

List of Publications

Eszter Spät

BOOKS

- 2010 *Late Antique Motifs in Yezidi Oral Tradition*. Gorgias Press: (NJ) Piscataway.
- 2005 *The Yezidis*. SAQI Books: London.

RESEARCH ARTICLES

- Accepted for Publication: "Singing the Pain: Yezidi Oral Tradition and Sinjari Laments after ISIS." In Kh. Omarkhali and Ph. Kreyenbroek (eds.), *Oral Transmission in Religious Traditions of Iranian-Speaking Peoples*, special issue of *Oral Tradition*.
- Accepted for Publication: "Displacement, Loss and Transformation: Yezidi Ritual Life in Iraq." *Yezidism Between Tradition and Modernity*. Ed. Khanna Omarkhali and Philip Kreyenbroek. Wiesbaden: Harrassowitz.
- 2020 "The Book Revealing the Future in a Religion without Books: the Apocalyptic Visions of Yezidi Seers." *International Journal of Divination and Prognostication* 2, 1-28.
- 2020 "Religious Crossover in Northern Iraq: Interfaith Practices of Beseeching the Supernatural." In *Faith and Doubt*. Ed. Éva Pócs and Bea Vidács. Budapest: Balassi Publishing House.
- 2020 "Monuments, Civil War and Local Communities: Archaeological Heritage in the Duhok Region (Kurdistan Region of Iraq) Part 3." *Hungarian Archaeology* 9.3, 43-50.
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"Műemlékek, Polgárháború és helyi közösségek: A Duhok régió (Iraki Kurdisztán) régészeti öröksége (3. rész)." *Magyar Régészet* 8.4, 43-50.
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- 2019 "Monuments, Civil War and Local Communities: Archaeological Heritage in the Duhok Region (Kurdistan Region of Iraq) Part 2." *Hungarian Archaeology* 8.3, 36-45.
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- 2019 "Gifts from the Sky: Yezidi Sacred Objects and Symbols of Power, Tools of Healing and Seals of Divine Favour." In *Charms and Charming: Studies on Magic in Everyday Life*. Ed. Éva Pócs, 213-236. Ljubljana: Založba ZRC.

- 2019 "Monuments, Civil War and Local Communities: Archaeological Heritage in the Duhok Region (Kurdistan Region of Iraq) Part 1." *Hungarian Archaeology* 2019 Spring, 28-34.
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 "Műemlékek, Polgárháború és helyi közösségek: A Duhok régió (Iraki Kurdisztán) régészeti öröksége (1. rész)." *Magyar Régészet* 2019 Tavasz, 27-34.
http://files.archaeolingua.hu/2019TA/Upload/Spat_H191.pdf
- 2018 "Shared Sacra in Northern Iraq: The Religious Other as the Source of Divine Mercy." (Hung.) In *Áldozat, istenítélet, divináció (Sacrifice, Ordeal, Divination)*. Ed. Éva Pócs, 34-67. Budapest: Balassi Publishing House.
- 2018 "Constructing Religio-Ritual Heritage: The New Shrine of Shekhsê Batê in Khetar, Northern Iraq." In *Genius Loci Laszlovszky 60*. Ed. D. Mérai, Á. Drosztmér, J. Rasson, Z. Reed, A. Vadas, C. Zlatykó, 353-356. Budapest: Archaeolinga.
<http://www.archaeolingua.hu/book/genius-loci-laszlovszky-60>
- 2018 "Your Son Will Be the Scourge of Islam": Changing Perceptions of Islamic Figures in Yezidi Oral Tradition." *Numen* 65, 562-588.
- 2017 "Yezidi Identity Politics and Political Ambitions in the Wake of the ISIS Attack." *Journal of Balkan and Near Eastern Studies* 20.5, 420-438.
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- 2017 "Yezidis, Kurds and the Future of Northern Iraq." (Hung.) In *Keresztény-Zsidó teológiai Évkönyv 2017*. Ed. József Szécsi, 308-315. Budapest: Keresztény-Zsidó Társaság
- 2016 "Persecution and the Development of Yezidi Ritual Life in Iraq." *Kurdish Studies* 4.2, 155-175.
- 2015 "Yezidi Oral Tradition: A Yezidi Myth as told by Feqir Haji." (Hung.) In *Irodalmi Szemle* 58.12, 5-14.
- 2014 "'Falling into Book.' Yezidi Seers in Modern Iraq." (Hung.) In *Spiritual Mediators* (Hung.: Spirituális Közvetítők). Karoli Books Series. Ed. M. Vassányi, E. Sepsi, V. Voigt, 108-139. Budapest: L'Harmattan.
- 2014 "The Peacock *Sanjak*, Yezidi Oral Tradition and Identity." (Hung.) In *Axis: Journal of Religious History* 5, 1-17. http://vallastortenet.hu/Axis_5.pdf
- 2013 "On Soil and Jinn: Ritual Practices and Syncretism among the Yezidis of Iraq." In *Rituale als Ausdruck von Kulturkontakt: „Synkretismus“ zwischen Negation und Neudefinition*. Studies in Oriental Religions 67. Ed. A. Pries, L. Martzloff, R. Langer and C. Ambos, 111-130. Wiesbaden: Harrassowitz.
- 2013 "Religion and Oral History: The Origin Myth of the Yezidis." In *Remembering the Past in Iranian Societies*. Ed. C. Allison and P. Kreyenbroek, 33-45. Göttinger Orientforschungen IRANICA Neue Folge 9. Harrassowitz.
- 2011 "A Gnostic Myth in the Modern Middle East: The Yezidi „Son of a Jar” and Seth." (Hung.) *Ókor* 10.2, 14-24.
- 2011 "In Lieu of Prayer: Yezidi Shrines in Northern Iraq." (Hung.) In *Áldozat és Ima (Sacrifice and Prayer)*. Ed. K. B. Hoppál, Zs. Szilágyi, M. Vassányi, 154-169. Vallástudományi Könyvtár V. Budapest: L'Harmattan.

