

FRIDAY March 13

Morphology (8:30-10:30 AM)

- *Aaron M. Butts* (University of Chicago). Reduplicated Nominal Patterns in Semitic.
- *Peter Glanville* (University of Texas at Austin). The Function of the *Awzaan* in Modern Standard Arabic.
- *Jacqueline Vayntrub* (University of Chicago). A Second Look at the “Dual” Toponyms in Biblical Hebrew.
- *Hila Zemer* (Hebrew University of Jerusalem). On the 3fs suffix *-at* in the Arabic dialects in North Africa.

Break (10:30-11 AM)

Attributes (11 AM-12:30 PM)

- *Ruth Kramer* (UC Santa Cruz). Numerals in Middle Egyptian and Beyond.
- *Na'ama Pat-El* (University of Texas at Austin). The Change in Demonstrative Position in Aramaic: A Syntactic Innovation.
- *Yaron McNabb and Christopher Kennedy* (University of Chicago). On the Extraction of Attributive Adjectives and Deletion in Palestinian Arabic Comparatives.

Lunch Break (12:30-2 PM)

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SATURDAY March 14

Pragmatics (8-10 AM)

- *Clive McClelland and Jaeshil Kim* (Liberty University). When Pragmatics Wins Over Syntax: Prosodic Underlining in a Berber Joke.
- *Emily O'Dell* (Harvard University). Emoting Determinatives: Performing Petrified Emotion in the Past and Present.
- *Banjamin D. Thomas* (University of Chicago). The Language of Politeness in Ancient Hebrew Letters.
- *Peter Unseth* (Graduate Institute of Applied Linguistics & SIL). The Non-Use of Polite Forms in Translations of the Amharic Bible.

Break (10-10:30 AM)

Language Change and Development of Vernaculars (10:30 AM-12:30 PM)

- *Rania Habib* (Syracuse University). Word Frequency and the Acquisition of the Arabic Urban Prestigious Form.
- *Ofra Tirosh-Becker* (Hebrew University of Jerusalem). Linguistic Analysis of an Algerian

Judeo-Arabic Translation of Portions of the Books of Prophets.

- *Linda Jordan* (Graduate Institute of Applied Linguistics). Contact-Induced Change Among the Omoto Speech Varieties of Southern Ethiopia: the Case of Shara.
- *Lior Laks* (Tel-Aviv University). The Formation of Arabic Passive Verbs: Lexical or Syntactic?

Lunch Break (12:30-1:30 PM)

Syntax of WH Elements (1:30-2:30 PM)

- *Aviad Eilam* (The University of Pennsylvania). On the Lack of Intervention Effects in Amharic.
- *Usama Soltan* (Middlebury College). On WH-Questions in Egyptian Arabic and their Implications for Syntactic Typology.

Phonology (2:30-3:30 PM)

- *Charles G. Häberl* (Rutgers, the State University of NJ). The Sound System of Late Punic.
- *Mohamed Larouchi* (CNRS-University Paris 8). Vowel Length and Template Structure in a Berber Secret Language.

Break (3:30-4 PM)

Classification (4-5 PM)

- *Joanna Caravita* (University of Texas at Austin). The Origin of Modern Hebrew Revisited.
- *Grover Hudson* (Michigan State). Hetzron's Ethiopian Semitic Reconsidered.

NACAL 37 Invited Lecture :

JOHN HUEHNERGARD (Harvard University). Trees and Waves: On the Classification of the Semitic Languages.

NACAL Dinner

SUNDAY March 15

Object Markers (9-11 AM)

- *April L. Grotberg* (University of Chicago). Prosodic Override of a Differential Object Marking System.
- *Adel Jebali* (Université du Québec à Montréal). Arabic Argument Markers.
- *Humphrey H. Hardy* (University of Chicago). Whence Come Object Markers in Northwest Semitic?

Epigraphy (11-11:30 PM)

- *Charles J. Otte the III* (University of Chicago). Laying Ahiaram to Rest: A New Reading of the Ahiaram Sarcophagus Inscription.

Lunch Break (11:30 AM-12:30 PM)

Syntax (12:30-2:30 PM)

- *Ahmad Al-Jallad* (Harvard University). On Agreement in Epigraphic North Arabian from Dadan.
- *André Arsenault* (University of Toronto). The Syntax of Head-Final Relative Clauses in Classical Ethiopic: A Minimalist Overview.
- *Tommi Leung and Girma Halefom* (United Arab Emirates University). Comparative Correlatives in Amharic.
- *Pierre Rucart* (Lyon 2 - DDL). Transitivity in Bedja.

NACAL Business Meeting (2:30-3:30 PM)

Adjournment (3:30 PM)