

# BYU Studies Symposium at the Hinckley Center

SPECIAL FEATURES

## WEDNESDAY March 10

7:00 p.m. LECTURE • Harold B. Lee Library Auditorium  
Neal E. Lambert and John W. Welch

Tribute to Clinton F. Larson and Hugh W. Nibley

**John M. Murphy**

Tours of L. Tom Perry Special Collections

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## FRIDAY March 12

11:00 a.m. PLENARY SESSION • S. ASSEMBLY • Richard Neitzel Holzapfel  
Wilford Woodruff's 1897 Testimony in Context: New Discoveries

12:00 p.m. BROWN BAG LUNCH • N. ASSEMBLY • Personal Essays

1:00 p.m. PLENARY • S. ASSEMBLY • Van C. Gessel • Music: Darrell Babidge  
Coming to Terms: The Challenge of Creating Christian Vocabulary  
in a Non-Christian Land

Poster Displays All Day • 4:00 p.m Open Reception • MAIN FLOOR

**Moderator**

Eric A. Eliason

• *Covenantal Faithfulness in the Land of Zion*  
Taylor Halverson

• *Nimrod, an Enigma*  
Justin Bray

• *Luke 13:23–30 and the Israelite Temple*  
Matthew Brown

• *The Ezekiel Mural at Dura Europos*  
Jeffrey Bradshaw

• *Character Depictions and Artifacts in LDS Missionary Videos, 1980–2001*  
Anthony Nisse, Jonice Hubbard

• *A Phonotactic Comparison of English Norms*  
Brad Wilcox, Wendy Baker, Bruce Brown, Dennis Eggett

• *Automatic Topic Discovery in 100 Years of General Conference Talks*  
Matt Gardner, Eric Ringger

• *Applying Modern Source Criticism to Accounts of the Book of Mormon Plates*  
Larry E. Morris

• *Reviewing the Recent Contributions of Sociology to Studying Church Topics*  
James Phillips

• *Looking through the Symbols to Eternity*  
Yvonne Bent

• *The Nauvoo Music and Concert Hall: A Prelude to the Exodus*  
Darrell Babidge

• *Jean Valjean and Alma the Younger: Putting on the Armor of Light*  
Robin Hancock

• *Why Have Native American Wards?*  
Jessie L. Embry

• *The Canadian Copyright Revelation*  
Stephen Ehat

• *The 20-Minute Genealogist*  
Charles Knutson  
Jonathan Krein

6:30 p.m. BANQUET • Museum of Art, Lied Gallery

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"The Great World of the Spirits of the Dead": Death, the Great War, and the 1918 Influenza Pandemic as Context for Doctrine and Covenants 138

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# FRIDAY *morning*, March 12, 9:00 a.m.–12:50 p.m.

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## S. ASSEMBLY The Verse, Voice, and Vision of Two Leading LDS Women

	9:00	9:35	10:05	10:35
<b>Moderator</b> Rachel Cope	Lisa Tait, University of Houston  <i>Susa Young Gates, the Young Woman's Journal, and the Parameters of Female Literary Ambition in 1890s Mormondom</i>	Nancy Gunn, Brigham Young University  <i>The Young Woman's Journal: The Vision and Voice of Susa Young Gates</i>	Jill Mulvay Derr, Church History Library; Karen Lynn David- son, Joseph Smith Papers; Cherry B. Silver, Brigham Young University  <i>Eliza R. Snow: The Complete Poetry</i>	<i>Discussion</i>

## N. ASSEMBLY Transformations in Church Education

	9:00	9:35	10:05	10:35
<b>Moderator</b> Ann Lambson	Jerry L. Jaccard, Brigham Young University  <i>Reformation, Revolution, Restoration: Toward Teaching and Learning in Zion</i>	Gordon Daines, Brigham Young University  <i>Developing "Still Better Things": The Role of Accreditation in Securing the Future of Brigham Young University, 1921–1928</i>	Casey Griffiths, Brigham Young University  <i>Finding a Voice and Charting the Course: Latter-day Saint Religious Educators and the University of Chicago Divinity School</i>	<i>Discussion</i>

