

# IMAGE, PHENOMENON, AND IMAGINATION IN THE PHENOMENOLOGY OF RELIGIOUS EXPERIENCE

The Society for Phenomenology of Religious Experience (SOPHERE)
Biennial Congress, Prague

NOVEMBER 2 - 4, 2018

VENUE: Národní 3, Prague 1 - Old Town (rooms 205 and 206)

#### DAY 1, FRIDAY NOV 2

8:30 opening of the venue; registration

9:15 opening of the conference

Welcome addresses by
Ondřej Ševeček, Director of the Institute of Philosophy
Olga Louchakova-Schwartz, President of the Society for Phenomenology of Religious Experience
Martin Nitsche, Director of the congress

9:30 - 10:30 keynote speech with discussion Chair: Petr Urban

Religious Experience: Beginnings and Ends of Imagination Hans Rainer Sepp

# 10:30 - 11:00 coffee-break

11:00 - 12:00 plenary talks Chair: Vincent J. Pastro

SoPheRE Presidential Address: Transcendental Reaches, and the Riches of Experience Olga Louchakova-Schwartz, UC Davis, Graduate Theological Union - Berkeley

> God and Man as Unrepresentable Images Carla Canullo, Università di Macerata (Italy)

#### 12:00 - 13:30 lunch break

## 13:30 - 15:00 parallel sessions A1 and B1

# <u>A1 - SECTION: FRENCH PHENOMENOLOGY</u>

Chair: Carla Canullo

Modality and Metaphysics: Ritual Usage and the Predication of Religious Experience with Artistic Representation

William L Connelly

The Catholic University of Paris (Institut Catholique de Paris)

Ortega y Gasset's Phenomenology of Human Life Jan Warndorff Utrecht, Netherlands, independent scholar

The Phenomenology of the Invisible in Jean-Yves Lacoste Jan Černý, Institute of Philosophy, Prague, Czech Academy of Sciences

# B1 - SECTION: SPATIAL IMAGES AND SPATIAL ASPECTS OF IMAGINATION

Chair: Martin Nitsche

Aspects of Phenomenological Space in a Semiotactic Study of Wayside Shrines Małgorzata Haładewicz-Grzelak Opole University of Technology, Poland

Religiosity and Superstition

Silvana Errico; Mariarosaria Casolino

Fondo Ambiente Italiano, Environmental and Cultural Heritage, Italy

The Dynamic Geometry of Religious Experience: A Phenomenological Theory of Walking the Labyrinth

Jonathan Doner, Independent Scholar, Virginia USA

#### 15:30 - 17:00 parallel sessions A2 and B2

# A2 - SECTION: IMAGINATIVE INTER-ESSE:

KANT - KIERKEGAARD - HEGEL

Chair: Alexander Berg

Taking Interest in the Imagination: A Mark of a Good Soul and the Foundation for Religious Experience

Alexandra Grundler

Philosophy Department at the University of California, Santa Cruz

Hegel's Account of the Representations of the Gods in his Lectures on the Philosophy of Religion

Ion Stewart

Institute of Philosophy, Slovak Academy of Sciences

Patheticness and Temporal Phenomenalisation of Transcendence according to Kierkevaard

Maria Gołębiewska

Institute of Philosophy and Sociology of the Polish Academy of Sciences

## **B2 - SECTION: VISUAL ART**

Chair: Małgorzata Haładewicz-Grzelak

"Exemplary 'God-men': A comparative overview of the Spiritual Beliefs of Malevich and Kandinsky"

Sally Stocksdale

Notre Dame of Maryland University, Department of History

Religious experience in Fra Angelico's frescoes of San Marco: the origin of «visual» in Georges Didi-Huberman's philosophy of images

Lucía Montes Sánchez

Departamento de Filosofía, Universidad Autónoma de Madrid

Virtuality - Experience of Mystery in Painting

Katarzyna Lidia Weichert

University of Warsaw, Poland

#### 17:00 - 17:15 coffee-break

# 17:15 - 18:45 parallel sessions A3 and B3

#### A3 - SECTION: PHENOMENOLOGICAL ONTOLOGY

Chair: Neal DeRoo

Cognitive Phenomenology and the Rubber Hand Illusion: Thinking About the Transcendent

Christopher Stratman

University of Nebraska - Lincoln

Inquiring into the Pure Immanence. Notion, Appearances, Experience.

