



SPECIAL LECTURE

Sauro Gelichi

(Università di Venezia)

***“Local exchange – international exchange.
The economy of northern Italy from
Lombard to Carolingian times”***



Tuesday 3 February 2009 at 5pm

Danson Room, Trinity College

(At 2pm on Monday 2 February, Prof. Gelichi is also giving a paper on ‘Comacchio: the birth and decline of an early medieval Adriatic Emporium’ at the Medieval Archaeology Seminar, held in the Institute of Archaeology seminar room, 36 Beaumont Street)

Listed here are the lectures and seminars on Late Antiquity taking place in Oxford between January and April 2009.

The Special Lectures are funded by a generous grant from Lewis Chester, who read History at Trinity College in the 1980s

The details of all these events are also available on the OCLA web-site:

www.ocla.ox.ac.uk

(where any up-datings will be posted)



SPECIAL LECTURE

Guy G. Stroumsa

(Hebrew University of Jerusalem)

*“Sacrifice and Martyrdom
in the Roman Empire”*



Thursday 19 February 2009 at 5pm

Danson Room, Trinity College

*(At 2.15pm on Wednesday 18 February, Prof. Stroumsa is also
giving a paper on “Eastern Wisdoms in Late Antiquity”*

at the Patristic Seminar held in Lecture Room 1, Christ Church)



SPECIAL LECTURE

Peter Adamson

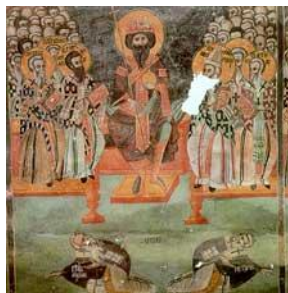
(King’s College London)

*“The early reception of late antique
philosophy in Islam”*



Tuesday 3 March 2009 at 5pm

History Faculty, The Old Boys’ High School, George Street



Approaching Ephesus: Theology, Politics and Rhetoric at the Council of 431

COLLOQUIUM: Saturday 14 March 2009

Rainolds Room, Corpus Christi College, Oxford

- 11.00 am *Theology at Ephesus (and after)*
CHAIR: Claudia Rapp (University of California at Los Angeles)
Paul Clayton (New York):
The 433 Formula of Union: Antiochene or Alexandrian Christology?
RESPONSE: Thomas Graumann (University of Cambridge)
- 12.30 pm Lunch
- 1.30 pm *Politics and Procedure*
CHAIR: Timothy Barnes (Edinburgh)
Richard Price (Heythrop College):
Theodosius II and the Council of Ephesus
RESPONSE: Christopher Kelly (University of Cambridge)
- 3.00 pm Tea/coffee
- 3.30 pm *The Rhetoric of Ephesus*
CHAIR: Averil Cameron (University of Oxford)
Maijastina Kahlos (University of Helsinki):
'Ditches of destruction': Cyril's rhetoric of pressure and persuasion
RESPONSE: Kate Cooper (University of Manchester)
- 5.00 pm Drinks reception

The colloquium is free, but since space is limited you are asked to email
 Neil McLynn <neil.mclynn@classics.ox.ac.uk> to register.

A sandwich lunch is available at Corpus at £5.00 per head. This must be booked when registering.

The colloquium is organized by Neil McLynn with the support of Paul Pheby

Late Antique Jerusalem and the Holy Land

Convenors: Judith McKenzie and Marlena Whiting

Thursdays at 12 noon, Weeks 2–7. Ioannou Centre for Classical and Byzantine Studies, 66 St Giles, Oxford (first floor seminar room)

*N.B.: Weeks 2 and 3 are as shown below,
 not as on published Lecture List*

- 29 January (Week 2) **David Milson:**
From the temple in Jerusalem to the late antique synagogues of Galilee
- 5 February (Week 3) **Martin Biddle:**
The Church of the Holy Sepulchre: Origins, architecture, and the status quo
- 12 February (Week 4) **Elias Khamis:**
The Dome of the Rock and early Islamic Jerusalem
- 19 February (Week 5) **Marlena Whiting:**
The topography of late antique Jerusalem
- 26 February (Week 6) **Marlia Mango:**
Mosaics of the Holy Land
- 5 March (Week 7) **Jesse Simon:**
Aspects of urban Life in Roman Palestine from Augustus to Khusro II: an introduction