## EAST ROOM Establishing the Church on Earth, with Heaven's Hand

	9:00	9:35	10:05	10:35
<b>Moderator</b> Richard Bennett	David Stott, Attorney, New York  <i>According to the Laws of God and Man: Legal Insights into the Organization of the Church</i>	Stephen Ehat, Attorney, Utah  <i>"A Revelation Given to Oliver Hiram Josiah &amp; Joseph... Ye Shall Go to Kingston"— The Canadian Copyright Revelation</i>	Brian Q. Cannon, Brigham Young University  <i>Looking for God's Hand in History</i>	<i>Discussion</i>

## 3rd FLOOR Thinking about the Nature of Sin and the Atonement

	9:00	9:35	10:05	10:35
<b>Moderator</b> James E. Faulconer	Josh Probert, University of Delaware  <i>Joseph Smith and the Relational Definition of Sin</i>	Deidre Green, Claremont Graduate University  <i>All Sin is Relational: Resonances of Mormon and Feminist Theology</i>	Lynn D. Wardle, Brigham Young University  <i>Joseph Smith and the Restoration of the Atonement</i>	<i>Discussion</i>

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## 1:00 PLENARY SESSION • S. ASSEMBLY • Van C. Gessel

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### S. ASSEMBLY Joseph Smith: From the Sacred Grove to Carthage Jail

	2:00	2:35	3:05	3:35
<b>Moderator</b> Spencer Fluhman	Steven C. Harper, Brigham Young University <i>Joseph Smith's First Vision and the Mysteries of Memory</i>	Debra Marsh, University of Utah <i>Respectable Assassins: A Collective Biography and Socioeconomic Study of the Carthage Mob</i>	Samuel Brown, University of Utah <i>The Cultural Work of Martyrdom in Early LDS History</i>	<i>Discussion</i>

### N. ASSEMBLY A Parade of Short Studies

	2:00	2:30	3:00	3:30
<b>Moderator</b> Reid L. Neilson	<b>1.</b> Taylor Halverson, BYU <i>Covenantal Faithfulness in the Land of Zion</i>	<b>3.</b> Jessie L. Embry, BYU <i>Why Have Native American Wards?</i>	<b>5.</b> Matthew Brown, Independent <i>Luke 13:23-30 and the Israelite Temple</i>	<b>7.</b> Mark A. Riddle, Independent <i>A-UN, Alpha and Omega, the Name of God Intoned by Koma-inu at Japan's Shinto Shrines</i>
	<b>2.</b> Robin Hancock, BYU <i>Jean Valjean and Alma the Younger: Putting on the Armor of Light</i>	<b>4.</b> Darrell Babidge, BYU <i>The Nauvoo Music and Concert Hall: A Prelude to the Exodus</i>	<b>6.</b> Larry E. Morris, Joseph Smith Papers <i>Applying Modern Source Criticism to Accounts of the Book of Mormon Plates</i>	<b>8.</b> Matthew P. Wilcox, BYU <i>The Letters of Elder Gordon B. Hinckley</i>

### EAST ROOM Turning from Earth to Heaven, in Word and Deed

	2:00	2:35	3:05	3:35
<b>Moderator</b> Cherry B. Silver	Alan Goff, DeVry University <i>Reading Prophetic Call Stories in Hebraic Narrative: The Biblical Roots of Alma's Conversion Story</i>	Robert Gleave, Brigham Young University <i>The Marriage of Altruism and Egoism through Jesus Christ the Redeemer</i>	David L. Paulsen, Brigham Young University <i>"I've a Mother There": A Historiographical Study of Portrayals of Heavenly Mother in Mormon Discourse</i>	<i>Discussion</i>

