

Friday, March 7, 2008

Introduction

9:00-9:15am Opening Remarks by **Gil Stein**, Director of the Oriental Institute
9:15-9:30 **Jeffrey Szuchman** (Oriental Institute, University of Chicago)
Pastoral Nomads, Tribes, and the State: Questions and Problems

Session 1: Identifying Nomads: Texts, Artifacts, and Ethnoarchaeology

9:30-10:00 **Hans Barnard** (Cotsen Institute of Archaeology, UCLA)
The Archaeology of the Pastoral Nomads between the Nile and the Red Sea
10:00-10:30 **Robert Ritner** (Oriental Institute, University of Chicago)
Egypt and the Vanishing Libyan: Institutional Responses to a Nomadic People
10:30-10:45 Coffee Break
10:45-11:15 **Benjamin Saidel** (East Carolina University)
Pitching Tent: Variations in the Layout of Tentcamps in the Southern Levant from the mid 1940s to the Present
11:15-11:45 **Bertille Lyonnet** (Centre National de Recherches Scientifiques, Paris-)
Who Lived in the 3rd Millennium "Round Cities" of Northern Syria?
11:45-12:15pm **Discussion**
12:15-1:45 Lunch

Session 2: Mobility, Economy, and Social Transformation

1:45-2:15 **Anatoly Khazanov** (University of Wisconsin, Madison)
Specific Characteristics of Chalcolithic and Bronze Age Pastoralism in the Near East
2:15-2:45 **Anne Porter** (University of Southern California)
Beyond Dimorphism: How Mobility Shapes, and has Shaped, the Ancient Near East
2:45-3:15 **Abbas Alizadeh** (Oriental Institute, University of Chicago)
Prehistoric Mobile Pastoralism in Southwestern Iran: "Enclosed" or Enclosing Nomadism
3:15-3:45 Coffee Break
3:45-4:15 **Thomas E. Levy** (University of California, San Diego)
Pastoral Nomads and Iron Age Metal Production in Ancient Edom
4:15-4:30 Respondent: **Frank Hole** (Yale University)
4:30-5:30 **Discussion**
5:30-6:00 Break (Guests are welcome to explore the museum galleries)
6:00-7:00 *Reception: Oriental Institute, Yelda Court*

Session 3: Varieties of Tribe-State Interaction

- 9:00-9:30am **Steven A. Rosen** (Ben-Gurion University of the Negev)
History Does Not Repeat Itself: Cyclicality and Particularism in Nomad-Sedentary Relations in the Negev in the Long Term
- 9:30-10:00 **Donald Whitcomb** (Oriental Institute, University of Chicago)
From Pastoral Peasantry to Tribal Urbanites: Arab Tribes and the Foundation of the Islamic State in Syria
- 10:00-10:30 **Daniel Fleming** (New York University)
Kingship of City and Tribe Conjoined: Zimri-Lim at Mari
- 10:30-10:45 Coffee Break
- 10:45-11:15 **Eveline van der Steen** (University of Liverpool)
Tribal Societies in the 19th Century: A Model
- 11:15-11:30 Respondent: **Thomas Barfield** (Boston University)
- 11:30-12:00 **Discussion**