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Honolulu, Hawai'i, U.S.A**

Theme: "Sustainability and Interdependence"

Co-sponsored by
The Department of Philosophy, University of Hawai'i at Mānoa

Announcement of 2011 SACP Student Essay Awards Winners:

- **First Prize: Jake Davis**, City University of New York: *“‘When You Know for Yourself’ The Establishment of Mindfulness (satipaṭṭhāna) as a Means of Moral Discovery”*
 - **Second Prize: Laura Guerrero**, University of New Mexico: *“Why A Mādhyamika Cannot Be A Skeptic”*
 - **Third Prize: Ryan Melvin**, Birmingham-Southern College: *“Minimalism and Consciousness in Zhuangzi’s Cook Ding”*
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CONFERENCE PROGRAM

All the meeting sessions are held on the 2nd floor of the Campus Center

WEDNESDAY, MAY 25

2:30 pm: Registration (2nd floor, Campus Center)

3:30-4:00 pm: Opening Welcome (Executive Dining Room)

Peimin Ni, President of SACP: *“Welcome Remarks”*

4:00-6:00 pm: Plenary Session I: The Interdependence of Confucian Role Ethics (Executive Dining Room)

Chair: Marthe Chandler, Depauw University

- **Henry Rosemont, Jr.**, Brown University: *“Contemporary Analytic Philosophy and the Confucian Persuasion”*
- **Roger T. Ames**, University of Hawai’i: *“Interdependence: The Confucian Persuasion and an Ethics of Roles”*
- **Discussant: Marthe Chandler**, Depauw University: *“Role Ethics: A Moral Vision of Interdependence for the Global 21st Century”*

6:00-7:00 pm: Dinner (Executive Dining Room)

7:00-8:00 pm: Executive Board Meeting, Part 1 (Executive Dining Room)

8:00-9:15 pm: Plenary Session II: Keynote Address (Executive Dining Room)

Chair: Joseph Prabhu, California State University, Los Angeles

Speaker: Joel Kupperman, Trustees Distinguished Professor, University of Connecticut:
“Values and Social Contracts”

THURSDAY, MAY 26

7:30-8:30 am: Breakfast

8:30-10:00 am: Concurrent Sessions

Panel 1: Understanding Interdependence (CC 203E)

Chair: Eric S. Nelson, University of Massachusetts, Lowell

- **Karsten Struhl**, John Jay College of Criminal Justice (CUNY): *“The Many Faces of Interdependence”*
- **Amjol Shrestha**, University of Hawai’i, student: *“Pratityasamutpada & En Panti Pantos Moira: Some Concerns over An Interdependent Ontology”*

Panel 2: Plurality, Unity, and Interdependence (CC 203A)

Chair: Mary Bockover, Humboldt State University

- **Heather Salazar**, Western New England College: *“Using Buddhism to Resolve the Conflict between the Universal and Relative in Constructivist Ethics.”*
- **Gino Signoracci**, University of New Mexico, student: *“Vivekānanda’s Vedānta: Monism, Ethics, and Prospects for Contemporary Philosophy”*
- **James Mark Shields**, Bucknell University: *“Sustainability, Simplicity and Impermanence: A Philosophical Critique of Buddhist Approaches to Well-being”*

Panel 3: Theory and Practice Informed by Asian Philosophies (CC 203B)

Chair: Stephen Rowe, Grand Valley State University

- **Daniel Coyle**, Birmingham Southern: *“Interdependence and Correlative Thinking: On the Idea of Quan 權 in Warring States Philosophical literature”*
- **Yi Zhao**, Grand Valley State University: *“Using ‘Ends’ to Achieve ‘Means’: Zhongyong in the Words and Deeds of Confucius”*
- **Ethan Mills**, Univ. of New Mexico, student: *“Religiosity Without Belief: Nāgārjuna’s Buddhist Skepticism”*

10:00-10:15 am: Coffee Break

10:15-11:45 am: Concurrent Sessions

Panel 4: Interdependence – Methods and Aims of Comparative Philosophy (CC 203E)

