



2014

**Philosophical Theologies & Philosophy of
Religion in Africana Tradition**

24 OCTOBER - 25 OCTOBER

CUNY: The Graduate Center ELEBASH RECITAL HALL

365 Fifth Avenue New York, NY 10016

9:00 AM to 9:00 PM

24 OCTOBER

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

5:10 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 multi media 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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