



From West Africa to Southeast Asia: The History of Muhammad al-Jazuli's *Dala'il al-Khayrat* Prayer Book (15th – 20th Centuries)

A two day workshop on May 17th and 18th, 2019 co-organized by The Metropolitan Museum of Art's Department of Islamic Art and New York University Libraries.

Location:

Art Study Room, Uris Center for Education The Metropolitan Museum of Art 1000 Fifth Avenue, New York, NY 10028 Please use the East 81st Street entrance

Day 1: Friday May 17th

10:00-10:30am: Check-in time, coffee and snacks

10:30-10:50am: Welcome and introduction:

Navina Haidar

Acting Head of Islamic Art/Nasser Sabah al-Ahmad al-Sabah Curator of Islamic Art The Metropolitan Museum of Art

Deniz Beyazit

Associate Curator, Islamic Art
The Metropolitan Museum of Art

Guy Burak

Librarian for Middle Eastern, Islamic, and Jewish Studies Elmer Holes Bobst Library, New York University





Panel I: General al-Jazuli and his Dala'il

10:50am:

Vincent Cornell

Asa Griggs Candler Professor of Middle East and Islamic Studies, Emory University. Muḥammad ibn Sulaymān al-Jazūlī (d. 1465), Author of 'Dalā'il al-Khayrāt'.

11:15am:

Jan Just Witkam

Professor emeritus of Codicology, Leiden University
The manuscripts of the 'Dalā'il al-Khayrāt' by al-Ğazūlī. A holistic approach to a dynamic phenomenon.

11:40-12:00pm: Discussion 12:00-12:10pm: Coffee break

Panel II: Southeast Asia

12:10pm:

Farouk Yahya

Postdoctoral Research Associate, SOAS London Illustrated and illuminated manuscripts of the 'Dalā'il al-khayrāt' from Southeast Asia.

12:35pm:

Heba Nayel Barakat

Head of Curatorial Department at Museum of Islamic Art, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia *The Malay Dala'il al Khayrat; A living tradition.*

1:00 -1:20pm: Discussion

1:20-2:30pm: Lunch





Panel III: Morocco/Maghreb

2:30pm:

Hiba Abid

Postdoctoral Fellow Collège de France, Paris The Birth of a Successful Prayer Book: the Manuscript Tradition of the Dala'il al-Khayrat in North Africa.

2:55pm:

Deniz Beyazit

Associate Curator, Department of Islamic Art, The Metropolitan Museum of Art An early dated and illustrated Dala'il al-Khayrat from North-Africa: Unfolding the Met's 2017.301.

3:20pm:

Yana van Dyke

Conservator, Paper Conservation, The Metropolitan Museum of Art Materials and Techniques of Dala'il al-Khayrat works from The Met's collection.

3:45-4:15pm: Discussion

4:30-5:00pm: Tour of *The Decorated Word: Writing and Picturing in Islamic Calligraphy* with exhibition curator, Maryam Ekhtiar (Curator, Islamic Art)

6:30pm: Dinner at Cafe Grazie

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Day 2: Saturday May 18th

10:00-10:30am: Check-in time, coffee and snacks

Panel IV: Ottoman/Central Asia

10:30am:

Guy Burak

Librarian for Middle Eastern, Islamic, and Jewish Studies, Elmer Holes Bobst Library, New York University

What Kind of Text is Dala'il al-Khayrat: Muhammad al-Mahdi al-Fasi, His Commentary and Its Ottoman Readers.

10:55am:

Sabiha Göloğlu

CAHIM Fellow, Museum for Islamic Art, Berlin Production, Circulation, Ownership, and Recitation of the Dalā'il al-Khayrāt in the Late Ottoman Empire.

11:20am:

Alexandre Papas

CNRS, Paris

The 'Dalā'il al-khayrāt' in Central Asia and Eastern Turkestan: some leads.

11:45-11:35pm: Short coffee break

11:35-12:00pm: Discussion

Panel V: Indian Ocean

12:00pm:

Fatima Quraishi

University of California, Riverside

The Dala'il al-Khayrat in Sindh: Manuscripts in the Sindhi Adabi Board.





12:25pm:

Sana Mirza

Institute of Fine Arts, NYU

Praising the Prophet in the Horn of Africa: Contextualizing Ethiopian Dala'il Manuscripts.

12:50-1:10pm: Discussion

1:10-2:30pm: Lunch

2:30-4:00pm: Final discussion and looking forward

Organizers:

Jan Just Witkam, Professor emeritus of Codicology, Leiden University

Deniz Beyazit, Associate Curator Department of Islamic Art, The Metropolitan

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Guy Burak, Middle East and Islamic Studies Librarian, Elmer Holmes Bobst, NYU **Sabiha Göloğlu** CAHIM Fellow, Museum for Islamic Art, Berlin

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