



40th International Meeting of THE ERIC VOEGELIN SOCIETY

American Political Science Association Meeting

**September 5-8, 2024
Philadelphia, PA**

Friends,

We're just a few weeks out from our meeting in the city of brotherly love. The program has been set for some time now and I know papers are nearing completion. Please make sure you share them in a timely fashion with your fellow panelists and especially the discussants. I would also appreciate receiving a copy for our archives. Chairs are reminded to monitor time limits and allow for sufficient discussion. Your audience is an important part of the event and should be allowed to participate. I strongly encourage you to attend one another's panels as a gesture of solidarity and for the not insignificant reason that our host counts attendance and allocates panels on that basis. We have been assigned the highest allocation consistently based entirely on that objective consideration. It has nothing to do with sentiment nor with the charm of your organizer. Please maintain your custom of mutual support. And while you are in a benevolent mood I remind you of our ongoing material needs, especially in sustaining our exemplary online presence under our indefatigable editor, Paul Krause, and his expanding team of editors and writers. The [donate button](#) has moved with Rick Avramenko from the University of Wisconsin to Arizona State University. You may also contact our Louisiana Treasurer, David Whitney (david.whitney@nicholls.edu). Most of you already know that we lost our beloved founder, Ellis Sandoz, in September. In his honor, LSU has set up a memorial page and his family have established a memorial lecture fund to which friends may [contribute](#) if they wish.

Safe travels,

David Walsh
walshd@cua.edu

Thursday, September 5

8:00-9:30

Philadelphia Convention Center (PCC) 102A

Panel 1. Alternatives to the Liberal Paradigm

Chair: Jeremy Geddert, j.geddert@assumption.edu; Assumption University

The Just Polity in Thomas Aquinas's *De Regno*

Mary Imperato, maryimperato@bac.edu; Belmont Abbey College

Muddling Through Modernity: Experience, Transcendence and Morality in Odd Times

Dennis Coyle, coyle@law.edu; The Catholic University of America

Liberalism and Its Critics: The Contemporary Debate

Eugen Nagy, e.l.nagy@gmail.com; Texas A and M- San Antonio

Discussant: Jeremy Geddert, j.geddert@assumption.edu; Assumption University

10:00-11:30

PCC 103B

Panel 2. Art and the Symbolization of Order

Chair: John McNerney, john.mcnerney@ucd.ie; Catholic University of America

Politics and the Mesolithic

Barry Cooper, bcooper@ucalgary.ca; University of Calgary

Art as God's Grandchild: Dante's Aristotelian Case against Usury

Monica Jeffery, burkemg@cua.edu; The Catholic University of America

Deadwood's Politics and the Challenge of Modernity

Patrick Nathanael Cain, patnatcain@gmail.com;

Voegelin's Late Reflection on Wisdom and the Magic of the Extreme

Michael Franz, mfranz@loyola.edu; Loyola University-Baltimore

Discussants: John McNerney, john.mcnerney@ucd.ie; Catholic University of America

Thomas Heilke, thomas.heilke@ubc.ca; University of British Columbia-Okanagan

12:00-1:30

PCC 110B

Panel 3. Roundtable on James Greenaway's *A Philosophy of Belonging*

Chair: David Walsh; walshd@cua.edu, Catholic University of America

James Greenaway, jgreenaway@stmarytx.edu; St. Mary's University

Steven McGuire, sfmcguire@gmail.com; ACTA

John McNerney, john.mcnerney@ucd.ie; Catholic University of America

David Walsh; walshd@cua.edu, Catholic University of America

2:00-3:30

PCC 107B

Panel 4. Enlargement of Liberal Horizons

Chair: Steven McGuire, sfmcguire@gmail.com; American Council of Trustees and Alumni

The Absence of a Duty to Rescue: Philosophical Foundations of Liberalism

James Greenaway, jgreenaway@stmarytx.edu; St. Mary's University

Eric Voegelin - a Legal Perennialist? Voegelin's Ontology of Law

Jan Okoński, jasiu.okonski@poczta.onet.pl; University of Lodz,

Othmar Spann and the "Conservative Revolution"

Harold Bergbauer, dr.hb@web.de; University of Applied Sciences

Eric Voegelin and Austria's Authoritarian Regime: A Reappraisal

Bruno Godefroy, bruno.godefroy@univ-tours.fr; University of Tours

The Evil of This Time

Abigail Martin, alr.martin@verizon.net; Brooklyn College-CUNY

Discussant: Steven McGuire, sfmcguire@gmail.com; American Council of Trustees and Alumni

4:00-5:30

PCC 110B

Panel 5: Exploring the Foundations of American Constitutional Thought

Chair: James Stoner, poston@lsu.edu; Louisiana State University

Constitutional Logic of Separation of Powers

Kevin Burns, kevin.burns@christendom.edu; Christendom College

Thomas Jefferson v. James Madison on Constitutional Endurance and Constitutional Change

