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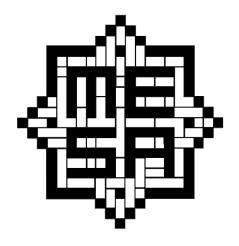
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With the exception of the book bazaar, which is open to the public, registration is required to attend all MESA 2017 functions. Please wear your badge at all times. Badges will be checked regularly throughout the convention area.

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MESA Members Meeting

Date: Monday, November 20 Time: 6-7:30pm Location: Marriott Wardman Park Hotel, Marriott Salon I

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 sample agenda at 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, to augment 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.

Please attend and help us achieve a quorum!

Sample Agenda

- I. Call to Order
- II. Report of the Executive Director
- III. In Memoriam and Moment of Silence
- IV. 2017 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. Unfinished Business (if tabled from last meeting)
- X. New Business
- XI. Adjournment



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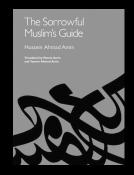
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MESA attendees are invited to a special event at the

Smithsonian National Postal Museum

Monday, November 20, 2017 10:00 AM - Noon

For more than a century and a half, the world relied on postal services and postage stamps for the exchange of ideas between distant people. More than just enabling global conversations, however, postage stamps could be and often were an integral part of the discussion. The governments that created them carefully encoded philosophical, cultural, historical, and social messages they wished to project at home and abroad.

Join the Smithsonian National Postal Museum's Chief Curator of Philately for an orientation to opportunities for semiotic and iconographic research in the museum's collections of the stamps and postal history of the Middle East. After the program, coffee and doughnuts will be served and an optional docent-led tour of the museum will be offered.

The Smithsonian National Postal Museum is located at 2 Massachusetts Avenue, N.E., next door to Union Station. It is easily accessible to conference attendees arriving in Washington on Amtrak and from the conference hotel (take the Metro Red Line from Woodley Park–Zoo Station toward Glenmont, 6 stops to Union Station).

Admission to the museum and attendance at this event are free, but preregistration is encouraged. If you'd like to join us, please send an e-mail with your name and the number of attendees to Dr. Susan Smith at **SmithSu@si.edu**.



The first stamps of Afghanistan (then known as the Kingdom of Kabul) were issued by the government of Amir Sher Ali Khan between 1871 and 1879. They were cancelled by having a chunk torn out of them to prevent reuse.



The first postage stamps of Israel, issued May 16, 1948, are inscribed simply "Hebrew Post" because they were clandestinely printed before the new nation had been proclaimed or named.



These are essays (trial designs) prepared in 1942 for stamps that were never issued. The stamps were intended to honor the millennium of Cairo's first mosque, Al-Azhar Mosque. Formerly in the collection of Egypt's King Farouk, the essays were seized and sold during the 1952 revolution that deposed him.



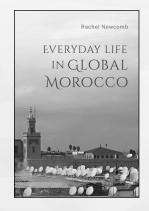
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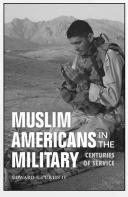


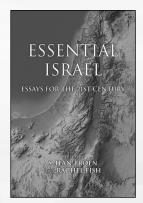
Issued by the Kingdom of Hijaz shortly after the successful 1916 Arab revolt against the Turks, the first stamps of Saudi Arabia were designed by T.E. Lawrence.

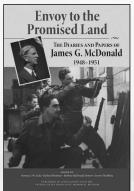
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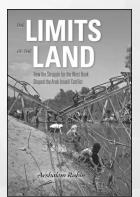
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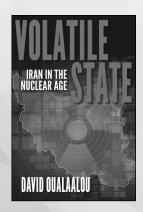


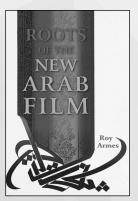


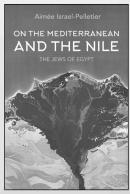


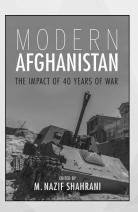


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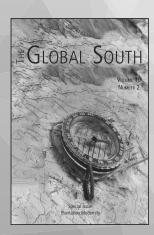


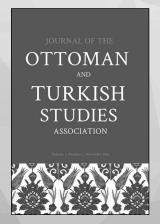


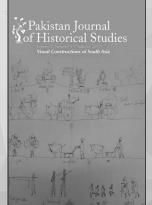


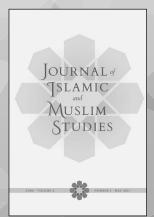


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Dugma: The Button



(screening Sun. at 11:15am)

1948: Creation and Catastrophe



(screening Sun at 4:20pm)

Reel Bad Arabs (in memory of Jack Shaheen)



(screening Sun at 3:00pm)

A Revolution in Four Seasons



(screening Mon. at 8:35pm)

Daughters of Anatolia



(screening Mon. at 9:40am)

Badge Required to watch films

(Register on the lobby level)

Film Schedule

Screening in the

Hoover Room

(Mezzanine Level)

Saturday, November 18

9:00am	The Mad, Mad, P ^p W World (3)
9:05am	The Silk Road: Where East Met West, Part 3 (52)
10:00am	In Light of the Revolution - About Women and
	Art in Cairo (55)
11:00am	Socotra: The Island of Djinns (65)
12:10pm	Radio Kobanî (68)
1:20pm	A Cinema of Discontent (86)
2:50pm	Beyond the Frontlines: Tales of Resistance and
	Resilience in Palestine (114)
4:50pm	RATTLED (10)/I HEARD (9)
5:10pm	Girls' War (54)
6:05pm	The End of the Ottoman Empire, Part 2 (53)
7:00pm	THE BLISS OF BEING NO ONE (26)
7:30pm	Ḥarām (4 8)
	→ Featuring a Cineforum with Cynthia Madansky
8:30pm	Homegrown: The Counter-Terrorism Dilemma (90)

Monday, November 20

8:00am	The Visit (43)
8:45am	Turkey on the Edge (54)
9:40am	Daughters of Anatolia (58)
10:40am	Aghbalou: The Source of Water (30)
11:15am	Egypt's Modern Pharaohs: Mubarak (60)
12:20pm	The New Germans (50)
	→ Featuring a Cineforum with Mariam Shahin
1:25pm	The Best Life (6)
1:35pm	Last Men in Aleppo (104)
3:20pm	Dalya's Other Country (58)
4:20pm	Disturbing the Peace (87)
	→ Featuring a Cineforum with Stephen Apkon
6:00pm	Treasures of the Past (8)
6:10pm	The Dream of Shahrazad (110)
8:05 pm	HIS CUCUMBER (3)/THE ROOSTER (15)/THE
	CHOICE (10)

Sunday, November 19

8:30am	Constructing the Terrorist Threat (60)
9:35am	Shingal: Feminicide in the Age of ISIS (59)
10:40am	Scraps of the City (3)
10:45am	IS SUMIYATI GOING TO HELL? (25)
11:15am	Dugma: The Button (58)
12:15pm	Tickling Giants (111)
2:10pm	Israel's Arab Warriors (47)
3:00pm	Reel Bad Arabs (50)
	with film tribute to Jack Shaheen
4:00pm	UNDER THE HAT (15)
4:20pm	1948: Creation & Catastrophe (86)
	→ Featuring a Cineforum with Ahlam Muhtaseb
6:00pm	***closed for Presidential Panel & Awards**
7:30pm	Nour's Gaza (39)
8:10pm	crISIS (10)/ABRAHAM (11)
8:35pm	INSYRIATED (83)

Tuesday, November 21

8:00am	Iran at a Turning Point (55)
9:00am	Champ of the Camp (75)
10:20am	Monir (55)
11:20am	VIEWER'S CHOICE
-2:00pm	

8:35pm A Revolution in Four Seasons (90)



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As a courtesy to others, please turn off your cell phone before entering the FilmFest screening room. Please note that no photography is permitted during film screenings.

Film Descriptions

1948: CREATION AND CATASTROPHE (Israel/Palestine)
2017 86 min. In English, Hebrew and Arabic w/English
subtitles. Director: Andy Trimlett. Producers: Andy Trimlett
and Ahlam Muhtaseb. Print Source: Andy Trimlett and
Ahlam Muhtaseb. Through riveting and moving personal
recollections of both Palestinians and Israelis, this film reveals
the shocking events of the most controversial conflict in the
world. It tells the story of the establishment of Israel as seen
through the eyes of the people who lived it.

A CINEMA OF DISCONTENT (Iran) 2013 86 min. In Farsi w/ English subtitles. Director/Producer: Jamsheed Akrami. Print Source: AFD/Typecast films. This documentary examines the ways Iranian artists have been hobbled by censorship. The film pairs in depth interviews with thorough illustrations of the censors' most troublesome demands. Both enriching for those who follow Iranian film closely and an eye-opener for less worldly film buffs.

A REVOLUTION IN FOUR SEASONS (Tunisia) 2016 90 min. In English, Arabic and French w/English subtitles. Director/Producer: Jessie Deeter. Print Source: Women Make Movies. This film tells the story of two women with opposing political views fighting for their versions of a democratic Tunisia. Journalist Emna Ben Jemaa envisions a corruption free country governed by free speech. Jawhara Ettis works towards a country guided by Islamic principles.

ABRAHAM (Iraq) 2016 8 min. In Arabic w/English subtitles. Director: Ali Kareem Obaid. Producers: Baburka Productions and Ali Kareem Obaid. Print Source: Ali Kareem Obaid. Set against the backdrop of ISIS' imposition of the "jizya" or tax on non-Muslims in its territories, a Christian family devises a plan to protect its only daughter. However, their "perfect" solution might end up having more tragic consequences than intended.

AGHBALOU, THE SOURCE OF WATER (Morocco) 2016 29 min. In English and Arabic w/English subtitles. Director: Remigiusz Sowa. Producer: Anna Sowa. Print Source: The Video Project. The film explores irrigation practices in the oasis and raises important questions about water security revealing how agricultural developments can be both an opportunity and a threat to the rural poor.



THE BEST LIFE (AL-AḤLA ḤAYĀ) (Kuwait) 2016 6 min. In English and Arabic w/English subtitles. Director/Producer:

Meqdad Al Kout. **Print Source: Meqdad Al Kout.** A man copes with his mundane routine by amusing himself through the online posts of a social media influencer.



BEYOND THE FRONTLINES: TALES OF RESISTANCE AND RESILIENCE IN PALESTINE (Palestine) 2017 114 min. In English, Arabic and French w/English subtitles. Director: Alexandra Dols. Producer: Hybrid Pulse. Print Source: Vendredi Distribution. In this documentary, Dr. Samah Jabr uses elements of Palestinian life to present the psychological strategies and consequences of the occupation and ways to deal with it. This film reveals the daily resistance of Palestinians and their resilience to withstand colonization.

THE BLISS OF BEING NO ONE (FADĪLA AN TAKŪN LA AḤD) (Saudi Arabia) 2016 26 min. In Arabic w/English subtitles. Director: Bader Alhomoud. Producer: Fahad Alafandi. Print Source: Bader Alhomoud. A man who has just lost his family has an encounter with a one-eyed man.



CHAMP OF THE CAMP (UAE) 2013 75 min. In English, Hindi, Bengali, Urdu and Bhojpuri w/English subtitles. Director: Mahmoud Kaabour. Producer: Eva Sayre. Print Source: Veritas Films. Filmed in the controversial UAE labor camps, this documentary follows a massive Bollywood singing and trivia competition that searches across 70 labor camps throughout the country to find and crown the champion of all camps. The film presents intimate scenes of workers' daily lives.

THE CHOICE (AL-IKHTIYAR) (UAE) 2016 10 min. In English. Director/Producer: Eyman Alsayed. Print Source: Image Nation. After her Emirati father passed away, Lauren is asked to fly to the UAE for the first time to meet with her long-lost family, and settle her father's inheritance. However, to claim her right she is asked to cleanse her father's "mistake" that estranged him for years.

CONSTRUCTING THE TERRORIST THREAT (USA) 2017 55 min. In English. Director: Sut Jhally. Producers: Loretta Alper, Jeremy Earp & Jason Young. Print Source: Media Education Foundation. Deepa Kumar, one of the nation's foremost scholars on Islamophobia, looks at how Muslims have become the predominant face of terror in US news and entertainment media — even though terror attacks by white extremists have far outnumbered attacks by Muslim Americans since 9/11.

crISIS (Iraq) 2015 10 min. In Arabic w/English subtitles. Director: Ali Kareem Obaid. Producers: Ali Kareem Obaid, Image Nation Abu Dhabi, Dubai Film Market. Print Source: Ali Kareem Obaid. ISIS' occupation of northern Iraq causes severe security problems in Baghdad. This creates psychological problems for Asaad who lost his wife in a car bomb. He decides not to leave home, even for work, to keep himself and his only son alive. Finally, a family friend tries to help them get out of their situation.

DAUGHTERS OF ANATOLIA (Turkey) 2015 56 min. In Turkish w/English subtitles. Director/Producer: Halé Sofia Schatz. **Print Source: Grasshopper Film.** This film follows nomadic goat herders as they migrate from the Mediterranean Sea to the Taurus Mountains and back again. The family relies on their 350 goats for their sustenance and livelihood. They make, eat and sell cheese and yogurt from the milk. They shear, spin, weave, and sell goat wool.



DALYA'S OTHER COUNTRY (USA) 2017 75 min. In English and Arabic w/English subtitles. Director/Producer: Julia Meltzer. Print Source: Good Docs. Dalya Zeno and her mother leave Aleppo to join their brothers/sons in Los Angeles. The film follows Dalya from age 12 through high school graduation. Over the years she balances many identities: Syrian, American and most challenging, Muslim.



DISTURBING THE PEACE (Israel/Palestine) 2016 87 min. In English, Hebrew and Arabic w/English subtitles. Directors: Stephen Apkon and Andrew Young. Producer: Stephen Apkon. Print Source: Bullfrog Films. This documentary draws on archival material, dramatic recreations and extensive interviews to unravel the stories of Palestinians and Israelis who ended up becoming combatants against one another in a conflict that has been playing out for generations.

THE DREAM OF SHAHRAZAD (Egypt/Turkey/Lebanon) 2014 110 min. In English, Arabic and Turkish w/English subtitles. Director: François Verster. Producers: François Verster, Shameela Seedat and Neil Brandt. Print Source: Grasshopper Film. Filmed before, during and after the so-called "Arab Spring," this film uses the metaphor of Shahrazad, the storytelling princess in "The Arabian Nights," to weave together a web of music, politics and storytelling to explore the ways in which creativity and political articulation coincide in response to oppression.

DUGMA: THE BUTTON (Syria) 2016 58 min. In English and Arabic w/English subtitles. Director: Pål Salahadin Refsdal. Producer: Ingvil Giske. **Print Source: Films Media Group.** An intimate portrait of a group of suicide bombers working for Al Qaeda. This remarkable film embeds with an unlikely bunch of "martyrdom seekers", each waiting for their turn to go on a final mission. This documentary lays bare the faith and doubt at the core of men who want to become suicide bombers.

EGYPT'S MODERN PHARAOHS: MUBARAK (Egypt) 2015 60 min. In English and Arabic w/English subtitles. Director: Jihan El-Tahri. Producers: Big Sister, Jihan El-Tahri, Benoit Juster and Geneviève de Montgolfier. Print Source: Films Media Group. Hosni Mubarak rose to power after Sadat's assassination, seeking stability and security—the foundation of a regime rooted in the alliance of power and money. The impoverished Egyptian masses could only remain spectators to a system that increased inequality and fueled Islamist groups.

THE END OF THE OTTOMAN EMPIRE (PART 2: THE MIDDLE EAST IN PIECES) (Turkey) 2016 53 min. In French w/English subtitles. Director: Mathilde Damoisel. Producers: ARTE France and Second Vague Productions. Print Source: Icarus Films. The Ottoman Empire controlled most of the Middle East but collapsed in less than a century. From 1830, when Greece won independence, until 1923, when Mustafa Kemal proclaimed the modern Republic of Turkey, this documentary explores the political, economic, and social processes that led to the end of the empire. This part begins with World War I.



GIRLS' WAR (Syria) 2016 53 min. In English, French and Turkish w/English subtitles. Director/Producer: Mylène Sauloy. Print Source: Women Make Movies. As the forces of ISIS and Assad ravage Syria and Northern Iraq, a group of brave, idealistic women are taking up arms. Members of "The Free Women's Party" come from Paris, Turkish Kurdistan, and other parts of the world. Their dream: To create a democratic Syria and a society based on gender equality.

ḤARĀM (East Jerusalem) 2017 47 min. In Arabic and Hebrew w/English subtitles. Director/Producer: Cynthia Madansky. Print Source: Cynthia Madansky. ḤARĀM is an essay film portraying the urgent contemporary situation at the Haram Al Sharif/Noble Sanctuary reflecting on the growing Temple Mount Faithful movement whose goal is to build the Third Temple on this holy Muslim site and in turn to assert Jewish sovereignty over East Jerusalem.

HIS CUCUMBER (KHAYĀRTU) (Egypt) 2016 4 min. In Arabic w/English subtitles. Director/Producer: Sharine Atif. Print Source: Women's Voices Now. An Egyptian woman shares her story about a man who sexually harasses her while at the market. Instead of ignoring him as most women would do, she confronts him with a shocking and unexpected tone.

HOMEGROWN: THE COUNTER TERRORIST DILEMMA (USA) 2016 90 min. In English. Director: Greg Barker. Producers: John Battsek, Julie Goldman and Greg Barker. Print Source: Films Media Group. This documentary explores the real and perceived threat of homegrown Islamic extremism in the US today. First-hand accounts of those induced into, suspected of or convicted of terrorism are at the center of this film.

I HEARD (SAM'AT) (Qatar) 2017 8 min. In English. Director: Sana Al-Ansari. Producer: Buthyna Al-Mohammadi. Print Source: Sana Al-Ansari. This documentary presents arranged marriages in Qatar. This film follows the case of Sahar, a young woman, and the factors that influence her decision: family, love, marriage.

IN LIGHT OF THE REVOLUTION - ABOUT WOMEN AND ART IN CAIRO (Egypt) 2016 54 min. In English. Directors: Lone Falster and Iben Haahr Andersen. Producer: Anja Dalhoff. Print Source: Journeyman Pictures. This Danish documentary looks at the impact of the 2011 Arab Spring on the work of eight female artists. The revolution turned their art into powerful commentaries on masculinity and promoted action against sexist violence against women.

INSYRIATED (Syria) 2017 85 min. In Arabic w/English subtitles. Director: Philippe Van Leeuw. Producers: Guillaume Malandrin and Serge Zeitoun. Print Source: Film Movement. Over the course of one day as skirmishes rage and ebb around them, a mother of three tries to protect her family and houseguests in her blockaded Damascus apartment. The mother's single-minded determination to ensure the safety of her charges is severely tested by outside forces.

IRAN AT A TURNING POINT (Iran) 2016 55 min. In English and Farsi w/English subtitles. Directors: Vincent de Cointet and Antoine Mariotti. Producer: Point du Jour. Print Source: Point du Jour International. In July 2015, thousands of Iranians celebrated after a nuclear arms framework was signed. This documentary follows life in Tehran, from the signing of the nuclear deal through March 2016, when reformers won parliamentary elections. International political thinkers, human rights activists, and diplomats are interviewed. Changes in Iran's politics, economy, and religion, are captured as the film explores whether the hope and joy will be fulfilled.

ISRAEL'S ARAB WARRIORS (Israel) 2016 50 min. In English, Arabic and Hebrew w/English subtitles. Director/Producer: Oren Rosenfeld. Print Source: Journeyman Pictures. Twenty percent of Israel's population is Arab, but only a tiny proportion serve in the Israeli Defence Force. Their numbers, however, are growing. This film follows the first unit of Israeli Arab soldiers to serve in the occupied West Bank.



IS SUMIYATI GOING TO HELL? (SUMYĀTĪ BITDAKHL

AN-NĀR?) (Saudi Arabia) 2016 25 min. In Arabic w/ English subtitles. Director: Meshel Aljasser. Producer: Mississippi Ibrahim. **Print Source: Saudi Aramco.** As told through the perspective of Layan, the youngest child of a family, the story centers on a maid named Sumiyati. She must navigate and survive a horrible job due to her racist employers.

LAST MEN IN ALEPPO (Syria) 2017 110 min. In Arabic w/ English subtitles. Director: Firas Fayyad. Producers: Kareem Abeed, Soeren Steen Jespersen and Stefan Kloos. Print Source: Grasshopper Film. After five years of war, the remaining citizens of Aleppo, Syria, are getting ready for a siege. Through the eyes of volunteer rescue workers called the White Helmets, this compelling film allows viewers to experience the daily life, death, and struggle in the streets, where they are fighting for sanity in a city where war has become the norm.

THE MAD, MAD, GVW WORLD (Iran) 1975 3 min. No dialogue. Designer/Director: Nureddin Zarrin-Kelk. Producer: Institute for the Intellectual Development of Children and Young Adults, Tehran. Print Source: Media Resources Center, University of North Carolina. This black-and-white animated cartoon features a very active symbolic map. It is a tale of "global relations." Taffy Bodman, the FilmFest founder, selected the cartoon which has become the MESA FilmFest signature film. It was shown first in 1991.

MONIR (Iran) 2015 54 min. In English and Farsi w/English subtitles. Director: Bahman Kiarostami. Producer: Layla Fakhr. Print Source: Documentary Educational Resources. The film takes an intimate look at Monir Shahroudy Farmanfarmaian's life and her art. Monir created an artistic language that was informed by traditional Iranian craft and architecture. She has become one of the most innovative and influential artists working in the Middle East today.



THE NEW GERMANS (Germany) 2017 48 min. In English, German and Arabic w/English subtitles. Director/Producer: Mariam Shahin. Print Source: Maysara Films. Nearly one million ethnic Arabs fleeing war and violence in their homelands have come to Germany since 2015. This film follows one of them, newspaper editor and Syrian asylum seeker Ramy Alasheq, as he looks into historical patterns of Arab immigration and how the latest arrivals are being received in their new country.

NOUR'S GAZA (Gaza) 2017 39 min. In Arabic w/English subtitles. Director/Producer: Mariam Shahin. Print Source: Maysara Films. Nour's Gaza profiles four women from the Gaza Strip through the narration of Nour Halaby - a young Gazan photographer.

RATTLED (MUTAKHAZBIQ) (UAE) 2016 10 min. In Arabic w/English subtitles. Director/Producer: Jaafar Almadhoon. Print Source: Image Nation. Mohammed's traditional search for a bride has resulted in over twelve rejections. As his opportunities seem to be disappearing, Mohammed finds hope in wearing his late father's lucky ring to his next "meeting". Much to his surprise, he finds himself with Laila, a bride he failed to impress before.

RADIO KOBANÎ (Syria) 2016 70 min. In Kurdish w/English subtitles. Director: Reber Dosky. Producer: Jos de Putter. **Print Source: Journeyman Pictures.** When the Syrian border town of Kobanî was liberated from ISIS, 20-year-old Kurdish

reporter Dilovan started a radio station. The broadcasts seem to offer their listeners comfort and a sense of stability, as reconstruction gets underway and they cautiously dare to think about the future again.

REEL BAD ARABS: HOW HOLLYWOOD VILIFIES A PEOPLE (USA) 2006 50 min. In English. Director: Sut Jhally. Producer: Jeremy Earp. Print Source: Media Education Foundation. In tribute to the lifework of the late Jack Shaheen, the FilmFest presents an encore screening of Reel Bad Arabs. This groundbreaking film traces Hollywood's slanderous depictions of Arabs.



THE ROOSTER (AL-ASHQAR) (Bahrain) 2016 15 min. In Arabic w/English subtitles. Director: Salman Yousif. Producers: Saleh Nass and Chaker Ben Yahmed. Print Source: Salman Yousif. Salem's rooster, Al-Ashghar, has never lost a fight. Salem's obsession with maintaining the championship affects his relationship with his wife who he expects to serve his roosters.

SCRAPS OF THE CITY (Qatar) 2017 3 min. No dialogue. Director/Producer: Suzannah Mirghani. Print Source: Suzannah Mirghani. This experimental film shows snippets of life in Doha.



SOCOTRA: THE LAND OF DJINNS (Yemen) 2016 65 min. In Socotri w/English subtitles. Director/Producer: Jordi Esteva. Print Source: Movies for Festivals. The main character of this film is the island of Socotra. This legendary nesting place of the phoenix, laden with frankincense, myrrh, and dragon's blood trees, is home to numerous flora and fauna found nowhere else on earth. The film follows a group of camel herders making their way to the island's isolated inner region before the rainy season begins.

SHINGAL: FEMINICIDE IN THE AGE OF ISIS (Iraq/Turkey) 2016 59 min. In Kurdish w/English subtitles. Director: Angelos Rallis. Producers: Angelos Rallis and Hans Ulrich Gössl. Print Source: Cargo Film & Releasing. In 2014, the Yezidis were driven from their homes by ISIS who kidnapped more than 3,000 women and children. This film follows one of the remaining families, living in an abandoned coal mine on the Turkish border, as they attempt to buy back their daughter.

THE SILK ROAD: WHERE EAST MET WEST, PART 3 (Iran/Turkey/Italy) 2016 53 min. In English. Director/Producer: Richard Downes. Print Source: Films Media Group. The last chapter of this series begins in Persepolis. Following an ancient caravan route, the film shows a Zoroastrian temple and Esfahan, before traveling to Istanbul. The story ends in Venice at the home of Marco Polo.



TICKLING GIANTS (Egypt/USA) 2016 111 min. In English and Arabic w/ English subtitles. Director: Sara Taksler. Producers: Sara Taksler, Monica Hampton, Maziar Bahari and Frederic Rose. Print Source: Tugg, EDU. In the midst of the Egyptian revolution of 2011, Bassem Youssef made a decision to leave his job as a heart surgeon to become a full-time comedian. Dubbed "The Egyptian Jon Stewart," Bassem creates the satirical show "Al Bernameg". This film follows the team of Al Bernameg as they endure physical threats, protests, and legal action, all because of jokes.

TREASURES OF THE PAST (KANUZ LUWAL) (Qatar) 2017 9 min. In Arabic w/English subtitles. Directors/Producers: Rawan Al-Nassiri and Nada Bedair. Print Source: Rawan Al-Nassiri. This documentary shows the traditional work being done by three grandmothers. Although unnoticed, each of these women provides for her family.



