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LETTER FROM THE SECRETARY-TREASURER

To All Members of the Association:

The one hundred and sixth Annual Meeting of the Eastern Division will be held from Sunday, December 27th, through Wednesday, December 30th, 2009, at the New York Marriott Marquis. All program sessions, as well as the book exhibits and the large evening receptions, will take place at this hotel. Hotel accommodations at convention rates will be available at the New York Marriott Marquis. I suggest that you make reservations at your earliest convenience. (Please Note: suite reservations for interviewers are handled through Linda Smallbrook at the National Office; see the Hotel Suite Information page at the end of the program, along with the regular hotel reservation and registration forms.)

This issue of the *Proceedings* contains the following items:

1. The complete program, including the program for group meetings.
2. An advance registration form for individuals.
3. An advance registration form for departments planning to interview candidates at the meeting and wishing to use the APA Placement Service.
4. Forms for room reservations and room reservations at student rates.
5. A table reservation form for the receptions.

Additional copies of the full program will be available at the Registration Desk.

Please Note: it is expected that by the time you read this, meeting registration, Placement Service registration for departments, and reception table reservation (in other words, the operations corresponding to items (2), (3), and (5) above) will also be available online on the APA web site. Please check at http://www.apaonline.org.

1. REGISTRATION

Rates for registration are as follows:

- APA Members: $60
- Non-members: $90
- Student members: $10

Of the $60 the Eastern Division collects from each APA member, $35 will be returned to the National Office to cover the salaries of staff members essential to the functioning of the Division. The remaining $25 will go to offset meeting expenses directly. All those participating in the meeting are expected to register, and to wear their name badges to signify that
they have done so. The staff conducts random checks at the meeting, and those who have not registered are asked to do so immediately.

Persons who are not now members may take advantage of the lower registration fee for members by joining the APA. Regular and student membership application forms are available from the APA National Office, on the APA's web site (http://www.apaonline.org/), and will be available during the meeting at the APA Registration Desk. The APA Registration Desk will be open on:

- Sunday, December 27: 3:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.
- Monday, December 28: 8:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m.
- Tuesday, December 29: 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
- Wednesday, December 30: 8:30 a.m. to Noon

Only registrants are entitled to attend the Reception on December 28th at no additional charge. Non-registrants who wish to attend this reception must purchase a $10 ticket; tickets will be available at the door to the reception. For those who register, name badges will serve as proof of registration.

2. Information on Session Locations

Following the procedure begun in all three Divisions last year, the program does not include the rooms in which individual meeting sessions are to be held. Instead, this information will be made available at the meeting itself, in a separate brochure to be handed out at the Registration Desk. The locations of the Registration Desk, Book Exhibits, Placement Service, Interview Tables, Business Meeting, Presidential Address, and Evening Receptions are, however, included in the program. In addition, the locations of sessions scheduled on the first evening (December 27) will be posted in the registration area.

3. Placement Service

The APA Placement Service functions mainly as a channel of communication between interviewers and job applicants. It can be particularly valuable when other arrangements fail to function properly. For this reason, interviewers and candidates, even those who plan to use the Placement Center for no other purpose, should inform the Placement Center about how they may be contacted in case of an emergency. The Placement process will operate most smoothly when appointing officers and applicants make preparations for their part in advance of the Annual Meeting and when interviews are arranged prior to the meeting on the basis of listings in Jobs for Philosophers. Detailed information about the APA Placement Service can be found elsewhere in this issue of the Proceedings.

A Placement Ombudsperson, either the Chair or a member of the APA Committee on Academic Career Opportunities and Placement, will be available in the Placement Service area for anyone encountering problems with the interviewing process.
4. Book Exhibits

The publishers’ book exhibit area is in the Westside Ballroom, Salons 1-4, on the fifth floor of the New York Marriott Marquis. It is open at the following times:

- Monday, December 28: 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.
- Tuesday, December 29: 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.
- Wednesday, December 30: 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

5. Presidential Address

The Presidential Address will be delivered by Edward Casey at 4:45 p.m., December 29th, in the Broadway Ballroom on the sixth floor of the New York Marriott Marquis. The title of the address is “Finding (Your Own) Philosophical Voice.”

6. John Dewey Lecture

At its 2004 meeting, the Eastern Division Executive Committee accepted a generous offer from the John Dewey Foundation to fund a John Dewey Lecture at each annual meeting. The Dewey Lecture is given by a prominent and senior (typically retired) American philosopher who is invited to reflect, broadly and in an autobiographical spirit, on philosophy in America. The Eastern Division is pleased to announce that its fourth John Dewey Lecture will be given by Ruth Marcus at 1:30 p.m. on December 29th (session V-L). The lecture will be immediately followed by a reception.

Nominations are invited for future Eastern Division Dewey Lecturers. The 2010 Dewey Lecturer will be Harry Frankfurt. At its annual meeting on December 27th, the Executive Committee will establish a short list of candidates for Dewey Lecturer in 2011, and will take into account nominations received from members. Please send all nominations by November 15th, to the Office of the Secretary-Treasurer, Department of Philosophy, Johns Hopkins University, 3400 N. Charles St., Baltimore, MD 21218-2686, or by email to rbett1@jhu.edu.

7. Receptions and Reception Tables

There will be Receptions on the nights of December 28th, from 8:00 p.m. to Midnight, and December 29th, from 9:00 p.m. to Midnight. Both Receptions will take place in the Broadway Ballroom (Sixth Floor) of the New York Marriott Marquis.

The large round tables at the Receptions will be numbered. A chart will be distributed at Registration giving the table locations along with an index showing, for each table, who has reserved it.

Departments and societies are invited to reserve tables for a fee of $50 per table for both nights. If you wish to reserve a table, please fill out and mail the form included in the back pages of this issue of the Proceedings or call or email Ms. Linda Smallbrook at the National Office (Phone: 302-831-1113; Fax: 302-831-3372; email: lindas@udel.edu). The deadline for making table reservations is December 12th.
8. Business Meeting and Voting Membership

The annual Business Meeting will be held on December 29th at 11:15 a.m. in the Broadway Ballroom on the sixth floor. There will be reports from Divisional and National Officers and Committees.

According to the Association’s By-Laws, regular membership is given by an act of the Executive Director on behalf of the Board of Officers. Each year the list of regular members that appears in the November issue of the Proceedings is used as the list of eligible voters for the three subsequent Divisional meetings. Certification of persons as voting affiliates of the Eastern Division will take place at the entrance to the Business Meeting itself, for those wishing to attend and to vote.

9. Resolutions

(a) All resolutions to be presented for inclusion on the agenda of the Business Meeting as separate items must be submitted in writing to the Secretary-Treasurer at least nine weeks in advance of the Annual Meeting (by October 25, 2009) in order to be properly announced to the membership.

(b) No question of a substantive nature other than routine business shall be in order under “New Business” unless it has been received by the Secretary-Treasurer three weeks in advance of the Annual Meeting (by December 6, 2009) for transmission to the Executive Committee, except if three-fourths of the Eastern Division affiliates in attendance at the Business Meeting vote that such a question should be taken up at that meeting.

(c) According to section 5.5.D of the Bylaws of the APA, “Resolutions which purport to represent the sense of a division on matters of public policy may be voted on only by mail ballot authorized by the annual Business Meeting of that division. Such mail ballots will include relevant minutes of the meeting and a summary of the arguments presented.”

(d) The Eastern Division Executive Committee has the prerogative to order a mail ballot on any question of a substantive nature other than routine business that may come before the Business Meeting.

(e) There is a Resolutions Subcommittee of the Executive Committee consisting of the Vice President, the Divisional Representative to the Board of Officers, and the Secretary-Treasurer, each of whom is available to consult with members before and during the Annual Meeting, on the preparation of resolutions.

10. The 2010 Program Committee

The 2010 Program Committee invites contributions for the 2010 Annual Meeting that will be held in Boston on December 27-30. The 2010 Program Committee is composed of:

   Erin Kelly (Chair)
   Richard Bett (ex officio)
   Linda Martín Alcoff
The deadline for submitted papers for the 2010 meeting is February 15, 2010. For further details on how and where to submit papers for consideration, see the section on Paper Submission Guidelines elsewhere in this issue.

The 2010 Program Committee welcomes nominations, including self-nominations, for commentators and session chairs. In selecting commentators and chairs, the Program Committee tends to prefer, other things being equal, persons who have not made frequent appearances on the Eastern Division Program in the past few years. Nominations should be sent to the Chair of the Program Committee, Erin Kelly, Department of Philosophy, Tufts University, Medford, MA 02155. Nominations should be received by the Chair no later than April 1, 2010; they should include a short list of significant or representative publications by the nominee, and should indicate the nominee’s area(s) of specialization. (A curriculum vitae is not required for this purpose.)

11. Graduate Student Travel Stipends and the William James Prize

The Eastern Division is pleased to announce that there are two sources of financial support for junior members of the Association who wish to submit papers for consideration for the Eastern Division program. One source is the Graduate Student Travel Stipends, the other is the William James Prize. The guidelines for both are given below.

Graduate Student Travel Stipends. The Eastern Division will award a $300 travel stipend for any paper written by a graduate student that is accepted by the Program Committee in its normal, blind-review process. Eligibility is restricted to APA members or student associate members who are graduate students in good standing in an M.A. or Ph.D. program in philosophy. A graduate student may submit a paper either as a colloquium paper or as a symposium paper. Authors who are willing to have a shortened version of a symposium paper considered as a colloquium paper should submit the shortened version, along with a shortened abstract, simultaneously with the submission of the symposium paper. Authors must comply with all rules, including those intended to ensure the integrity of the process of blind-reviewing, that govern normal submissions to the Program Committee (see the APA Paper Submission Guidelines and the Eastern Division Paper
Submission Information elsewhere in the Proceedings or on the APA web site (http://www.apaonline.org), with two modifications. First, the author must indicate that the paper is being submitted for consideration for a graduate student travel stipend. If the paper is submitted electronically, this is to be done by checking the relevant box on the online submission form; if it is submitted by mail, the paper must be accompanied by a cover letter indicating that the paper is in competition for a Graduate Student stipend. (This information is not to be included in the paper itself.) Second, whichever method of submission is used, the author must also supply, at the time of submission, documentation from the author’s institution showing that the author is a graduate student in good standing.

**William James Prize.** The Eastern Division will award the William James Prize to the best paper in the area of American Philosophy that is both (a) written by a philosopher who received the Ph.D. after January 1, 2005, or is a graduate student, and (b) accepted for inclusion in the Eastern Division program by the Program Committee through the normal process of blind-reviewing. Thanks to a generous gift from Professor and Mrs. John Lachs, the James Prize carries with it an honorarium of $300. For purposes of competition for the James Prize, American Philosophy is to be construed broadly as including not only studies of the work of significant thinkers in the history of American Philosophy but also creative extensions or applications of the ideas, methods, or results of traditional American Philosophy to philosophical issues of current interest or lasting importance.

A paper may be submitted for the competition for the James Prize either as a colloquium paper or as a symposium paper. **Authors who are willing to have a shortened version of a symposium paper considered as a colloquium paper should submit the shortened version, along with a shortened abstract, simultaneously with the submission of the symposium paper.** Authors must comply with all rules, including those intended to ensure the integrity of the process of blind-reviewing, that govern normal submissions to the Program Committee (see the APA Paper Submission Guidelines and the Eastern Division Paper Submission Information elsewhere in the Proceedings or on the APA web site (http://www.apaonline.org)). In addition, each submission for the competition for the James Prize must be accompanied by a letter from its author both (a) stating either the date on which the author’s Ph.D. was granted if the author has already received the Ph.D., or the fact that the author is a graduate student if that is the case, and (b) expressing the author’s wish to have the paper considered for the James Prize. (The paper may, as usual, be submitted either electronically or by mail, but the letter must be mailed.)

The competition for the William James Prize in 2010 will be judged by a subcommittee of the 2010 Program Committee. Its members are Erin Kelly (Chair of the Program Committee, serving ex officio), Richard Bett (Secretary-Treasurer of the Eastern Division, serving ex officio), and two other committee members.
In the event that no entrant marked specifically for the William James Prize competition is accepted by the Program Committee, the Program Committee will survey the Graduate Student Travel Stipend recipients to see whether any of those papers qualifies by topic for the James Prize. If one (or more) does so qualify, it (or the best one) will receive the William James Prize instead of a Graduate Student Travel Stipend. No paper may be awarded both the William James Prize and a Graduate Student Travel Stipend.

Each recipient of an award will be acknowledged in the printed program for the annual Eastern Division Meeting.

12. APA Prize Reception

There will be a special reception for the presentation of awards, at which all meeting registrants are welcome. This reception will take place in the 16th Floor Sky Lobby at 5:00-6:00 p.m. on December 28th. The awards to be presented include the Graduate Student Travel Stipends and William James Prize, as well as a number of national APA prizes; the specifics are listed with the announcement of the reception in the main program.

13. The 2011 Program Committee

The Eastern Division’s Committee on Committees, whose ex officio members are the Vice President, the Divisional Representative to the Board of Officers, and the Secretary-Treasurer, invites nominations, including self-nominations, for membership on the 2011 Program Committee. Nominees should be voting affiliates of the Eastern Division. Each nomination must be accompanied by the nominee’s curriculum vitae and must be received by December 1, 2009, at the Office of the Secretary-Treasurer, Department of Philosophy, Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, MD 21218-2686.

On behalf of the Executive and Program Committees, I extend to every member of The American Philosophical Association a warm invitation to take part in our one hundred and sixth Annual Meeting.

Cordially yours,

Richard Bett, Secretary-Treasurer
**EASTERN DIVISION COMMITTEES, 2009-2010**

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Nancy Sherman, Divisional Representative

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Susan Wolf (ex officio)

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Gail Weiss
ADVISORY COMMITTEE TO THE EASTERN DIVISION PROGRAM COMMITTEE

The function of the Advisory Committee to the Program Committee is to advise the Program Committee about the invited portion of the Eastern Division program. Members of the Advisory Committee are appointed to fill particular areas of specialization for three-year staggered terms by the Eastern Division’s Executive Committee, with the advice of the Committee on Committees. The present members of the Advisory Committee (2009), with their areas of specialization and their terms of office, are given below.

HISTORY OF PHILOSOPHY

ANCIENT
Nicholas Smith (09-12)
Verity Harte (08-11)
Brad Inwood (07-10)

MEDIEVAL AND RENAISSANCE
Neil Lewis (09-12)
Mark Henninger (08-11)
Jack Zupko (07-10)

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19TH CENTURY
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Maudemarie Clark (08-11)
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20TH CENTURY
Dermot Moran (09-12)
Peter Hylton (08-11)
Danielle Macbeth (07-10)

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METAPHYSICS
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Catherine Elgin (08-11)
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Claudia Card (08-11)
Geoffrey Sayre-McCord (07-10)

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Hugh Silverman (09-12)
Ted Cohen (08-11)
Richard Moran (07-10)

LOGIC
Steven Kuhn (09-12)
Warren Goldfarb (08-11)
Vann McGee (07-10)
SPECIAL FIELDS

PHILOSOPHY OF LANGUAGE
Jeffrey King (09-12)
Dorit Bar-On (08-11)
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Peter Godfrey-Smith (09-12)
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Margaret Gilbert (08-11)
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PHILOSOPHY OF LITERATURE
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Paisley Livingston (07-10)

NON-WESTERN PHILOSOPHY
Bret Davis (09-12)
John Holder (08-11)
Jiyuan Yu (07-10)

FEMINISM
Sharon Meagher (09-12)
Susan Brison (08-11)
Ann Cudd (07-10)

AMERICAN PHILOSOPHY
Robert Talisse (09-12)
Doug Anderson (08-11)
Richard Gale (07-10)

PHENOMENOLOGY, EXISTENTIALISM, AND HERMENEUTICS
Dan Smith (09-12)
Kelly Oliver (08-11)
William Blattner (07-10)

PHILOSOPHY OF LAW
Michael Sandel (09-12)
Arthur Ripstein (08-11)
Jerry Postema (07-10)

PHILOSOPHY OF MIND
Alvin Goldman (09-12)
Peter Carruthers (08-11)
David Velleman (07-10)

PHILOSOPHY OF MATHEMATICS
Charles Parsons (09-12)
Penelope Maddy (08-11)
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Marilyn McCord Adams (09-12)
Robert Adams (08-11)
Richard Swinburne (07-10)

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Madison Powers (09-12)
David DeGrazia (08-11)
Robert Baum (07-10)

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D.A. Masolo (09-12)
Paul Taylor (08-11)
Kwasi Wiredu (07-10)

PHILOSOPHY OF EDUCATION
Michael Luntley (09-12)
Gareth Matthews (08-11)
Michael Scriven (07-10)

POSTMODERNISM, PHILOSOPHY OF CULTURE, AND CRITICAL THEORY
James Bernauer (09-12)
Thomas McCarthy (08-11)
Robert Gooding-Williams (07-10)
PLEASE NOTE: THE LOCATIONS OF INDIVIDUAL SESSIONS, IN BOTH THE MAIN AND GROUP PROGRAMS, WILL BE GIVEN IN A SEPARATE BROCHURE THAT WILL BE HANDED TO YOU WHEN YOU PICK UP YOUR REGISTRATION MATERIALS AT THE MEETING.

IN ADDITION, LOCATIONS FOR SESSIONS ON THE FIRST EVENING (DECEMBER 27) WILL BE POSTED IN THE REGISTRATION AREA.
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
1:00-6:00 p.m.

REGISTRATION
3:00-10:00 p.m., Registration Desk (Fifth Floor)

PLACEMENT INFORMATION
Interviewers: 2:00-10:00 p.m., Barrymore (Ninth Floor)
Candidates: 3:00-10:00 p.m., Cantor/Jolson (Ninth Floor)
Interview Tables: Astor Ballroom (Seventh Floor), Marquis Ballroom (Ninth Floor)

SESSION I – 6:30-9:30 P.M.
I-A. Symposium: Causation and Explanation in the Mind/Brain Sciences
6:30-9:30 p.m.
Chair: Ned Block (New York University)
Speakers: John Campbell (University of California–Berkeley)
Carl Craver (Washington University–St. Louis)
Commentator: Richard Samuels (Ohio State University)
I-B. **Symposium: Philosophizing about South Asian Buddhism**

*6:30-9:30 p.m.*

**Chair:** John Holder (St. Norbert College)

**Speakers:**
- Christopher Gowans (Fordham University)
  - “Buddhist Well-Being”
- Mark Siderits (Seoul National University–Korea)

**Commentator:** Richard Hayes (University of New Mexico)

I-C. **Symposium: Varieties of Externalism in Late Medieval Philosophy of Mind**

*6:30-9:30 p.m.*

**Chair:** Susan Brower-Toland (Saint Louis University)

**Speakers:**
- Calvin Normore (McGill University)
- Claude Panaccio (Université du Québec à Montréal)
  - “Late Medieval Nominalism and Nonveridical Concepts”

**Commentator:** Gyula Klima (Fordham University)

I-D. **Symposium: Responsibility in Law**

*6:30-9:30 p.m.*

**Chair:** John Oberdiek (Rutgers University)

**Speakers:**
- John Gardner (University of Oxford)
- Jules Coleman (Yale University)

**Commentator:** Arthur Ripstein (University of Toronto)

I-E. **Symposium: Contemporary Feminist Continental Philosophy**

*6:30-9:30 p.m.*

**Chair:** Gayle Salamon (Princeton University)

**Speakers:**
- Beata Stawarska (University of Oregon)
- Diane Perpich (Clemson University)

**Commentator:** Ann Murphy (Fordham University)

I-F. **APA Committee Session: Author Meets Critics: James P. Sterba, *Affirmative Action for the Future***

**Arranged by the APA Committee on Black Philosophers**

*6:30-9:30 p.m.*

**Chair:** Bernard Boxill (University of North Carolina–Chapel Hill)

**Critics:**
- Anita Allen (University of Pennsylvania)
- Anthony Appiah (Princeton University)
- Bill Lawson (University of Memphis)

**Author:** James P. Sterba (University of Notre Dame)
GROUP MEETINGS, 6:30-9:30 P.M.
(See Group Meeting Program for Details)
Conference on Philosophical Societies
International Association for Environmental Philosophy
Karl Jaspers Society of North America
Metaphysical Society of America
Society for Ancient Greek Philosophy
Society for Applied Philosophy
Society for Asian and Comparative Philosophy
Society for Realist/Antirealist Discussion

MONDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 28

REGISTRATION
8:30 a.m.-6:30 p.m., Registration Desk (Fifth Floor)

PLACEMENT INFORMATION
Interviewers: 8:30 a.m.-6:30 p.m., Barrymore (Ninth Floor)
Candidates: 8:30 a.m.-6:30 p.m., Cantor/Jolson (Ninth Floor)
Interview Tables: Astor Ballroom (Seventh Floor), Marquis Ballroom (Ninth Floor)

BOOK EXHIBITS
10:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m., Westside Ballroom, Salons 1-4 (Fifth Floor)

SESSION II – 9:00 A.M.-NOON

II-A. Symposium: Kant’s Philosophy of Mathematics
9:00 a.m.-Noon
Chair: Reed Winegar (University of Pennsylvania)
Speakers: Emily Carson (McGill University)
          Lisa Shabel (Ohio State University)
Commentator: Waldemar Rohloff (University of Missouri–St. Louis)

II-B. Symposium: John Dewey
9:00 a.m.-Noon
Chair: Michael Eldridge (University of North Carolina–Charlotte)
Speakers: Philip Kitcher (Columbia University)
          Jennifer Welchman (University of Alberta)
Commentator: Larry Hickman (Southern Illinois University–Carbondale)
II-C. Symposium: New Trends in Democratic Theory
9:00 a.m.-Noon
Chair: Nathan Jun (Midwestern State University)
Speakers: Todd May (Clemson University)
James Bohman (Saint Louis University)
Commentator: Cristina Lafont (Northwestern University)

II-D. Symposium: Exercising Agency over Attitudes
9:00 a.m.-Noon
Chair: Sarah Buss (University of Michigan)
Speakers: Pamela Hieronymi (University of California–Los Angeles)
Nishi Shah (Amherst College)
Commentator: Jonathan Adler (Brooklyn College–City University of New York)

II-E. Symposium: Animality, Posthumanism, Postcoloniality
9:00 a.m.-Noon
Chair: Eduardo Mendieta (Stony Brook University–State University of New York)
Speakers: David Wills (University at Albany–State University of New York)
Michael Naas (DePaul University)
“Derrida’s Flair: For the Animals to Follow. . .”
Falguni Sheth (Hampshire College)
“Animality, Dehumanizing, and the Inhuman”

II-F. Author Meets Critics: Hartry Field’s Saving Truth from Paradox
9:00-11:00 a.m.
Chair: J.C. Beall (University of Connecticut)
Critics: Donald Martin (University of California–Los Angeles)
Philip Welch (University of Bristol–United Kingdom)
Author: Hartry Field (New York University)
(Note: this session will end at 11:00 a.m.)
II-G. APA Committee Session: Models for Teaching Philosophy in the Pre-College Environment

Arranged by the APA Committee on Pre-College Instruction in Philosophy

9:00-11:00 a.m.

Chair: Rory Kraft (York College)

Speakers: Michael Burroughs (University of Memphis)
“Setting ‘Philosophical Horizons’: Introducing Philosophy to Memphis City Schools”

Paul Thomson (Columbia Secondary School for Science, Technology, and Engineering–New York)
“Philosophy and Integrating the Disciplines in Middle School”

Wendy C. Turgeon (St. Joseph’s College–Long Island)
“Preparing Teachers for Philosophical Inquiry: Maintaining Integrity”

(Note: this session will end at 11:00 a.m.)

II-H. APA Committee Session: Teaching Chinese Philosophy – Challenges and Promises

Arranged by the APA Committee on the Status of Asian and Asian-American Philosophers and Philosophies

9:00 a.m.-Noon

Chair: A. Minh Nguyen (Eastern Kentucky University)

Speakers: Manyul Im (Fairfield University)
“I am a Little Bit of Chinese Better or Worse than None?”

Joel Kupperman (University of Connecticut)
“Chinese Philosophy and Processes of Self-Fashioning”

JeeLoo Liu (California State University–Fullerton)
“Making Sense of Chinese Philosophy: From Pre-Qin Philosophy to Neo-Confucianism”

May Sim (The College of the Holy Cross)
“A Passage to China through the West”

Bryan W. Van Norden (Vassar College)
“Suggestions for How to Avoid both Demonization and Apotheosis of the Other”
**GROUP MEETINGS, 9:00-11:00 A.M.**

(See Group Meeting Program for Details)

Association for the Advancement of Philosophy and Psychiatry

Bertrand Russell Society

International Association for Philosophy of Sport

International Berkeley Society

International Society for Environmental Ethics

Philosophers in Jesuit Education

Philosophy of Time Society

Society for Analytical Feminism

Society for Empirical Ethics

North American Hermann Cohen Society

**GROUP MEETINGS, 11:15 A.M.-1:15 P.M.**

(See Group Meeting Program for Details)

American Maritain Association

American Society for Aesthetics

Association for Philosophy of Education

Ayn Rand Society

History of Early Analytic Philosophy Society

International Society for Buddhist Philosophy

Leibniz Society

Société Américaine de Philosophie de Langue Française

Society for Empirical Ethics

Society for Philosophy in the Contemporary World

**Monday Afternoon, December 28**

**SESSION III – 2:00-5:00 P.M.**

**III-A. Symposium: Affective Language and Truth-conditional Semantics**

2:00-5:00 p.m.

Chair: Andy Egan (University of Michigan)

Speakers: Elisabeth Camp (University of Pennsylvania)

“Presupposition, Complicity, and Literal and Figurative Insults”

Mark Richard (Tufts University)

Commentator: Mitchell Green (University of Virginia)
III-B. Symposium: Transitional Justice, Reconciliation, Identity, and Memory
2:00-5:00 p.m.
Chair: Macalester Bell (Columbia University)
Speakers: Charles Griswold (Boston University)
        "The Virtues and Vices of Moral Anger and Revenge"
        Jeffrey Blustein (City University of New York–Graduate Center)
        "Forgiveness, Commemoration, and the Practice of Restorative Justice"
Commentator: Colleen Murphy (Texas A&M University)

III-C. Symposium: Gödel and the Philosophy of Mathematics
2:00-5:00 p.m.
Chair: Scott Weinstein (University of Pennsylvania)
Speakers: John Burgess (Princeton University)
          Juliette Kennedy (University of Helsinki–Finland)
          "Gödel’s Philosophy of Mathematics: What Was It Then, and What Can It Be Now?"
Commentator: William Tait (University of Chicago)

III-D. Symposium: Spinoza’s Letter on Infinity
2:00-5:00 p.m.
Chair: Don Garrett (New York University)
Speakers: Oded Schechter (University of Chicago Society of Fellows)
          "Existence and Temporality in Spinoza’s Letter on Infinity"
          Doug Jesseph (University of South Florida)
Commentator: Alan Nelson (University of North Carolina–Chapel Hill)

III-E. Authors Meet Critics: Cary Wolfe, Cora Diamond, Stanley Cavell, Ian Hacking, and John McDowell’s Philosophy and Animal Life
2:00-5:00 p.m.
Chair: Benjamin Hale (University of Colorado–Boulder)
Critics: Ralph Acampora (Hofstra University)
         Leonard Lawlor (Pennsylvania State University)
Authors: Cora Diamond (University of Virginia)
         Ian Hacking (University of Toronto/Collège de France)
III-F. Information Session: Recent Empirical Work on Self-Knowledge

2:00-5:00 p.m.
Chair: Linda Palmer (Carnegie Mellon University)
Speakers: Peter Carruthers (University of Maryland)
Philip Robbins (University of Missouri–Columbia)
Allison Gopnik (University of California–Berkeley)

III-G. Colloquium: Epistemology

2:00-5:00 p.m.
Chair: Stephen Grimm (Fordham University)

2:00-3:00 p.m.
Speaker: Chris Tucker (University of Notre Dame/University of Auckland–New Zealand)
"Why Open-Minded People Should Endorse Dogmatism"
Commentator: Eric Morton (Johns Hopkins University)

3:00-4:00 p.m.
Speaker: Kay Mathiesen (University of Arizona)
"Groups as Epistemic Agents"
Commentator: Michael Hicks (Brooklyn College–City University of New York)

4:00-5:00 p.m.
Speaker: Julianne Chung (Yale University)
"Hope, Intuition, and Inference"
Commentator: Jill Rusin (Wilfrid Laurier University–Ontario)

III-H. Colloquium: Experiential Content

2:00-5:00 p.m.
Chair: David Rosenthal (City University of New York–Graduate Center)

2:00-3:00 p.m.
Speaker: Rocco Gennaro (University of Southern Indiana)
"Conceptualism, HOT Theory, and the Richness Argument"
Commentator: Elizabeth Schechter (Oxford University)

3:00-4:00 p.m.
Speaker: Robert Briscoe (Ohio University)
"My Point of View"
Commentator: Susanna Siegel (Harvard University)
4:00-5:00 p.m.
Speaker: Nicoletta Orlandi (Rice University)
“Ambiguous Figures and Representationalism”
Commentator: Katalin Balog (Yale University)

III-I. **Colloquium: Normative Political Theory**

2:00-5:00 p.m.
Chair: Thomas McCarthy (Northwestern University)

2:00-3:00 p.m.
Speaker: Michael Harbour (Vanderbilt University)
“Non-Domination vs. Pure Negative Liberty”
Commentator: Todd Hedrick (Michigan State University)

3:00-4:00 p.m.
Speaker: Robert Talisse (Vanderbilt University)
“Crowder’s Diversity Argument”
Commentator: Pablo Gilabert (Concordia University–Canada)

4:00-5:00 p.m.
Speaker: Alex Guerrero (New York University)
“A Solution to the Paradox of Voting”
Commentator: Fabienne Peter (Warwick University–United Kingdom)

III-J. **Colloquium: Ancient Ethics**

2:00-5:00 p.m.
Chair: Nickolas Pappas (City College and Graduate Center–City University of New York)

2:00-3:00 p.m.
Speaker: Tim Connolly (East Stroudsburg University)
“Aristotle on Strength of Will”
Commentator: Joel Yurdin (Haverford College)

3:00-4:00 p.m.
Speaker: Johanna Wolff (Stanford University)
“Grasping the Noble”
Commentator: Katja Vogt (Columbia University)

4:00-5:00 p.m.
Speaker: Jon Miller (Queens University–Ontario)
“A Note on the Stoic Theory of Phantasia”
Commentator: TBA
III-K. APA Committee Session: Australian Contributions to 20th-Century Analytic Metaphysics

Arranged by the APA Committee on International Cooperation

2:00-5:00 p.m.

