Monday, February 1, 2016
12:00 noon
202 Jones Hall
Brown Bag Lunch Series 2015–16
Rashid Khalidi
Columbia University
“The Iran Nuclear Deal and US Foreign Policy”
Cosponsored by The Sharmin and Bijan Mossavar-Rahmani Center for Iran and Persian Gulf Studies

Monday, February 8, 2016
12:00 noon
202 Jones Hall
Brown Bag Lunch Series 2015-16
Margaret Graves
Indiana University Bloomington and Institute for Advanced Study
“Vessels in Motion: Raqqa Ceramics In the Indiana University Art Museum”
CANCELED

Monday, February 15, 2016
12:00 noon
202 Jones Hall
Brown Bag Lunch Series 2015–16
Jerzy Zdanowski
The Institute of Mediterranean and Oriental Cultures at the Polish Academy of Sciences in Warsaw
“La politique musulmane. Muslim Soldiers in the French Army in 1914-1918”

CANCELED

Monday, February 8, 2016
4:30 p.m.
102 Jones Hall
The Institute for the Transregional Study of the Contemporary Middle East, North Africa, and Central Asia
Dr. Jamal Sanad Al-Suwaidi
Director General, the Emirates Center for Strategic Studies and Research, Abu Dhabi, UAE
“The Mirage of Extremism”

Tuesday, February 9, 2016
4:30 - 6:00 p.m.
McCormick Hall, Room 101
Mossavar-Rahmani Center Series
Michael Barry
Near Eastern Studies, Princeton University
“The Persian Romance of Alexander the Great: From Greek Epic to Persian Myth, Poetry, Mysticism, and Art”

Friday, February 12, 2016
9 a.m. – 5 p.m.
106 McCormick Hall
“ISIS and the Cultural Heritage Crisis of Syria, Iraq, and Yemen”
A One-Day Conference
Tuesday, February 16, 2016
4:30 p.m.
202 Jones Hall
Fred Appel
Executive Editor at Princeton University Press
“The ABC’s of Scholarly Book Publishing, or: How Do I Get My First Book Published?”

Tuesday, February 16, 2016
6:00 p.m.
Scheide Caldwell House, Room 103
Seeger Center for Hellenic Studies
Tom Papademetriou
Stockton University
“Render unto the Sultan: Toward a History of the Greek Orthodox Church in the Ottoman Empire”
Supported by the Christos G. and Rhoda Papaioannou Modern Greek Studies Fund
Cosponsored by the Department of Near Eastern Studies

Friday, February 19, 2016
12:00 noon
202 Jones Hall
The Department & Program in Near Eastern Studies and The Ertegun Foundation present
“Music of the Middle East and Eurasia: A Lecture and Live Performance of Azerbaijani Mugham”
with
Jeffrey Werbock

Monday, February 22, 2016
12:00 noon
202 Jones Hall
Brown Bag Lunch Series 2015–16
Louis Fishman
CUNY
“Claiming the Homeland: Palestinians and Protest before World War One”

Thursday, February 25, 2016
12:00 noon
102 Jones Hall
Princeton Islamic Studies Colloquium
Speaker: Lindsey Stephenson (NES)
“Persians in Between”
Discussant: Rose Wellman (Mossavar-Rahmani Center for Iran and Persian Gulf Studies)

Monday, February 29, 2016
12:00 noon
202 Jones Hall
Brown Bag Lunch Series 2015–16
Najam Iftikhar Haider
Barnard College & Institute for Advanced Study
“The Remembered Imam: Musa al-Kazim in Early Muslim Rhetorical Historiography”

Thursday, March 3, 2016
4:30 p.m.
202 Jones Hall
Hassan Ansari
Elizabeth and J. Richardson Dilworth Fellow, Institute for Advanced Studies

“Al-Ḥusayn b. Ḥamdān al-Khaṣībī and His Works: Some Remarks on Ḥadīth Literature among the Nuṣayrīs”

Monday, March 7, 2016
12:00 noon
202 Jones Hall
Brown Bag Lunch Series 2015–16
Constantino Pischedda
University of Miami and Niehaus Center for Globalization and Governance, Princeton University

“Understanding Inter-rebel War: Some Evidence from the Kurdish Rebellions in Iraq”

Wednesday, March 9, 2016
12:00 noon–1:30 p.m.
Green Hall Room 1-N-5
Richard Payne
Neubauer Family Assistant Professor, The Oriental Institute and the Department of Near Eastern Languages and Civilizations, The University of Chicago

“The Silk Road and the Iranian Political Economy in Late Antiquity”

Thursday, March 10, 2016
7:00 p.m.
Betts Auditorium
Robertson Hall
The Wanted 18
Film Screening and Q&A
Post-screening discussion led by Amaney Jamal, Cyrus Schayegh, and the film’s Impact Producer Julia Bacha
For more information about The Wanted 18, click here.