Late Antique and Byzantine Archaeology and Art seminar

Convenors: *Lukas A. Schachner and Georgi R. Parpulov*

THURSDAYS of Weeks 1–7 at 5pm in the Seminar Room, Institute of Archaeology

- 22 January (Week 1) **Elif Keser-Kayaalp** (Exeter):
Beth Qadishe (House of Saints) in the Monasteries of Northern Mesopotamia
- 29 January (Week 2) **Eleonora Gasparini** (Università di Roma “La Sapienza”):
Continuity and change in Late Antique housing at Ptolemais (Cyrenaica)
- 5 February (Week 3) **Efthymios Rizos** (Keble):
Urban life in Thrace under the Tetrarchy and Constantine
- 12 February (Week 4) **Örgü Dalgic** (New York University):
Late antique floor mosaics from Constantinople
- 19 February (Week 5) **Vasileios Marinis** (City University of New York):
Notes on the use of the narthex in the middle and late Byzantine periods
- 26 February (Week 6) **Georges Kazan** (St John’s):
An Ark for Byzantium: the miniature sarcophagus reliquary (A.D. 330–642)
- 5 March (Week 7) **Adam Levine** (Corpus Christi):
A beautiful Christ: Materiality and divinity in the earliest Sinai icons

Late Antique and Byzantine Seminar

This term the seminar is centred, outside Late Antiquity, on the Palaiologan period. The seminar is meeting at 5pm on Fridays (not its usual Wednesdays) and full details can be found here: <https://www.history.ox.ac.uk/seminars/display/seminar/218>

The Corpus Classical Seminar History and Identity in the Late Antique East

Corpus Seminar room (Front quad) on Wednesdays at 5.00pm

Convenor: *Philip Wood*

- 21 January (Week 1) **Harry Munt** (Wolfson College):
Ibn al-Azraq, St Marutha, and the foundation of Mayyafariqin (Martyropolis)
- 28 January (Week 2) **Arietta Papaconstantinou** (Corpus Christi College):
Language, identity and regional variation in the early Islamic period
- 4 February (Week 3) **Phil Booth** (Trinity College):
History and identity in the patriarchal sermons of Sophronius of Jerusalem
- 11 February (Week 4) **Mathieu Tillier** (Wolfson College):
Juridical knowledge and local identities under the early Abbasids
- 18 February (Week 5) **Muriel Debié** (Paris, CNRS):
Eastern and western Syriac historiography
- 25 February (Week 6) **Greg Fisher** (Ottawa):
Rome and the Arabs in late Antiquity: The imperial alliance and the Jafnid dynasty, 500–580
- 4 March (Week 7) **Jack Tannous** (Princeton):
‘You are what you read’: Qenneshre and the Miaphysite Church in the seventh century
- 11 March (Week 8) **Richard Payne** (Trinity College, Cambridge):
East Syrian Christians and Iranian Law

Patristic Seminar

Later Adaptations and Appropriations of Patristic Authors

Theology Faculty and the Oxford Centre for Late Antiquity

Wednesdays, normally at 5pm (except for fifth week) at Christ Church, Lecture Room 1 (Tom Quad, Staircase 8)

Convenors: Mark Edwards (Christ Church) and Stan Rosenberg (Wycliffe Hall)

- 21 January (Week 1) **Mark Edwards** (Christ Church, Oxford):
Nineteenth-century Anglicans on the Origins of Papal Monarchy
- 28 January (Week 2) **Tom Fedrick-Illsley** (Mansfield College, Oxford):
Nicaea and the Status of the Son in seventeenth-century Anglican Thought
- 4 February (Week 3) **Johannes Zachhuber** (Trinity College, Oxford):
What is Christ's Humanity? Some Nineteenth-century Answers and their Patristic Roots
- 11 February (Week 4) **Peter Petkoff** (Brunel / Balliol College, Oxford):
Patristic Authorities and Canon Law in the Twelfth-Century Canonical Collections Rome and Constantinople – Gratian of Bologna and Theodore Balsamon Compared
- 18 February (Week 5) **Guy G. Stroumsa** (Hebrew University of Jerusalem):
Eastern Wisdoms in Late Antiquity
NOTE: THIS PAPER WILL COMMENCE AT 2.15 P.M.
- 25 February (Week 6) **Julia Konstantinovskiy** (Wolfson College, Oxford):
The Patristic Tradition in Eastern Orthodoxy
- 4 March (Week 7) **Chris Bounds** (Indiana Wesleyan University):
Patristic formation of John Wesley's soteriology
- 11 March (Week 8) **Rebecca White** (Oxford):
The role of experience in the fourteenth-century hesychast approach to the fathers

Seminar on Jewish History and Literature in the Graeco-Roman Period

Tuesdays at 2.15 pm.

