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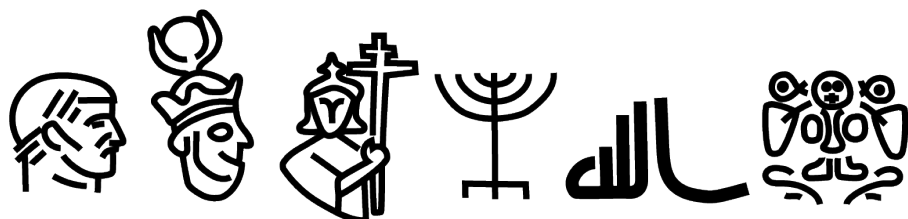
Listed here are the lectures, seminars and events on
Late Antiquity
in Oxford

Hilary term
(January - March)
2020

The details of all these events are also available on the
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<https://ocla.web.ox.ac.uk>

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Preface

Dear colleagues and OCLA mailing list subscribers,

Welcome back, and I hope everyone had a restful break. Please find below all the listings for seminars, papers, and special events occurring in Hilary Term which might interest members of the Oxford Centre for Late Antiquity.

I am excited to take over as the new secretary of OCLA. My hope is that I will be able to continue the great work that Stephanie Jenkins and Julia Lenaghan have been doing so far. I would like to thank Julia in particular, for all her help and support that was very useful when I was just starting. I started my post by editing the logo and re-designing the Michaelmas booklet. I will continue to design booklets every term.

I am pleased to let you know that we are starting the new term with a brand new website!

The website can be found at <https://ocla.web.ox.ac.uk>, and continues to provide all the necessary information about the Centre and its mission, researchers and their interests, and of course upcoming events. This was done in part because Oxford University required us to switch to the Mosaic platform, but has also allowed us to refresh the format and the information. Julia setup the basic scheme of the website. I further developed and designed the new site and transferred all the data from the old website. The old website will be made defunct. I hope that you will find the new website useful.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions, updates, or requests.

Best wishes for a happy Hilary Term,

Vendi Jukić Buča



Impressum

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Contact us

If you would like to inform us about the events in your organisation, or wish to be sent occasional emails detailing forthcoming events in Oxford, please email Vendi Jukić Buča to ocla@history.ox.ac.uk.

Oxford, January 2020.



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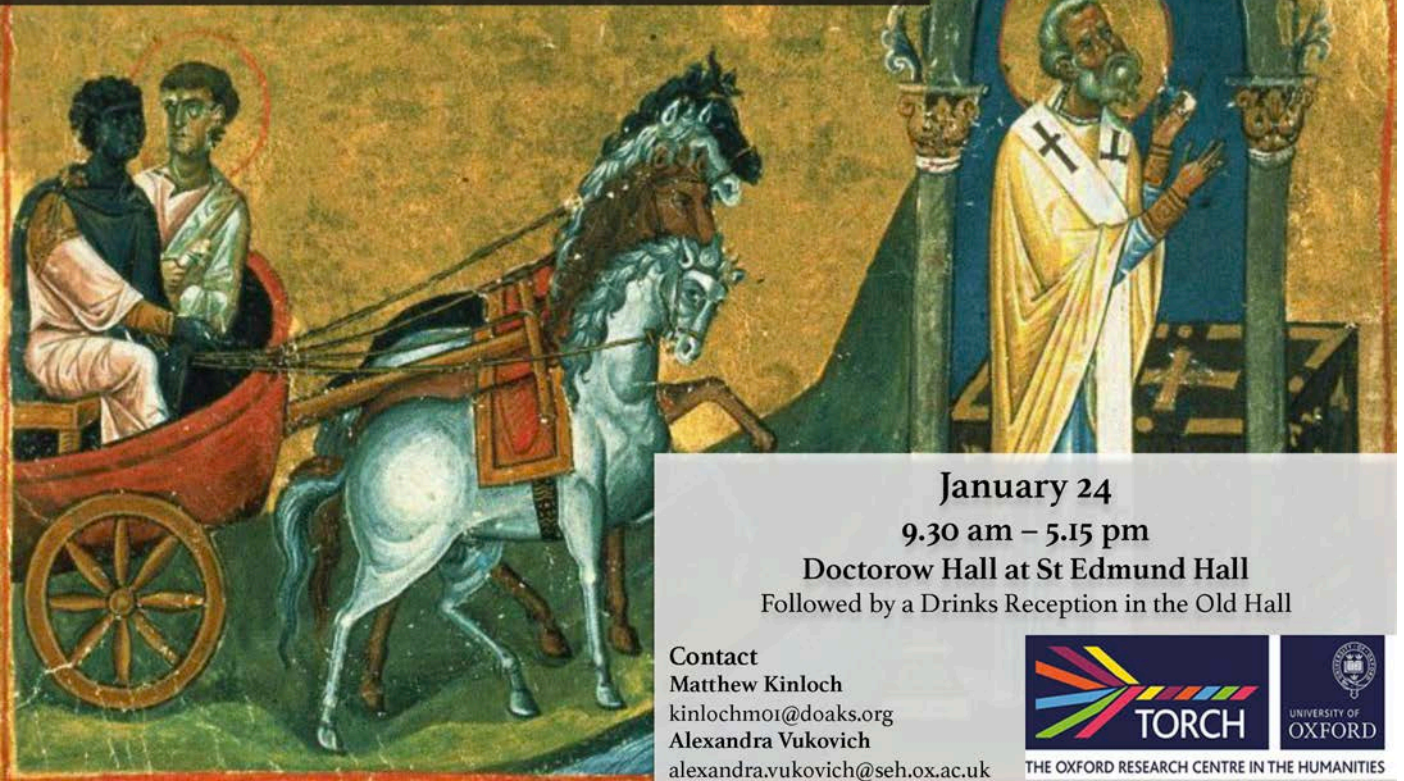


