Society for Asian and Comparative Philosophy

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Theme:

“Imagination”
THURSDAY, JUNE 2ND

2:00-3:30pm: Conference Registration – Keoni Auditorium

4:00-5:30pm: Panel Workshop on Teaching Techniques for Comparative Philosophy – Keoni Auditorium

Imagining Ourselves as Teachers: A Workshop on Teaching Techniques for Comparative Classrooms

Sarah Mattice, University of North Florida
Leah Kalmanson, Drake University
Aaron Creller, University of North Florida

5:30-6:45pm: WELCOME RECEPTION – 2-Garden Dining Rooms

7:00-9:00pm: Plenary Session – Keoni Auditorium

Graduate Essay Contest Winners

1st Prize Winner
Szymon Bogacz, Jagiellonian University
MMK’s Dedicatory Verse and Pratītyasamutpāda in Early Mahayana Sutras

2nd Prize Winner
Yat-Hung Leung, Chinese University of Hong Kong
Is the Empathy-Induced Motivation to Help Egoistic or Altrustic: Insights from the Neo-Confucian Cheng Hao

3rd Prize Winner
R. A. Carleo III, Fudan University, Chinese University of Hong Kong
Imagination and Knowledge of Laozi’s Dao: Early Shifts in the Textual Formation of the Laozi
FRIDAY, JUNE 3RD

Breakfast on Your Own

9:00-10:30am: Concurrent Sessions

Concurrent Session 1 – Asia Room

Daoism in Western Epistemology and Metaphysics

Rafal Banka, Jagiellonian University
Rules of Composition: A Mereological Examination of the you-wu Relation

Steven Burik [Chair], Singapore Management University
Is there Imagination in Daoism? Kant, Heidegger, and Classical Daoism and the Rethinking of Imagination and Thinking in Images

Wesley Bergen, Loyola Marymount University
From Image to Reality: Imagination and Wu Wei in Plato, the Daodejing, and Michel Serres

Yuan Zhang, HeFei Normal University
The Projection of Ideas by Western Culture upon the Chinese Classical Concepts in Dao De Jing, Taking Wu Wei as an Example

Concurrent Session 2 – Pacific Room

Language and Epistemology in Indian Philosophy

Ian Nicolay, University of Hawaii at Manoa
Nyāya and Wittgenstein on Combinatorial Imagination

Amit Chaturvedi, University of Hawaii at Manoa
Imagination and the Making of Conscious Perceptual Experience: A Revised Nyāya – Kant Account

Jeremy Henkel [Chair], Wofford College
A Telling Debate: Nyāya and Buddhism on the Epistemology of Testimony

Yoichi Iwasaki, University of Hawaii at Manoa
Poetic Meaning, Imagination, and the Limits of Logical Semantics
10:30-10:45am: Short Break

10:45am-12:30pm: Concurrent Sessions

Concurrent Session 1 – Asia Room

Aesthetics in China and Zen Buddhism

Judy D. Saltzman, California Polytechnic State University
Zen Buddhism and Imagination

Stephen Goldberg, Hamilton College
On the Transcultural Imagination in the Art of Liu Dan and André Kneib

Andrew Lambert [Chair], City University of New York, College of Staten Island
Beauty as the Highest Good: Li Zehou’s Aesthetic Theory

Jinli He, Trinity University
The Idea of Jingjie (Ideal-Realm): Revisiting Chinese Aesthetic Tradition

Concurrent Session 2 – Pacific Room

Reconsidering Chinese History

Sarah Mattice, University of North Florida
Emptying Out the Heart Sutra: An Exercise in Imagination

Robert Andre LaFleur [Chair], Beloit College
Marcel Granet’s “Imaginative Ethnography” of Early China

Daniel Coyle, Birmingham-Southern College
Strategic Imagination in Chinese Philosophy

Jingjing Li, McGill University
Imagination, Worldview, and the Modernization of China

12:30-1:45pm: Lunch on Your Own
2:00-3:30pm: Concurrent Sessions

Concurrent Session 1 – Asia Room

Self-Identity

Lu Xichen, Central South University
Psychological Therapy of Daoist Mind-Body Cultivation

Mary Bockover [Chair], Humboldt State University
Personal Identity: The Independent AND Interdependent Self

Li-Hsiang Lisa Rosenlee, University of Hawaii – West Oahu
Imagine a World Without Individualism: A Reflection on Henry Rosemont’s Against Individualism: A Confucian Rethinking of the Foundations of Morality, Politics, Family and Religion

Marshall Willman, New York Institute of Technology, Nanjing Campus
Imagination as Existential Affliction: A Daoist Alternative

Concurrent Session 2 – Pacific Room

Ritual in Chinese Philosophy

Alan Polson, Independent Scholar
Confucianism, a Philosophy of Weltanschauung

Daniel Stephens [Chair], City University of Hong Kong
My Imagined Selves: Rituals, Roles, and the Art of Relating Intrapersonally

Russell Alfonso, Hawaii Pacific University
Two Truths, Mencius, and the Musical Imagination

