37th Annual Meeting: International Merleau-Ponty Circle
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Self & Others, Silence & Solitude

THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 20TH

*All sessions are in the Lowenstein Building at W. 60th St. and Columbus Ave. To get to the 12th Floor Lounge, enter at main entrance, go down hall and right up the escalators to the elevator bank. Elevators 5 and 6 will take you to the 12th floor. You can also take the other elevators to the 11th floor and then the open staircase up to the 12th. The lounge is to the left as you exit the elevators.

Registration can be found here:
http://faculty.fordham.edu/anmurphy/Conference/conference.html

8:30 -9:15  Registration: 12th Floor Lounge
9:15-9:30  Opening remarks

Session 1A  12th Floor Lounge  Moderator: Ian Rboad, New School

• 9:30-10:15  Duane Davis, University of North Carolina Asheville: “Le Corps Propre: Our Pact with the World and its Impact in the Orientation of Authentic Relations”
• 10:15-11:00  Véronique Fóti, Penn State University: “The Irreducibility of Expression: Merleau-Ponty’s Ontology and its Wider Implications”

Session 1B: Room 816  Moderator: Eva Alerby, Luleå University of Technology, Sweden

• 10:15-11:00  Erinn Gilson, University of North Florida: “Openness Upon the World: Merleau-Pontian Resources for Thinking Vulnerability, Passivity and Silence”

11:00-11:30  Coffee break  12th Floor Lounge

Session 2A  12th Floor Lounge  Moderator: Annabelle Dufourcq, Charles University, Czech Republic

• 11:30-12:15  Fiona Utley, University of New England, Australia: “The Silent Operation of Phenomenological Trust”
• 12:15-1:00  Sue Cataldi, Southern Illinois University: "Sheltering Spaces and Dynamics of Retreat: Safekeeping in Merleau-Ponty"

Session 2B  Room 816  Moderator: Jakub Čapek, Charles University, Czech Republic

• 11:30-12:15  Joseph Keeping, York University: “Living with Strangers: The Othering of the Self in Mental Illness”
• 12:15-1:00  Stefan Kristensen, Université de Genève, Switzerland: “The Noisy World of the Flesh: Autism, the Feldenkrais Method, and Merleau-Ponty’s Ontology”

1:00-2:30  LUNCH BREAK

Session 3  12th Floor Lounge  Moderator: Nancy Barta-Smith, Slippery Rock University

Session 4: 12th Floor Lounge  Moderator: Andrew Jampol-Petzinger, Fordham University

4:10-4:30  Coffee  12th Floor Lounge

Session 5: 12th Floor Lounge  Moderator: David Morris, Concordia University
• 4:30-6:00:  KEYNOTE LECTURE:  Lisa Guenther, Vanderbilt University: “Merleau-Ponty and the Space of the Supermax”

6:00-7:00  Reception  12th Floor Lounge

FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 21ST
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Session 1A  12th Floor Lounge  Moderator: Damian Kingsley Cresser, University of Adelaide, Australia
• 9:30-10:15  Dylan Trigg, Les Archives Husserl, École Normale Supérieure: “Regions of Silence': Merleau-Ponty and the Prehistory of the Self”

Session 1B: South Lounge  (Plaza Level off of Cafeteria)  Moderator: Olga Louchakova, Sophia University
• 10:15-11:00  Brandon Shaw, Brown University: “Phantom Pains and Pain from Phantoms: Existential Depth and the Dance of Grief”

11:00-11:30  Coffee break  12th Floor Lounge
Session 2A  12th Floor Lounge  Moderator Ida Mara Freire, Universidade Federal de Santa Catarina, Brazil
  • 11:30-12:15 Helen Fielding, University of Western Ontario: "Give voice to this split image of voice silence: Norms of resistance in M. Nourbese Philip and Merleau-Ponty"
  • 12:15-1:00 Patricia Locke, St. John’s College, Annapolis: "Merleau-Ponty and Agnes Martin on the Experience of Others"

Session 2B  South Lounge  (Plaza Level off of Cafeteria)  Moderator: Gail Hamner, Syracuse University
  • 11:30-12:15 Devin Fitzpatrick, New School for Social Research: “Meaning Incarnate: Bodily Normativity as a Metaethical Foundation”
  • 12:15-1:00 Randall Johnson, Practicing Psychiatrist: “Resisting the Kiss of a Dream of Reading”

