

The University of Michigan

The Armenian Studies Program

**“WHERE THE ONLY-BEGOTTEN DESCENDED:
THE CHURCH OF ARMENIA
THROUGH THE AGES”**

**An international conference, Ann Arbor, 1-4 April,
2004**

PROGRAM

THURSDAY, 1 April

**1202 Shorling Auditorium
610 East University Street
(School of Education)**

Morning sessions:		<u>Beginnings</u>	6 papers
9:00 – 9:30		Opening Remarks	
9:30 – 9:50	Hewsen	Trdat's Conversion	
9:50 – 10:10	Thomson	The Conversion of Armenia	
10:10 – 10:30	Cox	Translation of the Bible	
10:30 – 11:00		<i>Coffee</i>	
11:00 – 11:20	Thomson	Early Armenian Literature: An Overview	
11:20 – 11:40	Calzolari	Armenian Apocryphal literature	
11:40 – 12:00	Hovhannisyan	The Armenian New Testament Apocrypha: An Overview	

†Michel van Esbroeck, who was to contribute two papers, died unexpectedly in Louvain-la-Neuve, on 21 November, 2003.

[Papers to be added:
Garsoian, The Armenian Church and Iran
Mathews, E. Jr., Armenian-Syrian relations]

12:00 – 14:00 Lunch

Afternoon sessions:		<u>Independent Armenia</u>	6 papers
14:00 – 14:20	Rapp	Duin III, An Historiographical Odyssey : Relationship of the Armenian and Eastern Georgian Churches to the Seventh Century.	
14:20 – 14:40	Greenwood	The Church in the Seventh Century	
14:40 – 15:00	Mahé	Yovhannēs Ōjnec'i and the Struggle against Dissidents	
15:00 – 15:30		<i>Coffee</i>	
15:30 – 15:50	Weitenberg	Classical Armenian as a Vehicle of Sacred Expression	
15:50 – 16:10	Feulner	Development of Armenian Liturgical Traditions	
16:10 – 16:30	Terian	The Development of a Dogma	

[Papers to be added:
Arutyunova-Fidanjan , Armenian and Byzantine Churches in VI- VIII c-s (555-726)]

Evening:

17:00 – 18:30 Dinner at the hotel
19:00 Michigan Lecture in Early Judaism and Christianity and
Armenian Church Conference Keynote Lecture:
Robert W. Thomson: "*The Armenian Tradition of
Biblical Commentary*"
Michigan Union Ballroom, 530 South State Street

20:30 – 22:30

Reception (following lecture)
Pendleton Room, Michigan Union, 530 S. State Street

FRIDAY, 2 April

**The Alumni Center
Founders Room, 200 Fletcher Street**

Morning sessions:

On the International Stage

8 papers

9:00 – 9:20	Russell,	Lingering pre-Christian Traditions
9:20 – 9:40	Yuzbashyan,	The Church under Islam
9:40 – 10:00	Mahé	Role of the Catholicos
10:00 – 10:20	Bozoyan	The Church of Armenia and the Comnenoi
10:20 – 10:50	<i>Coffee</i>	
10:50 – 11:10	Mutafian	Cilicia's Relations with the Crusaders
11:10 – 11:30	Halfter	Armenian-Papal Relations
11:30 – 11:50	Ervine	Armenians in the Holy Land
11:50 – 12:10	van Lint	Development of Scholarship: Commentaries, Law-Code, Philosophy
12:10 – 14:00	Lunch	

[Papers to be added:

Maranci, Armenian Church Architecture

Zekiyan, Nersēs Šnorhali and Nersēs Lambronac'i

_____, Problems vis-à-vis the Roman Catholic Church]

Afternoon sessions:

Greater Armenia

8 papers

14:00 – 14:20	La Porta	Development of Major Monastic Centers
14:20 – 14:40	Ter-Stepanyan	Feasts in <i>Yaysmawurk'</i>
14:40 – 15:00	Kouymjian	Armenian Illuminated Manuscripts
15:00 – 15:20	Bundy	The Church and the Mongols
15:20 – 15:50	<i>Coffee</i>	
15:50 – 16:10	Cowe	Catholic Missions and anti-Catholic Writings
16:10 – 16:30	Krikorian, Abp	The Return to Ējmiacin
16:30 – 16:50	Ghougassian	New Armenian Communities in Safavid Iran and Their Relations with the Mother See of Ējmiacin
16:50 – 17:10	Baybourtian	The Indian Community and its Relations with Ējmiacin
17:30 – 19:00		Dinner at the Hotel

Evening:

20:00

Musical evening, at Power Center. Lyon Opera Ballet:
Philippe Decouflé's *Tricodex*.

SATURDAY, 3 April

**The Alumni Center
Founders Room, 200 Fletcher Street**

Morning sessions:		East and West	8 papers
9:00 – 9:20	Bardakjian	The Patriarchate of Constantinople	
9:20 – 9:40	Sinclair	Armenian Communities in Asia Minor	
9:40 – 10:00	Bournoutian	The Armenian Church and Russia, 1700-1914	
10:00 – 10:20	Kevorkian	Armenian Printing	
		<i>Coffee</i>	
		<i>10:20- 10:50</i>	
10:50 – 11:10	Bardakjian	The Eighteenth Century	
11:10 – 11:30	Kevorkian	Ties with Europe: the Church and the Earliest Initiatives of Liberation.	
11:30 – 11:50	Stepanyan	Polemical Literature in Armeno-Turkish	
11:50 – 12:10	Merguerian	The Armenian Protestant Community	
12:10 – 14:00	Lunch		
Afternoon sessions:		<u>Modern Times</u>	6 papers
14:00 – 14:20	Boyajian	Armenian Sacred Music in the 20 th Century: DOA	
14:20 – 14:40	Vaux	Language and Religion in the Construction of Modern Armenian Identity.	
14:40 – 15:00	Cox	Efforts toward a Critical Text of the Armenian Bible	
		<i>Coffee</i>	
		<i>15:00 – 15:30</i>	
15:30 – 16:0	Libaridian	The Church and the Political Parties	
16:00 – 16:20	Davidian, Rvd	The Church since the 1990s	
16:20 – 16:50	Krikorian, Abp	The Church and Oecumenism	
Evening:			
19:00 – 21:30		Farewell banquet, the Alumni Center, Founders Room, 200 Fletcher Str.	

Sunday, 4 April

(Sequence and chronology of events may change)

9:30	Depart for Detroit to visit the statue of Komitas
11:15 – 12:00	Attend last part of Patarag
12:00 – 13:00	Visit the Alex and Marie Manoogian Museum
13:00 – 14:30	Lunch
14:30 – 15:30	Cultural program
15:30	Airport to see off those flying back that evening
16:30	Return to Ann Arbor (from the Airport)
17:00	Free evening

Monday, 5 April

Departures