

***THE ROBERT S. COHEN FORUM: CONTEMPORARY ISSUES IN SCIENCE STUDIES**

FREUD, THE RELUCTANT PHILOSOPHER

Monday, September 15, 2008

Moderator: ROBERT S. COHEN, Boston University
WILLIAM EGGINGTON, Johns Hopkins University
Freud, Lacan, and the Philosopher's Desire
JENNIFER RADDEN, University of Massachusetts, Boston
Contagion, Suggestibility, and Identification in Freud's Group Psychology
JURGEN REEDER, Stockholms Universitet
The Mysterious "Nature of the Subject" with Philosophy at the Interface of Psychoanalysis
ALFRED TAUBER, Boston University
Brentano, Kant, and Freud

2-6 p.m.
Boston University
The Castle
225 Bay State Road

NATURAL LAWS AND SCIENTIFIC REDUCTION

Friday, September 26, 2008

Moderator: JOHN TIETZE, Boston University
DOUG KUTACH, Brown University
Casual Foundationalism
CRAIG CALLENDAR, University of California, San Diego
The Better Best System Theory of Laws of Nature
PETER BOKULICH, Boston University
Reduction vs. the Occurrent/Nomic Distinction
MARC LANGE, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
The Rule of Law—and of Meta-Law

2-6 p.m.
Boston University
Photonics Center
Colloquium Room, 9th Floor
8 St. Mary's Street

THE PAST, PRESENT, AND FUTURE OF SET THEORY

Tuesday, October 21, 2008

Moderator: ALESSANDRO TORZA, Boston University
JAAKKO HINTIKKA, Boston University
Commentator: JUDSON WEBB, Boston University

4-6 p.m.
Boston University
School of Theology, Room 508
745 Commonwealth Avenue

THE PHILOSOPHY OF INFINITY

Monday, November 3, 2008

Moderator: PETER BOKULICH, Boston University
EMILIE KUTASH, St. Joseph's College
The Many Types of Infinity in Ancient Philosophy and in Late Antiquity
JEAN NICOLAS PESTIEAU, State University of New York, Suffolk
The Formal Quantification of Infinity and the Advent of Transfinite Arithmetic in the 1870s: The Age of Cantor, Set Theory, and Modern Mathematics
JUDSON WEBB, Boston University
TBA
MIHAI GANEA, Boston University
Life without Infinity: Varieties of Finitism

2-5 p.m.
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THE TELEPHONE GAMBIT: CHASING ALEXANDER GRAHAM BELL'S SECRET

Monday, November 17, 2008

Moderator: CONEVERY BOLTON VALENCIUS, Harvard University
SETH SHULMAN

3-5 p.m.
Boston University
The Castle
225 Bay State Road

DESCARTES' LIFE AND SCIENCE

Monday, December 1, 2008

Moderator: AARON GARRETT, Boston University
AMIR ACZEL, Boston University

3-5 p.m.
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2009 DARWIN CELEBRATION

Throughout the calendar year of 2009 the Boston Colloquium for Philosophy of Science will devote its entire program to examining and celebrating the life, work, and influence of Charles Darwin (1809-1882), whose bicentennial will be marked around the world. Not only did

Darwin stimulate the transformation of a largely descriptive "natural history" tradition into the scientific field we now call biology, but his theory has also deeply influenced all the human sciences. Further, Darwinism affects the way Western societies conceive of themselves

and their citizens. In short, Darwinian evolution is more than a science; it has become integral to our metaphysics.

EVOLUTION BEFORE DARWIN

Monday, January 26, 2009

Moderator: GAL KOBER, Boston University
DANIEL DAHLSTROM, Boston University
Evolution Before Evolution: Some Philosophical Perspectives
MICHAEL RUSE, Florida State University
Progress—Evolution's Evil Doppelgänger
ROBERT RICHARDS, University of Chicago
Romantic Biology and the Origin of "Origins"

2-5 p.m.
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PROVOST'S COLLOQUIUM: THE IMPACT OF DARWINISM ON THE HUMAN SCIENCES

Thursday, February 12, 2009

A BOSTON UNIVERSITY SYMPOSIUM

Moderator: ALFRED I. TAUBER, Philosophy Department
Morning Session: 9 a.m.—Noon
MATT CARTMILL, Department of Anthropology
150 Years Without Darwin Is Enough! The Belated Impact of Darwinian Theory on the Study of Evolution
MICHAEL LYONS, Department of Psychology
How Evolution Helps Us Think About Mental Disorders
BART LIPMAN, Department of Economics
Survival of the Fittest in Games, Decisions, and Markets
Afternoon Session: 2-5 p.m.
NETA CRAWFORD, Department of Political Science
Evolution in World Politics
JEFF COULTER, Department of Sociology
Some Reflections on the Impact of "The Descent of Man" on the Trajectory of the Behavioral Sciences
JAMES JOHNSON, Department of History
Darwin among the Historians

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***KARBANK SYMPOSIUM IN ENVIRONMENTAL PHILOSOPHY**

The Karbank Symposium, an annual lecture series, offers a forum for discussing issues in environmental philosophy broadly construed. Topics range from biodiversity, transgenic respeciation, and global warming, to nature aesthetics. The colloquia are designed to provide a forum for distinguished scholars of various backgrounds to address their work to a broad audience. The Symposium is named in honor of Steven Karbank, a generous benefactor of the Boston University Department of Philosophy and major sponsor of the series.

