The 5th Annual
California Roundtable on Philosophy and Race

October 3-4, 2008 at UC Berkeley

2008 Program

The California Roundtable on Philosophy and Race will hold its fifth annual roundtable on October 3-4, 2008 at UC Berkeley. This roundtable brings together philosophers of race, and those working in related fields in a small and congenial setting to share their work and to help further this sub-discipline. Papers will be on philosophical issues regarding race, ethnicity, or racism, and including those that take up race in the context of another topic, such as feminism, political philosophy, ethics, justice, culture, identity, biology, phenomenology, existentialism, psychoanalysis, metaphysics, or epistemology.

We seek to foster a productive and intellectually stimulating environment for those working in philosophy and race. The Roundtable also aspires to bring together scholars of color, and junior and senior scholars to develop and enhance constructive mentoring relationships.

Friday, October 3, 2008

9:30-11:30 am Charles Watson (Earlham College) Chair

9:30 am
Robin James (UNC-Charlotte), “Sensus communis and hegemonic ‘common sense’: race as interpretive horizon and distribution of the sensible”

10:30 am
Susan Smith (U. at Buffalo), “Race as a Tool in Medical Diagnoses”

11:30 am-1:00 pm Lunch

1:00 pm-2:30 pm Nelson Maldonado-Torres (UC Berkeley) Chair
Keynote Speaker: Maria Lugones (Binghamton University)
2:45-4:45 pm Gregory Velazco y Trianosky (CSU Northridge), Chair

2:45 pm

3:45 pm
Darrell Moore (DePaul U), “John Locke, Mary Rowlandson, and the Ontological Transformation of Space”

Saturday, October 4, 2008

10:00 am-12:00 noon Rita Alfonso (UC Berkeley), Chair

10:00 am

11:00 am

12:00-1:30 Lunch

1:30-3:30 pm Tina Botts (Arkansas-Little Rock/Memphis), Chair

1:30 pm

2:30 pm
Elizabeth Philipose (CSU Long Beach), “Feminism, International Law, and the Spectacular Violence of the ‘Other’: Decolonizing the Laws of War”

4:00-6:00 pm Crista Lebens (U. Wisconsin-Whitewater), Chair

4:00 pm

5:00 pm
Michael Monahan (Marquette), “Racial Justice and the Politics of Purity"

All sessions will be held in 554 Barrows Hall, UC Berkeley Campus

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Grateful thanks to the Department of Ethnic Studies and the Center for Race and Gender, UC Berkeley for sponsoring this year’s CRPR.

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