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Case Western Reserve University resides on the ancestral lands of the Lenape (Delaware), the Haudenosaunee Confederacy, Shawnee, Wyandot Miami, Ottawa, Potawatomi, and other Great Lakes tribes (Chippewa, Kickapoo, Wea, Pinakashaw, and Kaskaskia).

“I wish I was a mole in the ground.”
~ An anonymous, late 19th century song of the same name

“Scholarship has to exemplify a love for each other, not just a love for an idea.”

~ Linda Tuhiwai Smith, June 30th, 2020, Massey University

Current Topics

Geological edges of human morality, law, and wonder; multi-species justice; relational reasoning / good relationships

Personal Information

Born in 1970 in New Haven, Connecticut to [Esther Ann Bendik](#) and [David King Keymer](#), I live in Shaker Heights, Ohio with [Misty Elaine Morrison](#) and our children, Emet Aql Bendik-Keymer and Ellery Abbie Ray Morrison. I acknowledge the indigenous lands ceded by the Treaty of Greenville (1795), subsequently violated by the U.S.A. A graduate of New Hartford High School, Yale College, and University of Chicago, and *ancien élève* of the Lycée Corneille, Rouen, I work in the [philosophy department](#) at Case Western Reserve University as Professor of Philosophy. During the Great Depression of the 1930s, both my biological grandfather and my adoptive granddad on my father's side had scholarships to attend Western Reserve University but were unable to attend due to the Depression. My mother was the first person in her entire family to attend college and the only to receive a four-year degree.



Emet and me, Flats drawing day, Prosperity Social Club, Cleveland, 2024

Each side of my family comes from Ohio, and many cousins still live around Cleveland. My maternal great grandparents emigrated from Vlachovo, Slovakia to Belle Valley, Ohio at the beginning of the twentieth

century. The name "Bendik" (from Latin *bene*, "good," a renaming of immigrants) leads to German origins, Lutherans seeking safe haven in the 16th century. My paternal lineage is Northern Ohioan for as long as we know. I grew up on Haudenosaunee land in Aurora, Ithaca, New Hartford, and Utica, New York, coming back to Ohio during many summers to see my cousins and work on my aunt and uncle's farm in Avon, Ohio. The Oebker Farm is now Avon Junior High School.

In high school, I lettered in soccer and swimming and was co-captain of those teams. Later in life, I trained in *aikido* for a time, and miss it. Swimming is one of my favorite things in life, and I happily swim at the Warrensville Heights Family YMCA of Greater Cleveland.

I once trained as a classical singer and had a chance at a vocation as an actor in musical theater. I didn't pursue it because I wanted to follow where philosophy led me. My mother was a professional actress in musical theater, but also an early childhood educator and someone who went inside herself to grow. My impulse was toward what theater is at its best, yet in life. I found this in philosophy's potential. "All the world's a stage."



Saint Seneca, Grog Shop, 2014

For a time at Yale College, I published poetry and was an editor for an old literary magazine, *The Yale Literary Magazine*, where I met some of my closest friends to this day. In my 30s, I was a talk show host and wrote a weekly newspaper column for a radio station and newspaper in Dubai. During this time, I helped accredit the

Department of International Studies at American University of Sharjah and co-founded its Model United Nations program, things that last to this day.



Summer 1992, New Haven, CT. Steve, me, and Chris

I came to Case Western Reserve University as the Beamer-Schneider Professor in Ethics with the mission of ensuring moral education for all undergraduates. There wasn't a clear curriculum in place to do that. With the professorship's goal in mind, I worked eleven years to promote ethical, moral, and civic learning across campus for undergraduates using the SAGES general education program's ethical decision-making goals and acquiring funding from the Kent Smith Charitable Foundation for a SAGES Teaching Fellow post-doc to coordinate in-services over six years. In addition, through various programs (the Ethics Table Chat-n-Chews, the Ethics Table Fellows; the Beamer-Schneider Lectures in Ethics, Morals, & Civics; [the Moral Inquiries community group in Cleveland Heights](#); and the Moral Development Study of Undergraduates in 2015-2016), the professorship cultivated campus ecology to grow an increasingly clear learning culture in morals and ethics on

campus.¹ Near year's end in 2021, the faculty voted to include a moral learning component in the revised general education requirements. The University's faculty accomplished something important in choosing the new general education requirements.

With Sidra Shahid, whom I met at American University of Sharjah, and Katherine Cassese, whom I met through a program of the Laurel School in Shaker Heights, Ohio, I co-edited a series for the online daily of the American Philosophical Association, *The Blog of the APA*, called [Into Philosophy](#). It was influenced by one of the books that inspires me the most, [We Are All Explorers: Learning & Teaching with Reggio Principles in Urban Settings](#).

A lot of my work draws on and gets back to good relationships. Not to be reductive, I think that many of the problems we face in existence come from having bad relationships and are structured by them. For instance, climate change is a planetary problem. Yet at its core, I believe, is the obstacle of societies that cannot get their act together because they are structured by bad relationships -- between the rich and those who are taken advantage of, autocrats and everyday people, and within identities that are hardened and exclusive in eschewing both common humanity and thoughtfulness with all the other beings that live on Earth.

Even in academia, so much that is alienating or frustrating comes from or is structured by bad relationships: competition that does not bring everyone up, status snobbery, ego, etc. Students working the system similarly are dogged by bad relationships and often, tragically, reproduce them. The cynicism shaping their realistic outlook on life attests to a world fallen apart in many ways.

Finally, so many people walk around with the effects of bad relationships inside them, continuing to make other people suffer because they cannot transform their pain or identify the ways in which they were neglected and did not have their basic human needs met.

I agree with Plato that the psychological is a key to much politics gone

wrong and believe that liberalism and to some extent socialism both need to focus more on psychological deformation of the values and ends that politics expresses or pursues. But I disagree with Plato in that his picture of justness is self-enclosed and abstract, oddly impersonal. The key to the psychology, I think, is in good interpersonal relationships as a moral foundation.



Misty, Heart of Gold, Cleveland, 2024

Here's one quote that I read in my early 20s and still use to keep things real: "Greatness of heart is the true human greatness" (Søren Kierkegaard, 1849). Although I'm not Christian, this quote relays something that I felt in my Slovak family of pretty humble origins. Not letting philosophy go to my head, I am in this because of and with others. I can't speak for you, but my refusal to ignore your refusal to be assimilated to a "we" that you do not want is my way of staying with the trouble.

Pronouns: He / him / his

Gender: Non-essentialist, strong, caring male!

Languages: English (native), French (once fluent), German (some reading and passable speaking)

Nationality: Citizen of the United States of America, past settler on Oneida, Mohawk, and Onondaga land; currently a settler in violation of the Treaty of Greenville, 1795.

¹ The BSPE public archive from 1997-2021 can be found [here](#).

College & University Teaching

Yale College

1. The Problem of Evil (Course Assistant), Spring 1994

University of Chicago

1. Human Being and Citizen (Writing Instructor), Autumn, Winter, Spring, 1998-2000
2. Natural Law and Human Rights (Teaching Assistant), Autumn 1998
3. Greek Thought and Literature (Writing Instructor), Winter, Spring, 1999, 2000
4. Early Modern Philosophy (Teaching Assistant), Spring 1999
5. Environmental Ethics and Policy (co-taught with Roger Field), Winter 2000
6. Kant and the Nineteenth Century (Teaching Assistant), Spring 2000
7. Environmental Moral Philosophy (awarded the Booth Prize for this course), Autumn 2000
8. A Life Well Lived, The Graham School for Continuing Education, Winter 2001
9. Human Rights (Teaching Assistant), Spring 2001
10. Introduction to Ethics (Teaching Assistant), Autumn 2001
11. Human Being and Citizen, Autumn, Winter, Spring 2001-2002
12. Greek Thought and Literature, Winter 2002

Concordia University River Forest

1. Arts & Ideas (co-taught with David Rogner), Fall 2001

Colorado College

1. 17th-19th Century Philosophy, Blocks 1-2, 2002
2. Introduction to Ethics, Block 3, 2002
3. Environmental Ethics, Block 4, 2003
4. Logic and Life, Block 5, 2003
5. Social Critique, Block 6, 2003
6. Integrated Foundations in Education (co-taught, graduate level), Summer 2003
7. Human Dignity / Earthly Humanity (independent study), Summer 2003
8. Citizens of the World, Blocks 1-2, 2003
9. Hegel, Kierkegaard, and Nietzsche (independent study), Block 3, 2003

10. Environmental Justice (co-taught with Phil Kannan), Block 3, 2003
11. Justice, Block 5, 2004
12. Political Agency, Block 6, 2005
13. Medieval Philosophy (co-taught with Carol Neel), Block 8, 2004

American University of Sharjah

1. Ethics for Professionals, Fall 2004, Spring 2005, Fall 2005, Spring 2006, Fall 2006, Spring 2008
2. Political Philosophy, Fall 2004
3. Ethics and the Environment, Fall 2004, Fall 2005, Fall 2006, Spring 2007
4. Introduction to Philosophy, Spring 2005, Spring 2006, Fall 2006, Spring 2007, [Fall 2007](#), Spring 2008
5. Ethics and Information Technology, Spring 2005
6. Globalization, Fall 2005
7. [Modern Identity](#), Spring 2006
8. Heidegger's *Being and Time* (independent study), Fall 2006
9. [Introduction to Political Studies](#), Spring 2007, Fall 2007
10. Senior Seminar (American Pragmatism), Spring 2007
11. Al-Ghazali and Descartes (independent study), Spring 2007
12. [Philosophy of Art](#), Fall 2007
13. Truth and Rhetoric (independent study), Fall 2007
14. Philosophical Theatre, Spring 2008
15. Andrei Tarkovsky's Films (independent study), Spring 2008

Le Moyne College

1. The Second Enlightenment, Summer 2007
2. Human Nature: On History, Fall 2008
3. Ethics, Fall 2008, Fall 2009
4. Philosophy of Education, Fall 2008
5. Human Nature: Soul-searching, Spring 2009, Fall 2009
6. Human Nature: Empathy & Artificiality, Spring 2009
7. Human Nature: The Virtues of the Future, Spring 2009
8. Anarchism (independent study), Spring 2009
9. Plato's *Republic* (for high schoolers), Summer 2009
10. Human Nature: Aging & Happiness, Fall 2009

11. Sustainability (independent study), Fall 2009
12. Human Nature: Evolution & Cooperation, Spring 2010
13. Goodness, Truth & Beauty, Spring 2010
14. Philosophy of Education: Pedagogy, Dialogue & Agency, Spring 2010
15. What Is Philosophy? (for high schoolers), Summer 2010

Case Western Reserve University

1. The Scientific Life, the Engineer's Vocation (undergraduate/graduate version), Fall 2010
2. vocation [*sic.*] & Life, Spring 2011, Spring 2017
3. The Moral Problems of Climate Change, Spring 2011
4. Introduction to Philosophy: [On Structural Injustice](#), Fall 2011
5. An Ethos, Fall 2011
6. Exposing Familial Harms: Analyzing the Case for Cognitive Enhancement (independent study), Fall 2011
7. vocation [*sic.*] & Life: "Happiness" (co-taught with Mark Pedretti), Spring 2012
8. The Literary Mind: A Challenge to Philosophy (given in parallel to Poetry & Philosophy, Department of English, with Sarah Gridley), Spring 2012
9. Ethics: Kant & the Banality of Evil (undergraduate/graduate version), Spring 2013
10. In Love, Spring 2013, Fall 2014
11. First Year Seminar: Critical Attitude (co-taught with Mark Pedretti), Fall 2013, Fall 2014
12. Special Topics in Philosophy: Planetary Citizens, Fall 2013
13. Moral Problems, Spring 2015
14. Special Topics in Philosophy: Environmental Civics, Spring 2015
15. Kant's *Critique of Pure Reason* (independent study), Spring 2015
16. The Concept of Health (independent study), Spring 2015
17. First Year Seminar: Crafting Your Own Freedom, Fall 2015, Fall 2016, Fall 2017, Fall 2018
18. Ethics & Public Policy: power [*sic.*] & Invisibility (undergraduate/graduate version), Fall 2015

19. Introduction to Philosophy: As a Way of Life, Spring 2016
20. Special Topics in Philosophy: Ethics in the Anthropocene, Spring 2016
21. Courage (independent study), Spring 2016
22. Introduction to Philosophy: Of the World, Fall 2016
23. Moral Problems of Virtual Reference (independent study), Fall 2016
24. Special Topics in Philosophy: Political Aesthetics (undergraduate/continuing education version), Spring 2017
25. Ethics & Public Policy: Challenges to Recognition (undergraduate/graduate version), Fall 2017
26. Ethics: Moral Relationships (undergraduate/graduate version), Spring 2018
27. Special Topics in Philosophy: The Idea of Anthroponomy, Spring 2018
28. Ethics & Public Policy: In Radically Unjust States (undergraduate/graduate version), Fall 2018
29. People & Planet, Spring 2019, [Spring 2021](#), Spring 2022, Spring 2023
30. Ethics: Practice & Moral Relations (undergraduate/graduate version), Spring 2019
31. Special Topics in Philosophy: Social Epistemology (undergraduate/graduate version), Fall 2020
32. Ethics: [The Moral Nexus and Decolonization](#) (undergraduate/graduate version), Fall 2020
33. [Good Relationships](#), Spring 2021, Spring 2023, Fall 2024, Spring 2025
34. First Year Seminar: [Decolonization](#), Fall 2021; thereafter as a communication intensive seminar: [Fall 2025](#)
35. Introduction to Philosophy: [Thinking the Present](#), Fall 2021
36. Ethics & Public Policy: Anti-Colonial, Anarchic, Ecological, & Feminist Challenges to Rawls, Spring 2022
37. Cognitive and Social Effects of Poverty (independent study, secondary mentor), Spring 2022
38. Introduction to Philosophy: [As an Ocean](#), Fall 2023
39. Moral Character, Spring 2024
40. Climate Justice, Spring 2024
41. [Becoming Oneself](#), Fall 2024, Spring 2025

42. Afterlife, Fall 2025

Hamilton College

1. Earth's Human Moment, Spring 2014
2. In Love, Spring 2014
3. Jacques Rancière, Spring 2014

University of Wroclaw

1. The Public Philosophy Movement in the Anglophone World, Fall 2023

Thesis Committees

1. Peter Friesen, "The Concept of Health," Honors Thesis (supervisor), Case Western Reserve University Department of Philosophy, 2016
2. Jason Walsh, "Althusser and Ideology Critique," Honors Thesis, Case Western Reserve University Department of Philosophy, 2017
3. Cullen Brown, "Thinking Like a Farm: Environmental Attention and the Role of Ecological Affordances," Honors Thesis, Case Western Reserve University Department of Philosophy, 2018
4. Jeremy Rodrigues, "With the Benefit of Hindsight: Incommensurability, Present Uncertainty, and *Eudaimonia*," Honors Thesis (supervisor), Case Western Reserve University Department of Philosophy, 2021
5. Yugan Sakthi, Untitled project on the social ecology of the body, affect, and collective continuance; Honors Thesis, Case Western Reserve University Department of Philosophy, 2021
6. Jessica van Jaarsveld, *Towards an Environmental Ethic: Revising Nussbaum's Capability Approach*, Dissertation in fulfillment of the Doctorate of Philosophy (external reviewer), University of Johannesburg, South Africa, 2021
7. Sarah Wu, "Disqualified Personhood: Alfred Schütz's Phenomenological Social Theory in *No Longer Human*," Honors Thesis, Case Western Reserve University Department of Philosophy, 2023
8. Allan Cao, "Spinoza's Imagination and Politics in Networks of Digital Technology," Honors Thesis, Case Western Reserve University Department of Philosophy, 2025

Scholarly Trajectory

Thoughtfulness has historically been the province of philosophy, with reasonableness being a core determination of humanity. Within that tradition, my work in philosophy over the past thirty years has been about how thoughtlessness and thoughtfulness are primarily moral and empathetic determinations of being human. I see these as shaped largely by social structures and the practices that are possible within them, and so I have consistently been interested in analyzing thoughtlessness as an effect of social alienation and thoughtfulness as a virtue made possible by good (often institutionally awkward) education, capacious politics, and strong communities of equality, freedom, and care. Since 2006, I have argued that respect for all living beings and dignity-providing identification with lands, waters, and skies are implications of human sociality, the winning out of humankind as relatable rather than narcissistic. I collaborate often with Misty Morrison, whose recent [work](#) has documented some of the ecological relationships that comprise our lives.

