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In the early Islamic world, Arabic erotic compendia and sex manuals were a popular literary genre. Although primarily written by male authors, the erotic publications from this era often emphasised the sexual needs of women and the importance of female romantic fulfilment. Pernilla Myrne

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here explores this phenomenon, examining a range of Arabic literature to shed fresh light onto the complexities of female sexuality under the Abbasids and the Buyids. Based on an impressive array of neglected medical, religious-legal, literary and entertainment sources, Myrne elucidates the tension between depictions of women's strong sexual agency and their subordinated social role in various contexts. In the process she uncovers a great diversity of approaches from the 9th to the 11th century, including the sexual

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handbook the Encyclopedia of Pleasure (Jawami' al-ladhdha), which portrayed the diversity of female desires, asserting the importance of mutual satisfaction through lively poems and stories. This is the first in-depth, comprehensive analysis of female sexuality in the early Islamic world and is essential reading for all scholars of Middle Eastern history and Arabic literature.

This volume draws together Allan Gotthelf's pioneering work on Aristotle's biology. He examines Aristotle's natural

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teleology, the axiomatic structure of biological explanation, and the reliance on scientifically organized data in the three great works with which Aristotle laid the foundations of biological science.

The Iberian Peninsula has always been an integral part of the Mediterranean world, from the age of Tartessos and the Phoenicians to our own era and the Union for the Mediterranean. The cutting-edge essays in this volume examine what it means for medieval and early modern Iberia

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and its people to be considered as part of the Mediterranean.

This book offers an integrated study of the texts and images in illustrated Malay manuscripts on magic and divination from private and public collections in Malaysia, the UK and Indonesia. Richly illustrated, it contains rare examples of Malay painting, many of them published here for the first time.

A New Parallel Arabic-English Edition and Translation

Maimonides' On Coitus

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Al-Nuwayri and the Islamic Encyclopedic  
Tradition

Gender and Sex in Arabic Literature

The Culture of Love and Languishing

The Performing Arts in Medieval Islam

Islamic Thought in the Middle Ages

**By examining Ibn S?n?'s critique of metaphysics, the present book provides the first systematic reconstruction of his new foundation of the First Philosophy and its transcendental reading based on the analysis of all the relevant texts within the Avicennian corpus.**

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**The aim of this volume is to raise and discuss questions about the different approaches to the study of pre-modern Arabic anthologies from the perspectives of philology, religion, history, geography, and literature. Moses Maimonides' On Coitus was composed at the request of an unknown high-ranking official who asked for a regimen that would be easy to adhere to, and that would increase his sexual potency. The present edition by Gerrit Bos contains the original Arabic text, three medieval Hebrew translations, two Latin versions from the same translation (edited by Charles Burnett), and a Slavonic translation (edited by**

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**Will Ryan and Moshe Taube).**

**The Letter before the Spirit underlines the importance for scholars to have at their disposal reliable scientific text editions – book editions or digital editions – of Aristotle’s works in the Semitico-Latin, and the Graeco-Latin, translation and commentary traditions.**

**How Do You Say “Epigram” in Arabic?: Literary history at the limits of comparison**

**Teleology, First Principles, and Scientific Method in Aristotle's Biology**

**In and Of the Mediterranean**

**Mysticism, Messianism and the Construction of**



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**Religious Authority in Islam**

**Life and Collections of Johann Gottfried Wetzstein  
(1815-1905) in Context**

**Critical Essays**

**The Ashgate Research Companion to Islamic Law**

***How Do You Say “Epigram” in Arabic? is the first study of one of the most popular and enduring genres in the history of Arabic poetry, the maqṭū‘ah, and a contribution toward a decolonized comparative literature.***

***The Hippocratic Epidemics and Galen’s***

***Commentary on them constitute milestones in the development of clinical medicine. However,***

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***they also illustrate the rich exegetical traditions that existed in the post-classical Greek world. The present volume investigates these texts from various and diverse vantage points: textual criticism; Greek philology; knowledge transfer through translations; and medical history. Especially the Syriac and Arabic traditions of the Epidemics come under scrutiny.***

***This volume contains seventeen essays on the Mamluk Sultanate written by leading historians of this period, and discusses social and cultural issues, women in Mamluk society, literary and poetic genres, the politics of material culture,***

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***and regional and local politics.***

