

Summer Term, 2004

Graduate Newsletter

Department of Philosophy

This Newsletter looks to provide information for the graduate community in Philosophy at the University of Warwick. Its contents include advertisements from fellow graduates regarding philosophical happenings that occur alongside the formal courses and modules offered by the Department such as reading groups, study workshops and discussion fora that pertain to all things philosophical at Warwick. Many of these will relate to the Centre for Research in Philosophy and Literature (CRPL), which may be approached by any graduate wishing to mount a project. Request should be directed to the Centre Office, although it would be appropriate for a preliminary discussion to take place with the Director of Graduate Studies. Contact addresses and information can be found at the end of this Newsletter.

Research Day

The aim of this year's research day is to give students the opportunity to present an aspect of their research to a general philosophical audience.

Date: Friday 28th May (to take place in Room S0.17)

Paper presentation times: 20 minutes, 15 minutes for questions and discussion.

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Graduate Reading Groups

All graduates are encouraged to begin or join reading groups that are organised to pursue issues, authors and texts that are of interest to them. Fell free to suggest possibilities by posting them on the graduate notice board, or ask the graduate secretary, Debbi, to circulate information by e-mail.

New Appointments

The Department is delighted to announce the appointment of Bill Brewer and Fabienne Peter with effect from September 2004.

CENTRE FOR RESEARCH IN PHILOSOPHY & LITERATURE

Director: Dr Christine Battersby

Programme for this term

Poetry & Philosophy Reading Group

This term we will be looking at Rilke's *Sonnets to Orpheus* and the *Duino Elegies*. Meetings will take place in **S1.71**, between **1-2 pm** on the following dates:
Wed 21 April, Wed 28 April and Wed 12 May

Greek Reading Group

This term's material will be Plato's *Symposium*. The group will meet between **2-4 pm**, in room **H2.04** on the following dates:
Mon 26 Apr, Mon 10 May and Mon 24 May

Classics Research Group – *Travel Broadens the Mind*

Mon 10 May
5 pm, H3.56

Speaker: Ray Laurence (Reading)
Title: *Roman Cities and the Tourist Gaze*

CRPL Lecture Seminar

Tues 27 Apr
5.30 pm, S0.13

Speaker: Anthony Phelan (Keble College, Oxford)
Title: *Encompassing the Infinite: Schlegel, Novalis and the Romantic Novel*

Colloquium in European Philosophy (in conjunction with the Department of Philosophy)

Tues 4 May
5.30 pm, S0.13

Speaker: Beatrice Han-Pile (Essex)
Title: *Foucault and Heidegger on Kant and Finitude*
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Italian Departments, Universities of Warwick & Birmingham University

Tues 18 May
5.15 pm, H4.03

Speaker: Professor **Adriana Cavarero** (Verona)
Title: *Voci del melodramma*

CRPL Conference:

The State He's In: Political Philosophy and the Figural

Wed 19 May

R0.03/4

A Conference with **Adriana Cavarero** on her book
Stately Bodies: Literature, Philosophy & the Question of Gender

Speakers:

Adriana Cavarero (Verona), **Rachel Jones** (Dundee), **Kimberley Hutchings** (LSE),
Elizabeth Mitchell (Christ Church University College, Canterbury), **Alison Stone** (Lancaster),
Janice Richardson (Leicester)

Sponsored by:



Forum for European
Philosophy

One day workshop on Deleuze's text *Nietzsche and Philosophy*

Wed 12 May

11 am-7 pm R3.41

* Only graduates who have pre-registered for this workshop may attend. Places are strictly limited

11.05-11.30: Keith Ansell Parson, *Introduction to Deleuze's book*.

11.30-12.45: Nuno Nabais, *Deleuze on the Tragic in Nietzsche* (NP chapters 1 & 3)

12.45-1.00: Lunch

2.00-3.15: Eduardo Anibal Pellejero, *A Thousand Stages: The tragic answer to the problem of history of philosophy* (NP, ch. 1, sections 1-2, ch. 3, sections 1-3, 11, 15; and 'The method of dramatisation' in Deleuze, *Desert Islands and Other texts*).

3.15-4.30: Keith Ansell Pearson, *Deleuze on Nietzsche's Secret* (NP ch. 1, section 12, ch. 2, sections 5, 12-15).

