2014
Philosophical Theologies & Philosophy of Religion in Africana Tradition

24 OCTOBER - 25 OCTOBER
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MORNING SESSION 9:15—12:30

9:20 AM - 9:45 AM
Greetings and Opening Statement: J. Everet Green, Mercy College
Greetings: Mary Taylor, CUNY Graduate Center

10:00 AM - 11:00 AM
Four Types of Soteriology
Speaker: David E. McClean, Molloy College & Rutgers University
Chair: Sara Mokuria, Independent Scholar

11:10 AM - 12:15 PM
William R. Jones and Philosophical Theology: Transgressing and Transforming Conventional Boundaries of Black Liberation Theology
Speaker: Brittany O’Neal, Michigan State University
Biblical Scripture as Historical Text and the African American Experience: A Philosophical Assessment
Speaker: John H. McClendon III, Michigan State University
Chair: Aileen Mokuria

LUNCH 12:15 PM - 1:20 PM

AFTERNOON SESSION 1:30—5:00 pm

1:40 PM - 2:50 PM
Greetings and Introduction: J. Everet Green
With What Alexander Crummell’s Conception of Black Nationalism Begins and Ends?
Speaker: Frank M. Kirkland, Hunter College and the CUNY Graduate Center

3:00 PM - 4:20 PM
What’s Wrong With Philosophy? Confession of a Non-Africana Thinker
Speaker: Enid Bloch, Independent Scholar
Chair: Julie Siestreem

4:30 PM
Memorial Minutes for Leo Downes, Lifelong member of the Society for the Study of Africana Philosophy

BREAK 4:40 PM- 5:00 PM

5:30 PM - 6:40 PM
Geographies of Denial: Vodou Doesn’t Believe in God
Speaker: Manbo Asogwe Dòwòti Désir, OGUN Taskforce for Haïti
Chair: Sara Mokuria, Independent Scholar

RECITAL 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM
The Blue Line Project performing, EXALTATION, a multimedia performance
THE COMMONS, 388 Atlantic Avenue, Brooklyn
(Between Hoyt Street & Bond Street)
9:00 AM to 5:00 PM

25 OCTOBER

MORNING SESSION 8:45 AM - 12:30 PM

9:00 AM - 9:20 AM
Welcome: J. Everet Green

9:20 AM - 10:30 AM
Sin Has Many Tools But A Lie Is the Handle That Fits Them All
Speaker: Richard F. Ford, Sr., Independent Scholar
Chair: Aileen Mokuria

10:40 AM – 12: 00 PM
J. Leonard Farmer on the Mysteries of the Second Isaiah
Speaker: Greg Moses, Texas State University
Chair: Silvia Federici

LUNCH 12:00 PM - 1:30 PM

AFTERNOON SESSION 1:30 PM TO 5:00 PM

1:30 PM - 2:30 PM
Muslim Women Engaging With Islamic and Western Knowledge Systems in the Sahel
Speaker: Ousseina Alidou, Rutgers University
Chair: Kimberly Ann Harris, Pennsylvania State University

2:35 PM - 3:35 PM
Is Christianity a Major Contributing Factor to Black Oppression?
Speaker: Zay D. Green
Chair: Kimberly Ann Harris

3:35 PM - 4:40 PM
Discussion: Philosophy and Religion in Africana Traditions
Yusuf Nuruddin, University of Massachusetts Boston • •
Manbo Asogwe Dòwòti Désir, • •
David McClean, • • Ousseina Alidou • • Chair: George Caffentzis

Closing Remarks
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24 OCTOBER 7 PM RECITAL

The
Blue Line Project
Performing:
EXALTATION
A multi media performance
Featuring:
•Kerry Malone Brown•
Bandleader, saxophone and flute
•Joe Tranchina•
piano
•Doug Richardson•
drums
•Eric Lemons•
bass
Special appearance by Al Mosley, trumpet & DJ ACE

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