1988 SIS/MESA MEETING

The Society for Iranian Studies will hold its annual meeting November 2-5, 1988 in conjunction with the MESA meetings at the Beverly Hills Hilton Hotel, California. The SIS Business Meeting will be on Wednesday, November 2, from 5:00-6:30 p.m. in the Canyon Theater.

The Society is sponsoring three panels entitled:

- Iranians in Los Angeles: Ivan Light, Claudia Der Martirosian, Georges Sabagh (Chairperson);
- Iran and South Asia: Cultural Encounters - Sajida S. Alvi, Juan R. Cole (Chairperson), Nikkie R. Keddie, Susan Stiles; and
- Social History of Medieval Iran and Central Asia - Soheila Amirsoleimani, Jo-Ann Gross (Chairperson), Maria Subtelny, Negin Yavari, Richard Bulliet (Discussant).

In addition to the panels and business meeting, we will occupy booth #64 in the main book exhibition. Stop by to browse and say hello.

MESA will feature a special videotape showing of Le Lion de Dieu, a French film introducing Iranian ta'ziyeh. This video was obtained for a conference on ta'ziyeh at Trinity College last April. A panel of scholars will speak before and after the showing.

ARTS AND MUSIC OF IRAN

We are pleased to announce that beginning with this issue of the Newsletter, Professor Linda Komaroff of Hamilton College will edit the Arts and Music of Iran section. Please address all communications regarding this section to Prof. Komaroff, Department of Art, Hamilton College, Clinton, N.Y. 13323, 315-853-4380.

EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

Many thanks to those individuals who have responded to my request for more information concerning news of membership, books published on Iranian subjects, events, conferences, and announcements. The Newsletter continues to reach out to those individuals interested in the study of Iranian societies and culture. Please continue to send us information on all aspects of Iranian Studies in the United States and abroad. Your contributions are necessary if we are to further expand the Newsletter and develop the network of individuals, groups and institutions dealing with Iranian studies.
News About Members


Mahmood Reza Ghods has recently completed a doctoral dissertation at The University of Denver, Graduate School of International Studies, entitled "The Political History of Modern Iran from Constitutional Revolution to the Islamic Revolution."

Professor Hooshang Amirahmadi is co-editor of *Post-Revolutionary Iran* (Westview Press, 1988) and has published the following book chapters: "War Damage and Reconstruction in the Islamic Republic of Iran," and "Middle Class Revolutions in the Third World," both in *Post-Revolutionary Iran*. He has completed editing *United States and the Middle East: Search for New Perspectives*.

Dr. Farhad Daftary's book entitled "The Isma'illis: Their History and Doctrines" is being published by Cambridge University Press and should be available by Spring, 1989.


Hossein Ziai has been appointed Assistant Professor of Near Eastern Languages and Cultures, University of California, Los Angeles, September 1988.

Persian Heritage Foundation Awards

The Persian Heritage Foundation grants annual awards of up to $5000 in four categories, as an aid toward publishing. Including scholarly works on Iranian humanities, Translations from Persian or other Iranian languages, critical editions of texts in Iranian languages, manuscripts of poetry or creative prose in Persian. The granting of awards is administered by the The Society for Iranian Studies & Columbia University's Center for Iranian Studies. The deadline is March 1, 1989. For further information write to:

Persian Heritage Foundation
450 Riverside Drive, #4
New York, NY 10027
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Art Exhibitions
Arthur M. Sackler Gallery

An exhibition at the Smithsonian Institution, Washington D.C., Nomads and Nobility: Arts from the Ancient Near East, will be on display through December 1988. A second exhibition, A Jeweler’s Eye: Islamic Arts of the Book from the Vever Collection, will be on display from November 20, 1988- April 30, 1989. A Catalogue, A Jeweler’s Eye: Islamic Arts of the Book from the Vever Collection, by Glenn Lowry with Susan Namazei, Smithsonian Institution, is scheduled for November publication, as well as an Annotated and Illustrated Checklist of the Vever Collection, by Glenn Lowry and Milo Beach with Roya Marefat and Wheeler Thackston (available only as a boxed set with the cloth edition of A Jeweler’s Eye.)

