

Dante's Other Worlds



September 27th, 2025

University of Notre Dame

Morning Sessions		
9-9:30 am	Welcome Breakfast	DeBartolo 136
9:30-11 am	Panel 1: Philosophical and Theological Dimensions of Dante's Commedia Chair: Beatrice Maria Rosso (University of Notre Dame)	DeBartolo 136
	 Evan Underbrink (Graduate Theological Union): "Divine Disclosure: A Phenomenological Reading of Dante's Divine Comedy" Scott Kapuscinski (NYU): "Visions of Transformation in the Animal World: Dante and the Partially Ennobled Soul" Mark R. Peters (Dominican School of Philosophy and Theology): "From Longing to Light: Beatrice and the Theological Aesthetic of Divine Love in Dante's Commedia" 	
11-11:30 am	Coffee Break	DeBartolo 136
11:30 am-1 pm	Panel 2: Early Reception, Commentaries, and Literary Influence Chair: Stefano Scandella (NYU)	DeBartolo 136
	 Elisa Bisson (Notre Dame): "Conquering the folio, gaining authority: Iacomo della Lana's commentary as a didactic treatise" Charlie West (Yale): "Sodomy and Misogyny in the Commentary Tradition: The cantos dealing with sodomites in the Commedia - Inferno XV and XVI, and Purgatorio XXVI" Camilla Canonico (Notre Dame): "Dante at the court of Guido Novello da Polenta: a case of reception outside the canon" Jessica Ruffolo (Calgary): "Echoes of Dante in Giovan Maria Cecchi's Sacre Rappresentazioni" 	
1-2 pm	Lunch Break	DeBartolo 136

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Afternoon Sessions

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2-3:15 pm	Panel 3: Dante's Translations and Transcultural Impact Chair: Evan Underbrink (<i>Graduate Theological Union</i>)	DeBartolo 136
	 Annalisa Guzzardi (CUNY): "Translating Dante: sound, sense, and the challenge of a French Divine Comedy" Salvatore Riolo (Notre Dame): "Where West Meets East: Hamdi Varoğlu and the Soft Power of the Commedia" Edoardo Medri (Urbana-Champaign): "Intertextual Relationship 	
3	between the «Divine Comedy» and the «Morgante»: the Dantean Narrative Segments"	NE THE
3:15-3:30 pm	Coffee Break	DeBartolo 136
3:30-4:45 pm	Panel 4: Textual Readings and Poetic Craft in Dante's Commedia Chair: Stefano Scandella (NYU)	DeBartolo 130
	 Giovanna De Campos Mauro (Yale): "The Trasvolar Flight in Dante's Empyrean" Claudia Graniero (Toronto): "Introducing Virgil, Troy and Aeneas in 	
	Inferno I-II" • Filippo Fabbricatore (CUNY): "How to Punish a Thief. The Perfect Circle of Dante's Imaginary in Inf 24 and 25"	
5-6 pm	Guided Tour of Special Collections with Chief Curator Salvatore Riolo	Hesburgh Library
6-8 pm	Aperitivo	Decio Commons (3 rd floor)

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