

American Academy of Religion Annual Meeting

San Diego, CA, USA
November 22-25, 2014
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Plenary Sessions:

- the release of the *PRRI/AAR National Survey on Religion, Values, and Climate Change*
- a session on the *Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change*
- "Updates from the Front Lines of the Climate Fight" with Bill McKibben
- a Plenary Panel on "Religion and the Roots of Climate Change Skepticism"
- a Presidential Address from AAR President, Laurie Zoloth
- and a talk from President Jimmy Carter called "The Role of Religion in Confronting the Global Crises of Violence, Climate Change, and Inequality"
- for more information on the Plenary Sessions, please visit
<https://www.aarweb.org/annual-meeting/aar-plenary-sessions-at-the-2014-annual-meetings-san-diego>

Religion and Ecology Sessions at the AAR

Below we've pasted:

- 1) Panels sponsored and co-sponsored by the Religion and Ecology Group
- 2) Additional sustainability-oriented panels

Don't stop looking there, however! There are a number of other papers related to climate disruption, and the normative and religious dimensions of various environmental challenges. We look forward to seeing you all in San Diego!

Warm regards,

Heather & Luke (see panels below)

RELIGION AND ECOLOGY SPONSORED, AND CO-SPONSORED PANELS:

A21-206

- Focus on Climate Change
- Focus on Sustainability
- Preconference Workshop

Religion and Ecology Workshop

Theme: *Religious Environmentalism and Environmental Activism*

Roger S. Gottlieb, Worcester Polytechnic Institute, Presiding

A22-127

- Quad sponsorship:

Liberal Theologies Group, Open and Relational Theologies Group, Religion and Ecology Group, and Wesleyan Studies Group

Theme: *John B. Cobb, Jr.: Work and Legacy*

Thomas Oord, Northwest Nazarene University, Presiding

*Cobb will be in attendance

A22-330

- Books under Discussion
- Focus on Climate Change
- Focus on Sustainability

Religion and Ecology Group, Science, Technology, and Religion Group, and *Zygon: Journal of Religion and Science*

Theme: *Why We Disagree about Climate Change (Cambridge University Press, 2009): A Zygon Panel on Science, Religion, and Values*

Willem B. Drees, Leiden University, Presiding

A23-271

- Focus on Climate Change
- Focus on Sustainability

Religion and Ecology Group

Theme: *Religious Climate Change Activism: A Comparative Appraisal*

Heather Eaton, Saint Paul University, Presiding

Sunday - 3:00 PM-4:30 PM

A23-329

- Focus on Climate Change
- Focus on Sustainability

Religion and Ecology Group

Theme: *The Activism and Philosophy of Sunderlal Bahuguna*

Mary Evelyn Tucker, Yale University, Presiding

Sunday - 5:00 PM-6:30 PM

A24-134

- Focus on Climate Change
- Focus on Sustainability

Religion and Ecology Group

Theme: *Contemplative Environmentalism: Religion and Resilience in the Face of Climate Change*

Aaron Weiss, California Institute of Integral Studies, Presiding

Monday - 9:00 AM-11:30 AM

A24-220

African Religions Group, International Development and Religions Group, Religion and Ecology Group, and Religions, Social Conflict, and Peace Group

Theme: *Religious Responses to Climate Change and Climate Challenges in Africa*

Unregistered Participant, Presiding

Monday - 1:00 PM-3:30 PM

ADDITIONAL PANELS WITH A FOCUS ON SUSTAINABILITY:

A21-205

- Focus on Sustainability
- Receptions/Breakfasts/Luncheons

Women's Lounge Roundtable

Theme: *AAR/SBL Women's Caucus Brown Bag Luncheon: Ecofeminism and Earth Healing*

Unregistered Participant, Presiding

Elizabeth Ursic, Mesa Community College, Presiding

Kathy McCallie, Phillips Theological Seminary, Presiding

A22-142

- Focus on Climate Change
- Focus on Sustainability

Plenaries

Theme: *Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change*

Laurie Zoloth, Northwestern University, Presiding

A22-220

- Books under Discussion
- Focus on Climate Change
- Focus on Sustainability

Christian Spirituality Group and SBL Ecological Hermeneutics Group

Theme: *The Bible and Climate Change: Twentieth Anniversary of Bill McKibben's The Comforting Whirlwind: God, Job and the Scale of Creation (Eerdmans, 1994; reprint Cowley, 2005)*

