

Thursday, April 10
UC Berkeley School of Law
Goldberg Room 297

SESSION V: Ethical and Political Theory

9:00-10:30AM

Chair: David Biale (UC Davis)

Christine Hayes (Yale University)

*The Torah was not Given to
Ministering Angels:
Rabbinic Aspirationalism*

Sergey Dolgopolski (SUNY Buffalo)

The Talmud as Political Thought

**COFFEE BREAK • 10:30-11:AM • DONOR
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**SECTION VI: Diaspora • 11:00AM-
1:00PM**

Jonathan Boyarin

(Cornell University)

*Kinship and Kiddushin: Rabbinic
Anthropogeography in BT
Kiddushin. Ch. 4.*

Galit Hasan-Rokem

(Hebrew University)

*Heroic Conduct: Redefining the Wander-
ing Jew with Danilo Kiš*

Charlotte Fonrobert

(Stanford University)

*Like the Gates of Jerusalem: the Gate of
Mahoza: The Place of Diaspora*

CONCLUDING REMARKS 1:00PM

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**TALMUDIC
TRANSGRESSIONS:
Engaging the Work
of Daniel Boyarin**

April 8th-10th 2014



**Tuesday April 8
UC Berkeley School of Law**

GREETINGS • 4:00PM

Charlotte Fonrobert (Stanford University)

Ishay Rosen-Zvi (Tel Aviv University)

Kenneth A. Bamberger (UCB, Jewish Law and Israeli Studies)

SESSION I: Jewish-Christian-Muslim Interactions 4:15-6:30 PM

Chair: Steven Weitzman (Stanford University)

Eliyahu Stern (Yale University)
The Talmud and Judeo-Christianity: An Introduction to Samuel Joseph Fuenn's The Paths of God

Hindy Najman (Yale University)
4Ezra between Judaism and Christianity

Lena Salaymeh (UC Berkeley School of Law)
Temporalities of Marriage

RECEPTION • WARREN ROOM • 6:30 PM

KEYNOTE • GOLDBERG ROOM • 7:30-8:30PM

Chair: Mark Griffith (UCB, Classics)

Simon Goldhill (Cambridge University)
Imperial Landscapes and the Biblical Gaze: Constructing the Real in Palestine, with Photographs

**Wednesday, April 9
Easton Hall, 2401 Ridge Road**

GREETINGS • 9:00AM

Arthur Holder (GTU, Dean and VP for Academic Affairs)

Naomi Seidman (GTU, Director, Center for Jewish Studies)

SESSION II: Midrash • 9:15-11:15AM

Chair: Simon Goldhill (Cambridge University)

Azzan Yadin-Israel (Rutgers University)
Authorial Intent: Human and Divine

Ishay Rosen-Zvi (Tel Aviv University)
"A Radical Jew" revisited

Aharon Shemesh (Bar Ilan University)
First Daniel: A Philological Inquiry into a Midrashic and Talmudic Sugia on Nezirut

COFFEE BREAK • 11:15-11:30 AM

SESSION III: Agaddah • 11:30AM-1:30PM

Chair: Chana Kronfeld (UCB, Near Eastern Studies & Comparative Literature)

Shamma Boyarin (University of Victoria)
Three Who Were Created Though Their Mother Never Slept With a Man: Is the Opening of the Alpha Ben Sira a Parody?

Julia Watts Belser (Georgetown University)
Sinful Sages, Dubious Heroes, and the Bavli's Counter-Hagiographical Impulse

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Elchanan Reiner (Tel Aviv University)
Yonatan the Maccabee and the Founding Myth of the Galilee

SESSION IV: Bavli • 3:30-5:30PM

Chair: Robert Alter (UCB, Near Eastern Studies)

Zvi Septimus (University of Toronto)
Revisiting the Fat Rabbis

Barry Wimpfheimer (Northwestern University)
Footnotes to Carnal Israel: Folk Belief and Jewish Law

Moulie Vidas (Princeton University)
Space and the Genre of Talmud: Variations on a Theme

RECEPTION • 5:30 PM

