FALL 2016

SEPTEMBER 9
Paul Dilley, University of Iowa
Religions of Late Antiquity, Digital Humanities
Welcome and Opening Lecture

SEPTEMBER 16
Shai Secunda, Hebrew University of Jerusalem
Rabbinic and Zoroastrian Literature

NOVEMBER 4
Zsuzsanna Gulácsi, Northern Arizona University
Manichaean Art and Manuscripts, Artistic Heritage of Silk-Road Religions
Michael Friedrich, Universität Hamburg
Early Chinese Buddhist Manuscripts

DECEMBER 2
William Johnson, Duke University
Papyrology, Ancient Books and Reading among Greeks and Romans
Susan Whitfield, British Library
Codicology of Chinese Manuscripts from Dunhuang, Silk Road History
Marina Rustow, Princeton University
Social History of the Medieval Middle East, Cairo Geniza Documents
Myriam Krutzsch, Ägyptisches Museum, Berlin
Papyrus Rolls
Mark Barnard, British Library
Conservation of the Dunhuang Rolls

DECEMBER 16
T. H. Barrett, School of Oriental and African Studies
Buddhism and Early Printing in Asia
Abdurishid Yakup, Berlin-Brandenburg Academy of Sciences, Central University of Nationalities, Beijing
Old Uyghur Language, Culture, Manuscripts, and Printing

SPRING 2017

JANUARY 20
Brent Seales, University of Kentucky
Advanced Imaging and Digital Unwrapping of Herculaneum Papyri
Vito Mocella, National Research Council, Rome
Herculaneum Papyri Imaging Project

FEBRUARY 3
Kevin van Bladel, Ohio State University
Cultural and Intellectual History of the Near East and Neighboring Regions in the First Millenium CE
Johannes Preiser-Kapeller, Austrian Academy of Sciences
Eurasian Networks

FEBRUARY 17
Richard Salomon, University of Washington
Ancient Buddhist Manuscripts from Gandhara
Justin McDaniel, University of Pennsylvania
Sanskrit, Pali, Lao and Thai Buddhist Manuscripts
Jim Canary, Indiana University Lilly Library
Birchbark and Palm-Leaf Book Structures

MARCH 10
Sabine Schmidtke, Institute for Advanced Study
Arabic, Judeo-Arabic, and Persian Manuscripts

MARCH 31
AnneMarie Luijendijk, Princeton University
Papyrology, Oxyrhynchus Papyri, and Early Christianity
François Deroche, Collège de France
Islamic Codicology and Paleography, History of Early Qur’anic Manuscripts
Yasmeen Khan, Library of Congress
Islamic Book Structures

APRIL 14
Lynn Ransom, University of Pennsylvania - Schoenbrunn Institute for Manuscript Studies
Medieval European Manuscript Illumination, Digital Manuscript Studies
Daniel Lord Smail, Harvard University
Mediterranean Societies, 1100–1600, Deep Human History

APRIL 28
Erik Kwakkel, Universiteit Leiden
Medieval Latin Paleography, Codicology, and Book History
Digital Humanities
Katherine Tachau, University of Iowa
Medieval Latin Paleography, Illumination, Codicology, and Book History

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