A lecture series coordinated and moderated by Mary Anderson McWilliams (Ph.D. Candidiate, Institute of Fine Arts) has been organized in conjunction with the exhibition. Featured in the series are the following lectures:

Sept. 28 — Origins of the Islamic Book, Esin Ati, Coordinator for Special Programs, Sackler Gallery and Freer Gallery of Art;
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Forthcoming Publications


Traditional Music of the Middle East: A Case Study of Persian Traditional Music, Vol. I, Gholamhosain Janati-Ataie, Center for Eastern Traditional Spiritual Music, available through: Center for Eastern Traditional Spiritual Music, Inc. P.O. Box 112, Lenox Hill Station, N.Y., N.Y. 10021, telephone 201-743-6522. Other publications and cassettes are also available from this source.

News of Research and Appointments in the Arts

Eleanor Sims, Islamic Art Foundation, will travel to India, with a grant from the American Institute for Indian Studies, to study Persian illustrated manuscripts in Indian collections.

Marianna Shreve Simpson (Center for the Advanced Study of the Visual Arts, National Gallery) is about to end a one-year sabbatical devoted to the completion of a monograph on Sultan Ibrahim Mirza’s Haft Aurang of Jami, a 16th century manuscript in the Freer Gallery.

Priscilla Soucek, Institute of Fine Arts, currently on leave, is in Istanbul, with a Fulbright grant, to study calligraphy based upon examples in Turkish collections.

Yasser Tabaa has been appointed Assistant Professor of Islamic Art, Dept. of the History of Art, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor.
ANNOUNCEMENTS

Iranian Scholars Association

A new organization has recently been established by a group of Iranian professors teaching in American colleges and universities. The Association is a non-political, non-religious, and non-profit organization established to promote professional interaction and friendship among Iranian scholars and to serve as a vehicle for providing opportunities to its members to assist each other in pursuit of professional development and growth. For further information, write to Dr. Hossein Safizadeh, W. Frank Barton School of Business, Box 88, Wichita State University, Wichita, KS 67208.

Iranian Studies Organization in France

The Institut Français de Recherche en Iran has recently published a booklet containing the names, addresses, and activities of teaching institutions, research organizations, and publications concerned with Iranian studies in France. For more information, write to: Institut Français de Recherche en Iran, Université de Paris 111, Institut d’Études Iraniennes, 13 rue de Santeuil, F. 75005 Paris, France.

Fondation Culturelle Mahvi Prize for Iranian Studies

The Fondation Culturelle Mahvi, a Swiss-based cultural organization, will annually award the following prizes to students in Iranian Studies. The first prize for the best doctoral dissertation on Iran is $5,000. The second prize is a cash stipend of $4,000. The prize for the best research paper leading to a master’s degree or its equivalent is $2,000. For further information, contact: N. Parvin, Secretary General, Fondation Culturelle Mahvi, 5 Route de Chen, 1207 Genéve, Switzerland.

Fellowship in Islamic Studies at McGill University

The Institute of Islamic Studies at McGill University in Montreal invites highly qualified students to apply for generous graduate fellowships in Islamic Studies. The Institute of Islamic Studies, in affiliation with the Aga Khan Foundation and the Institute of Ismaili Studies of London, offers graduate programs leading to M.A. or Ph.D. degrees in Islamic Studies. Applicants should have a B.A. or M.A. with high standing in the Social Sciences or Humanities, preferably with concentration in Islamic or Middle Eastern subjects. For information and application forms, write to: The Director, Institute of Islamic Studies, McGill University, 3485 McTavish Street, Montreal, Quebec, Canada H3A 1Y1.

Rockefeller Foundation Residency Fellowships at Washington University, St. Louis

The Center for the Study of Islamic Societies and Civilizations at Washington University announces a three year program of post-doctoral research fellowships for interdisciplinary research in Islamic studies. The project is intended to foster interdisciplinary research and publication focused on Islamic societies as well as encourage innovation in research methodologies. During each of the academic years 1988-1991, the Center will offer two fellowships for research. The yearly themes are: 1988-89, the interaction of anthropological and his-
torical approaches and methodologies; 1989-90, the study of the pre-modern Ottoman empire and its integration into both Islamic and European history; 1990-91, new approaches in the study of Islamic literary history. Rockefeller Fellows stipends are for a nine month period (September-May). Salary according to rank. Applicants should submit curricula vitae and letters describing their proposals by January 15 preceding tenure to: The Center for the Study of Islamic Societies and Civilizations, Washington University, Campus Box 1230, One Brookings Drive, St. Louis, Missouri 63130. Tel. 314-889-5166.

