

Spring Term, 2004

Graduate Newsletter

Department of Philosophy

This Newsletter looks to provide information for the graduate community in Philosophy at the University of Warwick. Its contents include advertisements from fellow graduates regarding philosophical happenings that occur alongside the formal courses and modules offered by the Department such as reading groups, study workshops and discussion fora that pertain to all things philosophical at Warwick. Many of these will relate to the Centre for Research in Philosophy and Literature (CRPL), which may be approached by any graduate wishing to mount a project. Requests should be directed to the Centre Office, although it would be appropriate for a preliminary discussion to take place with the Director of Graduate Studies. Contact addresses and information can be found at the end of this Newsletter.

*****WELCOME PROFESSOR NUNO NABAIS*****

The Department of Philosophy at the University of Warwick is delighted to welcome Professor Nuno Nabais, who will be visiting the Centre for Research in Philosophy and Literature from the University of Lisbon until the end of the Summer Term. During his time at Warwick, Professor Nabais will be participating in conferences and colloquia, and also running a PhD class: 'Nietzsche and Currents of Thought after Nietzsche'.

Ph.D. Work in Progress Seminar

These meetings will usually take place on **Wednesdays** in the Common Room. Papers will typically begin at **11.00am** lasting for up to an hour. There will be a short coffee-break and the sessions are due to finish at around **1.00pm**. Anyone wishing to involve themselves in presenting a paper should contact Prof. Ansell-Pearson *asap*. This term is as follows:

Wk 2 (14 Jan) Jenny Booth

Spatial attention, proprioception and subject qua object self conception

Wk 3 (21 Jan) Ruth Burch

Perspectivism and Difference in Nietzsche and Donna Haraway

Week 4 (28 Jan) Wahida Khandker

Deja Vu All Over Again: Bergson and Whitehead on Time, Potentiality and Creation

Week 5 (4 Feb) Scott Revers
German Romantic Irony

(Week 6 (11 Feb) No Meeting - Conference on the Cinematic Sublime)

Week 7 (18 Feb) Tomoo Oda
Philosophy of Music: preliminary sketches and problems of Interpretation

Week 8 (25 Feb) Joe Bossano
I believe tense is real, and tense is not real

Week 9 (3 Mar) Michael Vaughan
Title to be announced

Graduate Reading Groups

All graduates are encouraged to begin or join reading groups that are organised to pursue issues, authors and texts that are of interest to them. Feel free to suggest possibilities by posting them on the graduate notice board, or ask the graduate secretary, Debbi, to circulate information by e-mail.

Lecture-presentations

There will be lecture-presentations by **Prof. Michael Luntley** (Warwick) and **Dr. Helen Beebee** (Manchester). The provisional dates for these sessions are Wednesday 4th February, and Wednesday 18th February. Details are to be confirmed – please consult the noticeboards for further details to be announced soon.

Colloquium in European Philosophy

(in conjunction with the Department of Philosophy)

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| <u>Tues 20 Jan</u>
5.30 pm, S0.13 | Speaker: Rebecca Bamford (Bradford)
Title: <i>Nietzsche and Cruelty: 'Mirroring' in the Critique of Pity</i> |
| <u>Tues 3 Feb</u>
5.30 pm, S0.13 | Speaker: Nuno Nabais (Lisbon)
Title: <i>Deleuze on Masochism</i> |
| <u>Tues 17 Feb</u>
5.30 pm, S0.13 | Speaker: Jim Urpeth (Greenwich)
Title: <i>Nietzsche's Religious Naturalism</i> |
| <u>Tues 2 March</u>
5.30 pm, S0.13 | Speaker: Jill Marsden (Bolton)
Title: <i>Nietzsche's Vital Encounter</i> |

Centre for Research in Philosophy and Literature

Director: Dr. Christine Battersby

Programme for this Term

CPRL Art and Aesthetics Guest Lecture Series

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| Tues 13 Jan
5.30 pm, S0.13 | Speaker: Jonathan Rée (Philosopher & Independent Scholar)
Title: <i>What's the Point of a Work of Art?</i> |
| Tues 27 Jan
5.30 pm, S0.13 | Speaker: Diarmuid Costello (Oxford Brookes)
Title: <i>Aura, Face, Photography: Re-reading Benjamin Today</i> |
| Tues 24 Feb
5.30 pm, S0.13 | Speaker: Jason Gaiger (The Open University)
Title: <i>Free, Formative Activity: Kant, Fiedler and the Philosophical Foundations of Art History</i> |
| Tues 9 March
5.30 pm, S0.13 | Speaker: Nicholas Walker
Title: <i>Idealism, Romanticism and Heidegger's Philosophy of Art</i> |

Poetry and Philosophy Reading Group

This term we will be looking at Rilke's *Sonnets to Orpheus* and the *Duino Elegies*

Meetings will take place in **S1.71**, between **1pm,-2pm** on the following dates:

Wed 21st January, Wed 18th February, Wed 3rd February and Wed 5th March.

Classics Research Group - Travel Broadens the Mind

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| <u>Mon 2 Feb</u>
5 pm, H3.56 | Speaker: Colin Adams (Leicester)
Title: <i>Travel and Cultural Tourism in Greco-Roman Egypt</i> |
| <u>Mon 1 March</u>
5 pm, H3.56 | Speaker: Tom Harrison (St Andrews)
Title: <i>A Tale of Two Empires: the British and Achaemenid Persia</i> |

Greek Reading Group

This Term's material will be Plato's *Symposium*. The group will meet between 2-4pm, in room **H204** on the following dates:

Monday 12th January, Monday 26th January,
Monday 23rd February, Monday 8th March.

