50TH MEETING OF THE NORTH TEXAS PHILOSOPHICAL ASSOCIATION

AT
THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT DALLAS
IN
THE DAVIDSON-GUNDY ALUMNI CENTER

CONFERENCE PROGRAM
FRIDAY, MARCH 30

8:30-9:00 am
Registration

Session 1 (9:00 -10:00 am)
Room 1.128
“A Political Convalescence: Nietzsche Beyond Decisionism and Quietism”
Dale A. Wilkerson, University of Texas Rio Grande Valley
Moderator: Ian Alexander Moore, St. John’s College

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Room 1.131
Panel: Heidegger on Community and Homelessness
“Art and a People: Understanding “Community” in Heidegger’s Philosophy of Art”
Steven Haug, University of California, Santa Cruz

“Devastation, Language, and Homelessness in Heidegger’s Thinking (1945/46)”
Parker McDill, University of Texas at Dallas

Moderator: Chris Davidson, Ball State University
Philosophy and Values I
Room 1.135
Panel: Philosophy of Friendship
“Montaigne as Reader: An Accidental Friendship”
Ryan Manley, Texas A&M University

“Friendship: Salvation of the City and the Philosopher”
Tyrel Garrett, University of Dallas

Moderator: Farah Siddiqui, University of Texas at Dallas

10:00-10:15 am
Break

Session 2 (10:15 -11:15 am)
Room 1.128
“Become Who You Are: Thinking and Being as Releasement in the Later Heidegger”
Ian Alexander Moore, St. John’s College
Moderator: Dale Wilkerson, University of Texas Rio Grande Valley
Room 1.131

Panel: On Derrida and Postmodernism

“On Thinking and Living the Bomb: Nuclear Li(v)es”
Shellie McCullough, University of Texas at Dallas

"The paradoxical relation between Affect and Technology"
Farah Siddiqui, University of Texas at Dallas

Moderator: Michael Norton, University of Arkansas Little Rock

Room 1.135

Philosophy and Values II

“The Immorality of Plagiarism”
Andrew Pavelich, University of Houston – Downtown

“Educate and Punish: Kantian Production of Autonomy through the Disciplining of Schoolchildren”
Chris Davidson, Ball State University

Moderator: Tyrel Garrett, University of Dallas

11:15 -11:30 am
Break
Session 3 (11:30 am-12:30 pm)
1.128
PRESIDENTIAL ADDRESS
“Of an Alien Homecoming: Heidegger’s Hölderlin”
Charles Bambach, University of Texas at Dallas

Moderator: Andy Amato, University of Texas at Dallas

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1.135
Philosophy and Values III
Panel: On Empathy and Identity
“Empathy as Imagining Another’s Perspective”
Atanacio Hernandez, University of Illinois-Chicago

"Strong Composition as Identity and Proper Composition,"
Joseph Long, SUNY-Brockport

Moderator: Andrew Pavelich, University of Houston – Downtown

12:30 -1:30 pm
Lunch
Session 4 (1:30 pm-3 pm)

1.120

FRIDAY’S PLENARY ADDRESS

“Methodology · Hermeneutics · Science: On Nietzsche’s ‘Triumph of Scientific Method Over Science’

Babette Babich, Fordham University

Moderator: Charles Bambach, University of Texas at Dallas

3:00 -3:15 pm

Break

Session 5 (3:15-4:15 pm)

1.128

“Hermeneutical solidarity, or, the political that is not yet politics”

Ted George, Texas A&M University

Moderator: Cynthia Nielsen, University of Dallas

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1.135

Panel: Confessional Writings and the Philosophy of Faith

“Ravished by Beauty: Emerson and the Essence of Religion"

Andy Amato, University of Texas at Dallas

“Finding Our Way: Ethical Orientation from the Faith of Reason”

Keith Brown, University of North Texas

Moderator: Jordan Batson, Tarrant County College
4:15-4:30 pm
Break

Session 6 (4:30-5:30 pm)

1.128
“Trump, the Alt-Light, and the Alt-Right from the Perspective of the Genealogy of Propaganda.”
Cory Wimberly, University of Texas Rio Grande Valley

Moderator: Jared Bly, Villanova University

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1.131
Panel: Gadamer and Mysticism: Jean-Luc-Marion, and Sufism
“The Concept of Over-determinacy in William Desmond, Hans-Georg Gadamer, and Jean-Luc Marion”
Mike Vendsel, Tarrant County College

“Gadamer’s Concept of Play and the Mystical Dance of the Sufis”
Fatemah Tashakori, University of Texas at Dallas

Moderator: Steven Haug, University of California, Santa Cruz
1.135
Philosophy and Values IV
Sponsored Session, Center for Values in Medicine, Science, and Technology at UTD
"Science and Moral Imagination"
Matthew J Brown, University of Texas at Dallas

“The Nocebo Effect and Informed Consent”
Scott Gelfand, Oklahoma State University

"On the Clitoris and the Female Orgasm: Reclaiming Validity in Scientific Research"
Natacha Guyot, University of Texas at Dallas

Moderator: Joseph Long, SUNY-Brockport
SATURDAY, MARCH 31

8:30-9:00 am
Registration

Session 7 (9:00 -10:00 am)

