

# Department of Religion and Theology Research Seminar Series 2024-25

Time: Tuesdays 3:00-5:00pm

Place: ARTS Complex Room  
G.H01 followed by drinks  
(entry 7 Woodland Road)



24 September

Toby Matthiesen, University of Bristol

The Caliph and the Imam: The Making and Remaking of Sunnism and Shiism

8 October

Jessie Pons, Ruhr-Universität Bochum

Exploring Buddhism in art, texts and bytes: New insights from the collection in the Dir Museum  
Chakdara

5 November

Joanna Leidenhag, University of Leeds

The World's Soul(s) and God's Body: Comparing Leibniz's Monadology with Rāmānuja's  
Viśiṣṭādvaita Panentheism

19 November

Abigail MacBain, University of Edinburgh

The World on Stage: Multicultural Music and Dance at Tōdaiji Temple's Eye-Opening Ceremony

21 January

Kevin Mattison, University of Bristol

Sacred histories and geographies of the Torah and related literature

4 February

Chris Jones, University of Vienna

Buddhist Attitudes to Other Religions: Sources and Interpretations

4 March

Panel discussion in collaboration with the Department of Music

Liturgical Music and its Theological Resonances: Cross-disciplinary Discussions

18 March

Tasia Scrutton, University of Leeds

Can scrupulosity be spiritually innocent?

