

Distinguished Speaker Series

The Distinguished Speaker Series engages individuals who have made significant contributions in their fields and in particular those whose work informs and is consonant with the research foci of the ISS.

Nobel laureate Wole Soyinka presented his lecture on "Deities for a Secular Dispensation" at the inaugural Distinguished Speaker Series event. [Read more about the event](#)

Burton L. Mack was in conversation on the topic of "In Search of an Anthropology of Religion" for the second edition of the series. [Read more about the event](#)

Jo Diamond presented her lecture on the topic "Rastaman DOwn Under: A Reggae-Based Riff on Musical 'Scripture' in Marginalized Aotearoa New Zealand" for the thrid edition of the series. [Read more about the event](#)

Internationally acclaimed historian of religion, Charles H. Long, was in conversation on the topic of "Critical Prespectives on Religion in the 21st Century." [Read more about the event](#)