

RIT Department of Philosophy - Past Events

2017 April 28

8th Undergraduate Philosophy Conference: **Alexander Flavin** (RIT), “A New Basis for General Skepticism”; **Devin Lane** (Northeastern University), “Moral Realism and the External World: Parallel Cases of Skepticism”; Discussant: **Thomas Foley** (RIT); **Christopher Snyder** (RIT), “What Good is Philosophy for Undergraduate Students?”; **Kellianne Kornick** (RIT), “Modern Woman”; Discussant: **Benjamin Scott** (RIT); **Emily Bystrak** (SUNY Fredonia), “For the Love of Philosophy: An Overview of Theories of Love”; **Bianca Gonzalez** (Buffalo State College), “Should We Fear Death?: The Symmetry Argument in Epicurus”; Discussant: **Reuben Van Hove** (RIT); **Brendan Doyle** (Niagara University), “Kantian Feasibility”; **Jessica Tetu** (Skidmore College), “At the Feet of a Monk: An Analysis of Modern Monastic Buddhist Women”; Discussant: **Charles Hess** (Ithaca College); **Russell Guilbault** (University of Buffalo), “Mind as Action in Zen Buddhist Thought”; **Benjamin Profenius** (Skidmore College), “Nishitani on Nietzsche: Absolute Nothingness versus the Will to Power”; Discussant: **Eric Franz** (RIT); **Paul Horwich** (New York University), “Progress in Philosophy”

2017 April 20

David B. Suits (R.I.T.), “Miguel’s Choice: Killing Innocent Persons for the Greater Good”

2017 March 23

Richard Dees (University of Rochester), “*Primum Non Nocere Mortuis*: Bioethics and the Interests of the Dead”

2017 March 2

Jill P. Gordon (Colby College), “Myth, Memory, and Homecoming: A Homeric Reading of *Phaedo*”

2016 November 10

Alison Simmons (Harvard University), “Descartes: Old or New?”

2016 October 28

Simon Blackburn (University of North Carolina), “Feelings and Judgments”

2016 September 29

James Walker (DePaul), “Decolonizing Conflict Narratives: Towards a Phenomenology of Peace”

2016 September 8

Evelyn Brister (R.I.T.), “Doing Good and Being Wrong: Ethics and Ignorance”

2016 May 13

Despina Tzimoula (Malmö University), “The Feminist Movement: the Scandinavian Model”

2016 May 12

Katie Shilton (College of Information Studies, University of Maryland), “‘I’m very concerned regarding the privacy of my users’: Influences on Privacy as a Professional Practice in Mobile Application Development”

2016 May 4

José Medina (Vanderbilt University), “No Justice, No Peace: Racial Violence, *Epistemic Death* and Insurrection”

2016 April 29

Symposium on Bhutan’s Philosophy of Happiness and its Relevance for Western Society: **Bret Kanpu Davis** (Loyola University Maryland), “Pursuing the End of Happiness: Lessons from Bhutan”; Jason

Tetsuzen Wirth (Seattle University), “Bhutan and Earth Democracy”; **Brian Shudo Schroeder** (R.I.T.), “Happiness, Death, and the Bhutanese Mask Dance”

2016 April 1

7th Undergraduate Philosophy Conference: **Kellianne Kornick** (RIT), “The Structures of Epistemic Revolutions”; **Javier Olivera** (RIT), “Justified True Belief”; Discussant: **Dobhran Black** (RIT); **Alexander Flavin** (RIT), “Hume in Japan”; **Sarah Kearns** (RIT), “Finding Happiness in Absurdity: Sensations and Conclusions of Three Existentialist Philosophers”; Discussant: **Eric Franz** (RIT); **Bryant Barnes** (King University), “Mereology of Natural Kind Terms and Contextual Modality”; **Jonathan Stone** (RIT): “The Philosophy of Life”; Discussant: **Patsy Cadareanu** (RIT); **Mariah Dignan** (St. Lawrence University), “Essential Difference Feminism”; **Nichole Dieter** (RIT), “Les Anormaux: Conceptualizing the ‘Abnormal Female’ as a Form of Social Control”; Discussant: **Sophie Song** (RIT); **Josh Maurin** (McMaster University), “We, Our Other Selves: True Friendship in Aristotle’s Nichomachean Ethics”; **William Coke** (McMaster University), “Hannah Arendt on Thinking and Action”; Discussant: **Nicholas Schwarm** (St. John Fisher College); Keynote Address: **Charles Scott** (Distinguished Professor of Philosophy Emeritus and Research Professor of Philosophy, Vanderbilt University, and Professor of Philosophy, Penn State University), “Living in Borders”

2016 March 31

Ryan Johnson (Elon College), “The Importance of the Philosopher’s Beard”

2016 March 10

Adam Rosen-Carole (RIT), “Lovers’ Knowledge: Sexuality as Practical Freedom”

2016 February 25

Jon Tresan (University of Rochester), “Communal Motivational Internalism is the Real Deal: a Defense”

2015 October 22

Lawrence Torcello (R.I.T.), “Climate Ethics and Fossil Fuel Divestment”

2015 September 24

Colin Mathers (R.I.T.), “Justifying Copyrights and Patents: A Utility/Desert Hybrid Account”

2015 September 10

David B. Suits (R.I.T.), “Why We Have No Right to Not Be Killed”

2015 May 8

6th Undergraduate Philosophy Conference: **Brooke Saffren** (RIT), “Buddhism, Biology, and Ethical Implications”; **Patsy Cadareanu** (RIT), “A Discourse on Freedom and Love in Spinoza”; Discussant: **Griffin O’Neill** (RIT); Moderator: **Catalina McKay** (RIT); **Kevin Irakoze** (Connecticut College), “On Criticisms of Art: Subjective Interest as a Link Between Ethics and Aesthetics”; **Kelly Jung** (Haverford College), “Between the Origins and Destination of an Artwork”; **Aidan Sawyer** (RIT), “The Death of Art & Its Connection to Philosophy & Psychology”; Moderator: **Jonathan Stone** (RIT); **Nicole Dieter** (RIT), “Search for the Arche”; **Cami Kwan** (RIT), “Why Cartoon Network Will Save Philosophy: A Pragmatic Critical Theory of Popular Culture”; Discussant: **Sarah Kearns** (RIT); Moderator: **Javier Olivera** (RIT); **Elizabeth Rakowski** (Canisius), “‘Because I Said So!’ Conceptual Art’s Contribution to Capitalism’s Limitation of Autonomous Thought”; **Nathan Saint Ours** (RIT), “The Plastic Life of Dialectical Ideals in Modernity”; Discussant: **Eric Franz** (RIT); Moderator: **Eden Anderson** (RIT); **Meredith Schroeder** (Hobart & William Smith Colleges), “Constructing Personal Identity in the Digital Age”; **Udoka Okafor** (McMaster), “Fifty Shades of Kramer: An Analysis of Kramer’s Account of the Nature of Sadomasochism and Torture”; Discussant: **Ryan Serazin** (RIT); Moderator: **Raymond Bremmer** (RIT); Keynote Address: **Karen Frost-Arnold** (Hobart & William Smith Colleges), “Trust, Accountability, and Online Anonymity”

