ACADEMIC PROGRAM

** Dates and times of papers are tentative and subject to change as necessary.

Wednesday, November 18

7:00-8:30pm

_Morag Kersel and Michael Homan_, Presiding

_Michael Homan_ (Xavier University of Louisiana)
Welcome to the 2009 Annual Meeting (5 min.)

_Timothy P. Harrison_ (University of Toronto and ASOR President)
Welcome and Introductions (5 min.)

A1  **Plenary Address**
_Karel van der Toorn_ (University of Amsterdam and the Hogeschool van Amsterdam) (60 min.)

Thursday, November 19, 2009

8:30-10:30am

A2  **Archaeology of Israel: New Developments**
_Theme: New archaeological research and discoveries in Israel_
_Uzi Dahari_ (Israel Antiquities Authority), Presiding

_Hamoudi Khalaily_ (Israel Antiquities Authority), _Ianir Melivski_ (Israel Antiquities Authority), and _Nimrod Getzov_ (Israel Antiquities Authority), “Recent Discoveries from the Pre-Pottery Neolithic B of Yiftahel, Lower Galilee” (20 min.)

_Leen P. Ritmeyer_ (Cardiff University), “The Eastern Wall of the Temple Mount in Jerusalem – Deciphering its Story” (20 min.)

_Uzi Dahari_ (Israel Antiquities Authority), “New Underwater Discoveries in Acco, Atlit, and Dor (Tantura)” (15 min.)

_Waled Atrash_ (Israel Antiquities Authority), “Revealing the Roman Theater at Tiberias, Galilee” (15 min.)


_Oren Gutfeld_ (University of Michigan), “The Site of Beit Loya in Israel: Cultural Identities in the Second Temple Period” (20 min.)

General Discussion (10 min.)
A3  Khirbet Qeiyafa I: A Fortified City in Judah from the Time of King David
Theme: Focuses on the fieldwork conducted at Khirbet Qeiyafa in 2009.
Yosef Garfinkel (The Hebrew University of Jerusalem), Presiding

Yosef Garfinkel (The Hebrew University of Jerusalem) and Saar Ganor (Israel Antiquities Authority), “The 2009 Excavation Season at Khirbet Qeiyafa” (25 min.)

Paul D. Bauman (WorleyParsons), Yosef Garfinkel (The Hebrew University of Jerusalem), Brad Hansen (WorleyParsons), Jennifer MacDonald (WorleyParsons), and Kimberly Hume (WorleyParsons), “Geophysical and Aerial Photographic Investigations at Khirbet Qeiyafa, Israel” (25 min.)

Michael G. Hasel (Southern Adventist University), “Area A: The Fortified Building at Khirbet Qeiyafa” (25 min.)

Saar Ganor (Israel Antiquities Authority), “Khirbet Qeiyafa: A Two-Gate City from the Early 10th Century B.C.” (25 min.)

General Discussion (20 min.)

A4  Archaeology of Anatolia I: Current Work
Jennifer C. Ross (Hood College), Presiding

Philip J. Graham (University of Connecticut) and Alexia Smith (University of Connecticut), “Archaeobotanical Remains from a Burnt Ubaid Period House at Kenan Tepe, Southeastern Turkey” (18 min.)

Sharon R. Steadman (SUNY Cortland) and Ronald L. Gorny (University of Chicago), “Çadır Höyük in Regional Context: Connections and Disruptions” (18 min.)

Levent Atici (University of Nevada, Las Vegas), “Assyrian Merchants, Anatolian Wives, and Animal Bones: Zooarchaeology at Kültepe/Kanesh” (18 min.)

Discussion (6 min.)

Tina Greenfield (University of Manitoba) and Timothy Matney (University of Akron), “Zooarchaeological Perspectives on a Late Assyrian Palace at Ziyaret Tepe/Tushhan” (18 min.)


Paul E. Zimansky (Stony Brook University), “Recent Work in the Urartian Town at Ayanis” (18 min.)

Discussion (6 min.)

A5  Reports on Current Excavations and Surveys – ASOR-Affiliated
Theme: New developments and advancements from recent project activity, with special focus on technology
M. L. Pruitt (University of California, Berkeley/Graduate Theological Union), Presiding
Assaf Yasur-Landau (Haifa University) and Eric H. Cline (The George Washington University), “Results of the 2005-2009 Seasons at Tel Kabri, Israel” (20 min.)

Michael G. VanZant (Mount Vernon Nazarene University), “Karak Resources Project 2009: Digging the Karak Plateau” (20 min.)

Randall W. Younker (Andrews University) and Constance Gane (Andrews University), “2008-9 Excavations at Tall Jalul, Jordan (Madaba Plains Project)” (20 min.)

Oded Borowski (Emory University) and Glenda Friend (University of New Mexico at Gallup), “Lahav Research Project: Phase IV Excavation at Tell Halif (Israel)” (20 min.)

Discussion (5 min. between papers)

A6 Individual Submissions I
Robert A. Mullins (Azusa Pacific University), Presiding

Lynn Swartz Dodd (University of Southern California), “Monuments of Resistance: Gurgum and the Assyrian Conquest” (20 min.)

Stephanie H. Brown (North Carolina State University), “A Revaluation of Iron Age Fortified Sites on the Eastern Edge of the Kerak Plateau” (20 min.)

John D. Wineland (Kentucky Christian University), “The 2009 Season of the Karak Resources Project in Central Jordan” (20 min.)

Elaine A. Sullivan (University of California, Los Angeles), “Old Pots, New Tricks: Using Vessel Morphology to Theorize Function in Egyptian Ceramics” (20 min.)

Discussion (5 min. between papers)

10:45am-12:45pm

A7 Archaeology of Jordan I: The Bronze and Iron Ages
Suzanne Richard (Gannon University), Presiding

Suzanne Richard (Gannon University) and Paul S. Holdorf (Khirbat Iskandar Excavations), “A New EB IV Khirbat Iskandar Quantitative Ceramic Analysis” (20 min.)

Moawiyah M. Ibrahim (Society of Friends of Archaeology and Heritage, Jordan), “Sahab During the Bronze Ages” (20 min.)

Noor Mulder-Hymans (University of Maastricht), “The Nabataean/Roman Settlement and Water Works at Khirbat al-Mudayna, Jordan” (20 min.)

Margreet L. Steiner (Independent Scholar), “Khirbat al-Mudayna and the Production and Distribution of Pottery in Central Jordan” (20 min.)
A8 Khirbet Qeiyafa II: A Fortified City in Judah from the Time of King David

Theme: Focuses on the general results of the Khirbet Qeiyafa excavations.

