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Voicing the Mystery: International Symposium on Ethiopic Qəne
May 16-18, 2024 Sankt Ignatios College, Södertälje, Sweden

Thursday May 16

13:00-17:30 Registration
Sankt Ignatios College students will greet delegates in the library
Light refreshments

17:30-18:30 **Introductory Plenary Session**
Opening Remarks Habtemichael Kidane
Keynote Presentation: Samuel Rubenson.
Conference information, Calum Samuelson

19:30 **Reception at Drs Michael & Miriam Hjälms residence**

Friday May 17

8:30-9:00 Coffee and Tea, Sankt Ignatios College

9:00-10:20 **Session 1: Johan Andersson chair**
Ralph Lee, *A History and Overview of Qəne from Ethiopian Sources*
Habtemichael Kidane, *The Liturgical Context of Qəne*
09:50-10:20 Combined Q&A

10:30-11:00 Fika

11:00-12:20 **Session 2: Fr Serafim Smensgård, chair**
Denis Nosnitsin (zoom presentation), *A preliminary survey of qəne-poems in Ethiopic manuscripts: Orality condensed into letters*
11:00-11:50 Diego Maria Malara and Siena de Menonville (zoom presentation), *Pedagogies of Hidden Qəné Poetry and the Hermeneutics of 'Mystery' in Ethiopian Orthodox Christianity*
11:50-12:20 Combined Q&A

12:30-14:00 **Conference Photo** and then Lunch break

14:00-15:20 **Session 3: Calum Samuelson, chair**
Allen Yeh, *Learning to Listen Well: Contributions of Ethiopian Orthodoxy to the Global Church and Back Again*
14:00-14:50 Grant White, *Speaking Forth the (Liturgical) Moment*
14:50-15:20 Combined Q&A

Coffee/Tea Break

16:00-18:00 **Session 4: Grant White, chair**
Abba Hiruie Ermias, (zoom presentation) *School methodology and daily routine at Qəne School*
16:00-17:20 Daniel Assefa, *The Hermeneutics of Qəne*
Michael Hjälms, *The Theology of Qəne*

17:20-18:00 Combined Q&A

18:30-21:30 Conference Dinner

Saturday May 18

8:30-9:00 Coffee and Tea, Sankt Ignatios College

9:00-10:15 **Session 5: Grant White, chair**
Tsehay Ademe, *Biblical Ge'ez Qənes: A Particular Focus on the Book of Joel*
09:00-10:15 Qes Haileyesus Molaw, *A Glimpse on the Theological Range of Qəne*
Qes Abate Gobena, *The Sources used for Qəne*

10:15-11:00 Combined Q&A

11:00-11:30 Fika

11:30-12:50 **Session 6: Ralph Lee, chair**
11:30-12:20 Getie Galeye, *Female Teachers of Qəne*
Christine Chaillot, *Qəne Spirituality*
12:20-12:45 Combined Q&A
12:45-13:15 Closing Plenary Michael Hjälms, Closing Remarks, Jim Ramsay

13:15 Light Sandwich Lunch