Deborah O'Malley, daomalley@gmail.com; University of Toledo

American Ideational Development

Matthew Reising, Matthew_Reising1@baylor.edu; Baylor University, and Benjamin Kleinerman, benjamin_kleinerman@baylor.edu; Baylor University,

Madisonian Misrepresentation? *The Federalist's* Treatment of the Separation of Powers Reconsidered

Benjamin Slomski, bslomski@pfw.edu; Purdue University Fort Wane

Discussants: Jordan Cash, cashjor1@msu.edu; Michigan State University

Connor Ewing, connor.m.ewing@gmail.com; University of Toronto

**Meet for a drink (hosted by Eric Voegelin Institute)
Thursday 5:45**

Circ Bar, Marriott Hotel

Friday, September 6

8:00-9:30

PCC 109A

Panel 6. Friendship in Conversation with the Ancient Greeks

Chair: John von Heyking; john.vonheyking@uleth.ca; University of Lethbridge

Being, cosmos, and community in Plato

Thomas McPartland; t_mcpartland@msn.com; University of Kentucky

Friendship Beyond Being in Plato's Republic

John von Heyking; john.vonheyking@uleth.ca; University of Lethbridge

True Statesmanship: Aristotle on the Science, Art, and Character of Rule

Michael Promisel, promisel@cua.edu; The Catholic University of America

Aesthetic Determinism: Contemporary Mythopoeic Political Thought

William Miller, wmiller@marymount.edu; Marymount University

Discussant: Steven McGuire; sfmcguire@gmail.com; American Council of Trustees and Alumni

10:00-11:30

PCC 104A

Panel 7. In Defense of Civilization: Reflections on the Life and Work of Ellis Sandoz

Chair: David Whitney, david.[whitney@nicholls.edu](mailto:david.whitney@nicholls.edu); Nicholls State University

Presenters:

Glenn Moots, moots@northwood.edu; Northwood University

Martin Palouš, martin.palous@gmail.com; Florida International University

Promise Hsu, promisehsu@gmail.com; Emory University

Philip de Mahy, philip.de-mahy@louisiana.edu; University of Louisiana

David Whitney, david.[whitney@nicholls.edu](mailto:david.whitney@nicholls.edu); Nicholls State University

Friday 12:00-1:30

PCC 109A

Panel 8. July Fourth to Juneteenth: Black Engagement with America's Founding Principles

Chair: Joe Fornieri, rfgsm@rit.edu; Rochester Institute of Technology

Frederick Douglass's Antislavery Constitution

Joe Fornieri, rfgsm@rit.edu; Rochester Institute of Technology

The Art of Association in the Thought of Washington and W.E. Du Bois

Gregory Collins, Gregory.Collins@Yale.edu; Yale University

King's Dream, the American Dream, and the Declaration of Independence

Micah Harris, harrismh@cua.edu; Duke University

Discussant: James Stoner, poston@lsu.edu; Louisiana State University

2:00-3:30

PCC 110B

Panel 9. Justice and Inequality: Democracy and Great Powers

The U.S. as a Great Power: the Long Road to the 19th Century Acceptance of Rank
David Clinton, david_clinton@Baylor.edu; Baylor University

Kennan the Reactionist
Eric Fleury, efleury@conncollege.edu; Connecticut College

The Political Ethics of Unipolarity and Multipolarity
Stephen Sims, spvf.sims@rit.edu; Rochester Institute of Technology

The Ignorance of the Ancients: Al-Farabi's Critique of Might as Right in *The Virtuous City*.
Robert L'Arrivee, robert.larrivee@furman.edu; Furman University

Might Without Right: The Role of Conquest in the Politics of Alfarabi's Ignorant Cities
Alex Orwin, aorwin1@lsu.edu; Louisiana State University

Discussants:
Leo Moradi, moradi@bu.edu; Boston University

4:00-5:30

PCC 107A

Panel 10. Latin American Political Thought in the 1800's: Ideas, Identity, and Institutions.

Chair: Eduardo Schmidt Passos, 69passos@cua.edu; University of Wisconsin-Madison

Juan-Jacobo's Paradox: Discourse on the Arts and Sciences in Spanish America
Nayeli Leandra Riano, nlr46@georgetown.edu; Georgetown University

Hegemonic Courtship: Latin American Republics and the Panama Congress
Alejandro Casetrillon, acastril@nd.edu; University of Notre Dame
Jeremy Graham (non-presenting co-author), Jeremy.c.graham.civ@ndu.edu; National Defense University

Liberalism between Spain and America: The Political Thought of Andrés Bello
Brendon Westler, westle1@stolaf.edu; St. Olaf College

The Political Thought of Joaquim Nabuco and the Abolition of Slavery in Brazil
Eduardo Schmidt Passos, 69passos@cua.edu; University of Wisconsin-Madison

The deictic theology of the early Jesuits in 16th Century Brazil
Braulia B. Rivers, bibr1@st-andrews.ac.uk; University of St. Andrews