Michael G. Hasel (Southern Adventist University), Presiding

David L. Adams (Concordia Seminary), “Between Socoh and Azekah: The Biblical Identity of Khirbet Qeiyafa” (20 min.)

Hoo-Goo Kang (The Hebrew University of Jerusalem) and Yosef Garfinkel (The Hebrew University of Jerusalem), “The Pottery Assemblage of Khirbet Qeiyafa in the Early Iron Age IIA” (20 min.)

David Ben-Shlomo (The Hebrew University of Jerusalem), “Petrographic Analysis of Iron Age Pottery from Khirbet Qeiyafa” (20 min.)

Haggai Misgav (The Hebrew University of Jerusalem), “The Ostracon from Khirbet Qeiyafa: Paleographical and Historical Implications” (20 min.)

Respondent: William G. Dever (The University of Arizona, Emeritus) (20 min.)

General Discussion (20 min.)

A9 Archaeology of Anatolia II: Connectivity

Sharon R. Steadman (SUNY Cortland), Presiding

Bleda S. During (Leiden University), “The Second Neolithic Revolution in Asia Minor: Evaluating Possible Causes” (20 min.)

Arkadiusz Marciniak (Institute of Prehistory, University of Poznań), “The Demise of the Neolithic Communities in Central Anatolia: Upper Levels at Çatalhöyük East” (20 min.)

Discussion (10 min.)

Lynn Welton (University of Toronto), “Isotopic Analyses as Indicators of Mobility at Ikiztepe, Turkey” (20 min.)

Joanna S. Smith (Princeton University), “Hittite Apologies in Stone” (20 min.)

Jak Yakar (Sonia and Marco Nadler Institute of Archaeology, Tel Aviv University), “The Archaeology of the Hittite ‘Lower Land’ and the Implications of Archaeological Observation” (20 min.)

Discussion (10 min.)
A10  Eastern Mediterranean Diasporas: Cultural and Economic Implications
Elise A. Friedland (The George Washington University) and Peter van Alfen (American Numismatic Society), Presiding

Shelley Wachsmann (Institute of Nautical Archaeology at Texas A&M University), “A Helladic-Style Wooden Ship Model from Gurob, Egypt” (30 min.)

A. Bernard Knapp (University of Glasgow), “Mobility, Materiality, and Diasporic Identity in Iron Age Cyprus” (30 min.)

Laurence J. Foschia (French School of Archaeology in Athens), “The Fate of Synagogues in Late Antique Greece: From Demolitions to Restorations via Sacred Reuse” (30 min.)

Karen B. Stern (Brooklyn College of the City University of New York), “Roman, Parthian, and Jewish Space: Design and Decoration in Dura Europos” (30 min.)

A11  Individual Submissions II
Mark Schuler (Concordia University), Presiding

Nicholas G. Blackwell (Bryn Mawr College), “Bronze Tools in Prehistoric Cyprus: Implications of Distribution and Application” (15 min.)

Guillaume Gernez (Institut français du Proche-Orient), “Can Weapons Reflect Cultural Identity?” (15 min.)

Stephanie L. Selover (University of Chicago), “A Metallurgical Analysis of a Set of Bronze Clothing Pins from the Site of Tell Achana, Turkey” (15 min.)

Abigail S. Limmer (The University of Arizona), “The Identification and Validity of Eye Motifs in the Jewelry of the Iron Age Southern Levant” (15 min.)

Sarah E. Lepinski (Bryn Mawr College), “The Study of Roman Wall Paintings in the Eastern Mediterranean” (15 min.)

Mohamed A. Marouf (Sohag University) and M. Fetouh (Sohag University), “Study of the Deteriorating Effects of the Metal Threads on Turkish Embroidery Textiles” (15 min.)

Discussion (5 min. between papers)

12:45-2:00pm   Junior Scholars Luncheon
A12  Theoretical and Anthropological Approaches to Near Eastern and East Mediterranean Art and Archaeology I
Theme: Feasting, Economy, and Urbanism
Louise Hitchcock (University of Melbourne), Presiding


Justin S. E. Lev-Tov (Statistical Research, Inc.), Benjamin W. Porter (University of California, Berkeley), and Bruce A. Routledge (University of Liverpool), “The Pastoral Economy of Early Iron Age Central Jordan: A View from Khirbat al-Mudayna al-Aliya” (25 min.)

Piotr A. Bienkowski (University of Manchester), “Exploring the Theory and Evidence for 'Tribalism' and 'Segmentary Society' in Iron Age Transjordan” (25 min.)

Claudia Glatz (Heidelberg University and University College London), “Inter-cultural Contact and Interaction: Exploring the Mechanisms of Transfer, Adoption, and Appropriation of Cult Practices and Containers in the 2nd Millennium B.C. Near East and East Mediterranean” (25 min.)

Discussion (5 min. between papers)

A13  Arabia I: Nabataean and Roman Arabia
S. Thomas Parker (North Carolina State University), Presiding

Elise A. Friedland (The George Washington University) and Robert H. Tykot (University of South Florida), “Importation, Display, and Messages of the Marble Statues from the Roman Theater in Amman” (20 min.)


Andrew M. Smith II (The George Washington University), “Economic Activity in the Hinterland of Petra” (20 min.)

John P. Oleson (University of Victoria), “The Technological Context of the Water-Supply System at Nabataean Hawara” (20 min.).

Robert N. Darby (University of Missouri-Columbia), “Bathing on the Edge of Empire: A Regional Study of Roman Military Baths in Provincia Arabia” (20 min.)

General Discussion (20 min.)

A14  Archaeology of Israel--New Developments
Assaf Yasur-Landau (Haifa University), Presiding

Matthew J. Adams (W.F. Albright Institute of Archaeological Research), “The Reurbanization of Megiddo in the Middle Bronze Age” (20 min.)
Rami Arav (University of Nebraska at Omaha), “Bethsaida Excavations Project: The 2009 Season” (20 min)

Gary P. Arbino (Golden Gate Baptist Theological Seminary), “Ramparts, Retaining Walls, and Glacis: A View from Gezer” (20 min.)

Daniel N. Schowalter (Carthage College), Michael C. Nelson (Queens College, City University of New York), and J. Andrew Overman (Macalester College), “Excavations at Omrit 2007-2008: Investigating a Roman Temple in Northern Israel” (20 min.)

General Discussion (20 min.)

A15 Reports on Current Excavations-Non ASOR Affiliated
Laura Mazow (East Carolina University), Presiding

Steven Collins (Trinity Southwest University), “Tall el-Hammam Season Four: Data, Interpretations, and Insights from the 2009 Excavations” (24 min.)

Avraham Faust (Bar-Ilan University), “The Tel Eton Excavations (2008-2009)” (24 min.)

