



## THE SIXTEENTH INTERNATIONAL ORION SYMPOSIUM

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# The Dead Sea Scrolls at Seventy: “Clear a Path in the Wilderness”

APRIL 29–MAY 2, 2018 The Hebrew University, Mount Scopus | The Israel Museum of Jerusalem

### SUNDAY, APRIL 29, 2018

Beit Maierdorf,  
Room 405

#### 9:15 Registration (4th Floor Lobby)

**10:00 Session I. Chair: Michael E. Stone**, Hebrew University

**Armin Lange**, University of Vienna  
“A Wilderness of Texts? The Textual Plurality of the Torah and Quotations of the Wilderness Narrative in the Dead Sea Scrolls”

**Emanuel Tov**, Hebrew University  
“*Vox clamantis in deserto*: The History of the Interpretation and Misinterpretation of Isaiah 40:3”

**John Kampen**, Methodist Theological School, Ohio  
“Does the Use of Isaiah 40:3 Necessarily Point to the Wilderness?”

**Paul Mandel**, Schechter Institute of Jewish Studies  
“Comings and Goings in the Wilderness: On the Power of Biblical Metaphors in Qumran Literature”

**Ursula Schattner-Rieser**, University of Cologne  
“Echoes from the Exile and the Aramean Past: Wilderness Themes in the Aramaic Qumran Texts, from *Ahiqar* to *Tobit*”

#### 13:30 Break

**15:00 Session II. Chair: Betsy Halpern-Amaru**, Emerita Vassar College

**Loren T. Stuckenbruck**, Ludwig Maximilian University of Munich  
“Wilderness Traditions and Ethiopic *Enoch*”

**Søren Holst**, University of Copenhagen  
“Flying over the Great Desert: Wilderness in the Cosmology of the *Book of Giants* and Related Texts”

**Jonathan Ben-Dov**, University of Haifa and Israel Institute for Advanced Studies  
“Populated Land, Seas, Deserts: The Division of the World in *1 Enoch 77* and Medieval Sources”

#### 18:00 Session III. Festive Opening Session

**Chair: Paula Fredriksen**, Hebrew University

#### Greetings:

**Dror Wahrman**, Dean of the Faculty of Humanities, Hebrew University  
**His Excellency Martin Weiss**, Austrian Ambassador to Israel

**Armin Lange**, University of Vienna  
**Lawrence H. Schiffman**, New York University  
**Esther G. Chazon**, Director, Orion Center, Hebrew University

#### Lecture:

**John J. Collins**, Yale University  
“The Significance of the Desert for the *Yahad*”

#### Reception to Follow

### MONDAY, APRIL 30, 2018

Rabin Building,  
Room 2001

**9:15 Session IV. Chair: Lawrence H. Schiffman**, New York University

**Sarianna Metso**, University of Toronto  
“Atonement in the Wilderness: Leviticus 16 and Its Interpretation in the Dead Sea Scrolls”

**Zachary Levine**, New York University  
“The Covenant of the First-Ones and Their Chastisement: Leviticus 26:44–45 at Qumran”

**Gideon R Kotzé**, North-West University, South Africa  
“The Wilderness and the ‘World Turned Upside Down’ Imagery in 4Q179”

**11:10 Session V. Chair: David A. Lambert**, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Israel Institute for Advanced Studies, EURIAS Fellow

**Devorah Dimant**, University of Haifa  
“Moses at Qumran”

**Hindy Najman**, Oxford University  
“Redemptive Rereading: Encountering Desert after Loss in the *Apostrophe to Zion* and Other Texts”

#### 12:30 Break

**14:30 Session VI. Chair: Menahem Kister**, Hebrew University

**Noam Mizrahi**, Tel-Aviv University  
“Dialects in the Wilderness: Reconsidering the Notion of Qumran Hebrew”

**Daniel L. Smith**, Saint Louis University  
“Wilderness Space, Wilderness Time, Wilderness People”

**Corrado Martone**, University of Turin  
“This Must Be the Place: The Zadokite Exodus in the Dead Sea Scrolls”

**16:30 Session VII. Chair: Daniel R. Schwartz**, Hebrew University

**Eyal Regev**, Bar-Ilan University  
“The Wilderness, Damascus and the Land: The Notion of Place in Sectarian Community Building”

**Arjen Bakker**, Oxford University  
“Prepare in the Wilderness”: Cultivation of the Self in the Judean Desert”

**Alison Schofield**, University of Denver  
“The Concept of Wilderness and the *Rule of the Congregation*”

### TUESDAY, MAY 1, 2018

Israel Museum, Shrine of the Book,  
Dorot Auditorium

**9:00 Session VIII. Chair: Ofer Sion**, Israel Antiquities Authority

#### Greetings:

**Ido Bruno**, Director, The Israel Museum  
**Israel Hasson**, Director, Israel Antiquities Authority

**Reinhard G. Kratz**, Georg-August-Universität, Göttingen  
“QWB and SQE: Two Digital Projects on Lexicography and Edition of the Scrolls”

