

The North American Society for
Social Philosophy

39th International
Social Philosophy Conference

**Polarization, Reconciliation, and
Community**
(in-person sessions)

July 14 to July 16, 2022
Neumann University
Aston, Pennsylvania

Thursday, July 14

8:30am: Registration desk opens (Breakfast available 8:30am-10am, Bachman main lobby)

10am – 12pm: Session I

I-A. Class and Labor (Bachman 316)

Chair: Walter J. Riker, University of West Georgia

- Christopher M. Innes, Boise State University
"Liberalism and Socialism: Confusion in the Public Realm - A Distorted Dialogue"
- Dan Lowe, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Emilie Pagano, University of Texas, Austin
"A Role-Based Account of Class"
- Michael Randall Barnes, Western University
"Working for the Machine"

I-B. Exploitation and Crime (Bachman 317)

Chair: Celeste Harvey, College of St. Mary, Omaha

- Brian Berkey, University of Pennsylvania
"Who is Wronged by Wrongful Exploitation?"
- Sally Scholz, Villanova University
"Moral and Political Justifications for Crimes of Solidarity"
- David Atenasio, Frostburg State University
"Crime and Community"

I-C. Reciprocity and Reconciliation (Bachman 318)

Chair: Kevin Timpe, Calvin University

- Connor K. Kianpour, University of Colorado, Boulder
"Reciprocity for the Oppressed"
- Jay Dittburner, Carleton University
"Justice and Memory: An Exploration of TRCs in the Americas"
- Velimir Stojkovski, University of Michigan, Dearborn
"Recognition and Reconciliation: A Schellingian Approach"

12:15 – 1:15pm: Lunch (Bruder Life Center)

Executive Committee Meeting (McNichol Room)

1:30-3:30pm: Session II

II-A. Identity, Integrity, and Activism (Bachman 316)

Chair: Katherine Brichacek, Northwestern University

- Eric Bayruns Garcia, California State University, San Bernadino
"Afro-Latinx, Hispanic and Latinx Identity: Understanding the Americas"

- Roksana Alavi, University of Oklahoma
“Reflecting on Identity and Integrity while Travelling ‘In-Between Worlds’”
- Walter Riker, University of West Georgia
“‘Ok, Boomer’ as Activism”

II-B. **Resistance** (Bachman 317)

Chair: Maurice Hamington, Portland State University

- Asia Ferrin, American University
“Five Stages of Resistance”
- Tamara Fakhoury, University of Minnesota, Twin Cities
“Violent Resistance as Radical Choice”
- Alycia LaGuardia-LoBianco, Grand Valley State University
“Repairing Moral Damage Through Self-regarding Resistance”

II-C. **Polarization** (Bachman 318)

Chair: Roksana Alavi-Robb, University of Oklahoma

- David K. Chan, University of Alabama at Birmingham
“Fear and Polarization”
- Tony White, Binghamton University
“Our Problem Isn’t Polarization – It’s Groupism: A Kingian Diagnosis”
- Pierre Le Morvan, College of New Jersey
“How Good is the Good News about Polarization?”

3:30 – 4pm: Coffee Break (Bachman 315)

4 – 5:30pm: Plenary Address (John J. Mullen Communication Center - Student Multipurpose Hall)

Chair: Elizabeth Sperry, NASSP President

- C. Thi Nguyen, University of Utah
“Hostile Epistemology”

(Dinner on one’s own or in Cafeteria. Shuttle to Media, PA restaurant district available)

Friday, July 15

8am: Continental Breakfast (Bachman 315)

8:30 – 10:30am: Session III

III-A. **Racism and Anti-Racism** (Bachman 316)

Chair: Elizabeth Lanphier, University of Cincinnati

- Pat Hope, Stanford University
“The Geography of Racism”
- Stephen J. Sullivan, Edinboro University
“A Critical Analysis of *How to Be an Antiracist*”

III-B. Children, Seniors, and Reproductive Justice (Bachman 317)

Chair: Alida Liberman, Southern Methodist University

- Helen Jennings, New York University School of Law
“Suffer, Little Children: Can the Catholic Church Heal the Wound of Clerical Sexual Abuse? Applying a Transitional Justice Perspective”
- Alexis Elder, University of Minnesota Duluth
“The Seniors Aren't Alright: Polarization, Misinformation, and Generational Divides”
- Desiree Valentine, Marquette University
“Reproductive Justice as Reparative Justice”

III-C. Polarization and Political Justification (Bachman 318)

Chair: Irfan Khawaja, Independent Scholar

- Isaac Shur, Northwestern University
“Group Polarization and Digital Property”
- Michael Buckley, Lehman College, CUNY
“A Public Justification Under Less Than Favorable Conditions”

10:45-12:15: Plenary Address (John J. Mullen Communication Center - Student Multipurpose Hall)

Chair: Barrett Emerick, NASSP Vice President

- Colleen Murphy, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign
“Contempt, Political Divisions, and Transitional Justice”

12:15 – 1:15pm: Lunch (Bruder Life Center)

1:30 – 3:30pm: Session IV

IV-A. Arendt, Machiavelli, and Interracial Trust (Bachman 316)