Mara T. Horowitz (Postdoctoral Fellow, Alalakh Excavations), K. Aslihan Yener (Koç University, Turkey), and Murat Akar (Università degli Studi di Firenze), “2003-2009 Fieldwork at Tell Atchana/Alalakh” (24 min.)

David Schloen (University of Chicago) and Amir S. Fink (Tel Aviv University), “Excavations at Zincirli (Ancient Sam’al), 2009” (24 min.)

Kevin D. Fisher (Cornell University), Sturt W. Manning (Cornell University), and Michael Rogers (Ithaca College), “The Kalavasos and Maroni Built Environments Project: The 2008-2009 Seasons” (24 min.)

A16 Geographic Information Systems (GIS), Remote Sensing, and Archaeology
Theme: The latest tools and resources from remote sensing and GIS are highlighted and applied to archaeological sites in Cyprus and Egypt/Nubia, in periods ranging from the Early Bronze Age to Late Antiquity.
Stephen Savage (Arizona State University), Presiding

Jesse J. Casana (University of Arkansas), “CORONA Imagery Archaeological Atlas of the Near East” (20 min.)

Genevieve A. Holdridge (University of Georgia), “Function and Use of Space at Sotira-Kaminoudhia, an Early Bronze Age Site on Cyprus” (20 min.)

Rhian A. Stotts (Arizona State University), “Mapping Trade in Cyprus: GIS Applications in the Late Bronze Age” (20 min.)

Susan Penacho (University of Chicago), “Following in the Footsteps of Soldiers: Movement within the Fortresses of Buhen and Uronarti” (20 min.)
Joshua Trampier (University of Chicago), “At the Western Frontier of Landscape Archaeology in the Nile Delta” (20 min.)

Respondents: Sarah Parcak (University of Alabama, Birmingham) and Carrie Hritz (The Pennsylvania State University) (20 min.)

4:15-6:15pm

A17 Theoretical and Anthropological Approaches to Near Eastern and East Mediterranean Art and Archaeology II

Theme: Royalty, Ideology, and Ancestors

Andrew P. McCarthy (University of Edinburgh), Presiding

Susan L. Cohen (Montana State University), “Urbanization, Centralization, and Cult: Theory Versus Evidence” (25 min.)

Rick Hauser (International Institute for Mesopotamian Area Studies [IIMAS]), “Gudea and His Audience: Replicable Ruler, Embodied Artifact” (25 min.)

Eyal Regev (Bar-Ilan University), “Royal Ideology in the Hasmonean Palaces in Jericho” (25 min.)

Emily Miller (California State University, Fullerton), “Location, Location, Location: Moving the Ancestors” (25 min.)

Discussion (5 min. between papers)

A18 Christianity and Judaism in Late Antiquity

Carrie E. Duncan (University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill), Presiding

Justin T. Winger (University of Michigan), “The Palestinian Synagogue in the 2nd-3rd centuries C.E.: Archaeology, Texts, and Culture” (20 min.)

Steven H. Werlin (University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill), “Appetite for Destruction? The Archaeological Evidence of Jewish Iconoclasm” (25 min.)

Walter D. Ward (Georgia State University), “The End of Paganism in Third Palestine: A Comparison of Literary and Archaeological Evidence” (20 min.)

Matthew J. Grey (University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill), “Epigraphic Evidence and the Role of Priests in Late Antique Jewish Society” (25 min.)

Uzi A. Leibner (The Hebrew University of Jerusalem), “The Galilean Settlements of the Priestly Courses” (25 min.)

General Discussion (5 min.)
A19  The Archaeology of Cyprus
Theme: Beyond Aphrodite: New Approaches to the Archaeology of Religion on Cyprus
Erin W. Averett (Creighton University) and Elisabetta Cova (University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee), Presiding

Andrew P. McCarthy (University of Edinburgh), “Aphrodite’s Ancestors: The Prastio-Mesorotsos Archaeological Expedition in the Paphos Region” (20 min.)

Jennifer M. Webb (La Trobe University), “Tombs as Ritual Spaces in Early Bronze Age Cyprus” (20 min.)

General Discussion (10 min.)

Derek B. Counts (University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee), “Herakles and Geryon in the Eastern Mediterranean” (20 min.)

Nancy Serwint (Arizona State University), “Cult and Ethnicity in a Cypriot Sanctuary” (20 min.)

James A. Johnson (University of Pittsburgh) and Nicholas G. Blackwell (Bryn Mawr College), “Exploring Sacred Space: GIS Applications for Analyzing the Athienou-Malloura Sanctuary” (20 min.)

General Discussion (10 min.)

A20  Archaeology of Mesopotamia I
Theme: The Current Affair of Iraq’s Past
Constance E. Gane (Andrews University), Presiding

Katharyn A. Hanson (University of Chicago), “Iraq’s Cultural Heritage, Looting, and U.S. Law” (25 min.)

Donny George Youkhanna (Stony Brook University), “The Iraqi Constitution and Law of Antiquities: Are They Honored by the Provincial Governors?” (25 min.)

Elizabeth C. Stone (Stony Brook University) “A Summer Visit to Iraq: Assessing the Condition of Sites in Southern Iraq” (25 min.)

John E. Curtis (British Museum), “The Past, Present, and Future of Babylon: A Case Study for the Archaeology of Iraq” (25 min.)

Discussion (5 min. between papers)

A21  “Figuring Out” the Figurines of the Ancient Near East I
Theme: Focuses on the research and analysis of terracotta figurines from across all regions, sites, and time periods in the Ancient Near East and Eastern Mediterranean. New perspectives, interdisciplinary dialogue, and cross-cultural comparisons within figurine studies will be encouraged.
Stephanie M. Langin-Hooper (University of California, Berkeley), Presiding

Adi Erlich (University of Haifa), “Double Faces, Multiple Meanings: the Hellenistic Pillar Figurines from Maresha, Israel” (25 min.)
Elizabeth A. Waraksa (University of California, Los Angeles), “Female Figurines from the Mut Precinct, Karnak: Evidence of Ritual Use” (25 min.)

Jaimee P. Uhlenbrock (SUNY New Paltz), “A Near Easterner at Cyrene: Cross-Cultural Implications at a Greek City in Libya” (20 min.)

Erin D. Darby (Duke University) and David Ben-Shlomo (The Hebrew University of Jerusalem), “Sugar and Spice and Everything Nice: Terracotta Pillar Figurines and Jerusalemite Pottery Production in Iron II Judea” (25 min.)

Susan B. Downey (University of California, Los Angeles), “Images of Divinities in Terracotta and Stucco Plaques from the Hellenistic-Roman Period at Dura-Europos, Syria” (25 min.)

