

## Sources of Community

8:30 AM: Breakfast, Bond House 116/118 | 600 Brandon Ave

9:30 AM: Conference Welcome - Bond House 116/118 | 600 Brandon Ave  
Asher Biemann, Nichole Flores, Oludamini Ogunnaike

9:45–11:15 AM: Opening Keynotes, Bond House 116/118 | 600 Brandon Ave

Marcia Pally (New York University): “Covenant as Source of Community: Biblical Tenets, Early America, and Points of Fracture.”  
Moshe Halbertal (Hebrew University): “The Crisis of Trust and the Concept of the Sacred.”  
Moderator: Stephan Steiner (Katholische Adakemie, Berlin)

11:30 AM–1:00 PM: Concurrent Panel 1, New Cabell Hall 236

Amna Tarar (UVA), “‘O Mother Let Us Play’: Playfulness as a Relational Mode in the Legacy of Mādhōlāl Husain.”  
Bri Schroeder (Humboldt University of Berlin): “Magazines as Community: The women’s magazine Al-‘Ā’ila and the Nahda.”  
Moderator: Christoph Kasten (University of Frankfurt)

11:30 AM–1:00 PM: Concurrent Panel 2, Wilson Hall 142

Annette Langner-Pitschmann (University of Frankfurt): “The Other in Ourselves. Thoughts on Alterity and Community in Reference to Marcel Gauchet.”  
Max Stange (University of Munich): “Civil Religion: A Religion Without God(s)? Rousseau on the Source of Political Community and its Interpretations.”  
Moderator: Noah Salomon (UVA)

1:00 – 2:15PM: Lunch, Wilson Hall Lobby

2:30 PM–4:30 PM: Text Study 1, New Cabell Hall 236

Alina Pokhrel (UVA): “(Un)bounded ‘Self’ and ‘Community’ in the Practice of Mettā.”

2:30 PM–4:30 PM: Text Study 2, Wilson Hall 142

Lucila Crena (UVA): Sebastián Politi’s “The Option for the Poor in the ‘Theology of the People.’”

4:30 PM – 5:30 PM: Tea & Cakes, Bond House 116/118 | 600 Brandon Ave

6:00 PM–7:30 PM: Evening Keynote, Bond House 116/118, 600 Brandon Ave

Supriya Gandhi (Yale University): “Secularism and Universal Truth: Readings from South Asian History.”  
Introduction: Oludamini Ogunnaike (UVA)

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**Monday, October 2, 2023**

## Contestation & Negotiation

8:30 AM: Breakfast, Bond House 116/118 | 600 Brandon Ave

9:30–11:00 AM: Opening Keynotes, Bond House 116/118 | 600 Brandon Ave

Sarah Hammerschlag (University of Chicago): “You never know: Duplicity and Jewish Political Critique.”

Miguel Vatter (Deakin University): “Trust and Community with Other Than Human Beings.”

Moderator: Asher Biemann (UVA)

11:15 AM–12:45 PM: Concurrent Panel 3, New Cabell Hall 236 | 1605 Jefferson Park Ave

Charles Mathewes (UVA): “Toward an Alliance for Joy.”

Patrick Zoll SJ (Munich School of Philosophy): “Beyond Consensus: A Convergence Model of Public Reasoning for a Plurality of Communities.”

Moderator: Moderator: Katrin König (University of Heidelberg)

11:15 AM–12:45 PM: Concurrent Panel 4, Wilson Hall 117

Jennifer Geddes (UVA): “Holocaust Unlearning: Testimony as Necessary Critique”

Ansgar Martins (Rosenzweig Center Jerusalem): “The Smallest Difference. Adorno on the Sources of Democratic Consciousness.”

Moderator: Christoph Kasten (University of Frankfurt)

1:00 – 1:45 PM: Lunch, Wilson Hall Lobby

2:30–3:30PM: Tour of UVA Grounds

3:30 PM–5:30 PM: Text Study 3, New Cabell Hall 236 | 1605 Jefferson Park Ave

Tulku Sangye Tenzin (UVA): “The Just King.”

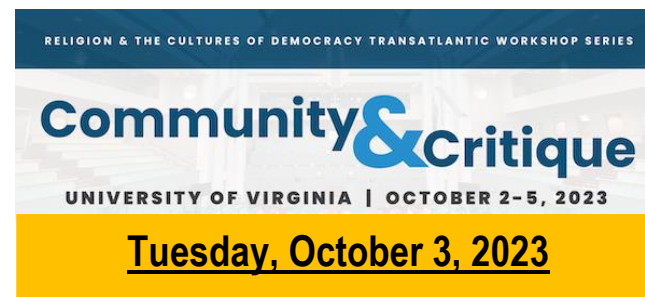
3:30 PM–5:30 PM: Text Study 4, Wilson Hall 142

Johanna Merz (University of Munich): “Simone Weil’s ‘Human Personality’ (La personne et le sacré).”

