

Association for the Advancement of Philosophy and Psychiatry

2025 Annual Meeting

Open Theme, and a Special Symposium on Psychedelics

Location

Carolyn Tanner Irish Humanities Building
Room 101 and first-floor lobby
University of Utah
Building 215
S Central Campus Dr., Salt Lake City, UT 84112

March 22: 8:30 – 4:30

March 23: 8:55 – 4:30

There is no registration fee. All are welcome.

Respectful discourse is expected.

Talk Logistics

Accepted abstract talks are 20 minutes in duration with 10 minutes for questions

Each keynote address will be approximately 50 minutes with approximately 15 minutes of questions

DAY 1: Open Theme
Saturday, March 22, 2025

8:30 Welcoming Remarks

Brent Kious (AAPP Vice-President), on behalf of Robyn Bluhm (AAPP President)

KEYNOTE LECTURE: Chris Letheby

How to Train Your Avatar: Mental Imagery and Self-Modelling in Psychedelic Transformation

Moderator: Brent Kious

08:40 Lecture

09:30 Discussion

~09:45 -10:25 **Break**

Session 1: Moderator – Miriam Solomon

10:25 *Are Delusions Fixed?*

Amanda Loeffelholz

10:45 Discussion

10:55 *Mechanistic Evidence in Psychiatry and Implications for Pluralism*

Yiran Tao

11:15 Discussion

11:25 *Network Models and Explanation in Psychiatry*

Kardelen Kucuk

11:45 Discussion

11:55 Jaspers Award, presented by Scott Waterman

12:05-1:45 **LUNCH** (on your own, but there are likely to be groups that go together)

Session 2: Moderator – John Sadler

1:50 *Emotion, Psychopathology, and Psychiatric Practice*

Matthew Kern

2:10 Discussion

2:20 *Reimagining Eating Disorder Treatment: Integrating Existentialist Care Ethics to Foster Autonomy and Responsibility*

Elena Vergara

2:40 Discussion

2:50-3:00 **Break**

Session 3: Moderator – Daniel Moseley

3:00 *The Psychiatrist as the Taoist Sage: The Way of Mental Healthcare*

Liam Butchart

3:20 Discussion

3:30 *The Science and Moral Psychology of Addiction*

Quinn Gibson

3:50 Discussion

4:00 *What is Sobriety?*

Nicholas Zautra

4:20 Discussion

4:30 **Adjourn Day 1**

Dinner and evening activities on your own; please organize yourselves for time together!

DAY 2: Special Symposium on Psychedelics
Sunday March 23, 2025

8:55: Call to order

Session 4: Moderator – Jonathan Bolton

9:00 *The Mind in Tune: The Resonance Theory of Psychedelic Experience*
Haggeo Cadenas and Karishma Chhabria.
9:20 Discussion

9:30 *The Epistemic Status of Experience During Psychedelic Therapy*
Douglas Terry
9:50 Discussion

10:00 *Exploring Cognitive Changes and Psychedelic Phenomenology: Insights from First-Time 5- MeO-DMT Users in Underground Sessions*
Jaipreet Mattu
10:20 Discussion

10:30 -10:40 **Break**

KEYNOTE LECTURE: Natalia Washington

Changing Values and Changing Persons: Mental Health and Values-Based Practice in Psychiatry

Moderator – Zach Schwartz
10:45 Lecture
11:35 Discussion

11:50 -1:20 Lunch

Session 5: Moderator – Natalia Washington

1:20 *Psychedelic-Assisted Psychotherapies: The Issue of Dualisms*
Molly Gao
1:40 Discussion

1:50 *Medicalizing Psychedelics and Mysticizing Medicine: Another Challenge for the Medical Model*
Laura Matthews
2:10 Discussion

2:20 *Psychedelic Exceptionalism*
Noam Tiram
2:40 Discussion

2:40—3:00 **Break**

Session 6: Moderator – Tyler Sproule

3:00 *Reckoning with the Ego-Syntonic: Psychedelic-Assisted Therapy for Anorexia Nervosa*

Maggie Beazer

3:20 Discussion

3:30 *Relevance of Therapist Personal Experience with Psychedelics in Psychedelic-Assisted Therapy Clinical Trials*

Ben Lewis

3:50 Discussion

4:00 **Closing Remarks**

Natalia Washington, Zach Schwartz, Brent Kious

4:10 **Adjourn**

Speakers (in order of appearance)

Matthew Kern, *Washington University in St. Louis*

Larissa Kolias, *University of Calgary*

Elena Vergara, *Dickinson College*

Amanda Loeffelholz, *University of Colorado, Boulder*

Yiran Tao, *University College London*

Kardelen Kucuk, *The University of Western Ontario*

Liam Butchart, *Mount Sinai and Stony Brook University*

Quinn Gibson, *Clemson University*

Nicholas Zautra

Haggeo Cadenas, *University of California San Diego*

Karishma Chhabria

Douglas Terry, *East Carolina University*

Jaipreet Mattu, *University of Western Ontario*

Molly Gao, *University of Toronto*

Laura Matthews, *University of Pittsburgh*

Noam Tiram, *University of California San Diego*

Maggie Beazer, *University of Utah*

Arthur Krieger, *Temple University*

Ben Lewis, *University of Utah*

Keynote Speakers (in order of appearance)

Natalia Washington, *University of Utah*

Chris Letheby, *University of Western Australia*

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