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***The Public and the Private in  
the 21<sup>st</sup> Century***

**Saint Joseph's University  
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania  
July 30-August 1, 2009**

**Thursday, July 30**

**Registration & Book Display: 12:00-5:00 p.m.,  
Mandeville Hall**

**Session 1: 1:00-2:30 p.m.**

**1A. Themes from Arendt, Mandeville 111**

Chair: Douglas Paletta, University of Pennsylvania

Joseph Betz, Villanova University, "Hannah Arendt on the Public and the Private and Human Rights."

Gregory Hoskins, Villanova University, "Arendt and Zizek Against the Privatization of the Public Sphere."

**1B. Multiculturalism and Pluralism, Mandeville 204**

Chair: Jason Breen, York University

Jim Molos, Queen's University, "Embedded in Multiculturalism: An Argument for the Multicultural Individual."

Patricia Marino, University of Waterloo, "Moral Reasoning in a Pluralistic World."

**1C. Morality and Emotion, Mandeville 207**

Chair: Celeste Harvey, Marquette University

Brandon Davis-Shannon, Binghamton University, "Towards a Descriptive Account of Moral Emotions."

Joe Stramondo, Michigan State University, "How the Ideology of Pity Is a Social Harm to People with Disabilities."

**1D. Perspectives on the Self, Mandeville 209**

Chair: Joshua Houston, Vanderbilt University

Ashley Manta, West Chester University, "Acquaintance Rape and Its Traumatic Effects on the Self."

Melissa Mosko, Marquette University, "Integrity and Moral Demands."

**1E. History and Tradition, Mandeville 220**

Chair: Jari Niemi, Florida Atlantic University

Justin Kaushall, University of Oregon, "Frissioning the Tradition: Deconstructive Method and Practice."

Stefan Bird-Pollan, Harvard University, "Reconciling Kant: Morality, Purposiveness and History."

**1F. Virtues and Beyond, Mandeville 371**

Chair: Matt Silliman, Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts

John Hacker-Wright, University of Guelph, "Partiality and the Virtues."

Lisa Tessman, Binghamton University, "Worthy Ideals and Non-Ideal Conditions: Theorizing Moral Failure."

**Session 2: 2:45-4:15 p.m.**

**2A. Gender and Parenthood, Mandeville 111**

Chair: Gregory Hoskins, Villanova University

Bernard Prusak, Villanova University, "How to Become a Parent (Or, 'Are You My Mother?' Redux)".

Tom Digby, Springfield College, "Gender Terrorism, PeeWee Football, and Hip-Hop: Feminism Beyond the Zero-Sum Gender Game."

**2B. Pragmatic Perspectives, Mandeville 204**

Chair: Jean-Marie Makang, Frostburg State

Christopher Dean, University of Pennsylvania, "Balancing Culture and Autonomy: A Pragmatic Perspective."

Shane Ralston, University of Maine, "Can Pragmatists Be Institutionalists?"

**2C. Considerations of the Rational Self, Mandeville 220**

Chair: Ingrid Albrecht, University of Illinois

Steven Zusman, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, "Is It Better to be Socrates Dissatisfied, or Mill Satisfied?"

**2D. Locke on Property, Mandeville 207**

Chair: Ryan Preston, UNC, Chapel Hill

Levente Szentkirályi, University of Connecticut, "Lockean Political Theory and Eminent Domain: An Allowance for Takings?"

Richard Oxenberg, Boston University, "Locke and the Right to (Acquire) Property: A Lockean Argument for the Rawlsian Difference Principle."

**2E. Interpreting the Public-Private Distinction, Mandeville 209**

Chair: Mark Balawender, Michigan State University

Juan Amaya-Castro, Vrije Universiteit, "The Public and the Private after the Critiques."

Susan Dieleman, York University, "Rorty's Public-Private Distinction."

**Session 3: 4:30-6:00 p.m.**

**3A. Constructions of Gender Identity, Mandeville 111**

Chair: Zach Hoskins, Washington University, St. Louis

Angela Batson, Creighton University, "The Beauty Contest."

Miri Rozmarin, Tel-Aviv University, "'Becoming-Man'/'Becoming-Woman': A Political Suggestion."

