SPEP 62

The 62nd Meeting of the Society for Phenomenology and Existential Philosophy

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THURSDAY SESSION I: 12:30-3:00 PM

HIGHLAND B  Scholar Session: Eduardo Mendieta

HIGHLAND C  Johanna Oksala, *Feminism, Capitalism, and Ecology* (Northwestern University Press)

HIGHLAND D  Hegel Today

HIGHLAND E  Marie-Eve Morin, *Merleau-Ponty and Nancy on Sense and Being: At the Limits of Phenomenology* (Edinburgh University Press)

HIGHLAND F  Phenomenology, Emotion, and Value

HIGHLAND G  Anthony Steinbock, *Knowing by Heart: Loving as Participation and Critique* (Northwestern University Press)

HIGHLAND H  How Critical is Black Critical Theory?

HIGHLAND J  Leah Kalmanson, *Cross-Cultural Existentialism: On the Meaning of Life in Asian and Western Thought* (Bloomsbury)

CASCADE A  New Aspects of the Concept of Reification in Adorno

CASCADE B  Revolution, Insurrection, Anarchy: On Singularity and Dissolution

CASCADE C  Trans-Formations of Time, Body, and Amorous Worlds

THURSDAY SESSION II: 3:15-5:45 PM

HIGHLAND B  Contributions to Continental Philosophy: Nancy Fraser

HIGHLAND C  Omar Rivera, *Andean Aesthetics and Anticolonial Resistance: A Cosmology of Unsociable Bodies* (Bloomsbury)


HIGHLAND F  Surya Parekh, *Black Enlightenment* (Duke University Press)

HIGHLAND G  Phenomenology and the Transformation of Consciousness

HIGHLAND H  Transforming Marx and Praxis

HIGHLAND J  Hartman, Fanon, and Critical Black Futures


CASCADE A  Levinas on Place, Memory, and Disability

CASCADE B  Deleuze on Technicity, the Future, and the Body

CASCADE C  Environmental Colonialism, Interanimality, and the Question of Nature

PLENARY SESSION 6:00-8:00 PM

GRAND LILAC  Hortense Spillers, Vanderbilt University: “Tales Told Out of School: Race and Public Relations”
FRIDAY SESSION I: 9:00-10:45 AM

HIGHLAND B  Memorial Session for Gianni Vattimo
HIGHLAND C  Racial and Ethnic Diversity Committee Panel: Palestine, Genocide, and Anti-Colonization
HIGHLAND D  The Essence of Phenomenology
HIGHLAND E  Beauvoir and the Ambiguities of Ethics and Aging
HIGHLAND F  Principles and Temporalities of Pleasure
HIGHLAND G  Beyond Carcerality
HIGHLAND H  Life and the Environment
HIGHLAND J  Language and Metaphor in Latina Feminisms
CASCADE A  Close Encounters between French Epistemology and German Phenomenology
CASCADE B  Ethics of Attention on the Ecological Principle
CASCADE C  Left Wanting? Progressive Politics of Need in Hegel’s Philosophy of Right

GURWITSCH MEMORIAL LECTURE 11:00-12:45 PM


FRIDAY SESSION II: 11:00 AM-12:45 PM

HIGHLAND B  Memorial Session for Antonio Negri
HIGHLAND C  Lugones, Intersectionality, and the Making of Memory
HIGHLAND D  Foucault on History and Sexual Violability
HIGHLAND E  Healing and Wonder in Nancy
HIGHLAND F  Merleau-Ponty, History, and Heroism
HIGHLAND G  Husserl and Disability
HIGHLAND J  Continental Aesthetics
CASCADE A  Sex Matters in Sāṃkhya and Scotus
CASCADE B  Marion and Kierkegaard on God and the Demonic Paradox
CASCADE C  Schüermann on An-archaeology and Auto-determination

SPEP BUSINESS MEETING LUNCHEON 1:00-2:30 PM

GRAND LILAC  BALLROOM SOUTH  Minutes of the 2023 SPEP Business Meeting can be found on pages 38 – 41

FRIDAY SESSION III: 3:00-4:15 PM

HIGHLAND B  Lacan’s Four Kantian Discourses
HIGHLAND C  “Laughingly Say the Serious”: Nietzsche and Zen on Decadence and Ethics
HIGHLAND D  Nietzsche and the Atmospheric Turn
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SCHUWER LECTURE 12:00-1:15 PM

HIGHLAND A  Shane Ewegen, Trinity College: “(Re)Writing the World: Heidegger and the Inscription”

EDINBURGH UP PUBLISHING WORKSHOP 12:00-1:15 PM


SATURDAY SESSION II: 1:30-4:15 PM

HIGHLAND A  Scholar Session: Rebecca Comay

HIGHLAND B  Dorothea Olkowski, Deleuze, Bergson, and Merleau-Ponty: The Logic and Pragmatics of Affect, Perception, and Creation (Indiana University Press)

HIGHLAND C  Edward Casey, Turning Emotion Inside Out: Affective Life beyond the Subject (Northwestern University Press)

HIGHLAND D  Indigeneity and Migration

HIGHLAND E  Benjamin P. Davis, Choose Your Bearing: Édouard Glissant, Human Rights and Decolonial Ethics (Edinburgh University Press)

HIGHLAND F  John Lysaker, Hope, Trust, and Forgiveness: Essays in Finitude (University of Chicago Press)

HIGHLAND G  Devonya Havis, Creating a Black Vernacular Philosophy (Rowman & Littlefield)

HIGHLAND H  Afropessimism and Worlds to Come

HIGHLAND J  LGBTQ Committee Panel: LGBTQ+ AI, Algorithm, and Data Ethics

CASCADE A  Theorizing Colonialism and the Man/Animal Divide

CASCADE B  Mysteries of Merleau-Ponty

CASCADE C  Critical Theory Otherwise

PLENARY SESSION: 4:30-6:30 PM

GRAND LILAC  Peter Szendy, Brown University: “Sympnea, or: Breathing Together”

BALLROOM SOUTH
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All sessions will be held at the street level of the Joseph A. Floreano Rochester Riverside Convention Center, located at 123 E. Main Street, Rochester, New York, 14604. A map of the Center’s location can be found at https://www.rrcc.com/contact_us.cfm?Page=Contact%20Us, and a floorplan can be found at https://www.rrcc.com/index.cfm?Page=The%20. The RRCC is adjacent to the host hotel, the Hyatt Regency Rochester, to which it is connected by an enclosed skyway.

Hotel Accommodations
Lodging for conference participants has been arranged at the Hyatt Regency Rochester, 125 East Main Street, Rochester, New York 14604. Phone: (585) 546-1234. Fax: (585) 546-6777. A map of the hotel’s location and other hotel information can be found at https://ly/z5K0o. For reservations book online at https://ly/MkslG for a reduced group rate of $157 USD (single and double). Room rates at the hotel include complimentary wireless internet in guestrooms. Hotel includes fitness center, sauna, and indoor pool. Wi-fi and parking for hotel guests are complimentary. For those not staying at the hotel, the Rochester Riverside Convention Center operates a nearby garage. For rates and alternate parking garages: https://www.cityofrochester.gov/parking/southavenuegarage/

Note: Room reservations at the Hyatt Regency Rochester must be made by August 28, 2024. Rooms at the conference rate are limited and are not guaranteed.

Travel Information
Directions for all modes of transportation are also posted on the SPEP website: http://www.spep.org.

Air
The Frederick Douglass Greater Rochester International Airport (ROC) is serviced by Allegiant Airlines, American Airlines, Avelo Airlines, Delta Airlines, JetBlue Airlines, Southwest Airlines, Spirit Airlines, and United Airlines. Taxi fare to the hotel is approximately $17-21 plus tip (fastest option, pickup just outside the airport). Uber and Lyft services are also available. Towncar service ranges from $28-65 (https://jayride.com).

Train and Bus
Amtrak provides service to Rochester’s Station Building at 320 Central Avenue. For schedules and fares, contact Amtrak at 800-USA-RAIL or www.amtrak.com. Greyhound provides bus service through Rochester at its terminal at 186 Cumberland St (across from the Amtrak terminal). For schedules and fares, contact http://www.greyhound.com. Taxi, Uber, and Lyft services are available to take you to the hotel. Bus fare is $1 (26-30 minute ride; schedule can be found at https://www.myrteds.com).

Driving Directions to the Hyatt Regency Rochester Hotel
From the West: Traveling 90 East (NYS Thruway) from Buffalo: Take Exit 47 (LeRoy I-490), pay toll. Take 490 East approximately 20 miles. Follow 490 East to Exit 13 (Plymouth Avenue West). Turn right at the traffic light onto Plymouth Avenue. Go to the second traffic light and turn left onto Main Street. The Hyatt motorcourt will be on the right hand side after the fourth traffic light.

From the East: Traveling 90 West (NYS Thruway) from Syracuse: Take Exit 45 (Rochester I-490), pay toll. Follow 490 West approximately 15 miles. Follow 490 West to Exit 16 (Downtown-Clinton Avenue). At the fourth traffic light, turn left onto Main Street. The Hyatt motorcourt will be on the left hand side after the first traffic light.

From Southern Tier: Traveling 390 North to Rochester. Follow signs to Downtown (390 North to 490 East). Follow 490 East to Exit 13 (Plymouth Avenue West). Turn right at the traffic light onto Plymouth Avenue. Go to the second traffic light and turn left onto Main Street. The Hyatt motorcourt will be on the right-hand side after the fourth traffic light.

