

ERICA REINER'S ongoing project on Akkadian celestial omens led her into excursions into Babylonian magic practices utilizing celestial powers, practices which survived into Hellenistic and later magic. A topic related to these issues was the subject of her invited lecture at a symposium, "Symbolic Animals, Monsters, and Demons in Antiquity and the Middle Ages," held at the Pierpont Morgan Library in honor of Edith Porada on April 5-7, 1983.