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***Religion, Repression, and  
the Search for Justice***

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# ***Religion, Repression, and the Search for Justice***

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### THEME:

Religion can be a source of both repression and liberation. Some political and religious leaders use religion to control people; others use it to free people from both objective and subjective chains. Religious organizations can collaborate with repressive forces, or they can oppose them in the name of justice. Individuals can use religion to defend systems and structures that harm people, or they can use religion to repair that harm and even prevent it. How and when each happens depends on cultural, social, and economic factors, on social definitions, and also on the religious resources available at the time. Mapping and understanding these dynamics is urgent and vital.

## WELCOME FROM THE PRESIDENT

Welcome to the 2022 ASR Annual Meeting! We last met in New York, in 2019, for a very fine meeting under the leadership of Paula Nesbitt, our then-President. In 2020, COVID intervened, and we had to cancel our conference. Last year we held an online meeting, led by our now past-President, Jim Cavendish. This year, we are meeting in-person in Los Angeles, though several dozen people will be Zooming in from various parts of the world. It will be great to be (mostly) back together again.

Our Program Committee, led by Rebecca Catto, has put together a fine program under the theme “Religion, Repression, and the Search for Justice”. We have 49 sessions on topics ranging from “Guns, God, and Authoritarianism” to “Catholicism’s Crossroads,” LGBT+ concerns, multi-racial congregations, and a panel discussion on “Abortion, Morality, and Ambiguity”. Several sessions address methodological concerns. Many sessions report on religion in other parts of the world.



In fact, our international cohort is larger than ever. Over a quarter of our presentations are by scholars based outside the U.S. — a number that would have been higher, had several presenters not been hampered by travel restrictions, visa difficulties, and the like. Fortunately, some of these will be able to present by Zoom, as will some U.S. scholars who also cannot travel.

Two sessions will be available by Zoom to everyone. On Monday morning, we will celebrate the contributions of ASR past-Presidents Roland Robertson (at 8:30) and Jim Beckford (at 10:15), both in Wiltern A. *The Zoom connection is the same for both: Meeting ID: 856 075 1576, Passcode: 451172.*

The ASA Religion Section will join us for two joint sessions: a panel on raising the visibility of our subdiscipline (J5) and a mentoring session for early-career scholars (noon Sunday). The latter gives attendees the choice of such topics as effective writing, publishing, grant seeking, and preparing for various job markets. Many thanks to ASA Section President Kraig Beyerlein for his organizing work.

We have several plenary events, which we hope everyone will attend. They are:

- Saturday 7:30-10:00pm: a Joint ASR and ASR Religion Section “Welcoming and Awards Reception” outside on “The Deck” (with food and drink).
- Sunday 6:30-7:30pm: our Furfey Lecture by François Gauthier (University of Fribourg, Switzerland): “*Thinking Outside the West: Religious Change from Nation-State to Global Market*”.
- Monday 12:00-1:00pm: the ASR Business Meeting. Come learn what your organization has been doing behind the scenes for the last year.
- Monday 6:30-7:30pm: my Presidential address: “*Sensitizing Blinders: Theorizing Theory for a Post-Colonial Era*”.
- Monday 7:30-10:00pm: our Presidential Reception (with food and drink).

The ASR Council and Officers have worked very hard to make this conference a success. We hope you enjoy both the intellectual and the personal interchange.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Jim Spickard', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Jim Spickard  
ASR 2021-22 President

## WELCOME FROM THE PROGRAM CHAIR

Hello and welcome everyone! I am so glad we have reached this point of being able to meet for the 83<sup>rd</sup> Association for the Sociology of Religion Annual Meeting in LA, many of us in person, some of us remotely. It has taken a lot to get here, especially from ASR President Jim Spickard and Executive Officer Rachel Kraus, and I am very grateful to them both for all their work. I appreciate each one of you participating, especially those of you contributing across the program to make this another successful annual meeting. I would also like to offer a special welcome to those of you joining us from around the world and our Gallagher Grant recipients- congratulations! Indeed, the level of international engagement for this meeting has reminded me how globally connected we all are.



Our theme “Religion, Repression, and the Search for Justice” is highly apposite. We are all facing multiple challenges, with the ongoing pandemic, cost of living crises, and political shifts and uncertainties internationally (though are of course differentially affected, given our social locations). These challenges and responses are reflected in our program, which demonstrates how sociologists of religion are amongst those working hard to contribute meaningfully in an unstable world. Sessions H4 ‘City of Dreams: Los Angeles as a Cradle for Religious Activism, Innovation, and Diversity’ and I1 ‘30 Years After Rodney King: Faith and Justice Activism in Los Angeles’ bring these issues home locally, to Los Angeles.

As I have been saying to my students and online research participants through the pandemic, our watchwords are “patience and flexibility”. Hybrid conferences are a considerable logistical and financial challenge. There may well be Zoom glitches and last-minute changes. Please bear with us as we all work together to listen, learn, and continue the dynamism and relevance of the sociology of religion. Enjoy the meeting and engaging with one another.