Monday, March 21, 2016
12:00 noon
202 Jones Hall
Brown Bag Lunch Series 2015–16
Edgar Melgar
Near Eastern Studies

“Herbert Spencer’s Global Afterlives: The Russo-Japanese War and the Posthumous Reconstruction of Spencer’s Social Theory and Critique of European Imperialism in Japan, Egypt, and Mexico, 1904–1906”

Monday, March 21, 2016
5:00 p.m.
McCormick 101  
Princeton University Art Museum

Footnote
Film screening and Q & A with Director Joseph Cedar 
Co-sponsored by the Programs in Near Eastern Studies and Judaic Studies

Tuesday, March 22, 2016  
4:30 p.m.  
202 Jones Hall  
Stefan Heidemann  
Humanities Council Visiting Fellow, Professor of Islamic Studies at the University of Hamburg, editor of the journal Der Islam

“The View from the Regions: The Political Geography of the Last and Largest Empire of Antiquity”

Thursday, March 24, 2016  
12:00 noon  
102 Jones Hall  
Princeton Islamic Studies Colloquium  
Speaker: Jelena Radovanovic (NES)  
“From an Ottoman to a Post-Ottoman City: Urban Transformation and Migration in the late Nineteenth-century Niš”  
Discussant: Michael Reynolds (NES)

Monday, March 28, 2016  
12:00 noon  
202 Jones Hall  
Brown Bag Lunch Series 2015–16  
Marcia C. Inhorn  
Yale University


Tuesday, March 29, 2016  
4:30 p.m.  
McCormick Hall, Room 101

The 38th Annual Carolyn L. Drucker Memorial Lecture  
Ben Outhwaite  
Joint Head of Special Collections, Head of the Genizah Research Unit, Cambridge University

“Beyond the Aleppo Codex: Bible Manuscripts from the Cairo Geniza and the Textus Receptus”  
Sponsored by the Department and Program in Near Eastern Studies and the Program in Judaic Studies, Ronald O. Perelman Institute of Judaic Studies

Thursday, March 31, 2016  
12:00 noon  
102 Jones Hall  
Princeton Islamic Studies Colloquium Keynote Lecture  
George Kiraz  
NES

“The Patriarchal Archive of Mardin, Turkey: Late Ottoman Documents of a ‘Millet’”
Thursday, March 31, 2016  
12:00 noon  
012 Bendheim Hall, The Map Room  
LISD Luncheon Seminar  
Samuel Helfont  
Post-Doctoral Lecturer in the University of Pennsylvania's International Relations Program and Robert A. Fox Fellow at the Foreign Policy Research Institute  
“A Report from Kurdistan: Weathering a Political Economic Storm”

Thursday, March 31, 2016  
12:00 noon  
210 Dickinson Hall  
Global History Workshop  
Jonathan Gribetz  
Near Eastern Studies  
“Studying Zionism at the PLO”

Friday, April 1, 2016  
12:00 noon  
Scheide Caldwell House, Room 203  
Workshops in Judaic Studies  
Eve Krakowski  
Near Eastern Studies  
“Brides and the ‘bet din’ in Fatimid Egypt”

Monday, April 4, 2016  
12:00 noon  
202 Jones Hall  
Brown Bag Lunch Series 2015–16  
Negin Nabavi  
Montclair State University & Institute for Advanced Study  
“Reading Rooms and Print-Culture in Late Qajar Iran”  
Cosponsored by The Sharmin and Bijan Mossavar-Rahmani Center for Iran and Persian Gulf

Tuesday, April 5, 2016  
12:00 noon  
102 Jones Hall  
The Institute for the Transregional Study of the Contemporary Middle East, North Africa, and Central Asia  
The G. S. Beckwith Gilbert ’63 Lecture Series  
Michael Crawford  
Former Senior British Foreign Service Officer  
“Reflections on ‘the state’ in Arabia”  
Sponsored by the Department and Program of Near Eastern Studies

Monday, April 11, 2016  
12:00 noon  
202 Jones Hall  
Brown Bag Lunch Series 2015–16  
Maurice A. Pomerantz  
New York University & Institute for Advanced Study  
“The Maqāmāt Between Philology and World Literature”
Monday, April 11, 2016
4:30 p.m.
202 Jones Hall

**Slimane Zeghidour**
Senior Editor at TV 5 Monde, France

“Is there still such a thing as an Islamic world?”

