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Registration, Attendance, and Accommodations

The registration fee is \$50 and conference participants are strongly encouraged to pre-register. The fee includes dinner at the banquet and SAGP Plenary Session on Friday night, lunch on Saturday, and coffee and snacks on Saturday and Sunday mornings. Members of academic institutions are invited to attend panels on Saturday and Sunday without charge. Pre-registration checks should be made out to “Global Scholarly Publications,” and sent to Global Scholarly Publications, 220 Madison Avenue, Suite 11G, New York, NY 10016. Questions concerning registration should be directed to Parviz Morewedge (pmorewed@gmail.com or 917-658-3430).

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<http://home.nyc.gov/portal/site/nycgov/menuitem.e2a1b26d9be35ff6a62fa24601c789a0/>

FRIDAY OCTOBER 16, 2009**Registration, Banquet, Introductions and Plenary Panel****REGISTRATION: 4-7:00 p.m. in the 1st Floor Lobby Atrium (60th St. & Columbus Ave.)****CONFERENCE BANQUET: 5:30-7:00 in the 2nd Floor Plaza Atrium****7:00-7:15 p.m. INTRODUCTIONS**Chair: Parviz Morewedge, *SUNY Old Westbury*, Conference Co-Chair, Director GSP and SSIPS
Thornton Lockwood, *Boston University*, Conference Co-Chair, SAGP program chairYihong Liu: *Chinese Academy of Social Sciences*, BeijingHyun Höchsmann, *New Jersey City University*: Organizer of Chinese PanelsMarie Friquegnon, *William Paterson University*: Organizer of Tibetan Buddhism panelsShalahudin Kafrawi, *Hobart and William Smith Colleges*: Organizer of Islamic panelsJohn Drummond, *Fordham University*, Robert Southwell, S.J. Distinguished Professor and Chair of the Fordham University Philosophy Department**PLENARY PANEL: Does Stoicism have a political theory?**Chair: Daryl Tress, *Fordham University*, Conference Co-ChairRichard Sorabji, *Wolfson College, Oxford* and *New York University*, "The Stoic revolution: individualism and freedom versus political commitment, or all of these?"Phillip Mitsis, *New York University*, "Autonomy, Disdain, and the Death of Political Theory: The case of Zeno's *Republic*?"Respondent: Katja Maria Vogt, *Columbia University***SATURDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2009****113 West 60th St. at Columbus Ave.****Breakfast, Lunch and Panels****BREAKFAST 8:00-9:00 AM****CONFERENCE SESSION I: 9:00 AM-11:00 AM**Sat 9 Room 1: **Plato's *Protagoras***Chair: William Evans, *St. Peter's College*"Drama and Dialectic in Plato's *Protagoras*"J. Clerk Shaw, *University of Tennessee*"Connecting Plato to Attic Comedy: Humor in *Protagoras* and *Apology*"Sophia Stone, *Purdue University*"Discursive Economies in the *Protagoras*"Ryan Drake, *Fairfield University*Sat 9 Room 2: **Platonic political problems**

Chair: Antonis Coumoundouros, *Adrian College*

“Having One’s Own and Distributive Justice in Plato’s *Republic*”
Anna Greco, *University of Toronto at Mississauga*

“Is Plato’s *Republic* a Utopia?”
Nathan Powers, *The University at Albany (SUNY)*

“The Question of Feminism in Plato’s Late Philosophy”
Athanasios Samaras, *George Washington University*

Sat 9 Room 3: **Plato and the arts**

Chair: Richard Mohr, *University of Illinois (Urbana)*

“Painting, Image and Metaphor in Plato’s *Republic*”
Brian Marrin, *Boston University*

“Plato and Painting”
Andrea Tschemplik, *American University*

“Plato’s Poetry, Plato’s Poem”
Anne Mamary, *Monmouth College*

Sat 9 Room 4: **Aristotle’s organon**

Chair: Jurgis (George) Brakas, *Marist College*

“What Is and What Will Be: A Semantic Reading of *De Interpretatione* 9”
Jeremy Byrd, *Tarrant County College*

