

# INTERDISCIPLINARY RESEARCH SEMINAR IN THE STUDY OF RELIGIONS

## *Mysticism & Religious Experience*

Hilary 2026

### Upcoming Talks

**Week 2:** Tuesday, 27 January, 4:00–5:30pm, Paul Oster Room, LMH

**Title:** *A Sufi Picture of Humility*

**Speaker:** Dr Muhammad Sami (Research Fellow in Philosophy and Theology, Tabah Foundation, Cairo, Egypt, and Associate Faculty Member, Faculty of Theology and Religion, University of Oxford)



**Week 4:** Tuesday, 10 February, 4:00–5:30pm, Paul Oster Room, LMH

**Title:** *Kundalini as Conceptual Frame for Religious Experience*

**Speaker:** Dr Ruth Westoby (Postdoctoral Research Fellow in Jaina Studies and Yoga Studies, Oxford Centre for Hindu Studies)



**Week 6:** Tuesday, 24 February, 4:00–5:30pm, Paul Oster Room, LMH

**Title:** *Teresa of Avila on Spiritual Union*

**Speaker:** Prof Mark Wynn (Nolloth Professor of the Philosophy of the Christian Religion, Faculty of Theology and Religion, University of Oxford)



**Week 8:** Tuesday, 10 March, 4:00–5:30pm, Paul Oster Room, LMH

**Title:** *Cosmic Wonder*

**Speaker:** Dr Sophia Vasalou (Associate Professor of Philosophical Theology, Department of Theology and Religion, University of Birmingham)



**Location:** Lady Margaret Hall, Paul Oster Room  
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