**Amos Frumkin**, Hebrew University  
“The Geology and Environment of the Qumran Caves”

**Eitan Klein and Amir Ganor**, Israel Antiquities Authority  
“Explorations and Discoveries in the Judean Desert Caves: The Antiquities Looting Prevention Unit’s Activity in the Last Few Years”

**Uri Davidovich and Roi Porat**, Hebrew University  
“New Excavations in the Large Cave Complex of Nahal Tze’elim: A Refuge Complex of the Bar-Kokhba Revolt”

**11:45 Session IX. Chair: Haim Gitler**, The Israel Museum

**Oren Gutfeld**, Hebrew University  
“Old Cave—New Project: The Renewed Excavation in Cave 53”

**Guy Stiebel**, Tel-Aviv University  
“*Post mortem*: The Rebels’ Community at Masada and the Qumran Connection”

**Marcello Fidanzio**, Facoltà di Teologia di Lugano  
“Qumran Cave 11Q Final Report: Archaeology and New Scroll Fragments”

#### 13:15 Afternoon Break

**19:00 Session X. Public Program in Hebrew (Israel Museum, Springer Auditorium; tickets may be purchased at the Museum box office)**

**Chair: Esther G. Chazon**, Hebrew University

**Adolfo Roitman**, The Israel Museum

באנוס, יחזקאל המסביל וכת קומראן:  
המשמעות הדתית של המדבר ביהדות העתיקה  
 (“Bannus, John the Baptist, and the Qumran Community: The Religious Meaning of Wilderness in Ancient Judaism”)

**Lawrence H. Schiffman**, New York University  
המשכן והמקדש במגילת המקדש  
 (“The Desert Tabernacle and the Temple of the Temple Scroll”)

**Pinna Shor**, Israel Antiquities Authority

המדבר לקדמת המדע:  
תיעוד, שמור והגשת מילות מדבר יהודה  
 (“From the Wilderness to Multispectral Imaging: The Documentation, Preservation and Digitization of the Dead Sea Scrolls”)

גישות חינוכיות למגילות: עשר שנים אחרי (2008–2018)  
 (“Getting the Word Out: Educational Approaches to the Scrolls, Ten Years Later”)

**Rotem Arieli**, The Israel Museum

**Noam Mizrahi**, Tel-Aviv University

**Adolfo Roitman**, The Israel Museum, Moderator

### WEDNESDAY, MAY 2, 2018

Rabin Building,  
Room 2001

**9:00 Session XI. Chair: David Satran**, Hebrew University

**Steven D. Fraade**, Yale University  
“Revelation and Prophecy in the Wilderness”

**Liora Goldman**, University of Haifa and Oranim Academic College of Education  
“From Mount Sinai to the Well: Where and to Whom will the Torah be Revealed?”

**Moshe J. Bernstein**, Yeshiva University  
“Who (or What) is a מחוקק?”

**11:00 Session XII. Chair: Esther Eshel**, Bar-Ilan University

**Alex Jassen**, New York University  
“Feeling Persecuted in the Wilderness: The Dead Sea Scrolls and the Narrative of Victimhood”

**Jesper Høgenhaven**, University of Copenhagen  
“The Wilderness in the *Copper Scroll* (3Q15)”

**Atar Livneh**, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev  
“Reciting History on Sinai: A Study of *Jewish Antiquities* 3.83–88 in Comparative Perspective”

#### 12:45 Break

**14:30 Session XIII. Chair: Adela Yarbro Collins**, Yale University

**George J. Brooke**, University of Manchester / University of Chester (England)  
“Locating the Wilderness in the Dead Sea Scrolls and the New Testament: A Study in Mutual Illumination”

**Hermann Lichtenberger**, University of Tübingen  
“The Woman in the Desert and the Wings of the Eagle in Rev 12:13–14”

**Michael R. Jost**, University of Bern  
“Between Wilderness Experiences and Heavenly Glory: The Place of the People of God in Hebrews and in Comparison with *1QSerekh ha-Yahad*”

**16:30 Session XIV. Chair: Lutz Doering**, University of Münster

**Jeffrey P. García**, Nyack College  
“Where in the Wilderness is John the Baptist? Making a Way for Repentance, Charity, and Justice”

**Ian Werrett**, Saint Martin’s University  
“Out of the Wilderness: Qumran, Jesus, and Ritual Purity”

**Daniel K. Falk**, Pennsylvania State University  
“Seeking God in Dry Places: Prayer and the Wilderness in Early Judaism and Christianity”

#### 18:00 Concluding Discussion

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