

ASCP CONFERENCE 2005: **Politics of Being**

PROGRAM

WEDNESDAY 15 June

From 9.00am REGISTRATION Morven Brown Building (MB) G6				
	MB G3	MB G4	MB G5	MB G7
9:30-11:00	<p>On Becoming Responsible Faye Brinsmead (UNSW): “Hume and Nietzsche on Freedom and Responsibility.” Rosalyn Diprose (UNSW): “Nietzsche & Levinas: Self-Responsibility and Responsibility for the Other” Adam Dickerson (University of Canberra): “Derrida on Language and Responsibility.”</p>	<p>Alison L. S. Harwood (University of Sydney): “<i>Alltäglichkeit</i> in Martin Heidegger’s <i>Sein und Zeit</i>.” Barbara Dalle Pezze (University of Hong Kong): “Future Thinking and the Truth of Being: Heidegger On <i>Gelassenheit</i>.” Richard Colledge (University of Queensland): “The Heideggerian Noumenal: <i>Natur</i> as the ‘Incomprehensible Unworlded World.’”</p>	<p>Brett Neilson (University of Western Sydney): “From Precarity to Precariousness and Back Again.” Philip Armstrong (Ohio State University): “Being (Communist): Jean-Luc Nancy on Biopolitics.” Timothy Rayner (University of Sydney): “The Multitude in Power: Poverty, Ontology, Revolution.”</p>	<p>Ashley Woodward (University of Melbourne): “The Politics of Being in Vattimo’s <i>Nihilism and Emancipation</i>.” Jon Roffe (University of Melbourne): “‘Crawling between heaven and earth’: on a fissure between ontology and politics in Badiou’s thought.” Dimitris Papadopoulos (Free University of Berlin): “This is Not an Anomaly: Failing to Respond to the Ascent of Corporatist Postliberal Sovereignty.”</p>
11.00-11.30	MORNING TEA			
11:30 – 1:00	<p>PANEL: Political Ontologies and Contemporary Theory CHAIR: Linnell Secomb (University of Sydney) SPEAKERS: Cate Thill (University of Sydney): “An Ethics of Concern for Relation.” Julie Mackenzie (University of Sydney): “Universal Bodies?” Christina Colegate (University of Sydney): “What’s so Radical about Democracy?”</p>	<p>Matheson Russell (UNSW): “The politics of being authentic: Adorno’s critique of Heidegger.” Sean Ryan (University of Melbourne): “The Being of the Political in Heidegger’s 1942 Parmenides Lectures.” Matthew Boss (University of Sydney): “Sensibility and the Essence of Finite Knowledge in Heidegger’s Kant-Interpretation.”</p>	<p>PANEL: Affect, Thought and Movement SPEAKERS: Anna Hickey-Moody (Monash University): “Folding Flesh into Thought: Vitalism & reading theory through movement.” Felicity J. Colman (University of Melbourne): “Affective Entropy.” Andrew Murphie (UNSW): “Virtual Cognition and the Forces that constitute Microbrains.”</p>	<p>PANEL: Returning to Violence and Metaphysics SPEAKERS: Will Martin (UNSW): “<i>Machosasthai Enantion</i>: To Fight for Oneself and Another.” Andrew Montin (Macquarie University): “Ethics and Double Contingency.” Wojciech Nadachowski (UNSW): “The Ethics of Inscription.”</p>
1.00-2.00	LUNCH			