My dissertation conceptualized some of the basic outlines of a shift in the sense of the person emerging within European culture in early modern philosophy, becoming institutionalized centuries later in the human rights movement of the 20th century. This shift involved the emergence of the notion of the sense of (common) humanity and the rise of sentimentalist re-orientations toward embodied relationships with others. At the heart of this shift was an increasingly clear differentiation between self and other, as if a culture had begun to grow out of narcissistic concepts predicated on the afterlives of hierarchical domination.

The last chapter of the dissertation, however, took the dissolution of narcissism further: beyond the human. The suggestion was that the process begun through the interpersonal differentiation of the sense of humanity found in other-directed conscience must lead to the increasing realization of living with Earth others, with all of life, and a corresponding differentiated relating to all of life on Earth through co-existence. My work

since my dissertation has, without design at the time, been increasingly about this further freeing of the European human from narcissism, a process that might be helpful for other cultures in some ways -- or simply a relief to see a particular human kind grow up!

Books / Long-form Projects

1. (as a member of the research team who developed two chapters in) Daniel R. Scheinfeld, Karen M. Haigh, and Sandra J. P. Scheinfeld, *We Are All Explorers: Learning and Teaching with Reggio Principles in Urban Settings*, New York: Teachers College Press, 2008
2. *Conscience and Humanity*, a dissertation submitted to the University of Chicago Department of Philosophy, Ann Arbor: UMI/Pro-Quest, 2002
3. *The Ecological Life: Discovering Citizenship and a Sense of Humanity*, Lanham, MD: Rowman & Littlefield, 2006
 - a. *Review by Allen Thompson* in *Environmental Ethics*, 29:4, 431-4, 2007
4. *Ethical Adaptation to Climate Change: Human Virtues of the Future* (editor with Allen Thompson), Cambridge, MA: MIT Press, 2012
5. *Solar Calendar, and Other Ways of Marking Time*, Brooklyn, NY: Punctum Books, 2017
 - a. Includes a revised version of *365 Earth Thoughts*, 2010
6. *The Wind ~ An Unruly Living*, Brooklyn, NY: Punctum Books, 2018
7. *Involving Anthroponomy in the Anthropocene: On Decoloniality*, New York: Routledge, 2020
 - a. *Review by Harshavardhan Jatkar* in *Journal of Human Development and Capabilities*, 23:2, 321-3, 2022
8. *Into Philosophy* (co-editor with Sidra Shahid and Katherine Cassese), *Blog of the American Philosophical Association*, 2020-3, a series of mini-series where "stories exceed ideas," including *Genealogies of Philosophy* (ed., Shahid), *Starting Out in Philosophy* (ed., Cassese), *Precarity and Philosophy* (ed., Shahid)
 - a. *Philosophy as a Way of Life* (editor), a series examining *askesis* and forms of wisdom-seeking, with Joey Behrens, Marisa Diaz-Waian, Paul Blaschko, Caleb Cohoe, Julia Gibson, John Burt Sander, Bin Song, *Blog of the American Philosophical Association*, 2020-1
 - b. *On Congeniality* (editor), a series examining relational (inter/intra-personal) knowing by acquaintance, with Shannon Lee Dawdy, Marcello Oreste Fiocco, Charlotte Vyt, and Christine J. Winter, *Blog of the American Philosophical Association*, 2022-3
9. *Nussbaum's Politics of Wonder: How the Mind's Original Joy Is Revolutionary* (with images by Misty Morrison), London: Bloomsbury Academic, 2023
 - a. *Review by Silviya Serafimova* in *Ethical Studies*, 8:2, 177-83, 2023
 - b. *Walking together and talking about the politics of wonder"* (in Hebrew), framing, excerpt, and discussion, *Iyyun: The Jerusalem Journal of Philosophy*, forthcoming
10. *A Planetary Imagination: Responses to Chakrabarty's Socio-Natural Historiography* (editor), with Neil Brenner, Danielle Celermajer, Dipesh Chakrabarty, Elizabeth Chatterjee, Julia Gibson, Agni Kalfagianni, Urszula Lisowska, Thomas Nail, Stefan Pedersen, Dmitris Stevis, and Christine J. Winter (co-contributors), special issue of *Environmental Philosophy*, 19:2, 2022
11. *Z(a)dziwienie Ciałem – To Wonder (to Wander) in Corporeal Relationships* (editor) with Urszula Lisowska (co-editor), Zachary Arrington, Danielle Celermajer, Shannon Lee Dawdy, Magdalena Hoły-Luczaj, Brian Onishi, and Anders Schinkel, special issues of

12. *Democracy as a Way of Life, Blog of the American Philosophical Association*, a series on political ethos, with Eva Meijer, Richard Sherwin, Urszula Lisowska, Hagi Kenaan, Judy Twedt, Ben Mylius, [...], 2024-
13. *"What Do We Want the Environment to Be?" Critical Developments of Steven Vogel's Philosophy* (editor) with Jonathan Maskit and Ronald Sandler (co-editors), Joey Aloï, Eric Godoy, Charles Hayes, Urszula Lisowska, Zachary Vereb, and Steven Vogel, *Environmental Ethics* 46:4, 2024
14. *Small Waves: Wonder and Justice for All Earth Beings*, in drafting
15. *Animal Living*, volume edited with Danielle Celermajer and Eva Meijer, in drafting
16. *Wars of This Time: Philosopher-Friends on Conscience*, with Sidra Shahid and Katherine Cassese, in drafting
17. *When the World Is Unjust: Questioning Authority with Zen and Philosophy*, with Jeremy Levie, in drafting
18. *Positive Anxiety*, in development

Papers²

1. "'The sun. The sun' – A Reading of Ibsen's *Ghosts*," MS, 1989 [fragments]
2. [Untitled paper on Descartes' *cogito* argument & self-determination," MS, 1990]
3. "An Analysis of the Jesus & Mary Chain Concert [through *One Dimensional Man*]," MS, 1990 [lost]
4. "[La rencontre](#)," MS, Fall 1990
5. "[Autour du secret](#)," MS, Fall 1990
6. [Untitled paper on evidence & justification in Husserl's *Cartesian Meditations*], MS, 1990 [lost]

7. "Le Miroir dans *Le Ravissement de L. Vol Stein*," MS, 1990 [lost]
8. "Coexistence," MS, 1991 [lost]
9. "[Interpreting Reason in the Face of Another: An Interpretation of Königsberg's Time-Keeper in the Interest of Morality](#)," (and end pages), MS, 1991
10. "Water Lines [a reading of Paul's letters]," MS, 1991
11. "[Don du poème – An Incomplete Project for Symbolist Poetry Class](#)," MS, 1992
12. "Time Is Full in the Step [on Kierkegaard's *The Concept of Anxiety*]," MS, 1992 [lost]
13. [Paper on judgment & the sublime in aesthetics], MS, 1992
14. "The Problem Is the Loss of the Ideal [on Kierkegaard's *For Self-Reflection/Judge for Yourself and Practice in Christianity*]," MS, 1993 [lost]
15. [Paper on the sense of humanity & "the meaning of the Earth" in Nietzsche], MS, 1993
16. "[Greatness of heart is the true, human greatness' – An Open Letter](#)," MS, 1993
17. "Voice [on the reduction to the other in the phenomenology of givenness]," MS, 1994 [lost]
18. "Self-Sacrifice," MS, 1994 [lost]
19. "A Sketch of Xenophanes," MS, 1995 [lost]
20. "[We All Stand' – To Give Sense and Meaning to the World](#)," MS, 1995
21. "Openness [on John Rawls' implied moral philosophy and practical faith], MS, 1996
22. [Untitled paper on brotherhood & mercy in Francis of Assisi's writing & in the *Fioretti*], MS, 1996 [lost]
23. "The Practice of Freedom in Jean-Jacques Rousseau's *Émile*," MS, 1997 [lost]
24. "Healthy Imperfection: Conscience, the Life of Care & the Social Trust in Jean-Jacques Rousseau's Moral Philosophy [topical exam paper]," MS, 1998
25. "Humanity & Voice of Conscience," MS, 1999 [lost]
26. "The Heart of Society [on conscience in Rousseau]," MS, 2000 [lost]
27. "[Abusive Loves and the Moral Reason in Love](#)," MS, 2001

² [Catalogue of lost papers](#), 1990-1993

28. "[Analogical Extension and Analogical Implication in Environmental Moral Philosophy](#)," *Philosophy in the Contemporary World*, v. 8, n. 2, 2001
29. "The Sense of Humanity," MS, 2001 [lost]
30. "Reasons of Humanity," MS, 2002 [lost]
31. "[The Role of Conscience in Moral/Social Philosophy](#) [two versions]," MS, 2002
32. "A Sense of Ecological Humanity," *Social Philosophy Today*, v. 18: *Truth and Objectivity in Social Ethics*, Charlottesville: Philosophy Documentation Center, 2003
33. "[Sacred Places](#)," *Routledge Encyclopedia of World Environmental History*, New York: Routledge, 2003; reprinted in *Encyclopedia of Community*, Thousand Oaks, CA: Sage, 2003
34. "War and Conscience," MS, 2003
35. "[Environmental Maturity](#)," *Social Theory and Practice*, v. 29, n. 3, 2003
36. "The Anti-Colonial Potential of the *Universal Declaration of Human Rights*," MS, 2003
37. "The Idea of an Ecological Orientation," *Social Philosophy Today*, v. 19: *Environmental Philosophy as Social Philosophy*, Charlottesville: Philosophy Documentation Center, 2004
38. "[Kierkegaard as an Enlightenment Thinker](#)," MS, 2004
39. "[Common Humanity and Human Rights](#)," *Social Philosophy Today*, v. 21: *Human Rights, Religion, and Democracy*, Charlottesville: Philosophy Documentation Center, 2005
40. "Mining in Irian Jaya: How Citizens Should Think about Environmental Justice," *South Pacific Journal of Philosophy and Culture*, v. 8, 2005
41. "[School – Family Relationships: An Argument for the Parallel Process Model](#)," *Urban Children & Youth in the MENA Region: Educational Priorities*, Dubai: World Bank / Arab Urban Development Institute / Dubai Municipality, 2005
42. "[For a Time as Shifting as Sand: Walden in the UAE](#)" *Thoreau Society Bulletin*, n. 252, 2005
43. "Stillness and Conscience," MS, 2005 [lost]
44. « [Le citoyen apathique : quand les institutions étatiques ne reflètent pas les droits de l'homme avec cohérence](#), » *Annuaire Français de Relations Internationales*, v. 7, 2006 ([English translation](#))
45. "A Dictionary of Liberal Arts Deeds [incomplete]," MS, 2006
46. "Human Rights," in Gerald Fry, ed., *Global Perspectives on the United States*, Great Barrington: Berkshire Publishing, 2007
47. "[Bringing Schools to Life: Cross-class Questioning and Dialogue across the Curriculum](#)," Nagwa Kassabgy and Amani Elshimi, eds., *Sustaining Excellence in Communicating across the Curriculum : Cross-Institutional Experiences and Best Practices*, Cambridge, UK: Cambridge Scholars Press, 2007
48. "[Higher Court Citizenship](#)," Teresa Toldy, ed., *Citizenship(s)*, Porto: Universidad Fernando Pessoa, 2008
49. "3 Books [on utopia]," MS, 2008
50. "[Species Extinction and the Vice of Thoughtlessness: The Importance of Spiritual Exercises for Learning Virtue](#)," *Journal of Agricultural and Environmental Ethics*, n. 23, 2009 (reprinted in P. Cafaro and R. Sandler eds., *Virtue Ethics and the Environment*, New York: Springer, 2011)
51. "[The Practice of Ethics](#)," MS, 2009
52. "[Ad Hominem Address](#)," MS, 2009
53. "[Development – Concepts and Considerations](#)," in Willis Jenkins, ed., *The Spirit of Sustainability*, in Ray C. Anderson, ed., *Encyclopedia of Sustainability*, v. 1, Great Barrington: Berkshire Publishing, 2010 (updated for the second edition, 2020)
54. "[A Conceivable Human Future: Time & Morality in the Sixth Mass Extinction](#)," MS, 2010
55. "Adapting Humanity", with Allen Thompson, in Allen Thompson and Jeremy Bendik-Keymer, eds., *Ethical Adaptation to Climate Change: Human Virtues of the Future*, Cambridge, MA: MIT Press, 2012
56. "[The Sixth Mass Extinction Is Caused by Us](#)" in Allen Thompson and Jeremy

