USC MIDDLE EAST STUDIES PROGRAM & FARHANG FOUNDATION
PRESENT A SYMPOSIUM ON:

THE CYRUS CYLINDER:
MODERN MYTHS AND ANCIENT REALITIES

The Cyrus Cylinder, discovered in 1879, a 2600-year old clay object, inscribed in Babylonian cuneiform, often referred to as the “first charter of human rights”, is a symbol of multiculturalism, tolerance and diversity. Join us in exploring the Cyrus Cylinder and the Persian Empire through the indelible traces found in archaeology, language, and the Bible.

Sunday, October 13, 2013
2:00 pm – 5:00 pm

Tutor Campus Center, Grand Ballroom A
3607 Trousdale Pkwy,
Los Angeles, CA 90089
Self-parking in PSD or PSX

Speakers:

Elizabeth Carter (University of California, Los Angeles): From Anshan to Persepolis: An overview of the Achaemenid Heartland from c. 1000-500 BCE.

Ryan Byrne (University of Texas, Austin): Literacy and Empire: How Persia Taught the World to Read

Bruce Zuckerman (University of Southern California): Innovative Imaging Techniques and the Cyrus Cylinder

Tamara Eskenazi (Hebrew Union College): King Cyrus and the Bible

Refreshments will be served.

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