“Aristotle and the Socratic Fallacy”
Marcus Dracos, *SUNY at Stony Brook*

“Aristotle’s Use of *huparxein*”
Mary Mulhern, *Brookside Institute*

Sat 9 Room 5: **Rights in the Aristotelian tradition**

Chair: Thornton Lockwood, *Boston University*

“The Role of Rights in Aristotle’s Virtue Ethics”
Fred D. Miller, Jr., *Bowling Green State University*

“Aristotle, Liberalism, and the Common Advantage”
Irfan Khawaja, *Felician College*

Carrie-Ann Biondi, *Marymount Manhattan College*

“Understanding Natural Rights in the Aristotelian Tradition”
Michael Baur, *Fordham University*

Sat 9 Room 6: **Plato and Aristotle interpret the Pre-Socratics**
Chair: Margarita Fenn, *Boston College*

“Anaxagoras and Theistic Teleology”
John E. Sisko, *The College of New Jersey*

“Has Aristotle Got the Origins of Philosophy Wrong?”
Robert Hahn, *Southern Illinois University*

“Parmenides, the Basic Argument, and Aristotle’s *Physics* book I”
Rich Cameron, *DePaul University*

Sat 9 Room 7: **Interpreters of Homer**
Chair: António Pedro Mesquita, *University of Lisbon*

“Plato’s *Ion* as Dramatic Preparation for the Treatment of Poetic Mimesis in the *Republic* and *Statesman*”
Mark Moes, *Grand Valley State University*

“Plotinus and Homer: A Philosophical Study of the Homeric influence on Plotinus’ *Enneads*”
David G. Santos, *University of Beira Interior (Portugal)*

“The Cave of Homer and the Cosmos of Porphyry: Creating a Picture, Reading a Picture, Creating a Theory”
Marcin Podbielski, *CNRS, UPR 76 “Centre Jean-Pépin”*

Sat 9 Room 8: **Abelard and Heloise**
Chair and organizer: Debra Nails, *Michigan State University*

“Abelard’s Realism”
Andrew Arlig, *Brooklyn College CUNY*

“Heloise and Feminism, Again”
Kathleen Blumreich, *Grand Valley State University*

“Seneca and Heloise”
William Levitan, *Grand Valley State University*

Sat 9 Room 9: **Chinese philosophy**Organizer: Hyun Höchsmann, *New Jersey City University*Chair: Bongrae Seok, *Alvernia University*

“Does the Zhuangzi Provide an Ethics?”

Michael Adams, *New School*

“The Cosmos as Ornament: East and West”

Michael Harrington, *Duquesne University*

“Confucian Virtue, Aretê or not?”

Bongrae Seok, *Alvernia University*“*Yi Jing*, the Poetic Science for the Future.”Chung-yue Chang, *Montclair State University*Sat 9 Room 10: **Topics in Islamic classical philosophy**

Organized by SSIPS

Chair: Achim Koedermann, *SUNY Oneonta*

“Necessary Being in Ibn Rushd’s Tripartite Model”

Shalahudin Kafrawi, *Hobart and William Smith Colleges*

“Avicenna’s theory of Mental Language”

Ahmed Alwishah, *Pitzer College*

“Insights of Avicenna”

Allan Back, *Kutztown University*Sat 9 Room 11: **Virtue and spectacles**Chair: Krisanna Scheiter, *University of Pennsylvania*

“Through a Glass Darkly: Medea as a Reluctant Goddess”

Christopher Vasilopoulos, *Eastern Connecticut State University*

“The Epicurean Spectator”

Heather L. Reid, *Morningside College*

“Paideia: Educating for Wisdom in Greek Tragedy and Philosophy”

Martha C. Beck, *Lyon College*

“Friendship, Justice, and Communal Living: The Status of Friendship in Epicurean Thought”

Mark A. Holowchak, *Muhlenberg College*

Coffee Break: 11:00-11:15 a.m.

