, Georgia Tech—*Negotiating Islam and Modernity in Postwar Egyptian Cinema*

000 5:30-7:30pm

Room TBA

5420 Middle Easterners Mixed In: The Animus, Rhetoric, and Economies and Border Control in/beyond the Middle East

Organized by **Stacy Farenthold**

Chair/Discussant: **Andrew Arsan**, U Cambridge

Stacy Farenthold, UC Davis—*Prayer Rugs in the Desert: Muslim Migrants in U.S.-Mexico Borderlands*

Secil Dagtas, U Waterloo—*Governance through Difference: The Case of Displaced Syrians in Antakya Near Turkey's Border with Syria*

Shana E. Minkin, Sewanee: U of the South—*If You Wish to Employ Englishmen You Must Do So at Your Own Risk...': Hashish, Murder, and Boundary-Making in the Foreign Cemeteries of Alexandria*

David E. Gutman, Manhattanville Col—*States of Siege, Revolutionary Politics, and Border Security in the Hamidian Era Ottoman Empire*

Lily Pearl Balloffet, UC Santa Cruz—*Navigating Exclusion: Middle Eastern Migrants in the 20th Century Caribbean Basin*

5:30-7:30PM Saturday November 16

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Room TBA

5490 Mortals and Afterlives: Social and Political Life of Death

Organized by **Asli Zengin**

Chair: **Asli Zengin**, Brown U

Discussant: **Sima Shakhsari**, U Minnesota

Osman Balkan, Swarthmore Col—*Death in the Diaspora: Migration and the Necropolitics of Belonging*

Nukhet Varlik, Rutgers U Newark—*Governing Bodies and Souls: Death and Burial in Early Modern Ottoman Society*

Denise Gill, Stanford—*Deathwork, Sensory Ethnography, and the Sonic Remnants of Lives Lived*

Asli Zengin, Brown U—*“Cemetery for the Unknown”: A Mortal Topography of Social Margins in Turkey*

Ali Yaycioglu, Stanford—*Inventories of Death: Politics of Post-Mortem Documentality in the Ottoman Empire*

000 5:30-7:30pm

Room TBA

5504 Between Damascus and Delhi: Travelers and Pilgrims in the Early Modern Middle East and Indian Ocean

Organized by **Jyoti G. Balachandran** and **Nir Shafir**

Discussant: **A. Azfar Moin**, U Texas Austin

Jyoti G. Balachandran, Penn State U—*From Nahrawal to Mecca and Istanbul: The Networks of a Muslim Intellectual*

Nir Shafir, UC San Diego—*When is a Travelogue Not a Travelogue? Early Modern Arabic Travelogues in the Ottoman Empire*

Rishad Choudhury, Oberlin Col—*Pilgrim Passages: Tradition and Transition in the South Asian Hajj*

000 5:30-7:30pm

Room TBA

5515 Iranian Intellectual and Political Biographies: Lives on the Left

Organized by **Afshin Matin-Asgari**

Chair: **Afshin Matin-Asgari**, CSU Los Angeles
Discussant: **Negin Nabavi**, Montclair State U

Afshin Matin-Asgari, CSU Los Angeles—*Fatemeh Sayyah: Twentieth-Century Iran's Forgotten Scholar, Public Intellectual and Women's Rights Advocate*

Maziar Behrooz, San Francisco State U—*Hamid Ashraf: Iran's Leading Tactician of Guerrilla Warfare*

Younes Jalali, Independent Scholar—*Taghi Erani (1902-1940) - Pioneering Exponent of Existential Modernization in Iran*

Ali Banuazizi, Boston Col—*Shahrokh Meskoob and His Vision beyond Ideological Boundaries*

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Room TBA

5540 Cultivating Temporal Subjectivities in Turkey

Organized by **Alize Arican**

Chair: **Alize Arican**, U Illinois Chicago

Discussant: **Farha Ghannam**, Swarthmore Col

Aydin Ozipek, Northwestern U—*The Promise of Authenticity in Uncertain Times: Politics of Youth and Temporality in Turkey*

Alize Arican, U Illinois Chicago—*Caring Ahead: Delays and Futures in Tarlabasi, Istanbul*

Deniz Duruiz, Northwestern U—*Sociopolitical Seasons of Kurdish Rural Labor Migration in Turkey*

Zeynep Oguz, Northwestern U—*Contested Futures: Articulating Oil's Temporalities in Turkey's Kurdistan*

000 5:30-7:30pm

Room TBA

5541 Yearnings and Power: Assessing Political Change through Affective Conditions in the Arab World

Organized by **Leila Tayeb**, **Heather Jaber**, **Yakein Abdelmagid**, and **Rayya El Zein**

Discussant: **Tarek El-Ariss**, Dartmouth Col

Hazem Jamjourn, NYU—*An Ethereal Hegemony: Music, Radio and the Conquest of Arab Yearning in Interwar Egypt*

Yakein Abdelmagid, U Penn—*Yearning in Ambivalence: Independent Music Production and Nationalism in Post-Revolution Egypt*

Rayya El Zein, Wesleyan U—*Yearning for Politics: The Aesthetics of Istifzaz in Experimental Arabic Rap*

Heather Jaber, U Penn—*Pleasure in Panic: Restaging the moral panic in Egypt*

Leila Tayeb, Cornell U—*Yearning for (an) Authority: Militia Praise Songs in Post-Gaddafi Libya*

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Room TBA

5548 Youth Activities, Positionality, and Future Aspirations in the Maghreb

Organized by **David Balgley** and **Erin Gould**

Sponsored by

Association of Middle East Children and Youth Studies (AMECYS)

Chair/Discussant: **Dylan Baun**, U Alabama Huntsville

Erin Gould, UC Riverside—*If Not in the Square, Where? Transitions in Place-Making of Youthful Storytelling*

Nada Berrada, Virginia Tech—*Young People Getting By: Contextualizing Everyday Practices of Agency among Moroccan Youth*

David Balgley, Georgetown U—*Youth Aspirations in Rural Morocco: The Case of the Gharb Plain*

Sarah Schwartz, U Texas Austin—*Institutionalization and the Underground in Moroccan Youth Culture*

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Room TBA

5600 Post-1967 Arab Thought beyond the Nahda Paradigm: Epistemological Innovations and Contributions from the Margins

Organized by **Idriss Jebari**

Chair: **Idriss Jebari**, Bowdoin Col

Mohammed Hashas, FSCIRE Foundation for Religious Sciences, Bologna-Palermo—*The Case of Trusteeship Paradigm in Contemporary Arab Thought*

Michaëlle Browsers, Wake Forest U—*Debates over Post-67 Materialist Approaches to the Analysis of Islamic History and the Problem with New/Old Left Historiographies*

Elizabeth Suzanne Kassab, Doha Inst for Graduate Studies—*The Turn of Millennium Tanwir Debates: From Turath Back to Nada*

Yasmeen Daifallah, UC Santa Cruz—*From Decolonial to Post-Decolonial Thought: Revolution and Pedagogy in Abdullah Laroui's Political Thought*

