

**2011-12 Annual Report of the APA Committee on
Lectures, Publications, and Research**

**Respectfully submitted by
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The members of the LPR Committee for 2011-12 were (divisional representation and dates of terms in parentheses): Sally Scholz (2010-11 as Associate Chair, 2011-2014 as Chair), Gillian Brock (International, 2009-2012), Alistair Macleod (Eastern, 2009-2012), L. Nathan Oaklander (Central 2009-2012), Andrew D. Chignell (Eastern, 2010-2013), Ann E. Cudd (Central, 2010-2013), Jennifer Lackey (Central, 2010-2013), Majid Amini (Eastern, 2011-2014), Gualtiero Piccinini (Central 2011-2014), Allen W. Wood (Pacific, 2011-2014), Michael Bratman (ex officio) (Board of Officers) (2014). I would like to take this opportunity to thank Gillian Brock, Alistair Macleod, and Nathan Oaklander, who have just completed their terms on the committee, for their exemplary service to the APA.

During the academic year 2011-12, the LPR Committee took the following actions on prizes:

The APA/PDC Prize for Excellence and Innovation in Philosophy Programs for 2011: Two nominees for the APA/PDC Prize for Excellence and Innovation in Philosophy Programs. Although the members of the APA/PDC Prize committee agreed that both were worthy of funding, only one may be selected. The committee unanimously agreed to support the Teaching Children Philosophy Program at Mount Holyoke for the APA/PDC Prize. The committee included Nathan Oaklander (Chair), Andrew D. Chignell, and Jennifer Lackey, as well as two members from the PDC. The deadline for submissions for the 2013 prize will be June 30, 2013.

The Article Prize received 11 nominations. Each article is required to receive at least 2 nominations from current APA members and nominees must be members of the APA and under 40 years old. The subcommittee, chaired by Sally Scholz (substituting for Jennifer Lackey who had a family emergency) with members Alistair MacLeod, Majid Amini, Gualtiero Piccinini, Allen Wood, selected Anna Sara Malmgren's "Rationalism and the Content of Intuitive Judgments." Two additional articles were awarded honorable mention: Istvan Aranyosi's "A New Argument for the Mind-Brain Identity" and Catherine Kendig's "Race as a Physiosocial Phenomenon."

The Baumgardt Memorial Fellowship, awarded every five years to a candidate whose research has some bearing on the philosophical interests of the late David Baumgardt. The LPR Subcommittee on the Baumgardt Fellowship, Allen Wood (Chair), Majid Amini, and Gualtiero Piccinini considered nine strong applications. With the endorsement of the full committee, they approved the nomination of George Rudebusch (Northern Arizona University) for the Baumgardt Fellowship, with Terence Cuneo (University of Vermont) as a strong second place. This prize is given only every 5 years. It will be awarded again in 2017. The deadline for submissions is November 1, 2016.

The Book Prize for younger philosophers is awarded every other year, alternating with the Article prize. The next book prize deadline for nominations is March 15, 2013 for a book published in the previous two years by a scholar and APA member who is under 40.

The Carus Lectures for 2011, awarded every two years, were delivered by Sally Haslanger (Massachusetts Institute of Technology) at the Pacific Division APA (April 2012). The series of three lectures was titled “Doing Justice to the Social” and the titles for each of the three were: “What are Social Structures?”; “Ideology Is a Moral Issue”; “Epistemic Wrongdoing.” The next Carus Lecturer, for the Eastern Division meetings in 2013, is Anthony Appiah (Princeton University).

There is some question as to whether this lecture series will continue and Open Court has requested that we hold off on inviting the next speaker until the situation clears. Scholz spoke with David Steele at Open Court. Due to financial considerations and the acquisition of Open Court by *ePals* (a children’s magazine publisher), the Carus lectures will likely shift to be funded by the Hegeler Institute run by the Carus family. These negotiations are ongoing and confidential.

The Edinburgh Fellowship was not awarded in 2011 although one application was received and carefully reviewed. The prize committee consisted of Sally Scholz (Chair), Jennifer Lackey, Nathan Oaklander, and Gillian Brock. Applications for appointment for a term of 2-6 months in residence at the University of Edinburgh are invited and will be considered year round.

The Frank Chapman Sharp Prize for an unpublished essay or monograph on the philosophy of war and peace. The Frank Chapman Sharp prize received 9 submissions. The subcommittee, chaired by Ann Cudd with members Alistair Macleod, Gillian Brock, Sally Scholz, Nathan Oaklander, selected “Gunsoul: The Moral Status Of Combatants” by Professor Michael Skerker of the U.S. Naval Academy as the winning submission. The award will be given at the Eastern APA in December 2012. It will be awarded again in 2015. The deadline for submissions to be considered for that award is March 15, 2014.

The Gregory Kavka/UCI Prize in Political Philosophy, awarded to the author of a paper in a refereed journal, or an original book chapter, or an original essay published in a collection with a multiplicity of contributors, in any area of political philosophy and political theory, will be awarded. Approximately 12 articles were nominated for consideration; some of these did not meet the eligibility criteria. The winner of the Kavka prize is Thomas Pogge “Are we violating the human rights of the world’s poor?” *Yale Human Rights and Development Law Journal*, Vol. 14: 2 (2011). The prize committee consisted of Gillian Brock (Chair), Ann Cudd, and Alistair MacLeod.

The Gregory Kavka/UCI Prize in Political Philosophy will be awarded again in 2015. The deadline for nominations will be May 31, 2014, for articles published between January 1, 2012 and December 31, 2013.

