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EDITORIAL

Dear Scholars of Byzantium,

The Istanbul Byzantine Circular aims at sharing information about activities, institutions and people related to Istanbul and Byzantium. The Circular consists of an e-mail attachment and will be updated and distributed four times per year in January, April, July and October. You are invited to share your information by e-mailing it to the editor, who will include it in the next circular. Philipp Niewöhner will serve as editor of circular no. 1 to 8, April 2007 to January 2009. After that Nevra Necipoğlu will organize the election of an editor from the scholars of Byzantium resident in Istanbul.

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NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Monthly Seminar on Medieval Fortifications, 10th – 15th Centuries

Organized by the Institut Français d'Etudes Anatoliennes in Collaboration with the Orient-Institut

Beginning February 2009, several major fortified sites in modern Turkey (such as Constantinople, Ani, Nicaea) and in the neighbouring regions of Georgia, Armenia, and Syria will be presented.

For more information see below and <http://www.ifea-istanbul.net> or contact thomas.lorain@free.fr or denizbeyazit@yahoo.com.

Byzantine Studies E-mail Group

The aim is to share information among Turkish byzantinists working on history, archaeology and art history of the Byzantine Empire.

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The list of fellows for 2008/2009 at the **Koç University Research Center for Anatolian Civilizations** includes

Asa Eger, *Excavation on the Islamic-Byzantine Frontier: the frontier fort of Hişn al-Tīnāt*

Ayse Henry, *The Pilgrimage Center of St. Symeon the Younger: Designed by angels, supervised by a saint, constructed by pilgrims*

Ivana Jevtic, *Reconstructing the Genesis of the Palaeologan Art: the testimony of Byzantine monuments of Istanbul*

Nino Kavtaria, *Constantinopolitan School of the Book Art and its impact on the Georgian miniature painting from the Black Mountain of the 11th century*

Polyvios Konis, *From Constantinople to Cappadocia: The association between centre and periphery in Byzantine art*

Candace Weddle, *Making Sense of Emperor Worship: The sensory experience of cult in Late Antique Asia Minor*

For the complete list see:

http://www.ku.edu.tr/ku/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=3132&Itemid=2375

CURRENT AND FORTHCOMING EVENTS

2009 January 19th, 4 p.m.

Dr. Georg Plattner (Wien)

Spolien in Ephesos. Auf der Suche nach dem Übergang von der Kaiserzeit zur Spätantike

Lecture at the Deutsches Archäologisches Institut

2009 January 20th, 2 p.m.

Ephesos 2008

Symposium, vin d'honneur (7 p.m.) and concert (8 p.m., C. Herrmann, piano, Bach, Haydn, Mozart, Chopin) at the Avusturya Kültür Ofisi, Köybaşı Caddesi No. 44, Yeniköy

The program includes

4:30 p.m. S. Ladstätter, *Trading Centre Ephesus*

5:00 p.m. A. Pülz, *Ephesus. An Important Centre of Pilgrimage in Byzantine Times*

5:30 p.m. G. Plattner, *Ephesos in Austria. Research in the Ephesos-Museum in Vienna*

2009 January 22nd, 6 p.m.

Doç. Dr. Engin Akyürek (Istanbul) / Prof. Dr. Burhan Varkıvanç (Antalya)

The Kesik Minare Project (Antalya): Agora, Church, Mosque and Museum

Lecture at the Deutsches Archäologisches Institut

2009 February 11th, 5:30 p.m.

Prof. Dr. Hansgerd Hellenkemper (Köln)

Medieval Fortifications in Anatolia

PD Dr. Neslihan Asutay-Effenberger (Bonn)

Istanbul Kara Surları. Mimari ve Kapılarla ilgili yeni bir çalışma

Conference at the Institut Français d'Etudes Anatoliennes

2009 February 19th, 6 p.m.

Prof. Dr. John Haldon (Princeton)

The Avkat Archaeological Project: Some Preliminary Findings

Lecture at the Deutsches Archäologisches Institut

2009 February 26th, 6 p.m.

Prof. Dr. Dieter Vieweger (Wuppertal/Jerusalem)

Die Arbeit des Deutschen Evangelischen Instituts für Altertumswissenschaft des Heiligen Landes

Lecture at the Deutsches Archäologisches Institut

2009 March 4th, 6 p.m.

Dr. Koray Durak (Istanbul)

Constantinople Viewed by the Arabs: Geographical Sources and Beyond

Lecture at the Orient-Institut, Istanbul

2009 March 19th, 6 p.m.

Prof. Dr. Haluk Abbasoğlu (Istanbul)

Neue Forschungen in Perge

Lecture at the Deutsches Archäologisches Institut

2009 April 2nd, 6 p.m.

PD Dr. Sabine Ladstätter (Wien)

