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)
   • 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 Lutrell, 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
   • Michael S. Merry, University of Amsterdam
     “Is There an Integration Imperative for Democratic Deliberation?”