***About a millennium ago, in Cairo, an unknown author completed a large and richly illustrated book. In the course of thirty-five chapters, this book guided the reader on a journey from the outermost cosmos and planets to Earth and its lands, islands, features, and inhabitants. This treatise, known as The Book of Curiosities, was unknown to modern scholars until a remarkable manuscript copy surfaced in 2000. Lost Maps of the Caliphs provides the first general overview of The Book of Curiosities and the unique insight it offers into medieval Islamic thought. Opening with an account of the remarkable***

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***discovery of the manuscript and its purchase by the Bodleian Library, the authors use The Book of Curiosities to re-evaluate the development of astrology, geography, and cartography in the first four centuries of Islam. Their account assesses the transmission of Late Antique geography to the Islamic world, unearths the logic behind abstract maritime diagrams, and considers the palaces and walls that dominate medieval Islamic plans of towns and ports. Early astronomical maps and drawings demonstrate the medieval understanding of the structure of the cosmos and illustrate the pervasive assumption that almost any visible celestial***

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***event had an effect upon life on Earth. Lost Maps of the Caliphs also reconsiders the history of global communication networks at the turn of the previous millennium. It shows the Fatimid Empire, and its capital Cairo, as a global maritime power, with tentacles spanning from the eastern Mediterranean to the Indus Valley and the East African coast. As Lost Maps of the Caliphs makes clear, not only is The Book of Curiosities one of the greatest achievements of medieval mapmaking, it is also a remarkable contribution to the story of Islamic civilization that opens an unexpected window to the medieval Islamic view of the world.***

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***Teaching Methods, Theories, Themes and Texts  
An Alternative History of Islam***

***Drawing the World in Eleventh-Century Cairo***

***Mother Tongue and Intercultural Valorization:  
Europe and its migrant youth***

***Al-Razi***

***Book I-X of Kitāb al-Hayawān***

***Das Transzendente bei Ibn Sīnā***

***Manuscripts, Politics and Oriental Studies***

***commemorates the life and works of Johann***

***Gottfried Wetzstein (1815-1905) as a scholar and  
consul in Berlin and Damascus. It also illustrates  
contemporary developments in manuscript***

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***collecting and Oriental studies.***

***This ebook is a selective guide designed to help scholars and students of Islamic studies find reliable sources of information by directing them to the best available scholarly materials in whatever form or format they appear from books, chapters, and journal articles to online archives, electronic data sets, and blogs. Written by a leading international authority on the subject, the ebook provides bibliographic information supported by direct recommendations about which sources to consult and editorial***

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***commentary to make it clear how the cited sources are interrelated related. A reader will discover, for instance, the most reliable introductions and overviews to the topic, and the most important publications on various areas of scholarly interest within this topic. In Islamic studies, as in other disciplines, researchers at all levels are drowning in potentially useful scholarly information, and this guide has been created as a tool for cutting through that material to find the exact source you need. This ebook is a static version of an article from Oxford***



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***Bibliographies Online: Islamic Studies, a dynamic, continuously updated, online resource designed to provide authoritative guidance through scholarship and other materials relevant to the study of the Islamic religion and Muslim cultures. Oxford Bibliographies Online covers most subject disciplines within the social science and humanities, for more information visit [www.aboutobo.com](http://www.aboutobo.com).***

***Drawing on legal and ad th texts from the formative and classical periods of Islamic legal history, this book offers an overview of the***

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***development of the questions prominent jurists asked and answered about women s issues. All assumed a woman would marry and thus the book concentrates on women s family life. The introduction establishes the historical framework within which the jurists worked. A chapter on Qur n verses devoted to women s lives is followed by chapters on marriage and divorce which compare the views of jurists during the formative period. The fourth chapter describes the evolution from the formative to the classical periods. The fifth uses material from both***

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***periods to describe the array of legal opinion about other aspects of women s lives in and outside their homes. Throughout, jurists opinions are juxtaposed with relevant quotations from contemporaneous ad th collections.***

***In the long literary history of the Middle East, the notion of 'the beloved' has been a central trope in both the poetry and prose of the region. This book explores the concept of the beloved in a cross-cultural and interdisciplinary manner, revealing how shared ideas on the subject supersede geographical and temporal***