From the Greater Rochester International Airport: Take 390 North to 490 East. Follow 490 East to Exit 13 (Plymouth Avenue West). Turn right at the traffic light onto Plymouth Avenue. Go to the second traffic light and turn left onto Main Street. The Hyatt motorcourt will be on the right-hand side after the
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Taxi Service for travel within Rochester (open 24 hours)
Rochester Taxi, https://www.rochester.taxi, (585) 694-3674

Childcare Services
Participants seeking assistance with childcare can contact the Child Care Council of Western New York at (585) 654-4720 or https://childcarecouncil.com/about-us/contact-us/.

Audiovisual Equipment and Wi-Fi
All audiovisual equipment arrangements have already been made. Inquiries or confirmations may be sent to Jules Wong at spepassistant@gmail.com. A QR code is available on p. 15, through which to share presentation materials in rooms not equipped with a screen and projector.

Publisher’s Book Exhibit
A publishers’ book exhibit will be held in the Grand Lilac Ballroom at the Floreano Rochester Riverside Convention Center (adjacent to the Hyatt Regency hotel) beginning at 8:30 a.m. on Thursday. It will run from 8:30 a.m. until 5:30 p.m. on Thursday and Friday and from 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Saturday. The display is organized in cooperation with publishers specializing in scholarship influenced by continental philosophy and literary, social, and political theory. Publishers offer discounts on books ordered at the exhibit.

Website and Online Program
The complete program is available on the SPEP website at http://www.spep.org.

Publication Notice
The SPEP Executive Committee strongly encourages authors to submit papers presented at the annual meeting for consideration for the Journal of Speculative Philosophy SPEP Special Issue edited by the two SPEP Executive Co-Directors each year. To be considered, papers must be uploaded by January 2, 2025 through the JSP online submission system at http://www.editorialmanager.com/jsp/. You will need to create an author profile and note the manuscript type as “Special Issue article (SPEP)”; the online system will then guide you through the steps to upload your submission. Submitted papers should be no longer than 4,000 words including notes. Papers should be formatted according to the Chicago Manual of Style and in MS Word format (no PDFs). If the paper is selected for publication, there will be an opportunity for minor revisions. Decisions regarding publication will be communicated by February 1, 2025.

Executive Committee Elections
Shannon Sullivan will complete her term as Co-Director on the SPEP Executive Committee. María del Rosario Acosta López will also complete her term as Member-at-Large on the SPEP Executive Committee. An online election will be run through the Philosophy Documentation Center (PDC) for Shannon Sullivan’s position as Co-Director and for María del Rosario Acosta López’s position as Member-at-Large. The bios of the candidates for both positions appear below. All current members of the Society are eligible to vote and will receive an email with a unique access key from the PDC. In order to be eligible to vote, you must renew your membership for 2023–2024 by July 27, 2024 at 11:59 p.m. US Eastern Daylight Time. Voting ends July 31, 2024 at 11:59 p.m. US Eastern Daylight Time. The results of the election will be announced on the SPEP website as well as at the fall Business Meeting.

The Executive Committee nominates Shannon Mussett of Utah Valley University for a three-year-term as Co-Director to replace Shannon Sullivan.

Shannon M. Mussett is Professor of Philosophy at Utah Valley University where she has served in numerous administrative roles, including serving as Department Chair, and founding and running the Gender Studies minor (2003–2012). In 2020 she won the UVU Board of Trustees Award of Excellence. She is author of Entropic Philosophy: Chaos, Breakdown, and Creation (Rowman & Littlefield, 2022), and co-editor of Beauvoir and the History of Philosophy from Plato to Butler (SUNY Press, 2012) and The Contradictions of Freedom: Philosophical Essays on Simone de Beauvoir’s ‘Les Mandarins’
She specializes in existentialism, feminist theory, German idealism, the history of western philosophy, and philosophy and literature. She publishes widely on the philosophy of G.W.F. Hegel, Simone de Beauvoir, and the artist, Robert Smithson. She is also committed to participating in and promoting public philosophy. She is co-founder of the History of Philosophy Society (HOPS), for which she served as Member-at-Large and Co-Director (2014–2019). She has been a lifelong member of SPEP, serving as the Graduate Student Assistant (1998–2000), Local Co-Host (Salt Lake City, 2005), member of the Book Committee (2009–2011) and Secretary-Treasurer (2011-2014).

The Executive Committee nominates David Scott of Coppin State University and Alfred Frankowski of Southern Illinois University Carbondale for a three-year-term as Member-at-Large to replace María del Rosario Acosta López.

**David Scott**, Ph.D., serves as an Associate Professor and the Coordinator of the Philosophy Program at Coppin State University in Baltimore, MD. His scholarly trajectory began with a fellowship in painting from the University of Tulsa. He decided to pursue a different path and undertook a Bachelor of Arts in English Literature from the University of Chicago, followed by the attainment of a Doctorate in English Literature from the University of Virginia and a Doctorate in Philosophy (with a specialized concentration in French and German continental philosophy) from the University of Memphis. Dr. Scott’s areas of expertise encompass phenomenology, particularly the works of Husserl, Heidegger, and Levinas, as well as post-structuralist thought, with a principal interest in Deleuze and Foucault. His research traverses the intersections of epistemology and ontology, with a particular emphasis on Spinoza, and extends into the socio-political realms of race and Caribbean and Latin American postcolonial thought (Édouard Glissant, Enrique Dussel). He engages deeply with the American Black Radical Tradition, as articulated by Cedric Robinson, in a dialogue incorporating literature, art, music, and philosophy—seeking to reformulate and critique post-structuralist heritage through the lens of Critical Theory. Dr. Scott is the author of two books: *Gilbert Simondon’s Psychic and Collective Individuation: A Critical Introduction and Guide* (2014, Edinburgh University Press)—the first English-language monograph dedicated to this philosopher, and the edited volume *Understanding Foucault, Understanding Modernism* (2017, Bloomsbury). Presently, Dr. Scott is immersed in two book projects. One investigates the intersecting realms of Black Studies, Critical Theory, and Political activism; the other interrogates the concept of the theologico-political, with the goal of reconceptualizing the figure of the neighbor, advancing what he terms a “difficult” humanism. Dr. Scott is also spearheading the establishment of an interdisciplinary Black Studies program at Coppin State University, hopefully to be implemented in the 2026–2027 academic year. Dr. Scott is currently a Fellow at the Hoffberger Institute for Ethical Engagement. He has been nominated to the Community Reinvestment and Reparations Commission for the City of Baltimore.

**Alfred Frankowski** is Associate Professor in the Department of Philosophy at Southern Illinois University Carbondale. He earned his Ph.D. in Philosophy from the University of Oregon in 2012. His research interests include contemporary political philosophy, black aesthetics, critical race theory, German idealism, phenomenology, post-colonialism, and critical genocide studies. He has published articles and book chapters on anti-black violence, memorialization, black aesthetics, W.E.B. Du Bois, Walter Benjamin, Kant’s aesthetics, genocide, and racial terror lynching. He is author of *The Post-Racial Limits of Memorialization: Toward a Political Philosophy of Mourning* (Lexington, 2015) and *The Sovereign Violences of Racial Terror* (forthcoming). He is also co-editor of *Critical Perspectives on African Genocide: Memory, Silence and Anti-Black Political Violence* (Rowman & Littlefield International, 2021) and *Radical Philosophy Review, Special Issue: In Memoriam: Charles W. Mills*, 25 (2) 2022. Frankowski is also at work on projects that explore post-genocide politics, decolonial ecology, black surrealism, and the political imaginary.

The SPEP Advocacy Committees intended to nominate two people for a two-year term as the Advocacy Committees Representative on the SPEP Executive Committee. This is the new Executive Committee position, the proposal for which was approved at the October 2023 business meeting. Unfortunately it was not possible to generate two nominees this year, and thus the election for the new position has been delayed until 2025.

**Registration Fees and 2024–25 Membership Dues**
Membership and conference registration services for SPEP are provided by the Philosophy Documentation Center. To pay your dues and register for the conference, please visit: https://www.
You may also pay by check, money order, or credit card over the phone. To make any of these payment arrangements, please call (800) 444-2419. Please visit the webpage above for more details.

Please note that the membership year runs from June 1, 2024 through May 31, 2025. Conference registration is only for the 2024 conference in Rochester.

ONLINE AND PHONE REGISTRATION DEADLINE: SEPTEMBER 1, 2024
*Registration after September 1 will increase for all categories of members by $20.
*Registration after September 1 must be done on-site at the conference.

Registration Fees for the 2024 Annual SPEP Conference
Please note that SPEP membership is required for all conference attendees.

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Membership Dues for the 2024–2025 Year (June 1, 2024-May 31, 2025)
Please note that print and online access to the SPEP special issue of the Journal of Speculative Philosophy is included in individual membership fees for those in income brackets $50,000 and higher. Individuals in income brackets under $49,999 may add online and print access to the JSP issue for $10.

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All conference participants must register for the 2024 conference and be members in good standing for the program year. Participants who neglect to register and pay annual dues for the program year will not be considered for future programs until they have paid their outstanding balance.

Annual SPEP Lecture at the APA Eastern Division Meeting
The twenty-second annual SPEP panel at the American Philosophical Association Eastern Division meeting will take place at the 2025 Eastern Division meeting in New York, New York. The 2025 SPEP panel is entitled “Developments in Trans Philosophy: Talia Mae Bettcher, Beyond Personhood.” It will include talks by Hil Malatino (Pennsylvania State University), Gayle Salamon (Princeton University), and Talia Mae Bettcher (California State Los Angeles). Antonio Calcagno (King’s University College at Western University) will moderate the session. The 2025 Eastern APA meeting will take place in Sheraton New York Times Square, January 8-11, 2025. All SPEP members and friends of continental philosophy are invited to attend.