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Room TBA

5614 Conceptualizing the Sahara: Images and Imaginings across Languages and Locations

Organized by **July Blalack** and **Abbass Braham**

Discussant: **Stacy E Holden**, Purdue U

Jill Jarvis, Yale–*Timbuktu/Heremakono:*

Abderrahmane Sissako's Counter-

Cartographies of a Sahara under Threat

July Blalack, SOAS U London–*West of the Sahara before the Western Sahara: "Bilad al-Shinquit" in Precolonial Arabic Sources*

Abbass Braham, U Arizona–*The*

Construction of Zawaya Identity in 19th Century Mauritania

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Room TBA

5649 Not Just Spatial Art: MENA

Graphic Novels

Organized by **Melanie Trexler** and **George Potter**

George Potter, Valparaiso U–*Redrawing the Archive: Leila Abdelrazaq's "Baddawi" and the Reconstruction of Palestinian Visual History*

Lara Tarantini, U Arizona–*Communal Identities and Belonging in Brigitte Findakly's "Poppies of Iraq"*

David Tittensor, Deakin U, Australia–*The Understated Islam of Ms. Marvel and the Issue of Relatability*

Melanie Trexler, Roanoke Col–*Marvel's Ummah: Intra-racism in Jersey City*

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Room TBA

5656 Frontiers of the Nakba: Citizenship, Exclusion, Migration, and Memory after 1948

Organized by **Susann Kassem** and **Annalise DeVries**

Susann Kassem, U Oxford–*"No Mines, No Borders": The Experience of the Nakba in South Lebanese Frontier Communities*

Annalise DeVries, Samford U–

Cosmopolitan Nostalgia: The Nakba, Egyptian Jews, and Forgetting Commercial Migration

Michael J. Reimer, AUC–*"An Inescapable Responsibility": AUC's Position on Palestine and Support for Palestinian Students after the Nakba*

Sreemati Mitter, Brown U–*Financial Dispossession through Law: Israeli Absentee Property Laws*

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Room TBA

5673 Ottoman Armenian Subjectivities: Identity and Image on the Eve of Modernity

Organized by **Armen Manuk-Khaloyan**

Chair: **Mustafa Aksakal**, Georgetown U

Discussant: **Ipek K. Yosmaoglu**, Northwestern U

Hazal Ozdemir, Northwestern U–

Denaturalizing Armenians, Recording Their Photographs: Ottoman State Policies towards Armenian Return Migration, 1888-1915

Armen Manuk-Khaloyan, Georgetown U–*Reimagining the Past: Ottoman Armenians, Public Heritage, and the Politics of the 1913 Jubilee*

Irem Gülersönmez, Birkbeck Col–

Witnessing the Catastrophe: A Case Study of the German Consulate in Erzurum in 1915

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Room TBA

5677 Disability Studies in the Middle East: New Approaches, New Possibilities

Organized by **Sara Scalenghe**

Chair/Discussant: **Jeffrey Culang**, Leibniz-Zentrum Moderner Orient

Halla Attallah, Georgetown U–*Disability Studies and the Qur'an: A Literary Approach to the Icon Polemics in Qur'an 21:51-70*

Vardit Rispler Chaim, U Haifa–*Sexual Disabilities in Islamic Law, Past and Present*

Sara Scalenghe, Loyola U Maryland–*Photography and Disability in the Late Ottoman Empire*

Beverly Tsacoyianis, U Memphis–*From Patient to Survivor: Enriching Palestinian and Israeli Psychiatric History through Disability Studies Approaches*

Christine Sargent, U Colorado Denver–*Uncertain Passage: Care and Disability in Contemporary Jordan*

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Room TBA

Thematic Conversation

5716 Everyday Life of Sectarianism in the Middle East: Ambivalent Articulations of "Sectarian" Difference and the "Other"

Organized by **Jenna Rice Rahaim** and **Yasemin Ipek**

Session Leaders: **Jenna Rice Rahaim**,

Macalester Col and **Yasemin Ipek**, Stanford U

Sumaiya A. Hamdani, George Mason U

Jean-Michel Landry, Carleton U

Sarah Tobin, Chr. Michelsen Inst

Simon Mabon, Lancaster U

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Room TBA

5738 Gender Trials in MENA II

Chair: **Dima Ayoub**, Middlebury Col

Amal Amireh, George Mason U–*Heroic Contestations: Palestinian Masculinity in Post-Oslo Literature*

Ana Ghoreishian, U Arizona–*Claiming Queerness and Queering Nationalism:*

Locating Fereydoun Farrokhzad in Cyberspace

Alainna Liloia, U Arizona–*Gender Reform and Representation in Contemporary Saudi Arabia*

Mariam Rahmani, UCLA–*What Is Agency? Or, Is Agency Masculine in Modern Iranian Feminisms?*

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Room TBA

5741 Society and Identity in Kuwait

Chair: **Katrien Vanpee**, U Minnesota

Anwar Alsaad, Kuwait U–*Narrative*

Formation of Identity: A Study of Self-Narration and Representation of Minorities in the Modern Kuwaiti Novel

Inas Mahfouz, American U Kuwait–*Metadiscourse Markers in First Year Writing: A Cross Cultural Study*

Shaikhah Almubarakhi, Kuwait U–*Building Kuwaiti Nationalism through Televised Urbanism*

Abrar Alshammari, Georgetown U–*Citizen-State Contestations in Kuwait's Creative Sector*

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Fahed Al-Sumait, Gulf U for Science and Technology, Kuwait–*Evaluating Kuwait’s Digital Ecosystem: The Prospects and Pitfalls of Technological Transformation*

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Room TBA

5780 Democratization and Development in the Contemporary Middle East

Chair: **Gamze Cavdar**, Colorado State U

Golrokh Niazi, U Ottawa–*Reversing the Cooptation Argument: The Relevance of State-Affiliated Civil Society*

Benjamin Schuetze, U Freiburg–*US and European ‘Democracy Promotion’ Interventions in Jordan: The Reinforcement of Authoritarian Rule and Acts of Resistance*
Gizem Zencirci, Providence Col and
Catherine Herrold, Indiana U–*Project Think: A Critical Perspective on NGOs, Development, and Democracy in the Middle East*

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Room TBA

5787 Identities and Exclusions in the Contemporary Middle East

Chair: **Sena Karasipahi**, Texas A&M U

Doug Jones, Loyola U Chicago–*Public Opinion on Wasta and the Shaping of Jordanian Political Attitudes*

Chris Nickell (they/them), NYU–*Race and Difference in Beirut-Based Battle Rap*
David DiMeo, Western Kentucky U–*Nubian Identity in the Novels of Idris Ali*
Eline Rosenhart, Tel Aviv U–*The Politics of Identity and Exclusion in Sudan: From Independence to the 2018-19 Uprising*
Ahmed Mitiche, U Michigan–*From Colonial Divide Et Impera to the War on Terror: A Case Study on the Racialized Muslim Subject in the Moroccan Hirak al-Rif*

000 5:30-7:30pm

Room TBA

5747 Medieval Islamic History and Thought

Chair: **Christian Mauder**, Yale

Brian J. Ulrich, Shippensburg U–*The Qualities of a Sayyid: A Case of Bedouin Ideals and Cultural Construction in the Ninth Century*