Thank you  
Rebecca Catto  
2022 Program Chair

## HELPFUL TIPS FOR NAVIGATING THE CONFERENCE

- **For everyone's safety:** Masks are available at the registration desk. Bottles of hand sanitizer are at the registration desk and in all of the session rooms. Red and green stickers are available at the registration desk. A green sticker indicates that you are comfortable with handshakes, hugs, and the like, while a red sticker indicates that you are not.
- **Participants who have a ribbon** attached to their name badges are part of ASR leadership. Please feel free to introduce yourself and ask any questions you may have about the association.
- **Participants who have a red New Attendee ribbon** are attending the ASR Annual Meeting for the first time. Please introduce yourself.
- We welcome our participants to use restrooms that fit their gender identity and to take advantage of any "family" restrooms.
- Our **book exhibit** features a variety of intellectually engaging monographs written by our members and others in our field. Take time to check it out.
- Would you like to become more involved in the ASR? Please talk to any leadership member.
- Feel free to leave any comments you have about the conference with the registration desk. Your feedback can be anonymous if you wish. You may also email feedback to Rachel at [asreo@bsu.edu](mailto:asreo@bsu.edu).
- **The hotel has a strict no outside food or beverage in the meeting space policy.**

NOTE: Michael Cavanaugh prepared a guide to downtown Los Angeles restaurants. Pick up a copy at the ASR registration desk and enjoy eating! (Thanks, Michael!)

## PROGRAM AT A GLANCE

<b>SATURDAY, AUGUST 6</b>	
3:45–7:30 PM	<b>ASR Executive Council Meeting</b> Room: California A
7:00–9:00 PM	<b>Registration in California Foyer</b>
7:30–10:00 PM	<b>Joint ASR and ASA Religion Section and Reception (includes ASR and ASA Religion Section Awards presentation)</b> Location: The Deck

<b>SUNDAY, AUGUST 7</b>	
8:00 AM–5:00 PM	<b>Registration in California Foyer</b>
8:00 AM–6:00 PM	<b>ASR Book Exhibit</b>
8:30–10:00 AM	<b>Sessions A1–A5 (see page 3-4)</b>
10:15–11:45 AM	<b>Sessions B1–B5 (see page 4-6)</b>
12:00–1:00 PM	<b>Joint ASA Religion Section and ASR Mentoring Session for Starting Scholars (open to ASR &amp; ASA attendees)</b> Room: California A-B
1:15–2:45 PM	<b>Sessions C1–C4 (see page 6-8)</b>
3:00–4:30 PM	<b>Sessions D1–D5 (see page 8-9)</b>
4:45–6:15 PM	<b>Sessions E1–E5 (see page 10-11)</b>
6:30–7:30 PM	<b>The Paul Hanly Furfey Lecture</b> <i>Thinking Outside the West: Religious Change from Nation-State to Global Market</i> François Gauthier, Université de Fribourg Room: California A-B

## PROGRAM AT A GLANCE

### SUNDAY NIGHT, AUGUST 7

9:00–10:00 PM	<b>Graduate Student Meetup (self-led)</b> Location: meet in lobby <b>Women of ASR Meetup (self-led)</b> Location: meet in lobby
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### MONDAY, AUGUST 8

8:00 AM–2:00 PM	<b>Registration in California Foyer</b>
8:00 AM–4:30 PM	<b>ASR Book Exhibit</b>
8:30–10:00 AM	<b>Sessions F1–F5 (see page 11-13)</b>
10:15–11:45 AM	<b>Sessions G1–G5 (see page 13-15)</b>
12:00–1:00 PM	<b>ASR General Business Meeting (open to everyone)</b> Room: California A-B
1:15–2:45 PM	<b>Sessions H1–H5 (see page 15-17)</b>
3:00–4:30 PM	<b>Sessions I1–I5 (see page 17-19)</b>
3:00–4:30 PM	<b>Reserve Book Pickup</b>
4:45–6:15 PM	<b>Sessions J1–J5 (see page 19-20)</b>
5:30–6:00 PM	<b>Closeout Book Sale</b>
6:30–7:30 PM	<b>ASR Presidential Address</b> <i>Sensitizing Blinders: Theorizing Theory for a Post-Colonial Era</i> Jim Spickard, University of Redlands Room: California A-B
7:45–9:30PM	<b>ASR Presidential Reception</b> Location: California Foyer or The Deck

### TUESDAY, AUGUST 9

8:00-10:00 AM	<b>ASR Executive Council Meeting</b> 2023 ASR President, Gerardo Martí, Presiding Room: California A
12 – 1.30PM	<b>Joint ASA-ASR Session at the ASA</b> <i>State Bureaucracies and the Local Management of Religious Freedom</i> LACC, Floor: Level 2, 403B (open to ASA delegates only)



