

The Knowing Hands Workshop Participants
12-14 September 2025

1. Jérôme Bourgon (Institut d'Asie Orientale, Lyon, jerome.bourgon@ens-lyon.fr)
Online participant "Reckoning punishment quantum for ill-gotten goods on one hand"
2. Brown, Tristan (MIT University, Boston, tristanb@mit.edu)
Online participant
3. Chang, Chia-feng (National Taiwan University, Taipei, ccfchang@ntu.edu.tw)
In-person "Reading Fingers: A Novel Pediatric Diagnostic Technique in Medieval China"
4. Cheng, Wan-Chun (Astral Sciences in Trans-regional Asia Working Group, Max Planck Institute Institute for the History of Science, Berlin, ntnuscunkj20803@gmail.com)
In-person "Destiny Tied to the Stars in the Sky: Calculating One's Life Destiny through Palm Mnemonics"
5. Cho, Philip (Chulalongkorn University, Bangkok, philip.s.cho@gmail.com)
Online participant "The Abacus in Hand"
6. Dimova, Temenuzhka (University of Vienna, temenuzhkadimova@yahoo.fr)
Online participant "Figurative Arts in Service of Mnemonic Hands and Vice Versa"
7. Dolce, Lucia (SOAS, London, ld16@soas.ac.uk)
In-person "Hand-sign consecration (Tantric Buddhism, Japan, medieval period)"
8. Durand-Dastès, Vincent (INALCO, IFRAE, Paris, vincent.durand-dastes@inalco.fr)
Online participant "Hand-memory techniques in Ming-Qing Chinese fiction"
9. Fabre, Clément (X, Paris, clement.p.h.fabre@gmail.com)
Online participant
10. Fu, Yaliang (University of Pisa, yaliang.fu@sns.it)
In-person "Embodied Memory: Hand Mnemonics in a Fifteenth-Century Italian Manuscript"
11. Gao, Yu (Hamburg University, gaaoyu@163.com)
In-person "Palm Method of Month Calculation Based on Year"
12. Goldschmidt, Asaf (Tel Aviv University, gasaf@tauex.tau.ac.il)
In-person with Hanson "Hands in Chinese Exorcistic Healing Rituals"
13. Hanson, Marta (FAU, Erlangen, mhanson4@jhmi.edu)
In-person with Goldschmidt "Hands in Chinese Exorcistic Healing Rituals"
14. Hayek, Matthias (École Pratique des Hautes Études, mathayek@gmail.com)
Online participant "Reckoning Fate: Uses of the hand in 17th c. Japanese divination techniques"
15. Herrou, Adeline (Paris X Nanterre University, adeline.herrou@cnrs.fr)
In-person "Divination Calculations on the Hand, Combined with the Drawing of Oracular Bamboo Sticks, by an old Taoist monk in China today."
16. Hertzner, Dominique (Gottingen University, dominique@zhouyi.de)
In-person participant
17. Hofmann, Martin (Heidelberg University, hofmann@hcts.uni-heidelberg.de)
In-person "Hand mnemonics on the taxation system of the 'Tribute of Yu'"
18. Homola, Stephanie (CNRS, Paris, homola@cnrs.fr)
In-person Introduction

19. Huang, Qiansheng (CNRS, Paris, qiannshenghuang@gmail.com)
In-person Knowing Hands project post-doctoral fellow
20. Klasing Chen, Monica (Heidelberg University, monica.klasing-chen@zo.uni-heidelberg.de)
In person “Calculating Hands in Ming Daily-use Encyclopedias”
21. Lackner, Michael (FAU Erlangen, michael.lackner@fau.de)
In-person participant
22. Li, Guangming (UCLA, gli_04@yahoo.com)
In-person “Reimagining Tonal Structure: Zhu Zaiyu’s Finger-Palm Rotating Master Tone Diagram and the Heptatonic Mode System in China”
23. Li, Lan (Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, lanli@jhu.edu)
In-person KH workshop videographer
24. Liu, Addi (Cornell University, al2255@cornell.edu)
In-person “A Sino-European Guidonian hand in 17th-century Beijing”
25. Lucas, Hannah (University of Cambridge, hal32@cam.ac.uk)
Online with Rice “Medieval English Meditation Hands and Religious Practice”
26. Paluch, Agata (University of Cologne, Cologne, agpaluch@gmail.com)
Online participant “Writing on Hands: Practical and Kabbalistic Manual Devices”
27. Pérez Marin, Yari (Durham University, yari.perez.marin@durham.ac.uk)
Online participant "The Indigenous and European Hands of Juan de la Cruz's Doctrina christiana 1571"
28. Picard, François (Sorbonne University, Paris, francois.picard@sorbonne-university)
In-person “UN-knowing hands: Two different musical hands, crossing from East to West and vice versa”
29. Poupard, Clément (Polish Academy of Sciences, clement.poupard@ifispan.edu.pl)
In-person “Memorizing like the back of your hand: mnemonic hands in 17th century Europe”
30. Pregadio, Fabrizio (FAU CAS-E, Erlangen, Fabrizio.pregadio@fau.de)
In-person participant
31. Rapisarda, Stefano (University of Catania, stefanrapisarda@gmail.com)
In-person “Interaction of Text-figure in Divinatory Hands of the Medieval Western Tradition”
32. Rice, Nicole (St John’s University, ricen@stjohns.edu)
In-person with Lucas “Medieval English Meditation Hands and Religious Practice”
33. Rivers, Kimberly (University of Wisconsin Oshkosh, rivers@uwash.edu)
Online participant “*Ciromancia spiritualis*: Hands for Spiritual Divination”
34. Rother, Jasmin (FAU Erlangen, Jasmin.Rother@uni-bayreuth.de)
In-person Knowing Hands project coordinator
35. Saarela, Mårten Söderblom (Ricci Institute, Boston, Soderblom.saarela@gmail.com)
Online participant “Shooting Characters: Hand Mnemonics for a Phonological Game
36. Seo, Su-Yeon (Cornell University, Ithaca, ss2872@cornell.edu)
In-person “The Correct Sound at Hand”
37. Sørensen, Henrik Hjort (Copenhagen University, hensor@hotmail.com)
In-person “Dao-Buddhist Hand Charts in Context: A Study of the Pelliot Manuscript P. 3538 (8)”

38. Springer Lena (Kings College London, lena.springer@kcl.ac.uk)
In-person participant
39. Thuminger, Chiara (University of Kiel, cthumiger@roots.uni.kiel.de)
Online participant
40. Weiss, Susan (Peabody Johns Hopkins University, weiss.susan@gmail.com)
In-person “A Syncretic Hand: Speculum et Prospectum”
41. Wójcik, Rafał (Adam Mickiewicz University, rafal@amu.edu.pl)
In-person “On the Computus chirometralis (digital comput) in Poland at the turn of the 15th and 16th century”
42. Xu, Chang (Rice University, cx32@rice.edu)
Online “Mapping Harmonies on the Hand” & “Having the Five Phases at One’s Fingertips”
43. Zheng, Xinyu (Tübingen University, xinyu.zheng@uni-tuebingen.de)
In-person “Six Hand Mnemonics from Zhu Zhensheng’s *Essential Selections of Yunqi from the Inner Canon*”