Chair: L.A. Paul (University of North Carolina)

Speakers:
Mark Johnston (Princeton University)
“Tropes and Universals”

Brian Weatherson (Rutgers University)
“Realism in Australian Metaphysics”

Commentator: Ted Sider (New York University)

III-L. APA Committee Session: Health Care Reform

Arranged by the APA Committee on Philosophy and Medicine

2:00-5:00 p.m.

Chair: Rosamond Rhodes (Mt. Sinai School of Medicine)

Speakers:
Daniel Callahan (The Hastings Center)
Norman Daniels (Tufts University)
Ezekiel Emanuel (National Institutes of Heath)
Leonard Fleck (Michigan State University)

III-M. APA Committee Session: Migrant Laborers Building the Master’s House: Enslaved Africans, Indentured Coolies, and Latino Contract Workers

Arranged by the APA Committee on Hispanics, the APA Committee on Black Philosophers, and the APA Committee on the Status of Asian and Asian-American Philosophers and Philosophies

2:00-5:00 p.m.

Chair: Gary Mar (Stony Brook University–State University of New York)

Speakers:
Lisa Yun (Binghamton University–State University of New York)
“Imagining Future Freedom: Enslavement under Systems of Freedom and Mobility”

Linda Martín Alcoff (Hunter College and Graduate Center–City University of New York)
“Anti-Latino Racism”

Lewis Gordon (Temple University)
“Labor, Migration, and Race: Toward a Secular Model of Citizenship”

Commentator: Gary Okihiro (Columbia University)
GROUP MEETINGS, 2:00-5:00 P.M.
(See Group Meeting Program for Details)
International Society for Chinese Philosophy
Radical Philosophy Association
Society for Systematic Philosophy
Society for the Philosophy of Creativity

MONDAY EVENING, DECEMBER 28

APA PRIZE RECEPTION (OPEN TO ALL: WINE/ CHEESE SERVED)
5:00-6:00 p.m., 16th Floor Sky Lobby

APA NATIONAL PRIZES

APA/PDC Prize 2008
Winner: The Parr Center for Ethics at the University of North Carolina

Barwise Prize 2009
Winner: Luciano Floridi (University of Hertfordshire / University of Oxford–United Kingdom)

Joseph B. Gittler Award 2009
Winner: Samuel Fleischacker (University of Illinois–Chicago)

Latin American Thought Prize 2009
Winner: Grant Silva (University of Oregon)
Title: “Towards a Latin American Political Philosophy of/ for the United States: From Discovery of America to Immigrant Encounters”

Quinn Prize 2009
Winner: TBA

EASTERN DIVISION PRIZES AND STIPENDS

Graduate Student Travel Stipends
Winner: Theodore Bach (University of Connecticut)
Title: “Gender, Essentialism, and Historical Kinds” (V-G)
Winner: Seth Bordner (University of North Carolina–Chapel Hill)
Title: “If We Stop Thinking about Berkeley’s Problem of Continuity, Will It Still Exist?” (IV-E)
Winner: Arnon Cahen (Washington University–St. Louis)
Title: “What is the Epistemic Problem of Perception?” (V-F)
Winner: Zac Cogley (Ohio State University)
Title: “Trust and the Trickster Problem” (VII-G)

Winner: Alex Guerrero (New York University)
Title: “A Solution to the Paradox of Voting” (III-I)

Winner: Andy Lamey (University of Western Australia)
Title: “A Liberal Theory of Asylum” (VIII-G)

Winner: Joshua Mills-Knutsen (University of Kentucky)
Title: “Kant’s Critique of Judgment and its Political Potential: Introducing Rousseau into Arendt’s Analysis of Kant” (V-H)

Winner: B. Scot Rousse (Northwestern University)
Title: “Mineness and Answerability in Heidegger’s Being and Time” (IV-H)

Winner: Meghant Sudan (Stony Brook University–State University of New York)
Title: “Hobbes’ Method of Thinking against the Cartesian Thinking Thing” (VI-H)

Winner: Matt Whitt (Vanderbilt University)
Title: “Agitation and Torment: Hegel on Sovereignty, Emergency, and the Foundation of the Modern State” (VIII-G)

Winner: Malte Willer (University of Texas–Austin)
Title: “New Dynamics for Epistemic Modality” (VII-D)

GROUP MEETINGS, 5:15-7:15 P.M.

(See Group Meeting Program for Details)

Chairs’ Caucus (Sponsored by APA Board of Officers)
Association for the Philosophy of the Unconscious
Association of Philosophy Journal Editors
Charles S. Peirce Society
Hume Society
International Society for Buddhist Philosophy
International Society for Comparative Studies of Chinese and Western Philosophy
International St. Thomas Society
North American Society for Social Philosophy
Society for Business Ethics
Society for Lesbian and Gay Philosophy and the APA Committee on the Status of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender People in the Profession
Society for Machines and Mentality
Society for Phenomenology and Existential Philosophy
Society for the Philosophical Study of Marxism
Society for Women in Philosophy

**GROUP MEETINGS, 7:30-10:30 P.M.**
(See Group Meeting Program for Details)
APA Committee on Public Philosophy
American Society for Philosophy, Counseling and Psychotherapy
Association of Chinese Philosophers in America
International Association for Environmental Philosophy
Karl Jaspers Society of North America
Society for Medieval and Renaissance Philosophy
Society for Realist/Anti-Realist Discussion
Society for the Advancement of American Philosophy
Society for the History of Political Philosophy
Society of Philosophers in America
Søren Kierkegaard Society
World Institute for Advanced Phenomenological Research and Learning
Experimental Philosophy Society

**RECEPTION**
8:00 p.m.-Midnight, *Broadway Ballroom (Sixth Floor)*

**TUESDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 29**

**REGISTRATION**
8:30 a.m.-5:00 p.m., *Registration Desk (Fifth Floor)*

**PLACEMENT INFORMATION**
Interviewers: 8:30 a.m.-5:00 p.m., *Barrymore (Ninth Floor)*
Candidates: 8:30 a.m.-5:00 p.m., *Cantor/Jolson (Ninth Floor)*
Interview Table: *Astor Ballroom (Seventh Floor), Marquis Ballroom (Ninth Floor)*

**BOOK EXHIBITS**
10:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m., *Westside Ballroom, Salons 1-4 (Fifth Floor)*
SESSION IV – 9:00-11:00 A.M.

IV-A. Invited Papers: Imagination and Desire

9:00-11:00 a.m.

Chair: Amy Kind (Claremont McKenna College)
Speakers: Gregory Currie (University of Nottingham–United Kingdom)
          Julia Driver (Washington University–St. Louis)

IV-B. Invited Paper: Time

9:00-11:00 a.m.

Chair: Brad Skow (Massachusetts Institute of Technology)
Speaker: Tim Maudlin (Rutgers University)
          “Topology and the Geometry of Space-Time”
Commentator: Richard Healey (University of Arizona)

IV-C. Author Meets Critics: Ladelle McWhorter’s Racism and Sexual Oppression in Anglo-America: A Genealogy

9:00-11:00 a.m.

Chair: Leigh Johnson (Rhodes College)
Critics: Kathryn Gines (Pennsylvania State University)
          Cynthia Willett (Emory University)
Author: Ladelle McWhorter (University of Richmond)

IV-D. Author Meets Critics: Paul Redding’s Analytic Philosophy and the Return of Hegelian Thought

9:00-11:00 a.m.

Chair: Chris Calvert-Minor (University of Wisconsin–Whitewater)
Critics: Sally Sedgwick (University of Illinois–Chicago)
          Pirmin Stekeler-Weithofer (University of Leipzig–Germany)
Author: Paul Redding (University of Sydney–Australia)

IV-E. Submitted Symposium: Early Modern Philosophy

9:00-11:00 a.m.

Chair: Christia Mercer (Columbia University)
Speaker: Seth Bordner (University of North Carolina–Chapel Hill)
          “If We Stop Thinking about Berkeley’s Problem of Continuity, Will It Still Exist?”
Commentators: Kenneth Winkler (Yale University)
               Sukjae Lee (Ohio State University)
IV-F. Colloquium: Problems in Ethics

9:00-11:00 a.m.

Chair: Linda Brown (Yeshiva University)

9:00-10:00 a.m.
Speaker: Donald Bruckner (Pennsylvania State University)
“Present Desire Satisfaction and Past Well-Being”
Commentator: Joshua Gert (Florida State University)

10:00-11:00 a.m.
Speaker: Howard Nye (University of Michigan)
“The Doctrine of Double Effect as an Objective Principle”
Commentator: Michael Sullivan (Emory University)

IV-G. Colloquium: Expressing Truth

9:00-10:00 a.m.
Chair: Monica Gerrek (Cleveland Clinic, Bioethics Department)

9:00-10:00 a.m.
Speaker: Fritz McDonald (Oakland University)
“Minimalism and Expressivism”
Commentator: Terence Cuneo (University of Vermont)

10:00-11:00 a.m.
Speaker: Clayton Littlejohn (Southern Methodist University)
“Truth and Warranted Assertion”
Commentator: Matthew Weiner (University of Vermont)

IV-H. Colloquium: Responsibility and Answerability

9:00-11:00 a.m.
Chair: James Mattingly (Georgetown University)

9:00-10:00 a.m.
Speaker: B. Scot Rousse (Northwestern University)
“Mineness and Answerability in Heidegger’s Being and Time”
Commentator: Katherine Withy (Georgetown University)

10:00-11:00 a.m.
Speaker: Andras Szigeti (Central European University)
“Moral Responsibility and Practical Skepticism”
Commentator: Dan Howard-Snyder (Western Washington University)
IV-I. Colloquium: Discrimination and Rights"
9:00-11:00 a.m.
Chair: David Etlin (Tufts University)

9:00-10:00 a.m.
Speaker: John Corvino (Wayne State University)
“Preference and Discrimination”
Commentator: Kimberly Leighton (American University)

10:00-11:00 a.m.
Speaker: Fred Harrington (University of Wisconsin–Madison)
“Consequentialist Rights and the Rightholder as the Source of Duties”
Commentator: Dale Dorsey (University of Kansas)

IV-J. APA Committee Session: Author Meets Critics:
Jorge Gracia, Images of Thought: Philosophical Interpretations of Carlos Estévez’s Art
Arranged by the APA Committee on Hispanics
9:00-11:00 a.m.
Chair: Eduardo Mendieta (Stony Brook University–State University of New York)
Critics: Mariana Ortega (John Carroll University)
John Carvalho (Villanova University)
Author: Jorge Gracia (University at Buffalo–State University of New York)

IV-K. APA Committee Session: Barwise Prize Address
Arranged by the APA Committee on Philosophy and Computers
9:00-11:00 a.m.
Chair: Michael Byron (Kent State University)
Speaker: Luciano Floridi (University of Hertfordshire / University of Oxford–United Kingdom)

GROUP MEETINGS, 9:00-11:00 A.M.
(See Group Meeting Program for Details)
American Society for Value Inquiry
International Institute for Field-Being
Personalist Discussion Group
Sartre Circle
Society for Asian and Comparative Philosophy
Society for Systematic Philosophy
Society for the Advancement of American Philosophy
Society for the Philosophy of Human Life Issues

**BUSINESS MEETING**

11:15 a.m.-1:15 p.m., *Broadway Ballroom (Sixth Floor)*

**GROUP MEETINGS, 11:15 A.M.-1:15 P.M.**

(See Group Meeting Program for Details)
APA Committee on Philosophy and Law
American Society for Value Inquiry
Foucault Circle
International Society for Chinese Philosophy
Molinari Society
North American Society for Social Philosophy
Society for Applied Philosophy
Society for Skeptical Studies
Society for the Philosophic Study of the Contemporary Visual Arts
Society for the Philosophy of Human Life Issues
Society for Women in Philosophy

**TUESDAY AFTERNOON, DECEMBER 29**

**SESSION V – 1:30-4:30 P.M.**

**V-A. Symposium: Contemporary Biopolitics**

*1:30-4:30 p.m.*

Chair: Ellen Feder (American University)
Speakers: Johanna Oksala (University of Dundee–Scotland)
“Neoliberalism and Biopolitical Governmentality”
Catherine Mills (University of Sydney–Australia)
“The Life of Politics”
Commentator: Mary Beth Mader (University of Memphis)

**V-B. Symposium: Plato and Naturalism**

*1:30-4:30 p.m.*

Chair: Phillip Mitsis (New York University)
Speakers: Eric Brown (Washington University–St. Louis)
“Plato’s Rejection of Protagorean Ethics”
Matt Evans (New York University)
Commentator: Christopher Bobonich (Stanford University)
V-C. Symposium: Race, Work, Justice

1:30-4:30 p.m.

Chair: Linda Martín Alcoff (Hunter College and Graduate Center–City University of New York)

Speakers: Tommie Shelby (Harvard University)
          John Exdell (Kansas State University)

Commentator: Harry Brighouse (University of Wisconsin–Madison)

V-D. Symposium: Darwin, Darwinism, and the Mind

1:30-4:30 p.m.

Chair: Robert Brandon (Duke University)

Speakers: Karen Neander (Duke University)
          John Dupré (University of Exeter–United Kingdom)

V-E. Colloquium: Stuff

1:30-4:30 p.m.

Chair: Charlotte Witt (University of New Hampshire)

1:30-2:30 p.m.

Speaker: Phil Corkum (University of Alberta)
          “Is Aristotle an Aristotelian Realist?”

Commentator: Jeff Brower (Purdue University)

2:30-3:30 p.m.

Speaker: Tiberiu Popa (Butler University)
          “Aristotle on “Pure Stuffs”: Rethinking his Concept of Homoiomeres”

Commentator: Andrew Arlig (Brooklyn College–City University of New York)

3:30-4:30 p.m.

Speaker: Charlie Tanksley (University of Virginia)
          “Masses and Four-Dimensionalism”

Commentator: Dana Goswick (University of North Carolina–Chapel Hill)

V-F. Colloquium: Perception

1:30-4:30 p.m.

Chair: Esa Diaz-Leon (University of Manitoba)

1:30-2:30 p.m.

Speaker: Berit Brogaard (University of Missouri–St. Louis)
          “An Alternative to Color Relationalism”

Commentator: Jonathan Cohen (University of California–San Diego)
2:30-3:30 p.m.
Speaker: James Genone (University of California–Berkeley)
“How to be a Direct Realist”
Commentator: Alex Byrne (Massachusetts Institute of Technology)

3:30-4:30 p.m.
Speaker: Arnon Cahen (Washington University–St. Louis)
“What is the Epistemic Problem of Perception?”
Commentator: Sean Kelly (Harvard University)

V-G. Colloquium: Identity and History

1:30-4:30 p.m.
Chair: Amy Oliver (American University)

1:30-2:30 p.m.
Speaker: Emily Lee (California State University–Fullerton)
“A Problem with Conceptually Paralleling Race and Class: Class Mobility and Racial Responsibility”
Commentator: Falguni Sheth (Hampshire College)

2:30-3:30 p.m.
Speaker: Ami Harbin (Dalhousie University–Nova Scotia)
“The Benefit of Doubt in Social Identification”
Commentator: Donna-Dale Marcano (Trinity College)

3:30-4:30 p.m.
Speaker: Theodore Bach (University of Connecticut)
“Gender, Essentialism, and Historical Kinds”
Commentator: Laurie Shrage (Florida International University)

V-H. Colloquium: Kant

1:30-4:30 p.m.
Chair: Angelica Nuzzo (Brooklyn College–City University of New York)

1:30-2:30 p.m.
Speaker: Axel Mueller (Northwestern University)
“Does Kant’s Mental Content Externalism Require Mind-Independent Particulars?”
Commentator: Quassim Cassam (University of Warwick–United Kingdom)

2:30-3:30 p.m.
Speaker: Katherine Dimitriou (University of North Carolina–Chapel Hill)
“Minding the Gap: The Validity of Kant’s Derivation of the First Formula”
Commentator: Pablo Muchnik (Siena College)
3:30-4:30 p.m.
Speaker: Joshua Mills-Knutsen (University of Kentucky)
“Kant’s Critique of Judgment and its Political Potential: Introducing Rousseau into Arendt’s Analysis of Kant”
Commentator: Marcy Latta (University of Pennsylvania)

V-I. APA Committee Session: Philosophy of Mind in Historical Perspective
Arranged by the APA Committee on International Cooperation
1:30-4:30 p.m.
Chair: Paul Richard Blum (Loyola College–Maryland)
Speakers: Daniel Novotny (University of South Bohemia–Czech Republic)
“How to Make a Being of Reason? Some Post-Medieval Solutions”
Daniel Schmál (Péter Pázmány Catholic University–Hungary)
“Visual Perception and the Cartesian Concept of Mind”
Gábor Boros (Eötvös Loránd Tudományegyetem University Budapest–Hungary)
“Conceiving and Perceiving the Ego in Spinoza”

V-J. APA Committee Session: Procreation, Abortion, and Harm
Arranged by the APA Committee on Philosophy and Law
1:30-4:30 p.m.
Chair: Melinda Roberts (The College of New Jersey)
Speakers: Carter Dillard (Loyola University–New Orleans)
Elizabeth Harman (Princeton University)
Frances Kamm (Harvard University)
Jeff McMahan (Rutgers University)
David Wasserman (Yeshiva University)

V-K. APA Committee Session: Careers for Philosophers at Two-Year Colleges: Panel Discussion with Job Advice
Arranged by the APA Committee on Philosophy in Two-Year Colleges
1:30-4:30 p.m.
Chair: Harold Weiss (Northampton Community College)
Speakers: Gerald Mozur (Lewis & Clark Community College)
Tom Urban (Houston Community College)
Ken Burak (Northampton Community College)
V-L. Dewey Lecture

1:30-3:00 p.m.
Chair: Robert Fogelin (Dartmouth College)
Speaker: Ruth Marcus (Yale University)
(Note: this session will end around 3:00 p.m., and will be followed by a reception)

GROUP MEETINGS, 1:30-4:30 P.M.
(See Group Meeting Program for Details)
American Association for the Philosophic Study of Society
Concerned Philosophers for Peace
Hegel Society of America
Institute for the Advancement of Philosophy for Children
International Society for Comparative Studies of Chinese and Western Philosophy
Société Internationale pour l’Étude de la Philosophie Médiévale
Society for Philosophy and Public Affairs
Society for the Study of Process Philosophies

PRESIDENTIAL ADDRESS

4:45 p.m., Broadway Ballroom (Sixth Floor)
Introduction: Susan Wolf (University of North Carolina–Chapel Hill)
Speaker: Edward Casey (Stony Brook University–State University of New York)
“Finding (Your Own) Philosophical Voice”

TUESDAY EVENING, DECEMBER 29

GROUP MEETINGS, 7:00-10:00 P.M.
(See Group Meeting Program for Details)
Chairs’ Caucus (Sponsored by APA Board of Officers)
American Association of Philosophy Teachers
American Society for Philosophy, Counseling and Psychotherapy
Association of Chinese Philosophers in America
George Santayana Society
North American Nietzsche Society
Radical Philosophy Association
Society for Iberian and Latin American Thought
Society for Medieval and Renaissance Philosophy
Society for the Philosophic Study of the Contemporary Visual Arts
Society for the Philosophy of Sex and Love
Society for the Study of Women Philosophers
Society of Christian Philosophers
World Institute for Advanced Phenomenological Research and Learning

RECEPTION
9:00 p.m.-Midnight, Broadway Ballroom (Sixth Floor)

WEDNESDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 30

REGISTRATION
8:30 a.m.-Noon, Registration Desk (Fifth Floor)

PLACEMENT INFORMATION
Interviewers: 8:30 a.m.-Noon, Barrymore (Ninth Floor)
Candidates: 8:30 a.m.-Noon, Cantor/Jolson (Ninth Floor)
Interview Tables: Astor Ballroom (Seventh Floor), Marquis Ballroom (Ninth Floor)

BOOK EXHIBITS
9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m., Westside Ballroom, Salons 1-4 (Fifth Floor)

SESSION VI – 9:00-11:00 A.M.

VI-A. Invited Papers: Aristotle on Practical Reasoning
9:00-11:00 a.m.
Chair: Dana Miller (Fordham University)
Speakers: Gabriel Richardson Lear (University of Chicago)
           Susan Sauvé Meyer (University of Pennsylvania)

VI-B. Invited Papers: Later Heidegger
9:00-11:00 a.m.
Chair: Lee Braver (Hiram College)
Speakers: Mark Wrathall (University of California–Riverside)
           David Cerbone (West Virginia University)

VI-C. Author Meets Critics: Virginia Held’s How Terrorism is Wrong: Morality and Political Violence
9:00-11:00 a.m.
Chair: Lionel McPherson (Tufts University)
Critics: Lionel McPherson (Tufts University)
Matthew Smith (Yale University)
Thomas Donahue (Yale University)
Author: Virginia Held (City University of New York–Graduate School)

VI-D. Submitted Symposium: Philosophy of Time
9:00-11:00 a.m.
Chair: Paul Franco (University of Pennsylvania)
Speaker: James Harrington (Loyola University–Chicago)
“Instants and Instantaneous Velocity”
Commentator: Daniel Singer (University of Michigan)

VI-E. Colloquium: Mercy and Compensation
9:00-11:00 a.m.
Chair: Michael Garral (Baruch College–City University of New York)

9:00-10:00 a.m.
Speaker: Rodney Roberts (East Carolina University)
“Two Conceptions of Compensation”
Commentator: Bernard Boxill (University of North Carolina–Chapel Hill)

10:00-11:00 a.m.
Speaker: David Lefkowitz (University of Richmond)
“Mercy and Just Legal Punishment”
Commentator: Michael McKeon (St. Gregory’s University)

VI-F. Colloquium: Language and Ontology
9:00-11:00 a.m.
Chair: Steven Kuhn (Georgetown University)

9:00-10:00 a.m.
Speaker: Jamin Asay (University of North Carolina–Chapel Hill)
“How to Express Ontological Commitment in the Vernacular”
Commentator: Frances Howard-Snyder (Western Washington University)

10:00-11:00 a.m.
Speaker: Martin Montminy (University of Oklahoma)
“High-Order Vagueness and the Trickle-Down Effect”
Commentator: Michael Wolf (Washington and Jefferson College)
VI-G. Colloquium: Coherence and Expertise in Ethics

9:00-11:00 a.m.
Chair: Abraham Schwab (Brooklyn College–City University of New York)

9:00-10:00 a.m.
Speaker: Sarah McGrath (Princeton University)
“Skepticism about Moral Expertise as a Puzzle for Moral Realism”
Commentator: Steven Ross (Hunter College and Graduate Center–City University of New York)

10:00-11:00 a.m.
Speaker: Patricia Marino (University of Waterloo–Ontario)
“Moral Coherence and the Fragmentation of Value”
Commentator: Jurgis Brakas (Marist College)

VI-H. Colloquium: Early Modern Philosophy

9:00-11:00 a.m.
Chair: Brian Chance (University of Pennsylvania)

9:00-10:00 a.m.
Speaker: Nathaniel Bowditch (American University in Cairo)
“‘Principles’ and Pathology in Hume’s Natural History of Religion”
Commentator: Richard Dees (University of Rochester)

10:00-11:00 a.m.
Speaker: Meghant Sudan (Stony Brook University–State University of New York)
“Hobbes’ Method of Thinking against the Cartesian Thinking Thing”
Commentator: Thomas Lennon (University of Western Ontario)

VI-I. APA Committee Session: Author Meets Critics: George Yancy, Black Bodies, White Gazes: The Continuing Significance of Race

Arranged by the APA Committee on Black Philosophers
9:00 a.m.-Noon
Chair: Maria Davidson (University of Oklahoma)
Critics: Patrick Goodin (Howard University)
Clevis Headley (Florida Atlantic University)
Robert Birt (Bowie State University)
Author: George Yancy (Duquesne University)
(Note: this session will continue after 11:00 a.m.)
VI-J. APA Committee Session: Handling the Hiring Process and Pre-Tenure Life

Arranged by the APA Committee on the Status of Women

9:00-11:00 a.m.
Chair: Erin McKenna (Pacific Lutheran University)
Speakers: TBA

For a description of this session, see the Committee’s page on the APA web site, at http://www.apaonline.org/governance/committees/women/index.aspx, under “Committee News”

GROUP MEETINGS, 9:00-11:00 A.M.

(See Group Meeting Program for Details)

International Society for Comparative Studies of Chinese and Western Philosophy
International Society for Environmental Ethics
Society for Philosophy in the Contemporary World and International Society for Universal Dialogue
Society for the Study of Women Philosophers
Society of Humanist Philosophers

SESSION VII – 11:15 A.M.-1:15 P.M.

VII-A. Author Meets Critics: T.M. Scanlon’s Moral Dimensions: Permissibility, Meaning, Blame

11:15 a.m.-1:15 p.m.
Chair: Angela Smith (Washington and Lee University)
Critics: Susan Wolf (University of North Carolina–Chapel Hill)
                Niko Kolodny (University of California–Berkeley)
Author: T. M. Scanlon (Harvard University)

VII-B. Author Meets Critics: Tad Schmaltz’s Descartes on Causation

11:15 a.m.-1:15 p.m.
Chair: Kara Richardson (Syracuse University)
Critics: Daniel Garber (Princeton University)
                Steven Nadler (University of Wisconsin–Madison)
Author: Tad Schmaltz (Duke University)

VII-C. Information Session: Induction

11:15 a.m.-1:15 p.m.
Chair: Branden Fitelson (University of California–Berkeley)
Speakers: Roger White (Massachusetts Institute of Technology)
Matthew Kotzen (University of North Carolina–Chapel Hill)

VII-D. Submitted Symposium: Epistemology
11:15 a.m.-1:15 p.m.
Chair: Lisa Warenski (Union College)
Speaker: Malte Willer (University of Texas–Austin)
“New Dynamics for Epistemic Modality”
Commentator: Giacomo Sillari (University of Pennsylvania)

VII-E. Colloquium: Philosophy of Science
11:15 a.m.-1:15 p.m.
Chair: Jason Rheins (University of Pennsylvania)
11:15 a.m.-12:15 p.m.
Speaker: Justin Remhof (University of Illinois–Urbana-Champaign)
“Nietzsche’s Reconception of Science: Overcoming Nihilism”
Commentator: Travis Dumsday (University of Calgary)
12:15-1:15 p.m.
Speaker: Robert Northcott (University of Missouri–St. Louis)
“Rethinking Genetic Drift”
Commentator: Angela Potochnik (Oklahoma State University)

VII-F. Colloquium: Duties to Others
11:15 a.m.-1:15 p.m.
Chair: Douglas Paletta (University of Pennsylvania)
11:15 a.m.-12:15 p.m.
Speakers: Christopher Lowry and Udo Schüklenk (Queens University–Ontario)
“The Moral Basis of Global Health Aid”
Commentator: Eyal Nir (Harvard University)
12:15-1:15 p.m.
Speaker: David DeGrazia (George Washington University)
“Obligations to Future Generations”
Commentator: Rahul Kumar (Queen’s University–Ontario)

VII-G. Colloquium: Moral Sentiments
11:15 a.m.-1:15 p.m.
Chair: Christopher Grau (Clemson University)
11:15 a.m.-12:15 p.m.
Speaker: Zac Cogley (Ohio State University)
“Trust and the Trickster Problem”
Commentator: Jorge Garcia (Boston College)

12:15-1:15 p.m.
Speaker: Krista Karbowski Thomason (Lamar University)
“The Role of Contempt in Kantian Ethics”
Commentator: Christopher Bernard (University of Maryland)

VII-H. Colloquium: Deconstruction
11:15 a.m.-1:15 p.m.
Chair: Daniel Brunson (Pennsylvania State University)

11:15 a.m.-12:15 p.m.
Speaker: Joshua Andresen (American University of Beirut)
“Deconstruction, Normativity, and Democracy to Come”
Commentator: Adam Miller (Collin College)

12:15-1:15 p.m.
Speaker: Samir Haddad (Fordham University)
“Machines in the Life of Deconstruction”
Commentator: Yubraj Aryal (Purdue University)

VII-I. APA Committee Session: Examining Journals
Arranged by the APA Committee on the Status of Women
11:15 a.m.-1:15 p.m.
Chair: Erin McKenna (Pacific Lutheran University)
Speakers: TBA
For a description of this session, see the Committee’s page on the APA web site, at http://www.apaonline.org/governance/committees/women/index.aspx, under “Committee News”

GROUP MEETINGS, 11:15 A.M.-1:15 P.M.
(See Group Meeting Program for Details)
Association of Chinese Philosophers in America
Society for Applied Philosophy
Society for the Philosophical Study of Marxism
North American Hermann Cohen Society
Wednesday Afternoon, December 30

Session VIII – 1:30-4:30 p.m.

