
Dates: April 12-14, 2012

Location: Pasquerilla Center, Penn State University, State College, PA, USA

Sponsors: Rock Ethics Institute and Center for Ethics and Religious Affairs, Penn State University (USA), Emory University (USA)

Thursday, 12 April

3:00-3:45 p.m.  Introductions and background

4-5:45 p.m.  SESSION I: CLIMATE AND SOCIAL CHANGE

Speakers:

Nancy Tuana (Philosophy and Rock Ethics Institute, Penn State University):

“Climate Change and Gender Justice”

Toby Svoboda (Philosophy, Penn State University):

“The Ethics of Aerosol Geoengineering Deployment”

Michael Hoffmann (Philosophy Science, and Technology, Georgia Tech):

“The Basic Structure of Society”

Noelle McAfee (Philosophy, Emory University):

“Political Imaginaries and Social Change”

6:30-8 p.m.  Reception (home of Nancy Tuana, 731 Sunset Road)

----dinner on one’s own
Friday, 13 April

----breakfast (catered at the Pasquerilla Center)

9-10:45 a.m.  SESSION II: PRAGMATISM, JUSTICE, NATURE

Speakers:

Kelly Parker (Philosophy, Grand Valley State University):

“What Ought We to Sustain?: A Pragmatic Framework”

Chris Voparil (Philosophy, Union Institute and University):

“Democratic Justice and the Problem of Framing: Fraser, Addams, and Rorty”

Shane Ralston (Philosophy, Penn State Hazelton):

“Environmental Communication as Deeply Pragmatic”

Jacquelyn Ann K. Kegley (Philosophy, California State University, Bakersfield):

“Justice Begins at Home: From Family, Community, Nation, to World”

----break

11-12:45 p.m.  SESSION III: CLIMATE CHANGE AND JUSTICE

Speakers:

Klaus Keller (Geosciences and Director the Penn State Center for Climate Risk Management, Penn State University):

“How uncertain are climate risk estimates? Implications for economic and ethical analyses”

Petra Tschakert (Geography and Earth and Environmental Systems Institute, Penn State University):

“Climate change and poverty traps”

Carolyn Sachs (Sociology and Women’s Studies, Penn State University):

“Climate Change and Gender Justice: Sustainable Agriculture and Food Sovereignty”

12:45-1:45 p.m.  Lunch (catered at the Pasquerilla Center)

American Philosophies Forum
1:45-3:30 p.m.  SESSION IV: ACCESS, POVERTY, AND EXPERIENCE

Speakers:

Marjorie Miller (Philosophy, State University of New York, Purchase) and

Cathryn Miller-Wilson (Law, Villanova University):

“Access to Justice and Technology in the Courts”

Mary Magada-Ward (Philosophy, Middle Tennessee State University):

“Ecofeminism and Bigfoot”

Vincent M. Colapietro (Philosophy, Penn State University):

“The Poverty of Experience”

Discussant:

Jessica Wahman (Philosophy, Dickinson College)

----break

3:45-5:30 p.m.  SESSION V: PLENARY SESSION (in conjunction with the Collegium of Black Women Philosophers)

Speaker:

Patricia Hill Collins (Sociology, University of Maryland)

7 p.m. Dinner (home of Nancy Tuana, 731 Sunset Road)
Saturday, 14 April

----breakfast on one’s own

10-11:45 a.m.  SESSION VI: RELOCATING JUSTICE

Speakers:

Jennifer Hansen (Philosophy and Women and Gender Studies, St. Lawrence University):

“No More Neuromania: The Nature of Justice”

John J. Stuhr (Philosophy and American Studies, Emory University):

“Habits of Justice”

Robert Innis (Philosophy, University of Massachusetts, Lowell):

“The Soul of Poverty: Inside and Out”

Discussant:

Michael Sullivan (Philosophy, Emory University)

11:45-12:30 p.m.  SESSION VII: CONCLUDING DISCUSSION

12:30-2 p.m. Banquet Luncheon (catered at the Pasquerilla Center)
Arrangements for Participants

Location:

With the exception of Session V, all sessions will be held at the Pasquerilla Spiritual Center on the Penn State University Campus in State College, PA. Session V late Friday will take place in a larger venue, TBA, on the Penn State campus.

Lodging:

Blocks of rooms for participants have been arranged at two locations:

The Nittany Lion Inn (814-865-8500, on the Penn State University campus at the corner of Park Avenue and North Atherton streets, a very short walk from the Pasquerilla Center). Participants should make their own reservations, referring to the conference code of ROCD11A and the event name “Nature of Justice.” Single occupancy is $120.00 per night (to which add $10 per night per person for double occupancy, triple occupancy, etc.) Reservations must be made by March 10. Note that the NLI has an airport shuttle which should be arranged, if desired, at the time reservations are made.

Or

The Days Inn Penn State Hotel (814-238-8454, 800-258-3297, at 240 South Pugh Street in downtown State College, a couple of blocks from campus, and a 10-15 minute walk to the Pasquerilla Center). Participants should make their own reservations, referring to the conference code of CGROCS and the event name “PSU Rock Ethics Institute.” Single or double occupancy is $94 per night. Reservations must be made by March 10.

Travel:

Participants should arrive at their hotel prior to and early enough to arrive at the first conference session at 3:00 p.m. Thursday, April 12. Participants may plan departures for any time on Sunday, April 15 or on Saturday, April 14 any time after 3:30 p.m.

By air: The University Park airport (SCE), not far from the PSU campus and downtown State College, is served by Delta, USAir, and United. Participants should book their own flights. Taxi service is available from the airport to PSU and to the Day’s Inn (and it may be wise to arrange this in advance if desired).

By automobile: Both conference hotels provide parking on site. Signs from I-99 (the Mount Nittany Expressway), 322, and I-80 are clear.
**Other:**

There is no charge to participants for the break service, the Thursday reception, the Friday lunch, Friday dinner, and Saturday banquet. As always, there is no APF registration fee.

If you would like any particular audio/visual equipment for your presentation/paper summary, please inform or reconfirm with John Stuhr or Nancy Tuana by March 1.

**Format and Deadlines:**

Please remember that complete copies of symposium papers will be made available in electronic format a month prior to the Symposium. For this reason, it is important, essential, required, etc. that you provide a copy of your final symposium paper by March 1, 2012. This paper should be no longer than 12 typed pages (without notes, or 15 typed pages with notes). Participants will have 12-15 minutes to summarize their papers, emphasize key points, develop implications, discuss and example, or the like. This will allow substantial time for discussion. Printed copies of all symposium papers will be made available in a spiral notebook at the event.