Friday, November 20, 2009

8:30-10:30am

A22  Art and Artifacts of the Ancient Near East I: Context, Content, Contacts
Theme: Presents innovative analyses of facets of Near Eastern artistic production or visual culture.
Marian H. Feldman (University of California, Berkeley), Presiding

Laura Swantek (Arizona State University), “There’s No Jewelry Without a State of Society: Picrolite Use in Prehistoric Cyprus” (24 min.)

Walter L. Crist (Arizona State University), “Twenty Squares in Twenty Minutes: The Game of Twenty Squares in the Late Bronze Age” (24 min.)

Mehmet-Ali Atac (Bryn Mawr College), “Approaching the Meaning of the "Investiture" Scene from the Palace at Mari” (24 min.)

Virginia Herrmann (University of Chicago), “An Eternal Feast at Sam’al: The New Iron Age Mortuary Stele from Zincirli in Context” (24 min.)

Stephanie Pryor (University of Missouri-Columbia), “Constructing Queenship in Nabataea (9 BCE-CE 40): A Study of the Visual and Material Evidence for Hageru, Huldu, and Shaqilat I” (24 min.)

A23  The Ties that Unwind I: Social Disintegration in Near Eastern Antiquity
Edward F. Maher (The Field Museum), Presiding

Anna L. Russell (Universiteit Leiden), “Tell Sabi Abyad and the 8.2k Event: Collapse or Continuation in the Balikh Valley, Syria” (25 min.)

Ahmed Achrati (University of Illinois-Chicago), “Cattle Horn Symbolism: Echoes of Failed Sedentary Settlements in the Western Desert of Egypt” (25 min.)

Edward F. Maher (The Field Museum), “Failed Attempts in Limiting Social Fragmentation: The Final Days of the Philistines at Tel Miqne-Ekron” (25 min.)

Lawrence H. Schiffman (New York University), “The Destruction of the First Temple and Jerusalem in the Dead Sea Scrolls” (25 min.)
A24 Philistia and the Philistines I
Jeffrey Chadwick (Brigham Young University, Jerusalem Center), Presiding

Aren M. Maeir (Bar-Ilan University) “The 2009 Season of Excavations at Tell Es-Safi/Gath” (22 min.)

Shlomo Bunimovitz (Tel Aviv University) “Revisiting the Sea Peoples in Cyprus and Canaan” (22 min.)

Louise A. Hitchcock (University of Melbourne) “‘Transculturalism’ as a Model for Examining Aegean Migration to Cyprus and Philistia” (22 min.)

Adam J. Aja (Harvard University) “Philistine Domestic Architecture” (22 min.)

Linda G. Meiberg (University of Pennsylvania) “Casting a Wide Net: Notes on the Inspiration for the Fish Motif on Philistine Pottery” (22 min.)

General Discussion (10 min.)

A25 Ancient Inscriptions: Recent Discoveries, New Editions, New Readings
Christopher A. Rollston (Emmanuel School of Religion) and Annalisa Azzoni (Vanderbilt University), Presiding

James K. Hoffmeier (Trinity International University), “Recent Royal Inscriptions from the Amarna Period on Egypt’s East Frontier” (20 min.)

Georgia B. Bazemore (Eastern Washington University), “Hiding in Plain Sight: What Does the Bronze of Idalion Say?” (20 min.)

Christopher A. Rollston (Emmanuel School of Religion), “The Contours of the Forthcoming Epigraphic Handbook” (20 min.)

Elisabetta Cova (University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee), “Inscriptions from Athienou-Malloura in Cyprus: A Preliminary Report” (20 min.)

Michael Weigl (École biblique et archéologique française de Jérusalem) and Mattieu Richelle (École biblique et archéologique française de Jérusalem), “Epigraphical News from the Land of Moab: An Evaluation of the status quaestionis” (20 min.)

General Discussion (20 min.)

A26 Archaeology of Jordan II: The Middle Bronze Age through Islamic Periods
Leigh-Ann Bedal (Penn State Erie, The Behrend College), Presiding

Christopher R. Chadwick (Andrews University), “Middle and Late Bronze Age Pottery from Tall Jalul” (20 min.)

Robert D. Bates (La Sierra University), Jennifer Helbley (La Sierra University), and Douglas R. Clark (La Sierra University), “The Melting Pot: Examining the Effects of a House Fire on Early Iron Age Storage Jars” (20 min.)
Jonathan G. R. Ferguson (University of Toronto), “Ceramic Trends at Tell Madaba, Jordan: The Hasmonaean and Nabataean Periods” (20 min.)

Martha S. Joukowsky (Brown University), “A Promising Survey of the Petra Great Temple Residential Quarter” (20 min.)

Benjamin W. Porter (University of California, Berkeley), Danielle S. Fatkin (Knox College), and Bruce Routledge (University of Liverpool), “A Center in the Periphery: Recent Research from the Dhiban Excavation and Development Project” (20 min)

Discussion (5 min. between papers)

10:45am-12:45pm

A27 Art and Artifacts of the Ancient Near East II: Context, Content, Contacts
Theme: Presents innovative analyses of facets of Near Eastern artistic production or visual culture.
Allison Thomason (Southern Illinois University Edwardsville), Presiding

Yağmur Sarioğlu (University of Cambridge), “Lead Figurines in Anatolia: Household Phylacteries of Mesopotamian Inspiration?” (24 min.)

Oya Topcuoglu (University of Chicago), “The Seal of Walawala: A Question of Style and Ethnicity” (24 min.)

Tuna Sare (Rutgers University and Çanakkale Onsekiz Mart University, Turkey), “Cultural Hybridization and the Birth of the Ionian Style in Ancient Anatolia: The Case of Elmali Figurines” (24 min.)

Jonathan K. David (California State University, Stanislaus) and Matthew J. Adams (W.F. Albright Institute of Archaeological Research), “A Mouse in Memphis: Herodotus 2.141 and an Egyptian Sculptural Motif” (24 min.)

Alexandra L. Ratzlaff (Boston University), “A New Analysis of Frescoes from the Caesarea Mithraeum” (24 min.)

A28 The Ties that Unwind II: Social Disintegration in Near Eastern Antiquity
Kevin M. McGeough (University of Lethbridge), Presiding

Paul A. Delnero (Johns Hopkins University), “Social Control and the Collapse of the First Dynasty of Babylon” (25 min.)

Eric Smith (Nebraska Christian College), “The Role of Land Grants in Social Disintegration” (25 min.)

Bill T. Arnold (Asbury Theological Seminary), “The Rise of the Arameans of Babylonia and the Fall of Assyria” (25 min.)

