1Southern Society for Philosophy and Psychology

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I. Announcements

A. The 2009 SSPP meeting in Savannah, GA

The Southern Society for Philosophy and Psychology will meet at the Hilton Savannah DeSoto Hotel in Savannah, Georgia, from April 9 through April 11, 2009. Conference rates will be \$132.00 per night plus 13% tax and a \$1.00 per room per night city lodging fee, for a total of \$150.16 per night. The convention rate applies for one day before and after the meeting. The rate for self parking is \$11.00 per day for registered guests. Program sessions will begin at noon on Thursday, April 9 and will end on Saturday afternoon, April 11.

The deadline for making room reservations is March 9, 2009. You may call a toll free number (1-800-774-1500) or the hotel directly (1-912-232-9000) to make reservations. Alternatively, you may send a facsimile to 912-232-6018. You should state that you will be

attending the meeting of the Southern Society for Philosophy and Psychology, and you should request the convention rate (Code is SSP). Please make your reservations early because the Society is obligated to occupy a block of guest rooms in order to avoid charges to the Society. The Wednesday night room block often is oversubscribed, but if the room block is filled early, we may be able to obtain an increase in the room block.

Most major airlines serve the Savannah/Hilton Head International Airport. The cost of a taxi from the airport to the hotel is approximately \$20.00.

Information about Savannah can be obtained at www.savannah.com. You may obtain additional information about the hotel at its website www1.hilton.com/en_US/hi/hotel/SAVDHHF-Hilton-Savannah-DeSoto-Georgia/index.do. If you encounter any difficulties in making a reservation, please contact Michael Beran (mjberan@yahoo.com or 404-244-2469).

B. Presidential Address

SSPP President Kenneth Aizawa (Centenary College of Louisiana) will present this year's address.

C. 2008 President's Invited Speaker
Paul Bloom
Department of Psychology
Yale University

II. Calls for Papers

A. Richard M. Griffith Awards

This is the first call for papers for the Richard M. Griffith Memorial Awards. Two cash awards of \$200 each plus engraved paperweights will be made for the papers of greatest excellence, one in philosophy and one in psychology, presented at the annual conference in 2009. The awards are presented at the business meeting which concludes the conference. The rules for this competition state that applicants must either have received their Ph.D. no more than five years prior to the date of the annual meeting at which the paper is presented or must be current candidates for the Ph.D. Only papers by one author are eligible. All Griffith Award applicants must be either SSPP members or applicants for membership and must indicate their eligibility on their paper submission forms.

B. Graduate Student Travel Grants

Up to six travel grants (up to three in philosophy and up to three in psychology) of \$100 each will be awarded to graduate students whose papers are accepted for the 2009 program. Students can apply for these grants simply by indicating their eligibility

on their SSPP submission form. To be eligible for a travel grant, the applicant must be a member or applicant for membership in SSPP and a graduate student in a doctoral program in philosophy or psychology. Applicants may be either the sole or joint authors of the paper or abstract they submit. The travel grants will be awarded on a competitive basis by the Program Committee of each discipline, whose chair will notify recipients at the same time they are sent their acceptance notices for the program.

C. Meeting Registration and Dues

For the 2009 annual meeting, the recently adopted registration/dues structure will be implemented. Members of the Society will be asked to pay registration in the amount of \$75 as will new applicants to the Society. This amount includes the \$35 yearly dues for 2009 membership, and so those paying at this level will be considered members in good standing for 2009. Student registration will be \$15, although students can volunteer to work at the registration table during the meeting for a waiver of that fee. Non-member registration will be \$55. Payment can be made at the registration desk or mailed to Michael Beran, SSPP Treasurer, Panthersville Rd, Decatur, GA 30034.

Call for Philosophy Papers

The Southern Society for Philosophy and Psychology announces a call for papers for its One Hundred and First Annual Meeting, to be held April 9 – April 11, 2009 in Savannah, GA. SSPP meetings feature concurrent programs in philosophy and psychology, as well as plenary sessions jointly sponsored by the philosophy and psychology program committees.

President's Invited Speaker:

Paul Bloom

Yale University

Invited Speakers:

John Heil

Washington University in St. Louis

Valerie Hardcastle

University of Cincinnati

Jason StanleyRutgers University

Invited Symposia:

Mechanistic Functionalism

Carl Gillett

Northern Illinois University

Robert Rupert

University of Colorado

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Timing Conscious
Intentions
Al Mele
Florida State University
William Banks

William Banks
Pomona College

Representing
Causality
Carl Craver

Washington U. of St. Louis

Frederick Eberhardt Washington U. of St. Louis

Phillip Wolff

Emory University

Submissions of papers in any area of philosophy are encouraged; the aim of the philosophy program committee is to present as balanced a program as the quality of submissions in each area permits. **Submissions exceeding 3000 words will not be considered**. Submissions should include a word count and an abstract of 150 words. Self-reference should be deleted to permit blind reviewing; authors should indicate their identity only on the cover sheet that accompanies the submission. Certain papers may be selected for commentary depending on overall programmatic considerations. People who wish to comment on a paper or chair a session may volunteer by sending a short version of their curriculum vitae directly to the program chair.