Call for Papers
The sixty-third annual SPEP meeting will take place virtually over two weekends: October 17–18 and October 24–25, 2025. Papers and panels from diverse philosophical perspectives in all areas of continental philosophy are welcome. All paper and panel submissions must be submitted electronically following the instructions that appear below.

The paper submission deadline for SPEP 2025 is January 20, 2025. A Call for Papers will be circulated by November 1, 2024 with detailed submission instructions, and will also be posted on the website: www.spep.org.
The book submission deadline for SPEP 2025 is December 1, 2024. Instructions for authors who have published a monograph within the last three years can be found on the SPEP website and in the 2025 Call for Papers.

Prizes
SPEP is pleased to offer six prizes for exemplary submissions. Each prize-winner will be awarded $500 and will be recognized on the SPEP program and at the SPEP Business Meeting. Winners of the Junior Scholar and Graduate Awards are eligible for the other prizes, but no individual can win more than one of the Young, Wynter, Toombs, and Lee prizes. All prize winners, including those receiving an Honorable Mention, are strongly encouraged to submit their papers to the SPEP special issue of the JSP.

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- **The S. Kay Toombs Prize for the Best Paper addressing disability, ableism, research in philosophy of disability, and/or research in critical disability studies** by a junior scholar (that is, a scholar who has earned a PhD in the five years prior to the submission date) or graduate student awarded by the Committee on Accessibility, Disability, and Inclusion. You must declare your desire to be considered for this prize on the online cover sheet that accompanies your submission. The winner will be chosen by the CADI through anonymous review and will be notified by June 15, 2025. The prize-winning paper will also be invited for submission to the Journal of Philosophy of Disability.

- **The Kyoo “Q” Lee Prize for Best Paper on LGBTQ Issues in Philosophy** by a junior scholar, graduate student, or independent scholar/researcher that 1) engages LGBTQ philosophy, addressing issues of gender, sexuality, queer theory, and/or trans philosophy (especially papers engaging LGBTQ issues in conversation with questions of race, ethnicity, indigeneity, disability, culture, class, migration, religion, and/or age) and/or 2) is submitted by a self-identified LGBTQ author. Priority will be given to scholars who work across genres (broadly construed) in innovative ways. You must declare your desire to be considered for this prize on the online cover sheet that accompanies your submission. The winner will be chosen by the LGBTQ Advocacy Committee through anonymous review and will be notified by June 15, 2025. Awardees will be invited to be formally recognized at the annual LGBTQ Advocacy Committee Session on the main SPEP program.
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We gather on the traditional territory of the Onöndowa’ga:’ or “the people of the Great Hill.” In English, they are known as Seneca people, “the keeper of the western door.” They are one of the six nations that make up the sovereign Haudenosaunee Confederacy.

We honor the land on which RIT was built and recognize the unique relationship that the Indigenous stewards have with this land. That relationship is the core of their traditions, cultures, and histories. We recognize the history of genocide, colonization, and assimilation of Indigenous people that took place on this land. Mindful of these histories, we work towards understanding, acknowledging, and ultimately reconciliation.

Seneca people built their homes and villages throughout the Finger Lakes area in Central New York, and in the Genesee Valley of what is now known as Western New York. Seneca Nation citizens continue to live within and outside these boundaries today.

Seneca is an English word. In their own language, Senecas identify as O-non-dowa-gah, (pronounced: Oh-n’own-dough-wahgah) or “Great Hill People” and are part of the Haudenosaunee Confederacy.

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The SPEP EC and local hosts recognize the political force of these treaties, and the responsibility of settlers to participate in upholding their integrity. We also encourage attendees to learn about the land they traveled to arrive at Dish with One Spoon territory.

We respectfully give thanks to this land as it supports us, along with the waters, fish, berries, medicine plants, animals, trees and birds that help us sustain our life and families.
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- Speaker: Linda Martin Alcoff, Hunter College and CUNY Graduate Center
- Speaker: Alejandro Vallega, University of Oregon
- Respondent: Eduardo Mendieta, The Pennsylvania State University

Session 2: **Feminism, Capitalism, and Ecology (Northwestern University Press)**
Highland C
- Moderator: Róisín Lally, Gonzaga University
- Speaker: Dan Boscov-Ellen, Pratt Institute
- Speaker: Nancy Tuana, The Pennsylvania State University
- **Respondent: Johanna Oksala, Loyola University Chicago**

Session 3: **Hegel Today**
Highland D
- Moderator: Jennifer Bates, Duquesne University
- Speaker: Robert Piercey, University of Regina: “Ricoeur’s Idea of a Phenomenology of Spirit”
- Speaker: Matthew Abbott, Federation University Australia: “The Self-Education of Labour in the Anthropocene”
- Speaker: Ryan Froese, University of Louisville: “What Hegel Means by ‘The Truth of Necessity is Freedom’”

Session 4: **Merleau-Ponty and Nancy on Sense and Being: At the Limits of Phenomenology**
Highland E
- (Edinburgh University Press)
- Moderator: Gayle Salamon, Princeton University
- Speaker: Jay Worthy, University of Alberta
- Speaker: Neal DeRoo, The Institute for Christian Studies
- **Respondent: Marie-Eve Morin, University of Alberta**

Session 5: **Phenomenology, Emotion, and Value**
Highland F
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- Speaker: Anna Galperin, Kent State University: “Expressive Embodiment: Zen Art’s Full Realization of the Subject/Object Dissolution as Theorized by Merleau-Ponty”
- Speaker: Miriam Ambrosino, Stony Brook University: “Critical Phenomenological Insights into Affective Agency and Axiological Harm: A Schelerian Approach to Affective Injustice”
- Speaker: Emily Beatty, University of Oregon: “Immanent Existence, Irreducible Experience”

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- Moderator: Lauren Guilmette, Elon University
- Speaker: Cynthia Wellett, Emory University
- Speaker: Don Beith, The University of Maine
- **Respondent: Anthony Steinbock, Stony Brook University**

Session 7: **How Critical is Black Critical Theory?**
Highland H
- Moderator: Zinhle ka’Nobuhlahuse, Southwestern University
- Speaker: Thomas McGlone, Jr., Villanova University: “Right, Out of Ruins: D iremption and Heresy in Gillian Rose and Sylvia Wynter”
- Speaker: Jerome Clarke, American University: “Is Raw Life an Oxymoron? On Mbembe’s Blackening Earth”
Cross-Cultural Existentialism: On the Meaning of Life in Asian and Western Thought (Bloomsbury)
Moderator: Brendan Mahoney, University at Albany, SUNY
Speaker: David W. Johnson, Boston College
Speaker: Tom Sparrow, Slippery Rock University
Respondent: Leah Kalmanson, University of North Texas

New Aspects of the Concept of Reification in Adorno
Moderator: Christopher F. Zurn, The University of Massachusetts Boston
Speaker: Christian Lotz, Michigan State University: “How to Think in the Light of Reification as Indifference to Things: Remarks on Adorno and Heidegger”
Speaker: Jonathan Hollinsworth, Michigan State University: “Truth and Reification in Adorno”
Speaker: Delphine Michaud, Michigan State University: “Adorno on the Reification of Needs”

Revolution, Insurrection, Anarchy: On Singularity and Dissolution
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Speaker: Isabelle Ensass, Emory University: “‘The Moment of Revolution:’ Blanchot’s Movement from Negation to Insurrection”
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Trans-Formations of Time, Body, and Amorous Worlds
Moderator: Kim Q. Hall, Appalachian State University
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Speaker: Sanjula Rajat, University of Oregon: “Lives in Limbo: Trans Temporalities and the Phenomenology of Waiting”
Best Submission by a Graduate Student Award
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Speaker: Nora Fulton, Concordia University: “The Tryst: Alain Badiou, Charles Fourier, and the ‘Amorous World’”

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Speaker: Karen Ng, Vanderbilt University
Speaker: Ashley Bohrer, University of Notre Dame
Respondent: Nancy Fraser, New School for Social Research

Andean Aesthetics and Anticolonial Resistance: A Cosmology of Unsociable Bodies (Bloomsbury)
Moderator: Juan Sebastián Ospina, Smith College
Speaker: Gabriela Veronelli, Universidad Nacional de San Martin
Speaker: Julian D. Rios Acuña, Grinnell College
Respondent: Omar Rivera, Texas A&M University
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Speaker: Walter Brogan, Villanova University
Speaker: Sara Brill, Fairfield University
Respondent: Claudia Baracchi, Università di Milano-Bicocca

Highland E
Moderator: James Risser, Seattle University
Speaker: Lara Ostaric, Temple University
Speaker: Avery Goldman, DePaul University
Respondent: Kristi Sweet, Texas A&M University

Session 5: *Black Enlightenment* (Duke University Press)
Highland F
Moderator: Ewa Ziarek, University at Buffalo
Speaker: Sandra L. Harvey, University of California Irvine
Speaker: Mickaela Perina, University of Massachusetts Boston
Respondent: Surya Parekh, Binghamton University

Session 6: *Phenomenology and the Transformation of Consciousness*
Highland G
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Speaker: John Russon, University of Guelph: “Phenomenological Method as Expression, Critique, and Transformation”
Speaker: Eva Simms, Duquesne University: “Imaginative Variation and Exact Sensory Imagination: The Imagination as a Scientific Tool in Phenomenological Place Research”
Speaker: Megan Craig, Stony Brook University: “Phenomenology as Painting in Virginia Woolf and Merleau-Ponty”

