Cardiff University Workshop: GENEALOGY IN SOUTH ASIA

in the Old Library, at St Michael’s College, 54 Cardiff Road, Llandaff, Cardiff, CF5 2YJ, Wales
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DRAFT PROGRAMME

Wednesday 26 May

9.00 Welcome and introductions
   Chair: Adheesh Sathaye

9.15 ALF HILTEBEITEL (George Washington University): Between history and divine plan: the Mahābhārata’s royal patriline in context [KEYNOTE]

10.15 SIMON BRODBECK (Cardiff University): Ilā and the Yādavas: somavaṃśa and putrikā in the Sanskrit ‘epics’

11.15 Coffee

11.45 JAMES HEGARTY (Cardiff University): Some thoughts on etymology, genealogy and approaches to the past in the Nirukta, the Brhaddevatā and the Sanskrit Mahābhārata

12.45 Lunch
   Chair: Simon Brodbeck

14.00 CHRISTOPHER AUSTIN (Dalhousie University): The mystery of the Syamantaka jewel: the intersection of genealogy and biography in the Harivaṃśa

15.00 CHRISTOPHE VIELLE (Catholic University of Louvain): Ravivarman Kulaśekhara the Yādava, and Sagara as the son of Yādavī: on real and ideal kings in mediaeval Kerala according to inscriptions and Purāṇas

16.00 Tea
   Chair: Alf Hiltebeitel

16.30 MEERA VISVANATHAN (Jawaharlal Nehru University): Before genealogy? Marking descent in the inscriptions of early historic India

17.30 EMMANUEL FRANCIS (Catholic University of Louvain): The genealogy of the Pallavas: from brahmins to kings

19.30 College Dinner
Thursday 27 May

Chair: Richard Salomon

10.00  JOHN STRONG (Bates College): Lineages of the Buddha [KEYNOTE]

11.00  Coffee

11.30  ALICE COLLETT (York St John University): Female genealogy, lineage and history in early Indian Buddhism: the seven sisters

12.30  Lunch

Chair: Greg Bailey

14.00  NAOMI APPLETON (Cardiff University): Was that me? Multi-birth personal genealogies in early Buddhist and Jain texts

15.00  MAX DEEG (Cardiff University): Secular Buddhist lineages: Śākya and other royal descendancies in local Buddhist legitimation strategies

16.00  Tea

Chair: Will Johnson

16.30  STEVEN LINDQUIST (Southern Methodist University): Late Vedic genealogies in narratives about knowledge

17.30  BRIAN BLACK (Lancaster University): Decoding the Upaniṣadic vaṃśas: teacher lineages as a literary genre

19.30  College Dinner

Friday 28 May

Chair: John Strong

10.00  RICHARD SALOMON (University of Washington): Reading between the lines of inscriptive genealogies [KEYNOTE]

11.00  Coffee

11.30  HANS BAKKER (University of Groningen): The genealogy of Guptas and Vākāṭakas in the Kevala-Narasimha temple inscription (Rāmagiri)

12.30  Lunch
**Friday 28 May continued**

Chair: Max Deeg

14.00  CORINNE LEFÈVRE (National Centre for Scientific Research, Paris): In the name of the fathers: genealogical narratives and Mughal strategies for representing the past in the time of Emperor Jahangir

15.00  ARIK MORAN (University of Oxford): On the emergence of genealogical narratives in the west Himalayas: princes and villains between the spoken and written words

16.00  Tea

16.30  Discussion of MAHESH SHARMA’s paper: Construction of the lineage, power and perception: comparison of the royal Chamba genealogy and the contemporary epigraphs

17.00  Discussion of KUMKUM ROY’s paper: Poetic pasts: patrons, poets and lesser mortals in Bāṇa’s ‘biography’

19.00  Cardiff University Dinner

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**Saturday 29 May**

Chair: James Hegarty

10.00  GREG BAILEY (La Trobe University): Purāṇa pañcalakṣaṇa as genealogy and Jātipurāṇa [KEYNOTE]

11.00  Coffee

11.30  PLENARY SESSION
      (10 minutes each for keynote speakers, followed by general discussion)

13.00  Lunch