VIII-A. Symposium: Marsilio Ficino’s Platonic Theology

1:30-4:30 p.m.
Chair: Brian Johnson (Fordham University)
Speakers: James Snyder (Marist College)
Brian Copenhaver (University of California–Los Angeles)
Commentator: John Monfasani (University at Albany–State University of New York)

VIII-B. Symposium: Art and Metaphysics

1:30-4:30 p.m.
Chair: Matthew Burstein (University of Pittsburgh–Johnstown)
Speakers: Robert Kraut (Ohio State University)
Bence Nanay (Syracuse University)
“Uniqueness”
Commentator: Aaron Meskin (Leeds University–United Kingdom)

VIII-C. Symposium: Collective Responsibility

1:30-4:30 p.m.
Chair: Helena de Bres (Wellesley College)
Speakers: Margaret Gilbert (University of California–Irvine)
Christopher Kutz (University of California–Berkeley)
Commentator: Andreas Follesdal (University of Oslo)

VIII-D. Symposium: Is Faith a Virtue?

1:30-4:30 p.m.
Chair: William Wainwright (University of Wisconsin–Milwaukee)
Speakers: Robert Audi (University of Notre Dame)
“Faith, Faithfulness, and Virtue”
John Schellenberg (Mount Saint Vincent University–Canada)
“How to Make Faith a Virtue”
Commentator: Robert Adams (University of Oxford)

VIII-E. Colloquium: Metaphysics of Mind

1:30-4:30 p.m.
Chair: Mark Okrent (Bates College)
1:30-2:30 p.m.
Speaker: Paul Audi (University of Nebraska–Omaha)
“Three Types of Antireductionism”
Commentator: Eric Hiddleston (Wayne State University)

2:30-3:30 p.m.
Speaker: Sara Bernstein (University of Arizona)
“Overdetermination Problems”
Commentator: Boris Kment (University of Michigan)

3:30-4:30 p.m.
Speaker: Martin Roth (Drake University)
“Reclaiming Functionalism”
Commentator: Mark Couch (Seton Hall University)

VIII-F. Colloquium: Phenomenology
1:30-4:30 p.m.
Chair: Galen Johnson (University of Rhode Island)

1:30-2:30 p.m.
Speaker: Florentien Verhage (Washington and Lee University)
“The Visions and Voices of Our Cavernous Bodies: Intersubjectivity in Merleau-Ponty’s Philosophy”
Commentator: Dermot Moran (University College Dublin)

2:30-3:30 p.m.
Speaker: Kirsten Jacobson (University of Maine)
“Neglecting Space: Making Sense of a Partial Loss of One’s World through a Phenomenological Account of the Spatiality of Embodiment”
Commentator: Drew Leder (Loyola College in Maryland)

3:30-4:30 p.m.
Speaker: Zachary Davis (Saint John’s University)
“Aging and Social Justice: A Phenomenological Investigation”
Commentator: Lisa Käll (Uppsala University–Sweden)

VIII-G. Colloquium: Political Philosophy
1:30-4:30 p.m.
Chair: Jared Hibbard-Swanson (Pennsylvania State University)
1:30-2:30 p.m.
Speaker: Matt Whitt (Vanderbilt University)
“Agitation and Torment: Hegel on Sovereignty, Emergency, and the Foundation of the Modern State”
Commentator: Brady Bowman (Pennsylvania State University)

2:30-3:30 p.m.
Speaker: Amy Wendling (Creighton University)
“Labor is Said in Many Ways”
Commentator: Jed Donelan (Franklin Pierce University)

3:30-4:30 p.m.
Speaker: Andy Lamey (University of Western Australia)
“A Liberal Theory of Asylum”
Commentator: Jeremy Garrett (California State University–Sacramento)

VIII-H. Colloquium: Selfhood and Identity
1:30-4:30 p.m.
Chair: Brett Bevers (University of California–Irvine)

1:30-2:30 p.m.
Speaker: Geoffrey Pfeifer (University of South Florida)
“Augustine’s Confessions: Truth, Material Practice, and the Making of the Self”
Commentator: Roslyn Weiss (Lehigh University)

2:30-3:30 p.m.
Speaker: Lauren Freeman (Boston University)
“Reconsidering Relational Autonomy: A Feminist Approach to Selfhood and the Other in the Thinking of Martin Heidegger”
Commentator: Nancy Bauer (Tufts University)

3:30-4:30 p.m.
Speaker: Stefan Cojocaru (Boston University)
“Self-Governance and Identification”
Commentator: John Brunero (University of Missouri–St. Louis)

VIII-I. APA Committee Session: On Sonia Sotomayor’s Nomination to the Supreme Court – a Panel Discussion
Arranged by the APA Committee on Hispanics
1:30-4:30 p.m.
Chair: Bernardo Cantens (Moravian College)
Speakers: Linda Martín Alcoff (Hunter College and Graduate Center–City University of New York)
Otávio Bueno (University of Miami)
Angelo Corlett (San Diego State University)
Jorge Gracia (University at Buffalo–State University of New York)
Eduardo Mendieta (Stony Brook University–State University of New York)
Gregory Pappas (Texas A&M University)

GROUP MEETINGS, 1:30-4:30 P.M.
(See Group Meeting Program for Details)
Association for Informal Logic and Critical Thinking
International Institute for Field-Being
Society for Social and Political Philosophy
William James Society
GROUP PROGRAM

SUNDAY EVENING, DECEMBER 27, 2009

GROUP SESSION I – 6:30-9:30 P.M.

GI-1. Conference on Philosophical Societies
6:30-9:30 p.m.

Topic: The Expanding Impact of Philosophical Societies on Global Issues
Chair: G. John Abbarno (D’Youville College)
Speakers: Sur-hoon Tan (National University of Singapore)
          Samuel Zinaich, Jr. (Purdue University–Calumet)
          Ruth Lucier (Bennett College)
          G. John Abbarno (D’Youville College)

GI-2. International Association for Environmental Philosophy
6:30-9:30 p.m.

Chair: Steven Vogel (Denison University)
Speakers: Jared Hibbard-Swanson (Pennsylvania State University)
          “Crisis and Event: Two Models of Ecological Critique”
          Craig DeLancey (State University of New York–Oswego)
          “Liminal Spaces and the Ethics of Shaping Place”
          Mark Mysak (University of North Texas)
          “Race, Place and Waste: Discriminatory Environmentalism and the Politics of Waste Disposal”
          Randy Honold (DePaul University)
          “Multinatural Mashups and a New Environmentalism”

GI-3. Karl Jaspers Society of North America
6:30-9:30 p.m.

Topic: World Philosophy and the Axial Age Thesis
Chair: Andrew Gluck (Independent Scholar)
Speakers: Czesława Piecuch (University of Krakow–Poland)
          “The Second Axial Age: Fulfilling Human Destiny”
          Kimiyo Murata-Soraci (Tama University–Japan)
          “Confucius, Deference (Shu), and the Art of Listening”
Elena Bezzubova (University of California–Irvine)
“The Russian Silver Age through the Prism of Jasper’s Axial Time”

Commentator: Alina Feld (Hofstra University)

GI-4. Metaphysical Society of America
6:30-9:30 p.m.

Topic: The Ontological Status of Ideals
Chair: Vincent Colapietro (Pennsylvania State University)
Speakers: Kory Sorrell (Bilkent University–Turkey)
“Ontology, Utopia, and Law: Pragmatic Continuation of an Enlightenment Project?”
Michael Bauer (Fordham University)
“On the Ontological Status of Ideals in Hegel, or How Kant’s Doctrine of the Practical Postulates Provides the Key to Hegel’s New Metaphysics”
Victor Kestenbaum (Boston University)
“Ideals: Phenomenological Notes”
Vincent Colapietro (Pennsylvania State University)
“Practices, Ideals, and the Task of Acknowledgment”

GI-5. Society for Ancient Greek Philosophy
6:30-9:30 p.m.

Chair: Tony Preus (Binghamton University–State University of New York)
Speakers: Anne Wiles (James Madison University)
“Plato on Truth and Falsehood”
Jerry Green (Texas Tech University)
“Protagoras was not a Relativist to Me”
Lawrence Jost (University of Cincinnati)
“Theoria, Theos, and Therapeia in Aristotle’s Ethical Endings”

GI-6. Society for Applied Philosophy
6:30-8:30 p.m.

Topic: Sovereignty
Chair: Suzanne Uniacke (University of Hull–United Kingdom)
Speakers: Arthur Applbaum (Harvard University)
“Legitimacy for Liberals”
GI-7. Society for Asian and Comparative Philosophy  
6:30-9:30 p.m.  
Topic: Relational Models of Selfhood in Chinese and Comparative Thought  
Chair: Tao Jiang (Rutgers University)  
Speakers: Leah Kalmanson (University of Hawaii)  
“Ideas Politics and the Relationally Constituted Self”  
Sarah Mattice (University of Hawaii)  
“On Rectifying Rectification: Reconsidering Zheng Ming in Light of Confucian Role Ethics”  
Ian Sullivan (University of Hawaii)  
“On Reconceiving Cheng with the Relational Self Model”  
Bongrae Seok (Alvernia University)  
“Emotion and Embodied Cognition: Confucian Moral Psychology”  
Alexus McCleod (University of Dayton)  
“The Human Nature Debate of Analects 18:5-7 and the Renjianshi Chapter of the Zhuangzi”  
Commentator: Tao Jiang (Rutgers University)

GI-8. Society for Realist/Antirealist Discussion  
6:30-9:30 p.m.  
Topic: New Waves in Philosophy of Mathematics  
Speakers: Otávio Bueno (University of Miami)  
“Mathematical Fictionalism”  
Roy Cook (University of Minnesota–Minneapolis)  
“New Waves on an Old Beach: Neo-Fregean Philosophy of Mathematics Today”  
Thomas Hofweber (University of North Carolina–Chapel Hill)  
“Formal Tools and the Philosophy of Mathematics”  
Øystein Linnebo (University of Bristol–United Kingdom)  
“The Individuation of the Natural Numbers”  
Chris Pincock (Purdue University)  
“Towards a Philosophy of Applied Mathematics”
Monday Morning, December 28, 2009

Group Session II – 9:00-11:00 a.m.

GII-1. Association for the Advancement of Philosophy and Psychiatry

9:00-11:00 a.m.

Topic: Philosophical Issues in Child and Adolescent Psychiatry

Chair: J. Melvin Woody (Connecticut College)
Speaker: Michelle Maiese (Emmanuel College)
   “Rethinking Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder”
Commentator: Robert Kruger (Clinical Psychologist–Westport, Connecticut)

GII-2. Bertrand Russell Society

9:00-11:00 a.m.

Chair: Rosalind Carey (Lehman College–City University of New York)
Speaker: Jolen Galaugher (McMaster University)
   “Russell’s Quasi-Leibnizian Construction of ‘Distance’ in the Principles of Mathematics”
Commentator: Alan Schwerin (Monmouth University)
Speaker: Sebastien Gandon (Independent Scholar)
   “Russell's Analysis, Benacerraff’s Multiple Reduction Challenge, and the Philosophy of Mathematics”
Commentator: Jolen Galaugher (McMaster University)
Speaker: Nikolay Milkov (Universität Paderborn–Germany)
   “Russell, Wittgenstein, and the Project for ‘Analytic Philosophy’”
Commentator: Natan Berber (University of Haifa)

GII-3. International Association for Philosophy of Sport

9:00-11:00 a.m.

Topic: Philosophy of Sport

Chair: Heather Reid (Morningside College)
Speakers: David Charlton (Western Michigan University)
   “Winning Isn’t Everything: How the Monetary Structure of the BCS May Provide an Incentive to Lose”
David O’Hara (Augustana College)
“Sport, Religion, and Value: Considering the Possibility of Renewing an Ancient Connection”

Steffen Borge (University of Tromsø–Norway)
“Towards a Taxonomy of Sports”

GII-4. International Berkeley Society
9:00-11:00 a.m.
Topic: Session Commemorating the 300th Anniversary of the Publication of the New Theory of Vision
Chair: Stephen Daniel (Texas A&M University)
Speakers: Kenneth Winkler (Yale University)
“The First Person in Vision”
Martha Brandt Bolton (Rutgers University)
“Is the Doctrine of a Visual Language Integral to Berkeley’s Theory of Vision?”

GII-5. International Society for Environmental Ethics
9:00-11:00 a.m.
Topic: Environmental Aesthetics
Chair: Emily Brady (University of Edinburgh–United Kingdom)
Speakers: Allen Carlson (University of Alberta)
“Turning Points in Environmental Aesthetics”
Yuriko Saito (Rhode Island School of Design)
“Future Directions for Environmental Aesthetics”
Yrjö Sepänmaa (University of Joensuu–Finland)
“From Theoretical to Applied Environmental Aesthetics: Academic Aesthetics Meets the Real World Demands”
Sheila Lintott (Bucknell University)
“Feminist Environmental Aesthetics”

GII-6. Philosophers in Jesuit Education
9:00-11:00 a.m.
Topic: Finding ‘Common Ground’: Philosophy’s Role and Prospects in Disputes Over Public Policy: A Discussion
Chair: Joseph Godfrey (St. Joseph’s University)
Speakers: John Carlson (Creighton University)
Daniel Dombrowski (Seattle University)
(Papers will be available at www.sju.edu/pje)
GII-7. Philosophy of Time Society

9:00 a.m.-Noon
Chair: John Lango (Hunter College–City University of New York)
Speaker: Ted Sider (New York University)
“The A-Theory: Change and Measure”
Commentator: Ulrich Meyer (Colgate University)
Speaker: Jonathan Tallant (University of Nottingham)
“Motivating Presentism”
Commentator: Richard Gawne (Western Michigan University)
Speaker: David Pensgard (University of Virginia)
“Presentist Time Travel and the Limits of Presentist Causality”
Commentator: Michael Nelson (University of California–Riverside)
(This session will continue past 11:00 a.m.)

GII-8. Society for Analytical Feminism

9:00-11:00 a.m.
Topic: Feminism and Contemporary Popular Culture
Chair: Sharon Crasnow (Riverside Community College–Norco)
Speakers: Laurie Shrage (Florida International University)
“XX Radio—Adding Feminist Voices to the FM Dial”
Nancy Bauer (Tufts University)
Naomi Zack (University of Oregon)
“White-Privilege Appropriations of Feminism: Carrie Bradshaw, Bella Swan, and Sarah Palin”
Kelly Oliver (Vanderbilt University)
“Knock me up, Knock me down: Images of Pregnancy in Recent Hollywood Film”

GII-9. Society for Empirical Ethics

9:00-11:00 a.m.
Topic: The Development of Virtue: Insights from Philosophy and Psychology
Chair: Jennifer Cole Wright (College of Charleston)
Speakers: Jennifer Baker (College of Charleston)
“Oikeiosis in the 21st Century”
Melissa Seymour Fahmy (University of Georgia)
“A Kantian Picture of Moral Development”
Nadia Chernyak (Cornell University) and Tamar Kushnir (Cornell University) (co-authored paper)
“Preschoolers’ Understanding of Freedom of Choice”

9:00-11:00 a.m.

**Topic:** Neo-Kantianism and Twentieth Century Philosophy

**Speakers:**
- Scott Edgar (University of British Columbia) “The Neo-Kantian Origins of Mach’s Positivism”
- Alan Kim (Colgate University) “Natorp and Husserl on Space”
- Hartwig Wiedebach (University of Zurich) “Kantianism versus Religious Aesthetics: Hermann Cohen’s Concept of God”

(Papers will be available at http://criticalidealism.blogspot.com)

GROUP SESSION III – 11:15 A.M.-1:15 P.M.

GIII-1. American Maritain Association
11:15 a.m.-1:15 p.m.

**Topic:** Political Philosophy and Value Theory

**Chair:** Laura Garcia (Boston College)
**Speakers:**
- Philip Divine (Providence College) “The Concept of Europe”
- Jorge Garcia (Boston College) “‘Good’ Comeback”

GIII-2. American Society for Aesthetics
11:15 a.m.-1:15 p.m.

**Topic:** Author Meets Critics: Noël Carroll’s *On Criticism*

**Chair:** James Harold (Mount Holyoke College)
**Critics:**
- Jonathan Gilmore (Yale University)
- Carolyn Korsmeyer (University at Buffalo–State University of New York)
- James Shelley (Auburn University)
**Author:** Noël Carroll (Temple University)

GIII-3. Association for Philosophy of Education
11:15 a.m.-1:15 p.m.

**Topic:** Education and the Family

**Chair:** Harry Brighouse (University of Wisconsin–Madison)
**Speaker:** Victoria Costa (Florida State University) “Rawls’ Theory of Justice, the Family and Children’s Education”
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Commentators: Elizabeth Brake (University of Calgary–Alberta)
Shelley Burtt (Barnard College)
Colin MacLeod (University of Victoria–British Columbia)

GIII-4. Ayn Rand Society
11:15 a.m.-1:15 p.m.

Topic: The Normative Foundations of Intellectual Property: Two Perspectives
Chair: Allan Gotthelf (University of Pittsburgh)
Speakers: Adam Mossoff (George Mason University)
Eric Claeys (George Mason University)

GIII-5. History of Early Analytic Philosophy Society
11:15 a.m.-1:15 p.m.

Chair: Jolen Galaugher (McMaster University)
Speaker: Nathan Berber (University of Haifa–Israel)
“A Tractarian Formal Ontology of Objects”
Commentator: Nikolay Milkov (Universität Paderborn–Germany)
Speaker: Anita Konzelmann Ziv (University of Basel–Switzerland)
“Bolzano on Naturalized Rationality and Virtue Epistemology: Achievements in Early Analytic Philosophy”
Commentator: Rosemary Twomey (Lehman College–City University of New York)
Speaker: James Connelly (Trent University–Ontario)
“A ‘Dissolution’ of the Puzzle about Propositional Attitudes on the Basis of Descriptivist Semantics for Singular Terms”
Commentator: TBA

GIII-6. International Society for Buddhist Philosophy
11:15 a.m.-1:15 p.m.

Topic: Ethics in the Kyoto School
Chair: Steven Heine (Florida International University)
Speakers: John Krummel (Hobart and William Smith Colleges)
“Globalization and the Ethics of Humility in Nishida Kitar”
James Mark Shields (Bucknell University)
“Against Harmony: Japanese Ethics and the Youth League for Revitalizing Buddhism, 1931-37”
Xiaofei Tu (West Virginia University)
“Waterboarding Nishida: The Kyoto School Memo”
Commentator: Steven Heine (Florida International University)

**GIII-7. Leibniz Society**

11:15 a.m.-1:15 p.m.
Chair: Martha Brandt Bolton (Rutgers University)
Speaker: Brandon Look (University of Kentucky)
“Leibniz on Simple Substances: Speaking in Metaphysical Rigor of Mind and World”
Commentator: John Whipple (University of Illinois–Chicago)

**GIII-8. Société Américaine de Philosophie de Langue Française**

11:15 a.m.-1:15 p.m.
**Topic:** Recent French Feminism(s)
Chair: Pleshette DeArmitt (University of Memphis)
Speakers: Brigitte Weltman-Aron (University of Florida)
Mary Beth Mader (University of Memphis)
Kelly Oliver (Vanderbilt University)

**GIII-9. Society for Empirical Ethics**

11:15 a.m.-1:15 p.m.
**Topic:** The Development of Virtue: Insights from Philosophy and Psychology
Chair: Jennifer Cole Wright (College of Charleston)
Speakers: Craig Joseph (Northwestern University)
“Virtue Theory as an Integrative Account of Moral Psychology”
Mark Sheskin (Yale University)
“Origins of Altruistic Punishment”
Deena Weisberg (Rutgers University)
“What Influences Children’s Moral Judgments?”

**GIII-10. Society for Philosophy in the Contemporary World**

11:15 a.m.-1:15 p.m.
**Topic:** Phenomenology and Ethics
Chair: R. Dillon Emerick (Palomar College)
Speakers: Mark Sanders (University of North Carolina–Charlotte)
“Merleau-Ponty and the Ethics of Engagement”
Jeremy Wisnewski (Hartwick College)
“Heidegger’s Aristotelian Ethics”
MONDAY AFTERNOON, DECEMBER 28, 2009

GROUP SESSION IV – 2:00-5:00 P.M.

GIV-1. International Society for Chinese Philosophy

2:00-5:00 p.m.

Topic: Kantian Ethics and Chinese Moral Theories

Speakers: Patricia Kitcher (Columbia University)
“Moral Law in Kant and Pluralism”

Eric Nelson (University of Massachusetts–Lowell)
“Ethics in the Third Critique and Zhuangzi”

Wing-Ceuk Chan (Brock University–Ontario)
“Kant’s Problem of Supreme Good and Mou’s Solution”

Chung-ying Cheng (University of Hawaii)
“Moral Law and Principle of Benevolence/ Beneficence”

GIV-2. Radical Philosophy Association

2:00-5:00 p.m.

Topic: Sustainability and the Future of Capitalism

Chair: J. Everet Green (New School for Social Research/ Purchase College–State University of New York)

Speakers: George Caffentzis (University of Southern Maine)
“The Many Concepts of Sustainability—From the Discussions of ‘Sustainable Development’ in the 80s to the Contemporary Use of ‘Sustainability’ in the Climate Change Debate”

Silvia Federici (Hofstra University)
“Why is Capitalism Unsustainable? The Fundamental Contradiction between Two Intertwined Results of Social Reproduction”

John McClendon (Michigan State University)
“Abram Harris, Dialectics, and the Critique of Capitalism”

GIV-3. Society for Systematic Philosophy

2:00-5:00 p.m.

Topic: Symposium on the Closing Argument of Hegel’s Science of Logic

Chair: Angelica Nuzzo (Brooklyn College–City University of New York)

Speakers: Richard Dien Winfield (University of Georgia)
GIV-4. Society for the Philosophy of Creativity
2:00-5:00 p.m.

Topic: Creativity in Chinese Philosophy
Chair: Warren Frisina (Hofstra University)
Speakers:
- James Behuniak, Jr. (Colby College)
  “Cosmology, Cosmogony, and Creativity in Daodejing”
- John Berthrong (Boston University)
  “Do Neo-Confucians and New Confucians Really Embrace ‘Creativity’?”
- Robert Neville (Boston University)
  “New Projects in Chinese Philosophy”

Commentator: Warren Frisina (Hofstra University)

MONDAY EVENING, DECEMBER 28, 2009

GROUP SESSION V – 5:15-7:15 P.M.

GV-1. Session Sponsored by the APA Board of Officers
5:15-7:15 p.m.

Topic: Chairs’ Caucus: Open Agenda
Speakers:
- Amy Allen (Dartmouth College)
- Sandy Goldberg (Northwestern University)
- Norah Martin (University of Portland)
- Andrew Mills (Otterbein College)
- Anita Silvers (San Francisco State University)
- David Schrader (APA Executive Director)

GV-2. Association for the Philosophy of the Unconscious
5:15-7:15 p.m.

Topic: Philosophy and Psychoanalysis
Chair: William Remley (New School for Social Research)
Speakers:
- Clark Butler (Indiana University/Purdue University)
  “Hegel’s Dialectical Logic and Psychoanalysis”
- Jonathan Lear (University of Chicago)
  “Unconscious Fantasy and Identity”

Commentators:
- Daniel Berthold (Bard College)
- Wilfried Ver Eecke (Georgetown University)
GV-3. Association of Philosophy Journal Editors  
5:15-7:15 p.m.  
Chairs: Carol Gould (Hunter College–City University of New York)  
Thom Brooks (University of Newcastle–United Kingdom)  
Speakers: TBA  
GV-4. Charles S. Peirce Society  
5:15-7:15 p.m.  
Chair: Robert Lane (University of West Georgia)  
Topic: Presidential Address  
Speaker: Larry Laudan (National Autonomous University of Mexico)  
“The Law: (Con)Fusing Epistemology and Political Morality”  
Topic: Winner of the 2009 Peirce Society Essay Contest  
Speaker: TBA  
GV-5. Hume Society  
5:15-7:15 p.m.  
Topic: Scepticism With Regard to the Senses  
Chair: Yumiko Inukai (University of Massachusetts–Boston)  
Speakers: David Owen (University of Arizona)  
“What is Sceptical about 1.4.2?”  
Donald Ainslie (University of Toronto)  
“Hume’s Phenomenology of Sensory Experience”  
GV-6. International Society for Buddhist Philosophy  
5:15-7:15 p.m.  
Topic: Buddhist Ethics  
Chair: Gereon Kopf (Luther College)  
Speakers: Shuman Chen (Northwestern University)  
“Insentient Beings’ Attainment of Buddahood: A Chinese Tiantai Perspective”  
Daniel Cozort (Dickinson College)  
“Suffering Made Sufferable: Santideva, Dzongkaba, and Modern Therapeutic Approaches on Suffering’s Silver Lining?”
Nicholaos Jones (University of Alabama)  
“Fazang’s Total Power Mereology”  
Abraham Velez (Eastern Kentucky University)  
“Buddha and the Ethics of Sustainable Dialogue”

GV-7. International Society for Comparative Studies of Chinese and Western Philosophy  
5:15-7:15 p.m.  

**Topic:** Confucius and Wittgenstein: Two Accounts of Understanding and Mind  
Chair: Tongdong Bai (Xavier University)  
Speakers: Meredith Williams (Johns Hopkins University)  
“Master and Novice in Later Wittgenstein”  
James Peterman (Sewanee University of the South)  
“Master and Novice in Confucius”  
Steven Geisz (University of Tampa)  
“The Inner and the Outer in Mengzian Moral Psychology”  
Commentator: Yang Xiao (Kenyon College)

GV-8. International St. Thomas Society  
5:15-7:15 p.m.  

**Topic:** Thomas Aquinas on Nature and Accident in Light of the Incarnation  
Chair: Joseph Koterski (Fordham University)  
Speaker: Michael Gorman (Catholic University of America)  
Commentator: Richard Cross (University of Notre Dame)

5:15-7:15 p.m.  

**Topic:** What Governments Owe Citizens  
Speakers: Barbara Andrew (William Paterson University)  
“Ask Not What Your Country Can Do for You”  
Richard Buck (Mount Saint Mary’s University)  
“Achieving Democracy: Civic and Governmental Responsibility”  
Serene Khader (Wheaton College)  
“NGOs, Justice, and Charity”
GV-10. Society for Business Ethics
5:15-7:15 p.m.
Topic: Global Justice and the Current Economic Crisis
Chair: Nien-he Hsieh (University of Pennsylvania)
Speakers: Norman Bowie (University of Minnesota)
          Rahul Kumar (Queens University–Ontario)
          Mathias Risse (Harvard University)
Commentator: Nien-he Hsieh (University of Pennsylvania)

GV-11. Society for Lesbian and Gay Philosophy and the APA
Committee on the Status of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and
Transgender People in the Profession
5:15-7:15 p.m.
Topic: Sexual-Orientation Discrimination and Moral Compromise
Chair: John Corvino (Wayne State University)
Speakers: Avi Craimer (Georgetown University)
          Andrew Koppelman (Northwestern University)
          Alastair Norcross (University of Colorado–Boulder)
          Thomas Williams (University of South Florida)

GV-12. Society for Machines and Mentality
5:15-7:15 p.m.
Topic: Artificial Intelligence in Theory, Artificial Intelligence in Public Life
Chair: Eric Steinhart (William Paterson University)
Speakers: Anthony Beavers (University of Evansville)
          “Mechanical vs. Symbolic Computation: Two Contrasting Strategies for Information Processing”
          Robert Geraci (Manhattan College)
          “Evolving Machines: Thinking About AI in Public Life”
(Papers will be available at http://www.cs.hamilton.edu/~sfmm/)

GV-13. Society for Phenomenology and Existential Philosophy
5:15-7:15 p.m.
Chair: Simon Critchley (New School University)
Speaker: Peg Birmingham (DePaul University)
          “Between Violence and Politics: Before the Law”
Commentator: Jay Bernstein (New School for Social Research)
(Reception to follow.)
GV-14. Society for the Philosophical Study of Marxism

5:15-8:15 p.m.

**Topic:** Contemporary Marxist Theory, Contemporary Socialism, and the Current World Economic Crisis

Chair: Rodney Peffer (University of San Diego)

Speakers: Rodney Peffer (University of San Diego)

“Contemporary Socialism, Social Justice, and the World Economic Crisis”

Liangshan Lu (Liaoning University–China)

“Contemporary Chinese Socialism, Social Justice, and Economic Crises”

Xie Jun (China University of Political Science and Law)

“Contemporary Chinese Marxism, Social Justice, and the Current Economic Crisis”

David Schweickart (Loyola University–Chicago)

“Reading Legitimation Crisis During the Meltdown”

Tony Smith (Iowa State University)

“The Contemporary Crisis: What’s Different This Time?”

(Papers will be available at http://www.pages.drexel.edu/~pa34/spsm_website.htm)

(This session will continue past 7:15 p.m.)

GV-15. Society for Women in Philosophy

5:15-7:15 p.m.

**Topic:** Distinguished Woman Philosopher of 2009: Lorraine Code

Chair: Linda Martín Alcoff (Hunter College and Graduate Center–City University of New York)

Speakers: Nancy Tuana (Pennsylvania State University)

Joan Gibson (York University–Ontario)

Ilya Parkins (University of British Columbia–Okanagan)

Carla Fehr (Iowa State University)

Bat-Ami Bar On (Binghamton University–State University of New York)

Commentator: Lorraine Code (York University–Ontario)

(Reception to follow.)
GROUP SESSION VI – 7:30-10:30 P.M.