Ariel M. Bagg (University of Leipzig), “Much Ado about Nothing: About the Presumed ‘Assyrianization’ in Ancient Israel” (25 min.)
General Discussion (20 min.)

A29 Individual Submissions III: Archaeozoological and Isotope Studies
Jennifer Ramsay (University of British Columbia), Presiding

Haskel J. Greenfield (University of Manitoba) and Adam Allentuck (University of Toronto), “Who Eats Better? Differential Animal Exploitation and Consumption Patterns between Early Bronze Age Neighborhoods at Trîş Höyük, Southeast Turkey” (20 min.)

Aharon Sasson (University of California, San Diego), “Man and Animals in the Iron Age Tel Megiddo – The Zooarchaeological Perspective” (20 min.)

Jonathan S. Greer (The Pennsylvania State University), Brian Hesse (The Pennsylvania State University), and Paula Wapnish (The Pennsylvania State University), “Sacrifice and Feasting at Tel Dan? ‘Bone Readings’ and Data Mining from a Huge Sample” (20 min.)

Fariba Mosapour Negari (University of Sistan and Baluchestan), “Food in the Middle Bronze Age: A Case Study of Sidon, Lebanon” (20 min.)

Discussion (5 min. between papers)

Discussion (20 min.)

A30 Philistia and the Philistines II
Aren M. Maeir (Bar-Ilan University), Presiding

Michael D. Press (Ashkelon Excavations), “The Chronology of Philistine Figurines” (22 min.)

Jeffrey R. Zorn (Cornell University), “Reconsidering Goliath: An Iron I Philistine Maryannu” (22 min.)

Jeff Chadwick (Brigham Young University, Jerusalem Center), “The Earthquake of Amos and the Establishment of Judean Gath in the Eighth Century B.C.E.” (22 min.)

Amit Dagan (Bar-Ilan University), “8th Century Rural Philistia as Seen from the Site of Kfar Menachem” (22 min.)

Ely Levine (Luther College), “Philistine Weights and Economies” (22 min.)

General Discussion (10 min.)

A31 The Red Sea in Antiquity: Archaeology, Trade, and Cultural Exchange
Theme: Focuses on the archaeology and connections in the Red Sea basin during antiquity. This year’s panel looks at the connections between navigation, trade, and religion from the earliest Egyptian ships until late antiquity.
Walter D. Ward (Georgia State University), Presiding

Cheryl Anne Ward (Florida State University), “Ancient Egyptian Seafaring Ships: Archaeological and Experimental Evidence” (25 min.)
John P. Cooper (University of Exeter), “No Easy Option: The Nile Versus the Red Sea in Ancient North-South Navigation” (25 min.)

S. Thomas Parker (North Carolina State University), “Aqaba (Aila), Adulis, and Red Sea Trade” (25 min.)

Eivind H. Seland (University of Bergen), “Red Sea in Antiquity: Trade and Christianity” (25 min.)

General Discussion (20 min.)

12:30-2:00pm  A32 Order and Conflict: Roundtables on the Agency Role of Empires in the Levant
Øystein S. LaBianca (Andrews University), Presiding

2:00-4:00pm

A33 Prehistoric Archaeology
Theme: Current Research and Theoretical Trends in Prehistoric Archaeology in the Near East
April S. Nowell (University of Victoria), Presiding

April S. Nowell (University of Victoria), Michael Bisson (McGill University), Carlos Cordova (Oklahoma State University), and James Pokines (Joint POW/MIA Accounting Command Central ID Lab), “The Druze Marsh Paleolithic Project: Results of the 2009 Season” (20 min.)

Rivka Rabinovich (The Hebrew University of Jerusalem), “Aspects of Faunal Exploitation from the Final Natufian Site of Eynan (Israel)” (20 min.)

Alan H. Simmons (University of Nevada, Las Vegas), “Neolithic Feast or Famine: The Case of ‘Ais Yiorkis, Cyprus.” (20 min.)

Jonathan M. Golden (Drew University), “Elite Tombs of the Chalcolithic: Evidence for Wealth and Status?” (20 min.)

Austin C. Hill (University of Connecticut), “Social Differentiation in the Chalcolithic: Spatial Analysis of the Fauna from Tel Tsaf, Israel” (20 min.)

General Discussion (20 min.)

A34 Hebrew Bible, History, and Archaeology
Dale W. Manor (Harding University) and Daniel C. Browning, Jr. (William Carey University), Presiding

Anson F. Rainey (Tel Aviv University), “Looking for Ziklag” (20 min.)

Keren Ras (Tel Aviv University), “The Impact of the Assyrian Rule on the Rural Countryside in Northern Palestine” (20 min.)

Jeffrey P. Hudon (Andrews University), “The LMLK Storage Jars and the Reign of Uzziah: Towards a Mid-Eighth Century B.C.E. Terminus a Quo for the Royal Jars of the Kingdom of Judah” (20 min.)
Hayah Katz (The Open University of Israel), “The Royal Estates in the Kingdom of Judah in View of the Archaeological Finds” (20 min.)

David T. Sugimoto (Keio University), “Excavations at Tel ‘Ein Gev, Israel: Summary of the 1990–2004 Seasons and Summer 2009” (20 min.)

Discussion (5 min. between papers)

A35 Caesarea Maritima
Kenneth G. Holm, (University of Maryland, College Park), Presiding

Beverly Goodman Tchernov (Interuniversity Institute for Marine Sciences, Eilat), “Offshore Evidence of Tsunami Events at Caesarea Maritima” (20 min.)

Robert J. Bull (Drew University), “The History of Vault I at Caesarea and its Relation to the Honorific Portico” (20 min.)

Martha Risser (Trinity College) and Michael Zimmerman (St. Paul Catholic High School), “Late Roman and Byzantine Decorated Wares at Caesarea Maritima” (20 min.)

Jennifer Ramsay (University of British Columbia), “How Can Plant Remains Aid in the Reconstruction of Agricultural Trends, Settlement Types, and Economies?” (20 min.)

Carole Cope (Institute for Galilean Archaeology), “The Crusader Period from the Faunal Perspective: A Foreign Body in the Medieval Eye of Caesarea” (20 min.)

General Discussion (20 min.)

A36 Archaeology of Mesopotamia II
Elizabeth Stone (Stony Brook University), Presiding

Matt Waters (University of Wisconsin - Eau Claire), “Who Let the Umman-manda out? Medes, Elamites, and Persians in the Sixth Century B.C.E.” (25 min.)


Melissa A. Eppihimer (University of Pittsburgh), “Old Assyrian Rulers’ Seals: Identity and Meaning” (25 min.)

Adam Maskevich (Johns Hopkins University), “Sweet as a Dilmun Date: The Archaeology of the Kassite Luxury Trade in the Persian Gulf” (25 min.)

