

38th Annual Philosophy of Religion Conference

The Meaning and Power of Negativity

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Albrecht Auditorium, Claremont Graduate University

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THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 16TH PRE-CONFERENCE SEMINAR, 1-7 PM

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 17TH:

- 9:00 am **Opening Remarks**
Ingolf U. Dalferth (Claremont)
- 9:15 am **Willemien Otten** (Chicago)
Between Thesis and Antithesis: Negative Theology as a Medieval Way of Thinking Forward
Response: Shane Akerman
- 10:30 am **Nancy van Deusen** (Claremont)
God's Idiots: Nicholas of Cusa and a Dialectic with Negativity
Response: Kirsten Gerdes
- 12:00 pm Lunch
- 1:30 pm **Thomas Schmidt** (Frankfurt)
Dialectics and Despair: Negativity After Hegel
Response: Jonathan Russell
- 3:00 pm **Elizabeth Pritchard** (Bowdoin)
Adorno's Negativity and the Politics of Victimhood
Response: Trisha Famisaran
- 4:30 pm Coffee 5:00 pm
- 5:00 pm **Emil Angehrn** (Basel)
Negative Hermeneutics: Between Non-Understanding and the Understanding of Negativity
Response: Thomas Jared Farmer

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 18TH:

- 9:00 am **Yuval Avnur** (Claremont)
Denial, Silence, and Openness
Response: Trevor Kimball
- 10:30 am **Andrew Hass** (Stirling):
Creatio qua Nihil: Negation from the Generative to the Performative
Response: Deidre Green
- 12:00 pm Lunch
- 1:30 pm **Hala Kim** (Nebraska)
Ways of Nothingness: Some Insights from Korea
Response: Hyoseok Kim
- 3:00 pm **Stephen Davis** (Claremont):
Negation in Theology
Response: Brandon Yarborough
- 4:30 pm Coffee
- 5:00 pm **Asle Eikrem** (Oslo)
Mystery is what Faith Essentially Includes: A Philosophical Critique of the Semantic Presuppositions of Classical Negative Theology
Response: Raymond Perrier
- 7:00 PM CONFERENCE DINNER

The conference is free but registration is necessary. Please visit www.cgu.edu/pofrconference to register.

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