GVI-1. APA Committee Session: Symposium on Public Philosophy: New Arguments on Technology Assessment, Democratic Participation and Risk Perception

Arranged by the APA Committee on Public Philosophy
7:30-10:30 p.m.

Chairs:  Elizabeth Minnich (Association of American Colleges and Universities)
         Kyle Whyte (Michigan State University)

Speakers: Kyle Whyte (Michigan State University) and Evan Selinger (Rochester Institute of Technology) (co-authored paper)
         "Should the Public Be ‘Nudged’?"
Douglas Maclean (University of North Carolina–Chapel Hill)
         "Some Problems Involved in Comparing Risks to Costs and Benefits"
Michael Livermore (New York University)
         "Cost-Benefit Analysis and Consistency"
Stephen Turner (University of South Florida)
         "The Conservative Disposition and the Precautionary Principle"
Dan Kahan (Yale University)
         "Are We Watching a Game?: Values and Perceptions of Risk"
Sabine Roeser (Delft University of Technology)
         "Public Risk Perceptions and the Legitimacy of Emotions"

GVI-2. American Society for Philosophy, Counseling and Psychotherapy
7:30-10:30 p.m.

Topic:  Theoretical Issues in Philosophical Practice

Chair:  Samuel Zinaich, Jr. (Purdue University–Calumet)
Speakers:  Kevin Aho (Florida State University)
           "Is Shyness a Psycho-pathology?"
           Bill Knaus (Independent Scholar)
           "Charles Renovier’s Philosophy and How William James Profited: Contemporary Applications"
GVI-3. Association of Chinese Philosophers in America
7:30-10:30 p.m.

**Topic:** Daoism, Buddhism, and Confucianism in A New Light: Dao, Word, and Experience

*Chair:* Weimin Sun (California State University–Northridge)

*Speaker:* Stephen Walker (University of Chicago)

“From Ways of Acting to the Way Things Act: Ontologies of Dao in Early China”

*Commentator:* Steven Geisz (University of Tampa)

*Speaker:* Chien-hsing Ho (Nanhua University–Taiwan)

“One Name, Infinite Meanings: An Analysis of Jizang’s Thought on Meaning and Linguistic Reference”

*Commentator:* Xiaofei Tu (West Virginia University)

*Speaker:* Haiming Wen (Renmin University–China)

“Confucian Pragmatism on Contextualizing Mind and Experience”

*Commentator:* Suk Choi (Towson University)

GVI-4. International Association for Environmental Philosophy
7:30-10:30 p.m.

*Chair:* Jim Hatley (Salisbury University)

*Speakers:* Bill Bywater (Allegheny University)

“Introducing Goethe’s Delicate Empiricism as an Environmental Philosophy”

Lyman Mower (Syracuse University)

“Thoreau’s Polyvalent Concept of Nature”

Adam Konopka (Fordham University)

“The Instinctual Structure of the Environing World”

Lisa Kretz (Dalhousie University–Nova Scotia)

“The Deep Ecological Self”

GVI-5. Karl Jaspers Society of North America
7:30-10:30 p.m.

**Topic:** World Philosophy and the Axial Age Thesis

*Chair:* Alan Olson (Boston University)

*Speakers:* Michael Zank (Boston University)

“Monotheism and its Discontents: Achsenzeit or deus ex machina?”

Raymond Langley (Manhattanville College)

“Jaspers and Sartre: Is an Existential Philosophy of History Possible?”
Eric Dale (Emerson College)
“Humanism and Despotism: Jaspers and Hegel on Chinese History and Religion”
Commentator: Joseph Margolis (Temple University)

GVI-6. Society for Medieval and Renaissance Philosophy
7:30-10:30 p.m.
Topic: Gersonides, Ghazali, and Aquinas
Chair: Jon McGinnis (University of Missouri–St. Louis)
Speakers:
Robert Dobie (LaSalle University)
“Ghazali and Aquinas on the Soul as Self-subsistent: What is at Stake?”
Idit Dobbs-Weinstein (Vanderbilt University)
“A Gaping Lacuna: Gersonides’ Silence about Ethics/Politics”

GVI-7. Society for Realist/Antirealist Discussion
7:30-10:30 p.m.
Topic: New Waves in Truth
Chair: Douglas Patterson (Kansas State University)
Dale Dorsey (University of Kansas)
“Truth and Error in Morality”
Matti Eklund (Cornell University)
“Rejectionism about Truth”
Patrick Greenough (University of St. Andrews–United Kingdom)
“Deflationism and Indeterminacy”
Nikolaj Pedersen (University of California–Los Angeles) and Cory Wright (California State University–Long Beach) (co-authored paper)
“Truth, Pluralism, and Correspondence”

GVI-8. Society for the Advancement of American Philosophy
7:30-10:30 p.m.
Topic: International Applications
Chair: Gregory Fahy (University of Maine–Augusta)
Speakers:
Tan Sor-hoon (National University of Singapore)
“How Can a Chinese Democracy be Pragmatic?”
Thamy Pogrebinschi (Instituto Universitario de Pesquisas do Rio de Janeiro–Brazil)
“Pragmatism: A Philosophy for Latin American Practice”
Stefan Neubert (University of Koln–Germany)
“John Dewey and Stuart Hall on Culture and Communication”

Commentator: Judith Green (Fordham University)

**GVI-9. Society for the History of Political Philosophy**

7:30-10:30 p.m.

**Topic:** Rousseau and Modern Political Thought  
Chair: Ronna Burger (Tulane University)  
Speakers: Matthew Oberrieder (Mercer University)  
“‘The Roots of Modern Political thought in Machiavelli’s *Prince*”  
Denise Schaeffer (Holy Cross College)  
“Rousseau on Judgment”  
Richard Velkley (Tulane University)  
“Rousseau’s Legislator”  
Evanthia Speliotis (Bellarmine University)  
“Rousseau’s Reveries and Socrates”  
Michael Davis (Sarah Lawrence College)  
“The Essence of Babel: Rousseau on the Origin of Languages”

**GVI-10. Society of Philosophers in America**

7:30-10:30 p.m.

**Topic:** Avoiding Moral Blindness in Business  
Chair: Doug Anderson (Southern Illinois University–Carbondale)  
Speakers: Kenneth Stikkers (Southern Illinois University–Carbondale)  
“What’s an Economy Good For? An Aristotelian Rethinking of Economics”  
Eric Thomas Weber (University of Mississippi)  
“Pragmatism, Deontology, and Market Regulation”

**GVI-11. Søren Kierkegaard Society**

7:30-10:30 p.m.

**Topic:** Kierkegaard and Authenticity  
Chair: J. Aaron Simmons (Hendrix College)  
Speakers: Adam Buben (University of South Florida)  
“Heidegger, Kierkegaard and Authentic Being-toward-death”  
Noreen Khawaja (Stanford University)  
“Kierkegaard and Heidegger on Authenticity”
Noel Adams (Marquette University)
“Towards a Muslim Conception of Authenticity: Some Kierkegaardian Reflections on Contemporary Islam’s Confrontation with Modernity”

Commentator: J. Aaron Simmons (Hendrix College)

GVI-12. World Institute for Advanced Phenomenological Research and Learning
7:30-10:30 p.m.
Topic: The Case of God in Tymieniecka’s Ontopoiesis of Life
Speakers: Patricia Trutty-Coohill (Siena College)
“Heralding the New Enlightenment”
Daniela Verducci (Macerata University–Italy)
“Time within Eternity: A Metaphysical Perspective Newly Opened by Anna-Teresa Tymieniecka’s Ontopoietical Logos of Life”
Nancy Billias (St. Joseph’s College)
“Tymieniecka’s Phenomenology of Life and the New Enlightenment”

GVI-13. Experimental Philosophy Society
7:30-10:30 p.m.
Speaker: Stephen Stich (Rutgers University)
“Experimental Philosophy as a Subversive Activity”
Commentator: Alfred Mele (Florida State University)
Speaker: Jen Wright (College of Charleston)
“Stability of Intuitions: A Matter of Confidence?”
Commentator: John Bengson (University of Texas)
Speaker: Justin Sytsma (University of Pittsburgh)
“The Proper Province of Philosophy: Conceptual Analysis and Empirical Investigation”
Commentator: Chauncey Maher (Dickinson College)
Speaker: Blake Myers-Schulz (University of Wisconsin-Madison)
“Judgments of Belief and Knowledge: Interactive yet Independent”
Commentator: Mark Phelan (University of North Carolina–Chapel Hill)
TUESDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 29, 2009

GROUP SESSION VII – 9:00-11:00 A.M.

GVII-1. American Society for Value Inquiry  
9:00-11:00 a.m.  
Topic: Presidential Address  
Chair: Thomas Magnell (Drew University)  
Speaker: TBA

GVII-2. International Institute for Field Being  
9:00 a.m.-Noon  
Chair: Laura Weed (College of St. Rose)  
Speakers: Jung-Yeup Kim (Kent State University)  
“Zhang Zai’s Qi Qua Field”  
Kwang-Sae Lee (Kent State University)  
“Some Reflections on Environmental Aesthetics”  
May Sim (The College of the Holy Cross)  
“Aristotle and Zhu Xi: Resources for Environmental Ethics”  
(This session will continue past 11:00 a.m.)

GVII-3. Personalist Discussion Group  
9:00-11:00 a.m.  
Topic: Personalism in the 21st Century: Three Examples  
Chair: Doug Anderson (Southern Illinois University–Carbondale)  
Speakers: Tom Buford (Furman University)  
“Person beyond Being?”  
Richard Beauchamp (Christopher Newport University)  
“Sacramental Personalism”  
Richard Prust (St. Andrews Presbyterian College)  
“Which Comes First, the Character of an Act or the Person who Acts? A Personalist Answer to a Trick Question”

GVII-4. Sartre Circle  
9:00-11:00 a.m.  
Topic: Imagination, Nothingness, and Philosophical Questioning  
Chair: Ronald Santoni (Denison University)
Speaker: Smaranda Aldea (Emory University)
“Thinking With Sartre: Imagination the Path of Philosophy?”

Commentator: David Carr (Emory University)

GVII-5. Society for Asian and Comparative Philosophy
9:00-11:00 a.m.

Topic: Subjectivity in Indian Thought
Chair: Douglas Berger (Southern Illinois University–Carbondale)

Speakers:
Stephen Kaplan (Manhattan College)
“Grasping at Authorship and/or Polemics? A Study in Early Advaita Textuality”

Bina Gupta (University of Missouri)
“Is Advaita Vedanta’s Atman Subjectivity?”

David Lawrence (University of North Dakota)
“Pratyabhijna Philosophy of the Transcendental Subject”

Commentator: Douglas Berger (Southern Illinois University–Carbondale)

GVII-6. Society for Systematic Philosophy
9:00-11:00 a.m.

Topic: Symposium on Freedom and Embodiment
Chair: Marcella Goldsmith (Independent Scholar)

Speaker: J. Melvin Woody (Connecticut College)

Commentator: Robert Berman (Xavier University)

GVII-7. Society for the Advancement of American Philosophy
9:00 a.m.-Noon

Topic: Reconsidering William James’ Pluralism and Radical Empiricism
Chair: Mathew Foust (University of Oregon)

Speakers:
Kara Barnette (University of Oregon)
“Intimate Pluralisms and United Selves: William James’ Noetic and Religious Pluralisms”

Mark Fagiano (Emory University)
“Kant, James, and Racial Identity”

Catherine Homan (Emory University)
“The Return to Life: James and Davidson on Language and Experience”
Katherine Schweitzer (Emory University)
“William James: Pragmatist, Radical Empiricist, Experimental Philosopher?”

(This session will continue past 11:00 a.m.)

GVII-8. Society for the Philosophy of Human Life Issues
9:00-11:00 a.m.

Topic: Superkitten Ethics, or the Proper Use of Science Fiction Examples in Moral Reasoning: A Disputed Question for Audience Debate

Chair: Joseph Koterski (Fordham University)
Speakers: Celia Wolf-Devine (Stonehill College)
          Philip Devine (Providence College)
Commentator: David Boonin (University of Colorado)

GROUP SESSION VIII – 11:15 A.M.-1:15 P.M.

GVIII-1. APA Committee Session: Democratic Authority

Arranged by the APA Committee on Philosophy and Law
11:15 a.m.-1:15 p.m.

Chair: David Lefkowitz (University of Richmond)
Speakers: Samantha Besson (Duke University)
          “International Human Rights and Democratic Authority”
          Thomas Christiano (University of Arizona)
          “Democratic Authority and International Politics”
          Henry Richardson (Georgetown University)
          “Normative Consent, Authority, and the Duty to Obey”

GVIII-2. American Society for Value Inquiry
11:15 a.m.-1:15 p.m.

Topic: Character and Virtue

Chair: G. John Abbarno (D’Youville College)
Speakers: Patricia Murphy (St. Joseph’s University)
          “Character, Agency and Actions in Aristotle”
          George Boger (Canisius College)
          “Is Aristotle’s Virtue Ethics Applicable to Modern Human Rights?”
GVIII-3. Foucault Circle  
11:15 a.m.-1:15 p.m.  
**Topic:** Putting Foucault to Work: Deploying Genealogy in Contemporary Inquiry  
Chair: Colin Koopman (University of Oregon)  
Speakers: Ladelle McWhorter (University of Richmond)  
“A Genealogy of Neoliberalism, Part I”  
Todd May (Clemson University)  
“A Genealogy of Neoliberalism, Part II”  
Commentator: Brad Stone (Loyola Marymount University)  
(Papers will be available at http://www.foucaultcircle.org/)

GVIII-4. International Society for Chinese Philosophy  
11:15 a.m.-1:15 p.m.  
**Topic:** Author Meets Critics: Bryan Van Norden’s *Menzi*, with Selected Commentaries  
Critics: Stephen Angle (Wesleyan University)  
Susan Blake (Indiana University)  
Jiyuan Yu (University at Buffalo–State University of New York)  
Author: Bryan Van Norden (Vassar College)

GVIII-5. Molinari Society  
11:15 a.m.-1:15 p.m.  
**Topic:** Intellectual Property: Is it Legitimate?  
Chair: TBA  
Speakers: Bob Schaefer (Independent Scholar)  
“Response to Kinsella: A Praxeological Look at Intellectual Property Rights”  
G. Nazan Bedirhanoglu (Binghamton University–State University of New York)  
“History of the Reification of the Intellect”  
Commentators: Charles Johnson (Molinari Institute)  
Roderick Long (Auburn University)  
Jennifer McKitrick (University of Nebraska–Lincoln)

11:15 a.m.-1:15 p.m.  
**Topic:** Queer Phenomenology: Sara Ahmed and the Politics of Disorientation  
Chair: Marcos Bisticas-Cocoves (Morgan State University)  
Speakers: Ami Harbin (Dalhousie University–Nova Scotia)  
“Sexual Authenticities”
Ada Jaarsma (Sonoma State University)
“Ahmed and the Existential Possibilities of Disorientation”

Alexis Shotwell (Laurentian University)
“Becoming Gendered: Ahmed and Butler on New Normativities”

GVIII-7. Society for Applied Philosophy

11:15 a.m.-1:15 p.m.
Topic: Justice and Education
Chair: Hugh LaFollette (University of South Florida)
Speakers: Harry Brighouse (University of Wisconsin–Madison)
“Are There Any Principles of Justice for Education?”
Michael McPherson (Spencer Foundation) and Matt Smith (Spencer Foundation) (co-authored paper)
“Non-Ideal Justice and the Distribution of Higher Education”
Commentator: Randall Curren (University of Rochester)

GVIII-8. Society for Skeptical Studies

11:15 a.m.-1:15 p.m.
Chair: Patrick Hawley (Hong Kong University)
Speakers: Otávio Bueno (University of Miami)
“Infinitism and Pyrrhonism”
Brian Ribeiro (University of Tennessee–Chattanooga)
“Skepticism and Epistemic Akrasia”
Shawn Graves (Cedarville University)
“Disagreements and Bootstrapping”


11:15 a.m.-1:15 p.m.
Topic: Visual Arts
Chair: Christopher Grau (Clemson University)
Speakers: Christy Mag Uidhir (City College–City University of New York)
“Caricature as Defective Depiction”
Margrethe Vaage (Norwegian University of Science and Technology)
“Fictional Reliefs and Reality Checks: On Engagement in Real and Fictional Characters in Film”
Aaron Smuts (Temple University)
“‘Pickman’s Model’: Horror and the Objective Purport of Photographs”

GVIII-10. Society for the Philosophy of Human Life Issues

11:15 a.m.-1:15 p.m.

Topic: A Retributive Theory of Punishment Can Still Include a Principle of Forgiveness: A Disputed Question for Audience Debate

Chair: Peter Simpson (City University of New York)
Speakers: Ed Grippe (Norwalk Community College)
John Humphrey (North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University)

GVIII-11. Society for Women in Philosophy

11:15 a.m.-1:15 p.m.

Topic: Resisting the Damages of Sexism and Racism

Chair: Jen McWeeny (John Carroll University)
Speakers: Cecile Lawrence (Binghamton University–State University of New York)
“The Case of the Missing Areolae: Race and Breast Reduction Surgery”
Esa Diaz-Leon (University of Manitoba)
“What is Social Construction?”
Tom Digby (Springfield College)
“Gender Terrorism, PeeWee Football, and Hip-Hop: Feminism Beyond the Zero-Sum Gender Game”

(Business meeting to follow.)

TUESDAY AFTERNOON, DECEMBER 29, 2009

GROUP SESSION IX – 1:30-4:30 P.M.

GIX-1. American Association for the Philosopher's Study of Society

1:30-4:30 p.m.

Topic: Selections from a Festschrift for Tibor R. Machan

Chair: Aeon Skoble (Bridgewater State College)
Speakers: Douglas Rasmussen (St. John’s University)
“Perfectionism and the So-Called Naturalist Fallacy”
James Sterba (University of Notre Dame)
“Liberty to Equality: Yet Another Try”
Anthony Lisska (Denison University)  
“God, Aquinas, and Revisionist Natural law Theory”  
Commentator: Tibor Machan (Chapman University)

**GIX-2. Concerned Philosophers for Peace**  
1:30-4:30 p.m.  
**Topic:** Ethics and AfPak: Ethical Issues about U.S. Involvement in Afghanistan and Pakistan  
Chair: John W. Lango (Hunter College–City University of New York)  
Speakers: Daniel Dombrowski (Seattle University)  
John W. Lango (Hunter College–City University of New York)  
George R. Lucas, Jr. (U.S. Naval Academy)  
Eric Patterson (Georgetown University)

**GIX-3. Hegel Society of America**  
1:30-4:30 p.m.  
**Topic:** Hegel and Analytic Philosophy  
Chair: William Maker (Clemson University)  
Speakers: Kenneth Westphal (University of Kent–United Kingdom)  
“Self-Consciousness, Anti-Cartesianism, and Cognitive Semantics in Hegel’s 1807 Phenomenology”  
Paul Redding (University of Sydney–Australia)  
“Some Limits of Analytic Hegelianism: An Internal Critique”  
Christopher Yoemans (Purdue University)  
“Hegel and Analytic Philosophy of Action”

**GIX-4. Institute for the Advancement of Philosophy for Children**  
1:30-4:30 p.m.  
**Topic:** Philosophy, Education, and the Care of the Self  
Chairs: Megan Laverty (Columbia University)  
Maughn Gregory (Montclair State University)  
Speakers: Antonio Cosentino (Centro di Ricerca per l’Insegnamento Filosofico–Italy)  
“Philosophy for Children as the Practice of Freedom”  
Darryl DeMarzio (University of Scranton)  
“Dialogue, the Care of the Self, and the Beginning of Philosophy”
Jason Howard (Viterbo University)
“Emotions of Self-Assessment and Self-Care: Cultivating and Ethical Conscience”

Walter Kohan (State University of Rio de Janeiro–Brazil) and Jason Wozniak (State University of Rio de Janeiro–Brazil) (co-authored paper)
“Philosophy as Spiritual and Political Exercise in an Adult Literacy Course”

Olivier Michaud (Montclair State University)
“Monastic Meditations on Philosophy and Education”

GIX-5. International Society for Comparative Studies of Chinese and Western Philosophy
1:30-4:30 p.m.

Topic: Comparisons Between American Philosophy and Chinese Philosophy

Chair: Joseph Grange (University of Southern Maine)
Speakers: Gregory Fahy (University of Maine–Augusta)
“Hua-yen Buddhism and John Dewey: Emptiness, Compassion, and the Philosophical Fallacy”

Matthew Foust (University of Oregon)
“The Centrality of Loyalty in the Teachings of Confucius and Josiah Royce”

Carl Dull (Southern Illinois University–Carbondale)
“Zhuangzi and Thoreau on the Relation between Nature and Politics: Developing Vocabularies of Protest, Economic Criticism, and Freedom”

William Day (LeMoyne College)
What is it to Really Know? Zhenzhi and Acknowledgment in Wang Yangming and Stanley Cavell

Commentator: Joseph Grange (University of Southern Maine)

GIX-6. Société Internationale pour l’Étude de la Philosophie Médiévale
1:30-4:30 p.m.

Topic: What is Medieval Logic After All? Towards A Scientific Use of Natural Logic

Chair: Laurent Cesalli (Université de Genève–Switzerland)
Speakers: Maarten Hoenen (Albert-Ludwigs-Universität Friburg–Germany)
“From a Natural to a Scientific Use of Language”
Gyula Klima (Fordham University)  
“The Metaphysical Import of Natural Language Analysis”

Irène Rosier-Catach (National Center for Scientific Research–Paris)  
“A Case of Sprachkritik: The Intricate Relations between Mind and Language”

**GIX-7. Society for Philosophy and Public Affairs**  
1:30-4:30 p.m.  
**Topic:** Democratizing New Media  
Chair: Carol Gould (Hunter College–City University of New York)  
Speakers: James Bohman (St. Louis University)  
“Internet Publics and Transnational Democratization: From Minipublics to Minidemois”  
Noelle McAfee (George Mason University)  
“Mobilizing versus Organizing in a Web 2.0 World: On Using the Internet to Create More Participatory Politics”  
Jeffrey Goldfarb (New School for Social Research)  
“Obama’s New Media and the Politics of Small Things”  
Colin Koopman (University of Oregon)  
“Public Pluralism and Internet Democratization”

**GIX-8. Society for the Study of Process Philosophies**  
1:30-4:30 p.m.  
Chair: William Myers (Birmingham Southern College)  
Speakers: Michael Brady (Southern Illinois University–Carbondale)  
“A Process Metaphysics of Evolution: Pushing Whitehead and Bergson Together”  
Ravi Doshi (Southern Illinois University–Carbondale)  
“Kant and Whitehead: Analogous Analogy?”  
Joseph John (Southern Illinois University–Carbondale)  
“Whitehead’s Speculative Pragmatism”
Tuesday Evening, December 29, 2009

Group Session X – 7:00-10:00 p.m.

GX-1. Session Sponsored by the APA Board of Officers

7:00-9:00 p.m.

Topic: Chairs’ Caucus: Advice for New Chairs

Speakers: John Bickle (Mississippi State University)
          Saul Fisher (Hunter College–City University of New York)
          Valerie Hardcastle (University of Cincinnati)
          Brian McLaughlin (Rutgers University)
          David Schrader (APA Executive Director)

(This session will end at 9:00 p.m.)

GX-2. American Association of Philosophy Teachers

7:00-10:00 p.m.

Topic: Philosophy as General Education: Aligning Learning Objectives with the Core Curriculum

Chair: Russell Marcus (Hamilton College)

Speakers: Peter Bradley (McDaniel College)
          Andrew Carpenter (Ellis University)
          Wendy Turgeon (St. Joseph’s College–Long Island)

Topic: Philosophy as General Education: The Evidence of Student Learning

Chair: Kevin Hermberg (Dominican College)

Speakers: Donna Engelmann (Alverno College)
          Joan Forry (Vanderbilt University)
          Alan Grose (Long Island University–Brooklyn)

GX-3. American Society for Philosophy, Counseling, and Psychotherapy

7:00-10:00 p.m.

Topic: Practical Issues in Philosophical Practice

Chair: Kevin Aho (Florida State University)

Speakers: Samuel Zinaich, Jr. (Purdue University–Calumet)
          “The Tension between Philosophical Counseling and Diagnosis”
          Elliot Cohen (Indian River State College)
          “Using Logic-Based Therapy to Confront Hard Economic Times”

(Business meeting to follow.)
GX-4. Association of Chinese Philosophers in America
7:00-10:00 p.m.

Topic: Classical Confucianism and Greek Philosophy
Chair: Tongdong Bai (Xavier University)
Speaker: Sean Walsh (University of Minnesota)
“Confucius and Aristotle on Contemplation and Friendship in Political Science”
Commentator: Tongdong Bai (Xavier University)
Speaker: Wang Huaiyu (Georgia College and State University)
“Euthyphro and Gong the Upright: Reflecting on the Meanings of Piety in Socratic and Confucian Moral Teachings”
Commentator: Stephen Walker (University of Chicago)
Speaker: David Schiller (Confucian Policy Initiative)
“Chinese Ke-ji (Is it ‘Discipline’ or ‘Enabling’?) vs. Greek Acedia, Akrasia, and Arete”
Commentator: On-Cho Ng (Pennsylvania State University)

GX-5. George Santayana Society
7:00-10:00 p.m.

Chair: Angus Kerr-Lawson (University of Waterloo–Ontario)
Speakers: Brian Garrett (McMaster University–Ontario)
“Santayana on Teleology and Animism”
Richard Rubin (Washington University–St. Louis)
“The Nature of the Self in Santayana”

GX-6. North American Nietzsche Society
7:00-10:00 p.m.

Topic: Nietzsche and Darwin: Reflections on the Sesquicentenary of the Origin
Chair: Christa Acampora (Hunter College/Graduate Center–City University of New York)
Speakers: Patrick Forber (Tufts University)
Dirk Johnson (Hampton-Sydney College)
Catherine Wilson (Aberdeen College–United Kingdom)

GX-7. Radical Philosophy Association
7:00-10:00 p.m.

Topic: Borders, Boundaries, and Cultures: On National, Transnational, and Global Citizenship
Chair: Michelle Switzer (Whittier College)
Speakers: Grant Silva (University of Oregon)
“Thinking From the Outside of Nationality: Enrique Dassel’s Missing Thesis on Migration, Participatory Democracy, and Citizenship?”

John Kaag (University of Massachusetts–Lowell)
“The Passing of the First-born: Dubois, Fanon, and the Obstacles to National Culture”

Michelle Switzer (Whittier College)
“Is Fraying Connections to the Land and History the Way to Universal Political Membership? On Benhabib’s Rights to Others”

GX-8. Society for Iberian and Latin American Thought
7:00-10:00 p.m.

Topic: The Development of Latin American Philosophy
Chair: Linda Martín Alcoff (Hunter College and Graduate Center–City University of New York)

Speakers: Jorge Gracia (University at Buffalo–State University of New York)
“Latin American Philosophy in the U.S.: Past, Present, and Future”

James Maffie (Colorado State University/University of Maryland)
“Mesoamerican Philosophical Themes in the Era of Contact”

Ofelia Schutte (University of South Florida)
“Existential and Cultural Dimensions of Latin American Philosophy”

Susana Nuccetelli (St. Cloud State University)
“How Should Analytic Philosophers Think about Latin American Philosophy?”

Gregory Pappas (Texas A&M University)
“The Discovery of Unexplored and Promising Areas of Research in Latin American Philosophy”

Otávio Bueno (University of Miami)
“Latin American Philosophy: Its Impact and Significance”

GX-9. Society for Medieval and Renaissance Philosophy
7:00-10:00 p.m.

Topic: Dimensions of Knowing and Immortality
Chair: Helen Lang (Villanova University)
Speakers: Jean-Luc Solère (Boston College)
“Intentionality and the Activity of the Cognitive Subject in Medieval Theories of Knowing”

Paul Blum (Loyola College–Maryland)
“The Epistemology of Immortality: Ficino, Pomponazzi, Searle”

GX-10. Society for the Philosophic Study of the Contemporary Visual Arts
7:00-10:00 p.m.
Topic: Film and Philosophy
Chair: Rosemary Twomey (Lehman College–City University of New York)
Speakers: Alessandro Giovannelli (Lafayette College)
“Identification and the Enigma of Stanley Kubrick’s Eyes Wide Shut”
Michael Garral (Baruch College–City University of New York)
“Philosophy and Narration in Crimes and Misdemeanors”
John McAteer (University of California–Riverside)
“‘Maybe Goodness is Just Make-Believe’: Optimism, Self-Deception, and Rashomon”
Paul Santilli (Siena College)
“‘The Massacre Is Not In My System’: Dissociation, Memory, and Responsibility in Waltz with Bashir”
Kevin Sweeney (University of Tampa)
“Sideways: Does Good Taste Morally Improve Character?”

GX-11. Society for the Philosophy of Sex and Love
7:00-10:00 p.m.
Chair: Patricia Marino (University of Waterloo–Ontario)
Speaker: Yolanda Estes (Mississippi State University)
“J. G. Fichte’s Account of Feminine Sexual Desire”
Commentator: Jane Dryden (Mount Allison University)
Speaker: Yiftach Fehige (University of Toronto)
Commentator: Lanei Rodemeyer (Duquesne University)
GX-12. Society for the Study of Women Philosophers
7:00-10:00 p.m.

Topic: Women in the American Philosophical Tradition
Speakers: Mike Jostedt (Southern Illinois University–Carbondale)
“Jane Addams: Educating Toward Constructive and Reflective Listening”
Catherine Villanueva Gardner (University of Massachusetts–Dartmouth)
“Frances Wright: Interconnectivity and Synthesis”

GX-13. Society of Christian Philosophers
7:00-9:00 p.m.

