

THE 27TH SPALDING SYMPOSIUM ON INDIAN RELIGIONS

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22 March-24 March 2002

Friday, 22 March

- 4.30pm Welcome, refreshments
- 5.00pm Dr Arvind Mandair (Hofstra University, New York)
Reconstituting Gurmat: Time, Transcendence and Subjectivity in Sikh Reformist Discourse
- 6.30pm Dinner
- 7.30pm Professor Alexis Sanderson (All Souls, Oxford)
The Impact of Saivism on the Religions of Asia.

Saturday, 23 March

- 9.30am Dr Ulrich Pagel (SOAS)
Stupas and Stupa worship in Mahayana Sutras: New Evidence
- 10.45am Refreshments
- 11.15am Professor Richard Gombrich (Oxford)
Staying with Brahma: the history of an important misunderstanding
- 12.45pm Lunch
- 3.00pm Alexander Wynne (Oxford)
Meditation in early Buddhism: the jhanas and their position in the Sutta Pitaka
- 3.45pm Will Douglas (Oxford)
The Last Amoghapasa Across All Asia
- 4.30pm Refreshments

- 5.00pm Dr Ron Geaves (Chester)
From Totapuri to Maharaji: Reflections on a Parampara (lineage).
- 6.30pm Dinner
- 7.30pm Dr Rachel McDermott (Barnard)
Such a Pretty Face: The Sexualization of Durga in 19th-20th Century Bengal

Sunday, 24 March

- 9.30am Dr Jeanne Openshaw (Edinburgh)
Seeking Bauls of Bengal
- 10.45am Refreshments
- 11.15am Dr Elizabeth Arweck (Warwick and King's College, London)
A Hindu-Related New Religious Movement as Sponsor of an Educational Programme: Issues and Perspectives
- 12.45pm Lunch, then departure

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