Discussion (5 min. between papers)

A37 Landscape Archaeology
Theme: Focuses on the impact of the landscape on the development of various settlements based on the results of excavations and surveys.
Martin Peilstocker (Israel Antiquities Authority), Presiding

Introduction (10 min.)
Nils Anfinset (University of Bergen), Jørgen Christian Meyer (University of Bergen), and Eivind Seland (University of Bergen), “The First Two Seasons of Survey Palmyra-Issariah, the Joint Syrian-Norwegian Survey” (20 min.)

James S. Bucko (Independent Scholar), “A Study of Water Management and Agricultural Techniques at Aperlae Turkey” (20 min.)

Martin Peilstocker (Israel Antiquities Authority) and Aaron A. Burke (University of California, Los Angeles), “The Jaffa Cultural Heritage Project 2009: Preliminary Results of Research and Excavations” (20 min.)

Joe Uziel (Bar-Ilan University) and Itzhak Shai (Bar-Ilan University), “The Role of Tel Burna in the Settlement Pattern and Hierarchy of the Southwestern Shephelah” (20 min.)

Yuval Baruch (Israel Antiquities Authority), “Horbat Susya in the Southern Judean Hills – The Development Processes of the Ancient Rural Site in Judea from the Roman to the Early Islamic Period: Architectural, Geographic and Socio-Economic Aspects – A Case Study” (20 min.)

General Discussion (10 min.)

4:30-6:30pm  ASOR Members Meeting and Awards Presentations

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8:30-10:30am

A38 Arabia II: The Arabian Peninsula
David F. Graf (University of Miami), Presiding

Majeed Khan (General Commission for Tourism and Antiquities, Saudi Arabia), “The Metaphysical World of Prehistoric Arabia: Gods and Goddesses” (20 min.)

David F. Graf (University of Miami), “Excavations at Jurash, Asir Province, Saudi Arabia 2008/9” (20 min.)

Gary O. Rollefson (Whitman College) and Steven Sidebotham (University of Delaware), “The Regional Survey of the Jurash Project, Asir Province, Saudi Arabia, 2009” (20 min.)

Eric M. Staples (Jawharat Musqat Project), “A Reconstruction of the Sewn-Boat Tradition” (20 min.)

Glenn J. Corbett (University of Chicago), “All in the Family: Exploring the Carver's Craft in Signed Thamudic Rock Drawings from Southern Jordan” (20 min.)

General Discussion (20 min.)
A39  Teaching Archaeology to Undergraduates: Success Stories and Cautionary Tales
Theme: Some of ASOR’s most successful undergraduate educators share their objectives, methods, and techniques, including successes and failures. The ultimate goal is to develop pedagogical “Best Practices” for the teaching of archaeology and ancient history to undergraduate students.
Ellen D. Bedell (The Ellis School) and Eric H. Cline (The George Washington University), Presiding

Introduction (5 min.)

Jodi Magness (University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill), “It’s Not Rocket Science: What I Have Learned from My Teachers and Students” (25 min.)

Pamela Gaber (Lycoming College), “Teaching Archaeology to Advanced Undergraduates” (25 min.)

Larry G. Herr (Canadian University College), “This Is the Most Difficult Class I Teach” (25 min.)

Eric H. Cline (The George Washington University), “‘The Israelites Wondered in the Desert for 40 Years’: Teaching Archaeology to Undergraduates” (25 min.)

General Discussion (15 min.)

A40  Settlement & Society in the Ancient Near East I
Theme: Features archaeological investigations in which analysis of settlement patterns, ancient landscapes, or the interaction between sites and their hinterlands shed light on social, economic, and political aspects of ancient Near Eastern societies.
Jesse J. Casana (University of Arkansas), Presiding

Uzi Avner (Ben-Gurion University & Arava Institute), “Settlement Pattern in Uvda Valley, Southern Negev Desert” (20 min.)

J. Brett Hill (Hendrix College), “Early Holocene Climate, Erosion and the Transition from Valley Bottom to Upland Farming” (20 min.)

Michael J. Harrower (Cotsen Institute of Archaeology, UCLA) and Joy McCorriston (The Ohio State University), “Tombs, Temples, Towns, Hinterlands: Explaining the Eccentricities of South Arabian Landscapes” (20 min.)

Jessica Giraud (Centre national de la recherche scientifique) and Serge Cleuziou (University of Paris I, Panthéon-Sorbonne), “From Lagoon Coast to Foothills, an Evolution of Settlement Patterns Lighting Cultural and Economic Changes: The Case of the Province of Ja’alan (Sultanate of Oman) in the Third Millennium B.C.” (20 min.)

Jason T. Herrmann (University of Arkansas), “Site Formation at Saruq al-Hadid, Dubai and Implications for Environmental Change in Southeastern Arabia” (20 min.)

A41 The World of Women: Gender and Archaeology
Beth Alpert Nakhai (The University of Arizona), Presiding

Sheila Shiki Michaels (Independent Scholar), “Rachel’s Teraphim: Abducting the Royal Birthright” (20 min.)

Jeannette Boertien (Groningen University), “Who Is the Queen of Heaven?” (20 min.)

Rüdiger Schmitt (University of Münster), “Gendered Ritual Activities in Iron Age Domestic Structures from Israel and Its Ancient Near Eastern Environment” (20 min.)

Carrie E. Duncan (University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill), “Women Leaders in the Ancient Synagogue: A Re-evaluation of the Archaeological Evidence” (20 min.)

Cynthia S. Finlayson (Brigham Young University), “New Perspectives on the Ritual and Cultic Importance of Women at Palmyra, Syria” (20 min.)

Discussion (5 min. between papers)

10:45am-12:45pm

A42 The Archaeology of Prehistoric Communities, Part 1: Methodological and Analytical Concerns—The “How” and the “Why” Behind Community Research
Theme: This session urges researchers to conceptualize communities not as sites in and of themselves, but as collectives of human beings. Presenters will explore several crucial analytical challenges faced by archaeologists teasing apart the “how’s” and “why’s” behind studying and reconstructing prehistoric communities.
Bill L. Finlayson (Council for British Research in the Levant), Presiding

Introduction (5 min.)

Douglas D. Baird (University of Liverpool), “Identity, Interaction and Building Large Communities in Neolithic Anatolia and EB I South Levant” (25 min.)

Eleni Asouti (University of Liverpool), “The End of ‘Centres Of Origin’? Domestication and Community Interactions in the Neolithic” (25 min.)

Meredith S. Chesson (University of Notre Dame), “Nested Communities: Early Bronze Age Walled Settlements, Neighborhoods, Households, and People of the Southern Levant” (25 min.)

