

The Holy Fools Symposium

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Programme



Internationales Begegnungszentrum, Amalienstraße 38, 80799 München

11th September 2015

- 14.00–14.45 Andrew John Thomas
The city became a desert: forcing the first holy fools into a context
- 14.45–15.30 Derek Krueger
From comedy to martyrdom: the shifting theology of the holy fool
from Symeon of Emesa to Andrew
- 15.30–16.15 Sergey Ivanov
Holy foolery as an ambiguous sanctity by Nikon of the Black Mount
- 16.15–16.45 *Coffee break*
- 16.45–17.30 Vincent Déroche
Les saints fous de l'époque mésobyzantine et tardobyzantine: ar-
chaïsme délibéré ou tradition vivante?
- 17.30–18.15 Isabella Gagliardi
Holy fools in medieval western Europe: from practice to theory
(XIII–XVI century)
- 18.15–19.00 Alexandra Bergholm
Saints and fools in early medieval Ireland

12th September 2015

- 10.00–10.45 Ashk Dahlén
The holy fool in Persian literature: the *qalandariyyāt* genre
- 10.45–11.30 June McDaniel
Divine madness and holy fools in India: the Bengali tradition of
Paglami and its relationship to the love of God

- 11.30–12.15 Franz-Karl Ehrhard
Holy fools in Tibet and the Himalayas
- 12.15–14.00 *Break*
- 14.00–14.45 Tihana Maravić
Theatrical and performative elements in the phenomenon of the
holy fool
- 14.45–15.30 Mario Rodríguez Polo
Recent manifestations of *yurodstvo*
- 15.30–16.15 Albrecht Berger
Holy fools in modern Greece
- 16.15–16.45 *final discussion*