Harvard University Program of Iranian Studies

The Center for Middle Eastern Studies of Harvard University inaugurated a new program of Iranian studies last year. As part of this program a series of seminars entitled “The Iranian Revolution in Comparative Perspective” will be held this fall.

Fasl-e Ketab

A Persian quarterly book containing articles, critiques, news and a list of Persian books published in Iran and abroad is available through subscription. Individual subscriptions are 10 pounds, 20 pounds for libraries and institutions. Write to: Fasl-e Ketab, c/o Shoma Publications, P.O. Box 387, London W5 3UG, United Kingdom.

Andisheh-e Azad Journal

Andisheh-e Azad is a Persian language quarterly published in Sweden which covers political, social, and cultural issues. For subscription information, write to: Andisheh-e Azad, P.O. Box 50047, 104 05 Stockholm, Sweden.

A new reference work, Iran Yearbook, has been published by Moini-Biontino Verlagsgesellschaft of Bonn. The Yearbook, which contains 650 pages of statistical and informational items on all aspects of Iranian life, has been compiled by the Iran Research Group, an independent, non-partisan group of journalists, economists, and political analysts. For further information, contact Menas Associates Ltd., P.O. Box 57108, Atlanta, Georgia 30343.

Central Asian Archives

The Research Institute for Inner Asian Studies of Indiana University collection of microfilms of Oriental manuscripts (mainly Persian and Chaghatai, with a few Arabic and Ottoman) of historical, biographical, and geographical works related to Central Asia is expanding. The total number of individual works on microfilm is now about 350. A full handlist of microfilms is available and can be obtained for a fee of $2.00 (prepaid). For further information, contact: Prof. Yuri Bregel, Director, RI-FIAS, Indiana University, Goodbody Hall 343, Bloomington, IN 47404. Phone: 812-335-1605.

The Centre d’Études et de Recherche Internationales publishes Cahiers d’Études sur la Méditerranée Orientale et le Monde Turco-Iranien two times a year under the editorship of Semih Vaner, with the collaboration of Yvette Benusiglio and Sylvia Granoulhac. The latest issue, No. 5, is entitled “Modernisation Autoritaire et Réponses de Sociétés en Turquie et en Iran.” For further information, contact: Fondation Nationale des Sciences Politiques, 27 rue Saint-Guillaume, 75341 Paris, France.

James Hilselberger wishes to ...continued on page 11
RECENT PUBLICATIONS


INSIDE IRAN: LIFE UNDER KHOMEINI'S REGIME, by John Simpson.


NEST OF SPIES: AMERICA'S JOURNEY TO DISASTER IN IRAN, by Amir Taheri, Century Hutchinson Australia Pty, Ltd., Victoria, Australia, 1988.

OPERATIONS IN PERSIA: 1914-1919, Compiled by arrangement with the Gov-...continued on page 10
Conferences and Seminars

International Conference on Irano-Judaica


Le Centre d'Études et de Recherches Internationales sponsored a conference entitled Modernisation Autoritaire et Réponses des Sociétés en Turquie et en Iran, June 9-10, Paris. Among the topics addressed were: Modernity, Authority, and Land of Islam, State Modernizers and Societies, Nations,

Peoples, and Institutions. For more information, contact: Secretariat du Centre d'Études et Recherches Internationales, 4, rue de Chevreuse, 75006 Paris, France.

Call for Papers - The Seventh Annual Conference of CIRA

The Center for Iranian Research and Analysis (CIRA) announces a call for papers for its seventh annual conference which will take place April 7-9, 1989. Co-sponsored by the Middle East Institute, Columbia University, the conference will focus on the Islamic Republic of Iran Ten Years after the Revolution. However, papers on all aspects of contemporary Iran are welcome. Pre-organized panels are particularly encouraged. Please send inquiries and an abstract of no less than 250 words by January 15, 1989 to: CIRA Conference 1989, Middle East Institute, 420 W. 118th Street, Columbia University, New York, N.Y. 10027.

