

# EVIDENCE FOR THE EARLY HISTORY OF THE QUR'AN

July 30 - July 31, 2009

Stanford Humanities Center, Board Room

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## EDITING AND TEXTUAL CRITICISM OF EARLY MANUSCRIPTS

10:30 AM

ASMA HELALI, Centre National de la Recherche Scientifique  
*The San'ā' Palimpsest: Introduction to Philological and Literary Aspects*

11:30 AM

BEHNAM SADEGHI, Stanford University  
*A Non-'Uthmānic Qur'anic Manuscript from the First Half of the Seventh (First) Century and its Relation to the Recensions of 'Uthmān and the Prophet*

## EPIGRAPHY, PALEOGRAPHY, AND ART HISTORY

1:30 PM

CHRISTIAN JULIEN ROBIN, Centre National de la Recherche Scientifique  
*Epigraphic Texts from Arabia and the Koran: Some Indirect Light*

2:30 PM

FRANÇOIS DÉROCHE, École Pratique des Hautes Études  
*Transcribing the Qur'an in Umayyad times: a Preliminary Investigation*

4:00 PM

LAWRENCE NEES, University of Delaware  
*Decoration in Early Qur'an Manuscripts: Possible Non-Muslim Manuscript Analogues, and the Problem of Dating*

5:00 PM

SHEILA BLAIR, Boston College & Virginia Commonwealth University  
*Mosaics and Manuscripts*

## EARLY MUSLIM REPORTS AND THE QIRĀ'ĀT GENRE

10:30 AM

MICHAEL MARX, Berlin-Brandenburgische Akademie der Wissenschaften  
*Two Central Questions: (1) Testing the Qirā'āt by Manuscripts; (2) Contextualizing the Qur'an in Late Antiquity*

11:30 AM

YASIN DUTTON, University of Cape Town  
*Orality, Literacy and the "Seven Ahruf" Hadīth"*

## TEXTUAL STUDIES

1:30 PM

NEAL ROBINSON, Sogang University  
*The Dynamics of the Qur'anic Discourse: Tradition and Redaction*

2:30 PM

DEVIN STEWART, Emory University  
*Conjectural Emendation and Anomalies in the Qur'anic Text*

4:00 PM

BEHNAM SADEGHI, Stanford University  
*Stylistic Evidence for the Relative Chronology of Qur'anic Passages: Most Frequent Morphemes, Infrequent Words, and Verse Length*

5:00 PM

MICHAEL COOK, Princeton University  
*Concluding remarks and general discussion*



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