Papers may be submitted in electronic or hard copy to:

Gualtiero Piccinini Department of Philosophy University of Missouri – St. Louis piccininig@umsl.edu

The deadline for all submissions is November 16, 2008 (postmarked). For full information on the meeting, forms for submitting papers, joining the society, and so on, please see the August newsletter at http://www.niu.edu/sspp/nl-Aug08.pdf. General information on the Society may be found at its website at http://sun.soci.niu.edu/~sspp/.

Call for Psychology Papers

The Southern Society for Philosophy and Psychology announces a call for papers for its One Hundred and first Annual Meeting, to be held April 9 – April 11, 2009 in New Orleans, LA. SSPP meetings feature concurrent programs in philosophy and psychology, as well as plenary sessions jointly sponsored by the philosophy and psychology program committees. The deadline for all submissions is **November 16, 2008** (postmarked).

President's Invited Speaker:

Paul Bloom

Yale University

The Psychology Program Committee encourages submissions in all areas of psychology. All papers submitted and presented should employ gender-inclusive language. Titles should clearly indicate the topic of the paper.

For all papers (experimental, correlational, observational, historical, methodological, or issues), send an electronic copy of an abstract not to exceed two pages. References cited should be added as an additional page. Abstracts must be double-spaced with one-inch margins and at least 12-point font. Contributions for reporting empirical studies must be based on methods appropriate to psychology as a natural or social science. The context, contribution, and importance of the research as well as the hypothesis or question being investigated should be stated clearly. The principal variables and the research design should also be specified. For other papers, the abstract should indicate clearly the context, contribution, and importance of the paper. Submission of symposia, panel discussions, and debates is also encouraged. In particular, sessions are encouraged that include participation by psychologists and philosophers or that focus on topics of interdisciplinary interest. For symposia or sessions, the organizer should prepare a session abstract, not to exceed two pages, describing the session's or symposium's theme, content, and importance. The organizer may also choose to have each contributor prepare an abstract that summarizes his or her own contribution. All symposium materials should be collected by the organizer and submitted together. Organizers are encouraged to contact the psychology program chair to discuss ideas for symposia and similar sessions.

Submissions may be sent to:

Dr. Dawn Morales
Department of Psychology
University of South Carolina, Aiken
dawnm@usca.edu

Please specify 'SSPP Abstract' in the subject line. If the paper is being submitted in consideration of a Graduate Student Travel Award, please specify 'SSPP Abstract – GSTA.'

For psychology papers to be considered for the Griffith prize, complete papers must be submitted as MS Word files to the psychology program chair by March 2, 2009. In the subject line, please specify 'SSPP Abstract - Griffith.' Membership forms and submission forms are available at the Society's web site, http://sun.soci.niu.edu/~sspp/

SSPP Submission Form for the 2009 Meeting Savannah, Georgia April 9-11, 2009

Deadline for submissions: **November 16, 2008** (postmarked)
Registration Fee: \$70 Members (includes annual dues); \$55 Nonmembers; \$15 Students

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This form, or a reproduction, **must** be submitted with **each** paper, together with an abstract and/or manuscript, according to the instructions in the Call for Papers. Check the above information very carefully as it will appear in the program exactly as you have written it.

Southern Society for Philosophy and Psychology

Founded in 1904

The Southern Society for Philosophy and Psychology has approximately 600 members consisting of both philosophers and psychologists. The purpose of the society is to promote philosophy and psychology in the southern section of the United States by encouraging new research, facilitating the exchange of ideas, fostering the educational foundation of philosophy and psychology, and improving the academic status of these subjects.

The primary activities of the society are its annual conferences. These annual meetings consist of concurrent programs in philosophy and psychology as well as joint, plenary sessions of mutual interest to philosophers and psychologists. Each annual meeting features a distinguished speaker invited by the President, alternating between a philosopher and a psychologist. Recent President's Invited Speakers have been Doug Medin (2008), John Searle (2007), James L. McClelland (2006), Kenneth Shaffner (2005), Stephen Kosslyn (2004), Cynthia Willett (2003), and Frank Farley (2002).

Each year the Southern Society for Philosophy and Psychology presents the Richard M. Griffith Memorial Award for papers of greatest excellence, one in philosophy and one in psychology. Members or applicants for membership who have received their Ph.D. during the past five years or who are Ph.D. candidates are eligible to compete for the award. The award carries a \$200 cash prize presented at the business meeting that concludes the annual conference, plus a commemorative paperweight.

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QUALIFICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP: Full membership in the Southern Society for Philosophy and Psychology usually requires a Ph.D. in philosophy or psychology and professional involvement in either teaching or research in the relevant discipline. Those who do not have a Ph.D. but are actively involved in teaching or research are eligible for associate membership. Applicants for associate membership should submit a copy of their curriculum vitae with their application. Full members who have retired are eligible for emeritus membership, for which no dues are charged. DUES: New applicants, including those applying for a change of status from associate to full, are required to pay their dues in advance of consideration of their applications. Dues will be credited for the year which begins on the day of the business session of the next annual meeting, at which time applications for membership will be officially reviewed. Meanwhile applicants will receive all mailings of the society. In the event of unfavorable action on this application, the dues will be refunded. Checks may be made payable to The Southern Society for Philosophy and Psychology.

Dues Enclosed: \$35.00 (one-year full membership) \$15.00 (associate membership for up to three years)

SEND APPLICATION AND CHECK TO: Dr. Michael J. Beran, Treasurer, 3401 Panthersville Rd, Decatur, GA 30034