# PARALLEL SESSIONS SUNDAY, AUGUST 7

\*session includes at least one participant via Zoom

\*\*participating via Zoom

## 8:30–10:00 AM, SESSIONS A1–A5

### A1: (Con)spirituality, Health and Vaccine Hesitancy in Pandemic Times: A Global Outlook\*

Room: The Wiltern A

Convener: Mar Griera, Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona

Anna Halafoff, Deakin University\*\*

Verónica Giménez Béliveau, Universitat de Buenos Aires\*\*

Mar Griera, Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona

### A2: “Cults”: The International Return of a Dubious Category\*

Room: The Wiltern B

Convener: Massimo Introvigne, CESNUR

*“Cults”: A Dubious Category and Its Global Return*  
Holly Folk, Western Washington University

*Scientology, Secrecy, Confessions, and NRM v. Cultic Studies\*\**

Donald Westbrook, San José State University

*The Fight Against “Destructive Sects” in Russia and the War in Ukraine\*\**

Rosita Soryte, FOB

*Xie Jiao in China and Taiwan and the Tai Ji Men Case*  
Massimo Introvigne, CESNUR

Respondents: Susan Wang-Selfridge and Jeff Kuo

### A3: Religion, Economics, and Inequalities in Asia\*

Room: The Wiltern C

Convener: Rebecca Catto, Kent State University

*Chogan: Dance of Culture, Religion, and Politics*  
Bramsh Khan, Syracuse University

*Castes of Mind: The Brahmo Ambivalence on the Authority of Caste\*\**

Dhrubajyoti Sarkar, University of Kalyani

*Ethno-religious Space and Minority Health among Older Adults in Xinjiang\*\**

Yousef Yang, Center on Religion and the Global East, Purdue University

### A4: Thriving, Vitality, and Multiracial Congregations: Findings from the Faith Communities Today 2020 Survey

Room: California D

Convener: Allison Norton, Hartford International University

Hannah Evans, Hartford International University

Jerry Park, Baylor University

Korie Edwards, The Ohio State University

Erica Ramirez, Auburn Seminary

### A5: Spaces and Bodies of Contestation, Accommodation, & Absence

Room: California E

Convener: Jared Bok, University of Nevada, Reno

*Micro-communities, Power Connections, and Congregations in Local Politics*

Richard Cimino, SUNY, Hans Tokke, CUNY

*Religion Deserts: Congregational Resource Scarcity Experienced By Black Students At Predominately Undergraduate Institutions (PUI)*

Richard Pitt, University of California San Diego

*The Warrior Spirit: Negotiating Between the Soldier and Spiritual Self*

Taylor Paige Winfield, Princeton University

*Transformations in Diasporic Islam. Young Muslim Leaders in Italy*

Giulia Mezzetti, Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore

## SUNDAY, 10:15–11:45 AM SESSIONS B1–B5

### **B1: Workshop: Why open science practices are good for the sociology of religion**

Room: The Wiltern A

Convener: Conrad Hackett, Pew Research Center

Jeremy Freese, Stanford University

### **B2: Religion and Immigration in Europe\***

Room: The Wiltern B

Convener: Damon Mayrl, Colby College

*Why Baby Boomers Turned from Religion: shaping belief and belonging, 1945-2021*

Abby Day, Goldsmiths, University of London

*The role of religious engagement in mobilizing immigrant political participation in Sweden*

Weiqian Xia, Stockholm University

*Religions come from abroad meets the West. Comparing practices and policies of managing religious pluralism in several EU cities*

Roberta Ricucci, University of Turin

*Understanding religion in modern Europe: new questions and new challenges\*\**

Grace Davie, University of Exeter

### **B3: Spiritual Bureaucracy and 'Gatekeeping': Methodological Issues in Researching Megachurches in Africa\***

Room: The Wiltern C

Convener: Afe Adogame, Princeton Theological Seminary

*Researching Ghanaian Megachurches: Race, Gender, and the Predicament of Access\*\**

Allison Norton, Hartford International University and Felicity Appah, University of Ghana, Legon

*Navigating 'Gate-Keeping' Bureaucracies: Challenges of Researching Megachurches in Kenya*

Damaris Parsitau, Egerton University, Kenya, and Okelloh Ogera, Bishop Okullu College, Kenya

*Researching Nigerian Megachurches: Negotiating Access and Integrating Methodologies*

Dodeye Uduak Williams, University of Calabar, Abimbola Adunni Adelokun, UT Austin, and Olanike Ogunnowo

### **B4: LGBTQ Religious Activism**

Room: California D

Convener: Golshan Golriz, Queen's University

*Faithfully Queer: Pathways to Leadership of Pro-LGBTQ Faith Organizations in the United States*

Jonathan Coley, Oklahoma State University, and Joseph Anthony, Oklahoma State University

*Carving out Futures: How QTN Muslims Seek Social Justice*

Golshan Golriz, Queen's University

*Contentious Politics, Everyday Practices, and Religious Change: Lessons from the Orthodox Jewish LGBT Movement in Israel*