Rachel T. Howes, CSU Northridge–*The Great Crisis: The Political, Environmental, Intellectual, and Social Dimensions of the Egyptian Famine and Civil War of 1058-1074CE*

Elaine van Dalen, Columbia U–*Should Physicians Theorize? Ibn Rushd’s Redefinition of the Medical Discipline*

Kaveh Niazi, Stanford Online High School–*Rhetoric and Power: Political Expediency in Tusi’s Risala-yi Muiniya*

Tamer El-Leithy, Johns Hopkins U–*The Various Traces of Moral Regulation: New Evidence on the Damascus Fire of 1340*

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Room TBA

5760 Society and Identity in Jordan

Chair: **Pete W. Moore**, Case Western Reserve U

Aseel Sawalha, Fordham U–*Women and War and the Remaking of Amman’s Urban Landscapes*

Miriam Bohn, Friedrich-Alexander U Erlangen-Nürnberg–*The Uninvited Guest? Assessing the Impact of Decentralization on Elite Networks in Jordan*

Jamil Wekhian, Kent State U–*Scoring the Jordanian-Palestinian Identity-Driven Conflict: How Football Rivalry Continues to Shape the Jordanian-Palestinian Identity*

Lilian Tauber, Durham U–*Rising Tide or Alluring Mirage: The Status of Jordan’s Social Enterprises*

Matthew Lacouture, Wayne State U–*Assembling Power: Neoliberalism and Youth-Labor Alliance in Jordan (2002-2012)*

8:30-10:30AM Sunday November 17

TODAY'S AFFILIATED MEETINGS

8-9:15am

Middle East Studies Journal Editors Meeting

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Middle East Studies Journal Editors Workshop

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Room TBA

5402 Breaking Boundaries or Entrenching Old Ones? Post-Arab Spring Experiences of Women and Political Representation

Organized by **Rola El-Husseini** and **Sarah Tobin**

Chair/Discussant: **Homa Hoodfar**, Concordia U

Rola El-Husseini, Lund U—*Theorizing State Feminism in the Arab World after the 2011 Uprisings*

Gail Buttorff, U Houston—*It's in the Blood: The Effect of Dynastic Rule on the Substance of Gender Quotas*

Sarah Tobin, Chr. Michelsen Inst—*Female MPs, Wasta, and the Role of Protest in Post-Arab Spring Jordan*

Mona Tajali, Agnes Scott Col—*From 'Gender Equality' to 'Gender Justice': Bargaining for Women's Political Representation in Iran and Turkey*

000 8:30-10:30am

Room TBA

5482 Servet-i Fünun: New Media, Hybrids and Modernity

Organized by **Burcu Karahan**

Fatih Altug, Istanbul Sehir U—*Motion, Body and Intermediality: Reading Tevfik Fikret's "La Danse Serpentine" and Halit Ziya's "Mosyo Kanguru"*

Burcu Karahan, Stanford—*A Novel of Hybrid Lives and Hybrid Narratives: Safveti Ziya's "In the Corners of Salons" (1888-9)*

Esra Tasdelen, North Central Col—*Wandering among Thorns and Roses: Themes and Modes of Narration in Ahmet Hikmet Müftüoğlu's 'Haristan ve Gülistan'*

Zeynep Seviner, Bilkent U—*Registering the Self: Photography, Memory and Autobiographic Writing in Servet-i Fünun*

000 8:30-10:30am

Room TBA

Roundtable

5517 Africa and Africans in Ottoman/Turkish Studies: Past, Present, Future

Organized by **Michael Ferguson**

Michael Ferguson, Concordia U
Ezgi Cakmak, U Penn
Mostafa Minawi, Cornell U & AUB
Ezgi Guner, U Illinois Urbana Champaign
Aysegul Kayagil, The New School

000 8:30-10:30am

Room TBA

5546 Policing, Populism, and Authoritarianism in Modern Turkey

Organized by **Betul Eksi**

Chair: **Hayal Akarsu**, Brandeis U
 Discussant: **Elif Babul**, Mount Holyoke Col

Hayal Akarsu, Brandeis U—*Afterlives of Police Reform: Informing, Complicity, and Citizen-Police*

Betul Eksi, U Ottawa—*Enforcers of Law or Protectors of (Dis)order?: Strongman Politics and Security Overhaul in Turkey*

000 8:30-10:30am

Room TBA

5607 Mobility as Method: Mapping Entanglements between the Gulf and the Indian Ocean

Organized by **Lindsey Stephenson** and **Ahmed AlMaazmi**

Chair/Discussant: **Fahad A. Bishara**, U Virginia

Matthew MacLean, Independent

Scholar—*Migration and the Making of the UAE Nation & State*

Ahmed AlMaazmi, Princeton—*Oman as an Empire: Transoceanic Mobilities and Legacies in the Western Indian Ocean*

Lindsey Stephenson, Princeton—*Oceanic Mobility and the Shaping of Twentieth-Century Gulf Towns*

Mansur al-sharida, U Arkansas—*The Qusman Traders in the Indian Ocean: Economic, Political and Cultural Impact, 1820-1938*

000 8:30-10:30am

Room TBA

5617 Scandinavian Emigration to the Islamic Caliphate

Organized by **Ümit Necef**

Organized under the auspices of
University of Southern Denmark

Ümit Necef, U Southern Denmark—*"I Was After Something I Could Identify With" – An Islamic State Warrior Tells His Story*

Henriette Frees Esholdt, Lund U—*"Completely Ordinary Girl!": Firsthand Narrative from a Swedish Syrian Traveler Who Joined Islamic State*

000 8:30-10:30am

Room TBA

5642 Networks of Knowledge and Connectivity in the Early Modern Mediterranean and the Near East

Organized by **Emire Cihan Yuksel**

Samet Budak, U Michigan—*Reframing Intellectual History of the Eastern Mediterranean in the Late Middle Ages: Intellectual Networks and Epistemological Commonalities*

Emire Cihan Yuksel, U Houston—*Fifteenth Century Ottoman-Mamluk Networks: Trade and Knowledge*

Ertugrul Okten, Istanbul 29 Mayıs U—*A 14th Century Scholar in Mecca: Imam al-Yafi'i (d. 768/1367) and His Circle*

Abdurrahman Atcil, Istanbul Sehir U—*The Kanun Laws and Sharia Courts in Egypt during the Mamluk-Ottoman Transition (1517-1524)*

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Room TBA

Roundtable

5648 Speculative Urban Futures

Organized by **Deen Sharp**

Huma Gupta, MIT

Deen Sharp, MIT

Sarah El-Kazaz, Oberlin Col

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Room TBA

5650 The Egyptian Landscape: New Insights on Agrarian and Rural Trends in the Late Medieval and Early Modern Periods

Organized by **Muhammad Shaaban**

Anthony T. Quickel, Philipps-Universität Marburg—*Using Nature and Open Spaces in Mamluk Cairo*

Greg Williams, Bonn U—*‘Clay of Wisdom’: Archaeological Approaches to the Study of the Medieval Egyptian Landscape*

Stuart Borsch, Assumption Col—*Systems Ratio Analysis for the Comparison of Apples and Oranges*