Topic: Presentism vs. Eternalism
Speakers: Katherin Rogers (University of Delaware)
“Eternalism”
Bryan Frances (Fordham University)
“Presentism”
(This session will end at 9:00 p.m.)

GX-14. World Institute for Advanced Phenomenological Research and Learning
7:00-10:00 p.m.

Topic: Author Meets Critics: Anna-Teresa Tymieniecka’s The Fullness of the Logos in the Key of Life
Chair: Thomas Ryba (Purdue University)
Critics: Kathleen Haney (University of Houston)
“Metaphysics Opening Reason to Faith”
Carmen Cozma (University Al. I. Cuza–Romania)
“Anna-Teresa Tymieniecka’s Ethics: An Inspiration for the Contemporary World”
Author: Anna-Teresa Tymieniecka (World Phenomenology Institute)

WEDNESDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 30, 2009

GROUP SESSION XI – 9:00-11:00 A.M.

GXI-1. International Society for Comparative Studies of Chinese and Western Philosophy
9:00-11:00 a.m.

Topic: Selfhood and Agency in Chinese Thought
Chair: Stephen Angle (Wesleyan University)
Speakers:  Tao Jiang (Rutgers University)
“Relationality of the Self and Freedom in Classical Chinese Thought”

Hagop Sarkissian (City University of New York)
“Despising Others: Two Lessons from the Analects”

David Tien (National University of Singapore)
“Empathy and the Self in the Moral Psychology of Wang Yangming”

Commentator:  Stephen Angle (Wesleyan University)

GXI-2. International Society for Environmental Ethics

9:00-11:00 a.m.

Chair:  Jason Simus (University of North Texas)
Speakers:  Benjamin Hale (University of Colorado–Boulder)
“Nonrenewable Resources and the Inevitability of Outcomes”

Roman Altschuler (Stony Brook University–State University of New York)
“Capabilities and Normativity beyond Rationality and Sentience”

Angela Breitenbach (Cambridge University)
“The Value of Nature: An Analogical Approach”

GXI-3. Society for Philosophy in the Contemporary World and International Society for Universal Dialogue

9:00 a.m.-Noon

Topic:  Challenges to Cosmopolitanism

Chair:  R. Dillon Emerick (Palomar College)
Speakers:  Audrey Anton (Ohio State University/Denison University)
“Collective Responsibility about Omissions”

Alyssa Bernstein (Ohio University)
“Thomas Pogge’s Conception of Human Rights: Neither Metaphysical Nor Political”

Charles Brown (Emporia State University)
“The Hobbesian Nihilism of Neoliberalism”

James Irving (London School of Economics)
“Universal Confusion: Global Rights through the Prism of Self-Determination”

(Note: this session will continue after 11:00 a.m.)
GXII-1. Association of Chinese Philosophers in America

11:15 a.m.-1:15 p.m.

**Topic:** Dao Annual Best Essay Award

Chair: Yong Huang (Kutztown University)

Speaker: Justin Tiwald (San Francisco State University)

“A Right of Rebellion in the Mengzi (Mencius)?”

Commentators: Tongdong Bai (Xavier University)

Chad Flanders (St. Louis University)

Al Martinich (University of Texas–Austin)

GXII-2. Society for Applied Philosophy

11:15 a.m.-1:15 p.m.

**Topic:** Toleration, Respect, and Recognition

Chair: Suzanne Uniacke (University of Hull–United Kingdom)

Speakers: Brian Leiter (University of Chicago)

“Foundation of Religious Liberty: Toleration or Respect?”

Daniel Weinstock (University of Montreal)

“Why Toleration Isn’t Enough, and Why Recognition Is Too Much”
GXII-3. Society for the Philosophical Study of Marxism  
11:15 a.m.-1:15 p.m.  
**Topic:** Author Meets Critics: Amy Wendling’s *Karl Marx on Technology and Alienation*  
Chair: Bill Lewis (Skidmore College)  
Critics: Leigh Johnson (Rhodes College)  
Anne Pomeroy (Richard Stockton College)  
Author: Amy Wendling (Creighton University)  
(Papers will be available at http://www.pages.drexel.edu/~pa34/spsm_website.htm)

GXII-4. North American Herman Cohen Society  
11:15 a.m.-1:15 p.m.  
**Topic:** Kant’s Responses to Newton on Space and Causality  
Speakers: Abraham Stone (University of California–Santa Cruz)  
“Kant’s Qualified Defense of Newton’s Thesis that Space is a Direct Emanation of the First Cause”  
Lydia Patton (Virginia Polytechnic Institute)  
“Why Kant Needs the Principles: From Newton’s Fluxion Quantity to Kant’s Geometrical Magnitude”  
Robert DiSalle (University of Western Ontario)  
“Kant and Newton”  
(Papers will be available at http://criticalidealism.blogspot.com)

**Wednesday Afternoon, December 30, 2009**

**Group Session XIII – 1:30-4:30 P.M.**

GXIII-1. International Institute for Field Being  
1:30-4:30 p.m.  
**Topic:** Field Being Metaphysics and Epistemology  
Chair: Therese Dykeman (Fairfield University)  
Speakers: C. Wesley DeMarco (Clark University)  
“The Time Field”  
Laura Weed (College of St. Rose)  
“Relational Epistemology of Perception”  
Miran Bozovic (Ljubljuna University–Slovenia)  
“Death and Early Modern Metaphysics”  
Therese Dykeman (Fairfield University)  
“A Field Rhetoric for the Field of World Community”
GXIII-2. Society for Social and Political Philosophy

1:30-4:30 p.m.
Chair: Trent Hamann (St. John’s University)
Speakers: Michael Vaughan (University of Warwick–United Kingdom)
“Creative Evolution, Today: Bergson and Contemporary Biology”
J. Aaron Simmons (Hendrix College)
“Between Walzer and Levinas: Political Viability as a Regulative Constraint for Environmental Philosophy”
Jennifer Scuro (College of New Rochelle)
“Reviving a Global Ecological Feminism: An Ecopolitics of Homeplace”
Julie Kuhlken (Misericordia University)
“Environmental Political Philosophy: On the Future of the Nation State”

(Papers will be available at http://www.sspp.us/)

GXIII-3. William James Society

1:30-4:30 p.m.

Topic: Jamesian Pluralisms
Chair: Paul Croce (Stetson University)
Speakers: H. G. Callaway (Independent Scholar)
“The Meaning of Pluralism”
Frederick Ruf (Georgetown University)
“A Turbid, Muddled, Gothic Self: William James’s Pluralistic Universe and the Auto/Biographies of Schizophrenia”

Commentator: Wesley Cooper (University of Alberta)

GXIII-4. Association for Informal Logic and Critical Thinking

1:30-4:30 p.m.

Topic: Argument Assessment in Informal Logic
Speaker: David Hitchcock (MacMaster University)
Commentator: TBA
Speakers: Gary Seay (Medgar Evers College–City University of New York) and Susana Nuccetelli (St. Cloud State University)
“Reasoning, Normativity, and Experimental Philosophy”

Commentator: TBA
Speaker: James B. Freeman (Hunter College–City University of New York)
“Why Epistemic Probability is Non-Pascalian”
Commentator: TBA
MAIN AND GROUP PROGRAM PARTICIPANTS

(Group sessions are those beginning with ‘G’; all others are main sessions.)

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ABBARNO, G. John (D’Youville College)...........GI-1 Sun PM, GVIII-2 Tue AM
ACAMPORA, Christa (Hunter College/Graduate Center–City University
   of New York)...........................................................GX-6 Tue PM
ACAMPORA, Ralph (Hofstra University)...........III-E Mon PM
ADAMS, Noel (Marquette University)......................GVI-11 Mon PM
ADAMS, Robert (University of Oxford)...................VIII-D Wed PM
ADLER, Jonathan (Brooklyn College–City University of New York)
   ..............................................................................II-D Mon AM
AHO, Kevin (Florida State University)..............GVI-2 Mon PM, GX-3 Tue PM
AINSLIE, Donald (University of Toronto).............GV-5 Mon PM
ALCOFF, Linda Martín (Hunter College and Graduate Center–City
   University of New York)........ III-M Mon PM, GV-15 Mon PM, V-C Tue PM,
   GX-8 Tue PM, VIII-I Wed PM
ALDEA, Smaranda (Emory University)......................GVII-4 Tue AM
ALLEN, Amy (Dartmouth College)............................GV-1 Mon PM
ALLEN, Anita (University of Pennsylvania)............I-F Sun PM
ALTSCHULER, Roman (Stony Brook University–State University
   of New York).............................................................GXI-2 Wed AM
ANDERSON, Doug (Southern Illinois University–Carbondale)
   ...........................................................................GVI-10 Mon PM, GVII-3 Tue AM
ANDRESEN, Joshua (American University of Beirut)......VII-H Wed AM
ANDREW, Barbara (William Paterson University)........GV-9 Mon PM
ANGLE, Stephen (Wesleyan University)................GVIII-4 Tue AM, GXI-1 Wed AM
ANTON, Audrey (Ohio State University/Denison University)
   ...........................................................................GXI-3 Wed AM
APPIAH, Anthony (Princeton University)...............I-F Sun PM
APPLEBAUM, Arthur (Harvard University).............GI-6 Sun PM
ARLIG, Andrew (Brooklyn College–City University of New York)
   ...........................................................................V-E Tue PM
ARYAL, Yubraj (Purdue University)......................VII-H Wed AM
ASAY, Jamin (University of North Carolina–Chapel Hill)....VI-F Wed AM
AUDI, Paul (University of Nebraska–Omaha) .........................VIII-E Wed PM
AUDI, Robert (University of Notre Dame) ............................ VIII-D Wed PM

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BACH, Theodore (University of Connecticut) ..........................V-G Tue PM
BAI, Tongdong (Xavier University) ...........................................GV-7 Mon PM, GX-4 Tue PM, GXII-1 Wed AM
BAKER, Jennifer (College of Charleston) ..............................GII-9 Mon AM
BALOG, Katalin (Yale University) ...........................................III-H Mon PM
BARNETTE, Kara (University of Oregon) ..............................GVII-7 Tue AM
BAR ON, Bat-Ami (Binghamton University–State University of New York) ................................GV-15 Mon PM
BAUER, Michael (Fordham University) ..................................GI-4 Sun PM
BAUER, Nancy (Tufts University) .............................................GII-8 Mon AM, VIII-H Wed PM
BEALL, J.C. (University of Connecticut) ..................................II-F Mon AM
BEAUCHAMP, Richard (Christopher Newport University) .......GVII-3 Tue AM
BEAVERS, Anthony (University of Evansville) ...............GV-12 Mon PM
BEDIRHANOGLU, G. Nazan (Binghamton University–State University of New York) ...........GVIII-5 Tue AM
BEHUNIAK, James (Colby College) .........................................GIV-4 Mon PM
BELL, Macalester (Columbia University) ...............................III-B Mon PM
BENGSON, John (University of Texas) .................................GVI-13 Mon PM
BERBER, Nathan (University of Haifa–Israel) ......................GIII-5 Mon AM
BERGER, Douglas (Southern Illinois University–Carbondale) ........GVII-5 Tue AM
BERMAN, Robert (Xavier University) ......................................GVII-6 Tue AM
BERNARD, Christopher (University of Maryland) ..................VII-G Wed AM
BERNSTEIN, Alyssa (Ohio University) ...................................GX-3 Wed AM
BERNSTEIN, Jay (New School for Social Research) ...............GV-13 Mon PM
BERNSTEIN, Sara (University of Arizona) .........................VIII-E Wed PM
BERTHOLD, Daniel (Bard College) ..........................................GV-2 Mon PM
BERTHRONG, John (Boston University) .................................GIV-4 Mon PM
BESSON, Samantha (Duke University) ..............................GVIII-1 Tue AM
BEVERS, Brett (University of California–Irvine) ...............VIII-H Wed PM
BEZZUBOVA, Elena (University of California–Irvine) .......GI-3 Sun PM
BICKLE, John (Mississippi State University) .........................GX-1 Sun PM
BILLIAS, Nancy (St. Joseph’s College) .................................GVI-12 Mon PM
BIRMINGHAM, Peg (DePaul University) ..............................GV-13 Mon PM
BIRT, Robert (Bowie State University) .................................VI-I Wed AM
BISTICAS-COCOVES, Marcos (Morgan State University) .......GVIII-6 Tue AM
BLAKE, Susan (Indiana University) ........................................GVIII-4 Tue AM
BLOCK, Ned (New York University) ......................................I-A Sun PM
BLUM, Paul (Loyola College–Maryland) ..................V-I Tue PM, GX-9 Tue PM
BLUSTEIN, Jeffrey (City University of New York–Graduate Center) ..........................................................III-B Mon PM
BOBONICH, Christopher (Stanford University) .................V-B Tue PM
BOGER, George (Canisius College) ..................................GVIII-2 Tue AM
BOHMAN, James (Saint Louis University) ...................II-C Mon AM, GIX-7 Tue PM
BOLTON, Martha Brandt (Rutgers University) ..................GII-4 Mon AM, GIII-7 Mon AM
BOONIN, David (University of Colorado) .......................GVII-8 Tue AM
BORDNER, Seth (University of North Carolina–Chapel Hill) .......IV-E Tue AM
BORGE, Steffen (University of Tromsø–Norway) ..................GII-3 Mon AM
BOROS, Gábor (Eötvös Loránd Tudományegyetem University Budapest–Hungary) ........................................ V-I Tue PM
BOWDITCH, Nathaniel (American University in Cairo) ........ VI-H Wed AM
BOWIE, Norman (University of Minnesota) ........................ GV-10 Mon PM
BOWMAN, Brady (Pennsylvania State University) ..............VIII-G Wed PM
BOXILL, Bernard (University of North Carolina–Chapel Hill) ..........................................................I-F Sun PM, VI-E Wed AM
BOZOVIC, Miran (Ljubljuna University–Slovenia) ..............GXIII-1 Wed PM
BRADLEY, Peter (McDaniel College) ............................GX-2 Tue PM
BRADY, Emily (University of Edinburgh–United Kingdom) .... GII-5 Mon AM
BRADY, Michael (Southern Illinois University–Carbondale) ... GIX-8 Tue PM
BRAKAS, Jurgis (Marist College) ........................................V-D Tue PM
BRAKE, Elizabeth (University of Calgary–Alberta) ..............GIII-3 Mon AM
BRANDON, Robert (Duke University) .............................V-B Tue PM
BRAVER, Lee (Hiram College) ..........................................VI-B Wed AM
BREITENBACH, Angela (Cambridge University) .................GXI-2 Wed AM
BRIGHOUSE, Harry (University of Wisconsin–Madison) .........GI-II-3 Mon AM, GVIII-7 Tue AM, V-C Tue PM
BRISCOE, Robert (Ohio University) ..................................III-H Mon PM
BROGAARD, Berit (University of Missouri–St. Louis) .......... V-F Tue PM
BROOKS, Thom (University of Newcastle–United Kingdom) .........................................................GV-3 Mon PM
BROWER, Jeff (Purdue University) ...................................V-E Tue PM
BROWER-TOLAND, Susan (Saint Louis University) ..............I-C Sun PM
BROWN, Charles (Emporia State University) .....................GXIII-3 Wed AM
BROWN, Eric (Washington University–St. Louis) ...............V-B Tue PM
BROWN, Linda (Yeshiva University) ..................................IV-F Tue AM
BROWN, Charles (Emporia State University) ........................GXIII-3 Wed AM
BRUCKNER, Donald (Pennsylvania State University) ............IV-F Tue AM
BRUNERO, John (University of Missouri–St. Louis) ............VII-H Wed PM
BRUNSON, Daniel (Pennsylvania State University) .............VII-H Wed AM
BUBEN, Adam (University of South Florida) .....................GVI-11 Mon PM
BUCK, Richard (Mount Saint Mary’s University) ..................... GV-9 Mon PM
BUENO, Otávio (University of Miami) .................................................. GI-8 Sun PM, GVIII-8 Tue AM, GX-8 Tue PM, VIII-I Wed PM
BUFORD, Tom (Furman University) .................................................. GVII-3 Tue AM
BUENO, Otávio (University of Miami) ............................... GI-8 Sun PM, GVIII-8 Tue AM, GX-8 Tue PM, VIII-I Wed PM
BUFORD, Tom (Furman University) ............................... GVII-3 Tue AM
BURAK, Ken (Northampton Community College) ............... V-K Tue PM
BURGER, Ronna (Tulane University) ......................................... GVI-9 Mon PM
BURGESS, John (Princeton University) ......................... III-C Mon PM
BURROUGHS, Michael (University of Memphis) .......... II-G Mon AM
BURSTEIN, Matthew (University of Pittsburgh–Johnstown) ............... VIII-B Wed PM
BURTT, Shelley (Barnard College) ......................... GIII-3 Mon AM
BUSS, Sarah (University of Michigan) ........................................ II-D Mon AM
BYRNE, Clark (Indiana University/Purdue University) .......... GV-2 Mon PM
BYRNE, Alex (Massachusetts Institute of Technology) .......... V-F Tue PM
BYRON, Michael (Kent State University) ...................... IV-K Tue AM
BYWATER, Bill (Allegheny University) ...................... GVI-4 Mon PM

CAFFENTIZ, George (University of Southern Maine) .......... GIV-2 Mon PM
CAHEN, Arnon (Washington University–St. Louis) ............... V-F Tue PM
CALAHAN, Daniel (The Hastings Center) .................... III-L Mon PM
CALLAWAY, H. G. (Independent Scholar) ............ GXIII-3 Wed PM
CALVERT-MINOR, Chris (University of Wisconsin–Whitewater) .... IV-D Tue AM
CAMP, Elisabeth (University of Pennsylvania) ........ III-A Mon PM
CAMPBELL, John (University of California–Berkeley) ............ I-A Sun PM
CANTENS, Bernardo (Moravian College) ........... VIII-I Wed PM
CAREY, Rosalind (Lehman College–City University of New York) .... GIII-2 Mon AM
CARLSON, Allen (University of Alberta) ....................... GII-2 Mon AM
CARLSON, John (Creighton University) .................... GII-6 Mon AM
Carpenter, Andrew (Ellis University) .................. GX-2 Tue PM
CARR, David (Emory University) .................................. GVII-4 Tue AM
CARROLL, Noël (Temple University) .................... GIII-2 Mon AM
CARRUTHERS, Peter (University of Maryland) ........ III-F Mon PM
CARSON, Emily (McGill University) .................. II-A Mon AM
CARVALHO, John (Villanova University) ............... IV-J Tue AM
CASEY, Edward (Stony Brook University–State University of New York) .................. Presidential Address Tue PM
CASSAM, Quassim (University of Warwick–United Kingdom) .... V-H Tue PM
CERBONE, David (West Virginia University) ................... VI-B Wed AM
CESALLI, Laurent (Université de Genève–Switzerland) .... GIX-6 Tue PM
CHAN, Wing-Ceuk (Brock University–Ontario) ......................GIV-1 Mon PM
CHANCE, Brian (University of Pennsylvania) .......................VI-H Wed AM
CHARLTON, David (Western Michigan University) .................GII-3 Mon AM
CHEN, Shuman (Northwestern University) ............................GV-6 Mon PM
CHENG, Chung-ying (University of Hawaii) ..........................GIV-1 Mon PM
CHERNYAK, Nadia (Cornell University) ...............................GII-9 Mon AM
CHOI, Suk (Towson University) .............................................GVI-3 Mon PM
CHRISTIANO, Thomas (University of Arizona) ......................GVIII-1 Tue AM
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DECONSTRUCTION, NORMATIVITY, AND DEMOCRACY TO COME (VII-H)

Joshua P. Andresen, American University of Beirut

This presentation engages the ongoing debate over the normative dimension of Derrida’s writings by focusing on his work on democracy. I argue that there is an inextricable normative dimension to deconstruction and that deconstruction cannot divest itself of normative claims; however, it cannot be said that these claims either derive from or are grounded by deconstruction. While no norms can be derived from deconstructive analysis, that same analysis can be and is used to promote certain norms in Derrida’s work. By clearly identifying these performative and normative “excesses,” we gain a more complete understanding of deconstruction’s relation to the ethical and political, as well as a fundamental insight into the more properly performative and strategic dimensions of Derrida’s engagement with democracy.

HOW TO EXPRESS ONTOLOGICAL COMMITMENT IN THE VERNACULAR (VI-F)

Jamin Asay, University of North Carolina—Chapel Hill

In his recent work on ontological commitment, Jody Azzouni has sought to undermine the Quinean view that one’s ontological commitments are determined by the domain of quantification of the regimentation into first-order logic of a theory that one accepts. According to Quine, one undertakes ontological commitments only in theoretical contexts; no ontological commitments are expressed in ordinary, vernacular language. Azzouni agrees with Quine that ontological commitments are expressed only via regimentations. But Azzouni also adopts a second thesis, which is at odds with the Quinean view. Rather than identifying a theory’s ontological commitments with the domain of its quantifiers, Azzouni locates a theory’s ontological commitments with the extension of an existence predicate. I shall argue that Azzouni’s two theses undermine one another. If ontological commitments follow from predications of existence, then ontological commitments must be able to be expressed in the vernacular.

THREE TYPES OF ANTIREDUCTIONISM (VIII-E)

Paul Audi, University of Nebraska—Omaha

This paper outlines a new approach to the ontology of mental properties. The backbone of this approach is a fine-grained conception of properties, opposed to the view that essence of a property is exhausted by its causal role. I begin by arguing that at least some mental properties are not identical
to any physical or functional properties. I appeal to two metaphysical theses. The first is my account of property identity, according to which properties are individuated by their roles in the (non-causal) relation of grounding. The second is the thesis that a person's mental properties play a role in grounding certain normative facts that no physical or functional fact could play. I go on to indicate three forms of antireductionism compatible with my conclusion. In each case, I show how the underlying account of properties and grounding yields a novel account of the relationship between mental and physical properties.

**Gender, Essentialism, and Historical Kinds (V-G)**

*Theodore Bach, University of Connecticut*

Traditional debate on the metaphysics of gender has been a contrast of essentialist and social-constructionist positions. The standard reaction to this opposition is that neither position alone has the theoretical resources required to satisfy an equitable politics. This has caused a number of theorists to suggest ways in which gender is unified on the basis of social rather than biological characteristics but is "real" or "objective" nonetheless—a position I refer to as social objectivism. This essay begins by making explicit the motivations for social objectivism. I then propose that gender is better understood as a real kind with an historical essence, analogous to the biologist's claim that species are historical entities. I argue that this proposal achieves a better solution to the problems that motivate social objectivism. Moreover, the account is consistent with a post-positivist understanding of the classificatory practices employed within the natural and social sciences.

**Overdetermination Problems (VIII-E)**

*Sara Bernstein, University of Arizona*

The literature on the exclusion problem in philosophy of mind is vast, but the alternative to exclusion, causal overdetermination, is poorly understood. I explain and distinguish between two problems that are run together in the literature on causal overdetermination: (i) Is overdetermination physically possible (and if so, how widespread is it? and (ii) Is overdetermination a problem? I argue that much of the confusion stems from working with a loosely defined overdetermination schema, rather than fully specified notions of overdetermination. The schema is:

(OD) Causes c1 and c2 overdetermine an effect e if distinct, occurring causes c1 and c2 are sufficient to cause e in the way that it occurs.

I show how different satisfiers for each portion of the schema (distinctness of causes, occurrence, causation, and precision in the way that the effect occurs) yield different notions of overdetermination. I then explain how separating the notions of overdetermination shows that some problems are more benign than others, and that some problems are not problems at all.
“Principles” and Pathology in Hume's *Natural History of Religion* (VI-H)

*Nathaniel Bowditch, American University in Cairo*

The *Natural History* can be, and has been, read as presenting an extended historical version of a, by now, familiar Humean critique of religion: religious beliefs are unjustified because they are irrational. I argue, however, that in this text Hume’s ultimate aim is not to provide another rational critique of religion, but a moral one. Artificial virtues, like justice, preserve and protect the well being—the “health”—of both the individual and society. Clearly, Hume does not think this is the case with religion. In fact, the *Natural History* reads like an argument for the opposite claim: the consequences of almost all forms of religious belief are predominantly negative and contrary to the well-being—or again, the health—of both the individual and society. So, while justice is an artificial virtue, it is, according to Hume, natural in a way that religion—an irrational and unhealthy vice—is not.

My Point of View (III-H)

*Robert E. Briscoe, Ohio University*

It is a platitude that the spatial representational content of visual experience depends on the perceiver’s perspective or point of view. How literally, however, should “point of view” talk be taken in this context? I argue here that there is no single, privileged, bodily locus that counts as me for purposes of characterizing my consciously perceived spatial relation to an object. Egocentric spatial representation in visual experience rather takes its bearing from the motoric possibilities of the body as a whole. In this connection, I review a recent model of coordinate transformation in cognitive neuroscience called “conversion-on-demand.” On this model, it is the abiding possibility of converting eye-centered information about target location into motor actions—and not a complete and explicit representation of visuomotor space—that underwrites our sense of “bodily readiness” to act in respect of the objects we see.

An Alternative to Color Relationalism (V-F)

*Berit Brogaard, University of Missouri-St. Louis*

Empirical evidence indicates that normal perceivers exposed to the same color stimulus in the same viewing conditions often have different color experiences. Jonathan Cohen has argued that color relationalism offers a better account of this sort of color variability than non-relational forms of realism. I offer an alternative to color relationalism, which I call “perspectival primitivism.” According to perspectival primitivism, the colors are primitive color properties which objects can possess only relative to perceivers. Perspectival primitivism, I argue, offers an equally plausible account of color variability but gives us a more satisfactory account of color discourse.
**Present Desire Satisfaction and Past Well-Being (IV-F)**

*Donald W. Bruckner, Penn State University*

One version of the desire satisfaction theory of well-being holds that only the satisfaction of one’s present desires for present states of affairs impacts one’s well-being. So if I desire fame today and become famous tomorrow, my well-being is positively affected only if tomorrow, when I am famous, I still desire to be famous. I show that the present desire satisfaction view entails that one never has reason to advance one’s future-directed desires, which is absurd. As a remedy, I argue, contrary to the present desire view, that the satisfaction of past desires that are no longer held is always good for one. The satisfaction of past desires is good for one in the sense that the satisfaction of past desires in the present positively impacts how well one’s life was going in the past, and thereby increases one’s past well-being. I conclude by defending this view against objections.

**What Is the Epistemic Problem of Perception? (V-F)**

*Arnon Cahen, Washington University in St. Louis*

The answer can be formulated as an inconsistent triad:

Perceptual justification -- Some perceptions provide us reasons (for beliefs or actions)

Exclusivity -- Only beliefs provide us reasons

Bifurcation -- No perception is a belief

The central claim of this paper is that a refined version of each proposition is independently plausible, and that reflecting on this buoyant inconsistency illuminates central concerns in the epistemology of perception. The negation of any member of the triad carries characteristic costs that reveal natural cleavages in the literature on perception. I will finally suggest that rejecting, or modifying, exclusivity is the least costly, yet also least attended to strategy in the literature.

**Hope, Intuition, and Inference (III-G)**

*Julianne Chung, University of Calgary*

According to Jonathan Weinberg, intuition, or at least the standard philosophical practice involving intuitions, has the epistemically deleterious characteristic of being unmitigatedly fallible in a certain way: namely, it has the characteristic of being what Weinberg calls “hopeless.” In the first section of this paper, I will explain why Weinberg takes hopelessness to be particularly worthy of our epistemic scorn, and why he considers the standard philosophical practice involving intuition to be hopeless. In the second section, I sketch an account that I think accurately depicts the phenomenology of intuitions about cases. On this account, intuitions about cases are taken to be like logical inferences. Thus, it might be appropriate to call my account the “inference account” of intuitions. In the third section I argue that, if this account is correct, the standard philosophical practice of appealing to intuitions might be hopeful after all.
TRUST AND THE TRICKSTER PROBLEM (VII-G)

ZAC COGLEY, OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY

It is generally agreed that to trust someone involves relying on that person’s good will. It is also generally agreed that trusting someone requires more than simply relying on that person’s good will. For example, a trickster who relies on your good will to get you to act in accord with his plan does not trust you to do so. Any account of trust must explain this fact. In this paper, I show that recent accounts of trust due to Karen Jones and Pamela Hieronymi cannot solve the trickster problem. However, I demonstrate that a new account of trust that relies on insights in their accounts can explain why the trickster does not trust you.

SELF-GOVERNANCE AND IDENTIFICATION (VIII-H)

STEFAN L. COJOCARU, BOSTON UNIVERSITY

This paper argues against the notion of autonomy of the will on the grounds that the state of willing is not a state in which the agent governs herself. The main premise of the argument stresses a fact which conceptions of autonomy of the will ignore: that the willing agent’s motive does not stem from a positive—sensible or intellectual—drive or motivational force. Rather, it is essential to her motive that she lacks (in some sense) the motivation to do what she wills to do. Willing presupposes making a motivational effort, which means that the motive behind willing cannot be unfailingly the agent’s own. Through a critical discussion of two accounts of autonomy of the will, those of Harry Frankfurt (1971) and his prominent critic, Gary Watson (1975), the paper shows why conceptions of autonomy of the will cannot but regard the will as a positive motivational force.