Discussants: Luke Foster, ljfoster@uchicago.edu; University of Notre Dame
Gustavo A. Santos, gadolfo1917@gmail.com; The Catholic University of America

**Business Meeting
Friday 6:30**

PCC 113C

Saturday, September 7

8:00-9:30

PCC 106A

Panel 11. Centrality of Personal Experience in Political Philosophy

Chair: James Greenaway, jgreenaway@stmarytx.edu; St. Mary's University

Why we should renounce the conception of moral objectivity: a personalist perspective.
Aistė Noreikaitė, noraiste@gmail.com; Mykolas Romeris University

Voegelin and Schutz on the Order of the Cosmion

Michael Hanke, michaelhankebeaga@yahoo.com.br; Federal University of Rio Grande do Norte

Does Illumination of Consciousness Affect Reality Per Se?

Bohan Yan, bohan.yan@ens-lyon.fr; Ecole Normal Supérieur de Lyon

The God Problem: The Religious, the Non-Religious, and the Anti-Religious

Russ Nieli, russ.nieli@gmail.com; Princeton University

The Emergence of the Person in the Political Horizon: Eric Voegelin's Contribution to a
Personalist Politics

Jose Nunes, nunesj@cua.edu; Catholic University of America

Discussant: James Greenaway, jgreenaway@stmarytx.edu; St. Mary's University of Texas

10:00-11:30

PCC 106 A

Panel 12. Politics And Friendship In The Cosmos

Chair: John von Heyking; john.vonheyking@uleth.ca; University of Lethbridge

The Ends of Praxis in Hannah Arendt's Theory of Action

Thomas Holman; holmant@cua.edu; Catholic University of America

Pluralism, Generosity, Charity, and Friendship

Thomas Heilke; thomas.heilke@ubc.ca; University of British Columbia-Okanagan

The Depth of Experience

Jerry Martin, jerry.martin@verizon.net; University of Colorado-Boulder

Recapturing ‘Fraternity’ as a Forgotten Dimension of the Political

John McNerney, john.mcnerney@ucd.ie; Catholic University of America

Discussant: Eduardo Schmidt Passos; 69passos@cua.edu

12:00-1:30

PCC 106A

Panel 13. The Supreme Court in American Constitutional Development

Chair: Kevin Burns, kevin.burns@christendom.edu; Christendom College

The Isolated Judiciary: The Marshall Court and the Resiliency of Judicial Constitutional Logic

Jordan Cash, cashjor1@msu.edu; Michigan State University

The Legacy Issues of Justice Joseph Story’s Constitutional Thought

Brigid Flaherty, Brigid_Flaherty2@baylor.edu; Baylor University

The Influence of FDR’s Bill of Rights Rhetoric on the Court’s Jurisprudence

Jerome Foss, jerome.foss@stvincent.edu; St. Vincent College,

The Unitary Executive Theory and Supreme Court Removal Power Jurisprudence

Joseph Natali, joe_natali1@baylor.edu; Baylor University,

Discussants: James Stoner, poston@lsu.edu; Louisiana State University

Tony Bartl, tony.bartl@angelo.edu; Angelo State University

2:00-3:30

PCC 106A

Panel 14. The Transcendence of Freedom

Chair: Thomas Heilke, thomas.heilke@ubc.ca; University of British Columbia-Okanagan

Quo Vadis? The Transcendence of Freedom

Enrique Pallares, 00pallares@cua.edu; University of Pennsylvania

Beyond Tocqueville?

Raul Rodriquez, rodr1085@msu.edu; Michigan State University

“I am Eternally Equal with the Best,” Walt Whitman’s Egalitarian Liberalism

David Sollenberger, dms7445@psu.edu; Pennsylvania State University

The Political Region of Being

Michael Hickman, micforhic@fastmail.com; College of Charleston

Discussant: Thomas Heilke, thomas.heilke@ubc.ca; University of British Columbia-Okanagan

Ralph Hancock, ralph_hancock@byu.edu; Brigham Young University

4:00-5:30

PCC 106A

Panel 15. Voegelin’s Reception in China

Chair: Barry Cooper, bcooper@ucalgary.ca; University of Calgary

The Latest on Voegelin’s Reception in China

Muen Liu, muenormoon@gmail.com; Tsinghua University

Parallel Ecumene: Rethinking Eric Voegelin’s Perspective on Chinese Civilization

Zhen Han, zhen@student.ceu.edu

Qianlong Emperor's Transformation of His Mediator Identity

Anqi Wang, wangaq13@gmail.com; Guangdong University of Foreign Studies

The Beauty of Ritual: The Emergence of Order in Xunzi’s Political Theory

Lincoln Rathnam, Lincoln.rathnam@dukekunshan.edu.cn; Kunshan University

Discussant: Barry Cooper, bcooper@ucalgary.ca; University of Calgary