

**HEGEL SOCIETY OF AMERICA  
27<sup>th</sup> BIENNIAL CONFERENCE**

**HEGEL'S RELEVANCE TODAY  
OCTOBER 11<sup>TH</sup>–13<sup>TH</sup>, 2024**

**BOSTON UNIVERSITY  
BOSTON, MA**

Information for participants:

The 27<sup>th</sup> biennial meeting of the Hegel Society of America will take place October 11-13 at Boston University. See the final page of the program below for a map. A map of the campus is available electronically at <https://maps.bu.edu/?id=647#!ct/?s/>

Registration:

Please check back soon for registration link.

Hotel information:

**The Hotel Commonwealth** (500 Commonwealth Ave, Boston, MA 02215)

Discounted rooms available for \$309/night. To reserve your room, use the booking link below or call the hotel directly at (617) 532-5019 and mention the conference.

[BU Philosophy, Hegel Society of America – Booking Link](#)

Flight Information:

Boston's airport is Logan Airport (BOS). From there, it is quite easy (and inexpensive) to get to the BU area via public transportation (versus by cab which will cost about \$45). From the baggage level at Logan, catch a shuttle bus that will take you to the **"T"** station (the "T" is Boston's underground service). Board the "T" in the direction of "Bowdoin". After a few stops, get off at "Government Center". From there, take ANY train going into the city (via "Park Street"). From "Government Center", it's a one-stop ride to "Park Street" where you will need to transfer either to the "B" or "C" branches of the "Green Line". Either branch will take you to the "Kenmore" stop, and you will then be merely a few steps from Hotel Commonwealth. The whole ride will take 40-50 minutes.

Here's more info about the Boston "T":

<https://www.mbta.com/maps>

If you travel by train, get off either at South Station or Back Bay Station. The "T" is again the best and cheapest means of getting to the BU campus and Hotel Commonwealth. See above link.

*Friday, October 11<sup>th</sup>*

Room:

12:00 PM

Registration

1:15 pm

Opening Remarks

**Jeffrey Church** (University of Houston)

**Sally Sedgwick** (Boston University)

**C. Allen Speight** (Boston University)

Room 1 – Photonics (PH) 906

Room 2 – School of Theology (STH) 625

1:30 pm

**C. Allen Speight** (Boston University)

“Hegel and the Philosophy of Culture:  
Contemporary Questions”

Chair:

2:30 pm

**Dylan Shaul** (Yale University)

“Hegel after Post-Structuralism: From Absolute  
Idealism to New Materialism”

Chair:

1:30 pm

**Andrew Buchwalter** (University of North  
Florida)

“Hegel on Time, History, and Environmental  
Intergenerationalism”

Chair:

2:30 pm

**Jim Vernon** (York University)

“‘The Very Stones Cry Out and Raise  
Themselves to Spirit’: Hegel, Crystals, and the  
Emancipatory Magic of Natural Beauty”

Chair:

3:30

Coffee Break

Room 1 – PH 906

4:00 pm

**Tim Brownlee** (Xavier University)

“Publicity and Ideology: the Limits of Critique  
in Hegel’s Social Theory”

Chair:

5:00 pm

Plenary Address

**Klaus Vieweg** (Universität Jena)

“Adventures in Wonderland: The Beginning of  
Hegel’s New Metaphysics”

Room 2 – STH 625

4:00 pm

**Stephanie Takata-Struble** (Stony Brook  
University)

“Dog Goes ‘Woof,’ Cat Goes ‘Meow,’ But Do  
They Speak? An Examination of the Animal  
Voice, the Cry, and the Soul in Hegel’s  
*Philosophy of Nature* and *Anthropology*”

Chair:

6:45 pm  
Reception at TBD

***Saturday, October 12<sup>th</sup>***

Room:

8:30 am  
Coffee and Registration

Room 1 – PH 906

9:00 am

**Viren Murthy** (University of Wisconsin,  
Madison)

“Hegelian Critiques of Capitalism: Rethinking  
Modernity through Speculative Metaphysics”

Chair:

Room 2 – PH 901

9:00 am

**Susan Hahn** (Bentley University)

“Dialectical Law and Optical Law”

Chair:

Room 1 – PH 906

Room 2 – PH 901

10:00 am

**Günter Zöller** (Ludwig Maximilians  
Universität, München)  
“*Res Publica Abstracta*. Hegel’s Distinction  
Between Civil Society and the Political State  
and the American Polity Today”

Chair:

10:00 am

**Michael Baur** (Fordham University)  
“Hegel’s Relevance for Contemporary Critical  
Theory”

Chair:

11:00 am

Coffee Break

11:30 am

*Presidential Address*

**Kevin Thompson** (DePaul)

12:30-2:20 pm

Lunch

Lunch meeting of the HSA Executive Council in TBD

Room 1 – PH 906

Room 2 – PH 901

2:30 pm

**Jere Surber** (University of Denver)  
“Foucault, Deleuze, and the ‘Escape from  
Hegel””

Chair:

2:30 pm

**Nadine Mooren** (University of Münster)  
“Embedded Individuality: Hegel’s Concept of  
Personal Experience and the Relevance of  
Intersubjectivity”

Chair:

3:30 pm

**Jay Miller** (Warren Wilson College)  
“Hegel and Contemporary Identity Politics”

Chair:

3:30 pm

**Giovanna Luciano** (University of Padua)  
“Humanism as Struggle: the Role of Education  
from Hegel to Freire’s Critical Pedagogy and  
Backward”

Chair:

4:30 pm

Coffee Break

5:00 pm

HSA Business Meeting (all are welcome)

6:30

Banquet in PH 7<sup>th</sup> floor atrium

*Sunday, October 13<sup>th</sup>*

8:30 am  
Coffee

Room 1 – PH 906

Room 2 – PH 901

9:00 am

**Emmanuel Chaput** (Johns Hopkins University)  
“The Relevance of System and Life in Hegel”  
Chair:

9:00 am

**Ana Vieyra** (Emory University)  
“Conceptual Truth and the Idea in Hegel”  
Chair:

10:00 am

**Daniel Luna** (University of Toronto)  
“Hegel and the Ethical Moment of the Pandemic”  
Chair:

10:00 am

**Paul Wilford** (Boston College)  
“The Poverty of Contemporary Political Philosophy”  
Chair:

11:00 am  
Coffee Break

Room 1 – PH 906

Room 2 – PH 901

11:30 am

**Giulia Battistoni** (Boston University)  
“New Insights on Biodiversity from Hegel to Jonas”  
Chair:

11:30 am

**Tyler van Wulven** (University of Kentucky)  
“The Road to Hell”  
Chair:

12:30 pm  
Adjournment





Hegel Society of America  
Conference Map

October 11 - 13, 2024

Photonics Center - 8 Saint Mary's St, Boston, MA 02215  
Room 906 (Main room)

School of Theology - 745 Commonwealth Ave, Boston, MA 02215