2015 April 30

Michael Brown (History, RIT), “Public History and the Public Interest: Teaching the Ethics of Telling the Past”

2015 April 28

Anne Schwan (Edinburgh Napier University), “Mediating Prisoners’ Voices: Women, Class and Incarceration”

2015 April 9

Golfo Maggini (University of Ioannina/Greece), “Phenomenological Aristotles: Heidegger – Patocka”

2015 March 18

Shannon Vallor (Santa Clara University), “The Ethics of App Development”

2015 March 12

Theodore Everett (SUNY Geneseo), “A Model for Theories of Distributive Justice”

2015 March 5

Gregg Lambert (Syracuse University), “The Idea of the Image of Thought”

2015 February 25

Kathleen Harbin (SUNY Brockport), “How Practical Wisdom Unifies Aristotle's Ethical Theory”

2015 February 18

Frank Zenker (Lund University), “Debiasing Techniques, their Reliability and Implications for Critical Thinking Instruction”

2015 February 17

Stephen Fiore (University of Central Florida), “Considering Cognition in Collaborative Contexts”

2014 October 16

Geoff Sayre-McCord (University of North Carolina), “Hume’s Moral Theory”

2014 September 11

Wade Robison (R.I.T.), “Ethics Across the Curriculum”

2014 May 2

5th Undergraduate Philosophy Conference: **Erin Murphy** (St. John Fisher College), session chair; **Patrick Ichikawa** (University of Central Florida), “Respect for the Environment”; **Tyler West** (SUNY Binghamton), “A Justification for the Equal Consideration of Drugs”; **Thomas Cantone** (RIT), commentator; **Chad Zawistowski** (RIT), “Being-In-The-Computer”; **Max Shnidman** (Hamilton College), “Economic Epistemology and Naturalized Economics in the Price System”; **Tom Bojarski** (RIT), commentator; **Ben Reinhardt** (St. John Fisher College), session chair; **Patsy Cadareanu** (RIT), “Deliberations on Freedom as an Action Philosophy”; **Humberto Gonzalez Nunez** (Texas A&M University), “A Contemporary Analysis of Rousseau’s ‘General Will’ With Use of Habermas’ Discourse Theory”; **Lee Burnette** (RIT), “A Concept-Label Web Model of Language”; **Jeremy Berke** (RIT), commentator; **Nate Saint Ours** (RIT), “Resentment in Love”; **Michael Crowley** (Rhodes College), “Animal Continuity: Persistence, Bodies, and Identity”; **Phil Demanchick** (Nazareth College), commentator; Keynote Address: **Nicole Hassoun** (SUNY Binghamton), “Global Justice and Health Care Access”

2014 April 24

Marcia Morgan (Muhlenberg College), “Kierkegaard’s Existential Choice: Continuing a Recent Dialogue between Agnes Heller and Richard J. Bernstein”

2014 April 18

Arianne Fischer (Temple University), “Marx’s Critique of Ideology: How Should We Understand It?”

2014 April 10

Deborah Mower (Youngstown State University), “Structural Conditions for Civility”

2014 April 4

Samantha Brennan (University of Western Ontario), “Rethinking Marriage and the Family: Three Questions”

2014 March 20

Geoff Sayre-McCord (University of North Carolina), “Morality and Evolution”

2014 March 6

Ken Baynes (Syracuse University), “Autonomy and Adaptive Preferences”

2013 November 21

Jennifer Mensch (Penn State), “From Crooked Wood to Moral Agency: On Anthropology and Ethics in Kant”

2013 November 14

Margaret Watkins (St. Vincent College), “Of Friendship and Factions”

2013 November 13

Lewis R. Gordon (University of Connecticut), “Living Thought, Living Freedom: Themes in African Philosophy”

2013 October 10

Bruce Landesman (University of Utah), “Equality”

2013 September 26

Philip Reed (Canisius College), “Motivating Hume’s Natural Virtues”

2013 May 3

4th Undergraduate Philosophy Conference: **Eric Salinger** (RIT), “Constraining Frames: Complexity and Deviations of the Frame Problem”; **Thomas Cantone** (RIT), “Eudaimonia vis-à-vis a Cognitive Mapping: Aristotle’s *De Anima* and *Nicomachean Ethics*” (**Benjamin Liu** (RIT), Discussant); **Juan Bernardo Tobar** (University of Rochester), “Philosophy of Art after the End of Art”; **Andrew Sblendorio** (SUNY Fredonia), “When You Play, You Have to Mean It”; **Ian Heckman** (SUNY Brockport), “A Problem for Clive Bell” (**Lindsey Johnson** (RIT), Discussant); **Salvatore Daniele** (Marist College), “Intention and Moral Responsibility”; **Keith Raymond Harris** (SUNY Oswego), “Salience, Sensitivity and the Situationist Challenge” (**Melissa Ziankoski** (RIT), Discussant); **Samantha Wezowicz** (Buffalo State College), “Symposium: Tragedy in Human Nature”; **Ryan Tucker** (RIT), “Addicted to Love: An Examination of Emotion as an Addictive Drug”; **Matthew McLain** (SUNY Oneonta), “An Analysis of Noël Carroll’s Paradox of Horror: A Neo-Analytic Interpretation” (**Justin Way** (Nazareth College), Discussant); **Jenna Tomasello** (SUNY Buffalo State), “Subjective v. Objective Distinction”; **Sylvie Lamah** (John Jay College of Criminal Justice/CUNY), “The Potential Utopian Threat” (**Nolan Harris** (RIT), Discussant); Keynote Address: **Amy Allen** (Dartmouth College) “Critical Theory and the Idea of Progress”

2013 March 29

Steve Bein (SUNY Geneseo), “What is the Value of Poverty? A Comparative Analysis of Aristotle’s *Politics* and the *Shobogenzo Zuimonki*”

2013 February 7

Colin Mathers (R.I.T.), “How to Teach Ethics to Business People”

2012 December 13

Brett Caloia (Hobart and William Smith College), “From Policy to Activism: Deep Ecology Manifested in Action”

2012 September 20

Mario A. Caro (New York University), “The Life and Death of Objects: Museums, Ethics, and Aesthetics”

2012 May 18

K. Brad Wray (SUNY Oswego), “Thomas Kuhn’s Social Epistemology and the Sociology of Science”

2012 May 11

Conference: *Zen and Interdisciplinary Dialogue*. **Brian Shudo Schroeder (RIT), “Zen and Religion Without Religion”; **Erin McCarthy** (St. Lawrence University), “Zen, Women, and Feminism”; **Jason Tetsuzen Wirth** (Seattle University), “Zen and Contemporary Philosophy”**

2012 May 10

Jason Tetsuzen Wirth (Seattle University), “Ecological Aesthetics and Ethics: A Zen Perspective”

2012 May 4

3rd Undergraduate Philosophy Conference: **Lindsey Johnson** (R.I.T.), “Dark Horse Messianism: Was the Paris Commune Guilty of State Terrorism?” (**Melissa Ziankowski**, commentator); **Sarah Bratt** (Ithaca College), “Fiction as Falsehood: The Problem of Literary Learning” (**Anthony Ward**, commentator); **Michael Radzwill** (Ithaca College), “A Sartrean Response to the Euthyphro Dilemma” (**Ben Sima**, commentator); **Caleb Sherman** (SUNY Albany), “Utilitarianism and Unequal Moral Status: Transhuman as Thought Experiment” (**Nathan Smith**, commentator); **Benjamin Hoffman** (Depauw University), “Procreative Autonomy vs. Indelible Embryonic Rights: An Epigenetic Defense of Procreative Beneficence” (**Ashley Cruz**, commentator); **Sydney Faught** (SUNY Albany), “On Property Rights: Inheritance and the Class of ‘Non-Laborers’” (**Taylor Morin**, commentator). Keynote address: **Massimo Pigliucci** (City University of New York), “Why Philosophy, Dude?”

