

MERLEAU-PONTY CIRCLE

23rd Annual International Conference

September 17-19, 1998

Salisbury State University

1101 Camden Avenue

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James Hatley, Conference Director

Thursday, September 17th

SESSIONS 1 and 2: The Body of Flesh as an Ethical Body, Part I

Moderator: **Stephen Rosen**, *College of Staten Island, CUNY*

Gary Backhaus, *Morgan State University*

"The Bridge: A Way towards the Ethical Component of Flesh"

Ernie Sherman, *Pace University*

"Absolute Habitation: The Ethos of the Body Proper"

SESSION 3: Kristeva and Merleau-Ponty

Moderator: **Michael Sanders**, *SUNY Stony Brook*

Jennifer Anna Gosetti, *Villanova University*

"Embodied Language and the Flesh of Being: Ethics of the Chiasm in Merleau-Ponty and Kristeva"

SESSIONS 4 and 5: Phenomenology and Ethics

Moderator: **Nancy Barta-Smith**, *Slippery Rock University of PA*

Sara Heinamaa, *University of Helsinki*

"Philosophers: Responsible Bodies?"

Glen Mazis, *Penn State University at Harrisburg*

"Positive Ethics in Entwined Particular Bodies and Expressive Faces in Merleau-Ponty's Philosophy"

SESSION 6: Nietzsche, Kierkegaard and Merleau-Ponty

Moderator: **Martina Reuter**, *University of Helsinki*

Martin Dillon, *SUNY Binghamton*

"Sexlove and Ethics"

SESSION 7

Featured Speaker: Patrick Burke, *Seattle University*

Introduction: **Chris Diehm**, *Villanova University*
Moderator: **Laurence Hass**, *Muhlenberg College*
"The Yes of Promiscuity"

Friday, September 18th

SESSIONS 1 and 2: Foucault and Merleau-Ponty

Moderator: **Kym Maclaren**, *Penn State University*

David Brubaker, *Universities of Connecticut and New Haven* "The Roots of Agency: Merleau-Ponty, Flesh and Foucault"

Johanna Oksala, *University of Helsinki*

"Identity and the Lived Body"

SESSIONS 3 and 4: The Body and h as an Ethical Body, Part II

Moderator: **David Morris**, *Trent University*

Alia Al-Saji, *Emory University*

"Vision, Mirror and Expression: The Genesis of the Ethical Body in Merleau-Ponty's Later Works"

William Hamrick, *Southern Illinois University*

"Kindness, Empathy and Cognitive Science"

SESSION 5: Post-Modern Feminism and Merleau-Ponty

Moderator: **Mary Bloodsworth**, *Washington State University*

Dorothea Olkowski, *Univ. of CO at Colorado Springs*

"Feminism and Phenomenology"

SESSION 6: Postmodern Ethics

Moderator: **Ted Toadvine**, *Emporia State College*

Hugh Silverman, *SUNY Stony Brook*

"In the Chiasmatic Fields of Post-Modern Ethics"

SESSION 7

Invited Speaker: Mary Rawlinson, *SUNY Stony Brook*

Introduction: **Helen Fielding**, *University of Western Ontario*

Moderator: **Diane Perpich**, *Duquesne University*

"The Contingency of Goodness"

Saturday, September 19th

SESSIONS 1 and 2: Speaking through Difference

Moderator: **Grace Clement**, *Salisbury State University*

Susan Poppe, *Concordia College*

"Ethical Language: Merleau-Ponty and Wittgenstein on Mediated Conflict"

Gail Weiss, *George Washington University*

"Imag(in)ing the Horizon"

Session 3: Oral Cannibalism

Moderator: **John Rose**, *Goucher College*

Antje Kapust, *Ruhr Universitat Bochum*

David Wood, *Vanderbilt University*

"Moutheite: the mouth, regulation, and self-gestation"

Sessions 4 and 5: Traumatized Bodies/ Victimized Bodies

Moderator: **Michael Smith**, *Berry College*

Carolin Woolson, *SUNY Binghamton*

"Echoes of the Flesh: On the Ethical Significance of Bodily Remembrance"

Janice McLane, *Morgan State University*

"The Boundaries of a Victim Life"

Session 6: African Bodies

Moderator: **Sue Cataldi**, *Southern Illinois University*

John Murungi, *Towson University*

"The African Body as an Ethico-Aesthetic Text"

Session 7:

Invited Speaker: Bernhard Waldenfels, Ruhr Universitat Bochum

Introduction: **James Hatley, Salisbury State University**

Moderator: **Duane Davis, University of NC, Asheville**

"Responsivity of the Body: Traces of the other in Merleau-Ponty's Theory of Body and Flesh"