Tuesday, April 12, 2016
12:00 noon

102 Jones Hall

The Institute for the Transregional Study of the Contemporary Middle East, North Africa, and Central Asia

**Slimane Zeghidour**
Senior Editor at TV 5 Monde, France

“Threats to North Africa’s Archaeological Heritage”

Thursday, April 14, 2016
12:00 noon

102 Jones Hall

Princeton Islamic Studies Colloquium

Speaker: **Meriem El Haitami** (visiting fellow, Yale University)

Discussant: **Eve Krakowski** (NES)

“Discourses on Early Sufi Women of Fes in Kettani’s Salwat al-Anfas”

Monday, April 18, 2016
12:00 noon

102 Jones Hall

Brown Bag Lunch Series 2015–16

**Andrea Piras**
University of Bologna & Institute for Advanced Studies

“The Letters of the Persian King: Communication and Ideology in Ancient Iran”

Co-sponsored by The Sharmin and Bijan Mossavar-Rahmani Center for Iran and Persian Gulf Studies

Monday, April 18, 2016
4:30 p.m.

216 Aaron Burr Hall

Program in Contemporary European Politics and Society

**David Motadel**
Research Fellow in History at Gonville and Caius College, University of Cambridge

“Muslims Under Nazi Rule, 1941–1945”

Co-sponsored with the Program in Near Eastern Studies

Tuesday, April 19, 2016
4:30 p.m.

Aaron Burr 219

Film Screening

**Garod (Longing)**

Conversation with **Onur G ünay** (Director)

**Discussant: Elizabeth A. Davis**

Wednesday, April 20, 2016
12:00 noon
102 Jones Hall
The Institute for the Transregional Study of the Contemporary Middle East, North Africa, and Central Asia

Clare Morgana Gillis
Visiting lecturer, Dartmouth College

“Is ISIS a State?”

Wednesday, April 20, 2016
4:30 p.m.
102 Jones Hall

Konrad Hirschler
Professor of Middle Eastern History at SOAS, University of London

“Sacred Trash in Damascus: Document Recycling in Pre-Ottoman Manuscripts”

Sunday, April 24, 2016
10:00 a.m.–3:30 p.m.
300 Wallace Hall

Program in Near Eastern Studies

The 2016 Princeton Middle East Retrospective

Monday, April 25, 2016
12:00 noon
202 Jones Hall

Brown Bag Lunch Series 2015–16

Michael Gilsenan
New York University

“The Arcade and the Big House: An Elite Arab Diasporic Family in Singapore in the High Imperial Age”

Tuesday, April 26, 2016
12:00 noon
102 Jones Hall

Princeton Islamic Studies Colloquium

Speaker: Matthew Schumann (NES)


Discussant: Peter Kitlas (NES)

Tuesday–Thursday, May 3–5, 2016
4:30 p.m.

Lewis Library 120

THE LEON B. POULLADA MEMORIAL LECTURE SERIES

Nile Green
Department of History, UCLA

“Transborder Traffic/Afghan Imaginaries: Fragments of an Intellectual History”
Lecture One, May 3, 2016

“Motors and Minds on the Road to Kabul”
Lecture Two, May 4, 2016

“Dialogical Histories and Afghan Modernity”
Lecture Three, May 5, 2016

“Afghan Literati in the Anglosphere”
Friday–Saturday, May 6–7, 2016
East Pyne 245
Recovering the Role of Christians in the History of the Middle East
A Workshop at Princeton University
Organized by Michael Reynolds (Princeton), Jack Tannous (Princeton), Christian Sahner (Cambridge), and Amal Marogy (Aradin)
Sponsored by Near East and the World Seminar, Department of Near Eastern Studies, Princeton University with The Aradin Charitable Trust, Cambridge, England
To see the program click here.

Wednesday, May 11, 2016
11:00 a.m.
113 Jones Hall
Ph.D. Final Public Oral Examination of
Nebil Ahmed Ali Husayn
Dissertation title:
“The Memory of Ali b. Talib in Early Sunni Thought”

Thursday, May 26, 2016
7:00–10:00 p.m.
McCormick Hall, Room 101
Reframing a Nation: A Documentary Exploring Afghanistan’s Recent Photography Revolution
Film Screening and Producer-led Discussion
Free and open to Reunion attendees, Princeton students, faculty, and staff, and community.
No registration required (first-come, first-seated)
Sponsored by the Department and Program in Near Eastern Studies and the Sharmin and Bijan Mossavar-Rahmani Center for Iran and Persian Gulf Studies

CLASS DAY RECEPTION
Monday, May 30, 2016
3:00–4:00 p.m.
1915 Hall
Butler College