CONFERENCE SESSION II: 11:15 AM-1:15 PM

Sat 11:15 Room 1: *Theaetetus*

Chair: Kelly E. Arenson, *The University of Memphis*

“Plato’s challenge to enlightenment philosophy in *Sophist* and *Theaetetus*”

George Boger, *Canisius College*

“The Philosopher’s Philosopher: *Theaetetus* 172c-177c”

Chris Edelman, *Emory University*

“Plutarch on Erotic Wisdom and the Socratic Vocation”

Mark Shiffman, *Villanova University*

Sat 11:15 Room 2: **Psychic harmony in Plato’s dialogues**

Chair: Jyl Gentzler, *Amherst College*

“Self-Mastery, Harmony, and Socratic Intellectualism: Exploring Socrates” Narrative Commentary in Plato’s *Republic*”

Anne-Marie Bowery, *Baylor University*

“The Place of Self-Mastery in Plato’s *Republic*”

David T. Echelbarger, *Baylor University*

“What is wrong with degenerate souls in the *Republic*?”

Era Gavrielides, *King’s College London*

“Philosophy, Beauty and Psychic Harmony in Plato’s *Phaedrus*”

Denise Schaeffer, *College of the Holy Cross*

Sat 11:15 Room 3: **The development of Socrates**

Chair: Sharon E. Sytsma, *Northern Illinois University*

“Plato’s Depiction of the Socratic Turn”?

Martin Black, *Boston University*

“The Order of Plato’s Dialogues”

Lawrence Nannery, *St. Francis College*

“Socrates and the Poets”

Donald Lindenmuth, *The Pennsylvania State University*

Sat 11:15 Room 4: **Plato's *Timaeus***

Chair: Susan B. Levin, *Smith College*

“Virtue and Knowledge in Plato's *Timaeus*”

John Wolfe, *University of South Florida*

“Cosmic and Political Time in Plato's *Timaeus*”

Lewis Trelawny-Cassidy, *Binghamton University*

“Revisiting the Feminist Interpretation of Plato's *Chora*.”

Daniel Everett, *Loyola Marymount University*

Sat 11:15 Room 5: **Panel on Aristotle's science and metaphysics**

Organizer: Fred D. Miller, Jr., *Bowling Green State University*

Chair: Phillip Mitsis, *New York University*

“Science and Structure in Aristotle's *Posterior Analytics*”

Robert Bolton, *Rutgers University*

“The *Energeia* of Being qua Being”

Christopher Shields, *University of Oxford*

“Aristotle on the Separability of Mind”

Fred D. Miller, Jr., *Bowling Green State University*

Sat 11:15 Room 6: **Phusis and nomos**

Chair: Michael Baur, *Fordham University*

“Varieties of Ancient Immoralism”

Andrew Shortridge, *Cornell University*

“Causation, agency, and law in Antiphon: On some subtleties in the second *Tetralogy*”

Joel E. Mann, *St. Norbert College*

“Aristotle on Natural Law”

John Thorp, *University of Western Ontario*

Sat 11:15 Room 7: **Gandhi and the Stoics**

Chair and organizer: Richard Sorabji

“Gandhi and the Stoics: is duty universalisable or unique to the individual?”

