

CALL FOR PAPERS
SEVENTH ANNUAL MEETING ON ENVIRONMENTAL PHILOSOPHY
JUNE 8-11, 2010, ALLENSPARK, COLORADO

Sponsored by:
International Society for Environmental Ethics
International Association for Environmental Philosophy
Center for Environmental Philosophy, University of North Texas

The seventh annual meeting bringing together the environmental philosophy community will take place from June 8-11th 2010, at the Highlands Center in Allenspark, on the border of Rocky Mountain National Park in Colorado. The Highlands Center is a recently constructed (2002) retreat center which includes rooms, meeting space, and a cafeteria. Longs Peak (elev. 14259 feet/4346 meters) hovers above the conference center and is within hiking distance.

CONFERENCE SESSIONS

Sessions will take a variety of forms. This call is for proposals of the following kinds:

1. Ten minute position papers on the topic of 'The Future of Environmental Philosophy in the Light of Global Climate Change'. We seek a wide array of contributions, ranging from diagnosis and reflections on the root of the problem to proposals for future directions for environmental ethics. Should environmental ethicists focus on questions of global justice and resourcism? Why have environmental ethicists remained largely silent regarding climate change and humanity's responsibilities to the rest of nature? Should environmental philosophers become policy analysts, as some pragmatists recommend? Are there specific ecofeminist responses to climate change? How could phenomenological approaches to human/nature relationships contribute to the climate debate? Why do environmental ethicists seem to play such a small role in public climate change debates? Abstracts of 150 words should be submitted for this category.
2. Themed Sessions. Proposals for 2-hour themed sessions are encouraged, including author-meets-critics sessions, sessions emphasizing socially engaged philosophic activities, etc. Themes might include but are not limited to: environmental virtues and vices; environmental aesthetics; the future of deep ecology; environmental cultures, and slow food. Proposals for themed sessions should include names of participants, an outline of the theme and how the session will fit together, and a 300 word abstract for each paper.
3. General session papers. Papers are welcomed from all philosophical traditions, and from environmental philosophy broadly conceived (not just environmental ethics). The format for full paper presentations at the conference will be a 15 minute summary of the paper by the author, followed by a 10 minute commentary. Abstracts of 300 words should be submitted for this category.

SUBMISSION OF ABSTRACTS

DEADLINE FOR ABSTRACTS: February 1, 2010.

Abstracts should be prepared so that they may be blind-refereed by the conference committee. Acceptances will be announced by March 15, 2010. Full papers for the themed and full sessions must be available to be placed on the conference website by May 14, 2010. Send abstracts, proposals, or expressions of your willingness to comment or chair via email to:

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COMMENTATORS AND CHAIRS

We particularly welcome offers to comment (10 minutes) on general or themed session papers. We will try to match commentators with papers in their field of interest, so please indicate what these are when offering to comment.

Offers for chairing sessions are also welcomed. Offers of assistance with organizing group walks and suggestions relating to other aspects of the conference would also be very welcome.

HOUSING

We have reserved 24 rooms, each of which comfortably house between 2 and 4 guests. Rooms are available at the Highlands Center ranging from \$110 (single or double) for the first night, then \$70 for subsequent nights; for 4 the rates are \$140 first night/\$100 for subsequent nights. In addition, camping facilities and other housing options are available nearby. For further information see http://www.highlandscamp.org/retreat_center.htm.

There will be free time in the course of the conference for hiking and conversation. Our hope is to attract a broad cross-section of the environmental philosophy community, including graduate students, who do not have to pay conference fees. Details about registering for the conference will be forwarded in due course.

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