SYSTEMS BIOLOGY FRAMED BY ECOLOGY: HISTORICAL AND CONTEMPORARY CONCEPTUAL PERSPECTIVES

Monday, March 23, 2009

Moderator: DANIEL STAR, Boston University
SHARON KINGSLAND, Johns Hopkins University
The Ecosystem Concept: Adapting an Atomic Age Idea to the Modern World
EILEEN CRIST, Virginia Tech Blacksburg Campus
The Biosphere as System: Toward a Critical Analysis
SAHOTRA SARKAR, University of Texas at Austin
From the Milieu Interior to the Functioning Ecosystem: Concepts of Stability and Equilibrium
SANDER GLIBOFF, University of Indiana
The Dynamics of Developing Systems in Pre-Darwinian German Biology, from Johann Friedrich Kiehmeyer to Heinrich Georg Bronn

2-6 p.m.
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THE RECEPTION OF DARWINISM: TRANS-CULTURAL DIFFERENCES

Friday and Saturday, April 3-4, 2009

Day 1, The Periphery
Moderator: EVE-MARIE ENGELS, Universität Tübingen
Friday, April 3
Morning Session: 9 a.m.—Noon
THOMAS F. GLICK, Boston University
The Comparative Reception of Darwinism: Two Models
PEDRO PRUNA, Cuban Academy of Sciences
Evolution and Darwinism within the Poey School of Cuban Naturalists
MARWA ELSHAKRY, Harvard University
Reading Darwin in the Middle East
Afternoon Session: 2 p.m.—5 p.m.
SANDOR SOOS, University of Budapest
The Scientific Reception of Charles Darwin's Work in Hungary
KEN KALING, University of Tartu
The Reception of Darwinism in Estonia
THOMAS F. GLICK, Boston University
The Reception of Darwinism by the Brazilian Intelligentsia
Day 2, Europe
Moderator: THOMAS F. GLICK, Boston University
Saturday, April 4
Morning Session: 10 a.m.—Noon
JEAN GAYON, Sorbonne
The Reception of Darwinism and Development of Darwinism in France
RICHARD D. BELLON, Michigan State University
Inspiration in the Harness of Daily Labor: Darwin, Orchids, and the Triumph of Evolution, 1858-1872
Afternoon Session: 2 p.m.—5 p.m.
NIKOLAI KREMENTSOV, University of Toronto
Darwinism and Marxism: Cultural Resources of Soviet Biology
PIETRO CORSI, University of Oxford
Before and After Darwin: The Italian Case
EVE-MARIE ENGELS, Universität Tübingen
The Reception and Construction of Charles Darwin in 19th-Century Germany

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DARWINISM'S IMPACT IN THE UNITED STATES

Friday, April 24, 2009

Moderator: WESLEY WILDMAN, Boston University
JON ROBERTS, Boston University
Darwin's Challenge to Religion
PAUL FARBBER, Oregon State University
Darwin and Race
PIERS HALE, Oklahoma State University
Post-Darwinian Natural Theologies in Britain and the United States: Asa Gray and Charles Kingsley
PAUL FINKELMAN, Albany Law School
Science, Religion, and Race in Antebellum America: The Origin of the Human Species and Pro-Slavery Thought

1-5 p.m.
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CHARLES DARWIN IN BIOGRAPHY: THE LIVES BEHIND THE ORIGIN OF SPECIES

Friday, May 1, 2009

Moderator: THOMAS F. GLICK, Boston University
Morning Session: 10 a.m.—Noon
JANET BROWNE, Harvard University
Is Your Darwin My Darwin?
ANDREW BERRY, Harvard University
Industrious and Persevering Traveler: Alfred Russel Wallace's Journey
Afternoon Session: 2-5 p.m.
RICHARD MILNER
Darwin, the Unknown
DAVID KOHN, American Museum of Natural History
Charles Darwin: To the Greenhouse Born
PETER PARNELL
Putting Darwin and Wallace on Stage: Creating Trumpery
Panel Discussion: 5-6 p.m.

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Peter Parnell's play, *Trumpery*, about Darwin's relationship with Alfred Russel Wallace, will be playing at Boston University's Huntington Theatre, Thursday, April 30, Friday, May 1, and Saturday, May 2. For further information, consult the CD09 webpage. www.bu.edu/dev/darwin2009

*The Robert S. Cohen Forum, an annual lecture series, explores selected controversies in philosophy, history, and sociology of science that widely resonate in other academic disciplines. In an intellectual context accessible to the nonspecialist, a single theme is discussed with the aim of establishing the foundations, conceptual boundaries, and interdisciplinary implications of the given topic. This series is named in honor of Professor Robert S. Cohen, who co-founded the Boston Colloquium with Professor Marx Wartofsky and served as its director for more than thirty years.

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