Coffee break

5.00-6.15: Jon Rubin, *Ressentiment: fiction made flesh* (NP ch. 4, sections 1-3, 6, 8).

6.15-7.30: Scott Revers, *Spectres of Nihilism: Assessing Deleuze's Opposition to the Dialectic* (NP ch. 5, esp. sections 1, 4, 11)

CRPL Art & Aesthetics Guest Lecture

Tues 25 May
5.30 pm, S0.18

Speaker: Jason Gaiger (The Open University)
Title: *Free, Formative Activity: Kant, Fiedler and the Philosophical Foundations of Art History*

Forthcoming events

Term 1 (2004/05)

Philosophy & Narrative Conference

Fri 5 Nov

Speakers include:

Veronica Vasterling (Nijmegen University, Netherlands), *Hannah Arendt's Narrative Philosophy: The Political Relevance of Story-Telling.*

Evy Varsamopoulou (Anglia Polytechnic University), *The Mythopoetics of Duration: Time in Balzac and Proust*

Proust & Philosophy Lecture Seminar Series

Tues 16 Nov

Professor Malcolm Bowie (Christ's College, Cambridge)

Graduate Conference

Sat 27 Nov,

CRPL Lecture-Seminar

Tues 30 Nov,

Speaker:

Professor Michael Bell (Warwick). Title: *Open Secrets: Fictions of Pedagogical Authority in Rousseau, Goethe and Nietzsche*

Term 2 (2004/05)

Poetry & Belief Workshop

Fri 25 Feb

Confirmed speakers include:

Michael Bell (Warwick), Jon Cook (East Anglia), Alexandra Duer (Warwick), Michael John Kooy (Warwick), Peter Larkin (Warwick), Rupert Read (East Anglia), Martin Warner (Warwick)

Further details of these events can be obtained from the Centre Secretary, Heather Jones, on 024 76522582 (email H.A.Jones@warwick.ac.uk).

Be sure to visit our website at:

<http://www2.warwick.ac.uk/fac/soc/philosophy/research/phillit/>

Conference:

Philosophy: Problems, Aims, Responsibilities

September 16-18 2004

a conference to mark the 10th anniversary of the death of **Karl Popper** (28.vii.1902-17.ix.1994)

Sponsored by Routledge, the Humanities Research Centre (Warwick), the Austrian Cultural Forum, the British Society for the Philosophy of Science, and the Karl Popper Charitable Trust.

The conference, to be held at the University of Warwick, will consist of invited lectures and a limited number of sessions of contributed papers. It is hoped that there will be plenty of overnight accommodation available in local hotels and guesthouses for those who book early. Those who wish to be kept on the mailing list should write to: David Miller, Department of Philosophy, University of Warwick, Coventry, CV4 7AL, UK

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New Electronic Journal

The British Society of Aesthetics has prepared their Postgraduate Journal of Aesthetics Online.

The aim of this journal is to offer postgraduate students interested in aesthetics a space not only to exchange ideas, but also to promote high quality essays free from the potential chaos of internet mediums. As publishing becomes increasingly more important for the development of academic careers, this journal is meant to be a space for postgraduate students only, where their work can be received at a level of competition appropriate to postgraduates (though each issue of the journal may include at most one invited essay from a professional working in aesthetics). The journal will be published three times annually in the postgraduate section of the BSA's website, www.british-aesthetics.org. Essays are invited from postgraduate students on any topic in aesthetics. For submissions and editorial questions contact Christopher Bartel via email at: christopher.bartel@kcl.ac.uk

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Pli: The Warwick Journal of Philosophy

MA and PhD students in philosophy are encouraged to get involved with running and editing Pli, a journal of philosophy edited by graduate philosophy students at Warwick. Pli is published twice yearly with each volume focused on a particular philosophical theme, publishing papers by well known philosophers (e.g. Zizeck, Badiou, Deleuze) as well as those by new and upcoming thinkers. Recent volumes include:

Life of the real: Bergsonian Perspectives
Spinoza: Desire and Power
Foucault: Madness/Sexuality/Biopolitics

For more details of past volumes of Pli have a look at our website
www.warwick.ac.uk/philosophy/pli_journal

Email us at pli_journal@hotmail.com to add your name to the mailing list.