



Life and Society in the Ancient Near East

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The editors of Life and Society in the Ancient Near East (LSANE -Transnational Press London) are pleased to announce the launch of a new book series.

The editors of LSANE seek to build a list of peer-reviewed monographs, traditional edited collections, and collaboratively produced volumes that demonstrate innovative explorations of life and society in Anatolia, Egypt, the Levant, and Mesopotamia in the second and first millennia BCE.

The primary aims of the series are to ensure that peer-reviewed scholarship of the highest quality is affordable for scholars around the globe and that authors are fairly compensated for the sale of their books.

We invite proposals for monographs and for collected volumes. Proposals can be submitted using the series website, <https://lifeandsocietyane.com>.

We are also issuing a call for proposals for a new type of edited volume developed through an innovative collaborative peer-review approach using online workgroups called LSANE Editorial Seminars. Volumes are developed through an open peer-review process that increases referee accountability and aims to make the review process more constructive.

With these seminars, the editors of LSANE seek to accomplish two goals:

- 1) Increase accessibility for scholars around the world to participate in high-quality research conversations and publication unburdened from the costs of professional societies or in-person conference attendance.
- 2) Generate collaborative volumes that are more cohesive than traditional edited collections.

Editorial Seminars will convene as closed online meetings at least three times over the course of 18 months. Groups may agree to meet more than three times, if all members are in accord. Participation is free of charge but limited in capacity. The size of each workgroup will be determined by seminar leaders. Participants are expected to contribute to the volume, to be present at all meetings, and to commit to the peer-review process between meetings.

Current seminars:

1. *Mobility in the Mediterranean and West Asian Area of Connectivity (10th-4th c. BCE)*
Seminar Leaders: Eric M. Trinko and Melanie Wasmuth
2. *Music in the Ancient Near East*
Seminar Leaders: Heidi Köpp-Junk and Shane M. Thompson
3. *Honor and Shame in the Ancient Near East*
Seminar Leaders: Isaac M. Alderman
4. *Sports and Games in the Ancient Near East*
Seminar Leaders: Raleigh Heth and Shane M. Thompson

Those interested in joining a seminar can apply at <https://lifeandsocietyane.com/explore-and-register-for-editorial-seminars/>

Proposals for additional seminars/volumes can be submitted at: <https://forms.gle/7QmuL93eDqTnCCMFA>