Lectures and Events

New Critical Approaches to the Byzantine World TORCH Network

Hilary Term Workshop

NEW CRITICAL APPROACHES to BYZANTINE GENDER



January 24

9.30 am – 5.15 pm

Doctorow Hall at St Edmund Hall

Followed by a Drinks Reception in the Old Hall

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THE OXFORD RESEARCH CENTRE IN THE HUMANITIES

New Critical Approaches to the Byzantine World

New Critical Approaches to Byzantine Gender

24th January 2020

Doctorow Hall, St Edmund Hall, University of Oxford

09.30 - 09.45 Arrival and Coffee

09.45 - 10.00 Introduction

New Critical Approaches to the Byzantine World

Mirela Ivanova (University of Oxford) and Alexandra Vukovich (University of Oxford)



Lectures and Events

10.00 - 12.00	Session 1: Producing and Categorising Gender Chair: Leslie Brubaker (University of Birmingham) Gendering the Dead Sophie Moore (Newcastle University) Byzantine Households and Questions of Reproduction Jules Gleeson (University of Vienna) Categorising Masculinities: Clerics and Scholars in Byzantium Maroula Perisanidi (University of Leeds)
12.00 - 13.00	Lunch
13.00 - 14.30	Session 2: Poststructuralist and Queer Approaches Chair: Mary Cunningham (University of Nottingham) Gender and Character Hierarchies: Hagiography and Historiography Matthew Kinloch (Dumbarton Oaks) Gender, Queer and Trans Theoretical Approaches to Orthodox Culture Nick Mayhew (Stanford University)
14.30 - 15.00	Coffee Break
15.00 - 17.00	Session 3: Byzantine Gender Chair: Matthew Kinloch (Dumbarton Oaks)

The final session will consist of a roundtable discussion facilitated digitally by **Leonora Neville (University of Wisconsin, Madison)**. This session will explore the current state of research and critical theory in the study of Byzantine gender, with a view to identifying potential directions of research and critical analysis.

The starting point for discussion will be provided by the intervention into the field made by Neville's recent book *Byzantine Gender*. Discussion of the intervention this book seeks to make and several of the central questions that it raises will lead into a wider discussion to be determined by participants. We envisage discussion including, but not being limited to, areas of discussion arising from previous network discussions:

- Social reproduction
- Sexual difference and theories of embodiment
- Afropessimism, intersectionality, race, colonialism, imperialism
- State, administration, sexualisation
- Gender categorisation and historical change
- Queer histories

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Core Discussion Reading

Neville, L., *Byzantine Gender* (Amsterdam, 2019).

Additional Discussion Readings

Arruzza, C., 'Gender as Social Temporality: Butler (and Marx)', *Historical Materialism* 23 (2015), 28-52.

Ballif, M., 'Re/dressing Histories; Or, on Re/covering Figures who have been Laid Bare by our Gaze', *Rhetoric Society Quarterly* 22 (1992), 91-8.

Clark, E., 'The Lady Vanishes: Dilemmas of a feminist historian after the "Linguistic Turn"', *Church History* 67 (1998), 1-31.

Constantinou, S., 'Performing Gender in Lay Saints' Lives', *Byzantine and Modern Greek Studies* 38 (2014), 24-32.

Kaldellis, A., 'The Study of Women and Children: Methodological challenges and new directions', in P. Stephenson (ed.), *The Byzantine World* (Abingdon, 2010), 61-71.

17:00 - 17:15 **Closing Remarks**

17.15 - 18:30 **Drinks Reception**

For links to readings, additional bibliography, and further event details see

<https://torch.web.ox.ac.uk/new-critical-approaches-to-the-byzantine-world-network#>

This network and event are made possible by the generous support of

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The Faculty of Oriental Studies & The Oxford Centre for Byzantine Research

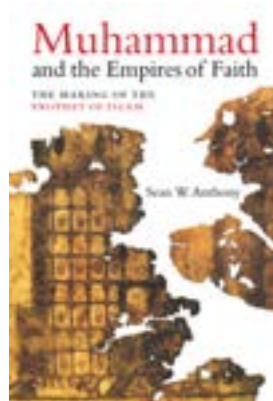
Present two lunchtime talks on early Islamic history

Sean W. Anthony

Associate Professor of Near Eastern Languages and Cultures, Ohio State University

A discussion of his forthcoming book:

Muhammad and the Empires of Faith: The Making of the Prophet of Islam (California, 2020)



Wednesday 19 February 2020

13.00-14.00

Ian Skipper Room, St Cross College

Adam Gaiser

Professor of Religion, Florida State University

‘Tradition, Text and Taxonomy at the Origins of the Ibādī Movement:
A Study in Critical Approaches to Early “Khārijism”



