

Thursday, September 19, 2019

Thompson Room, Barker Center 12 Quincy St., Cambridge, MA 02138

5:00 PM - 5:30 PM

Welcome Addresses

David Hempton, Dean of Harvard Divinity School Ousmane Kane, Harvard Divinity School

5:30 PM - 6:30 PM

Opening Lecture

Zekeria Ould Ahmed Salem, "Global Shinqit. Mauritanian Islamic Scholars and the re-making of religious authority in the Muslim world"

Friday, September 20, 2019

60 Oxford St. Room 119, Cambridge, MA 02138

8:30 AM - 10:00 AM

The Long Presence of African Muslims in the Americas

Chair: Charles Hallisey, Harvard Divinity School

Diego Giovanni Castellanos, National University of Colombia, "Muslim identity and social marginality among an African descendant Colombian community"

Madina Thiam, University of California Los Angeles, "Absolutely and utterly free" Sahelian Kinship" Muslim Schooling" and Emancipation between Jamaica and the Middle Nigeria c. 1790-1854"

Ayodeji Ogunnaike, Bowdoin College, "Bilad al-Brazil: The Importance of West African Scholars in Brazilian Islamic Education and Practice in Historic and Contemporary Perspective"

10:30 AM - 12:00 PM

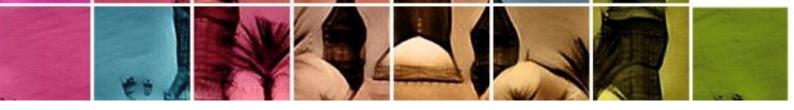
Transnational Islam I

Chair: Ousmane Kane, Harvard Divinity School

Irit Back, Tel Aviv University, "Sufis from West Africa in Jerusalem: Dynamic of Religious Exchange during Colonial Times"

Rhea Rahman, Brooklyn College, "Racializing the Good Muslim: The Whiteness of 'soft power' and Black Muslim Activism in South

Steve Howard, Ohio University, "On the Path of the Prophet in Unsettled Times: Sudan's Republican Brotherhood Looks Abroad"



1:00 PM - 2:30 PM

Transnational Islam 11

Chair: Rebecca Shereikis, Northwestern University

Amidu Sanni, Fountain University Nigeria, "Glocalization in Globalization: New Epistemology and Source on African History and Scholarship"

Cheikh Niang, Université Cheikh Anta Diop, Senegal, "Beyond Senegal. The Socio-Political Perspectives of a Globalized Muslim Community"

Youssef Carter, Harvard University, "Tarbiyah as Liberation. From Senegal to the American South"

Asserting Identity and Expressing Spirituality: Young Muslims in the West

3:00 PM - 4:30 PM

Roundtable with the Baraka Boys Chair: Zachary Wright, Northwestern University-Qatar

4:30 PM - 6:00 PM

Concert by Baraka Boys

Saturday, September 21, 2019

Center for African studies, 3rd Floor 1280 Massachusetts Ave, Cambridge, MA 02138

8:30 AM - 10:30AM

Transnational Islam 111

Chair: Zekeria Ould Ahmed Salem, Northwestern University

Mara Leichmann, "Transnational Networks and Global Shi'i Islamic NGOs in Senegal and Tanzania"

Ezgi Guner, University of Illinois- Urbana Champaign, "Turkish State and Sufi Brotherhoods in Muslim Africa"

Gadija Ahjum, University of Cape Town, "Constructing a South African Shi'asm: The case study of a Cape

Town Shi'i community"

10:30 AM - 12:30 PM

New Paradigms in the Study of Islam in Africa

Chair: Sean Hanretta, Northwestern University

Zachary Wright, Northwestern University-Qatar, "The Metaphysical Human Being in African Islam: Reflections from 'Alī Ḥarāzim's Jawāhir al-maʿānī and 'Umar Tāl's Rimāḥ"

Samiha Rahman, University of Pennsylvania"Pedagogy of Place and Classical Islamic Education in Contemporary Senegal"
Oludamini Ogunnaike, University of Virginia, "Have the Poets Left a Place for a Path to be Stitched? Intertextuality and
Creativity in Contemporary West African Madīḥ Poetry and Song"

Felicitas Becker, Ghent University, "Divergent temporalities of progress and religious reform in Swahili Muslim sermons"