Upcoming Events

The Humanities Center is hosting a presentation by 2013-14 Rothman Doctoral Fellow Anna Lankina (History) entitled: “Listening to Heretical Voices: Philostorgius’s Vision of History,” with a focus on religious minorities and making history. The presentation will take place in Walker Hall, Room 200, on October 29, 2013, from 4:00-5:00pm. Rarely do historians have access to the voices of religious minorities. In the later Roman Empire, sources pertaining to such “heretical” groups were targeted for systematic destruction. The fifth-century Greek Ecclesiastical History of the Christian “Arian heretic” Philostorgius is an unusual example of a surviving minority source. In this talk, Anna Lankina will not only provide insight into the work of a persecuted religious minority, but will also argue for the History’s rightful place as an integral part of the development of the genre of ecclesiastical history. Specifically, she will demonstrate that Philostorgius displays a distinctive theology of history, viewing religion and empire as interconnected categories that reveal the will of God in human history.

Upcoming Lectures

Cynthia Packert, Christian A. Johnson Professor, and Chair of the Department of the History of Art and Architecture, Middlebury College, will give a lecture on “‘The Lord’s Own Temple-Museum:’ Memory, Myth, and Monuments in Swaminarayan Hinduism.” It will take place at the Harn Museum on October 19, 2013 at 3:00pm. See prior bulletin for details.

Cynthia Packert will also hold an informal meeting with graduate students on Friday, October 18, 2013, from 3:00-4:30pm, in Anderson Room 117. See prior bulletin for details.

Daniel Levine (University of Michigan) will give a lecture entitled “The Argentine Pope and the Future of Religion in Latin America” on November 5, 2013, at 6:00pm, in Smathers Library (East). He will also offer a workshop-brown bag lunch for faculty and graduate students at noon in 117 Anderson. See prior bulletin for details.

Faculty Presentations

Professor Bron Taylor has been invited to give one of the keynote presentations (along with Bruno Latour, Timothy Ingold, and Patty Limerick) at the 2014 “Under Western Skies” conference to be held at Mount Royal University in Calgary, Canada, in September 2014. Event Information: http://skies.mtroyal.ca/

Publications

Sarah Werner’s (PhD student, Nature) review of The Mindful Carnivore: A Vegetarian’s


**News**

Professor **Terje Ostebo** appeared in an *IPS News*’ story about the current situation for Ethiopian Muslims: [http://www.ipsnews.net/2013/10/ethiopian-government-choking-muslim-unrest](http://www.ipsnews.net/2013/10/ethiopian-government-choking-muslim-unrest)