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MAR 31-APR 1, 2023



DEPARTMENT OF
RELIGIOUS STUDIES
INDIANA UNIVERSITY

Friday, March 31

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**Friday's events take place at
IU's Center for Religion and the Human
[1211 Atwater Ave.](#)**

4:30pm: Opening Remarks

Patrick Lally Michelson
Associate Professor and Director of Undergraduate Studies of Religious Studies
Indiana University

4:30pm: Panel 1

"Ginsberg on *Firing Line*"
Seren Fox, Indiana University

"Julian of Norwich's Contemplative Theology Across Time"
Meredith Johns, Harvard University

"Charlottesville's Two First Baptists: A Story of Liberation"
Emily Miller, University of Virginia

"The Queer(ed) Christian Tradition: A Reception History of Queer Theologies"
Nathaniel Wyerman, University of Virginia

Concluding Remarks for Friday's Session

Areej Kamran, URSA President

6:00pm: Keynote Address

"Scriptural Whiteness; or, On U.S. Political Theology"
J. Kameron Carter
Professor of Religious Studies
Indiana University

Dinner to follow the Keynote Address

Saturday, April 1

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Saturday's virtual panel is on Zoom

[Click here to join the panel](#)

10:00am Panel 2

“Shakespeare’s Unseen Martyrs: The Emotional and Complex Experience of Sacrifice”

Riya Subbaiah, Georgetown University

“When Jews Cry Out to God, and Buddha Answers: Jewish Suffering in the Poetry of Allen Ginsberg, Leonard Cohen, and Norman Fischer”

Chloe Cattaneo, Oberlin University

“Great Traditions and Little Traditions: The Power of Words”

Moksha Kachhia, Brown University

“Western Religion and The Ecological Crisis”

Brendan Wolf, Indiana University

Concluding Remarks

Areej Kamran, URSA President