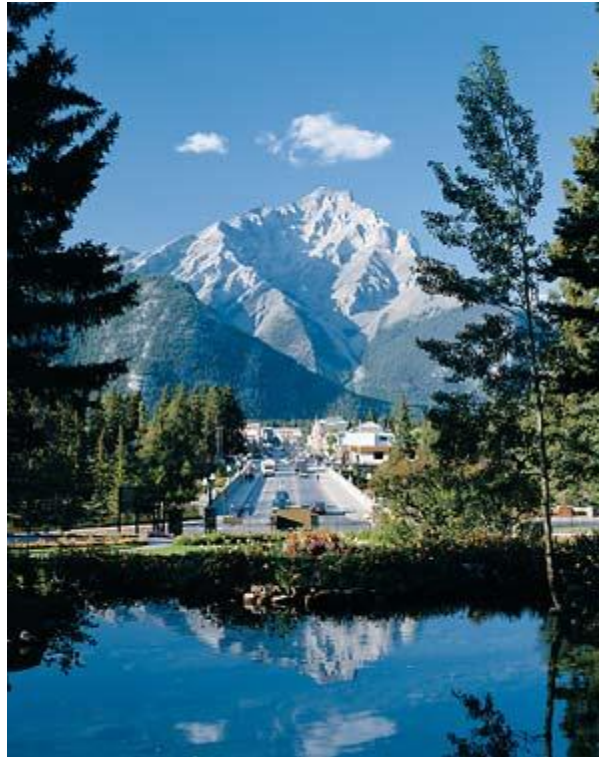


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7th Annual Meeting

Bios: Feminist Philosophies of Life

May 2-5, 2013 in Banff, Alberta (Canada)



What is the meaning of life? is the classic philosophical question. What can continental feminist philosophers say about this topic? While responses to this broadest of questions are welcomed, more specific topics that might be explored at this conference include:

- discussions of biopower;
- feminist approaches to biomedical ethics;
- feminist discussions of *bios* versus *zoe*;
- the phenomenological distinction between life and existence (humans exist, animals live);
- feminist philosophies of biology;
- the life cycle—birth, aging, death, letting die;
- making new life: ethical and political questions surrounding reproductive technologies, cloning;
- biocentric philosophies and feminist approaches to environmental philosophy and animal ethics;
- philosophy as a way of life, or making one's life into a philosophical/ethical/aesthetic project;
- feminist philosophical analyses and uses of biography and autobiography.

The conference will take place at the Banff Centre, spectacularly situated in Banff National Park in the Canadian Rocky Mountains: <http://www.banffcentre.ca/>

The conference will open with a reception the evening of Thursday, May 2nd. Plenary events will be scheduled Friday and Saturday afternoons. A roundtable discussion with **Cressida Heyes** and **Johanna Oksala** will be scheduled for Sunday morning, followed by an excursion in the Rocky Mountains.

Confirmed plenary speakers include **Kelly Oliver**, **Mary Rawlinson**, **Hasana Sharp** and **Cynthia Willett**.

Several graduate travel prizes will be available for the best graduate student papers.

Guidelines for Submission:

You can submit either:

1. Abstracts of 500-700 words;
2. Round table panel proposals;
3. For those (graduate students only) wishing to be considered for a travel award, a complete paper (3000 words). Please also declare your status as a graduate student in the body of your email.

Abstracts, round table panel proposals, and papers should be submitted in an email attachment suitable for anonymous peer review. In the body of your email, please include your name, affiliation, contact info, and a brief bio, along with the title of your presentation.

Please submit all proposals electronically to philosophia2013@gmail.com by October 1, 2012.

For more information, visit: <http://www.philosophiafeministsociety.org/>