Avishai Orit, Fordham University

*Activism for Inclusion of LGBTQ Catholics within an Exclusionary Religious Tradition*

James Cavendish, University of South Florida

### **B5: Christian Action and Mobilization in the US**

Room: California E

Convener: Mar Grier, Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona

*This One New Humanity: Can Multi-Ethnic Evangelical Churches Be Spaces for Racial Reconciliation?*

Richard Haesly and Liesl Haas, California State University Long Beach

*Campus Religious and Spiritual Life Professionals and Social Justice*

Catherine Hoegeman and John Schmalzbauer, Missouri State University, Kathleen Garces-Foley, Marymount University, Rebecca Kim, Pepperdine University, and David Sikkink, Notre Dame

*One Can Only Come This Far by Faith: Music as the Metalanguage of the Black Church*

Cheryl Townsend Gilkes, Colby College

*Caring for Social Movements: On the Practices and Self-Understandings of Movement Chaplains*

Janelle Moore, Emory University

## **SUNDAY, 12:00–1:00PM, MENTORING SESSION FOR STARTING SCHOLARS**

**JOINT ASA RELIGION SECTION & ASR EVENT  
OPEN TO ASR & ASA ATTENDEES  
FOOD AND BEVERAGES PROVIDED IN PART BY  
THE ASA RELIGION SECTION**

Room: California A-B

*Table 1: Writing Productively*

Tricia Bruce & Jaime Kucinkas

*Table 2: Surviving and Thriving in the Research-Focused Job Market*

Landon Schnabel & Rachel Ellis

*Table 3: Surviving and Thriving in the Teaching-Focused Job Market*

Rebecca Kim & Damon Mayrl

*Table 4: Publishing Articles*

Jonathan Coley & Ruth Braunstein

*Table 5: Preparing for the Job Market Early*

Shaonta' Allen & Miray Philips

*Table 6: Preparing for the Non-Academic Job Market*

Brie Loskota & Tobin Betzer

*Table 7: Grant Writing*

Kraig Beyerlein & Kelsey Burke

*Table 8: Doing Public Sociology to Address Racism and Anti-Blackness*

Tia Noelle Pratt & Grace Yukich

## **SUNDAY, 1:15–2:45 PM, SESSIONS C1-C5**

### **C1: Rituals and Engagement\***

Room: The Wiltern A

Convener: Besheer Mohamed, Pew

*From Shrines to Prayer Camps: Continuities in Ghanaian Religious Experiences and Expressions\*\**

Ebenezer Addo, Ashesi University

*What is auspicious consumption? -- Conceptualization and interpretation of auspicious consumption in China*  
Danqing Yu, Carolina University

*Personalized Practice of Mourning Rituals in a Liberal, Non-Halachic (Reconstructionist) Jewish Community*  
C. Lynn Carr, Seton Hall University

*Cohabitation and Religious Volunteering\*\**

Young-Il Kim, George Fox University

### **C2: Methodological Advances & Insights**

Room: The Wiltern B

Convener: Conrad Hackett, Pew Research Center

*Mixed signals: The challenges of measuring changes in the global religious landscape*

Conrad Hackett, Pew Research Center

*Switch to Web-based Surveys During Covid-19 Pandemic Left Out the Most Religious, Creating a False Impression of Rapid Religious Decline*

Landon Schnabel, Cornell University, Sean Bock, Harvard University, and Michael Hout, New York University

*Religious Inequality in America: The View from 1916*

Melissa Wilde, Tessa Huttenlocher, and Elena G. van Stee, University of Pennsylvania

*Overreporting Religious Service Attendance on Surveys: The First Direct Test of Social Desirability Bias*

Robert Woodberry, Baylor University, and Erin McDonnell, Notre Dame

### **C3: Author Meets Critics session for Dr. Carolyn Chen's new book: *Work Pray Code: When Work Becomes Religion in Silicon Valley***

Room: The Wiltern C

Convener: Jerry Park, Baylor University

Grace Tien, Brandeis University

Jaime Kucinkas, Hamilton College

Di Di, Santa Clara University

Respondent: Carolyn Chen, University of California at Berkeley

#### **C4: Religion and Theory: Engaging Classics**

Room: California D

Convenor: David Eagle, Duke University

*Georg Simmel and William James in dialogue on personal religion*

Dominika Motak, Ruhr University Bochum

*On the "Masochistic Attitude" in Peter Berger's the Sacred Canopy*

Charles Sarno, Holy Names University

*Kingdom-Minded Or Pro-Black?: Exploring The Significance of The White Jesus Phenomenon on Black Christian Women and Men*

Stephanie House-Niamke, West Virginia University

### **SUNDAY, 3:00–4:30 PM, SESSIONS D1-D5**

#### **D1: Seeing with a Feminist Lens: Intersectionality, Positionality and Power\***

Room: The Wiltern A

Convenor: Mary Jo Neitz, University of Missouri

Solange Lefebvre, University of Montreal\*\*

Korie Little Edwards, The Ohio State University

Katie Gaddini, UCL

Marion Goldman, University of Oregon

#### **D2: New Directions in the Sociology of Religion and Science\***

Room: The Wiltern B

Convenor: John Evans, UC, San Diego

*Strange Affinities in the Search for Personalized Health: Crystals, Acupuncture, and DNA Tests*

