

# Rivers of Paradise

WATER IN ISLAMIC ART AND CULTURE

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NOV 4–6, 2007 IN DOHA, QATAR

## Sunday, November 4

- 19:00 Opening ceremonies  
 19:30 **Keynote Speaker, Carole Hillenbrand** – *Gardens Beneath Which Rivers Flow: the Significance of Water in Classical Islamic Culture*  
 20:30 Buffet reception for all attendees\*

## Monday, November 5

- 09:00 **Marcus Milwright** – *The Archaeology of Urban Water Systems: The Cases of Nafpleio and Nafpaktos in Southern Greece*  
 09:45 **Mohammad al-Asad** – *Water Scarcity and Landscaping in the Islamic World: Contemporary Solutions to Historical Problems*  
 10:30 COFFEE BREAK\*  
 11:00 **Catherine B. Asher** – *Out of the Desert: Water Traditions in the South Asian Landscape*  
 11:45 **Perween Hasan** – *Paradise Flooded: Water and Architecture in Mughal Bengal*  
 12:30 LUNCH\*  
 14:00 **Linda Komaroff** – *Sip, Dip, and Pour: Toward a Typology of Water Vessels in Islamic Art*  
 14:45 **Venetia Porter** – *Mysterious Inscriptions on "Frozen Water:" Early Medieval Islamic Rock Crystal Seals*  
 15:30 TEA BREAK\*  
 16:15 Panel discussion  
 17:00 Closing remarks

## Tuesday, November 6

- 09:00 **Yasser Tabbaa** – *Control and Abandon: Images of Water in Arabic Poetry and Gardens*  
 09:45 **D. Fairchild Ruggles** – *The Great Mosque of Cordoba: Fruited Trees and Ablution Fountains*  
 10:30 COFFEE BREAK\*  
 11:00 **Howayda Al-Harithy** – *Sabil-Kuttabs and the Conception of Water During the Mamluk Period*  
 11:45 **Agnieszka Dobrowolska** – *Architecture as a Message: the Sabil of Muhammad 'Ali Pasha in Cairo*  
 12:30 LUNCH\*  
 14:00 **Walter Denny** – *Water and Water Imagery in Architecture and the Arts in Ottoman Times*  
 14:45 Panel discussion  
 16:00 CLOSING TEA RECEPTION\*

\*Your registration includes meals and refreshments.