TURKEY ON THE EDGE (Turkey) 2017 54 min. In English and Turkish w/English subtitles. Director: Imre Azem. Producer: Zora Nessl. Print Source: Journeyman Pictures. This film addresses the changing political dynamic in Turkey. Once fiercely democratic and secular, in the last few years the Erdoğan government has eroded liberties, especially press freedom, and consolidated power in the president.

UNDER THE HAT (TAḤT AL-'AMĀMA) (UAE) 2016 15min. In Arabic w/English subtitles. Director/Producer: Amal Al-Agroobi. **Print Source ALAGROOBI Films.** When a muezzin is unable to continue announcing prayers, he looks for a replacement in the vocalist of a heavy metal band.



THE VISIT (AZZIARA) (Egypt) 2015 43 min. In English and Arabic w/English subtitles. Directors: Nadia Mounier and Marouan Omara. Producer: Mark Lofty. Print Source: Tetraktys Films Ltd. A World Bank inspection team arrives at an Egyptian village to assess its transformation of local agricultural management. A TV presenter is making a series about women living in the countryside. A group of schoolgirls visits the Agricultural Museum in Dokki and takes selfies with its life size dolls. Through documenting a series of different visits this film deconstructs how stereotypes about the Egyptian countryside are shaped.

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The MESA FilmFest Committee seeks submissions for FilmFest 2018 to be screened during the annual meeting in San Antonio, Texas, November 15-18. All entries will be reviewed by the committee or selected regional/topical experts. DVD submissions (2 copies) in region free NTSC format should be sent with the entry form to the address below. Links to digital submissions of H.264 files (with .mp4 or .mov extensions) should be provided with the entry form and sent to the email address below. If a digital entry is accepted, the film maker may be asked to send a higher resolution file (not larger that 4-5 GB). MESA rarely pays screening fees and issues of such fees must be addressed before submitting to the fest. Entry forms will be available online. Contact information: Thomas B. Stevenson, FilmFest Director, MESA Secretariat, 3542 N. Geronimo Ave., Tucson, AZ 85705 (520.333.2577; 740.605.0115; tbstevenson@email.arizona.edu).

Submission Deadline: June 15, 2018

Meetings in Conjunction

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◆AATA-American Association of Teachers of Arabic

Saturday, 11/18

Executive Board Meeting, 9am-12pm, L-Park Tower Suite 8210

Panel: "Challenges and Prospects for Teaching Arabic as a Second Language", I-3pm, L-Virginia A Business Meeting, 3:30-5pm, L-Virginia A

*AATP-American Association of Teachers of Persian

Saturday, 11/18

Executive Board Meeting, 5-6pm, M-Jefferson

General Meeting, 6-7pm, M-Jefferson

AIMS—American Institute for Maghrib Studies

Saturday, 11/18

Board Meeting, 9am-Ipm, L-Delaware A **Business Meeting**, 3-4:30, L-Virginia C

AllrS-American Institute of Iranian Studies

Saturday, 11/18

Board Meeting, 3-5pm, M-Taylor

AIYS-American Institute for Yemeni Studies

Saturday, 11/18

Board Meeting, 4-5:30pm,

M-Cleveland I

Sunday, 11/19

General Meeting, 4-5pm, L-Park Tower Suite 8216

*ARCE-American Research Center in Egypt

Monday, 11/20

Fellowship Alumni Breakfast, 7-8am, L-Virginia C

*AUC/BCARS—American University in Cairo and Boston Consortium for Arab Region Studies

Saturday, 11/18

Reception, 8:30-10:30pm, L-Virginia B

•Arab Studies Institute

Sunday, 11/19
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Middle East Studies Pedagogy Initiative, 8:30-10pm, M-Wilson A

Arabic Collections Online

Monday, 11/20

Advisory Board Meeting, Ham-Ipm, M-Jackson

Arabic Overseas Flagship

Monday, 11/20

Business Meeting, 12-2pm, L-Park Tower Suite 8216

◆AGAPS—Association for Gulf and Arabian Peninsula Studies

Saturday, 11/18

Board Meeting, Ham-2pm, M-Johnson **General Business Meeting**, 3-5pm, M-Harding

Happy Hour Reception, 5:30-

7:30pm, Petits Plats Restaurant (2653 Connecticut Ave)

AIS—Association for Iranian Studies

Saturday, 11/18

Council Meeting, 2-5pm, L-Park Tower Suite 8210

General Meeting, 6-7pm, L-Park

Tower Suite 8216

AIS—Association for Israel Studies

Saturday, 11/18

Reception, 8:30-10pm, M-Wilson C

AMEWS—Association for Middle East Women's Studies

Saturday, 11/18

Board Meeting, I-2:30pm, L-Park

Tower Suite 8223

Sunday, 11/19

Members Meeting, 7:30-8:30pm,

M-McKinley

Film Screening & Reception (with

WLP), 8:30-11pm, M-Coolidge

ASPS—Association for the Study of Persianate Societies

Saturday, 11/18

Board Meeting, 4-6pm, L-Park Tower Suite 8218

AMECYS—Association of Middle East Children's and Youth Studies

Sunday, 11/19

Business Meeting, 8-10am, L-Park

Tower Suite 8212

*CASA—Center for Arabic Study Abroad

Saturday, 11/18

Governing Board Meeting, 5-8pm, New Heights Restaurant (2317 Calvert St NW)

Sunday, 11/19

Consortium Luncheon, 12-1:30pm,

Lebanese Taverna (2641 Connecticut Ave) *Monday*, 11/20

CASA Alumni Reception, 7-9pm,

M-Harding

CIRS-Center for International and Regional Studies, Georgetown University in Qatar

Sunday, 11/19

Reception, 7-9pm, Lebanese Taverna (2641 Connecticut Ave)

•First World War in MENA Scholarly Network

Sunday, 11/19

Meeting, 4-6pm, L-Park Tower Suite 8222

•FIS-Foundation for Iranian Studies

Saturday, 11/18

Advisory Group Meeting, 9:30am-5pm, L-Park Tower Suite 8224

◆Fulbright and the Council of American Overseas Research Centers (CAORC)

Saturday, 11/18

Reception, 8:30-10:30pm, L-Delaware A

Harvard University, Center for Middle Eastern Studies

Sunday, 11/19

Reception, 8:30-10pm, L-Virginia A

◆HIAA—Historians of Islamic Art Association

Saturday, 11/18

Majlis, 10am-12pm, M-McKinley **Business Meeting**, 12-1pm, M-McKinley

◆IOMES-Indian Ocean Middle East Studies Working Group

Monday, 11/20

Meeting, 2-3:30pm, M-Jackson

◆IJMES—International Journal of Middle East Studies

Saturday, 11/18

Editorial Board Meeting, 3-5pm, L-Delaware A

*JMEWS-Journal of Middle East Women's Studies

Saturday, 11/18

Publications Committee Meeting,

12-Ipm, L-Park Tower Suite 8223

Sunday, 11/19

Editorial Board Meeting, 7-8am,

L-Park Tower Suite 8219

LAMES-Latin American Middle East Studies Working Group

Sunday, 11/19

Meeting, 4-5:30pm, L-Park Tower Suite 8212

LSA-Lebanese Studies Association

Sunday, 11/19

Business Meeting, 2-4pm, M-Johnson

MECPD-Middle East Center & Program Directors

Monday, 11/20

Annual Meeting, 9-1 Iam, L-Virginia C

MELA-Middle East Librarians Association

Saturday, 11/18

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MEM-Middle East Medievalists

Saturday, 11/18

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MEOC-Middle East Outreach Council

Sunday, 11/19

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MERIP-Middle East Research and Information Project

Monday, 11/20

Business Meeting, 3:30-5:30pm, L-Delaware B

◆MESA-Middle East Studies Association

Saturday, 11/18

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6:15pm, M-Jackson

Sunday, 11/19

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M-McKinley

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Directors Meeting, 9-1 I am, Virginia C (L)
IOMES Working Group Meeting,

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OTSA-Ottoman and Turksih Studies Association

Saturday, 11/18

Board Meeting, I-3pm, M-Cleveland I **Business Meeting & Reception**, 8:30-11pm, L-Delaware B

◆PARC-Palestinian American Research Center

Saturday, 11/18

Board Meeting, 12-4pm, L-Park Tower Suite 8212

◆RoMES-Review of Middle East Studies

Sunday, 11/19

Editorial Board Luncheon, Ham-Ipm, M-Jackson

SAS-Society for Armenian Studies

Saturday, 11/18

Executive Council Meeting, 9:30-11:30am, L-Park Tower Suite 8218

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*SSA-Syrian Studies Association

Saturday, 11/18

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L-Park Tower Suite 8218

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M-Wilson A

◆TAARII-The American Academic Research Institute in Iraq

Saturday, 11/18

Board Meeting, 10am-12pm,

M-Wilson C

Reception, 8:30-10:30pm, M-McKinley Sunday, 11/19

Executive Committee Meeting,

9-10am, L-Park Tower Suite 8210

UCLA, Center for Near Eastern Studies

Saturday, 11/18

60th Anniversary Reception, 8:30-10pm, M-Coolidge

University of Michigan

Saturday, 11/18

Reception, 8:30-10:30pm, M-Wilson B

Western Consortium of ME Centers

Monday, 11/20

Meeting, Ham-Ipm, L-Park Tower Suite 8223

WLP-Women's Learning Partnership

Sunday, 11/19

Film Screening & Reception (with AMEWS), 8:30-11pm, M-Coolidge/ Harding

WOCMES-World Congress for Middle East Studies

Sunday, 11/19

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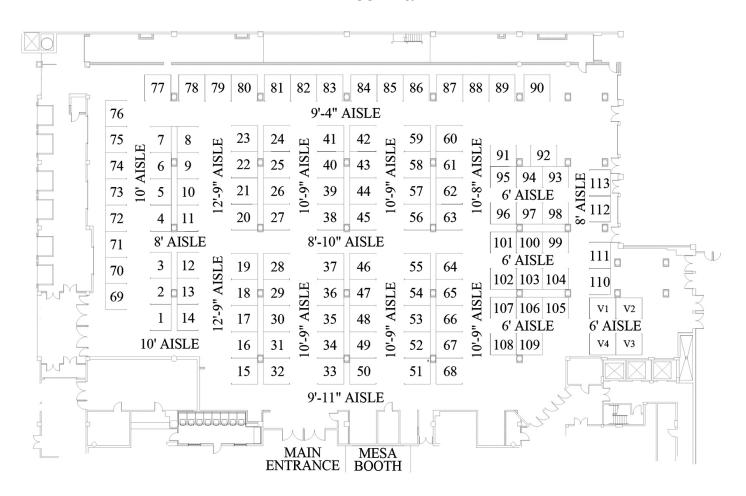
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Monday 9am-6pm

Tuesday 8am-12pm

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MESA Booth/Cooperative Book Display

This year's Cooperative Book Display features a host of exciting titles from publishers and independent authors. Check out the selection, and even purchase a display copy if someone hasn't beat you to it! The MESA booth also features trinkets, souvenirs and jewelry. Every so often a local student who is on summer language study in the Middle East will serve as a "buyer" of Middle Eastern wares for MESA's booth. Grab some cool things for loved ones at home and be sure to say hi to Rose and Sherry.

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Saturday, November 18

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8:30am-8pm		Registration	L-Registration Counters
9am-10pm		FilmFest	M-Hoover
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8am-2pm		MELA-Middle East Librarians Association Vendor Showcase	L-Maryland C
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	003	Old Texts, New Methods: Innovative Methodologies for Medieval History	
	004	Precarious Visibility as a Mode of Governance: The Case of Alevis in Turkey	-

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		in the 19th Century	•
		Activism, Contestation and Political Participation in the Middle East and North Africa	
		Reconsidering Israeli-Lebanese Relations	-
		From the Bedroom to the Street: Projecting Gender and Sexuality in Public Places	M-Marshall South
	009	Connection, Contagion, and Calamity: Social Uses and Effects of Infrastructural	
		Networks in the Middle East	•
		Violence, Legality, and Law on the Ottoman Periphery	M-Marshall North
	011	Circulating Science and Scaling Innovation: Science and Technology Studies	l Vincinio A
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		Anxieties, Resistances, and the Clergy in Egyptian and Iranian Film	
		Urban Imaginaries: Governing Through Housing	
		Criminalizing Resistance: Producing Palestinial (in)Security	=
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		of Justice al Commitment	•
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		the Ottoman Empire	M-Marshall East
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	083 Iraq's Many Pasts, Iraq's Many Presents: Memory, Archive, and Representation	•
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5:30-7:30PM Saturday November 18

Jo Van Steenbergen, Ghent U-Narrative

001 5:30-7:30pm

Roundtable

Competing Discourses of Masculinity in the Arab World Organizers: Nicole Fares and Matthew **Parnell**

Chair: Matthew Parnell, American U Cairo

Nicole Fares, U Arkansas Kathryn Kalemkerian, McGill U Suneela Mubayi, NYU Jedidiah Anderson, Wofford Col

002 5:30-7:30pm

L-Delaware B

L-Delaware A



Usurpation: The Untold Stories of the Iraq War 2003-Present Organizer: Afaf Nash

Session Leader: Saleem Al-Bahloly, Johns Hopkins U

Nadje Al-Ali, SOAS U London Afaf Nash, U Southern California Nabil Al-Tikriti, U Mary Washington **Ieffrey B. Spurr**, Independent Scholar Nada M. Shabout, U North Texas

003 5:30-7:30pm

E-Washington I

Old Texts, New Methods: Innovative Methodologies for Medieval History

Organizer: Aaron Hagler

Discussant: Nancy Khalek, Brown U

Reyhan Durmaz, Brown U-"This is what was related in the tash'ith": Muslim historians' use(s) of Syriac hagiography **Nebil Husayn**, U Miami-Interpreting miracles in Muslim sacred texts

Aaron Hagler, Troy U-The theatrics of *Islamic historiography: Getting into the heads* of the historians

Gowaart Van Den Bossche, Ghent U-Narrating sultanship: The writing of sultanic biography as performance of social status

in late medieval Egyptian chronicles M-Coolidge 004 5:30-7:30pm

Precarious Visibility as a Mode of Governance: The Case of Alevis in

Organizers: Nazlı Özkan and Besim Can Zirh

Chair: Nazlı Özkan, Northwestern U Discussant: Ayfer Karakaya-Stump, Col of William and Mary

Gulay Turkmen-Dervisoglu, U Goettingen-Democratization without secularization? The predicament of Alevis in Turkey under the first AKP government (2002-2007)

Ceren Lord, U Oxford-Securatization of sectarianism? The Turkish state and the Alevis in the post-2011 era

Nazlı Özkan, Northwestern U-Politics of anticipation: Possibilities and impossibilities of reforming Alevis' status in Turkey Besim Can Zirh, Middle East Technical U-In between invisibility and hyper-visibility: Alevis in the time of post-coup purge in Turkev

005 5:30-7:30pm

L-Maryland B

Looking East: Knowledge, Travel, and Friendship Between the Middle Elena Aoun, U Catholique de Louvain-A East and Asia in the 19th Century Organizer: Mimi Hanaoka

Organized under the auspices of **Social Science Research** Council (SSRC) InterAsia Program

Discussant: Julie Stephens, Rutgers U

Arash Khazeni, Pomona Col-Indo-Persian views of Southeast Asia and the Buddhist Kingdom of Mrauk U

Mana Kia, Columbia U-Bridging difference: Kinship, friendship and the creation of social

Kevin Schwartz, Library of Congress-A transregional Persianate library: Tazkirah production and circulation in the 19th century

Mimi Hanaoka, U Richmond-Japanese strategies, state-formation, and world-making travels in Iran

006 5:30-7:30pm

M-Marshall East

Activism, Contestation and Political Participation in the Middle East and North Africa

Organizer: Nadine Sika

Chair: Eberhard Kienle, PACTE

Nadine Sika, American U Cairo-Youth civic and political participation in the MENA: Does trust matter?

Ellis Goldberg, U Washington-Demonstrations of democracy

James H. Sunday, American U Cairo-Making space: Taking part in the everyday politics of Cairo's popular quarters Ahmed Abdrabou, U Denver-Student

mobilization and political participation in Egypt: Why the Egyptian transition has failed

007 5:30-7:30pm

E-Washington 2

Reconsidering Israeli-Lebanese Relations

Organizers: Asher Kaufman and Oren Barak

Chair: Asher Kaufman, U Notre Dame Discussant: Laurie Zittrain Eisenberg, Carnegie Mellon U

bitter encounter: The Shi'i community under Israeli occupation in South Lebanon Daniel Sobelman, Harvard U-A decade after the 2006 war: What next for Israeli-Lebanese relations?

Matthieu Cimino, U Oxford-Teaching history of an enmity: Israel in Lebanese schoolbooks, Lebanon in Israeli schoolbooks: A comparative perspective (1948-2016)

Asher Kaufman, U Notre Dame-Sabra and Shatila: Silencing, denying, and selective remembering

Oren Barak, Hebrew U of Jerusalem-Israel, Lebanon, and their relations on film

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008 5:30-7:30pm

M-Marshall South

From the Bedroom to the Street: Projecting Gender and Sexuality in Public Places

Organizer: Nadine Sinno

Chair: Lucia Volk, San Francisco State U Discussant: Amal Amireh, George Mason U

Kim Canuette Grimaldi, UT Austin-The body under siege: Corruption and the female body in Betool Khedairi's "Ghayeb"

Jess Newman, Yale U-Talking back:
Screening and discussing sexuality in Morocco
Lucia Volk, San Francisco State
U-Reframing Germany's "no means no"
debate: Migrants, sexual transgressions, and gender politics in public places
Nadine Sinno, Virginia Tech-"Fight rape"

and "gay is OK": Gender and sexual politics in

009 5:30-7:30pm

Beirut graffiti

L-Maryland C

Connection, Contagion, and Calamity: Social Uses and Effects of Infrastructural Networks in the Middle East

Organizer: Alex Schweig

Discussant: Gokce Gunel, U Arizona

Alex Schweig, U Arizona-Cholera in the time of modernization: The spread of the 1893 cholera epidemic along the Ottoman Anatolian Railroad

Pauline Lewis, UCLA-Entangled: The role of private capital in Ottoman submarine telegraphy

Mikiya Koyagi, NYU-Speed, danger, and railway accidents in early Pahlavi Iran Esra Bakkalbasioglu, U Washington-Politics of access and denial: Electricity grid solar panels and the Nagab Bedouin in Israel

010 5:30-7:30pm

M-Marshall North

Violence, Legality, and Law on the Ottoman Periphery

Organizers: Will Smiley and Joshua White

Chair: Molly Greene, Princeton U

Joshua White, U Virginia-Corsairs or rebels? North Africa, Istanbul, and the legality of maritime violence in the seventeenthcentury Mediterranean

Julia Leikin, Inst of Historical Research-At odds with European conventions: Russian laws of maritime warfare in the 1768-1774 Russian-Ottoman war

Will Smiley, Reed Col-From Geneva and Brussels to the Danube: Prisoners of war and the law of war in the late Ottoman Empire Aimee M. Genell, UC Berkeley-The law of war in Ottoman legal thought and practice on the eve of the First World War

011 5:30-7:30pm

L-Virginia A

Circulating Science and Scaling Innovation: Science and Technology Studies in the Middle East Organizer: Elizabeth Williams

Chair/Discussant: On Barak, Tel Aviv U

Daniel Stolz, Northwestern U-Problems of knowledge in the Ottoman public debt: The Latin American connection

Elizabeth Williams, U Massachusetts Lowell-The technology of fields: The politics of agricultural "science" in late Ottoman and French mandate Syria

Fredrik Meiton, Northwestern U-Organic compound: Zionism and science
Laura Goffman, Georgetown U-Qatar

biobank: Crafting the ethno-nation through the genetic disease landscape

012 5:30-7:30pm

L-Virginia C

Political Parties, Attitudes, and Elections

Chair: **Sabina Henneberg**, Johns Hopkins U Discussant: **Vahid Abedini**, Florida International U

Jonas Bergan Draege, European U Inst-Electoral polarization in democratic transitions: Survey evidence from Egypt and Tunisia

Alireza Raisi, Seton Hall U-Political participation in Iran's parliamentary elections: Between two competing narratives Sebnem Gumuscu, Middlebury Col-Islamists between democracy and authoritarianism: Comparing Turkey, Egypt and Tunisia

Ellen Lust, U Gothenburg and **Kristen Kao**, U Gothenburg-Wasta and clientelism:
The intersection of social and political linkage in the MENA

Amir H. Mahdavi, Harvard U-Oil and electoral behavior in Iran

013 5:30-7:30pm

M-Wilson A

Music and Politics "min al-Mashriq ila al-Maghrib"

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

Guilnard Moufarrej, US Naval Academy-Political resistance and nationalism: Women singers in Lebanon defying the drums of war Hicham Chami, Columbia U-A tale of two protectorates: Cultural hegemony in colonial Morocco and its impact on indigenous musics Christopher Nickell, NYU-Hearing pyrrhic victory in Lebanon's 2015 protests

Elizabeth Matsushita, U Illinois Urbana-Champaign-Echoes of the Maghreb: Modernity, empire, and the Fez Congress of Moroccan Music

Garrett Shuffield, UT Austin-The Arab diaspora and collaborative hip-hop: Globalized and localized identity formation

014 5:30-7:30pm

M-Marshall West

Anxieties, Resistances, and the Clergy in Egyptian and Iranian Film

Chair: Mario M. Ruiz, Hofstra U

Kelly Houck, UT Austin-A nightmare on Valiasr Street: Persian-language diasporic horror films and the cultural capital of "Iranian" cinema

Babak Tabarraee, UT Austin-Islamic Republic's treatment of confusing signifiers: The curious case of "Marmulak"

Mohannad Ghawanmeh, UCLA-News of the nation: Mohamed Bayoumi's newsfilms in the newly independent Egypt, 1923-1935 Maziyar Faridi, Northwestern U-"Ode au Monde": The emergence of Iranian new wave cinema and the problematic of national identity

Heba Arafa, Georgia Tech-Maslaha: A film sanctioning apparatus or a covert censorship?

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015 5:30-7:30pm M-Wilson B

Urban Imaginaries: Governing Through Housing

Chair: Samy Ayoub, UT Austin

Caroline Abadeer, Stanford U-Local governance and the authoritarian Egyptian state: Forced evictions in Cairo's informal settlements

Said Ennahid, Al Akhawayn U-"Neo-Moorish" art and architecture in colonial-period Casablanca: The case of Muslim-specific workers' housing (1932-1952)
Satoshi Kawamoto, Harvard U/JSPS-Houses of infidels: An architectural analysis of

Christopher S. Rose, UT Austin-Sex work and protest in World War I Egypt Daniel Williford, U Michigan-Infrastructures of violence and zones of restraint in colonial urban Morocco

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houses in Istanbul in 1455

L-Maryland A

Criminalizing Resistance: Producing Palestinial (In)Security

Chair: Simona Sharoni, Merrimack Col

Alyssa Bernstein, Harvard Law Schl/ Queen's U Belfast-The Fatah/Hamas divide among Palestinian prisoners

Matthew Kraig Kelly, Independent Scholar-Criminal + nationalist = terrorist: "Terrorism" in British crimino-national discourse

Maya Rosenfeld, Hebrew U-50 years of Israeli occupation and Palestinian resistance: Whither the movement of Palestinian political prisoners?

Julie Norman, Queen's U Belfast-Fighting for peace? Ex-combatants and non-traditional peace-building in protracted conflicts Alaa Tartir, Graduate Inst Geneva-Securitised peace in Palestine/Israel: Criminalizing resistance, entrenching authoritarianism

017 5:30-7:30pm M-McKinley

Competition and Social Practice in Early and Medieval Islamic Poetry

Chair: Anita Husen, Stanford U

Samer M. Ali, U Michigan-Why does
Shahrazad succeed?: Disrupting the scapegoat display Hebrew, or not to display Hebrew?:

cycle with cold hard cachet
A study of representation of power and

Avigail Noy, Harvard U-Early uses of the term ittisa' and the competing approaches to metaphorical language in Arabic grammar and poetics

Mona Hassan, Duke U-Poetic memories of the prophet's family: Ibn Hajar al-'Asqalani's panegyrics for the Cairene Abbasid Sultan-Caliph al-Musta'in

Cory Jorgensen, George Washington U-In defense of poetic reputation: Jarir and al-Farazdaq's self-oriented naqa'id Th. Emil Homerin, U Rochester-Close encounters of the Sufi kind

018 5:30-7:30pm

M-Harding

Language and Identity

Chair: **Mohssen Esseesy**, George Washington U

Anastasia Khawaja, U South Florida-To display Hebrew, or not to display Hebrew?: A study of representation of power and solidarity through signage in Palestine **Lisa J. White**, American U Cairo-Speaking of bodies

Brian Jackson, U Penn-Trade and subjective identity between Oman and Zanzibar

Monica Katiboglu, UC Irvine-Edebiyat-ı Cedide on modern language: A case against linguistic purification

Mohamed ElSawi Hassan, Amherst Col-Re-contextualizing discourse and social action in Egypt after the Arab Spring

Kristin Hickman, U Chicago-Africa in Morocco, Morocco in Africa: Making space for foreign voices in the Darijaphone public sphere



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021 8am-10am

L-Delaware A

Spaces of Youth Political Engagement Six Years After the 2011 Uprisings

Organizers: Christoph Schwarz and Linda Herrera

Chair/Discussant: **Linda Herrera**, U Illinois Urbana-Champaign

Ann-Christin Wagner, U Edinburgh-Syrian refugee youth and the [anti] politics of survival

Mina Ibrahim, Justus-Liebig U, Giessen-Coptic youth: From street politics to church politics

Dina El-Sharnouby, BGSMCS, FU Berlin-Egyptian youth between despair and hope: The case of the Bread and Freedom Party **Mayada Madbouly**, Inst des sciences Sociales du Politique (ISP)-Mobilizing the past: Nubian youth political engagement in post-2011 Egypt

Christoph Schwarz, U Marburg Germany-Young activists in Morocco: Trajectories of engagement after 2011

022 8am-10am

E-Washington 2

The Allure of the Mundane: What To Do with the Micro and the Daily in Middle East History? Organizer: Lucia Carminati

Chair: **Julia Clancy-Smith**, U Arizona Discussant: **Farzin Vejdani**, Ryerson U

019 8am-10am

M-Balcony B



Global Arab America: Cosmopolitanism and Its Discontents

Organizers: Suad Joseph, UC Davis and Pauline Homsi Vinson

Session Leader: **Pauline Homsi Vinson**, Diablo Valley Col

Madeline Otis Campbell, Worcester State U

Akram Khater, North Carolina State U Paul Amar, UC Santa Barbara Louise Cainkar, Marquette U 020 8am-10am

M-Balcony A



Teaching Palestine: Pedagogical Praxis and the Indivisibility of Justice al Commitment

Organizers: Michelle Hartman and Rabab Abdulhadi

Session Leader: **Rabab Abdulhadi**, San Francisco State U

Michelle Hartman, McGill U Emilio Dabed, Independent Scholar **Ali Atabey**, U Arizona-Living in an 'Afro-Eurasian' port-town: Daily life and sociocultural interactions in the seventeenth-century Ottoman Galata

Secil Uluisik, U Arizona-A neglected history: Chorbadzhis, sovereignty and the Ottoman provinces, 1790s- 1850s

Lucia Carminati, U Arizona-The power of the mundane: Fatima's story and the history of an Egyptian port-city, 1880s-1890s

Tania Bhattacharyya, Columbia

U-Between nation and empire: Iranian bakers, publishers and nomads in early twentieth century Bombay

8:00-10:00AM Sunday November 19

023 8am-10am M-Wilson C

Form and Language in Arabic

Organizers: Jeffrey Sacks and Huda J. **Fakhreddine**

Chair/Discussant: Mohammad Salama. San Francisco State U

Jeffrey Sacks, UC Riverside-Signaling with two hands: Intensifications of language in Khalid al-Maʻali

Esraa al-Shammari, U Penn-Paratext to the poetic practice of Salim Barakat Huda J. Fakhreddine, U Penn-Muhammad

al-Maghut's verse-less poem Suzanne P. Stetkevych, Georgetown U-Al-Ittijah al-Mu`akis: Al-Ma`arri's Luzumiyyat and the poetics of constriction

024 8-10am M-Wilson B

"The Political" in Political Islam: Conflict, Consensus, or Something Else?