ARISTOTLE ON STRENGTH OF WILL (III-J)

TIM CONNOLLY, EAST STROUDSBURG UNIVERSITY

Recent work by Richard Holton and Alison McIntyre (HM) explores a novel sense in which a person can be said to exhibit incontinence, namely, by breaking her resolutions. Such “weakness of will” is distinct from the more widely discussed “akrasia,” or action against one’s better judgment; one can break one’s resolutions without being akratic, and vice versa. The question for resolution theorists hence becomes how strength of will is possible: How can I stick to my resolutions over time? In this paper, I develop an Aristotelian account of strength of will. First, I argue that Aristotle sees incontinence as closer to HM-style weakness of will than is usually thought. Second, since Aristotle thinks the strong-willed person is distinguished by his prohairesis (“choice” or “intention”), I reconstruct his view of how it is possible to abide by this faculty. This prohairetic account offers a viable alternative to that given by HM.
IS ARISTOTLE AN ARISTOTELIAN REALIST? (V-E)

PHIL CORKUM, UNIVERSITY OF ALBERTA

Nominalists deny that universals exist altogether. Aristotelian realists hold that universals do not exist uninstantiated. In this paper, I’ll argue that Aristotle’s own position, although weaker than nominalism, is stronger than Aristotelian realism. Aristotle holds that universals exist and so advocates a view weaker than nominalism. Yet Aristotle also holds that universals are ontologically dependent on particulars. As I’ll note, if universals are ontologically dependent on particulars, then they cannot exist uninstantiated; yet if they cannot exist uninstantiated, they need not be ontologically dependent on particulars. So Aristotle advocates a view stronger than Aristotelian realism. The picture that will emerge is that Aristotle holds that universals are wholes of which particulars are parts. So the ontological dependence of universals on particulars is not merely an incapacity for uninstantiated existence but a distinctly mereological dependence.

PREFERENCE AND DISCRIMINATION (IV-I)

JOHN CORVINO, WAYNE STATE UNIVERSITY

In this paper I am interested in the moral constraints on discrimination. More specifically, I am interested in what to do when seemingly non-problematic preferences (e.g., the desire to hire a chauffeur who is a John Gielgud look-alike) require, for their satisfaction, seemingly problematic discrimination (e.g., on the basis of race, sex, and age). The paper is largely devoted to laying the groundwork for addressing this problem. In it I distinguish between rational, irrational, and non-rational preferences; I also argue that non-rational preferences are neither avoidable nor inherently suspect as a basis for discrimination. Furthermore, I explore the notion of a “job qualification” and argue that the distinction between “technical,” “intrinsic,” or “bona fide” qualifications, on the one hand, and “extrinsic” qualifications, on the other, cannot solve the problem of when preference-based discrimination is morally permissible.

AGING AND SOCIAL JUSTICE: A PHENOMENOLOGICAL INVESTIGATION (VIII-F)

ZACHARY DAVIS, SAINT JOHN’S UNIVERSITY

In this paper, I provide a phenomenological account of aging and show how this account can address forms of age discrimination and injustice. Such an account is becoming increasingly critical as the welfare state attempts to adjust to the aging populations of the post-industrial countries. My primary focus is the relation between aging and time. Part 1 of this study describes how time consciousness is transformed by the experience of aging, demonstrating the unique and heterogeneous quality of one’s life time. Part 2 suggests how phenomenology can function as a type of critical gerontology in examining the management and production of discrimination in the time of aging.
OBLIGATIONS TO FUTURE GENERATIONS (VII-F)

DAVID DEGRAZIA, GEORGE WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY

It seems obvious that we have moral obligations to future generations—for example, to stem the tide of global warming. But explaining the basis for such obligations proves tricky. Two specific factors challenge the effort to make sense of the obligations in question: (1) the nonexistence and indeterminate identities of future people, and (2) the nonidentity problem. Addressing these challenges is met by casting doubt on a temporally bound correlativity thesis regarding rights and obligations directed to particular individuals. A promising strategy for addressing the more difficult second challenge—the nonidentity problem—appeals to both culpable indifference, a consideration of virtue, and impersonal harm.

MINDED THE GAP: THE VALIDITY OF KANT’S DERIVATION OF THE FIRST FORMULA (V-H)

KATHERINE DIMITRIOU, UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA–CHAPEL HILL

Among commentators of Kant’s ethics, there appears to be near unanimity on at least this one point: Kant’s derivation of the first formula suffers from one of the greatest philosophical flaws. There is a crucial gap in the argument, leaving the derivation invalid. I review various objections to the derivation, and argue that certain ways of seeing the (putative) problem present us not with problems for the derivation, but rather a puzzle about it. This will put us in a better position to see what the trouble must be in so far as there is a problem at all. After pinpointing the real objection, I argue that the derivation is in fact valid. Taking seriously Kant’s commitment to the Categorical Imperative as a practical law reveals a route of argumentation that secures the first formula as the moral law.

RECONSIDERING RELATIONAL AUTONOMY: A FEMINIST APPROACH TO SELFHOOD AND THE OTHER IN THE THINKING OF MARTIN HEIDEGGER (VIII-H)

LAUREN FREEMAN, BOSTON UNIVERSITY

When considering continental philosophy’s contribution to feminist thinking, the name Martin Heidegger does not come to mind, except, perhaps, as a target of criticism. In this paper, however, I argue that Heidegger’s notion of authentic Mitdasein (being-with) represents a rejection of traditional notions of autonomy in favor of an intersubjective understanding of selfhood analogous to contemporary feminist accounts of relational autonomy. Both attempt to overturn the notion of a subject as an isolated, atomistic individual and to show that selfhood requires, and is based upon, one’s relation to and dependence upon others. Both view the concept of autonomy to be misguided, given that our capacity to be self-directed is dependent upon our ability to enter into and sustain meaningful relationships. In light of this convergence, Heidegger’s thinking not only stands up to certain feminist critiques, but it also shares many of their criticisms of the tradition.
CONCEPTUALISM, HOT THEORY, AND THE RICHNESS ARGUMENT (III-H)

ROCCO GENNARO, UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN INDIANA

In this paper, I defend conceptualism against a well-known (phenomenological) objection based on the alleged “richness” of experience. Conceptualism is roughly the view that the content of perceptual experience is fully determined by concepts possessed by the subject. I first define some key terms and offer criteria for concept possession. I then explain the richness argument and present several replies to it, including to two versions of the argument based on memory. Each argument is designed to show that one’s initial experience must have been richer than the concepts possessed at that time. I also show how such phenomena as peripheral awareness, inattentional blindness, and change blindness can be utilized by the conceptualist. Finally, I argue that a similar argument against the higher-order thought (HOT) theory of consciousness also fails.

HOW TO BE A DIRECT REALIST (V-F)

JAMES GENONE, UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA–BERKLEY

Many philosophers claim to hold a view of perceptual experience that is a version of, or is at least compatible with, direct realism. It is usually left unclear, however, exactly what direct realism is, and what is involved in affirming it. In this essay I will identify the core commitments of direct realism, and argue that representationalist theories of perceptual experience that are often thought to be compatible with direct realism cannot in fact achieve this while maintaining the aim of providing a theory of perceptual error.

A SOLUTION TO THE PARADOX OF VOTING (III-I)

ALEX GUERRERO, NEW YORK UNIVERSITY

That voting is irrational seems to follow from certain rational choice models which highlight that voting has costs for each individual voter and that the likelihood that any individual voter’s vote will be pivotal in favor of one’s preferred candidate is very small. This gives rise to the “paradox” of voting. Put informally, it does not seem to make sense to vote in order to causally affect electoral outcomes, but it seems odd to vote for any other reason. I argue that each individual voter and non-voter causally affects through her voting behavior this feature of the electoral outcome: the strength of the elected representative’s normative mandate. I argue that if we support a candidate, we ought to want that candidate’s normative mandate to be as strong as possible, and so we rationally ought to vote in order to strengthen that candidate’s normative mandate.

MACHINES IN THE LIFE OF DECONSTRUCTION (VII-H)

SAMIR HADDAD, FORDHAM UNIVERSITY

In this paper I argue that there has been a tendency to avoid theorizing the machine when considering the life of deconstruction, both in Derrida’s
work and that of many of his commentators. As a result, there emerges from these writings a traditional and inaccurate understanding of life as the event of the purely new. I propose that a better approach is to theorize life on the basis of the uncanny, in order to generate a more satisfactory conception of life that involves the machine, a life essentially related to death.

**THE BENEFIT OF DOUBT IN SOCIAL IDENTIFICATION (V-G)**

*Ami Harbin, Dalhousie University—Nova Scotia*

In this paper, I consider the political promise of identity doubt. I provide an account of “creative identity doubt” as a fruitful, indirect cultural identificatory practice. Drawing on (and ultimately departing from) Linda Martin Alcoff’s account of identity politics, I distinguish creative and harmful practices of cultural identity doubt, and highlight how others can call our socio-cultural identities into question with us in ways which help reduce harm and strengthen disadvantaged cultural communities.

**NON-DOMINATION VERSUS PURE NEGATIVE LIBERTY (III-I)**

*M. Harbou, Vanderbilt University*

This paper examines the conceptual differences between liberty understood as non-domination and liberty understood as non-interference. I assess a recent debate between Philip Pettit and proponents of the pure negative view of liberty, Matthew Kramer and Ian Carter, who argue that the negative conception, properly understood, better accounts for the sorts of violations of liberty that Pettit asserts are uniquely captured by the non-domination view. I will first argue that Pettit’s responses to Kramer and Carter’s criticisms are insufficient. In particular, Pettit fails to appreciate the merits of individuating options in the manner required by the pure negative view. Second, I will argue that Pettit’s consequentialist approach to the value of non-domination makes his view particularly vulnerable to the kinds of criticisms leveled by Kramer and Carter and as such prevents him from developing a more adequate response.

**CONSEQUENTIALIST RIGHTS AND THE RIGHOLDER AS THE SOURCE OF DUTIES (IV-I)**

*Frederick Harrington, University of Wisconsin—Madison*

Disagreement exists over which, if any, moral rights we have. One means that can help determine and justify which moral rights we have is by establishing their theoretical underpinnings. In this paper, I examine the plausibility of one prominent type of proposed grounding for moral rights: consequentialist groundings. Much has been written about whether consequentialist groundings of rights can accommodate the peremptory force, or “trumping” feature, of rights. I explore a different feature of rights that presents a challenge to consequentialist groundings of rights, namely, that they maintain the righholder as the source of the associated duties of others. I offer a novel critique that, even if some consequentialist theories can accommodate the peremptory force of rights, any consequentialist
theory that aggregates across individuals cannot accommodate this second feature of rights. I conclude that there are insurmountable conceptual barriers to consequentialist groundings of rights.

**Neglecting Space: Making Sense of a Partial Loss of One’s World through a Phenomenological Account of the Spatiality of Embodiment (VIII-F)**

**Kirsten Jacobson, University of Maine**

Space is not something we experience as a conglomeration of points that we know by means of a “physical” map of neural data—as empiricism would hold—or by means of a unifying map provided by consciousness—as rationalism would claim. This paper explicates Merleau-Ponty’s insights into the role the body has in shaping spatial perception. I use Merleau-Ponty’s notion of “spatial level” to provide a novel phenomenological interpretation of “spatial neglect.” I conclude that our ability to be variably oriented is only interpretable on the basis of a conception of spatiality that acknowledges the body’s involvement in the production of space itself.

**A Liberal Theory of Asylum (VIII-G)**

**Andy Lamey, University of Western Australia**

Hannah Arendt argued that refugees pose a major problem for liberalism. Most liberal theorists endorse the idea of human rights. At the same time, liberalism takes the existence of sovereign states for granted. When large numbers of people petition a liberal state for asylum, Arendt argued, these two commitments will come into conflict. An unwavering respect for human rights would mean that no refugee is ever turned away. Being sovereign, however, allows states to control their borders. States supposedly committed to human rights will thus often violate the rights of refugees by denying them entry. In this presentation I attempt to defend liberalism from Arendt’s criticism by outlining a rights-based model of asylum that is enforceable by sovereign states. Central to my argument is a distinction between the place where a person is recognized as a rights-bearing agent, and the potentially different place where he or she exercises those rights.

**A Problem with Conceptually Paralleling Race and Class: Class Mobility and Racial Responsibility (V-G)**

**Emily Lee, University of California–Fullerton**

Among the three lenses of race, gender, and class, class alone is not locatable in the phenotypic features of the body. One can personally change only class; one holds responsibility for one’s class. This paper traces the implications of this quality of class in two parts. Part one explains class mobility’s central role in neoclassical economic theory. Part two clarifies a Marxist argument that subsumes race within a class analysis and Foucault’s position that a conceptual framework about race founds class analysis. Marxist scholars claim that classism causes and explains racism. Race scholars have acknowledged that classism causes racism,
and that racism causes classism, but not that racism explains classism. Foucault’s work implies that the framework for understanding a feature beyond one’s responsibility metamorphoses for understanding a feature within one’s responsibility—that racism explains classism. I conclude with an interesting consequence of the persistent association of race and class.

**MERCY AND JUST LEGAL PUNISHMENT (VI-E)**

**DAVID LEFKOWITZ, UNIVERSITY OF RICHMOND**

In this paper I defend the standard view that genuinely merciful treatment must be done from the motive of compassion against a recently proposed contrary position according to which there are several reasons for exercising leniency in punishment that suffice, but that are not necessary, to render such treatment an instance of genuine mercy. I then rebut the retributivist’s charge that since it involves giving an agent less punishment than he is due, mercy necessarily conflicts with just punishment. Given an understanding of punishment being due an agent in terms of various agents having a right to his being punished, I argue that a legitimate state may treat a criminal mercifully without acting unjustly if the criminal consents to such treatment, and the leniency the state shows him does not exceed the percentage of the criminal’s total wrong constituted by his denial of the state’s morally justified claim to authority.

**TRUTH AND WARRANTED ASSERTION (IV-G)**

**CLAYTON LITTLEJOHN, SOUTHERN METHODIST UNIVERSITY**

It seems that the arguments offered in support of the knowledge account of assertion really only motivate the considerably weaker view on which S’s assertion that p is true is warranted iff S reasonably believes that she knows p to be true. I shall argue that this rival account of warranted assertion fails because it fails to accommodate folk intuition about the justification of action. I’ll try to give defenders of the knowledge account something they need, a defense of the truth requirement on warranted assertion.

**THE MORAL BASIS OF GLOBAL HEALTH AID (VII-F)**

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Global disparities in health are a major form of injustice. A rich literature has established the moral plausibility of global health obligations. Two styles of argument are familiar. The “humanity model” stresses that all human beings, regardless global location, are fundamentally moral equals; and this gives everyone an obligation to seize opportunities to assist others. The “institutional model” stresses that the entrenchment of transnational institutions has connected the lives of the world’s rich and poor, since the design of those institutions at once secures the high standard of living of the affluent and reinforces the continued deprivation of many of the global
poor. Institutional arguments have been criticized for overly restricting the scope of global justice. This paper extends that criticism by discussing the related, yet distinct issue of determining priority in the receipt of health aid, where the institutional model either leads us astray or is merely silent.

**MORAL COHERENCE AND THE FRAGMENTATION OF VALUE (VI-G)**

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In this paper I take on the question: Assuming we are right to value, as we do, in ways that are fragmented, what does this imply for the pursuit of moral coherence as a method of moral reasoning? I argue for two claims. First, value fragmentation fits ill with interpreting the demand for coherence as including a norm of systematicity, that is, a norm that the general principles of a moral theory should be as few and as simple as possible. This aspect of “full coherence” is undermined by considerations of fragmentation. But second, a kind of minimal coherence, involving simply the requirement of treating like cases like, is consistent with value fragmentation and can be easily justified in this context. I conclude that these considerations give us reason to understand coherence methods in terms of “minimal” coherence rather than as the “rich” coherence associated with the search for systematicity.

**GROUPS AS EPISTEMIC AGENTS (III-G)**

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In two separate papers, Anthonie Meijers (2003) and Christopher McMahon (2003) have argued that groups can never be epistemic agents in their own right. According to the “non-divergence” argument, when the group has epistemic goals there can be no difference between what the group believes and what each of the members individually believe. Thus, group beliefs are merely the sum of the beliefs of the individual members and group epistemic agency is simply a function of individual epistemic agency. I argue, on the contrary, that in cases where the group and the members have differing epistemic risk settings, the group belief and individual member beliefs may indeed diverge. Furthermore, this divergence does not imply that either the group or the members are failing to fulfill their epistemic duties. If this argument succeeds, we will have overcome a major obstacle in the way of philosophical acceptance of group epistemic agency.

**MINIMALISM AND EXPRESSIVISM (IV-G)**

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There has been a great deal of discussion in the recent philosophical literature of the relationship between the minimalist theory of truth and the expressivist metaethical theory. One group of philosophers contends that this minimalist theory of truth and expressivism are compatible, the other group contends that such theories are incompatible. I will call the former position “compatibilism” and the latter position “incompatibilism.”
The claim that there is such an incompatibility, I will argue, is based on a misunderstanding of the essential commitments of expressivism. I will present an account of the expressivist theory that is clearly consistent with minimalism, and argue that the core of the dispute between expressivists and their opponents is a metaphysical dispute over the status of moral properties.

SKEPTICISM ABOUT MORAL EXPERTISE AS A PUZZLE FOR MORAL REALISM (VI-G)

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In this paper, I develop a neglected puzzle for moral realism. The puzzle concerns our attitude toward moral deference, as compared to deference in other domains. I then canvass some potential responses.

A NOTE ON THE STOIC THEORY OF PHANTASIA (III-J)

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In this paper, I raise a problem concerning the proper interpretation of the Stoic theory of phantasia. Stoics distinguish those impressions which are practical from those which are alethic or truth-oriented. It is usually held that they restrict the property of catalepsis to the latter. However, I think there are reasons for thinking that at least some Stoics took there to be practical (=hormetic) impressions that are also cataleptic. If this is correct, then the crucial concept of assent is also re-opened to question. Stoics are usually taken to believe that it is in principle possible for us to give or withhold our assent to all hormetic impressions. However, if there are hormetic impressions that are also cataleptic, then by definition it is impossible for us to withhold our assent to those impressions.

KANT’S CRITIQUE OF JUDGMENT AND ITS POLITICAL POTENTIAL: INTRODUCING ROUSSEAU INTO ARENDT’S ANALYSIS OF KANT (V-H)

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In this paper I investigate Hannah Arendt’s claim that Kant’s Critique of Judgment, when read politically, marks a break with Platonic political thinking. By exploring the documented influence of Rousseau on Kant, I trace a substantive connection between Rousseau’s General Will and Kant’s sensus communis. Following through on this link with Rousseau, I discover a political role for Kant’s genius vis à vis Rousseau’s Lawgiver that calls into question the radical democratic disposition Arendt gives to the Third Critique. I conclude that despite Arendt’s being a bit overzealous in her championing of Kant, it is possible to see both Rousseau and Kant as inaugurating a role for the philosopher as a political midwife, making possible the transition from Plato’s philosopher king to true, egalitarian democracy.
HIGH-ORDER VAGUENESS AND THE TRICKLE-DOWN EFFECT (VI-F)

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I argue for a speaker-relativist account of vagueness. Like contextualism, speaker relativism advocates semantic license, that is, the idea that speakers have the discretion to judge the borderline cases of a vague predicate as they wish. Unlike contextualism, though, speaker relativism rejects the principle of tolerance. After discussing the advantages of holding semantic license, I explain why tolerance should be rejected. One important advantage of such a rejection is that it allows for a plausible treatment of high-order vagueness, mostly by avoiding what I call the trickle-down effect.

DOES KANT’S MENTAL CONTENT EXTERNALISM REQUIRE MIND-INDEPENDENT PARTICULARS? (V-H)

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Recently, realist readings of Kant’s transcendental reconstruction of the conditions of experience have received support from Kenneth Westphal’s rich and innovative interpretation, which argues that Kant is committed to an externalist theory of mental content (itself a part of our transcendental equipment) and claims that this enables a “transcendental proof for (not from)” realism. I first endorse the attribution of mental content externalism (MCE) to Kant and explain its connection with realism. I then argue that Westphal’s own construal of MCE remains vulnerable to an influential idealist rejoinder. I show that Kant possesses an additional argument to avoid the rejoinder, which vindicates the attribution of a coherent form of MCE and of an unequivocal commitment to mind-independent objects to Kant.

RETHINKING GENETIC DRIFT (VII-E)

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Genetic drift is traditionally seen as one of the “forces” guiding evolution, and as such it features in many evolutionary explanations. But exactly how it should be defined, and how then it might be explanatory, are matters of considerable dispute. I argue that importing recent work from the theory of causal explanation elucidates the issue. In particular, drift as usually conceived conflates miscellaneous unmodeled factors with the modeled factor of population size. But only the latter can be explanatory, so the effects of these two components must be disentangled. The reward for doing so is some surprising results about just how much drift does and does not really explain.

THE DOCTRINE OF DOUBLE EFFECT AS AN OBJECTIVE PRINCIPLE (IV-F)

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The Doctrine of Double Effect (DDE) states roughly that there are stronger moral reasons against inflicting harm as a means to an end than there are
against causing harm as a byproduct. On one reading this is a claim about reasons not to act with certain intentions, while on another it speaks against performing acts with a certain objective causal structure. While there are good reasons to prefer the objective reading, some have dismissed it as absurd. In this paper I defend the objective reading against this dismissal, which seems largely to depend upon the conflation of criteria of objective wrongness with other criteria. I present an objective formulation of the DDE according to which a harm’s bringing about a particular good weakens the extent to which that good counts in favor of bringing about the harm. This solves several problems and captures an intuitive injunction against benefitting at others’ expense.

**Ambiguous Figures and Representationalism (III-H)**

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Ambiguous figures pose a difficult dilemma for representationalists, particularly for representationalists who believe that the content of experience is non-conceptual (MacPherson 2006). This is because, in viewing ambiguous figures, subjects seem to be able to have experiences that differ in what it is like without differing in non-conceptual content. In this paper, I argue that ambiguous figures pose no problem for non-conceptual representationalists. I argue that aspect shifts do not presuppose or require the possession of sophisticated conceptual resources and that, although viewing ambiguous figures often causes a change in how the figure looks, this change is also generally accompanied by a change in non-conceptual content. I illustrate the case by considering specific examples.

**Augustine’s Confessions: Truth, Material Practice, and the Making of the Self (VIII-H)**

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The standard story that philosophers tell about Augustine is that it is his conversion to Platonism (through the work of Plotinus) that allows him to finally overcome his Manichean tendencies and ultimately leads to his Christian conversion. This paper calls this view into question. While Neo-Platonism may have influenced Augustine’s intellectual overcoming of Manicheanism, it should not be seen as determinative of his spiritual conversion. In the *Confessions* Augustine forges a much stronger link between bodily existence and the condition of the “soul” than the Neo-Platonic doctrine can allow. I argue that Augustine sees actual material (and bodily) practices as determinative of the kind of being that one is. Thus, Augustine’s spiritual development depends just as much on a particular set of material practices, as does his descent into concupiscence and not simply on a Christianized form of Neo-Platonist dualism.
ARISTOTLE ON “PURE STUFFS”: RETHINKING HIS CONCEPT OF HOMOIOMERES (V-E)
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This paper is meant to bring aspects of Aristotle’s worldview into sharper focus by clarifying a crucial notion of his natural philosophy. My central claim is that Meteorology IV—Aristotle’s (today rarely discussed but once extremely influential) “chemical treatise”—provides evidence that, contrary to the traditional interpretation, not all homoeomers or uniform materials are mixtures of earth, water, air, and fire. Rather, some of them consist of only one element, and yet that does not prevent, for instance, bodies consisting entirely of earth from displaying remarkably different behaviors among them and, so, from being divisible into distinct “classes” according to their material dispositions. If my interpretation is correct, it is high time we rethought and redefined Aristotle’s concept of homoeomer—relevant to the Aristotelian ontological landscape as well as to his theory concerning the emergence of dispositions (a topic still very much at the center of ongoing research and debates).

NIETZSCHE’S RECONCEPTION OF SCIENCE: OVERCOMING NIHILISM (VII-E)
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There is a puzzle over how to understand Nietzsche’s view of science. One approach finds him praising the superiority of scientific naturalism, while another contends Nietzsche felt science should either be relegated to one among many equally warrantable worldviews or somehow overcome altogether given nihilistic foundations. An argument is made for a position resting between these approaches. I show that through the lens of scientific constructivism Nietzsche uses the will to power and perspectivism to reconceive received notions of ontology and truth for the purpose of rendering science a life-affirming rather than life-negating discipline in order to answer the crisis of coming nihilism.

TWO CONCEPTIONS OF COMPENSATION (VI-E)
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Bernard Boxill emerged from his graduate education in the 1970s along with other influential African-descended philosophers like Leonard Harris, Howard McGary, Lucius Outlaw, and Naomi Zack. Since then, Boxill has been at the vanguard of the intellectual struggle over philosophical questions concerning justice and race. This paper offers a modest contribution to our understanding of Boxill’s philosophy. Specifically, my aim is to show that the conception of compensation and the distinction between compensation and reparation that Boxill draws in his classic essay “The Morality of Reparation” are problematic, and that he has since abandoned them in favor of a conception of compensation that includes both distributive compensation and rectificatory compensation. In so doing, he contradicts his claim that compensation cannot replace reparation.
MINENESS AND ANSWERABILITY IN HEIDEGGER’S BEING AND TIME (IV-H)

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The concept “mineness” is central to the ontology of the human being worked out by Heidegger in Being and Time, yet it is difficult to say what it amounts to. According to Taylor Carman, who gives the most promising recent interpretation of mineness, it: (1) has to do with “the ontological structure of the first-person”; (2) is a purely formal feature with no substantive content; and (3) “carries no definite normative implications.” I argue that, while Carman is largely right about (1) and (2), he is importantly wrong about (3). I show this by focusing on the connection Heidegger sees between mineness and answerability, and by relating the latter to his conception of authenticity. In the course of this I show that Heidegger’s “authenticity” involves an important “other-directed dimension of selfhood,” something Carman denies. I do that by interpreting authenticity in light of Heidegger’s treatment of Kant’s concept of respect.

HOBBES’ METHOD OF THINKING AGAINST THE CARTESIAN THINKING THING (VI-H)

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Hobbes’s Objections to Descartes’ Meditations have been either derided as “external” critiques from an unsympathetic materialist or hailed as “internal” critiques reaching the very heart of the matter. By bringing into this context overlooked elements of Hobbes’ own philosophical method and treating the common ground he shares with Descartes as a prerequisite to properly grasping this exchange, I balance these opposing views and provide a more coherent reading that stresses the soundness of his criticisms. Crucial to this reading is understanding Hobbes’ reworking of the concept of self-consciousness purely as a matter of method, which underwrites his adamant dispute with the Cartesian cogito precisely on Cartesian terrain, and which also helps appreciate a confluence of phenomenological sensitivity with materialist premises in his philosophy.

MORAL RESPONSIBILITY AND PRACTICAL SKEPTICISM (IV-H)

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This paper looks to identify and answer a special kind of skepticism which it labels practical skepticism. According to the practical skeptic, theoretical and practical rationality can irresolvably conflict. The paper focuses on a specific context in which the practical skeptic’s challenge has been posed: the debate concerning the compatibility of moral responsibility with determinism. It reconstructs and evaluates various positions in this debate (compatibilism/libertarianism, hard determinism, reconciliatory compatibilism, inclusivism) as answers to the practical skeptic. It agrees with the practical skeptic that these answers cannot meet her challenge. A different answer is proposed instead: to reconstruct the conflict of theoretical and practical reasons in this context as a special kind of incommensurability. In this case, the charge of irrationality can be escaped because it is not true that all responses to the predicament diagnosed by the skeptic are equally unreasonable.
CROWDER’S DIVERSITY ARGUMENT (III-I)

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Isaiah Berlin famously argued that value pluralism entails liberal political commitments. It is not generally agreed that Berlin’s arguments do not succeed. Accordingly Neo-Berlinians have taken up the project of securing the inference. In this paper, the author criticizes George Crowder’s attempt to secure the Berlinian entailment.

MASSES AND FOUR-DIMENSIONALISM (V-E)

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In this paper I argue for the truth of a surprising conditional: if masses exist, four-dimensionalism is true. Masses are physical objects like some water, some clay, and so on, the sorts of objects typically thought to be the referents of mass nouns. Four-dimensionalism is the thesis that objects persist through time by having temporal parts at different times. Philosophers sympathetic to masses are not difficult to find, though—perhaps surprisingly—most who believe in masses reject four-dimensionalism. My arguments show this position is untenable. This, by itself, is a surprising result, but there are other results that make the main argument noteworthy. For example, since masses exist if unrestricted composition is true (I argue this in the present paper), then my arguments show that if unrestricted composition is true, four-dimensionalism is true.

THE ROLE OF CONTEMPT IN KANTIAN ETHICS (VII-G)

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I argue in this paper that Kant can rightly employ contempt as an emotion of moral censure. Most Kant scholars claim that contempt is incompatible with the notion that all moral agents must be respected, but in the “Doctrine of Virtue” Kant readily appeals to contempt as an attitude that we take toward the vicious. I show that the apparent tension in Kantian ethics between contempt and respect can be resolved. Kant claims that the source of the vices is self-conceit, which causes the vicious agent to deny others their claims to proper self-respect. I believe Kant appeals to contempt because self-conceit cannot be the proper object of guilt or resentment. I argue that Kant can consistently justify contempt because it is directed at an individual’s self-conceited persona and not the humanity within her.

WHY OPEN-MINDED PEOPLE SHOULD ENDORSE DOGMATISM (III-G)

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Open-minded people should endorse dogmatism because of its explanatory power. In this context, dogmatism holds that a seeming that P necessarily suffices for prima facie non-inferential justification that P. Many philosophers overlook the explanatory power of dogmatism because they conflate sensations with seemings. I argue, in section 1, that seemings are distinct from sensations, thereby providing the background necessary
for appreciating dogmatism’s explanatory power. In section 2, I show that dogmatism can resolve the speckled hen problem. In section 3, I show that it can explain the Reidian intuition that, for some possible cognizer, an olfactory sensation might lead to a justified tactile belief. In section 4, I show that it can explain our ability to make non-inferentially justified perceptual identifications. It is particularly impressive that dogmatism can explain these three issues because prominent epistemologists have argued that it can’t explain the first two.