Chair: Henry Rosemont, Jr., Brown University

- **Geert Drieghe**, University of Glasgow, student: *"Sustainability and Interdependence: Post-formal Reasoning as a Heuristic for Comparative Analysis"*
- **Sarah Mattice**, University of Hawai'i, student: *"On Sustainable Philosophy: Philosophical Soldiers and Philosophical Artists"*
- **Karyn Lai**, University of New South Wales: *"Dialogue and Some Debates on the Environment: Taking Some Cues from the Zhuangzi"*

Panel 5: Liberty, Human Rights, and Interdependence (CC 203A)

Chair: Matthew S. LoPresti, Hawai'i Pacific University

- **Chenyang Li**, Nanyang Technological University of Singapore: *"Equality and Inequality in Confucianism"*
- **David Heise**, Humboldt State University: *"Justifying Human Rights: A Kasulian Approach to East / West Dialogue"*
- **Peter Vernezze**, Weber State University: *"Bell's Left Confucianism: A Report from the Field"*

Panel 6: Common Good beyond Economics (CC 203B)

Chair: Kim Skoog, University of Guam,

- **Donna Dorsey**, Grant MacEwan University: *"Interdependence And The Common Good"*
- **James Garrison**, University of Hawai'i, student: *"Feeling at Home with the Economy: A Confucian Perspective"*

11:45-1:30 pm: Lunch (Executive Dining Room)

1:30-3:00 pm: Concurrent Sessions

Panel 7: Concepts of Self and Interdependence (CC 203A)

Chair: Chenyang Li, Nanyang Technological University of Singapore

- **Christopher Kelley**, Columbia University, student: *"The Abnormal Moral Psychology of the Bodhicaryāvatāra"*
- **Mary Bockover**, Humboldt State University: *"A New Ethic of Gender: Where Confucian Ritual and Human Rights Intersect"*

Panel 8: Subjectivity in Asian and Cross-Cultural Thought (CC 203E)

Chair: André van der Braak, Radboud University

- **Paulina Rivero Weber**, National Autonomous University of Mexico: *"Sinonietzscheanism: Nietzsche and the Daoist Proposal of Life as a Work of Art"*
- **Mathew Varghese**, Aoyama Gakuin University, Tokyo: *"Nāgārjuna's Conceptions of Śūnyatā and Nairātmya as a Procedure of 'Caring for the Self' and Explaining Subjectivity"*
- **Douglas L. Berger**, Southern Illinois University: *"The Abode of Recognition: Nyaya's Notions of Self, Memory and Experiential Continuity"*

3:00-3:15 pm: Coffee Break

3:15-4:45 pm. Concurrent Sessions

Panel 9: Interdependence of the Human and the Non-human (CC 203A)

Chair: Sarah Mattice, University of Hawai'i

- **Eric S. Nelson**, University of Massachusetts, Lowell: *"The Yijing and the Hermeneutics and Ethics of Nature"*
- **Curtis A. Rigsby**, University of Guam: *"Modern Japan's Response to the West: Relational Models of Human-World Interdependence"*

Panel 10: Sustainability and Interdependence – the Political Dimension (CC 203E)

Chair: Sor-hoon Tan, National University Singapore

- **Stephen Rowe**, Grand Valley State University: *"Democracy, Dialogue, and Human Development as Post-Traditional Universals"*
- **Joseph Prabhu**, California State University, Los Angeles: *"Sustainability and Interdependence: Some Post-Gandhian Reflections"*
- **He Jinli**, Trinity University: *"Wang Guowei's Reading of Chinese Moral-Political Philosophy"*

4:45-5:45 pm: Members' Business Meeting (Executive Dining Room)

6:00-8:00 pm: Dinner (Executive Dining Room)

8:00-9:30 pm: Plenary Session III: The Relevance of Asian Philosophy for the Mainstream Discipline and the Contemporary World (Executive Dining Room)

Chair: JeeLoo Liu, California State University, Fullerton

- **Roger T. Ames**, University of Hawai'i
- **Sor-hoon Tan**, National University Singapore
- **Douglas L. Berger**, Southern Illinois University
- **JeeLoo Liu**, California State University, Fullerton