**3B. Liberalism and Human Rights, Mandeville 204**

Chair: Ovadia Ezra, Tel-Aviv University

Cheryl Hughes, Wabash University, "Ethical Responsibility and Liberal Politics: Rethinking Freedom and Rights."

Jennifer Szende, Queen's University, "Liberal Legitimacy and the Minimalist Doctrine of Human Rights."

**3C. Women's Work and Family Life, Mandeville 207**

Chair: Elizabeth Brake, University of Calgary

Lynda Lange, University of Toronto at Scarborough, "The Global Division of Care Work: Human Rights and/or the Ethics of Care."

Celeste Harvey, Marquette University, "Negotiating the Reality of Family: Family Life, Institutional Structure, and Economic Demands."

**3D. Language, Communication, and Community, Mandeville 209**

Chair: Jean Harvey, University of Guelph

Mary Butterfield, Vanderbilt University, "Knowledge, Narrative, and Transformation: Inclusion and Difference in Iris Marion Young."

Joshua Houston, Vanderbilt University, "Communal Practice and the Private Language Controversy."

**Dinner (on your own)**

**First Plenary Session: 8:00 - 9:30 p.m.,  
Mandeville Teletorium**

Chair: Margaret Crouch, Eastern Michigan University

Anita Allen, University of Pennsylvania Law School, "Unpopular Privacy."

**Reception: 9:30 - 10:30 p.m.  
Faculty Dining Room, Mandeville Hall**

**Announcement of Graduate Student Awards** by Gaile Pohlhaus,  
Chair of the selection committee

**Friday, July 31**

**Registration & Book Display: 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.,  
Mandeville Hall**

**Session 4: 9:00-10:30 a.m.**

**4A. The Public and the Private in Kant, Mandeville 107**

Chair: Caroline Meline, St. Joseph's University

Sharon Anderson-Gold, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, "The Truth the Whole Truth and Nothing but the Truth? Kant on Truth and Privacy."

Jason Breen, York University, "Sovereign Secrets and the Public and Private Use of Reason in Kant's *Perpetual Peace*."

**4B. Ethical Issues in the University, Mandeville 111**

Chair: Natalie Evans, University of Waterloo

Norman Fischer, Kent State University, "How Speech Codes at State Universities Illegitimately Turn Private Grudges into Alleged Offenses against the Public State."

Joan Forry, Vanderbilt University, "Sports in the American University: Ethics and Educational Values."

**4C. Authority and the State, Mandeville 204**

Chair: Sigal Ben-Porath, University of Pennsylvania

Matt Whitt, Vanderbilt University, "The Ambiguities of Authority and the Ground of Modern Sovereignty."

Todd Hedrick, Michigan State University, "Implications of the Frankfurt School's Concept of the Authoritarian State."

**4D. The Market and the Public-Private Distinction, Mandeville 207**

Chair: Juan Amaya-Castro, Vrije Universiteit

Alistair Macleod, Queen's University, "The Market and the Public-Private Distinction."

David Gandolfo, Furman University, "Mediating the Public and Private: Questions Concerning the Market and Democracy."

**4E. Rational Choice Theory, Mandeville 209**

Chair: Cheryl Hughes, Wabash University

Lisa Schwartzman, Michigan State University, "Rational Choice Theory and Feminist Critique."

James Norris, University of Kansas, "Uncertain Utility and Intransitive Indifference."

**4F. The Self and Personal Control, Mandeville 220**

Chair: Mark Navin, Oakland University

Bob Murray, Ryerson University, "The Moral Identity of the Deontological Self."

Curtis Forbes, University of Toronto, "Should We Really Be Doing Cognitive Science?"

**Session 5: 10:45-12:15 p.m.**

**5A. Issues in Motivation and Moral Psychology, Mandeville 107**

Chair: Todd Hedrick, Michigan State University

Douglas Paletta, University of Pennsylvania, "Why Wrongness Motivates and Value Does Not."

Nancy Snow, Marquette University, "Where Public Meets Private: The Gandhian Approach to Nonviolence."

**5B. Economics and Social Justice, Mandeville 111**

Chair: Alex Sager, Mount Royal College

Ovadia Ezra, Tel-Aviv University, "Redistributing Wealth in Society: The Case of Estate Tax."