Organizer: Necmettin Dogan

Chair/Discussant: Mucahit Bilici, John Jay Col CUNY

Edip Asaf Bekaroglu, Istanbul U-Contextfree and context-dependent elements of "the political" Islam: An analysis of Said Halim Pasha, Mawdudi, Shariati, and Ozel Muhammed Huseyin Mercan, Erciyes

U-Islamism and the world order: The multipolar world order imagination and political perception of the Milli Gorus Movement

Necmettin Dogan, Istanbul Commerce U-Political implications of 'civilization' discourse in Islamism: Anti-modernism or anti-westernism?

Ali Kaya, Erciyes U-Liberal political discourse, Islamism and "the political" 025 8-10am L-Virginia A

Tales of Espionage, Diplomacy, and Occupying Space: Land, Religion,

Organizer: Jeffrey G. Karam

Barbara

Roberto Mazza, U Limerick-A tale of secrecy and business: The attempted sale of the Western Wall during WW1

Jeffrey G. Karam, Harvard U-Revisiting American intelligence and diplomacy during the Lebanon crisis of 1958

Salim Yaqub, UC Santa Barbara-Yes we can't: Arab Americans and the Arab-Israeli dispute in the 1970s

James Casey, Princeton U-Mandate agent, colonial subject, and Jewish citizen? The many profiles of Jamil Sasson, a francophone Syrian Arab Jew in the French mandate for Syria and Lebanon

026 8-10am M-Coolidge

Law and Ideology in the Turkish Republic

Organizers: James Ryan and Joakim **Parslow**

Discussant: Ceren Belge, Concordia U

Alex Balistreri, Princeton U-Population, movement, and the state in the Turkish-Soviet borderlands, 1920-1960

Senem Aslan, Bates Col-A merciful state? Political amnesties in early republican Turkey James Ryan, U Penn-Ideology on trial: Comparing trials of the pan-turanists and leftists at the dawn of Cold War Turkey **Joakim Parslow**, U Oslo-Do torturers dream of electric sheep? Cybernetics, law, and technocratic fantasies in Cold War Turkey

027 8-10am M-Wilson A

Power in Colonial North Africa Organizer: Alexandra Blackman

Chair/Discussant: Salim Yaqub, UC Santa Chair: Chantal Berman, Princeton U Discussant: James McDougall, Trinity Col Oxford

> Brock Cutler, Radford U-Border performativity and the limits of sovereignty in 19th century Algeria

Robert P. Parks, Centre d'Études Maghrébines en Algérie-Conflicting claims: Property rights in Algeria

Michelle Weitzel, New Schl for Social Research-French space? Silencing the call to prayer in colonial Algeria

Alexandra Blackman, Stanford U-Property and power: The transformation of the 'waqf' system in Tunisia

028 8-10am M-Marshall North

Arabic-Script Typography: History, Technology, & Aesthetics Organizers: Roberta L. Dougherty and Andrea L. Stanton

Chair: Sharon C. Smith, MIT Discussant: Dagmar A. Riedel, CSIC/ Columbia U

Roberta L. Dougherty, Yale U Library-Salisbury & Oriental typography in the IAOS: Visualizing scholarly legitimacy through script Andrea L. Stanton, U Denver-Selling the typewriter in the Arab world Wayne Osborn, Georgetown U-Unicode and Arabic script: Historical legacies and future challenges

8:00-10:00AM Sunday November 19

029 8-10am M-Marshall East

The Great Fear of 1895: Armenian Reform, Rumor and Violence Across the Ottoman Empire

Organizers: Owen Miller and Umit Kurt

Sponsored by Society for Armenian Studies (SAS)

Discussant: Edhem Eldem, Boğaziçi U

Owen Miller, Emerson Col-George Perkins Knapp of Bitlis and massacres of 1895 Emre Can Daglioglu, Clark U-Reform and violence in the Hamidian era: 1895 anti-Armenian riots in Trabzon

Umit Kurt, Harvard U-Theaters of violence in the Ottoman periphery: Tracing the local roots of Hamidian massacres in Aintab Ugur Z. Pece, Bard Col-The year of rumor: Crete in the shadow of the Armenian massacres of 1895

030 8-10am M-Marshall South

Law, Legitimacy, and Laziness in Late Ottoman Imperial Culture

Chair: Roger A. Deal, U of South Carolina Aiken

Arlen Wiesenthal, U Chicago-Our heroic emperors: Heroism, world order, and the social history of monarchy in the late Ottoman Empire, 1900-1918

Avner Wishnitzer, Tel Aviv U-Yawn: Idleness and boredom in the late Ottoman Empire

Benjamin Smuin, UC San Diego-Justice and corruption in late Ottoman Aleppo: The tenure of Cemil Pasha

Melis Hafez, Virginia Commonwealth U-Criminalization of laziness: Punishment, reward, and negotiation in the Ottoman bureaus

Nilay Ozlu, Boğaziçi U-Strategies of display during the late Ottoman era: The Imperial Museum and the Imperial Treasury 031 8-10am L-Delaware B

Humanitarianism and the Syrian Crisis

Chair: Beverly Tsacovianis, U Memphis

Hélène Rey, Switzerland-Moved by faith: Christian organizations and humanitarian aid in Syria

Michelle Dromgold-Sermen, UNC
Chapel Hill-Responding to Syrian refugees: A
turning point for civil society in Turkey?

Dolunay Ugur, Yale U-Politics of producing sp
transnational humanitarianism: International Pakistan in t
NGOs assisting Syrian refugees in Turkey
Irene Gibson, U Oxford-Benevolent Kuwait:
Examining Kuwait's foreign aid mechanisms
through the case study of its Syrian crisis
response

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Contemporar
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032 8-10am L-Virginia C

Workers Across Borders: Labor, Migration, and Class

Sponsored by Association for Gulf and Arabian Peninsula Studies (AGAPS)

Chair: Salma Waheedi, Harvard Law Schl

Zahra Babar, Georgetown U Qatar-The GCC-South Asia labor recruitment system: Comparing Nepal and Pakistan

Arnon Degani, UCLA-Comrades, not enemies? The Histadrut and its Palestinian-Arab members, 1948-1967

Martin Hvidt, U Southern Denmark-Highly-skilled migrants in the Arab Gulf countries: Exploring the nexus between economic growth and immigration of highlyskilled migrants

Jaafar Alloul, U Leuven/U Amsterdam-Dubai as heterotopia: Liminal notes on the 'status migration' of European Maghrebi-Muslim minority publics to a 'cosmopolitan' city William Christou, U Florida-The impact of foreign labor on class formation in the GCC: Examining Bahrain, the UAE and Saudi Arabia 033 8-10am L-Maryland C

Visual Engagement: Between the Self and the Nation

Chair: Melanie Janet Sindelar, U Vienna

Amir Khadem, U Toronto-Reproducing the real: Reviving the discourse of sacred defense in "Standing in the Dust"

Paniz Musawi Natanzi, SOAS U London-Problematizing the gendering of Afghan visual knowledge production & artproducing spaces in Afghanistan, Iran and Pakistan in times of on-going insecurities & the reconstruction of the nation-state in Afghanistan

Melanie Janet Sindelar, U Vienna-Contemporary art production and the ambivalence of nation-building in the United Arab Emirates

Marjan Moosavi, U Toronto-Religiosity and emotionality in Iranian theatre: (Re) presentations and interventions

034 8-10am L-Maryland A

Managing and Manufacturing Disaster

Chair: John M. VanderLippe, SUNY Delhi

Baris Tasyakan, UC San Diego-Disasters and re-formation of an imperial city: Ottoman Bursa in the mid-nineteenth century **Ron J. Smith**, Bucknell U-Healthcare under siege: The geopolitics of healthcare provision

in the Gaza Strip

Thomas Kuehn, Simon Fraser
U-Managing nature's hazards, furthering
state control: Nature and imperial governance
in Ottoman Yemen re-visited, 1872-1914
Valerie Giesen, Columbia U-Technically
long-term: The political economy of
humanitarian technology in Jordan
Ebru Kayaalp, Istanbul Sehir U-Citizens
at risk: Uncertainty, preparedness and the
Istanbul earthquake

8:00-10:00AM Sunday November 19

035 8-10am L-Virginia B

Making the Modern: The Politics of Heritage

Chair: **Kristi N. Barnwell**, U Illinois Springfield

Elizabeth Rauh, U Michigan-An artist curating Islamic heritage: Ali Jabri and the Jordan Museum of Popular Traditions
Timur Hammond, Syracuse U-Making Islam modern: Heritage and worship in 1950s Turkey
Shayna Silverstein, Northwestern
U-Tracing Syrian folk dance: A critical assessment of Ibn Dhurayl's anthology of raqs al-semah and dabke

Chantal El Hayek, MIT-Kuwait National Museum: Architectural historiography and the changing ethos of modernism

036 8-10am L-Maryland B

Politics, Culture, and Everyday Life in Safavid Poetry and Prose

Chair: A. Nazir Atassi, Louisiana Tech U

Pouye Khoshkhoosani, U Arizona-Safavid Qaṣīdah: A poetic genre for legitimizing power

Ferenc P. Csirkes, Sabanci U-Confessional politics and vernacular Turkish in Safavid Iran: A Oizilbash catechism

Paul E. Losensky, Indiana U-A master poet, "in spite of being a Turk": Shani Takallu and literary culture under Shah 'Abbas Yui Kanda, U Tokyo-Poems, crafts, poets and craftsmen: Material culture of Iran and Transoxiana during the Timurid-Safavid period Shahla Farghadani, U Michigan-From the garden to the bathhouse: Poetry, eros, and daily life in Isfahan

037 8-10am

M-Marshall West

Women, Islam, and Family Law

Chair: **Kent Davis-Packard**, Johns Hopkins U SAIS

Yüksel Sezgin, Syracuse U-"Non-Muslim Mujtahids": Viability of judicial interventions in Muslim family laws by civil courts in non-Muslim regimes

Hakan Karpuzcu, Princeton U-Reforming Islamic family law and making moral subjects in the late Ottoman Empire

Jean-Michel Landry, McGill U-"You can't take my children in the name of religion": Sunni and Shi'i attempts to reform women custody rights in Lebanon **Elizabeth Brownson**, UW Parkside-Women's strategies for negotiating divorce in mandate Palestine

038 8-10am

M-Harding

Sectarianism: States, Parties, and Representations

Chair: Amy Mills, U South Carolina

Adham Saouli, U St Andrews-Sectarianism and political order in Iraq and Lebanon Anna Hager-From polytheists to partners in the nation: Islamist attitudes towards Coptic Egyptians in post-revolutionary Egypt Satgin Hamrah, Tufts U-Complexities of the Iran-Iraq war and its long-term implications

Patrick Harned, UT Austin-Assyrians in Iraq: Competing visions of identity
Basileus Zeno, U Massachusetts
Amherst-The construction of "sectarian politics" in Syria

Hyun Jeong Ha, U Notre Dame-"Christians are legitimate targets": Understanding sectarian violence in Egypt, 1970-2014



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039 10:30am-12:30pm Professional Development Workshop

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Proposal Writing and Research Design: How to Fund Your Ideas Organized by Suad Joseph

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Chair: 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, University of California 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/Componentsofa Humanities Social Sciences Research Proposal.pdf.

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M-Balcony B



M-Balcony A



AATT Roundtable: Focus on the

Learner

Organizer: Pelin Basci

Sponsored by **American Association of Teachers of Turkic Languages (AATT)**

Chair: Pelin Basci, Portland State U

Melike Yucel-Koc, U Washington Erika H. Gilson, Princeton U S. Ebru Ergul, Stanford U

041 10:30am-12:30pm



Histories of Slavery in Medieval **Islamic Societies**

Organizer: Craig Perry

Sponsored by Middle East Medievalists (MEM)

Hend Gilli-Elewy, Cal Poly Pomona Elizabeth Urban, West Chester U Matthew S. Gordon, Miami U Craig Perry, U Cincinnati Magdalena Moorthy Kloss, Austrian Academy of Sciences

042 10:30am-12:30pm

M-Marshall North

Broadening the Narrative: Ibadi Islam in Focus

Organizers: Valerie J. Hoffman and Rodrigo Adem

Chair: Rodrigo Adem, UNC Chapel Hill Discussant: Paul E. Walker, U Chicago

Abdulrahman Al-Salimi, Ministry of Endowment & Religious Affairs, Oman-On the significance of the Agwal Qatada for early Islamic legal thought

Rodrigo Adem, UNC Chapel Hill-A compendium of theological "firsts": The significance of early Ibadi Kalam texts for Islamic thouaht

Cyrille Aillet, U de Lyon (France)-Ibadism and the construction of ethnicity in medieval North Africa

Adam Gaiser, Florida State U-Medieval Ibadi images of murji'ism

Valerie I. Hoffman, U Illinois-Ibādī discussions on the divine attributes

043 10:30am-12:30pm

M-Harding

Diasporic Devotion: Transnational Religion and Middle East

Migrations

Organizer: Akram Khater

Organized under the auspices of Moise Khayarallah Center for **Lebanese Diaspora Studies**

Chair: Akram Khater, North Carolina State U

Iacob Norris, U Sussex-Objects of devotion: Palestinian migrants and their prayer beads, c. 1850-1910

Andrew Arsan, U Cambridge-Reading the Middle East from the margins: A forgotten figure, his faithful life, and his moving books Akram Khater, North Carolina State U-"Like a wolf who fell upon sheep": Maronite priests in America

044 10:30am-12:30pm

E-Washington I

Hebron in the Modern Period: Social, Political, and Economic **Dynamics in Southern Palestine** Organizer: Alex Winder

Sponsored by **Palestinian American** Research Center (PARC)

Chair/Discussant: Issam Nassar, Illinois State U

Susynne McElrone, New York NY-Rethinking the paradigm of Ottoman land-tenure reforms in Palestine in light of new evidence

Alex Winder, Brown U-Family, social, and professional networks in Mount Hebron before and after 1948

Kimberly Katz, Towson U-The law and society: Hebron under Jordanian rule, 1951-1953 Belal Shobaki, Hebron U-Hebron in the Israeli-Palestinian conflict: Settlement without peace

045 10:30am-12:30pm

L-Virginia A

Examining Sign Language Education in the Middle East Organizer: Sanaa Riaz

Chair: Engin Arik, Istanbul Medipol U

Engin Arik, Istanbul Medipol U-History and current status of Turkish sign language Sara Siyavoshi, U New Mexico-Standardization and language attitudes in the

Iranian deaf community

Sanaa Riaz, Metropolitan State U Denver-Pakistan sign language: Conceptualization, curriculum and cultural impact

Justin Power, UT Austin-Foreign influence on the lexicon of Afghan sign language Erin Trine, Western Oregon U-Emerging professionalization of Arabic/Jordanian sign language interpreting

046 10:30am-12:30pm

L-Virginia C

The South in the Yemeni Conflict Organizer: Charles P. Schmitz

Sponsored by **American Institute for** Yemeni Studies (AIYS)

Noel Brehony, Menas Associates-Regionalism and nationalism in South Yemen Elisabeth Kendall, U Oxford-What does Eastern Yemen want and what is it doing about it? The voice of al-Mahra

Thanos Petouris, Independent Scholar-Southern Yemen after the Saudi intervention: Political and social change

Charles P. Schmitz, Towson U-Salafism in Chair/Discussant: Ilham Khuri-Makdisi, the south

047 10:30am-12:30pm

L-Virginia B

Postcolonial Arab Feminisms: Past **Meets Present**

Organizer: Catherine Batruni

Chair: **Tarek El-Ariss**, Dartmouth Col

Yasmin Shafei, American U Beirut-Egyptian feminism and the struggle for women's rights, 1923-1979

Catherine Batruni, American U Beirut-To vote or not to vote? Lebanese women and the politics of suffrage

Zahra Ali, Rutgers U-Exploring feminism in contemporary Iraq: Legacies of the past and present struggles

Tatiana Rabinovich, U Arizona-"Fighting for the country, fighting for ourselves": Pro-regime female soldiers and feminism in today's Syria

048 10:30am-12:30pm

L-Delaware A

Emancipatory Transformations in Kurdistan: Autonomy, Radical Democracy, and Gender Liberation Organizer: Sardar Saadi

Chair: Sardar Saadi, U Toronto Discussant: Fatma Müge Göçek, U Michigan

Sardar Saadi, U Toronto-The rise and repression of the pro-Kurdish municipality movement in Turkey

Elif Genc. New Schl for Social Research-Gender, state and resistance: The Kurdish women's armed struggle for liberation

Behnam Amini, York U-Understanding the implications of transcending nationalism: Democratic confederalism and the question of separatism

Berivan Sarikaya, U Toronto-Resistance, consciousness and social transformation: Kurdish women political prisoners in the Turkish military prison in Diyarbakir

049 10:30am-12:30pm

E-Washington 2

"Arab Arabists": Public Intellectuals and the Production of Knowledge About the Arab World Organizers: Ellen L. Fleischmann and John Meloy

Northeastern U

Hussam Raafat Ahmed, McGill

U-Intellectual in action: Taha Hussein (1889-1973) drawing the mission of the faculty of arts and the Arabic Language Academy John Meloy, American U Beirut-Enlightened patriots: Area studies, nationalism, and the Arab world Hilary Falb Kalisman, Furman U-Educating the Arab world: Intellectuals, theory and practice in 20th century Iraq Ellen L. Fleischmann, U Dayton-Searching for Najla: The life and making of a female Arab intellectual

Aaron Berman, Hampshire Col-First encounters: Abraham Rihbany, Ameen Rihani and America's role in creating Arab nationalism

050 10:30am-12:30pm

M-Marshall West

Histories of Place Making in the Middle East

Organizers: Secil Binboga and Chris Gratien

Chair: Nilay Ozok Gundogan, Binghamton U Discussant: Resat Kasaba, U Washington

Meltem Toksoz, Bogaziçi U/Brown U-The second Egypt: Capitalist imaginaries of late Ottoman Çukurova

Polina Ivanova, Harvard U-Greek economic migration and the rediscovery of Hellenic Cilicia

Chris Gratien, Harvard U-Dystopian affect and the colonial archive of French Cilicia Secil Binboga, U Michigan-Tectonics of development: The Cold War politics of spatial expertise in Turkey

051 10:30am-12:30pm

M-Wilson C

Presenting and Representing Iran in Museum Collections and Exhibitions

Organizer: Anne H. Betteridge

Sponsored by American Institute of Iranian Studies (AlIrS)

Chair: **Anne H. Betteridge**, U Arizona Discussant: **Amy Landau**, The Walters Art Museum

Sheila R. Canby, Metropolitan Museum of Art-Exhibiting Iranian art in the 21st century Sumru Belger Krody, GWU Museum/The Textile Museum-Ninety years of presenting Iranian art at The Textile Museum Linda Komaroff, Los Angeles County Museum of Art-The intersection of past and

Filiz Cakir Phillip, Aga Khan Museum-The Iranian exhibition program at the Aga Khan Museum 2016-2017

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present in Iranian art

L-Delaware B

Tourism, Heritage, and the Politics of Place in the Middle East Organizer: Daniel E. Coslett

Chair: **Daniel E. Coslett**, Western

Washington U

Discussant: Ala Al-Hamarneh, U Mainz

Nadya J. Sbaiti, American U Beirut-Constructing the "Arab tourist": Leisure and mobility through/in/of Lebanon, 1920-1970s Emily Schneider, UC Santa Barbara-Building and breaking ties: Political tourism in Israel/Palestine

Norig Neveu, Ifpo-Islamic tourism in Jordan: Heritage policies, paths and itineraries since the 1980s

Sandrine Gamblin, American U Cairo-Heritage tourism versus leisure tourism in post-2011 Egypt: Notes about crisis management, resilience and strategic choices Claire Panetta, Graduate Center CUNY-The re-formed city: Urban rehabilitation, conservation, and reclamation in post-revolution Cairo

053 10:30am-12:30pm

M-Marshall South

Archives, Excavation, and the Arab Present

Organizer: Zeina G. Halabi

Chair: Samer Frangie, American U Beirut

Zeina G. Halabi, American U Beirut-Obituary of the word: Excavating the self in the demise of print media

Fadi A. Bardawil, UNC Chapel Hill-An inventory of traces: Post-colonial criticism and self-fashioning

Toufoul Abou-Hodeib, U Oslo-The sons of Qahtan in South Lebanon: Amateur history writing at the periphery of the state **Samer Frangie**, American U Beirut-Excavating criticism from the archive of the left

054 10:30am-12:30pm

M-Wilson B

Politics of Legitimacy in the Maghreb Organizer: Michael J. Willis

Chair/Discussant: Ellen Lust, U Gothenburg Qatar

Anne Wolf, U Oxford-Embracing revolutionary legitimacy: Former RCD officials and the Tunisian uprisings

Vish Sakthivel, U Oxford-Reclaiming symbolic legitimacy: Feigning distance from the Algerian state

Michael J. Willis, U Oxford-A tale of two elections: The politics of electoral legitimacy in Algeria and Morocco

Yasmina Abouzzohour, U Oxford-Commander of the faithless: Challenging the myth of monarchical religious legitimacy in Morocco

055 10:30am-12:30pm

M-Marshall East

Tanzimat as TranslationOrganizer: **Melih Levi**

Chair: **Monica Ringer**, Amherst Col Discussant: **A. Holly Shissler**, U Chicago

Melih Levi, Stanford U-Relational subjectivities: Authorial performance and narrative identification in Ahmet Mithat **Etienne Charriere**, Koç U-Translation as transcription in the Tanzimat era

Burcu Karahan, Stanford U-Heroes in the making: Translated European literature in the Tanzimat era

Monica Ringer, Amherst Col-'*Creative innovation*' as a language of legitimation

056 10:30am-12:30pm

L-Maryland C

Rethinking Wahhabism in the Gulf Organizer: **Alexandre Caeiro**

Organized under the auspices of Hamad Bin Khalifa University

Chair: **Alexandre Caeiro**, Hamad Bin Khalifa U Discussant: **Attiya Ahmad**, George

Washington U

coexistence in Qatar

Anna Lukjanowicz, Hamad Bin Khalifa U-Religion, nationality and race: The experiences of Western converts to Islam in Qatar Paulino R. Robles Gil, Hamad Bin Khalifa U-Shi'ism in the Gulf: Paradoxes of

Bothaina Aldosari, Hamad Bin Khalifa U/Qatar U-Religious broadcasting in Qatar: A study of two local television programs Ady Candra, Hamad bin Khalifa U-Adapting Indonesian Islam to the Gulf: An ethnographic study of Indonesian Imams in Octar

057 10:30am-12:30pm

L-Maryland B

The Islamic and the Modern in the Twentieth Century Visual Middle East Peoples: The Ottoman Empire and Organizers: Saleem Al-Bahloly and Nada Its Aftermath M. Shabout

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

Discussants: Nasser O. Rabbat, MIT and Elizabeth Rauh, U Michigan

Sarah-Neel Smith, Maryland Inst College of Art (MICA)-A Mid-Westerner in the Middle East: Abby Weed Grey's art collections of the 1960s

Nada M. Shabout, U North Texas-Istilham: Jewad Selim's negotiation of continuity in art

Saleem Al-Bahloly, Johns Hopkins U-Shakir Hassan Al Said's theology of line, or the turn to Islamic philosophy after the Ba'ath Coup of 1963

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059 10:30am-12:30pm

M-Wilson A

Protest, Repression, and Cooptation Before and After the **Arab Uprisings**

Chair: Azzedine Layachi, St. John's U

Sean Yom, Temple U-Repression and learning across borders: Cross-policing between the Arab monarchies Michael Burch, Eckerd Col-War correspondents: Journalist fatalities in Middle Eastern conflicts

Jean Lachapelle, U Michigan-Protests and police responses in Egypt between 2004 and 2011, a comprehensive dataset

Katty Alhayek, U Massachusetts Amherst-Neo-authoritarian feminism: Theorizing the Syrian government's cooptation of feminist discourse

Genocide and the Unmixing of

Chair: Sarah Shields, UNC Chapel Hill

Doris Melkonian, UCLA-The aftermath of genocide: Armenian women rebuilding their

Ella M. Fratantuono, UNC Charlotte-Protecting rights for productive Ottomans: Religious and economic belonging in Muhacir (The Immigrant) Newspaper

Walter Lorenz, UCLA-Relocation, resettlement, and conscription: Refugee policies during the Russo-Turkish War of 1877-78 **Ilker Ayturk**, Bilkent U-Right-wing antisemitism in Turkey, 1945-1980 Ali Bolcakan, U Michigan-From multilingualism to monolingualism: Turkish language reform and non-Turks

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I-3PM Sunday November 19

SPECIAL SESSION M-Marshall North 060 I-3pm

Thinking Palestine Intersectionally Organizer: Sherene Seikaly

Discussant: Sherene Seikaly, UC Santa Barbara

Judith Butler, UC Berkeley Angela Y. Davis, UC Santa Cruz (Emerita) Samera Esmeir, UC Berkeley Noura Erakat, George Mason U

June 2017 will mark fifty years of the Israeli occupation of the Palestinian territories, including the West Bank, the Gaza Strip and East Jerusalem. This anniversary renders clear what many activists and scholars have long noted: the highly repressive Israeli military occupation is by no means temporary, but a defining structure of the Israeli and Palestinian political landscape. Within the United States and Europe, the growth of the BDS movement has energized activist and scholarly critique of Israeli state violence, both within its border and the occupied territories. And yet, despite the global growth of popular solidarity with the Palestinian condition, the actually existing realities of Palestinians only worsen.