FRIDAY, MAY 27

7:30-8:30 am: Breakfast

8:30-10:00 am: Concurrent Sessions

Panel 11: Sustainability: "Eco-philosophy and Sustainability: Theory and Praxis" (CC 203E)

Chair: Joseph Prabhu, California State University, Los Angeles

- **Fred Dallmayr**, University of Notre Dame: *"Thomas Berry and eco-philosophy"*

- **Gail M. Presbey**, University of Detroit Mercy: *"The Problem of using Anger as a Motivator for Social Change"*

Panel 12: Buddhist Ecology, Ethics, and Its Implications (CC 203A)

Chair: **Al Albergate**, Independent Scholar

- **Ashby Butnor**, Metropolitan State College of Denver: *"Ethics as Human Ecology: A Buddhist Approach"*
- **Thill Raghu**, College of Southern Nevada: *"Is Buddhist Ecology Logically Possible?"*

10:00-10:15 am: Coffee Break

10:15-11:45 am: Concurrent Sessions

Panel 13: Perspectives on Interdependence (CC 203E)

Chair: **Karsten Struhl**, John Jay College of Criminal Justice (CUNY)

- **Wai Wai Chiu**, University of New South Wales, student: *"Zhuangzi and Co-existence with Nature: Going beyond a Human Perspective"*
- **Kim Skoog**, University of Guam: *"Plotting A Course of Civility in The Growing Global Economic Crisis: Where Lies Our Obligations in Helping the Poor vs. Ourselves?"*
- **Nicholas Brasovan**, University of Hawai'i: *"Ecological Humanism in the Philosophy of Wang Fuzhi"*

Panel 14: Self-Other Split and Interdependence (CC 203A)

Chair: **Li-Hsiang Lisa Rosenlee**, University of Hawai'i – West Oahu

- **Judy D. Saltzman**, California Polytechnic State University: *"Spinoza Buddhism and the Bodhisattva Path"*
- **Steve Bein**, Rochester Community and Technical College: *"Climate Change and Self Identity"*

11:45-1:30 pm: Lunch (Executive Dining Room)

1:30-3:00 pm: Concurrent Sessions

Panel 15: Dōgen and Interdependence (CC 203A)

Chair: **Judy D. Saltzman**, California Polytechnic State University

- **Ermine L. Algiaer IV**, Temple University, student: *"The Natural World: Naess, Dōgen, and the Problem of Limits"*
- **André van der Braak**, Radboud University: *"Dōgen's View of Dependent Origination as Activity: the Promise of Japanese Philosophy for Our Times"*

Panel 16: Rationality beyond Conceptualization (CC 203E)

Chair: **Michiko Yusa**, Western Washington University

- **Jeffrey Timm**, Wheaton College: *"Footsteps of the Divine Madman: Sustainability and Interdependence in the Crazy Wisdom of Drukpa Kunley"*
- **Tingting Zhang**, Zhejiang University, student: *"The Philosophy of Chinese Zen as an Image of the Other in American Literature"*

3:00-3:15 pm: Coffee Break

3:15-4:45 pm. Concurrent Sessions

Panel 17: Care Ethics, Virtue, and Confucianism (CC 203E)

Chair: Donna Dorsey, Grant MacEwan University

- **Li-Hsiang Lisa Rosenlee**, University of Hawai'i – West Oahu: *"The Entangled Relationship between Feminism and Chinese Canonical Texts"*
- **Ian Sullivan**, University of Hawai'i at Mānoa, student: *"Care, Virtue, and Roles: A Comparative Study of Ethical Particularisms"*
- **Joseph John**, Southern Illinois Univ. at Carbondale, student: *"Reconsidering Xunzi on Morality and Human Nature: Why the 'Paradox of Virtue' is not a Paradox"*

Panel 18: Theoretical Constructions, Language, and Methods of Argumentation (CC 203A)

Chair: David Heise, Humboldt State University:

- **Rick Schubert**, Cosumnes River College: *"Things and Kinds in Zhuangzi: Virtue, Transformation and Interdependence"*
- **Yahui Anita Huang**, Birmingham-Southern College: *"Chinese Conditionals: Interdependence, Causality, and the Philosophy of Language"*
- **Stephen Harris**, University of New Mexico: *"The Method of Indian Buddhist Ethics"*

4:45-5:45 pm: Executive Board Meeting, Part 2 (CC 203E)

6:00-8:00 pm: Dinner (Executive Dining Room)

8:00-9:30 pm: Plenary Session IV: Student Essay Awards Winners: Theoretical Interpretations of Spiritual Practices (Executive Dining Room)

Chair: Peimin Ni, Grand Valley State University

- **Jake Davis**, City University of New York, student: *"'When You Know for Yourselves' The Establishment of Mindfulness (satipaṭṭhāna) as a Means of Moral Discovery"*
- **Laura Guerrero**, University of New Mexico, student: *"Why A Mādhyamika Cannot Be A Skeptic"*
- **Ryan Melvin**, Birmingham-Southern College, student: *"Minimalism and Consciousness in Zhuangzi's Cook Ding"*

SATURDAY, MAY 28

7:30-8:30 am: Breakfast

8:30-10:00 am: Concurrent Sessions

Panel 19: Interdependence: Logic and Duality (CC 203A)

Chair: Rick Schubert, Cosumnes River College

- **Michiko Yusa**, Western Washington University: *"Unraveling D. T. Suzuki's 'Logic of sokuhi'—How 'Negation qua Affirmation' is Possible"*
- **Sydney Johnson**, Univ. of Hawai'i at Mānoa: *"Reflecting on Reflection: Reconciling Kant's Antinomy of Reflective Judgment"*
- **Al Albergate**, Independent Scholar: *"The Possibility of Human Understanding of Interdependence: A Conversation between Buddhists and Immanuel Kant"*

Panel 20: Global Interdependence and the Dissemination of Chinese Philosophy: New Works in the Field (CC 203E)

Chair: Marthe Chandler, Depauw University

- **Ronnie Littlejohn**, Belmont University
- **Karyn Lai**, University of New South Wales
- **Peimin Ni**, Grand Valley State University
- **Jeeloo Liu**, California State University, Fullerton

10:00-10:15 am: Coffee Break

10:15-11:45 am: Concurrent Sessions

Panel 21: Contiguity between Theory and Practice (CC 203A)

Chair: Peter Vernezze, Weber State University

- **Jonathan Flowers**, Southern Illinois University at Carbondale, student: *"Mono no Aware as Environmental Interpretation"*
- **Kenneth Faber**, Vanderbilt University, student: *"The Buddhist Understanding of Interdependence, Implications for Environmental Philosophy"*

Panel 22: Sustainability and Spiritual Practices – Understanding (CC 203E)

Chair: Ronnie Littlejohn, Belmont University

- **Richard Reilly**, St. Bonaventure University: *"Right Consumption & Sustainability as Spiritual Practices"*
- **Jung-Yeup Kim**, Kent State University: *"Confucian Ritual Propriety: A Method of Sustaining Emotional Health and its Contemporary Relevance"*

11:45-1:30 pm: Farewell Lunch (TBA)

Conference Participants, Honolulu, 2011

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Albergate, Al, Independent Scholar	Panel 12, 19
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Ames, Roger T., University of Hawai'i	Plenary I & III
Bein, Steve, Rochester Community and Technical College	Panel 14
Berger, Douglas L., Southern Illinois University	Panel 8, Plenary III
Bockover, Mary, Humboldt State University	Panel 2, 7
Brasovan, Nicholas, University of Hawai'i	Panel 13
Butnor, Ashby, Metropolitan State College of Denver	Panel 12
Chandler, Marthe, Depauw University	Plenary I, Panel 20
Chiu, Wai Wai, University of New South Wales	Panel 13
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Johnson, Sydney, Univ. of Hawai'i at Mānoa	Panel 19
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Kim, Jung-Yeup, Kent State University	Panel 22
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Rosemont Jr., Henry, Brown University	Plenary I, Panel 4
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