

## HEBREW BIBLE / OLD TESTAMENT SEMINAR

Convener: Professor Hindy Najman (Oriël)

**Monday, 2.30–4.00 p.m., followed by tea**

**Location: Harris Seminar Room, Oriël College**

### Michaelmas Term 2018

Thematic Seminar on the Dead Sea Scrolls

#### **Week 1 – October 8 – Induction**

Chair: Hindy Najman (Oriël)

Faculty and postgraduate research presentations

#### **Week 2 – October 15**

Chair: Jan Joosten (Christ Church)

Speaker: Hindy Najman (Oriël) – *Poetic Processes and Non-Redemptive Reading: The Hodayot as Collection*

#### **Week 3 – October 22**

Chair: Arjen Bakker (Oriël)

Speaker: Eibert Tigchelaar (Leuven) – *Palaeography and the Dead Sea Scrolls: The Scrolls as Scribal Artifacts*

#### **Week 4 – October 29**

Chair: Hindy Najman (Oriël)

Speakers: Jonathan Ben-Dov, Eshbal Ratson, and Asaf Gayer (Haifa) – *Digital Reconstructions of Dead Sea Scrolls: The Methodology and its Future Prospects*

#### **Week 5 – November 5 – day-long workshop: *Lament, Reading, and Therapy***

**Time: 9.00 a.m. – 6.30 p.m.** (see separate schedule)

Conveners: Paul Joyce (KCL) and Hindy Najman (Oriël)

Chairs: Arjen Bakker (Oriël); Mark Edwards (Christ Church); Jonathan Stökl (KCL)

Speakers: Joanna Collicutt (Ripon College Cuddesdon); Ilit Ferber (Tel Aviv University); David Janzen (Durham); Paul Joyce (KCL); Andrew Mein (Durham); Hindy Najman (Oriël); Anna Rowlands (Durham); Annette Volting (Oriël)

Keynote: Galit Hasan-Rokem (Jerusalem)

#### **Week 6 – November 12**

Chair: Hindy Najman (Oriël)

Speaker: Reinhard Kratz (Göttingen) – *Isaiah in the Scrolls*

#### **Week 8 – November 26**

Chair: Hindy Najman (Oriël)

Speaker: Jutta Jokiranta (Helsinki) – *Can I Trust You? Cooperation and Ritual Behaviour in the Qumran Movement*

## Hilary Term 2019

Thematic Seminar: 'Textualization of Prophecy in the Hebrew Bible and Ancient Judaism:  
Composition, Collection and Interpretation'

In collaboration with Professor Ronnie Goldstein (Hebrew University of Jerusalem)

### **Week 1 – January 14**

Chair: Hindy Najman (Oriël)

Speaker: Madhavi Nevader (St. Andrews) – *Textualisation and the Creation of Culture: Ezekiel as Test Case*

### **Week 2 – January 21 – postgraduate professionalization session**

Chair: Hindy Najman (Oriël)

Submitting abstracts for conferences

### **Week 3 – January 28**

Chair: Hindy Najman (Oriël)

Speaker: John Goldingay (Fuller) – *Canonical Readings of Isaiah*

### **Week 4 – February 4**

Chair: Hindy Najman (Oriël)

Speaker: Armin Lange (Vienna) – *Jeremiah in Light of the Dead Sea Scrolls: Dead Sea Scrolls, Jerusalem Priests, and Ptolemaic Egypt*

### **Week 5 – February 11**

Chair: Hindy Najman (Oriël)

Speaker: Anselm Hagedorn (Osnabrück) – *Habakkuk: From Persia to Pesher*

### **Week 6 – February 18**

Chair: Hindy Najman (Oriël)

Speaker: Noam Mizrahi (Tel Aviv) – *Prophetic Interpretation and Poetic (Re-)Structuring: Zechariah Reads Jeremiah*

### **Week 7 – February 25**

Chair: Hindy Najman (Oriël)

Speaker: Friedhelm Hartenstein (Munich) – *The End of Judah and the Persistence of Cosmic Order: Understanding History in the Light of Creation in Psalms and Prophetic Books*

### **Week 8 – March 4**

Chair: Hindy Najman (Oriël)

Speaker: Ronnie Goldstein (Hebrew University) – *The Search for Context in the Book of Isaiah*

## Trinity Term 2019

### Week 1 – April 29

No seminar this week. Oxbridge Postgraduate Day will be on Friday May 3 (in Cambridge).

### Week 2 – May 6

Chair: John Barton (Campion Hall and Oriel)

Speaker: Aulikki Nahkola (Wolfson) – *Orality and Genre: Issues of Method and Interpretation*

### Week 3 – May 13

Chair: Arjen Bakker (Oriel)

Speaker: John Day (LMH) – *The Serpent in the Garden of Eden: Its Background and Role*

### Week 4 – May 20

Chair: Hindy Najman (Oriel)

Speaker: Sandra Jacobs (King's College London) – *Slave Trading (Judaean) Women in Neo-Babylonian and Persian Records*

### Week 5 – May 26 and 27 – International Conference: *Protestant Bible Scholarship: Anti-Semitism, Philo-Judaism and Anti-Judaism*

[Click here](#) to see the conference programme

### Week 6 – June 3

Chair: Hindy Najman (Oriel)

Speaker: Eva Mroczek (UC Davis) – *King Hezekiah and Precritical Histories of Scripture*

### Week 7 – June 10

No seminar this week

### Week 8 – June 21 – day-long postgraduate workshop: *70 years of Dead Sea Scrolls*

**Time: 8.45 a.m. – 6.30 p.m.**

**Note change in venue: Oxford Centre for Hebrew and Jewish Studies, Walton Street**

Conveners: Markus Bockmuehl (Keble), Martin Goodman (Wolfson), and Hindy Najman (Oriel)

Keynotes: George Brooke (Manchester) and Eibert Tigchelaar (Leuven)