We are interested in the new kinds of critical thinking and interventions that this anniversary demands. In this panel, we aim to build on the current moment of popular global solidarity with the Palestinian condition by thinking Palestine intersectionally—drawing on histories and experiences of other anti-colonial and anti-racist struggles across the globe to envision an intersectional politics of hope in this time of political darkness. We will ask: how do these global histories inform our understanding of Palestine as well as inform our strategies for moving towards radical change in Palestine/Israel? How might intersectional thinking productively recalibrate prevailing academic and activist paradigms for anti-colonial work in Palestine/Israel? And what kinds of academic criticism and activism does this particular anniversary of the Israeli occupation both demand and render newly thinkable?

M-Balcony A 061 I-3pm Roundtable

Alternative Archives: New Approaches to Egypt's Modern

Organizer: Andrew Simon

Andrew Simon, Cornell U Aaron Rock-Singer, Cornell U Jacob Hoigilt, Peace Research Inst Oslo

M-Balcony B 062 I-3pm



and North Africa

Organizer: Angel M. Foster

Session Leaders: Lisa L. Wynn, Macquarie U and Angel M. Foster, U Ottawa

063 I-3pm M-Wilson A

The Dynamics of Tolerance in the **Contemporary Middle East** Organizers: Sean Foley and Jocelyn Sage Mitchell

Chair: John O. Voll, Georgetown U Discussant: **Jocelyne Cesari**, Georgetown U

John Fahy, Georgetown U Qatar-The globalisation of values and the mobilisation of tolerance in the Arabian Gulf

Sean Foley, MTSU-"The necessary evil": The toleration of tobacco in contemporary

Maria Tedesco, Seattle U-Tolerance and religious orthodoxy: Reevaluating a contested relation through the lens of social imaginary Jocelyn Sage Mitchell, Northwestern U Qatar and Calvert Jones, U Maryland College Park-The nature of tolerance in contemporary Qatar

Marwa Shalaby, Rice U and Mazen Hassan, Cairo U-Drivers of tolerance in transitioning democracies: Rational, elitist, or religious?

064 I-3pm M-Coolidge

Gender-Based Violence, Solidarity, and Advocacy

Organizers: Sumru Atuk and Elif Ege

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

Mary Ann Fay, Morgan State U-When legal worlds collide: Law and liberation in the **United Arab Emirates**

Gabriella Nassif, SUNY Buffalo-Women's Sex & Sexualities in the Middle East and gender rights activism in Lebanon: Strategies for solidarity and networking **Elif Ege**, SUNY Buffalo-Activism against gender-based violence in times of conflict: Kurdish women's movement in Turkey **Sondra Hale**, UCLA-Gender-based violence and the politics of memory in Sudan's conflict 70nes

> Sumru Atuk, Graduate Center CUNY-Struggle to end violence against women in the age of new fascism

I-3PM Sunday November 19

065 I-3pm M-Harding

Transnational Andalus
Organizer: Eric Calderwood

Discussant: William Granara, Harvard U

Eric Calderwood, U Illinois Urbana-Champaign-The feminist al-Andalus Wail S. Hassan, U Illinois Urbana-Champaign-Al-Andalus in Brazil Ahmed Idrissi Alami, Purdue U-Morocco, Andalusia and the new world: Rewriting, counternarrative, and resistance in Laila Lalami's "The Moor's Account"

066 I-3pm M-Wilson B

Social, Political, and Ideological Activism in the Shi'i World Organizers: Zackery Heern and Robert J. Riggs

Chair: **Juan Cole**, U Michigan Discussant: **Mirjam Kuenkler**, U Göttingen

Eskandar Sadeghi-Boroujerdi, U Oxford-The popular front in the Middle East: Revolution and anti-colonialism in Iran's tricontinental moment

Babak Rahimi, UC San Diego-Performing socialist Islam: Embodiment and political-theology of revolutionary action in Ali Shariati

Zackery Heern, Idaho State U-Shiʻi activism and British imperialism in Iraq: State formation, resistance, and disenfranchisement David Siddhartha Patel, Brandeis U-Hussein amidst Hasans: The al-Sadr intifadas of 1999

Robert J. Riggs, U Bridgeport-Radicalism, reform and migration: The transformations of Shaykh Nimr Bagir al-Nimr

067 I-3pm L-Virginia C

Representations of Jews in Contemporary Arabic Literature Organizer: Mostafa Hussein

Discussant: Carol Bardenstein, U Michigan

Chair: Emily Gottreich, UC Berkeley

Mostafa Hussein, Postdoctoral Scholar-Hassan, Marcus, and Cohen: Redefining literary representations of Jews in contemporary Egypt **Brahim El Guabli**, Princeton U-Literature remembers Moroccan Jews

Katharine Halls, American U Cairo-"Everything was fine": Rehabilitating the Jewish other in Egyptian historiographical discourse

068 I-3pm L-Maryland B

The Future of Middle Eastern Regimes: At the Intersection of Domestic and International Politics Organizer: Jeannie Sowers

Chair: **Bruce Rutherford**, Colgate U Discussant: **Samer Abboud**, Arcadia U

Marwa Daoudy, Georgetown U-A structure-identity nexus: Domestic and regional drivers of Syria and Turkey's relations before and after 2011
Curtis Ryan, Appalachian State U and Morten Valbjorn, Aarhus U-Sectarianism in less likely places: The impact of rising regional sectarianism even in Jordan
Bruce Rutherford, Colgate U-The future of Egypt: From despotic to infrastructural power?
Jeannie Sowers, U New Hampshire-Targeting environmental infrastructures, international law, and civilians in the new Middle Eastern wars

069 I-3pm L-Maryland A

The Exegetical Tradition of Avicenna's "Canon of Medicine" Organizer: Kamran Karimullah

Discussant: Robert J. Wisnovsky, McGill U

Nahyan Fancy, DePauw U-'We have seen this many times': Ibn al-Nafis's critique of Galenic humoral theory and the anatomy and physiology of digestion

Emma Gannagé, Georgetown U-The classification of medicine in some commentaries on Avicenna's "Canon"

Peter E. Pormann, U Manchester-Ibn al-Nafis and Ibn al-Quff on melancholy

Hammood Obaid, U Manchester-The circulation and transmission of Avicenna's "Canon" in early modern India

Kamran Karimullah, U Manchester-Metacommentary in the medieval Islamic medical tradition: Galen, Muḥammad ibn Zakarīyā al-Rāzī, Fakhr al-Din al-Rāzī 070 I-3pm L-Delaware B

Who Protects What! Actors of Conservation From Late Ottoman Empire to Republican Turkey Organizers: Firuzan Melike Sumertas and Ahmet Sezgin

Chair/Discussant: **Ahmet A. Ersoy**, Boğaziçi U

Firuzan Melike Sumertas, Boğaziçi U/MEF U-From Paspates to Sillogos: 'heritagization' of Byzantine remnants in situ Ahmet Sezgin, MEF U-Mehmed Ziya: An advocate of ancient monuments between the Ottoman city and the Turkish nation Pinar Aykac, Columbia U-National vs. 'other' monuments: The role of the Commission for the Preservation of Antiquities in the institutionalisation of preservation activities in Istanbul Burcu Selcen Coskun, Mimar Sinan Fine Arts U-Scraping the layers: Tahsin Öz and his stylistic restorations in Topkapi Palace Museum, 1942-1949

071 I-3pm E-Washington 2

Maintaining Body and Mind in Modern Iraq

Organizers: **Alissa Walter** and **Andrew Alger**

Discussant: Sara Pursley, NYU

Sara Farhan, York U-Medicine and midan:
Venereal disease, sex-work, and the establishment
of the Royal Medical College of Baghdad
Andrew Alger, Graduate Center CUNY-"A
Beehive of Activity": Labor and leisure in
Hashemite Baghdad, 1921-1958
Wisam Alshaibi, UCLA-Resisting
classification: Iraqis' responses to Arabization
during the Iran-Iraq War
Michael Degerald, U Washington-The
Ba'th and the non-aligned movement: More
than a relationship of convenience
Alissa Walter, Georgetown U-Maintaining
body and mind in Baghdad during the Iraqi
sanctions: A state-society perspective

I-3PM Sunday November 19

072 I-3pm L-Delaware A

Politics of Religion During WWI as Lived and Remembered in the Ottoman Empire

Organizer: Benan Grams

Chair/Discussant: Elizabeth F. Thompson, American U

Orthodox of Antioch: Loyalty or pragmatism? Gregarious Haddad: Between the Ottoman Empire and the Arab rule

Sami Sweis, U Chicago-Hashemite discourse on Wahhabi Islam as anti-Saudi propaganda during the Arab Revolt

Joel Veldkamp, Graduate Inst of International and Development Studies-Sectarianism, memory and countermemory of the Great War in French mandate Aleppo

Odile Moreau, Montpellier U-IMAF Paris

Benan Grams, Georgetown U-The Greek

073 I-3pm L-Virginia B

1-Politics of religion during the First World

War: Ottoman Islamic rhetoric in Morocco

Intersectional Approaches to Critiquing Orientalism

Organizer: Anna Cruz

Douja Mamelouk, Le Moyne Col-Paul Bowles' Orientalist urges

Yasmine El Gheur, City College of New York CUNY-The Self-Orientalization of the contemporary Arab artist: "Les Femmes du Maroc," a case study

Anna Cruz, Tufts U-"Disobedient" archives and the postcolonial poet as decolonial historian

074 I-3pm M-Marshall South

New Perspectives on Literacy in TAFL

Organizer: Corinne Stokes

Chair: Mahmoud Al-Batal, American U Beirut

Navdeep Sokhey, UT Austin-Social media literacy in the advanced Arabic classroom Corinne Stokes, NYU Abu Dhabi-Using multimodal materials to develop conceptual fluency in TAFL

Nesrine Basheer, U Sydney-Connectives in Arabic native speaker and non-native speaker expository and argumentative writing

Katherine Whiting, The Sijal Inst for Arabic Language and Culture-Metacognitive awareness and strategy usage among intermediate and advanced L2 readers of Arabic

075 I-3pm M-Marshall East

Implicated Digital Transitions in the MENA Region

Organizer: Karem Irene Said

Discussant: **Frances S. Hasso**, Duke U/IMEWS

Karem Irene Said, Stanford

U-Transitional differentiation in urban and digital crowds: Reassessing the place of Hay Ettadhamon, Tunis

Yakein Abdelmagid, Duke U-Incongruent collaborations: The advertising industry and politics of underground music in Egypt S. Gokce Atici, Stanford U-The double work of behavioral advertising in Turkey: Imaging and branding

076 I-3pm M-Marshall West

The Gulf: Visualizing the National Narrative

Organizer: Shaikhah Almubaraki

Sponsored by Association for Gulf and Arabian Peninsula Studies (AGAPS)

Chair: **Shaikhah Almubaraki**, UC Berkeley Discussant: **Laura Goffman**, Georgetown U

Shaikhah Almubaraki, UC Berkeley-Theater as nation: Nationalism as promoted by Kuwaiti theatrical productions

Ashleen Williams, U Mississippi-Matams, Ashura, and Muharaam: Examining counter national narratives in Bahrain

Amina Alkandari, UC Berkeley-The "desert" in Expo Milano: Traditions of architecture practices in the making of a "legitimate" national-Identity

077 I-3pm L-Maryland C

Revolution, Refusal and Rebellion: Past and Present

Chair: Pinar Batur, Vassar Col

Silvia Marsans-Sakly, Fairfield U-The rebel and the archivist: Tracing Tunisia's forgotten history of protest

Brady Patrick Ryan, UCLA-Revolution and the abject in Intisab Aswad

Emily Sibley, NYU-The politics of no: Street art and public performativity in the Egyptian revolution

Vivienne Matthies-Boon, U Amsterdam-Everyday insecurities: Political trauma and bio-political repression in (post)revolutionary Egypt

Molly Courtney, UCLA-Literature and disenchantment in post-revolutionary Tunisia

078 I-3pm L-Virginia A

Rebels and Insurgents: Recruitment, Effectiveness, and Support

Chair: Peter Krause, Boston Col

Samuel Plapinger, U Virginia-Insurgent effectiveness in civil wars: Evidence from Jordan and Syria

Holger Albrecht, U Alabama-Warriors or believers? Strategic choice in rebel recruitment in the Syrian Civil War Gunes Murat Tezcur, U Central Florida-Political violence and civilian victimization in Turkey

Ekrem Karakoc, Binghamton U-Why ethnic minorities support for a rebel group: The PKK case in Turkey

079 3:30-5:30pm

SPECIAL SESSION

M-Marshall North

Academic Freedom Trends and the Work of MESA's Committee on Academic Freedom Organizer: Joshua Stacher

Chair: Laurie Brand, U Southern California

Asli Bâli, UCLA School of Law Nancy E. Gallagher, UC Santa Barbara Miriam R. Lowi, Col of New Jersey Joshua Stacher, Kent State U Virginia Tilley, Southern Illinois U

MESA's Committee on Academic Freedom took on a record number of cases in 2016. From the continuing repression in Egypt to the swift decent into authoritarianism in Turkey, many countries of the region witnessed significant violations of academic freedom, regardless of educational level or type of institution. Nor was the US exempt, as the arrival of a new administration committed to a discriminatory approach to, among others, Muslims and Middle Easterners with the issuance of successive travel bans, has made clear. Indeed 2017 has already demonstrated that current trends are likely to continue, and perhaps worsen. This panel seeks to review some of the most important cases from the MENA region and the US of 2017. CAF members will discuss Egypt, Turkey and the Gulf States, while another presentation will highlight the ongoing battles in the academy surrounding the boundaries for the portrayal of Israel by focusing on the response to the UN commissioned ESCWA report concerning Israeli state practices of apartheid. A member of the California Scholars for Academic Freedom will discuss the network and its responses to recent "lawfare" attacks on academics in the UC and Cal State systems. These interventions will seek to place recent developments in broader socio-political and historical context, analyzing them as integral parts of ongoing political transitions, not as developments limited to the academy. The panel will thus provide an important opportunity for MESA members to learn more, not only about CAF's work, but also about the broader context in which our colleagues who are on the front lines of these battles both in MENA and North America are struggling to assert their rights to academic freedom.

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M-Balcony B



Apology Accepted? Combatting Islamophobia Without Sacrificing Critical Perspective in the Academy Organizer: Judd King

Chair: Judd King, American U

Sadaf Jaffer, Princeton U **Nathaniel Mathews**, Binghamton U

061 3:30-3:30pm



Is There a Modern Muslim Mediterranean?

Organizer: Jonathan Glasser

Session Leader: **Jonathan Glasser**, Col of William and Mary

Sibel Zandi-Sayek, Col of William and Mary

Judith E. Tucker, Georgetown U **Eric Calderwood**, U Illinois Urbana-Champaign

Naor Ben-Yehoyada, Columbia U Edmund Burke III, UC Santa Cruz 082 3:30-5:30pm

M-McKinley



Evaluating Digital Scholarship -Proposed Guidelines for MESA

Organizer: Amy Singer

Session Leader: **Amy Singer**, Tel Aviv U

Elias Muhanna, Brown U E. Natalie Rothman, U Toronto Scarborough Chris Gratien, Harvard U Virginia Aksan, McMaster U

083 3:30-5:30pm

L-Virginia B

Iraq's Many Pasts, Iraq's Many Presents: Memory, Archive, and

RepresentationOrganizer: **Zainab Saleh**

Chair: **Zainab Saleh**, Haverford Col Discussant: **Arbella Bet-Shlimon**, U

Washington

Bridget Guarasci, Franklin & Marshall Col-Making Iraq's marshes a world heritage site **Zainab Saleh**, Haverford Col-Superfluous nostalgics: Longing for an idealized past among Iraqis in London

Mona Damluji, UC Santa Barbara-Seeing like an oil company: Photographic archives of modern Iraq

Orit Bashkin, U Chicago-Iraqi home away from home – Jewish reflections on Iraq in the diaspora

Dina Rizk Khoury, George Washington U-Writing Iraq's history with and against the post-colonial state archive

084 3:30-5:30pm

M-Wilson B

Rethinking Security Studies in the Arab World: In/Security Beyond the State

Organizers: Samer Abboud and Waleed Hazbun

Chair: Michael C. Hudson, Georgetown U Discussant: Marwa Daoudy, Georgetown U

Samer Abboud, Arcadia U-The pre-peace, post-conflict reconstruction of Syria
Hamza Meddeb, European U Inst-Zones of ambiguity: The political economy of insecurity in Tunisia

Nicole Sunday Grove, U Hawai'i Manoa-Participatory media and emerging landscapes of security and surveillance

Waleed Hazbun, American U Beirut-Writing insecurity: Sources of disruption in Middle East IR theory

085 3:30-5:30pm

E-Washington 2

(Trans)nationalisms and the Left in the Greater Maghrib, 1910-1970 Organizer: Christopher Rominger

Sponsored by American Institute for Maghrib Studies (AIMS)

Chair: **Joel Gordon**, U Arkansas Discussant: **Alma Heckman**, UC Santa Cruz

Christopher Rominger, Graduate Center CUNY-"Radical" communists, "moderate" socialists, and the trans-Mediterranean left in post-WWI Tunisia

Rebecca Gruskin, Stanford U-Nationalism in a transnational place: Communists and nationalists in Tunisia's Gafsa Mining Basin (1940s-1960s)

Rami Ginat, Bar Ilan U-Transnationalism and nationalism: The case of Egyptian communism (1920-1965)

Muriam Haleh Davis, UC Santa Cruz-The 1964 census in Algeria: Markets and national identities during the Cold War

086 3:30-5:30pm

M-Wilson A

After the Spring: Contentious Politics and Political Processes Beyond 2011

Organizers: **Christopher Barrie** and **Killian Clarke**

Chair/Discussant: Eva Bellin, Brandeis U

Dina Bishara, U Alabama-Contentious processes not protest outcomes: Sit-Ins, marches, and demonstrations in the Middle East and North Africa

Killian Clarke, Princeton U-Overthrowing revolution: The popular roots of counterrevolution in Egypt

Christopher Barrie, U Oxford-Labor in transition: Labor protest and divergent democratization patterns in Egypt and Tunisia

Ali Kadivar, Brown U-Predicaments of rapid success: Egypt's failed democratization 2011-13

087 3:30-5:30pm

M-Wilson C

Restoring History, Recording History: From Bint al-Shati' to Samar Yazbek

Organizer: Zimu Niu

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

This panel is dedicated to the memory of Rula Quawas

Chair: Zimu Niu, Beijing Foreign Studies U

Mohammad Salama, San Francisco State U-A Revolutionary woman exegete: Bint al-Shāṭi''s literary approach to Quranic exegesis Hanadi Al-Samman, U Virginia-Traversing buried cities in Samar Yazbek's "The Crossing"

miriam cooke, Duke U-Integrating women into Islamic hagiographies

088 3:30-5:30pm

L-Maryland C

The Cultural Politics of Violence Organizers: Hannah Scott Deuchar and Michael Farquhar

Chair: **R. Shareah Taleghani**, Queens College CUNY

Discussant: **James McDougall**, Trinity Col Oxford

Shimrit Lee, NYU-Simulating the contact zone: Corporate mediations of violence in Israel, Palestine and beyond

Michael Farquhar, King's Col U London-Violence, deviancy and police masculinity in contemporary Egypt

Hannah Scott Deuchar, NYU-Terrors of translation: Ottoman crime fiction and the politics of fear

Hannah Elsisi, U Oxford-Un/Making the mu'taqal: Towards a cultural economy of political imprisonment in Egypt

089 3:30-5:30pm

M-Marshall South

Historical GIS Applications to Analyze Economic Geography and Transport Infrastructure in the Ottoman Empire

Organizer: M. Erdem Kabadayi

Discussant: Ali Yaycioglu, Stanford U

M. Erdem Kabadayi, Koç U and **Semih Celik**, Koç U-A geo-spatiotemporal analysis of population and economic geography for the districts (sancaks) of Ankara and Bursa, 1845–1927

Will Hanley, Florida State U-Mapping segregation in turn-of-the-century Alexandria Antonis Hadjikyriacou, Boğaziçi U-Mapping a moment in the Cypriot agricultural landscape: Historical GIS and the fiscal survey of 1572

Osman Özkan, Koç U and **Turgay Koçak**, Koç U-Mapping historical routes upon a geo-referenced late Ottoman coastal and land transport network

090 3:30-5:30pm

L-Maryland B

Changing Configurations of the Political and the Religious in the Early Modern Ottoman and Safavid Empires

Organizer: Malissa Taylor

Chair: Linda T. Darling, U Arizona

Baki Tezcan, UC Davis-What the Kadizadelis represent, or how the ejnebis trumped the devshirmes: Politically critical mass formation in the early modern Ottoman Empire

Malissa Taylor, U Massachusetts Amherst-Contending visions of a 'properly' Islamic land law in the Ottoman Empire Hani Khafipour, U Southern California-Ideological sources of the Safavid system of patronage and clientelism

Maryam Moazzen, U Louisville-Imperial Twelver Shiʻism and Shiʻi ʻUlama: The case of Shaykh al-Islam ʻAli Naqi Kamarehi (d. 1650)

091 3:30-5:30pm M-Marshall West

Fraught Docs: Questioning Categories and Exploring Infrastructural Challenges of Documentary Filmmaking from the Arab World

Organizer: Nadia G. Yaqub

Chair: Nadia G. Yaqub, UNC Chapel Hill

Nadia G. Yaqub, UNC Chapel Hill-Pushing the boundaries of documentary in postnationalist Palestinian filmmaking Jason Fox, CUNY Hunter Col-Refusing representation: Speed, mapping, and the Abounaddara Film Collective Dale Hudson, NYU Abu Dhabi-Documenting the Arab Gulf by hearing South Asia

Alia Yunis, Zayed U-Documentary film education in the Middle East

092 3:30-5:30pm

L-Delaware B

The Occult in Islamicate Society: The Cases of Magic and Alchemy Organizer: Pamela Klasova

Sponsored by Middle East Medievalists (MEM)

Chair: **Antoine Borrut**, U Maryland Discussant: **Matthew Melvin-Koushki**, U South Carolina

Pamela Klasova, Georgetown U-Magical and inspired speech in early Islam Emily Selove, U Exeter-Literature as magic, magic as literature

Salam Rassi, American U Beirut-Syriac Christian interest in late medieval alchemy: The case of one pseudo-Aristotelian treatise on the craft

Nicholas Harris, U Penn-Alchemy and economy

093 3:30-5:30pm

L-Maryland A

Gender Struggles and Interpretive Frameworks: How Far Can They Travel?

Organizer: Mariz Tadros

Chair: Sondra Hale, UCLA

Nadje Al-Ali, SOAS U London-Rethinking gender-based violence in Iraq

Hoda Elsadda, Cairo U-Traveling critique: Gender and rights discourses Mariz Tadros. Inst of Development

Mariz Tadros, Inst of Development Studies-Challenging unintended reifications of women's agency in the Middle East: The case of Egypt

094 3:30-5:30pm

M-Coolidge

Arab, Jewish, and Arab Jewish Critiques of Zionism

Organizer: Geoffrey Levin

Chair/Discussant: **Liora R. Halperin**, U Washington

Chelsie May, U Chicago-"A girl so quiet will do everything we tell her": The authority of emotions for Zionism in 1940s Iraq Shirly Bahar, American Jewish Historical Society-"He made me into a spy": Arab

Jewish identity and the making of Palestine into Israel

Geoffrey Levin, NYU-Crisis, victims, prophets: Evolving concepts in Rabbi Elmer Berger's anti-Zionist network

Salim Yaqub, UC Santa Barbara-Yes we can't: Arab Americans and the Arab-Israeli dispute in the 1970s

095 3:30-5:30pm

M-Harding

From Hope to Disappointment: The Failure of Reconciliation Processes in Turkey

Organizers: Lenore G. Martin and Tugba Tanyeri-Erdemir

Discussant: Kemal Kirisci, Brookings Inst

Lisel Hintz, Johns Hopkins SAIS-Pride, prejudice, and presidency: A social identity theory approach to opportunities missed in Turkey's Kurdish question

Lenore G. Martin, Harvard U-A new approach to solving Turkey's Kurdish issue **Aykan Erdemir**, Foundation for Defense of Democracies-The limits of incorporation: The failure of Turkey's "Alevi opening"

Tugba Tanyeri-Erdemir, U Pittsburgh-Restoring Armenian heritage in Turkey: A failed story of hope

096 3:30-5:30pm

M-Marshall East

Noticing the Details: Approaches to Close Reading of the Persian Tazkira Tradition

Organizer: Jane Mikkelson

Chair: **Alexander Jabbari**, U Oklahoma Discussant: **Mana Kia**, Columbia U

Theodore Beers, U Chicago-How to write a tazkirah: The example of the "Khayr albayan"

Shaahin Pishbin, U Chicago-A tale of two tazkirahs: Reading Nasrabadi and Sarkhvush as literary history

Jane Mikkelson, U Chicago-A style by any other name? Arguments about lyric style and geographical belonging in four early modern Persian tazkeres

Samuel Hodgkin, U Chicago-Tazkirah to chrestomathy: Persian classics between national literary historiographies

097 3:30-5:30pm L-Virginia A

Triangulated Subjects: Displacement, Transit, and Activism

Chair: **Rasmieyh Abdelnabi**, George Mason U

Desiree Shayer-McLeod, London Schl of Economics and Political Science-Why don't they fight? The emergence and persistence of nonviolent activism in the Western Sahara Päivi Miettunen, Finnish Inst in the Middle East-The shifting patterns of information behavior among Syrian Bedouin refugees

Navid Fozi, Harvard Law Schl-Iranian Shi'a converts to Christianity: Seeking asylum while transiting through Turkey 098 3:30-5:30pm L-Delaware A

Innovations in Foreign Language Curricula, Instruction, and Proficiency Assessment

Chair: **Mohssen Esseesy**, George Washington U

Hala Yehia Abd El-Wahab, American U Cairo-Assessment of ASL students through technology for enhanced learning

Nader Morkus, Indiana U Bloomington-Pragmatic transfer and language proficiency: American learners of Arabic

Dris Soulaimani, NYU Abu Dhabi-Stance displays in Arabic academic writing **Hussein M. Elkhafaifi**, U Washington-Learners' and instructors' preferences for integrated and isolated form-focused

Adil Elkhiyari, Qalam wa Lawh Center for Arabic Studies-Collaborative platforms for creating and managing Arabic curriculums

instruction in Arabic

099 3:30-5:30pm

L-Virginia C

Transitional Justice in Tunisia and Libya

Chair: **Yahia Zoubir**, KEDGE Business Schl, France

Alyssa Miller, Duke U-Against forgiveness: Manich Musamah and the struggle for Tunisian transitional justice Inez Freiin von Weitershausen,

London Schl of Economics and Political Science-Diplomatic recognition as de facto intervention - Insights from the 2011 uprisings in Libya

Samar Ben Romdhane, Moncton U Canada-Transitional justice in Tunisia and the mediated publicness: Towards a memorial consensus?