Friday 21 February 2020

13.00-14.00

Spalding Room, Oriental Institute

For questions, please contact: christian.sahner@orinst.ox.ac.uk

A light lunch will be served at both events



Lectures and Events

Martyrdom on the Margins

February 20, 2020, Oxford

(Location to be determined, for updates, see <https://www.oriel.ox.ac.uk/workshops-and-conferences>)

A conference sponsored by:
The Centre for the Study of the Bible in the Humanities, Oriel College
The Oxford Centre for Byzantine Research
The Faculty of Oriental Studies

Organised by:
Hindy Najman, Oriel and Laing Professor of the Interpretation of Holy Scripture
Christian Sahner, Associate Professor of Islamic History

The idea of martyrdom features prominently in Judaism, Christianity and Islam. Despite this, pre-modern Jews, Christians, and Muslims often understood martyrdom in radically different ways. This conference aims to explore both the similarities and differences between ideas of 'dying for God' in the three religions, stretching from the Hellenistic to the Medieval periods. In particular, it explores the concept of 'martyrdom on the margins,' that is, cases which diverge from the classic model of martyrdom most closely associated with the saints of the pre-Constantinian period. This may include, but is not limited to Jewish martyrs in the Seleucid and Roman periods, martyrs who emerged through intra-Christian violence, martyrs in Shi'i or Khariji Islam, or Jewish martyrdom at the time of the Crusades. It may also include reflections on the theological significance of martyrdom in the three religious traditions, the semantic range of the word 'martyr' in various pre-modern languages, the rhetoric of martyrdom and its connection to biblical tradition, early Christian, Rabbinic, Islamic and the Qur'an. We are also interested in possible influence between and among the three religions.

The goal is to understand martyrdom more broadly by exploring non-traditional manifestations of the practice, both as an event in time and its literary, liturgical, and theological afterlives. By studying martyrdom 'on the margins,' we stand to better understand what is central to tradition more broadly, the ways in which innovation is introduced, how old practices are revived, and how minority traditions become majority ones. Contemplating practices on the margins also prompts us to rethink what constitutes a 'canon'; indeed, what texts constitute the most significant examples of martyrological literature and how can these be reconceptualized through study of sources often regarded as 'peripheral'?

Please register here <https://www.oriel.ox.ac.uk/martyrdom-margins>



Lectures and Events

Programme

8.30–9.00 Coffee

9.00–9.15 Introduction

Hindy Najman (University of Oxford)

9.15–11.15 Session 1: Judaism

Jan Willem van Henten (University of Amsterdam) – The Marginality of Ancient Jewish Martyrdom

Israel Yuval (Hebrew University of Jerusalem) – Jewish Martyrdom as Halachic Transgression

Anna Abulafia (University of Oxford) – The Polemics of Martyrdom in the Hebrew Chronicles of the First Crusade

11.15–11.40 Coffee

11.40–13.00 Session 2: Christianity

Elizabeth Castelli (Barnard College) – Hostile Witnesses: Making Martyrs out of Persecutors in Lactantius's *De mortibus persecutorum*

Mark Edwards (University of Oxford) – Were the Early Christians Persecuted?

13.00–14.00 Lunch

14.00–16.00 Session 3: Islam

Christian Sahner (University of Oxford) – Community and Identity in the Christian Martyrs of the Early Islamic Period

Sean Anthony (Ohio State University) – The Crucified Martyrs of the Early Shī'ah: Understanding their Late Antique, and Early Islamic, Context

Adam Gaiser (Florida State University) – Early Shurāt (Khārijite) Poetry on Martyrs

16.00–16.30 Coffee

16.30–17.00 Summing up

Hindy Najman (University of Oxford) and **Christian Sahner** (University of Oxford)

17.30–18.30 Reception

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Lectures and Events

Conference

Cyprus in the Long Late Antiquity.

History and Archaeology between the 6th and 8th centuries

18-20 March 2020

The Ioannou Centre for Classical and Byzantine Studies, Oxford

Organisers: Panayiotis Panayides & Ine Jacobs

A CELEBRATION OF MARY WHITBY



Friday 13th March

Swire Room, University College, Oxford

Speakers will include Gillian Clark, Claudia Rapp, Marina Bazzani, Katerina Carvounis, Nadine Viermann, Filip Doroszewski, and others.

Full details will be circulated later in Hilary Term.

To register for the event, please contact either Phil Booth (philip.booth@theology.ox.ac.uk) or Mirela Ivanova (mirela.ivanova@univ.ox.ac.uk).



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Seminars

Mondays

Special Lecture Series

Ian Wood (Leeds)

‘The Creation of a Landed Church in the late-antique and early-medieval West’

Mondays at 2 PM, Corpus Christi, Al Jaber Lecture Theatre

Co-Sponsored by Corpus Christi and Worcester Colleges



(W1) 20 January

‘Towards a Temple Society in the post-Roman West’

(W2) 27 January

‘Communal possession and personal poverty’

(W3) 3 February

‘The chronology and the causes of the acquisition of Church property’

(W4) 10 February

‘The Temple Society and the State’

Croatia, Poreč, Euphrasian Basilica

Author: Berthold Werner

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Seminars

Tuesdays

Seminar on Jewish history and literature in the Graeco-Roman Period

Convened by **Professor Martin Goodman**

Tuesdays from 2.15 to 3.45 PM in the Centre for Hebrew and Jewish Studies, Clarendon Institute, Walton Street