Christopher P. Scheitle, Bernard D. DiGregorio, and Katie E. Corcoran, West Virginia University

*Public Perspectives on Scientists and Religious Leaders' Actions in COVID-19 and Views on Therapeutic Gene Editing\*\**

Shiri Noy, Denison University and Timothy O'Brien, University of Wisconsin- Milwaukee

*God Is the Ultimate Scientist: LDS Conceptualizations of Science*

Bethany Gull, University of Utah and Ryan T. Cragun, University of Tampa

*Time, Money and the Congregational (Dis)Advantage: Latino Perceived Barriers to Degrees in Science and Medicine and the Intervening Role of Congregations*

Esmeralda Salazar, Rice University

#### **D3: Uyghur Responses from the Diaspora to the Crisis in Xinjiang\***

Room: The Wiltern C

Convenor: Holly Folk, Western Washington University

*The Religious Response: On Becoming "True" Muslims in the Diaspora\*\**

Dilmurat Mahmut, McGill University

*The Political Response: "Mothers of Our Nation": Women's Narratives on Becoming Whistleblowers and Activists in the Uyghur Diaspora\*\**

Susan Palmer, McGill University

*The Social Response: Safeguarding the Uyghur Identity in Canada and Turkey through Uyghur-led Educational Initiatives*

Marie-Ève Melanson, McGill University

#### **D4: Support Services for Research and Communication in the Sociology of Religion**

Room: California D

Convenor: Anthony J. Blasi

Rhys Williams, Loyola University Chicago

Richard Cimino, SUNY-Old Westbury

Anthony J. Blasi

#### **D5: New Topics and Approaches in the Quantitative Study of American Religion**

Room: California E

Convenor: Roberta Ricucci, University of Turin

*Tracking Emergent Religious Groups in the US and Adherence Over Time*

Steven Foertsch, Baylor University

*The Churches they are a Changin': Processes of Change in Worship Services*  
Joseph Roso, Duke University

*Religious Identification Among Protestant Christians in the 2021 General Social Survey*  
Jodie Smylie, Deanna Christianson, and Eyob Moges, NORC at the University of Chicago

## **SUNDAY, 4:45–6:15 PM, SESSIONS E1-E5**

### **E1: Authors Meet Critics Panel *Religion in Rebellions, Revolutions, and Social Movements* Edited by Warren S. Goldstein, Jean-Pierre Reed (Routledge, May 2022)**

Room: The Wiltern A

Convener: Warren Goldstein, Center for Critical Research on Religion

Jean-Pierre Reed, Southern Illinois University Carbondale

Rhys Williams, Loyola University Chicago

Ryan T. Cragun, University of Tampa

Sharon Nepstad, University of New Mexico

### **E2: Faith, Nation-states, and Politics\***

Room: The Wiltern B

Convener: Geneviève Zubrzycki, University of Michigan

*The role of the ultra-Orthodox party in sociopolitical rehabilitation in Israel*  
Anat Feldman, Achva Academic College

*Religious Restrictions and Regime Types\*\**  
Samirah Majumdar, Pew Research Center

*The Value of Religion according to the Supreme Court of Canada*  
Marie-Ève Melanson, McGill University

*The importance of the name of the urn (profession) for the persuasion of the vote: the case of evangelical candidates for Federal Deputy in Brazil\*\**  
Janine Trevisan and Robert Rodrigues, IFRS Campus Bento Gonçalves

### **E3: Diversity, Difference, and Social Justice: Dispatches from the Landscape Study of Chaplaincy and Campus Ministry in the United States**

Room: The Wiltern C

Convener: John Schmalzbauer, Missouri State University

*Evangelicals Color-blocking Calls for Racial Social Justice on the College Campus*  
Rebecca Kim, Pepperdine University

*The (Mis)recognized Performance of Racial Difference in Evangelical Ritual*  
Cody Yanez, Missouri State University

*Jewish Campus Ministry and University Affiliation: A Comparative Analysis of Hillel and Chabad at NYU*  
Grant Besner, New York University

*Marketing the Mainline: Unity and Diversity in a Lutheran Campus Ministry*  
John Schmalzbauer, Missouri State University

### **E4: Catholicism's Crossroads: Religious Authority, Citizenship, and Racial and Ethnic Diversity**

Room: California D

Convener: James Cavendish, University of South Florida

*Deference, Conscience, and Dissent: Lay Catholics and Religious Authority, 1987-2017*  
Paul Perl, Georgetown University and Michele Dillon, University of New Hampshire

*Living Faithful Citizenship in a Polarized Context*  
Maureen Day, Franciscan School of Theology

