



FUTURES OF SCHELLING CONFERENCE

August 29 to 31, 2013
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German philosopher Friedrich Wilhelm Joseph Schelling (1775-1854) was once considered a minor figure or, as Slavoj Žižek put it, a “vanishing mediator”, between Hegel and Heidegger. Today he is regarded as a seminal thinker in 19th century German philosophy. *Futures of Schelling*, the North American Schelling Society’s second annual conference, will address his pivotal role in reconceptualising the work of his contemporaries and predecessors and the way in which he informs current philosophical, theoretical and interdisciplinary thinking.

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CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

THURSDAY, AUGUST 29

10:00 A.M. to noon: Seminar with Iain Hamilton Grant:
"Schelling After Idealism: The Theory of the Consequent Universal"
Moderator: Ben Woodard (Western University)
University College, room 225
(Limited attendance; contact Ben Woodard to confirm)

1:30 to 2:30 P.M. Conference registration
University College, room 224 (foyer)

Concurrent Panels:

2:30 to 4:30 P.M.

1. *Schelling and Naturphilosophie*

Chair: James Hall (Western University)
University College, room 225

Ryan Shea (Catholic University of America)

"The Basic Structure and Continued Relevance of Schelling's
Naturphilosophie as a Grounding Ground"

Sebastian Schwenzfeuer (University of Freiburg)

"The Function of *Naturphilosophie* in Schelling's Thinking"

Wesley Furlotte (University of Ottawa)

"The Vicissitudes of Material Nature in The Critical Idealisms of
Hegel and Schelling"

4:30 to 5:00 P.M. coffee break

Plenary Paper:

5:00 to 6:30 P.M.

Joan Steigerwald (York University),

"Ground and Grounding: The Nature of Things in Schelling's
Philosophy"

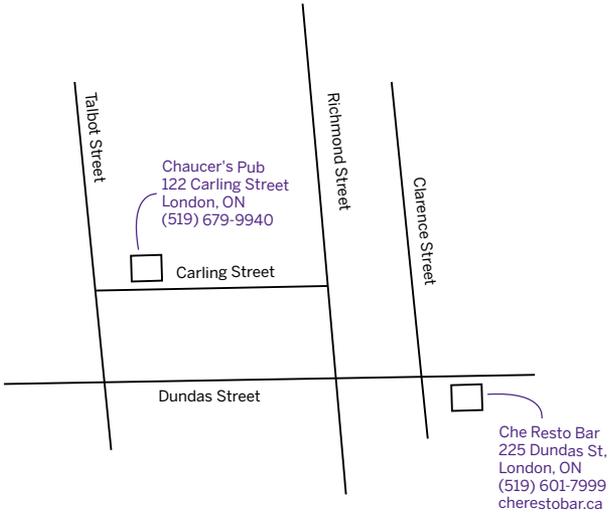
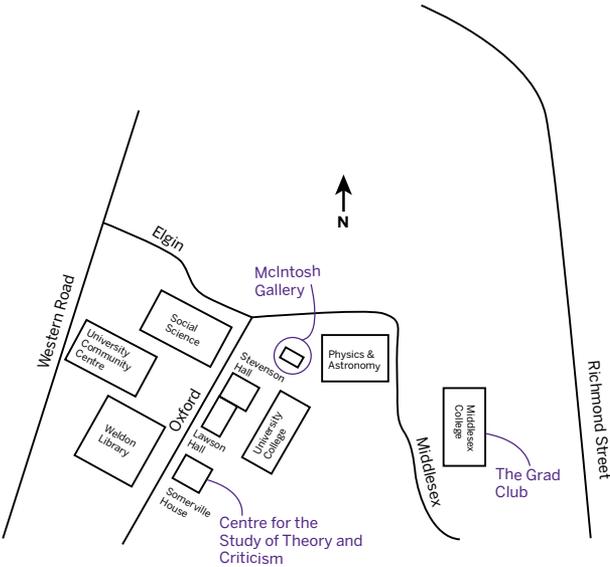
Moderator: Tilottama Rajan (Western University)
University College, room 85

Conference Reception:

6:30 to 8:00 P.M.

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FRIDAY, AUGUST 30

Concurrent Panels:

9:00 to 10:30 A.M.

2. *Schelling and Heidegger*

Chair: Christopher Bundock (Huron University College)

University College, room 224A

Lore Hühn (University of Freiburg)

“Heidegger’s Lecture on Schelling’s *On the Essence of Human Freedom*”

Nicolai Zunic (University of Waterloo)

“The Freedom of Philosophy: Heidegger, Schelling and the Treatise on Human Freedom”

9:00 to 10:30 A.M.

3. *Thinking Freedom*

Chair: Michael Vater (Marquette University)

University College, room 225

Jeremy Proulx (Eastern Michigan University)

“Aesthetics and the Tragedy of Religion”

Alistair Welchman (University of Texas at San Antonio)

“Morality and Metaphysics: Evil in Schopenhauer and Schelling”

10:30 to 11:00 A.M. coffee break

Concurrent Panels:

11:00 to 1:00 P.M.

4. *Thinking After Freedom*

Chair: Alistair Welchman (University of Texas at San Antonio)

University College, room 224A

Naomi Fisher (Notre Dame University)

“Nature, Freedom and Knowledge in Schelling”

G. Anthony Bruno (University of Toronto)

“Freedom and Pluralism in Schelling’s Critique of Fichte’s *Jena Wissenschaftslehre*”

Jason Wirth (Seattle University)

“The Future of Freedom: After the *Freiheitsschrift*”

11:00 to 1:00 P.M.