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| (W1) 21 January | Dr Anna Krauss (Centre for Hebrew and Jewish Studies) 'Material aspects of reading Psalms: observations on the Dead Sea Psalms scroll' |
| (W2) 28 January | Jelle Verburg (Tubingen) 'Halakhah in Greek: the value of motive in the Septuagint's laws on sacrifice and theft' [LXX Forum] |
| (W3) 4 February | Dr Gil Gambash (Haifa) 'Rome and the Jews: genocidal perspectives' |
| (W4) 11 February | Dr Antonella Bellantuono (Strasbourg) 'Divine epithets in Jewish-Hellenistic literature' [LXX Forum] |
| (W5) 18 February | Dr Kim Czajkowski and Dr Benedikt Eckhardt (Edinburgh) 'The King's Man? Nicolaus of Damascus on Herod the Great' |
| (W6) 25 February | Ursula Westwood (Wolfson) 'Josephus on Moses' constitution in light of Plutarch's Lycurgus' |
| (W7) 3 March | Professor David Jacobson (KCL) 'The significance of the coins of Agrippa II' |
| (W8) 10 March | Dr Daniel Schumann (Keble) 'The prohibitive vow in Greek and Hebrew discourse' |



Seminars

Tuesdays



Faculty of Oriental Studies

Hilary Term 2020

Eastern Christianity

history, culture, art, theology, politics

Lecture Seminar Series (8th edition)

Multi-ethnic Eastern Christian communities are among the most ancient natives in the wider West Asia region. These lectures highlight the rich historical, literary, theological and artistic heritage of Christian communities in presently much-troubled part of the world.

Conveners: Dr Hratch Tchilingirian
Prof Theo Maarten Van Lint

Tuesdays, 5:00-6:30 pm, The Allen & Overy Room, Pembroke College, Oxford

For further details please contact:
hratch.tchilingirian@orinst.ox.ac.uk

These lecture series are organised with the support of Oxford Armenian Studies and Calouste Gulbenkian Foundation.

Week 2 | 28 January
Eastern Christians and the Environmental History of the Early Caliphate

~ Prof Philip Booth

A. G. Leventis Associate Professor in Eastern Christianity, Faculty of Theology and Religion, Oxford

Week 3 | 4 February
This is Not a Sacrifice: Interpretations of the *Madagh* (animal 'sacrifice' ritual) among Armenians

~ Dr Susan Pattie

Honorary Senior Research Associate, University College London; Director, Armenian Institute

Week 4 | 11 February
The Vatican and the Christian East: The Congregation for Oriental Churches & 'Oriente Cattolico/The Catholic East'

~ Dr Anthony O'Mahony

Fellow, Blackfriars, University of Oxford

Week 5 | 18 February
A Portrait for the Father of the Nation: Catholicos Megerditch I Khrimian of Van, Image and Identity

~ Dr Vazken Khatchig Davidian

C. Gulbenkian Postdoctoral Fellow, Faculty of Oriental Studies, Oxford

Week 6 | 25 February
Christianity in the Gulf: Bahrain, Kuwait, Oman, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, UAE, Yemen

~ Dr Hrayr Jebejian

General Secretary of the Bible Society in the Gulf

Week 7 | 3 March
Armenian ecclesiastical sites in the Kars Province, Turkey: current state, preservation and revalorisation of sculptures

~ Dr Vendi Jukić Buča

Research Associate, Manar al-Athar, Faculty of Classics, Oxford

Week 8 | 10 March
Private Treatment and Public Healing Cults. Disease Management and Faith in Late Antique Egypt

~ Prof Gesa Schenke

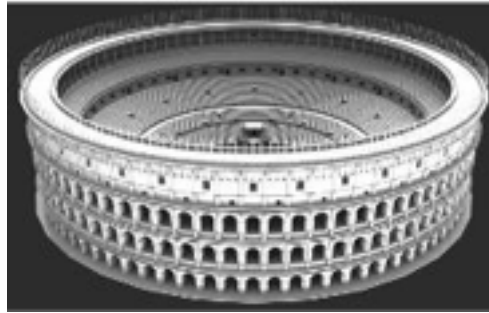
Institut für Ägyptologie und Koptologie, Westfälische Wilhelms-Universität Münster; Associate of the Faculty of Oriental Studies, Oxford

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Seminars

Wednesdays



The Roman Discussion Forum

Organised by **Andrew Wilson**, **Alex Chiu-Smit**, and **Joan Campmany Jiménez** with the support of the Faculty of Classics, the School of Archaeology, and All Souls College
Wednesdays at 1 PM, Lecture Room, Institute of Archaeology, 36 Beaumont Street
Followed by discussion and light refreshments