2012 May 3

Wade Robison (Philosophy, RIT), “Global Warming and Decisions in Doubt”

2012 April 26–27

Conference: *Epictetus and Stoicism: Continuing Influences and Contemporary Relevance*. **Jeffrey Fisher (Notre Dame), “Epictetus’ Moral Epistemology”; **Christopher Davidson** (Villanova University), “Foucault on Askesis in Epictetus”; **Katja Vogt** (Columbia University), “Taking the Same Things Seriously and Not Seriously”; **Eleni Tsalla** (Xavier University), “Epictetus on the Meaning of Names and on Comprehensive Impressions”; **Brian Johnson** (Fordham University), “Epictetus on Socrates’ Competing Roles”; **Matthias Rothe** (University of Minnesota), “Kant and Epictetus”; **Carrie L. Bates** (SUNY Potsdam), “Self-Identity in Epictetus: Rationality and Role”; **Scott Aikin** (Vanderbilt University), “The Curious Case of Epictetus *Enchiridion* 33”; **Matthew Pinalto** (Eastern Kentucky University), “In Defense of Patience”**

2012 March 29

Evelyn Brister (RIT), “Climate Science and Policy Advocacy: Where is the Line Between Ethical Responsibility and Biased Science?”

2012 February 16

Pablo Muchnik (Emerson College), “Politics and Religion in Kant”

2012 February 2

Larry Torcello (RIT), “Ethics of Inquiry, Climate Change, and Public Discourse”

2011 October 27

Brian Schroeder (RIT), “Teaching and Truth: Plato, Levinas and the Vision of Universal Ethics”

2011 October 13

James A. Nortz (Bausch & Lomb), “The Canons of Business Ethics: A Practical Framework for Ethical Decision-Making”

2011 September 29

John Stuhr (Emory University), “It’s All Relative: A Defense of Relativity Theory in Ethics”

2011 May 6

2nd Annual Undergraduate Philosophy Conference: **Scott Bogumil** (SUNY Geneseo), “Are Qualia and Physicalism All There is to Consciousness?” (**Jathan Sadowski**, commentator); **Kathrine Cottrell** (William and Hobart Smith Colleges), “Ruinous Paragon” (**Ashley Aberg**, commentator); **Patricia Frame** (Nazareth College), “The Truth is as Relative as it is Absolute: An Examination of the Limited Applicability of Concepts, or an Argument Against Skeptical Relativism” (**Lindsey Johnson**, commentator); **Christian Coyne** (University at Albany, SUNY), “The Non-Identity Problem: Rethinking the No Difference View” (**Emily Lnenicka**, commentator); **Jason Offerman** (Buffalo State College), “The Moral Grounds of Autonomy” (**Ryan Harvey**, commentator). Keynote Address: **Ugo Perone** (Università del Piemonte Orientale, Vercelli, Italy), “Public Space and Its Metaphors”

2011 May 5

Ugo Perone (Università del Piemonte Orientale, Vercelli, Italy), “Ethics, Norms, Exceptions”

2011 April 29

Tad Schmaltz (University of Michigan), “Causes to Laws: Descartes, Malebranche, Berkeley”

2011 April 28

Tad Schmaltz (University of Michigan), “Pure Love: Moral Motivation in Malebranche”

2010 December 9

Janet L. Borgerson, “Why Does International Health Research Cause Trouble?”

2010 October 28

Walter Ott (Virginia Tech), “Are there Duties to the Dead?”

2010 October 14

Remy Debes (University of Memphis), “Human Dignity: The Authority of Empathy”

2010 April 30

Undergraduate Philosophy Conference: **John Capps**, Opening Remarks; **Leigh Oates**, “St. Augustine’s Theory of Knowledge and Vedic Philosophy as Described in Bhagavad Gita” (**Erika Strickland**, commentator); **Alan Barton**, “Nietzsche’s Birth of Tragedy and Punk Aesthetics” (**Alex Stubberfield**, commentator); **Nora Burleigh**, “Confronting the Crisis: A Philosophical Examination of the Benefits and Detriments of Education” (**Ashley Aberg**, commentator); **Joshua Hine**, “Hearing the ‘Fat Lady’s’ Call: The Meaning of Vocation” (**Dana Melchior**, commentator); **David Whitehead**, “Emotions... Remember Those?” (**Sam Owen**, commentator); **Fred Evans**, “Voices, Oracles, and the Social Body”

2010 April 2

Steven Weinstein (University of Waterloo), “What Part Don’t You Understand? Quantum Mechanics and the Theory of Space and Time”

2010 April 1

PZ Myers (University of Minnesota, Morris), “The Irreconcilability of Science and Religion”

2009 September 24

Frederik Kaufman (Ithaca College), “Morality and War”

2009 May 1

Conference: Sustainability Ethics. Presenters: **Braden Allenby**, **Bryan Norton**, **David Orr**, **Paul Thompson**, **William Shutkin**. Commentators: **Randall Curren**, **Sarah Pralle**, **Erin Taylor**

2009 March 19, 20 (at St. John Fisher College)

Conference: *Lucretius: His Continuing Influence and Contemporary Relevance*. **David B. Suits**, “Lucretius on Death: Replies to Buddha, Nietzsche, and the Governor of California”; **William Jensen**, “Newton and Lucretius”; **Charles Natoli**, “On *Religio* and Paradox in Lucretius”; **Tim Madigan**, “George Santayana on Lucretius as a Philosophical Poet”; **David White**, “The Art and Science of Not Knowing: Lucretius and Agnosticism”; **Melissa Shew**, “‘As Stupid as the Clinamen’? Human Responsibility and Error in Spinoza and Lucretius”; **John Lenz**, “Science and the Humanities Together in Lucretius”; **John Mayer**, “Putting Lucretius’s Ideas into the Language of the 21st Century”; **Dane Gordon**, “Lucretius and Death”

2008 December 12

Jeffrey Kovak (University of Tennessee), “Science, Ethics and War: A Pacifist’s Perspective”

2008 December 11

Jeffrey Kovak (University of Tennessee), “What Is an Ethical Scientist?”