- Bendik-Keymer, eds., *Ethical Adaptation to Climate Change: Human Virtues of the Future*, Cambridge, MA: MIT Press, 2012
57. [“Do You Have a Conscience?”](#) *International Journal of Global Ethical Leadership*, v. 1, n. 1, 2012
 58. “Sustainability Possibility and Trajectory,” with Roger Saillant, *International Journal of Global Ethical Leadership*, v. 1, n. 1, 2012
 59. [“A Minimal Participatory Condition on Democratic Right,”](#) MS, 2012
 60. [“The Moral and the Ethical: What Conscience Teaches Us about Morality,”](#) in Vasil Gluchman, ed., *Morality: Reasoning on Different Approaches*, Amsterdam: Rodopi, 2013
 61. [“Presentism the Magnifier,”](#) MS, 2013
 62. [“From Humans to All of Life – Nussbaum’s Transformation of Dignity,”](#) in Flavio Comim and Martha Nussbaum, eds., *Capabilities, Gender, Equality: toward Fundamental Entitlements*, New York: Cambridge University Press, 2014
 63. [“Rejecting Integrity, Choosing Humanity,”](#) MS, 2014
 64. [“Living Up to our Humanity: The Elevated Extinction Rate Event and What It Says about Us,”](#) *Ethics, Policy, and Environment*, v. 17, n. 3, 2014
 65. “Everything Is Backwards Now” in George Dunn, ed., *Avatar and Philosophy*, New York: Blackwell, 2014; reprinted in a [revised version](#) in William Irwin and David Kyle Johnson, eds. *Introducing Philosophy through Pop Culture: From Socrates to South Park and Beyond*, 2nd edition, Malden, MA: Wiley-Blackwell, 2020
 66. “Humanitarian Chemical Engineering,” with N. Hlaing, E. B. Taboada, and D. J. Lacks, *Chemical Engineering Progress*, April 2015
 67. [“Anthropogenic Mass Extinction: The Science, the Ethics and the Civics,”](#) with Chris Haufe, in Stephen Gardiner and Allen Thompson, eds., *The Oxford Handbook of Environmental Ethics*, 2016
 68. [“‘Goodness Itself Must Change’ – Anthroponomy in an Age of Socially-Caused, Planetary Environmental Change,”](#) *Ethics & Bioethics (in Central Europe)*, v. 6, n. 3-4, 2016
 69. [“The Age of Anthroponomy,”](#) MS, 2016
 70. [“The Reasonableness of Wonder,”](#) *Journal of Human Development and Capabilities*, v. 18, n. 3: *Symposium on the Capabilities of Different Beings*, 2017
 - a. [Martha C. Nussbaum’s response](#) (same issue)
 71. [“Wonder, Capability Determination, & Epistemic Inclusion,”](#) 2018
 72. [“Social Process Obfuscation & the Anthroponomy Criterion,”](#) 2018
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88. "The Others Called 'Human' amidst the Many: Anthroponomy and the Planetary Problem" in N. Poirier, S. Tomasello, and A. George, eds., *Expanding the Critical Animal Studies Imagination: Essays in Solidarity and Total Liberation* (Bern: Peter Lang, 2024), chapter 11
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 5. “Val Plumwood’s *Environmental Culture: The Crisis of Reason*,” *Ethics*, v. 113, n. 3, 2003
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1. "On *Lord of the Flies* and Plato's *Republic*," Lycée Corneille, Rouen, France, 1988
 2. « Whitman et la poésie, » Lycée Corneille, Rouen, France, 1989
 3. "On Radical Evil and the Moral Life," Northeast Undergraduate Philosophy Conference, Tufts University, 1992
 4. "'Anxiety is the dizziness of freedom,'" Yale College Philosophy Club, 1993
 5. "We All Stand –to give sense and meaning to the world,'" University of Chicago Preliminary Essay Workshop, 1996
 6. "Humanity and the Voice of Conscience," Continental Philosophy Workshop, University of Chicago, 1998
 7. "Conscience Is a Voice of Care," Continental Philosophy Workshop, University of Chicago, 1999
 8. "The *Earth Charter* Initiative: True Economy," Lutheran Theological Seminary, 2000
 9. "The Heart of Society," Continental Philosophy Workshop, University of Chicago, 2000
 10. "Rousseauian Conscience," Political Theory Workshop, University of Chicago, 2000
 11. "The Sense of Humanity," Contemporary Philosophy Workshop, University of Chicago, 2000
 12. "Reasons of humanity," Human Rights Workshop, University of Chicago, 2001
 13. "Abusive Loves and the Moral Reason in Love," The Martin Marty Center for the Advanced Study of Religion, University of Chicago, 2001
 14. "Moral Topography: On Chad Flanders's 'Partial reasons'," Political Theory Workshop, University of Chicago, 2001
 15. "Analogical Extension and Analogical Implication in Environmental Moral Philosophy," North American Society for Social Philosophy, Eastern Michigan University, 2001
 16. "A Sense of Ecological Humanity," University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, Graduate Philosophy Conference, 2001
 17. "Negative and Positive Rights," *Scholarship in the Free Society*, Institute for Humane Studies, University of Virginia, 2001
 18. "Analogical Extension and Analogical Implication," Political Theory Workshop, University of Chicago, 2001
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 20. "Conscience and the Sense of Humanity," University of Chicago Department of Philosophy, 2001
 21. "Conscience and Moral Philosophy," New Jersey State University Department of Philosophy, 2001

22. "The Role of Conscience in Social Philosophy," Colorado College Department of Philosophy, 2002
23. "Environmental Education and Our Sense of Humanity," Luther College Department of Philosophy, 2002
24. "A Sense of Ecological Humanity," Villanova University Department of Philosophy, 2002
25. "A Sense of Ecological Humanity," Whitman College Department of Philosophy, 2002
26. "The Role of Conscience in Moral Philosophy," University of Arizona Department of Philosophy, 2002
27. "The Role of Conscience in Moral Philosophy," University of Western Ontario Department of Philosophy, 2002
28. "The Role of Conscience in Moral Philosophy," Kings College, PA Department of Philosophy, 2002
29. "The Idea of an Ecological Orientation," North American Society for Social Philosophy, University of Oregon, 2002
30. "The Idea of an Emergent Curriculum," Great Lakes College Association, Wabash College, 2002
31. "Genetic Modification: Questions," Colorado College, 2002
32. "Other-directed Conscience", McGill University Department of Philosophy and Faculty of Religious Studies, 2003
33. "Intellectual Duties for Citizens of the World," Colorado College Presidential Scholars, Spring 2003
34. ["Economic De-structuring of Personal Virtue: On Louke van Wensween's Dirty Virtues: The Emergence of Ecological Virtue Ethics,"](#) American Philosophical Association Annual Meeting, Western Division, 2003
35. ["Other-directed Phronēsis: Commentary on Ronald Sandler's Understanding of Environmental Virtue,"](#) American Philosophical Association Annual Meeting, Western Division, 2003
36. "What Some Low-Income Schools Can Accomplish with Very Little Money," Colorado College, 2003
37. *Fireside Ethics Talks*, Four Corners Environmental Philosophy Gathering (ongoing discussion in place of full academic papers with Philip Cafaro, Alan Carter, Geoffrey Frasz, Flannery Hysjulien, Holmes Rolston III, David Schmidtz, and Elizabeth Willott), Arches National Park, UT, 2003
38. ["War and Conscience,"](#) North American Society for Social Philosophy, Northeastern University, 2003
39. ["The Anti-Colonial Potential of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights,"](#) Colorado State University Department of Philosophy, 2003
40. "Integrationism," *Political Ecology*, Macalester College, 2003
41. "Mining and Injustice," University of Washington Department of Philosophy, 2004
42. "Human – Land Relationships," *14th Annual Environmental Philosophy Conference*, Empire State College, Saratoga Springs, NY, 2004
43. ["Needing Representation: Mount Jayawijaya and Land Communities,"](#) *Global Justice* (mini-conference), American Philosophical Association Annual Meeting, Western Division, 2004
44. "The Sense of Humanity: A Source of Discovery of Moral Beliefs," Fort Lewis College Department of Philosophy, 2004
45. "Common Humanity and Human Rights," North American Society for Social Philosophy, Creighton University, 2004
46. "The Reggio Emilia Approach," with Elizabeth Baker (The Patchwork School), American University of Sharjah Department of International Studies, 2004
47. "The Anti-Colonial Potential of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights," Society for Social and Political Philosophy, American Philosophical Association Annual Meeting, Eastern Division, 2004
48. "Of Blood and Money: The Ethics of Investment During War," with Johann Klaassen (First Affirmative Financial Network), University of Colorado Denver Department of Philosophy, 2005
49. "School – Family Relationships: An Argument for the Parallel Process Model," *Children's Cities*, Arab Urban Development Institute, Dubai, 2005
50. "Stillness and Conscience," North American Society for Social Philosophy, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, 2005

51. "John Stuart Mill's *On Liberty* & the Gulf", Open-society Initiative, Manama, Bahrain, 2005
52. "Cross-Class Questioning and Dialogue across the Curriculum," *Communicating across the Curriculum*, American University of Cairo, 2005
53. "Conscience Clauses in Medicine," with Carolyn McLeod (University of Western Ontario), University of Toronto Center for Bioethics, 2005
54. "The Apathetic Citizen: When State Institutions Do Not Support Human Rights Consistently," *Citizenship(s)*, Universidad Fernando Pessoa, 2006
55. "Kindness and Environmental Ethics," Le Moyne College Department of Philosophy, 2007
56. "Dignity and Wonder," Human Development and Capability Association Annual Meeting, New School University, 2007
57. "[3 Books: Farewell Lecture](#)," American University of Sharjah Department of International Studies, 2008
58. "Injustice & Species Extinction," with Allen Thompson (Clemson University), ECO-Res Forum (e-vent³), 2008
59. "Species Extinction and the Vice of Thoughtlessness," Human Flourishing & Restoration in the Age of Global Warming, Clemson University, 2008
60. "Species Extinction and the Vice of Thoughtlessness," Le Moyne College Faculty Seminar, 2008
61. "The Earth within the City," American Political Theory Association Annual Meeting, Wesleyan University, 2008
62. "Making Space around the Child's Idea," The Patchwork School, Louisville, CO, 2009
63. "Life Without Purpose Frees Us Up," *The Darwin Effect*, Le Moyne College, 2009
64. "Nature Exceeds: On Linda Pennisi's Poetry," *The Darwin Effect*, Le Moyne College, 2009
65. "The Practice of Ethics," Case Western Reserve University Department of Philosophy, 2009
66. "Ad Hominem Address," *Philosophy in the Jesuit Core*, Seattle University, 2009
67. "The Sixth Mass Extinction," ECO-Res Forum (e-vent), 2009
68. "Wantonness in the Heart: The Moral Challenge of the Sixth Mass Extinction," Colgate University Environmental Studies Program, 2009
69. Roundtable discussions (in lieu of full papers), *Environmentalism, Capitalism, and Humanitarianism*, University of Arizona Freedom Center, 2009
70. "A Conceivable Human Future: Time & Morality in the Sixth Mass Extinction," Baker-Nord Center for the Humanities, Case Western Reserve University, 2010
71. "A Poetics of Extinction," *Geo-Aesthetics in the Anthropocene*, Salisbury University, 2010
72. "The Design of Arab Universities as a Political Act," Friday Public Affairs Lunch, Case Western Reserve University, 2010
73. "The Global University: Questions & Concerns," The Yale Club of Cleveland, Cleveland, OH, 2010
74. "The Enlightenment University & the Space for Ethics," Beamer-Schneider Professorship Chairing Ceremony, Case Western Reserve University, 2011
75. "'Can Ecosystems Be Subjects of Justice? No, But ...' – Schlosberg, Nussbaum and Structural Injustice" (e-vent), *Beyond Animal Rights* panel, American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, 2011
76. "Environmental Humanities as Civics," Ohio State University Humanities Institute, 2011
77. "The Strange Un-agent of Our Species, Our Collective Drift," International Society for Environmental Ethics and International Association of Environmental Philosophy Annual Joint Meeting, Radboud Universiteit, Nijmegen, Netherlands, 2011
78. "You Can't Teach Ethics in School: Ancient Philosophy & Modern Education," Ashland University, 2011

³ E-vents are online conferences, colloquia or the like. The term was coined by Colin Marshall

(University of Washington Dept. of Philosophy) for Philosophers for Sustainability.

79. "The Core Challenge for the Study of Sustainability," Case Western Reserve University Sustainability Alliance, 2011
80. "[Scale-Break](#)" (e-vent), *Economics, Ethics, & the Environment*, Northeast Florida Environmental Summit, 2011
81. "The Moral Challenges of Climate Change," Cleveland Museum of Natural History, Cleveland, OH, 2011
82. "Adapting Goodness," Buffalo Workshop on Ethics and Adaptation, SUNY Buffalo, 2012
83. "The Private Support of Public Necessity," *Professional Ethics: Past & Present*, High Tatras, Slovakia, 2012
84. "Making Space for People," Prešovská Univerzita v Prešove Faculty of the Humanities, 2012
85. "From Bioethics to Ecological Ethics: Trophic Level Cascade Risks and Future Generations," UNESCO Chair in Bioethics, Prešovská Univerzita v Prešov, 2012
86. "Presentism the Magnifier" (plenary e-vent), International Society for Environmental Ethics and International Association of Environmental Philosophy Annual Joint Meeting, University of East Anglia, 2013
87. "Goodness Itself Must Change," Hamilton College, 2013
88. "What Is Wrong with Personal Environmentalism?" Levitt Center Policy Lunch, Hamilton College, 2014
89. "The Moment of Un-authorized Intelligence," *A-disciplinarity: Literature, Politics, Aesthetics*, University of Binghamton Department of Comparative Literature Graduate Student Conference, 2014
90. "Rejecting Integrity, Choosing Humanity" (plenary), *Saints and Madmen: the Limits of Integrity*, the Integrity Project and the Einstein Forum, Potsdam, Germany, 2014
91. "Renaissance Humanism & the Project of Animal Capabilities," Human Development and Capability Association Annual Meeting, Georgetown University, 2015
92. "[Ethics in the Anthropocene](#)," *Cleveland Creative Mornings*, 2016
93. "The Politics of Wonder," *The Ethics Table*, Case Western Reserve University, 2016
94. "Anthroponomy and Subjectivation," Oregon State University School of History, Philosophy, and Religion, 2016
95. "The Age of Anthroponomy," European Consortium for Political Research: *Political Theory in the Anthropocene*, Pisa, Italy, 2016
96. "The 'Relation to Life': The Key to Exercises Being Philosophical & The Key to Social Practice Art Being More than a Gesture," "early American" nighttime session, *Philosophy without Teachers*, Elon University, 2016
97. "The Wind ~ A Philosophical Study," International Society for Environmental Ethics and International Association of Environmental Philosophy Annual Joint Meeting, Pace University, 2016
98. "Anthroponomy – Overview," International Society for Environmental Ethics and International Association of Environmental Philosophy Annual Joint Meeting, Pace University, 2016
99. "There's Also Relational Reason: About Steven Vogel's *Thinking like a Mall*," International Society for Environmental Ethics and International Association of Environmental Philosophy Annual Joint Meeting, Pace University, 2016
100. "The Politics of Wonder," Human Development and Capability Association Annual Meeting, Hitotsubashi University, 2016
101. "What Is Radical Democratic Protest?" College of Wooster Department of English, 2017
102. "Wonder and the Conditions of Democratic Life," (Titus Hepp Lecture) Denison University Department of Philosophy, 2017
103. "The Reasonableness of Wonder," International Society for Environmental Ethics Annual Meeting, Allenspark, CO, 2017
104. "Poverty & Depression, the Power of Imagination, & One Still Secret of Justice," (Power of Diversity Lecture), Case Western Reserve University, 2017
105. "Wonder and Political Inclusion," International Association of