Jamie L. Lovell (Council for British Research in the Levant), “Community, Context, and Environment in the Chalcolithic” (25 min.)

Discussion (5 min. between papers)

A43 Settlement & Society in the Ancient Near East II
Theme: Features archaeological investigations in which analysis of settlement patterns, ancient landscapes, or the interaction between sites and their hinterlands shed light on social, economic, and political aspects of ancient Near Eastern societies.
Jason A. Ur (Harvard University), Presiding
Alexia Smith (University of Connecticut) and Natalie D. Munro (University of Connecticut), “Bronze and Iron Age Agriculture in the Near East” (20 min.)

Carrie Hritz (The Pennsylvania State University), “Settlement Pattern Structure in the Highlands and Lowlands of Southern Mesopotamia” (20 min.)

Andrea Ricci (Christian-Albrechts-Universität zu Kiel), “Early Urbanization along the Middle Euphrates River Valley” (20 min.)

Noam Y. Rifkind (Boston University), “Hellenistic Settlement Patterns in the Syrian Middle Euphrates” (20 min.)

Eric S. A. Rupley (University of Michigan) and Henry T. Wright (University of Michigan), “More Is Different: Late Chalcolithic Settlement Patterns around Tell Brak, Syria” (20 min.)

General Discussion (20 min.)

A44 Egypt and Canaan I
K. Lawson Younger, Jr. (Trinity International University), Presiding

Ezra S. Marcus (University of Haifa), “The Early Middle Bronze Age IIa Settlement at Tel Ifshar, Israel and its Local and Foreign Relations” (20 min.)

Roxana C. Flammini (Argentine Catholic University–CONICET), “The Egyptianizing Features of the Middle Bronze II Byblian Dynasty as Elite Emulation Practice” (20 min.)

Celia Bergoffen (Fashion Institute of Technology), “Cypriot Pottery in Southwestern Canaan: A Regional Study” (20 min.)

Krystal V. Lords (Cotsen Institute of Archaeology, UCLA), “The New Kingdom Egyptian Presence at Jaffa: An Analysis of Artifacts and Architecture” (20 min.)

Thomas D. Hulit (Medicine Hat Museum), “Ancient Special Forces: A Re-evaluation of the Role of the Late Bronze Age Charioteer” (20 min.)

General Discussion (20 min.)

A45 Ancient Mediterranean Trade
Barry M. Gittlen (Towson University), Presiding

George A. Pierce (Cotsen Institute of Archaeology, UCLA), “Levantine Painted Ware and the Foundation of Jaffa” (25 min.)

Johannes E. Verstraete (University of Cincinnati), “The Amuq Valley During the Late Bronze Age: The Social Significance of Aegean-related Pottery” (25 min.)

Justin Leidwanger (University of Pennsylvania) and Elizabeth S. Greene (Brock University), “Circulation of Processed Agricultural Goods in the Early Archaic Eastern Mediterranean: Basket-Handle Amphoras from Two Shipwrecks at Kekova Adasi and Kepçe Burnu, Turkey” (20 min.)
Craig W. Tyson (University of Michigan), “Explaining Economic Intensification in Ancient Ammon During the Iron IIC Period” (25 min.)

John S. Holladay (University of Toronto), “Assyria’s Loss, Israel and Damascus’ Gain: Assyrians and the Early South Arabian Camel Caravan Trade” (25 min.)

A46 Archaeology of Syria
Michael D. Danti (Boston University), Presiding

Stephen D. Batiuk (Johns Hopkins University) and Timothy P. Harrison (University of Toronto), “Report on the Tell Tayinat Excavations 2006–2009” (25 min.)

Michael D. Danti (Boston University), “The 2009 Excavations at Tell es-Sweyhat” (20 min.)

Glenn M. Schwartz (Johns Hopkins University), “From Ancestral Elders to Amorite Hegemons: Umm el-Marra 2006, 2008 Results” (25 min.)

Clemens D. Reichel (University of Toronto), “Urbanism and Conflict in Late Chalcolithic Northern Syria: Excavations at Hamoukar 2005–2008” (25 min.)

Rudolph H. Dornemann (ASOR), “Update on the Early Bronze IV Ceramics at Tell Qarqur” (25 min.)

12:00-2:00pm “Projects on Parade”–Poster Session

12:30-2:00pm ASOR Brown Bag Roundtables

2:00-4:00pm

A47 Archaeology of Prehistoric Communities, Part 2: Theoretical Concerns: The Placing and Spacing of Prehistoric Communities
Theme: Drawing on anthropological discussions of place and space in the past and present, this second session explores the landscapes within and between communities. Presenters grapple with overlapping social, economic, political and ritual landscapes in prehistoric societies, as well as investigate William Isbell's (2000) ideas about “imagined” and “natural” communities.
Meredith S. Chesson (University of Notre Dame), Presiding

Introduction (5 min.)

Bill L. Finlayson (Council for British Research in the Levant) and Ian Kuijt (University of Notre Dame), “Choice, Intention, and Consequence in Early Neolithic Settlement Development: Why Size Matters” (25 min.)

Raphael Greenberg (Tel Aviv University), “Remembering, Forgetting, and the Creation of Community at Tel Bet Yerah” (25 min.)

Yorke M. Rowan (The Oriental Institute, University of Chicago), “Between Household and Landscape: Searching for Chalcolithic Communities” (25 min.)
Respondent:  
*Gary O. Rollefson* (Whitman College), (25 min.)

Discussion (5 min. between papers)

**A48  Artifacts: The Inside Story**

*Theme: Presents interpretation of the archaeological record resulting from data acquired through physical or chemical analysis of archaeological materials. Topics include provenance and trade, materials characterization, workshop activity, manufacturing techniques, and ancient technology.*

*Elizabeth S. Friedman* (Illinois Institute of Technology) and *Heather Snow* (University of Toronto), Presiding

*Gloria A. London* (Independent Scholar) and *Robert Shuster* (University of Nebraska), “Iron Age II Black Burnished Bowls from the Inside Out” (20 min.)

*Christine M. Thompson* (University of Akron), “Tarshish, Sherden, and Sardinia: One Path on the Silver Trail” (20 min.)

*Eudora J. Struble* (The Oriental Institute, University of Chicago), “The Stone Cutters and Carvers of Yesemek: Discovering the People, Processes, and Practicalities Behind the Stone Monuments of the Zincirli Region” (20 min.)

*Jim Roames* (University of Toronto), “The Early Iron Age Metal Workshop at Tell Tayinat, Turkey” (20 min.)

*Yuval Goren* (Tel Aviv University) and *Diamantis Panagiotopoulos* (University of Heidelberg), “The Lords of the Rings: An Analytical Approach to the Riddle of the Knossian Replica Rings” (20 min.)

