

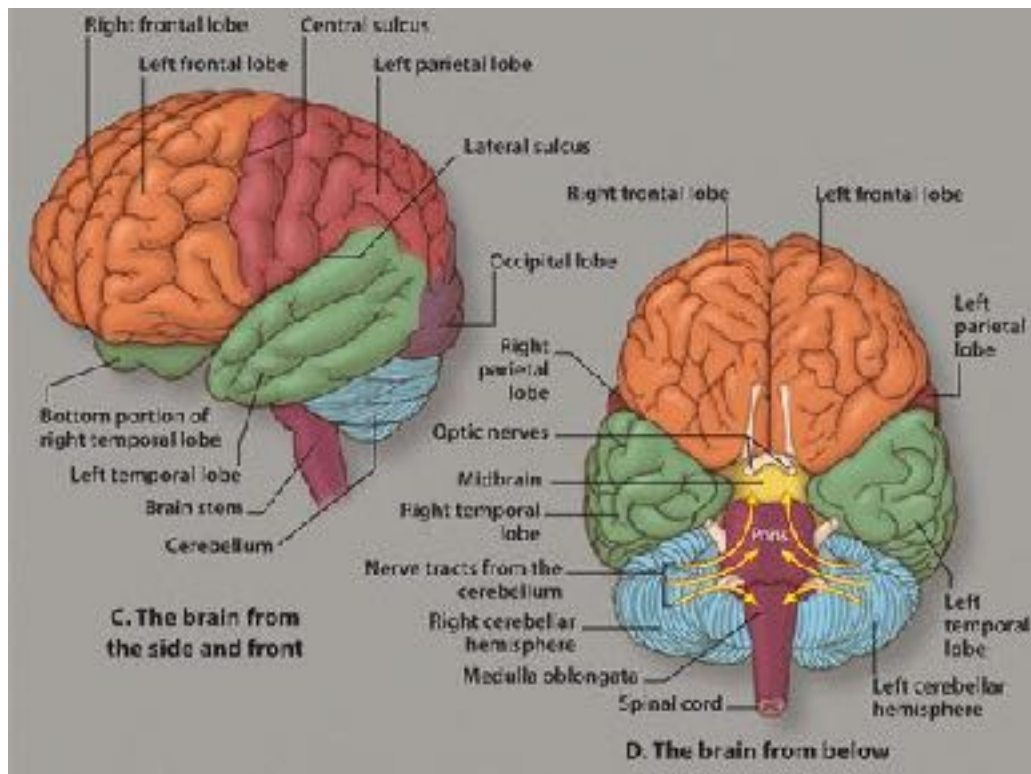
Eighth International Congress on Ecstatic Naturalism

2018 Theme: *Mind, Semiotics, and Symbols in Nature*

Drew University, Madison, NJ - April 13th and 14th

Co-Chairs:

Leon Niemoczynski (Moravian College) and Robert S. Corrington (Drew University)



All papers, meals, wine, beer, coffee, and non-alcoholic drinks will be in the Founder's Room of Mead Hall (Administration Building)

Friday April 13th

Registration Table Open all Day and Tomorrow by Desmond Coleman

9:00-10:10: *Cosmology*

“Re-Imaging the Human Mind in the Mysteries of Space-Time and the Existence of Gravitational Waves” - Moon Son (Yonsei University)

“Ecstatic Naturalism and Quantum Physics in Terms of Consciousness” - Wang-Eun Serl (Drew University)

10:30-11:40: *Semiotics*

“Ecstatic Naturalist Semiotics of the Sexed Body” - Susan Erke (CUNY)

“Relations and Insides: Using the Semiotic of John Deely to Think Natural Interiority” - Desmond Coleman (Drew University)

11:50-1:00: *Psychoanalysis*

“The Spirit In-Between the Pulsing Heart of Nature: Interrogating Iterative Nihilation as Integral to Ecstatic Difference” - Frank Scalabrino

“Adapting Freud for a Philosophy of Other-Than-Human Mind” - Lydia York

Lunch 1:00-2:00

Group Photograph 2:00-2:30

2:40-3:50: *Mind in Nature*

“Mind, Extended. or Artificial, or Naturalized?: An Ecstatic Naturalist Quest for Mind and Nature” - Iljoon Park (Methodist Theological Seminary)

“Human Mind and Nature’s Mind” - Gene Nasser

4:10-4:40: *Eco-Theology*

“A Study of Eco-Cosmological Theology from a Naturalist Perspective” - SooYoun Kim

5:00-6:00 Announcement of the *Ralph Waldo Emerson Prize* for the Best Paper by a Junior Scholar (\$500)

Dinner 6:00-7:30

7:45 - Panel: Interview of Dr. Robert S. Corrington by Dr. Leon Niemoczynski

“Questions Concerning Mind in Nature”

Saturday April 14th

9:00-10:10: *Expression of Mind*

“On the Participation of Nature in the Emergence of the Sacred: Bateson’s Ecology of Mind, Ecstatic Naturalism, and Environmental Ethics” - Sarah O’Brien (Drew University)

“Deep Pantheism: Nature Naturing and the Problem of Consciousness” - Thomas Millary

10:25-11:35: *Metaphysics*

“Transcendentalist Metaphysics of the Semiosis of Nature” - Nicholas L. Guardiano (Southern Illinois University)

“The Object Objects: An Animist Turn to the Visceral Semiospheric *Commens*” - Emile Wayne (Drew University)

11:50-1:00: *Other Thinkers*

“The Post-human and Today’s Understanding of Paul: ‘The Remnants,’ ‘Becoming’ and the Ecstatic Naturalist Mind” - Ick Sang Shin (Sunkonghoe University)

“To Find Reality: Bradley and Ecstatic Naturalism” - Guy Woodward

Lunch 1:00-2:00

2:10-3:20: *Asian Religion*

“Learning from Water: A Daoist Ecstatic Naturalism” - Jea Sophia Oh (West Chester University)

“Thinking ‘Creative Integrity’: Non-Coercive Ethical Agency in Ecstatic Naturalism and Confucian Rule Ethics” - Joseph E. Harroff (East Stroudsburg University)

Concluding Remarks

Refreshments: Dinner on your own

Special Korean Session - Monday April 16th at 3:00 in Seminary Hall
“The Mind and Nature in the Prophetic Tradition” - Ji Eun Park