

# Philosophy Dialogue Series – Fall 2010

## Dialogue Room Psy 132

“...[O]ur material progress is only the foundation on which we will build a richer life of mind and spirit.” –LBJ (Texas State Alumnus, '30)

### APPLIED ETHICS: DIALOGUE AND DEMOCRACY

Monday, Sept. 20	12:00 noon	Dialogue Series 15 Year Anniversary <a href="http://adpaascu.wordpress.com/2010/03/11/the-philosophy-dialogue-series-at-texas-state-university-san-marcos/">http://adpaascu.wordpress.com/2010/03/11/the-philosophy-dialogue-series-at-texas-state-university-san-marcos/</a> MAAPE Celebration – Lunch Reception Dialogue: Role of Dialogue in a Democracy	Senator Robert Krueger
Tuesday, Sept. 21	12:30 p.m.	Democracy and Civil Discourse	*Sophists and Sages
Wednesday, Sept. 22	TBA	Equilibrium: Body as Site	Mary Mikel Stump (School of Art & Design) Kate Bonansinga and Rachelle Thiewes (Curators)
Thursday, Sept. 23	12:30 p.m.	Revolutionaries on the Quad	Sophists and Sages
Friday, Sept. 24	12:30 p.m.	Talk of the Times (focus on the press, news media, and democracy)	Special Guests: Allen Reed (Editor, University Star), Melanie Ferrari (ASG Pres.) & Colter Ray (ASG Vice Pres.)

### USES AND ABUSES OF RHETORIC

Monday, Sept. 27	11:00 a.m. Time: TBA	<b>Necessities and the Meaning of Life</b> Vegetarianism	Jean Kazez (Southern Methodist University, Philosophy)
Tuesday, Sept. 28	12:30 p.m.	Rhetoric and Relativism	Sophists and Sages
Wednesday, Sept. 29	12:00 noon	Gandhi and King on the Power of Truth	Linda Mackey (Philosophy)
Wednesday, Sept. 29	2:00 p.m.	<b>The Feminine Ethos of Wilderness Recreation Advertising</b>	Nichole McNeil (Sociology Graduate Student) and Deborah Harris (Sociology)
Thursday, Sept. 30	12:30 p.m.	Rhetorical Strategies: Rational Persuasion or Immoral Manipulation?	Sophists and Sages
Friday, Oct. 1	12:30 p.m.	Talk of the Times	Phi Sigma Tau, the Philosophy Honor Society

### ANTHROPOLOGY AND CULTURE

Monday, Oct. 4	11:00 a.m.	<b>Relational Ecology: Reconciling the Boundaries of Humans and Nature</b>	Nichole McNeil (Sociology Graduate Student) and Vincent Lopes (Aquatic-Biology)
Tuesday, Oct. 5	12:30 p.m.	The Challenge of Cultural Relativism	Sophists and Sages
Wednesday, Oct. 6	TBA	Artificial Intelligence [or] Replicants Need Love Too	Joshua Hill (Philosophy Graduate Student)
Thursday, Oct. 7	12:30 p.m.	<b>Sustainability, Desire, and the Culture of Stuff</b>	Sophists and Sages
Friday, Oct. 8	12:30 p.m.	Talk of the Times	Phi Sigma Tau, the Philosophy Honor Society

### AMERICAN PRAGMATISM

Monday, Oct. 11	12:30 p.m.	Qualified Beneficence	Eli Kanon (Philosophy)
Tuesday, Oct. 12	9:30 a.m.	Feminism and Issues of Pornography	Lijun Yuan (Philosophy)
Tuesday, Oct. 12	12:30 p.m.	Word and Object: Quine and the Linguistic Turn in Philosophy	Sophists and Sages
Tuesday, Oct. 12	3:30 p.m.	Dewey's Pragmatic Educational Philosophy	Jo Ann Carson (Philosophy)
Wednesday, Oct. 13 invited, not confirmed	12:30	Pragmatic Ethics for Public Administrators	Charles Zech (Texas State Alumnus and Attorney)
Thursday, Oct. 14	12:30 p.m.	American Women Pragmatist-Reformers	Sophists and Sages, Guest Speaker: Pat Shields (Political Science)
Friday, Oct. 15	12:30 p.m.	Talk of the Times	Phi Sigma Tau, the Philosophy Honor Society

