

Pittsburgh Summer Symposium in Contemporary Philosophy

Duquesne University

Participants' Conference

Location: Simon Silverman Phenomenology Center (1st Floor of Gumberg Library)
Saturday, August 2nd and Sunday, August 3rd, 2014

Presenters are each allotted twenty minutes of reading time plus ten minutes for question/answer.

Saturday, August 2nd

Session 1 Formalism in Phenomenology 10:00-11:30am

Alexander Gorman – Duquesne University
Cavaillès and the Legacy of Phenomenology

David Pena-Guzman – Emory University
Synthesis Without Subjectivity: A Phenomenological Reading of French Historical Epistemology

Justin Humphreys – New School for Social Research
Husserl on Symbolic Mathematics and the Problem of Formalization

Session 2 Political Theory and Subjectivity: Badiou and Deleuze 11:45am-12:45pm

Jan-Jasper Persijn – Ghent University
Is the need for representation in politics inversely proportional to its emancipatory potential? On Badiou's revolutionary conception of metapolitics

Gil Morejón – DePaul University
The Time of Residue and Excess: Political Subjects in Deleuze and Badiou

Lunch 12:45-2:45pm

Session 3 Lacan, Plato, and the Structure of the Real 2:45-4:15pm

Jennifer Wang – New School for Social Research
Beyond the *Sinthome*: Unconscious and Structure after Lacan

Jeff McCurry – Duquesne University
Experience Beyond Experience: Lacan on Jouissance Beyond Desire

Gabriela Gomes Costardi – University of São Paulo
Symbolization and Formalization: Two Readings of the Relationship Between the Act and the Real in Psychoanalytic Cure

Session 4 Metaphysics, Emergence, and Totality 4:30-5:30pm

Chris Drain – Villanova University
Agentive Emergence and the Ontology of the Event

Joshua Heller and Jon Cogburn – Louisiana State University
Post-structuralism, Speculation, and Paradoxes of Totality

Sunday, August 3rd

Session 5 Aesthetics and the Anomalous 10:00-11:30am

Aleksandra Lukaszewicz Alcaraz – Academy of Art in Szczecin
The Epistemological Function and Ontology of Analog and Digital Images

Jeff Lambert – Duquesne University
Beyond Monstrosity

Clayton Bohnet – Duquesne University
The Topper Falling Off: Lacan and Badiou in Steinbeck's *In Dubious Battle*

Session 6 Badiou: Logic, Science, Structure 11:45am-1:15pm

Amrit Mandzak-Heer – Villanova University
Abstract or Concrete Formalization: Badiou on Syntax and Semantics

David Maruzzella – DePaul University
The Torment of Philosophy: Badiou's Appendix to "Mark and Lack"

Becky Vartabedian – Regis University/Duquesne University
Excess, Excrescence, and the Possibility of Resistance

Lunch 1:15-2:45pm

Session 7 Subjectivity, Life, and Possibility 2:45-4:15pm

Michael O'Neill Burns – Loyola University Maryland
Transcendental Materialism and Materialist Humanism: Subjectivity Between Life and Concept

Søren Rosendal – Aarhus University
The Possibility of Possibility: Hegel and the Form of Necessity

Session 8 Logic and Sexual Difference 4:30-5:30pm

Danny Smith – Penn State University
The Logic of Lacan's Formulas of Sexation

Elisabeth Paquette – York University
Alain Badiou and the Feminine