This is a preliminary program. Topics, speakers, and times may change. A more complete program with abstracts and bios will be posted on WWW.SUNSTONEMAGAZINE.COM and a final program with room assignments will be provided at the symposium registration desk.

Onsite registration will open at 9:00 am, one hour before sessions begin. Symposium sessions will be in classrooms A and B in the Kirtland Temple Visitor Center, located at 7809 Joseph Street, Kirtland, Ohio 44094, (440) 256-1830.

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OPENING PLENARY SESSION
Saturday 10 March
10:00—11:00 am

1. THE KIRTLAND TEMPLE AND COMMUNITY OF CHRIST: A HISTORICAL OVERVIEW

Historian JOHN HAMER will provide a 50-minute presentation on the history of Kirtland, Ohio and the building of the Kirtland Temple.

Chair: Mary Ellen Robertson
Room: Classroom A+B

11:15 AM—12:15 PM

2. Gentiles, Temples, and Respect for Sacred Space: Problematics for the Non-Mormon Scholar of Mormonism
DONALD WESTBROOK

Chair: HUGO OLAIZ
Room: Classroom A

3. Behind the Scenes Specialty Tour of the Kirtland Temple.
This tour is limited to 7 participants and requires a $25 fee, not included in symposium registration. Sign up sheets for specialty tours will be available at the registration desk and during the opening plenary session. Meet at the visitors center front desk to pay the tour fee and meet the tour guide.

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7. The Book of Mormon as an Ancient Ascension Text
GERALD SMITH
Chair: JOHN-CHARLES DUFFY
Room: Classroom B

5:15—6:15 PM

8. De-Cantankerizing Descriptions of Joseph Smith
RUSS OSMOND
Chair: JOHN HAMER
Room: Classroom B

9. PANEL: On the Journey Together: A Look at Midwest Pilgrimage
GÂNIE DEHART, KERRY NORMAN, and SUSAN ROBERTS.
Moderator: KERRY NORMAN
Room: Classroom A

CLOSING PLENARY SESSION
6:30—7:45 PM

PANEL: Does the Historicity of the First Vision Matter?
Moderator: JOHN-CHARLES DUFFY
Panelists: LACHLAN MACKAY, STEVE TAYSON, and DAN VOGEL
Room: Classroom A+B

POST-SYMPOSIUM DINNER GROUP

For anyone interested in continuing Symposium-related conversations a bit longer, we will decamp to Biga Wood Fired Pizzeria for an evening meal. All are welcome to join us for mind and body nourishment.

Biga Pizzeria is within walking distance of the Kirtland Temple Visitor Center, and is located at 9145 Chillicothe Rd, Kirtland OH 44094 (440)379-7313. Peruse their menu offerings at http://bigapizzeria.net/

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