Margaret Gilleo, Fontbonne University, "Ethical Perspectives on the War Economy of the United States."

**5C. Rawls and Liberalism, Mandeville 204**

Chair: Wendy Lee, Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania

Sean Johnston, Binghamton University, "Conceptions of the Good and the Ubiquity of Power: John Stuart Mill Responding to John Rawls."

Margaret Steele, Marquette University, "Is Respect Possible in a Rawlsian Liberal Democracy?"

**5D. Expanding the Moral Sphere, Mandeville 207**

Chair: Tom Digby, Springfield College

Matthew Silliman, Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts, "Ethospheres and the Shifting Locus of Moral Concern."

Natalie Evans, University of Waterloo, "The Animal Self: Our Responsibility to Respond to Subjectivity."

**5E. Electronic Technology and the Public and Private, Mandeville 220**

Chair: Sharon Anderson-Gold, Rensselaer Polytechnic University

Joan Woolfrey, West Chester University, "The Habit of Examining."

**5F. Ethical Obligations and Disasters, Mandeville 209**

Chair: Brandon Davis-Shannon, Binghamton University

Stephanie Bauer, University of Alaska, "Reshaping the Public and Private: Ethical Guidelines and the Next Pandemic."

Paul Voice, Bennington College, "Our Disasters and Theirs: What Do Liberal States Owe?"

**5G. The Mental and the Moral, Mandeville 371**

Chair: Jim Molos, Queen's University

Maya Mei-Tal, Tel-Aviv University, "The Absurd and the Psychopath."

Abigail Gosselin, Regis University, "Mental Disorder within Liberal Public Discourse."

**Lunch 12:15-1:45 p.m. (on your own)**

**Session 6: 1:45-3:15 p.m.**

**6A. Feminist Epistemology, Mandeville 107**

Chair: Lisa Schwartzman, Michigan State University

Gaile Pohlhaus, Miami University of Ohio, "The Function of the Social in Feminist Epistemologies."

Theresa Tobin, Marquette University, "Moral Objectivity as Trustworthiness."

**6B. Honor and Shame, Mandeville 111**

Chair: James Norris, University of Kansas

Jacob Held, University of Central Arkansas, "Honor, Respect, and Recognition: The Role of Honor in Ethical Social Relationships."

Krista Thomason, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, "Resurrecting the Scarlet Letter: Role of Shame in Punishment."

**6C. The Ethics of Care/ Negotiating Identities, Mandeville 204**

Chair: Sally Scholz, Villanova University

Joseph Kupfer, Iowa State University, "Sea Changes: Failure to Care in 'The Squid and the Whale.'"

Kristie Dotson, Michigan State University, "Rethinking Nineteenth Century Politics of Space: Black Women on Ideals of Home."

**6D. International Rights and Responsibilities, Mandeville 207**

Chair: Marion Smiley, Brandeis University

Peter Higgins, Eastern Michigan University, "Is There a Right to Freedom of International Movement?"

Mark Navin, Oakland University, "A National Way of Life as an Ethical Ideal."

**6E. Gender Justice, Mandeville 209**

Chair: Colleen Stameshkin, Millersville University

Wendy Lee, Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania, "Charting a Feminist Response to the Future of Reproductive Technology."

Audra King, Central Connecticut State University, "Making Development Gender Just: A Structural Account of Gender Justice in Global Development."

**6F. Pornography and Prostitution, Mandeville 220**

Chair: Paul Voice, Bennington College

Mark Balawender, Michigan State University, "Icky Gender Ideology and the Ban on Organ Sales."

Erinn Gilson, Wittenberg University, "Feminism, Pornography, and Vulnerability."

**6G. Enclosure and the Commons: The History of the Present, Mandeville 371**

Chair: Sidney Axinn, Temple University

Forrest Perry, St. Xavier University, "Free Property: Arguing for Democratic Enclosure of the Commons."

Scott Zeman, Vanderbilt University, "Financial Crisis, Primitive Accumulation, and Fantasy."

