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Department of Religious Studies

**AAR/SBL/ASOR Rocky Mountain-Great
Plains Region**

University of Denver

Saturday-Sunday, March 29-30, 2014

Call for Papers

The Regional Program Committee cordially invites you to submit proposals for papers and panels to be presented at the 2014 Regional Meeting at the University of Denver. The deadline for submissions is **October 31, 2013**. The program co-chairs are Gregory Robbins and Andrea Stanton, both faculty members in the Department of Religious Studies at the University of Denver (<http://www.du.edu/ahss/religiousstudies/index.html>).

Proposal Requirements

Because the committee receives a number of proposals in a wide variety of approaches we ask that each proposal include all the following elements:

1. an abstract, no more than 300 words;
2. the specific subject with enough detail that the subject is quickly and easily discerned;
3. the general methodology the presenter will use to discuss the subject;
4. the significance of the subject within the larger field of interest

The proposal should be sent as an e-mail attachment in MS Word format to Program co-chairs: grobbs@du.edu (SBL) or andrea.stanton@du.edu (AAR).

Please be sure to include reliable contact information. If you require technological support for your presentation (such as Internet connection, or audio and projection equipment), you must request it with your proposal.

Proposals are welcome in all areas of religious and biblical studies, including – but not limited to – the following:

- ANE / Greco-Roman history and cultures and biblical texts
- Religion in the public square; religion and government
- Religion and popular culture
- The Bible and cognate literature

- Religious traditions: Christianity, Islam, Judaism, Buddhism, Hinduism, Native American religions, etc.
- ANE archaeology and archaeological methods
- Pedagogical methods and technologies

We also encourage those who are members of ASOR to submit in the hopes of having sufficient presentations to constitute a separate ASOR section.

Only those proposals received by the deadline will be considered for inclusion in the program. Presentations are limited to approximately twenty minutes, with a brief amount of time allowed for questions.

Student Paper Awards

Graduate students are encouraged to submit proposals. There will be awards for the best AAR and SBL student papers. The awards are presented during the luncheon on Saturday and carry a stipend of \$100 each. To be considered for the award, a student **must** submit a copy of the *completed* paper (as an e-mail attachment in MS Word format or a PDF), along with an abstract, by October 31, 2013 (papers not chosen for an award will still be considered for the program). The paper should be 10-12 pages double-spaced (for a 20-minute presentation).

Regional Scholars Award

The SBL offers a Regional Scholars award (\$1000 plus national recognition as a Regional Scholar) for an outstanding paper presented at the regional meeting by a Ph.D. candidate or recent Ph.D. (four years or fewer). If you are interested in competing in the Regional Scholars competition, you must indicate so with your paper proposal. See the SBL national website for more information:

http://www.sblsite.org/assets/pdfs/RegionalScholarAwardProgramPolicyforPublicView_2009.pdf <http://www.sblsite.org/assets/pdfs/RegionalScholarAwardProgramPolicyforPublicView_2009.pdf>

Program Committee

The Program Committee will review all proposals, and will convene at the National Meetings in Baltimore. The Program Co-Chairs, Gregory Robbins (grobbs@du.edu) and Andrea Stanton (andrea.stanton@du.edu), invite at least one faculty person from each of the participating schools in the region to serve on the program committee; the Regional Student Representative will also be a member of this committee. Please notify the co-chairs by October 31, 2013 if you are willing to serve on the Program Committee.