Muhammad Shaaban, Queen Mary, U London—*Counting Feddans and Dinars in Mamluk Egypt: Exploring New Trends through Data*

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Room TBA

5662 Psychoanalysis, Colonialism and Cultural Critique in the Maghreb

Organized by **Thoraya Tlatli**

Chair/Discussant: **Dina Al-Kassim**, U British Columbia

Stefania Pandolfo, UC Berkeley—*The Vertigo of History*

Nouri Gana, UCLA—*The Colonial Unconscious and Affective Critique*

Omar Berrada, Cooper Union—*Drawing the Dreams of History*

Thoraya Tlatli, UC Berkely—*Memory and the Unconscious in Kateb Yacine, Mohammed Dib and Nabile Fares*

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Room TBA

5698 US War in Iraq: A Discursive Analysis of Power Relations through Visual Culture, Ethnography, and Literary Representation

Organized by **Yusef K. Baker**, **Zainab Saleh**, **Khaled Al Hilli**, and **Dena Al-Adeeb**

Chair: **Zahra Ali**, Rutgers U

Dena Al-Adeeb, UC Davis—*The Architecture of War: The U.S. Invasion of Iraq and Its Cultural Engineering Project*

Khaled Al Hilli, Graduate Center CUNY—

Fiction of War: Contemporary American Literature about Iraq and the Memory Industry
Zainab Saleh, Haverford Col—*Home, Authenticity, and Economic Precarity among the Iraqi Diaspora*

Yusef K. Baker, CSU Long Beach—*The Political Economy of Muslim Racialization in the American Invasion of Iraq*

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Room TBA

5704 (Dis)Assembling the Subject in Middle East Studies: Materialities of Resistance

Organized by **Ali Ugurlu**

Chair: **Timothy Mitchell**, Columbia U
Discussant: **Nasser Abourahme**, NYU

Mattin Biglari, SOAS U London—*Subjectivity in the “City of Science”: Expertise, Labor and the Technopolitics of the Abadan Refinery, c. 1939-51*
Peter Lagerqvist, Columbia U—*Auto-Intifada: Accidental Agency and the Narrative of Things*

Rana Baker, Columbia U—*Railway Delinquents: Subjectivity and Delinquency in World War I Egypt*

Hengameh Ziai, Columbia U—*From Mahdists to Peasants: The Corporation and Colonial Power in the Gezira Scheme in Sudan*
Ali Ugurlu, Columbia U—*Technics and Subjects: Rethinking Secularity at the Turn of the 20th Century Ottoman World*

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Room TBA

5744 Islamist Politics and Mobilization

Chair: **Martin Kear**, U Sydney

Raihan Ismail, Australian National U—*Rethinking Salafism: Transnational Networks of Salafi ‘Ulama*

Arran Walshe, NYU—*Sealed with a Thumbprint: The Epistemology and Poetics of a Martyrdom Contract*

Ahmad Kindawi, Rowan U—*A New Synthesis: Saudi Salafism and the Contested Ideologies of Muhammad Surūr*

Emy Matesan, Wesleyan U—*Organizational Change and the Politics of Exile: Ennahdha and the Egyptian Muslim Brotherhood*

Sumita Pahwa, Scripps Col—*Remaking Emotional Selves and Communities: Narratives of Islamist Mobilization in Morocco and Egypt*

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Room TBA

5752 Colonialism, Islamic Law, and Gender

Chair: **Marya Hannun**, Georgetown U

Hassanally Ladha, U Connecticut—*Islamic Law and the Postcolonial State*

Josie Hendrickson, U Alberta—*Go Ahead and Lie to Me: French-Sponsored Taqiyya in Colonial Mauritania*

Katrina E. Yeaw, U Arkansas Little Rock—*Colonialism Remembered: Libyan History in Women’s Imagination*

Ari Tolany, U Texas Austin—*Conflict or Collaboration? Discourses on the Shariat Application Act (1937) and the Dissolution of Muslim Marriages Act (1939)*

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Room TBA

5756 Zionism and the Palestinians: Violence and Co-Existence

Chair: **Yaron Ayalon**, Col of Charleston

Shay Hazkani, U Maryland—*Pan-Arabism and ‘Pan-Judaism’ in the Mobilization of Volunteers for the War in Palestine, 1947-1949*

Liora R. Halperin, U Washington – *Capitalist “Coexistence” and the Politics of Apoliticism: Zionist Memories of Arab Labor after 1948*

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Room TBA

5761 Labor, Class, and Gender in Iran

Chair: **John Ghazvinian**, U Penn

Vahid Vahdat, Texas A&M U—*An Erotics of Exchange: Civic Sites for (Gendered) Public Mourning in Yazd, Iran*

Zep Kalb, UCLA—*Has Iran Become a More Meritocratic Society? New Findings on the Effect of the 1979 Revolution on Intergenerational Class Mobility*

Peyman Jafari, Princeton—*"In the Name of the God of the Oppressed": Labor and Political Contestation in Iran, 1979-1989*

Maral Karimi, U Toronto—*Birth of a Political Alternative: The Case of Haft Tapeh Sugarcane Factory Workers' Strikes in Iran*

M. Stella Morgana, Leiden U—*Appropriating Workers' Grievances through Populist Narratives in Iran: Shifting Discursive Strategies from Khomeini to Ahmadinejad (1979-2009)*

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5786 Archiving and Memory

Chair: **Elise Salem**, Lebanese American U

Zohreh Soltani, Binghamton U—*The Prison of Time: Tehran's Qasr Prison Museum as a Transfunctional Monument*

Tamar Sella, Harvard—*Preservation and Erasure: Ambivalent Encounters within the National Sound Archive of Israel*

Alyeh Mehin, U Arizona—*Adl-e Khomeini (Former Adl-e Pahlavi): Rediscovering Street Names in Mashhad*

Wisam Alshaibi, UCLA and **Rebecca Whiting**—*The Dark Archive of the Wars in Iraq: Introducing the Kanan Makiya Papers*

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5788 Society, Culture, and the Economy in the Late Ottoman Empire

Chair: **Fariba Zarinebaf**, UC Riverside

Ahmet Yusuf Yuksek, NYU—*Sufis and the Sufi Lodges in Istanbul in the Late 19th Century: A Spatial Analysis*

Onursal Erol, U Chicago—*In-Transit: Women's Publics and Urban Transportation in Ottoman Istanbul*

Naz Yucel, George Washington U—*Ottoman Political Economy in the Hamidian Era: The Writings and the Career of Sakizli Ohannes Pasha*

Ozde Celiktemel-Thomen, Middle East Technical U—*Cinema and Entertainment in Imperial Istanbul*

Ceren Abi, UCLA—*Entertainment in Times of War: Istanbul during World War I*

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5455 The Figuration of Elites during the Mamluk Period: Fresh Approaches
Organized by **Anna Kollatz**

Chair/Discussant: **Stephan Conermann**, U Bonn

Florian Saalfeld, U Bonn—*The Awlad al-Nas and Their Agency: Tracing a Neglected Elite*

Christian Mauder, Yale—*The Participation of Mamluks in Arabo-Islamic Scholarship: How Did it Develop, and Why Did it Take Place at All?*

