

Announcements

Society for Women in Philosophy. For information on SWIP membership, which includes receiving program announcements, the national SWIP newsletter, and a discount subscription to *Hypatia*, contact the SWIP chapter in your area:

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Pacific SWIP: Executive Secretary: Wanda Teays, Mt. St. Mary's College, Los Angeles, CA 90049. Treasurer: Renee Lewis, Philosophy Department, California State Los Angeles, Los Angeles, CA 90032-8114.

Call for papers: Philosophy and the Feminine: A Conference on Feminism and the Feminine in Philosophy. Featured speakers: Druscilla Cornell, Naomi Scheman, Iris Marion Young

Philosophy in all its forms has long regarded its work as gender neutral. More recently, feminist philosophers have challenged this conception. Can we assume neutrality if thinking beings are also embodied, gendered beings? But if bodies are what matter, does the fact that philosophy is largely practiced by men make philosophy a masculine discipline? Or is 'masculine' merely a term of privilege loosely grouped with rationality and argument, *agon* and the *polis*, and 'feminine' a term of occlusion similarly grouped with intuition and persuasion, *eros* and the *oikos* (or *chora*)? Why should nature, or truth, or fortune be a woman? Our conference will be a forum for all those interested in continuing to explore such questions as they arise in any philosophical field or at any point in its history.

We intend this conference to be an expression of the plurality of women's voices in philosophy, and, in hopes of fostering dialogue, are eager for submissions that cut across various traditions. We hope that by providing a distinctly feminist voice, we might perhaps also explore the ways in which the boundaries that continue to exist among those engaged in feminist pursuits are themselves artifacts of the way traditional philosophy has closed out the kinds of concerns feminists are now bringing forward. We welcome papers or detailed panel proposals on all related topics. Individual papers should have a reading time of no more than 20 minutes; proposals for panels should include a list of

panel participants, statement of theme, and abstracts from each of the participants. The author's or participants' name(s) and email address(es), (if available) should appear on the title page only, to allow for anonymous reviewing. Please indicate also on the title pages a willingness to participate in any of the following: round table discussions, chairing a session, or commenting on another paper.

Please send two copies of submissions to: Susanne Goethals and Jennifer Holt, Department of Philosophy, 111 Furman Hall, Vanderbilt University, Nashville, TN 37240. Deadline for submissions is September 1, 1998. For further information, contact Susanne at (615) 228-2488, susanne.goethals@vanderbilt.edu, or Jennifer at (615) 383-4329, jennifer.r.holt@vanderbilt.edu.

Nominations invited for the first award of the Greg Kavka/University of California at Irvine Prize in Political Philosophy, to be conferred at the Pacific Division meeting of the American Philosophical Association in the spring of 1999. The prize is to be awarded for the best paper in a refereed journal, or an original book chapter or original essay published in a collection with a multiplicity of contributors, in the field of political philosophy, broadly understood.

Papers from any area of political philosophy and political theory are welcome, including, but not limited to, the history of political philosophy, rational choice theory with implications drawn for political philosophy, and moral theory/applied ethics in which direct links are made to political philosophy or public policy. Papers for the spring 1999 award are eligible if they were published for the first time (not reprinted) between January 1, 1995 and December 31, 1997.

A symposium in honor of the recipient of the Kavka Prize will be scheduled at the Pacific Division APA, to include panelists commenting on and enlarging upon the ideas of the selected paper, followed by a response from the award winner. There will also be a reception in celebration of the prize. The amount of the prize is \$500. The author must be a member in good standing of the APA at the time the award is presented.

Nominations of papers for the Kavka Prize are encouraged from journal editors, authors, and colleagues. *The deadline for submissions is September 1, 1998.* Three copies of each nominated paper, with bibliographic/publication information and the author's current academic affiliation or address, should be sent to Professor Leslie Francis, Department of Philosophy, University of Utah, Salt Lake City, UT 84112. Please mark the envelope "Nominations for the Greg Kavka Prize." The author of the prize winning selection will be notified by December 15, 1998.

Announcement: 1998 New Jersey Project Fall Conference. Novel Ideas: Using Literature to Explore Diversity Issue Across the Disciplines. Friday, October 23, 1998; 8: 30 a.m.-4: 30 p.m., The College of St. Elizabeth, Morristown, New

Jersey. This conference will showcase the work of educators from a variety of disciplines who use literature to integrate gender and multicultural content and perspectives into their courses. Workshops will send participants home with practical strategies for incorporating diversity issues through the use of novels, short stories, poetry, and other forms of creative writing.

Keynote Presentation: Bebe Moore Campbell. Novelist and writer Bebe Moore Campbell has been called "one of the most important African American writers of this century" by the *Washington Post*. She is author of two *New York Times* bestsellers, *Brothers and Sisters* and *Singing in the Comeback Choir* and the widely read *Your Blues Ain't Like Mine*. She is also author of a memoir entitled *Sweet Summer, Growing Up With and Without My Dad*.

A sampling of Conference Workshops:

Themes of Liberation and Transformation: Latino/Latina Literature, David Abalos, Seton Hall University.

Fictions of Identity: The Use of Novels in Sociology and Women's Studies Classes, Wendy Chapkis, University of Southern Maine.

Transforming Student Learning in Psychology Through Teaching with Autobiographies, Jack Meacham, SUNY-Buffalo.

For more information and registration forms, contact The New Jersey Project Office, WPU, Wayne, NJ 07470; (9773) 7720-2296; nj_project@wpc.wilpaterson.edu.

SWIP-L, an electronic mail list for feminist philosophers is the e-mail information and discussion list for members of the Society for Women in Philosophy and others who are interested in feminist philosophy. To subscribe to this list send the following one-line message: SUBSCRIBE SWIP-L <YOUR NAME> to `LISTSERV@CFRVM` (Bitnet) or to `LISTSERV@CFRVM.CFR.USF.EDU` (Internet). When you want to post messages on the list send them to `SWIP-L@CFRVM` or to `SWIP-L@CFRVM.CFR.USF.EDU`. The purpose of the list is to provide a place to share information about SWIP and other feminist philosophy meetings, calls for papers, jobs for feminist philosophers, etc., as well as to engage in more substantive discussions related to feminist philosophy. While the list is open to both SWIP members and non-members, it is meant for feminist philosophers and theorists. It is free of charge. The SWIP-L's "owner" is Linda Lopez McAlister. If you have questions please e-mail her at (`mcalister@chumal.cas.usf.edu`).