40th Annual Spindel Conference
October 28-29, 2022

Relational autonomy and collective intentionality

Friday 28 October

10 am  Registration (Maria Paula Tapia Betancourt), Coffee and Introduction (Shaun Gallagher)

10:30  Mason Cash. Distributed cognition, relational autonomy, and distributed social practices in social change
Chair: Ashleigh Morales

11:30  Andrea Westlund. Autonomy, autobiography, and the sharing of stories
Chair: James Bahoh

12:30  Lunch

2 pm  Keynote: John Christman. Freedom and social practices
Comment: Corey Barnes
Chair: Amy Nigh

3:30  Coffee break

4 pm  Lanei Rodemeyer. What about synesthesia? Phenomenological engagement with fields of sense
Chair: Kelby Bibler

Saturday 29 October

10 am  John Protevi. Esprit de corps and thinking on (and with) your feet
Chair: David Henderson

11 am  Keynote: Dan Zahavi. Beyond individualism and collectivism
Comment: Matt Bower
Chair: Caner Yildirim

12:30  Lunch

2 pm  Georg Theiner. Humanity, Inc.: Collective super-intelligence à la Teilhard
Chair: Michele Merritt

3:30  Coffee break

4 pm  Keynote: Catriona Mackenzie. We-agency, autonomous agency, and social oppression
Comment: Sarah Vincent
Chair: Deb Tollefsen

5:30  Open discussion

6 pm  Reception and BBQ
Murray Spindel (d. July 7, 1999) was a great friend to the University of Memphis and to the faculty members and students in the Philosophy Department who came to know him. In the fall of 1981, Murray gave an endowment to the University of Memphis that has been used by the Philosophy Department to fund an annual conference on varying philosophical topics. Directed by faculty, the conference is held each fall; the proceedings are published as a supplement to The Southern Journal of Philosophy. The Spindel Philosophy Conference has become an internationally renowned event, and the Spindel Supplements offer timely and important contributions to philosophy.