The Joseph B. Gittler Award for “an outstanding scholarly contribution in the field of the philosophy of one or more of the social sciences” was awarded in 2012 to Daniel Hausman for *Preference, Value, Choice and Welfare* (Cambridge University Press). The prize committee considered five nominees. The committee consisted of Ann Cudd (Chair), Jennifer Lackey,

Gualtiero Piccinini, and Sally Scholz. Nominations for the 2013 award are due by March 15, 2013.

The Prometheus Prize lecture “to honor a distinguished person in recognition of his or her lifetime contribution to expanding the frontiers of research in philosophy and science,” is to be awarded for 2012. Nominations for this prize, supported by Prometheus Press, originate from members of the Board of Officers and the LPR Committee.

The APA Quinn Prize, in honor of Philip L. Quinn, is awarded by the National Board to an APA member in recognition of service to Philosophy and philosophers (broadly construed). The LPR Chair solicited nominations from the Board, with the winner determined at the Board of Officers Annual meeting in November. The prizewinner for 2011 was Karen Hansen (Indiana University Bloomington).

The Rockefeller Prize, awarded every 2 years for the best unpublished article-length work in philosophy by a non-academically affiliated philosopher, was awarded to “Using Ordinary Proper Names” by David Schwarz. The committee gave honorable mention to “Semantic Contextualism and Scientific Pluralism” H.G. Callaway. We received 29 submissions for this prize. The committee consisted of Sally Scholz (Chair), Andrew D. Chignell, and Majid Amini.

The Rockefeller prize committee also revised the submission criteria to get rid of some ambiguity. It is now explicit that graduate students are not eligible candidates. We also clarified the specification that “Authors must not hold a full-time position at an institution of higher education” which formerly included the added “in philosophy” at the end. The previous wording was inconsistent with the first sentence of the submission criteria which specifies that authors must have no permanent academic affiliation to participate in this competition.

The Rockefeller Prize will be awarded again in 2014. The deadline for submissions is November 1, 2013.

The Romanell Lecture (2011-12) on a topic concerning philosophical naturalism was delivered at the Eastern Division meeting in December 2011 by Galen Strawson (University of Reading) and chaired by Stephen Yablo. The 2013 Romanell Lecture will be delivered by Hilary Kornblith (UMass/Amherst) at the Pacific APA. The lecture is titled “Naturalism vs. the First-Person Perspective” and the session will be chaired by Allen Wood. A lovely dinner is included with all Romanell lectures.

The Romanell Lecture for 2013-14 will be given by John Perry at the 2014 Central Division meeting in Chicago, IL.

The Royce Lectures in the Philosophy of Mind, held at Brown University, will be given next in 2014. Scholz has initiated the process by contacting the Chair at Brown.

The Alfred Schutz Lecture was last presented at the APA Eastern Division in December, 2010. Negotiations with the two other sponsoring organizations for this prize appear to be in limbo. Attempts to initiate the selection process for a 2012 lecture went unanswered. According to the APA, no Alfred Schutz Lecture was given.

The LPR also reviewed a proposal and approved the establishment of a new prize jointly with Phi Beta Kappa. *The Dr. Martin R. Lebowitz and Eve Lewellis Lebowitz Prize for Philosophical Achievement and Contribution* is awarded to two scholars with contrasting views on some important philosophical issue of current interest. The award includes a Symposium at one of the Divisional meetings. Sally Scholz is working with Lucinda (Morales) Cassidy and John Churchill at PBK to finalize the criteria, create websites, and begin the selection process. A committee has been selected, with APA representatives: Louise Antony (University of Massachusetts – Amherst), Dan Dombrowski (Seattle University), Sally Scholz (Villanova University), and Peter van Inwagen (University of Notre Dame). The chair of the committee will be appointed by PBK.

Additionally, October 27th, 2011, Sally Scholz and David Schrader met with Michael Murray and John Churchill (a different John Churchill) of the Templeton Foundation to discuss their interest in attracting more philosophers to apply for grants and funding through the Templeton Foundation. They have expanded their mission and have actively recruited philosophers for multimillion dollar projects. We discussed the possibility of them hosting a reception at the APA. Scholz is in contact and continuing to discuss possibilities.

Our LPR Committee has continued to work on finding ways to more fully promulgate the available prizes and their deadlines and to assure maximally fair and open procedures for determining the awards, consistent with the intentions of donors and the specifications of the particular award conditions. A variety of Philosophy listservs, blogs, and posting boards were employed to help advertise as well as a few mass emailings from the APA National Office. The number of submissions for all the prizes was decidedly increased this year. For more information on APA Prizes, including the purposes, procedures and deadlines for the awards, please see the APA website. Submissions and nominations for these various awards are encouraged from members of the APA.

In addition, in August 2011, the LPR committee consulted and offered feedback on 2 grants submitted to the APA.

The Committee Chair participated ex officio in the deliberations of the Committee on the Status and Future of the Profession. In addition to considering proposals submitted to that committee, she served on a subcommittee on revising the criteria for APA grant proposals.

The Committee has had a very busy year and congratulates all of the winners of its prizes. We look forward to a slightly lighter year in 2012-13. The Committee welcomes comments or suggestions from members of the profession concerning these prizes or the Committee's larger mission of lectures, publications, and research. The Chair warmly thanks all of the committee members for their dedicated service, along with Michael Bratman, Chair of the Board of Officers during 2011-12, Walter Sinnott-Armstrong, Vice Chair of the Board of Officers during 2011-12, and David Schrader, the APA's Executive Director, who provided helpful advice on policies and procedures. The Committee and Chair also thanks Linda Nuoffer of the APA National Office who facilitated the prizes and distributed the appropriate materials.