

**16<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL MEETING OF THE HANNAH ARENDT CIRCLE**

**June 26-29th, 2023**

**CONFERENCE PROGRAM**

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**Verona, Italy**



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Katherine Brichacek, Northwestern University

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## Monday, June 26th

Events and panels will take place at the University of Verona, Santa Marta pole, room SMT.01.  
Address: Via Cantarane 24, Verona.

### ***On Revolution at 60 Panel (11.00-13.00)***

Panelists:

**James Barry, Jr.**, Indiana University Southeast

**Roger Berkowitz**, Bard College

**Tal Correm**, New York University

**Jennifer Gaffney**, Loyola University Chicago

**Olivia Guaraldo**, University of Verona

**Yasemin Sari**, University of Northern Iowa

## LUNCH BREAK

### **University of Verona's Arendt Center Invited Speakers (15.30-18.00)**

**Fanny Söderbäck**, Södertörns högskola, Sweden

"The Aesthetics and Politics of Narration: Arendt, Cavarero, Hartman"

**Peg Birmingham**, DePaul University, U.S.A.

"On Revolution and the Social Question: Arendt's Disavowal of Superfluosity"

Moderated by: **Simona Forti**, Scuola Normale Superiore, Pisa, Italy

### **Welcome reception (18.30-19.30)**

## Tuesday, June 27th

Each presenter will have 20 minutes to present, followed by 30 minutes for discussion. We will take a five minute break between each speaker. Events and panels will take place at the University of Verona, Santa Marta pole, room SMT.01. Address: Via Cantarane 24, Verona.

### **Session 1 (10.00 - 11.45): Care**

**Marieke Borren**, Open Universiteit Nederland, the Netherlands

“Why would we care at all? Care for the world as proto-normative commitment to political action”

**Maria Robaszkiewicz**, Universität Paderborn, Germany

“‘So many ways of singing the world.’ Reflections on common speech and care for the world with Arendt and Merleau-Ponty.”

Invited Correspondent: **Elvira Roncalli**, Carroll College, U.S.A.

### **LUNCH BREAK**

### **Session 2 (13.30 - 15.15): Affect, Forgiveness, and Power**

**Ka-yu Hui**, Boston College, U.S.A.

“Violence, promise, and forgiveness: Arendt and Benjamin on the nature of the political”

**Sanjana Rajagopal**, Fordham University, U.S.A.

“The Role of Emotions in Arendt’s Report on the Eichmann Trial”

Invited Correspondent: **Daniele Bassi**, University of Cambridge, England

### **Session 3 (15.45 - 17.30): The Common World**

**Kate Bermingham**, Bucknell University, U.S.A.

“Plurality and Reality: Gaslighting, Epistemic Injustice, and Loss of the Common World”

**Guiseppe Aprile**, Scuola Superiore Sant'Anna, Italy

“A queer reparative reading of Arendt’s theory of judgement: Desiring common things for the ecstatic pleasure of realness”

Invited Correspondent: **Magnus Ferguson**, The University of Chicago, U.S.A.

## Wednesday, June 28th

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### **Session 4 (10.00 - 11.45): Foundations of Politics**

**Dana Villa**, University of Notre Dame, U.S.A.  
“Thoughts on Arendt's 'Foundationalism’”

**Yasemin Sari**, University of Northern Iowa, U.S.A.  
“Arendt and Transformative Politics”

Invited Correspondent: **Valentina Moro**, DePaul University and Verona University, Italy

### **LUNCH BREAK**

### **Session 5 (13.30 - 15.15): Belonging**

**Jennifer Gaffney**, Loyola University Chicago, U.S.A.  
“Archipelagic Citizenship: Arendt, Glissant, and the Politics of Belonging”

**Val King**, DePaul University, U.S.A.  
“Towards a Decolonial Multilingualism: Arendt and Anzaldúa on Language, National Identity, and the Possibility of Politics”

Invited Correspondent: **Paula Landerreche Cardillo**, DePaul University, U.S.A.

### **Session 6 (15.45 - 17.30): Luxemburg and Reification**

**Angela Maione**, Harvard University, U.S.A.

“Arendt, Luxemburg and ‘the republican question’”

**Ziyi Amanda Fu**, Northwestern University, U.S.A.

“Against the Social as Mere Catastrophe: Common Sense, Reification and Potential for the Political”

Invited Correspondent: **Olivia Guaraldo**, University of Verona, Italy

## Thursday, June 29th

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### **Session 7 (10.00-11.45): Aesthetics**

**Joris Roelofs**, University of Amsterdam, The Netherlands

“The Promise of Improvisation”

**Paul Dahlgren**, Georgia Southwestern State University, U.S.A.

“Arendt's Hamlet and the Rhetorical Power of Genre”

Invited Correspondent: **Gabriele Parrino**, Scuola Normale Superiore, Italy

### **Session 8 (13.30-15.15): Architecture and Revolution**

**Giacomo Mormino**, Università degli Studi di Verona, Italy

“A view of the world: Arendt and architecture”

**Lucy Benjamin**, University of Melbourne, Australia

“Revolution in Repair: Reorganising Arendt's planetary toolbox”

Invited Correspondent: **Katherine Brichacek**, Northwestern University, U.S.A.

## LATE LUNCH BREAK

## BUSINESS MEETING

University of Verona's Arendt Center presents a panel discussion on the forthcoming edited collection, *Political Bodies: Writings on Adriana Cavarero's Political Thought* (15.45 - 17.30)

Panelists:

**Paula Landerreche Cardillo**, DePaul University, U.S.A.

**Olivia Guaraldo**, University of Verona, Italy

**Julian Honkasalo**, University of Helsinki, Finland

**Rachel Silverbloom**, Vassar College, U.S.A.



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