## THE PHILOSOPHY OF FOOD

Monday, Oct. 18	11:00 a.m.	Panel Discussion: Food, Ethics, and Society	Moderator: Craig Hanks (Philosophy) Panel: Matthew Buchanan (Chef, the Leaning Pear), Marla Camp (Editor, Edible Austin), David Kaplan (Philosophy, University of North Texas), Andrew Smiley (Sustainable Food Center-invited, not confirmed)
	2:00 p.m.?	TOPIC: TBA	David Kaplan (Philosophy, University of North Texas)
Tuesday, Oct. 19	11:00	Food and Society: Topic (TBA)	Deborah Harris (Sociology)
Tuesday, Oct. 19	12:30 p.m.	<b>Eating Sustainably, Eating Well</b>	Sophists and Sages
Wednesday, Oct. 20	11:00 a.m.	<b>Feminism and the Ethics of Vegetarianism</b>	Theresa Frederick (Philosophy Graduate Student)
Thursday, Oct. 21	12:30 p.m.	<b>Is Food the New Sex?</b>	Sophists and Sages
Friday, Oct. 22	12:30 p.m.	Talk of the Times	Phi Sigma Tau, the Philosophy Honor Society

## ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE AND HUMAN RIGHTS

Monday, Oct. 25	12:30 p.m.	<b>Feeding the People of the World: Who's Responsible?</b>	Marco Grimaldo (Bread for the World)
Monday, Oct. 25	2:00 p.m.	<b>Interdisciplinary Panel: Environmental Justice and Human Rights</b>	Brock Brown (Geography), Marco Grimaldo (Bread for the World), Catherine Hawkins (Social Work), Vincent Lopes (Aquatic-Biology), Vincent Luizzi (Philosophy), Chad Smith (Sociology)
Tuesday, Oct. 26	9:30 a.m.	<b>Natural Disasters and the Rhetoric of Divine Punishment</b>	Rebecca Raphael (Philosophy)
Tuesday, Oct. 26	12:30 p.m.	<b>Universal Human Rights: Environmental Implications</b>	Sophists and Sages, Guest Speaker: Catherine Hawkins (Social Work)
Wednesday, Oct. 27	2:00 p.m.	The Future & Human Rights: Science Fiction & the Loss of Autonomy	Kandace Lytle (Philosophy Graduate Student)
Thursday, Oct. 28	11:00 a.m.	<b>Leadership in Energy and Environment Design - LEED</b>	Vivek Sharma (Engineering Technology)
Thursday, Oct. 28	12:30 p.m.	<b>Distributive Justice and the New Tragedy of the Commons</b>	Sophists and Sages
Friday, Oct. 29	12:30 p.m.	Talk of the Times	Phi Sigma Tau, the Philosophy Honor Society

## HAPPINESS

Monday, Nov. 1	11:00 a.m.	<b>Happiness and / in / through Music</b>	Nico Schuler (Music)
Tuesday, Nov. 2	12:30 p.m.	<b>The Pursuit of Happiness: Are We There Yet?</b>	Sophists and Sages
Wednesday, Nov. 3	2:00 p.m.	The Effects of Certainty and Uncertainty on Happiness	Amelie Benedikt (Philosophy)
Thursday, Nov. 4	12:30 p.m.	<b>Living the Good Life in the Digital Age</b>	Sophists and Sages
Friday, Nov. 5	12:30 p.m.	Talk of the Times	Phi Sigma Tau, the Philosophy Honor Society

## BUSINESS ETHICS

Monday, Nov. 8	12:30 p.m.	<b>Dialogue in Business Ethics, Leadership Ethics, and Professional Ethics</b>	Vince Luizzi (Philosophy)
Tuesday, Nov. 9	12:30 p.m.	<b>Can Corporations Be Trusted?</b>	Sophists and Sages
Wednesday, Nov. 10	12:30 p.m.	Teaching Business Ethics: Panel Discussion	Craig Hanks (Philosophy), Janet Hale, Roselyn Morris, Patricia Pattison, and Paula Rechner (Business), and special guest Ian Turpin, LBJHC (invited 8/5/10) IN PROCESS
Thursday, Nov. 11			
Friday, Nov. 12	10:00-3:00	<b>Seminar: Business and Sustainability</b>	Various Presenters IN PROCESS

\*Sophists and Sages are members of the Philosophy Dialogue Class. Class discussions are open to all interested persons.

\*\*Talk of the Times, an activity of the American Democracy Project at Texas State, is a weekly open forum on current events and issues led by members of *Phi Sigma Tau*, the philosophy honor society. Daily copies of the *New York Times* are provided near the Dialogue Room (PSY 132) to promote informed dialogues.

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