- Environmental Philosophy Annual Meeting, University of Memphis, 2017
106. “Wonder as a Collective Event,” *Environmental Justice Conference 2017*, University of Sydney Environmental Institute, 2017
 107. “Capacity Building Cuts in the *Sensorium*,” Feminist Caucus, American Society for Aesthetics Annual Meeting, New Orleans, LA, 2017
 108. “Wonder, Epistemic Inclusion, and Capability Determination” Human Development and Capability Association Annual Meeting, Universidad Católica Argentina, 2018
 109. “Social Process Obfuscation and the Anthroponomy Criterion,” Earth System Governance Project Annual Conference, Universiteit Utrecht, 2018
 110. “[A Moral & Ethical Vision for CWRU: Report from 9 Years of the Beamer-Schneider Professorship](#),” Case Western Reserve University, 2018
 111. “How Should I Understand My Responsibility and Show It?” *Changing the Politics of Earth* (workshop), Baker Nord Center for the Humanities, Case Western Reserve University, The Cleveland Humanities Festival, 2019
 112. “The Space in a Life Beyond Skill: Commentary on Eugene Chislenko’s “The Role of Philosophers in Climate Change,” International Society for Environmental Ethics Annual Meeting, H.J. Andrews Research Station, OR, 2019
 113. “Autonomous Conceptions of Our Planetary Situation,” International Society for Environmental Ethics Annual Meeting, H.J. Andrews Research Station, OR, 2019
 114. “Friendship, Freedom, and Love: Mutuality with Other Species,” Human Development and Capability Association Annual Meeting, University College London, 2019
 115. “Lostness,” University of Exeter, 2019
 116. “Autonomous Conceptions of Our Planetary Situation,” International Association of Environmental Philosophy Annual Meeting, Duquesne University, 2019
 117. “Autonomous Conceptions of Our Planetary Situation,” Earth System Governance Project Annual Conference, Universidad Autonoma de Mexico - Oaxaca, 2019
 118. “Multi-species Relations in the Capability Approach,” Environmental Political Theory group of the Western Political Science Association (e-vent), 2020
 119. “Multi-species Relations in the Capability Approach,” Human Development and Capability Association Annual Meeting (e-vent), Massey University of New Zealand, 2020
 120. “Facing Mass Extinction, It Is Prudent to Decolonise Lands & Laws,” Earth System Law Taskforce annual meeting, Earth System Governance Project Virtual Forum, 2020
 121. “Unacceptable Agency (Part I of *The Problem of an Unloving World*),” Planetary Justice Taskforce annual meeting, Earth System Governance Project Virtual Forum, 2020
 122. “Body Language & Political Ecology: Commentary on Dennis Papadopoulos’s “Wild animals’ political resistance,”” International Society for Environmental Ethics Annual Meeting (e-vent), 2020
 123. “The Other Species Capability & the Power of Wonder,” International Society for Environmental Ethics Annual Meeting (e-vent), 2020
 124. “Facing Mass Extinction, It Is Prudent to Decolonise Lands & Laws,” Workshop on Extinction, Colorado State University, 2020
 125. “To Be Held & to Be Seen: Love’s Moral Core & the Security of Wondering,” Baker Nord Center for the Humanities (e-vent), Case Western Reserve University, 2020
 126. “Facing Mass Extinction, It Is Prudent to Decolonise Lands & Laws,” *Symposium on Law’s Extinction Problem* (e-vent), Law Faculty, Queensland University of Technology, 2020
 127. “Khalik Allah, Sky Hopinka, & American Ecstasies ~ A Surfacing,” *Planetary Justice Virtual Community* (e-vent), Western Political Science Association, 2021

128. "Nussbaum's Politics of Wonder: How the Mind's Original Joy Is Revolutionary," *Environmental Political Theory Virtual Community* (e-vent), Western Political Science Association, 2021
129. Participant, Workshop on the Draft Provision to Criminalize Ecocide under the Rome Statute, Sydney Environmental Institute (e-vent), 2021
130. "Acceptance Governance (Part II of *The Problem of an Unloving World*)" (listed in the program as "Decolonizing Earth System Governance: From Agency to Moral Relationships"), Earth System Governance Project Annual Conference (e-vent), Slovak University of Technology, 2021
131. "Locating the 'Planetary' in Planetary Justice Research," Planetary Justice Taskforce Day, Earth System Governance Project Annual Meeting (e-vent), Slovak University of Technology, Bratislava, Slovakia, 2021
132. "The Planetary Sublime," International Association of Environmental Philosophy Annual Meeting (e-vent), 2021
133. "[Rituals of Transformation for Sovereignty Transformation \(To Make a Community More Harmonious through Disagreement\): Part I. Settler Colonialism](#)," Public Philosophy Network Annual Conference (e-vent), George Mason University, 2021
134. "[1492 & the Roots of Planetary Injustice: Working through the Past for an Environment that Is Social, Historical, and Personal](#)," Conference in honor of Steven Vogel, Denison University, 2022
135. "1492 & the Beginning of Planetary Injustice," Social Justice Institute Research Series, Case Western Reserve University, 2022
136. "[1492 & the Roots of Planetary Injustice: Working through the Past for an Environment that Is Social, Historical, and Personal](#)," Michigan State University Department of Philosophy, 2022
137. "0 and 1492: Vertical Privilege and Horizontal Imperialism, Roots of Planetary Injustice," *Pico della Mirandola – Humanism, Post-humanism, Trans-humanism: Lessons for the Contemporary World*, Central New York Humanities Corridor: *Theorizing Italy* (e-vent), 2022
 - a. [Linktree for talk](#)
138. "[What Do We Do When We Talk about 'Evil'?](#)," *Evil in Modern Thought* 20th Anniversary Conference, Rutgers University Department of Philosophy, 2022
139. "The Challenges of a New Cosmology: Nationalism, Colonialism & Earth System Science," with Stefan Pedersen, Earth System Governance Project Annual Conference, University of Toronto, 2022
140. "The Inner Life of the Planet: Earth System Science in Moral Time," *Life beyond the Anthropocene: The Human and Ecological Attunement*, Kings College, ON, 2023
141. "Six Practices to Make Philosophy Part of Your Home," Wrocławskie Centrum Akademickie, 2023
142. "The Inner Life of the Planet: Earth System Science in Moral Time," *The Anthropocene: from Boundaries to Bonds*, University of Science and Technology, Wrocław, Poland, 2023
143. "Introducing Geological Wonder: Planetary Thinking as a Disruption of Narcissism," with Stefan Pedersen, *Aesthetics in Times of Turmoil*, Kings College, ON, 2024
144. "Relatable Oneness: A Social Role for Geological Wondering," International Association of Environmental Philosophy Annual Meeting (e-vent), 2024
145. "Omnicide Weather: Chattel Logic & Normativity Destruction," *Including Earth Others in Decision Making: Yes, but Who or What?* New York University Center for Human Rights and Global Justice, 2024
146. "Omnicide Weather: Paleolithic Indecision, Empire, & Systems of Collective Wonder," *Historical Materialism and Multi-species Justice: Toward a Common Research Agenda*, New York University Center for Human Rights and Global Justice, 2024
147. "The Spiral of Wonder & the Laws of Animals: Humankind's Geological History before the Sixth Extinction," *Animal*

Ethics & the Law, University of Chicago Law School, 2025

148. "Shall Planetary Justness Frame Their Homes: Environmental Wonder, Neighborhood Philosophy," *Concepts of Co-existence Involving the More than Human World*, Case Western Reserve University Baker Nord Institute for the Humanities, 2025
149. "The Destiny of Humankind," Werkgroep Dierfilosofie, Amsterdam, the Netherlands, 2025
150. "[Beyond Justice: Anxiety, Fidelity, and Right Relation](#)," Commentary on Matthias Kramm et al.'s "Multispecies Justice as Interspecies Deliberation," University of Tübingen, 2025 (online)
151. "Poor in Practical Capacity: How Environmental Alienation Is Really a Lack of Political Know-how," International Association for Environmental Philosophy annual meeting, Denison University Edge, Columbus, Ohio, 2025
152. "Approaching the Biosemioticians," Commentary on Keith Moser's *Contemporary French Environmental Thought in the Post-COVID-19 Era*, Society for Phenomenological and Existential Philosophy annual meeting, 2025 (online)
153. "Nussbaum's Approach to Animals," *Martha Nussbaum Study Circle*, City University, Dhaka, Bangladesh, 2025/6 TBD (online)

Hey kid,
you.

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Flesh filled
to bursting.

~Robert Creeley



esther bendik & dave keymer, utica, ny 1991.

A lot of what I learned from my family can be summed up as talk around a kitchen table. My parents were great at relating and talking things out. Many years later, I realized that they had produced habits in me that were humane. I am profoundly grateful to my parents for what they gave me.

Song

Grace Church Men & Boys Choir, Grace Church, Utica, New York, 1982-1985
Head Chorister, Rector's Cross
New Hartford High School Choir, 1985-1988
Barbershop Quartet, New Hartford High School, 1987-1988
Munson Williams Proctor Institute Vocal Competition, winner, 1987
Yale Russian Chorus, 1989-1990
Yale Gospel Choir, 1991-1992
Dubai Chamber Choir, 2005-2008
Soloist, Stravinsky's *Mass*
Soloist, Herbert Howell's *Requiem*
St. David's Choir, Dewitt, New York, 2008-2010
Western Reserve Chorale, 2011-2015

[Music barn site](#), 2018-2025

[10 Month Songs](#) ["*In luminis oras* (parts 1-3)," "Night, Emet," "Stay Loose," "Mosaic," piano with an infant's voice, 2020
[American Ecstasies: A Surfacing](#) ["Strange," "Sundown, Friday, First Week in April"] piano with occasional child's voice, 2021

Poems

1. "[Automotion](#)" unpublished, Fall 1989
2. "[Orange](#)," unpublished, Winter 1990
3. "[Fragments](#)," *Yale Literary Magazine*, Fall 1990
4. "[A Night Tale](#)," *Yale Literary Magazine*, Fall 1990

5. "Winter Song," *Yale Literary Magazine*, Spring 1991
 6. "When there are many who have to mourn," *Zirkus*, Spring 1991
 7. "A parting," *The Quarterly*, Spring 1991
 8. "Section urbaine," *The Yale Literary Magazine*, Fall 1992
 9. "The Fire Alarm," *Zirkus*, Spring 1992
 10. "On Stars," *Zirkus*, Spring 1992
 11. "Ondine," *The Quarterly*, Spring 1992
 12. "[Don du poème – An Incomplete Project for Symbolist Poetry Class](#)," *The Yale Literary Magazine Oral Poetry Festival*, Spring 1993
 13. "[Riding Back from the Cloisters, 1995](#)," unpublished, Summer 1999
 14. "[Summer at the University of Chicago](#)," unpublished, Summer 1999
 15. " "[Think about your creator in the days of your youth](#)," unpublished, Summer 2003
 16. "[White winged moths](#)," unpublished, Fall 2003
 17. "The Sky inside the City," in *The Ecological Life: Discovering Citizenship and a Sense of Humanity*, Lanham, MD: Rowman & Littlefield, 2006
 18. "Ethos" ("Ethos," "Geography," "A Theory of the Occasion"), *H_ngm_n*, Spring 2011
 19. "[3 poems missing \(broken, imagined, hidden\)](#)," unpublished, 2012 (1991-2009)
 20. "[Meta-philosophy after James](#)," unpublished, 2012
 21. *I Was in the Open Then and I Carried My Teeth in my Heart*, poem series in *Solar Calendar, and Other Ways of Marking Time*, Brooklyn, NY: Punctum Books, 2017
 22. *Figures of Imagination*, dream series in *The Wind ~ An Unruly Living*, Brooklyn, NY: Punctum Books, 2018
 23. "[These poems barely spoke to me, but I respect them anyway](#)," invited response to Tracy K. Smith's *Wade in the Water* for the Class of 2025 Common Reading essay authored by Kimberly Emmons with contributions from many faculty voices, 2021
 24. "[Life-Cycle](#)," translation of Arthur Rimbaud's "Roman" (1870) in *Nussbaum's Politics of Wonder: How the Mind's Original Joy Is Revolutionary*, 2023
- Misc. Art & Theater Projects
1. "[A Dictionary of Liberal Art Deeds \[incomplete\]](#)," unfinished, Sharjah, 2006
 2. "Off-Cycle," text and voice with Zlatan Filipović (video and sound processing) and Isak Berbić (video), Tate Modern London, 2007
 3. "This Is Love?" group member, theatrical intervention in public space, American University of Sharjah, 2008
 4. "Mirror: Who Are You?" group member, theatrical intervention in public space American University of Sharjah, 2008
 5. "Cell Phone: Bound," group member, theatrical intervention in public space, American University of Sharjah, 2008
 6. Herbert Howells' *Requiem*, tenor & baritone soloist, Dubai Chamber Choir, 2008
 7. "Short Bits (1-10)," time-compressed monologue experiment, *Brief Histories*, curated by Isak Berbić and Fawz Kabra, Sharjah College of Fine Art, 2011
 8. "A Voice from the Future," monologue with paper bag in snow, for Elaine Hullihen, *Declarations of Truth*, Cleveland, OH, 2011
 9. "[Aunt Eleanor Stories](#)," Avon, OH, 2012
 10. "[An Interview on Oblivion](#)," with Misty Morrison, Shaker Heights, OH, 2017
 11. *A Color Removed*, concept co-creator with Michael Rakowitz and the Ethics Table and co-organizer with Elaine Hullihen (2015-2018), RA Washington (2015-2018), Christina Vassallo (2016-2018), Karl Anderson and Bruce Edwards (2017-2018), Amir Berbić (2017-2018), including Amber Ford, Amanda King & Shooting without Bullets, M Carmen Lane, and Samaria Rice (2018), eventually installed at SPACES as part of FRONT International, Cleveland, OH, 2013-2018
 - a. [Setting the record straight](#), 2023
 12. *It Will Hit Them Hard Later*, ephemeral, image + text novel in seven chapters, roughly 140 posts, Instagram, 2016-2017
 13. *Prosperity*, weekly practice in socially engaged art, with Misty Morrison, 2017-2018 (left unfinished)



Aurora, NY. around 1973 or 4.

I put my faith in the folk instinct of people that can lead change through homegrown practices and reformed institutions. We scholars, artists, and literary types share the responsibility of rediscovering and representing the humanity that (we as) ordinary people create.

