"It is evident that the polis belongs to the things that are by nature, and that human being is by nature a political animal" (Aristotle, Politics 1.2, 1253a2–3)

Ancient Philosophy Society
12th Annual Independent Meeting

April 19–22, 2012 / San Francisco
Hosted by the University of San Francisco
Thursday April 19, 2012  
Location: McLaren Conference Room 252

1:00-6:00 - Registration

1:45-2:00 Welcome: Eileen Fung, Associate Dean for Arts & Sciences (USF) and Jeffrey Paris, Chair of the Philosophy Department (USF)

2:00-3:45 Session I: Connecting the Dots: Aristotle on Ethos and Polis
   Chair: John Baldari (University of Nevada)
   a. Andrew Jampol-Petzinger (Fordham University): “The Place of the Polis in Aristotle's Account of Virtue”
   Commentator: Eve Rabinoff (Boston College)
   b. Osman Nemli (Emory University): “Aristotle and the Ethos of the Polis”
   Commentator: Brian Buckley (Santa Clara University)

4:00-5:45 Session II: Means and Ends in Epicurus and Cicero: Hypothetical Drugs and the Meaning of Knowledge
   Chair: Burt Hopkins (Seattle University)
   a. Michael Augustin (Georgia State University): “Would Epicurus have drugged his followers?”
   Commentator: Derin McLeod (UC Berkeley)
   b. Robin Weiss (DePaul University): “In Cicero’s De Finibus, The Search for an Ars Vitae Neither too Technical Nor too Theoretical”
   Commentator: P. Christopher Smith (University of Massachusetts Lowell)

6:00: Informal reception in Kalmanovitz Hall (Philosophy Dept.)
Friday April 20, 2012
Location: Lone Mountain Room 100

8:30-10:15 Session III: Stoic Understandings of Ownership and Friendship
Chair: Thomas Cavanaugh (University of San Francisco)
a. Alex Dressler (University of Wisconsin-Madison): “Mothers, Sons, and Metaphysics: The Role of the Feminine in Hellenistic and Roman Accounts of Awareness and Ownership of the Self “
Commentator: William Koch (University of North Florida)
b. Tony Long (UC Berkeley): “Stoic Philosophy of Friendship”
Q & A to immediately follow the paper

10:30-12:15 Session IV: Plato’s Reframing of Ownership and the Common Root of Tyranny and Philosophy
Chair: Dan Labriola (University of St. Andrews)
a. Sara Brill (Fairfield University) “Plato’s Critical Theory”
Commentator: Georgia Mouroutsou (Humboldt Universität Berlin)
b. Andrew German (Tel Aviv University) “Tyrant and Philosopher: Two Fundamental Lives in Plato”
Commentator: Anne Mamary (Monmouth College)

12:30-1:45 Lunch & Optional Workshops

Lunch Panel 1: Publishing in Ancient Philosophy (KA 209)
Marina McCoy (Boston College)
William Wians (Merrimack College)

Lunch Panel 2: Fragmentary Pedagogy (KA 309)
Holly Moore (Luther College)
Eric Sanday (University of Kentucky)
Rose Cherubin (George Mason University)
Jill Gordon (Colby College)
2:00-3:45 Session V: Aristotle on Overcoming Master Rule and Transcending Natural Law
Chair: *Klaus Corcilius* (UC Berkeley)
a. *Adriel Trott* (University of Texas-Pan American): “Ruling In Turn: Political Rule Against Mastery in Aristotle’s Politics”
Commentator: *Ryan Drake* (Fairfield University)
b. *John Thorp* (Western University): “Aristotle on the Variability of Natural Law”
Commentator: *William Wians* (Merrimack College)

4:00-5:45 Session VI: Leaks, Storms and Other Perils in Stoic Philosophy
Chair: *LaChanda Davis* (Loyola University Chicago)
a. *Emily Hulme* (University of Arizona): “Leaky Boats, Stormy Seas: Political Philosophy in *De Tranquillitate Animi* and *De Otio*”
Commentator: *Silvia Benso* (Rochester Institute of Technology)
Commentator: *Nickolas Pappas* (City College of New York)