All meetings will be held in the Oriental Institute. (Please note that there will be no meeting in First Week.)

Convenor: Martin Goodman

- 27 January (Week 2) **Dennis Mizzi** (Wolfson):
The cemeteries at Qumran: a re-evaluation of the evidence
- 3 February (Week 3) **Sacha Stern** (UCL):
Rabbinic perspectives on pagan ritual, public shows, and Roman civic life: some fresh evidence
- 10 February (Week 4) **Martin Goodman** (Wolfson):
Sectarianism before and after 70 CE
- 17 February (Week 5) **Gaia Lembi** (UCL):
Geographical descriptions in Josephus: the case of Jerusalem
- 24 February (Week 6) **Sarah Pearce** (Southampton):
Philo on the extreme allegorists
- 5 March (Week 7) **Markus Bockmuehl** (Keble):
Locating Paradise
- 10 March (Week 8) **Tessa Rajak** (Reading and Oxford):
Translation and identity: the language of the Greek Bible

Medieval Archaeology Seminar

Mondays at 2.00 in the Institute of Archaeology Seminar Room, 36 Beaumont Street

Convenors: Lesley Abrams and Helena Hamerow

- 26 January (Week 2) **Professor Matthew Johnson:**
The rise and fall of theory in medieval archaeology
- 2 February (Week 3) **Sauro Gelichi:**
The Other Venice. Comacchio: the emergence and decline of an early medieval Adriatic emporium
- ~~9 February (Week 4) **Dr John Naylor:**
A new look at old towns: re-exploring emporia and exchange in Middle Anglo-Saxon England~~
- 23 February (Week 6) **Professor Roberta Gilchrist:**
The archaeology of medieval masculinity: The male body in death
- 9 March (Week 8) **Professor Anders Andrén:**
In the shadow of Yggdrasil. The Old Norse World Tree between ideal and reality

Medieval History Seminar

Mondays at 5pm in the Wharton Room, All Souls

Convenor: Chris Wickham

- 9 February (Week 4) **Felicity Clark:**
The Frontiers of Early Medieval Northumbria: Perception and Experience

A full listing of other (later) papers in this seminar is at <https://www.history.ox.ac.uk/seminars/display/seminar/215>

Celtic Seminar

Thursdays at 3pm in the Memorial Room, Jesus College

Convenor: Thomas Charles-Edwards and Patrick Wadden

- 5 February (Week 3) **Kelly Kilpatrick:**
Island place-names in Adomnan's 'Life of St Columba'
- 19 February (Week 5) **Rick Sowerby** (Merton College):
The function of the miraculous in the Lives of St Samson
- 12 March (Week 8) **Prof. Patrick Sims-Williams** (University of Wales, Aberystwyth):
Genetics, linguistics and prehistory, ten years on

A full listing of other (later) papers in this seminar is at <https://www.history.ox.ac.uk/seminars/display/seminar/232>

LECTURE SERIES

Late Antique Alexandrian and Egyptian Architecture

Judith McKenzie

Mondays at 12 noon, Weeks 2–7 (26 January–2 March)
Institute of Archaeology (Beaumont Street), seminar room

Ancient architecture discussion group

Convenors: Lucy Wadeson <lucy.wadeson@keble.ox.ac.uk> and Elif Keser-Kayaalp <elif.keser-kayaalp@arch.ox.ac.uk>

Fridays of Weeks 3, 5, and 6 at 1 pm in the Seminar Room, Institute of Archaeology

6 February **Marlena Whiting** (Lincoln College):
(Week 3) *Pilgrim Accommodation in the Late Antique Levant*

20 February **Efthymios Rizos** (Keble College):
(Week 5) *Elite building in Dacia and Thrace under the Tetrarchy*

27 February **Dr Elias Khamis** (Hebrew University/Oxford):
(Week 6) *Scythopolis: a model for urban change in the Umayyad period*

Late Antique Reading Group

This informal reading group, with a membership primarily of graduate students (at both masters and doctoral level), usually meets every fortnight during term to discuss recent works on Late Antiquity/Byzantium. Members of the group agree what they want to discuss from the whole field of Late Antique and Byzantine Studies.

Anyone interested in joining the group (from inside or outside Oxford University) should contact the convenor, Maria Kouroumali.<maria.kouroumali@wolfson.ox.ac.uk>