Chair: Desiree Valentine, Marquette University

- Katherine Brichacek, Northwestern University
“A Tale of Two Movements: Hannah Arendt's Inconsistently Nonideal Political Action in Zionism and the Civil Rights Movement”
- Irfan Khawaja, Independent Scholar
“Teaching Machiavelli in Palestine”
- Quinlyn Klade, Kevin Graham, Anaja Arthur, Ali Griswold, Beau Kearns, Maddox Larson, Suraya Wayne, Creighton University
“Black Trust and White Allies”

IV-B. Generation and an Ethos of Care (Bachman 317)

Chair: Tammy Marie Nyden, Grinnell College

- Maurice Hamington, Portland State University
“Community, Moral Commitment, and an Ethos of Care”
- Michael Kates, Saint Joseph’s University
“Children, Justice, and the Market: A Defense of Parental Subsidies”
- Kris McLain, Pennsylvania State University
“Reconceptualizing Procreation: Generation as a Model for Reproductive Justice”

IV-C. Gender Norms, Transphobia, and Cancel Culture (Bachman 318)

Chair: David Atenasio, Frostburg State University

- Logan Mitchell, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill
“Academic Freedom and the Legitimacy of Transphobic Views”
- Rowan Bell, Syracuse University/University of Missouri
“The Role of a Lifetime: Trans Experience and Gender Norms”
- Lara Millman, Dalhousie University
“Cancel Culture and Socially Problematic Beliefs”

3:45 – 5:45pm: Session V

V-A. Worldbuilding and Colonialism (Bachman 316)

Chair: Rochelle DuFord, University of Hartford

- Emily Lange, Miami University
“Making Better Worlds: Worldbuilding as Feminist Theory and Practice”
- Dallas Jokic, McGill University
“Fanon on Fascism: Fascistic Tendencies and the Persistence of Colonialism”

V-B. Sexual Consent and Epistemic Harm (Bachman 317)

Chair: Pat Hope, Stanford University

- Erik A. Anderson, Furman University
“Hookup Culture, Affirmative Consent, and the Vices of Masculinity”
- Tammy Nyden, Grinnell College
“The Gaslighting Trifecta: Epistemic Harms to Mothers of Children with Severe Mental Illness”

V-C. Epistemic Harms and Injustice (Bachman 318)

Chair: Tamara Fakhoury, University of Minnesota, Twin Cities

- Alida Liberman, Southern Methodist University
“Fatphobia and Epistemic Injustice”
- Brandon Carey, California State University, Sacramento
“Misinformation and Epistemic Harm”
- Mason Westfall, University of Toronto
“Polarization is Epistemically Innocuous”

6 – 6:30pm: Reception/Awards (Mirenda Center)

6:30pm: Banquet Dinner (Mirenda Center)

Saturday, July 16

8am: Continental Breakfast (Bachman 315)

8:30 – 10:30am: Session VI

VI-A. Luxury, Empathy, and Anger (Bachman 316)

Chair: Michael Randall Barnes, Western University

- Celeste Harvey, College of St. Mary, Omaha
“The Forgotten Vice: Why the Vice of Luxury Still Matters”
- Sarah Parker Vernallis, University of California, Berkeley
“Respectful Understanding in Creative Empathy”
- Kevin Timpe, Calvin University
“Anger and Moral Burden in Light of Systemic Injustice”

VI-B. Resistance and Contempt (Bachman 317)

Chair: Helen Jennings, New York University School of Law

- Gaile Pohlhaus, Jr., Miami University of Ohio
“Intersectional Interdependence as Epistemic Resistance”
- Adam Burgos, Bucknell University
“Internal Colonialism and Violent Resistance”

VI-C. Paranoia, Conspiracy, and Rousseau (Bachman 318)

Chair: Johanna Luttrell, University of Houston

- Rochelle DuFord, University of Hartford
“Conspiracy, Theory, and Ideology: The Social Uses of Paranoia”
- Casey Grippo, Boston University
“Blameless Conspiratorial Thinking”
- Thomas McGlone, Villanova University
“Jean-Jacques Rousseau and the Reproduction of Disagreement”

10:45am – 12:15pm: Book Award (John J. Mullen Communication Center - Student Multipurpose Hall)
Anne Schwenkenbecher’s *Getting Our Act Together, A Theory of Collective Moral Obligations* (Taylor & Francis, 2021)

- Chair: William McBride, Purdue University
- Shannon Fyfe, George Mason University
- Randall Morris, William Jewell College
- Anne Schwenkenbecher, Murdoch University, Australia

12:15 – 1:15pm: Lunch/Business Meeting (Bruder Life Center)

1:30 – 3:30pm: Session VII

VII-A. Apology, Forgiveness, and Sustainability (Bachman 316)

Chair: Sarah Parker Vernallis, University of California Berkeley

- Johanna Luttrell, University of Houston
“Demanding Forgiveness, Demanding Apology: Anti-Black Violence in American Expectations of Atonement”
- Barrett Emerick, St. Mary’s College of Maryland; Audrey Yap, Katie Stockdale, University of Victoria
“Weapon and Shield: Apologies and the Duty to be Vulnerable”
- Yifan Wang, Georgia State University
“Old Wine in New Bottle? A Marxist Critique of the Trend of Sustainable Brands”

VII-B. Democracy and Deliberation (Bachman 317)

Chair: Brian Berkey, University of Pennsylvania

- Alec Stubbs, Loyola University, Chicago
“The Future of Work(ers): Automation and Workplace Democracy”
- Michael S. Merry, University of Amsterdam
“Is There an Integration Imperative for Democratic Deliberation?”