

Editorial

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Quotidiana: Journal for the Study of Lived Religion, which is the official open-access journal of the Center for the Study of Lived Religion at Ca' Foscari University of Venice, is dedicated to the academic study of the everyday religious practices of people – both past and present – from around the world. The inaugural issue of *Quotidiana* epitomizes this pluralist mission by illuminating manifold dimensions of the academic study of lived religion across diverse periods, traditions, and regions. The articles range in time and space from the late-antique Mediterranean to late-imperial China to present-day Italy. The texts and materials at the center of this issue also vary considerably: e.g., diaries authored by Confucian literati; an early Christian gem and inscribed wooden tablet; late-antique Egyptian spells; and (ethnographic) fieldwork within contemporary ayahuasca religions in Italy. As the essays demonstrate in the aggregate, different primary sources demand different methods, approaches, and hermeneutical frameworks, from ethnography to close philological and historical readings of texts to analytical syntheses of words, images, and materials. What unifies these articles, however, is their shared interest in the everyday practices, performances, and material contexts embedded into sources typically grouped under the category 'religion' or under contiguous scholarly rubrics, such as 'magic'.

The Editor-in-Chief and the Scientific Committee of *Quotidiana* look forward to exploring further aspects of the fascinating field of lived religion in future issues. We, therefore, invite our colleagues from various sub-fields of religious studies and adjacent disciplines to consider publishing their research in this journal.

