

GRADUATE CONFERENCE IN POLITICAL THEORY

Thursday, February 4

- 4:25pm: Opening Remarks – **Thomas Spragens**
- 4:30pm: **Panel I – Memory and Representation**
Chair: Aaron Roberts
- Sarita Zaffini (Chicago): What is Real Unity? Theological representation in Thomas Hobbes, Carl Schmitt, and Karl Barth**
Discussant: Luke Bretherton
- Martin McCallum (McGill): Eyes Turning Towards the Light: Nostalgic Memory and Nascent Community in Rousseau's *Émile***
Discussant: Ruth Grant
- 6:00pm: Dinner
- 7:00pm: **Keynote Address – Sharon Krause**
Non-sovereign Agency and Accountability to Nature: Cultivating a Politics of Ecological Emancipation
- 8:30pm: Reception

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- 10:30am: **Panel II – Expertise and Tradition**
Chair: Matthew Whitt
- Alexander Ayris (Vanderbilt): The Ideal *Re Pubblica*? Reassessing Ciceronian Humanism in Sir Thomas More's Utopia**
Discussant: Jed Atkins

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- 10:30am: **Zeynep Pamuk (Harvard): Epistemic Authority and Evidentiary Standards**
Discussant: Jack Knight
- 12:00pm: Lunch
- 1:00pm: **Panel III – Revolution and Rebirth**
Chair: Nolan Bennett
- Katherine Bermingham (Notre Dame): Affirming Life, Being-Toward-Death, and the Politics of Rebirth in the Mortal World of Machiavelli**
Discussant: Michael Gillespie
- Michael Gorup (Cornell): From Abolition to Revolution: American Antislavery Politics and the Declaration of Independence**
Discussant: Jeff Spinner-Halev
- 2:30pm: Coffee Break
- 3:00pm: **Panel IV – Rethinking Liberal Democracy**
Chair: Nora Hanagan
- Ed Quish (Cornell): Walter Lippmann and the Origins of Neoliberalism**
Discussant: Jed Purdy
- Colin Kielty (Virginia): Disenfranchisement: The Democratic Complaint**
Discussant: Susan Bickford
- 4:30pm: Closing Remarks

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