THE VISIONS AND VOICES OF OUR CAVERNOUS BODIES: INTERSUBJECTIVITY IN MERLEAU-PONTY’S PHILOSOPHY (VIII-F)

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By bringing together the insights of Waldenfels, Irigaray, and Merleau-Ponty, in this paper I argue that the intersubjective encounter should be understood through the dazzling mirror-play of our (hollow) bodies. I argue that the narcissistic vision which gives me nothing of the other is interrupted by the surprising echo of the voice. The subject is no longer reflected back to herself as always being in the center but instead she is fragmented, spread out, and relocated to the margin. The concave mirror thus sheds light on both the active-passive and centered-decentered dimensions of subjectivity.

LABOR IS SAID IN MANY WAYS (VIII-G)

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“Labor” is a foundational concept for the social and political philosophies of modernity. However, the concept is ambiguous and leads to equivocations of meaning in these philosophies. I offer a disambiguation of the concept, charting three senses in which the concept is used (1) ontologically to describe all activities of the human person; (2) historically to describe only certain forms of activity in particular contexts of productive life; and (3) as a category of capitalist modernity that requires both (1) and (2), even when these are not coherent with one another. I argue that the third sense of labor has the greatest explanatory power, both as a key to understanding the use of “labor” in the social and political philosophies of modernity and as a key to our current uses of the concept of “labor.”

AGITATION AND TORMENT: HEGEL ON SOVEREIGNTY, EMERGENCY, AND THE FOUNDATION OF THE MODERN STATE (VIII-G)

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While Hegel’s political philosophy has been lauded for its prescient political-economic insight, some readers have complained that it does not provide a substantive remedy for the poverty that “agitates and torments” modern society. This paper argues that Hegel does not offer any such solution because, for him, the sovereign state in fact depends upon the persistence of poverty. Whereas a state’s achievement of external sovereignty requires the presence of another state, its achievement of internal sovereignty...
requires the presence of a different, internal other. This role is played by
the impoverished and alienated underclass that constantly threatens the
stability of the Hegelian state. Ethical life cannot eliminate poverty because
poverty, and the insecurity that it engenders, are necessary to the highest
development of the state.

GRASPING THE NOBLE (III-J)

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John McDowell’s account of deliberation in Aristotle is interesting both
as an interpretation of Aristotle and as an approach to moral psychology
in general. In this paper I focus on his interpretation of Aristotle. I
suggest a particular reading of the relation between the character
virtues and the concept of the noble in Aristotle’s Nicomachean Ethics.
I show how this reading can be used to replace a problematic feature of
McDowell’s interpretation, while remaining within a broadly McDowellian
framework.
ABSTRACTS OF INVITED AND SYMPOSIUM PAPERS

FAITH, FAITHFULNESS, AND VIRTUE (VIII-D)
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The concept of faith is central in the philosophy of religion, and the concept of virtue is central in ethics. Both can be clarified by exploring their relationships with each other and their connection with conduct, with reasons for action, and with the good. A natural question is whether faith is a virtue, but this cannot be answered apart from some account of what faith is and what is required for a characteristic of a person to count as a virtue. The answer also depends on whether we are speaking of religious faith or of faith in general and on what “content” the faith in question has. This paper approaches this question by comparing and contrasting faith with faithfulness, connecting both with trust, and exploring conditions under which each may count as a virtue. The proposed account of faith, faithfulness, and virtue requires distinguishing among different kinds of virtues and different kinds of faith. All of these elements can be moral or non-moral and religious or non-religious; and among virtues, in the wide sense of the term, there are at least three kinds important for this paper: virtues of character, of personality, and of attitude. Each of these has cognitive, motivational, and behavioral dimensions (among others). The question whether characteristics of persons—particularly faithfulness and faith—count as virtues is pursued in relation to all three.

FORGIVENESS, COMMENORATION, AND THE PRACTICE OF RESTORATIVE JUSTICE (III-B)
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Restorative justice is a relatively new concept in the field of transitional justice. Its advocates claim that it promotes desirable outcomes for victims, offenders, and the community in the aftermath of large-scale violence. There are two sorts of restorative justice practices that I will highlight in this paper: (a) processes of public apology and forgiveness; and (b) commemorative ceremonies, to borrow Paul Connerton’s term. Memory is implicated in both sorts of practices: genuine forgiveness requires remembrance of the wrong done, and commemorative ceremonies bind the community together in public acts of memorialization. In the early phases of transition from repressive to democratic regimes, emotions run high among the victims. The memories of past violence are powerful and infused with anger and hostility toward the perpetrators. If public apologies are forthcoming and these emotions can be overcome, victims may be able to forgive the wrongdoers. Indeed, on some views, it is definitional
of forgiveness that the victims overcome or moderate negative emotions directed toward the wrongdoers in virtue of their wrongdoing, emotions that include the various forms of moral anger. The victims may never be able to forget the wrong and those who committed it, and they may still have residual non-retributive negative feelings toward the perpetrators. But they can in this way forgive the wrongdoers and so release them from the burdens of self-reproach.

This is how the literature of restorative justice tends to view forgiveness. I call it a sentiment-based view and contrast it with a performative account of forgiveness, championed by P.E. Digeser. On the performative view, we can intelligibly speak about forgiveness, even in interpersonal contexts, in the absence of negative emotions of any sort. The overcoming of moral anger may result from the process of forgiveness, but it is not constitutive of it. And after forgiveness has been granted, negative emotions may linger or not. The performative view is not committed to saying that it doesn’t matter whether negative emotions linger or not. It simply takes no position on the value of maintaining the memory of wrongdoing after forgiveness has been achieved. By contrast, the sentiment-based view that I defend in this paper does. Sentiment-based views in general have the resources to explain the value of such memory.

If the memory of wrongdoing is to endure even beyond the transitional period, this can be done by enlisting emotion in the service of memory, since non-affective declarative memory tends to decay more rapidly than memory that is vivid and imbued with emotion. This is true both for individual and collective memory. I will argue that there is value in the persistence of memory after forgiveness, and therefore in the enhancement of declarative memory by emotion. I give three reasons for this. First, those who survive will have emotional access to the wrongdoing, without which they are likely to lose grip on the evaluative significance of that wrongdoing. Second, by keeping the memory of wrongdoing alive, present and future generations may be able to avoid a repetition of the earlier violence. And third, the victims who have died will continue to receive the honor they deserve.

If there is value in having or retaining an emotional memory of wrongdoing, this presents new regimes with a political challenge: What forms of social interaction and what sorts of practices can preserve the memory of wrongdoing, without reviving the retributive emotions that so powerfully characterized the initial phase of the transition and that, if reignited, can endanger the hard-won achievements of the new regime? Here I argue that there is an important role for commemorative ceremonies. Commemorative ceremonies provide a means whereby the decay of memory and emotion can be slowed down or even arrested altogether. Following Connerton, I define these ceremonies as a type of ritualistic activity, but I do not take their distinctive characteristic to be the evoking of feeling in an immediate psychological sense. Rather, they are an expressive activity that makes possible a kind of psychic distancing from the original base of appropriate feeling. In other words, commemorative ceremonies involve a disciplined rehearsal of feeling, not its revival.
One way to gain a better appreciation of the importance of these ceremonies for slowing the decay of memory is by considering what happens to memorial sites and markers and to memorial art when they are not incorporated into civic rituals. Unsurprisingly, they relatively quickly cease to perform their function of commemorating the past for the present.

If We Stop Thinking about Berkeley’s Problem of Continuity, Will It Still Exist? (IV-E)

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Berkeley is committed to the total mind-dependence of sensible objects— their esse is percipi. So, sensible objects cannot exist unperceived. Berkeley is also concerned to defend commonsense, and commonsense allegedly tells us that sensible objects continue to exist even when no one perceives them. There is apparent tension here, sometimes called the Problem of Continuity (or the Problem of Intermittency)—How does Berkeley assure the common person of the continuous existence of sensible objects? Frequently, it is said that Berkeley invokes God’s ever-present perception to ensure sensible objects maintain a continuous existence, but there are well-known problems for this response. I argue that the Problem of Continuity is merely apparent and that it appears only by implicitly attributing to Berkeley a view of language that he did not hold. In this paper, I correct this error and try to show how a strict reading of his metaphysics is consistent with a robust defense of commonsense if we understand rightly how Berkeley thought language works.

Plato’s Rejection of Protagorean Ethics (V-B)

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I argue for three main claims. First, Socrates’ responses to Protagorean ethics in the Protagoras and Theaetetus target a single approach to ethics, according to which what appears to be good to a person is good for him or her. (We might characterize this as a subjectivist kind of ethical naturalism.) Second, in these dialogues he uses a single strategy to refute ethical Protagoreanism. His charge is not (at least directly) that Protagoras neglects non-natural facts but that he ignores reason’s power to take the measure of how things appear to be. I then seek an explanation of why Socrates does not argue against the subjectivism and naturalism of ethical Protagoreanism more thoroughly, and I argue that the Socratic approach to ethics overlaps considerably with a subjectivist kind of ethical naturalism.

Presupposition, Complicity, and Literal and Figurative Insults (III-A)

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I contrast slurs with metaphorical and sarcastic insults in terms of their capacity to make hearers “complicit” in the speaker’s utterance. All three rhetorical devices enable speakers to denigrate their subjects while avoiding a fully overt statement of the insulting attitude. Instead, they work, at least
in part, by evoking emotionally charged presuppositions about types of individuals or situations, which then “frame” the subject under discussion in a certain way. As a result, a hearer’s very ability to comprehend the utterance threatens to make her complicit in those presupposed attitudes, by establishing them as part of the common ground. These three rhetorical devices thus provide a useful window into the murky role of affective attitudes in linguistic communication, and promise to illuminate the complex interaction between complicity and social norms of discourse. In particular, the three devices are differentiated by the conventional status of their associated presuppositions, by the utterances’ illocutionary force, and by the responses available to an antagonistic listener.

TERRORISM AND THE TYPES OF WRONGDOING (VI-C)

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In How Terrorism Is Wrong, Virginia Held argues that terrorism is not necessarily morally unjustifiable (pp. 77-81, 89). Call this “the Non-necessity Thesis.” Held has a powerful and illuminating argument to this thesis. The argument asserts what we may call “the Violations Distribution Principle” (VDP): If we must have rights violations, then a more equitable distribution of such violations is better than a less equitable; from this principle, Held then argues that terrorism may sometimes be less unjustifiable than accepting continued rights violations. Among Held’s motivations for arguing the Non-necessity thesis is that terrorism may sometimes be the only means the weak and oppressed have to effectively combat the systematized violation of their rights.

In this critical response, I accept the VDP, as well as Held’s motivation for urging her thesis. But I shall nevertheless try to refute the thesis. Terrorism, I shall argue, is always wrong; but it sometimes should be excused and partly forgiven. Rather than ask whether terrorism is always wrong or sometimes justified, I shall argue that we do better to ask what kind of wrong a particular terrorist act or campaign is. Moral wrongs, I shall argue, can be divided into four types: delicts, offenses, iniquities, and atrocities; a delict being the least grave, an atrocity the most. Moreover, offenses, iniquities, and atrocities are injustices, while a delict is not. A terrorist act simpliciter is an offense, a terrorist campaign an iniquity. But terrorist acts can, if they aim to end a systematized and massive violation of human rights, and if they are the only feasible means of taking the society to a less inequitable distribution of rights-violations, be excused to the status of delicts, and, mutatis mutandis, terrorist campaigns to the status of offenses. Hence terrorism is always wrong, but need not be unjust.

BUDDHIST WELL-BEING (I-B)

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One of the most significant areas in which traditional South Asian Buddhism invites philosophical exploration is moral philosophy. An important topic in moral philosophy is the nature of well-being (or happiness). There are three ways in which Buddhism is committed to an understanding of well-
being. First, according to karma theory, there is a correlation between a person’s virtue and that person’s well-being in some sense of the term. Second, the basic Buddhist diagnosis of the ordinary condition of human beings is that, irrespective of our location on the karmic scale, we are all in a state of dukkha, usually translated as suffering or unsatisfactoriness. Buddhist enlightenment is said to enable us to overcome this condition and thereby attain a blissful state—evidently, a second sense of well-being. Third, enlightened persons have the supreme virtue of compassion, directed to all human and all sentient beings. A compassionate person is thought to promote well-being in other beings, presumably in one or both of the two aforementioned senses of well-being.

Buddhist well-being is a perplexing notion. Though the first sense of well-being often seems rather ordinary, the second sense appears quite extraordinary, something difficult to reconcile with familiar beliefs about well-being. Moreover, the relationship between the two senses is not obvious. In order to explore these difficulties, I propose examining Buddhist understandings of well-being in connection with contemporary philosophical theories of well-being, both objective and subjective. I discuss the extent to which Buddhist views about well-being and the contemporary theories concern the same thing, in what ways the recent theories enable us to understand Buddhism better, and whether or not Buddhism has something distinctive to offer that contemporary philosophical discussions are missing. This is an area in which philosophical reflection on Buddhism is likely to be productive.

THE VIRTUES AND VICES OF MORAL ANGER AND REVENGE (III-B)

CHARLES GRISWOLD, BOSTON UNIVERSITY

Moral anger, hatred, and resentment are barriers to forgiveness and reconciliation. Abstracting for a moment from possible differences between these emotions, it would seem that they often share in common the impulse to take revenge. The consequences and costs of revenge-taking hardly need to be underlined. We see them in relatively petty and unimportant contexts—academic politics, for example—but also in graver contexts, such as broken partnerships in which the welfare of children and the division of property are often at stake. And then there are the deadly serious and unfortunately familiar contexts involving violent conflict.

A cluster of interesting and difficult questions arises about the connection between moral anger and revenge. It is important to distinguish between different kinds (or possibly, shapes) of anger. Following Joseph Butler among others, I distinguish between moral anger or hatred in response to intentional wrongs another person has done to oneself, and sympathetic resentment for wrongs to others; between moral anger and "sudden" anger caused by some non-moral harm one has suffered (the onset of the flu; a stubbed toe; and so forth); and between retributive and non-retributive moral anger. No doubt many other distinctions between kinds of anger are in order (whether they are better thought of as shapes or modulations rather than kinds is itself a conceptual problem I will touch
The focus of my discussion is vengeful moral anger, which I will further characterize in some detail.

One of the defining attributes of this form of anger is the powerful impulse to do back to the perpetrator what was done to oneself, to repay in like or greater coin. Why does moral anger so naturally issue in revenge? What is the purpose of revenge? Theorists have proposed a number of answers, including views about revenge as re-balancing the scales (“getting-even”); as anaesthetizing the victim’s pain; as standing up for a moral principle; as a communicative act. While I shall have something to say about the purpose(s) of retributive anger at the conclusion of my paper, the bulk of my discussion focuses on a question that comes into focus further upstream, as it were: Is moral anger of this sort ever warranted? The sheer ugliness, blindness, and lack of proportionality implicit in this emotion leave many ambivalent on the matter. A negative answer would suggest that we seek to extirpate one common motive for revenge, and thus one common obstacle to reconciliation. It would also lessen the need for forgiveness, at least according to theories—such as my own—which characterize the forswearing of resentment (where resentment is taken in its Butlerian sense as moral anger or hatred) as a necessary condition of forgiveness.

As it happens, the history of philosophy offers us a good starting place for the debate about the appropriateness of moral anger, namely, Seneca’s *De Ira* on the one side and Aristotle’s *N. Ethics* and *Rhetoric* on the other. The first part of my paper examines Aristotle’s views on the topic as well as Seneca’s Stoic argument to the effect that the virtuous person—the sage—never feels anger, let alone moral hatred. At times it seems that Aristotle offers a “fittingness” theory, according to which anger is justified because its cognitive features “fit” the objective features of the situation. The Stoic need not disagree with the fittingness theory per se, and indeed may argue on those grounds that passions such as anger are never warranted precisely because their implicit valuations don’t ever fit the situation. The argument is then within the fittingness view. But at other times, Aristotle seems to base his argument that the virtuous person will feel anger (when and as appropriate) on a set of considerations dependent not so much on fittingness as on a picture of human moral excellence. Emotions may, then, be inappropriate in multiple ways. My goal in this section of the paper is more to set out the conceptual landscape than to provide an exegesis of either Aristotle or Seneca. I argue that the Aristotelian position is more persuasive than that of Seneca, appealing in part to premises that go beyond those provided by either thinker.

The next section explores the relation between moral anger and self-respect. On one view, to feel vengeful anger is to betray the suspicion that the accusation implicit in the offense—that one deserves to be treated thus—may be true. In angrily defending against the implicit charge, one expresses a kind of self-doubt and thus lends it credence. Moral anger and what Nietzsche called *ressentiment* would therefore be closely connected. Correspondingly, on this view the perfectly virtuous or wise
person will not feel moral anger, since his or her self-respect can never be put in question. While not denying that moral anger may sometimes be linked to reSENTIMENT, I argue against the view that it must always be so. Moral anger may also be the affective expression of self-respect, itself constitutive of moral excellence.

If something like this is true, then in conjunction with several other Aristotelian considerations, moral anger looks in principle to be constitutive of the good person. Many questions arise here, of course, including this: Is this an “all things considered” account that trumps others sorts of reasons one may have for feeling anger (some moral, some prudential, some having to do with fittingness, others with our compassion for victims of intentional wrongdoing)?

Finally, where does all this leave us with respect to revenge? If moral anger is part of the virtuous person’s constitution (to be expressed in the right way, at the right time, toward the right object, and so forth), then should not its normal and familiar expression—revenge—also be warranted? In the concluding part of the paper, I argue that revenge may be understood as defensible in one respect and as not in another. It is defensible insofar as it expresses, and means to force the offender to acknowledge, that one is not to be violated thus. But the actual taking of revenge is almost always indefensible for a host of reasons, which I explore briefly by way of conclusion. Paradoxical though it may sound, then, the virtuous person may experience warranted moral anger, including its retributive element, but will almost never take revenge.

INSTANTS AND INSTANTANEOUS VELOCITY (VI-D)

JAMES HARRINGTON, LOYOLA UNIVERSITY AT CHICAGO

As Frank Arntzenius has shown, instantaneous velocity continues to pose philosophical puzzles. Here I recap the flaws involved in all three standard theories of velocity—the “at-at” theory plus the calculus, impetus or dispositional theories, and “no-instants” theories. Next, I argue that, although it avoids the problems with impetus theories identified by Arntzenius, Marc Lange’s dispositional theory of velocity suffers from its variety of philosophical perplexity. I conclude by arguing for a modified “no-instants” theory, inspired by Aristotle’s responses to Zeno’s paradoxes, that avoids the problems for the versions considered by Arntzenius. In addition, this theory points the way to a more philosophically perspicuous account of the internal structure of time.

GÖDEL’S PHILOSOPHY OF MATHEMATICS: WHAT WAS IT THEN, AND WHAT CAN IT BE NOW? (III-C)

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We suggest a reconstrual of basic Gödel’s philosophical commitments, by foregrounding those aspects which have become, in our view, underemphasized in the literature. In particular we consider finitism and intuitionism as reflected in Gödel’s view as we construe it, in the context
We suggest that readings of Gödel which emphasize Platonist metaphysics so much, border on misreadings. We also suggest that placing Gödel’s Platonism in the right perspective reveals important proposals at the heart of Gödel’s philosophical outlook. Those we emphasize have to do with the problem of how to see mathematics as a unity in the context of an abundance of set-theoretic independence, i.e., how to keep the subject from bifurcating into separate domains, below the line of ZFC provability (such as have to do with the continuum problem) and then above, each requiring its own notion of truth. Part of what this means in practice is giving a justification for extending the law of excluded middle to that area above the line of ZFC provability. It also involves understanding what is known of as “Gödel’s program in set theory” in a much broader context, mathematically as well as philosophically.

Finally, we outline a point of view which could be described as “set theory as a logic,” which reconciles the presence of finitism, intuitionism, and set theory as Gödelian landmarks, by bundling set theory into the hierarchy of first and higher order logics, so that it occupies a natural place in that hierarchy.

TOPOLOGY AND THE GEOMETRY OF SPACE-TIME (IV-B)

TIM MAULDIN, RUTGERS UNIVERSITY

Mathematical representations of physical entities are shaped by the mathematical tools used to create them. Space, time, and space-time have traditionally been represented by topological spaces: sets of points that are knit together, at the most fundamental level, by a structure of open sets that satisfies the axioms of standard topology. Notions such as the connectedness of a space, the boundary of a set, and the continuity of a function are defined by reference to these open sets. Additional geometrical structure (such as metrical or affine structure) can be added to a topological space, but the mathematical representation typically begins with a topological manifold.

I will argue that standard topology is wrong mathematical tool to use for representing the structure of space and time (or space-time). I will present an alternative mathematical tool, the Theory of Linear Structures, whose primitive notion is the line rather than the open set. The Theory of Linear Structures has a wider field of useful application than topology in that it can be used to capture the geometry of discrete spaces as well as continua. It provides alternative, non-equivalent definitions of, e.g., connectedness, boundaries, and the continuity of a function. And it offers a more detailed account of the sub-metrical geometry of a space: every Linear Structure induces a topology on a space, but many different Linear Structures give rise to the same topology.

Using the Theory of Linear Structures rather than standard topology to describe space-time has a powerful ontological payoff: one can show
that the basic organizing principle of a Relativistic space-time (but not a classical space-time) is time. Contrary to common belief, Relativity does not “spatialize time,” it rather “temporalizes space.”

THE LIFE OF POLITICS (V-A)
Catherine Mills, University of Sydney—Australia
While recent literature on biopolitics has given rise to a number of competing theorizations of the nature of politics and its relation to life, much less attention has fallen on theorizing what “life” actually means. In fact, most often, the term “life” appears as a signifier without referent. In this paper I propose that one of the risks of this ambivalent status of the concept of life is that it tends to construe life as epiphenomenal in relation to the state and political techniques for the management of populations and individuals. To point beyond this potential reduction and obfuscation, I sketch a preliminary path for thinking the concept of life in the context of biopolitics; in particular, I suggest the necessity of thinking through the intrinsically related characteristics of norms and temporality in life.

UNIQUENESS (VIII-B)
Bence Nanay, Syracuse University
In what sense is uniqueness an important feature of the aesthetic domain? Are artworks unique? Or does the application of aesthetic concepts have something to do with uniqueness? These questions have been haunting analytic aesthetics ever since its birth and much of the history of analytic aesthetics can be described as refuting various attempts to answer this question convincingly. As a result, not many philosophers have been worrying about uniqueness recently. I think that this is a mistake: uniqueness does play an important role in the aesthetic domain, but not in the way it has been understood by most philosophers (except, maybe, by Peter Strawson). My claim is that our aesthetic appraisal consists of the conscious attribution of tropes: properties that are logically incapable of being present in two (or more) distinct individuals at the same time. Language and language based thoughts are commonly held to attribute universals to objects. I argue that aesthetic appraisal, in contrast, attributes tropes. Finally, I examine what this reveals about aesthetic appraisal as a perceptual phenomenon.

NEOLIBERALISM AND BIOPOLITICAL GOVERNMENTALITY (V-A)
Johanna Oksala, University of Dundee
The paper argues that neo-liberalism is not just an economic doctrine, but that its key ideas have migrated from economic theory to our social imaginary and political ontology: it must be understood as a comprehensive framework for understanding ourselves and the social reality we live in. I contend that Foucault's thought, and his lectures on neoliberal governmentality in particular, provide a valuable and original set of tools for such a philosophical analysis of neo-liberalism. The lectures
form an integral part of his critical ontology of the present that attempts to understand the historically specific ways in which power relations intersect with the production of truth and subjectivity.

My analysis of neo-liberalism proceeds in three stages following the three axes of knowledge, power, and subjectivity that Foucault saw as central for any ontological inquiry into our present. I argue that neoliberalism is grounded on a specific regime of truth; it has effectively appropriated the rationality of biopower; and it has produced a new form of subjectivity. I conclude by discussing the consequences of my analysis for political resistance. If neo-liberalism is understood as a political ontology that fundamentally shapes our current experience of the world, this idea must entail a fundamental re-thinking of the tools of critical thought as well as of political resistance. We cannot resist neoliberalism solely with the traditional weapons of politics: by analyzing the success or failure of its policies, for example. We have to engage in a more fundamental attempt to question the criteria according to which success is measured. Effective resistance requires that we advocate some version of radical politics that questions the very terms in which our current political options are formulated.

LATE MEDIEVAL NOMINALISM AND NONVERIDICAL CONCEPTS (I-C)

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Several commentators have recently drawn attention to the presence of strong externalist components in fourteenth-century nominalism. The nominalists’s causal theories of cognition and their insistence on the singularity of everything there is favored, in particular, the emergence of some forms of mental content externalism. In his latest book, John Buridan (Oxford U. P., 2009), Gyula Klima has argued that the distinctive brand of mental content externalism that is found in authors such as William of Ockham and John Buridan makes them especially vulnerable to demon skepticism and ultimately leads to unacceptable philosophical consequences. The present paper will try to assess this antinominalist argument by focusing on one central notion in it: the idea, namely, that a nominalist theory of the Ockham-Buridan sort is committed to the possibility of a human mind endowed only (through special divine intervention) with what Klima calls nonveridical concepts, a nonveridical concept being defined by him as “one that represents something different from what it appears to represent.”

We will look first at the particular form of radical divine deception that the nominalists did in fact allow for. It will be argued: (a) that their thought-experiments in this regard usually had to do only with our beliefs about contingent external states of affairs (rather than with all of our beliefs); and (b) that they concerned the veridicality of judgments (rather than concepts). The intriguing idea of a nonveridical concept will next be taken up and it will be shown: (c) that whether they considered it or not, the medieval nominalists were indeed committed to the possibility of such misleading mental units; but (d) that these commitments are not nearly as philosophically damaging as Klima thinks they are.
How to Make Faith a Virtue (VIII-D)

John Schellenberg, Mount Saint Vincent University—Canada

My basic response to the issue of my title is this: think nondoxastically. Explicit, nondoxastic faith, though some still find it hard to believe that it is faith and others think it to be a less than ideal version, is in fact the only condition in this neighborhood that it is at all easy to see as worthy of general cultivation. After explaining what I mean by nondoxastic faith in terms of trusting action dispositions centrally featuring, in place of belief, positive imagination and a form of mental consent, I defend the link to virtue by reference (relatively briefly) to personal, social, moral, and epistemic contexts, and then (more extendedly) in a discussion of religious faith. There is a type of nondoxastic religious faith, so I claim, that comes out ahead in pretty much every field in which traditional doxastic religious faith must labor to stay in the running. In particular, certain evolutionary considerations involving the future, commonly overlooked or ignored, that support religious skepticism and so count against traditional believing faith, only help to bring the attractions of this type of nonbelieving faith into sharp relief. The motivations and action dispositions involved in such nondoxastic religious faith are, I claim, highly desirable for members of an evolving species at an early stage of development, and also admirable; and these facts suffice to make such faith a virtue. Those who wish to make religious faith a virtue would therefore do well to consider the unique merits of this nondoxastic version.

New Dynamics for Epistemic Modality (VII-D)

Malte Willer, University of Texas—Austin

A dynamic semantics for epistemically modalized sentences is an attractive alternative to the orthodox view that our best theory of meaning ascribes to such sentences truth-conditions relative to what is known. I will demonstrate that a dynamic story about “might” and “must” offers elegant explanations of a range of puzzling observations about epistemic modals. It provides a unifying treatment of disputes about epistemic modality and disputes about matters of fact while at the same time avoiding relativism or an overly weak pragmatics. It also explains why agents are sometimes agnostic about certain epistemic possibilities and why they sometimes accept “must”-statements even though they do not know the prejacent.

Heidegger’s Relational Ontology (VI-B)

Mark Wrathall, University of California—Riverside

In this paper, I explore a central but generally unspoken feature of Heidegger’s understanding of ontology: his holistic account of entities in terms of the relationships they bear to other entities, activities, aims, and social roles. For Heidegger, worldly entities are what they are in virtue of the relationships they bear in the relational contexts within which they are at home. It is because of this that all understanding for Heidegger is projective—we grasp a thing by “projecting” or moving it from it to the
things or activities or involvements to which it refers or directs us. To be able to project fluidly is for us ourselves to be conditioned by the things from which and onto which we project, so that we are disposed to find some relations salient and others not salient. The later Heidegger developed this relational view in three important ways. First, he recognized that there has to be something which supports the relationships entities bear to each other, even if we can’t say what this is (since articulating what it is amounts to talking about the relationships it bears to other things). This is the “earth,” that which supports and resists relations—always rising up into world, supporting it and resisting it. Second, he recognized that none of the potentially infinite relationships a thing can have are inherently privileged. There are no privileged contexts and no privileged relations. This means that there are a plurality of equally legitimate ways for the ontology of the world to be unfolded, since there is no secure point from which to start in defining relationships. Finally, Heidegger explored Ereignis as the “gentle law” which settles the world into more or less stable and fixed sets of salient relationships.
SPECIAL SESSIONS SPONSORED BY APA COMMITTEES

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Arranged by the APA Committee on Black Philosophers
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Australian Contributions to 20th-Century Analytic Metaphysics (III-K)
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Society for the Advancement of American Philosophy, *Mon, 7:30-10:30 p.m.; Tue, 9:00 a.m.-Noon*
Society for the History of Political Philosophy, *Mon, 7:30-10:30 p.m.*
Society for the Philosophic Study of the Contemporary Visual Arts, *Tue, 11:15 a.m.-1:15 p.m.; Tue, 7:00-10:00 p.m.*
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Society for Women in Philosophy, *Mon, 5:15-7:15 p.m.; Tue, 11:15 a.m.-1:15 p.m.*
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Søren Kierkegaard Society, *Mon, 7:30-10:30 p.m.*

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William James Society, *Wed, 1:30-4:30 p.m.*
World Institute for Advanced Phenomenological Research and Learning, *Mon, 7:30-10:30 p.m.; Tue, 7:00-10:00 p.m.*
APA PLACEMENT SERVICE INFORMATION

Evonda Acevedo will be the Coordinator for the APA Placement Service at the 2009 Eastern Division Meeting. Questions concerning the Service should be directed to Evonda at The American Philosophical Association, University of Delaware, 31 Amstel Avenue, Newark, DE 19716. She can also be reached by telephone at (302) 831-2012, fax: (302) 831-8690, or email: eacevedo@udel.edu.