6:00 PM–7:30 PM: Evening Keynote, Bond House 116/118, 600 Brandon Ave

Winnifred Sullivan (Indiana University): “Church State Corporation: How the Church-in-Law Limits Religious Freedom.”

Introduction: Kathleen Flake (UVA)



## Exclusion & Fragmentation

8:30 AM: Breakfast, Bond House 116/118 | 600 Brandon Ave

9:30–11:00 AM: Opening Keynotes, Bond House 116/118 | 600 Brandon Ave

Lewis Gordon (University of Connecticut): “The Sacredness and Power of Others: A Plea for Public Globalism.”

TJ Winter (University of Cambridge): “Openness and Closure in Islamic Ethics.”

Zareena Grewal (Yale University): “TBA”

Moderator: Oludamini Ogunnaike (UVA)

11:30 AM – 12:45 PM: Lunch, Bond House 116/118 | 600 Brandon Ave

1:00 PM–2:30 PM: Concurrent Panel 5, New Cabell Hall 236 | 1605 Jefferson Park Ave

Adam Lawrence Dyer (UVA): “Liberal Religion, Legacies of Whiteness, and the Institutional Racial Contract”

Creighton Coleman (UVA): “Constructing Contempt: Pentecostal Political Theology and the Boundaries of Democracy.”

Moderator: Matthew Hedstrom (UVA)

1:00 PM–2:30 PM: Concurrent Panel 6, Wilson Hall 142

José Casanova (Georgetown University): “Religious Dynamics in the War on Ukraine: Religious Pluralism Enhancing Democratic Civil Society vs State Church Sacralizing an Imperial War.”

C. K. Martin Chung (Hong Kong Baptist University): “Religions in a Conflict Situation: Experiences from Christian Churches in Hong Kong and Northern Ireland.”

Moderator: Katrin König (University of Heidelberg)

3:00 PM–5:00 PM: Text Study 5, New Cabell Hall 236 | 1605 Jefferson Park Ave

Tom Sojer (University of Erfurt): “The Promise, Power, and Politics of Poetry in Threatened Democracies.”

3:00 PM–5:00 PM: Text Study 6, Wilson Hall 142

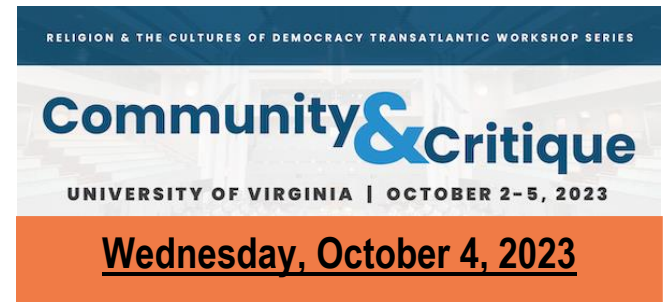
Wanja Kirchhoff (University of Trier): “On Jacob Taubes “Community – After the Apocalypse.”

5:00 PM – 6:00 PM: Tea & Cakes, Bond House 116/118 | 600 Brandon Ave

6:00 PM–7:30 PM: Evening Keynote, Bond House 116/118, 600 Brandon Ave

David Campbell (University of Notre Dame): “America’s Secular Surge: What The Growing Secular Population Means For American Democracy.”

Introduction: Jennifer Geddes (UVA)



## Equality & Solidarity

8:30 AM: Breakfast, Bond House 116/118 | 600 Brandon Ave

9:30 AM–10:45 AM: Concurrent Panel 7, New Cabell Hall 236 | 1605 Jefferson Park Ave

Denise Marie Walsh (UVA): “An Alternative to Culture versus Women’s Rights.”

Christoph Kasten (University of Frankfurt): “The Emergence of Social Consciousness. Hermann Cohen on the Politics of Jewish Prophecy.”

Moderator: Bri Schröder (Humboldt University of Berlin)

9:30 AM–10:45 AM: Concurrent Panel 8, Wilson Hall 117

Arie M. Dubnov (George Washington University): “Fear of Liberalism or Back to the Liberalism of Fear?”

Katrin König (University of Heidelberg): “Communal Values. Hannah Arendt, Karl Jaspers and Paul Tillich on the Public Roles of Religions.”

Moderator: Tom Sojer (University of Erfurt)

11:00 AM–12:30 PM: Closing Keynotes, Bond House 116/118, 600 Brandon Ave

Molly Farneth (Haverford College): “Ritual, Recognition, and the Making of Solidarity.”

Teresa Forcades: “One Earth, One Health and the Tower of Babel.”

Moderator: Nichole Flores (UVA)

12:30 – 1:30 PM: Lunch, Bond House 116/118 | 600 Brandon Ave (To Go Lunch)

6:00 PM: Closing Reception, South Lawn (Outside Nau and Gibson Hall)

Al Firdaus Ensemble Concert