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***boundaries, and ideas of nationhood. The book considers the beloved in its classical, modern and postmodern manifestations, taking into account the different sexual orientations and forms of desire expressed. From the pre-Islamic 'Udhri (romantic unrequited love), to the erotic same-sex love in thirteenth century poetry and prose, the divine Sufi reflections on the topic, and post-revolutionary love encounters in Iran, Egypt and Saudi Arabia, The Beloved in Middle Eastern Literatures connects the affective and cultural with the political and the obscene. In***

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***focusing on the diverse manifestations of love and tropes of the lover/beloved binary, this book is unique in foregrounding what is often regarded as a 'taboo subject' in the region. The multi-faceted outlook reveals the variety of philological, philosophical, poetic and literary forms that treat this significant motif.***

***The World in a Book***

***O ye Gentlemen: Arabic Studies on Science and  
Literary Culture***

***Studies in Text, Transmission and Translation, in  
Honour of Hans Daiber***

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***Unity in Diversity***

***Magic and Divination in Malay Illustrated  
Manuscripts***

***A History of Philosophy Without Any Gaps***

***101 Middle Eastern Tales and Their Impact on  
Western Oral Tradition***

Sources, which have so far often been  
overshadowed by chronicles and  
normative literature, are also the  
focus of interest of this book.

Treatises against unacceptable  
innovations, pilgrims guidebooks,

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travel reports, prosopographical and biographical writings, journals and diaries, folk novels, documents and law manuals can provide us with valuable information. But what generally applies for Mamlukology is the fact that an enormous amount of fundamental work in the edition of texts remains yet to be done. Many Mamlukists are primarily engaged in this activity. It may also have been this unavoidable focus on handwritten materials that resulted in

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the fact that the scholars studying the Mamluk Era have only very rarely occupied themselves with interdisciplinary questions or theoretical hypotheses. Nevertheless, during the last ten years a lot of innovative research has been done in this field. For the first time, this book presents the state of the art with regards to the Mamluk Empire. The edited volume *Unity in Diversity: Mysticism, Messianism and the*



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Construction of Religious Authority in Islam explores the role of mystical and messianic groups and movements in the construction and re-construction of religious authority in Muslim societies.

Against the methodological backdrop of historical and comparative folk narrative research, 101 Middle Eastern Tales and Their Impact on Western Oral Tradition surveys the history, dissemination, and characteristics of

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over one hundred narratives transmitted to Western tradition from or by the Middle Eastern Muslim literatures (i.e., authored written works in Arabic, Persian, and Ottoman Turkish). For a tale to be included, Ulrich Marzolph considered two criteria: that the tale originates from or at least was transmitted by a Middle Eastern source, and that it was recorded from a Western narrator's oral performance in the course of the nineteenth or

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twentieth century. The rationale behind these restrictive definitions is predicated on Marzolph's main concern with the long-lasting effect that some of the "Oriental" narratives exercised in Western popular tradition—those tales that have withstood the test of time. Marzolph focuses on the originally "Oriental" tales that became part and parcel of modern Western oral tradition. Since antiquity, the "Orient" constitutes the quintessential

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Other vis-à-vis the European cultures. While delineation against this Other served to define and reassure the Self, the "Orient" also constituted a constant source of fascination, attraction, and inspiration. Through oral retellings, numerous tales from Muslim tradition became an integral part of European oral and written tradition in the form of learned treatises, medieval sermons, late medieval fabliaux, early modern

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chapbooks, contemporary magazines, and more. In present times, when national narcissisms often acquire the status of strongholds delineating the Us against the Other, it is imperative to distinguish, document, visualize, and discuss the extent to which the West is not only indebted to the Muslim world but also shares common features with Muslim narrative tradition. 101 Middle Eastern Tales and Their Impact on Western Oral Tradition is an important

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contribution to this debate and a vital work for scholars, students, and readers of folklore and fairy tales.

O ye Gentlemen explores two permanent and vital strands in Arabic culture: the Greek tradition in science and philosophy and the literary tradition. More than thirty essays demonstrate that the strands freely interweave within the broader scope of *Schrifttum*. The Beloved in Middle Eastern Literatures

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**Mamluk Studies, State of the Art**  
**Approaches to the Study of Pre-Modern**  
**Arabic Anthologies**  
**Arabic Literature for the Classroom**  
**S?b?r Ibn Sahl's Dispensatory in the**  
**Recension of the ?A?ud? Hospital**  
**Developing Perspectives in Mamluk**  
**History**  
**Muslim Perceptions and Receptions of**  
**the Bible**

The articles in this volume dedicated to Hans Daiber,  
one of the pioneering scholars in the history of

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Islamic thought in the Middle Ages, offer new insights into this field from a variety of perspectives: philological, philosophical, and historical.

