


# FORTY-FOURTH ANNUAL SIDNEY B. SPERRY SYMPOSIUM

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SYMPOSIUM SCHEDULE	
	
Wednesday, October 21, 2015	
Time	Varsity Theatre, WSC
7:00 P.M.	<i>Joseph Smith's Negotiations to Publish the Book of Mormon</i> <b>Gerrit J. Dirkmaat</b> Church History and Doctrine BYU
Thursday, October 22, 2015	
Time	JSB Auditorium
11:00 A.M.	<i>The Eleven Witnesses</i> <b>Steven C. Harper</b> Historian Church History Department

Friday, October 23, 2015			
Time	JSB Auditorium		
6:30 P.M.	<b>Keynote Address:</b> <i>The Coming Forth of the Book of Mormon to Restore Plain and Precious Truths</i> <b>Elder Merrill J. Bateman</b> , emeritus General Authority		
	JSB Auditorium	206 MARB	207 MARB
7:30 P.M.	<i>Joseph Smith's Early Experiences with Moroni: The Probation of a Teenage Seer</i> <b>Steven C. Harper</b> Historian, Church History Department	<i>"They Are Not Cast Off Forever"—Fulfillment of the Covenant Purposes</i> <b>Jared W. Ludlow</b> Ancient Scripture BYU	<i>Women Witnesses and the Translation Process</i> <b>Amy Easton-Flake and Rachel Cope</b> Ancient Scripture Church History and Doctrine BYU
8:30 P.M.	<i>Firsthand Witness Accounts of the Translation</i> <b>Michael H. MacKay</b> Church History and Doctrine BYU	<i>The Reception of the Book of Mormon in 19th-Century America</i> <b>Jeremy Chatelain</b> S&I, Utah	<i>The Lost 116 Pages Story: Things We Do Know and Things We Don't</i> <b>J. B. Haws</b> Church History and Doctrine BYU
Saturday, October 24, 2015			
Time	JSB Auditorium	206 MARB	207 MARB
9:00 A.M.	<i>Martin Harris's 1828 Visit to Luther Bradish, Charles Anthon, and Samuel Mitchill</i> <b>Richard E. Bennett</b> Chair, Church History and Doctrine BYU	<i>Evolving Use of the Book of Mormon in the Latter Days</i> <b>Casey Paul Griffiths</b> Church History and Doctrine BYU	<i>Joseph Smith's Negotiations to Publish the Book of Mormon</i> <b>Gerrit Dirkmaat</b> Church History and Doctrine BYU
10:00 A.M.	<i>Hefted and Handled: Tangible Interactions with Book of Mormon Objects</i> <b>Anthony Sweat</b> Church History and Doctrine BYU	<i>The Eleven Witnesses</i> <b>Steven C. Harper</b> Historian Church History Department	<i>"To Every Nation, Kindred, Tongue, and People"</i> <b>Po Nien (Felipe) Chou</b> S&I, Curriculum Department
11:00 A.M. Closing Session	<i>"To the Convincing of Jew and Gentile That Jesus Is the Christ"</i> <b>Shon D. Hopkin</b> Ancient Scripture BYU	