Mohammad Gharaibeh, U Bonn—*When Intellectual and Political Collide. The Rise and Fall of the Muqaddima of Ibn al-Salah (d. 643/1245) in Damascus under the Mamluks*

Anna Kollatz, U Bonn—*A Son of the Mamluks Writes History: Locating Ibn Iyas al-Hanafi*

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5476 Education, Gender, and Modernity: Islamic and Secular Schooling in the Middle East and France

Organized by **Dahlia El Zein**

Chair: **Ami Ayalon**, Tel Aviv U

Dahlia El Zein, U Penn—*Revisiting State Feminism: Education and Gender in the United Arab Republic 1958-1961*

Amina Tawasil, Columbia U—*The Howzevi (Seminar) Women in Iran: Constituting and Reconstituting Paths*

Afaf Khoshman (Alkhashman), Columbia U—*Socialization and Societal Change-Families Negotiating Changing Education Environment-Al-Rawda Jordan*

Carine Bourget, U Arizona—*How Can One Be a Muslim French? Religious Studies in Muslim Schools in France*

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5498 Contested Modes of Islamic Leadership

Organized by **John Walbridge**

Chair: **John Walbridge**, Indiana U

SeyedAmir Asghari, Indiana U—*Qādī Ṭabāṭabā'ī as a (Hidden) Sufi Master in the Shi'a Seminary*

Neset Ulusal, Indiana U Bloomington—*A Shaykh in the Ottoman Palace: Ismail Haqqi Bursawi's Struggle against Moral Decline, Corruption, and Injustice*

Andi Herawati, Indiana U Bloomington—*Sufi Women in America: Innovation and Adaptation in Muslim's Spirituality Today*

Alexander Shepard, Indiana U Bloomington—*Intra-Shi'ite Polemics in Kulayni's "Usul Al-Kafi"*

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Room TBA

5464 Property, Sovereignty and Citizenship Practices in the Middle East

Organized by **Seda Altug**

Chair/Discussant: **Hiba Bou Akar**, Columbia U

Samuel Dolbee, Harvard—*'Is It Now That We Are Inventing Such Things?' Ethnicity and Sedentarization in the Late Ottoman Jazira*

Nada Moutaz, U Toronto—*Solidere, Waqfs, and the Reproduction of the Lebanese Muslim Sunni Sect*

Seda Altug, Boğaziçi U—*Conflict over Land and Sectarianism in Syria under the French Mandate*

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5486 Islamic Media and Political Futures

Organized by **Hatim El-Hibri**, **Yasmin Moll**, and **Narges Bajoghli**

Chair: **Narges Bajoghli**, Johns Hopkins U
Discussant: **Aaron Rock-Singer**, U Wisconsin-Madison

Hatim El-Hibri, George Mason U—*The Mediatization of Islam: Hizbullah's Mleeta Museum, Verticality, and Contemporaneity*

Narges Bajoghli, Johns Hopkins U—*Iranian Regime Media: Islam, Nationalism, and Political Control*

Yasmin Moll, U Michigan—*Sovereign Categories: The Concept of Islamic Media in the Arab Postcolony*

Marwan M. Kraidy, U Penn—*"Islamic State" Media and the Age of Pyropolitics*

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Room TBA

5501 A Racialized Modern: Race as a Category of Analysis throughout Modern Middle East Histories

Organized by **Chelsie May**

Discussant: **Eve Troutt**, U Penn

Chelsie May, U Chicago—*"What Kind of Agreement Was Even Possible": Zionist Imperial Whiteness, the Iraqi Communist Party, and the Disparate Future of Iraq's Jews*

Elise Burton, U Cambridge—*An African Gene? Discovering Sickle Cell Disease in the Middle East*

Maha Nassar, U Arizona—*Mahmoud Darwish's "Letters to a Negro": Transnational Connections and the Logics of Racialized Oppression*

Sarah Gualtieri, U Southern California—*Race in Early 20th Century Arab Amairka*

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5554 Gazetteers for Digital Geographical Research on the Historical Middle East

Organized by **David Joseph Wrisley**

Chair: **Nora Barakat**, NYU Abu Dhabi

Discussant: **Maxim Romanov**, U Vienna

Sinai Rusinek, Haifa U—*Kima Goes South: Judeo Arabic Sources for a Historical Gazetteer*

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Will Hanley, Florida State U—*Representing Ottoman Administrative Hierarchies using Ontologies*

David Joseph Wrisley, NYU Abu Dhabi—*Open Gulf: Collating the Imperial Knowledge of Historical Gazetteers of Arabia*

Antonis Hadjikyriacou, Boğaziçi U—*Working towards an Ottoman Gazetteer*

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5556 Refugees and the State in the Middle East

Organized by **Gerasimos Tsourapas**

Chair: **Stacy Fahrenthold**, UC Davis
Discussant: **Lillian Frost**, George Washington U

Kelsey P. Norman, Rice U—*Publicly Condemn, Privately Permit: Institutional Forbearance and De Facto Integration in Middle East and North African Host States*
Sussan Siavoshi, Trinity U—*Foreign and Refugee Policies: Comparative Studies of Iran and Pakistan*

Gerasimos Tsourapas, U Birmingham—*The Refugee Rentier State and the Commodification of Displacement in the Middle East*

Matt Buehler, U Tennessee—*AIDS Anxieties: A New Explanation for Opposition to Refugees and Migrants in North Africa*

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Roundtable

5571 “Keef Halak, Y’all!” Middle Eastern Diasporas in the U.S. South: A Roundtable on Oral History, Archives and Community

Organized by **Elizabeth Saylor**

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Chair: **Akram Khater**, North Carolina State U

Gregory Gormanous, LSU Alexandria
Maria F. Curtis, U Houston—Clear Lake
Ruth Ann Skaff, Arab American National Museum

Rosemarie M. Esber, Independent Scholar
Elizabeth Saylor, Middlebury Col

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5581 Palestine through Its Landscape: Memory, Invention and Continuity in the Arts

Organized by **María Gómez López** and **Danae Fonseca**

Chair: **Joan Grandjean**, U Geneva

Discussant: **Javier Guirado**, Georgia State U

Samirah Alkassim, George Mason U—*Landscape, Erasure, and Representation as Agential in Palestinian Cinema*

Riccardo Legena, U Bern—*Emily Jacir’s “Stazione” at the First Palestinian Pavilion – The Predictably Unrealizable Typographic Landscaping of Palestinian and Arab History in Venice*

Alessandra Amin, UCLA—*Dystopian Immediacy in the Landscapes of Samira Badran c. 1977*

María Gómez López, Universidad Complutense de Madrid—*A Latent Landscape*

Danae Fonseca, Autonomous U Madrid—*Gendering the Palestinian Landscape*

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5594 Margins, Marginals, and Marginalities in the Late Ottoman Empire

Organized by **Canan Bolel**

Chair/Discussant: **Neveser Koker**, Arizona State U

Amaan Merali, U Oxford—*Righting Wrongs in Late Ottoman Syria: Ismaili Petitions to the Sultan in the Second Constitutional Era*

Sebnem Yucel, MEF U, Istanbul—*Marginal Spaces/Sheltering the Marginals: Izmir’s Cortijos*

