

## Call for papers: [PHILOS-L] CFP - APA Pacific: SoPheRE Panel "Sonic Aspects of Religious Experience: Phenomenological Investigations"

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### CALL FOR PAPERS:

#### Sonic Aspects of Religious Experience: Phenomenological Investigations

Society for Phenomenology of Religious Experience (SoPheRE) panel at the APA Pacific division annual meeting in Portland, Oregon, from March 31st to April 3rd, 2021.

Panel organizer: Martin Nitsche (CAS Institute of Philosophy, Prague, CZ; Vice-President of SoPheRE)

Phenomenology (as the philosophical method originated by Husserl) is based on the natural primacy of visual experience, therefore, when applied to religious experience, it focuses on religious imagination. Visual context leads not only to describing religious images, but impacts also the ways how phenomenology understands the sense in religion, religious language, etc. We, therefore, aim to investigate sonic phenomena of religious experience not only to elucidate them and enrich our understanding of religions, but also in order to rethink methodology of phenomenology of religious experience itself.

Within this framework, we intend to address among other:

- Phenomenological methodology: how it relates to sonic phenomena.
- Inter- and trans-disciplinarity of sonic research: phenomenology, musicology, psychology, neuroscience, and artistic research.
- Acoustic aspects of religious experience.
- Religious experience and silence.
- Rhythm and rhythmicity of religious experience.
- Music and its relation to religious experience.
- Religious soundscapes.

Please, send a short abstract of 20 min talks (200 words approx., incl. your name and affiliation) until October 6. Use this e-mail address: nitsche@flu.cas.cz; add "Sonic Aspects of Religious Experience" to the subject-line. Notifications of acceptance will be sent until October 10.

All presenters must register for the Pacific Division meeting of the American Philosophical Association. It is possible that the meeting (and the panel) will be held remotely as an on-line conference (check <https://www.apaonline.org/> for up-dates).

The link to the panel web-page:

<https://sophere.org/conferences/sonic-aspects-of-religious-experience-phenomenological-investigations/>

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Society for the Phenomenology of Religious Experience

Founding President, [www.sophere.org](http://www.sophere.org)

[The Problem of Religious Experience:](#)

Case Studies in Phenomenology, with Reflection and Commentaries,

V.1 and 2 (Springer, 2019)