Knowledge and Education in Classical Islam:

Religious Learning between Continuity and Change offers fascinating new insights into key issues of learning and human development in classical Islam, including their shared characteristics, influence, and interdependence with historical, non-Muslim educational cultures.

The articles brought together in this volume deal with Muslim perceptions and uses of the Bible in its wider sense, including the Hebrew Bible or Old



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Testament as well as the New Testament, albeit with an emphasis on the former scripture. While Muslims consider the earlier revelations to the People of the Book to have been altered to some extent by the Jews and the Christians and abrogated by the Qurʾān, God's final dispensation to humankind, the Bible is at the same time venerated in view of its divine origin, and questioning this divine origin is tantamount to unbelief. Muslim scholars approached and used the Bible for a variety of purposes and in different ways. Thus Muslim historians regularly relied on biblical materials as their primary source for the pre-Islamic period when discussing the

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creation as well as the history of the Israelites and the prophets preceding Mu?ammad. Authors seeking to polemicize against Jews and Christians were primarily interested in the presumed biblical annunciations of Mu?ammad and his religion and / or in perceived contradictions and cases of internal abrogation in the Bible. These various concerns resulted from and had an impact on the ways in which Muslim authors accessed the scriptures.

"This book introduces readers to Abåu Bakr al-Råazâi (known as Rhazes in Latin), one of the most innovative and divisive figures of the early philosophical tradition in the Islamic world. It

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attempts to reconstruct his notorious theory of "five eternal" which posited four principles alongside God for the creation of the world, which led Razi to be charged with heresy by other authors. Other topics discussed in depth include his medical works, his alchemical theories, his works on ethics, and his controversial views on religion and prophecy"--

In Honour of Remke Kruk

Christian-Muslim Relations. A Bibliographical  
History Volume 13 Western Europe (1700-1800)  
Texts and Studies

Interpreting Avicenna

Essays in Honor of Amalia Levanoni

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Knowledge and Education in Classical Islam:  
Religious Learning between Continuity and Change  
(2 vols)

*The Arabic Version of Aristotle's Historia Animalium*  
*Arabic Literature for the Classroom argues for a more visible presence of Arabic within the humanities and social sciences, stressing the need to make Arabic literature available as a world literature, without damaging its own distinctive characteristics. The nineteen chapters which make up this book broach theoretical and methodical cultural concerns in teaching literatures from non-American cultures, along with issues of cross-cultural communication,*

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*cultural competency and translation. While some chapters bring out the fascinating and ever tantalizing connections between Arabic and the literatures of medieval Europe, others employ specific approaches to teaching particular texts, potential methodologies, themes and a variety of topics that can place Arabic widely in a vast swathe of academic application and learning. Topics that are explored include gender, race, class, trauma, exile, dislocation, love, rape, humor, and cinema, as well as issues that relate to writers and poets, women's writing and the so called nahdah (revival) movement in the 19th Century. The comparative framework and multi-disciplinary approach means that this book injects new life into*

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*the field of Arabic Literature. It will therefore be an essential resource for students, scholars and teachers of Arabic Literature, as well as for anyone with an interest in learning more about Arabic culture. This book offers an Arabic edition and English translation of a recension of SAbAr ibn Sahl's (d. 869 CE) famous dispensatory as prepared by the physicians of a Baghdad hospital around the middle of the 11th century CE.*

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*Drawing on medieval Arabic sources and earlier scholarship, this book is a study of the life and work of Ibn D?niy?l (d. 1310). It also presents the first full English translation of his shadow play "The Phantom."*

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*Medieval and Early Modern Iberian Studies*

*Lost Maps of the Caliphs*

*Shadow Play and Popular Poetry in Ibn Daniyal's*

*Mamluk Cairo*

*A Culture of Ambiguity*

*Greek Commentaries on Hippocrates in the Arabic  
Tradition*

*A Survey of the Sources*

*The Letter before the Spirit: The Importance of Text  
Editions for the Study of the Reception of Aristotle*