### 3rd FLOOR Discussing Books from BYU Studies

	2:00	2:45	3:15
<b>Moderator</b> Heather Seferovich	Susan Easton Black, Brigham Young University; William G. Hartley, Brigham Young University Emeritus <i>The Best of the Frontier Guardian</i>	David J. Whittaker, Brigham Young University, Thomas G. Alexander Brigham Young University Emeritus <i>Colonel Thomas L. Kane and the Mormons, 1846–1883</i>	Brandon S. Plewe, Brigham Young University <i>A Twenty-First-Century Atlas of LDS History</i>

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## N. ASSEMBLY Priests, Kings, and Temples

	9:00	9:35	10:05	10:35
<b>Moderator</b> Don E. Norton	John F. Hall, Brigham Young University <i>The Anointing of the Gods: Sanctification and Authority from Egyptian Pharaohs to Hebrew Priest Kings and Beyond</i>	Jeffrey M. Bradshaw, independent scholar, Florida; David Larsen <i>The Ezekiel Mural at Dura Europos and the Mysteries of Aaron, Moses, and Melchizedek</i>	Paul Callister, University of Missouri–Kansas City <i>Kingship and Seer Stones: A Comparison of European Regalia and Scriptural Accounts of the Urim and Thummim and Liahona</i>	<i>Discussion</i>

## EAST ROOM Faith, Ethics, and the Earth

	9:00	9:15	9:45	10:35
<b>Moderator</b> Byron W. Daynes	George Handley, Brigham Young University <i>Gary Bryner's Contributions to Environmental Studies</i>	Bryan Wallis, University of California Davis <i>God's Machinery: Brigham Young and the Formation of Latter-day Saint Environmental Thought</i>	Richard A. Gill and George Handley, Brigham Young University <i>The Science and Ethics of Climate Change: An LDS Perspective</i>	<i>Discussion</i>

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<b>Moderator</b> Eric A. Eliason	Duane Boyce, independent scholar, Utah <i>Nibley's Two Views of War</i>	Kenneth L. Alford, Brigham Young University <i>Latter-day Saints in Wartime Afghanistan</i>	David Pulsipher, Brigham Young University–Idaho <i>"Prepared to Abide the Penalty": The Latter-day Saints and Civil Disobedience</i>	Alan F. Keele, Brigham Young University <i>"We Are a Warlike People": President Kimball's Sobering Assessment Illuminated by the Case of the Mormons in the Third Reich</i>

## N. ASSEMBLY Types and Archetypes

	1:00	1:35	2:05	2:35
<b>Moderator</b> Richard G. Oman	Doris R. Dant, Brigham Young University <i>Unveiling the Women of the Book of Mormon</i>	Lynne Wilson, Marquette University <i>Unveiling the Veils of Authority in Paul</i>	Cory Crawford, Brigham Young University <i>The Architectural Shaping of History and Eternity in the Bible and Latter-day Saint Scripture</i>	<i>Discussion</i>

## EAST ROOM Sustaining Life on Planet Earth

	1:00	1:35	2:05	2:35
<b>Moderator</b> George Handley	Daniel D. Archibald, independent scholar, Utah <i>Nauvoo, Illinois, and the Garden Heritage of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints</i>	Kate Holbrook, Boston University <i>Gathering from an Ideal Garden: Revelation and the Sources of Food</i>	Hollis Johnson, Indiana University <i>The Puzzle of a Life-bearing Universe</i>	<i>Discussion</i>

## 3rd FLOOR Worlds Apart

	1:00	1:35	2:05	2:35
<b>Moderator</b> Neal W. Kramer	Cheryl B. Preston, Brigham Young University <i>American Religions, Politics, and Pornography: Where Is the Moral Majority?</i>	James Holt, University of Chester, England <i>The Dichotomy of Latter-day Saint Interfaith Commentary: A Way Forward</i>	Shon Hopkin, University of Texas <i>Keys to Understanding the Law of Moses and Modern Ordinance: Personal and Communal Benefits of Sacred Ritual Action</i>	<i>Discussion</i>