

2012 SUNSTONE KIRTLAND – UPDATED PROGRAM as of 3-7-12

This is a preliminary program. Topics, speakers, and times may change. A more complete program with abstracts and bios will be posted on WWW.SUNSTONEMAGAZINE.COM and a final program with room assignments will be provided at the symposium registration desk.

Onsite registration will open at 9:00 am, one hour before sessions begin. Symposium sessions will be in classrooms A and B in the Kirtland Temple Visitor Center, located at 7809 Joseph Street, Kirtland, Ohio 44094, (440) 256-1830.

Sunstone Kirtland is grateful for the support of our event co-sponsors: the Kirtland Temple and the John Whitmer Historical Association and representatives Ron Romig, Lachlan Mackay, John Hamer, and Barbara Walden.

We're also grateful for dedicated volunteers John-Charles Duffy and Hugo Olaiz for suggesting a regional symposium at Kirtland and their planning work to make this event possible.

OPENING PLENARY SESSION

Saturday 10 March
10:00—11:00 am

1. THE KIRTLAND TEMPLE AND COMMUNITY OF CHRIST: A HISTORICAL OVERVIEW

Historian JOHN HAMER will provide a 50-minute presentation on the history of Kirtland, Ohio and the building of the Kirtland Temple.

Chair: Mary Ellen Robertson

Room: Classroom A+B

11:15 AM—12:15 PM

2. Gentiles, Temples, and Respect for Sacred Space: Problematics for the Non-Mormon Scholar of Mormonism DONALD WESTBROOK

Chair: HUGO OLAIZ

Room: Classroom A

3. *Behind the Scenes Specialty Tour of the Kirtland Temple.* This tour is limited to 7 participants and requires a \$25 fee, not included in symposium registration. Sign up sheets for specialty tours will be available at the registration desk and during the opening plenary session. Meet at the visitors center front desk to pay the tour fee and meet the tour guide.

LUNCH BREAK & ENTERTAINMENT 12:15 – 2:15 pm

Pre-ordered box lunches will be available for pickup at 12:15 pm. Enjoy the meal and lunchtime entertainment:

At 12:30 pm, Hugo Olaiz and John-Charles Duffy will perform songs from the *Book of Mormon Musical*.

We'll also be playing a selection of Mormon-focused *Daily Show* & *Colbert Report* clips during the lunch break.

Classroom A

A Sunstone Group Tour of the Kirtland Temple starts at 1:00 pm.

(Please pay the \$3 preservation fee at the visitors center front desk, where you will meet the tour group and tour guide).

2:15—3:45 PM

4. The 75th Anniversary of the Hill Cumorah Pageant, including presentation and displays

GERALD & GAIL ARGETSINGER

Chair: HUGO OLAIZ

Room: Classroom B

5. PANEL: Women's Ordination: A Community of Christ Perspective JULIE HENSON WERNER, CATHY BATEY, KATHY FALLON, and CARLEEN SHETLER.

Moderator: BARBARA WALDEN,

Room: Classroom A

4:00—5:00 PM

6. Monogamy Underground: The Burial of Plural Marriage in the Graves of Joseph and Emma Smith LEE WILES

Chair: HUGO OLAIZ

Room: Classroom A

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7. The Book of Mormon as an Ancient Ascension Text
GERALD SMITH

Chair: JOHN-CHARLES DUFFY

Room: Classroom B

5:15—6:15 PM

8. De-Cantankerizing Descriptions of Joseph Smith
RUSS OSMOND

Chair: JOHN HAMER

Room: Classroom B

9. PANEL: On the Journey Together: A Look at Midwest Pilgrimage
GANIE DEHART, KERRY NORMAN, and SUSAN ROBERTS.

Moderator: KERRY NORMAN

Room: Classroom A

CLOSING PLENARY SESSION

6:30—7:45 PM

PANEL: Does the Historicity of the First Vision Matter?

Moderator: JOHN-CHARLES DUFFY

Panelists: LACHLAN MACKAY, STEVE TAYSOM, and DAN VOGEL

Room: Classroom A+B

POST-SYMPOSIUM DINNER GROUP

For anyone interested in continuing Symposium-related conversations a bit longer, we will decamp to Biga Wood Fired Pizzeria for an evening meal. All are welcome to join us for mind and body nourishment.

Biga Pizzeria is within walking distance of the Kirtland Temple Visitor Center, and is located at 9145 Chillicothe Rd, Kirtland OH 44094 (440)379-7313. Peruse their menu offerings at <http://bigapizzeria.net/>

DEVOTIONAL SERVICE

Sunday 11 March
9:00—11:00 am

In the Kirtland Temple

The Sunday devotional service will include:

- Hard Journeys to Sacred Places: A Look at Mormon Spiritual Pilgrimage
MICHAEL VINSON
- Remarks from BARBARA WALDEN, director of Community of Christ Historic Sites Foundation
- Readings from the Kirtland Temple dedicatory prayer and other scriptures
- Lively congregational singing
- Time to reflect, edify, and share with other worshippers, Quaker meeting style.

Following the devotional service Sunday, we have scheduled a specialty Behind the Scenes tour* starting at 12:30 pm (limit 7) and a group tour of the Temple starting at 1:30 pm.

Specialty tours are limited to 7 persons per tour and require an additional \$25 fee per person (not included in Sunstone registration). Meet at the visitors center front desk to pay the tour fee and meet the tour guide.

Additional Temple tours are scheduled Sunday at 2:30 pm and 3:30 pm. There is a \$3 preservation fee per person for the regular Temple tour (not included in Sunstone registration).

On Sunday, the Temple visitors center, Museum, and Mercantile are also open between 1:00-4:00 pm.

Find additional information to plan your trip here:

<https://www.sunstonemagazine.com/symposium-registration/>

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<http://www.kirtlandtemple.org/index.html>

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