Qi Huili, Jining University
Inner-Alchemy Taoism Thoughts of Liu Yiming

3:30-3:45pm: Coffee-Tea Break
3:45-5:15pm: Concurrent Sessions

Concurrent Session 1 – Asia Room

Chinese Ethics and Hermeneutics

Lu Zhu, Shanghai University of Finance and Economics
Justice Theory from Chinese pre-Qin Confucianism

Joel LeBel [Chair], University of Hawaii at Manoa
Projecting and Project-ing: The Hermeneutics of Mencius and Wang Bi

Shudong Chen, Johnson Country Community College
Placing Imagination in Place: An Interdisciplinary View from across Cultures

Cheongho Lee, Southern Illinois University – Carbondale
The Mohist Theory of Determination and the Imaginative Power of Bridging the Converses

Concurrent Session 2 – Pacific Room

Indian Philosophy and Virtue Ethics

Jonathan Miller, Pasadena City College
Is Theravada Buddhist Ethics Egoistic?

Roopen Majithia, Mount Allison University
Re-imagining Arjuna’s Potential Transformation with Aristotle’s Help: The Bhagavad Gita and the Nichomachean Ethics on Karma and Habit

Stephen E. Harris [Chair], Leiden University
Buddhist Virtue and Moral Demandingness

Jill Peters, Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam
From Stress Reduction to Stress Mastery

Concurrent Session 3 – Keoni Auditorium

Imagining the Comparative Philosophy of Religion

Jin Y. Park [Chair], American University
Nothingness and Self-Transformation: Kim Iryop, Tanabe Hajime, and Jacques Derrida on Religious Practice
Leah Kalmanson, Drake University
The Dharma and the Dao: Imagining New Categories in the Philosophy of Religion

5:15-6:00: SACP General Member Meeting – TBD

All participants are strongly encouraged to attend!

6:00-7:15: Dinner on Your Own

7:30-9:00: Keynote – Keoni Auditorium

Keynote Speaker:
Lawrence McCrea
Cornell University

“Other People’s Philosophy: Imagination and Identity”
SATURDAY, June 4th

Breakfast on Your Own

9:00-10:30am: Concurrent Sessions

Concurrent Session 1 – Asia Room

Epistemology and Zhuangzi
[Chair: Wesley Bergen, Loyola Marymount University]

Benjamin Coles, Renmin University of China
Empiricism in the Dark: Imagination and Individual Experience in Guo Xiang’s Commentary to the Zhuangzi

Carl J. Dull, High Point University
The Wandering Heart and Imagination: The Role of Zhuangzi’s Moral Psychology in Wandering and Therapeutic Linguistic Practice

Hans-Georg Moeller, University of Macau
On the Philosophical Function of Humorous Imagination in the Zhuangzi

Gordon Mower, Brigham Young University
The Skeptical Imagination: Two Approaches, Zhuangzi and Hume

Concurrent Session 2 – Pacific Room

Imagination and Ontology

Oscar Figueroa, Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México
Imaginative Realization in the Vijñānabhairava-Tantra

Jeffrey Timm [Chair], Wheaton College
A Place Beyond Place: The Divine Madman and the New Materialism (A Reprise)

Sthaneshwar Timalsina, San Diego State University
Gaudapada on Imagination and Experience

John W.M. Krummel, Hobart and William Smith Colleges
An Ontology of the Imagination: Place and Formation
10:30-10:45am: Short Break

10:45am-12:15pm: Concurrent Sessions

Concurrent Session 1 – Asia Room

Consciousness and Embodiment

Elyse Byrnes [Chair], University of Hawaii at Manoa
Warming the Memory of the Dead: Mediation through Embodied Realities and the Caring Imagination

Zhuang Yue, University of Exeter
Cultivating the Imagination: A Confucian-Epicurean Dialogue

Steve Derné, State University of New York, Geneseo
Knowledge through Joy of Unity: Nonobjectifying Epistemology in Kashmir Saivism

Bradley Park, St. Mary’s College of Maryland
Embodying Emptiness: Personality, Style, and Automatism and the Role of Attentional Unity

Concurrent Session 2 – Pacific Room

Imagination and Praxis

Jesús Ilundán-Aguruza [Chair], Linfield College
Spinning Laozi’s Empty Wheel Hub: On the Role of Imagination in Expertise

Lake Davidson, Colorado State University
Language and Li: Merleau-Ponty and Zehou on the Completion of Thought

Ni Yu, University of Edinburgh
The Comparison of Dual Imagination of Human Beings in the Meno and Laozi
Concurrent Session 3 – Keoni Auditorium

The Promise and Perils of Imagination

Douglas L. Berger, Southern Illinois University, Carbondale
What and How Do We Sense? The Role of Imagination in Perception in Buddhist and Nyāya Thought

Ethan Mills [Chair], University of Tennessee at Chattanooga
Prappañca and Vikalpa and Māyā, Oh My!: The Dangers of Imagination in Nāgārjuna, Dignāga, and Gauḍapāda

Geoff Ashton, University of Colorado at Colorado Springs
From the Perils of Imagination to the Promise of Paying Attention: Śraddhā and the Yoga of Imagination: A Proto-Sāṁkhya Reply to the Buddhists

