



SOCIETY OF CHRISTIAN PHILOSOPHERS

AT
AZUSA PACIFIC UNIVERSITY
PACIFIC CONFERENCE
FEBRUARY 22-24, 2007

Thursday Feb 22

5:00- 6:55pm Registration/Welcome reception

7:00-9:00pm

Plenary Session #1

(Duke 520) Michael Rea (University of Notre Dame)
"Realism in Theology and Metaphysics"

Commentator: Ted Sider (Rutgers University)

Chair: Steve Wilkens (APU)

Friday Feb 23

8:30-9:00am Coffee Station

9:00-10:00am

Concurrent Session #1

(Duke 621) A. "Fool's Paradise"

Speaker: Harriet Baber (USD)

Chair: Gregg Ten Elshof (Biola)

(Duke 603) B. "No Pairing Problem"

Speaker: Andrew Bailey (Notre Dame)

Chair: Sean Choi (UC Santa Barbara)

(Duke 617) C. "Conceptual Relativity, Subvaluation and the Problem of the Trinity"

Speaker: Sergio Gallegos (CUNY)

Chair: Timothy Miller (Univ of Oklahoma)

10:00-11:00am

Concurrent Session #2

(Duke 520) A "The Coherency Dilemma and the Identity View:

Responding to a Contemporary Euthyphro Problem"

Speaker: Gordon Pettit (Western Illinois)

Chair: Craig Boyd (APU)

(Duke 603) B. "The Exclusion Argument Unmotivated"

Speaker: Mark Makin (Biola)

Chair: Rico Vitz (Univ of North Florida)

(Duke 617) C. "Another One Bites the Dust: Why Buffer Cases Fail to Refute PAP"

Speaker: Christopher Franklin (UC Riverside)

Chair: D.K. Johnson (King's)

11:00-12:00 noon

Concurrent Session #3

(Duke 520) A. "The Best of All Feasible Worlds"

Speaker: Thomas Talbott (Willamette)

Chair: Tom Crisp (Biola)

(Duke 603) B. "Causal Drainage and the Special Sciences: Some Lessons from Continuum Mechanics"

Speaker: Jeffrey Koperski (Saginaw Valley State Univ)

Chair: Steve Dilley (Arizona State)

(Duke 617) C. "Doing Otherwise in New Frankfurt-Style Counterexamples"

Speaker: Michael Robinson (Florida State)

Chair: John Craw (Talbot)

12:00-1:30pm **Lunch (on your own)**

1:30-2:30pm

Concurrent Session #4

(Duke 517) A. "Evil and Theistic Minimalism"

Speaker: David Hunt (Whittier College)

Chair: Steve Porter (Biola)

(Duke 507) B. "Descartes and the Question of Direct Doxastic Voluntarism"

Speaker: Rico Vitz (Univ of North Florida)

Chair: John McAteer (UC Riverside)

(Duke 513) C. "Alternative Possibilities, Ultimate Responsibility, and the Failure of the Direct Argument"

Speaker: Justin Capes (Talbot)

Chair: Eric Yang (Univ of Oklahoma)

2:30- 3:30pm

Concurrent Session #5

(Duke 517) A. "Scotus on Simplicity and Language about God"

Speaker: Joshua David Blander (UCLA)

Chair: Jim Taylor (Westmont)

(Duke 507) B. "In Defense of Doxastic Voluntarism"

Speaker: Josh Bright (UC Riverside)

Chair: Bradley Rettler (Talbot)

(Duke 513) C. "Determinism, Conservation and the Problem of Evil"

Speaker: Neal Judisch (University of Oklahoma)

Chair: Jamaica Abare (Claremont)

3:45-5:45pm

Plenary Session #2

(Duke 520) Robert Koons (University of Texas)

“Our A Priori Knowledge of the Scope of Causation”

Commentator: Ted Sider (Rutgers University)

Chair: John Culp (APU)

6:00-8:00pm

(Heritage Café)

Banquet (and business meeting)

Saturday Feb 24

8:30-9:00am Coffee Station

9:00-10:00am

Concurrent Session #6

(Duke 619) A. **“God, Fatalism, and Temporal Ontology”**

Speaker: D.K. Johnson (King’s)

Chair: Michael Robinson (Florida State)

(Duke 603) B. **“Satan’s Good Works”**

Speaker: Manuel Vargas (Univ of San Francisco)

Chair: Chris Franklin (UC Riverside)

(Duke 617) C. **“Foreknowledge and Backtracking Counterfactuals:
A Rejection of the Fixed Past Constraint”**

Speaker: Eric Yang (Univ of Oklahoma)

Chair: Michael Pace (Chapman)

(Duke 605) D. **“In Defense of Divine Conceptualism”**

Speaker: Daniel Fogal (Talbot)

Chair: Michael Swanson (Talbot)

10:00-11:00am

Concurrent Session #7

(Duke 520) A. **“Molinism”**

Speaker: John Martin Fischer (UC Riverside)

Chair: Michael Nelson (UC Riverside)

(Duke 619) B. **“Continuous Creation and the Problem of Secondary Causation”**

Speaker: Timothy Miller (University of Oklahoma)

Chair: Jeffrey Koperski (Saginaw Valley State Univ)

(Duke 603) C. **“Religion and Cognitive Science: Cognitive Constraints and
Top-down Causation”**

Speaker: James Van Slyke (Fuller)

Chair: Thomas Talbott (Willamette)

(Duke 617) D. **“Why Philosophical Naturalists Ought to Reject
Methodological Naturalism”**

Speaker: Steve Dilley (Arizona State)

Chair: Jason Baehr (Loyola Marymount)

11:00-12:00 noon

Concurrent Session #8

(Duke 621) A. "Heaven's No; Don't Take My Freedom: Incompatibilism, Sin, and Free Will in Heaven"

Speaker: Kevin Timpe (USD)

Chair: Harriet Baber (USD)

(Duke 619) B. "Person and Substance"

Speaker: Patrick Toner (Wake Forest)

Chair: Neal Tognazzini (UC Riverside)

(Duke 603) C. "The Possibility of an Omniscient and Timeless God Given the A-Theory of Time"

Speaker: Bradley Rettler (Talbot)

Chair: Neal Judisch (Univ of Oklahoma)

(Duke 617) D. "An Attempted Refutation of Middle Knowledge"

Speaker: Daniel Murphy (Western Michigan)

Chair: James Gibson (Talbot)

12:00-1:30pm **Lunch (on your own)**

1:45-3:45pm

Plenary Session #3

(Duke 520) Timothy O'Connor (Indiana University)
"Theism and the Scope of Contingency"

Commentator: Ted Sider (Rutgers University)

Chair: Teri Merrick (APU)

Conference concludes