

# **Constructing Sacred Space: A Career Celebration for Robert Ousterhout**

**Widener Lecture Hall  
University Museum of Archaeology and Anthropology  
University of Pennsylvania  
7–8 April 2017**

## **April 7, 2:30pm–7pm, Widener Lecture Hall**

2:30–3:00 pm: Reception.

3:00–3:10 pm: Welcome and introduction

3:10–3:30pm: Ann Terry, University of Rhode Island

### Session 1. Chair: Elizabeth Bolman, Temple University

3:30–4pm: Henry and Eunice Maguire, Johns Hopkins University  
*Approaching the Screen of Paradise in Byzantine Art*

4–4:30pm: Warren T. Woodfin, Queens College, CUNY  
*Furnishing the Celestial Sanctuary: Painted Architectural Settings  
for the Communion of the Apostles*

4:30–5pm: Amy Papalexandrou, Stockton University  
*Sacred Sound and Bob's Buildings that Change*

5–5:30pm: Coffee break

### Session 2. Chair: Alicia Walker, Bryn Mawr College

5:30–6pm: Suna Çağaptay, Bahçeşehir University  
*Sacred Dimishq: From Early Islam to the Anatolian Principalities*

6–6:30pm: Jordan Pickett, University of Michigan  
*Conflict Architecture: Making History at the Tomb of the  
Patriarchs in Hebron*

6:30–7pm: Anna Sitz, University of Pennsylvania  
*Inscriptions in Space (and Time): Late Antique Interaction with  
Older Epigraphy*

## **April 8, 9am–3pm, Widener Lecture Hall**

8:15-9:00am: Coffee, pastries, and fruit available.

### Session 3. Chair: Kostis Kourelis, Franklin & Marshall College

9–9:30am: Tasos Tantsis, University of Thessalonike  
*A Sacred Prototype for Byzantine Churches: Domed-octagons Dedicated to the Virgin*

9:30–10am: Michalis Kappas, Dumbarton Oaks  
*Building an Orthodox Monastery in the Frankish Morea: Andromonastero at Messenia*

10–10:30am: Ayşe Henry, Institut Français d'Études Anatoliennes  
*Unclaimed Prestige? Reconsidering the architectural intentions at Alahan*

10:30–11am: Coffee break

### Session 4. Chair: Charles Barber, Princeton University

11–11:30: Ben Anderson, Cornell University  
*The Forum of Theodosius: Labor and the Gods*

11:30–12pm: Vasileios Marinis, Yale University  
*Salvation by Chrismation and Investiture in Athos. Dionysiou MS 65*

12–1pm: Lunch

### Session 5. Chair: Ivan Drpić, University of Washington

1–1:30pm: Rory O'Neill, University of Pennsylvania  
*Arch Identities: Architectural Tradition and Invention in the Medieval Levant*

1:30–2pm: Sofia Georgiadou  
*The Royal Mausolea of the Grand Komnenoi and the Question of Hagia Sophia in Trebizond*

- 2–2:30pm: Tolga Uyar, Nevşehir Hacı Bektaş Veli University  
*Carving, Painting and Inscribing the Sacred Space in Late  
Byzantium: Bezirana Kilisesi rediscovered (Peristrema-Cappadocia)*
- 2:30–3pm: Closing remarks.
- 5:30 onwards: Dinner for speakers and participants.

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