2008 October 30

Scott Boylston (Savannah College of Art and Design), “The Struggle for Regimes of Truth: Power, Artistic Expression and Leadership”

2008 October 16

Don Gotterbarn (East Tennessee State University), “E-Voting: How to count 110% of the vote or more! Technological determinism and the limits of professional responsibility”

2008 October 3

Peter Singer (Princeton University), “A Better, More Sustainable World”

2008 October 2

Kevin Outterson (Boston University School of Law), “Visiting Low-Income People — Education or Exploitation?”

2008 September 18

Deborah Mower (Youngstown State University), “Teaching Ethics via Sympathy”

2008 May 8

Charles Bigelow (RIT), “The Evolution of Typographic Meaning”

2008 April 24

Gabriel Palmer-Fernandez (Youngstown State University), “Patriotism and Morality”

2008 April 22

Elizabeth Brake (University of Calgary), “Minimal Marriage: What Does the Principle of Neutrality Imply for Marriage Law?” Response by **Lawrence Torcello**.

2008 April 17

Randall Curren (University of Rochester), “Education for ‘Sustainable Development’: A Philosophical Assessment of UNESCO’s ESD”

2008 April 10

Amy M. Schmitter (University of Alberta), “Responses to Vulnerability: Medicine, Politics and the Body in Descartes and Spinoza (with a dash of Hobbes)”

2008 April 3

John Protevi (Louisiana State University), “The Assumption of Individual Moral Responsibility in Group Military Action”

2008 March 27

Wade Robison (RIT), "Truth and Trust"

2008 March 13

Fabio Escobar, "A Phenomenological Argument for Idealism"

2008 February 14

Jesús Aguilar, John Capps, David B. Suits (all RIT), "Panel Discussion on Ethics, Truth, and Falsehood"

2008 January 24

Kyle Powys Whyte (Stony Brook University), "An Ethics of Technical Decision-Making for Powerless People: Environmental Justice, American Indians and Risk"

2008 January 17

Kenneth R. Foster (University of Pennsylvania), "Peering Into the Brain: Social Implications of New Neurotechnologies"

2008 January 10

David B. Suits (RIT), "The True Benefits of Falsity"

2007 December 13, 14, 15

Conference: *The Fate of Romanticism: From Faust to the Present*. **Lisabeth During**, "Kleist's Kant Crisis"; **Douglas Templeton**, "There are Lies, Damned Lies, and Romanticism: A Classical Approach to the Problem of Theoria"; **Megan Craig**, "On Painting"; **Jane K. Brown**, "Words at Work: Faust and the Human Condition"; performance: *Our Faust*; visual arts exhibition: "Romanticism Restaged"; **Grady Bailey, Julie Ruhling**, recital: "Songs on Goethe's Texts"; **Ralph Black, Anne Coon, John Roche, Tom Ward**, "Poems in an Almost Romantic Key"; **Jay M. Bernstein**, "The Demand for Ugliness: Picasso's Bodies"; **Rodolphe Gashé**, "Schematizing Without Concept: Imagination and Beautiful Form"

2007 December 6

Gerd Richter (University Medical Center Marburg, Germany), "Clinical Ethics in Germany and the US: Why Consultation Matters"

2007 November 1

Jesús H. Aguilar (RIT), "Truth's Value and Self-Identity"

2007 October 25

Charles Phelps (University of Rochester), "How to Use Economics to Shape a Universal Health Insurance Program"

2007 October 4

John Capps (RIT), "Ethics and Truth"

2007 September 27

Chad Lavin (Hobart and William Smith), "Factories, Farms, and Other Metaphors of Globalization"

2007 September 20

Eddan Katz (Yale), "The Social Movement of A2K"

2007 May 10

Silvia Benso (Siena College), "The Faces of Auschwitz: On Language, Memory and Witnessing"

2007 March 29

Heather Douglas (University of Tennessee), "Integrity and Advocacy in Expertise"

2007 March 22

Dennis M. Weiss (York College of Pennsylvania), "Extreme Makeovers and the End(s) of Humanity"

2007 March 21

John Dakers (University of Glasgow), “Technologists, who, by looking back, do not always see what is before them”

2007 March 15

Panel discussion: Anti-Semitism. **Katie Terezakis** (RIT), “Anti-Semitism, Authority and the Limits of Toleration”; **Yael Mazar** (ADL), “Practical Responses to Anti-Semitism”; **Brian Marcus** (ADL), “Technology and Hate: How Computers Can Be Misused (by Extremists and Haters of All Kinds) to Spread Anti-Semitism”

2007 February 21

Evelyn Brister (RIT), “Tensions between Objectivity and Advocacy for Environmental Scientists”

2007 February 8

Evan Selinger (RIT), “Technology Transfer and Empowerment”

2007 February 1

Tim Madigan (St. John Fisher College), “Aristotle’s E-Mail: Friendship in the Cyberage”

2007 January 24

Ivan Kenneally (RIT), “Mathematics and Morality: Why Locke is Smarter Than We Think”

2007 January 18

Maurizio Pagano (University of Trieste), “The Question of Violence in the Epoch of Globalization”

2006 December 20

Eric Dietrich (Binghamton University), “After the Humans are Gone”

2006 December 14

Carl Mitcham (Colorado School of Mines), “Technology and Religion: From Christianity to Buddhism”

2006 December 13

Carl Mitcham (Colorado School of Mines), “New Dimensions in Science Policy”

2006 November 2

Larry Torcello, “Same-sex Marriage: Is the State Endorsement of Any Marriage Appropriate?”

2006 October 26

David White (St. John Fisher College), “Butler’s Moral Theory”

2006 September 28

Steven Ravett Brown (University of Rochester), “Mary’s Quite Contrary, But....”

2006 September 21

William A. Johnson, Jr. (RIT), “Integrity in Politics: Is This an Oxymoron?”

2006 May 4-5

Conference: Adam Smith’s The Theory of Moral Sentiments. **Neven Leddy** (University of Oxford), “Adam Smith and the Electronic Enlightenment”; **Gabriel Chavez** (University of Houston), “Normative Explanations in *TMS*”; **Vincent Bissonette** (CUNY), “‘The Most Cruel Misfortune’: Suffering and Innocence in *TMS*”; **Monica Gerrek** (University of Kansas), “Revisiting Sentimentalism: A Smithian Normative Moral Theory”; **Peter Jones** (University of Edinburgh), “Smith on Taste and Criticism: Texts and Contexts”; **Michael Pritchard** (Western Michigan University), “The Taming of Resentment”; **Tony Pitson** (University of Stirling), “*TMS* and Sympathy”; **Jill Bradbury** (Gallaudet University), “Squaring the Circle: The (Mis)Functions of Benevolence in *TMS* and *WN*”; **Jonathan Rick** (Columbia University), “Sympathy and Engagement”; **Doğan Göçmen** (University of Edinburgh), “Adam Smith’s Utopia and

