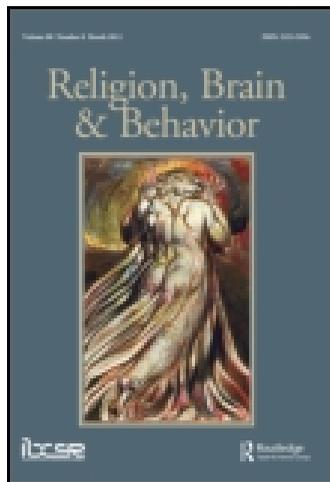


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EDITORIAL

At the Beginning of Year Five...

Religion, Brain & Behavior begins its fifth year of publication with several significant changes.

First, we regretfully bid farewell to Patrick McNamara as a co-editor. Patrick is one of the co-founders of this journal and he was instrumental in its early development as we searched for a potential publisher and drew together an editorial board. We greatly appreciate his vision and service over the past four years and more. His direct involvement in the operations of the journal will be missed, but as a co-founder of RBB he will remain available for consultation and advice.

Second, we are thrilled to welcome Joseph Bulbulia and Michael Spezio as co-editors of RBB. Joseph and Michael are exceptional scholars with well-deserved international reputations as careful researchers and insightful thinkers. They are also well known for their integrity, sophisticated research, and deep understanding of the complexity of religion. We are fortunate that they are able to serve as editors and we greatly look forward to working with both of them.

A few words, by way of background, about our new co-editors.

Joseph teaches in the Department of Religious Studies at Victoria University of Wellington in New Zealand. His work uniquely straddles evolutionary, cognitive, neuroscience, and sociological approaches to religion and he has active projects in cultural phylogenetics and quasi-experimental anthropology. He is a core member of the New Zealand Attitudes and Values Study (NZAVS), a twenty-year longitudinal project led by Chris Sibley (University of Auckland) that follows value change in a group of about 10,000 New Zealanders. Joseph is currently President of the International Association for the Cognitive Science of Religion.

Michael teaches in the Department of Psychology and Neuroscience at Scripps College in Claremont, CA, and he is a Visiting Associate in social and affective neuroscience at the California Institute of Technology in Pasadena, CA. Michael's interests include the social neuroscientific investigation of empathy, political decision-making, moral action, compassion, and contemplative practice. His work also involves applications of eye-tracking, fMRI, and dEEG to understand the link between mental and neural processes. Michael's research has been well-supported by various funding agencies including the National Science Foundation, National Institute of Mental Health, and The Fetzer Institute.

Our final news item is that RBB is increasing from a triennial to a quarterly publication schedule. Each issue will remain the same size as previous RBB issues. The additional issue per year will allow us to include special issues on topics of interest to RBB readers, which we had previously avoided because of the limited publication space available. Several special issues are already in preparation.

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The increase in the journal's publication rate is certainly testament to the success of the past four years. As we welcome our new co-editors, the future of RBB looks especially promising.

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