Cezary Woźniak

Jagiellonian University, Cracow, Institute of Culture

Being, Phenomenality, and Phenomenology: John Scottus Eriugena?

Kyle H. Kavanaugh

The Catholic University of Paris (Institut Catholique de Paris)

#### **B3 - SECTION: PRAGMATICS OF IMAGINATION**

Chair: Michael J. Shapiro

Wonder as Limiting Phenomenon and Challenging Limits of Anthropological Concept of Religious Experience in Ernst Tugendhat.

Martin Muránský, Slovak Academy of Sciences, Institute of Philosophy, Bratislava

The Influence of William James "Varieties of Religious Experience" on Wittgenstein's Pictorial Thinking or Wittgenstein's Later Philosophy as a Phenomenology.

Alexander Berg

Charles University Prague, Department of German and French Philosophy

# DAY 2, SATURDAY NOV 3

9:00 opening of the venue

9:30 - 10:30 keynote speech with discussion

Chair: Martin Nitsche

The Phenomenology of Belief: Media Technologies and Communities of Sense Michael J. Shapiro University of Hawaii at Manoa

#### 10:30 - 11:00 coffee-break

11:00 - 12:00 plenary talks Chair: Olga Louchakova-Schwartz

Experiencing God as a Consociate, Justification, and Reality Michael Barber, Saint Louise University, USA

The Counter-spectacularity of Religious Experience: Or, a case for Inconspicuousness Jason W. Alvis, Institute of Philosophy, University of Vienna

# 13:30 - 15:00 parallel sessions A4 and B4

#### A4 - SECTION: ETHICS AND POLITICS

Chair: Martin Muránský

Secularism and Violence as the New Masks of God

Domenico Bilotti

<Magna Graecia> University - Catanzaro Italy

Phenomenology of Sacrifice in Patočka, Marion and Nancy

Petr Kouba

Institute of Philosophy, Prague Czech Academy of Sciences

Images of Hope in Palliative Care

Marta Szabat

Jagiellonian University Medical College, Faculty of Health Science, Kraków,

Poland

#### **B4 - SECTION: DIGITAL IMAGINATION**

Chair: Vít Pokorný

**IMAGINATION** 

Chair: Petr Kouba

Cornelia Edwards

Vít Pokorný

Mira T. Reyes

Charles University, Prague

Can an Iconogram Convey the Divine? The Eastern Orthodox Icon in the Internet

Amy Slagle, University of Southern Mississippi, Department of Philosophy and Religion

Deconstruction as a Neophenomenology: The Apophatic Techno-Image and

**B5 - SECTION: DAEMONIC AND ANIMAL DIMENSIONS OF** 

Daemonic Dimension and Symbolic Politics: A Study in Historical Anthropology

Joanna Sarbiewska, University of Gdansk, Poland

Interfaces as Spheres of Religious Experience

The Diabolical Order of Striped Garments

Institute of Philosophy AV CR, Prague

Merleau-Ponty and the Phenomenology of Animal Piety

University of Pardubice Centre of Ethics, Czech Rep.

Martin Nitsche, Institute of Philosophy, Czech Academy of Sciences, Prague

# 15:00 - 15:30 coffee-break

# 15:30 - 17:00 parallel sessions A5 and B5

# A5 - SECTION: PHENOMENOLOGICAL PSYCHOLOGY

Chair: Michael Barber

A Space Oddity: Overview of Neurophenomenological Methods for Examining Religious and Spiritual Experiences in Simulation Environments Patricia Bockelman, Institute for Simulation and Training, University of Central Florida

Approaching Spiritual Experiences Through Different First-Person Modes Anna-Lena Lumma; Terje Sparby

Department for Psychology and Psychotherapy, University of Witten/Herdecke, Germany

The Phenomenology of Job's Self-image as a Knower of Things: Implications Thomas Bown, Brigham Young University, Department of Psychology, Utah

17:00 - 17:15 coffee-break

# 17:15 - 18:15 session A6

#### A6 - SECTION: PHENOMENOLOGY AND ISLAM

Chair: Olga Louchakova-Schwartz

The Phenomenology of Love (Rabia al-Adawiyya (VIII c.) and Edith Stein (XX c.) Kenul Bunyadzade, Azerbaijan National Academy of Sciences

