HEBREW BIBLE / OLD TESTAMENT SEMINAR

2019 Michaelmas Term

Convener: Prof Hindy Najman (Oriel)

Monday at 2:30–4.00 p.m. followed by tea

Location: Harris Seminar Room, Oriel College

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Weeks 1*, 3, 4, 5, 6 (no meetings weeks 2, 7, 8)

Rethinking Intertextuality

Week 1: October 14*

No session on Monday. Instead Induction will take place on Thursday 17th October, 10am – 1pm

Week 2: October 21

No seminar

Week 3: October 28

William Tooman (St Andrews) – Standards of (In)coherence in Ancient Jewish Literature

Week 4: November 4

Michael Fishbane (Chicago) – Scripture, Tradition and Theology in the Liturgical Poetry of R. Meir Shatz (11c Ashkenaz)

Week 5: November 11

Jan Joosten (Christ Church) – Intertextuality in Wisdom 2:12-20

Week 6: November 18

Postgraduate Session led by Hindy Najman (Oriel) (readings will be pre-circulated)

Week 7: November 25

No Session

Week 8: December 1-2

In lieu of our weekly seminar, we will be running a two-day workshop entitled "Hermeneutic Interventions and Practices of Reading: Between Modernity and Antiquity" on December 1st and 2nd in Oriel College. <u>Click here</u> for the programme.

For any questions please contact: **Stefania Beitia,** Assistant to Professor Hindy Najman (stefania.beitia@oriel.ox.ac.uk)

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2020 Hilary Term

Convener: Prof Hindy Najman (Oriel) and Jan Joosten (Christ Church)

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Weeks 1, 2, 2*, 3, 4, 5, 6, 6**, 7, 8

Week 1: January 20

Geoffrey Khan (Cambridge) – The Exegetical Significance of the Vocalization Traditions of Biblical Hebrew

Week 2: January 27

Benjamin Kantor (Cambridge) – The Exegetical Significance of Early Greek and Latin Transcriptions of the Biblical Hebrew Vocalization Traditions: The Case of Ps. 110.3 and Isa. 9.5

Vladimir Olivero (Oriental Studies) – The Woman at the Window: Gender and Diathesis in Biblical Hebrew

Week 2: Wednesday January 29 (2:30-4.00 p.m. followed by tea)*

Nili Samet (Bar-Ilan) – Qohelet's Language in Its Cultural Context

Week 3: February 3

Adina Moshavi (Bar Ilan) – Conversation Analysis of Biblical Hebrew and Its Significance for Exegesis

Week 4: February 10

Professionalization Session for Postgraduate students

Chairs: Arjen Bakker (Oriel) and Yael Fisch (Oriel) – Preparing and submitting your abstract for conferences

Week 5: February 17

Randall Garr (Santa Barbara) - Hithallek and Its Congeners

Week 6: February 24

Christian Stadel (Be'er Sheva) – Tracking the Meanings Assigned to Rare Biblical Words: On the Importance of Reading and Translation Traditions for the Biblical Lexicon

Week 6: Thursday February 27, 2.30-4.00 p.m. (followed by tea)**

Special session: David Carr (Union Theological Seminary) and John Day (Oxford) – Writing a Commentary on Genesis 1-11

Week 7: March 2

Pierre Van Hecke (Leuven) – "Did you not pour me out like milk and curdle me like cheese?" (Job 10:10). Recent Developments in Metaphor Theory and Their Importance for Biblical Exegesis

Week 8: March 9

Jan Joosten (Christ Church) - Tense, Aspect and Sprechhaltung in Biblical Hebrew Prose

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Trinity Term 2020

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Week 1: April 27

No seminar this week, cancelled due to Covid19

Molly Zahn (University of Kansas) – Imagining What Is Not (Yet?): The Revealed Temples of Ezekiel and the Temple Scroll

Week 2: May 4

No seminar this week, cancelled due to Covid19

Peter Machinist (Harvard) - Title TBA

Week 3: May 11

No seminar this week, cancelled due to Covid19

Carol Newsom (Emory) – *The Art of the Curse*

Week 3: May 14*

No seminar this week, cancelled due to Covid19

Thursday, 5.00-6.30 p.m. followed by a reception, Harris Lecture Theatre, Oriel College

The Annual Bible in the Humanities Lecture

Speaker: Geoffrey Khan (Cambridge)

Week 4: May 18

No seminar this week, cancelled due to Covid19

Hindy Najman (Oriel) and Konrad Schmid (Zurich) – Reading the Blood Plague: An Interpretive Approach at the Micro and Macro Levels

Week 5: May 25

Cian Power (Theology) – Title TBA

Week 6: June 1

Jan Christian Gertz (Heidelberg) - Title TBA

Week 7: June 8

TBD

Week 8: June 15

William Schniedewind (UCLA) – How Scribal Curriculum Shaped the Hebrew Bible

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