Canan Bolel, U Washington—*Jewish Body, Jewish Quarter, Jewish Disease: Cholera Epidemics in Late Ottoman Izmir*

Nefise Kahraman, U Toronto—*Nerves on the Loose: Female Nervousness in Halid Ziya Usakligil’s Early Novels*

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5596 Mapping Exchange: Dialogues between Cairo, Baghdad, and Beirut
Organized by **Haytham Bahooora** and **Dina A. Ramadan**

Chair/Discussant: **Samah Selim**, Rutgers U

Amir Moosavi, Rutgers U Newark—*Even Now, Another World is Possible: The Journal al-Badil’s Fight for Liberation in Iraq and Beyond*

Dina A. Ramadan, Bard Col—*Conversations with Baghdad: Ahmed Morsi and the Iraq Influence*

Haytham Bahooora, U Toronto—*On Peripheral Nahdas: Jamil Sidqi al-Zahawi and the Question of Women’s Liberation*

Yasmine Ramadan, U Iowa—*Al-Tali’a: Visions of the Arab Cultural Field*

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5598 The Aftermath of Reforms: Health, Medicine, and Care in Contemporary Turkey
Organized by **Seda Saluk**

Discussant: **Chris Dole**, Amherst Col

Oyman Basaran, Bowdoin Col—*Neoliberalism, Inequalities, and Healthcare in Turkey*

Seda Saluk, U Massachusetts Amherst—*Medical Surveillance, Reproductive Privacy, and the (Un)Making of the Liberal Subject in Turkey*

Alaz Kilicaslan, U Wisconsin—*Whitewater—Shadow Health: African-Origin Immigrants Navigating the Healthcare Sphere in Turkey*

Hatice Nilay Erten, Yale—*Reproduction, Health and Care in “Mother-Friendly” Turkey*

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5622 Rethinking Contention: Economic Policies and Struggles for Social Justice in Jordan

Organized by **Sara Ababneh**

Jose Ciro Martinez, U Cambridge—*Ambiguities of Stateness: Marginalization and Claim-Making in the Jordanian South*

Sara Ababneh, U Jordan—*The People Want Economic Sovereignty*

Yazan Doughan, Brandeis U—*Wasta, Rule of Law, and the Ambivalences of Social Justice in Jordan*

Colin Powers, Johns Hopkins SAIS—*The Political Economy of a Lower Middle Income Trap: Jordan's Development Policy in the 21st Century*

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5635 Women as Patrons and Producers of the Islamic Sciences

Organized by **Mirjam Kuenkler**

Chair: **Behnam Sadeghi**, Oxford U

Discussant: **Roy P. Mottahedeh**, Harvard

Yasmin Amin, Exeter U—*Umm Salamah: A Female Authority Legitimizing the Authorities*

Yusuf Unal, Emory U—*Princesses, Patronage, and the Production of Knowledge in Safavid Iran*

Edith Szanto, American U Iraq, Sulaimani—*The 'Alimat of Sayyida Zaynab: Female Shi'i Religious Authority in a Syrian Seminary*

Mirjam Kuenkler, NIAS—*Women Islamic Scholars and Jurists in Shi'i Lands*

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Room TBA

5654 Migration and Statebuilding in the Interwar Middle East

Organized by **Bradley Walker Hutchison**

Discussant: **Nilay Ozok-Gundogan**, Florida State U

Sibel Karakoc, Binghamton U—*Global Trade Networks: The Impact of Turkish-American Tobacco Trade on the Settlement of the Greco-Turkish Population Exchange Refugees in Turkey*

Timur Saitov, Binghamton U—*Turning Migrants into Refugees in the Post-WWI Middle East: Russian Expatriates*

Bradley Walker Hutchison, Binghamton U—*Education, Empire, and Migration at the American University of Beirut*

Burak Basaranlar, Binghamton U—*When Neighbors Become Aggressors: Local Tensions and the Role of Civilians in the Expulsion of Jews from Thrace in 1934*

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5665 The Qajar Empire

Organized by **Arash Khazeni**

Chair: **Ali Gheissari**, U San Diego

Discussant: **Mimi Hanaoka**, U Richmond

Arash Khazeni, Pomona Col—*The Fortressed City: Space and Sovereignty in the Durrani Kingdom of Afghanistan, Circa 1817*

Farzin Vejdani, Ryerson U—*Seeking Refuge in Qum, 'The Abode of Faith': Between Qajar Imperial Law and Shari'ah*

Assef Ashraf, U Cambridge—*Loyalty, Leadership, and the Formation of Qajar Iran*

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Roundtable

5684 The Arabic Classroom: Challenges and Opportunities

Organized by **Mbaye Lo**, Duke U

Chair: **Mbaye Lo**, Duke U

David DiMeo, Western Kentucky U

Hanada Al-Masri, Denison U

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5725 Egyptian Social History: The Nineteenth and Twentieth Centuries

Chair: **Jenna Rice Rahaim**, Macalester Col

Omar Foda, Independent Scholar—*The Delenda Affair: How Beer Helps Explain Sadat's Egypt*

Hussam R. Ahmed, U Cambridge—*Revisiting the Egyptian Kuttab: Some Thoughts on the Struggle for the Mastery of Classical Arabic*

Akram Beniamin, Henley Business School, UK—*The Structure of Egyptian Capitalism, 1923-1948: New Evidence using the Interlocking Directorates Technique*

Walid Ghali, Aga Khan U—*A Newly Discovered Letter by Sheikh Muhammad Abduh (d.1905) Brings Insight into His Political Participation after the Urabi Revolution*

Li Xiaoyue, U Michigan—*Usurpers of Modernity: Railway Robbery and Thievery in 1880s Egypt*

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Room TBA

5728 Eco-Criticism I

Chair: **Gretchen Head**, Yale-NUS Col

Chip Rossetti, Library of Arabic Literature—*The Reassertion of Nature in Isma'il Fahd Isma'il's al-Sabiliyyat and Diya' Jubaili's La Tawahin Hawa' fi l-Basra*

Ayse Nal Akcay, U Washington—*Why Urban Diaspora Matters for the Protection of the Rivers in Turkey?*

Çagdas Dedeoglu, Center for Critical Research on Religion—*Unpacking the Relationship among Dogmatism, Environmental Attitudes and Political Ideology in Turkey*

Carly Krakow, London School of Economics and Political Science—*The International Law and Politics of Water Access: Experiences of Displacement, Statelessness, and Armed Conflict in the Modern Middle East*

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Room TBA

5731 Contemporary Politics in Syria and Iraq

Chair: **David Siddhartha Patel**, Brandeis U

Jihan Mohammed, Michigan State U—*Sectarian Discrimination in Iraq: An Empirical Study on Arab Sunnis and Arab Shiites in Iraq*

Keiko Sakai, Chiba U—*Transformation of the "Source of the Fame" in the Eyes of Political Blocs in Post-2003 Elections in Iraq*

Joseph Kotinsky, U Texas Austin—*The Road to Baghdad Runs through Washington: An Examination of the Supreme Council for Islamic Revolution's Relationship with the United States*