- 2011 "The Song of the Commoner: The Gnostic Call in Yezidi Oral Tradition." In *In Search of Truth: Augustine, Manichaeism and Other Gnosticism*. Ed. J. A. van den Berg and J. van Schaik, 663-683. Leiden: Brill.
- 2009 "The Role of the Peacock "Sanjak" in Yezidi Religious Memory." In *Materializing Memory: Archeological Material Culture and the Semantics of the Past*. BAR International Series 1977. Ed. A. Choyke-J. Rasson-I. Barbiera, 105-116. Oxford: Archeopress.
- 2008 "Religious Oral Tradition and Literacy among the Yezidis of Iraq." *Anthropos* 103.2, 393-404.
- 2008 "Late Antique Literary Motifs in Yezidi Oral Tradition: The Yezidi Myth of Adam." *Journal of American Oriental Society* 128.4, 663-79.
- 2004 "The 'Teachers' of Mani in the *Acta Archelai* and Simon Magus." *Vigiliae Christianae* 58.1, 1-23.
- 2004 "Changes in the Oral Tradition of the Yezidis of Iraqi Kurdistan." *The Journal of Kurdish Studies* 5, 73-83.
- 2004 "The Festival of Sheikh Adi in Lalish, in the Holy Valley of the Yezidis." *Annual of Medieval Studies at CEU (Central European University, Budapest)* 10, 147-57.
- 2002 "Shehid bin Jerr, Forefather of the Yezidis and the Gnostic Seed of Seth." *Iran and the Caucasus* 6, no. 1-2, 27-56.
- 2002 "Some *Topoi* in the Description of Heretics in Early Christian Literature: Simon Magus, *pater omnium haeticorum*." (Hung.) In *Studia Patrum*. Eds. P. Nemeshegyi – Z. Rihmer, 71-82. Budapest: Szent István Publishing House.
- 1998 "The Commonitorium of Orosius on the Teachings of the Priscillianists." *Acta Antiqua Hungarica* 38, 357-379.
- 1998 "The Teachings of Priscillian in the Writings of the Church Fathers." (Hung.) *Antik Tanulmányok – Studia Antiqua* 42, 137-152.
- 1997 "The Literary Image of a Heretic Bishop in the 5th Century." (Hung.) *Ókortudományi Értesítő* 1.1, 21-27.

INVITED RESPONSES AND REVIEWS

- 2014 Response to Richard Foltz, *Religions of Iran: Pool-Theory as a Non-normative Approach*, for *Religion and Culture Webforum*, <http://divinity.uchicago.edu/religion-and-culture-web-forum-archive-2014>
- 2011 Philip G. Kreyenbroek, *Yezidism in Europe: Different Generations Speak about their Religion*. (Wiesbaden: Harrassowitz, 2009) for *International Journal of Middle East Studies* 43 no 3, 579 - 581.

FILMS

2013 *Following the Peacock*. 52 minutes. Premier: 2nd Duhok International Film Festival, October 2013
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=I3Y8CXxJEv4>

Also screened at:

Central European University

The Biennial Conference of the European Association of Social Anthropology, ACME Film Program, Tallinn.

ISA Ethnographic Film Series. Institute of Social Anthropology, Austrian Academy of Sciences, Vienna.

School of Oriental and African Studies, London.

Ancient India & Iran Trust, Cambridge.

8th "Cinema Vérité" Iran International Documentary Film Festival, Tehran.

Culture Unplugged Film Festival 2015: *Humanity Explored*.

2012 The "Proof of True Faith" in Akre. (The ecstatic *sema*, or ritual dance of the Qadri Dervish Order in Iraqi Kurdistan.) 20 minutes (no text.)