

Yale MACMILLAN CENTER

Initiative on Religion, Politics, & Society

Call for Papers: Populism and Pluralism Conference — May 4-5, 2018

The recent resurgence of populism in democratic politics has an ambivalent relationship to pluralism. While some populist movements are deeply exclusionary, others are highly participatory and inclusive. This conference is premised on the thought that religion may offer a useful lens through which to articulate and understand these competing impulses.

Building on the interdisciplinary mission of Yale's Initiative on Religion, Politics, and Society at the MacMillan Center for International and Area Studies, the conference aims to bring together graduate students, postdocs, and junior faculty from across departments and disciplines to confront the boundaries and blind spots that structure contemporary scholarship about religion, populism and pluralism.

We welcome papers on the following topics and others related to religion and populism:

- Religious Nationalism and Populism in the Age of Trump
- Religion and Organizing
- Race, Religion, and Politics
- Affect and Politics
- Religion and Civic Life
- Religion in the Anthropocene
- Religious Capacities (Charisma, Virtuosity, and Materiality)
- Global and Trans-National Religious Activity
- Religion, Modernity, and (Post-)Secularity
- Religion, Truth, and Reconciliation

Keynote address by: Mabel Berezin, *Cornell University*

Participants will likely be provided a small honorarium to cover travel expenses. Scholars in the New England area, and New York areas are especially encouraged to apply.

Submit an abstract: <http://bit.ly/YaleRPS>

Abstracts are due Friday, March 23rd. Notifications will be sent by April 1st.

If you have any questions, please contact: conferencerps2018@gmail.com

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