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| (W1) 22 January | Alice Poletto (University of Oxford) 'The Emperor and the Stage: Entertainment Facilities at Imperial Residences' |
| (W2) 29 January | George Green (University of Warwick / Regent's Park College, Oxford) 'The Chemical Analysis of Roman Gold Coins: XRF, LA-ICP-MS and the Identification of Major Gold Sources' |
| (W3) 5 February | Dr Ran Ortner (Bar Ilan University) 'My Home is my Castle' – Multi-level and Subterranean Urban Fighting during the Jewish Revolt' |
| (W4) 12 February | No meeting |
| (W5) 19 February | Prof. Cesar Carreras Montfort (Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona) 'Iulia Libica: a Roman Town in the Segre Valley (Pyrenees)' |
| (W6) 26 February | Prof. Andrew Wilson (University of Oxford) 'Aquaria and the Landscape of the Albertini Tablets' |
| (W7) 4 March | Joan Oller Guzman (Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona) 'Emerald Mining in Roman Egypt: Results of the Latest Excavations in Mons Smaragdus' |
| (W8) 11 March | Dr Jack Hanson (University of Reading) 'Investigating the Sizes of Basilicas' |

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Seminars

Wednesdays

Late Antique and Byzantine Seminar

Convened by **Marek Jankowiak** and **Marc Lauxtermann**

Wednesdays at 5 PM, Ioannou Centre for Classical and Byzantine Studies, 66 St Giles'

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| (W1) 22 January | Péter Bara (Szeged) 'Leo of Chalcedon: A debating canonist?' |
| (W2) 29 January | Aslıhan Akışık (Wolfson) 'Late Byzantine and early Ottoman literary representations of Constantinople' |
| (W3) 5 February | Nikos Zagklas (Vienna) 'Vitriolic attacks in twelfth-century Byzantium: Poetry, satirical strands, and intellectual antagonism' |
| (W4) 12 February | Roman Shlyakhtin (Mainz) 'Last border of Byzantium? Byzantine-Seljuk border zone in lower Sakarya valley from Komnenoi to Palaiologoi' |
| (W5) 19 February | Constantin Zuckerman (Paris) 'On the History, improperly styled "Secret", of Nicetas of Paphlagonia, and the power of anathema over books' |
| 16 (W6) 26 February | Alexander Mallett (Tokyo) 'Christians, Turks, and the origins of the First Crusade' |
| (W7) 4 March | Alexander Riehle (Harvard) 'Is textual criticism dead? A report on the forthcoming edition of Nikephoros Choumnos' letter collections' |
| (W8) 11 March | Andras Nemeth (Vatican) 'The Excerpta Constantiniana and the editor of the fragmentary historians: New fragments from Dexippus and Polybius' |



Seminars

Wednesdays

Ethical reading: Authenticity

Convened by **Constanze Güthenke** (Corpus Christi), **Hindy Najman** (Oriël), **Tobias Reinhardt** (Corpus Christi)
Wednesdays at 5 PM, Corpus Christi College

(W1) 22 January **Moulie Vidas** (Princeton) 'The Problem of the Authentic Text in Ancient and Modern Talmudic Scholarship'

(W2) 29 January **Bruno Currie** (Oriël) 'Hesiod and the Authentic Text'

(W3) 5 February **Melanie Möller** (Berlin) 'From Authenticity to Autofiction: Some Remarks on Horace and Petrarch'

(W4) 12 February **AnneMarie Luijendijk** (Princeton) 'Materiality and Authenticity: Late Antique Manuscripts'

(W5) 19 February **Scott Scullion** (Worcester) 'Herodotus and Authenticity: Variations on a Theme'

(W6) 26 February **Daniel Barbu** (Paris) 'Jewish Books and Christian Scholars: Wagenseil and Eisenmenger on the Talmud and Toledot Yeshu'

(W7) 4 March **Rebecca Lämmle** (Cambridge) 'αὐτὸς ἔφα'

(W8) 11 March **Hindy Najman** (Oriël) and **Irene Peirano** (Yale) 'In Search for the Authentic: A Comparative Method'

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Seminars

Thursdays



The Late Antique and Byzantine Archaeology and Art Seminar

Convened by **Ine Jacobs** and **Ida Toth**

Thursdays at 11 AM, Ioannou Centre for Classical and Byzantine Studies, 66 St Giles'

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| 18 | (W1) 23 January | Ginny Wheeler 'Water and wealth: aquatic display in a late antique neighborhood at Ostia (IV, III-IV)' |
| | (W2) 30 January | Carlos Cabrera-Tejedor 'Archaeological excavations at the late antique basilica of Son Pereto, Balearic Islands (Spain)' |
| | (W3) 6 February | Phil Stinson 'Current research questions: The Temple of the Julio-Claudian Sebasteion at Aphrodisias in Late Antiquity' |
| | (W4) 13 February | Roman Shlyakhtin 'Stones, drones and renovations: current problems in the research of the Land Walls of Constantinople' |
| | (W5) 20 February | Pamela Armstong 'Excavations at the Monastery of Satyros, Constantinople, and the birth of the Küçükyalı Arkeopark' |
| | (W6) 27 February | Bryan Ward-Perkins 'The saints in the mosaics of Ravenna' |
| | (W7) 5 March | Hugh Jeffery 'Byzantine Aphrodisias: the archaeology of a medieval community' |
| | (W8) 12 March | Catherine Vanderheyde 'The many sides of Byzantine sculpture: textual sources, materials, techniques, ornamental and anthropomorphic motifs' |