the ‘Adam Smith Problem’”; **Andrew Terjesen** (Austin College), “Sympathy, Persons and Impartiality: A Consideration of the Moral Psychological Differences Between David Hume and Adam Smith”; **Maria Pia Paganelli** (Yeshiva University), “Approbation and the Adam Smith Problem”; **Tim Madigan** (St. John Fisher College), “A Very Gentlemanly System of Morals: Smith and Schopenhauer on the Basis of Morality”; **Kevin Quinn** (Bowling Green State University), “Losing the World: Another Adam Smith Problem”; **Colin Heydt** (University of South Florida), “A Delicate and an Accurate Pencil’: Adam Smith, Description, and the Practical Purposes of Ethics”; **Gabriela Remow** (University of Washington), “General Rules in the Moral Theories of Smith and Hume”; **Jerry Evensky** (Syracuse University), “Adam Smith on the Human Prospect”; **Amit Ron** (University of Toronto), “Modern Natural Law Meets the Market: The Case of Adam Smith”; **Maria Carrasco** (P. Universidad Católica de Chile), “TMS and the Model of Justice”; **Alistair Macleod** (Queen’s University), “Invisible Hand Arguments: Milton Friedman and Adam Smith”; **Michael Frazer** (Princeton University), “Adam Smith’s Individualist Sentimentalism”; **Craig DeLancey** (SUNY Oswego), “Sympathy, Merit, and the Social Order in Smith’s TMS”; **Chad Flanders** (Yale University), “Smith’s Reply to Hume’s *Life and Death*”; **Ryan Hanley** (Marquette University), “Adam Smith, David Hume, and the Politics of Natural Religion”; **Neven Leddy** (University of Oxford), “Adam Smith’s TMS Between the Porch and the Garden: Ancient Philosophy in 1759, 1790 and 1976”; **David White** (St. John Fisher College), “Smith’s Divine Ambiguities”; **Eric Schliesser** (Syracuse University), “Articulating Practices as Reasons: Adam Smith on the Social Conditions of Possibility of Property”

2006 April 26

David Goldblatt (Denison University), “Warnings and Threats: Performatives and Art”

2006 May 18

Thomas A. J. Altizer (Stony Brook University), “The Ultimate Darkness of the New America”

2006 April 13

Benjamin Hale (University of Colorado), “Nature and Culpability”

2006 March 24

Graham Parkes (University of Hawaii), “Walter Benjamin’s Paris: Projecting the Arcades”

2006 March 23

Inma de Melo Martin (Cornell College of Medicine), “Human Genetic Enhancement: On Our Way to the Post-Human?”

2005 January 19

Robert Rosenberger (Stony Brook University), “Alternatives to the Combat Model of Scientific Practice”

2005 December 8

Bobby Colón, Esq. (RIT Minett Professor), “Zealous Advocacy or Racism? A Practicing Attorney’s Dilemma”

2005 September 22

Evan Selinger (RIT), “Cyborg Ethics and Cognition Enhancing Technologies”

2005 March 11

Mark Larrimore (New School), “The Trouble with Good”

2005 February 4

Bob Scharff (University of New Hampshire), “‘Thinking’ Technoscience as Consummatory Event: Heidegger vs. Heidegger”

2005 February 3

Katie Terezakis (RIT), “Ironic Ideals: The Romantic Reception of Plato’s Symposium”

2004 October 4

Daniel Schmicking (Johannes Gutenberg University), "Ineffibilities of Embodied Musical Experiences"

2004 April 4

Conference: *Rethinking Theories and Practices of Imaging.* **Megan Delehanty**, "The Epistemic Status of Functional Brain Images"; **Patrick Grim**, "Concrete Images for Abstract Questions: A Philosophical View"; **Vivian Sobchack**, "Final Fantasy: Computer Graphic Animations of Humanity"; **Kenneth Jolls**, "Engineering, Entropy, and Art: A Tour Through the Thermodynamics of J. Willard Gibbs"; **Peter Galison**, "A Hybrid of Hybrids: Nanotechnology, Imagery, and Architecture"

2003 Fall

Don Ihde (Stony Brook University), "Imaging: The Many Lives of the Camera Obscura"

2003 Fall

Don Ihde (Stony Brook University), #8220;The Liberal Arts and Technology: Leading a Conversation in a Technological University"

2002 April 18–19

Conference: *Epicurus: His Continuing Influence & Contemporary Relevance.* **James I. Campbell** (RIT), "Lactantius's Influence on Later Christian Thinking as a Response to Epicurus's View of Anger"; **Dan Russell** (Wichita State University), "Epicurus on Friends and Goals"; **Veronica Gventsadze** (Lakehead University), "Epicurean Atomism in Pierre Gassendi's Conception of Motion and Human Psychology"; **Paul M. Schafer** (Xavier University of Louisiana), "The Young Marx on Epicurus: Dialectical Atomism and Human Freedom"; **Stephen E. Rosenbaum** (Illinois State University), "Death as a Punishment: A Consequence of Epicurean Thanatology"; **Lloyd P. Gerson** (University of Toronto), "Plotinus and Epicurean Epistemology"; **David Armstrong** (University of Texas), "Herculaneum and the Liberal Epicureans: Philodemus, PHerc 1050 (On Death)"; **Marianna Shakhnovich** (St. Petersburg State University, Russia), "Theological Paradoxes in Epicurus"; **Mark R. Wheeler** (San Diego State University), "Epicurus on Friendship and Death: Reductionism and Deprivation"; **David E. White** (St. John Fisher College), "Epicurus and Bishop Butler"

2002 January 10

Tracy Edwards (University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill), "Freedom of Expression, Other-Regarding Harm, and a Recommended Legislative Response"

2001 December 13

Laura Bernhardt (RIT), "The Good, the Bad, and the Easy: A Short Field Guide to Deontological Ethics"

2001 October 22

Lester Mazor (Hampshire College), "Legitimizing Delegitimation"

2001 October 19

Silvia Benso (Siena College), "The Provocation of Plato's Forms"

2001 October 15

Jonathan Schonsheck (Le Moyne), "Supreme Reasoning"

2001 October 1

Burton Leiser (Pace University), "Justice and Electoral Reform"

1998 October 29

Jonathan Wolff (University College London), "Is Democracy Any Good?"

