Trans Experience in Philosophy Conference

May 13-15, 2016
110 Fenton Hall
University of Oregon

This conference aims to explore the intersections between transgender studies and philosophy and the status of trans persons in philosophy by bringing philosophical reflections to bear on trans experience, representation, identity, and politics.

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Conference Program

Friday, May 13
8:00-10:00 Check-in, Registration, and Coffee/Light Breakfast

8:45 Welcome

9:00-10:30
Panel 1: Trans Embodiment: Norms, Punishment, and Biopolitics
Moderator: David Craig (University of Oregon)


Paper 2: “Carceral Logic and Genealogies of Gender Segregation,” by Perry Zurn (Hampshire College)

Paper 3: “(Cis)society Must Be Defended: Passing, Survival, and the Medicalization of Trans* Bodies,” by Kat Zubko (Memphis University)

10:40-12:40
Panel 2: Thinking Trans Identity and Embodiment
Moderator: Larry Busk (University of Oregon)


Paper 2: “Heidegger’s Lost Bo(i)y in Being and Time: Being and Bo(i)y,” by Sage Perdue (University of California, Merced)

Paper 3: “Agender Embodiment and a Trans Repurposing of Personhood,” by Megan Burke (Oklahoma State University)

Paper 4: “The Limits of Trans Theory: Beyond Critique,” by Alyson Escalante (University of Oregon)

12:45-1:45pm Lunch

2:00-3:00 Critical Conversations Workshop:
Feminist Inclusivity and Transfeminisms
Co-Facilitator: H. Rakes (DePaul University)
Co-Facilitator: Marie Draz (San Diego State University)
Friday, May 13 (cont.)
3:10-4:10
Panel 3: Thinking with Foucault
Moderator: Beata Stawarska (University of Oregon)

Paper 1: “Preciado and Repo: Two Foucauldian Approaches to Trans Experience,” by Sarah Hansen (California State University- Northridge)

Paper 2: “"Baa"d Sheep: Foucault, Heterosexuality, and the Discourse of Species,” by Rebekah Sinclair (University of Oregon)

4:20-5:20 Trans Activism in Eugene
Panelist: Oblio Stroyman
Panelist: Seda Collier
Panelist: Cass Averill
Panelist: Max Skorodinsky

5:30-7:00 Keynote Address: Dr. Talia Mae Bettcher (Cal State University- Los Angeles)

Saturday, May 14

8:00-10:00 Check-in, Registration, and Coffee/Light Breakfast

9:00-10:30
Panel 4: Exclusion, Separation, and Coalition: Feminist and Trans Politics
Moderator: Julie Voelker-Morris (University of Oregon)

Paper 1: “Gender, Identity, and Radfem Propaganda,” by Rachel McKinnon (College of Charleston)

Paper 2: “Separating a Gender Non-Conformist Theory from Feminist and Queer Theories,” by Cameron Evans (Washington University, St. Louis)

Paper 3: “Bisexuality, Child Sexual Abuse, and Philosophy: Thoughts on a Queer Coalition,” by Grayson Hunt (Western Kentucky University)
**Saturday, May 14 (cont.)**

**10:40-12:40**

**Panel 5: Trans Lives and Politics from the Perspective of Race and Coloniality**
Moderator: Anna Cook (University of Oregon)

Paper 1: “Transtrender,” by Manuel Arturo Abreu (Independent Scholar)

Paper 2: “Gender Assignment as Racialized Disgust: Intersex and Transgender Experience,” by Marie Draz (San Diego State University)

Paper 3: “Voicing Saviorism: Black Feminist Silence(ing) from *This Bridge Called My Back* to Angelica Ross on *I am Cait,*” by Elías Krell (Vassar College)

Paper 4: “Striving for Solidarity: Liberatory Solidarity for Trans* Movements and Accomplices,” by Lindsay Whittaker (Virginia Tech)

**12:45-1:45 Lunch**

**2:00-3:00**

**Panel 6: Civility, Care, and Trans Flourishing**
Moderator: Billy Goehring (University of Oregon)

Paper 1: “Assumptive Care and Futurebound Care in Trans Literature,” by Amy Billingsley (University of Oregon)

Paper 2: “Aristotelian Civility and Trans* Flourishing,” by Aleta Gruenewald (University of Victoria)

**3:15-5:15 Invited Panel: Trans Lives in Academia**
**Organizer: Perry Zurn (Hampshire College)**
Participants Include:
- Co-Facilitator: Erich Pitcher (Michigan State University)
- Panelist: Loren Canon (Humboldt State University)
- Panelist: Bryan Kimoto (Memphis University)
- Panelist: Rachel McKinnon (College of Charleston)

**5:30-7:00 Keynote Address:** Dr. C. Riley Snorton (Cornell University)

**7:30-9:30 Dinner at Rye**
**10:00 Dance Party at The Wayward Lamb**
**Sunday, May 15**

8:00-9:30 Coffee/Light Breakfast

9:30-11:00  
**Panel 7: Trans Experience: Creation, Oppression, Accountability, and Denial**  
Moderator: Margaret Rhee (University of Oregon)

Paper 1: “Emancipatory Gender Identities: Trans Self-Creation as Virtuous Activity,”  
by Hyacinth Piel (University of Illinois, Chicago)

Paper 2: “Narrative Theory of Personal Identity and Trans* Oppression,”  
by Si-Won Song (University of Puget Sound)


11:15-12:45  
**Panel 8: Undergraduate Scholars Panel- Trans Subjects: Ontology, Politics, and Resistance**  
Moderator: Rebekah Sinclair (University of Oregon)

by Arielle Roth (Hampshire College)

Paper 2: “The Metaphysics of Non-Binary Gender Identities,”  
by Nic Jones (University of Michigan- Dearborn)

Paper 3: “We Will Not Be Women but Monsters: A Gender Nihilist Exploration of Ontological Colonialities and the Death of the Female Subject in Transfeminism,”  
by Phoenix A.M. Furlow-Singer (Portland State University)

1:00-2:30  
**Panel 9: The Cis Gaze: Recognition, Otherness, and Privilege**  
Moderator: Megan Burke (Oklahoma State University)

Paper 1: “(En)Gendering the Arts,” by Benjamin Mintzer (Columbia University)

Paper 2: “The Other White Guy in the Room: Challenges of Recognition and Relevance,”  
by Loren Canon (Humboldt State University)

Paper 3: “Being Oppressed Has Its Privileges,” by Maddie Eller (Syracuse University)

3:00-6:00 Picnic & Wine Tasting at Sweet Cheeks