The Center for Ancient Studies in conjunction with the Skirball Department of Hebrew and Judaic Studies announces the Ranieri Colloquium on Ancient Studies.

October 22-23, 2015
Hemmerdinger Hall, Silver Center for Arts and Science, Room 102
32 Waverly Place or 31 Washington Place (wheelchair access)

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 22, 2015
5:00 p.m. WELCOME AND OPENING REMARKS
Matthew S. Santirocco, Senior Vice Provost, Professor of Classics, and Angelo J. Ranieri, Director of Ancient Studies, NYU
Daniel Fleming, Edelman Professor of Hebrew and Judaic Studies, Skirball Department of Hebrew and Judaic Studies, NYU
5:15 p.m. KEYNOTE SESSION
Telling Mari History
Jean-Marie Duraud, Académie des Inscriptions et Belles Lettres, Paris; former Chair of Assyriology, Collège de France
Dominique Charpin, Chair of Mesopotamian Civilization, Collège de France
Nellie Ziegler, Research Director, Centre National de la Recherche Scientifique
7:30 p.m. PUBLIC RECEPTION

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 23, 2015
SESSION 1: TELLING THE NEAR EAST
[Chair: Mark Smith, Skirball Professor of Bible and Ancient Near Eastern Studies, Skirball Department of Hebrew and Judaic Studies, NYU]
10:00 a.m. The Kingdom of Ur and Unprovenanced Texts
David Owen, Bernard and Jane Schapiro Professor of Ancient Near Eastern and Judaic Studies (emeritus), Cornell University
10:45 a.m. International Relations in the Mari Period
Beate Pongratz-Leisten, Professor of Ancient Near Eastern Studies, NYU/ISAW
11:30 a.m. Assyriology and the Hebrew Bible: Early Efforts
Peter Machinist, Hancock Professor of Hebrew and Other Oriental Languages, Harvard University
12:15 p.m. LUNCH BREAK
SESSION 2: TELLING THE NEAR EAST
[Chair: Lorenzo d’Alfonso, Associate Professor of Western Asian Archaeology and History, NYU/ISAW]
1:15 p.m. Turning Literature into Story
Sara J. Milstein, Assistant Professor of Hebrew Bible and Ancient Near Eastern Studies, University of British Columbia
2:00 p.m. Emar in Later Bronze Age Syria
Daniel Fleming, NYU
2:45 p.m. Reflections
Jack M. Sasson, Mary Jane Werthan Professor of Judaic and Biblical Studies, Vanderbilt University

This conference is free and open to the public. For more information, contact the Center for Ancient Studies at 212.992.1978 or ancient.studies@nyu.edu

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