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Schedule of Events:

10:00 Welcome: Co-Chairs Bridget Alsdorf

and Joni Spigler

10:15-12:00 Divine Form:

Materiality and Message in the Religious Image

Moderator: Jason James van Boom

Dominican School of Philosophy and Theology,

Graduate Theological Union, UC Berkeley

J.R. Osborn Communication, UC San Diego

The Shape of Recitation:

Qur'anic Calligraphy as a Visual Flowering of the Divine

Odilia Bonebakker History of Art and Architecture, Harvard

Figura/umbra:

The Jewish Altarpiece in the late Medieval Christian Image

Hawon Ku Kim Art History, University of Minnesota

Maps in Art History:

Nineteenth-century Satrunjaya Patas of Gujarat, India

1:15-3:00 Visual Politics of Morality and Decadence

Moderator: Kris Paulsen

Rhetoric, UC Berkeley

Kristen Seaman History of Art, UC Berkeley

Wall-Painting, Politics, and Style in the Age of Augustus

André Dombrowski History of Art, UC Berkeley

Piano Politics: Cézanne's Homage to Wagner's Tannhäuser

Kai K. Gutschow Architecture, Carnegie Mellon University

Example-Counterexample: The Role of Visual Comparisons
in Creating a Modern German Architecture

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Example-Counterexample: The Role of Visual Comparisons in Creating a Modern German Architecture

Visual comparisons of architectural images played a vital role in the development of a modern architecture in early 20th-century This paper will outline the Germany. development of this comparative practice within the nascent media culture of the day, and suggest that these dueling images and divisive publications played a decisive role in gradually forcing German architects and culture into two strictly opposing camps, despite their common roots. The development of modern architecture in Germany was thus at least in part the result of needing to create a modern media image which contrasted, indeed conflicted with the more dominant forms of traditional architecture. Then, as now, modern architecture has been particularly dependent on the media and its polarizing forces for its development process.