*Responses to Racial and Ethnic Diversity among U.S. Catholics and their Leaders*  
James Cavendish, University of South Florida

## **E5: Teaching the Sociology of Religion in Difficult Times: A Collaborative Discussion**

Room: California E

Convener: Jim Spickard, University of Redlands

Rebecca Catto, Kent State University

Grace Yukich, Quinnipac University

Gerardo Martí, Davidson College

## **6:30-7:30: THE PAUL HANLY FURFEY LECTURE**

Room: California A-B

*Thinking Outside the West: Religious Change from Nation-State to Global Market*

François Gauthier, Université de Fribourg

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# **PARALLEL SESSIONS MONDAY, AUGUST 8**

## **8:30–10:00 AM, SESSIONS F1-F5**

### **F1: Memorial Session Celebrating the Contribution of Roland Robertson\***

Room: The Wiltern A

Convener: Michael Cavanaugh, Los Angeles Southwest College

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Room: The Wiltern B

Convener: Mary Jo Neitz, University of Missouri

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Charlotte Hobson, Lancaster University and Linda Woodhead, King's College London

*Religion and Values in Canadian Schools\*\**

Solange Lefebvre, Mathieu Colin, and Joseph Mikhael, University of Montreal

*From Religious Freedom to Pluralism: Diversity as a Value in Religious Education in the State of Paraná\*\**

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Guilherme Borges, University of São Paulo

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Ngwako Daniel Sebola, University of Pretoria

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Joseph Yi, Hanyang University

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Room: California D

Convener: Dusty Hoesly, University of California, Santa Barbara



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Dusty Hoesly, University of California, Santa Barbara

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Samantha Kang, University of California, Santa Barbara

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*Power and Vulnerability: Clergywomen and Workplace Harassment in Two Christian Denominations*  
Elizabeth Johnson, Duke University

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Anna Holleman, Duke University

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### **G1: Memorial Session Celebrating the Contribution of Jim Beckford\***

Room: The Wiltern A  
Convener: Jim Spickard, University of Redlands

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### **G2: Gender, Dating, and Islam\***

Room: The Wiltern B  
Convener: Giulia Mezzetti, Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore

*Needle in a Haystack – (Not) Finding Muslim Partnership*  
Eman Abdelhadi, University of Chicago

*Dating and Courtship among Children of Bangladeshi Muslims in North America*  
Fatema Zohara, Loyola University Chicago

*Gender and Islam: Can a Devout Masculinity Be Progressive?\*\*\**  
Fauzia Ahmed, Miami University

### **G3: Nigerian Religion, Politics, and Justice**

Room: The Wiltern C  
Convener: Jonathan Calvillo, Emory University

*#MeToo goes to Church: Examining the Nigerian #ChurchToo Movement from the Perspectives of Activists*  
Bridget Alichie, University of Alberta

*Sacred Parody and the Quest for Justice: The Nigerian Example*

Bolaji Bateye, Obafemi Awolowo University Ile-Ife, Temidayo Olayinka, University of Ibadan, and Julius Owabumuwa, Obafemi Awolowo University Ile-Ife

**G4: Author Meets Critics for *The Struggle to Stay: Why Single Evangelical Women are Leaving the Church* by Katie Gaddini**

Room: California D

Convener: Kelsey Burke, University of Nebraska Lincoln

Avishai Orit, Fordham University

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Mary Jo Neitz, University of Missouri

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Respondent: Katie Gaddini, UCL

**G5: Seeking Justice in America**

Room: California E

Convener: Abby Day, Goldsmiths, University of London

*Reverend John Bennington Mahan's anti-slavery sermons and letters: The influence of the Second Great Awakening on early human rights activism in the American Midwest*

Erin Augis, Ramapo College of New Jersey

*Race, Religion, and the Challenge of Antiracism in American Christianity: Examining the Evidence from a White Progressive Denomination*

Gerardo Martí, Davidson College, Mark Mulder, Calvin University, and Kevin Dougherty, Baylor University

*"As members of a communion of religious liberals we represent a definite social class:" Religion and Class in the United States, 1918-1935*

Melissa Wilde, Tessa Huttenlocher, and Elizabeth Meisenzahl, University of Pennsylvania

**MONDAY, 12:00–1:00PM, ASR  
GENERAL BUSINESS MEETING  
(OPEN TO EVERYONE)**

Room: California A-B

**MONDAY, 1:15–2:45 PM, SESSIONS  
H1–H5**

**H1: Author-Meets-Critic: *Lifeblood of the Parish: Men and Catholic Devotion in Williamsburg, Brooklyn* by Alyssa Maldonado-Estrada\***

