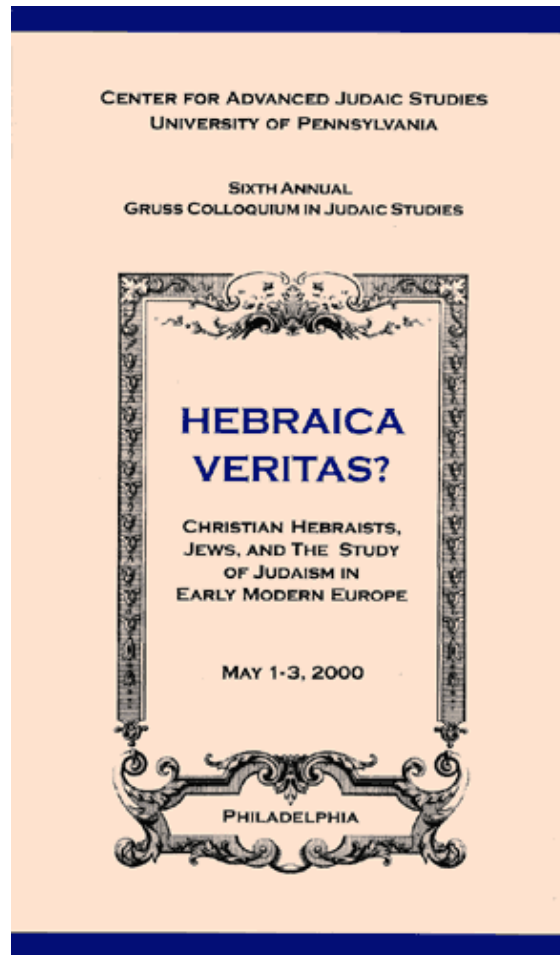


Gruss Colloquium in Judaic Studies

HEBRAICA VERITAS?

Christian Hebraists, Jews, and The Study of Judaism in Early Modern Europe

May 1 - 3, 2000



MONDAY, MAY 1 Logan Hall, Room 17, University of Pennsylvania, 249 S. 36th Street

1:00 pm

GREETINGS

David Ruderman

Director, Center for Advanced Judaic Studies

Samuel H. Preston

Dean, School of Arts and Sciences

1:15 pm

MEDIEVAL ANTECEDENTS

Chair: **Ann Matter**, University of Pennsylvania

Michael Signer, University of Notre Dame
Polemic and Exegesis: The Varieties of Christian Hebraism in 12th Century France

Harvey Hames, Ben Gurion University/CAJS
From Nahmanides and Friar Paul to Solomon ibn Adret and Ramon Llull: Approaches to Jewish-Christian Interaction in the 13th Century

Israel Yuval, Hebrew University/CAJS
Ora Limor, Open University/CAJS
Christianity versus Judaism in the Eyes of Yom Tov Lipmann Muhlhausen

Respondent: **Bernard McGinn**, University of Chicago

3:15 pm Coffee

3:45 pm **THE DIGNITY OF MAN:
JEWISH WISDOM AND THE ITALIAN RENAISSANCE**

Chair: **Ann Moyer**, University of Pennsylvania

Moshe Idel, Hebrew University/CAJS
Jewish Renaissance Discussions of the Dignity of Man

Brian Copenhaver, University of California, Los Angeles
Pico's Cabalist Oration

Fabrizio Lelli, Theological Faculty of Central Italy/CAJS
Jews, Humanists, and Pagan Wisdom in 15th Century Florence

Respondent: **Arthur Lesley**, Baltimore Hebrew University

6:15 pm Cocktails (by invitation)

7:00 pm Dinner (by invitation)
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TUESDAY, MAY 2 Logan Hall, Room 17, University of Pennsylvania, 249 S. 36th Street