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Seminars

Thursdays

Late Roman Seminar

Convened by **Conrad Leyser** and **Neil McLynn**

Thursdays at 4.00 PM, Corpus Christi, Seminar Room

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| (W1) 23 January | Katherine Krauss 'Macrobius' Virgils' |
| (W2) 30 January | David Natal (Royal Holloway), 'Building the Metropolitan Church: Informal Networks and Formal Institutions in Ambrose of Milan' |
| (W3) 6 February | James Harland (Tuebingen) 'The Northwestern Provinces in Crisis: Julian's Campaigns on the Rhine and the Reorientation of the Northwestern Economy' |
| (W4) 13 February | Neil McLynn 'Macarius and his Mission: Charity and Coercion in Donatist Africa' |
| (W5) 20 February | Gavin Kelly (Edinburgh) 'Ammianus in His Own Voice' |
| (W6) 27 February | Annamaria Paziienza (Venice) 'Migrant Husbands in Lombard Italy' |
| (W7) 5 March | Rebecca Usherwood (Dublin) 'The Consulship in the 4th Century: Political Communication and Integration' |
| (W8) 12 March | Ian Fielding (Michigan) 'Roman Satire and the Fall of Rome: Gibbon and Juvenal' |

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Seminars

Thursdays

The Khalili Research Centre

For the Art and Material Culture of the Middle East ♦ University of Oxford



Research Seminars, Hilary Term 2020

Thursdays at 5:15 PM, KRC Lecture Room (3 St John Street)

All welcome

Week 1 New thoughts about the edict of Yazīd II (ca. 723) and Palestinian iconoclasm
23 Jan **Christian Sahner** | St Cross College

Week 2 Displaying the royal collections of the Topkapi Palace: The Ottoman
30 Jan **Imperial Museum, the Imperial Treasury, and the Sacred Relics**
Nilay Ozlu | KRC Barakat Postdoctoral Scholar

Week 3 How to create a new multicultural art form: the opus sectile Arabic
6 Feb **verse inscriptions from Norman Sicily**
Jeremy Johns | KRC, Wolfson College

Week 4 In search of local characteristics: manuscript making in the Islamic world
13 Feb **Karin Scheper** | Leiden University

Week 5 Palimpsests from the *Qubbat al-Khazna*
20 Feb **Ronny Vollandt** | Ludwig Maximilian University, Munich

Week 6 Ways of viewing: Persianate reception of Chinese painting
27 Feb **(15th to mid-16th Centuries)**
Yusen Yu | Corpus Christi College

Week 7 The Palace of Pedro I in Seville: ornament and epigraphy
5 Mar **between Granada and Toledo**
Tom Nickson | Courtauld Institute

Week 8 A dialogue between friends and foes: transcultural interactions
12 Mar **in Ilkhanid capital cities (1256-1335 CE)**
Atri Hatef Naiemi | KRC Barakat Postdoctoral Scholar

Convenor: Umberto Bongianino (umberto.bongianino@orinst.ox.ac.uk)

Manar al-Athar open-access photo archive



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Manar al-Athar is Arabic for "Guide to Archaeology" and has been chosen because Manara, in Egypt, refers to both the Lighthouse of Alexandria (the Pharos) and to minarets. This conveys the transition, and often continuity, covered by the chronological range of the material.

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Current strengths include Late Antiquity (AD 250–750), the period of transition from paganism to Christianity and, in turn, to Islam, especially religious buildings (temples, churches, synagogues, mosques) and monumental art (including floor mosaics), early Islamic art (paintings, mosaics, relief sculpture), as well as Roman and early Islamic (Umayyad) architecture, and iconoclasm.

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‘The Last Statues of Antiquity’ database



‘The Last Statues of Antiquity’ database is from 4 May 2012 accessible to all and fully searchable, with over 2600 individual entries. The database consists of the published evidence for statuary and inscribed statue bases set up after AD 284, that were new, newly dedicated, or newly re-worked. This database was completed and made public in May 2012 (with only some minor revisions thereafter).

<http://laststatues.classics.ox.ac.uk/>



Resources

‘The Cult of Saints’ database



The project maps the cult of saints as a system of beliefs and practices in its earliest and most fluid form, from its origins until around AD 700 (by which date most cult practices were firmly established): the evolution from honouring the memory of martyrs, to their veneration as intercessors and miracle-workers; the different ways that saints were honoured and their help solicited; the devotion for relics, sacred sites and images; the miracles expected from the saints.

Central to the project is a searchable database, on which all the evidence for the cult of saints will be collected, presented (in its original languages and English translation), and succinctly discussed, whether in Armenian, Coptic, Georgian, Greek, Latin or Syriac.