Ephesos - Veränderungen im Stadtbild von der römischen Kaiserzeit zur Spätantike

Lecture at the Deutsches Archäologisches Institut

2009 April 6th, 4 p.m.

Dr. Ferudun Özgümüş (Istanbul)

Istanbul Underground. The Archaeological Survey of Istanbul University

Lecture at the Deutsches Archäologisches Institut

2009 April 20th, 4 p.m.

Asst. Prof. Dr. Füsün Tülek (Kocaeli)

A Late Antique Settlement in Osmaniye (Plain Cilicia)

Lecture at the Deutsches Archäologisches Institut

2008 October 25th – 2009 March 22nd

Byzantium, 330-1453

Exhibition at the Royal Academy of Arts in London

The exhibition begins with the foundation of Constantinople in 330 AD by the Roman Emperor Constantine the Great and concludes with the capture of the city by the Ottoman forces of Mehmed II in 1453.

Homepage: <http://www.royalacademy.org.uk/exhibitions/byzantium/>

2011 August 22nd-27th

Byzantium without Frontiers

22nd International Congress for Byzantine Studies

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Byzantine Architecture I
(Fall)

Seminar on Byzantine Constantinople
(Fall)

Graduate Seminar on the Problems of Byzantine Architecture
(Fall)

Byzantine Architecture II
(Spring)

Seminar on the Byzantine Monuments in İstanbul (conducted at the field)
(Spring)

Durak, Yrd. Doç. Dr. K. Ş., Boğaziçi University

Trade, Exchange, and Communications in the Eastern Mediterranean in the Early Middle Ages
Fall 2008, Boğaziçi University

Introduction to Byzantine History (A.D. 300-1453)
Fall 2008, Yeditepe University

State and Society in Asia Minor (11th-15th Centuries)
Spring 2009, Boğaziçi University

History of İstanbul I
Spring 2009, Bilgi University

Introduction to Byzantine History
Summer 2009, Sabancı-Harvard Summer School, İstanbul

Necipoğlu, Prof. Dr. N., Boğaziçi University

History of the Byzantine Empire I
Fall 2008

Graduate Seminar on Byzantine History I
Fall 2008

History of the Byzantine Empire II
Spring 2009

Graduate Seminar on Byzantine History II
Spring 2009

Özügül, Dr. A., Uludağ University

Byzantine Architecture I
Spring

Byzantine Architecture II
Fall

Byzantine Painting I
Spring

Byzantine Painting II
Fall

Istanbul through the Ages
(elective)

Iconography I
Spring (elective)

Iconography II
Fall (elective)

Peker, Dr. N., Başkent Üniversitesi

Sanat Tarihi II /Art History II
Fall

Görsel Kültür ve Sanatın Tarihi /Visual Culture and History of Art
Fall (elective)

Kapadokya Resim Sanatı / Cappadocia Wallpainting Art
Fall

Selçuklu ve Osmanlı Sanatı / Seljuk and Ottoman Art
Fall

Bizans Sanatı / Byzantine Art
Spring

Hıristiyan ve Bizans Sanatı / Christian and Byzantine Art
Spring

Sanat Tarihi I /Art History I
Spring

Sanat Tarihi Yöntemleri /Art History Methods
Spring

Tülek, Asst. Prof. Dr. F., Kocaeli University

History of Architecture III: Late Antique and Byzantine Architecture

Archaeology of Late Antique and Byzantine Civilization

History of Byzantine Art

Vasilakeris, Dr. A., Boğaziçi University

Byzantine Art and Architecture I
Fall 2008

Graduate Seminar on Byzantine Institutions: Monasteries of Constantinople
Fall 2008

Byzantine Art and Architecture II
Spring 2009

Graduate Seminar on the Secular Monuments of Byzantine Constantinople
Spring 2009

MA THESES

On theses completed at Turkish Universities see also
http://www.yok.gov.tr/tez/tez_tarama.htm

Duran, Derya

The Cult of the Archangel Michael in Byzantine Asia Minor
Koç University, completed June 2007
Supervisors: Paul Magdalino and Alicia Simpson

Galliker, Julia

The Imperial Silk Workshop in Middle Byzantium
Koç University, completed June 2007
Supervisors: Paul Magdalino and Alicia Simpson

Tabur, İpek

The Representation of the Medical Doctor in the Non-medical Sources of the Palaiologan Period
Boğaziçi University, completed January 2008
Supervisor: Nevra Necipoğlu

Tanrıyar, Kıvanç

The Life of Saint Auxentios: An Introduction, Translation, and Commentary
Boğaziçi University, completed February 2007
Supervisors: Nevra Necipoğlu and Kostis Smyrlis