National Endowment for the Humanities Summer Seminars for College Teachers

One of the sixty-four seminars for college teachers sponsored by The National Endowment for the Humanities during the summer, 1989 will be From the Silk Route to Afghanistan: Approaches to the Study of Central Asia. Directed by Eden Naby and Richard Frye, the object of this seminar is to study Central Asia from a variety of perspectives: cultural anthropology, religion, archaeology, folklore, and literature, as well as the general processes of social change. The seminar will be held at the History Department, University of Massachusetts, Amherst, from June 11-August 4, 1989. The deadline for applications is March 1, 1989. For further information, write to Summer Seminars for College Teachers, Room 316, Division of Fellowships and Seminars, National Endowment for the Humanities, 1100 Pennsylvania Avenue, Washington, D.C. 20506.

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The following dissertations can be ordered from University Microfilms International, 300 North Zeeb Road, Ann Arbor, MI 48106, using the order number at the end of each reference.

### Ph. D. Dissertations on Iranian Subjects, 1987


- **Attitudes of Iranians Toward the Housing Situation in Iran.** By Mohammad Seyed Mostashari. United States International University, 1987. Order # GAX87-23608.


- **Educational Environment Relating to the Productivity and Publications Patterns of Social Scientists in the Middle East (Turkey, Iran).** By Samir Najm Hamade. Drexel University, 1987. Order # GAX87-14601.

- **Hierarchical Dissonance in Values and the Iranian Revolution.** By Sonia Lufti Alianak. The University of Texas at Austin, 1987. Order # GAX87-17355.


Order # GAX87-13377.


Studies in the Comparative Syntax of the Oldest Indo-Iranian Languages. By Mark


Advertising Rates

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Publishers and booksellers wishing to place an advertisement in the Journal, Iranian Studies, may do so by submitting camera ready copy to:

Richard Bulliet, Editor, Iranian Studies, Middle East Institute, Columbia University, New York, N.Y. 10027.

A full page ad is $150 and a half page $75.
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School of Oriental and African Studies, University of London

A conference on The Iranian Revolution Ten Years On, convened by Richard Tapper, is planned for mid-1989. Send all inquiries to The Centre of Near and Middle Eastern Studies, School of Oriental and African Studies, University of London.

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European Seminar on Central Asian Studies

There will be an international colloquium in Paris organized by the CNRS between November 22-29, 1988 on the theme: “The History and culture of pre-Islamic Central Asia: Written Sources and Archaeological Evidence.” This will cover the period between the Greek and Islamic conquests. The proceedings will be presented in French, English and Russian. For further information contact Paul Bernard or Frantz Gernet, Hellenism et Civilisations Orientales, CNRS UA 1222, ENS Centre D’Archéologie, 45 rue d’Ulm, 75005, Paris.

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announce the availability of sets or individual volumes of the document series published by the Muslim Students Following the Imam’s Line Publishers on Taleghani Street, Tehran. These are documents retrieved from the American Embassy in Tehran, 65 volumes of which have thus far been published. For further information, write to Hithselberger Books, BUR 536, UT, Austin, Texas 78712.

Columbia University Intensive Summer Persian and Turkish Language Program

Columbia University will host the 1989 Intensive Summer Persian and Turkish Language Program under the auspices of the Eastern States University Consortium for Persian and Turkish. The program will run from June 26-August 8, 1989. Elementary and intermediate levels for the two languages will be offered. For further information, write: Prof. Rhoads Murphey, Department of Middle Eastern Languages and Cultures, 601 Kent Hall, Columbia University, New York, N.Y. 10027.

The first issue of Zendehbad Iran was published in July, 1988. The issue includes an analysis of recent books on Iran, and articles on theater, film, and other arts in Tehran, artists and writers in exile, and the new Majlis. For subscriptions and information, write to BDG Updates, Ltd., Box 47, 94 Cornwall Gardens, London SW7 4AX.

Rozanah, a monthly journal for the Iranian Community, is published by the Iranian Community and Cultural Center, 3523-A, Rue St.-Laurent, Montreal H2X 2T6, Quebec, Canada.

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International Affairs Building,  
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New Series on Iranian Studies

Faraz Publishers, under the editorship of Tschangiz Pahlavan and Vahid Nowshirvani, are publishing a series of books on Iranian Studies in Persian. The collection, known as Majmu'eh Iranshenasi-e Faraz, consist of both original works in Persian and translations from other languages. As a part of the collection the editors intend to publish anthologies of translations of major scholarly articles in the various fields of Iranian Studies. They welcome suggestions from the members of the society for articles, either their own or by others, for inclusion in such anthologies. Communications should be sent to Vahid Nowshirvani, Middle East Institute, Columbia University, New York, N.Y. 10027.