Barbara Rossing, Lutheran School of Theology, Chicago, Presiding

A22-224

- Focus on Sustainability

Kierkegaard, Religion, and Culture Group

Theme: *Kierkegaard and Nature*

Sheridan Hough, College of Charleston, Presiding

A22-402

Focus on Climate Change

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Plenaries

Theme: Bill McKibben

Laurie Zoloth, Northwestern University, Presiding

A23-124

Focus on Climate Change

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Feminist Theory and Religious Reflection Group

Theme: Topos Revisited: Ecological, Epistemological, Ethical Habitations

Carol White, Bucknell University, Presiding

A23-106

Focus on Climate Change

Focus on Sustainability

Public Understanding of Religion Committee

Theme: Religion and the Roots of Climate Change Skepticism

Erik Owens, Boston College, Presiding

A23-132

Focus on Climate Change

Focus on Sustainability

Religion and Humanism Group

Theme: What Kind of Anthropocentrism is Appropriate in the Anthropocene? Answers from Emerson and Thoreau

Molly Farneth, Princeton University, Presiding

A23-146

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Plenaries

Theme: Presidential Address: Laurie Zoloth

Thomas A. Tweed, University of Notre Dame, Presiding

A23-222

Focus on Sustainability

Mysticism Group

Theme: One Cosmos, Many Paths: Mysticism of Nature from Carpenter to Entheogens and Posthumanism

Laura Weed, College of Saint Rose, Presiding

A23-208

New Program Unit

Quadsponsorship

North American Religions Section, Study of Judaism Section, Religion and Food Group, and Space, Place, and Religion Group

Theme: "Jewish Food" in the American Marketplace: Contested Forms

Laura S. Levitt, Temple University, Presiding

A23-230

Focus on Climate Change

Focus on Sustainability

Wildcard Session

Theme: Climate Debt, Race Debt, Climate Colonialism: Forging a Just Future

Emilie M. Townes, Vanderbilt University, Presiding

A23-275

Focus on Climate Change

Focus on Sustainability

Sociology of Religion Group

Theme: To Green or Not to Green, and Everything in Between: Assessing Trends, Patterns and Gaps in Scholarship on Religion and the Environment

Lucas Johnston, Wake Forest University, Presiding

A23-316

Comparative Religious Ethics Group

Theme: New Approaches in Comparative Religious Ethics: Gender Analysis and Ethnographic Data

Grace Kao, Claremont School of Theology, Presiding

A23-322

Focus on Sustainability

New Program Unit

Quadsponsorship

International Development and Religion Group, Religions in Chinese and Indian Cultures: A Comparative Perspective Group, Ritual Studies Group, and Space, Place, and Religion Group

Theme: Places of Pilgrimage and Religious Tourism in Asia: Assessing Environmental and Economic Impacts

Brian J. Nichols, Mount Royal University, Presiding

A23-312

Focus on Climate Change

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Religion and Politics Section

Theme: Retooling the Climate Change Debate: New Social, Theological, and Philosophical Perspectives

Robert P. Jones, Public Religion Research Institute, Washington, D.C., Presiding

A24-122

Focus on Climate Change

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Comparative Theology Group and Interreligious and Interfaith Studies Group

Theme: Interreligious Responses to Climate Change

Anthony James Watson, Brown University, Presiding

A24-318

Contemporary Pagan Studies Group
Theme: Animism and Paganism: The Dialog Continues
Jone Salomonsen, University of Oslo, Presiding

A24-324

Focus on Climate Change
Focus on Sustainability
International Development and Religion Group
Theme: Faith-Based Organizations, Development, and Climate Change in the Global South
Unregistered Participant, Presiding

A24-326

Focus on Climate Change
Focus on Sustainability
Liberal Theologies Group
Theme: Liberal Theologies and Nature
Anita L. Bradshaw, Minneapolis, MN, Presiding

A24-327

Focus on Sustainability
Middle Eastern Christianity Group and SBL Ecological Hermeneutics Section and SBL Syriac Literature and Interpretations of Sacred Texts Section
Theme: Eastern Christian Spirituality: Perspectives on Ecology, Nature, the Body, and States of the Soul
Cornelia Horn, Saint Louis University, Presiding

A25-104

Focus on Climate Change
Focus on Sustainability
Eastern Orthodox Studies Group
Theme: Ecological Theology
Peter Galadza, Saint Paul University, Presiding

A25-107

Focus on Climate Change
Focus on Sustainability
Religion, Affect, and Emotion Group
Theme: New Materialism, Religion, and Climate Change
Liane Carlson, Columbia University, Presiding

A23-276

Womanist Approaches to Religion and Society Group
Theme: Ecowomanism 101: A Roundtable Discussing Vital Themes and Trajectories
Michele Watkins Branch, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary, Presiding
Sunday - 3:00 PM-4:30 PM