Session 7: *Transforming Marx and Praxis*
Highland H
Moderator: TBD
Speaker: Zhannan Yin, Emory University: “Beyond a Theoretical Impasse: Rethinking ‘Materiality’ in Queer Theory and Marxism”
Speaker: Kelly Gawel, Governors State University: “Care as Transformative Praxis: Horizons of Social Reproduction Beyond the Labor Paradigm” Iris Marion Young Prize Winner
Speaker: Omar Quiñonez, College of the Holy Cross: “Having One’s Nature Outside of Oneself: Marx on What It Means to Have Needs”

Session 8: *Hartman, Fanon, and Critical Black Futures*
Highland J
Moderator: Qrescent Mali Mason, Haverford College
Speaker: Jesús Luzardo, Loyola University Chicago: “Gratuity Included: Blackness and The Gift of Forgiveness” Best Submission by a Junior Scholar Award
Speaker: Sujaya Dhanvantari, University of Guelph: “Ungendering and the Quasi-Transcendent”
Speaker: Alisha Sharma, Queen’s University: “Fanonian Mutations beyond the Human”

Highland K
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Speaker: Shannon Mussett, Utah Valley University
Speaker: Stephanie Rivera-Berruz, Marquette University
Respondent: Michael Monahan, The University of Memphis
Levinas on Place, Memory, and Disability

Moderator: Bettina Bergo, Université de Montréal
Speaker: Kaleb Cohen, University of Montana: “Exile as a Relationship with Land: Levinas, Place, Anti-Colonialism”
Speaker: Bernardo Andrade, Emory University: “The Memory of the Immemorial: Levinas’s Dedication in Otherwise than Being”

Deleuze on Technicity, the Future, and the Body

Moderator: Edward Kazarian, Rowan University
Speaker: Gaia Ferrari, Duquesne University: “What Life for the Future? Deleuze’s Notion of the Future in Its Connection to Life, Change, and Becoming”
Speaker: Eric Aldieri, Bridgewater State University: “A Leibnizian Temptation: Deleuze’s Betrayal of Spinoza”

Environmental Colonialism, Interanimality, and the Question of Nature

Moderator: Patricia Glazebrook, Washington State University
Speaker: Julianne Mann, The Pennsylvania State University: “Scenes of Anthropos: Environmental Colonialism and the Violence of ‘Human’ Praxis”
Speaker: Jordan Daniels, Pomona College: “Disenchantment and Dualism: On the Continued Need for a Disenchantment Thesis”
Speaker: Gabrielle Jackson, Stanford University: “Interanimality: Animal Mimicry and Empathy”

Thursday, 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
PLENARY SESSION
Grand Lilac Ballroom South

Introduced and Moderated by
Shannon Sullivan, The University of North Carolina at Charlotte

“Tales Told Out of School: Race and Public Relations”

Hortense Spillers
Vanderbilt University

Thursday, 10:00 p.m.
SPEP RECEPTION
Galleria
FRIDAY MORNING, 9:00 a.m. – 10:45 a.m. (F.I)

Session 1: Memorial Session for Gianni Vattimo
Highland B
Moderator: Alexander Bertland, Niagara University
Speaker: Silvia Benso, Rochester Institute of Technology: “Weak Thought, Interpretation, Nonviolence”
Speaker: Peter Caravetta, Stony Brook University: “Recover, Trust, Play in the Early Vattimo”

Session 2: Racial and Ethnic Diversity Committee Panel: Palestine, Genocide, and Anti-Colonization
Highland C
Moderator: Al Frankowski, Southern Illinois University
Speaker: Zahi Zalloua, Whitman College
Speaker: Amal Eqeiq, Williams College
Commentator: Heike Schotten, University of Massachusetts, Boston

Session 3: The Essence of Phenomenology
Highland D
Moderator: Michael Butler, University of North Dakota
Speaker: Daniel Neumann, Paderborn University: “Stein and Scheler on the Experience of Essences”

Session 4: Beauvoir and the Ambiguities of Ethics and Aging
Highland E
Moderator: Laura Hengehold, Case Western Reserve University
Speaker: Dianna Taylor, John Carroll University: “Must We Burn Beauvoir? Teaching Her Work in a Post-Truth Era”
Speaker: Gail Weiss, George Washington University: “Unraveling the Ties that Bind: The Social Fragility of Old Age”

Session 5: Principles and Temporalities of Pleasure
Highland F
Moderator: Christopher Davidson, Mount Saint Joseph University
Speaker: Martina Ferrari, Villanova University: “Times of Pleasures: On Queer Temporality and S/M”

Session 6: Beyond Carcerality
Highland G
Moderator: Lisa Guenther, Queen’s University
Speaker: Katherine Davies, The University of Texas at Dallas: “Abolition Feminism and the Family Policing System”
Speaker: Gabriela Puche, Emory University: “No Escape: A Critique of Philosophical Carcerality”

Session 7: Life and the Environment
Highland H
Moderator: Dennis Keenan, Fairfield University
Speaker: Jason Stocker, Western University: “Ecological Ghosts: Between Affirmation and Negation”
Speaker: Patrick Gamez, University of Notre Dame: “Extinction, in Theory: On the Vitalist Image”
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Session 8:
Highland J
Language and Metaphor in Latina Feminisms
Moderator: Cynthia M. Ramos, Carleton College
Speaker: Sarah Lee, University of Memphis: “The Embodied Political Aesthetics of Gloria Anzaldúa’s Concept of Metaphor”

Session 9:
Cascade A
Close Encounters between French Epistemology and German Phenomenology
Moderator: James Bahoh, University of Memphis
Speaker: Shawn Huberdeau, Villanova University: “When Science Holds Experience Hostage: Gaston Bachelard Asks Husserlian Phenomenology to Pay a Ransom”
Speaker: Dustin Taylor, University of Memphis: “Heidegger and Cavaillé on Crisis and the Movement of Scientific Thought”

Session 10:
Cascade B
Ethics of Attention on the Ecological Principle
Moderator: Elvira Roncalli, Carroll College
Speaker: Kathryn Lawson, Carleton University: “Simone Weil and Ethical Ecological Attention”
Speaker: Russell Duvernoy, King’s University College at Western University: “Ecological Conversion through Aesthetic Experience?”

Session 11:
Cascade C
Left Wanting? Progressive Politics of Need in Hegel’s Philosophy of Right
Moderator: Jeffrey L. Powell, Marshall University
Speaker: Reese Haller, Michigan State University: “Second Nature and the Revolutionary Right of Heroes in Hegel’s Philosophy of Right”
Speaker: Ashley Krieger, Michigan State University: “Reconceptualizing Need through Hegel and Marcuse”

FRIDAY MORNING, 11:00 a.m. – 12:45 p.m. (F.II)

Friday 11:00 a.m. – 12:45 p.m.
THE ARON GURWITSCH MEMORIAL LECTURE
Highland A
Awarding of the Ballard Prize in Phenomenology
Moderator: Dermot Moran, Boston College

“Relevance, Gestalt, Milieu: What Gurwitsch Can Tell Us about Human Encounters in the Digital World”

Sophie Loidolt
Universität Darmstadt
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Session 1: Memorial Session for Antonio Negri
Highland B
Moderator: Timothy Campbell, Cornell University
Speaker: Timothy Murphy, Oklahoma State University: “Toni Negri: Homo liber and Time to Come”
Speaker: Pierre Lamarche, Utah Valley University: “Toni Negri’s Conricerca, and the Inversion of Perspective in the Italian New Left”
Speaker: Dimitris Vardoulakis, Western Sydney University: “Materialism has not been historicized!”

Session 2: Lugones, Intersectionality, and the Making of Memory
Highland C
Moderator: Nicole Yokum, St. Olaf College
Speaker: Gwen Daugs, Southwestern University: “The Light and Dark Sides of the Colonial / Modern Gender System: A Return to Intersectionality”
Speaker: Shannon Hayes, Tennessee State University: “Lugones’s Loving Playfulness: Storytelling in-between Memory and Perception”

Session 3: Foucault on History and Sexual Violability
Highland D
Moderator: Brad Elliott Stone, Loyola Marymount University
Speaker: Dan Perlman, Loyola University Chicago: “The Light at Point Zero: Effective History and Foucault’s Encounter with Iran”
Speaker: Vilde Aavitsland, University of Louisville: “A punch in the face: Foucault, Rape, and the Production of Sexual Violability”

Session 4: Healing and Wonder in Nancy
Highland E
Moderator: Humberto Gonzalez-Núñez, The University of Texas at Dallas
Speaker: Augie Schiano, University of Oregon: “Healing the Fracture Between Bodies: Jean-Luc Nancy & Descartes”
Speaker: Alexander Sell, University at Buffalo (SUNY) “That There is Anything at All: Wonder in Nancy and Heidegger”

Session 5: Merleau-Ponty, History, and Heroism
Highland F
Moderator: Bryan Smyth, University of Mississippi
Speaker: Constanza Filloy, Villanova University: “Towards a Concept of Mediation for Critical Theory: Merleau-Ponty’s Embodied Consciousness”
Speaker: Emmanuel Cuisinier, Université de Montréal: “Perception, Heroism, and the Problem of Expression in Merleau-Ponty”

Session 6: Husserl and Disability
Highland G
Moderator: Corinne Lajoie, Western University
Speaker: Charles Driker-Ohren, Stony Brook University: “Original Incapacity: Exploring the Limits of the Lived Body” S. Kay Toombs Prize Honorable Mention
Speaker: Joshua Barden, University of Alberta: “Disordered Sensing: A Husserlian Prolegomena to Any Future Metaphysics of OCD”