Fernando Brancoli, U Rio de Janeiro, Brazil—*Narratives of Nonpolitical Reconstruction: BRICs Role in Post-Conflict Syria*

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Mona Elswah, Oxford Internet Inst–*The Evolution of Arab Online Opposition: The Case of Syria*

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5768 Modern Ethnic and Religious Minorities I

Chair: **Marwan D. Hanania**, UC Berkeley

Aghil Daghighaleh, Rutgers U–*The Genesis of Refusal: The Colonial Encounter and Modalities of Resistance among Arab Communities of Khuzestan in the 18th and 19th Centuries*

Pascal Abidor, McGill U–*Revisiting the Shi'i Experience under Ottoman Rule: The Political and Economic Lives of the al-Amin Family in Jabal 'Amil*

Andrew Wickersham, U Arizona–*Turkey's Ambivalent Minority: Situating the Alevis within Çağaptay's Hierarchy of Turkishness*

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5778 Social and Cultural Formations in Colonial North Africa

Chair: **Chris Rominger**, U North Florida

Hicham Chami, Columbia U–*Marketing the "Music of Morocco": The Evolution of the Bowles Project*

Ahmad Agbaria, U Texas Austin–*Politics of Decolonization: The Case of Mohammad Abid Al-Jabiri*

Daniel Williford, U Michigan–*Revisiting the Figure of the "Laboratory" in Morocco's Colonial History*

Martin Bunton, U Victoria–*Demarcating the Egyptian-Sudanese Border, 1899-1902*

Elizabeth Matsushita, U Illinois–*An Ambivalent "Renaissance": Si Mammeri, Beaux Arts, and the Maintenance of Difference in Colonial Morocco*

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5417 Ottoman Genres beyond the Literary: New Methodologies for Tracing Historical Change
Organized by **Isin Taylan** and **Choon Hwee Koh**

Chair/Discussant: **C. Ceyhun Arslan**, Koç U

Sasson Chahanovich, Harvard—*A Supernatural Genre: Jafr and Esoteric Revelation in the 15th - 17th Century Ottoman Intellectual World*

Isin Taylan, Yale—*The Birth of a Genre: Atlas in the Seventeenth-Century Ottoman Intellectual World*

Choon Hwee Koh, Yale—*The Post Station Register (Menzil Defteri): Creating New Fiscal Genres and Administrative Knowledge in the Ottoman Empire over the Long 18th Century*

Zeinab Azarbadegan, Columbia U—*A Provincial Genre?: Baghdad Salnames and Modern Global Administrative Practices*

Chloe Bordewich, Harvard—*The Afterlives of Ottoman Espionage: Treason, Slander, and the Memoir Genre in the Interwar Middle East*

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5447 The Political Economy of Labor Mobilizations in MENA
Organized by **Ahmad Al-Sholi** and **Nada Matta**

Chair: **Ian M. Hartshorn**, U Nevada
Discussant: **Dina Bishara**, Cornell U

Nada Matta, Drexel U—*The Economic and Political Origins of the Egyptian Uprising of 2011*

Lea Bou Khater, Lebanese American U—*Labour Unrest and Contentious Politics in Lebanon*

Ahmad Al-Sholi, Stony Brook U—*Limits of a Labor-Free Democracy Movement: The Case of the Failed Arab Spring in Jordan*

Keenan Wilder, Brown U—*Historical Origins of Worker Power in Tunisia*

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5459 Islamism between Cold and Gulf Wars: A Crucial Decade
Organized by **Samuel Helfont** and **Aaron Rock-Singer**

Discussant: **Thomas Hegghammer**, Norwegian Defence Research Establishment

Vish Sakthivel, U Oxford—*Religion and Polemics in Post-Conflict Algeria*

Aaron Rock-Singer, U Wisconsin-Madison—*Winds of Pious Change: The Consolidation of Salafi Social Practice, 1980-1995*
Michael Brill, Princeton—*The Muslim Brotherhood in 1990s Iraq: Repression or Accommodation?*

Rachel Kantz Feder, Tel Aviv U, Haifa U—*The Struggle for Muhammad Baqir al-Sadr's Authority in Exile: Intra-Iraqi Shi'i Splits amid Shifting Political Dynamics, 1980-2003*

Samuel Helfont, Naval War Col—*Baghdad or Riyadh: The Struggle for Islamist Support in the 1990s*

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5463 The City as Social Laboratory: Scientific Knowledge and Urbanity in the Late 19th and Early 20th Century Middle East

Organized by **Isaac Hand**

Chair: **Elise Burton**, U Cambridge
Discussant: **Aslı Z. Igsiz**, NYU

Nazan Maksudyan, Freie Universität Berlin—*Modern Times, Modern Sounds: New Infrastructures and "Noise" in Late Ottoman Istanbul*

Elizabeth Frierson, U Cincinnati—*Modern Masculinity on Display: City Pharmacists as Men of Science*

Brittany Haynes, NYU—*Addiction and Degeneration in Istanbul: The Racialization of a Mental Disorder in Early Republican Turkey*
Isaac Hand, NYU—*Ideal Municipalism: Urban Expertise in Late Ottoman and Early Republican Turkish Cities, 1900-1960*

Lydia Harrington, Boston U—*Children, Labor, and Architecture in Late Ottoman Baghdad*

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5516 Disaggregating Middle East Militaries
Organized by **Drew Kinney**

Discussant: **Sarah E. Parkinson**, Johns Hopkins U

Sarah E. Parkinson, Johns Hopkins U—*The Savior Complex: Military Power in Emergency Response*

Holger Albrecht, U Alabama—*Diversionsary Peace: Foreign Peacekeeping and Authoritarian Civil-Military Relations*

Sharan Grewal, Col of William & Mary—*The Soldier and the Sheikh: Egypt's Failed Transition*

Zeinab Abul-Magd, Oberlin Col—*Egypt's Military, Economy, and Social Conflict under al-Sisi*

Drew Kinney, Tulane U—*The Coup Taboo*

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Roundtable

5528 Narrating Migration: Emerging Methods and Cross-Disciplinary Directions

Organized by **Chris Gratien**

Chair: **Chris Gratien**, U Virginia

Neda Maghbouleh, U Toronto
Reem Bailony, Agnes Scott Col
Rawan Arar, Brown U
Andrew Arsan, U Cambridge

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5535 **Ulamalogy and the Arabic Biographical Tradition**

Organized by **Arafat A. Razzaque** and **Rich Heffron**

Chair/Discussant: **Nancy Khalek**, Brown U

Rich Heffron, U Chicago—*Recovering the History of Early Islamic Hims: A Reconstruction and Analysis of Ahmad b. Muhammad al-Baghdadi's (d. Late 3rd/9th C.) "Ta'rikh al-Himsiyyin" and `Abd al-Samad b. Sa'id al-Himsi's (d. 324/936) Ta'rikh Hims*
Nebil Husayn, U Miami—*Al-Ka'bi, Josef van Ess and the Preservation of Early Mu'tazili Tabaqat*

Arafat A. Razzaque, U Cambridge—*Scandal and the Making of Biographical Narrative: Ibn Aktham between Theology and Personality*