Richard Sorabji, *Wolfson College, Oxford* and *New York University*

“Cosmopolitanism in Gandhi and Seneca”
Mohamed Mehdi, *Oakton Community College*

Discussant: Akeel Bilgrami, *Columbia University*

Sat 11:15 Room 8: **Homer and philosophy**
Chair and organizer: Marina McCoy, *Boston College*

“Why the Cyclops Can’t Carry a Tune”
Heidi Northwood, *Nazareth College*

“Woundedness and political community in the *Iliad*”
Marina McCoy, *Boston College*

“‘Like Piling Leaves or Sand’: Collective Action in the *Iliad*”
Sara Brill, *Fairfield University*

Sat 11:15 Room 9: **Theory vs. practice in Tibetan Buddhism**
Chair and organizer: Marie Friquegnon, *William Paterson University*

“Tsongkhapa and Gorampa on Conceptualizing Emptiness: Reason, Transcendent Wisdom, and Conventional Experience”
Joel R. Smith, *Skidmore College*

“Compassion and the Middle Way”
Linda E. Patrik, *Union College*

“Language and the Ineffable: The Task of Philosophy in Tsongkhapa, Mikyo Dorje, and Wittgenstein”
Matthew Ostrow, *Skidmore College*

Sat 11:15 Room 10: **Topics in Islamic ethics, epistemology, and actions**
Organized by SSIPS
Chair: Habibeh Rahim, *St. John’s University*

“Dirâr b. ‘Amr: Acts and Accidents”
David Bennett, *UCLA*

“Islamic Notion of Rights of Civilians During War”
Achim Koeddermann, *SUNY Oneonta*

“Philosophical Themes in Classic Arabic and Western Medieval Literature: Persons, Love, and Salvation”
Saadun Sadun Suayeh, *GSP*

Sat 11:15 Room 11: **Plato and Herodotus and the problem of necessity**

Organizer: Khalil M Habib, *Salve Regina University*

Chair: Christopher Dustin, *The College of the Holy Cross*

“The Poetic Rhythms Correlated with the Five Constitutions in Plato’s *Republic*”

Kirk Fitzpatrick, *Southern Utah University*

“Freedom and Necessity: An Analysis of Athens, Sparta, and Persia as Revealed in Herodotus’ Description of the Battles of the Persian War”

Lou Bradizza, *Salve Regina University*

“Socrates’ Conversation with Cephalus and the reform of religious patriarchy in the *Republic*”

Khalil M. Habib, *Salve Regina University*

Lunch: 1:15-2:00

CONFERENCE SESSION III: 2:00 PM-4:00 PM

Sat 2 Room 1: **The Good of the *Republic***

Chair: Katja Maria Vogt, *Columbia University*

“Platonic Rational Egoism”

Jyl Gentzler, *Amherst College*

“Plato and Practical Wisdom”

Elizabeth Jelinek, *Vanderbilt University*

“Oracularity, discursivity, and the Good in Plato’s *Republic*”

Dirk t. D. Held, *Connecticut College*

Sat 2 Room 2: **The soul in Plato’s philosophy**

Chair: Nathan Powers, *The University at Albany (SUNY)*

“Levels of Reason: The City Soul Analogy and the Divided Line in Plato’s *Republic*”

Geoffrey S. Bowe, *Thompson Rivers University*

“A New Problem with Plato’s City/Soul Analogy”

Miriam Byrd, *University of Texas at Arlington*

“Unity and Partition in Plato’s Souls”

Kristina Biniek, *University of Western Ontario*

Sat 2 Room 3: Of failure, perplexity, and incommensurability in Plato's *Meno*Chair and organizer: Holly Moore, *Colby College*“The Myth of Learning in Plato's *Meno*”Burt Hopkins, *Seattle University*“To Become a Perplexed Knower: The Paradox of Learning and Unlearning in the *Meno*”John M. Rose, *Goucher College*“The Math of the *Meno*: Imaging the Incommensurability of Knowledge and Ignorance”Holly Moore, *Colby College***Sat 2 Room 4: Life and death in Aristotle**Chair: Tiberiu Popa, *Butler University*

“Aristotle on Death”

Antonis Coumoundouros, *Adrian College*“Accounts of Living and Dying in Aristotle's *Parva Naturalia*”Keith Bemer, *University of Pittsburgh*“‘Unlike-to-like’ in *De Anima*.”Margarita Fenn, *Boston College***Sat 2 Room 5: Aristotle's ethics and politics**Chair: Rich Cameron, *DePauw University*“What Intellectual Excellence Was Aristotle Encouraging in the *Politics*?”J.J. Mulhern, *University of Pennsylvania*

