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Rupture and Reconciliation
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<td><em>Stretched to snapping point: Scordatura and pain in the music of Heinrich Biber</em></td>
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Margarita Bonora, Faculty of Music, Cambridge
Jacques Maritain’s conception of dialectics and the role of music
Hina Khalid, Faculty of Divinity, Cambridge
Stitching relations across ruptures: The ripples of partition across Bollywood’s aesthetic imagination

3:30pm  Afternoon break

3:45pm  Panel 4 | Conversions and Contestations
Naomi Richman, Department of Social Anthropology, Cambridge
Thinking with “repair”
Susie Triffitt (via Zoom), Faculty of Divinity, Cambridge
Wrestling for souls: lessons in evangelism from comparing wrestling church and the Alpha Course
Michael Habashi (via Zoom), Faculty of Divinity, Cambridge
Towards Christian unity: Healing the fifth-century division of the Coptic Orthodox Church

5:15pm  Closing remarks

Presenters
We kindly ask those presenting to limit papers to 20 minutes maximum. This is to preserve time for discussion and maintain the overall schedule.

Speakers who wish to use slides to accompany a talk are asked to share any files with us by email at if-forum-symposium@divinity.cam.ac.uk, by no later than 12th June. We will transfer these to a computer connected to the in-room display, enabling a smooth transition between talks and minimising technical disruption. Please note that the computer will be a Windows PC. Mac users are asked to save files in a compatible format. NB It is unlikely that we can display presentations prepared using Prezzi software.

Dr Giles Waller will be on hand during sessions, to provide light technical support with the presentation set-up.
Venue information

Venue and Universal (U) bus route.

Faculty of Divinity, 25 West Road, Cambridge, CB3 8BS

Interactive version of this map (including Park & Ride).

Travel within Cambridge

On foot | The Faculty is about 15 minutes’ from central Cambridge, and 35–40 minutes’ walk from Cambridge train station. (View route map via Google.)

By bus | The Universal bus services (U1 and U2) call at Cambridge train station (Stand 8) on the way between Addenbrookes (south of city centre) and Girton or Eddington (north of city centre). Stops are shown on the interactive map (courtesy of maps.cam.ac.uk). The two routes alternate approximately once every 15 minutes. U1 (toward Girton) stops closest to the Faculty of Divinity (stop: University Library). U2 (toward Eddington) stops near the end of West Road, around 4 minutes’ walk from the Faculty. The bus journey takes around 12 minutes. Once at the Sidgwick Site, the Faculty is located off the parking area adjacent to West Road Concert Hall.

There is a taxi stand outside the train station. The fare from the station to the Faculty (one-way) should be less than £10. A map showing connections on the U bus route is shown on page 4.
Food and refreshments

Please make your own lunch arrangements. There is plenty of space within the Faculty to eat your packed lunch, and to take a break in between sessions.

Refreshments during the breaks will be provided.
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