*The volume addresses the historical context  
of Henry, e.g. his writings and his  
participation in the events of 1277; examines  
Henry's theology, metaphysics, epistemology,*

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*and ethics; and studies Henry's influence on John Duns Scotus and Pico della Mirandola. While the transmission of Greek philosophy and science via the Muslim world to western Europe in the Middle Ages has been closely scrutinized, the fate of the Arabic philosophical and scientific legacy in later centuries has received less attention, a fault this volume aims to correct. The authors in this collection discuss in particular the radical ideas associated with Averroism that are attributed to the Aristotle commentator Ibn Rushd (1126-1198) and challenge key doctrines of the Abrahamic*



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*religions. This volume examines what happened to Averroes's philosophy during the sixteenth, seventeenth and eighteenth centuries. Did early modern thinkers really no longer pay any attention to the Commentator? Were there undercurrents of Averroism after the sixteenth century? How did Western authors in this period contextualise Averroes and Arabic philosophy within their own cultural heritage? How different was the Averroes they created as a philosopher in a European tradition from Ibn Rushd, the theologian, jurist and philosopher of the Islamic tradition?*

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*In the Western imagination, Islamic cultures are dominated by dogmatic religious norms that permit no nuance. Those fighting such stereotypes have countered with a portrait of Islam's medieval "Golden Age," marked by rationality, tolerance, and even proto-secularism. How can we understand Islamic history, culture, and thought beyond this dichotomy? In this magisterial cultural and intellectual history, Thomas Bauer reconsiders classical and modern Islam by tracing differing attitudes toward ambiguity. Over a span of many centuries, he explores the tension between one strand that aspires*

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*to annihilate all uncertainties and establish absolute, uncontestable truths and another, competing tendency that looks for ways to live with ambiguity and accept complexity. Bauer ranges across cultural and linguistic ambiguities, considering premodern Islamic textual and cultural forms from law to Quranic exegesis to literary genres alongside attitudes toward religious minorities and foreigners. He emphasizes the relative absence of conflict between religious and secular discourses in classical Islamic culture, which stands in striking contrast to both present-day fundamentalism and much of*

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*European history. Bauer shows how Islam's encounter with the modern West and its demand for certainty helped bring about both Islamicist and secular liberal ideologies that in their own ways rejected ambiguity—and therefore also their own cultural traditions. Awarded the prestigious Leibniz Prize, A Culture of Ambiguity not only reframes a vast range of Islamic history but also offers an interdisciplinary model for investigating the tolerance of ambiguity across cultures and eras.*

*This unparalleled Companion provides a comprehensive and authoritative guide to*

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*Islamic law to all with an interest in this increasingly relevant and developing field. The volume presents classical Islamic law through a historiographical introduction to and analysis of Western scholarship, while key debates about hot-button issues in modern-day circumstances are also addressed. In twenty-one chapters, distinguished authors offer an overview of their particular specialty, reflect on past and current thinking, and point to directions for future research. The Companion is divided into four parts. The first offers an introduction to the history of Islamic law as well as a*

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*discussion of how Western scholarship and historiography have evolved over time. The second part delves into the substance of Islamic law. Legal rules for the areas of legal status, family law, socio-economic justice, penal law, constitutional authority, and the law of war are all discussed in this section. Part three examines the adaptation of Islamic law in light of colonialism and the modern nation state as well as the subsequent re-Islamization of national legal systems. The final section presents contemporary debates on the role of Islamic law in areas such as finance, the diaspora,*

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*modern governance, and medical ethics, and the volume concludes by questioning the role of Sharia law as a legal authority in the modern context. By outlining the history of Islamic law through a linear study of research, this collection is unique in its examination of past and present scholarship and the lessons we can draw from this for the future. It introduces scholars and students to the challenges posed in the past, to the magnitude of milestones that were achieved in the reinterpretation and revision of established ideas, and ultimately to a thorough conceptual understanding of Islamic*

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*law.*

*Zur Metaphysik als Wissenschaft erster  
Begriffs- und Urteilsprinzipien*

*History and Society During the Mamluk Period  
(1250-1517)*

*The Oxford Handbook of Islamic Philosophy*

*Renaissance Averroism and Its Aftermath:*

*Arabic Philosophy in Early Modern Europe*

*Epidemics in Context*

*A Companion to Henry of Ghent*

*Science and Medicine: Oxford Bibliographies*

*Online Research Guide*

**A critical edition of the Arabic Historia Animalium**



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has long been awaited, and Lourus Filius ' s edition, based on all extant Arabic MSS, as well as on Scotus ' s Latin translation, can rightly be seen as a scholarly landmark.