1998 April 3

Symposium: *Political and Social Philosophy.* (Co-sponsored by the Institute of Humane Studies at George Mason University.) **Victoria Kamsler** (Princeton), "Feminism and Political Theory"; **N. Scott**

Arnold (University of Alabama), “Two Conceptions of Political Philosophy”; **Richard Miller** (Cornell), “Cosmopolitan Respect and Patriotic Concern”; **David Schmidt** (University of Arizona), “Conceptions of Justice”; **James S. Fishkin** (University of Texas), “Overcoming the Democratic Dilemma: Comments on Theory and Practice”; **Jan Narveson** (University of Waterloo), panel discussion

1998 February 6

Richard de George (University of Kansas), “Computers, Ethics, and Business”

1998 January 23

Symposium: Peace, War and Morality

1997 October 3

Peter Kivey

1997 September 26

William Rowe

1997 September 24–25

Conference: Civil Society in South East Europe: Ethical and Philosophical Perspectives. **William McBride** (Purdue University), “Philosophical Politicians and Philosophers in Politics: Theory and Practice”; **Assen Dimitrov** (Bulgarian Academy of Sciences), “Values and Stability During a Period of Social Polarization”; **Wade Robison** (RIT), “Constitutional Democracies and Civil Societies”; **Milorad Stupar** (University of Belgrade), “The Concept of Civil Society: Political Obligations and the ‘Particularity Problem’”; **Edward F. McClennen** (Bowling Green State University), “What Social Capital is Important for Economic Development”; **Maria Dimitrova** (University of Sofia), “Cultural Politics in Bulgaria Before and After the Berlin Wall”; **David Durst** (American University in Bulgaria), “Civil Society in Bulgaria: Prospects for Reconciliation”; **Obrad Savic** (*The Belgrade Circle Journal*), “The Role of *The Belgrade Circle Journal* as an Independent and Public Voice in Eastern Europe”; **Alexander Gungov** (University of Sofia), “Non-Traditional Forms of Civil Society in Bulgaria”; **Scott Brophy** (Hobart and William Smith Colleges) & **Kurt Meredith** (University of Northern Iowa), “Can Civic Virtue Be Taught: Reading and Writing for Critical Thinking in Emerging Democracies”; **Aleksandar Boskovic** (*The Belgrade Circle Journal*), “Multiculturalism in South East Europe: A View from Macedonia”; **Ugo Vlaisavjevic** (University of Sarajevo), “War as a Highest Cultural Event”; **Joseph Catalano** (Kean College), “Civil Society: Pluralism and Capitalism”; **Anne Howard** (RIT) & **Dane Gordon** (RIT), “Ethics and the Environment in Eastern Europe”; **Obrad Savic** (*Belgrade Circle Journal*), “Philosophical Assumptions of Theoretical Discourses on the State and the Civil Society”

1997 February 12

Barry Smith (SUNY Buffalo), “Libertarianism, Monarchism and Property Rights”

1997 February 7

Jan Narveson (University of Waterloo), “The Justification of Original Acquisition by First-Comers”

1996 April 18-19

Conference: Technological Assaults on Privacy. **Virginia G. Maurer** & **Robert E. Thomas** (University of Florida), “Proposed Changes to the Fair Credit Reporting Act”; **Robert Holmes** (University of Rochester), commentator; **Michael R. Curry** (UCLA), “Living in a Visible World: Geographic Information Systems and the Assault on Privacy”; **William Vitek** (Clarkson), commentator; **Simson Garfinkel**, **Richard E. Turkington** (Villanova), **A'isha Ajayi** (RIT), panel discussion; **John Monberg** (Rensselaer), “‘You Will’: Social Implications of Advanced Marketing Technologies”; **Timothy Engström** (RIT), commentator; **William Morris** (University of Cincinnati), “Illusions of Privacy”; **Rick Kaufman** (Ithaca College), commentator; **Helen Nissenbaum** (Princeton), “Violating Privacy”; **Jonathan Schonsheck** (Le Moyne), commentator; **Richard C. Turkington** (Villanova), “Privacy Rights and Cyberspace”; **Jon Mandle** (SUNY Albany), commentator; **Simson Garfinkel**, “Privacy and Cryptography”; **Rory Weiner** (Northeastern), commentator

1995 May 5–6

Conference: *The Ethics of Health Care Reform*

1994

Conference: *Good and Bad Taste*

1994 January 19–20

Conference: *Philosophy in Post-Communist Eastern Europe.* **Józef Niznik** (Polish Academy of Sciences), “The Contemporary Status of Philosophy in Post-Communist Europe”; **Jerzy Dietl** (Łódź University), “Business Ethics in Central Europe—the Polish Experience”; **Jan Such** (University of Adam Mickiewicz), “Eastern Europe. Tasks of Philosophy: Restoring the Bond Between Religion, Ethics and Philosophy”; **Vladimir I. Sharogradsky** (St. Petersburg Institute of Philosophy), “What Steps Must Be Taken to Return Russian Philosophy to Its Pre-Communist Position of Respect and Scholarly Integrity?”; **John T. Sanders** (RIT), “A Mixed Bag: Political Change in Europe and Its Impact on Philosophical Thought”; **Tadeusz Buksiński** (University of Adam Mickiewicz), “Philosophy and Democracy in Post-Communist Europe”; **Irena Kraśnicka** (Charles University), “Changes in Political Vision in Post-Communist Society”; **Zbyszek Melosik** (University of Adam Mickiewicz), “Philosophy, Power and Education: The Struggle for a Common Sense in Poland”; **Elżbieta Pakszys** (University of Adam Mickiewicz), “Womens’ Issues and Feminism in Polish Philosophy of the 1980/1990s”; **Dane R. Gordon** (RIT), “Having Heard, What Do We Do? Continuing the Conversation with the Philosophy in Post-Communist Europe”

1993 October 13

Symposium: *Ethics and Euthanasia.* **Colleen Clements** (University of Rochester), “The Drs. Kevoorkian and Quill: Holding the Line and Hidden Agendas”; **Patricia Schoelles** (Colgate-Rochester Divinity School), “Religious Ethics and Care for the Dying”; **Nelson Lande** (University of Massachusetts - Boston), “Dignity, Quality of Life, and the Best Interest Principle: A Misgiving”; **Laura Purdy** (Wells College), “Why We Have a Right to Die”; **Jan Narveson** (University of Waterloo), “Euthanasia and the Value of Life”

1993 May 7-8

Conference: *Accounting Ethics*

1993 January

Conference: *University and Community*

1992 November 11

Symposium #26: *A Contemporary Sublime: The Philosophy and Art of Extremity, Representing the Unrepresentable*

1992 Spring

Symposium #25: *Ethical Issues in Social Work Practice*

1992 March 25

Symposium #24: *Hedonism.* **Dane Gordon** (RIT), “The Admirable Hedonist: Aristippus of Cyrene”; **John Morreall** (RIT), “What’s So Bad About Bad Taste?”; **Richard Taylor** (Hartwick College), “Hedonism”; **Jan Narveson** (University of Waterloo), “Maybe Hedonism”

1991 November 6

Symposium #23: *Philosophy of Science.* **Ernan McMullin** (Notre Dame), “Realism and Epistemic Virtue”; **David L. Hull** (Northwestern), “A Function for Actual Examples in Philosophy of Science”; **Henry E. Kyburg** (University of Rochester), “Conventionalism and Philosophy of Science”

1991 October

Conference: *Ethical and Procedural Issues Concerning University Research*

1991 May 17

Jon Jarrett (Cornell)

Richard Boyd (Cornell)

1991 April 24

Symposium #22: *The Medievals and Us: The Contemporary Relevance of Medieval Philosophy.*

Robert McLaughlin (St. John Fisher College), "Christianity, Humanism, and St. Thomas Aquinas";

