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The Atheist Community of San Jose Welcomes Dr. Richard Carrier to Discuss the Existence of Jesus Christ on April 2, 2014

San Jose, CA — March 28, 2014 — The Atheist Community of San Jose (ACSJ) today announced that Richard Carrier, Ph.D. will speak on Wednesday, April 2 at Harry's Hofbrau in San Jose, CA. On the first anniversary of the ACSJ's founding, Carrier will address such questions as "Did Jesus ever really exist?" and "What is the evidence proving or disproving it?" The hour-long presentation will explain why Carrier suspects Jesus never existed as a historical man and will answer questions from the audience.

"We certainly aren't debating whether a man named Jesus lived in Palestine 2,000 years ago, since plenty of men named Jesus did," said Carrier, "only the one who is claimed to be the author of Christianity."

Dr. Carrier's new groundbreaking book on this topic is *On the Historicity of Jesus: Why We Might Have Reason for Doubt*. It is the first book extensively challenging the historical authenticity of Jesus to be published by a peer-reviewed academic press. He also has several peer-reviewed academic papers on the subject.

Richard Carrier is the renowned author of several books, including *Sense and Goodness without God* and *Proving History*. With a Ph.D. in ancient history from Columbia University, he specializes in the philosophy of humanism and the origins of Christianity. For more about Carrier and his work, visit www.richardcarrier.info.

Presented by the Atheist Community of San José (<http://sanjoseatheists.com>)
Wednesday, April 2, 2014, 6:30 – 9:30 p.m. Pacific Time
Harry's Hofbrau, rear banquet room
390 Saratoga Ave, San Jose, CA 95129

The presentation is open to the public.

About the Atheist Community of San Jose

The Atheist Community of San Jose (ACSJ) is an organization for atheists and like-minded non-believers, founded to develop and support the atheist community and to provide opportunities for socializing, philanthropy, education, and friendship. The ACSJ promotes a positive public perception of atheists and secularists, and works with other organizations in pursuit of common goals.

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