2021 Michaelmas Term

Early Biblical Interpretation Seminar

Thursdays 10:00 am – 12:00 pm
Harris Lecture Theatre, Oriel College
Convenor: Hindy Najman (Oriel)

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WEEK 1: THURSDAY 14 OCTOBER
Induction and reception for Hebrew Bible and Old Testament postgraduates and JRFs.

WEEK 2: THURSDAY 21 OCTOBER (*)
[(* Please note that this workshop will run from 12:00 pm – 6:30 pm in the Harris Lecture Theatre, Oriel College]
Workshop Organized by Daniel Waller and Hindy Najman:
Magical and Literary Enchantment in the Ancient World. Click here to access the programme.

WEEK 3: WEDNESDAY 27 OCTOBER (*)
[(* Please note that this additional special session will run from 5:00 pm – 6:30 pm on Wednesday]
Speaker’s Lectures Series: Adele Reinhartz (UOttawa) - Family Dramas: Mothers, Daughters and Siblings. Click here to access the programme.

WEEK 3: THURSDAY 28 OCTOBER
Alex Jassen (New York University) - From Qumran to Waco: A Cross-Cultural Understanding of Violence in the Dead Sea Scrolls

WEEK 4: THURSDAY 4 NOVEMBER (*)
[(* Please note that this workshop will run from 9:00 am – 6:00 pm in the Harris Lecture Theatre, Oriel College]
Workshop Organized by Hywel Clifford, Hindy Najman and Joachim Schaper:
Reconceptualising Monotheism: Concepts and Cultures in Ancient Israel. Click here to access the programme.

WEEK 5: THURSDAY 11 NOVEMBER (*)
Writers’ Workshop (open only to the postgraduate community in Oxford)
[(* Please note that this session will run from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm]
Sarah Wisialowski (Oriel) - Stopping Time: The Function of Prayer in Jewish Texts in the Hellenistic Period
Lyndon Drake (Oriel) - Economic Writing in Jeremiah 32 and Related Texts
Jiani Sun (Oriel) - Ethics: Lessons on Virtue and Vice—A Reading of the Plague Cycle in Wisdom of Solomon

WEEK 6: THURSDAY 18 NOVEMBER
Writers’ Workshop (open only to the postgraduate community in Oxford)
Wenyue Qiang (St Cross) - Restoring חַיִּים: The Law of Kingship in the Temple Scroll
Joseph Justiss (Blackfriars) - My Words or The Words of Agur?: Comparing the Interpretive Effects of Juxtaposition in G and M Proverbs 30:1–14

WEEK 7: THURSDAY 25 NOVEMBER
No session this week due to AAR/SBL

WEEK 8: THURSDAY 2 DECEMBER
Writers’ Workshop (open only to the postgraduate community in Oxford)
Annie Calderbank (Oriel) - Seeing Sanctification: An Exploration of the Perceptibility of Holiness in the Hebrew Bible
Herald Gandi (Worcester) - Reading Jonah’s Prayer Intertextually
Hakseoo Kim (Christ Church) - Remembering Manasseh and Innocent Blood

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