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
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
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 Rememberance"
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 Universität 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"