

SATURDAY, MARCH 8TH

9:00-9:10

Welcome Address

9:10-10:00

***"A New Buddhist Text and
a Shift away from Early
Mahāyāna"***

Jason McCombs (UCLA)
discussant: Alexander von
Rospatt (Berkeley)

10:00-10:50

***"Puranic Inflections: Visions
of the Devī in a Buddhist
Yoginītantra"***

Ryan Damron (Berkeley)
discussant: David Gordon White
(UCSB)

10:50-11:00

Coffee Break

11:00-11:50

***"Piṇḍapātika as a Standard
Practice in the Vinaya"***

Nicholas Witowski (Stanford)
discussant: Robert Buswell
(UCLA)

11:50-12:40

***"The Two Stages Enter the
Canon: Some Observations
on the Relationship Between
the Samājottara and the Early
Jñānapāda School"***

Catherine Dalton, (Berkeley)
discussant: Greg Hillis (UCSB)

12:40-1:40

Lunch

1:40-2:30

***"Legend to Flesh and Bone:
The Ostensive Reenactment
of a Tantric Hero"***

Joel Gruber (UCSB)
Discussant: Jacob Dalton
(Berkeley)

2:30-3:20

***"Thorny Lotus: Kumārajīva's
reading of the Lotus Sūtra"***

Rafal Felbur (Stanford)
discussant: Raoul Birnbaum
(UCSC)

3:20-3:30

Coffee Break

3:30-4:20

***"A Preliminary Study of the
Theory of Imperishable Spirit"***

Sangyop Lee (Stanford)
discussant: William Bodiford
(UCLA)

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9:10-9:50

***"Lotus in the Mud, Incense in the
Air: An Inquiry into the East Asian
Olfactory Imagination"***

Peter Romaskiewicz (UCSB)
discussant: Natasha Heller (UCLA)

9:50-10:40

***"Female Iconography and
Buddhist Inscriptions from Đông
Dương (Vietnam)"***

Mya Chau (UCLA)
discussant: John Kieschnick
(Stanford)

10:40-10:50

Coffee Break

10:50-11:40

***"Sacred Mother Bodhisattva,
Buddha and Cakravartin:
Recasting Empress Jingū as a
Buddhist Figure"***

Emm Simpson (UCSB)
discussant: Ryan Overbey
(Berkeley)

11:40-12:30

***"Lineage Constructs and
Realignment of the Gods:
Examining the Thought of Jōin
(1682-1739)"***

Caleb Carter (UCLA)
discussant: Fabio Rambelli (UCSB)

12:30

Closing Words

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