

# **Program of the 69th Annual Meeting of the New Mexico Texas Philosophical Society**

**April 6-7, 2018**

## **Friday Morning Session 1**

**Steven Haug**, University of California – Santa Cruz,  
“Community in Heidegger's Philosophy of Art”  
Comments: **Stijn Talloen**, Rice University

**Cameron Wright**, University of South Florida,  
“Soteriology and Time in the Sarvastivada Buddhist Theory of dharma”  
Comments: **Paul Wilson**, Texas State University

**Stijn Talloen**, Rice University, “Heidegger's Idealist Misreading of Husserl”  
Comments: **Peter Hutcheson**, Texas State University

## **Friday Morning Session 2**

**Jan Swiderski**, Syracuse University  
“Varieties of Explanation in Defense of Humean Laws of Nature”  
Comments: **Jacob Mills**, Houston Community College

**Emil Badici**, Texas A&M University – Kingsville,  
“Deflationary Truth and the Sparse vs. Abundant Properties”  
Comments: **Jan Swiderski**, Syracuse University

**J. Christopher Jenson**, Houston Community College  
“Limits of Intentional Stance”  
Comments: **Isaac Wiegman**, Texas State University

## **Friday Morning Session 3**

**Travis Rodgers**, Valencia College  
“The Equivalence Thesis and the (In)Significance of Violating Negative  
Rights”  
Comments: **Brandon Williams**, Houston Community College

**Lamont Rodgers**, Houston Community College

“Enough, and As Good; Not As Much and As Good”  
Comments: **Jacob Mills**, Houston Community College

**David Rodriguez**, Biola University

“Moral Obligations and Exemplarism: How Moral Exemplarism Can Work with Divine Command Theory”

Comments: **Elyse Purcell**, SUNY Oneonta

### **Friday Afternoon Session 1**

**Elyse Purcell**, SUNY Oneonta

“Relational Virtues: Disability and the Pursuit of the Good”

Comments: **Andrew Brei**, St. Mary’s University

**Samuel Garcia**, Biola University

“Toward a Virtuous Resistance: Radical Solidarity and the Problem of Adjudication”

Comments: **Cameron Wright**, University of South Florida

**Carissa Phillips-Garrett**, University of Houston

“The Good of Moral Shaping in Friendship”

Comments: **Christopher Edelman**, University of the Incarnate Word

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“Living with Monsters: Montaigne on Friendship and Tolerance”

Comments: **Vanessa Voss**, Lone Star College

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**Brandon Williams**, Houston Community College

“Toward a Functional Account of Normative Reasons”

Comments: **Lamont Rodgers**, Houston Community College

**Isaac Wiegman**, Texas State University

“Control Theory and the Concept of a Goal”

Comments: **David Beisecker**, University of Nevada, Las Vegas

**Andrew Brei**, St. Mary’s University

“Persons vs. Members: Motivating Moral Action”

Comments: **Robert Tierney**, University of Houston

### **Friday Afternoon Session 3**

**Tad Bratkowski**, McKendree University

“Why Not Start a Real Band Already: Aesthetic Value in the Guitar Hero and Rock Band Series”

Comments: **Charles LaMendola**, Houston Community College

**Vanessa Voss**, Lone Star College

“What’s So Funny about Nihilist Memes?”

Comments: **Jamie Bronstein**, New Mexico State University  
**Jeanette Joy Harris**, Independent scholar,  
“Arendt's Unbearable Loneliness: Adrian Piper's ‘The Probable Trust Registry’”  
Comments: **Parish Conkling**, Houston Community College  
**Robert Boyd Skipper**, St. Mary's University  
“Against Poetic Opacity”  
Comments: **Tad Bratkowski**, McKendree University

### Saturday Morning Session 1

**Marcus Hunt**, Tulane University  
“Divorcing Occupation from Just War Theory”  
Comments: **Jennifer Ward**, Texas A&M University  
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“Moral Injury and Jus ad Bellum”  
Comments: **Kyle Fruh**, Stanford University  
**Kyle Fruh**, Stanford University  
“Against Climate Refugees”  
Comments: **Marcus Hunt**, Tulane University

### Saturday Morning Session 2

**Dave Beisecker**, University of Nevada Las Vegas  
“The Ballistics of Inquiry in a Post-Truth Age”  
Comments: **Samuel Garcia**, Biola University  
**Kyle Bromhall**, Independent scholar  
“I Feel Like You're Wrong: Why Affect Matters to Disagreement, and How a Jamesean Approach Helps”  
Comments: **Danny Marrero**, Dept. of Advanced Studies at the Colombian Office of the Attorney General  
**Timothy Cleveland**, New Mexico State University  
“Philosophy, Fiction, and the Unsayable”  
Comments: **Kristina Grob**, University of South Carolina Sumter

### Saturday Morning Session 3

**Danny Marrero**, Dept. of Advanced Studies at the Colombian Office of the Attorney General  
“Confirmation Bias and the Epistemic View of Legal Factual Argumentation”  
Comments: **J. Christopher Jenson**, Houston Community College  
**Robert Tierney**, University of Houston  
“Corporate Action and Indexical Incoherence”

Comments: **Jeanette Joy Harris**, Independent scholar  
**Emmie Malone**, University of Houston – Downtown  
“Modal Insurance: Probabilities, Risk, and Degrees of Luck”  
Comments: **Jean-Paul Vessel**, New Mexico State University

### Saturday Afternoon Session 1

**Jerry Green**, University of Central Oklahoma  
“Phronesis in the Undisputed Books of the Nicomachean and Eudemian Ethics”  
Comments: **Carissa Phillips-Garrett**, University of Houston  
**Jacob Mills**, Houston Community College  
“Compossibility and the Metaphysics of Expression”  
Comments: **Emil Badici**, Texas A&M University – Kingsville  
**Jean-Paul Vessel**, New Mexico State University  
“Did Moore Swipe His Open Question Arguments from Plato's Dialogues?”  
Comments: **Jerry Green**, University of Central Oklahoma

### Saturday Afternoon Session 2

**Cinnamon Jenson**, Houston Community College  
“Three Poverty of Stimulus Arguments”  
Comments: **Tim Cleveland**, New Mexico State University  
**Jonathon Vanden Hombergh**, University of Wisconsin – Madison  
“Conceptual Sieves”  
Comments: **Susana Badiola**, Angelo State University  
**Susana Badiola**, Angelo State University  
“Battling the Real Self”  
Comments: **Kyle Bromhall**, Independent scholar

### Saturday Afternoon Session 3

**Kristina Grob**, University of South Carolina Sumter  
“More than one true story: The Limits of Narrative Form for Stories of Moral Change”  
Comments: **Jeanette Joy Harris**, Independent scholar  
**Jamie Bronstein**, New Mexico State University, “Epistemic Questions about Working Class Autobiography”  
Comments: **Peter Hutcheson**, Texas State University  
**Charles LaMendola**, Houston Community College  
“Agency and Intention in Feagin's Response to Carroll on Narrative Closure”  
Comments: **Emmie Malone**, University of Houston – Downtown

**Presidential Address**

**Mark Walker**, New Mexico State University

“Socratic Ignorance, Skeptical Dogmatism, and Self-Refutation”

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