“Forgiveness as an Aristotelian Political Virtue”

Regan Rule, *Binghamton University*

“Eudemian Theoria”

Anthony Preus, *Binghamton University***Sat 2 Room 6: Friendship in the ancient world**Chair: Gary Alan Scott, *Loyola College in Maryland*

“The Contemporary Relevance of Aristotle's Notion of Political Friendship”

Noel Hubler, *Lebanon Valley College*

“The Concept of Philia in the Thought of the Stoic Seneca: Bridging the Gap between Individualities”

Panos Eliopoulos, *Olympic Center of Philosophy and Culture*

“Understanding the Friends of Augustine”

David Robertson, *Independent Scholar*

Sat 2 Room 7: **Conceits of wisdom**

Chair: Maureen Eckert, *UMASS at Dartmouth*

“Socrates’ Account of his Own Wisdom”

John Fredrick Humphrey, *North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University*

“Socratic Apologies and Socratic Wisdom”

Christos Evangeliou, *Towson University*

“The Cause of Human Conceit in Plato, Epictetus, and Proclus”

Danielle A. Layne, *De Wulf-Mansion Centrum, Catholic University Leuven*

Sat 2 Room 8: **Plotinus**

Chair: Michael Harrington, *Duquesne University*

“Plotinus on Magic”

Wendy Elgersma Helleman, *St. Augustine University of Tanzania*

“The Riddle of the Partly Undescended Soul in Plotinus”

Jean-Marc Narbonne, *Universite Laval*

Sat 2 Room 9: **Knowledge, mind and reality in Indo-Tibetan Buddhist thought**

Organizer: Marie Friquegnon, *William Paterson University*

Chair: Raziel Abelson, *New York University*

“Further reflections on Vasubandhu, Longchenpa and the Mind Only School”

Toy Tung, *John Jay College*

“Making Do with Nothing: An Investigation of Buddhist Ideas on Truth”

Marie Friquegnon, *William Paterson University*

“Disagreeing with the same view: the alleged philosophical nature of Tibetan exegetical debates”

Philippe Turenne, *McGill University*

“Buddhist Contributions to the Question of (Un)mediated Mystical Experience”

Yaroslav Komarovski, *University of Nebraska - Lincoln*

Sat 2 Room 10: Ancient and medieval philosophical themes in Islamic art and literature

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Chair: TBA

“Classical Sufi Themes in Iqbal’s Philosophy”

Habibeh Rahim, *St. John’s University*”

“Classical Philosophical Themes in Contemporary Persian Cinema”

Amir Djabini, *GSP*

“Classical Mystical Themes in Persian Poetry”

Mehdi Faridzadeh, *International Society for Iranian Culture***Sat 2 Room 11: Aristotle’s *Categories* and *De Interpretatione***Chair and Organizer: Mark Wheeler, *San Diego State University*“Ontological Primacy in the *Categories*”Keith McPartland, *Williams College*“*De Interpretatione*: Contradictory pairs, exclusion, and bivalence”Mark Wheeler, *San Diego State University*“Contradictory Pairs in *De Interpretatione*”Russell Jones, *University of Oklahoma***Coffee Break 4:00-4:15 p.m.****CONFERENCE SESSION IV: 4:15 PM-6:15 PM****Sat 4:15 Room 1: Plato and obligation**Chair: Danielle A. Layne, *De Wulf-Mansion Centrum, Catholic University Leuven*

“Play Fair, Crito”

Jonathan Hecht, *San Diego State University*“The *Crito-Phaedo* Problem”Maureen Eckert, *UMASS at Dartmouth*“Unraveling an Outline of the *Statesman*”Daniel R. Davenport, *Tulane University***Sat 4:15 Room 2: Socrates and the gods**Chair: John Lenz, *Drew University*

