The Twenty-Sixth Annual Meeting of the International Merleau-Ponty Circle

September 19-22, 2001

Conference Director: Prof. Duane H. Davis

University of North Carolina, Asheville, NC

Conference Program
Wed. Sept. 19
Welcome reception Best Western Hotel

Thursday, September 20

9:00- 9:15
Welcome & Introductory remarks

   Thomas R. Cochran, Vice Chancellor of Academic Affairs, UNCA
   Gordon A. Wilson, Chair of the Philosophy Department, UNCA

Session One
Moderator: Susan Poppe, Concordia College

9:15 - 10:00 John Sanbonmatsu, Northern Illinois University
"Merleau-Ponty's Phenomenology of Perception as the Basis for a Return to Holism in Theory and Praxis: Reflections on Totality and Political Identity on the Threshold of World Historical Crisis"

10:00 - 10:45 Kym MacLaren, King's College, Canada
"The Multiple Intentionality of Actions and the Interpersonal and Political Implications of Acting"

10:45 - 11:30 Kurt Dauer Keller, Aalborg University, Denmark
"The Self and Community"

Coffee Break

11:45 - 12:45 Moderator: Len Lawlor, The University of Memphis
Speaker: Ernest Sherman, Pace University
"An Open Discussion on the Recent Terrorist Attacks in Light of Merleau-Ponty's Political Philosophy"

Lunch

2:30 - 3:30 Moderator: Robert Andrews, UNCA Galen Johnson, University of Rhode Island
"Aesthetics and the Political: Art After the Sublime"

Session Two
Moderator: Helen Fielding, The University of Western Ontario, Canada

9:15 - 10:00 David Koukal, University of Detroit
"Mercy Post-War Assessments: Merleau-Ponty and Baudrillard"

10:00 - 10:45 Chris Nagel, California State University
"Sanislaus Politics and the Possibility of War: Merleau-Ponty and Baudrillard"

Coffee Break

Featured Invited Lecture

5:15 - 6:30 Moderator: Duane H. Davis, UNCA
Speaker: Calvin O. Schrag, Purdue University
“Merleau-Ponty’s answer to Husserl’s Crisis of the European Sciences”

6:30 - 7:30 UNCA Humanities Reception

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**Friday, September 21, 2001**

8:30 - 9:00 Coffee

9:00 - 9:15 Announcements

**Session Three**

*Moderator: David Harrington, Sheldon Jackson College*

9:15 - 10:00 Justin Tauber, University of Sydney, Australia
"Carving out a Point of View: The Idea of Perspective in the Phenomenology of Perception"

10:00 - 10:45 Bryan Smyth, McGill University, Canada
"Militant Beginnings: The Kojève - Fessard Dialogue and the Hegelian Basis of Merleau-Ponty’s Existential Phenomenology of Phenomenology"

10:45 - 11:30 Phillips Edward Young, Villanova University
"Ontological Ambiguity and Race"

Coffee Break

**Featured Invited Lecture**

11:45 - 1:00 Moderator: Martin C. Dillon, Binghamton University
Speaker: Gary B. Madison, McMaster University, Canada
"Merleau-Ponty and the Worlding (mondalisation) of the World"

Lunch

**Invited Lecture**

2:30 - 3:30 Moderator: Deborah Carter Mullen, Christopher Newport University
Speaker: Martin C. Dillon, Philosophy, Binghamton University
"Does Merleau-Ponty’s Ontology Pre delineate a Politics?"

**Session Four**

*Moderator: Bernard Dauenhauer, The University of Georgia*

3:30 - 4:15 James Steeves, McMaster University, Canada
"Intercorporeality and Resistance: The Role of the Body in Chilean Politics"

4:15 - 5:00 Isaac Reudin, Binghamton University
"Bodies of Responsibility: Derrida and Merleau-Ponty"

Coffee Break

**Featured Invited Lecture**
5:15 - 6:30 Moderator: Thomas R. Flynn, Emory University
Speaker: Cynthia Willett, Emory University
"Humanism and Eros: Desire, Race, and Class Struggle"

6:45 - 8:00 Chancellor's Reception Saturday, September 22, 2001

10:30 - 11:00 Coffee

10:45 - 11:00 Announcements

Session Five
Moderator: William Hamrick, Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville

11:00 - 11:45 Bernard Dauenhauer, The University of Georgia History
"Violence, and Intervention: Merleau-Ponty and Ricoeur"

11:45 - 12:30 Joseph Bien, University of Missouri at Columbia
"History and Politics: Merleau-Ponty and Political History"

1:00 - 2:15 Business Lunch [Grove Park Inn]

Session Six
Moderator: Helen Fielding, University of Western Ontario

3:00 -3:45 Diane Enns, Binghamton University
"In the Crucible of Events"

3:45 - 4:45 J. Patrick Burke, Seattle University
"The 'Human Object' and the Perceptual Dialectic: Roger Garaudy's Critique of Merleau-Ponty"

Coffee Break

Featured

Invited Lecture 5:00 - 6:30
Moderator: Mauro Carbone, Università degli Studi di Milano
"Italy Globalization of the Flesh and its Political Implications: Re-touching la mondialisation de la chair"

6:30 - 7:30 Reception 8:00 - ? Conference Dinner Banquet [Magnolia's Raw Bar and Grille]

Sunday, September 23, 2001 8:00 a.m. Buses load for whitewater rafting trip.