5. *Schelling, Speculation and Realism*

Chair: Ben Woodard (Western University)

University College, room 225

Daniel Whistler (University of Liverpool)

“Literalism in Philosophy: Reading After Grant’s Schelling”

Tyler Tritten (Armstrong Atlantic State University)

“After Contingency: Toward the Principle of Sufficient Reason as Post Factum”

Respondent: Ben Woodard

1:00 to 2:30 P.M. lunch at The Grad Club, Middlesex College (optional: an informal meeting during lunch about current and planned Schelling translations)

Concurrent Panels:

2:30 to 4:30 P.M.

6. *Schelling’s God(s)*

Chair: Joshua Lambier (Western University)

University College, room 224A

Michael Vater (Marquette University)

“Ultimate Concern and Finitude: Schelling’s Philosophy of Religion and Paul Tillich’s Systematic Theology”

James Depew (Western University)

“Schelling’s Pre-History: Mythology, Humanity, and the Problem of South America”

Joseph Lawrence (Holy Cross)

“Schelling on Divine Insanity”

2:30 to 4:30 P.M.

7. *Schelling and Aesthetics*

Chair: Christopher Bundock (Huron University College)

University College, room 225

Gabriel Trop (University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill)

“Schelling’s *Naturphilosophie* and the Aesthetics of Attraction”

Paul Gordon (University of Colorado-Boulder)

“The Aesthetic Absolute in Schelling”

Marc Mazur (Western University)

“Writing Nature Otherwise: Natural History and the Paradox of the Product”

FRIDAY, AUGUST 30 (continued)

4:30 to 5:00 P.M. coffee break

Plenary Paper:

5:00 to 6:30 P.M.

Tilottama Rajan (Western University)

“Evolution and the Organization of Knowledge: Transferences
Between The Disciplines in Schelling’s and Hegel’s Systems”

Moderator: Jan Plug (Western University)

University College, room 85

For those interested many of us will be at
Chaucer’s (122 Carling St) for drinks at 9pm.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 31

Concurrent Panels:

9:00 to 10:30 A.M.

8. *Schelling, Life and Ecology*

Chair: Joan Steigerwald (York University)

University College, room 224A

Bruce Matthews (Bard College)

“Schelling, The Anthropocene, and a New Mythology of Nature”

Robert Brown (York University)

“Negative Potentials: Schelling, Merleau-Ponty, and the Crisis of Ecology”

9:00 to 10:30 A.M.

10. *Repetition and Return: Schelling, Kierkegaard, Nietzsche*

Chair: Calin Mihailescu (Western University)

University College, room 225

Vanessa Rumble (Boston College)

“Kierkegaard and Schelling on Freedom and Finitude”

John Vanderheide (Huron University College)

“A Standstill in Desire: Eternal Recurrence in Ages of the World”

10:30 to 11:00 A.M. coffee break

Concurrent Panels:

11:00 A.M. to 1:00 P.M.

10. *Schelling and Psychoanalysis I*

Chair: Sean McGrath (Memorial University)

University College, room 224A

Teresa Fenichel (Boston College)

“An Uncanny Belonging: Some Thoughts on Ground, Freedom, and Loss in Freud and Schelling”

Katia Hay (University of Lisbon)

“Rethinking the Oedipus Complex or How to Overcome the Tragic”

Liane Carlson (Columbia University)

“Contingent Passion: Schelling’s *Ages of The World* and the Boundaries of Psychoanalysis”

SATURDAY, AUGUST 31 (continued)

11:00 A.M. to 1:00 P.M.

11. *Aftermaths: Schelling in the Nineteenth Century*

Chair: Adrian Mioc (Western University)

University College, room 225

Emilio Corriero (University of Turin)

“A New Beginning: of Western Philosophy: After Schelling and Nietzsche”

Jared McGeough (Concordia University)

“Schelling, Bakunin, and the Anarchist Turn in Contemporary Theory”

Leon Niemoczynski (Immaculata University)

“The Pain of Eternal Becoming: Peircean Firstness and the First Divine Potential”

1:00 to 2:30 P.M. lunch at The Grad Club, Middlesex College

Concurrent Panels:

2:30 to 4:30 P.M.

12. *Schelling and Psychoanalysis II*

Chair: Joel Faflak (Western University)

University College, room 224A

Sean McGrath (Memorial University)

“The Psychology of Productive Dissociation, or: What Would Schellingian Therapy Look Like?”

Gord Barentsen (Western University)

“Silent Partnerships: Schelling, Jung and the Romantic Metasubject”

Joe Carew (McGill University)

“The Žižekian-Schellingian Unconscious: From Drive to Act”

2:30 to 4:30 P.M.

13. *The Positive Philosophy*

Chair: Bruce Matthews (Bard College)

University College, room 225

Andrzej Wiercinski (University of Freiburg)

“New Thinking Beyond a Metaphysics of the Subject: Tracing
Time Back to Eternity as God's Path to Consciousness in
Schelling's *Ages of the World*”

Scott Scribner (University of Hartford)

“The Future of (non)Philosophy: Metaphysical Empiricism and
the Decisional Dyad”

4:30 to 5:00 P.M. coffee break

Plenary Paper:

5:00 to 6:30 P.M.

Iain Hamilton Grant (University of the West of England)

“What is an Acton?”

Moderator: Jason Wirth (Seattle University)

University College, room 85

6:30 P.M. closing remarks

8:30 P.M. conference dinner:

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