Organizing

1. *Yale Philosophy Club*, co-organizer (with Chaya Bhuvaneswaren), 1992-1993
2. *Bosnia: A Teach In*, co-organizer (with Dana Litvack), Yale Law School, Fall 1994
3. *Iraq: War? – A Teach In*, organizer, The Colorado College, Fall 2002
4. Reading group: Bernard Williams's *Truth and Truthfulness*, organizer, Colorado College, 2003
5. Reading group: Martin Heidegger's *The Question Concerning Technology*, organizer, Colorado College, 2003
6. *The Conversation Circle*, creator and organizer, Colorado College, 2003-2004
7. *Tuesday Night Conversation Circle*, creator and co-organizer (with Richard Gassan), American University of Sharjah, 2005-2006
8. Reading group: Plato's *Phaedrus*, organizer, American University of Sharjah, 2006
9. *Oxford Muse* self-portrait group in collaboration with Theodore Zeldin, University of Oxford, American University of Sharjah, 2006-2007
 - 'AI,' "A Self Portrait," *The Oxford Muse*, "The Muse Portrait Database: New Arrivals from the United Arab Emirates," 2007
 - 'Hesam,' "A Guide to the Self Portrait," *The Oxford Muse*, "The Muse Portrait Database: New Arrivals from the United Arab Emirates," 2007
 - 'Lina,' "Gender and Identity in Conflict: Notes on growing up, settling down, planting roots, and calling it 'home,'" *The Oxford Muse*, "The Muse Portrait Database: New Arrivals from the United Arab Emirates," 2007
 - 'Quelqu'un,' "Never break your parents' car's gear box. No matter how right you are," *The Oxford Muse*, "The Muse Portrait Database: New Arrivals from the United Arab Emirates," 2007
 - 'S.M.,' "Why My Life Is Like Spaghetti," *The Oxford Muse*, "The Muse Portrait Database: New Arrivals from the United Arab Emirates," 2007
 - 'S.S.' "A Self Portrait," *The Oxford Muse*, "The Muse Portrait Database: New Arrivals from the United Arab Emirates," 2007
10. *The Green Team*, on *Siobhan Live*, *Dubai Eye Radio*, co-creator and co-host, 2006-2007 (*The Green Team* existed for a decade thereafter)
11. AUS Harvard Model United Nations, faculty director and co-organizer (with Meenaz Kassam), Harvard University, 2007
12. *Still Life: Art, Ecology and the Politics of Change*, co-organizer (with Michaela Crimmin, Royal Society for the Arts, London; and Max Andrews and Mariana Campa-Luna, Llatitudes Barcelona), Sharjah Biennial 8; Sharjah, UAE, Spring 2007
13. INSA (International Studies Student Association) Constitutional Revision Process, faculty co-organizer (with INSA's Governing Board), American

- University of Sharjah Department of International Studies, Spring 2007
14. *AUSMUN* –the American University of Sharjah Model United Nations, founder and co-organizer (with INSA students), 2007-2008 (This MUN still exists today and is pre-eminent in the Middle East North Africa region)
 15. *Human Flourishing and Restoration in the Age of Global Warming*, co-creator and co-organizer (with Allen Thompson and Breena Holland), Clemson University, September 2008.
 16. “How the Older Nations Can Help Focus the Nation”, host to members of the Onondaga Nation and affiliate nations, *Focus the Nation*, organizer, Le Moyne College, February 2009
 17. Reading group: James Lovelock’s *The Revenge of Gaia: Earth’s Climate Crisis & the Fate of Humanity*, organizer, Le Moyne College, 2009
 18. Reading group: Alex Steffen et al., *Worldchanging: a User’s Guide for the 21st Century*, organizer, Le Moyne College, 2009
 19. “Climate Change and the Challenge of Adapting Humanity”, panel co-organizer (with Allen Thompson, Paul Hirsch, Helmut VB Hirsch, and Ronald Sandler), International Society for Environmental Ethics and International Association of Environmental Philosophy Annual Joint Meeting, Radboud Universiteit, Nijmegen, Netherlands, 2011
 20. *The Ethics Table* (see continuation as “Ethics Table Fellows,” “Ethics Table Brown Bag Lunches,” “The Moral Inquiries,” and “Ethics Table Chat-n-Chews” below), creator and organizer, Case Western Reserve University, 2011-12
 21. *The Biennial Beamer-Schneider Lecture in Ethics & Civics*, creator and organizer, 2011-2017

2011: Simon Critchley, “The Powerless Power of the Call of Conscience”
 Workshop: “Poetry & Politics: a reading of Apollinaire’s “Zone””
 2013: Susan Neiman, “Learning from the Germans: Tarantino, Spielberg, and American Crimes”
 Workshop: “*Time Heals* –excerpts from a Berliner novel”
 2015: Michael Rakowitz, “A Color Removed: Proposal for a Thousand Memorials for Tamir Rice”
 Experiential element: Project mapping with Cleveland potential collaborators: Zygote Press, SPACES, Guide to Kulchur
 2017: Kyle Powys Whyte, “Indigenizing Futures, Decolonizing Our Lands: Indigenous Methods for Transformation”
 Charrette: “Decolonizing Cleveland”
 Organization: Creation of *Native Cleveland*, 2017-
 22. Reading group: Kant and Levinas, co-organizer (with Mark Pedretti and Sarah Gridley), Case Western Reserve University, 2011-2012
 23. Workshop on mass extinction, co-organizer (with Paul Pinet), Colgate University, 2012
 24. *The Ethics Table Fellows*, creator and organizer, Case Western Reserve University, 2013-2018
 25. *The Ethics Table Brown Bag Lunches* (see continuation as “Ethics Table Chat-n-Chews” below), creator and organizer, Case Western Reserve University, 2013-2016
 26. *The Ethics Café*, co-creator (with Briand Amkraut), The Laura and Alvin Siegel Lifelong Learning Program, Case Western Reserve University, 2013-2014
 27. *The Council of Tomorrow* (a youth council ancillary to the City Council of the City of Cleveland aimed at intergenerational thinking, sustainability, and integral neighborhoods), project idea co-creator (with Maurice Philpot, MC2 STEM High School of Cleveland, and Cathi Lehn, The Cleveland Office of

- Sustainability), Cleveland, OH, 2014-2015
28. *The Moral Inquiries ~ a Heights Gathering* (a bi-weekly evolving discussion group at Mac's Back's Books in Coventry with approximately 200 members, ages 3 mo. to 95 years old), creator and co-organizer (with Anthony Tenaglier (2016-2019), Dawn Ellis (2018-2019), Patrice Yarham (2018-2019), and Em Dragowsky (2018-2019), Cleveland Heights, OH, 2015-2019
 29. *Living Forms: Understanding the Environmental Humanities*, co-creator (with John Levi Barnard and Sarah Gridley), and co-organizer (with College of Wooster, University of Akron, and John Carroll University), Baker Nord Center for the Humanities, Case Western Reserve University, 2015-2016
 30. *Philosophy without Teachers ~ a Residency in Philosophy as a Way of Life & Social Practice Art*, co-creator and co-organizer (with Ryan Johnson and Chloë Bass), Elon University, 2016
 31. *civic now! – A Manifesto Workshop During the Republican National Convention*, co-creator and co-organizer (with Arthur Russell and Eileen Joy/Punctum Books), SPACES, Cleveland, OH, 2016
 32. *Moral Education and Ethical Learning in SAGES [Seminar Approach to General Education]: In-service Series*, co-creator (with Michael Householder (2016), Kevin Houser (2016-2018), and Bharat Ranganathan (2018-20), Case Western Reserve University, 2016-2020
 33. *Greek Life Leadership Circle*, creator and organizer, Case Western Reserve University, 2015
 34. *Ethics Table Chat-n-Chew Lunches*, co-creator (with Heather Clayton Terry and LaShon Sawyer) and organizer, Case Western Reserve University, 2017-2020
 35. *Philosophy Common Hour*, creator and organizer, Case Western Reserve University Philosophy Department, 2017-2018
 36. *A Climate Change on Climate Change*, panel co-creator and co-organizer (with Sarah Gridley and Bruce Kafer), The Hathaway Brown School, Shaker Heights, OH, 2019
 37. “What Can We Learn from Each Other? – A Forum for Learning across the University,” *Think Big University Strategic Planning Process*, Case Western Reserve University, creator and co-organizer (with Lisa Camp), 2019
 38. *Changing the Politics of Earth: Public Discussion and Academic Workshop*, creator and organizer, Baker Nord Center for the Humanities, Case Western Reserve University and Cleveland Humanities Festival, Cleveland, OH, 2019
 39. Reading group: moral relations, co-organizer with Matt Ferkany, Case Western Reserve University, Michigan State University, Miami University, University of Wroclaw, 2020-2021
 40. *Planetary Justice Virtual Community*, co-creator with Ben Mylius, co-organizing with Sebastian Östlund and Charlotte Vyt, Western Political Science Association, 2020 – 2021
Continued as an informal forum, intentionally without bureaucratic affiliation, 2022-2023
 41. “Some Perspectives on Indigenous Life & Settler Colonialism,” host, with Cynthia Connolly and Bruce Kafer (Oglala Lakota Nation), *Social Justice Institute 10th Anniversary Celebration*, Case Western Reserve University, 2020
 42. *Reciprocities: Critical Climate Conversations*, with the Ethics Table and the CWRU CAN (Climate Action Network), Spring 2021
Reciprocities I: Future Generations
Reciprocities II: The Sixth Extinction
Reciprocities III: Global Poverty
 43. Roundtable: Dipesh Chakrabarty's *The Climate of History in a Planetary Age*, with Neil Brenner, Dipesh Chakrabarty, the Multi-Species Justice Project at University of Sydney (Danielle Celermajer, Christine Winter), the Planetary Justice Taskforce of the Earth System Governance Project (Agni Kalfagianni, Stefan Pedersen, Dimitris Stevis), and Thomas Nail; *IAEP (International Association for Environmental Philosophy)* annual meeting, 2021

44. *Climate Action Week's Politics Lunch Series*, Case Western Reserve University, Spring 2022, co-organized with Matthew Hodgetts
 45. *Braiding Sweetgrass*, reading group, co-organized with Swetland Center for Environmental Health & the Social Justice Institute, Case Western Reserve University, Summer 2022
 46. *Anti-Colonialism, Anti-Racism, & Climate Change*, speaker series, Case Western Reserve University, Spring semester 2023, with Dipesh Chakrabarty, Malcom Ferdinand, Thomas Nail, Romy Opperman, and Christine J. Winter
 47. *Recent & Forthcoming*, workshop on recent and future monographs, International Association for Environmental Philosophy, Winter 2023, with Zachary Vereb, Travis Holloway, and Emily Anne Parker
 48. *Engaging Steven Vogel's Constructive Environmentalism*, ISEE panel at the Central Division APA, Winter 2023, with Ronald Sandler (co-organizer), Romy Opperman, and Steven Vogel
 49. *Neighborhood*, occasional online discussion group, 2023-
 50. Baker Nord Center for the Humanities Special Projects Grant, *Queering Masculinities*, with Braveheart Gillani, co-convenor, 2023-
 51. *Anti-Fascist Circle*, discussion group, Case Western Reserve University, 2024
 52. Panel on some new directions of *Environmental Philosophy*, with Marjolein Oele and Russell Duvernoy, International Association of Environmental Philosophy Annual Meeting (e-vent), 2024
 53. *The Philosopher's Table*, Interactive public philosophy event with Ben Mylius, Climate Imaginarium, Center for Climate and Culture, Governors Island, New York City, 2024
 54. *Get to Know Your Neighbors with Some Street Philosophy*, question game modeled on Theodore Zeldin's Oxford Muse conversation dinners, upper Townley Rd. block party, Shaker Heights, Ohio, September 2024
 55. Parallel process parent group, Carol Nursery School, 2025
 56. *Concepts of Co-existence Involving the More than Human World*, with Urszula Lisowska and over a dozen scholars, Hildegard and Elbert Baker Visiting Scholar Workshop in Environmental Thought, Case Western Reserve University Baker Nord Institute for the Humanities, March 2025
- "You sure cut a hole in that fence, alright." A family paraphrase of a Stan Freberg saying from the early 1960s radio sequence, "[Bang Gunleigh, US Marshall Field](#)"
- Essays, Op-eds, & Interviews
1. "[In Search of the Real America](#)," *The Colorado Springs Independent*, December, 2002
 2. "[War Hawks' Aim Is Immoral](#)," *The Colorado Springs Independent*, October 2003 ([Error admission on NATO by editorial board](#))
 3. "[Self-Work: Politics](#)," *Pikes Peak Action Committee*, Fall 2003
 4. "The Lull around the War," *Pikes Peak Action Committee*, Winter 2003-2004
 5. "Tying the Knot," *The Colorado Springs Independent*, February 2004
 6. "[Oh, the Gulf](#)," blog, 2005-2009
 7. "Conscience, *Osool*," *Jumeirah Beach Magazine*, May 2006
 8. *Down to Earth*, a weekly column for *Emirates Today*, Dubai, 2007
"A Scope for Green Business"
"A Book for Thought"
"Little Things Matter"
"Experience Nature by Living It"
"Consider 'Inner' Building Standards"
"How to Start Eating Smart"
"Protect Ecology of Body from Toxics"
"It's a Date"
"All Planet Party People"
"Greenpeace Must Cool Rhetoric"
"The Lessons of Genu"
"The Coup Factor of Climate Change"
"Green Can Be a Rich Colour"
"Gitex, Geckos and Leonardo DiCaprio"
"Clocking Up Debt"
"Drive in the Spirit of Ramadan"
"Don't Imitate Gods"