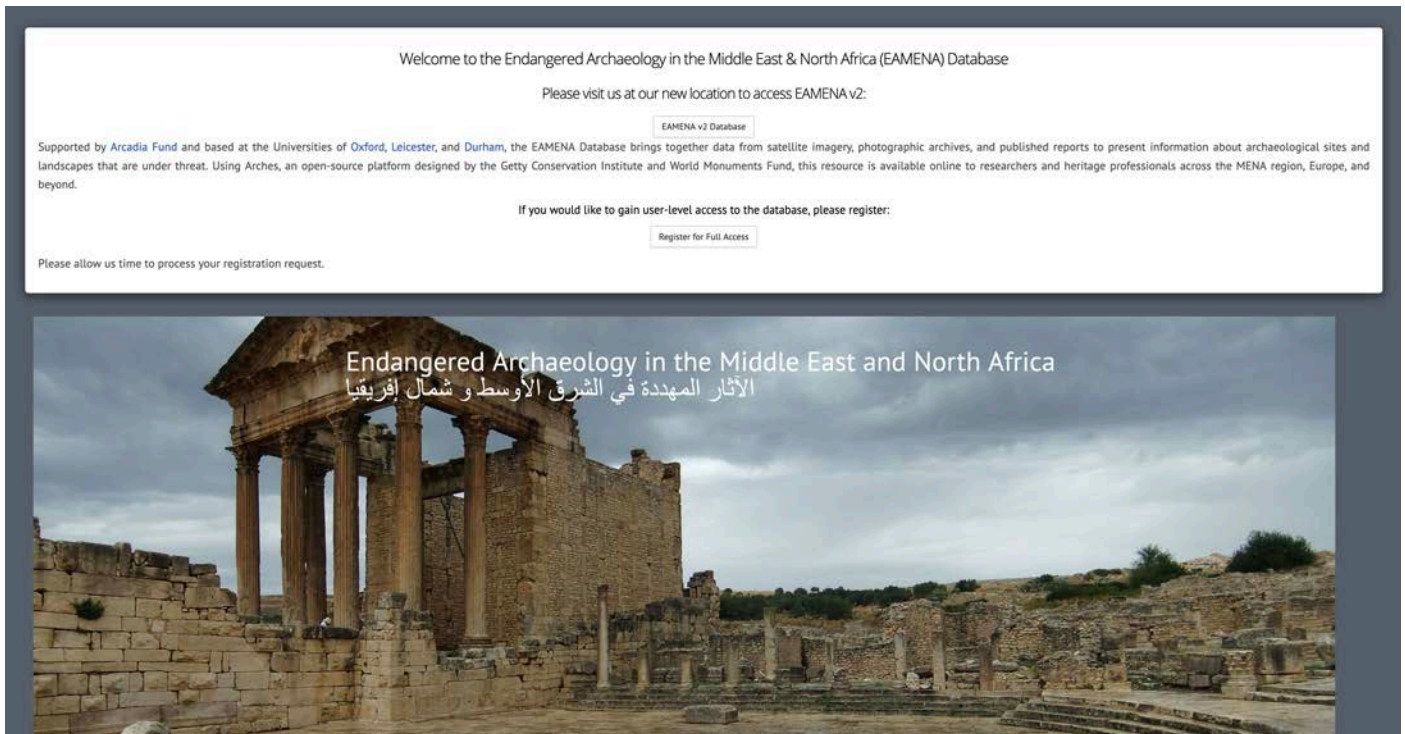
<http://cultofsaints.history.ox.ac.uk>

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EAMENA



Endangered Archaeology in the Middle East and North Africa

Supported by the Arcadia Fund and the Cultural Protection Fund and based at the Universities of Oxford, Leicester, and Durham EAMENA was established in January 2015 to respond to the increasing threats to archaeological sites in the Middle East and North Africa. This project uses satellite imagery to rapidly record and make available information about archaeological sites and landscapes which are under threat.

EAMENA's spatial database will provide the fundamental information for each site, including the level of risk and how each site relates to one another. It will be accessible to all heritage professionals and institutions with an interest and passion for the wonderfully rich and diverse archaeological heritage of the Middle East and North Africa. Not all damage and threats to the archaeology can be prevented, but they can be mitigated and so at the core of our project is the desire for excellence in heritage management. To this end, EAMENA works with relevant authorities on the ground to limit likely damage, share information and skills, strengthen networks and raise awareness. Fieldwork and outreach are essential components of the project and the EAMENA team will target investigations to the most threatened sites, visiting (where possible) to assess site conditions, make detailed records and liaise with national authorities to share data and findings.

<http://eamena.arch.ox.ac.uk/>



Schedule

Hilary Term 2020

- Seminar on Jewish history and literature in the Graeco-Roman Period, convened by Professor Martin Goodman, Tuesdays from 2.15 to 3.45 pm in the Centre for Hebrew and Jewish Studies, Clarendon Institute, Walton Street
- Late Antique and Byzantine Seminar, convened by Marek Jankowiak and Marc Lauxtermann, Wednesdays at 5pm, Ioannou Centre for Classical and Byzantine Studies, 66 St Giles'
- The Late Antique and Byzantine Archaeology and Art Seminar, convened by Ine Jacobs and Ida Toth, Thursdays 11-12:30, Ioannou Centre, First Floor Seminar Room
- Late Roman Seminar, convened by Conrad Leyser & Neil McLynn, Thursdays at 4.00 PM, Corpus Christi, Seminar Room
- The Khalili Research Centre research seminar, convened by Alain Fouad George, Thursdays at 5.15 PM, Lecture Room at The Khalili Research Centre, 3 St John Street, Oxford, OX1 2LG
- Special Lecture Series Ian Wood (Leeds), 'The Creation of a Landed Church in the late-antique and early-medieval West', Mondays at 2 PM, Corpus Christi, Al Jaber Lecture Theatre
- Eastern Christianity Seminar, convened by Hratch Tchilingirian and Theo Maarten van Lint, Tuesdays 5 PM, The Allen & Overy Room, Pembroke College
- The Roman Discussion Forum, organised by Andrew Wilson, Alex Chiu-Smit and Joan Campmany Jimenez, Wednesdays at 1 PM, Lecture Room, Institute of Archaeology
- Ethical reading: Authenticity, convened by Constanze Güthenke, Hindy Najman and Tobias Reinhardt, Wednesdays at 5 PM, Corpus Christi
- Events

