



11th Annual North Georgia
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Kennesaw State University
March 27th – March 28th, 2015

Hosted by the
Philosophy Student Association

FRIDAY, MARCH 27TH
1st Floor, Social Sciences Bldg.

12:00 – 1:00

REGISTRATION AND REFRESHMENTS

1:00 – 1:30

OPENING CEREMONIES

Robert H. Dorff

*Dean, College of Humanities and Social Sciences
Kennesaw State University*

Alice K. Pate

*Chair, Department of History and Philosophy
Kennesaw State University*

David Jones

*Faculty Advisor, Philosophy Student Association
Kennesaw State University*

1:30 – 2:30

PANEL 1: VALIDITY OF BELIEF

Taylor Moosa (University of Georgia)

The Rationality of Emotion Through Acts of Self-Deception

Daniel Dake (Northern Illinois University)

A Defense of the Insensitivity Principle: Contra Guido Melchior's Hard Problem

PANEL 2: LAW & EDUCATION

John Choe (Georgia College & State University)

Education: The Catalyst for Change in Our Society of Injustice

Jake de Backer (Georgia State University)

Conscientious Objections in Normative Jurisprudence: An Analysis of the Ethical Arguments for Tolerating Liberty of Conscience

2:30 – 2:45

BREAK

2:45 – 3:45

PANEL 3: MODERN INQUIRIES

Matthew D. Bashor (University of Tennessee at Chattanooga)

David Hume: Skeptic or Naturalist?

Tim Witthuhn (Western Kentucky University)

Synthetic A Priori Judgments and Non-Euclidean Geometries

PANEL 4: NEURODIVERSITY

Dana Fritz (Marquette University)

The Exclusionary Nature of Advocacy

Andrew Vierra (Georgia State University)

Psychopathy and Moral Responsibility: A Response to Neil Levy

3:45 – 4:00

BREAK

4:00 – 5:00

PANEL 5: SOCIAL INTERACTION

Sarah Abdelaziz (Georgia State University)

Existence in the 21st Century: Conception and Possibility

Maria Bermudez (Georgia College & State University)

Affect Attunement and the Need for Interspecies Living

PANEL 6: APPLICATIONS OF REASON

Jordan Cox (University of Tennessee at Chattanooga)

Theism, Atheism and Reason

John Tucker (Kennesaw State University)

Considering John Dewey, the pragmatists, and the future of philosophy as metaphysics

5:00 – 5:15

BREAK

5:15 – 6:15

PANEL 7: AESTHETICS

Ryan Wolf (Bryan College)

Rilke and Literary Phenomenology

Eva Regina Imbsweiler (Georgia State University)

Hegel's Division from Schiller

PANEL 8: FREEDOM

Brandon Jones (University of Tennessee at Chattanooga)

Slavery As Circumstance

Kyle Brooks (Kennesaw State University)

Jean-Paul Sartre: Defending Atheistic Existential Phenomenology

6:15 – 6:30

CLOSING REMARKS

7:00

RECONVENE AT LOS REYES

SATURDAY, MARCH 28TH
1st and 2nd Floors, Science Bldg.

9:30 – 10:00

REGISTRATION AND REFRESHMENTS

10:00 – 11:00

PANEL 9: SEX & RELATIONSHIPS

Hunter T. Patrick (Georgia College & State University)

How Sex is the Greatest Part of Life

Summer Slavin (Kennesaw State University)

A Philosophical Look at Polygamy and Polyamorous Marriage

PANEL 10: PRINCIPLED ETHICS

Suzanne Neefus (Georgia State University)

Ethical Egoism as Rule-Utilitarianism

Alexandra Bylo (Kennesaw State University)

Not Today: A Critical Analysis of Immanuel Kant's Deontological Ethics

11:00 – 11:15

BREAK

11:15 – 12:15

PANEL 11: EROTIC LOVE

Alyssa Scarboro (Georgia College & State University)

Fairy Tales and Other Bullshit

Courtney Conrad (Georgia College & State University)

Tackling the Definition of Erotic Love

PANEL 12: NIETZSCHE, KIERKEGAARD, DAO

Christian Lloyd (Utah Valley University)

The Knight of Eternal Recurrence: Zarathustra's Movement of Infinite Resignation

Zachary Gruca (Kennesaw State University)

Receptiveness as Faith-Grounded: Daoist Efficaciousness in the Religious Sphere of Existence

12:15 – 1:30

LUNCH

1:30 – 2:30

KEYNOTE ADDRESS

Julia Jansen (KU Leuven)

What's the point? Doing Phenomenology in a Post-idealist and Post-humanist World

2:30 – 2:45

BREAK

2:45 – 3:45

PANEL 13: CRITIQUES OF GOVERNMENT

Robert Austin Kippes (University of Tennessee at Chattanooga)

The Relationship Between Capitalism and the State: A Critique of Marxism

Michael Olson (Kennesaw State University)

Philosophy of the Daodejing: A Critique of American Government

PANEL 14: [RE-] THINKING THE DEATH OF METAPHYSICS

Julianna Parma (Utah Valley University)

Howl for Zarathustra

Tyler Maxwell (Kennesaw State University)

Metaphysics Is Not Dead (Just Abandoned Due To Misunderstanding)

3:45 – 4:00

CLOSING REMARKS

5:00

RECEPTION OFF-CAMPUS (TBD)

If you have any questions at all concerning transportation, food, directions, etc. please see a member of the Philosophy Student Association.

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