Discussion (4 min. between papers)

**A49  Joint Archaeological Expedition to Tell el-Hesi: Reports On Regional Survey**

*H. Katharine Sheeler* (National Cathedral School), Presiding

Introduction (5 min.)

*James W. Hardin* (Mississippi State University), “An Overview: The Hesi Regional Survey and the Early Periods” (20 min.)

*Katia Cytryn-Silverman* (The Hebrew University of Jerusalem), “From Gaza to Hebron: A Road-Inn at Khirbat al-Sukkariyya from the Mamluk Period” (20 min.)

*Jeffrey A. Blakely* (University of Wisconsin, Madison), “Imprint of WWI on the Archaeological Record of the Hesi Region” (20 min.)

*Benjamin A. Saidel* (East Carolina University), “The Nature of Tent Camps among the Bedouin in the Tell el-Hesi Region” (20 min.)

Respondent: *Donald Whitcomb* (The Oriental Institute, University of Chicago), (10 min.)

Respondent: *Bethany Walker* (Missouri State University), (10 min.)
General Discussion (15 min.)

A50  Byzantine and Early Islamic Near East
Bert de Vries (Calvin College), Presiding

Abdel Latif Afandy (Cairo University), “Treatment and Conservation of a Rare Islamic Manuscript Dated (294 A.H.)” (25 min.)

Reem S. Al-Shqour (Ghent University), “The Jalul Islamic Village: 2008-9 Excavations, Madaba Plains Project” (25 min.)

Kenneth G. Holm (University of Maryland), “Caesarea Maritima: The Octagonal Church in Its Urban Setting” (25 min.)


Bert De Vries (Calvin College) and Paul Christians (Open Hand Studios), “Documentation at Umm El-Jimal, Jordan: ‘Building’ a Museum for the 21st Century” (20 min.)

4:15-6:15pm

A51  History of Archaeology
Rachel Hallote (Purchase College, SUNY), Presiding

Morag M. Kersel (The Oriental Institute, University of Chicago), “‘A New Plan?’ Buying Back the Past” (20 min.)

Kevin M. McGeough (University of Lethbridge), “Near Eastern Archaeology in Victorian Popular Culture” (20 min.)

Elena D. Corbett (Penn State Erie, The Behrend College), “David and Solomon or Daoud and Suleiman? Some Arab Perspectives on Ancient Israel” (20 min.)

Brian Schultz (Fresno Pacific University), “The History of Syro-Palestinian Archaeology Memorialized” (20 min.)

Eric Meyers (Duke University) and Rachel Hallote (Purchase College, SUNY), “ASOR’s Own Archives: Materials from the 1870’s-1960’s—Update and Progress Report on the ASOR Archiving Project” (20 min.)

Discussion (4 min. between papers)

A52  Phoenicians and the Mediterranean
S. Rebecca Martin (Southeast Missouri State University) and Jessica L. Nitschke (Georgetown University), Presiding

Ann C. Gunter (Northwestern University), “Re-mapping Phoenician Material and Visual Culture in the Eastern Mediterranean” (20 min.)
Jane B. Carter (Tulane University), “Caryatid Stands” (20 min.)

Ayelet Gilboa (University of Haifa), “De-commercializing Early Iron Age Phoenician Bichrome: A Petrographic and Stylistic Study” (20 min.)

Discussion (10 min.)

Ann Kuttner (University of Pennsylvania), “Script as Icon: The Text-monuments of the Phoenician Diaspora, ca. 6th-1st c. B.C.E.” (20 min.)

Glenn Markoe (Cincinnati Art Museum), “Phoenician Trade, with a Particular Focus on the Central Mediterranean and Tyrrhenian Basin” (20 min.)

Discussion (10 min.)

A53 "Figuring Out" the Figurines of the Ancient Near East II
Theme: Focuses on the research and analysis of terracotta figurines from across all regions, sites, and time periods in the Ancient Near East and Eastern Mediterranean. New perspectives, interdisciplinary dialogue, and cross-cultural comparisons within figurine studies will be encouraged.
Andrea Creel (University of California, Berkeley), Presiding

Christopher A. Tuttle (American Center of Oriental Research, Amman), “The Nabataean Coroplastic Arts: A Synthetic Methodology for Addressing a Diverse Corpus” (25 min.)

Erin Walcek Averett (Creighton University), “The Ritual Contexts of Archaic Cypriote Figurines” (25 min.)

Elizabeth M. Bloch-Smith (St. Joseph’s University), “Nudity is Divine: Southern Levantine Female Figurines” (25 min.)

Mehdi Mortazavi (University of Sistan and Baluchestan), “Figurines of Bronze Age Iran from Tepe Dasht” (25 min.)

General Discussion (20 min.)

A54 Music in Tragedy’s Wake
Theodore W Burgh (University of North Carolina, Wilmington) and Michael M. Homan (Xavier University of Louisiana), Presiding

Hugh Page (University of Notre Dame), “Sea, Storm, Tragedy, and Ethnogenesis – Reading Early Israel through the Lens of Katrina” (25 min.)

Connie Z. Atkinson (University of New Orleans), “‘Make Way for the Rebirth’: Music’s Role in Renewal Policies in New Orleans” (25 min.)

Theodore W Burgh (University of North Carolina, Wilmington), “Expression from Tragedy” (25 min.)

Mark A. Gstohl (Xavier University of Louisiana) and Michael Ekeh (Xavier University of Louisiana), “Hip Hop Responds to the Katrina Tragedy” (25 min.)
General Discussion (20 min.)

6:00-8:00pm

**A55  Voodoo Dolls of the Ancient Near East**  
*Michael M. Homan* (Xavier University of Louisiana), Presiding

*Sallie Ann Glassman* (Island of Salvation Botanica/La Source Ancienne Ounfou), “Vodou Spirits and Sacred Vodou Flags” (20 min.)

*Gary O. Rollefson* (Whitman College), “The Glory Belongs to Our Ancestors: The Neolithic 'Ain Ghazal Statues and Plastered Skulls” (20 min.)

*Christopher A. Faraone* (University of Chicago), “Voodoo Dolls in the Greek and Roman Worlds: An Update” (20 min.)

*Sara A. Rich* (Catholic University, Leuven), “Manipulated Miniatures: Haitian and Mesopotamian Figurines Defy Human Destiny” (20 min.)

*William G. Dever* (University of Arizona, Emeritus), “The Judean Pillar-base Figurines: Mothers or Mother-Goddesses?” (20 min.)

*Shawna Dolansky* (Northeastern University), “Re-Figuring ‘Fertility’ Figurines: Fetishistic Functions of the Feminine Form” (20 min.)