

Saturday Morning (October 14)

Hilton Garden Inn

Section IV: Metaphysics & Philosophy of Religion

Chair: Klaus Ladstaetter

University of Nevada, Las Vegas

9:00-9:50am

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Physicalist Arguments Against the Afterlife

Yuval Avnur

Scripps's College, Claremont

Commentator: Colin Lewis

University of Colorado, Colorado Springs

10:00-10:50am

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Against the Divine Deception Objection to
Skeptical Theism

Perry Hendricks

Trinity Western University

Commentator: Kenneth Lucey

University of Nevada, Reno

11:00-11:50am

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Aristotelian Forms

Tyler Eaves

University of Oklahoma

Commentator: Mary Beth Willard

Weber State University

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During the many years of its existence the meeting has grown from a purely regional conference for philosophers from Colorado, Kansas, Nevada, Oklahoma, Utah, and Wyoming to include participants from other parts of the United States and from around the world.

Registration

\$30 Conference Fee

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Thursday Evening (October 12)

Hilton Garden Inn

Registration

5:00-8:00pm

Section I: Value Theory

Chair: Kenneth Lucey
University of Nevada, Reno

6:00-6:50pm

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Always Choose to Live or Choose to Always Live
Daniel Avi Coren
University of Colorado, Boulder
Commentator: Carl Miller
Fort Hays State University, Kansas

7:00-7:50pm

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Lowering Expectations for Expected Moral
Value Theory
Jay Geyer
University of Colorado, Boulder
Commentator: Rachel Robinson-Greene
Weber State University

8:00-8:50pm

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The Real Gap in Kant's FUL Derivation
Scott Forschler
Independent Scholar
Commentator: Robert Fudge
Weber State University



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Friday Morning (October 13)

Weber State University (SUB 320)

Registration

8:30am-5:00pm

Section II: Metaphysics & Epistemology

Chair: Richard Greene
Weber State University

9:00-9:50am

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Phenomenon Creation via Interactive
Intersubjectivity
Maja Sidzinska
San Francisco State University
Commentator: James McBain
Pittsburg State University, Kansas

10:00-10:50am

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Locke on Testimony
Mark Beospflug
University of Colorado, Boulder
Commentator: Candice Shelby
University of Colorado, Denver

11:00-11:50am

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Universals and the A Priori: A Defense of
the A Priori—A Posteriori Distinction
Andrew Rubner
Brooklyn College, CUNY
Commentator: Mark Bauer
University of Colorado, Denver

Lunch Break

12:00-1:30pm
on your own

Executive Committee Meeting

Friday Afternoon (October 13)

Weber State University (SUB 320)

Section III: Ethics & Social Justice

Chair: Dave Beisecker
University of Nevada, Las Vegas

1:30-2:20pm

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A Critique of Fabre on National Right
Marcus William Hunt
Tulane University
Commentator: Laura M. Bernhardt
Buena Vista University, Iowa

2:30-3:20pm

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Moral Obligation and Punishment
Jonathan Spelman
Ohio Northern University
Commentator: Patrick Yarnell
University of Colorado, Colorado
Springs

3:30-4:20pm

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Prioritarian Educational Justice:
An Ethical Problem for Charter Schools?
Kirsten Welch
Western Michigan University
Commentator: Taliesin Thomas
Columbia University

Keynote Address

5:00-6:30pm
Weber State University (SUB 320)

Philosophy as Enchantment?

Charlie Huenemann
Utah State University

Banquet

7:00-9:00pm
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After Hours