

FORTHCOMING CONFERENCES / CALL FOR PAPERS

Hugoye: Special Issue on Women

- [1] The editors of *Hugoye* invite submissions for a special issue marking the 1500th anniversary of the birth of the Empress Theodora, scheduled to appear in July 2001. One of the most venerated women of Syriac tradition, Theodora stands as a reminder that women have played crucial roles in the history of Syriac tradition. Yet our knowledge of women in this history remains sorely limited, having received limited scholarly attention thus far. In the apparent absence of any surviving Syriac texts authored by women (with one or two exceptions only), the task of recovering women's history in Syriac Christianity is a difficult one.
- [2] *Hugoye* takes the occasion of Theodora's anniversary to call for new studies on the women of Syriac history in her honor. Tentatively entitled "Great Women in the Syriac Heritage," the issue will be devoted to articles that deal with major female figures in the history of Syriac tradition and with issues of women's place and roles in Syriac Christianity. Papers are welcome in all time periods of Syriac tradition, and in all religious identities.
- [3] Submissions should be sent to the Editor, George Kiraz, following the guidelines available at the *Hugoye* website. To be considered for the special issue marking Theodora's anniversary, submissions should be received by April 1, 2000.