Christian-Muslim Relations, a Bibliographical History Volume 13 (CMR 13) is a history of all works written on relations in the period 1700-1800 in Western Europe. Its detailed entries contain descriptions, assessments and comprehensive bibliographical details about individual works from this time.

Peter Adamson presents the first full history of

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philosophy in the Islamic world for a broad readership. He traces its development from early Islam to the 20th century, ranging from Spain to South Asia, featuring Jewish and Christian thinkers as well as Muslim. Major figures like Avicenna, Averroes, and Maimonides are covered in great detail, but the book also looks at less familiar thinkers, including women philosophers. Attention is also given to the philosophical relevance of Islamic theology (kalam) and mysticism--the Sufi tradition within Islam, and Kabbalah among Jews--and to science, with chapters on disciplines like optics and

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astronomy. The first part of the book looks at the blossoming of Islamic theology and responses to the Greek philosophical tradition in the world of Arabic learning, the second discusses philosophy in Muslim Spain (Andalusia), and a third section looks in unusual detail at later developments, touching on philosophy in the Ottoman, Mughal, and Safavid empires.

This book provides a historical and comparative study of logic in Arabic in Bosnia and Herzegovina, from the first texts, 16th century, to the end of the 19th century, using authentic, completely unknown

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and unpublished manuscripts

Women in Classical Islamic Law

Ubi Sumus? Quo Vademus?

Manuscripts, Politics and Oriental Studies

Female Sexuality in the Early Medieval Islamic  
World

Philosophy in the Islamic World

The Works in Logic by Bosniac Authors in Arabic

**The study of Islamic philosophy has entered a new and exciting phase in the last few years. Both the received canon of Islamic philosophers and the narrative of the course of Islamic philosophy are in the process of being**

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radically questioned and revised. Most twentieth-century Western scholarship on Arabic or Islamic philosophy has focused on the period from the ninth century to the twelfth. It is a measure of the transformation that is currently underway in the field that, unlike other reference works, the Oxford Handbook has striven to give roughly equal weight to every century, from the ninth to the twentieth. The Handbook is also unique in that its 30 chapters are work-centered rather than person- or theme-centered, in particular taking advantage of recent new editions and translations that have renewed interest and debate around the Islamic philosophical canon. The Oxford Handbook of Islamic Philosophy gives both the advanced student and active

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**scholar in Islamic philosophy, theology, and intellectual history, a strong sense of what a work in Islamic philosophy looks like and a deep view of the issues, concepts, and arguments that are at stake. Most importantly, it provides an up-to-date portrait of contemporary scholarship on Islamic philosophy. Based on the author's dissertation (doctoral)-- Harvard University, 2012.**

**Avicenna is the greatest philosopher of the Islamic world. His immense impact on Christian and Jewish medieval thought, as well as on the subsequent Islamic tradition, is charted in this volume alongside studies which provide a comprehensive introduction to and analysis of his philosophy. Contributions from leading**

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**scholars address a wide range of topics including Avicenna's life and works, conception of philosophy and achievement in logic and medicine. His ideas in the main areas of philosophy, such as epistemology, philosophy of religion and physics, are also analyzed. While serving as a general introduction to Avicenna's thought, this collection of critical essays also represents the cutting edge of scholarship on this most influential philosopher of the medieval era.**

**The authors of this volume discuss a wide range of issues: medicine and non-Muslim doctors in Mamluk Cairo, social order in 15th-century Damascus, official reports of natural disasters (mahadir) as sources for Mamluk geography, folk literature, the narrative analysis**

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**of ego-documents, the legal system in Damascus during the late Mamluk and early Osman period, and the problems posed by urban planning drawn up at the centre of the empire. All the essays contribute to a better, more differentiated understanding of the Mamluk era. The contributions originated in the Annemarie Schimmel Lecture Series on the History and Society of the Mamluk Era at the University of Bonn. It is the aim of the lecture series to mark new directions in Mamluk research through international and interdisciplinary projects. In this volume, fellows of the first two cohorts present the results of their research.**