Tütüncü, Filiz

The Land of Beautiful Horses: Stables in Middle Byzantine Settlements of Cappadocia
Bilkent University, Department of Archaeology and History of Art, completed June 2008
Supervisor: Charles Gates and Veronica Kalas

PH.D. THESES

Akışık, Ashhan

Self and Other in the Fifteenth Century: Laonikos Chalkokondyles and Late Byzantine Intellectuals

Harvard University, in progress

Supervisors: Cemal Kafadar and Angeliki Laiou

Bakır, Mevlude

The Effects of Earthquakes on the Built Environment in Antioch and its Vicinity from the Fourth to the Thirteenth Century

Istanbul Technical University, in progress

Supervisors: Ayla Ödekan and Nevra Necipoğlu

Çagaptay, Suna

Visualizing the Cultural Transition in Bithynia (ca. 1300-1402): Architecture, Urbanism and Landscape

University of Illinois, defended October 2007

Advisor: Robert Ousterhout

Çömezoğlu, Özgü

Akdeniz çevresi Ortaçağ Camcılığı Işığında Demre Aziz Nikolaos Kilisesi Cam Buluntuları (Glass Finds of Myra Hagios Nicolaos Church in the Light of Mediterranean Glass Production)

İstanbul University, completed September 2007.

Supervisor: Engin Akyürek

Dalgıç, Örgü

Late Antique Floor Mosaics in Constantinople before the Great Palace

Institute of Fine Arts, New York University, in progress

Advisor: T.F. Mathews

Durak, Koray Şevki

Commerce and Networks of Exchange between the Byzantine Empire and the Islamic Near East from the Early Ninth Century to the Arrival of the Crusaders

Harvard University, completed June 2008

Supervisors: Roy Mottahedeh, Angeliki Laiou, Michael McCormick

Eger, Asar

The Spaces Between the Teeth: Environment, Settlement, and Interaction on the Islamic-Byzantine Frontier

University of Chicago, completed May 2008

Advisors: Donald Whitcomb and Fred Donner

Güzel Erdoğan, Esra

Relationship Between Monasteries and the City During the Reign of Emperor Andronikos II (1282-1328)

Istanbul Technical University, in progress

Supervisors: Ayla Ödekan and Nevra Necipoğlu

Henry, Ayse

The Pilgrimage Center of St. Symeon the Younger: Designed by angels, supervised by a saint, constructed by pilgrims

University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign, in progress

Supervisor: Robert Ousterhout

Kitapçı Bayrı, Buket

Byzantine and Turkish-Muslim Hagiographical Sources as Witnesses of Social and Cultural Change in Late Medieval Anatolia (13th-15th Centuries)

University of Paris I-Sorbonne and Boğaziçi University, in progress

Supervisors: Michel Kaplan and Nevra Necipoğlu

Lini, Gabriella

The Peninsula of Knidos in the Byzantine Period. The Topographical Evolution of the City and its Territory: the Archaeological Record

University of Geneva & Pontifical Institute of Christian Archaeology in Rome, in progress

Supervisors: Yves Christe, Philippe Pergola and Vincenzo Ruggieri

Schweiger, Helmut

Late Antique and Early Byzantine Domestic Architecture in Western Asia Minor

Faculty of Historical and Cultural Studies, University of Vienna

Supervisor/Advisor: F. Krinzinger

Tiryaki, Ayça

Kisileçukuru Manastırı, Antalya'nın Doyran Beldesinde Bir Ortaçağ Yapı Topluluğu (Kisileçukuru Monastery, A Medieval Complex Near Doyran Village at Antalya)

İstanbul University, completed May 2007.

Supervisor: Engin Akyürek

Toraman, Arzu

Anadolu'daki Bizans Kiliselerinde Apokrif İncil Kaynaklı Duvar Resimleri (Apocryphal Bible Scenes in Anatolian Byzantine Churches)

İstanbul University, in progress.

Supervisor: Engin Akyürek

Turnator, Ece

Centers of Economic and Political Power in Western Asia Minor and Mainland Greece,
ca. 1150-1250

Harvard University, in progress

Supervisors: Angeliki Laiou and Michael McCormick

Uyar, B. Tolga

Christian Art in Turkish Anatolia: 13th Century Byzantine Paintings in Cappadocia.

University of Paris I-Sorbonne, in progress

Advisor: Catherine Jolivet-Lévy

Co-advisor : Engin Akyürek

Varinlioğlu, Gündür

The Rural Landscape and Built Environment at the End of Antiquity: Limestone Villages of
Southeastern Isauria

University of Pennsylvania, in progress

Supervisor: Cecil Lee Striker

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