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2:00-3:15	<p>Robert Sinnerbrink (Macquarie University): “Beyond Recognition? A Critical Response to Recent Critiques of Recognition.”</p> <p>Nick Smith (Macquarie University): “Recognition and Class”</p>	<p>Max Deutscher (Macquarie University): “Being Paul Edwards.”</p> <p>Laurence Simmons (University of Auckland): “Being Bored.”</p>	<p>Graham Jones (University of Melbourne): “Deleuze and Maimon.”</p> <p>Sean Bowden (UNSW and University Paris-VIII): “Deleuze and Leibniz: The Question of “World” and the Politics of Being.”</p>	<p>Jennifer Purvis (University of Alabama): “ ‘Unnatural’ Communities of Feminist Resistance: Queering Antigone and Refiguring Difference through Beauvoir, Irigaray, and Butler.”</p> <p>Justine McGill: “Antigone’s Power.”</p>	<p>Politics of Shame and Sympathy</p> <p>Branka Arsic (University at Albany, SUNY): “Awakening in the Wake of War.”</p> <p>Anna Gibbs (University of Western Sydney): “Climate Change: Sympathy, Affect Contagion and Mimesis in the creation of Social Moods.”</p>
3:15-4:30	<p>Debra B. Bergoffen (George Mason University): “Just War, 9/11 and the Politics of Innocence”</p> <p>Ann V. Murphy (UNSW): “The Politics of Dispossession: The Vulnerable Body in Feminist Theory.”</p>	<p>Alison Ross (Monash University): “Nancy’s Heideggerian Background: Everyday Existence, the Artwork and the Praxis of Sense Making.”</p> <p>Simon Lumsden (UNSW): “Reason and the Restlessness of the Speculative: Jean-Luc Nancy’s Reading of Hegel”</p>	<p>James Williams (University of Dundee): “Gilles Deleuze and David Lewis: critical encounters between the virtual and the possible.”</p> <p>Gregory Flaxman (University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill): “The Politics of Non-Being.”</p>	<p>Joanne Falkner (La Trobe University): “Interpretation or Autobiography? Kofman’s reading(s) of Nietzsche as a Politics of Being Jewish.”</p> <p>Rebecca Bamford (Rhodes University): “Nietzsche’s tragic ciphers at work: Metaphilosophical consequences of an ontological egalitarianism of being.”</p>	<p>Meryl Altman (DePauw University): “Beauvoir, Hegel, War.”</p> <p>Surya Parekh (University of California, Santa Cruz): “Vanishing Being: Hegel’s Production of the New World.”</p>
4.30-4.50	AFTERNOON TEA				

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4.50-5.00 5.00-6.30	<p style="text-align: center;">TYREE ROOM, THE SCIENTIA DEAN'S WELCOME A/Prof Stephen Cohen, Head of School of Philosophy, UNSW Prof Annette Hamilton, Dean Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences, UNSW</p> <p style="text-align: center;">KEYNOTE ADDRESS: CHAIR: Rosalyn Diprose</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Robert Bernasconi (Lillian and Morrie Moss Chair of Excellence, Department of Philosophy, University of Memphis)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">“Perpetual Peace and Total War”</p>
6.30-7.30	<p style="text-align: center;">RECEPTION THE SCIENTIA FOYER</p>

THURSDAY 16 June

From 9.00am REGISTRATION MB G6					
	MB G3	MB G4	MB G5	MB G7	MB 309B
9:30-11:00	<p>PANEL: Engaging in the Discourses of Friendship CHAIR: Sandra Lynch (UNSW) SPEAKERS: Peta Bowden (Murdoch University): "Friendship and Social Division." Sandra Lynch (UNSW): "Thinking about Identity and Difference in Friendship." Charles Stivale (Wayne State University): "Foucault's Folds: Deleuze and the Interstices of Friendship."</p>	<p>Kyoo Lee (LaGrange College): "The Being of Seeming: A Deleuzian (Dis)appearance of the Stereotype in <i>M. Butterfly</i>." James Phillips (Victorian College of the Arts): "Kant, Revolution and Brazilian Cinema." Peta Malins (University of Melbourne): "Becomings-Responsible: Reading Deleuze in relation to Contemporary Social Issues."</p>	<p>Paul Formosa (University of Queensland): "Why call Levinas' thought philosophy?" Colleen Pearl (University of California, Berkeley): "Reading the Unintelligible through the Responsive Self in Foucault and Levinas." David Webb (Stafford U, UK): 'Levinas, Foucault and the Question of First Philosophy'</p>	<p>Miriam Bankovsky (UNSW & University of Paris-X): "Politicising Dasien's "destiny": Derrida's reading of "the call of conscience" in <i>Being and Time</i> and the politics of friendship." Tim McNamara (University of Melbourne): "Identity, Language and the Violent Other." Sara Sorial (UNSW): "Heideggerian ontology and the problem of ethics."</p>	<p>Anne Schillmoller (Southern Cross University): "From Posthuman to Transhuman: Animality and the Politics of Non-human 'Being'." Thom van Dooren (Australian National University): "Unnatural Seed: The Politics of Agriculture."</p>
11.00-11.30	MORNING TEA				
11:30-1:00	<p>MATHEWS THEATRE B KEYNOTE ADDRESS: CHAIR: Paul Patton</p> <p>Eugene Holland (Associate Professor of French and Comparative Studies at Ohio State University)</p> <p>"The Politics of Becoming: Nonlinear Science and/vs Philosophy"</p>				
1.00-2.00	LUNCH				