Timothy Engström (RIT), "Is a Rose by Any Other Name Still a Rose? Umberto Eco and the Postmodern Medieval"; **Robert Holmes** (University of Rochester), "Virtue and Principle in the Ethical Philosophy of St. Thomas Aquinas"; **John Morreall** (RIT), "Aseity in St. Anselm"; **James Campbell** (RIT), "Reincarnation and Christianity: Edgar Cayce, Origenism, and the Second Council of Constantinople"

1991 January 30

Symposium #21: *Philosophy of Religion.* **Dane Gordon** (RIT), "Religious Experience: What is It, Can We Depend Upon It?";

Edward Wierenga (University of Rochester), "The Paradox of the Stone: Can God Create a Stone Too Heavy for Him to Lift?";

John Morreall (RIT), "Could Heaven Be an Embodied State?";

Mark T. Wilson (Hampden-Sydney College), "Temporal Wholes and the Problem of Evil";

Parker English (Ball State University), "An Aristotelian Solution to the Bodhisattva Paradox"

1990 Fall

Symposium #20: *Art, Craft, and Design*

1990 April 25

Symposium #19: *Philosophy-Rhetoric-Politics: Issues in Contemporary Metaphilosophy.* **Thomas Mathien** (University of Toronto), "Do Philosophers Need to Know Their History?";

Timothy H. Engström (RIT), "The Trial: A Question of Philosophical Genre, Political Fiction, and Ciceronian Rhetoric";

Susan Shapiro (Syracuse University), "Rhetoric as Ideological Critique: the Gadamer-Habermas Debate Reinvented";

Laurence Mate (University of Chicago), "Signature Événement Qu'on Texte: Aristotle and the Mortmain of the Polis";

Robert Switzer (Queens University), "The Rhetoric of Utopia: The Trope of Concordance and the Place of Otherness";

Phyllis Rooney (University of Iowa), "Toward a Feminist Critique of Rationality";

Parker English (Ball State University), "Affirmative Action and Philosophy Instruction";

Harold Schlechtweg (University of Massachusetts), "Engaging Dialogues: Rhetoric, Philosophy and Post Marxist Politics";

Babette E. Babich (Fordham University), "On the Rigors of Style: The Hermeneutic Challenge of Nietzsche's Elitism";

G. B. Madison (McMaster University), "The New Philosophy of Rhetoric";

Carl Page (Emory University), "Rorty's Historicism and the Art of the Gadfly";

Cassandra Pinnick (University of Hawaii), "Social Dimensions of Belief Fixing: Rhetorical Influence vs. Evidentiary Support"

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1990 April 10

Wade Robison (Kalamazoo College), "Moral Dilemmas in Working in Corporations"

1990 January 24

Symposium #18: *The Origins and Nature of Language.* **Michael Losonsky** (Colorado State University), "Leibniz and Locke on Meaning";

Dennis P. Waters (SUNY Binghamton), "The Evolution of Linguistic Constraints on Perception and Action";

David M. Parry (Penn State, Altoona), "Vico's Science of the Origins";

George Stack (SUNY Brockport), "Genealogies of Language";

David B. Suits (RIT), "The Identity of Thought and Thing: Timelessness in the Archaic Mind"

1989 November 1

Symposium #17: *East Meeting West.* **Douglas P. Davis** (St. Bonaventure), "Civilization and Its Progress: Fukuzawa and the Japanese Enlightenment";

Lakshmi Mani (RIT), "The East-West Encounter in the American Imagination: Thoreau & Melville";

Tamara Sonn (St. John Fisher College), "Islamic Philosophy: East or West?";

George Stack (SUNY Brockport), "Nietzsche and Eastern Thought";

John Morreall (RIT), "The Place of Humor in Zen and in Western Thought";

Alejandro Engel (RIT), "On the Nature of Time";

V. V. Raman (RIT), "Eastern Mysticism & Modern Physics";

John McRae (Cornell University), "Oriental Verities on the American Frontier: Selling the Dharma at the World's Parliament of Religion, Chicago, 1893";

James Campbell (RIT), "Zen Enlightenment and 'Spiritual Awakening' "

1989 April 19

Symposium #16: *Biomedical Ethics*. **Jean P. Rumsey** (Clarion University), "Autonomy, Medical Technology, and the Facts of Death"; **Robert Holmes** (University of Rochester), "The Limited Relevance of Analytical Ethics to the Problems of Bioethics"; **Leonard M. Fleck** (Michigan State University), "Setting Limits: Justice and the Maximization of Organ Transplants"; **Constance Ihlenburg** (University of Buffalo), "Forced Treatment of Pregnant Women"; **James Lawler** (University of Buffalo), "Abortion and the Potential Person"

1989 April 7

Third Annual Peace Studies Conference: *Peace and Human Rights*. **Frank Annunziata, Richard Gilbert**, panel on "The Foundations of Human Rights: Historical, Theological and Philosophical"; **David B. Suits**, "Why We Have No Right to Life"; **Louis Andolino, Nabil Kaylani, Robert McKinney**, panel on "The United Nations & Human Rights"; **Janet Korn, Clare Regan, John T. Sanders**, panel on "Violations of Human Rights: Philosophical Considerations, and Experience in Latin America and the U.S. Criminal Justice System"

1989 January 25

Symposium #15: *Philosophy and the Emotions*. **Xavier Monasterio** (University of Dayton), "Why Philosophers Neglect Emotions"; **Aaron Ben-Zeev** (University of Haifa and Carnegie-Melon University), "Moral and Emotional Evaluations"; **Irwin Goldstein** (Davidson College), "Emotions: Their Feeling and Thought Components"; **Timothy Engström** (RIT), "Modernist Music: Mixed Emotions"; **John Morreall** (RIT), "Fun With Fear"

1988 November 2

Symposium #14: *Philosophy and Natural Science*. **John T. Sanders** (RIT), "Incommensurability and Demarcation"; **Jeremy Shearmur** (Institute for Humane Studies), "Evolutionary Epistemology"; **Jagdish Hattiangadi** (York University), "Kripke on Rules and Their Application"; **Justin Schwartz** (Kalamazoo College), "The Reducibility of Psychology to Physics: An Empirical Question?"; **Philip Gasper** (Middlebury College), "Explanation and Scientific Realism"

1988 April 20

Symposium #13: *Ethics & Nuclear War*. **Fred Wilson** (RIT), "The 'Gravedigger' Flaw in Nuclear Deterrence"; **Steven Lee** (Hobart & William Smith Colleges), "The Logics of Deterrence"; **Jeffrey Barker** (Albright College), "The Immorality of Credible Nuclear Bluffs"; **Robert Holmes** (University of Rochester), "The Moral Irrelevance of the Distinction Between Conventional and Nuclear War"; **V. V. Raman** (RIT), "Nuclear War and Ethical Confusion"

1988 January 27

Symposium #12: *Games, Play, and Humor*. **John Morreall** (RIT), "The Importance of Play and Humor"; **Janice Porteous** (Queens University), "Humor as a Process of Defense: The Evolution of Laughing"; **Anthony Celano** (Stonehill College), "The Significance of Play in Modern Moral Theory"; **Bernard Suits** (University of Waterloo), "The Perfectly Played Game"; **T. R. Martland** (SUNY Albany), "Instant Replay"