1:00-2:30 LUNCH BREAK

Session 3  12th Floor Lounge  Moderator: Leonard Lawlor, Penn State University
  • 2:30-3:15 M.C. Dillon Award Winner: David Pena-Guzman, Emory University: “Pathetic Normativity: Merleau-Ponty and Canguilhem’s Philosophy of Norms”

Session 4:  12th Floor Lounge  Moderator: Samir Haddad, Fordham University
  • 3:15-4:05 Gayle Salamon, Princeton University: “The Simple Click of her Heel on the Ground: Gendered Phenomenologies of Walking”

4:10-4:30 Coffee  12th Floor Lounge

Session 5:  12th Floor Lounge  Moderator: Kyoo Lee, John Jay College of Criminal Justice/ CUNY
  • 4:30-6:00 KEYNOTE LECTURE: Gail Weiss, Chair and Professor of Philosophy and Human Sciences, George Washington University: “The Silent Communion of Self and Other: Merleau-Ponty’s Intersubjective Ontology”

6:00-7:00 Reception 12th Floor Lounge  **With comments by Ernest Sherman and a toast in his honor.

SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 22ND
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Session 1A  12th Floor Lounge  Moderator: Scott Marratto, Michigan Tech
  • 9:30-10:15 Emmanuel Alloa, Universität St. Gallen, Switzerland: “Diacritical Thinking: Aristotle, Saussure, Merleau-Ponty”
  • 10:15-11:00 Richard Kearney, Boston College
Session 1B: South Lounge (Plaza Level off of Cafeteria)  Moderator: David Gadon, Fordham University
  • 9:30-10:15  Sarah LaChance Adams, University of Wisconsin Superior: "The Ambiguous Logic of the Flesh: Merleau-Ponty's Hegelianism"
  • 10:15-11:00  Shiloh Whitney, McGill University: “Affects and Images in Child Perception: Self-other Difference in Merleau-Ponty’s Sorbonne Lectures”

11:00-11:30  Coffee break  12th Floor Lounge

Session 2A  12th Floor Lounge  Moderator: David Grunner, Fordham University
  • 11:30-12:15  Glenn Mazis, Penn State Harrisburg: “Merleau-Ponty’s Singular Silence”
  • 12:15-1:00  Jack Reynolds, LaTrobe University, Australia: “Body Reading before Mind Reading? Intersubjectivity and the Centrality of Non-Inferential Perception of Others”

Session 2B  South Lounge (Plaza Level off of Cafeteria)  Moderator: Noah Moss Brender, Boston College
  • 12:15-1:00  Darian Meacham, University of Western England: “The Ground That Gives Way Beneath Our Feet: steps toward a philosophy of institutional realism”

1:00-3:00  BUSINESS LUNCH @ Rosa Mexicano 61 Columbus Ave. at 62nd St. (Exit Main entrance of Building, go left (north), restaurant up two blocks on corner.)

Session 3  12th Floor Lounge  Moderator: Adrian Switzer, W. Kentucky University
  • 3:10-4:00  Ted Toadvine, University of Oregon: “Folding Nature’s Hands: Cézanne and the Impossibility of Silence”

Session 4:  12th Floor Lounge  Moderator: Frank Weiner, Virginia Tech University
  • 4:00-5:00  Galen Johnson, University of Rhode Island: "From the World of Silence to Poetic Language: Merleau-Ponty and Paul Valéry”

6:00-10:00  CONFERENCE BANQUET @ Salam Restaurant (West Village), 104 West 13th St. (Between 7th Ave. & 6th Ave., very near the corner of West 13th St. & 6th Ave.)
Directions to Conference Banquet:
Take the A, C, 1 or 2 trains downtown from Columbus Circle/59th St. station (2 blocks from conference site). Exit at the W. 14th St. station. Walk east on W. 13th St, towards 6th Ave. The restaurant is in the bottom floor of a brownstone, look for a small patio outside, and holiday lights wrapped around the tree out front. (Café Loup, across the street, has a good bar for those of you who arrive early, or stay late.) A cab from Fordham’s Lincoln Center campus to the restaurant would run around $15.

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