

QUEER AΦ CONFERENCE

APRIL
12-13,
2025

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04/12
10:15 AM

Opening remarks (w/ coffee)

10:30 AM -
12:30 PM

Queering Ethics

- Sofia Weiss (UC San Francisco) & Isabel Herburger (Rutgers University - New Brunswick), **Does informed consent go far enough?**
- Scout Etterson (Arizona State University), **Trans sleeper cells: (Re)imagining trans passing**
- Willow Starr (Cornell University), **Queer intelligibility & solidarity for the backlash era**

Moderators: Erin Beeghly (University of Utah) and Heather Stewart (University of Oklahoma)

12:30 PM

Catered lunch

2:00 -
4:00 PM

Fucking

- Dee Payton (University of Virginia), **Kink and class**
- Joshua Kramer (University of Pittsburgh), **Sex towards one another: A refutation of the prejudice of passivity**
- Ding (University of Arizona), **On our own terms: Trans women crafting the meaning of 'woman'**

Moderators: Vilashini Coopan (UC Santa Cruz) Cameron Domenico Kirk-Giannini (Rutgers University - Newark)

4:20-
6:00 PM

Keynote address: Talia Mae Bettcher (Cal State LA), Penises and Other Philosophical Problems

6:30 PM Happy hour @ Neighbors Pub.

Invited discussants: **Ray Briggs (University of Chicago)**, **Pixie Shen (University of Notre Dame)**

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Identities

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- Yang Wang (Simon Fraser University), **Sexual orientation and choice**
- Sparrow LoCurto (CU Boulder), **Who we are to ourselves and others: Social construction and the butch category**
- Carol Hay (U Mass Boston) and Nico Orlandi (UC Santa Cruz), **It's about fucking: Queerness as a radical political notion**

Moderators: Anna Boncompagni (UC Irvine) and Rowan Bell (University of Guelph)

12:30 PM

Catered lunch + photo op

2:30 -
4:30 PM

Language

- Audrey Powers (Rutgers University - New Brunswick), **Gender terms and wrongful gendering**
- Katie Zhou (MIT), **Verbal disputes, zetetic conceptual roles, and trans politics**
- Chelsea Rosenthal (Simon Fraser University), **Intimate concepts**

Moderators: Rima Basu (Claremont McKenna College) and Ivy Sichel (UC Santa Cruz)

4:45 -
6:45 PM

**Queers in Philosophy:
Organizing for Resistance
Discussion.**

8:00 PM

Debauched yet professional
conference party

Free and open to all. Register here:
<https://tinyurl.com/queeraphi>

Organizers: Caro Flores, Lauren Lyons, Nico Orlandi, and Sadie Lynn.

Co-sponsored by the UC Santa Cruz Humanities Division and the Philosophy Department.