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	MB G3	MB G4	MB G7	MB 309B
2:00-3:30	<p>Fiona Jenkins (Aust. National University): “The Abjected Foetus: A biopolitical reframing of the ethics, legality and politics of abortion.”</p> <p>Rachel Jones (University of Dundee): “Politicizing theory / re-engendering the political: reading Arendt and Nancy with Adriana Cavarero.”</p> <p>Lisa Guenther (Univ. of Auckland): “The Ethics and Ontology of Birth: reading Heidegger with Cavarero.”</p>	<p>Marguerite La Caze (University of Queensland): “Between Apology and Forgiveness.”</p> <p>Nicole Helmy (University of New England): “Hospitality and the Politics of Being-With (Jean-Luc Nancy Offers Hospitality to Emmanuel Levinas and Jacques Derrida.”</p> <p>Justin Tauber (University of Sydney): “Invitations: generosity and empirical responsibility.”</p>	<p>Peter Schmiedgen: “Representation, enclosure and critique towards a post-Levinasian critical politics.”</p> <p>Claire Loughnan (University of Melbourne): “Losing face/markings time: of Being in detention.”</p> <p>Simone Drichel (University of Otago) : “(Un)saying the Said: The Ethics and Politics of Biculturalism”</p>	<p>Sandra Field (UNSW): “Freedom, control and will in Rousseau.”</p> <p>Millicent Vladiv-Glover (Monash University): “The aesthetics of ‘living thought’: Mehrab Mamardashvili’s theory of freedom and responsibility.”</p> <p>James Garrett (Monash University): “Ontology and Politics in Plato’s critique of Heraclitus.”</p>

3.30-4.00	AFTERNOON TEA			
4:00-5:15	<p>Mary Beth Mader (University of Memphis): “Kinds of One: Generontologies of Individuation and Descent.”</p> <p>Catherine Mills (UNSW): “Normal Life”</p>	<p>Jack Reynolds (U Tasmania): “The politics of intuition and the politics of radical futurity: a rapprochement of analytic political philosophy and poststructuralism.”</p> <p>Paul Patton (UNSW): “Deleuze, Democracy and the Critique of Opinion”</p>	<p>Paul Atkinson (Monash University): “Scale of being”: Bergson’s account of the relationship between durational and biological difference.”</p> <p>Rebecca Hill (RMIT University): “Between Bergson and Irigaray: the Interval of Duration and the Interval of Sexual Difference.”</p>	<p>Franson Manjali (Jawaharlal Nehru University): “Politics and Aesthetics of Being.”</p> <p>Dimitris Vardoulakis (Monash University): “Potentiality is not enough: Notes toward a Benjaminion conception of the Actuality of Historiography”</p>

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5.15-5.45	<p>BOOK LAUNCH MB G6 Jeff Malpas (University of Tasmania) James Phillips' <i>Heidegger's Volk: Between National Socialism and Poetry</i></p>
6.00-7.30	<p>MATHEWS THEATRE A</p> <p>KEYNOTE ADDRESS & PUBLIC LECTURE: CHAIR: Catherine Mills</p> <p>Judith Butler (Maxine Elliot Professor in the Departments of Rhetoric and Comparative Literature, University of California, Berkeley)</p> <p>“Benjamin’s Non-Violent Violence”</p>