6:00-8:00 Keynote (Lone Mountain, Del Santo Reading Room)
*Anastasia-Erasmia Peponi* (Stanford University): “Dance, Aesthetics and the *Polis*”
Moderator: *Anne-Marie Schultz* (Baylor University)

8:00: Reception (Lone Mountain, Del Santo Reading Room)
“Dance, Aesthetics and the Polis”

Anastasia-Erasmia Peponi
Professor of Classics, Stanford University
Friday, April 20 / 6:00–8:00 pm / Lone Mountain Del Santo Reading Room / University of San Francisco
Saturday April 21, 2012
Location: Lone Mountain Room 100

9:00-11:30 Session VII: Buzzing Bees, Human Nature and the Shining Sun: Various Interpretations of Aristotle and Heraclitus
Chair: Josh Hayes (Santa Clara University)
   Commentator: Willie Costello (University of Toronto)
   b. Ömer Orhan Aygün (Galatasaray University): “On Bees and Humans: Phenomenological Explorations of Hearing Sounds, Voices and Speech in Aristotle”
   Commentator: Michael Shaw (Utah Valley State University)
   c. Anthony Fernandez (University of South Florida): “A Phenomenological Interpretation of Heraclitus”
   Commentator: Dan Larkin (University of Memphis)

11:45-1:15 Lunch and Business Meeting

1:30-3:30 Round Table on Heidegger’s 1924 Reading of Aristotle’s Rhetoric
Chair: Walter Brogan (Villanova University)
Robert Metcalf (University of Colorado Denver): “On Character and Time-of-Life [hêlikia]: Rhetoric II.12-14”
Friederike Rese (Albert-Ludwigs-Universität Freiburg): “The Ambivalence of Logos: Heidegger's Stance Towards Doxa in His Interpretation of Aristotle's Rhetoric”
Francisco J. Gonzalez (University of Ottawa): “Can Aristotle Make Heidegger More Agreeable? Some Thoughts on Heidegger’s Reading of Aristotle’s Rhetoric in 1924”
3:45-5:15 Session VIII: Understanding the Activity of the Soul and the Socratic Elenchus

Chair: Michael Begun (Fordham University)
a. James Ambury (Fairfield University): “Plato's Conception of Soul as Reflexive Indeterminate Action”
Commentator: Lauren Ware (University of Edinburgh)
b. Emily Fletcher (University of Toronto): “Hippias Minor and the Limitations of Socratic Elenchus”
Commentator: Jeremy Bell (DePaul University)

6:00-8:00 Keynote

Christof Rapp (Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München): “Aristotle on Modulating the Feelings of a Public Audience”
Moderator: Sean Kirkland (DePaul University)

8:00 Banquet: Restaurant Jannah, 1775 Fulton Street, San Francisco
“Aristotle on Modulating the Feelings of a Public Audience”

Christof Rapp
Chair for Ancient Philosophy and Rhetoric, Ludwig-Maximilians-University Munich (LMU)
Saturday, April 21 / 6:00–8:00 pm / Lone Mountain 100 / University of San Francisco
Sunday April 22, 2012
Location: Berman Hall, Fromm Hall

9:00-11:30 Session IX: From Knowing to Dialectic and Shame: Grasping Key Concepts in Aristotle

Chair: **Miranda Nell** (New School for Social Research)

a. **James Kintz** (Loyola Marymount University): “The Unity of the Knower and the Known: The Phenomenology of Aristotle and the Metaphysics of Husserl”

Commentator: **Michael Wiitala** (University of Kentucky)

b. **John Tutuska** (University of Dallas): “Political and Private Virtue: Dialectic in the *Nicomachean Ethics*”

Commentator: **Sirin Yilmaz** (Villanova University)

c. **Marta Jimenez** (Emory University): “The Virtues of Shame: Aristotle on the Positive Role of Shame in Moral Development”

Commentator: **Jan Szaif** (UC Davis)
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