9. "None and All: Mark Pilkington's *Islander*," *Tashkeel*, Dubai, UAE, 2008
10. "[The Virtues of Virtues in the Law? Being Humane to Animals](#)," *University of Chicago Law School Faculty Blog*, November 2008
11. Untitled commentary on Louise-Fowler-Smith's photography for use by artist for her exhibitions and catalogues, 2010
12. "[Really Saving the Environment](#)," with Allen Thompson, *Interview with a Philosopher*, *The Huffington Post*, May 2010
13. *Regionally Speaking* (radio), with Gladys Haddad, WRUW Cleveland, October 2011
14. "[Ethical Adaptation to Climate Change](#)," *European Financial Review*, October 2012
15. "[Bodily Wisdom](#)," (as "whitebelt"), *Harmony: Newsletter of the Syracuse Aikikai*, 2013
16. *The Sound of Ideas*, (radio) with David Suzuki and David Orr, WCPN / Ideastream, Cleveland, OH, September 2013
17. "Interview" (program notes), *The Fall* by Jose Carlos Texeira, Cleveland Institute of Art, Cleveland, OH, 2014
18. "[The Fundamental Ethical Adaptation: Anthroponomy](#)," *Inhabiting the Anthropocene*, July 2016
19. "[Decolonialism and Democracy: On the Most Painful Challenges to Anthroponomy](#)," *Inhabiting the Anthropocene*, August 2016
20. "[Locker Room Banter](#)," *Case Observer*, October 2016
21. "[Reconsidering the Aesthetics of Protest](#)," *Hyperallergic*, December 2016
22. "[The Art of Protesting During Donald Trump's Presidency](#)," *The Conversation* (republished by *Good* as "[Why the Smartest Anti-Trump Protest Strategy Is Solidarity –not Violence](#)"), January 2017
23. "On Anthony Warnick's "Except as a Punishment for a Crime" (video), SPACES, Cleveland, OH, February 2017
24. "Being Democratic Is a State of Mind," *Fritz Books*, February 2017⁴
25. "[The Neoliberal Radicals](#)," *eFlux Conversations*, February 2017
26. "[Democracy as Relationship](#)," *eFlux Conversations*, April 2017
27. "How Can I Be Strong When I Am Powerless? For José Carlos Texeira's *On Exile (Elsewhere, in Here; Fragments in Search of Meaning; and The Book)*," MAAT Museum, Lisbon, Portugal, 2017
28. "A Return of Moral Vision: For José Carlos Texeira's *On Exile: Elsewhere, in Here*," SPACES Gallery, Cleveland, OH, 2017
29. "He's Arbitrarian," *Beneath the Surface* (radio), KPFK Los Angeles (replayed on *Jacobin Radio*) July & August, 2017
30. "[President Donald Trump Is an Arbitrarian, Not a Fascist](#)," *Cleveland Plain Dealer*, August 2017
31. "[The River](#)," with Misty Morrison, *Cleveland Review of Books Beta*, November 2017
32. "Capacity Building Cuts in the Sensorium," *Art World Roundtable, Aesthetics For Birds*, December 2017
33. "[We Must Go to Class, But We Also Should](#)," *Case Observer*, January 2018
34. "[CWRU Students: You Can Make It Possible to Plagiarize with Impunity](#)," *Case Observer*, February 2018
35. "[Excerpt from The Wind](#)," *Cleveland Review of Books Beta*, March 2018
36. "[Why It's Good to Be an Ivy League Reject](#)," *Case Observer*, March 2018
37. "[This Conversation Never Happened](#)," *Tikkun*, March 2018
38. "[A Challenge to Prof. Sarma and to Ourselves](#)," *Case Observer*, April 2018
39. "[Is CWRU Hypocritical about Ethics?](#)" *Case Observer*, May 2018
40. "[Art's Plain Art of Living](#)," *eFlux Conversations*, May 2018
 - a. Republished with *The Blog of the APA*, September 25th
41. "[How to Do Things without Words – Silence as the Power of Accountability](#)," *Public Seminar*, June 2018
42. "[How to Disagree: Experiments in Social Construction](#)," *Blog of the APA*, July 2018

⁴ An open letter during the first General Strike of 2017 published on my public notebook.

43. [“Beyond Gestures in Social Engaged Art: Community Processing and A Color Removed,”](#) *Public Seminar*, September 2018
44. [“CWRU Needs to Emphasize Moral Education,”](#) *Case Observer*, November 2018
45. [“Airing Concerns about the Thinkers,”](#) *Case Observer*, December 2018
46. [“Questioning the Reality around Tenure,”](#) *Case Observer*, March 2019
47. [“How Do You Approach Public Philosophy?”](#) *Blog of the APA*, April 2019
48. [“Recently Published Book Spotlight: The Wind and Solar Calendar,”](#) *Blog of the APA*, May 2019
49. [“Fleabag, Let Things Get Lost! – Wonder, Confusion, and Why Film Needs More of It”](#) *Public Seminar*, September 2019
50. [“Trauma-Feeding,”](#) with Misty Morrison, *Cleveland Review of Books*, [cross-posted](#) with *Aesthetics for Birds*, September 2019
51. [“Real Philosophical Communities](#) (How we think about the life and practice of philosophy, part 1),” *Blog of the APA*, April 2020
52. [“Anything Can Be Philosophical](#) (How we think about the life and practice of philosophy, part 2),” *Blog of the APA*, April 2020
53. [“‘Planetary,’ ‘Planetarism,’ & the Interpersonal,”](#) *Institute for Interdisciplinary Research into the Anthropocene*, May 2020; [reposted](#), *eFlux Conversations*, June 2020; [Blog of the APA](#), September 2020
54. [“Basement Community,”](#) *Newsletter of the International Society for Environmental Ethics*, Summer 2020
55. [“Into Philosophy,”](#) with Sidra Shahid and Heidi Schmidt, *Blog of the APA*, October 2020
56. [“Genealogies of Philosophy: Susan Neiman \(part I: Letters to Sartre\)”](#) with Sidra Shahid, *Blog of the APA*, November 2020
57. [“Philosophy as a Way of Life: Julia Gibson,”](#) *Blog of the APA*, November 2020
58. [“Ghosts of the Future: Behrens & Sanders,”](#) *Blog of the APA*, December 2020
59. [“Changing our Institutions: PFS,”](#) *Blog of the APA*, January 2021
60. [“On Flight: Bin Song \(part I\),”](#) *Blog of the APA*, February 2021
61. [“Genealogies of Philosophy: Lynne Huffer \(part I\),”](#) with Sidra Shahid, *Blog of the APA*, February 2021
62. [“Practical Enlightenment: Bin Song \(part II\),”](#) *Blog of the APA*, March 2021
63. [“American Ecstasies: A Surfacing,”](#) *Blog of the APA*, April 2021
64. [“An Education that Works for Students: Paul Blaschko,”](#) *Blog of the APA*, April 2021
65. [“Is There Room for Everyone’s Odd, Lost Life in Philosophy?”](#) with Sidra Shahid, *Blog of the APA*, May 2021
66. [“A Little Place to Oppose the Insecurity of the World,”](#) with Sidra Shahid, *Blog of the APA*, June 2021
67. [“Emergent Learning,”](#) Interview for *Philosophers Fight Climate Change* (Engaged Philosophy project), July 2021
68. [“Marisa Diaz-Waian: Philosophy, Like Love, Is for Everyone,”](#) *Blog of the APA*, July 2021
69. [“To Learn Is Beautiful, But Who Gets To? Katherine Starting Out,”](#) with Katherine Cassese and Sidra Shahid, *Blog of the APA*, August 2021
70. [“Reason & the Life to Come: Caleb Cohoe on Spiritual Exercises,”](#) *Blog of the APA*, October 2021
71. [“Can You See Something Better than Philosophy?”](#) *Blog of the APA*, January 2022 (translated into Spanish for *Filosofia en la Red*, April 2022)
72. [“Vergangenheitsbewältigung Now: 1492 & the Roots of Planetary Injustice,”](#) *Blog of the APA*, Earth Day, April 2022
73. [“Acknowledge the Truth of Your Confusion: It’s Helpful,”](#) with Mark Fiocco, *Blog of the APA*, April 2022
74. [“Great Humanists Care about the People Facing Them,”](#) *Blog of the APA*, June 2022
75. [“Smash the Machinery of Time: Asylum Philosophy,”](#) with Charlotte Vyt, *Blog of the APA*, July 2022
76. [“How to Be Foolish in Being Angry: Against Sarcasm,”](#) *Blog of the APA*, July 2022

77. "[Institutional Reflexivity when Facing the Planetary: An Interview](#)" with Neil Brenner and Elizabeth Chatterjee," *Environmental Philosophy*, 19:2, 2022
78. "[What Do We Do When We Talk about 'Evil'?](#)" *Blog of the APA*, October 2022
79. "[How Intergenerational Is the Academy? Into the Planetary Project](#)" with Christine J. Winter, *Blog of the APA*, October 2022
80. "[President Kaler's Letter Was Wrong](#)," *Case Observer*, November 2022
81. "[Justice for Animals](#)," with Martha C. Nussbaum, *The Philosopher*, e-vent, 2022
82. "[Complete Philosophy Is Personal: We Relate to Each Other](#)," *Blog of the APA*, December 2022
83. "[Grief-spun Wisdom in the Dirt: Of Popular Death Practices](#)," with Shannon Lee Dawdy, *Blog of the APA*, January 2023
84. "[Wonder's Politics](#)," with Danielle Celermajer and Misty Morrison, *The Philosopher*, e-vent, 2023
85. "[Recently Published Book Spotlight: Nussbaum's Politics of Wonder](#)," with Misty Morrison, interviewed by Maryellen Stohlman-Vanderveen, *Blog of the APA*, March 2023
86. "[The Things that Matter Most Are the Things of Good Relationships](#)," *The Philosopher*, 100th anniversary issue, March 2023
87. "[Back to the Warm Home, Good Relationships, and Philosophy](#)," with Sidra Shahid and Katherine Cassese, *Blog of the APA*, March 2023
88. "[The Distance between Us Belongs to Love, Reason, Trust](#)," with Sidra Shahid and Katherine Cassese, *Blog of the APA*, April 2023
89. "[A Conversation with Susan Neiman and Friends around Anti-Fascist Organizing](#)," with Susan Neiman, Katherine Cassese, Julia Gibson, Stephen Rich, and Steven Vogel, *Blog of the APA*, August 2023
90. "Questions for Martha C. Nussbaum," *Book Launch: Justice for Animals*, with Nicolas Delon, Breena Holland, Amy Linch, and Martha C. Nussbaum, Human Development and Capability Association annual meeting, Sofia, Bulgaria, September 2023
91. "[Understanding Administration: Aurora Sharrard](#)," with Nora Boyd, *Philosophers for Sustainability*, 2023
92. "[An Investment in Education Can Help Fix CWRU](#)," *Case Observer*, October 2023
93. "[Against Slickness](#)," *Blog of the APA*, December 2023
94. "[We can't afford not to think. Philosophy and Our Planetary Environment](#)," interviewed by Urszula Lisowska and translated into Polish for *Dzikie Życie (Wild Life)*, January 2024
95. "[What the administration has not done yet](#)," *Case Observer*, April 2024
96. "Introductory Notes to the Spring 2024 Issue of *Environmental Philosophy*," with Marjolein Oele, Russell Duvernoy, Daniele Fulvi, and Hayden Kee, *Environmental Philosophy*, 21:1, 2024
97. "[Peace is not achieved by protesters knowingly using loaded, intolerant language](#)," *Cleveland Plain Dealer*, June 6th, 2024
98. "[Syllabus Showcase: Good Relationships](#)," *Blog of the APA*, August 7th, 2024
99. "[Rethinking the BDS Protests at CWRU](#)," *Case Observer*, August 23rd, 2024
100. "[The Adult Talk Test](#)" *Blog of the APA*, October 24th, 2024
101. "[Book Dumb and World Lost](#)," *Blog of the APA*, November 28th, 2024
102. "[Music for Mice](#)," with Eva Meijer, *Blog of the APA*, December 26th, 2024
103. "What Do We Want the Environment to Be? An Interview with Steven Vogel on the Metaphysics of Practice," *Environmental Ethics*, 46:4, 2024, pp. 363-78,
104. "[Living in Constitutional Moments](#)," with Richard Sherwin, *Blog of the APA*, January 23rd, 2025
105. "[Intimate Democracy](#)," with Urszula Lisowska, *Blog of the APA*, February 27th, 2025
106. Interview of Russell Duvernoy on aesthetic experience and ecological conversion, *Concepts of Co-existence Involving the More than Human World*, Hildegard and Elbert Baker Visiting Scholar Workshop in Environmental Thought, Case Western Reserve

- University Baker Nord Center for the Humanities, 2025
107. Interview of Matthew Hodgetts on teaching environmental politics, *Concepts of Co-existence Involving the More than Human World*, Hildegard and Elbert Baker Visiting Scholar Workshop in Environmental Thought, Case Western Reserve University Baker Nord Center for the Humanities, 2025
 108. "The Selfish Ones," *Blog of the APA*, March 27th, 2025
 109. "Neighborhood Philosophy," *Substack of the Blog of the APA*, April 4th, 2025
 - a. Republished as "From Winter to Summer in a Block Party Quilt," *Blog of the APA*, May 22nd, 2025
 110. "The Restoration of Language and the Possibility of Peace," with Hagi Kenaan, *Blog of the APA*, April 24th, 2025
 111. "Work Shirts to the Opera," *Blog of the APA*, June 26th, 2025
 - a. Republished with the *Substack of the Blog of the APA*, July 4th, 2025
 112. "Trilogue on Collaborative Teamwork in a Planetary Age," with Marjolein Oele and Russell Duvernoy, *Philosophy Today*, special issue on the climate crisis, guest editor Travis Holloway *Philosophy Today*, Winter/Issue 1, 2026
 113. "Sensing the Planet with Kids Books and Climate Music," editor of a piece by Judy Twedt, *Blog of the APA*, July 24th, 2025
 - a. Republished with the *Substack of the Blog of the APA*, October 3rd, 2025
 114. "Punk's Original Values in the Age of Idiocy ('AI')", *Blog of the APA*, August 28th, 2025
 115. [In progress piece with Ben Mylius on AI, techno-optimism, and the fantasy of separating from Earth], *Blog of the APA*, October 23rd, 2025
- Volunteer Teaching
1. Tutoring, New Haven Public Schools, New Haven, CT, 1989-90
 2. Elm Haven Projects, New Haven, CT, 1992-94
 3. Legacy Coalition High School, New York City, NY, 1994
 4. Bronzeville GED Academy, Chicago, IL, 1997-98
 5. Private tutor for student expelled from Bronzeville GED Academy, Chicago, IL, 1998-2001
 6. College Summit, DePaul University, 2000; University of Chicago, 2001; Colorado College, 2002
 7. "Moral Realizations," Colorado Springs Senior Citizens Center, Colorado Springs, CO, 2003
 8. "Life – Perspective," Colorado Springs Senior Citizens Center, Colorado Springs, CO, 2004
 9. "This War: Now," Pikes Peak Justice and Peace Commission, Colorado Springs, CO, 2004
 10. "On Dreams and Nature," Environmental Ethics, Fort Lewis College, 2004
 11. Mentor for self-portraits by young adults and adults in the UAE, as part of the *Oxford Muse*, 2007
 12. "Two Modern Muslim Women & the Idea of a Wisdom Book," St. David's Church Adult Education Forum, Dewitt, NY, 2009
 13. "The Moral Standing of Species," Conservation Biology, Colgate University, 2010
 14. InterMission, The Jesuit Residence, Cazenovia, NY, 2010
 15. Moderator, "War Healing: The Recovery and Reintegration of Combat Veterans" (broadcast on C-SPAN), *Peace and War Summit*, Inamori Center for Ethics & Excellence, Case Western Reserve University, 2010
 16. "Climate Change and Moral Limits," *Moral Psychology*, Case Western Reserve University, 2011
 17. "Ethics and Public Policy," *Introduction to Public Policy*, Case Western Reserve University, 2011
 18. "Environmental Activism," Environmental Civics Program (for the Minor), Ohio State University, 2011
 19. "Philosophical Anarchism," *Meet the Faculty*, Case Western Reserve University, 2011