1.128
“Back to Basics: The Forgotten Fore-conception of Completeness”
Lawrence Schmidt, Hendrix College
Moderator: Alexander Crist, Texas A&M University

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Panel: Heidegger, Husserl, Derrida
“The World-Forming Stone: Anthropocene as Hyperobject”
Michael Norton, University of Arkansas Little Rock

“Heidegger’s Idealist Misinterpretation of Husserl”
Stijn Talloen, Rice University

Moderator: Don Beith, University of Maine
Panel: Engagements with Aristotle

"Genetic vs. Eidetic Causes: Francis Bacon's Critique of Aristotle in the New Organon (1620)"
Martin Yaffe, University of North Texas

“The Literary Relation to the Other in Greek Tragedy”
Ian Maley, Villanova University

Moderator: Alistair Welchman, University of Texas San Antonio

10:00-10:15 am
Break

Session 8 (10:15 -11:15 am)

"Myopia and Rational Agency: Samuel Johnson’s Paradox, the New Kantianism, and the Internet"
Richard Velkley, Tulane University

Moderator: Martin Yaffe, University of North Texas
Panel: Heidegger, the Sexless Community, and Death

"Heidegger's Sexless Community: ni homme, ni femme- c'est un Dasein"
Jill Drouillard, Richland College

“The Kingdom of Dead Ends: The Existential Imperatives of a Futureless World”
Don Beith, University of Maine

Moderator: Andy Amato, University of Texas at Dallas

Panel: Hermeneutics, Art and the Environment

"Gadamer and Bearden on Art's Address"
Cynthia Nielsen, University of Dallas

“Environmental Hermeneutics and the Hermeneutic Tradition”
David Utsler, University of North Texas

Moderator: David Liakos, University of New Mexico

11:15 -11:30 am
Break
Session 9 (11:30 am-12:30 pm)

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“Hegel and the Politics of Nihilism”
Christian Emden, Rice University

Moderator: Dale Wilkerson, University of Texas Rio Grande Valley

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Panel: Heidegger: Genocide and Technology
“From Wonder Through to Terror: Remarks on Heidegger and Genocide”
Clinton Debo斯基, University of Toronto

“Positioning Enframing: Heidegger’s Bremen Lectures and His Philosophy of Technology”
Matthew Kruger-Ross, West Chester University of Pennsylvania

Moderator: Parker McDill, University of Texas at Dallas

1.135
Panel: Merleau-Ponty and his Interlocutors
“Being Sens-ed by the World: Merleau-Ponty, Sartre, and the significance of place in minimal self-awareness”
Michael Butler, University of Texas Rio Grande Valley

“At the Opening of Madness: An Exploration of the Nonrational with Merleau-Ponty, Foucault and Kierkegaard”
Hannah Lyn Venable, University of Dallas

Moderator: Jill Drouillard, Richland College
12:30 - 1:30 pm
Lunch

Session 10 (1:30 pm - 3 pm)
1.120
Saturday’s Keynote Address
"The Beast and the Sovereign: Derrida's Deconstructive Reading of Heidegger on Animality"
Walter Brogan, Villanova University

Moderator: Cynthia Nielsen, University of Dallas

3:00 - 3:15 pm
Break

Session 11 (3:15 - 4:15 pm)
1.128
“Derrida on Levinas”
Robert Wood, University of Dallas

Moderator: Charles Bambach, University of Texas at Dallas
Panel: Issues in Modern Philosophy

“Schopenhauer’s Understanding of Schelling”
Alistair Welchman, University of Texas at San Antonio

Francesca di Poppa, Texas Tech University

Moderator: Michael Butler, University of Texas Rio Grande Valley

Panel: Nietzsche’s Thus Spoke Zarathustra

“The Myth of Dionysus and Ariadne in Friedrich Nietzsche’s Thus Spoke Zarathustra”
Francesca Brunetti, University of Texas at Dallas

“Nietzsche’s Zarathustra, The Last Man and Modernity”
Ken Armentrout, University of Texas at Dallas

Moderator: Hannah Lyn Venable, University of Dallas

4:15-4:30 pm
Break
Session 12 (4:30-5:45 pm)

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Panel: Gadamer on Pain and Curiosity

“A Hermeneutics of Pain: Gadamer’s Defense of Pain as a Hermeneutic Return to Finitude”
Alexander Crist, Texas A&M University

“Gadamer’s Rehabilitation of Curiosity”
David Liakos, University of New Mexico

Moderator: David Utsler, University of North Texas

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Panel: The Politics of the Image in Heidegger, Blanchot and Nancy

“The Barred Image: Truth and Violence in Heidegger and Nancy”
Laura Campos, DePaul University

“Desire and the Image in Blanchot and Nancy”
Jared C Bly, Villanova University

“Uncanny Intimacy, or the Deconstruction of the Ipseic Image”
Humberto Gonzalez Nuñez, Villanova University

Moderator: Clinton Deogorski, University of Toronto
Panel: On Platonic Philosophy

"Alyosha Karamazov and the Platonic Soul"
Dolan Kay, University of Dallas

“Socrates: The Enemy of Philosophy”
Farshad Sadri, University of Dallas

Moderator: Tyrel Garrett, University of Dallas

NTPA Business Meeting (5:45-6:15 pm)