Session 7: Continental Aesthetics
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Speaker: Joseph Kassman-Tod, University of California, Berkeley: “Aesthetic Humility as ‘Remembrance’: A Critical Virtue”
Speaker: Sara Incao, Italian Institute of Technology: “Toward the Origin: The Poetic as a Generative Force in Dufrenne and Vico”
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Speaker: Tuhin Bhattacharjee, DePaul University: “Phenomenal Matter: The Mattering of Sexual Difference in Sāṃkhya Philosophy”
Speaker: Stephen Seely, Newcastle University: “Rethinking ‘Sex’ and ‘Gender’: Toward a Feminist Scotistic Realism”

Session 9: Marion and Kierkegaard on God and the Demonic Paradox
Cascade B
Moderator: Delia Popa, Villanova University
Speaker: Sondra Charbadze, SUNY Stony Brook: “Anonymity as the Name of God: Insights and Excesses of Marion’s Theological Project in Being Given”

Session 10: Schürmann on An-archaeology and Auto-determination
Cascade C
Moderator: Richard A. Lee, DePaul University
Speaker: Kieran Aarons, North Central College: “Letting go all holds’: Schürmann, Arendt, and the An-Archaeology of the Willing Subject” Best Submission by a Junior Scholar Award
Speaker: John Krummel, Hobart and William Smith Colleges: “Being as In/determination: The Auto-Determination of the Indeterminate in Reiner Schürmann’s Reading of Kant”

Friday, 1:00 p.m.
BUSINESS MEETING
with Light Lunch Reception

Grand Lilac Ballroom South
Agenda available at Registration

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Session 1: Lacan’s Four Kantian Discourses
Highland B
Moderator: Brent Adkins, Roanoke College
Speaker: Andrew Cutrofello, Loyola University Chicago
Commentator: Tom Eyers, Duquesne University

Session 2: “Laughingly Say the Serious”: Nietzsche and Zen on Decadence and Ethics
Highland C
Moderator: Bret W. Davis, Loyola University Maryland
Speaker: Brian Schroeder, Rochester Institute of Technology
Commentator: Jason Wirth, Seattle University

Session 3: Nietzsche and the Atmospheric Turn
Highland D
Moderator: Joseph I. Breidenstein Jr., Independent Researcher
Speaker: Gary Shapiro, University of Richmond
Commentator: Alan Schrift, Grinnell College
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Session 4: “Aural Cameras” and Temporal Slippage: Sampling and Détourned Time
Highland E
Moderator: Elisabeth Paquette, University at Buffalo
Speaker: Peter Heft, Centre for the Study of Theory and Criticism at Western University
Commentator: Rachel Elliott, College of Staten Island CUNY

Session 5: Remembering without Having Memorized: Technologies of Embodied Resistance
Highland F
Moderator: Ashley Lamarre, Villanova University
Speaker: Rachel Cicoria, Texas A&M University
Commentator: Paula Landerreche, University of North Carolina at Charlotte

Session 6: In Search of Authority: The Psychic Structure of the Deject and the Case of Identitarianism
Highland G
Moderator: Elizabeth Rottenberg, DePaul University
Speakers: Noëlle McAffee, Emory University and Rylie Johnson, Emory University
Commentator: Emilia Angelova, Concordia University

Session 7: Virtue and Reason in Michel Serres
Highland H
Moderator: Scott Campbell, Nazareth University
Speaker: Bryan Lueck, Southern Illinois University Edwardsville
Commentator: Keith Moser, Mississippi State University

Session 8: Repression or Disavowal? Simone de Beauvoir and French Colonialism
Highland J
Moderator: Dana Rognlie, Old Dominion University
Speaker: Anne van Leeuwen, James Madison University
Commentator: Joshua Ramey, Haverford College

Session 9: Heideggerian Transcendental Arguments
Cascade A
Moderator: Carolyn Culbertson, Florida Gulf Coast University
Speaker: Tobias Keiling, University of Warwick
Commentator: Lawrence Hatab, Old Dominion University

Session 10: The Bluest Eyes Within
Cascade B
Moderator: Rachel Silverbloom, Vassar College
Speaker: Mara Cayarga, Emory University
Commentator: Ren Ellis Neyra, Wesleyan University

Session 11: Validations of QBist Quantum Mechanics from a Hidden Source of French Phenomenology: Arnaud Dandieu and Claude Chevalley on Abstraction and Measurement as Creative Acts
Cascade C
Moderator: Jennifer Carter, Stony Brook University
Speaker: Christian Roy, Centre international de formation européenne
Commentator: Robert P. Crease, Stony Brook University

FRIDAY AFTERNOON, 4:30 p.m. – 6:15 p.m. (F.IV)

Session 1: Memorial Session for Günter Figal
Highland B
Moderator: Harris Bechtol, Texas A&M University, San Antonio
Speaker: Theodore George, Texas A&M University: “Günter Figal’s Hermeneutics as Seismic Shift and as Wellspring: Space, Object, Plurality”
Speaker: Mirela Oliva, University of St. Thomas: “Life: From Aristotle to Phenomenology”
SPEP Friday 4:30 p.m. – 6:15 p.m. cont’d

Session 2: Encounters, Disorientations, Attunements: Between Phenomenology and Care Ethics
Moderator: Mercer Gary, Drexel University

Session 3: Husserl on Ethics and Ecology
Moderator: Manhua Li, Royal Holloway College, University of London
Speaker: Mérédith Laferté-Coutu, UMass Boston: “The Ethical Attitude: A Husserlian Account of Striving to be a Good Person”
Speaker: Jessica Wiskus, Simon Silverman Phenomenology Center: “On Proust, Prairie, and Protentions”

Session 4: Heidegger and the Environment
Moderator: George Leiner, St. Vincent College
Speaker: Matthias Fritsch, Concordia University: “Heidegger and Environmental Justice Between Generations”

Session 5: Democracy and Community in Glissant and Derrida
Moderator: Ammon Allred, University of Toledo
Speaker: Jennifer Gaffney, Loyola University Chicago: “Archipelagic Citizenship: Glissant on Arendt and the Politics of Belonging”

Session 6: Psychoanalysis and Ideology in Althusser
Moderator: Jonathan Fardy, Idaho State University
Speaker: Jack Marchesi, DePaul University: “Dr. Freud’s Discovery: Althusser’s Strained Relationship with Psychoanalysis”
Speaker: Daphne Pons, Loyola University Chicago: “Louis Althusser on Re-Imagining Ideology”

Session 7: Maternal Bodies in Anzaldúa and Heidegger
Moderator: Jennifer Scuro, Molloy University
Speaker: Seo Hyo Won, Texas A&M University: “A Wall Inside’: Gloria Anzaldúa on the Epigenetic Fortification of the Body”
Speaker: Jill Drouillard, Mississippi University for Women: “Mother’s Blood Beyond Christian Binary Logic: Heidegger’s Nationalism and Pronatalist Discourse”

Session 8: Governing Algorithms
Moderator: Leigh Johnson, Independent Scholar
Speaker: Gino Elia, Stony Brook University: “Accuracy is not objectivity! Reification Bias and Metrology in Algorithms”
Speaker: Gordon Hull, University of North Carolina at Charlotte: “Erasing Agonism: Algorithmic Governance after Leviathan”
SPEP Friday 4:30 p.m. – 6:15 p.m. cont’d

**Session 9:** **Intellectual Communities in German Thought**
*Cascade B*
Moderator: Greg Convertito, University of North Carolina at Charlotte
Speaker: Matthew Delhey, University of Toronto: “Visions of Community at the University of Berlin: Kant, Fichte, Schleiermacher”
Speaker: Christopher Myers, Fordham University: “Gadamer and Lebensphilosophie: Reconceptualizing Historical Science as Being with the Dead”

**Session 10:** **The Hermeneutics of Disability**
*Cascade C*
Moderator: Ada Jaarsma, Mount Royal University
Speaker: Chaz Holsomback, University of Dallas: “Intellectual Disability, Gadamer, and the Person as Word”
Speaker: Rhea Ienni, Loyola University Chicago: “Sometimes My Crip Experience Doesn’t Make Sense to Me and That’s Ok: Disability, Hermeneutic Injustice, and the Supposed Harms of Self-Opacity” S. Kay Toombs Prize Winner

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**Friday, 10:00 p.m. - 12:00 a.m.**
**STONY BROOK RECEPTION**
**Galleria**

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**SATURDAY MORNING, 9:00 a.m. – 11:45 p.m. (S.I)**

**Session 1:** **Creolizing Critical Theory**
*Highland B*
Moderator: Surti Singh, Villanova University
Speaker: Romy Opperman, The New School for Social Research
Speaker: Jeta Mulaj, Toronto Metropolitan University
Speaker: John Drabinski, University of Maryland

**Session 2:** **The Healing Body: Creative Responses to Illness, Aging, and Affliction**
*Highland C*
Moderator: Deniz Durmuş, John Carroll University
Speaker: Kevin Aho, Florida Gulf Coast University
Speaker: Ann Murphy, University of New Mexico
**Respondent: Drew Leder, Loyola University Maryland**

**Session 3:** **Committee on the Status of Women Panel: Feminist Philosophers on Palestine**
*Highland D*
Moderator: Ege Selin Islekkel, Texas A&M University
Speaker: Alia Al-Saji, McGill University
Speakers: Janine Jones, University of North Carolina, Greensboro and Malak Afouneh, Berzeit University

