

Symposium

Life Is Short, Art Long: The Art of Healing in Byzantium — New Perspectives

Saturday, 14th March 2015

09:30 Tea-Coffee

09:45 Opening Remarks: Brigitte Pitarakis

Session I

Chair: Koray Durak

Perceptions and Concerns Surrounding Health

10:00-10:30 Derek Krueger (The University of North Carolina at Greensboro)
Healing and Salvation in Byzantium

10:30-11:00 Frederick Lauritzen (Venice)
Curing the Body and Soul in Eleventh-Century Constantinople

11:00-11:30 Christos Merantzias and Brigitte Pitarakis (University of Patras and CNRS, Paris)
From Demonic Noise to Paradise Melody: Healing in Byzantium

Discussion and Tea-Coffee Break (20 minutes)

Healing Shrines and the Pagan Legacy

11:50-12:20 Şehrazat Karagöz (Istanbul Archaeological Museums)
From Reality to Legend: The Healing God Asklepios

12:20-12:50 Philipp Niewöhner (Dumbarton Oaks, Washington, D.C.)
Healing Springs of Anatolia: The Problem of the Pagan Legacy

Discussion and Lunch Break

Session II

Chair: Philipp Niewöhner

Healing Shrines and Hagiography

14:30-15:00 Halûk Çetinkaya (Mimar Sinan Fine Arts University, Istanbul)
The Kosmidion in Constantinople

15:00-15:30 Anna Lampadaridi (CNRS/IRHT Section grecque, UPR 841, Paris)
Healing in Greek Byzantine Collections of Miracles: the Case of St. Eugenios of Trebizond.

Discussion and Tea-Coffee Break (20 minutes)

Medical Practices, Health, and Disease

15:50-16:20 Petros Bouras-Vallianatos (King's College, London)
Medical Theory and Practice in Late Byzantium

16:20-16:50 Koray Durak (Boğaziçi University, Istanbul)
Exotic Drugs and the Evolution of Byzantine Medicine

16:50-17:20 F. Arzu Demirel (Mehmet Akif Ersoy University, Burdur)
Health in Byzantine Anatolia: Skeletal Implications

Discussion and Conclusion Remarks

Presentations will be given in English and Turkish, with simultaneous translation.

Admissions free, drop in.