Subjects of Empire:
Political and Cultural Exchange in Imperial Rome

Friday, May 12, 2017

1:00pm-1:15pm
Light Refreshments

1:15pm-3:30pm

Welcome: Harriet Flower, Nino Luraghi (Princeton University)

Clifford Ando (University of Chicago)
“The Ambitions of Government: Sovereignty and Control in the Ancient Countryside”

Nicholas Purcell (University of Oxford)
“Just Deserts? Roman Power and the Rhetoric of Discrimination”

Moderator: Katharine Huemoeller (University of British Columbia)

3:30pm-3:45pm
Coffee Break

3:45pm-5:45pm

Paula Fredriksen (Hebrew University of Jerusalem)
“Why Were The Early Christians Persecuted?”

Mark Vessey (University of British Columbia)
"Ausonius at the Edge of Empire: Consular Poetics as Cognitive Improvisation"

Moderator: Jeremy McInerney (University of Pennsylvania)

5:45-6:00pm
Break

6:00pm
Keynote
Peter Brown (Princeton University)
“Brent Shaw: An Intellectual Profile”
Saturday, May 13, 2017

8:45am-9:00am  
Continental Breakfast

9:00am-11:00am

**Carlos Noreña**, (University of California, Berkeley)  
"Imperial Integration on Rome's Atlantic Rim"

**Erich Gruen** (University of California, Berkeley)  
"Outliers, Outlaws, and the Origins of the Jewish War against Rome"

Moderator: **Marc Domingo** (Princeton University)

11:00am-11:15am  
Coffee Break

11:15am-1:15pm

**Claudia Rapp** (University of Vienna)  
“Organized Lay Piety in Late Antiquity and the Beginnings of Monasticism”

**Eric Rebillard** (Cornell University)  
"Early Christianities and the Mediterranean, 50-300 CE"

Moderator: **AnneMarie Luijendijk** (Princeton University)

1:15pm-2:00pm  
Lunch

2:00pm-4:00pm

**Kyle Harper**, (University of Oklahoma)  
“Germs and Empire”

**Sabine Huebner** (University of Basel)  
“The First Christians in Egypt - the Christianization of the Fayum before 250 CE”

Moderator: **Rose MacLean** (University of California, Santa Barbara)
4:15pm-6:30pm

**Catherine Conybeare** (Bryn Mawr College)  
“*Peregrinationes in Psalmos*”

**Glen Bowersock** (Institute for Advanced Study)  
“*Muhammad’s Rivals: Prophets in Late Antique Arabia*”

Closing Remarks:  **Brent Shaw**

Moderator:  **Jack Tannous** (Princeton University)

6:45-8:00  
Farewell Reception