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"MESA, ACLU and the Muslim Ban"



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Aslı Bâli UCLA School of Law

On March 10, 2017, MESA joined the ACLU and other partner organizations and individuals in a federal lawsuit challenging President Trump's second Muslim ban executive order (International Refugee Assistance Project v. Trump). The case made its way through the federal courts and was placed onto the U.S. Supreme Court docket, but the appeal was dismissed as moot after the expiration of the partial travel ban the Supreme Court allowed to go into effect over the summer. The Trump administration issued a new presidential proclamation imposing a ban on eight countries (Chad, Iran, Libya, North Korea, Somalia, Syria, and Venezuela) with no expiration date. MESA and its fellow plaintiffs challenged this third version as well, and on October 17 the judge blocked it from going into full effect. The government has now appealed that ruling. Cody Wofsy (Staff Attorney, ACLU Immigrants' Rights Project) joins MESA President Beth Baron (City College and Graduate Center, CUNY) and Aslı Bâli (UCLA School of Law), for a discussion about the administration's effort to ban travel from certain countries and its impact on higher education.

2017 MESA Awards Ceremony

Immediately following the Presidential Panel

Please join MESA in recognizing the very best in the field in 2017

Albert Hourani Book Award

Recognizing outstanding publishing in Middle East studies.

MESA Mentoring Award

Recognizing exceptional contributions retired faculty have made to the education and training of others.

Roger Owen Book Award

Recognizing the very best in economics, economic history, or the political economy of MENA.

Jere L. Bacharach Service Award

Recognizing extraordinary service to MESA, other societies, and the field of Middle East studies.

Malcolm H. Kerr Dissertation Awards

Recognizing exceptional achievement in research for and writing of dissertations in Middle East studies.

Academic Freedom Award

Given in recognition of sustained contributions in support of academic freedom in the MENA and/or North America.

MESA Graduate Student Paper Prize

Recognizing achievements in research for and writing of a graduate-level paper.

Undergraduate Education Award

Recognizing outstanding teaching or other material contributions to undergraduate education.

TODAY'S AFFILIATED MEETINGS

7-8am

ARCE Fellowship Alumni Breakfast

Virginia C (L)

9-IIam

Middle East Center & Program Directors Meeting

Virginia C (L)

llam-lpm

Arabic Collections Online Advisory Board Meeting

Jackson (M)

Ham-Ipm

Western Consortium of Middle East Centers Meeting

Park Tower Suite 8223 (L)

12-2pm

Arabic Overseas Flagship Business Meeting

Park Tower Suite 8216 (L)

2-3:30pm

IOMES Working Group Meeting lackson (M)

3:30-5:30pm

MERIP Business Meeting

Delaware B (L)

7-9pm

CASA Alumni Reception

Harding (M)

101 8-10am M-Balcony A

Roundtable

Conducting Archival Research in MENA: Current Challenges, Creative Solutions

Organizer: Kate Dannies, Georgetown U

Chair: Nova Robinson, Seattle U

Anny Gaul, Georgetown U Benan Grams, Georgetown U Matthew MacLean, NYU Belle Cheves, Harvard U 102 8-10am M-Balcony B



Unraveling the Middle East III: The End...?

Fahad A. Bishara, U Virginia Andrew Arsan, U Cambridge Samera Esmeir, UC Berkeley Will Hanley, Florida State U Mohammed A. Bamyeh, U Pittsburgh

103 8-10am

E-Washington 2

The Prize?: Energy, Security, and Expertise

Organizer: Osamah Khalil

Chair/Discussant: Osamah Khalil, Syracuse U

Roger Stern, U Tulsa/UPenn-The experts' apocalypse: Peak oil and phantasm on the road to the Middle East

Karine Walther, Georgetown U Qatar-The Arabian mission and British political agents in the Arabian Gulf, 1920-1945

Brandon Wolfe-Hunnicutt, Cal State Stanislaus-Oil sovereignty, American foreign policy, and the 1968 coups in Iraq

Jacob A. Mundy, Colgate U-A useful enemy? Libya, the United States, and the making of insecurity

104 8-10am M-Wilson A

Islam and the State in Egypt: An Institution-Centered Approach Organizer: Aaron Rock-Singer

Discussant: **Gregory Starrett**, UNC Charlotte

Nathan J. Brown, George Washington U-State Islam and regime Islam in the Arab world Hilary Kalmbach, U Sussex-The root of Egyptian 'culture wars': Religion, state, and the 'future of Egyptian culture' in interwar Egypt Aaron Rock-Singer, Cornell U-Censoring the Kishkophone: Religion and state power in Mubarak's Egypt

Mary Elston, Harvard U-Al-Majalis Al-'Ilmiyya: Revival and critique in Egypt's al-Azhar 105 8-10am

L-Virginia A

Gendering Migration &
Transnationalizing Gender in the
Middle East & North Africa
Organizers: Lily Pearl Balloffet and
Elizabeth C. Saylor

Organized under the auspices of Moise Khayarallah Center for Lebanese Diaspora Studies

Discussant: **Stacy Fahrenthold**, CSU Stanislaus

Elizabeth C. Saylor, Middlebury Col-Visualizing Arab women's writings in the mahjar: A digital humanities project Lily Pearl Balloffet, Western Carolina U-The enterprising spirit: Writing women into South American mahjar history Annalise DeVries, Samford U-Migrants of privilege: Masculinity, foreign capital, and shaping national identity in Egypt Oguz Alyanak, Washington U St. Louis-Turkish men and their going-out habits: A moral critique of masculinity and everyday life on the Franco-German borderland

106 8-10am

M-Marshall South

Rethinking Pastoralists and Pastoral Nomadism in the Ottoman Empire

Organizers: **Zozan Pehlivan**, McGill U and **Samuel Dolbee**

Chair/Discussant: **Sabri Ates**, Southern Methodist U

Elcin Arabaci, Georgetown

U-Dispossession at the crossroads of the nomads, local Bursan villagers and Balkan-Caucasian immigrants

Samuel Dolbee, NYU-Provincializing the Shammar

Matthew Ghazarian, Columbia U-To fly or starve: Nomads, arms, and aid in the Ottoman famines of 1878-81

Nora Barakat, NYU Abu Dhabi-Pastoral land use and Ottoman law in late Ottoman Syria

8:00-10:00AM Monday November 20

107 8-10am M-Marshall East

Sovereignty Reformed: Contested Culture Ottoman Authority Between the Cultural Product International and the Islamic in the Republic of Iran

Tanzimat Era

Organizers: Madeleine Elfenbein and Selim Karlitekin

Selim Karlitekin, Columbia U-Tanzimat and the sworn sovereign: Oath, subjection and authority after the 'Greek Interregnum' (1821-1839)

Madeleine Elfenbein, U Chicago-Illiberal Ottomanism: Ali Suavi's critique of liberal internationalism

Barbara Henning, Bamberg U-Knowing one's place in Ottoman Trabzon: Entangled conceptualizations of social boundaries during the Tanzimat period

Aria Nakissa, Washington U St. Louis-Ijtihad and civilizational progress: Imperialism, capitalism, and the roots of 19th century Muslim religious reform

108 8-10am M-McKinley

Colonial Regimes and Anti-Colonial Revolts Between Maghrib and Mashriq, 1920-1950 Organizer: John Boonstra

Chair: **Graham Auman Pitts**, North Carolina State U Discussant: **Julia Clancy-Smith**, U Arizona

John Boonstra, U Wisconsin Madison-Myths of protection and pacification: Syria and greater Lebanon under early French mandate colonialism

Reem Bailony, Agnes Scott Col-A tale of two rebellions: The Rif and Syrian revolts in 1925

Guillaume Wadia, Harvard U-Climate and the political economy of the French Protectorate of Morocco during "pacification," 1927-1934

Shoko Watanabe, Inst of Developing Economies-Nationalists, transnational mobilization, and popular movements: Tunisian volunteers for Palestine in 1948

109 8-10am L-Maryland B

Contested Cultures of Revolution: Cultural Production in the Islamic Republic of Iran

Organizers: **Annie Tracy Samuel** and **Eric Lob**

Annie Tracy Samuel, U Tennessee Chattanooga-Promoting the culture of sacred defense

Eric Lob, Florida International U-The cultural production of Jihadi culture and management

Ladan Zarabadi, U Cincinnati-A moral city or spatial reproduction of Islamic patriarchy (A critical analysis of the image and spatial relations of Iranian cities)

Jordan Amirkhani, U Tennessee

Chattanooga-Museum as microcosm: The historical and cultural legacy of The Tehran Museum of Art

I 10 8-10am L-Maryland A

Liminal Urbanity: Cities Between Ruin and Prosperity

Organizer: Shima Houshyar

Chair: **Shima Houshyar**, Graduate Center CUNY

Shima Houshyar, Graduate Center CUNY-The afterlives of Abadan: Spatial and temporal disjunctures in an Iranian oil city Zehra Husain, Graduate Center CUNY-Destabilizing regional frontiers: Mobility, cosmopolitanism and belonging in Karachi China Sajadian, Graduate Center CUNY-Between nostalgia and futures-otherwise: Performances of memory in Lebanon's railway ruins

Hazal Corak, Graduate Center CUNY-Shifting mobility regimes and labor migration in post-communist and Europeanizing Kardzhali

III 8-10am M-Wilson C

Contemporary Political Art of the Middle East

Organizer: Anne Marie Butler

Nama Khalil, U Michigan-Iconographic battle: Visual responses to Rab'a Massacre Elisabeth Friedman, Illinois State U-Strategies of counter-occupation in contemporary Palestinian art Sascha Crasnow, UC San Diego-Capitalism and conservatism: The transformation of Ramallah in Inass Yassin's Cinema Waleed project

Anne Marie Butler, SUNY Buffalo-Chouftouhonna: A Tunisian feminist art festival making space for the queer imaginary Duygu Ula, U Michigan-Towards a local queer aesthetics: Nilbar Güres's photography and female homoerotic intimacy

112 8-10am M-Harding

Local Governance and Social Accountability Reforms in the Wake of the Arab Spring Organizer: Sylvia Bergh

Chair: **Dawn Chatty**, U Oxford Discussant: **Mariz Tadros**, Inst of Development Studies

Ward Vloeberghs, Erasmus U Col Rotterdam-The Beirut Madinati campaign: The politics of social accountability in Lebanon Joni Schwartz, CUNY LaGuardia and Habiba Boumlik, CUNY LaGuardia -Civic participation, engagement and organized action: A case study of a Tunisian activist Asya R. El-Meehy, United Nations-Local governance and social accountability in Iraq: Reflections from the education and social sectors Mays Abou Hegab, CARE International in Egypt-Enhancing citizen-state relationships by using social accountability tools? CARE Egypt's experience with Egypt's Social Fund for Development

Sylvia Bergh, Erasmus U Rotterdam-Enhancing social accountability through community score cards? Evidence from the education sector in Morocco

113 8-10am L-Maryland C

Between the National and the International: Arab Communists from the Mashreq to the Maghreb in the 1940s and 1950s

Organizer: Sana Tannoury Karam

Chair: **Zachary Lockman**, NYU Discussant: **Orit Bashkin**, U Chicago

Kamilia Rahmouni, U Arizona-Between French assimilationism and nationalist communism: The impact of WWII on Tunisian Jews' ideological orientations, 1939-1945

8:00-10:00AM Monday November 20

Alma Heckman, UC Santa Cruz-From fluidity to exclusivity: Interwar Moroccan Jewish leftists and their Legacies Sana Tannoury Karam, Northeastern U-This war is our war: Communism, democracy, and internationalist nationalism in Lebanon, 1939-1945

I 14 8-10am L-Delaware B

Articulations of Struggle in Transnational Palestinian Resistance Circuits Organizer: Jennifer Mogannam

Suraya Khan, Rice U-Fulfilling a "special role": Arab activism in the US for Palestine and the Third World in the 1960s
Omar Zahzah, UCLA-"I won't follow you": Movements of resistance in Ghassan Kanafani's "Letter to Gaza" and Edward Said's "Tribute to Abu Omar"

Jennifer Mogannam, UC San Diego-Violence as methodology in Palestinian armed resistance and revolution

115 8-10am L-Delaware A

Politics, History and State Formation in the Modern Middle East Organizer: Allison Hartnett

Chair: Matteo Legrenzi, Ca' Foscari U of Venice

Discussants: Fred H. Lawson, Mills Col and Matteo Legrenzi, Ca' Foscari U of Venice

Allison Hartnett, U Oxford-Colonial legacies, landed elites and regime survival in the Middle East

Daniel Neep, Georgetown U-A historical sociology of crisis in the Middle East: From uneven development to civil war in Syria Djene Rhys Bajalan, Missouri State U-Unionists and liberals: An alternative paradigm

I 16 8-10am M-Marshall North

From the Body to the Body-Politic: The Politics of Medical Knowledge and Practice

Organizers: Ahmed Ragab and Joelle Abi-Rached

Chair/Discussant: **Sherine Hamdy**, UC Irvine

Ahmed Ragab, Harvard U-Making local

medicine: Colonial discourses and the making

of modern medicine in the Middle East
Elise Burton, U Cambridge-The missing
enzyme: Medical genetics and historical
identity in Iran and Israel
Joelle Abi-Rached, Harvard U-The birth
of psychiatry in the Middle East: Power,
knowledge, and the banality of good and evil
Soha Bayoumi, Harvard U-Doctors as
witnesses: Forensic medicine and medical

II7 8-10am M-Wilson B

The Impact of External Actors on Political Economy

testimonies in post-revolutionary Egypt

Chair: **William A. Lawrence**, George Washington U

Ali Hamdan, UCLA-Proxies, laboratories, and the production of space in Syria's liberated territories

Kerry-Ann Cornwall, U Guelph-Transitional constitutionalism: The role of international NGOs in Tunisia's constitutionmaking process

Rana B. Khoury, Northwestern U-Whither civil resistance? Humanitarianism's impact on Syrian mobilization

Erin Snider, Texas A&M U-Economies in transition: International donor assistance after the Arab uprisings

118 8-10am M-Marshall West

Knowledge Exchange and Production Across Borders

Chair: **Ahmet Serdar Akturk**, Georgia Southern U

Mehtap Ozdemir, U Massachusetts Amherst-Ottoman literary modernity in triangulation: Imperial mimesis and textual transactions in Ahmed Midhat's "Hasan Mellah" Kaitlin Staudt, U Oxford-Slow futurism: Peyami Safa and the avant garde
James H. Meyer, Montana State U-Nâzim Hikmet in the Soviet archives
Jeannette E. Okur, UT Austin-State perpetrators of violence and political victims in Müge Iplikçi's "Kafdagi" and Mehmed Uzun's "Ask Gibi Aydinlik Ölüm Gibi Karanlik"

119 8-10am L-Virginia B

Histories of Infrastructure and Techno-Politics

Chair: Michael Christopher Low, Iowa State U

Beyza Lorenz, UCLA-Urban modernity and steamboats in Ottoman Istanbul

Isacar Bolanos, Ohio State U-The Hazine-i Hassa Nezareti (Privy Purse Ministry) and the expansion of irrigation in Hamidian Iraq, 1877-1901

Mohamed Gamal-Eldin, NJIT/Rutgers Newark-Cesspools, mosquitos and fever: An environmental history of malaria prevention in Ismailia and Port Sa'id, 1869-1910 Zachary D. Cuyler, NYU-The poetics of the Trans-Arabian Pipeline: Competing visibilities of an infrastructural assemblage, 1950-1975 Gabriel Young, NYU-Development work: Labor at the Aswan High Dam, 1960-1971

120 8-10am

Analyzing the Islamic State: Strategies and Counter-Strategies

M-Coolidge

Chair: **James F. Goode**, Grand Valley State U

Didier Leroy, Royal Military Academy of Belgium-Countering Daesh extremism, perspectives from Belgium

Muhammad Masud, U Massachusetts Boston-Poetry as a weapon: The poetics of jihad in ISIS's textbooks

Akin Unver, Kadir Has U-Who joins ISIS? Explaining recruitment through discrimination-exclusion model

Marwan M. Kraidy, U Penn-Fun against fear: The Islamic State spectacle and counter-spectacle

121 10:30am-12:30pm | Issu

Issues in the Profession Workshop

M-Marshall West

Confronting Sexual Harassment in the Academy

Organized by Fatma Müge Göçek

Chair: **Beth Baron**, Graduate Center CUNY Discussant: **Fatma Müge G**öç**ek**, U Michigan

Marty Langelan, Langelan & Associates

Sexual harassment of students and faculty is not a new problem in the academy. This problem is especially acute for graduate students and junior faculty across fields of study. Research suggests that 30% of graduate students surveyed stated that they experienced some form of sexual harassment in the course of their study. This finding has remained consistent over the past three decades. A new wave of survivor-led student activism in the United States has forced colleges and universities to review their existing policies on sexual harassment and sexual assault. However, the issue of faculty harassers has been largely ignored. Professional associations like MESA can play a role by facilitating discussion of these issues. Marty Langelan, "The Godmother of Direct Intervention" and author of "Back Offl: How to Confront and Stop Sexual Harassment and Harassers," will share with the audience a toolkit of nonviolent direct-action that is principled, precise, well-grounded, and effective at stopping sexual harassers in their tracks.

125 10:30am-12:30pm

M-Marshall East

International Law in the Contemporary Middle East: Impeding

or Facilitating Violence? (Part 1)
Organizer: Lisa Hajjar

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Chair: **Ghassan Abu Sittah**, American U Beirut

Neve Gordon, SOAS/BGU-The US drone wars and the apparatus of distinction: Examining the implications of the posthumanist turn

Aslı Bâli, UCLA School of Law-Assessing liability for war crimes in Yemen

Noura Erakat, George Mason U-Dangerous expansions: The principle of proportionality in irregular combat

Lisa Hajjar, UC Santa Barbara-International humanitarian law versus the counterterrorism war paradigm: Analyzing the contradictions and consequences of the US "War on Terror"

122 10:30am-12:30pm

M-Balcony A



Material Politics in the Middle East Organizer: Fredrik Meiton

Fredrik Meiton, Northwestern U Joanne Nucho, Pomona Col Elizabeth Williams, U Massachusetts Lowell Begum Adalet, NYU

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M-Balcony B



Funding Opportunities in the MENA Region: Joint Degrees Organizer: Maggie Nassif

Session Leader: **Maggie Nassif**, Fulbright Commission

Ehab M. Abouaish, Cairo U Jacobus Boers, Georgia State U Amr I.A. Elatraby, Ain Shams U Maysa Abou-Youssef Hayward, Ocean County Col 124 10:30am-12:30pm

The Preservation of Historic Architecture in North African Cities

E-Washington 2

Organizer: Susan Slyomovics

Sponsored by American Institute for Maghrib Studies (AIMS)

Chair: Diana Wylie, Boston U

Diana Wylie, Boston U-The preservation of historic architecture in North African cities: An overview

Zeynep Celik, New Jersey Inst of Technology-An unlikely duo in Algiers: The Mosque al-Djadid and the Statue of Duc d'Orléans

Susan Slyomovics, UCLA-Dismantling a world: French military monuments in Algeria Daniel E. Coslett, Western Washington U-Globalization and preservation in Tunisia: On the colonial past in the neocolonial present Marc Andre, LARHRA Lyon-Repatriating militant Algerian bodies: The heritage of El-Alia Cemetery in Algiers

126 10:30am-12:30pm

L-Delaware B

Fatimid Studies

Organizer: Paul E. Walker

Organized under the auspices of Institute of Ismaili Studies (IIS)

Chair: **Farhad Daftary**, Inst of Ismaili Studies

Mohamad Ballan, U Chicago-

Sectarianism and violence in Zirid Ifriqiyah: A reinterpretation of the massacres of 407/1016 **Shainool Jiwa**, Inst of Ismaili Studies-Between the founder of Cairo and the Caliph of Cairo: An appraisal of the reign of the Fatimid Imam-Caliph al-Aziz Billah **Paul E. Walker**, U Chicago-Titles of honor and status in the Fatimid realm

127 10:30am-12:30pm

M-Wilson C

The Conflicted Legacies of the Iran Iraq War

Organizer: Kaveh Ehsani

Chair: **Robert Vitalis**, U Penn Discussant: **Ervand Abrahamian**, CUNY

Achim Rohde, Philipps-U Marburg (Germany)-Military masculinity and its discontents in Ba'thist Iraq

Kaveh Ehsani, DePaul U-The antinomies of the war in post-revolutionary Iran Norma Claire Moruzzi, U Illinois Chicago-Sisters and mothers: Iranian women's war memoirs Kevan Harris, UCLA-Legacies of mass mobilization in the Iran-Iraq War: Findings from the 2016 Iran Social Survey

128 10:30am-12:30pm L-Park Tower Ste 8212



Teaching Middle East Studies in a Controversial Time: Between Activism and Accountability Organizer: Victoria Hightower

Chair: Victoria Hightower, U North Georgia

Neha Vora, Lafayette Col Beth Derderian, Northwestern U Daniel Blumlo, Rock Valley Col Jocelyn Sage Mitchell, Northwestern U Qatar

Rachael Eggebeen, Sunnyside Unified School District Jill Crystal, Auburn U

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L-Maryland A

Gender and Mobility in Arab Women's Writings Organizers: Rima Sadek and Nan

Organizers: Rima Sadek and Nancy Linthicum

Chair: Johanna Sellman, Ohio State U

Nancy Linthicum, U Michigan-Egyptian "girls' writing" and the politics of translation Manar Shabouk, Syracuse U-In remembrance of ruins or reinventing home Rima Sadek, U South Carolina-Identity, gender and American politics in transnational Arab women's literature

Wael Salam, U Jordan-The exile as a transgenerational fate in Susan Muaddi Darraj's "The Inheritance of Exile"

130 10:30am-12:30pm

SPECIAL SESSION

M-Marshall North

Turkey Since the July 2016 Coup Attempt
Organizers: Mostafa Minawi, Cornell U and Hale Yılmaz, Southern Illinois U

Sponsored by Ottoman and Turkish Studies Association (OTSA)

Chair: Yiğit Akın, Tulane U

Sinan Birdal, U Southern California Howard Eissenstat, St. Lawrence U Azat Gündoğan, Florida State U Aslı Z. Iğsız, NYU Meltem Türköz, Işık U, Istanbul

Turkey entered a new era of confusion and uncertainty in the aftermath of a failed coup attempt in July 2016. Government response to the coup attempt has led to unprecedented levels of investigations, arrests and imprisonments throughout the country. Empowered by the state of emergency powers, the Justice and Development Party government has used executive orders to clamp down not only on individuals and organizations suspected of having supported the coup, but also any individual or association critical of the JDP government. Over a one-year period since the coup attempt, more than one hundred thousand civil servants (including teachers, university professors, doctors, judges and others) have been fired by executive orders and more than forty thousand people have been detained on accusations of affiliation with the Gülen movement. Along with individual liberties, freedom of the press has declined rapidly. More than 184 media outlets (such as newspapers, television and radio stations) have been closed permanently and more than 170 journalists (including journalists from the main opposition newspaper Cumhuriyet) have been detained on allegations of links to the Gülen movement. More than 375 civil society organizations, including women's rights groups and humanitarian organizations have been shut down permanently. These developments have profound implications for Turkey, for the region, and for human rights and liberties throughout the world. The papers on this panel address the current crisis in Turkey from a range of academic perspectives.

131 10:30am-12:30pm

M-Wilson B

Refugees From Syria: State Policies, Humanitarian Aid, and the Lived Experience of Exile

Organizer: Wendy Pearlman

Chair/Discussant: Rochelle Anne Davis, Georgetown U

Lamis Abdelaaty, Syracuse U-The strategic use of labels for Syrians in Turkey Wendy Pearlman, Northwestern U-Socioeconomic class and the lived experience of exile among Syrian refugees in Germany and Turkey

Daniel Masterson, Yale U-How humanitarian aid shapes the development of refugee self-governance **Nell Gabiam**, Iowa State U-"Istanbul has many refugees from Syria but no refugee camps": Creating home at a community center

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L-Maryland C

Seeking Order: Sufi Responses to Ottoman Power in 16th-17th Century Egypt and Syria Organizer: Kristof D'hulster

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

Timothy J. Fitzgerald, James Madison U-Sovereignty and self-control: Shaykh 'Alwan al-Hamawi's (d. 1530) advice for the Ottoman ruler

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Kristof D'hulster, Ghent U-Sword and pen at the service of the Ottoman Sultan: A semiotic reading of two Ottoman texts of the hand of Muhyi-i Gulsheni (d. 1604-1605)

Side Emre, Texas A & M U-Negotiated piety: Interactions of the Khalwati-Gulshanis and Egyptian Sufis with political authority in 16th century Egypt

133 10:30am-12:30pm

M-Harding

Narratives of Struggle: Maintaining and Preserving Kurdish Cultural Heritage

Organizer: Christian Sinclair

Sponsored by Kurdish Studies Association (KSA)

Chair: Christian Sinclair, Moravian Col

Anna Grace Tribble, Emory U-Is there a "Kurdish" dish?: Exploring the effects of aid and internal displacement on culturally cohesive concepts of food in Iraqi Kurdistan Ruken Isik, U Maryland Baltimore County-Reclaiming Kurdish dress as political struggle Thomas McGee, Independent Researcher-Rebuilding the city or a museum left in ruins? Mapping heritage in post-displacement reconstruction plans for Kobani Amir Sharifi. CSU Long Beach-The city of

Amir Sharifi, CSU Long Beach-The city of Kermanshan, the site of cultural rebellion and rebirth

Aynur De Rouen, Binghamton U-The struggle within: Documenting the Kurdish experience in Binghamton

134 10:30am-12:30pm

L-Virginia B

Fashioning Philosopher-Kings in the Post-Mongol Persian Cosmopolis, 13th-19th Centuries (Part I) Organizer: Matthew Melvin-Koushki

Chair/Discussant: **Kathryn Babayan**, U Michigan

Jonathan Brack, Hebrew U Jerusalem-Philosopher-Kings in the age of Chinggisid auspicious kingship: The Sahibqiran Öljeitü and his mujaddid vizier

Noah Gardiner, U South Carolina-Al-Malik al-Zahir Barquq as millennial sovereign? Matthew Melvin-Koushki, U South Carolina-Performing (occult) philosopher-Kingship in Timurid Transoxania: Ulugh Beg as sultan-scientist

Marian Elizabeth Smith, U Michigan-Refiguring Timur the philosopher-king in the Safavid cultural imagination" accretions and interpolations to Hatifi's Timur-nama

135 10:30am-12:30pm

L-Virginia A

Regulating Print in the Late Ottoman Empire: A New Look into the Question of Censorship Organizers: Till Grallert and Kathryn Schwartz

Chair/Discussant: **Benjamin Carr Fortna**, U Arizona

Till Grallert, Orient-Institut Beirut-Authoritarianism versus liberty of speech? The theory and practices of press censorship in Bilad al-Sham (1875–1914)

Annie Greene, U Chicago-"The suspension of print is the hand of tyranny": Freedom of the press in Ottoman Iraq?

