

METAPHYSICAL SOCIETY OF AMERICA
62nd Annual Meeting
Emory University
March 10-12, 2011

Thursday Evening, March 10

7:30-9:30 - (note change from 6:30) - Seminar Room of the Philosophy Department (214, Bowden Hall on the quadrangle)

Society for the Study of Process Philosophies (www.processphilosophies.org)

Moderator: *Jude Jones* (Fordham University)

Speaker: *Daniel Dombrowski* (Seattle University)

“Hartshorne, Plato, and the Concept of God”

Respondent: *Brian G. Henning* (Gonzaga University)

All MSA meetings will be held in room 206 of White Hall (slightly off the [quadrangle](#))

Friday, March, 11

8:30 Welcome

9:00-10:10 **Session I**

Moderator Michal Gleitman (Emory University)

Speaker: *James Murray Murdoch, Jr.* (Villanova University)

“Humanism and Levinasian Metaphysics”

Respondent: Kent Still (Emory University)

10:20- 11:30 **Session II**

Moderator Colin McQuillan (Ogelthorpe University)

Speaker: *Richard Parry* (Agnes Scott College)

“Virtue Ethics and Metaphysics”

Respondent: Edward C. Halper (University of Georgia)

11:30-1:00 **Lunch**

1:00-2:10 **Session III**

Moderator Verena Erlenbusch (University of Sussex, UK)

Speaker *Anne Wiles* (James Madison University)

“Modes of Being: Plato and Roman Ingarden”

Respondent Jude Jones (Fordham University)

2:20-3:30 **Session IV**
Moderator Eric Morelli (Emory University)
Speaker *Owen Goldin* (Marquette University)
 “Humanism, Baboonism, and Being in Plato’s Theaetetus”
Respondent Peter Wakefield (Emory University)

3:40-4:10 **Business Meeting**

4:15-5:25 **Session V**
Moderator Andrew H. Ryder (Emory University)
Speaker *Jeffrey Wilson* (Catholic University of America)
 “Foucault as Inverted Neo-Platonist in ‘A Preface to Transgression’”
Respondent Mark Causey (Georgia State College and University)

5:30-6:45 **Session VI** Keynote Address
Introduction Alan E White (Williams College)
Speaker *Lorenz B. Puntel* (University of Munich)
 “Metaphysics : A Traditional Mainstay in Philosophy in Need of Radical Rethinking”

7:00-8:00 **Reception** (Faculty Lounge, 200 Mathematics and Science Center)

Saturday, March 12

9:00-10:05 **Session VII**
Moderator Richard Dien Winfield (University of Georgia)
Speaker *Nathan R. Strunk* (Boston University)
 “Is the Doctrine of Transcendentals Viable Today?”
Respondent Alexander Hall (Clayton State University)

10:10-11:15 **Session VIII**

Moderator Dominic Balestra (Fordham University)

Speaker *Jude P. Dougherty* (Catholic University of America)

“Induction: Perennial Value of the Aristotelian Perspective”

Respondent Fred Marcus (Emory University)

11:20-12:25 **Session IX**

Moderator Elizabeth Butterfield (Georgia Southern University)

Speaker *Paul Santilli* (Siena College)

“Ontological Crimes against Humanity”

Respondent Michael Sullivan (Emory University)

12:30-1:30 **Lunch**

1:30-2:35 **Session X**

Moderator David S. Pacini (Emory University)

Speaker *Elizabeth Ann Robinson* (Boston University)

“Kant on Freedom, Causality and Natural Disasters”

Respondent Apar Kumar (Emory at Oxford)

2:40-3:45 **Session XI**

Moderator Sebastian Rand (Georgia State University)

Speaker *J.D. Singer* (De Paul University)

“Sharing the Flesh of the World: Merleau-Ponty and the Problem of Animal Minds” (Aristotle Prize)

Respondent William Hamrick (Southern Illinois University, Edwardsville)

3:50-4:55 **Session XII**

Moderator Paul Gaffney (St. John’s University)

Speaker *Eric Thomas Weber* (University of Mississippi)

“Humanism and Leadership”

Respondent Wes De Marco (Clark University)

5:00-6:30 **Presidential Address**

Introduction Edward C. Halper (University of Georgia, President elect, MSA)

Speaker *Thomas R. Flynn* (Emory University)

“What ever Happened to Humanism?”

Reconciling the Being of Language and the Being of Man

7:00 pm **Banquet**

Presentation of the Findlay Award to Lorenz B. Puntel for *Structure and Being: A Theoretical Framework for a Systematic Philosophy*, trans. Alan White (Penn State University Press, 2008)

by Francis P. Coolidge, Jr. (Loyola University, New Orleans)

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