“Gods and Goods”

Anne Ashbaugh, *Tomson University*

“Forms of Socratic Divination in the First Tetralogy”

Clint Corcoran, *High Point University*

“Hearing Voices: Socrates and His Daimonion”

Anna Lännström, *Stonehill College*

Sat 4:15 Room 3: **Politics and values in Plato**

Chair and organizer: Susan B. Levin, *Smith College*

“The Value of Mathematics for Plato’s Philosopher”

Christine J. Thomas, *Dartmouth College*

“Plato on the Value of Work”

Catherine McKeen, *Williams College*

“A Rivalry Dissolved: Plato’s Reappraisal of Medicine’s Standing in the *Laws*”

Susan B. Levin, *Smith College*

Sat 4:15 Room 4: **Aristotle’s metaphysics**

Chair: Andrew Arlig, *Brooklyn College CUNY*

“Individual Substances and Individual Accidents in the *Categories* of Aristotle”

António Pedro Mesquita, *University of Lisbon*

“On Aristotelian Metaphysics as Search for Unity: Interpreting *Metaphysics Zeta*”

Daniel Chatman, *Loyola Marymount University*

“Potentiality, Actuality and the Logic of Sovereignty”

Jeffrey Gower, *Villanova University*

Sat 4:15 Room 5: **Aristotle’s *Meteorology***

Chair: Lawrence Nannery, *St. Francis College*

“Aristotle on ‘Pure Stuffs’: Rethinking His Concept of Homoiomeres”

Tiberiu Popa, *Butler University*

“Elemental Hylomorphism in Aristotle’s *Meteorology IV*”

Brad Berman, *University of Pennsylvania*

“Aristotle on Mathematics and Natural Science: an Example from the *Meteorology*”

Keith Bemer, *University of Pittsburgh*

Sat 4:15 Room 6: **Stasis and the city**Organizer: Candice Delmas, *Boston University*Chair: David Roochnik, *Boston University*“Stasis in the ‘substantial City’: Reflections on Aristotle’s *Politics*”David Roochnik, *Boston University*

“Pleasure, Pain, and Law: Epicurean Naturalism”

Katja Maria Vogt, *Columbia University*

“Why are election campaigns cases or causes of stasis?”

Peter Simpson, *Graduate Center, City University of New York*

“Conflict in the Aristotelian City: Desire for Equality and Competition for Power”

Candice Delmas, *Boston University*Discussant: Bernard Yack, *Brandeis University*Sat 4:15 Room 7: **Piety and scepticism**Chair and organizer: Vishwa Adluri, *Hunter College*

“Skepticism, Politics, and Philosophy”

Joyce Mullan, *New Jersey City University*

“Sextus Empiricus on Skeptical Piety”

Harald Thorsrud, *Agnes Scott College*

“Piety and Skepticism in 20th Century Phenomenological Thought”

Joydeep Bagchee, *New School University*Respondent: Vishwa Adluri, *Hunter College*Sat 4:15 Room 8: **Plotinus in comparative perspective**Chair and organizer: Deepa Majumdar, *Purdue University North Central*

“Plotinus’ Conception of the Soul in Cross-Cultural Perspective”

Gina Zavota, *Kent State University*

“The King of Truth: The One as Condition of Phenomenality in Plotinus”

Eric D. Perl, *Loyola Marymount University*

“Plotinus and Indian Thought: a Search for Universals”

Deepa Majumdar, *Purdue University North Central*

Sat 4:15 Room 9: **Poetic inspiration in Plato and his poetic predecessors**Chair and organizer: Gerard Naddaf, *York University*“Voluntary Inspiration? A Reading of the *Hippias Minor*”Ramona Naddaff, *University of California, Berkeley*

“Some Reflections on the Early Greek Notion of Poetic Inspiration”