Kathryn Schwartz, Harvard U-Print regulations in Ottoman Egypt, 1820–1881 Ekin Enacar, U Chicago-Laughing at times of censorship: Anti-imperialism and constitutionalism in Ottoman cartoons (1908-1911)

136 10:30am-12:30pm

L-Delaware A

Formulaic Language and Pragmatic Competence

Organizer: Zeinab A. Taha

Organized under the auspices of American University in Cairo

Chair: Zeinab A. Taha, American U Cairo

Hala Elshamy, American U Cairo-An analysis of the pragmatic functions of idiomatic expressions in the Egyptian novel "Taxi" Shaimaa N. Abdel Aziz, American U Cairo-Teachers' perceptions on formulaic language

Zeinab A. Taha, American U Cairo-Formulaic language in media Arabic: The case of pseudo-titles

Hala Abdelmobdy, American U Cairo-Cultural nuances that create challenges of teaching terms of address and terms of endearment in AFL/ASL classrooms

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M-McKinley

The Arab Revolt in Palestine (1936-39): Internal and External Factors Organizer: Richard Cahill

Chair: Charles Anderson, Western Washington U Discussant: Salim Tamari, Inst of Jerusalem Studies

Michael Provence, UC San Diego-Damascus, Jerusalem and Baghdad in the autumn 1936

Laila Parsons, McGill U-The Palestine Revolt and the Peel Commission intertwined Richard Cahill, Berea Col-Of walls and fortresses: Sir Charles Tegart, the Arab revolt and beyond

138 10:30am-12:30pm

M-Wilson A

What's Really New About the Trump Era for Arab and Muslim Americans?

Organizer: Louise Cainkar

Sponsored by Arab American Studies Association (AASA)

Chair: Louise Cainkar, Marquette U

Louise Cainkar, Marquette U-Counting Arab Americans in light of the threat narrative and white privilege Kristine Ajrouch, Eastern Michigan U-Immigration, Middle Eastern Americans, and census categories

Danielle Haque, Minnesota State U Mankato-Muslim and Arab Americans and the surveillance state

Erik Love, Dickinson Col-Islamophobic racism and civil rights advocacy in the US, 2001-2017

139 10:30am-12:30pm

M-Marshall South

New Boundaries of State/ Resistance Constellations in the Middle East

Organizer: Laryssa Chomiak

Organized under the auspices of Middle East Law and Governance (MELG)

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

Elizabeth R. Nugent, Princeton U-The psychology of repression and polarization in authoritarian regimes: Evidence from Egypt and Tunisia

Lana Salman, UC Berkeley-Expectation as a mode of statecraft: 'municipal encounters' in post-revolution Tunisia

Laryssa Chomiak, American Inst for Maghrib Studies-Visions of dissent in Algeria, Jordan and Tunisia

Chantal Berman, Princeton U-Protest policing in Tunisia and Morocco

140 10:30am-12:30pm

M-Coolidge

Networks of Circulation and the Exchange of Ideas in Modern Afghanistan

Organizers: Marjan Wardaki and Mejgan Massoumi

> Sponsored by American Institute of Afghanistan Studies (AIAS)

Chair: Robert Crews, Stanford U

Benjamin Hopkins, George Washington U-Ruling the rimlands: Frontier governmentality along the edges of empire Faiz Ahmed, Brown U-Islam, monarchy, and the nation-state: Religious authority, royal legitimacy, and the Amani-Kemalist dialectic

Marjan Wardaki, UCLA-An Afghan student in Nazi Germany: The life of Ahmad Fofolzai, 1933-1960

Mejgan Massoumi, Stanford U-Kabul cosmopolitan? Radio broadcasting and Afghan connectivity to the world, 1960-1979 141 10:30am-12:30pm

E-Washington I

Between Continuity & Change: Conceptualizing Slavery, Tyranny, Gender, and Tolerance in Islamic Thought & the Middle East Organizer: Bader Mousa Al-Saif

Chair/Discussant: **John O. Voll**, Georgetown U

Omar Anchassi, U Exeter-'...So their lineages are not cut off': The reframing and reformulation of the legal discourse on slavery and slave-concubinage from the midnineteenth to the mid-twentieth centuries Mohammed Bushra, Georgetown U-Conceptual change through transformation of linguistic norms: Tyranny in the Arab Muslim context

M. Amine Tais, Georgetown
U-Constructing gender egalitarianism in
Islamic feminist discourses: The works of
Mernissi and Lamrabet

Bader Mousa Al-Saif, Georgetown U-Diversity & tolerance in the Arabian Peninsula? Conceptual (re)production and its implication on religious reform

142 10:30am-12:30pm

L-Maryland B

Poetics of the Political

Chair: **Anastasia Khawaja**, U South Florida

Deborah L. Wheeler, US Naval Academy-Digital resistance and state (in)stability in Arab monarchies: Lessons from Kuwait and Jordan

Nasser Athamneh, Yarmouk U-Al-Quds/ Jerusalem between the east and the west: Images of the holy city in Arabic and English poetry

Ilkim Buke Okyar, Independent Scholar-Eastern eyes, western gaze: The politics of Alexandretta in Tarik Mümtaz's cartoons, 1933-1934

Waed Athamneh, Connecticut Col-Taking the state to court: Qabbani's poetics of the political

Katrien Vanpee, U Minnesota-Poetic bay'a: Allegiance performance and patronage dynamics in the televised poetry competition Sha'ir al-Milyun

Merve Tabur, Penn State U-On self, specters and seeds: Poetics of potentiality and female diasporic subjectivities in Lisa Suhair Majaj's "Geographies of Light"

143 10:30am-12:30pm

M-Johnson

Neoliberalism in the City

Chair: Bilal Humeidan, U Virginia

Hannes Baumann, U Liverpool-Dependent neoliberalism: How Gulf capital is reshaping Amman and Rabat

Robert Mogielnicki, U Oxford-The political utility of free zones in the Sultanate of Oman

Basak Durgun, George Mason U-Rethinking heritage conservation and urban greening in Istanbul through food sovereignty

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144 1-3pm M-Balcony A

Roundtable

Navigating Jewish Campus and Community Debates on Israel/ Palestine in the Age of Trump Organizer: Matthew H. Ellis

Chair: **Matthew H. Ellis**, Sarah Lawrence Col

Liora R. Halperin, U Washington Benjamin Schreier, Penn State U Joel Beinin, Stanford U Shira Robinson, George Washington U Joshua Schreier, Vassar Col Sarah Anne Minkin, Independent Scholar

145 I-3pm

M-Balcony B



Middle East Feminist and Queer Studies: State of the Field Organizer: Frances S. Hasso

Session Leader: **Frances S. Hasso**, Duke U/IMEWS

Banu Gokariksel, UNC Chapel Hill **Rachel Greenspan**, Duke U **miriam cooke**, Duke U **Amy Kallander**, Syracuse U

146 1-3pm M-Harding

Trump's Foreign Policies toward the Kurds

Organizer: Vera Eccarius-Kelly

Organized under the auspices of Ahmed Foundation for Kurdish Studies

Chair: Vera Eccarius-Kelly, Siena Col

Vera Eccarius-Kelly, Siena Col-The Kurdish lobby and the Trump administration **Michael M. Gunter**, Tennessee Tech-President Trump's policy towards Kurdish refugees

David Pollock, Washington Inst for Near East Policy-Triangulating US interests: Turks, Kurds, Arabs, Russian, Iranians and more

David Romano, Missouri State U-Kurdistan's Trump card?

Michael Rubin, American Enterprise Inst-Turkey, NATO, and the Kurds: Balancing military interests from Bush 41 through Trump

I47 I-3pm M-Wilson A

Provincializing Political Theory: Islamic Intellectuals and the Production of Knowledge in Turkey Organizer: Alev Cinar

Discussant: Murad Idris, U Virginia

Alev Cinar, Bilkent U-Toward an anthropology of political theory: The Islamic intellectual field and the reemergence of political theorizing in Turkey

Gizem Zencirci, Providence Col-Islamic political theory and the Ottoman heritage of civil society in Turkey

Talha Koseoglu, Bilkent U-Practices of Islamic political knowledge production in Turkey: Between local and universal Dunya Deniz Cakir, National U Singapore-An Islamist genealogy of knowledge and comparative political theory in Turkey

Alp Eren Topal, Koç U-Impact of the West vs Islamic tradition: Continuity in Turkish political thought

148 1-3pm M-Marshall East

International Law in the Contemporary Middle East: Impeding or Facilitating Violence?, (Part 2)

Organizer: Lisa Hajjar

Nicola Perugini, U Edinburgh-"Hospitals shields": International humanitarian law and the targeting of medical facilities in Middle Eastern conflicts

Omar Dewachi, American U Beirut-IraqiBacter: Pathologies of intervention and the decades of US-led wars in Iraq Jonathan Whittall, Médecins Sans Frontières/Doctors Without Borders-Treating 'terrorists': Impartial humanitarianism in the time of counter-terrorism

Ghassan Abu Sittah, American U Beirut-The political capital of war wounds I49 I-3pm E-Washington I

(Im)Mobilizing Agency in the Context of Short, Medium, and Long-term Displacement in Jordan Organizer: Rana B. Khoury

Chair: **Rana B. Khoury**, Northwestern U Discussant: **Sarah Tobin**, Brown U

Rawan Arar, UC San Diego-Shouldering the refugee burden: Jordanian sovereignty and the global refugee crisis Geraldine Chatelard, IFPO-Negotiating

mobility across regimes of sovereignty:
Displaced Iraqis between Jordan and Iraq
Rochelle Anne Davis, Georgetown
U-Models of refugee administration and
hierarchies of aid

Michael Vicente Perez, U Washington-Everyday life and the politics of survival among ex-Gaza refugees

Lewis Turner, SOAS U London-Economics under encampment: Re-Thinking Syrian refugee camps in Jordan

I50 I-3pm M-Wilson B

A New Social Contract for the MENA Countries: Concepts, Challenges and Opportunities Organizers: Markus Loewe and Steven Heydemann

Steven Heydemann, Smith Col-Rethinking social contracts in the MENA region

Markus Loewe, German Development
Inst (DIE)-The social contract as a tool of analysis for MENA countries

Georgeta Vidican Auktor, U Erlangen-Nürnberg-Towards a new social contract:
Reforming energy subsidies in Morocco

Ariel Ahram, Virginia Tech-Revisiting the rebel

151 1-3pm L-Maryland C

social contract: Evidence from Iraq and Syria

Negotiating Gender and Morality in the Ottoman First World War Organizer: Kate Dannies

Chair: Malek Abisaab, McGill U Discussant: Elizabeth F. Thompson, American U

Secil Yilmaz, Cornell U-"Licensed microbes": Public morality, gender, and prostitution in Ottoman Istanbul during and after World War I

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Allah send me ten lira': Women, migration, and World War I in Mount Lebanon Kate Dannies, Georgetown U-Waging reform: Law and gender in the Ottoman First World War

Stefan Hock, Georgetown U-"Ever in need of safeguarding": Gender and violence in Ottoman Anatolia, 1914-1918

152 I-3pm

M-Marshall West

Protest in the Contemporary Middle East and North Africa: **Strategic Interaction Perspectives** Organizer: John Chalcraft

Chair: Charles Kurzman, UNC Chapel Hill Discussant: James M. Jasper, Graduate Center CUNY

Mounia Bennani-Chraïbi, U Lausanne-Beyond structure and contingency: Towards an interactionist and sequential approach to the 2011 uprisings

Jann Boeddeling, London Schl of Economics and Political Science-Ambiguity, spontaneity, and creative agency in the 2010/11 Tunisian revolution Iohn Chalcraft, London Schl of Economics and Political Science-Transnational activism and Veolia: A dynamic poetry interaction analysis

Jillian M. Schwedler, Hunter Col CUNY-Protest temporalities and the meaning of contention

153 I-3pm

M-Marshall South

Politics, Space, and Subjectivity in the Arabian Peninsula

Organizers: Natalie Koch and Waleed Hazbun, American U Beirut

Sponsored by **Association for Gulf and Arabian** Peninsula Studies (AGAPS)

Chair: Natalie Koch, Syracuse U Discussant: Neha Vora, Lafayette Col

Natalie Koch, Syracuse U-Sporting cities: Geopolitical encounters and elite sport initiatives in the Arabian Peninsula Namie Tsujigami, U Tokyo-Saudi women as emerging new social actors: Consumption and business opportunities in sex-segregated Riyadh

Graham Auman Pitts, NC State U-'Karmal Miriam R. Lowi, Col of New Jersey-Charity as politics 'writ small' in GCC states Shaundel Sanchez, Syracuse U-Doing the state's work: Self-Governing practices by US citizens living in the United Arab Emirates Gwenn Okruhlik, National U Singapore-Tourism and political crisis: Reframing people, place and plot in Saudi Arabia

154 I-3pm

L-Maryland A

Rethinking the Maghreb: Liminality and Transversal **Connections**

Organizer: Brahim El Guabli

Sponsored by **American Association** of Teachers of Arabic (AATA)

Chair: Brahim El Guabli, Princeton U Discussant: Naima Hachad, American U

Shaden M. Tageldin, U Minnesota-Sounding the Maghreb in the "nahda": Nineteenth-Century Arabic/European language politics at the interstices Hisham Aidi, Columbia U-Tangier to Havana: Race, jazz, political nostalgia Deborah A. Kapchan, NYU-Transversality and translation in Moroccan contemporary

Brian T. Edwards, Northwestern U-Beyond binaries: The Maghreb after postcolonialism

155 I-3pm

L-Virginia A

Materialities of Translation and **Circulation: Rethinking Late** Ottoman Intellectual History Organizers: Karim Malak and Casey Primel

Sponsored by **American Research Center in Egypt** (ARCE)

Chair/Discussant: Elizabeth Holt. Bard Col within a household

Karim Malak, Columbia U-Translation's discontents: Intellectual histories of Khavr al-Din al-Tunisi rexamined

Nada Khalifa, Columbia U-Sense, power, struggle: Nietzsche's "Philosophy of Life" in interwar Egypt

Jeffrey Culang, Graduate Center CUNY-The blood libel on trial: Translations of public interest in colonial Egypt

Casev Primel, Harvard U-Translating despotism in the east: al-Kawâkibî's science of politics and journalism in the late Ottoman **Empire**

156 I-3pm

Jerusalem

L-Virginia B

Fashioning Philosopher-Kings in the Post-Mongol Persian Cosmopolis, 13th-19th Centuries (Part II) Organizer: Jonathan Brack, Hebrew U

Chair/Discussant: A. Azfar Moin, UT Austin

A. Tunç Sen, Columbia U-Displaying scientific wealth and erudition: A portrait of Bayezid II (r. 1481-1512) as a philosopher-king Fatma Sinem Eryilmaz, CORPI, CSIC-Using knowledge in the making of Sultan Süleyman's legacy

Hunter Bandy, Duke U-Universalizing Shi'i kingship in the 17th century Deccan James Pickett, U Pittsburgh-First among equals? The precarious relationship between Islamic scholars and philosopher-kings in 18th-19th century Bukhara

157 I-3pm

E-Washington 2

Slave Women in Muslim Society: Their Portrayal as Singers and Poets, Criminals and Concubines Organizer: Kathryn Hain

Chair: Lisa Nielson, Case Western Reserve U Discussant: Dwight F. Reynolds, UC Santa Barbara

Simone Prince-Eichner, U Michigan-Embodying the empire: Singing slave girls in medieval Islamicate historiography Carl F. Petry, Northwestern U-Female slaves in Cairo's medieval underworld: Gendered aspects of criminality and bondage in the Mamluk period

Marina Tolmacheva, Washington State U-Female and slave: Aspects of concubine value

Kathryn Hain, U Utah-The end of harem slavery in the Mediterranean Muslim world....or not

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I58 I-3pm M-Coolidge

Arab Leftist Intellectuals as (Re) Active Agents in Times of Change Organizer: Jeremy Randall

Discussant: Jens-Peter Hanssen, U Toronto

Samar Nour, U Toronto-Socialism and the evolution of socialist thought in colonial Egypt Mohamad J. Hodeib, Graduate Center CUNY-Leftist militant music and the revolutionary war of position in Lebanon Jeremy Randall, Graduate Center CUNY-Revolutionary sarcasm in the works of Ziad Rahbani during the Lebanese Civil War

159 I-3pm M-Wilson C

Civil Society and Social Activism

Chair: Emre Erol, Sabanci U

Golrokh Niazi, U Ottawa-The UGTT in Tunisia: Reclaiming the role of labor movements and trade unions as agents of political change

Berrin Koyuncu, Hacettepe U and **Aylin Özman**, TED U, Ankara-The state and rights-based organizations' relations in Turkey since 2011: Uninstitutionalized processes, conflictual encounters and personalized politics

Janine A. Clark, U Guelph-LGBTQ activism in Lebanon

Josepha Wessels, Lund U-Every day peace: The ignored role of civil society in the Syrian uprising

Agnieszka Paczynska, George Mason U-Who strikes? Understanding workers protests in Sisi's Egypt

160 I-3pm L-Virginia C

Water Politics

Chair: **Christine Isom-Verhaaren**, Brigham Young U

Jeanene Mitchell, U Washington-At the confluence: Transnational water management and local participation in Turkey's Kura River Basin

Henny Ziai, Columbia U-The "indebted peasant": Human capital, development and neoliberalism in Sudan's Gezira Scheme

Stephen P. Gasteyer, Michigan State U-Landscape change and the implications of intermittent water supply in the West Bank: An environmental justice case study Dina Najjar, International Center for Agricultural Research in the Dry Areas-Women, irrigation and social norms in Egypt: "The more things change, the more they stay the same?"

Carly Krakow, U Cambridge-The politics of access under occupation: International law and violations of the human right to water in Gaza and the West Bank

L-Delaware A

161 1-3pm Border and Boundaries

Chair: Meriam N. Belli, U Iowa

Aziza Khazzoom, Indiana U
Bloomington-Gender traditionalism
among western identified Israeli Jewish
women from Poland and Iraq
Itamar Radai, Tel Aviv U-al-Madaniyyat:
An alternative civil perception for the
Palestinian Arab minority in Israel?
Ola Galal, Graduate Center CUNY-Working
along El-Had: Producing (il)legality and
contesting citizenship at Tunisia's margins in
post-revolutionary times

Pascal Abidor, McGill U-Contrebandes d'Oignons: Cross-border smuggling and the limits of the Lebanese mandate

I62 I-3pm L-Maryland B

Nahda, Translation, and the Transnational

Chair: Ida Nitter, U Penn

Peter Hill, U Oxford-Protestantism, enlightenment, and unbelief in nineteenth-century Syria

Terri L. DeYoung, U Washington-Khalil Mutran's poem "Boycott" and the power of censorship

Maryam Fatima, U Massachusetts Amherst-Reverberations of the nahda across Asia: Reading Zaidan in Urdu

Maria L. Swanson, United States Naval Academy-Russian influences on the poetry of Mikhail Naimy and Naseeb 'Adeedah Rama Alhabian, Cornell U-Thou shalt not

Rama Alhabian, Cornell U-Thou shalt not translate me: Equivalence and contiguity in the work of (Aḥmad) Fāris al-Shidyāq

163 1-3pm M-Marshall North

Textual Configurations of Gender and the Body

Chair: **Sara Scalenghe**, Loyola U Maryland

Suha Kudsieh, Col of Staten Island -CUNY-The poems of Isma'il al-Khashshab (d. 1815) on Rémy Raige: Homoerotics or madih? Rawad Wehbe, UT Austin-Fever dreams: The narrative structuring of fever in Arabic literature

Ezgi Saritas, Ankara U-Dandies, tomboys and femme-fatales: Destabilizing heteronormativity in late Ottoman Empire Elizabeth M. Perego, Shepherd U-"My name's Muhammad but everyone calls me Aisha": Emasculating jokes from Algeria's "Dark Decade," 1991-2002

Indira Falk Gesink, Baldwin Wallace U-"He makes them male and female": Intersexuality in tafsir and hadith literature

I64 I-3pm M-McKinley

Medieval Islamic Thought at the Intersection of Intellectual and Social History

Chair: **Daniella Talmon-Heller**, Ben-Gurion U of the Negev

Lutz Gerhard Richter-Bernburg, U Tuebingen-The Abbasid 'house of wisdom' revisited

Jeremy Farrell, Emory U-Isnad-based analysis of the emergence of Sufism: A network approach

Mushegh Asatryan, U Calgary-The Nusayris in medieval Syria: What can a 13th c. theological debate tell us about them? Muhammad U. Faruque, UC Berkeley-Between mind and reality: Mulla Sadra on the problem of natural universals

165 3:30-5:30pm

SPECIAL SESSION

M-Marshall North

BDS: A Critical Evaluation Organizer: **Robert O. Freeman**

Sponsored by Association for Israel Studies (AIS)

Chair: Robert O. Freedman, Johns Hopkins U

Joshua Teitelbaum, Bar-Ilan U Cary Nelson, U Illinois Urbana-Champaign Ilan Troen, Brandeis U

The Boycott, Divest and Sanction [BDS] movement has acquired increasing importance in academia in recent years, including in MESA. This panel will evaluate the central propositions of BDS and subject them to a critical academic analysis. Topics to be discussed include the so-called right of return of Palestinian refugees, an end to the occupation of the West Bank, and the improvement of the status of Palestinian citizens of Israel (Israeli Arabs). An examination will also be made of the fate of the BDS issue in the academic organizations that have dealt with it.

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M-Balcony A

Roundtable

Updating the Conflict in Yemen Organizer: **Daniel Martin Varisco**

Sponsored by American Institute for Yemeni Studies (AIYS)

HE Amat Al-Alim Alsoswa, Former Minister for Human Rights/Yemen Daniel Martin Varisco, American Inst for Yemeni Studies Sheila Carapico, U Richmond Nadwa Aldawsari, Project on Middle East Democracy Waleed F. Mahdi, U Oklahoma 167 3:30-5:30pm

M-Balcony B



Everyday Life of Sectarianism in the Middle East: Ambivalent Articulations of "Sectarian" Difference and the "Other" Organizers: Yasemin Ipek and Jenna Rice Rahaim

Session Leader: Yasemin Ipek, Stanford U

Suad Joseph, UC Davis Joanne Nucho, Pomona Col Jenna Rice Rahaim, Macalester Col Ussama Makdisi, Rice U

168 3:30-5:30pm

L-Delaware A

Waqf and Administration in the Ottoman Balkans

Organizer: Jane Hathaway

Chair/Discussant: **Amy Singer**, Tel Aviv U

Catalina Hunt, Denison U-Pious foundations (vakifs) in Ottoman Dobruca Jane Hathaway, Ohio State U-The waqfs of Ottoman chief harem eunuchs on the Danube in Romania and Bulgaria **Sanja Kadric**, Ohio State U-Poturnaks and their endowments in the Ottoman Western Balkans

M. Safa Saracoglu, Bloomsburg U-Local elites and governance in late Ottoman Bulgaria

169 3:30-5:30pm

M-Wilson B

De-Centering the Study of Shi'ism Organizer: Mirjam Kuenkler

Chair: **Meir Litvak**, Tel Aviv U Discussant: **Said Arjomand**, Association for the Study of Persianate Societies (ASPS)

Simon Wolfgang Fuchs, U Cambridge-The salience of alternative Shi'i religious authority in Pakistan

Mirjam Kuenkler, U Göttingen-Beyond marja'iyyat? Training women as religious authorities

Thomas Fibiger, Aarhus U-The place and role of religious authority among Kuwaiti Shi'a

Hafsa Oubou, Northwestern U-Moroccan-Belgian Shiʻa Muslims in Brussels: Rethinking religious practices outside traditionally Shiʻa centers

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M-Wilson C

Frictions of Governing in the MENA Organizer: Mona Atia

Chair/Discussant: Christopher Parker, Ghent U

Hiba Bou Akar, Columbia U-On the urbanization of violence: Contested access to housing for Syrian refugees in a Beirut periphery

Mona Atia, George Washington U-Governing poverty: Moroccan poverty mapping in the margins

Catherine Herrold, Indiana U-From activism to clientelism: The effects of foreign aid on Palestine's NGO sector

171 3:30-5:30pm M-McKinley

Schooling in Iraq: Modernity and Education in Iraqi Memory
Organizers: Levi Thompson and Pelle
Valentin Olsen

Sponsored by The American Academic Research Institute in Iraq (TAARII)

Chair: **Qussay Al-Attabi**, Kenyon Col Discussant: **Emily Drumsta**, Brown U

Kevin M. Jones, U Georgia-'A Cage of Disquiet': Revolution, modernity, and political awakenings in Najaf, 1905-1932

Levi Thompson, Brown U-The poets of the Baghdad Teachers College

Pelle Valentin Olsen, U Chicago-Youth mobilization and foreign education in attitu interwar Iraq: The case of the Baghdad College help?