APA PLACEMENT SERVICE GENERAL HOURS OF OPERATION:

Sunday, December 27:  Candidates, 3:00 – 10:00 p.m., Cantor/Jolson (Ninth Floor)
Interviewers, 2:00 – 10:00 p.m., Barrymore (Ninth Floor)
Interview Tables: Astor Ballroom (Seventh Floor), Marquis Ballroom (Ninth Floor)

Monday, December 28:  Candidates, 8:30 a.m. – 6:30 p.m., Cantor/Jolson (Ninth Floor)
Interviewers, 8:30 a.m. – 6:30 p.m., Barrymore (Ninth Floor)
Interview Tables: Astor Ballroom (Seventh Floor), Marquis Ballroom (Ninth Floor)

Tuesday, December 29:  Candidates, 8:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m., Cantor/Jolson (Ninth Floor)
Interviewers, 8:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m., Barrymore (Ninth Floor)
Interview Tables: Astor Ballroom (Seventh Floor), Marquis Ballroom (Ninth Floor)

Wednesday, December 30:  Candidates, 8:30 a.m. – Noon, Cantor/Jolson (Ninth Floor)
Interviewers, 8:30 a.m. – Noon, Barrymore (Ninth Floor)
Interview Tables: Astor Ballroom (Seventh Floor), Marquis Ballroom (Ninth Floor)
APA Placement Service Locations

The Placement Services will be located in Barrymore, Cantor/Jolson, and the Marquis Ballroom (Ninth Floor) and the Astor Ballroom (Seventh Floor) of the New York Marriott Marquis as outlined below. For your convenience, maps of the hotel appear at the back of this issue.

Job Candidates – Cantor/Jolson (Ninth Floor)

1. Candidate Numbers will be assigned at the Placement Desk.
2. The location of a Job Interview will be available from the Placement staff, or posted on the bulletin board at the information desk.
3. Additional “Request for Interview” forms will be available at the Placement Desk.
4. APA Membership Applications will be available at the APA Meeting Registration Desk.
5. Information and instructions for using the Service will be available at the Placement desk (also see following pages), and posted on the information bulletin board.
6. The mailboxes for Job Candidates will be located at the Placement Desk.
7. A complete set of Job Postings will be available at the Placement Desk.
8. A message for the APA Placement Ombudsperson can be left at the Placement Desk.

Interviewers – Barrymore (Ninth Floor)

1. Interviewers check in here—as soon as possible upon arrival.
2. Payments for On-Site Interviewing Departments will be received here.
3. Space will be provided here for interviewers to check their files.
4. “Request for Interview” forms received from job candidates that have been reviewed by interviewers should be returned here.
5. A list of interviewing table assignments will be posted on the Placement Information Bulletin Board.

Interviewing Area – Astor Ballroom (Seventh Floor) and Marquis Ballroom (Ninth Floor)

1. APA Interviewing Tables will be located here.
2. In the event that additional space for interviewing is needed, we will post the additional location on the Placement Information Bulletin Board.
Information and Instructions for Job Candidates

Requirements for Using the Placement Service

1. You must be an APA member in order to use the Service. Placement is a benefit of membership for candidates, and there is no additional charge to use this service. Membership applications are available on the APA web site (www.apaonline.org) or by contacting the APA National Office (302) 831-1112, or at the Membership/Registration desk at the Meeting.

2. You MUST REGISTER for the MEETING in order to use the Service.
   - If you register in advance for the meeting and indicate that you will be a candidate (an advance registration form is located at the back of this issue), a candidate number will be assigned in the National Office and will appear on the back of your badge. You must pick up your badge from the APA Registration staff prior to using the Placement service.
   - If you register on-site for the meeting, present your badge to the Placement Staff, who will be available to assign you a candidate number in the “Placement Service” line.

What to Bring with You

1. Your copies of recent issues of Jobs For Philosophers.
2. Several copies of your curriculum vitae. If you run out of CVs at the meeting, the hotel has a copy center located in the Business Center.

How to Use the Placement Service

After you have picked up your registration materials from the APA Registration staff, you are ready to use the Service. If you do not yet have a candidate number on the back of your badge, please go to the job candidates’ area in Cantor/Jolson (Ninth Floor) to receive one.

Job Candidates’ Area – Cantor/Jolson (Ninth Floor)

Here you will find a file folder (mailbox) with your candidate number on it. All communications addressed to you during the meeting will be placed there. Your folder contains:

1. “Request for Interview” forms. Additional forms will be available from the Placement staff. Be sure that your Placement Number appears at the top of all forms.
2. A “Locator” form for you to list your name and hotel address. Please do not remove this form from your folder. This is used only in the event that we need to contact you during the meeting.

Job Postings

New jobs (not having appeared in the Jobs for Philosophers) will be posted on a bulletin board in the Placement Service Area. You should check this
board regularly for new postings. Each ad should contain instructions on how to apply.

**Institutions that have Checkered in with Placement**

The names of institutions that have registered to use the Service will be posted on the bulletin board (updated regularly) in *alphabetical order*. Each listing will indicate the following:

1. If the listing institution has checked in with Placement.
2. If the institution is accepting interview requests at the meeting.
3. The relevant *JFP* for the institution’s opening(s).
4. Where the institution plans on interviewing (Table with number assignment).
5. Miscellaneous notes deemed appropriate by the Placement staff or the institution.

**Submitting an Interview Request Form**

Complete the *top* portion of the “Request for Interview” form and attach a copy of your CV. **Be sure that your candidate number appears at the top of all forms.** After you have completed the necessary information, place your request form and CV in the box marked *Requests for Interviews* which will be prominently displayed on the Placement Service Desk. Your “Request” will be forwarded to the institution by a staff member.

**Interviews**

After your “Request” has been reviewed by a representative from the institution, the form will be returned to your file folder with the institution’s response appearing on the *bottom* of the form. Check your file folder often so that you can be certain to receive your messages promptly.

By Noon on December 30, all “Requests” submitted by you should have been returned to your file folder, and you should remove them at that time. Occasionally, an institution may retain applications to review at a later date. If you applied for a job that had been posted and the institution did not check in with the Service during the meeting, it is suggested that you contact the institution by mail.

**Interviewing Locations**

Some departments will be conducting interviews at tables located in the Astor Ballroom (Seventh Floor) and the Marquis Ballroom (Ninth Floor). Other interviewing table locations will be posted if additional space is required. Each institution using a table for interviewing will be assigned a table number. The table numbers assigned to institutions will be posted on the bulletin board in the Placement Service Area.
ADVICE FOR JOB APPLICANTS

The APA Committee on Career Opportunities offers the following advice for job applicants: The schedule for those seeking jobs and those Departments offering positions is difficult for all concerned. From the point of view of Departments, any publication date for Jobs for Philosophers is a compromise between the competing demands imposed by the need to get funding for positions, so the later the better, and by the need to have time to process applications, so the sooner the better. From the point of view of job applicants, there are also competing demands: the sooner it is published, the more time to apply, but the later it is published, the more opportunities will be available. There is no easy solution to this problem, but you can ease your difficulties somewhat by being prepared when the JFP is published. You should have your curriculum vitae ready to put in an envelope, a generic draft of a letter of application ready to be fine-tuned for particular job opportunities, and the rest of your file ready for mailing. This means talking to those who are to write letters of recommendation long before the JFP is due to arrive, preparing material about your teaching capacities, and selecting a writing sample for those Departments that request it. Applications should be complete, as well as clearly organized. It is to your advantage to send in your application as soon as possible after an ad appears.

INFORMATION AND INSTRUCTIONS FOR INTERVIEWERS

REQUIREMENTS FOR USING THE PLACEMENT SERVICE

1. It is expected that all individual interviewers will register for the meeting either by using the registration form found in the back of this issue or by stopping at the APA Registration Desk (Registration I, Fifth Floor) to register on-site prior to using the Placement Service.

2. All Departments (not individuals) planning to interview at the meeting should complete the Placement Service advance registration form found on our web site, www.apaonline.org/divisions/eastern/index.aspx or at the end of this section.

Upon receipt of an advance registration form additional information pertaining to the Placement Service will be sent to the attention of the contact person listed on the form. In the event that we send Placement forms either via email or mail, please be sure to complete these and return them to our office at your earliest opportunity. Not doing so may cause your materials to arrive after the Staff has already left the office to travel to the meeting. In this case, we must have you fill out the forms again on site. If time does not allow sending them to us, please bring them with you and turn them in at the Placement Desk.

CHECKING IN WITH THE SERVICE

Before you begin to interview candidates, please check in with the Placement Staff (Barrymore, Ninth Floor). We will need to know that you have arrived on site for candidates inquiring about your institution.
Additional information will be requested from you (or confirmed if your department pre-registered) at this time as well.

Some institutions accept interview requests at the meeting; some of these job notices may have appeared in *Jobs for Philosophers* while others are unpublished positions. A new, unpublished position will be assigned an AD# and posted on the bulletin board in the Placement Service area. If you are bringing such a job notice with you to the meeting, please provide the Placement Staff with **four** copies of the notice for the position you are advertising. Such a position announcement should be typed on **one side only** in a good size and easy to read font, and be as brief as possible. Only positions that have **not** appeared in *Jobs for Philosophers* will be posted. If you would like a position that has been posted at this meeting to appear on our website immediately following the meeting, or in the issue of *Jobs for Philosophers*, you need to submit this ad immediately, following the close of the meeting via our website, https://member.apaonline.org/formredirect.aspx?p=JFP. If you need assistance with this, contact the APA National Office.

Some institutions interview by prearrangement after placing an advertisement in *Jobs for Philosophers* and then contacting candidates prior to the meeting. When you arrange an interview with candidates, please inform them that they **must be APA Members in order to use the Service and they must register for the meeting in order to use the Service.**

If you plan to conduct job interviews anywhere other than at the interviewing tables/suites we have provided, please let us know your plans because candidates often come to us to ask questions about the location/time (etc.) of their interviews, and we need to have complete, up-to-date information in order to help them (and you).

Departments using a **Suite** for interviewing will need to complete an interview schedule form at the time they check in with the Service. Doing so enables the Service to notify the candidates you wish to interview of your interviewing location. **Be assured that only those candidates listed on your interview schedule will be told the location of your hotel room, unless you have directed us to give this information to all candidates who ask.** Departments interviewing at tables **DO NOT** need to complete this form.

N.B.: If you are conducting interviews in a hotel room, please be aware of the following policy statement adopted by the APA Board of Officers at its November 2004 meeting:

“Departments should not conduct Job Interviews in non-suite hotel rooms. Candidates who are subject to such interviews can appeal to the APA and are guaranteed anonymity.” (Originally published in *Proceedings and Addresses of the American Philosophical Association*, Vol. 78, No. 5, pp. 23, 119.)
APA Interviewing Tables

The Placement Service provides numbered tables for interviewing purposes; you will receive your table number assignment when you check in. These table number assignments will also be posted on the Placement Service Bulletin Board. Should additional space for interviewing tables be necessary, this location will be posted as well.

Institution File Folder (Mailbox)

There will be a file folder bearing the name of your institution located in Barrymore, Ninth Floor). Requests for interviews from candidates will be placed in this file folder.

Reviewing Interview Requests

When a candidate requests an interview with your institution, you should receive her/his curriculum vitae attached to a “Request for Interview” form. The bottom of this form is to be completed by you and returned to Placement staff. If an interview is granted, space is provided on this form to list the time, date, and location of the interview. If you are unable to interview a candidate, space for this response is also provided on the form. Any request you receive in an envelope contains confidential material and should be destroyed rather than returned to the candidate. As a matter of professional courtesy, all requests should receive a response. When a candidate receives a “Request” form back without a response, he or she is likely to assume that the material has not been reviewed and might return this to you via our service or contact your institution by mail.

Each candidate is assigned a numbered file folder to facilitate prompt communication between interviewers and candidates. Materials that you wish to transmit to a registered candidate should be handed in to the Placement Service staff located in Barrymore (Ninth Floor), and will be delivered to the candidate by our staff.

APA Statement on Placement Practices

The APA Committee on the Status and Future of the Profession reminds you of its Statement on Placement Practices: The APA discourages the nomination by graduate departments of job seekers for positions in philosophy, and the submission of their dossiers in response to announcements of positions, without their knowledge or interest. This may seriously mislead those who are conducting searches, and may have unfortunate consequences both for them and for genuinely interested applicants. Graduate departments using a nomination procedure or submitting dossiers on behalf of job seekers should either attest explicitly that the candidate wishes to be considered for the positions in question, or (preferably) ensure that the job seekers themselves submit personal letters of application for these positions. Departments conducting searches are encouraged to recommend or require explicitly (in their position announcements) that each candidate,
to be assessed of full consideration, should submit a personal letter of application for and interest in the announced position.

A Placement Ombudsperson will be available at the meeting. Please see the Placement Service Staff if you would like to contact the Ombudsperson.
**Paper Submission Guidelines**

**Online Paper Submissions:** Papers may be submitted either electronically or in hard copy by mail. For electronic submissions, follow the instructions on the APA web site. For hard copy submissions, mail to: Evonda Acevedo, ATTN: [Eastern, Pacific, or Central] Division Papers, The American Philosophical Association, University of Delaware, 31 Amstel Avenue, Newark, DE 19716, (302) 831-2012. Papers in any area are welcome. All papers are blind reviewed. Author’s name, institution, or references pertaining to the identity of the author should be omitted from the paper, abstract, notes, and bibliography. Submitted papers are not returned to authors. Papers not accepted by one Division may be re-submitted for consideration to another Division. In submitting papers, authors warrant that those papers are entirely their own work or the joint work of the authors identified in the cover letter, and that, where appropriate, acknowledgement of the contributions of others has been made.

**Graduate Student Travel Stipends and Awards:** Papers to be considered for Graduate Student Travel Stipends/Awards must meet the criteria specified by each Division. For more information, visit the following address: www.apaonline.org/divisions/stipends/travelstipendsandprizes/index.aspx.

**Guidelines for All Three Divisions**

(*Guidelines 6, 7, 9, and 10 only apply to authors who are submitting papers in hard copy.)

1. Authors must be members in good standing of the APA.
2. 1 copy of the paper.
3. 1 copy of the abstract.
4. Colloquium papers are limited to 3,000 words.
5. Abstracts for colloquium papers are limited to 150 words.
6. Title or cover page, which must include: a) title; b) word counts for all papers and abstracts; c) author’s contact information; d) the Division the paper is to be submitted for. **If you are submitting your paper on-line, please exclude this information from your submission.**
7. Papers must be typed on one side of page, double spaced, 1-inch margins on all sides, all pages numbered, 10-12 pt. font.
8. No more than one submission by the same author for the same Division will be considered.
9. Indicate name of Division on outside lower left side of the envelope containing the paper.
*10. Include a self-addressed stamped envelope to the National Office if you wish the receipt of your paper to be acknowledged.

11. Any paper which is under consideration for publication elsewhere will be considered, provided that it will not appear in print until after the Divisional meeting is held. If this is the case, indicate when and where the paper is expected to be published.

12. Papers are not accepted by e-mail.

13. Authors are advised to provide accurate email addresses as part of their contact information because they may be contacted by email, sometimes under urgent circumstances. Authors who expect to relocate between the date of submission and the date of the meeting should arrange for email forwarding, or else provide both current and new email addresses with their contact information.

14. No one who is scheduled to appear in an invited session on the Main Program of a meeting may also present a submitted paper as part of that same Main Program. Because of this policy, members who have already agreed to participate in invited sessions on the Main Program of a meeting are asked not to submit papers for that same meeting. Please note that this does not concern sessions organized by APA Committees or by affiliated groups.

**EASTERN DIVISION:**

Meeting is held December 27-30.

Selections are announced in May or June.

Papers accepted by either the Central Division or the Pacific Division may not be presented at any subsequent meeting of the Eastern Division.

Papers exceeding 3,000 words will not be considered as colloquium papers.

Submissions for consideration as symposium papers must not exceed a length of 5,000 words. Abstracts for symposium papers must not exceed a length of 300 words. Authors should be aware that only a few papers are selected for presentation as symposium papers. If authors wish to have a shortened version of their paper considered as a colloquium paper, they should submit the appropriately shortened version, along with a shortened abstract, simultaneously with the submission of the symposium paper.

Any paper submitted without an abstract will not be considered. Any paper whose abstract is deemed unacceptable by the Program Committee will not be accepted. No revised abstract submitted after the paper’s acceptance will be published in the *Proceedings and Addresses of The American Philosophical Association* without the approval of the Program Committee.
**Pacific Division:**

Meeting is usually held at the end of March, but starting in 2009 moved to April.

Selections are announced in January.

A paper that has been on the Main Program at a past APA meeting (any division), or will be on the Main Program at a future Central or Eastern Division meeting, cannot be presented as a Main Program colloquium/symposium paper at the Pacific Division meeting.

All abstracts are not to exceed 150 words. For dual submissions (colloquium and symposium) only one abstract is required and should not exceed 150 words.

Submissions for consideration as colloquium papers must not exceed 3,000 words.

Submissions for consideration as symposium papers must not exceed a length of 5,000 words. Abstracts for symposium papers must not exceed a length of 300 words. Authors should be aware that only a few papers are selected for presentation as symposium papers. If authors wish to have a shortened version of their paper considered as a colloquium paper, they should submit the appropriately shortened version, along with a shortened abstract, simultaneously with the submission of the symposium paper. (This will be considered a single submission.)

**Central Division:**

Meeting is usually held at the end of February.

Selections are announced in January, or before when possible.

Papers exceeding 3,000 words will not be considered as colloquium papers.

Submissions for consideration as symposium papers must not exceed a length of 5,000 words. Abstracts for symposium papers must not exceed a length of 300 words. Authors should be aware that only a few papers are selected for presentation as symposium papers. If authors wish to have a shortened version of their paper considered as a colloquium paper, they should submit the appropriately shortened version, along with a shortened abstract, simultaneously with the submission of the symposium paper.

The Central Division will not include a paper on its meeting program if that paper has already been presented or is scheduled for presentation on the Main Program of another APA Divisional meeting.
MINUTES OF THE 2008 EASTERN DIVISION BUSINESS MEETING

1. The meeting was called to order at 11:19 a.m. by President Christine Korsgaard.

2. President Korsgaard announced the agenda, which had been distributed to members present, and appointed Stephanie Lewis as Parliamentarian.

3. The minutes of the 2007 Business Meeting, which had been published in the Proceedings, volume 82, number 1 (September 2008), were approved as published.

4. The Secretary-Treasurer announced that the minutes of the December 27, 2007, Executive Committee meeting had been published in the Proceedings, volume 82, number 1 (September 2008), and had been formally approved by the Executive Committee (at its December 27, 2008 meeting) as published. The Secretary-Treasurer also reported that the 2008 Program Committee had met in April 2008 to establish the submitted portion of the 2008 program, and that the 2009 Program Committee had met in September 2008 to establish the invited portion of the 2009 program.

5. The reports of Eastern Division mail ballots, which had been published in the Proceedings, volume 82, number 1 (September 2008), were received.

6. The financial condition of the Division was discussed. This included reports of the state of the Eastern Division investments as of June 30, 2008, and of the proposed and actual operating budget for 2007-2008 (both of which had been distributed to members present), together with an account of the decline in the value of the investments since June 30, 2008. It was noted that the Division is not generally dependent on its investments to cover operating expenses, and that in recent years the only occasion to draw on invested funds has been to pay for the $25,000 made available annually to the Board for the purpose of funding projects to benefit the profession (on which see further item 8 below). It was also noted that revenue from the 2008 meeting, particularly from registration and book exhibitors, appeared on course to be less, but not much less, than that of previous years.

7. The report of the Nominating Committee, which (as announced in the Proceedings, volume 82, number 2 (November 2008)) had been posted on the APA web site since November 2008, was received.

8. The Secretary-Treasurer reported the following actions taken by the Executive Committee at its December 27, 2008, meeting: a) the
committee agreed to continue its $25,000 annual commitment to the Board (on which see item 6 above) through 2011-2012 (agreements having already been made through 2011), but only on condition that the total value of the Division’s investments as of June 30, 2010, is at least $500,000. If the value of the investments is less than that amount on that date, the Secretary-Treasurer was authorized to decide, in consultation with the committee, whether to discontinue funding for 2011-2012 or to provide funding at a lower rate. b) The committee decided to propose a change to Eastern Division Bylaws to allow the possibility of secure electronic ballots instead of mail ballots. Because of the requirement in the current bylaws that proposed changes be announced at least two weeks in advance of the Business Meeting at which they are to be discussed, this change will be discussed at the 2009 Business Meeting. c) The committee approved modest registration fee increases (the first since 2002) to take effect at the 2009 meeting, and proposed to the other two Divisions and the National Office a set of modest increases in advertising charges (most of which had not been raised for at least ten years). d) The committee authorized the Secretary-Treasurer to negotiate a contract with the Atlanta Marriott Marquis for the 2012 meeting, and ratified a decision, already taken by email over the summer, to hold the 2013 meeting in Baltimore. e) The committee appointed Richard Bett Secretary-Treasurer for another three-year term beginning July 1, 2009. The full report of the Executive Committee’s actions at this meeting will appear in the minutes of the meeting, to be published in the Proceedings, volume 83, number 1 (September 2009).

9. The Secretary-Treasurer announced the nominations of the Executive Committee for two positions on the Nominating Committee and invited other nominations from the floor. Listed alphabetically, the Executive Committee’s nominees were Adam Elga, Sean Kelly, Philip Kitcher, and Kelly Oliver. George Lucas, John Stuhr, and Shannon Sullivan were nominated from the floor.

10. The Secretary-Treasurer reported that the winners of the William James Prize and Graduate Student Travel Stipends had been awarded their prizes at a reception the previous evening, and were listed in the Proceedings, volume 82, number 1 (September 2008) at the place in the program where the reception was announced.

11. President Korsgaard read the names of those members whose deaths had been reported since the 2007 Business Meeting. Their names are:
   1. Kenneth Barber
   2. Arthur W. Burks
   3. Thompson Burks
   4. Michael C. Coburn
   5. John Crean
   6. Albert Devereaux
   7. Julius A. Elias
   8. Joseph A. Grispino
   9. Byron L. Haines
10. Peter H. Hare  
11. Thomas M. Haynes  
13. Joseph J. Kockelmans  
14. Marlies Kronegger  
15. Henry Kyburg  
16. Byron C. Lambert  
17. Austin Lewis  
18. Peter Lipton  
19. Mary Mothersill (E-Div Pres. 1998-99)  
20. Lucinda Joy Peach  
21. Robert A. Rethy  
22. Jay F. Rosenberg  
23. Paul F. Schmidt  
24. Robert C. Solomon  
25. Benjamin Tel-Vered  
26. H. Stan Thayer  

At the request of President Korsgaard, the members present stood to observe a minute of silent respect for these deceased members.

12. A report was received from David Schrader, Executive Director, concerning actions taken at the November 2008 Board meeting and other issues concerning the state of the National Office and the APA generally.

13. A change to the national APA Bylaws proposed by the APA Board of Officers, to allow for a new category of membership for pre-college teachers of philosophy, was discussed. It was noted that the Eastern Division Executive Committee had expressed strong support of this proposal at its December 27, 2008, meeting. No amendments to the proposed changes, a list of which had been distributed to members present, were put forward. It was noted that, in accordance with the current Bylaws, the proposed changes will now go to a mail ballot of all members affiliated with the Eastern Division, and that the two other Divisions would take up the matter at their 2009 meetings.

14. There were no items of new business.

15. The agenda called for an open forum on issues concerning the welfare of the Division and the Association. No such issues were raised.

16. The meeting adjourned at 11:44 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard Bett  
Secretary-Treasurer  
American Philosophical Association, Eastern Division
MINUTES OF THE 2008 EASTERN DIVISION EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING


The Executive Committee took the following actions at its meeting on December 27, 2008:

1. Approved the minutes of its previous meeting on December 27, 2007 (as published in Proceedings and Addresses volume 82, #1, September 2008, pp. 147-148).

2. Received a report on actions of other Eastern Division committees, including a list of the prizes and stipends awarded by the Program Committee in connection with the 2008 meeting.

3. Set the agenda for the 2008 Business Meeting.

4. Heard reports from David Schrader, Executive Director of the Association, and Anthony Appiah, Chair of the Board of Officers, concerning actions at the 2008 Board meeting. This included the Board’s proposal of a change in the national APA Bylaws, so as to create a new category of associate membership for pre-college teachers of philosophy. The Executive Committee voted unanimously to convey its approval of this change to the Business Meeting, at which the changes were scheduled to be discussed prior to being submitted to a mail ballot.

5. Received a report on the Division’s financial situation.

6. Received a report on the projects funded by the Board at its 2008 meeting, using the $25,000 made available for this purpose by the Eastern Division. It was also agreed that in future years, once previously funded projects reach completion, reports of the outcomes of those projects should be made available to the committee (as they will be to the Board), in addition to the proposals for projects that the Board agreed to fund that year. In line with the procedure agreed upon at the Executive Committee’s 2006 meeting (item 8a), the Committee also agreed to continue its $25,000 annual commitment through the academic year 2011-2012, but on condition that the total value of the Eastern Division’s investments is at least $500,000 on June 30, 2010. Should the value of the investments be less than that amount on that date, the Secretary-Treasurer was authorized to decide, in consultation with the remainder of the Committee, whether to discontinue this
funding altogether or to commit to funding for 2011-2012 at some level below $25,000.

7. a) Approved the 2008-2009 Divisional budget; b) decided, in light of the expense (and environmental impact) of printing and mailing paper ballots, to propose a change to the Eastern Division Bylaws so as to allow for voting by secure electronic ballot. Item 2b of the Eastern Division Bylaws would begin “Elections shall be by mail or secure electronic ballot,” instead of the current “Elections shall be by preferential mail ballot”; in addition, “mail ballot” would be changed to “mail or secure electronic ballot” in items 3c and 4a. In accordance with the current Eastern Division Bylaws, this proposed change is to be announced to the membership at least two weeks prior to the 2009 Eastern Division Business Meeting, at which it will be discussed and then submitted to a mail ballot. The Executive Director was also asked to present a report at the 2009 Executive Committee meeting concerning the technical feasibility of switching to electronic ballots. The Committee also c) agreed to continue for another three years the policy of pooling advertising revenue with that of the other two Divisions for the purpose of supporting Divisional activities; d) agreed to raise registration fees from $50 to $60 for members, and from $60 to $90 to non-members, beginning at the 2009 meeting; and e) proposed to the other two Divisions and to the National Office a set of modest increases in charges for advertising in the Proceedings and Addresses.

8. Decided against giving permission for a research project on Eastern Division registration data.

9. Authorized the Secretary-Treasurer to negotiate a contract with the Atlanta Marriott Marquis for the 2012 meeting, and formally approved the decision, made tentatively by email over the summer, to hold the 2013 meeting in Baltimore (where contracts had already been negotiated, subject to opt-out clauses valid until January 2009).

10. Appointed Richard Bett Secretary-Treasurer for a third three-year term beginning July 2009, on the same conditions as for the first two terms.

11. Recognized as an affiliate group the Institute for the Advancement of Philosophy for Children.

12. Decided on a ranked short-list of possible invitees for the 2010 Dewey Lecturer.

13. Nominated four candidates for two positions on the 2009 Nominating Committee. They are Adam Elga, Sean Kelly, Philip Kitcher, and Kelly Oliver. One alternate was also decided upon, to be contacted should one or more of these candidates decline to stand.

14. After receiving suggestions from the Committee on Committees, established a list of candidates and alternates for membership on the 2010 Program Committee and instructed the Secretary-Treasurer to form a committee from that list plus the list of continuing members.
15. After receiving suggestions from the Committee on Committees, established a list of candidates and alternates for membership on the Advisory Committee to the Program Committee and instructed the Secretary-Treasurer to form a committee from that list plus the list of continuing members.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard Bett
Secretary-Treasurer
American Philosophical Association, Eastern Division
ELECTION RESULTS

RESULTS OF EASTERN DIVISION ELECTIONS

As a result of the mail ballot that took place in the spring of 2009, the following Eastern Division members have been elected to office in the Eastern Division.

- Susan Wolf has been elected to the office of Vice President for 2009-2010. Professor Wolf will become President for 2010-2011 without further election.
- Howard McGary and Ted Sider have been elected as members-at-large of the Executive Committee for 2009-2012.
- Philip Kitcher and Kelly Oliver have been elected as members of the Nominating Committee for 2009-2011.

The proposal to amend the national APA Bylaws so as to allow a new category of Teacher Associate members passed 573-20. Passage of the amendment requires a majority vote of all three Divisions. In the summer of 2009 the Pacific and Central Divisions also passed it with similar wide margins, which means that the amendment has now taken effect.
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