FRIDAY, APRIL 21 | PRICE CENTER: THE FORUM

12:00PM  A student will meet attendees in the lobby of the Sheraton La Jolla and walk them to meeting location.

12:30 - 12:45PM  WELCOME

12:45 - 1:15PM  SESSION 1: THE POST-ROMAN WEST
  Session Chair: Edward Watts, UC San Diego


  1:15 - 1:45PM  Shane Bjornlie (Claremont McKenna College, USA), “For Whom Empire Ends: Sorting through narrative for the End of the Western Roman Empire.”

  1:45 - 2:15PM  Seth Lerer (UC San Diego, USA), “Boethius and Late Antiquity: Reflections on a Generation of Scholarship.”

  2:15 - 2:30PM  COFFEE BREAK

2:30 - 3:00PM  SESSION 2: ALEXANDRIA AND LATE ANTIQUE EGYPT
  Session Chair: Andrew S. Jacobs, Scripps College

  2:30 - 3:00PM  Matthew Crawford (Australian Catholic University), “Cyril of Alexandria’s Contra Iulianum and Fifth-Century Alexandrian Society.”

  3:00 - 3:30PM  Caroline T. Schroeder (University of the Pacific, USA), “Family Ties in Egyptian Monasticism.”

  3:30 - 4:00PM  Edward Watts (UC San Diego, USA), “Hypatia in the Letters of Synesius.”

  4:00 - 4:15PM  COFFEE BREAK

4:15 - 4:45PM  SESSION 3: BYZANTIUM, CONSTANTINOPLE, AND ANATOLIA
  Session Chair: Denise Demetriou, UC San Diego

  4:15 - 4:45PM  Mark Masterson, (Victoria University of Wellington, NZ), “Same-Sex Desire between Byzantine Men: Opportunities and Challenges.”


  5:15 - 5:45PM  Meaghan McEvoy, (Macquarie University, Australia), “Elite Competition in Ecclesiastical Patronage at Constantinople in the Fifth Century”

  6:00 - 8:00PM  RECEPTION—HELD IN THE VILLAGE, 15B (15TH FLOOR OF THE BUILDING)
SATURDAY, APRIL 22 | STUDENT CENTER: THE HUERTA-CRUZ ROOM

7:45AM  A student will meet attendees in the lobby of the Sheraton La Jolla and walk them to meeting location.

8:15 - 9:00AM  BREAKFAST

SESSION 4: WRITING HISTORY AND LIVES  
Session Chair: Cavan Concannon, USC

9:00 - 9:30AM  Satoshi Ohtani, (Tohoku University, Japan), "The Eyewitness and the Translation of History in Late Antique Christianity: The Case of Eusebius and Rufinus."

9:30 - 10:00AM  Han Baltussen, (The University of Adelaide, Australia), "Revisiting the Purpose of Eunapius’s Lives: Divine Traits and Pagan Saints."

10:00 - 10:30AM  Xia Dongqi, (Fudan University, China), "Micro-Autobiographies in Augustine’s Confessions."

10:30 - 10:45AM  COFFEE BREAK

SESSION 5: EMPERORS  
Session Chair: Shane Bjornlie, Claremont McKenna College

10:45 - 11:15AM  Caillan Davenport, (The University of Queensland, Australia), "The Biographical Dialog between Roman Emperors and the People."

11:15 - 11:45AM  Shunsuke Kosaka, (Rikkyo University, Japan), "Defending the Emperor Julian by Ammianus Marcellinus."

11:45 - 12:15PM  Elizabeth DePalma Digeser (UC Santa Barbara, USA), "The Emperor, the Sun, and the Serpent: Constantine’s Gallic Legacy."

12:15 - 1:15PM  LUNCH

SESSION 6: CHRISTIANIZATION AND THE CHRISTIAN EMPIRE  
Session Chair: Ryan Abrecht, The University of San Diego

1:15 - 1:30PM  Presentation by Elizabeth DePalma Digeser (UC Santa Barbara, USA) about the new journal Studies in Late Antiquity, published by the University of California Press

1:30 - 2:00PM  Mark Anderson, (California State University, San Bernardino, USA), "Christianizing the Planetary Week."

2:00 - 2:30PM  Amelia Brown (University of Queensland, Australia), "From Gods to Saints of Seafaring in the Late Antique Mediterranean."

2:30 - 2:45PM  COFFEE BREAK

SESSION 7: SYRIANS, SYRIAC, AND LATE ANTIQUITY EAST OF ROME’S FRONTIER  
Session Chair: Elizabeth DePalma Digeser, UC Santa Barbara

2:45 - 3:15PM  Joel Walker, (The University of Washington, USA), "The Dragon and the Pearl: Syriac Christian Renderings of a Eurasian Motif."

3:15 - 3:45PM  Ryan Abrecht, (The University of San Diego, USA), "The Syrian Community of Ancient Rome."

3:45 - 4:15PM  Nathanael Andrade (Binghamton University, USA), "Doubting the Acts of Thomas: Some Reflections on Late Antique Christianity and the Indian Ocean."

4:15 - 5:00PM  CONCLUDING DISCUSSION
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