

2008 Uehiro CrossCurrents Conference: Crisis and Opportunity

March 19-20th

Center for Korean Studies, University of Hawai'i Mānoa

Wednesday March 19th

Opening Remarks

Panel 1: Interpretation

- Deliberating Truth and Lies in the Lotus Sutra: Heidegger, Nietzsche, Derrida and the Parable of the Burning House* – Donovan Muir, San Diego State University
- Beyond Causality: Al-Ghazālī and Hume in Dialogue* – Aaron Creller, UH Mānoa
- Aesthetic Ontology: Yūgen of Invisibility* – Ryan Shriver, UH Mānoa

Panel 2: Comparative Philosophy, Questions and Topics

- Towards a Sustainable Global Philosophy: Deconstruction as Method* – David Alvarado, San Diego State University
- Thoughts on Comparative Philosophy* – Jeremy Henkel and Matt Lopresti, UH Mānoa

Panel 3: Chinese Philosophy

- Can We Determine if Mozi is a Utilitarian or Divine Command Theorist?* – Jason Southworth, University of Oklahoma
- Chinese Traditional Environmental Ethics and World Significance* – Shan Gao, University of North Texas
- The Transformation of the Genuine Person through Unprincipled Knowing* – Michael Dean, UH Mānoa

Special Presentation: "East Asian Philosophy in the Age of Globalization"

- Co-existence in the Age of Globalization: Re-examining East Asian Philosophy* – Kobayashi Yasuo, President of the University of Tokyo Center for Philosophy (UTCP), specialist in French and Japanese Philosophy
- Reconstructing Modern Buddhist Discourse through Shamon Dōgen and the Pragmatic Philosophy of Primitive Buddhism* Miyakawa Keishi, Soto Priest and specialist in modern Buddhism in China and Japan
- Confucianism in Prewar Japan in an East Asian Context, in Contrast with the Chinese Neo-Confucian Movement* Nakajima Takahiro, Vice-President of UTCP and specialist in Chinese Philosophy

Thursday March 20th

Panel 1: Heidegger and Asian Philosophy

- Heidegger and Zen* – David Storey, Fordham University
- Heidegger, Politics, and Daoism* – Casey Rentmeester, University of South Florida

Panel 2: Responsible Citizenship

- Mormon Metaphysics and the Politics of Polygamy* – Cindy Scheopner, CU Boulder
- Exemplary Original Works? Creativity and Originality in Copyright Law* – Laura Biron, Cambridge University
- Turning Ecological Crisis into Opportunity for Local Communities on Sado Island* – Mitsuyo Toyoda, Tokyo Institute of Technology

Keynote Address:

- Comparative Philosophy in Crisis* – Dr. Thomas Kasulis, Ohio State University

Roundtable Discussion: Teaching Philosophy to Undergraduates

Mahalo ☐

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