172 3:30-5:30pm

M-Coolidge

Community Based Learning (CBL), An Instructional Methodology for Attaining Professional Proficiency in Arabic: The CASA Experience Organizer: Iman Aziz Soliman

Sponsored by Center for Arabic Study Abroad (CASA)

Chair: **Nevenka Korica**, Harvard U Discussants: **Chloe Bordewich**, Harvard U and **Henry Clements**, Yale U

Iman Aziz Soliman, American U Cairo-Community engagement for language learning beyond classroom walls: The case of "CASA without borders"

Chloe Bordewich, Harvard U-Arabic beyond the classroom in uncertain times: CASA without borders and the Egyptian nonprofit sector

Nik Nevin, American U Cairo-Atlases and candy shops: A semester spent teaching geography in Establ Antar

Michael Ernst, Independent Scholar-Film study, community-based learning, and Kāsāwiyīn bilā ḥudūd 173 3:30-5:30pm

L-Maryland C

Arab Public Opinion Research: Challenges and Prospects

Organizer: **Tamara Kharroub**, Arab Center Washington DC

Organized under the auspices of Arab Center Washington DC

Chair/Discussant: **Amaney A. Jamal**, Princeton U

Mohammad Almasri, Arab Center for Research and Policy Studies-*Challenges to public opinion research in the Arab world: A comparative analysis*

Justin Gengler, Qatar U; Mark A. Tessler, U Michigan; and Jonathan Forney, George Washington U-Survey attitudes in the Middle East: Hindrance or help?

Russell Lucas, Michigan State U-Competing conceptions of public opinion in Qatar

Sabri Ciftci, Kansas State U; Michael Wuthrich, U Kansas; and Ammar Shamaileh, U Louisville-Limitations in Arab public opinion survey data: A context-dependent model of measuring religiosity and regime preferences in the Arab world

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L-Virginia B

The Beast in Image, Text and Politics
Organizers: Khaled Malas and Tarek
El-Ariss

Chair: Khaled Malas, NYU

Jeannie Miller, U Toronto-Animal reason; Human compulsion

Benjamin Koerber, Rutgers U-Zombie publics and leviathan regimes: Literary figuration and political affect in recent Egyptian fiction

Khaled Malas, NYU-Representing 'al-Fil' [The Elephant]

Tarek El-Ariss, Dartmouth Col-The ghoul: Mythical creature, political practice, digital condition 175 3:30-5:30pm

M-Wilson A

Excavating Memories of Minorities in the Middle East
Organizer: Faedah Totah

Sponsored by Ottoman and Turkish Studies Association (OTSA)

Chair: Elyse Semerdjian, Whitman Col

Paul Sedra, Simon Fraser U-From citizenship to protection in Egyptian public life: The role of the Coptic Orthodox Church in modern sectarianism

Heghnar Watenpaugh, UC Davis-The international cultural heritage regime and Armenian churches in Turkey: The medieval ghost city of Ani on the UNESCO World Heritage List

Elyse Semerdjian, Whitman College-Bone memory: Armenian pilgrimage rituals in the killing fields of Dayr al-Zur, Syria Faedah Totah, Virginia Commonwealth

U-Remembering the Jews of Damascus

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E-Washington I

Blackness in the Middle East: A Comparative Perspective Organizer: Beeta Baghoolizadeh

Chair: **Aslı Z. Iğsız**, NYU Discussant: **Michael Ferguson**, New School for Social Research

Nathaniel Mathews, Binghamton

U-Afrocentrism, orientalism and other pitfalls of studying the Swahili: New thoughts on an old problem

Beeta Baghoolizadeh, U Penn-Buying and selling blackface: Theatrical anti-blackness in Pahlavi era Iran, 1930-1965

Zavier Wingham, NYU-Dana Bayrami Festival: Forging solidarity through Afro-Turkish identity in modern Turkey Mayowa Willoughby, Cornell U-The gender of that which might be called blackness: Reading the Arap Baci/Kizi within

Turkish popular culture

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L-Virginia C

Rethinking State-Society Relations in Modern Egypt Organizer: Omar Foda

Sponsored by American Research Center in Egypt (ARCE)

Chair: **Heather J. Sharkey**, U Penn Discussant: **Relli Shechter**, Ben-Gurion U of the Negev

Ibrahim Gemeah, Cornell U-Al-Azhar and educational reform in the thought of Shaykh Muhammad 'Abduh

Nefertiti Takla, Manhattan Col-Theorizing the informal economy during WWI: Workers and political economic change in Alexandria, Egypt, 1914-1921

Kyle Anderson, SUNY Old Westbury-The development and institutionalization of agricultural cooperatives in Egypt **Omar Foda**, Independent Scholar-Stella is always delicious: The nationalization of the Egyptian beer industry

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M-Marshall West

Gendering the Body in the Middle East Organizers: Sherine M. Hafez and Angie Abdelmonem

> Sponsored by Association for Middle East Anthropology (AMEA) and Association for Middle East Women's Studies (AMEWS)

Chair/Discussant: **Sherine M. Hafez**, UC Riverside

Angie Abdelmonem, Arizona State U-The predatory male body in sexual violence activism in Egypt

Marta Agosti, SOAS U London-My body, my violence and my political resistance: Rape, public testimony, and silence at the margins of Tahrir

Murat C. Yildiz, Skidmore Col-Building blocks of the nation(s): Male bodies in early-twentieth-century Istanbul

Maria Frederika Malmström, Lund U-A "real man", while Egypt falls apart Sherine Hamdy, UC Irvine-Comics as theory: Bodily vulnerability and resilience in

"Lissa": An ethnoGRAPHIC novel

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M-Marshall East

A New Corpus for the Islamicate World and Methods for Its Exploration

Organizers: Matthew Thomas Miller and Sarah Bowen Savant

Sponsored by Middle East Medievalists (MEM)

Chair: **Nancy Khalek**, Brown U Discussant: **Paul M. Cobb**, U Penn

Sarah Bowen Savant, Aga Khan U-How were so many authors so very productive? Exploring authorial strategies in the 10th-12th century Middle East

Maxim Romanov, Leipzig U-Looking for the author behind the words: Stylometric analysis of al-Dhahabi's (d. 1347) writings Matthew Thomas Miller, U Maryland College Park-Topic modeling genre in medieval Persian poetry: A computational approach to medieval thematic collections of poetry

Elijah Cooke, U Maryland-New advances in Arabic-script optical character recognition

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L-Virginia A

Rivalry, Revival, and Survival: Contemporary Algerian and Tunisian Contestations and Reconfigurations

Organizer: William A. Lawrence

Chair/Discussant: **Jacob A. Mundy**, Colgate U

Yahia Zoubir, KEDGE Business School, France-The giant afraid of its shadow: Algeria, the reluctant middle power Azzedine Layachi, St. John's U-How institutions, structure and agency hamper Tunisia's economic revival

Maro Youssef, UT Austin-Contesting elite & state feminism: A new generation of Tunisian feminists

William A. Lawrence, George Washington U-Enemies, frenemies, or rivals: The Islamic State-AQIM nexus

M. Tahir Kilavuz, U Notre Dame-Reconfiguring authoritarianism: Post-crisis regime consolidation in Algeria 181 3:30-5:30pm

E-Washington 2

Nationalism In and Out of "Translation": Theater, Satire, and Memoirs Across the Persianate World Organizers: Rustin Zarkar and Sheida Dayani

Chair: Blake Atwood, UT Austin

Belle Cheves, Harvard U-Love and socialist realism: Translating Gorky in Iran
Sheida Dayani, Harvard U/NYU-Staging
"Hobb-al-Vatan": Patriotism and nationalism in nineteenth- and twentieth-century Iranian plays

Rustin Zarkar, NYU-Turning hooligans into toilers: Satire and Tajik nationalism in Mullo Mushfiqi (1926-1931)

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M-Harding

Cultural Politics of Youth

Chair: Michelle Rose Mann, Washington State U

Jacob Hoigilt, Peace Research Inst Oslo-Arabic adult comics and the politics of youthfulness

Delal Aydin, Binghamton U-The formation of revolutionary subjects: Kurdish youth politics in the 1990s

Cara Piraino, U Chicago-"Omanis being Omanis, there aren't going to be any problems": Youth in Muscat and the aging Renaissance

Jonathan Guyer, Harvard U-Nationalism for kids: How Egyptian comics teach conflict Manata Hashemi, U Oklahoma-Mobility and status in Iran's Pāyin-e Shahr

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L-Maryland A

State Consolidation and Contestation in Qajar and Pahlavi Iran

Chair: Saghar Sadeghian, Willamette U

Lior B. Sternfeld, Penn State U-The Pahlavi era as a golden age for Jewish political activism in Iran

Daniel Sheffield, Princeton U-Toward a social history of late Pahlavi (Zoroastrian Middle Persian)

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Saghar Bozorgi, NYU-Localization of national politics: The experience of conducting elections in Kashan, Iran (1909-10)

Chelsi Mueller, Tel Aviv U-Contesting the Persian Gulf: Iran's naval vision past and present

James M. Gustafson, Indiana State U-Vaqf and ecology: Reading the endowment of the Madrasa-yi Sultani from an environmental history perspective Assef Ashraf, Bryn Mawr Col-A familial state: The divan and the formation of Qajar Iran

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M-Marshall South

Women and Leadership: Past and Present

Chair: Mirna Lattouf, Arizona State U

Tara Stephan, NYU-The public presence of Mamluk princesses

Sarah Fischer, Marymount U-Women and secular opposition parties in Islamistdominated political systems

Feyza Burak Adli, Boston U-Female religious authority and Islamic feminist "counterpublic" in Turkey: The case of Rifai Shaykha Cemalnur Sargut

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L-Maryland B

States and Identities in the Oil-Rich Arab World

Chair: **Kristi N. Barnwell**, U Illinois Springfield

Erick Viramontes, Australian National U-Self-determination, otherness and subjectivities: Constructing Qatari national identity in a period of reform

Anas Alahmed, Indiana U Bloomington-A study of the cultural production of modernity in Saudi Arabia through the general authority for entertainment and neoliberal capitalist politics

Faris Almutairi, Carbondale, IL-An analysis of study abroad: Understanding the state-society relationship in Saudi Arabia Mehran Kamrava, Georgetown U Qatar-The state and the changing social contract in MESA Members Meeting

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Roundtable

"Can You Read This One?" New Advances and Issues in Digital Recognition of Printed/Handwritten Arabic Characters

Organizer: M. Safa Saracoglu

Chair: M. Safa Saracoglu, Bloomsburg U

Kursat Aker, Miletos R&D/METU M. Erdem Kabadayi, Koç U Mehmet Can Yavuz, Koç U M. Safa Saracoglu, Bloomsburg U Maxim Romanov, Leipzig U

187 8am-10am

L-Maryland B

Reflections on the State and Statelessness in the Post-Arab Spring Era

Organizers: Sami Emile Baroudi, Rola El-Husseini and Lina Beydoun

Organized under the auspices of Lebanese American University

Chair/Discussant: Nadim Shehadi, Tufts U

Imad Salamey, Lebanese American U-The rise of communitarian states in the Middle East **Rola El-Husseini**, Lund U-Gender and the sectarian state

Sami Emile Baroudi, Lebanese American U-The problematic notion of the "Islamic State" in the discourses of contemporary Islamists

Tamirace Fakhoury, Lebanese American
U-Displacement and statehood: The case of
Lebanon's coping mechanism with Syria's refugee influx

Lina Beydoun, Lebanese American U-Statelessness in the post-Arab Spring era

188 8am-10am L-Virginia A

Literary Genealogy in Medieval and Modern Iberia and North Africa Organizer: Kevin Blankinship

Chair: **Kevin Blankinship**, U Chicago Discussant: **Suzanne P. Stetkevych**, Georgetown U

Gretchen Head, Yale-NUS Col-Resistance to loss through the preservation of form: The continuing practice of adab in the 20th century

Kevin Blankinship, U Chicago-Al-Ma`arri's menagerie in the Maghreb

Enass Khansa, Harvard U/American U Beirut-How an anthology curated a caliphate: On "al-'Iqd" ("The Necklace") and the Umayyads of al-Andalus

Nizar F. Hermes, U Virginia-When a poet's heart burns for a burned city: Ibn Sharaf al-Qayrawānī's elegy for Qayrawan

189 8am-10am

L-Delaware A

Imagery in Jewish Morocco
Organizer: Patricia Goldsworthy

Sponsored by American Institute for Maghrib Studies (AIMS)

Discussant: **Katarzyna Pieprzak**, Williams

Patricia Goldsworthy, Western Oregon U-Picturing the mellah: Joseph Bouhsira and Moroccan Jewish photography

Aomar Boum, UCLA-Captives of the mellah?: Moroccan rural Jewry in the colonial postcard Emma Chubb, Smith Col-Documents of diaspora: The Boccaras in Ntifa, 1971/2011 Oren Kosansky, Lewis & Clark Col-Saints in the age of mechanical reproduction: Religious icons in Jewish Morocco

190 8am-10am

M-Coolidge

Historical Perspectives on the Life Worlds of Middle Eastern Oil Organizer: Nelida Fuccaro

Chair: **Nelida Fuccaro**, NYU Abu Dhabi Discussant: **Mandana E. Limbert**, Queen's Col CUNY

Mattin Biglari, SOAS U London-Making workers invisible: The production and representation of expertise in the Abadan refinery and beyond, 1939-53

Gregory Brew, Georgetown U-Building the petrochemical paradise: Oil, water and soil in the US-Iranian project in Khuzestan

Nelida Fuccaro, NYU Abu Dhabi-Telling stories of urban, suburban and industrial oil lives: Corporate propaganda in Iraq, Kuwait and Bahrain in the 1950s

Matthew MacLean, NYU-Oil, mobility, and state-building in the United Arab Emirates

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L-Virginia B

Circulation and Migration: Armenian Migrants in the Ottoman Empire and Beyond

Organizers: Yasar Tolga Cora and Dzovinar Derderian

Chair/Discussant: **Houri Berberian**, UC Irvine

Vazken Khatchig Davidian, Birkbeck, U London-Black news of an absent bantoukhd son: Garabed Nichanian's "The Reading of the Letter"

Dzovinar Derderian, U Michigan-Traversing space and transforming belongings to nation and empire among itinerants of Van, 1820s-1870s

Yasar Tolga Cora, Bogaziçi U-Local belongings, (trans-)imperial networks, nonstate actors: Armenian homeland associations in the late Ottoman Empire and beyond David Low, U Michigan-The itinerant image: Domestic photographs in an age of global movement

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M-Marshall South

Children, Youth, and Media in Middle Eastern Conflict Zones Organizer: Yael Warshel

Chair: Yael Warshel, Penn State U

Yael Warshel, Penn State U-Children, youth, and media in Middle Eastern, North African, and Gulf conflict zones

Weeda Mehran, McGill U-Militant children on social media: "Cubs of the Caliphate" and "Taliban's Soldiers of God"

Tugce Kayaal, U Michigan-War, orphanages, and print media: Gendering and nationalizing orphan boys in the late Ottoman Konya during the First World War (1914-1918) **Mariam Abdul-Dayyem**, U Otago-Digital culture of contention of Palestinian youth in the West Bank

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193 8-10am L-Maryland C

Egypt's Judiciary Since the Revolution

Organizer: Jeffrey Sachs

Discussant: Ellis Goldberg, U Washington

Monika Lindbekk, U Oslo-Judicial activism in the field of Egyptian shari'a-derived family law Jeffrey Sachs, Acadia U-Technically speaking: Locating the law in postrevolutionary Egypt

Hind M. Ahmed Zaki, U Washington-The triumph of sovereignty over legitimacy: The weakening of the judiciary in postrevolutionary Egypt

Mona Oraby, Amherst Col-Law, rights, and judicial activism: The politics of religious conversion in Egypt

194 8-10am M-Balcony B

Roundtable

Social Media, Feminist Praxis, and State Power

Organizer: VJ Um Amel

Mark LeVine, UC Irvine Lisa Parks, MIT Manal Hassan, Motoon VJ Um Amel, UC Santa Barbara Abir Ghattas, Majal

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L-Delaware B

Authority in Concrete: State, Space, and Infrastructures in Turkey
Organizer: Sinan Erensü

Chair/Discussant: Emrah Yildiz, Northwestern U

Sinan Erensü, Northwestern U-Infrastructure rules: On Turkey's infrastructures-led regime of urgency Zeynep Oguz, Graduate Center CUNY-Wells of failure: Oil exploration, conspiracy theory and power in Turkey Bengi Akbulut, Concordia U-Troubled

waters of hegemony: Shifting nexus of hydropower in Turkey

Firat Bozcali, U Penn-Contested infrastructures: Batman refinery, oil pipelines, and Kurdish economies of oil theft in Batman, Turkey Cihan Tekay, Graduate Center CUNY-Electrifying the nation-state: Generating consent in republican Turkey 196 8-10am M-Marshall West

Islamist Thought and Practice

Chair: Quinn Mecham, Brigham Young U

Yaseen Noorani, U Arizona-The literary aesthetic foundations of Islamism in Sayyid Qutb

Yasser Sultan, Georgetown U-The ambivalence of religious modernization:
Women's education and veiling between Rashid Rida, Qasim Amin and Malak Hifni Nasif
Joshua Donovan, Columbia U-Between liberalism and Islamism: The Muslim Brothers and the United Nations

Mounah Abdel Samad, San Diego State U-Do Islamist parliamentarians provide services to the poor and middle class? Evidence from North Africa

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M-Wilson A

Foreign Relations In and Beyond the Middle East

Chair: Robert Mason, American U Cairo

Joshua Teitelbaum, Bar-Ilan U-Out of Arabia: The Mahmal Incident of 1926 and the demise of Egyptian influence in the Hijaz Ana Torres-Garcia, U de Sevilla-The impact of the 1967 Arab-Israeli war on Morocco's foreign relations

Islam Hassan, Georgetown U Qatar-UAE: A small state with middle power aspirations
Sussan Siavoshi, Trinity U-Iran-China relations: Past, present, and future
Matthew Cebul, Yale U-Military audience costs and the Six Day War: Evidence from Egypt and Jordan

198 8-10am M-McKinley

Transactions of Knowledge and Power: East-West and West-East

Chair: Gökser Gökçay, Texas State U

Kent F. Schull, Binghamton U-Criminal justice reform in the global progressive era: Eurasia of the early 20th century **Iameel Haque**. Minnesota State U.

Jameel Haque, Minnesota State U, Mankato-Reflections of war: The US consulate during World War I

Amjad Dajani, Northwestern U-Sheikh al-Islam of the British Isles, Sheikh Abdullah Ouilliam **Heidi Walcher**, U Munich-Plants and stuff: About the Austrian Botanical Missions to Iran in the 1880s

199 8-10am

M-Marshall North

Diaspora and Political Participation

Chair: Ammar Naji, Colorado Col

Tarek Shagosh, U Chicago-Nationalism at home and abroad: The impact of expatriate Libyan opposition on the development of a national identity

Ammar Naji, Colorado Col-Rethinking post-colonialism through the lenses of modern Middle Eastern migratory formations

Emanuela Dalmasso, U Amsterdam-May I borrow your MPs? The political participation of "authoritarian" diasporas

Michael Akladios, York U-The stigma of 'Arab-ness:' Coptic immigrants' self-Orientalism in Toronto, 1954-1981

200 8-10am

The Surreal and the Real between Orientalism and Post-Orientalism

Chair: Sena Karasipahi, Texas A&M U

Angelica Maria DeAngelis, American U Kuwait-La chose inachevée: The role of women in contemporary Algerian society and cinema Defne Kirmizi, Boston U-The neo-avantgarde art scene in Turkey from 1970s to present Alyeh Mehin Jafarabadi, U Arizona-Shirin Neshat's photos in the frame of Orientalism: For whom do we pose?

Laura Metzler, Maraya Art Centre-Genetics, physics, and transcendence in the later work of Saloua Raouda Choucair Sam Bardaouil, Art Reoriented-Rethinking surrealism: Art et liberté (f. 1938), and the subjective realism of Ramses Younane (1913-1966)

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M-Wilson B

M-Wilson C

The Formation of the Secular Since Ottoman Times

Chair: Metin Heper, Bilkent U

Mohamed Daadaoui, Oklahoma City U-Secular Islamists: The Rise of neo-Islamism in Tunisia and Morocco

8-10AM Tuesday November 21

Amir Toft, U Chicago-Sacred and secular justice in the Ottoman Empire: The execution of Râziye and its aftermath (c. 1590)

Omar Omar, American U Cairo-Between the magical and the mundane: Holy fools, the homeless and street-dwellers in contemporary Egypt

Arthur S. Zárate, Columbia U-Rethinking Sufism and the supernatural in Islamic reform

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M-Harding

Perspectives on Nationalism: Anti-Imperialism, Community-Building and the Body

Chair: **Elizabeth Bishop**, Texas State U San Marcos

Nicholas E. Roberts, Sewanee: U of the South-Pan-Islam and Palestinian nationalism in mandate Palestine

Syeda Quratulain Masood, Brown
U-Where we are born and the soil from where
we eat: The idea of terric nationhood
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Jonathan Sciarcon, U Denver-Picking up the pieces: The alliance Israélite Universelle in Baghdad, 1917-1921 Joseph Leidy, Brown U-Competing masculinities in the mahjar: Syrian social nationalist recruitment in Argentina (1939-1947)

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M-Marshall East

Leisure, Consumerism, and Food

Chair: Roberto Mazza, U Limerick

Amber J. Howard, UT Austin-Kitchen resistance: Occupied foodways and Palestinian women's cookbook production

Maayan Hilel, Tel Aviv U-"We also lived a little": Leisure and recreation of ordinary Palestinians; Women, children and workers, 1920-1948

David Rahimi, UT Austin-"To make a man's life happy": Prostitution and consumerism in 1960s and 1970s Iran

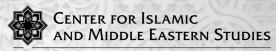
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L-Maryland A

Ethnographies of Everyday Politics

Chair: Hale Yılmaz, Southern Illinois U Carbondale

Murat Metinsoy, Istanbul U-Reconsidering Turkey's democratization: Role of social resistance in everyday life in 1939-1945
Mine Eder, Boğaziçi U-Migrant perceptions in Istanbul: Is it the economy?
Elise Massicard, Centre National de la Recherche Scientifique-Street-level officials and everyday politics in Turkey
Hebatallah Khalil, U Illinois Urbana
Champaign-Revolution in parallel times: An ethnography of an Egyptian village in flux
Jose Ciro Martinez, U Cambridge-Site of resistance or apparatus of acquiescence?
Everyday tactics at the bakery



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M-Balcony A



Defining Early Modernity in Ottoman History

Organizers: **Antonis Hadjikyriacou** and **Bogac Ergene**

Chair: Bogac Ergene, U Vermont

Palmira Brummett, Brown U Antonis Hadjikyriacou, Boğaziçi U Virginia Aksan, McMaster U Jane Hathaway, Ohio State U Linda T. Darling, U Arizona

206 10:30am-12:30pm

M-Balcony B



Reading Middle Eastern Literatures Comparatively

Organizer: Roberta Micallef

Session Leader: Roberta Micallef, Boston U

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207 10:30am-12:30pm

L-Virginia A

Labor, Capitalism and Mobilization After the Arab Spring Organizer: Zep Kalb

Chair/Discussant: Joel Beinin, Stanford U

Lorenzo Feltrin, U Warwick-Between a rock and a hard place: Trade unions, class, and the state in Algeria and Tunisia

Zep Kalb, U Oxford-'Etelaf (coalition) or ekhtelaf (contention)? Labor insurgency and class politics after Iran's Green Movement **Sahan Savas Karatasli**, Princeton U-Capitalism, crisis and labor unrest in the post-Arab Spring Middle East: A comparative-

post-Arab Spring Middle East: A comparativ historical perspective 208 10:30am-12:30pm

M-Marshall West

Psychiatry in the Middle East: Hospitals, Science and Care Organizers: Lamia Moghnie and Ana Vinea

Discussant: Chris Dole, Amherst Col

Chris Wilson, U Cambridge-'All capable of work should be thus employed': The therapeutic, social, and economic benefits of patient work in mental institutions at Cairo, Beirut, and Bethlehem, ca. 1884-1948

Lamia Moghnie, Arab Council for Social Sciences-"The forsaken sufferers of mental diseases": Massacre, humanitarianism and the emergence of modern psychiatry in late

Filippo Maria Marranconi, EHESS-Mental health services as politics: Exploring the experience of suffering among Syrian displaced in Lebanon

Ana Vinea, U Michigan-Debating law, culture, and mental health: A view from contemporary Egypt

Mac Skelton, Johns Hopkins U-"We are all psychiatrists": Oncology and palliative care in Iraq

209 10:30am-12:30pm

Ottoman Syria

M-Harding

Tradition and Modernity: Reform, Gender, and Neo-Traditionalism in Egypt and Beyond

Organizer: Mark Sedgwick

Chair: Morten Valbjorn, Aarhus U

Dietrich Jung, U Southern Denmark-"The modern authenticity of Islamic traditions": Modernity and multiple modernities in the Muslim world

Mervat Hatem, Howard U-The 1929
Egyptian Personal Status Law, its modern
re-inventions of Islamic traditions and the
construction of gendered individuals
Mark Sedgwick, Aarhus U-Neotraditionalist Islam as postmodernity
Kirstine Sinclair, U Southern Denmark"Is clinical psychology useful, Shaykh?"
Questions of modernity, tradition and authority
at Islamic colleges

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L-Maryland C

Gendered Transformations: "New Women" of the Mandate Period Organizers: Camila Pastor and Nova Robinson

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

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Nova Robinson, Seattle U-Showcasing the new Arab woman abroad: Syrian women's speaking tours in the United States in the 1940s Susanna Ferguson, Columbia U-Maids, servants, and wet-nurses in the Arabic women's press

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Angela Giordani, Columbia U-Arabic philosophy, competing universalisms, and the Egyptian nahda

Murad Idris, U Virginia-Illustrating Islamic philosophy: Post-colonial canons, education, identity, and Ibn Tufayl's "Hayy ibn Yaqzan", 1937-1992

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Gabriele Montalbano, Ecole Pratique des Hautes Etudes-Nation-buiding across transnational boundaries: The construction of a national identity among the Italians living in French Tunisia