January 2020

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<div>14:00 Ian Wood: Towards a Temple Society in the post-Roman West</div>	<div>12:15 Dr Anna Krauss – Material aspects of reading Psalms: observations on the Dead Sea Psalms scroll</div>	<div>13:00 Alice Poletto – The Emperor and the Stage: En- gent's Park College.</div> <div>17:00 P�ter Bara – Leo of Chalcedon: A debating</div> <div>17:00 Moul� Vidas – The Problem of the Authentic Text in Ancient and Mod-</div>	<div>11:00 Ginny Wheeler – Water and wealth: aquatic display in a late antique</div> <div>16:00 Katherine Krauss – Macrobius' Virgils</div> <div>17:15 Christian Sahner: New thoughts about the</div>	NewCriticalAppr...nde(Workshop)		
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3rd Week, Hilary Term						4th Week, Hilary Term
14:00 Ian Wood: The chronology and the causes of the acquisition of Church property	12:15 Dr Gil Gambash – Rome and the Jews: genocidal perspectives 17:00 Dr Susan Pattie – This is Not a Sacrifice: Interpretations of the Madagah (animal 'sacrifice')	13:00 Dr Ran Ortner – 'My Home is my Castle' – Multi-level and Subterranean 17:00 Nikos Zagklas – Violent attacks in twelfth-century Byzantium: From Authenticity to	11:00 Phil Stinson – Current research questions: The Temple of the Julio-Nerva 16:00 James Harland – The Northwestern Provinces in the Roman Empire 17:15 Jeremy Johns – How to create a new multicultural			
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4th Week, Hilary Term						5th Week, Hilary Term
14:00 Ian Wood: The Temple Society and the State	12:15 Dr Antonella Bellantuono – Divine epithets in Jewish-Hellenistic 17:00 Dr Anthony O'Mahony – The Vatican and the Christian East: The Consecration for Oriental	13:00 No meeting 17:00 Roman Shlyakhtin – Last border of Byzantium? Byzantine-Seljuk border 17:00 AnneMarie Luijendijk – Materiality and Authenticity: Late Antique Materiality	11:00 Roman Shlyakhtin – Stones, drones and renovations: current problems in the study of the city 16:00 Neil McLynn – Marcus and his Mission: In Search of Local Character			
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5th Week, Hilary Term						6th Week, Hilary Term
	12:15 Dr Kim Czajkowski and Dr Benedikt Eckhardt – The King's Man? Nicolaus Davidian – A Portrait of the Father of the Nation: Catholikos Megerdch I Khrimian	13:00 Sean W. Anthony – Muhammad and the Emigration 13:00 Prof. Cesar Carreras Montfort – Iulia Libica: a Roman site 17:00 Constantin Zuckerman – On the History, Imagination 17:00 Scott Scullion –	Martyrdom on the Nile (Conference) 11:00 Pamela Armstrong – Excavations at the Monastery of the Holy Sepulchre 16:00 Gavin Kelly – Ammiya 17:15 Ronny Vollandt – Palimpsests from the Cairo	13:00 Adam Gaiser – Tradition, Text and Taxonomy at the Origins of the Ibadī Movement: A Study in Critical Approaches to Early "Kharījism" (Talk)		
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6th Week, Hilary Term						7th Week, Hilary Term
	12:15 Ursula Westwood – Josephus on Moses' constitution in light of Plutarch's 17:00 Dr Hrayr Jabejian – Christianity in the Gulf: Bahrain, Kuwait, Oman,	13:00 Prof. Andrew Wilson – Aquaria and the Land 17:00 Alexander Mallett – Christians, Turks, and the 17:00 Daniel Barbu – Jewish Books and Christian Scholars: Wagenseil and	11:00 Bryan Ward-Perkins – The saints in the mosaics 16:00 Annamaria Papienza – Migrant Husbands in the Roman Empire 17:15 Yusen Yu – Ways of Viewing: Persianate Reception of Chinese Painting			

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	12:15 Professor David Jacobson – The significance of the Armenian ecclesiastical sites in the Kars Province, 17:00 Dr Vendi Jukić Buca –	13:00 Joan Oller Guzman – Emerald Mining in Roman 17:00 Alexander Riehl – Is textual criticism dead? A 17:00 Rebecca Lämmle –	11:00 Hugh Jeffery – Byzantine 16:00 Rebecca Usherwood – The Consulship in the 17:15 Tom Nickson – The Palace of Pedro I in Seville:			
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8th Week, Hilary Term						9th Week, Hilary Term
	12:15 Dr Daniel Schumann – The prohibitive vow in 17:00 Prof. Gesa Schenke – Private Treatment and Public Healing Cults. Disease	13:00 Dr Jack Hanson – In Search of 17:00 Andras Nemeth – The Excerpta Constantini 17:00 Hindy Najman and Irene Peirano – In Search	11:00 Catherine Vandenberghe – The many sides of 16:00 Ian Fielding – Roman 17:15 Ari Hatif Naemi – Dialogue between Friends	ACelebration of Mary Whitby (Event)		
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		Cyprus in the Long Late Antiquity: History and Archaeology between the 6th and 8th centuries (Conference)				
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