**Session 4:** **The Force of Truth: Critique, Genealogy, and Truth-Telling in Michel Foucault**
*Highland E*
Moderator: Jana Sawicki, Williams College
Speaker: Mary Beth Mader, University of Memphis
Speaker: Edward F. McGushin, Stonehill College
**Respondent: Daniele Lorenzini, University of Pennsylvania**
Session 5: The Genocide Paradox (Fordham University Press)
Highland F
Moderator: Ben Brewer, University of Toronto
Speaker: Jennifer L. Culbert, Johns Hopkins University
Speaker: Martin Shuster, University of North Carolina at Charlotte
Respondent: Anne O’Byrne, Stony Brook University

Session 6: The Temporality of Possession/Dispossession of Land and Water
Highland G
Moderator: Tay Rogers, Governors State University
Speaker: Wayne Wapeemukwa, University of British Columbia: “A Structural History of Speculative Expropriation in the Settler Colony”
Speaker: Ernesto Blanes-Martinez, Emory University: “On the Materiality of Time: the Multiple Temporalities of Land”
Speaker: Rocío Zambrana, Universidad de Puerto Rico: “Mare clausum, mare liberum: Enclosure and Maritime Circuits”

Session 7: Heidegger and the Destruction of Aristotle: On How to Read the Tradition (Northwestern University Press)
Highland H
Moderator: Emanuela Bianchi, New York University
Speaker: Cameron Coates, University of the South (Sewanee)
Speaker: Daniel Dahlstrom, Boston University
Respondent: Sean Kirkland, DePaul University

Session 8: Accessibility, Disability and Inclusion Committee Panel: Disability, Ableism, and Addiction
Highland J
Moderator: Christine Wieseler, California State Polytechnic University, Pomona
Speaker: John T. Maier, Lesley University: “Disability and Deference in the Theory of Addiction”
Speaker: Andrea J. Pitts, University at Buffalo: “El Último Trago: Alcoholism and Colonial Ableism in the Americas”
Speaker: Candice Shelby, University of Colorado Denver: “Addiction as Disability”

Session 9: Engaging Kant in the 20th Century
Cascade A
Moderator: Ronald Mendoza-de Jesús, Emory University
Speaker: Farshid Baghai, Villanova University: “The Kantian Origin of Adorno’s Concept of Metaphysical Experience”

Session 10: Un-Belonging: Tracing Embodiment across Wealth, Land, and Language
Cascade B
Moderator: Michael M. Shaw, Utah Valley University
Speaker: Daniel Estrada, Emory University: “Marx’s Metabolism and the Phenomenology of Atmosphere”
Speaker: Oda K. S. Davanger, Norwegian University of Science and Technology (NTNU): “Tracing Inscriptions: Can Signs be Embodied?”
Speaker: Kaja Jenssen Rathe, UiT The Arctic University of Norway: “Race and Debt: The Other Side of Whiteness as Property”
Session 11: Philosophy of History/History of Philosophy
Cascade C
Moderator: Iaan Reynolds, Utah Valley University
Speaker: Matthew Peterson, University of Southern California: “Heidegger and the Unconscious of History: From Philosophy to Mythology”
Speaker: Benjamin Curtis, Rhodes College: “Towards a Critique of/at the ‘End of History’”

Saturday, 12:00 p.m. – 1:15 p.m.

ANDRÉ SCHUWER LECTURE
Highland A

Sponsored by the Simon Silverman Phenomenology Center, Duquesne University
Moderator: Jeffrey McCurry, Duquesne University

“(Re)Writing the World: Heidegger and the Inscription”

Shane Ewegen
Trinity College

Saturday, 12:00 p.m. – 1:15 p.m.

EDINBURGH UNIVERSITY PRESS
PUBLISHING WORKSHOP
Highland B

Publishing Workshop: How to Get Published in an Academic Journal

Chris Grieves
Journals Development Editor at Edinburgh University Press

SATURDAY AFTERNOON, 1:30 p.m. – 4:15 p.m. (S.II)

Session 1: Scholar Session: Rebecca Comay
Highland A
Moderator: Dylan Shaul, University of California, Irvine
Speaker: Jay Bernstein, New School for Social Research
Speaker: Elissa Marder, Emory University
Respondent: Rebecca Comay, University of Toronto

Session 2: Deleuze, Bergson, and Merleau-Ponty, The Logic and Pragmatics of Affect, Perception, and Creation (Indiana University Press)
Highland B
Moderator: Charles Stivale, Wayne State University
Speaker: Helen Fielding, Western University
Speaker: Janae Sholtz, Alvernia University
Respondent: Dorothea Olkowski, University of Colorado, Colorado Springs
SPEP Saturday 1:30 p.m. – 4:15 p.m. cont’d

Session 3: Turning Emotion Inside Out: Affective Life beyond the Subject (Northwestern University Press)
Highland C
Moderator: Susan Bredlau, University of Maine
Speaker: Glen Mazis, Penn State University, Harrisburg
Speaker: Shiloh Whitney, Fordham University
Respondent: Edward Casey, Stony Brook University

Session 4: Indigeneity and Migration
Highland D
Moderator: Nathifa Greene, Gettysburg College
Speaker: Brian Burkhart, University of Oklahoma: “Land as Kinship and the Beyond of Settler Colonialism”
Speaker: Alexander Sager, Portland State University: “Can Indigenous Conceptions of Land and Sovereignty Liberate Us from the Territorial Trap?”
Speaker: Neil Braganza, York University: “Land as Radical Ethics: History Beyond the Opposition of Indigenous and Migrant Liberation”
Speaker: Ruthanne Crapo Kim, St. Cloud State University: “Agitating the Coloniality of Adoption: Immigration and All My Relations.”

Session 5: Choose Your Bearing: Édouard Glissant, Human Rights and Decolonial Ethics (Edinburgh University Press)
Highland E
Moderator: Jill Stauffer, Haverford College
Speaker: William Paris, University of Toronto
Speaker: Ryan J. Johnson, Elon University
Respondent: Benjamin P. Davis, Texas A&M University

Session 6: Hope, Trust, and Forgiveness: Essays in Finitude (University of Chicago Press)
Highland F
Moderator: Shannon Hoff, Memorial University of Newfoundland and Labrador
Speaker: Ellie Anderson, Pomona College
Speaker: Chris Lebron, Johns Hopkins University
Respondent: John Lysaker, Emory University

Session 7: Creating a Black Vernacular Philosophy (Rowman & Littlefield)
Highland G
Moderator: Jameliah Shorter-Bourhanou, University of Memphis
Speaker: An Yountae, California State University, Northridge
Speaker: T. Heter Storm, East Stroudsburg University
Respondent: Devonya Havis, University at Buffalo

Session 8: Afropessimism and Worlds to Come
Highland H
Moderator: Anwar Uhuru, Wayne State University
Speaker: Brendan Brown, Western University: “A Democracy (Never) to Come… Fugitivity and Metaphysics in Afropessimism” Best Submission by a Graduate Student Award
Speaker: Jami Weinstein, Linköping University: “Is Another World Possible?”
Speaker: Jason Stephens, Loyola University Chicago: “In the Midst of Other Objects”

Session 9: LGBTQ Committee Panel: LGBTQ+ AI, Algorithm, and Data Ethics
Highland J
Moderator: Amy Marvin, Lafayette College
Speaker: Johnathan Flowers, California State University, Northridge
Speaker: Rebecca Sanacikia, University of Rochester
Speaker: Sofie Vlaad, Queen’s University
Theorizing Colonialism and the Man/Animal Divide

Moderator: John L. Protevi, Louisiana State University
Speaker: Ricardo Friaz, Central Connecticut State University: “Renaturalizing Humanism: Thinking the Limits of Decolonial Thought”
Speaker: Mae Aldana Mendoza, University of California, Riverside “The Speciesist Logic Behind Social Oppressions: A Decolonial and Intersectional Approach”

Mysteries of Merleau-Ponty

Moderator: Peter Antich, Dominican University New York
Speaker: Cheryl Fok, Loyola University Chicago: “The Style of the World: Indeterminate Unity in Merleau-Ponty’s Phenomenology of Perception”
Speaker: Nicholas Birmingham, Western University: “Overtakelessness of Flesh: a Phenomenology of Sleep with Merleau-Ponty, Carson, and Nancy”
Speaker: Güçsal Pusar, Independent Scholar: “The Mystery of Language in Merleau-Ponty”

Critical Theory Otherwise

Moderator: Owen Glyn-Williams, Merrimack College
Speaker: Miguel Gualdrón Ramirez, University of Oregon: “Looking at the Past with the Future on our Backs: Anticolonial Aesthetics in the Thought of Silvia Rivera Cusicanqui” Sylvia Wynter Prize Winner
Speaker: Eyo Ewara, Loyola University Chicago: “Conspiracy, Connection, and Adorno’s “Spell”: Frankfurt School Critical Theory, Critical Race Theory, and Working through the Past”

PLENARY SESSION
Grand Lilac Ballroom South

Introduced and Moderated by
Antonio Calcagno, King’s University College at Western University

“Sympnea, or: Breathing Together”

Peter Szendy
Brown University

SPEP RECEPTION
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Affiliated Societies at a Glance

**Thursday 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.**
Ancient Philosophy Society (APS)
Canadian Society for Continental Philosophy (CSCP)
Deleuze Circle
Heidegger Circle
History of Philosophy Society (HOPS)
Nietzsche Society
North American Society for Philosophical Hermeneutics
Society for the Advancement of American Philosophy
Society for World Philosophies

**Friday 7:30 p.m. - 10:30 p.m.**
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Society for Italian Philosophy
Society for Nature, Philosophy, and Religion
Society for Phenomenology and Philosophy of Science
SOCIETIES MEETING IN CONJUNCTION WITH SPEP