12:15-1:45pm: Lunch on Your Own

2:00-3:30pm: Concurrent Sessions

Concurrent Session 1 – Asia Room

Imagination and Mind

Josh Stoll [Chair], University of Hawaii at Manoa
Imagination as Responsive Action in Enactivism and Kashmir Saivism

Amjol Shrestha, School of Arts Institute of Chicago
The Role of Imagination (kalpanā) in Tarka and Arthapātti

Paul J. D’Ambrosio, East China Normal University
Imaginary Solitude in Neitzsche and the Zhuangzi

Concurrent Session 2 – Pacific Room

The Legacies of Confucian Commentaries

Albert Welter [Chair], University of Arizona
Reframing Intellectual Imaginations in Song China: The Buddhist School of Principle, Linji Chan, and Neo-Confucianism
Haiming Wen, Renmin University of China
Wang Yangming’s “Enlightenment on the Dao of Sages” and Confucian Imagination on Wisdom

Wan-Hsian Chi, National Chi Nan University
Sagehood and the Classical Texts: A Comparative Analysis of Zhu Xi’s and Wang Yangming’s Interpretations of the Confucian Tradition

Sula You, University of Oklahoma
Reconceptualization of Shame from the Virtue Approach to Moral Education

3:30-3:45pm: Coffee-Tea Break

3:45-5:45pm: Concurrent Sessions

Concurrent Session 1 – Asia Room

Language and Epistemology in Chinese Philosophy

Robin Wang [Chair], Loyola Marymount University
Imagination and Xiang Thinking

Kuan-Hung Chen, University of Hawaii at Manoa
Metaphor and Imagination in the Xunzi

Xuan Wang, University of Georgia
Flower in the Mirror and Moon in the Water 鏡花水月: Rhetoric in Chinese Poetics

Ruyu Hung, National Chiayi University
Seeing is Believing: Exploring the Chinese Graphocentrism

Concurrent Session 2 – Pacific Room

Asian Philosophy and Psychological Therapy

Sydney Morrow [Chair], University of Hawaii at Manoa
Disintegration and Compassion Fatigue: Roles and Relationships Among Social Workers and their Clients
Christos Sideras, University of London  
Active Imagination and Asian Philosophy: Ongoing Conversations

Aaron Fehir, Saint Leo University  
The Usefulness of the Useless: Games, Ethics, and the Active Imagination

6:00-7:15pm: Dinner on Your Own  
BOARD MEETING

7:30-9:00pm: Night Off
**Sunday, June 5th**

**Breakfast on Your Own**

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**9:00-10:30pm: Concurrent Sessions**

**Concurrent Session 1 – Asia Room**

**Self, Nature, and the Other**

Yuanfang Dai, Michigan State University  
Bridging the Divide in Feminism with Transcultural Feminist Solidarity: Using the Example of Forging Friendship and Solidarity between Chinese and U.S. Women

David Johnson, Boston College  
Self in Nature, Nature in the Lifeworld: Re-Imagining Nature Through Watsuji’s Concept of Fūdo

Naglis Kardelis and Justas Kučinskas [Chair], Vilnius University  
Imagining Alien Imaginations: The View of the Other and Contemporary Refugee Crisis from Lithuanian and Ancient Greek Perspectives

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**Concurrent Session 2 – Pacific Room**

**Imagination and Hermeneutics**

Paul Dottin, Fudan University  
Chinese Buddhism and African Philosophy: Toward an Enlightened Engagement

Kristian Petersen [Chair], University of Nebraska, Omaha  
Reimagining Islam as a Dao: The Virtues of Sage Muhammad

Dongping Zheng, University of Hawaii at Manoa  
Yufei Wang, University of Hawaii at Manoa & Chongqing Normal University  
Imagination and Tiyong (Forming and Functioning): From Classical Chinese Text to Second Language Acquisition

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**10:30-10:45am: Short Break**
10:45am-12:15pm: Concurrent Sessions

Religious Imagination

Concurrent Session 1 – Asia Room

Imagination and Change

Joseph Johnson, Independent Scholar
An Un-Buddha-Like Curiosity of the Buddha’s Death

Maria Nabor, Aklan State University
The Impasse of Midlife Journey and the Visualization Focus on the Divine Mercy

Matthew LoPresti [Chair], Hawaii Pacific University
Anonymous Hindus: Pluralist and Absolutist Renderings of the Religious Other in the Bhagavadgītā

Concurrent Session 2 – Pacific Room

Philosophy of Religion

E. Young Hwang, University of Chicago Divinity School
Religion Imagination and the Ethics of Authenticity: from a Tiantai Perspective

Dimitry Shevchenko, University of New Mexico
Scriptural Injunctivism: the Mīmāṃsā Philosophy and Yehuda Leibowitz

Karsten J. Struhl [Chair], City University of New York, John Jay College of Criminal Justice
Imagine there’s no Heaven. What about Nirvana? Buddhist Reflections on John Lennon’s Imagine

Farewell!
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