20. "Ethics and Conscience," *Engineering Communication*, Case Western Reserve University, 2011
21. "Future Generations and the Banality of Evil," Church of the Covenant, Cleveland, OH, 2012
22. "What Is Philosophy? – The Philosophy of Summer," Syracuse Hebrew Day School, Syracuse, NY, 2012
23. "Classroom / Life / Ethics," Office of Diversity and Inclusion, Case Western Reserve University, 2012
24. Moderator, Robert F. Kennedy, Jr., Cleveland Town Hall, Cleveland, OH, 2012
25. Panelist (with David Orr and David Suzuki), Inamori Ethics Prize Panel, Severance Hall, Cleveland, OH, 2012
26. *The Body Remembers*, a movement and philosophy workshop with Elaine M. Wolf, Syracuse, NY, 2012-13
27. "Plato's *Republic* & the Critique of 'America,'" *Popular Morality in Ancient Athens* discussion, Case Western Reserve University, 2013
28. "Presentism: Magnifying Persistent Oppression," Ethics Café, September 2013, The Fairmount, Cleveland Heights, OH
29. "Particularizing Attention to Members Who Lack Motivation," Panhellenic Scholarship Council, Case Western Reserve University, 2013
30. Workshop on engineering ethics, summer school for Libyan and Iraqi visiting professors, Case Western Reserve University, 2013
31. "Analyzing Climate Change Ethics," Montessori High School of Cleveland, OH, 2013
32. "Relational Reason," *Brain & Mind*, Case Western Reserve University, 2013
33. Vocational coaching, school tutoring, and other mentoring, Brady Faith Center, Syracuse, NY, summer 2013
34. "Gaming the System," *Engineering Communication*, Case Western Reserve University, 2013
35. "The Role of Fraternities and Sororities in Cultivating *Ethos*," Case Western Reserve University Panhellenic Council, 2013
36. "Between the Personal and Impersonal," *Meet the Faculty*, Case Western Reserve University, 2013
37. "Economy Deeper than Markets," *American Made Movie* panel, Shaker Heights High School, Shaker Heights, OH, 2013
38. "Abuse as an Economy," *The Ethics of Relationships*, Global Ethical Leaders Society, Case Western Reserve University, 2013
39. "Against Presentism: What Can You Do at College and as a Citizen to Respect Future Generations?" Hamilton College, 2013
40. "Hand, Head, Heart," *Lyceum*, The Office of Greek Life, Case Western Reserve University, 2013
41. "How Environmental Alienation Is Really a Lack of Political Know-how," *Meet the Faculty*, Case Western Reserve University, 2014
42. "Ethical Adaptation to Climate Change," *Meet the Faculty*, Case Western Reserve University, 2014
43. "What Is Ethics in Your Curriculum?" *Engineering Communication*, Case Western Reserve University, 2014
44. "Racism and Abuse in Love," *In Love* discussion group, Hamilton College, February 2014
45. "Love and Mental Health," *Active Minds*, Hamilton College, 2014
46. "Integrity as a Process of Communal Deliberation," Greek Life Presidents Retreat, Case Western Reserve University, 2014
47. *Kappa Alpha Chapter of Pi Kappa Phi Identity Retreat*, annual retreat at my home, Shaker Heights, OH, Fall 2015
48. "Love: Citizenship & the Environment," Church of the Covenant, Cleveland, OH, 2015
49. "The Anthroponomy Project," *Creative Mornings*, Cleveland, OH, 2016
50. Summer mentor on the nature of philosophy for Miton Leonn, a rising senior from Solon High School, Shaker Heights, OH, 2016
51. "*Invisible Man*, the space of flows, & a mixing of other civic texts," *civic now!*, SPACES, Cleveland, OH, 2016

52. "Art, Philosophy, and Protest as a Way of Life," Denison University, 2017
53. "Some Challenges of Planetary Civic Engagement," Montessori High School of Cleveland, OH, 2017
54. "The Slow Protest Movement," Cleveland Women's Salon, Cleveland, OH, 2017
55. "Equal Respect," *The Moral Inquiries*, Cleveland Heights, OH, 2017
56. "Living in the Back Loop," *The Moral Inquiries*, Cleveland Heights, OH, 2017
57. "How to Realize the University Mission's Ethical Learning Values in Class," UCITE, Case Western Reserve University, 2019
58. "Changing the Politics of Earth," dialogue facilitator, Cleveland Botanical Gardens, Cleveland, OH, 2019
59. Summer internship mentor on the practice of philosophical scholarship for Katherine Cassese, a rising senior from the Laurel School, Shaker Heights, OH, 2020
60. "Anthroponomy & Personal Writing," *Philosophies of Environmentalism and Sustainability*, University of Chicago, 2020
61. "Decolonization & Environmental Justice," *Social Ethics*, Weatherhead School of Management, Doctor of Business Administration program, 2021
62. "Decolonization, a Global Constitutional Convention to Protect Future Generations, & Adapting Humanity: A Simple Proposal," *Climate Change & Health*, Case Western Reserve University School of Medicine, 2021
63. "Relational Writing during Remote Learning," UCITE, Case Western Reserve University, 2021
64. "Discussing Fossil Fuel Divestment in the Context of Higher Education," with Kian Mintz-Woo, *Philosophers for Sustainability* (e-vent), 2021
65. "Decoloniality in Institutions," *Social Ethics*, Weatherhead School of Management, Doctor of Business Administration program, 2022
66. "Reparations," *Emeriti Academy*, Case Western Reserve University, 2022
67. "Whole Planet, Whole Person: Time & Conscience as a Leader," *Social Ethics*, Weatherhead School of Management, Doctor of Business Administration program, 2023
68. "An Interview around Climate Change Teaching," with Jacqueline Wallis, *Philosophers for Sustainability*, 2nd annual online conference, 2023
69. "Queering Masculinities," with Braveheart Gillani, LGBTQ Center of Greater Cleveland, October 2023
70. "Against Slickness: How to Identify Authenticity in Your Professional Life," EXPLORE event for the Department of Philosophy, Case Western Reserve University, Spring semester 2024
71. "[The Inner Life of the Planet: Earth System Science in Moral Time](#)," conversation with Judy Twedt for "Climate, Justice, and Energy Solutions," University of Washington Department of Atmospheric Sciences, Spring 2024 (by Zoom)
72. "Deep Time Perspectives on the Human," *Towards Deeper Bioethics: Exploring Values for Survival and Flourishing*, with Peter J. Whitehouse, Matthew Hodgetts, Robert Brand, and Jonathan Beever, *Climate Action Month*, Case Western Reserve University, October 2024
73. "Beauty," *Ethics*, Case Western Reserve University, Fall 2024
74. Summer mentor on my current book project and the practice of scholarship for Olivia Tung, a rising junior in Philosophy at Case Western Reserve University, 2025

Service at Large
Support & Advisory Work

1. Pikes Peak Justice and Peace Commission, 2002-2003
2. TECOM/Dubai Academic City, Dubai, 2008
3. The Patchwork School, Louisville, CO, Founding Board of Directors, 2007-2008
4. Yale University's Admission's Office, 2007-2009
5. The Dhaka Project, Dhaka, Bangladesh, 2008
6. The Patchwork School, Louisville, CO, Advisory Board, 2008-2012
7. Physicians Committee for Responsible Medicine, Washington, D.C., Belmont 2 Process, 2009

8. St. David's Church, Dewitt, N.Y., Committee on Learning, 2009
9. Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change 5th Assessment Report, Working Group III, 2012-2013
10. *Green City Blue Lake Institute*, 2012
11. *Cleveland Review of Books*, Founding Advisor (2018-2019), Advisory Board (2019-2020), 2018-2020
12. Special Advisor to the Animal Ethics Committee, Cleveland Museum of Natural History, 2020-2021
13. Editorial consultant, *The Philosopher* (of the Philosophical Society of England), 2022
14. Editorial consultant for Daniel Miller's *The Good-Enough Life* (Polity Press, 2023)
15. Project Advice for Andie Wyatt's *Ontologitis*, 2023

Professional Memberships

1. North American Society for Social Philosophy, 2000-2006
2003-2005: Book Prize Committee
2. American Philosophical Association, 2002- (lifetime member)
3. Human Development and Capability Association, 2007-2008, 2015-2021
4. International Society for Environmental Ethics, 2011-2014, 2016-2021
2016-2019: Nominating Committee
5. International Association for Environmental Philosophy, 2011-2014, 2016-
2020-2023: Executive Committee Member-at-Large
6. Society for Ethical Adaptation (now non-existent), 2012-2013
7. American Society for Aesthetics, 2017-2018
8. Earth System Governance Project, 2018-2024
2018 - 2023: Earth System Law Taskforce
2019 - 2023: Planetary Justice Taskforce
2019 - 2024: Senior Research Fellow
2020 - 2023: ESG Annual Conference Refereeing
2023-2024: Mentor Initiative for Junior Scholars

9. Mellon Philosophy as a Way of Life Network, University of Notre Dame, 2019-2021
10. Philosophers for Sustainability, 2019-2023
2019: American Philosophical Association Sustainability Guidelines
2020- 2021: Advisory Committee
2020-2021: Co-chair, Advocacy Team on E-vents (e.g., e-conferences)
2020-2021: Advocacy Team on E-vents
2020-2021: Advocacy Team on Teaching
2020-2021: Advisory support, *Philosophy & the Climate Crisis*
2023: "Understanding Administration" with Nora Boyd and guest, Aurora Sharrard

11. Balzan Prize Project: Animal Ethics & the Law, directed by Martha C. Nussbaum; faculty mentor, 2023-2025

Editorial Boards

1. Editorial Board, *Ethics & Bioethics (in Central Europe)*, 2016-
2. Editorial board, *Environmental Ethics*, 2020-2030
3. Series Editor, *Blog of the APA* (American Philosophical Association), 2020-2023
4. Contributing Editor, *The Philosopher* (of the Philosophical Society of England), 2023
5. Associate Editor, *Environmental Philosophy*, 2024-

Promotion & Tenure Reviews

1. Drexel University, 2022
2. Illinois State University, 2022
3. University of North Texas, 2022
4. Pennsylvania State University Altoona, 2023
5. University of Central Florida, 2024
6. Santa Clara University, 2025

Accreditation Team Service

1. Middle States Commission on Higher Education, Mission (I) and Undergraduate Experience (IV) Pillars, Stevens Institute of Technology, 2018
2. Middle States Commission on Higher Education, Mission (I) and Ethics (II)

- Pillars, Central European University, Budapest, Hungary, 2019
3. Middle States Commission on Higher Education, University of Rochester, 2024

Refereeing

1. Baylor University Press, 2009
2. *Bioethics*, 2012, 2013
3. Bloomsbury Academic, 2024
4. Brill Publishing, 2017
5. Cambridge University Press, 2014, 2015
6. *Climatic Change*, 2025 (twice)
7. *Contemporary Aesthetics*, 2019
8. *Contemporary Political Theory*, 2023
9. Earth System Governance Project, 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023
10. *Environmental Ethics*, 2020, 2021, 2023, 2024 (thrice)
11. *Environmental Philosophy*, 2017, 2018, 2021, 2023 (associate editor, 2024-, synthesizing reviews and producing referee-related judgments)
12. *Environmental Values*, 2011, 2014, 2016
13. *Essays in Philosophy*, 2023
14. *Environmental Politics*, 2025
15. *Ethics & Bioethics (in Central Europe)*, 2019, 2020, 2024
16. *Ethics in Science and Environmental Values*, 2014
17. *Ethical Theory and Moral Practice*, 2012, 2021, 2022 (twice)
18. *European Journal of Philosophy*, 2016
19. *Griffith Law Review*, 2025
20. *Human Affairs*, 2017
21. *Human Rights Review*, 2010
22. *Inquiry*, 2011
23. International Association for Environmental Philosophy, 2020, 2021, 2022
24. *International Journal of Philosophical Studies*, 2023, 2024
25. *Journal of Agricultural and Environmental Ethics*, 2010
26. *Journal of Ethics*, 2021 (twice)
27. *Journal of Human Development and Capabilities*, 2021 (twice), 2024
28. *Journal of Moral Education*, 2020
29. *Journal of Philosophical Research*, 2010
30. *Journal of Social Philosophy*, 2023 (twice), 2024
31. *Journal of Value Inquiry*, 2010, 2011 (multiple times), 2012

32. *Medicine, Health Care, and Philosophy*, 2020
33. *Mosaic*, 2021
34. Narodowe Centrum Nauki (National Science Center Poland), 2022
35. *Open Book Publishers*, 2021 (twice)
36. *Oxford University Press*, 2021
37. Palgrave Macmillan, 2022, 2023
38. *People and Nature – The Journal of the British Ecological Society*, 2020
39. *Personality and Individual Differences*, 2023
40. *Problemas*, 2018
41. Routledge, 2007, 2013, 2014, 2018, 2019, 2022 (twice)
42. *South African Journal of Philosophy*, 2016
43. SUNY Press, 2020
44. Wittgenstein Award, Vienna Austria, 2017
45. Yale University Press, 2012

University Service Colorado College

1. *CC-11: Minorities in the Humanities*; co-director (with John Riker), 2002-2003; director 2003- 2004
2. Web Designer & Webmaster, Department of Philosophy, 2003-2004
3. Hire in New Media Technology, Faculty Representative, 2003
4. Center for Civic Engagement Working Group, 2003-2004
5. Hire in European History, Diversity Advocate, 2003-2004

American University of Sharjah

1. INSA (International Studies Student Association), Faculty Director, 2004-2007
2. New student study and lounge space, co-designer, 2004
3. Hire in Philosophy, Interviewer, 2004
4. International Studies Student Orientation, creator and facilitator, 2005-2008
5. Special assistant to the Chair of the Department of International Studies for United Arab Emirates Ministry of Education Final Accreditation, 2005-2006
6. Web Designer, Department of International Studies, 2005-2008
7. International Studies Teaching and Learning Committee, Chair, 2006-2008

8. Special Senate Committee on Research Ethics Code, 2006
9. Special Senate Committee on Housing, 2007
10. Middle States Commission on Higher Education University Re-accreditation Task Force, Mission Committee, 2007-2008
11. Faculty Senate Parliamentarian, 2007-2008
12. Senate Executive Board, 2007-2008
13. Sustainability Taskforce, 2008
14. Special Faculty Integrity Disciplinary Committee, 2008

Le Moyne College

1. New student study and lounge spaces, Riley Hall, initiator and designer, 2009
2. Student Learning Assessment Committee, Department of Philosophy, Chair, 2009-2010
3. Faculty Representative to Board of Trustees Institutional Advancement Committee, 2009-2010
4. Integrated Marketing Committee, 2009-2010
5. Committee on Martha Nussbaum's visit, 2009-2010
6. Working group on the McDevitt Sustainability Chair, 2010

