

Classics and Classical Traditions Events 2008-2009

Wednesday, September 24, 2008

4:30 p.m., Kresge Hall 1-500 (Department of Classics Seminar Room)

Political Theory Colloquium and the Classical Traditions Initiative present

Keith Werhan, Tulane University

The Classical Athenian Ancestry of American Freedom of Speech

October 3-4, 2008

Chicago Area Consortium in Ancient Greek and Roman Philosophy

Seventh Conference

Beauty, Harmony, and the Good

This conference brings together topics that were fruitfully intertwined in antiquity. We tend to be surprised nowadays by the idea that values like beauty and goodness not only could relate to each other but could actually bring in mathematics. Yet the ancients developed the thought that the universe embodies mathematical relations that offer the key to truth, beauty, and goodness. We will study this exemplary confluence of ideas in Greek antiquity in order to explore problems that continue to puzzle us today. See printable program.

Friday, October 3

Afternoon session at Northwestern University

Norris Student Center, Big Ten Room

map and directions

2:00-3:45 p.m.

Aryeh Kosman (Haverford College; speaker)

Gabriel Lear (University of Chicago; commentator)

4:00-5:45 p.m.

Rachel Barney (University of Toronto; speaker)

Paula Gottlieb (University of Wisconsin; commentator)

6:30 p.m.

Dinner in Evanston at Prairie Moon restaurant

Saturday, October 4

Morning session at University of Illinois at Chicago

Institute for the Humanities, Stevenson Hall

Lower level, 701 South Morgan Street

map and directions

8:30-9:00 a.m.

Coffee and rolls

9:00-10:45 a.m.

Andrew Barker (University of Birmingham; speaker)

Carl Huffman (Delpauw University; commentator)

11:00 a.m.-12:45 p.m.

Reviel Netz (Stanford University; speaker)

Alexander Lee (University of Chicago; commentator)

Saturday, October 4

Afternoon session at University of Chicago

Franke Institute for the Humanities

Regenstein Library, S102, 1100 East 57th Street

map and directions

1:15-2:00 p.m.

Catered lunch for all participants at University of Chicago

2:00-3:45 p.m.

Terence Irwin (University of Oxford; speaker)

Anton Ford (University of Chicago; commentator)

4:00-5:45 p.m.

Richard Kraut (Northwestern University; speaker)

Martha Nussbaum (University of Chicago; commentator)

7:00 p.m.

Dinner for participants at a restaurant in Chicago's Chinatown

Schedule updates to be posted at Graduate Study in Ancient Greek and Roman Philosophy in the Chicago Area; for further information, or to register for conference dinners, contact Richard Kraut

Monday, November 10, 2008
Noon-1:00 p.m., Kresge 1-500
Brown Bag Lunch presentation

Margherita Facella, University of Pisa (Italy)
Taking back Jupiter: on the new excavations at Dülük Baba Tepesi

Professor Facella will teach in the Department of Classics

during the spring quarter 2009; as part of the NU Classics Pisa Exchange, Robert Wallace will teach at the University of Pisa

Monday, December 1, 2008
Noon-1:00 p.m., Kresge 1-500

Brown Bag Lunch presentation

Andreas Mehl, University of Halle (Germany)
From Greek to Roman and Latin: The beginning of Roman historiography

Monday, February 2, 2009

12:00 p.m., Scott Hall, Room 212 (light lunch follows)

Political Theory Colloquium

Catherine Zuckert, University of Notre Dame

Plato's Philosophers: On the Coherence of the Dialogues

Sponsored by Political Theory, the Classical Traditions Initiative, the Center for Historical Studies, and the NU Departments of Philosophy and German

Thursday, February 19, 2009
7:00 p.m., Kresge Hall 1-379 (map and directions)
Archeological Institute of America Lecture
Lecture summary

Andrew L. Goldman, Gonzaga University
They died with their boots on: The Roman Hobnail Burials at Gordion (Turkey)
Refreshments follow in the Department of Classics seminar room, Kresge Hall 1-500

Monday, March 2, 2009
Noon-1:00 p.m., Kresge Hall 1-500
Brown Bag Lunch presentation
John Wynne, Northwestern University, Classics
Were there more than two ancient atheists?

Tuesday, March 3, 2009
3:00-5:00 p.m., John Evans Center, 1800 Sheridan Road
Sawyer Seminar Lecture (see Sawyer Seminar website for more information)

Lorna Hardwick, The Open University, UK
Professor of Classics; director, the Reception of Classical Texts Research Project
The Problem of the Spectators: Ancient and Modern

Friday, March 6, 2009
2:00-3:00 p.m., Kresge Hall 1-500
Classical Traditions Lecture
Corinne Pache, Yale University
Lyric Odysseys: Homecoming and Memory in the 21st Century

Monday, March 9, 2009

Noon-1:00 p.m., Kresge Hall 1-500

Brown Bag Lunch presentation

Sailakshmi Ramgopal, University of Chicago

Ph.D. student and NU Classics alum

Legal Terminology and Problems of Citizenship in the Antigone

Wednesday, April 8, 2009

Noon-1:00 p.m., Kresge Hall 1-500

Brown Bag Lunch presentation

Sydnor Roy, Saint Mary's School, Raleigh, NC

The Constitutional Debate: Herodotus' (non) Contribution to Political Theory

Thursday, June 4, 2009

Noon-1:00 p.m., Kresge Hall 1-500

Hosted by Marianne Hopman

Classics Honors Symposium

This year's honors thesis writers speak about their experience and present the highlights of their research. They include

Christopher Erlinger, on Zeus in Aeschylus

Laura Ryals, on the Righteous Sufferer in the Book of Job, Solon, and Simonides

Shelby Walchuk, on Representations of Mothers and Maternity in the Iliad, the Homeric Hymn to Demeter, and Euripides' Medea