ANCIENT PHILOSOPHY SOCIETY (APS)
Highland A
Thursday 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Moderator: Eric Sanday, University of Kentucky

“Creating Socratic Legacies: Plato’s Philosophy of the Future”
Anne-Marie Schultz, Baylor University

“The Origins of Slavery in Plato’s Republic”
Jackie Murray, University of Buffalo

CANADIAN SOCIETY FOR CONTINENTAL PHILOSOPHY (CSCP)
Highland B
Thursday 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Moderator: Don Beith, University of Maine

“Education in a Technological Society”
Sage Cugino, York University

“Machines that Dream of Love: Sartre, Gym Selfies, and the Alienation of Interior Life”
Michael Butler, University of North Dakota

“Autonomy and Embodiment: The Responsibility and Threat of Medicine”
Susan Bredlau, University of Maine

DELEUZE CIRCLE
Highland C
Thursday 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Deleuze Goes to School: The Institutional Context of Deleuze’s Work

Moderator: Brent Adkins, Roanoke College

“Deleuze the Universitaire”
Alan Schrift, Grinnell College

“Deleuze the Experimenteur”
Charles Stivale, Wayne State University
HEIDEGGER CIRCLE
Highland F
Thursday 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Moderator: Anne O’Byrne, Stony Brook University

*Heidegger & Dao: Things, Nothingness, Freedom (Bloomsbury)*

Commentator: Benjamin Crowe, Boston University
Commentator: Manhua Li, Royal Holloway, University of London
Commentator: Jay Goulding, York University

Respondent: Eric S. Nelson, The Hong Kong University of Science and Technology

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HISTORY OF PHILOSOPHY SOCIETY
Highland E
Thursday 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

A New History of the History of Philosophy: Critical Canon Studies
Moderator: Kristi Sweet, Texas A&M University

“Engaging Canons: Traveling to Dominant ‘Worlds’”
Maria Mejia, Elon University

“Towards Speculative Futures: a Canonical Provocation”
Dwight K. Lewis, Jr., University of Minnesota

“Giant Steps: Spinoza, Coltrane, and the Black Radical Tradition”
Ryan J. Johnson, Elon University

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NIETZSCHE SOCIETY
Highland J
Thursday 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Nietzsche’s ‘First Philosophy’ and Last Unpublished Fragments

“To Hell and Back’: Nietzsche’s Empedocles Lecture and Zarathustra”
Babette Babich, Fordham University/University of Winchester

“Psychedelics, Reincarnation, and Feminine Spirituality with Nietzsche and the Presocratics”
Joseph I. Breidenstein, Jr., Saint Johnsbury Academy

“Nietzsche’s Last Unpublished Fragments: Passages and Patterns”
George Leiner, Saint Vincent College
NORTH AMERICAN SOCIETY FOR PHILOSOPHICAL HERMENEUTICS  
Highland G  
Thursday 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.  
Chair: Carolyn Culbertson, Florida Gulf Coast University  
“Is Hermeneutics ‘Planetary’?”  
Theodore George, Texas A&M University  
“Hisotirical Understanding in the Anthropocene””  
Tobias Keiling, University of Warwick  
“Some New Conceptual Spaces: Hermeneutics as Cross-Cultural Philosophy”  
David W. Johnson, Boston College

SOCIETY FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF AMERICAN PHILOSOPHY  
Highland H  
Thursday 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.  
“Symbols and the Symbolic in Schelling and Peirce”  
Joseph Dillabough, University of Oregon  
“Advancing Affective Justice through Loving Perception and Critical Subjectivity: A Dialogue between Addams’ Feminist Pragmatism and Hermeneutic Phenomenology”  
Michaela Peters, Boston College

SOCIETY FOR WORLD PHILOSOPHIES  
Highland D  
Thursday 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.  
Elemental Images: The Art of Cao Jun Interpreted through the Philosophy of John Sallis  
Moderator: Bret W. Davis, Loyola University Maryland  
“Mixing Paints and Worlds: Cao Jun, John Sallis, and Elemental Art”  
Jason M. Wirth, Seattle University  
“Elemental Imaginaries: Encounters between John Sallis and Cao Jun”  
Alejandro Vallega, University of Oregon  
Respondent: John Sallis, Boston College  
Respondent: Cao Jun, Independent Artist  
Interpreter and discussant: Jennifer Liu, Seattle University
Feminist Making, Sensing, & Doing: A Participatory Session

Moderators: Ada Jaarsma, Mount Royal University and Lauren Guilmette, Elon University

Speaker: Qrescent Mali Mason, Haverford College
Speaker: Amber Rose Johnson, McGill University
Speaker: Tay Rogers: Governors State University

SOCIETY FOR ITALIAN PHILOSOPHY

Highland B
Friday 7:30 p.m. – 9:30 p.m.
Reception 9:30 p.m. – 10:30 p.m.

Celebrating the Life and Works of Antonio Negri, Mario Tronti, and Gianni Vattimo

Moderator: Elvira Roncalli, Carroll College

“Remembering Mario Tronti and Antonio Negri: From the Social Factory and the Refusal of Work to Self-Valorization”
Pierre Lamarche, Utah Valley University

“Politics and Nihilism: Vattimo, Hermeneutics, and the Question of Democracy”
Brian Schroeder, Rochester Institute of Technology

Respondent: Timothy Campbell, Cornell University

SOCIETY FOR NATURE, PHILOSOPHY, AND RELIGION

Highland C
Friday 7:30 p.m. – 10:30 p.m.

“The Little Things: Thinking and Caring About Freshwater Bivalves with Dewi Sant”
David O’Hara, Augustana University
Moderator: Fr Paul (Alfred) Siewers, Bucknell University

“Participating in the Meaning of Plants and Insects: A Goethean Phenomenology?”
Ryan Shea, The Nature Institute
Moderator: Bruce Foltz, Eckerd College

“Toward the Translucence of Creation: The Philosophy and Theology of Nature in the Later Writings of Coleridge”
Bruce Foltz, Eckerd College
Moderator: Fr Paul (Alfred) Siewers, Bucknell University

“A Minute’s Wait’: John Ford’s Short Film Related to Christian Existentialist Ideas of Time, Creation, and Resisting Technocracy”
Fr Paul (Alfred) Siewers, Bucknell University
Moderator: Bruce Foltz, Eckerd College
SOCIETY FOR PHENOMENOLOGY AND PHILOSOPHY OF SCIENCE
Highland D
Friday 7:30 p.m. – 10:30 p.m.

Phenomenology, Disciplinary Crisis, Quanta

Moderator: Robert P. Crease, Stony Brook University

“The Question of Difference in Merleau-Ponty’s Engagement with Vitalism”
Gina Zavota, Kent State University

“Interpreting Science on its Own Terms: When Mere Revision Won’t Do”
Robert Scharff, University of New Hampshire

“When Phenomenology and Physics Meet: Ontology and Quantum Mechanics”
Jennifer Carter, Stony Brook University

“Against Agreement: Intersubjectivity and Embodied Agency in QBism”
Jacques Pienaar, Federal University of Rio de Janeiro (UFRJ)
Minutes of the 2023 SPEP Business Meeting

Shannon Sullivan called the meeting to order at 1:00 pm on Friday, October 13.

1. Shannon Sullivan introduced Alan Schrift, Executive Co-Director, María del Rosario Acosta López, Member-at-Large, Mary Beth Mader, Member-at-Large, David Morris, Member-at-Large, Adriel M. Trott, Member-at-Large, and Laura McMahon, Secretary-Treasurer.

2. David Morris read a land acknowledgment.

3. Thomas Nenon was appointed parliamentarian and time keeper.

4. The minutes from the 2022 business meeting were submitted and approved without correction.

5. On behalf of the Society, the Executive Committee extends its gratitude to the faculty, staff, and students from the Department of Philosophy at Toronto Metropolitan University. We would especially like to thank David Ciavatta and Paula Schwebel, local contacts and organizers; Paula Schwebel for coordinating the book exhibit with assistance from Evelyn Stoesser, former graduate student in Philosophy at TMU; Jeta Mulaj, Assistant Professor of Philosophy at TMU; and the philosophy and other graduate students who volunteered to help. The Executive Committee would like to thank the Department of Philosophy, Toronto Metropolitan University, for their generous financial and other forms of support for the Conference. The Executive Committee would also like to thank Matthew Fee, recent PhD graduate of the University of Memphis, and Rawb Leon-Carlyle, postdoctoral fellow at The Pennsylvania State University, for serving as SPEP Web Administrators and Social Media Coordinators. We would further like to thank the Department of Philosophy at The Pennsylvania State University for providing the funding for Co-Director Shannon Sullivan’s graduate student assistant, Jules Wong. We would also like to express our gratitude to the College of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences and the Department of Philosophy at DePaul University for providing the funding for Co-Director Alan Schrift’s graduate student assistant, Jack Marchesi. And we would like to thank Grinnell College for providing financial support to fund the work of both of the graduate student assistants.

6. Laura McMahon, SPEP Secretary-Treasurer, presented the following statistical information for the 2023 meeting. The Executive Committee considered 258 papers. Of the 258 papers submitted, 102 were accepted, resulting in an overall acceptance rate of 39.5%. There are approximately 436 active members. The number needed to reach a quorum at the business meeting is 44. Quorum was met for the meeting.

