The 2018 Conference: MEMORY, MOOD, HOPE, and ACTION

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American Philosophies Forum

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Thursday, 5 April

-----Arrivals (SpringHill Suites New Orleans Downtown/Convention Center, 301 St. Joseph Street, New Orleans, LA 70130 USA; tel: [USA-] 504-522-3100. All sessions will be in the Magnolia/Cypress Room)

3--3:45pm: CONFERENCE OPENING: Introductions and background

4—5:45pm: SESSION I: CHANGES, TONES, & MOODS

Speakers:

Megan Craig (Philosophy and Art, Stony Brook University): “Sites of Randomness, Sites of Change”

Robert E. Innis (Philosophy, University of Massachusetts, Lowell): “Locating One’s Life: Memory, Mood, and Self-Reflection”

Vincent Colapietro (Philosophy, Penn State University & University of Rhode Island): “In a Sentimental Mood/In a Mellow Tone: Emersonian Moods, Peircean Sentiments, and Ellingtonian Tones”

John J. Stuhr (Philosophy and American Studies, Emory University): “Weatherlessness: Manufactured Helplessness, the Death of the Will, and Politics”

6:30—8:00: OPENING RECEPTION: LOCATION TBA

----dinner (on one’s own)

Friday, 6 April

----breakfast (on one’s own; complimentary at the hotel for APF participants)

9:30--11:15am: SESSION II: EMPATHY, FAITH, & HOPE

Speakers:

Mark Fagiano (Philosophy, University of Central Florida): “Core Empathy and Social Hope”

Erin Tarver (Philosophy, Oxford College, Emory University): “Football Fan Mood and Memory in the Racial Present”
Melvin Rogers *(Political Science, Brown University)*: “Democratic Faith”

John Lysaker *(Philosophy, Emory University)*: “Hope’s Auroral Hours”

----break (coffees, teas, water provided)

11:30am--1:15pm: **SESSION III: HOPE, MEMORY, & THEIR CONSEQUENCES**

Speakers:

**Larry Cahoone** *(Philosophy, College of the Holy Cross)*: “Party of Hope, Party of Memory”

**Carlos Pereda** *(Instituto de Investigaciones Filosóficas, Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México)*: “The ‘Racial’ Problem: Memory and Hope”

**Céline Leboeuf** *(Philosophy, Florida International University & Mellon Postdoctoral Visiting Scholar, Penn State University)*: “The Audacity of Hope: Reclaiming Obama’s Optimism in the Trump Era”

**Deborah Whitehead** *(Religious Studies, University of Colorado, Boulder)*: “The Politics of Memory and the #MeToo Movement”

----lunch (on one’s own)

3:45—6:00pm: **SESSION IV: MEMORY & MEMORIALIZATION**

Speakers:

**Alfred Frankowski** (Philosophy, Southern Illinois University): “Anti-Black Erasures and Architectural Momentlessness”

**Gary Shapiro** *(Philosophy and Humanities, University of Richmond)*: “After the ‘Monuments’: Public Art and Post-War Memory”

**Scott R. Stroud** and **Jonathan Henson** *(Communications Studies, University of Texas)*: “Memory, Reconstruction, and Ethics in Memorialization”

**Leonard Kahn** *(Philosophy, Loyola University, New Orleans)*: “Forgiving without Forgetting: Ethically Obligatory Memory”

**Tanja Softić** *(Art, University of Richmond)*: “Circle Back: Immigrant Retrospectives”

----dinner (on one’s own; information provided for dinner/entertainment)
Saturday, 7 April

---breakfast (on one’s own; complimentary at the hotel for APF participants)

9:15—11:30am: **SESSION V: DISTORTION AND REDescription**

Speakers:

**Jeff Edmonds** (*Philosophy, Physics, and Academic Dean, University School of Nashville*): “The Mood of Adolescence: Anxiety, Schooling, and Mis-Education”

**Mary Magada-Ward** (*Philosophy, Middle Tennessee State University*): “Immediate Family: On the Consolation, Embellishment, and Distortion of Memory”

**Emily Zakin** (*Philosophy, Miami University, Ohio*): “Public Space, Public Time: Authority, Constitution, and Memory in Arendt’s *On Memory*”

**Robin James** (*Philosophy, University of North Carolina, Charlotte*): “On the ‘new’ and ‘hold up!’ as gestures of thought: memory and hope in the practice of philosophy”

**Brendan Hogan** and **Lawrence Marcelle** (*Liberal Studies, New York University*): “Actionable Consequences: Reconstruction, Therapy, and the Remainder of the Social Science”

---break (coffees, teas, water provided)

11:45am—1:30pm: **SESSION VI: ACCOUNTABILITY, AUTHORITY, & ACTION**

Speakers:

**Eduardo Mendieta** (*Philosophy and School of International Affairs, Penn State University*): “Shame, Guilt, Apology: Making Oneself Accountable”

**Vida Yao** (*Philosophy, Rice University*): “Two Problems Posed by the Eating of Animals”

**Jennifer Hansen** (*Philosophy, St. Lawrence University*): “Mobbing”

**Jesssica Wahman** (*Philosophy, Emory University*): “The Myth of the Helpless Spectator”

---lunch (on one’s own)

7pm: **BANQUET: LOCATION TBA**

Sunday, 8 April

---breakfast (on one’s own; complimentary at the hotel for APF participants) and **Departures**