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FRENCH LITERATURE

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VIOLENCE AND THE SACRED

*Philosophical, Literary and
Theological Perspectives
Online Workshop*

Organizing Committee

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February 27th, 2026, 17:00-20:00 (Beirut time)

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17:00–17:25

Hadi Fakhoury (Saint Joseph University of Beirut)

Islam, or the violent resurgence of the past in Schelling's philosophy of mythology

17:25–17:50

Hent de Vries (Johns Hopkins University)

The Apocalyptic Motif

17:50–18:15

William Johnsen (Michigan State University)

Confirming Orwell: We always know what we are doing, we choose what to do

18:15–18:40

Markus Wierschem (University of Paderborn)

Apocalyptic Logic and Escalatory Violence in Cormac McCarthy's Outer Dark

18:40–19:05

William Cavanaugh (DePaul University)

Religion, Violence, and Idolatry

19:05–19:30

Margo Kitts (Hawai'i Pacific University)

Ritualized Violence in the Iliad

19:30–20:00

Discussions and questions