Chiara Pagano, "Roma Tre"-Tripolitanian migrants in Tunisian protectorate: Challenging the colonial imaginary of French Maghreb Giorgia Cantarale, Sapienza U of Rome-EU-Tunisia relations after the Arab Spring: Migration politics, asylum and human rights protection

Ilaria Giglioli, UC Berkeley-Colonial mobilities & contemporary connections. Mobilizing histories of Sicilian southward Mediterranean migration in contemporary Sicily

Valentina Zagaria, London Schl of Economics and Political Science-Death at Europe's border: Burial practices and mourning across the Mediterranean Sea

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Kristin Smith Diwan, AGSIW-

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Ipek Demir, U Leicester UK-The global south in the Middle East?: The case of Syrian Kurds

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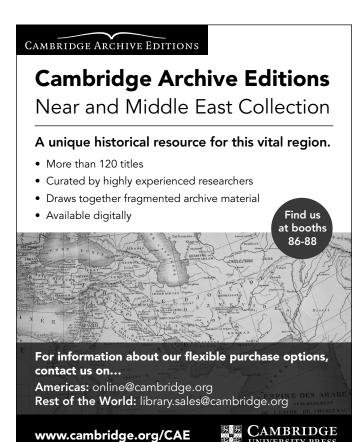
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Colette Salemi, U Minnesota-System resiliency and the Jordan response platform for the Syria crisis

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Philip Bockholt, Freie U Berlin-Scholarly interest or enemy studies? Ottoman Turkish translations of Arabic and Persian chronicles in the 16th to 18th centuries

Ercan Akyol, U Vienna-In search of originality: Hamsa of Nevizade Atayi **Yusuf Unal**, Emory U-The translation of non-Shiʻite works in Safavid Iran

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Abe Jimenez, U Arizona-The transformation of IS Inc.: Restructuring and rebranding under the war economy

Feras Klenk, U Arizona-The state of education: Violence, boundary formation, and the territorial imaginary of ISIS

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Arash Davari, Whitman Col-Auto-empathy: Cultures of pragmatism and collective action in revolutionary Iran

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Miguel Fuentes Carreno, UC Santa Barbara-The construction of masculinity through HIV in Egypt

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Ghada AlMadbouh, Birzeit U-Education in Palestine: A good case to be made

Christiana Parreira, Stanford U-Students into Iragis: The politics of education in Ba'athist Iraq

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Niki Akhavan, Catholic U-On the homefront? Women's memoirs and the Iran-Iraa War

Maya Aghasi, American U Sharjah-Historical fiction and the postcolonial, transnational condition

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Leigh Stuckey, U Michigan-Undercover politics: Exchange organizations and minority identity in Turkey

Leonidas Karakatsanis, British Inst at Ankara-Displacement, memory and empathy: A comparative analysis of Greek-Turkish and Turkish-Armenian rapprochement

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Özgür Özkan, U WashingtonTransformation of the Turkish civil-military relations in the 21st century

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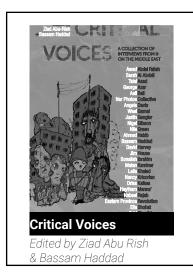
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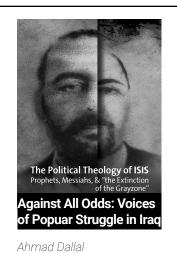
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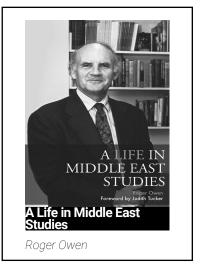
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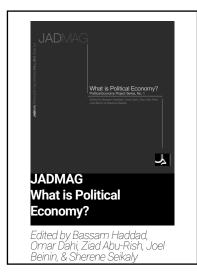
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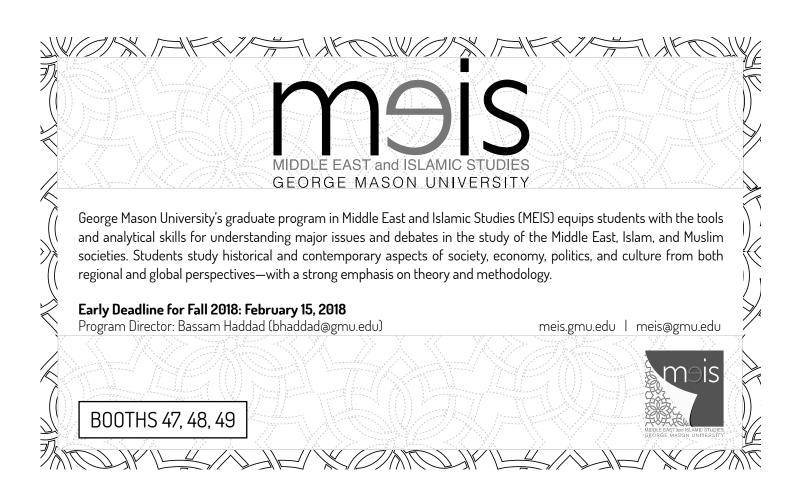


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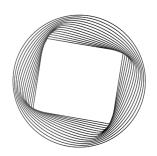
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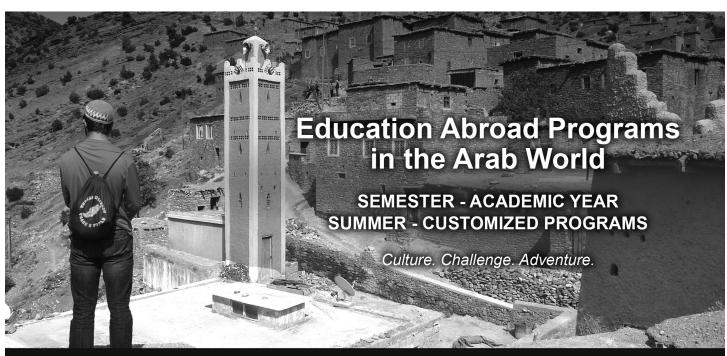
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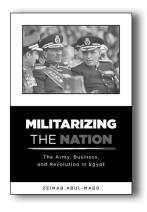
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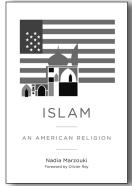
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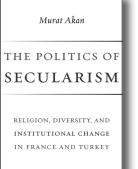
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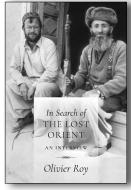


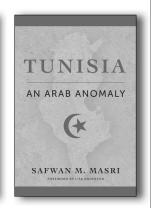
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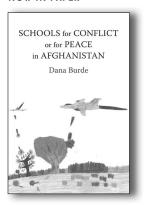
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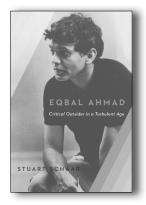
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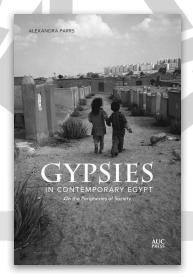
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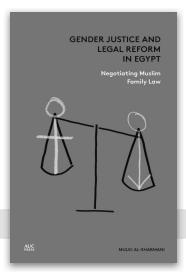
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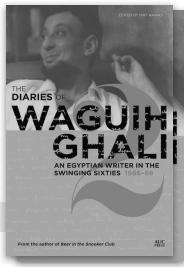


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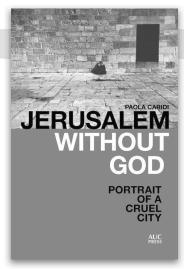


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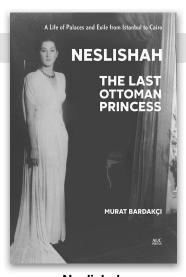
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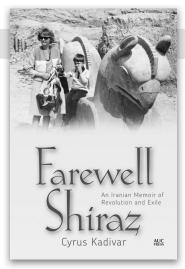


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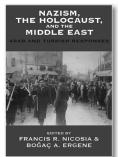
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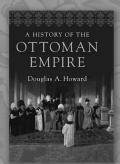
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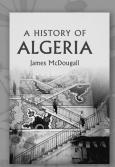
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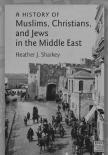
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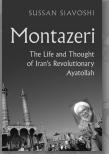








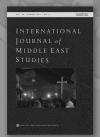








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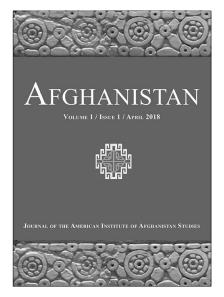
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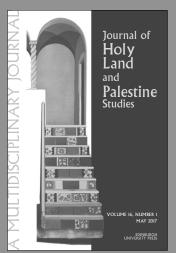
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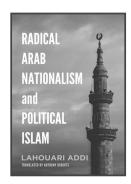
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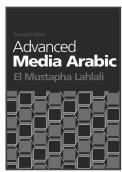
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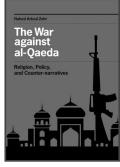




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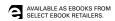
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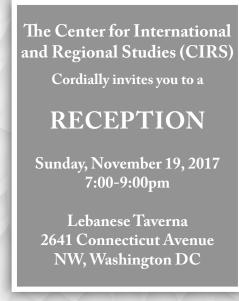
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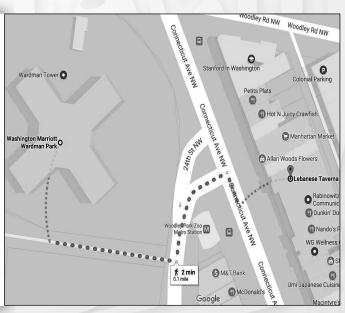
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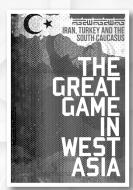
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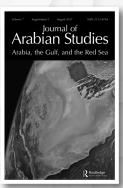
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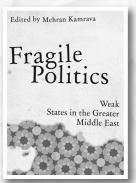
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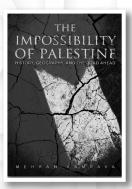
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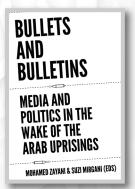
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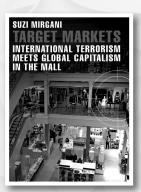
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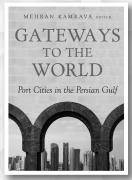
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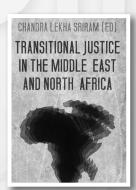
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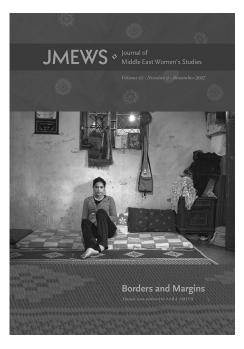


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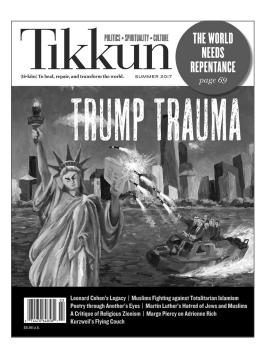
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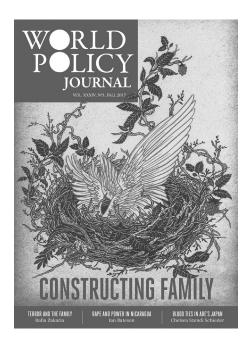
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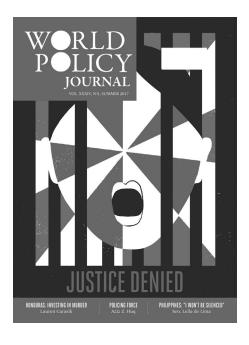
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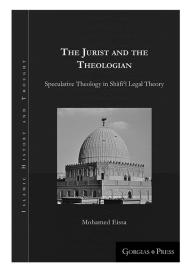


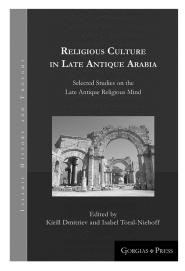
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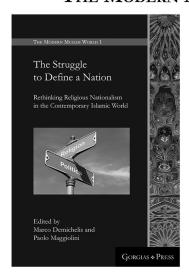
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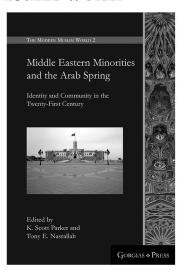
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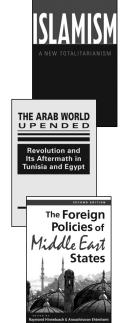
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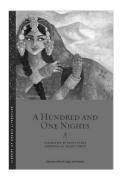
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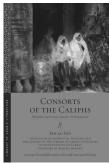
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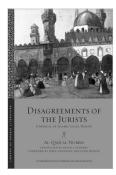
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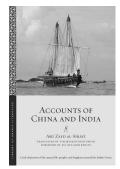
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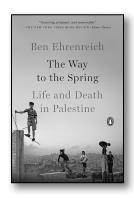




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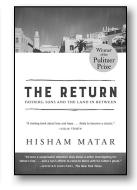
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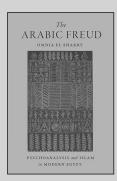
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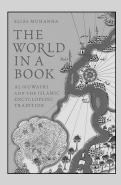
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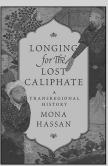


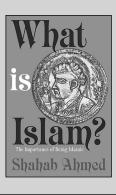
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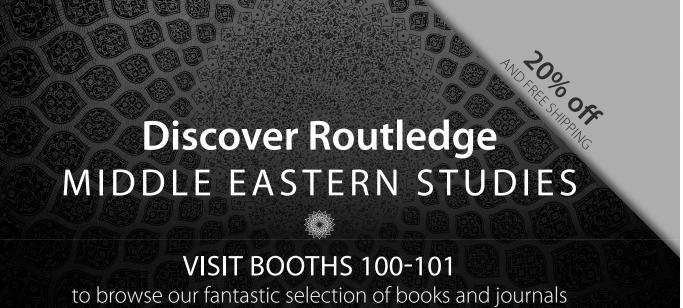
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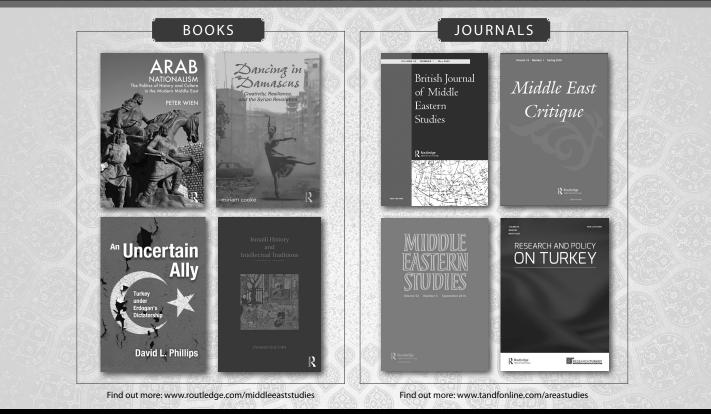
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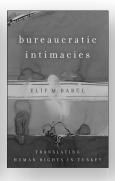




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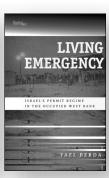
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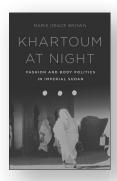


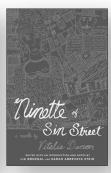
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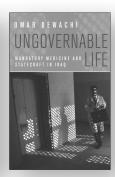


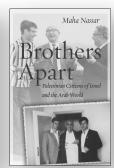
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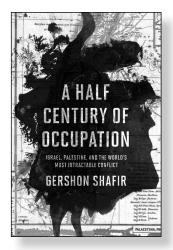


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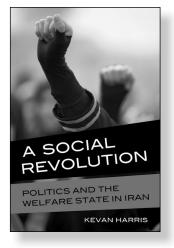


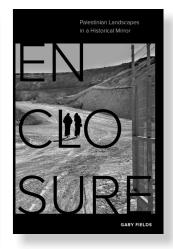
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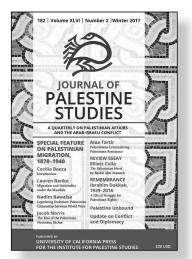
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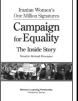












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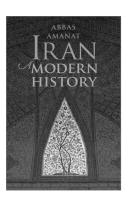
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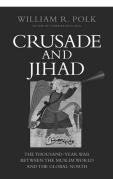
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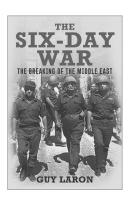
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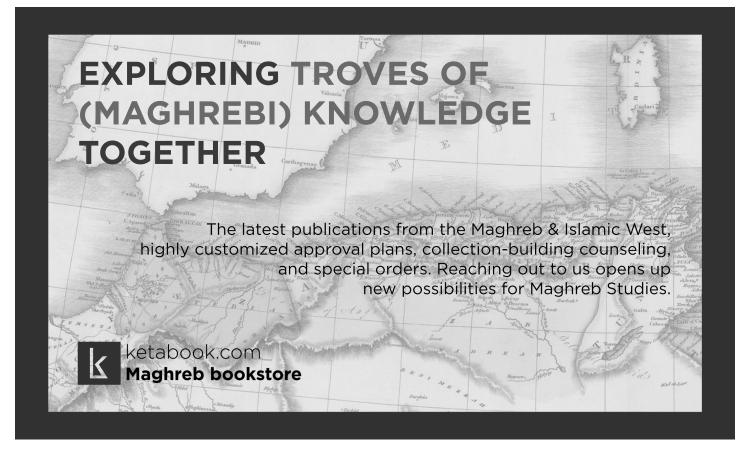
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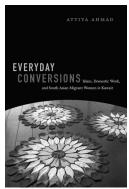
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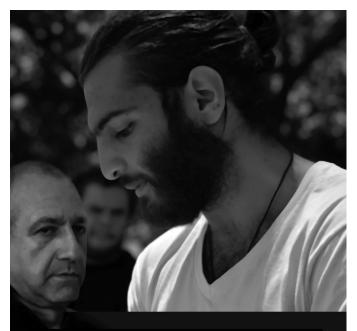
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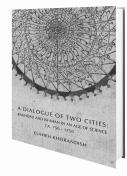
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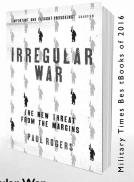


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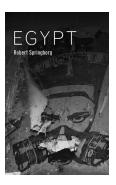
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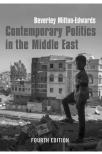
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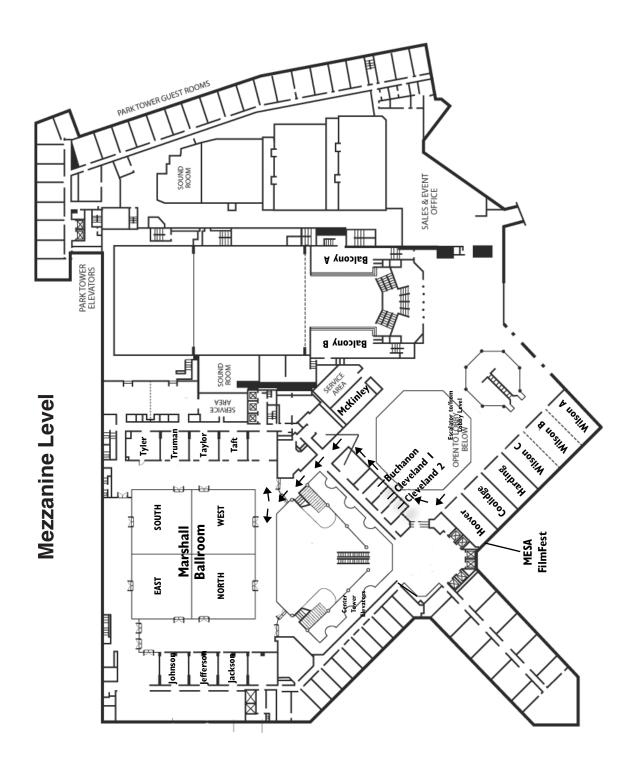
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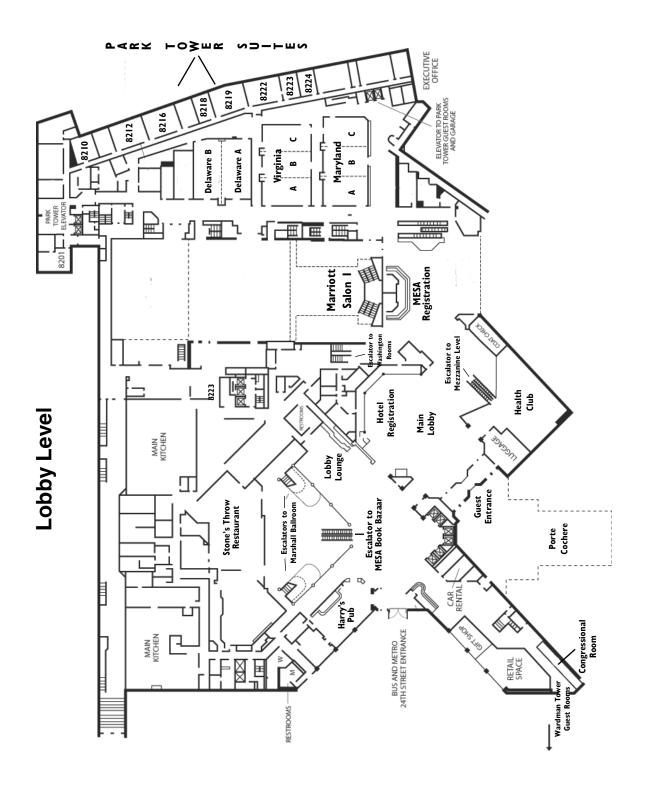
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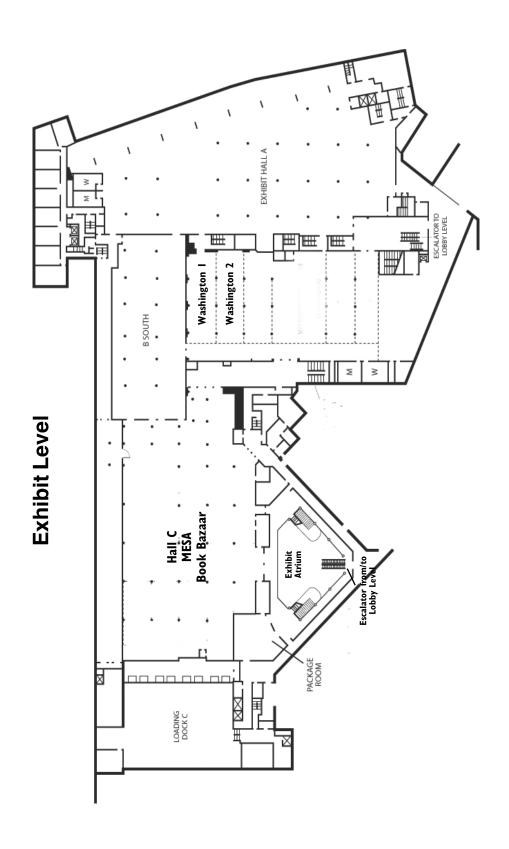
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The Middle East Studies Association (MESA) calls for proposals for its 52nd annual meeting, November 15-18, 2018, in San Antonio, Texas.

Without Boundaries: The Global Middle East, Then and Now

Many of the problems that concern scholars of the Middle East transcend national and regional boundaries. Contemporary concerns about global warming, environmental degradation, migration and refugees, social movements, human rights and humanitarianism, global economic policy, intellectual networks and cultural exchange—both in their present and historical incarnations—can only be addressed fully if social scientists and humanists expand their vision beyond the constructed boundaries that have all too often constricted it. MESA welcomes paper and panel submissions that respond to this theme.

All other topics are of course welcome as well.

MESA is primarily concerned with the area encompassing Iran, Turkey, Afghanistan, Israel, Pakistan, and the countries of the Arab World from the 7th century to modern times. Other regions including Spain, Southeastern Europe, China and the former Soviet Union, also are included for the periods in which these territories were parts of the Middle Eastern empires or under the influence of Middle Eastern civilization. Comparative work is encouraged.

Detailed Call for Papers instructions, including the all important review criteria used by the program committee, will be posted on MESA's website. All prospective participants are encouraged to familiarize themselves with what is expected of submissions. Proposals must conform to the guidelines listed in the Call for Papers instructions.



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Requirements to Participate

- Only current MESA members for 2018 may submit. If your dues are not paid, you cannot access the submission section of the site.
- All submissions must be made through MESA's electronic submission system:

https://mesana.org/mymesa/login.php

❖ Meeting registration is required *after* the program committee decisions are released (typically the end of April).

Submission deadline

Proposals must be complete by midnight on Thursday, February 15, 2018 (Mountain Standard Time), at which time the electronic submission system will be deactivated. Late submissions—for any reason—will not be considered.

Important Dates

January 1, 2018: electronic submission system available

February 15, 2018: electronic submission system closes at 11:59 p.m. Mountain Standard Time

MESA membership exemption requests

MESA *may* grant a one-time membership exemption for:

- 1) a foreign scholar who has never been a MESA member or participated in a MESA meeting, or
- 2) a scholar whose academic pursuits generally do not cover Middle East topics and who has never been a MESA member or participated in a MESA meeting.

Membership exemptions must be requested and will be considered on a case-by-case basis.

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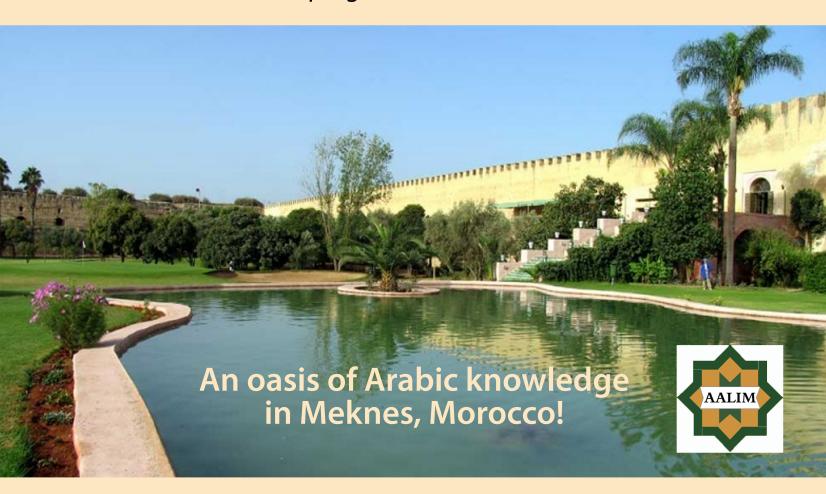
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