"Remember Me, and I will Remember You:" The Phenomenology of Ritual Remembrance in Sufi Zikr Noman Baig Social Development & Policy, Habib University

# 19:00 CONFERENCE DINNER

#### DAY 3, SUNDAY NOV 4

9:00 opening of the venue

9:30 - 10:30 keynote speech with discussion Chair: Olga Louchakova-Schwartz

Dual Anthropology as Imago Dei in Edith Stein Angela Ales Bello Pontifical Lateral University, Rome

# 10:30 - 11:00 coffee-break

11:00 - 12:00 plenary talks Chair: Olga Louchakova-Schwartz

Embodiment and the Experieence of Diviene James R. Mensch, Faculty of Humanities, Charles University, Prague

A Phenomenology of Image-Bearing: Spirituality, Humanity, and the "Supra-" Relation Neal DeRoo, The King's University, Canada

#### 13:30 - 15:00 parallel sessions A7 and B7

# A7 - PANEL: READING FILIPINO EXPRESSIONS OF FAITH AND COLLECTIVITY

(CHAIR: Fleurdeliz R. Altez-Albela, University of Santo Tomas, Philippines)

An Analysis of the Philippines' Pre-Hispanic Religious Belief Through Revolutionary Movement

Emmanuel Jeric A. Albela

Department of History, University of Santo Tomas, Philippines

Communicating Joy, Generosity and Solidarity: Exploring Play and Festive in the Contemporary Filipino Celebrations of Christmas (Pasko) Through Gadamer's Phenomenological Hermeneutics

Fleurdeliz R. Altez-Albela

Dpt. of Philosophy, University of Santo Tomas, Philippines

Turning Towards Goodness: Levinasian Forgiveness and Filipino Lenten Practices Patrick Andre C. Mencias

Dpt. of Philosophy, University of Santo Tomas, Philippines

(the panel continues after the coffee-break)

# B7 - SECTION: MYSTICISM - NEGATIVE THEOLOGY

Chair: Angela Ales Bello

The Imaginative Expression of the Mystical Event of Experience (St. Theresa of Avila and St. John of the Cross)

Guillermo Ferrer

Bergische Universität Wuppertal - Philosophisches Seminar, Germany

"All Shall Be Well": On Sin, Antinomies, and Transformation of Images in Julian of Norwich

Jana Trajtelová

Department of Philosophy & Center for Phenomenological Studies, Trnava University in Trnava

Failing to Think God. Paradoxical Images and Transformative Experience in Negative Theology

Rico Gutschmidt

Universität Konstanz, Germany

## 15:00 - 15:30 coffee-break

#### 15:30 - 17:00 parallel sessions A7, A8 and B8

Traslación, A Religious Experience? An Existential Phenomenology of the Black Nazarene Folk Religiosity in Manila, Philippines

Rhochie Avelino E. Matienzo

Dpt. of Philosophy, University of Santo Tomas, Philippines continuation of the Filipino panel followed by

# A8 - SECTION: THEOLOGY OF IMAGES - LÉVINASIAN INSPIRATIONS

The Phenomenology of the Word and the Mexican Immigrant Experience of Our Lady of Guadalupe

Vincent J. Pastro

Jesuit School of Theology, Berkeley, CA USA

B8 - SECTION:

PHENOMENOLOGY OF IMAGE IN ASIAN TRADITIONS

Chair: Hans Rainer Sepp

The Great Image Has No Form "大象無形". Pictoriality in Daoism using Qiu Shihua and Other Contemporary Mountain-Water Paintings as an Example Dagmar Dotting

Charles university Prague | Faculty of Humanities and University Vienna, Institute of Philosophy

Transcending Emotions and Intentionality: Daisaku Ikeda's Interpretation of Buddhist Meditation and the Mind Body Problem

Vinicio Busacchi, Faculty of humanities, Cagliari (Sardinia) Italy

Cultural Phenomenology of Self-Transformation among Dang-kis in Singapore Boon-Ooi Lee, Nanyang Technological University, Singapore Laurence J. Kirmayer, McGill University, Canada

## 17:00 - 17:15 coffee-break

# <u>17:15 - 18:15</u> SOPHERE BUSINESS MEETING











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