FRIDAY 17 June

	MB G3	MB G4	MB G5	MB G7
9:30-11:00	<p>David Wills (University at Albany, SUNY): “Face to Back: reading Althusser and Lévinas through the “dorsal”.”</p> <p>Andrew Benjamin (UTS and Monash University): “Living and Being: Heidegger’s Dog”</p>	<p>Nadia Mahjouri (University of Tasmania): “The politics of racial being in the era of the genome”</p> <p>Jane Durie (University of Western Sydney): “The politics of being white: responsibility and <i>ressentiment</i>.”</p> <p>Juliet Rogers (University of Melbourne): “Where the Wild Things Go: A reading of law as in justice, through (Sendak’s) Max”</p>	<p>Nick Heron (University of Melbourne): “A hiatus separates them ...”</p> <p>Undine Sellbach: “The breath of the sympathetic imagination.”</p> <p>Hélène Frichot (RMIT University): “The Coming Community and the Question of Life.”</p>	<p>Grant Gillett (University of Otago Medical School): “The politics of the unconscious.”</p> <p>Flemming Lebech (Albert-Ludwigs-Universität Freiburg): “The Concept of the Subject in the Philosophical Hermeneutics of Hans-Georg Gadamer.”</p> <p>Paul Healy (Swinburne Univ. of technology): “Human Rights and Intercultural Rights: A Hermeneutico-Dialogical Approach”</p>
11.00-11.30	MORNING TEA			
11:30-1:00	<p>MATHEWS THEATRE B</p> <p>KEYNOTE ADDRESS: CHAIR: Paul Patton</p> <p>Wendy Brown (Professor of Political Science and Women’s Studies at the University of California, Berkeley)</p> <p>“Sovereign is He Who Decides...!: Global Capital as Absolute and Perpetual Power”</p>			
1.00-2.00	<p>LUNCH ASCP AGM MB G4</p>			

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	MB G3	MB G4	MB G5	MB G7
2:00-3:30	<p>Diane Morgan (University of Warwick): “Kant, Communications and Cosmopolitics: Ideal Life in a Global Community.”</p> <p>Paula Keating (UNSW): “Metaphysics and Moral Politicians.”</p> <p>Richard Shapcott (University of Queensland): “Philosophical Hermeneutics, Cosmopolitanism and Practical Reasoning.”</p>	<p>Michelle Boulous Walker (University of Queensland): “Love, Ethics and Authenticity: A Lesson in What it Means to Read?”</p> <p>Tom Martin (Rhodes University): “Without ever leaving the ground, she could fly”: Self, history and community in Morrison and Beauvoir.”</p>	<p>PANEL: Virtual Mathematics CHAIR: Simon Duffy (Univ. of Queensland) SPEAKERS: Arkady Plotnitsky (Purdue University): “Manifolds: On the Concept of Space in Riemann and Deleuze.” Jean-Michel Salanskis (University of Paris-X): “Mathematics, Metaphysics, Philosophy.” Daniel Smith (Purdue University): “Axiomatics and Problematics as Two Modes of Formalisation: Deleuze’s Epistemology of Mathematics.”</p>	<p>Matthew Sharpe (Deakin University): “The Other Supposed to Believe: Leo Strauss’ Politics of Being – A Psychoanalytic Response.” John Dalton (University of Sydney): “Injury, Genocide and Reconciliation: the <i>topos</i> of law and violence.” Anthony Burke: (UNSW): “Security After Security: Ethics, Palestine and the Wall”</p>
3.30-4.00	AFTERNOON TEA			

4.00 – 5.30	<p>MATTHEWS THEATRE B CLOSING PANEL CHAIR: Simon Lumsden</p> <p>The Politics of Being in the University</p> <p>Robyn Ferrell (University of Tasmania) "On Being Head of School" Gregg Lambert (University of Syracuse): "Epistemology of the Department" Andrew Benjamin (UTS and Monash University) : “The Counter Culture of Research”</p>
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