Conferences

The Cinematic Sublime

Wed 11 Feb

Ramphal
Building

Speakers:

Erica Sheen (Sheffield): *Going into Strange Worlds: Dune and New Hollywood*

Dean Lockwood (Lincoln): *A Teratology of David Lynch*

Luke Sheridan-Rains: *Eraserhead & the Deleuzian Cinematic Sublime*

Tico Romao (Gloucestershire):

Lynch, the Sublime and Artefact Awareness

Thinking the Sublime

Sat 13 March

Speakers:

Nuno Nabais (Lisbon): *Bartleby and the Sublime: The Aesthetics of Masochism in Deleuze*

Christine Battersby (Warwick): *Schelling, Nietzsche and the Tragical Sublime*

Howard Caygill (Goldsmiths): *The Darwinian Sublime*

Matthew Rampley (Edinburgh College of Art): *The Ethnographic Sublime*

Chair: **Diane Morgan** (University College, Northampton)

Please see the web-page for venue details:

<http://www2.warwick.ac.uk/fac/soc/philosophy/news/sublime/>

Forthcoming...

CRPL Lecture-Seminars:

Speakers will include:

Anthony Phelan (Keble College, Oxford)
Encompassing the Infinite: Schlegel, Novalis and the Romantic Novel

John Sellars (King's College London; Visiting Fellow, Warwick)
Actions Speak Louder than Words: Philosophy and Biography in Antiquity

Colloquium in European Philosophy:

Tuesday 4th May: **Beatrice Han-Pile** (University of Essex)
Foucault and Heidegger on Kant and Finitude

Classics Research Group:

Monday 10th May: **Ray Laurence** (University of Reading)
Roman Cities and the Tourist Gaze

CPRL Conference:

The State He's In: Political Philosophy & the Figural

Wed 19 May

A Conference with **Adriana Cavarero** on her book
Stately Bodies: Literature, Philosophy & the Question of Gender

Speakers:

Adriana Cavarero (Verona), **Rachel Jones** (Dundee), **Kimberley Hutchings** (LSE)
Elizabeth Mitchell (Christ Church University College, Canterbury)
Alison Stone (Lancaster), **Janice Richardson** (Leicester)

Sponsored by:

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Further details of all these events can be obtained from the Centre Secretary, Heather Jones, on 024 76522582 (email H.A.Jones@warwick.ac.uk).

Be sure to visit our website at:

<http://www2.warwick.ac.uk/fac/soc/philosophy/research/phillit/>



Conference:

PHILOSOPHY: PROBLEMS, AIMS, RESPONSIBILITIES

September 16th-18th 2004

a conference to mark the 10th anniversary of
the death of **Karl Popper** (28.vii.1902-17.ix.1994)

Sponsored by Routledge, the Humanities Research Centre (Warwick), the Austrian Cultural Forum, the British Society for the Philosophy of Science, and the Karl Popper Charitable Trust.

The conference, to be held at the University of Warwick, will consist of invited lectures and a limited number of sessions of contributed papers. It is hoped that there will be plenty of overnight accommodation available in local hotels and guesthouses for those who book early. Those who wish to be kept on the mailing list should write to: David Miller, Department of Philosophy, University of Warwick, COVENTRY CV4 7AL, UK,
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Humanities Research Centre – Doctoral Fellowship Competition 2004/5

THE HRC ANNOUNCES A COMPETITION FOR 4 INTERNAL DOCTORAL FELLOWS. EACH FELLOW WILL RECEIVE A RESEARCH BUDGET OF £500 AND A CONFERENCE BUDGET OF £500 TO ORGANISE A ONE-DAY INTERDISCIPLINARY POST-GRADUATE CONFERENCE DURING THE ACADEMIC YEAR 2004-2005.

For further information and details of how to apply, see:

<http://www2.warwick.ac.uk/fac/arts/hrc/irf/dfc/>



Arts Faculty AHRB Workshop

Wednesday, 21st January, 1.00-3.00pm

**Graduate Space
(4th Floor Extension Humanities Building)**

All 3rd year students considering applying to the AHRB for funding to study an MA and all MA students seeking funding for doctoral study are welcome to attend the above workshop.

Please note that only UK Nationals and Residents (i.e., resident not for the purposes of study) are eligible for AHRB funding. EU students are eligible for fees-only awards, and should also attend if interested.

Further details can be found at: www.ahrb.ac.uk

Workshop queries to Dr. Karen O'Brien: K.E.O-Brien@warwick.ac.uk

.....ATTENTION POSTGRADUATES.....

***Pli*: The Warwick Journal of Philosophy**

MA and PhD students in philosophy are encouraged to get involved with running and editing *Pli*, a journal of philosophy edited by graduate philosophy students at Warwick. *Pli* is published twice yearly with each volume focused on a particular philosophical theme, publishing papers by well known philosophers (e.g. Zizek, Badiou, Deleuze) as well as those by new and upcoming thinkers. Recent volumes include:

Foucault: Madness/Sexuality/Biopolitics

What is Materialism?

Nietzsche: Revenge and Praise

For more details of past volumes of *Pli* Have a look at our website:

www.warwick.ac.uk/philosophy/pli_journal

Email us at pli_journal@hotmail.com to add your name to the mailing list.

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