

**The 30<sup>th</sup> International Conference of the Merleau-Ponty Circle**  
**September 29 – October 1, 2005**  
**University of Oregon**  
**Program Schedule**

**Wednesday, September 28**

6:00 - 8:00 p.m. *Registration at The Phoenix Inn, 850 Franklin Blvd, Eugene*

**Thursday, September 29**

*All sessions at the Fir Room, Erb Memorial Union.*

8:30 - 9:00 *Coffee and Registration*

9:00 - 9:15 Welcoming Remarks:  
**Joe Stone**, Dean of Arts and Sciences, University of Oregon  
**Scott Pratt**, Head, Department of Philosophy, University of Oregon

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Session One: Animality and Humanity

Moderator: Rachel McCann, Mississippi State University

9:15 - 10:00 *Inter-Animality and the Question of Animal Attunement*  
**Bryan Bannon**, University of Memphis

10:00 - 10:45 *Re-Enchanting Nature: The Dark Proximity of Animal and Human Life in Later Merleau-Ponty*  
**Tristan Moyle**, University of Essex

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10:45 - 11:00 *Refreshment Break*

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Session Two: The Multifarious Flesh

Moderator: Dera Sipe, Villanova University

11:00 - 12:00 *Invited Lecture: The Multiplicity of Flesh in Merleau-Ponty*  
**Lawrence Hass**, Muhlenberg College

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12:00 - 2:00 Business Lunch, Gerlinger Alumni Lounge, Gerlinger Hall

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Session Three: The Spell of the Wild

Moderator: Louise Westling, University of Oregon

2:00 - 2:45 *The Child, The Painter, The Rock*  
**David Abram**, Director, Alliance for Wild Ethics, Santa Fe, New Mexico

2:45 - 3:30 *Animal Appeal: Derrida, Merleau-Ponty, and The Call of the Wild*  
**Randall Johnson**, Psychiatry, private practice, Chapel Hill, NC

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3:30 - 3:45 *Refreshment Break*

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Session Four: The Child's Consciousness and Unconscious

Moderator: Sara Hodges, University of Oregon

3:45 - 4:30 *Merleau-Ponty's Child Psychology and Winnicottian Psychoanalysis*  
**Thamy Ayouch**, Université Paris 7 – Denis Diderot

4:30 - 5:30 **Invited Lecture: The World's Skin Ever Expanding: Spatiality and the Structures of Child Consciousness**  
**Eva Simms**, Duquesne University

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5:30 - 7:30 *Reception at the home of Mark Johnson*  
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### **Friday, September 30**

*All sessions at the Fir Room, Erb Memorial Union*

8:30 - 9:00 *Coffee and Registration*

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#### Session Five: Literary and Evolutionary Perspectives

Moderator: Maria Talero, Rhodes College

9:00 - 9:45 *Testifying, Showing, and Reasoning: Merleau-Ponty and J. M. Coetzee's The Lives of Animals*  
**Christian Grüny**, Private Universität Witten

9:45 - 10:30 *Chiasmatic Biology? Epigenesis and Evolution in light of the Sorbonne and College de France Lectures*  
**James Morley**, Ramapo College

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10:30 - 10:45 *Refreshment Break*

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#### Session Six: Faces and Bodies

Moderator: Tim Adamson, Iowa Wesleyan College

10:45 - 11:30 *Facing the Invisible: Toward an Animal Ontology*  
**David Morris**, Trent University

11:30 - 12:30 **Invited Lecture: The Meaning of the Body**  
**Mark Johnson**, University of Oregon

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12:30 - 2:00 *Lunch on your own*

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#### Session Seven: Intercorporealities

Moderator: Brook Muller, University of Oregon

2:00 - 2:45 *Perceiving Through Another: Incorporation and the Child Perceiver*  
**Susan Bredlau**, Stony Brook University

2:45 - 3:30 *Intertwined Identities: Intercorporeal Challenges to Bodily Autonomy*  
**Gail Weiss**, George Washington University

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3:30 - 3:45 *Refreshment Break*

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#### Session Eight: How Empathy Shapes the Mind

Moderator: Beata Stawarska, University of Oregon

3:45 - 4:30 *Encountering the Animal Other: Reflections on Moments of Empathic Seeing*  
**Scott Churchill**, University of Dallas

4:30 - 6:00 **Keynote Address: Forms of Empathy: From Animal Intercorporality to Human Narrative**  
**Shaun Gallagher**, University of Central Florida

## Saturday, October 1

*All sessions at the Fir Room, Erb Memorial Union*

8:30 - 9:00 *Coffee and Registration*

### Session Nine: Phenomenology and Anthropology

Moderator: Jean-Michel Blanchet, Université IV Paris-Sorbonne/Brown University

9:00 - 9:45 *The Child as Natural Phenomenologist: Merleau-Ponty's Child Psychology*  
**Talia Welsh**, University of Tennessee at Chattanooga

9:45 - 10:30 *Man is not a Reasonable Animal: Merleau-Ponty and the Issue of Anthropological Difference*  
**Etienne Bimbenet**, Université Jean Moulin - Lyon III

10:30 - 10:45 *Refreshment Break*

### Session Ten: Inscriptions of Responsibility

Moderator: Bonnie Mann, University of Oregon

10:45 - 11:45 *Invited Lecture: Responsibilities. Derrida for Merleau-Ponty*  
**Hugh J. Silverman**, Stony Brook University

11:45 - 1:45 Business Lunch, Gerlinger Alumni Lounge, Gerlinger Hall

### Session Eleven: Thinking through Mortality

Moderator: Ted Toadvine, University of Oregon

1:45 - 3:15 *Keynote Address: 'This Is What We Must Not Do': The Question of Death in Merleau-Ponty*  
**Leonard Lawlor**, University of Memphis

3:15 - 3:30 *Refreshment Break*

### Session Twelve: Martin C. Dillon Vivant!

Moderator: Nancy Barta-Smith, Slippery Rock University

3:30 - 5:00 **Duane Davis**, University of North Carolina-Asheville  
**Dorothea Olkowski**, University of Colorado-Colorado Springs  
**Galen Johnson**, University of Rhode Island

5:00 - 7:00 *Break*

7:00 - 9:00 Conference Banquet, Gerlinger Alumni Lounge, Gerlinger Hall

## Sunday, October 2nd

10:00 - 12:00 Hike to Spencer's Butte, leaving from the Phoenix Inn

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