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## EDITORIAL

Dear Scholars of Byzantium,

The Istanbul Byzantine Circular aims at sharing information about activities, institutions and people related to Istanbul and Byzantium. The Circular consists of an e-mail attachment and will be updated and distributed four times per year in January, April, July and October. You are invited to share your information by e-mailing it to the editor, who will include it in the next circular. Philipp Niewöhner will serve as editor of circular no. 1 to 8, April 2007 to January 2009. After that Nevra Necipoğlu will organize the election of an editor from the scholars of Byzantium resident in Istanbul.

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NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

2007 February 19<sup>th</sup>

Cemal Pulak

**10<sup>th</sup>-Century Byzantine Ships Discovered During the Yenikapı Marmaray Construction**

Turkish lecture, organized by the TÜBA Istanbul Office

2007 March 1<sup>st</sup>

**Suna and İnan Kıraç Foundation Istanbul Research Institute**

Has opened next to the Pera Museum. The library is open Monday to Saturday and includes the personal library of Semavi Eyice.

2007 April 12<sup>th</sup>

**Kariye from Theodore Metochites to Thomas Whittemore: One Monument, Two Monumental Personalities**

Exhibition that has opened at the Pera Museum and will last until July 1<sup>st</sup>

2007 April 14<sup>th</sup>

**Theodore Metochites, the Chora Monastery, and Palaiologan Constantinople**

Symposium at the Pera Museum organized by the Istanbul Research Institute

Symposiarchs: Holger A. Klein & Brigitte Pitarakis

Speakers: Robert G. Ousterhout, Engin Akyürek, Paul Magdalino, Nevra Necipoğlu, Jeffrey M. Featherstone, and Christian Förstel

**Regards croises sur l'Anatolie medievale 2007**

Lecture series organized by IFEA, in collaboration with TUREB and the French Institute of Istanbul, at the French Institute of Istanbul (Fransız Kültür Merkezi – Taksim). All lectures in French, with simultaneous Turkish translation

February 28<sup>th</sup> – Marie-France Auzépy, “Constantinople et les Arabes, VIIe-IXe siècles”

March 21<sup>st</sup> – Alessandra Ricci, “L’amour de la campagne chez les byzantins : la banlieue asiatique de Constantinople”

April 25<sup>th</sup> – Michel Balivet, “Théologiens byzantins et turcs en contact : les rencontres d’Iznik (1354) et d’Ankara (1391)”

**The TAY Byzantine Building Inventory of Marmara Region**

Has been published as a Turkish hardcopy

Homepage: <http://www.tayproject.org/enghome.html>

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

2007 May 1<sup>st</sup>

4:00 p.m.

Buket Kitapci Bayri

**Byzantium as Represented in Turkish Cinema: Battal Gazi Films**

Turkish lecture at the Institut Français d'Etudes Anatoliennes, Salle Albert Gabriel

2007 May 4<sup>th</sup> - 6<sup>th</sup>

**At the Crossroads of Empires: 14<sup>th</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup> Century Eastern Anatolia**

International conference at Koç University Research Center for Anatolian Civilizations

Homepage: <http://www.ifea-istanbul.net>

2007 May 18<sup>th</sup>

**Niketas Choniates: A Byzantine Historian and Writer**

Colloquium at Koç University

E-mail: [asimpson@ku.edu.tr](mailto:asimpson@ku.edu.tr)

2007 May 18<sup>th</sup>

**Muslims and Christians: Other Others in Time of Transitions**

Mini-Symposium at Koç University Research Center for Anatolian Civilizations

Homepage: <http://aci.ku.edu.tr>

2007 June 2<sup>nd</sup>

**Istanbul Through Byzantine and Ottoman Eyes: Continuity and Discontinuity Between the Byzantine and Ottoman City**

Study day at Sabancı University Communication Centre in Karaköy

E-mail: [maja@sabanciuniv.edu](mailto:maja@sabanciuniv.edu)

2007 June 25<sup>th</sup> - 28<sup>th</sup>

**Change in the Byzantine World in the 12th and 13th Centuries**

First International Sevgi Gönül Byzantine Studies Symposium

Homepage: <http://www.sgsymposium.org>

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## COURSES

### **Kominko, Dr. M., Sabanci University**

Byzantine Constantinople: History of the City  
Spring 2007

### **Necipoğlu, Prof. Dr. N., Boğaziçi University**

History of the Byzantine Empire I  
Fall 2006

Graduate Seminar on Byzantine History  
Fall 2006

History of the Byzantine Empire II  
Spring 2007

### **Vasilakeris, Dr. A., Boğaziçi University**

Byzantine Art and Architecture I  
Fall 2006

Seminar on Byzantine Institutions: Monasteries of Constantinople  
Fall 2006

Byzantine Art and Architecture II  
Spring 2007

Secular Monuments of Byzantine Constantinople  
Spring 2007

## MA THESES

### **Artun, Tuna**

The *Regestes* of the Medieval Acts of the Vazelon Monastery: The Codex E of the Timios Prodromos on Mount Vazelon as a Source for the Social, Economic and Institutional History of Rural Matzouka from the 13th to the 15th Century  
Boğaziçi University, completed September 2006  
Supervisors: Nevra Necipoğlu and Kostis Smyrlis

