



10th ANNUAL PAT REIF MEMORIAL LECTURE

October 22, 2012 • Los Angeles, California
October 23, 2012 • Claremont, California

Saving Paradise: Moral Conscience, Beauty, and the Glory of Humanity

2012 Speaker: *Rev. Rita Nakashima Brock, PhD*

FREE

Open to the Public

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Dates & Locations



Monday, October 22, 2012 • 7:00 - 9:00 p.m.

Donohue Conference Center
Mount St. Mary's Campus, Los Angeles, CA



Tuesday, October 23, 2012 • 7:00 - 9:00 p.m.

Albrecht Auditorium
Claremont Graduate University, Claremont, CA

For a thousand years or more, Christians, following Jewish understandings, interpreted Genesis 2 as describing the human home on earth and baptism as the portal to paradise. What does such a life-affirming, optimistic view of salvation mean for our relationships with the environment, human community, death, evil, and human nature and sin?

Brock will discuss this ancient Christian understanding of collective salvation, especially as it was drawn from the Hebrew Bible and reiterated in the Gospels. Brock will focus, especially, on the love of beauty and on moral responsibility as crucial dimensions of life in paradise. She will link her work in "Saving Paradise" to her new book with Gabriella Lettini, *Soul Repair*, and to her involvement with the Occupy Movement.

On-site book selling & signing by author.

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