WOMEN AND THE CONSTRUCTION OF RELIGIOUS MEMORY IN ANTIQUITY

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CULTURAL MEMORY HAS BEEN THE SUBJECT OF INTENSIVE RESEARCH AMONG HISTORIANS OF ANTIQUITY FOR A NUMBER OF YEARS. MANY SITES OF MEMORY AND COLLECTIVE REMEMBERING ARE LOCATED WITHIN THE SPHERE OF RITUAL PRACTICE. RELIGIOUS MEMORY ENCOMPASSES RITUAL PERFORMANCES ASSOCIATED WITH MYTH, ACTS OF RELIGIOUS COMMEMORATION, AND THE INSCRIPTION AND PERFORMANCE OF RELIGIOUS HISTORIES OF VARIOUS KINDS. THIS MEETING SEEKS TO PUT THIS BODY OF WORK INTO A RELATIONSHIP WITH THE HISTORY OF WOMEN IN ANTIQUITY. WE ASK HOW WERE WOMEN REMEMBERED AND HOW DID THEY REMEMBER IN RELATION TO CULT? HOW WAS RELIGIOUS MEMORY GENDERED? HOW DID RELIGIOUS MEMORY SHAPED EXPECTATIONS ABOUT WOMEN'S ACTION, RELIGIOUS AND OTHERWISE, IN THE ANCIENT WORLD?

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