### **Tanrıyar, Kıvanç**

*The Life of Saint Auxentios: An Introduction, Translation, and Commentary*  
Boğaziçi University, completed February 2007  
Supervisors: Nevra Necipoğlu and Kostis Smyrlis

PH.D. THESES

**Bayrı Kitapçı, Buket**

Byzantine and Turkish-Muslim Hagiographical Sources as Witnesses of Social and Cultural Change in Late Medieval Anatolia (13<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup> Centuries)

University of Paris I-Sorbonne and Boğaziçi University, in progress

Supervisors: Michel Kaplan and Nevra Necipoğlu

**Güzel Erdoğan, Esra**

Relationship Between Monasteries and the City During the Reign of Emperor Andronikos II (1282-1328)

Istanbul Technical University, in progress

Supervisors: Ayla Ödekan and Nevra Necipoğlu

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## RECENT/CURRENT PUBLICATIONS

**Kominko, M.**

“Theophany on Sinai in Miniatures of the Christian Topography,” *Artifex Doctus. Festschrift for Professor Jerzy Gądomski* (Krakow, 2006), pp. 81-97.

“Maps in the Christian Topography,” *Imago Mundi* 58/1 (2006), pp. 112-113.

“The World of Cosmas: East Syrian and Alexandrian Sources of the Christian Topography,” *Proceedings of the Conference Aramaic, the Language of Jesus, Uppsala 2006* (in press).

“New Perspectives on Paradise, Levels of Reality in Medieval Maps,” *Proceedings of 35th Medieval Workshop Cartography in Antiquity and the Middle Ages: Fresh Perspectives, New Methods, University of British Columbia* (in press).

“Syriac story and Greek illustration? The miniature representing Elijah in the Christian Topography,” *Aaram* 2007 (in press).

“Science and Bible, Nisibis and Alexandria – cosmos described and illustrated in the Christian Topography,” a contribution for facsimile of the manuscript of the Christian Topography in the Laurenziana Library in Florence, edited by M. Bernabò (in preparation).

**Necipoglu, N.**

“Turks and Byzantines (Eleventh and Twelfth Centuries),” in *The Turkic Speaking Peoples: 2,000 Years of Art and Culture from Inner Asia to the Balkans*, eds. Ergun Çağatay and Doğan Kuban (Munich-Berlin-London-New York, 2006), pp. 254-265.

“The Empire Challenged: Tradition, Transformation and Adaptation in Late Byzantine Politics and Society,” *Proceedings of the 21st International Congress of Byzantine Studies. London, 21-26 August 2006*, vol. 1: *Plenary Papers* (Aldershot, 2006), pp. 79-80.

“The Byzantine Empire in the Twelfth and Thirteenth Centuries,” *Catalogue of the Exhibition for the First International Sevgi Gönül Byzantine Studies Symposium: Change in the Byzantine World in the 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> Centuries* (Istanbul, forthcoming).

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“Empire and Imperial Ideology in the Late Byzantine Era: Tradition, Transformation, and Innovation,” *Proceedings of symposia organized in conjunction with the Restoring Byzantium/Kariye exhibitions*, eds. H.A. Klein and R.G. Ousterhout (forthcoming).

**Niewöhner, P.**

Aizanoi and Anatolia. Town and Countryside in Late Late Antiquity, *Millennium* 3, 2006, 239-253.

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Aizanoi, Dokimion und Anatolien. Stadt und Land, Siedlungs- und Steinmetzwesen vom späteren 4. bis ins 6. Jh. n. Chr., *Aizanoi 1, Archäologische Forschungen* 23 (2007, in press).

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Byzantinische Steinmetzarbeiten aus dem Umland von Milet, *Anatolia and its Vicinity in Middle Ages* 1, 2007, in preparation.

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**Stolz, Y.**

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PROJECTS / WORK IN PROGRESS

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Illustrated Syriac Manuscripts

**Niewöhner, P.**

Byzantine Miletos: [http://www.dainst.org/index\\_7259\\_de.html](http://www.dainst.org/index_7259_de.html)

**Stolz, Y.**

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together with N. Ristovska-Patargias

Byzantine Jewellery and Related Small Finds from the Underwater Excavations in  
the Bay of Abuqir in Egypt. Their Typology, Production, and Context

The Ptolemaic Jewellery from Herakleion

Early Byzantine Diadems