Oxford Centre for Hebrew and Jewish Studies



Hilary Term 2016



THE DAVID PATTERSON LECTURES

The Lectures are held in the Catherine Lewis Lecture Room, Oxford Centre for Hebrew and Jewish Studies, Clarendon Institute, Walton Street, Oxford, OX1 2HG (Tel. 01865 610422)

(except for week 8) *

Mondays at 7.15pm (Drinks from 6.45pm)

18 January Professor Alison Salvesen (University of Oxford)

What did the biblical writers have against Egypt?

25 January Professor Miriam Frenkel (Hebrew University of Jerusalem)

Books and book culture in medieval Jewish society under Islam

1 February Dr Dorothy Peters (Trinity Western University)

'Egypt' in the Dead Sea Scrolls: Danger and provision

8 February Professor Ronny Reich (Tel Aviv University)

Jewish ritual baths in the land of Israel and in medieval Germany

15 February Dr Deborah Jacobs (Freie Universität, Berlin)

Jews in Roman Egypt and the papyri

22 February Dr Zoe Waxman (OCHJS)

Writing a life: reflections on Anne Frank

29 February Dr Dalit Rom-Shiloni (Tel Aviv University)

Hebrew Bible Theology: a Jewish descriptive approach

7 March* - this lecture will take place at Corpus Christi College Dr Peter Pormann (University of Manchester)

The Study of Hebrew in Medieval and Renaissance England: the Corpus connection

ALL ARE WELCOME

Oxford Seminar in Advanced Jewish Studies

"ISRAEL IN EGYPT":

The land of Egypt as concept and reality for the Jews in Antiquity and the early medieval period

Convenors: Professor Miriam Frenkel, Professor Sarah Pearce and Professor Alison Salvesen

The Workshops and Seminars will be held on Tuesdays and Wednesdays

Wednesdays 10am – 12 noon in the Clarendon Institute

Week 1, 20 January Professor Alison Salvesen (OCHJS)

Workshop: Biblical texts on Egypt: formation and reception

Week 2, 27 January Professor Sarah Pearce (University of Southampton):

Seminar: Philo and the memory of Ptolemaic rule

Week 3, 3 February Professor Jan Joosten (Christ Church)

Workshop: Egypt and the Historical and Theological Lexicon of the Septuagint

Week 4, 10 February Professor Joan Taylor (King's College London)

Seminar: Gender and synagogue space

Week 5, 17 February David Friedman (Wolfson College)

Workshop: Jewish sources on the Jews' (putative) Egyptian origins

Week 6, 24 February Dr Rachel Mairs (Reading University)

Seminar: Ethnicity, multi-lingualism and the Jews in Graeco-Roman Egypt: Sources and approaches

Week 7, 2 March Professor Tessa Rajak (Reading University, Emerita)

Workshop: Josephus on the Oniads

Week 8, 9 March Professor Hindy Najman (Oriel College)

Seminar: Joseph Returns to Egypt: Rewriting the Joseph cycle in first-century Alexandria

Oxford Seminar in Advanced Jewish Studies

"ISRAEL IN EGYPT" continued......

Tuesdays (Weeks 1,3,5,7) from 2.30-4pm in the Clarendon Institute

Week 1, 19 January **Dr James Aitken** (Cambridge University) *The LXX translators in an Egyptian setting* (apud Alexandriam)

Week 3, 2 February **Professor George Brooke** (University of Manchester) Choosing between Papyrus and Skin: Cultural Complexity and Multiple Identities in the Qumran Library

Week 5, 16 February Dr Deborah Jacobs (Freie Universität, Berlin) Anti-Jewish sentiments in Roman Egypt

Week 7, 1 March **Dr Dorothy Peters** (Trinity Western University) Bridges and Boundaries: Concepts of 'Egypt' in the Dead Sea Scrolls