7. Laura McMahon presented the Budget and Treasury report. For the fiscal year running from October 1, 2022 to September 30, 2023, SPEP’s total income was $92,762 and its total expenses were $85,285, for a net income of $7,576. This figure is, however, misleading: it is quite a bit lower than it is in reality. A check for $18,010 was registered just after September 30, the end of the fiscal year. Our true net income for the 2022-2023 fiscal year is $25,586. This past fiscal year was our first “normal” year since before Covid. For the 2018-19 Fiscal Year (the last year we met in person before the Texas A&M conference), SPEP’s total income was $108,780 and its total expenses were $80,034, for a net income of $28,746. In the 2021-2022 fiscal year—the year of the online conference—SPEP’s total income was $108,829 and its total expenses were $43,330.26, for a net income of $65,498.74. In the 2020-2021 fiscal year—the year in which the conference was canceled—SPEP’s total income was $38,945 and its total expenses were $28,036, for a net income of $10,908. At this meeting, SPEP has approximately $143,000 in reserve. This is unusually high; according to past budget reports, at any given time the bank account fluctuates between $25,000 and $75,000, depending on the time of year.

Laura McMahon also offered a note of apology concerning the late delivery of so many of the conference programs this year. Omnipress, the printer, sent the programs out in good time,
and something seems to have gone wrong on the part of USPS. We are sorry about this, as is Omnipress.


9. The term of Alan Schrift concluded with the meeting. Shannon Sullivan expressed the Executive Committee’s gratitude to Alan Schrift for his many contributions to SPEP as Executive Co-Director.

10. The term of Mary Beth Mader concluded with the meeting. Alan Schrift expressed the Executive Committee’s gratitude to Mary Beth Mader for her many contributions to SPEP as Member-at-Large.

11. The term of Jack Marchesi concluded with the meeting. Alan Schrift expressed the Executive Committee’s gratitude to Jack Marchesi for his many contributions to SPEP as Graduate Assistant.

12. The SPEP Executive Committee is pleased to announce the results of this year’s online elections. Antonio Calcagno has been elected to a three-year position as Executive Co-Director. Antonio Calcagno will replace outgoing Executive Co-Director Alan Schrift at the conclusion of the Business Meeting. Kris Sealey has been elected to a three-year position as Member-At-Large on the Executive Committee. Kris Sealey will replace outgoing Member-At-Large Mary Beth Mader at the conclusion of the Business Meeting. The Executive Committee thanks Rocío Zambrana for her willingness to stand for election. We would like to remind the membership to submit nominations on the SPEP website for individuals to serve on the Executive Committee.

13. David Morris introduced Brian Schroeder, who gave a report on behalf of the Rochester Institute of Technology about the arrangements for the SPEP conference that will take place September 26-28, 2024. The event will take place at the Hyatt Regency in Rochester, with room rates of $157/night for up to quadruple occupancy.

14. The 2025 meeting will be held virtually, planned for October 17–18 and October 24–25, 2025, over two weekends.

15. David Morris invited members to serve as local hosts or co-hosts of an annual SPEP meeting. Those interested in hosting a meeting may contact any member of the Executive Committee.

16. Alan Schrift presented the Executive Committee’s proposal to extend one EC Member-at-Large term by one year. Because of a deferred election during the pandemic, the Executive Committee is currently in the unfortunate position of having four of its members’ terms conclude at the end of the 2024 Business Meeting: Shannon Sullivan (Executive Co-Director), Laura McMahon (Secretary-Treasurer), María del Rosario Acosta López (Member-at-Large), and Adriel M. Trott (Member-at-Large). To help maintain continuity on the EC, we would like to extend the term of one Member-at-Large by one year. Adriel M. Trott has graciously volunteered to serve an additional year. The motion to extend Adriel M. Trott’s term by one year was approved.

17. Alan Schrift presented the Executive Committee’s proposal for Bylaw changes. The Executive Committee proposed an amendment that clarifies under what conditions the SPEP Bylaws can be changed without a vote from the membership. A document entitled History of Bylaw Amendments and Proposed New Amendment was circulated to members for consideration prior to the meeting. This proposal originated out of a concern held by the six standing committees that the current Bylaws permit amendments to be approved by a two-thirds majority vote of members of the Executive Committee. Looking over the cases where amendments were approved by Executive Committee vote alone, the Executive Committee found these cases to be both rare and necessary: dealing with emergency situations like the cancellation of the annual meeting (thus making a vote
on an amendment impossible), and dealing with purely clerical matters to clear up inconsistencies in the Bylaws (as was required after approval of the amendment to hold online elections). The proposed amendment makes clear that these are the only kinds of amendments that should be approved without a vote of the full membership at the annual business meeting. A vote by ballot was held and the motion to change the Bylaws was approved.

18. Joel Michael Reynolds presented a proposal for a new Member-at-Large position on the EC to represent the Standing Committees. The new position is dedicated to representing the interests, questions, and concerns of the Advocacy Committees, which represent minority and marginalized members, in the governance of SPEP. A document with additional details about this position, entitled SPEP New EC Position Proposal, was circulated to members for consideration prior to the meeting. A vote by ballot was held and the motion to change the Bylaws was approved.

19. María del Rosario Acosta López recognized Marie Draz, who gave a report on the Committee on the Status of Women. The winner of the Iris Marion Young Prize was Lynne Huffer, and Eweret smith and Shaila Wadhwni-Greenhalgh received an honorable mention for the Iris Marion Young Prize. The term of Ege Selin Islekel concluded with this meeting. The Committee on the Status of Women nominated Romy Opperman for the vacant faculty position. Romy Opperman was elected by acclamation. The term of graduate student member Zinhle ka’Nobuhlahuse concluded with this meeting. The Committee on the Status of Women nominated Rachel Cicoria as a graduate student member. Rachel Cicoria was elected by acclamation.

20. María del Rosario Acosta López recognized Eyo Ewara, who gave a report from the LGBTQ Advocacy Committee. The winner of the Kyoo “Q” Lee Prize was Valentina Moro, and Tuhin Bhattacharjee received an honorable mention for the Kyoo “Q” Lee Prize. The term of Eyo Ewara concluded with this meeting. The LGBTQ Advocacy Committee nominated Anwar Uhuru for the vacant faculty position. Anwar Uhuru was elected by acclamation. The term of the committee’s graduate student member concluded with this meeting. The LGBTQ Advocacy Committee nominated Daphne Pons as a graduate student member. Daphne Pons was elected by acclamation.

21. María del Rosario Acosta López recognized Al Frankowski, who gave a report from the Racial and Ethnic Diversity Committee. The winner of the Sylvia Wynter Prize was Julian Rios-Acuña.

22. María del Rosario Acosta López recognized Elaine Miller, who gave a report from the Public Outreach Committee. The term of Elaine Miller concluded with the meeting. The Public Outreach Committee nominated Ashley Bohrer for the vacant position. Ashley Bohrer was elected by acclamation.

23. María del Rosario Acosta López recognized Joel Michael Reynolds, who gave a report from the Committee on Accessibility, Disability, and Inclusion. The winner of the S. Kay Toombs Prize was Kelsey Borrowman.

24. María del Rosario Acosta López recognized Verena Erlenbusch, who on behalf of herself and Co-Chair Yannik Thiem gave a report on the Book Selection Advisory Committee. The Book Selection Advisory Committee received 51 submissions, 6 more than in 2021. Each book was reviewed by two reviewers. 17 books were selected for the 2023 program.

25. Adriel M. Trott, on behalf of the Executive Committee, announced the awards for Best Submission by a Junior Scholar and Best Submission by a Graduate Student. The Junior Scholar Prize recipient is Ernesto Blanes-Martínez, from Emory University, for his paper “Tran Duc Thao: The Foundations of Anticolonial Phenomenology.” The Graduate Student Prize recipient is Wayne Wapeemukwa from The Pennsylvania State University, for his paper “Speculative Expropriation: Primitive Accumulation’s Pre-History and Marx’s Critical Theory of Dispossession.” Adriel M. Trott recognized the authors of the papers awarded Honorable Mention. Eric Aldieri, from University of Hartford, was the recipient of the Junior Scholar Award Honorable Mention for his
paper, “Infinite Speed, or the Metaphysical Basis for Deleuzian Epistemology.” M. Curtis Allen, from Western University, was the recipient of the Graduate Student Award Honorable Mention for his paper “On Singularities: Unlimited Synthesis and (Onto-)Logical Genesis in Deleuze’s Logic of Sense.”

26. David Morris announced that based on the recommendations from several of our standing committees, the Executive Committee plans to return to gathering demographic data from those individuals who submit papers or panels for consideration in response to our annual Call for Papers. The purpose of doing this will be to report to the membership annually about acceptance rates along particular demographic lines. (As in the past, the data will not be used for review purposes.) We have been in ongoing consultation with committee chairs to finalize the categories of data, likely including questions related to race, gender, ethnicity, disability/accessibility, and rank. We also plan to periodically survey the membership with demographic questions. We have also been investigating how to address privacy concerns when collecting this data. We expect to begin collecting data on the 2025 CFP.

27. David Morris directed members to the handout distributed at the beginning of the meeting for information about the APA 2024 SPEP Panel, “Genocide and Democracy,” on January 16, 2024, at 7:00 pm, and for information about how to submit to the SPEP Supplement of the *Journal of Speculative Philosophy*.

28. Alan Schrift invited new business and announcements from the membership. Alan Schrift urged participants to submit their papers to the *Journal of Speculative Philosophy*. David Ciavatta communicated information about a Saturday night party and a jazz event. Shannon Sullivan communicated information about the electric and water shut-off from Friday 11:59 pm to Saturday 5 am. Laura Mcmahon shared that she requested significant compensation from the hotel for these disturbances.

29. Alan Schrift adjourned the meeting at 2:25 pm.
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