

Philosophy in the Public Sphere

Society of Christian Philosophers Eastern Regional Meeting
January 23-25th, 2020

Thursday, 1/23:

Location: Marshall Student Center, The University of South Florida

4:00-5:30:

A. Concurrent Session A (MSC 2707)

Chair: Brent Louis Constantine

1. Daniel Stermer “The Ontological Status of Cartesian Possibilia”
2. Paul Rezkalla “What does it take to avoid Pelagianism?”
3. Kyle Hodge “The Causal Principle: A Simple but Novel Proof that every Contingent Entity or Event must have an Efficient Cause”

B. Concurrent Session B (MSC 2703)

Chair: Yvonne Candelario

1. Graham Lee “Higher-order Error Theories and Moral Psychology”
2. Marshall Thompson, “Happiness, Virtue and a Non-Retributive God”
3. Nathan Moats, “Analyzing Cécile Fabre's Abandonment of the Criterion of Legitimate Authority in Armed Rebellion”

5:30-6:30 Dinner, (Provided) MSC 3705

6:30-8pm Keynote Address, MSC 3705

Chair: Dolores G. Morris

Tom Morris “True Success: The Art of Achievement in Times of Change”

8:30: Tom Morris has graciously agreed to do an informal Q&A time for those who are interested in public philosophy in one form or another. At approximately 8:30, those who are interested are welcome to join us as we make our way to a local brewery.

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Friday, 1/24

Location: C.W. Young Building (CWY 206), The University of South Florida

9-10:20

Concurrent Session A

Chair: Sean Riley

1. Claire Peterson: “For the sake of the Fine?”: Virtuous Motives and Moral Development in Aristotle”

Comments: Thomas Williams

2. Matthew Braddock: “The Contingency of Human Morality, Moral Reliability, and Naturalism vs. Theism”

Comments: Peter Furlong

Concurrent Session B

Chair: Kyle Hodge

1. Daniel Rubio and Eddy Chen: “Evil and the Quantum Multiverse”

Comments: Kenny Boyce

2. James Simpson: “A Novel Solution to the Logical Problem of Evil”

Comments: Christopher Tomaszewski

10:30-11:50

Concurrent Session A:

Chair: Brent Louis Constantine

1. Kenneth Boyce and Philip Swenson “The Fine-Tuning Argument Against the Multiverse”

Comments: Sawyer Bullock

2. (Winner of the Best Graduate Paper Prize) Christopher Tomaszewski “A Formal Solution to Compositional Vagueness”

Comments: Daniel Rubio

Concurrent Session B:

Chair: Michael Morris

1. Yvonne Candelario “Content-Oriented Enchantment: an aesthetic experience of the religious kind”

Comments: Joanne Waugh

2. Stanford Howdyshell: “The Value of Doing Philosophy: A Phenomenological Perspective

Comments: B.B. Bieganski

Lunch (Provided)

1-2:30 **Plenary Panel on Pedagogy (CWY 206)**

Chair: Angela Knobel

Participants: Christopher Eberle, James Lee, Dolores G. Morris, Claire Peterson, Sean Riley

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2:40-4pm ***Note:** There are *three* concurrent sessions at this time.**

Concurrent Session A

Chair: Kyle Hodge

1. Eric Yang: “The Failure of Recent Reduplicative Solutions to the Fundamental Problem of Christology”
Comments: Lily King
2. Peter Furlong: “Divine Determinism and Non-blaming Attitudes to Wrongdoing”
Comments: Leigh Vicens

Concurrent Session B

Chair: Douglas Zimmerman

1. Nik Breiner: “Religiously-Motivated Discrimination: Evaluating Some Recent Legal Cases”
Comments: T. Parker Haratine
2. James Lee: “Argument from Christian Moral Behavior”
Comments: Claire Peterson

Concurrent Session C

Chair: John Preston

1. Matthew Eckel: “*Paideia* through the Looking Glass: Education in the *Charmides* and *Meno*”
Comments: Simon Dutton
2. BB. Bieganski: “Priggish and Pendantic: Philosophy against the Public”
Comments: Michael Morris

4:10-5:30

Concurrent Session A

Chair: Michael Murray

1. Sawyer Bullock: “Unpossessed Evidence and Steadfastness”
Comments: Michael Rota
2. Nicole Garcia: Divine Hiddenness
Comments: James Lee

Concurrent Session B

Chair: T. Parker Haratine

1. Stephanie Nordby: Divine Predication
Comments: Nik Breiner
2. Dylan Scott, USF : “On the (Im)possibility of Public Prayer”
Comments: Thomas Senor

NOTE: We will change locations, back to Marshall Student Center, for this evening’s banquet and keynote address.

5:45-6:50 Banquet (CWY 206)

7-8:30 Keynote Address: **Meghan Sullivan**

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Saturday, 1/25:

Location: Tampa Covenant Church (near to campus, ride-sharing and possible shuttle will be facilitated)

9:00-10:15 Plenary Panel: Faith and Philosophy

Participants: David DiQuattro, Michael Morris, Ashley Potts, Garrett Potts, Douglas Zimmerman

10:20-10:50:

Chair: Angela Knobel

Christopher Eberle: "Love and Faith at War: Reflections on a Platoon Commander in Fallujah"

10:55-12:15 Keynote Address: Angela Knobel

12:15-1:30 Lunch (On your own: a list of local restaurants will be provided, with delivery options, and you are welcome to bring a lunch.)

1:30-2:25

Chair: Michael Murray

1. Michael Morris: "Shall Liberalism be Defended?"
2. Robert K. Garcia: "C.S. Lewis, the Imago Dei, and the Uniqueness of Each Person"

2:30-3:25

Chair: David DiQuattro

1. Michael W. Rota: "Slaves and Money"
2. Leigh Vicens: "Against the Erasure Model of Forgiveness"

(Break)

3:40-5:00: Keynote Address: Michael Murray

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