Gerard Naddaf, *York University*“Krinai de logoi: Divine and human speech in *Parmenides*”Rose Cherubin, *George Mason University*

“The Muses’ Faithful Servant: Poetic Inspiration in Archaic Poetry and Philosophy”

William Wians, *Merrimack College*Sat 4:15 Room 10: **Methods of inquiry in ancient Greek philosophy**Chair and organizer: Chad Wiener, *Portland State University*

“Aristotle’s Manner of Inquiry in Political Matters”

Greg McBrayer, *University of Maryland*

“Heraclitus on Sensible Things”

Laurence Bloom, *University of Georgia*“Elenchus and the Method of Hypothesis in Plato’s *Republic* I-IV”Chad Wiener, *Portland State University*

“Heraclitus of Ephesus and the Problem of Reference”

Ronald T. Baumiller Jr., *University of New Mexico*Sat 4:15 Room 11: **Theoria in Greek philosophy**Chair: Geoffrey S. Bowe, *Thompson Rivers University*

“On Various Senses of Theorein/ Theoria in Aristotle.”

Julie Ward, *Loyola University Chicago*“Theory and practice in Aristotle’s *Ethics*”James Wood, *Boston University*

“Stairway to Heaven as Tunnel of Love: Theoreia as erotic praxis”

Samuel Galloway, *University of Chicago*

“The Fate of Theoria in Stoicism”

Robin Weiss, *DePaul University*

SUNDAY OCTOBER 18, 2009
113 West 60th St. at Columbus Ave., Fifth Floor
Breakfast and Panels

BREAKFAST 8:00-9:00 AM

CONFERENCE SESSION I: 9:00 AM-11:00

Sun 9 Room 1: **Plato and methodology**

Chair: Holly Moore, *Colby College*

“Plato and the ‘Art of Antilogic’”

Hugh Hunter, *University of Toronto*

“The Dynamics of Collection and Division”

Lee Franklin, *Franklin and Marshall College*

“The Anatomy of Three Thought Experiments in Plato’s *Republic*, *Apology* and in *Alcibiades Minor*”

Andre Archie, *Colorado State University*

Sun 9 Room 2: **Plato’s *Phaedrus***

Chair: Clint Corcoran, *High Point University*

“Erotic and Servile Pleasures in Plato’s *Phaedrus*”

Kelly E. Arenson, *The University of Memphis*

“Philosophy as Imitation: Inspiration and Irony in Plato’s *Phaedrus* and the Seventh Letter”

Dana LaCourse Munteanu, *Ohio State University*

“Plato on the Allegorization of Myth.”

Dan Werner, *SUNY New Paltz*

Sun 9 Room 3: **Plato: Conditions of happiness**

Chair: J. Clerk Shaw, *University of Tennessee*

“Wisdom, eutuchia, and happiness in Plato’s *Enthydemus*”

Benjamin A. Rider, *University of Central Arkansas*

“Virtue, Practice, and Perplexity in Plato’s *Meno*”

William Wians, *Merrimack College*

“The Development of the Concept of Natural Virtue in Plato’s Ethics”

Griffin T. Nelson, *University of Dallas*

Sun 9 Room 4: Aristotle's virtuesChair: William Evans, *St. Peter's College*

"Aristotle on Anger and Revenge"

Krisanna Scheiter, *University of Pennsylvania*

"Aristotle on Courage as the mean"

Misung Jang, *Towson University*

"On Studying Philosophy"

John Murungi, *Towson University***Sun 9 Room 5: Aristotle's analysis of regimes**Chair: Vishwa Adluri, *Hunter College*

"Aristotelian Definitions of Political Communities: A Re-evaluation"

Jean-Philippe Ranger, *St. Thomas University*

"Numbers matter"