Case Western Reserve University

1. Sustainability Alliance Organizing Committee, 2010-2011
2. University Strategic Planning Retreat, Sustainability Alliance Presenter, 2010
3. Hire in Philosophy, Interviewer, 2010
4. Inamori Ethics Prize Selection Committee, 2011-
5. Diversity Leadership Council, 2011-14
6. *PowerUp!* Facilitator, Social Justice Institute, 2012
7. "CWRU 2026" Strategic Planning Committee Member, 2012-13
8. SAGES [Seminar Approach to General Education], Case Western Reserve University, co-creator (with Michael Householder, Shannon French and Anthony Jack) of SAGES Ethical Learning Outcomes, 2013-2014
9. Greek Life Office, Case Western Reserve University, faculty advisor on Ethics, 2014-2017

10. Kappa Alpha Chapter of Pi Kappa Phi, Case Western Reserve University, Faculty Advisor, 2014-2016
11. Moral Development Mapping Project, co-creator (with Adam Perzynski (MetroHealth Hospital) and co-organizer (also with Janelle Duda, Mandel School for Applied Social Sciences, and Josh Terchek, Office of Institutional Research), Case Western Reserve University, 2015-2016
12. *Beamer-Schneider Teaching Fellow in SAGES* (post-doctoral position), co-creator (with Peter Whiting and Michael Householder), Case Western Reserve University 2015-2021
13. Faculty Student Life Committee for the Office of the Vice President for Student Affairs, 2015-17
14. *Ad hoc* advisor to Order of Omega, Case Western Reserve University, 2015-16
15. Swetland Center for Environmental Health, Case Western Reserve University School of Medicine, Advisory Board, 2016-2022
16. Faculty Senate Personnel Committee, 2015-17, 2021-25; Chair, 2016-17; 2021-25
17. Faculty Senate Executive Committee Subcommittee on the Bias Reporting System, 2017-2018
18. CUE [Committee on Undergraduate Education], Case Western Reserve University, advice on ethical, moral, and civic dimensions of general education, 2017-2018
19. Undergraduate Moral Development Advisory Committee of the Beamer-Schneider Professorship in Ethics, (creator and) Chair, 2018-2021
20. College of Arts and Sciences at Large Faculty Senator, 2018-19
21. FSCUE [Faculty Senate Committee on Undergraduate Education], Case Western Reserve University, advisor on general education requirements, 2019
22. Working group on the Climate and Environment cluster hire, 2020
23. THINK BIG RFP and SEED proposal reviewing, 2020
24. Committee on Educational Programs, College of Arts & Sciences, 2020 - 2021

25. Climate change and sustainability mapping project, School of Engineering & the Office of Sustainability, advisor, 2020
26. CWRU CAN (Climate Action Network), 2020-2024
27. Expanding Horizons Initiative (EHI) reviewer for the theme "Social Justice," College of Arts & Sciences, 2021
28. Department of Philosophy, Senior Portfolio Review, 2021
29. Social Justice Institute, Leadership Team, 2021-2023
30. Department of Philosophy Special Committee for Promotion, 2022
31. OA (open access) Pilot, Kelvin Smith Library, 2022
32. Sponsor, Urszula Lisowska visit, Baker Nord Institute for the Humanities Visiting Scholar program, 2024-2025
33. Faculty Senate Freedom of Expression Operating Rules Subcommittee, 2024-25; Chair, 2024-25
34. Faculty Senate Vice-Chair, 2025-26; Chair, 2026-27; Outgoing Chair, 2027-28



Pittsburgh, 2016 (photo by Anna). I often collaborate with Misty. She's building a different sense of art and of community closer to economy that is also ecology, starting with family and neighborhood relationships.

Posts

Sign maker, The Village Toy Store, 1980
 Waterfront instructor, Crumhorn Mtn. Boy Scout Camp, Milton, NY, 1985, 1986
 Clerk and stockboy, Reid Sheldon & Co., 1985-1986
 Lifeguard, Whitesboro Country Club, 1988
 Construction worker, Jim King Construction, 1989
 Library worker, Cross Campus Library, 1989-90
 Dining hall worker, Local 35, Yale University Dining Halls, 1989-1993
 Security Patrol, Yale University, 1989-1993
 Childcare worker, New Haven, CT, 1991-1994
 Poetry Editor, *The Yale Literary Magazine*, 1990-1992
 Children's education intern, Dixwell Q House, New Haven, CT, 1992
 Janitor, Yale University, 1993
 Barista, Daily Caff , New Haven, 1993-1994
 Clerk, Book Haven, New Haven, CT, 1993
 Course Assistant ("The Problem of Evil"), Yale College, 1994
 Library worker, Poetry Section, Regenstein Library, University of Chicago, 1996
 Writing Instructor, Little Red School House, University of Chicago, 1998-2000
 Research assistant and secretary to Saskia Sassen, Department of Sociology, University of Chicago, 1999
 Researcher, Reggio Emilia/Chicago Commons Head Start Schools Project, Erikson Institute for Advanced Study in Child Development, 1999-2002 (issued in Dan Scheinfeld, Sandra Scheinfeld and Karen Haigh, *We Are All Explorers: Learning and Teaching with Reggio Principles in Urban Settings*, New York: Teachers College Press, 2008)
 Lecturer in the Common Core and in Environmental Studies, University of Chicago, 2000-2002
 Assistant Professor of Philosophy, the Colorado College, 2002-05 (duties completed in 2004, permitted to be employed by American University of Sharjah, 2004-2005)
 Assistant Professor of Philosophy, American University of Sharjah, 2004-2008 (joint appointment with Le Moyne College, 2007-2008)

Visiting Scholar, Sciences Po (Paris Institute of Political Studies), 2006
 Talk Show Host, *The Green Team*, Dubai Eye Radio, 2006-2007
 Weekly columnist, *Emirates Today*, 2007
 Educational consultant, TECOM/Dubai Academic City, 2008
 Assistant Professor of Philosophy, Le Moyne College, 2007-2010 (joint appointment with American University of Sharjah, 2007-2008)
 Associate Professor of Philosophy, with tenure, Case Western Reserve University, 2010-2021
[Beamer-Schneider Professor in Ethics](#), Case Western Reserve University, 2010-2015, 2015-2020, 2020-2021
 Visiting Professor of Philosophy, Hamilton College, 2014
 Series Editor, [Into Philosophy](#), *Blog of the APA* (American Philosophical Association), 2020-2023 (translated into Spanish for the Mexican publication *Filosofia en la Red* as of 2022)
 Professor of Philosophy, Case Western Reserve University, 2021-
 Deputy Director, Balzan Prize Project on Animal Ethics, Capabilities, and the Law, Martha C. Nussbaum (prize winner & convener), University of Chicago Law School, 2022-
 Contributing Editor, *The Philosopher* (of the Philosophical Society of England), 2023
 Visiting Professor, University of Wrocław, 2023
 Associate Editor, [Environmental Philosophy](#), 2024-
 Series Editor, [Democracy as a Way of Life](#), *Blog of the APA*, 2024-

Grants & Gifts

DAAD Summer *Stiftung*, Schwäbisch Hall, Germany, 1991
 Colorado College Travel Grant, 2004
 Baker Nord Center for the Humanities Faculty Research Group Grant for *Living Forms*, 2015-2016
 Beamer-Schneider SAGES Teaching Fellow in *Ethics*, Case Western Reserve University; \$450,000 funding from the Kent Smith Charitable Foundation, Cleveland, OH, 2015-2021

Baker Nord Center for the Humanities Travel Grant (for various research projects), 2016, 2019, 2023
 “Culture Change for Climate Change,” Ina Martin, Grant Goodrich, and Stephanie Corbett, leads, Case Western Reserve University, 2020-2021
 Beamer-Schneider Post-Doc in *Ethics*, Case Western Reserve University; ~\$290,000 funding from the Kent Smith Charitable Foundation, Cleveland, OH, 2021-2023
 Expanding Horizons Initiative Grant for manuscript review, College of Arts and Sciences, Case Western Reserve University, 2021
 Baker Nord Center for the Humanities Special Projects Grant, *Queering Masculinities*, with Braveheart Gillani, co-convener, 2023-2024
 Excellence Initiative for visiting professorships, Government of Poland, 2023
 Hildegard and Elbert Baker Visiting Scholar in the Humanities grant for Urszula Lisowska, 2024-2025 (Spring 2025 visit)

Fellowships & Honors

DAR Citizenship Award, Utica, New York, 1987
 Keiler Award for Swimming, New Hartford High School, New Hartford, NY, 1988
 Choir Award, New Hartford High School, New Hartford, NY, 1988
 Poet in Residence, Jonathan Edwards College, Yale University, 1989-1990
 Focus in Action Summer Fellow, Dixwell Q House, New Haven, CT, 1992
 Century Fellow, The Humanities Division of the University of Chicago, 1994-1999
 Junior Fellow in the Martin Marty Center for the Advanced Study of Religion at The University of Chicago Divinity School, 2000-2001
 Wayne C. Booth Prize for Excellence in Undergraduate Teaching, Humanities Division, The University of Chicago, 2001 (student nominated)
 Ross Trust Fellowship for World Service, The University of Chicago, 2001-2002
 Colorado College Study Grant (for travel to Zayed University, United Arab Emirates and the question of liberal arts education for Emirati women), 2004

Nominee, Carl F. Wittke Award for
Excellence in Undergraduate Teaching,
Case Western Reserve University, 2011,
2012 (student nominated)

UCITE Teaching Fellow, Case Western
Reserve University, Spring 2015
Special Projects Grant, *Living Forms*, the
Baker Nord Center for the Humanities,
Case Western Reserve University, 2015-
2016

Nominee, J. Bruce Jackson, M.D., Award for
Excellence in Undergraduate Mentoring,
Case Western Reserve University, 2019,
2021, 2022, 2025 (student nominated)

Baker Nord Center for the Humanities Faculty
Affiliate, Case Western Reserve
University, Fall 2020

Nominee, THINK BIG Leadership Award,
Case Western Reserve University, 2021
(peer nominated)

Class of 2027 Hudson Relays first
leg/professor, Case Western Reserve
University, 2024

Education

With thanks to my teachers

Aurora Pre-school, Aurora, New York, 1973-
74

St. Paul's Pre-school, Ithaca, New York, 1974-
1975

East Hill School, Ithaca, New York, 1975-
1978

Oxford Road Elementary School, New
Hartford, New York, 1978-1982

New Hartford Junior High School, New
Hartford, New York, 1982-1985

New Hartford High School, New Hartford,
New York, *Salutatorian*, 1988

Lycée Corneille, Rouen, France, première A1,
1989

Yale College, Bachelor of Arts in Philosophy,
Magna Cum Laude with distinction, 1993

Thesis: “‘[Greatness of Heart Is the True
Human Greatness](#)’ – An Open Letter”

Advisor: Susan Neiman; Letters: Henry
Allison, Karsten Harries, Jonathan
Lear

*In college, I learned how to deepen
friendships and take a risk for what I
value.*

The University of Chicago, Doctorate in
Philosophy, 2002

Qualifying Essay: “The Practice of
Freedom in Jean-Jacques Rousseau’s
Émile”

First Reader: Candace Vogler,
Second Reader: Martha C. Nussbaum
Dissertation: [Conscience and Humanity](#)
Chair: Candace Vogler; Committee:
Charles Larmore, Jean-Luc Marion,
Martha C. Nussbaum

*In graduate school, I learned the
importance of families and how to
dedicate myself to what I value.*



*Elly, March 2024 at the Cleveland Botanical
Gardens*

Course List, College & Graduate Education *Yale College*

Fall 1989: *German (intensive), Greek
Philosophy, Theater (studies), Poetry
(composition)*

Spring 1990: *German (intensive),
Existentialism (in French), Modern
Philosophy, Multi-variable Calculus;
Introduction to Political Philosophy*

Summer 1990: *Literary theory*

Fall 1990: *Immanuel Kant’s Critique of Pure
Reason, Edmund Husserl’s Cartesian
Meditations, Intermediate German,
Advanced French Composition &
Conversation, The Twentieth Century
French Novel (in French)*

Spring 1991: *Independent Study (Immanuel
Kant’s moral philosophy read through
Emmanuel Levinas’s Philosophy); Myth,
Science, & Philosophy in Ancient Greece;
Dante Alighieri in Translation; Art, Love,
& Beauty*

Fall 1991: *The History of China, Political Philosophy, The Atmosphere & the Ocean, Paul's Letters, Immanuel Kant's Ethics*
 Spring 1992: *Analytic Philosophy, Symbolist Poetry (in French), Benedict de Spinoza (withdrew during finals due to writer's block), Thinking the Present*
 Fall 1992: *Poetics of Witnessing, Art & its Subject, Independent Study (Søren Kierkegaard's Concept of Anxiety)*
 Spring 1993: *Wittgenstein (withdrew after the Tractatus due to writer's block, then continued to audit the Investigations), Nietzsche & Philosophy, The Problem of Evil, Derrida & Searle, Fractal Geometry*

Yale University

Fall 1993: *Aristotle's Nicomachean Ethics (audited), Immanuel Kant's Critique of Judgment (audited)*
 Spring 1994: *Martin Heidegger's Origin of the Work of Art (audited)*

The University of Chicago

Autumn 1994: *Edmund Husserl's The Idea of Phenomenology, Topics in Contemporary Ethics (Derek Parfit's Reasons and Persons and Bernard Williams's Ethics and the Limits of Philosophy), Elementary Norwegian*
 Spring 1995: *Ancient Skepticism, Philosophy of Language*
 Spring 1995-Fall 2000. Ludwig Wittgenstein's *Philosophical Investigations* (weekly reading group run by Leonard Linsky)
 Autumn 1995: *Advanced French Language, Compassion and Mercy, Elementary Logic*
 Winter 1996: *Political Liberalism, St. Francis of Assisi*
 Spring 1996: *Agents, Actions, Ends; Immanuel Kant's The Metaphysics of Morals*
 Autumn 1996: *German Romanticism, G.W.F. Hegel's Phenomenology of Spirit*
 Autumn 1997: *Karl Marx and Social Philosophy (audited), Human Rights (audited)*
 Winter 1998: *Immanuel Kant's Ethics (audited), Reason and Tradition in Political Philosophy (audited)*
 Spring 1998: *Feminist Philosophy (audited)*

Autumn 1998: *Neo-Aristotelian Political Thought (audited)*
 Spring 1999: *Civic Republicanism (audited)*
 Winter 2000: *Martin Buber's I and Thou (audited), Jean-Jacques Rousseau (audited)*
 Winter 2001: *Human Rights/Human Dignity (audited)*



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Philosophy fits into the larger striving to reach out and to grow in this adventure that is life.

Like human life, philosophy is social and is thus practiced in community. The heart of community is being able to have good relationships and to talk things through together. When communication breaks down, philosophy goes sideways. But remember, communication can be silent.

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