### Nowruz Celebrations

Celebrate the delight of the coming Persian New Year—Nowruz! Color eggs, visit a Haft-Seen table, and relax at the Persian Tea House.

Enjoy curator-led gallery tours, see children’s performances, make your own stamp seal, and more.

**Date:** March 7, 2020  
**Time:** 1:00 – 4:00pm CT  
**Place:** Oriental Institute Museum (1155 E 58th St., Chicago, IL, USA)  
**Contact Details:** The Oriental Institute – Public Education Office (+1 (773) 702-9507) for more information.  
**Full Program & Details are available:** [https://tinyurl.com/qlp3pbv](https://tinyurl.com/qlp3pbv)

### The Rise of Parthia

**East meets West: The Rise of Parthia**

Hosted by the British Museum leading international scholars will present their most recent research on the history, culture, and archaeology of the early Parthian Empire.

Set against the complex political scenario of Iran, Mesopotamia, and Asia Minor in the 2nd-1st centuries BC, speakers will address a wide range of issues on the rise of the empire and the relationship of the early Arsacids with their neighbors.

**Date:** April 03 - 05, 2020  
**Place:** BP Lecture Theatre (British Museum, Great Russel Street, London, WC1B 3DG)  
**Contact Details:** Organizing Committee (parthia@britishmuseum.org)  
**Full Program & Details are available:** [https://www.britishmuseum.org/events/east-meets-west](https://www.britishmuseum.org/events/east-meets-west)

### Key Dates

#### 2020 Kamran Seminar

**Date:** July 18, 2020  
**Place:** Kamran Dar-E-Mehr – Zoroastrian Association of Metropolitan Washington, Inc. (15316 Barnesville Road, Boyds, Maryland 20841, USA)  
**Full program & RSVP information coming soon.**  

#### 2020 SSZ Conference

**Date:** September 11 - 12, 2020  
**Place:** Toronto Mehrban Guiv Darbe Mehr (3590 Bayview Ave., Toronto, ON, Canada)  
**Full program & RSVP information coming soon**

#### 2020 SSZ (1/2) day Lectures

**Date:** October, 2020 (TBA)  
**Place:** Zoroastrian Association of Metropolitan, Chicago  
**Full program & RSVP information coming soon**

### Rowman & Littlefield Publishing Group’s Trilogy Launch Conference

It will feature over 30 internationally renowned scholar panelists from McGill to Harvard and beyond.

Presentations, discussions by and between participants from Iran, Israel, Russia, India, Egypt, Bangladesh, Trinidad, Canada, and the USA.

Topic highlights will include “The Role of the THREE TESTAMENTS: TORA, GOSPEL & QURAN in the trilogy,” “FOUR TESTAMENTS: TAO TE CHING, ANALECTS, DHAMMAPADA, GITA in Trilogy,” “SEVEN TESTAMENTS OF WORLD RELIGIONS and the Zoroastrian Older Testaments,” and a discussion of the “Planning the upcoming archaeological expedition in Afghanistan to confirm the book’s breakthrough identification of Zoroaster’s tomb.”

**Date:** May 29 - 31, 2020  
**Place:** Academic events will be occurring in both Niagara Falls, USA and Niagara Falls, Canada  
**Contact Details:** the Registrar James Flood (jdflood@roadrunner.com, +1 (716) 282-4666)  
**Full Program & Details are available:** [https://brianarthurbrown.com/trilogy-launch/conference-details](https://brianarthurbrown.com/trilogy-launch/conference-details)
Recent Past Events

2019

- SSZ Lectures (Zoroastrian Association of Metropolitan Chicago, USA)
- Yesterday’s Gifts…Tomorrow’s Assets (Zoroastrian Association of Houston, USA)

2019 SSZ Lectures in Chicago

Saturday, September 28, 2019, the SSZ and WZO-US Region co-organized an afternoon of informative lectures delivered by Prof. Jamsheed Choksy (Indiana University) and Mr. Rhyne King (University of Chicago) scholars in Persian literature and art, along with students of Zoroastrianism speaking on subjects that include Persian art, women, history, and observance of Zoroastrian customs in the modern times.

Full Program and conference materials are available at www.s-s-z.org.

Yesterday’s Gifts . . . Tomorrow’s Assets

October 11-13, 2019 Zoroastrian Association of Houston, FIRES & the SSZ, organized a program on “Yesterday’s Gifts . . . Tomorrow’s Assets” featured engaging and enlightening presentations by Dr. Almut Hintze (SOAS) and Kersi Shroff, experts in ancient Zoroastrian rituals and archaeology, as well as a Young Mobeds Panel Discussion.

Full Program and conference materials are available at www.fires-fezana.org

About Us

SSZ will periodically circulate and maintain a listing of upcoming Scholastic events related to Zoroastrianism, organized by various Zoroastrian organizations & other institutions around the world.

Vision:
The SSZ Vision is to revive the tradition of learning and scholarship within our Zarathushti community worldwide among Behdins and Athornans alike.

Contact Us

SSZ and future Conference, plans visit
www.s-s-z.org

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