



2012 Rocky Mountain–Great Plains Regional Meeting
March 23–24, 2012
Brigham Young University
Provo, Utah, USA

Call for Papers

The Regional Program Committee cordially invites you to submit proposals for papers and panels to be presented at the 2012 Regional Meeting in Provo, Utah. The deadline for submissions is **October 31, 2011**.

Proposal Requirements

Because the Committee receives a number of proposals in a wide variety of approaches we ask that each proposal include the following:

- An abstract, no more or less than 300 words
- The specific subject, with enough detail that the subject is quickly and easily discerned
- The general methodology the presenter will use to discuss the subject
- The significance of the subject within the greater field of interest

The proposal should be sent as an e-mail attachment in MS Word format or PDF to rpcc@byu.edu. This e-mail address is being protected from spambots. You need JavaScript enabled to view it. Please be sure to include reliable contact information. If you require technological support for your presentation (such as Internet connection or audio and projection equipment), you must request it with your proposal. Proposals are welcome in all areas of religious and biblical studies, including — but not limited to — the following:

- Ancient Near Eastern and Biblical Texts and Cultures
- Religion and Popular Culture
- Processes of Ritualization (may include proposals on the intersection between ritual and iconography)
- Religious Traditions — Islam, Judaism, Buddhism, Native American Religions, etc.
- Ancient Near Eastern Archaeology and Archaeological Methods
- Pedagogical Methods and Technologies

We would also like to encourage those who are members of ASOR to submit in the hopes of making an ASOR Section.

Only those proposals received by the deadline will be considered for inclusion in the program. Presentations are limited to approximately twenty minutes, with a brief amount of time allowed for questions.

Student Paper Awards

Graduate students are encouraged to submit proposals. There will be awards for the best AAR and SBL student papers. The awards are presented during the luncheon on Saturday and carry a stipend of \$100 each. To be considered for the award, a student must submit a copy of the completed paper (as an e-mail attachment in MS Word format or PDF to ASOR@ASOR.org). This e-mail address is being protected from spambots. You need JavaScript enabled to view it ASOR@ASOR.org), along with an abstract, by October 31, 2011 (papers not chosen for an award will be considered for the program). The paper should be 10–12 pages double-spaced (for a twenty-minute presentation).

Regional Scholars Award

The SBL offers a Regional Scholars award (\$1,000 plus national recognition as a Regional Scholar) for an outstanding paper presented at the regional meeting by a PhD candidate or recent PhD (four years or fewer). If you are interested in competing in the Regional Scholars competition, you must indicate so with your paper proposal. See the [SBL national website](http://www.sbl.org) for more information.

Program Committee

All members of the AAR/SBL Rocky Mountain–Great Plains Region who are willing to serve on the Program Committee and review proposals are asked to notify Dan Belnap, dan.belnap@colorado.edu. This e-mail address is being protected from spambots. You need JavaScript enabled to view it , Program co-Chair, by October 31, 2011. An AAR committee and an SBL committee will meet at their respective Annual Meetings. It is hoped that at least one faculty person from each of the participating schools in the region will serve on the Program Committee. Details on the Program Committee proposal review process will be e-mailed to those who self-identify by the deadline.