Jeremy Farrell, Emory U—*When Did Sufis Ally with Shafi'is? A Network Analysis of Multiple Prosopographical Traditions*

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5558 **Syria in Transition from Mamluk to Ottoman in the Late 15th - Early 16th Centuries**

Organized by **Linda T. Darling**

Chair: **Guel Sen**, U Bonn

Discussant: **Adam Sabra**, UC Santa Barbara

Timothy J. Fitzgerald, James Madison U—*Of Renegades and Renaissance Men: Ludovico di Varthema (d. 1517) in Late Mamluk Damascus*

Wakako Kumakura, Research Inst for Languages and Cultures of Asia and Africa—*Land Holding and Financial Activities of the Awlād al-Nās: Continuity and Change during the Transition Period*

Aleksandar Shopov, Max Planck Inst for the History of Science—*Agricultural Manuscripts and the Mobility of Agricultural Science and Practice between Cairo, Damascus, and Istanbul around 1500*

Linda T. Darling, U Arizona—*A Changing Geopolitical Role for a New Ottoman Province: The Mamluk-Ottoman Transition in Syria*

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5575 **The Northern Tier and the Southern Tier: A New Order in the Middle East?**

Organized by **Serkan Yolacan**

Chair/Discussant: **Glenn E. Robinson**, Naval Postgraduate School

Nisha Mathew, National U Singapore—*Abu Dhabi's String of Ports and a New Maritime Order in the Middle East*

Serkan Yolacan, National U Singapore—*In-Between Lands and Mobile Societies: The Architecture of the Northern Tier*

Ameem Lutfi, National U Singapore—*Military Dependency as a Strength in the Southern Tier*

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5606 **Undone Jinns and Dragons: The Limits of the Human and the Borders of the Other in Medieval Islamicate Literatures**

Organized by **Alexandra Hoffmann**

Allison Kanner-Botan, U Chicago—*Women of Paradise: Houris of the Qur'an and Early Islamicate Romance*

Samantha Pellegrino, U Chicago—*Gender, Magic, and Ontology in the Sirat Sayf bin Dhi Yazan*

Alexandra Hoffmann, U Chicago—*The Monster within: Sexuality in Iranshah b. Abi Khayr's Kushnameh*

Samuel W Lasman, U Chicago—*Snakemen: The Anthropomorphic Dragons of Persian Epic*

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5663 **Neoliberalism and Its Challenges in Turkey**

Organized by **Gamze Cavdar**

Chair: **Fikret Adaman**, Bogaziçi U

Discussant: **Simten Cosar**, Cornell U

Gamze Cavdar, Colorado State U—*Social Assistance Programs and Women*

Simten Cosar, Cornell U—*Neoliberalism and Academe in Turkey - A Feminist Reading*

Murat Arsel, Erasmus U Rotterdam—*Resisting Like the State: Environmental Conflicts in a Neoliberal Turkey*

Yavuz Yasar, U Denver—*JDP's Social Policy Practices: An Analysis of Social Welfare Recipients in Turkey between 2003 and 2016*

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Roundtable

5666 **New Directions: Heritage, Memory, and State Un/Making**

Organized by **Chiara De Cesari**

Chair: **Chiara De Cesari**, U Amsterdam

Nermin Elsherif, U Amsterdam

Heghnar Watenpaugh, UC Davis

Rosie Bsheer, Harvard

Chiara De Cesari, U Amsterdam

Nathalie Peutz, NYU Abu Dhabi

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5683 Post-Ottoman Challenges to Imperialism

Organized by **Alp Yenen**

Chair: **Ramazan Hakki Oztan**, U Neuchatel
Discussant: **Houri Berberian**, UC Irvine

Sarah Khayati, U Basel—'L'Orient aux Orientaux': Middle Eastern Activists under International and National Surveillance in Interwar Switzerland

Remzi Çagatay Çakırlar, Leiden U - EHESS Paris—Anti-British Currents in Post-War Middle East: Transnational Encounters of Kemalists, Bolsheviks, and French Radicals

Alp Yenen, Leiden U—'Enver & Talaat & the CUP-Jew-German-Bolshevik Combination': Making Sense of Muslim Revolutionary Societies after World War I

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5707 Leadership, Laws and Dissent in Tunisia and Algeria: The Perils of Elite Bargains, Legislating Dignity, and Shared Protest Modalities

Organized by **William Lawrence**

Azzedine Layachi, St. John's U—Gerontocracy, Elections, and the Politics of Muddling through in Algeria and Tunisia

Aymen Abderrahmen, Journalist—Transitional Injustice: Youth Disillusion and the Demise of Tunisia's Dignity Commission

Houda Mzioudet, Independent Scholar—Tunisia's Landmark Criminalization of Racism: From Denial to Liminal Visibility

William Lawrence, George Washington U—Borderline Disorder: Hybridities and Cross-border Connections in Algerian and Tunisian Popular Protest

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5727 Eco-Criticism II

Chair: **Joel Beinin**, Stanford

Basma Fahoum, Stanford—Palestinian Peasants and Tobacco: Natural Cultivators, or Hindrance to Industry?

Dale Stahl, U Colorado Denver—A People Freed from Need: Security, Sustainability, and the State in Southeastern Anatolia

Ekin Kurtiç, Harvard—Built in the Landscape: Large Dam Construction and Expertise in Turkey

Damla Isik, Regis U—Peri-urban Imaginary as Resistance and Alternative: Slow City, Slow Food, and Women's Entrepreneurship in Seferihisar, Turkey

Hussam Hussein, U Kassel (Germany)—Water Politics in Jordan: Unpacking Discourses, Power, and Geopolitical Dynamics

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5732 Literary Modernity and Civic Society

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5736 Gender and Representations

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Demet Gulcicek, U Warwick—Negotiations of Women's 'Iffet' and Nation's 'Namus': Femininities and Masculinities in the Late Ottoman Empire Modernization

Nazli Akhtari, U Toronto—Performing Digital and Archival: An Inquiry into (Trans) National Iranian Media Landscapes

Ozge Calafato, U Amsterdam—Posing for the Republic: Gender and Turkish Vernacular Photographs from the 1920s and 1930s

Eugene Riordan, Jr., UC Santa Barbara—Consuming Pornography, Eroticizing Violence, and Protecting Women to Reconstruct Israeli Masculinity

Meltem Safak, U Georgia—Identity Crisis and Male Hysteria in the Nineteenth Century Ottoman Novel

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5751 Middle Eastern Communities in the US: National and Islamic Identities

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Abdulkader Sinno, Indiana U—Muslim, Christian Arab and Chaldean Paths to Political Integration: Representation, Participation and Activism in Metro Detroit

Sean Widlake, Independent Scholar—Iranian Counterpublics: Social Media, Diaspora, and Changing Culture

Afsane Rezaei, Ohio State U—Framing and Affect in Faith-Based Gatherings of Iranian Women in Southern California

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Arman Azimi, Graduate Center CUNY—Refining Iran: Education, Health, Leisure, and the Civilizing Mission of the Anglo-Iranian Oil Company in Iran, 1907-1951

Youssef Yacoubi, Seton Hall U—Mapping New Directions in Middle Eastern Studies: Democratizing Post-colonial Theory

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