8:45 am **THE REFORMATION:
CONFESSIONAL VARIETIES OF HEBRAICA VERITAS**

Chair: **Thomas Safley**, University of Pennsylvania

Joanna Weinberg, Leo Baeck College/CAJS
Sebastian Münster, The German Ezra

Stephen Burnett, University of Nebraska/CAJS
Luther's Encounter with Jewish Biblical Commentaries

Piet van Boxel, Leo Baeck College/CAJS
Bellarmino and The Vulgate

Respondent: **Michael Heyd**, Hebrew University/CAJS

10:45 am Coffee

11:15 am **JEWISH-CHRISTIAN COLLABORATION:
PRINTING, CENSORSHIP, AND ANTIQUARIAN SCHOLARSHIP**

Chair: **Aaron Katchen**, Association of Jewish Studies/CAJS

Amnon Raz-Krakotzkin, Ben Gurion University
Censorship, Hebraism, and the Emergence of Modern Jewish Consciousness

Peter Miller, University of Maryland/CAJS
Peiresc's Collaboration with R. Salomon Azubi: Astronomy and Antiquities in Early 17th Century Provence

Benjamin Ravid, Brandeis University
The Venetian Government as Translator and Publisher of Jewish Texts

Respondent: **Peter Stallybrass**, University of Pennsylvania

1:15 pm Lunch Break

2:15 pm **EARLY MODERN REPRESENTATIONS OF JEWS AND JUDAISM**

Chair: **Larry Silver**, University of Pennsylvania

Yaacov Deutsch, Hebrew University/CAJS
The Day of Atonement in the Writings of Christian Hebraists

Joseph Hacker, Hebrew University/CAJS
Christian Travelers and Jewish Guides in the Levant (1580-1625)

Elisheva Carlebach, Queens College
Between Converts and Hebraists: Rivalry for the Representation of Judaism

Respondent: **Guy G. Stroumsa**, Hebrew University/CAJS

4:15 pm Coffee

4:30 pm

SUBVERSIVE CONSEQUENCES OF CHRISTIAN HEBRAISM IN THE EARLY ENLIGHTENMENT

Chair: **Jeffrey Shoulson**, University of Miami/CAJS

Silvia Berti, La Sapienza University, Rome/CAJS
Jews and Karaites on Bernard Picart's Path to Anti-Christianism

Wilhelm Schmidt-Biggemann, Free University, Berlin/CAJS
*The Philological Destruction of Hebraica Veritas:
Richard Simon's Histoire Critique du Vieux Testament*

Matt Goldish, Ohio State University/CAJS
Kabbalah Criticism and Biblical Criticism in the Early Enlightenment

Respondent: **Israel Bartal**, Hebrew University/CAJS

7:00 pm

Dinner (by invitation)
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8:30 pm

Anthony Grafton, Princeton University/CAJS
Doctor Faustus as a Christian Hebraist

WEDNESDAY, MAY 3 Logan Hall, Room 17, University of Pennsylvania, 249 S. 36th Street

9:00 am

AMBIVALENT ENCOUNTERS: JUDAISM AND THE ENLIGHTENMENT

Chair: **Jason Rosenblatt**, Georgetown University/CAJS

Adam Sutcliffe, University of Illinois, Urbana
The Decline of Christian Hebraism and the Emergence of the Enlightenment

Allison Coudert, Arizona State University/CAJS
Christian Kabbalah, Science, and the Enlightenment

Nils Roemer, Columbia University/CAJS
Colliding Visions: Jewish Messianism and German Scholarship in the 18th Century

Respondent: **Liliane Weissberg**, University of Pennsylvania

11:00 am

Coffee

11:30 am

CONCLUDING SESSION

Chair: **David Ruderman**, University of Pennsylvania/CAJS

Moshe Idel, Hebrew University/CAJS

Bernard McGinn, University of Chicago

Richard Popkin, University of California, Los Angeles/Emeritus

Michael Heyd, Hebrew University/CAJS

1:15 pm

Concluding Luncheon (by invitation) followed by Board of Overseers meeting
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