**Book Award 3:30 - 5:00 p.m., Mandeville Teletorium**

Chair: Joe Betz, Villanova University

Awardee: G.A. Cohen, Oxford University, for "Rescuing Justice and Equality" (Harvard, 2008)

Comments:

Rex Martin, University of Kansas

Helga Varden, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign

Alistair M. Macleod, Queen's University

**Reception, 5:00 – 6:00 p.m., Haub Executive Center, McShain Hall (5<sup>th</sup> Floor)**

**Banquet 6:00 – 8:00 p.m., Haub Executive Center, McShain Hall (5<sup>th</sup> Floor)**

**Business Meeting 8:00 – 9:00 p.m., Haub Executive Center (5<sup>th</sup> Floor)**

**Saturday, August 1**

**Session 7: 9:00-10:30 a.m.**

**7A. Feminism and the Public and Private, Mandeville 107**

Chair: Gaile Pohlhaus, Miami University of Ohio

Margaret Crouch, Eastern Michigan University, "'Public' and 'Private' Violence against Women."

Beena Rani, Maharajas College, "Women's Public-Private Domain – Feminist Reading of International Law."

**7B. Public Deliberation, Mandeville 111**

Chair: John Hacker-Wright, University of Guelph

Andrew Smith, Illinois Wesleyan University, "On the Epistemic Incentive to Deliberate Publicly."

Carol Gould, Temple University, "Deliberation across Borders in the Global Public Sphere."

**7C. Self-Ownership, Mandeville 204**

Chair: Christopher Dean, University of Pennsylvania

Anna-Karin Andersson, Harvard University, "Limited Natural Resources and Future Generations on the Combination of Self-Ownership and Equality of Opportunity?"

Jari Niemi, Florida Atlantic University, "Self-Ownership and Fundamental Political Values."

**7D. Perspectives on Egoism and Altruism, Mandeville 207**

Chair: Ed Byrne, Indiana University

Geoffrey Karabin, Villanova University, "Seeking One's Own Eternity: The Ethical Implications of an Egoistic Drive for Personal Immortality."

Caroline Meline, St. Joseph's University, "Is It Natural or Unnatural to Follow the Golden Rule?"

**7E. Capitalism and Work: Critical Perspectives, Mandeville 220**

Chair: Joan Woolfrey, West Chester University

Alex Sager, Mount Royal College, "Part-Time and Temporary Work: Exploitation, Injustice, and Autonomy."

Meaghan Clark, Boston College, "Cleaning Up after Capitalism."

**7F. Empowerment and Consent, Mandeville 209**

Chair: Stephanie Bauer, University of Alaska

Sally Scholz, Villanova University, "Private Empowerment for Public Resistance."

Welch, Binghamton University, "Social Consent."

**Session 8: 10:45 a.m.-12:15 p.m.**

**8A. Justice and Intimate Relationships, Mandeville 107**

Chair: Forrest Perry, St. Xavier University

Colleen Stameshkin, Millersville University, "How Justice Functions in Intimate Relationships."

Elizabeth Brake, University of Calgary, "Rethinking Family: Marriage and Amato-normativity."

**8B. Punishment, Mandeville 111**

Chair: Peter Higgins, Eastern Michigan University

David Wood, The University of Melbourne, "Censure without Sanction: A Retributive Argument against Punishment."

Zach Hoskins, Washington University in St. Louis, "Punishment, Contempt, and the Prospect of Moral Reform."

**8C. Tolerance and Violence in Democratic Societies, Mandeville 220**

Chair: Maya Mei-Tal, Tel-Aviv University

Corinne Lecourieux, West Chester University, "Should Mainstream Society Tolerate the Intolerable?: Harm Reduction and Heroin."

Fuat Gürsözlü, Binghamton University, "Violence, Agonism, and Democratic Ethos."

**8D. Modern Moral Philosophy, Mandeville 207**

Chair: Scott Zeman, Vanderbilt University

Helga Varden, University of Illinois, "Kant's Murderer at the Door ... One More Time."

Ingrid Albrecht, University of Illinois, "Why Hume Must Love Himself."

**9E. Globalizing Care, Mandeville 220**

*notes*

Chair: Nancy E. Snow, Marquette University

Sarah Clark Miller, University of Memphis, "Cosmopolitanism  
Reconsidered: The Need for Cosmopolitan Care."

Fuad Ahmat Rahmat, Marquette University, "Globalizing Feminist  
Ethics: A Critique."



*notes*

***Special Thanks to***  
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