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LANGUAGE CLASSES

BIBLICAL HEBREW

Wednesdays at the Clarendon Institute

Weeks 1-8	4.45-5.45pm:	Continuers
	5.45-6.45pm:	Beginners

Please register with the tutor: Dr Stephen L Herring (Lector in Biblical Hebrew, OCHJS)

email: stephen.herring@orinst.ox.ac.uk

MODERN HEBREW ULPAN

Thursdays at the Clarendon Institute

Weeks 1-8	5.45-6.45pm:	Beginners
	6.45-7.45pm:	Intermediate

Please register with the tutor: Daniel Herskowitz

e-mail: daniel.herskowitz@wolfson.ox.ac.uk

YIDDISH CLASSES

Mondays at the Clarendon Institute

Weeks 1-5 and 7-8	4.45-5.45pm:	Beginners
	5.45 -6.45pm:	Intermediate & Advanced

Please register with the tutor: Dr Khayke B Wiegand (Corob Lector in Yiddish, OCHJS) e-mail: <u>BeruriahWiegand@aol.com</u>

All are welcome. Members of the public are advised that in some classes teaching may be adjusted to meet University requirements

SEMINAR ON JEWISH HISTORY AND LITERATURE IN THE GRAECO-ROMAN PERIOD

The following seminars will be held on Tuesdays, 2.30 to 4 pm, at the Oxford Centre for Hebrew and Jewish Studies, Clarendon Institute, Walton Street

Convenors: Professor Martin Goodman, Professor Alison Salvesen and Professor Sarah Pearce

*January 19: Dr James Aitken (Cambridge)

The LXX translators in an Egyptian setting

January 26 : Professor James Kugel (Harvard)

The newly-found fragment of the Aramaic Levi document

*February : Professor George Brooke (Manchester)

Choosing between papyrus and skin: cultural complexity and multiple identities in the Qumran library

February 9: Dr Simon Gathercole (Cambridge)

Palestinian place names in the Gospels, Josephus and rabbinic literature

*February 16: Dr Deborah Jacobs (Freie Universität, Berlin)

Anti-Jewish sentiments in Roman Egypt

February 23: Professor Sir Fergus Millar (OCHJS)

The Midrash on Lamentations (Ekha Rabbati): Vespasian and Hadrian

*March 1: Dr Dorothy Peters (Trinity Western)

Bridges and Boundaries: Concepts of 'Egypt' in the Dead Sea Scrolls

March 8: Dr Sergey Minov

Jewish-Christian relations in the late-ancient and early-medieval Near East

* These seminars are part of the OSAJS project "Israel in Egypt"

ALL WELCOME

DOCTORAL SEMINARS: Hilary Term 2016

Convenor: Professor Joanna Weinberg

The seminars will take place at the Clarendon Institute, Walton Street on Thursdays at 1pm

These seminars are open to graduate students and Faculty only

Week 2: 28 January Sonja Noll

The semantics of silence in the Hebrew Bible

Week 4: 11 February Symon Foren

The Legacy of Averroes in Obadya Sforno's Light of the Nations

Week 6: 25 February Jonathan Davies

Princeps a Deo electus: God, the gods and Vespasian's accession in Josephus' Jewish War

Week 7: 3 March Hebatalia Taha

Living the Israeli Dream? The Economic Choices of Palestinians in Israel

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SEMINAR IN MODERN JEWISH HISTORY

MK Room, Brasenose College, Mondays, 11.15

Convenors: Professor Abigail Green, Professor David Rechter, Dr Zoe Waxman

Week 2: Monday Jan. 25 Jean-Marc Dreyfus (University of Manchester)

In search of Holocaust commemoration: the transfer of ashes, 1945-1955

Week 4: Monday Feb. 8 Irina Marin (University of Leicester)

For Whom the Bell Tolls: the Jewish Question in Romania and the 1907 Peasant Uprising

Week 6: Monday Feb. 22 James McCauley (University of Oxford)

The Home as Self-Portraiture: Théodore Reinach's Villa Kérylos, Material Self-Fashioning, and Franco-Jewish Identity After Dreyfus

Week 8: Monday March 7 Tom Cordiner (University of Cambridge)

Thatcher, Philosemitism and Israel in 1980s Britain

SEMINAR IN ISRAEL STUDIES

Tuesdays (apart from Monday Feb 29) at 5pm.

