

AUSTMARR XI: Blurred Boundaries and Hybridizations of Magic, Religion and Authorized Knowledge or Practice in the Baltic Sea Region – From Etic Theories to Emic Materialities

8 December 2023

10:00 – 12:00 // Disputation i historia, Dan Johansson: "Makt och Motstånd. Bönderna, örlogsflottan och den svenska staten 1522–1640" (Hörsal 11, Södra huset, Stockholms universitet)

Conference start: Lunch, 12:30 – 14:00

14:15 – 14:30: Welcome and Introduction

- Gwendolyne Knight

14:30 – 15:30: Session 1 – Chair: Gwendolyne Knight

- Frog (Helsinki), Charlotte Hedenstierna-Jonson (Uppsala), Andreas Henniuss (Upplands Museet), and Anna Wessman (Bergen): Religious Creolization, Geopolitical Context and the 8th-Century Disappearance of the Kyrö Culture of Ostrobothnia
- Andris Šnē (University of Latvia): Archaeology, Religion and Society: Rituals and Symbols in the Viking Age Latvia

15:30 – 16:00: Coffee

16:00 – 17:00 Session 2 – Chair: Sabine Heidi Walther

- Vykintas Vaitkevičius (Klaipėda): Along religion, war, and politics: investigations of the Padievaitis sacred stone (W Lithuania)
- Kurt Villads Jensen (Stockholm): Religious wars and pilgrimage. What was the difference?

19:45: Conference dinner for speakers and moderators

9 December 2023

10:00 – 10:30: Coffee

10:30 – 12:00: Session 3 – Chair: Kurt Villads Jensen

- Jesse Barber (Helsinki): Binding Monsters in Swedish-Speaking Finland, Scandinavia, Finland, and Karelia: A Case Study from Åland
- Kendra Wilson (Helsinki): Oppositions and commonalities in Finnish and Finland-Swedish folk traditions

12:00 – 13:30: Lunch

13:30 – 14:30: Session 4 – Chair: Hörður Barðdal

- Sabine Heidi Walther (Bonn): The Cross and the Fight Against Pagans and Witchcraft in Sweden
- Gwendolyne Knight (Stockholm): Boundaries of Magic, Religion, and Licit Knowledge in the Medieval Baltic Region

14:30 – 15:00: Coffee

15:00 – 16:30: Session 5 – Chair: Frog

- Marja Rönnholm-Howland (Uppsala): Bells, Bears and Birds: Iron and Viking Age Interaction in the Baltic
- Siria Kohonen (Helsinki): Ritual techniques for “materializing” pain in the Finno-Karelian healing tradition
- Tuukka Karlsson (Helsinki): Incantations, verbal charms, or something else: The terminology of Finno-Karelian knowledge objects

16:30 – 17:00: Concluding Discussion

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