Room: The Wiltern A

Convener: Courtney Irby, Illinois Wesleyan University

Tia Noelle Pratt, Villanova University

Gerardo Martí, Davidson College

Tricia Bruce, Notre Dame

Respondent: Alyssa Maldonado-Estrada, Kalamazoo College\*\*

**H2: Sexuality, Gender, and Intimate Relationship Impacts\***

Room: The Wiltern B

Convener: Katie Gaddini, UCL

*Religion and the Rainbow: The Role of Religion in LGBTQ+ Social Ties\*\**

Olivia Baker and Emma Bosley-Smith, The Ohio State University

*Coming of Age without Sex: Identity Development and Abstinence*

Ashley French, The Graduate Center- CUNY

*I hit my partner!!! Was it God, or Childhood Trauma?*

Rafia Mallick, Georgia State University and Faryal Mallick

*A culture of coercive power and control: Purity culture, control, and repression in British Christianity*

Chrissie Thwaites, University of Leeds

**H3: Big Picture Religion, and Science\***

Room: The Wiltern C

Convener: Dominika Motak, Ruhr University Bochum

*Smart and Spiritual: The Coevolution of Religion and Rationality*

Laurence Iannaccone, Chapman University



*Science, Aesthetics, and Spirituality: Enchantment in scientific work\*\**

Benedetta Nicoli, Catholic University of Milan, Stefano Sbalchiero, University of Padua, and Brandon Vaidyanathan, Catholic University of America

#### **H4: City of Dreams: Los Angeles as a Cradle for Religious Activism, Innovation, and Diversity**

Room: California D

Convener: Richard Flory, University of Southern California

*God's Resistance: Faith-Based Advocacy for Immigrants in Los Angeles*

Brad Christerson, Biola University

*"Los Angeles is a microcosm of the United States." – Ice T: Los Angeles as a Window into the Future of the U.S. Catholic Church*

Tarra McNally, University of Southern California

*Spiritual Exemplars in Los Angeles: Innovation, Invention and Influence*

Hebah Farrag, Nick Street, and Megan Sweas, University of Southern California

#### **H5: Islam, Race, and Dimensions of Oppression in the US**

Room: California E

Convener: Giulia Mezzetti, Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore

*Everyday Coloniality: Tackling the Problem of Middle-Eastern-ness in Public Image Crafting*

Valentina Cantori, University of Southern California

*Civil Religion and the Indigenization of American Islam*

Butheina Hamdah, University of Toledo

*From Incarceration to Imancipation: Black American Muslim "Conversion" And Reentry*

Laila Noureldin, University of Chicago

*The effects of religious identity, practices, and beliefs on Muslim Americans' perceptions of discrimination*

Hakim Zainiddinov, Bowdoin College

## **MONDAY, 3:00–4:30 PM, SESSIONS I1–I5**

### **I1: Secularization**

Room: The Wiltern A

Convener: Suzanne Macaluso, Abilene Christian University

*Secularization in a Global Context*

Isabella Kasselstrand, University of Aberdeen

*Is the West Exceptional in Its Experience of Religious Decline? A Worldwide Analysis of Over-Time Trends and Generational Patterns in Religiosity, 1981-2020*

Louisa Roberts, University of South Dakota

*Newcomers, stayers, and disappearances. The evolution of religious diversity in the light of two National Congregations Censuses (2008 - 2021)*

Jörg Stolz, University of Lausanne, Jeremy Senn, University of Lausanne and Christophe Monnot, University of Strasbourg

*Trends of religious affiliation in the highly secular Finland 1971-2020: Studying religion with population register data*

Weiqian Xia, Stockholm University

### **I2: Author-Meets-Critics: Resurrecting the Jew: Nationalism, Philosemitism, and Poland's Jewish Revival (Princeton) by Geneviève Zubrzycki**

Room: The Wiltern B

Convener: Jim Spickard, University of Redlands

Ruth Braunstein, University of Connecticut

Rhys Williams, Loyola University Chicago

Paul Lichterman, University of Southern California

Respondent: Geneviève Zubrzycki, University of Michigan

### **I3: Guns, God, and Authoritarianism\***

Room: The Wiltern C

Convener: Scott Desmond, Indiana University Purdue University Columbus

*Liberty and Justice for "Us": Christian Nationalism and Americans' Views on Citizens' Rights*

Joshua Davis, University of Oklahoma and Samuel Perry, University of Oklahoma

*Praise the Lord and Pass the Ammunition?: Polarization and Personal Handgun Ownership*  
Suzanne Schenewerk, Duke University

*Americans' Views of the Bible and Subjective Social Class\*\**

Philip Schwadel, University of Nebraska-Lincoln

*Under God and Under Threat: Christian Nationalism and Conspiracy Beliefs as Links Between Political Orientation and Gun Ownership*

Christopher Seto, The Pennsylvania State University and Laura Upenieks, Baylor University

### **I4: 30 Years After Rodney King: Faith and Justice Activism in Los Angeles: Panel Discussion**

Room: California D

Convener: Richard Flory, University of Southern California

Najuma Smith Pollard, Moderator, USC Cecil Murray Center

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Tabatha L. Jones Jolivet, Azusa Pacific University; Black Lives Matter-Los Angeles; Clergy 4 Black Lives

