

History and Classics Graduate Students'
Association Annual Conference
2016



THURSDAY ♦ FEBRUARY 25

Registration 3:30 - 4:30 PM
Location: Education South 1-29

KEYNOTE ADDRESS

Dr Matthew McCarty
University of British Columbia

**“Lambs of God: the Sacredness of
Little Lives in Punic and Roman
North Africa”**

Time: 4:30-6:00 PM
Location: Education South 1-29

WINE AND CHEESE RECEPTION

Time: 6:00-8:00 PM
Location: Education North 4-110

**SACRIFICE, SPIRITS, AND
SAINTS**

DEFINING AND CHALLENGING THE SACRED

February 25-27, 2016

FRIDAY ♦ FEBRUARY 26

PANEL 3: THE SACREDNESS OF DEATH

3:00 PM - 4:30 PM, Tory 2-58

Chair: Heather Coleman

Tristan Ellenberger, University of Alberta
“The Significance of Difference in Funerary Ritual from Cemeteries of Aquincum and Carnuntum”

Shaun McKinnon, University of Alberta
“Transitioning the Dead: Early Christian Jonah Imagery and Catacomb Sarcophagi”

Rita Maria Neyer, University of Alberta
“Body Shaming: Funeral Rites after Suicide Cases in Medieval England”

Breakfast: 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM

PANEL 1: READING THE SACRED

10:00 AM - 11:30 AM, Tory 2-58

Chair: Adam Kemezis

Amber Latimer, University of Alberta
“Here Comes the Sun: the Disparity between the Primary Accounts of Constantine's Vision”

Christopher Loughheed, University of Alberta
“Symmachus and the *Pax Deorum*”

Lunch: 11:30 AM - 1:00 PM, Tory 2-64

PANEL 2: REMEMBERING AND REIMAGINING THE SACRED

1:00 PM - 2:30 PM, Tory 2-58

Chair: Dominik Wujastyk

Eduard Baidaus, University of Alberta
“A ‘Sacred (Patriotic) War’: Shattered Identities and Expanding Separatism in the Post-Soviet Space”

Stevan Bozanich, University of Victoria
“The Many Misrepresentations of Gavrilo Princip”

Nakita Valerio, University of Alberta
“De-Sacralizing Auschwitz: Spatial Considerations which Account for Holocaust Memorial Deficiencies”

Break: 2:30 PM - 3:00 PM



SATURDAY ♦ FEBRUARY 27

Breakfast: 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM

PANEL 4: USING THE SACRED

10:00 AM - 11:30 AM, Tory 2-58

Chair: Sarah Carter

Evan Jones, Carleton University

“The Emotional Foundations of Persecution”

Meera Kachroo, McGill University

“Dreams of Guruji: Conversion and Devotion at Devipuram”

Scott Bursey, Simon Fraser University

“Contrasting Islamist Modernities: Sayyid Qutb and Ali Shariati on Remembering the Future”

Lunch: 11:30 AM - 1:00 PM

PANEL 5: PORTRAYAL AND THE SACRED

1:00 PM - 2:30 PM, Tory 2-58

Chair: Jane Samson

Arlen Wiesenthal, Simon Fraser University

“The ‘Infidel Sultan’ Revisited: Sultan Mahmud II and the Propagation of the Ruler Cult in the Late Ottoman Empire (1826-1839)”

Elisabeth Hill, University of Alberta

“Looking at the Contradictory Portrayals of Lepers in Saints’ Lives”

Fred Glover, University of Calgary

“William J. Mackenzie: The Patron Saint of the Canadian Protestant Mission in Korea and Manchuria”

Break: 2:30 PM - 3:00 PM

PANEL 6: SACRED ACTIONS

3:00 PM - 4:30 PM, Tory 2-58

Chair: Jeremy Rossiter

Kelsey Koon, University of Alberta

“Writing in Romano-British Cult Worship: The Lead Curse Tablets and Religious Literacy”

Christina Abraham, Queen’s University

“Of Byzantines and Beelzebul: Possession and Demonology in the Byzantine World”

BANQUET

For panelists and panel chairs

Time: 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM

Location: Original Joe’s (upstairs), 8404 109th Street



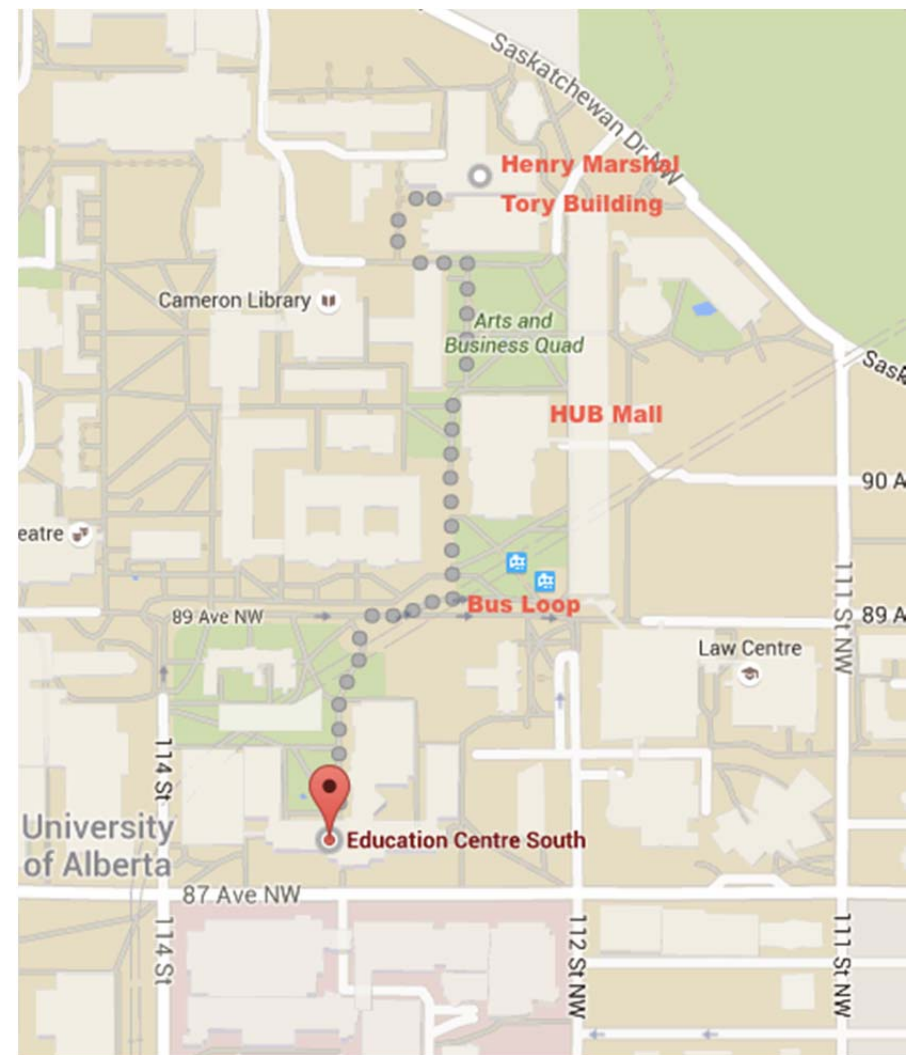
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