Venue: SIAS, 11 Bevington Road (unless stated otherwise)

Convenors: Professor Derek Penslar and Dr Sara Yael Hirschhorn

January 26 Gershon Baskin Israel-Hamas Negotiations: From Prisoner Swaps to Peace?

February 2 **Eitan Bar Yosef** (Ben-Gurion University) *The Nostalgic Return to the British Mandate in Israeli Culture*

February 9*Venue: Investcorp Lecture Theatre, St. Antony's CollegeSeth Anziska (UCL)(Co-sponsored with the Middle East Centre)The Limits of Refusal: Israel, Lebanon, and the Shadow of 1982

February 16 Nachshon Perez (Tel Aviv University) and Yuval Jobani (Bar Ilan University) Women of the Wall: Navigating Religion in the Public Sphere

February 23 **Rona Yona** (New York University) *Are We One Nation? Socialist Zionism, East Europe, and Palestine, 1917-1939*

February 29 * Venue: St Peter's College Naomi Chazan and Yossi Melman (Co-sponsored with DPIR) Israeli-African Relations Today

March 1 * Venue: Tsuzuki Lecture Theatre, St. Anne's College Benjamin Pogrund, Saul Dubow (QMUL) and Sasha Polakow-Suransky Is Israel an Apartheid State?



MAISON FRANÇAISE d'OXFORD 2-10 Norham Road

Tuesday 19 January at 5.15pm

Discussion of the new book by **Astrid von Busekist**, *Doors and Walls: On Boundaries and Democracy*, on legal debates around the construction of *eruvin* in contemporary democracies.

Discussants: Astrid von Busekist (Sciences Po), Lucine Endelstein (MFO), Martin Goodman (OCHJS), Norman Solomon (OCHJS)

Free admission but registration required at: www.mfo.ac.uk/node/4444/register

LONDON LECTURES AT JW3 The Oxford Series

HILARY TERM 2016

Thursdays at 7.30-9.00pm

Venue: 341-351 Finchley Road, London NW3 6ET

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January 21: Professor Derek Penslar (University of Oxford) Brethren on the Battlefield: The Jews in World War 1 January 28: Dr Sara Y Hirschhorn (University of Oxford) The Israeli Settler Movement February 4: Dr Adriana X Jacobs (University of Oxford) Israeli Poetry in Wartime February 11: Professor David Rechter (University of Oxford) European Jewry and the First World War HALF TERM February 25: Professor Alison Salvesen (University of Oxford) What did the biblical writers have against Egypt? March 3: Dr Deborah Jacobs (Freie Universität, Berlin) What can we learn about Jews in Roman Egypt from papyri? March 10: Dr Dorothy Peters (Trinity Western University) 'Egypt' in the Dead Sea Scrolls: Danger and Provision March 17: Professor Sarah Pearce (University of Southampton) Cleopatra and the Jews



VISITING FELLOWS AND SCHOLARS: Hilary Term 2016

Visiting OSAJS Fellows - "Israel in Egypt"

Dr Lorenzo Cuppi

Professor Miriam Frenkel (Hebrew University of Jerusalem)

Dr Deborah Jacobs (Freie Universität, Berlin)

Professor Sarah Pearce (University of Southampton)

Dr Dorothy Peters (Trinity Western University)



Visiting Scholars

Dr Jaclyn Granick (Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies, Geneva)

Dr Tuukka Kauhanen (University of Helsinki)

Dr Dalit Rom-Shiloni (Tel Aviv University)

Dr Yuval Shahar (Tel Aviv University)

Dr Romans Vaters (Manchester University)

Dr Susan Weingarten (Tel Aviv University)

Visiting Doctoral Students

Ms Sofia Locatelli (University of Bologna)

Ms Elena Lolli (University of Bologna)

Ms Sarah Walter (Freie Universität, Berlin)



THURSDAY COFFEE AND CAKE

Every Thursday morning during term from 11 to 11.30 in the Common Room. An opportunity to meet and catch up with others working in Hebrew and Jewish Studies.

All are very welcome



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