### **I5: Asian American Christianity and Religiosity**

Room: California E

Convener: Blake Victor Kent, Westmont College

*Korean Immigrant Churches in Greater New York: A Review of 100 Years' History (1921- and 2020)*

Pyeong Gap Min, City University of New York and Kyuntek Chun, CUNY

*Asian-American Religiosity and Politics: Case of conservative Christians*  
Joseph Yi, Hanyang University

*Religion and Spirituality and Risk of Prevalent Hypertension among Ethnic Cohorts in the Study on Stress, Spirituality, and Health*

Daniel Jang, Westmont College

## **MONDAY, 4:45–6:15 PM, SESSIONS J1–J3**

### **J1: Latin American Christian Challenges and Diasporas\***

Room: The Wiltern A

Convener: Gerardo Martí, Davidson College

*Coping and recovering from abuses committed by Catholic religious people in Peru and Argentina\*\**

Ana Lourdes Suárez, Catholic University of Argentina and Veronique Lecaros, Pontifical Catholic University of Peru

*The Catholic Student Movement and the Rise of Liberation Theology*

Ulf Borelius, University of Gothenburg

*Ethnoracial Identities within Latinx Protestant Churches: Infusing Testimonios with Ethnoracial Signifiers*

Jonathan Calvillo, Emory University

*The Political Identity of Latino Protestants: Assessing the Role of Race and Religion in Politics*

Gerardo Martí, Davidson College and Brandon C. Martinez, Providence College

### **J2: Nonreligion and Secularism**

Room: The Wiltern B

Convener: Scott Desmond, Indiana University Purdue University Columbus

*Digging for Worldviews in Community Gardens*  
Ryan T. Cragun and Kendall Stephenson, University of Tampa

*What does it mean to grow up godless?*  
Rachael Shillitoe, University of Birmingham and Anna Strhan, University of York

*Feminist Allies? Hegemonic Secular Norms and Anti-Islamophobic Discourses in Quebec*  
Ariane Bedard-Provencher, McMaster University

*In a World Full of Evil: Religion, Evil, and Trust*  
Scott Desmond, Indiana University Purdue University Columbus

### **J3: American Whiteness, Christianity, and Institutions**

Room: The Wiltern C  
Convener: Danqing Yu, Carolina University

*How Perceived Coldness to Christian Fundamentalists Shapes Racial Attitudes among Better-Educated Whites*  
Jason Shelton, University of Texas at Arlington

*Civic Education in 21st Century Conservative Protestant Schools*  
David Sikkink, Notre Dame

### **J4: Abortion Legality, Morality, and Ambiguity: A Panel Discussion**

Room: California D  
Convener: Tricia Bruce, Notre Dame

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Ruth Braunstein, University of Connecticut

### **J5: ASR/ASA Religion Section Joint Session: 'Raising the Visibility of the Sociology of Religion'**

Room: California E

Convener: James Cavendish, University of South Florida

Kraig Beyerlein, Notre Dame

Korie Edwards, The Ohio State University

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Melissa Wilde, University of Pennsylvania

### **MONDAY, 6:30-7:30PM: ASR PRESIDENTIAL ADDRESS**

Room: California A-B

*Sensitizing Blinders:  
Theorizing Theory for a Post-Colonial Era*  
Jim Spickard, University of Redlands

### **TUESDAY, 12-1.30 PM, JOINT ASA-ASR SESSION AT THE ASA**

#### **4527: State Bureaucracies and the Local Management of Religious Freedom (Joint ASA-ASR Session, access available to ASA delegates only)**

LACC, Floor: Level 2, 403B  
Organizer: Damon Mayrl, Colby College  
Presider: Jim Spickard, University of Redlands

*Policing the Wall: How Religious Leaders and Local Law Enforcement Officials Interact in Eight American Communities*

Gary Adler, Pennsylvania State University, Damon Mayrl, Colby College, Jonathan Coley, Oklahoma State University, and Rebecca Sager, Loyola Marymount University

*Black Religious Leaders and the Fine Line of Political Negotiation*  
Korie Edwards, The Ohio State University

*By the Least Restrictive Means? Administering Religious Freedom in a State Women's Prison*  
Rachel Ellis, University of Maryland-College Park

Discussant: Jaime Kucinkas, Hamilton College

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Program Chair: Ruth Braunstein, University of Connecticut

Religion generates profound motivation to insist on a form of life being the most just for everyone. Every major religious tradition has centuries of arguments and debates over the ethical standards that we're to abide by, defining the proper way of being human in the world. Religious orientations come to be seen as the best way to govern whole groups, even whole societies. The enactment of justice becomes the basis for legitimizing the power to impose a praxis of justice, which inevitably asserts itself in coercion. After all, when arguments and inspiration are insufficient, enforcement and violence follow.

The 2023 annual meeting welcomes discussion and exploration of all research relevant to the sociological study of religion today and especially solicits theoretically and methodologically rigorous scholarship pursuing themes of justice in all its complexity.

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