1987 November 4

Symposium #11: *Philosophy of Mind*. **John Morreall** (RIT), "Can One Person Have Two Minds? Three?"; **Suzanne Cunningham** (Loyola University), "Fear and Function"; **Frederik Kaufman** (Ithaca College), "Conceptual Necessity, Causality and Self-Ascriptions of Sensation"; **Robert Van Gulick** (Syracuse University), "Consciousness, Intrinsic Intentionality and Self-Understanding Machines"; **Don Ross** (University of Western Ontario), "Against Positing Central Systems in the Mind"; **Alan Schwerin** (Rice University), "On Determining the Referent of 'I' "

1987 March 20

Symposium #10: *American Society of Aesthetics, Eastern Division*. **Jack Glickman** (SUNY Brockport), session Chair; **Frances Berensen** (University of London), "Inter-Cultural Understanding and Art"; **Charles Collins** (RIT), "High and Low Traditions in Indian Art: Limits of Inquiry"; **Max**

Kozloff (New York), “Photographs: The Pictures that Give You More than You Expect to and Less than You Need to Know”; **Joyce Brodsky** (University of Connecticut), **Robert C. Morgan** (RIT), **William E. Parker** (University of Connecticut), **Max Kozloff** (New York), **Lou Marcus** (University of South Florida), panel discussion: “What Are the Relevant Aesthetic Issues in the Discourse of Photography?”; **Bette Talvacchia** (University of Connecticut), session Chair; **Carolyn Korsmeyer** (SUNY Buffalo), “The Amateur and the Academy: The Case of Folk Art”; **Nathan Knobler** (Philadelphia College of the Arts), commentator; **John Titchener** (University of Maryland), “Paradigm and Paradox in Primitive Art”; **Noël Carroll** (Wesleyan University), commentator; **Joan Esposito** (Nassau Community College), “Beyond Vision: The Concept of Testing in Benjamin’s ‘The Work of Art in the Age of Mechanical Reproduction’”; **Lou Marcus** (University of South Florida), commentator; **Robert Crease** (Columbia University), “The Aesthetics of Popular Dance”; **Zev Trachtenberg** (Columbia University), commentator; **Charles Warren** (RIT), session Chair; **Art Berman** (RIT), “From the New Criticism to Deconstruction”; **John Hoaglund** (Christopher Newport College), commentator; **Gerald S. Argetsinger** (NTID), “Brecht on Theatre: A Real-istic View”; **Douglas Dempster** (University of Rochester), commentator; **Peter McCormick** (University of Ottawa), session Chair; **Patricia Sloane**, “Dreams and Reality in the Visual Field”; **Julius Elias** (University of Connecticut), commentator; **Michael Krauss** (Bryn Mawr College), “The Right Musical Performance”; **Morris Grossman** (Fairfield University), commentator; **John Morreall** (RIT), session Chair; **Hilde Hein** (College of the Holy Cross), “Where Art and Science Meet”; **John Kish** (University of Connecticut), commentator; **Ira Newman** (Mansfield State University), “Can We Really Learn Anything New from Reading Literature?”; **Garry Hagberg** (Penn State), commentator

1987 January 28

Symposium #9: Ethics & the Conduct of Life. **Colleen Clements** (University of Rochester), “The Silence of Ethics and the Economies of Medicine: Medical Ethics in the 80s”; **John T. Sanders** (RIT), “Why Numbers Should Sometimes Count”; **Karen Paul** (RIT), “The Ethics of Corporate Investment: Divestment, Disinvestment, and Contingent Investment in South Africa”; **William Clohesy** (RIT), “Legality and Morality: The Case of Abortion”; **James Campbell** (RIT), “The Charge is Corruption of the Young”

1986 November 5

Symposium #8: The Objective and the Subjective. **C. B. Martin** (University of Calgary), “Against Verificationism”; **Fred Wilson** (RIT), “The Contradictory Faces of Physics”; **V. V. Raman** (RIT), “Subject/Object Interface: Mysticism and Modern Science”; **John Morreall** (RIT), “Is Art More Subjective than Science?”; **John T. Sanders** (RIT), “The Relative Value of Liberty”

1986 Spring

Symposium #7: God & Contemporary Philosophy. **James Campbell** (RIT), “*Mirabile Dictu*: Miracles, PostHumeously”; **John Edelman** (Nazareth College), “Suffering and the Will of God”; **William Clohesy** (RIT), “The Incarnation, the Lifeworld and the Miracle of Action”; **Edward Wierenga** (University of Rochester), “Anselm on Omnipotence”; **Dane Gordon** (RIT), “What is Christian Ethics?”

1986 January 10

Symposium #6: “Dare to Think” – The Enlightenment. **James Campbell** (RIT), “Fiat Lux”; **David B. Suits** (RIT), “The Implicit Limits of Explicitness”; **George Anastaplo**, “On Voltaire’s *Candide*”; **Maxine Van de Wetering**, “Deism and the Natural Sciences”; **William Clohesy** (RIT), “Provincial Cosmopolitans: Freedom and the Possibility of Enlightenment”

1985 Fall

Symposium #5: Art & Philosophy: Brancusi. **Florence Hetzler** (Fordham), “My Philosophical Conception of Art”; **Robert Morgan** (RIT), “On Constantin Brancusi”; **Charles Collins** (RIT), “Brancusi and India: Parallels and Excrescences”; **Lars Aagaard-Mogensen** (RIT), “Lost Marbles”

1985 Spring

Symposium #4: Scandinavia

1985 February 6

Symposium #3: *Time and Time Travel Conceptions.* **John Sanders** (RIT), “On Time”; **William Clohesy** (RIT), “Our Presence before the Expanse of Time”; **V. V. Raman** (RIT), “Time in Physics”; **David B. Suits** (RIT), “Time and Change”; **James Campbell** (RIT), respondent; **Dane Gordon** (RIT), “The Time Machine Restarted”; **Lars Aagaard-Mogensen** (RIT), “Do You Have the Time to Go?”

1984 October 31

Symposium #2: *Picture/Text: Semiotics and Visual Symbols.* **Richard Zakia** (RIT), “The Ad Message”; **Dane Gordon** (RIT), “Semiotics Before Semiotics”; **Richard Zakia** (RIT), “Advertising and the Sexual Ethic”; **Douglas Dempster** (Eastman School of Music), “Semantics of Picture+Text”; **Charles Collins** (RIT), “Ad Images and Iconology”; **Lars Aagaard-Mogensen** (RIT), “PICTsexTures”

1984 May 12

Symposium #1: *Artificial Intelligence.* **Mihai Nadin** (RIT and RISD), “The Semiotic Model of AI—a Shift in Paradigm”; **Guy Johnson** and **Larry Coon** (RIT), “Logic Programming: An Introduction to Prolog”; **John T. Sanders** (RIT), “Memory”; **Al Biles** (RIT), “Artificial Intelligence Issues in Computer Music”; **Lars Aagaard-Mogensen** (RIT), “AI Discomputed: Fact, Fiction and Frankenstein”