Eckart Schütrumpf, *University of Colorado at Boulder*"The Soul State Analogy in Aristotle's *Politics*"Carlos Cortisoz, *Binghamton University***Sun 9 Room 6: Experience and knowledge**Chair: Anthony K. Jensen, *City University of New York*"The Essence of Thinking and Questioning and the Need of Alterity: Socrates' Alter Ego in Plato's *Hippias Major*"Alejandro Arango, *Binghamton University*

"Knowledge and Limits in Aristotle"

Silvia Carli, *Xavier University*

"The Philosophy of Vision of Robert Grosseteste"

John Hendrix, *Rhode Island School of Design***Sun 9 Room 7: The contemporary relevance of Aristotle's *De Anima***Chair: Allan Hazlett, *Fordham University*"The Environmental Implications of Aristotle's *De Anima*"Craig Condella, *Salve Regina University*

“Aristotle’s Psychology in Contemporary Perspective”

William Jaworski, *Fordham University*

“Aristotle on Light, Hearing, and how (not what) the Maker Mind Makes”

Mark Green, *Stony Brook University*

Sun 9 Room 8: Forthcoming studies in Islamic philosophy and mysticism

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Chair: Parviz Morewedge, *SUNY OWB*

“Knowledge and Political Leadership in Al-Farabi’s Philosophical Thought”

Davoud Gharayagh Zandi, *Research Center of Strategic Studies in Tebran*

“The Logic and the Ethics of Passions in the Philosophies of Tusi and Schopenhauer”

Parviz Morewedge, *SUNY OWB*

“Rumi’s Philosophical Vocabulary”

Ravan Farhadi, *U. of California, Berkeley*

Coffee Break 11:00-11:15

CONFERENCE SESSION II: 11:15 AM-1:15 PM

Sun 11:15 Room 1: **Platonic ideas**

Chair: Dirk t. D. Held, *Connecticut College*

“A Hegelian Reading of the Divided Line”

Tim Hyde, *Stony Brook University*

“Predicative Hypothesis in Plato’s Divided Line”

Lee Franklin, *Franklin and Marshall College*

“Plato and Hegel on the Paradoxes of Forms”

Paul Gelbach, *Bridgewater State College*

Sun 11:15 Room 2: **Self-knowledge in Plato’s philosophy**

Chair: Dan Werner, *SUNY New Paltz*

“Is ‘Knowledge of Knowledge’ Rejected in Plato’s *Charmides*?”

David J. Murphy, *The Nightingale-Bamford School*

“Socratic Self-Knowledge in the *Charmides* and the *Apology*”

Bryan Reece, *University of Oklahoma*

“Gnothi Seauton: Plato’s *Alcibiades I* and the Beginnings of Philosophical Knowledge”

James Ambury, *SUNY Stony Brook*

Sun 11:15 Room 3: **Aristotle's conditions of well-being**Chair: Brian Johnson, *Fordham University*

“A Non-ideal Conception of Flourishing”

Selin Gursozlu, *Grand Valley State University*

“Aristotle's Ergon and the Family: Human Flourishing in Human Families”

Andrew Komarsinski, *Fordham University*

“Aristotle on Strength of Will”

Tim Connolly, *East Stroudsburg University*Sun 11:15 Room 4: **Socratic friendship**Chair: Anne-Marie Bowery, *Baylor University*“Why Bad Men Cannot Be Friends: Ignorance and Love for the Good in Plato's *Lysis*”David Jennings, *Boston University*“Transcending Civic Friendship: Friendship in the *Republic*”John Spano, *Baylor University*

“Socrates, the Absurd Lover”

Sharon E. Sytsma, *Northern Illinois University*Sun 11:15 Room 5: **Natural science in antiquity**Chair: Lawrence Nannery, *St. Francis College*“Aristotle's (Non-)Denial of Self-motion in *Physics* VIII”Simona Aimar, *University of Oxford*

“Divine Causation in Aristotle”

Anthony K. Jensen, *City University of New York*

“Philoponus' Account of Nature: The particular universal”

Anna Zhyrkova, *Independent scholar*