EVENTS AT COLUMBIA — APR. 5TH – APR. 18TH

Health Sciences

Unless otherwise noted, all listings are at Columbia University’s Health Sciences campus in Washington Heights. Call sponsors for details.


7:00 P.M. Lecture. Vassilis Raptis, Publisher’s Weekly. George T. Delacorte Jr for Magazine Journalism. 1219 IAB.

16TH, TUES. 12:00 P.M. “Neo-Liberalism, Budgetary Discipline, and Modern Anthropology: From the Pathology of Certainty to the Ecology of Ignorance.” Stephen Collier, UC. Berkeley. 854-4623. 1219 IAB.

17TH, WED. 4:15 P.M. “Weininger in Russian Revolution.” Erraught Berezkin, Reed College. 854-4623. 1219 IAB.

6:00 P.M. “A Hundred Years of Japanese Film.” Donald Richie, author. Kearne Ctr of Japanese Culture. 854-5036. 403 Kent.

18TH, THURS. 12:00 P.M. “Romano’s Universi- ty: Libraries, Books, and Learning in Imperial Russian Prisons.” Jared Ingersoll, CU. 854-4623. 1219 IAB.

12:00 P.M. Lecture. Lingyan Yang, Indiana University. CSR. 854-0507. 240 Hamilton.


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7:00 P.M. Lecture. Maria Rodale, Organic Style. George T. Delacorte Center for Magazine Journalism. 854-5511. 2 Fl. Journalism.


6TH, MON. 5:00 P.M. Summer Ecosystem Experience Session. Summer study in Brazil to fulfill science requirement. East Ramp Lounge, Lerner.

5TH, FRI. 12:00 P.M. M Tennis vs. Dart- mouth.

7:00 P.M. Lacrosse vs. Central Connecticut.

6TH, SUN. 12:00 P.M. Lacrosse vs. Central Connecticut.

11:30 P.M. Baseball vs. Brown.

10TH, WED. 3:30 P.M. Softball vs. St. Peter’s.

12TH, FRI. 2:00 P.M. W Tennis vs. Yale.

13TH, SAT. 3:00 M & W Track. Columbia Invitational.

2:00 P.M. W Tennis vs. Brown.

17TH, WED. 3:00 P.M. Baseball vs. Rutgers.

3:30 P.M. Softball vs. Wagner.

Special

Paul Oksr Kristeller (1905-99) Lectures and Acquisition Fund Celebrate Committee to Scholarly Inquiry

This April’s inaugural Kristeller lecture and first event in a series of a Kristeller acquisition celebration Kristeller’s contributions to Colum-

A bequest left to Columbia Libraries by Woodbridge Professor Emeritus of Philosophy Paul Oksr Kristeller (1905-99), the world’s leading scholar of Renaissance philosophy, has made possible the purchase of a sixteenth century lec-

The inaugural Kristeller lecture, “Cosmopolitan and Terror” by judi-

This was Kristeller’s wish that a gift go in support of the acquisition of books and other publications, such as manuscripts and microfilms, relating to Western Cultural History before 1800 and to sponsor occa-


5TH, WED. 6:00 P.M. Concert. Lisa Koeppnick, Maria Antonia Garcia Kozenko, Maria Antonio Garcia, Rachmaninoff, and Casals. 854-7859.

3:30 P.M. & 8:30 P.M. Short Film Program: “HBO Films Night.” Columbia University Film Festival. Tickets: $10. 854-1547. Clearview Cinemas, 59th St East Theater.

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9TH, SAT. 12:00 P.M. “Functional Annotation of the Mouse Genome.” Terry Magnuson, U of North Car-

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Protestant Community as Diverse as the U.S., says Authors of New Book in Religion Series

By Jo Kadlecek

From Methodists and Pentecostals to Episcopalians and Lutherans, Protestants in the United States are as diverse as the fifty states in which they live. Though their worship traditions, theologies, and convictions on social issues often divide them, all profess a unified devotion to biblical Christianity.

But as authors of a new Columbia University Press book called “Protestantism in America” point out, members of mainline and evangelical churches comprise a complex subculture that has affected the wider American society in a variety of ways.

Randall Balmer, Ann Whitney Olin Professor of American Religion at Barnard College and Columbia, and Lauren F. Winner, Olin Professor of American Religion at Barnard College and Columbia, and Laura E. Blau of Wellesley, Mass., have chosen a somewhat less conventional way to address the theme of “Protestantism in America”—which will be published in July—than most historians of religion.

“Their approach is helpful because it shows that Protestants and mainline denominations and the more conservative evangelical denominations often see the same issues from different perspectives,” says Winner, whose first book, “Grant Us This Day: The Protestant Community as Diverse as the U.S., says Authors of New Book in Religion Series” (Random House 1996), has been translated into six languages. “For the first time, mainstream Protestants and evangelicals can see this commonality of experience.”

There’s a huge hunger for information on religion,” Winner says. “There really isn’t an equivalent series that provides a rounded portrait of each tradition and also looks at key issues that have surfaced over the last twenty or so years. To create that portrait, we are asked to interview people in the tradition, so it’s a mix of journalism and scholarship that helps set the series apart.”

Winner initially asked Balmer to serve as a consultant to the series and when he wanted to commission a volume on Protestantism as a whole, Winner asked Balmer if he would like to take on the project. Balmer’s previous books, “Religion in Twentieth-Century America,” “Grant Us Courage,” and the book and documentary series, “Mine Eyes Have Seen the Glory: A Journey into the Evangelical Subculture,” as well as his recent, “Encyclopedia of Evangelicalism” made him the ideal candidate to write it. Balmer then recruited Winner to help with the project.

The co-authors divided the book into three sections. Part one is an introduction into Protestantism’s history, essential beliefs, and American varieties. Part two examines the diversity of the Christian tradition in mainline and evangelical churches through three particular case studies, including Abyssinian Baptist Church in Harlem. Part three analyzes the church’s relationship with specific social issues. It concludes with biographic sketches of several notable leaders, a chronology and glossary, and a bibliography of additional resources.

“The last big overview of Protestantism came out in the late 1950s and there hasn’t really been any since,” Balmer says. “I’ve tried to keep my finger on the pulse of the movement, but there’s been a relief system shaken up a bit.” The liberal mantra that everyone is inherently good, with infinite grace, grew obviously been challenged because of seeing such evil. But evangelicals who preach grace, grace, grace, the depravity and sinfulness aren’t off the hook either,” Balmer says. “You can’t completely understand grace until you understand depravity. Luther’s genius was that he understood the two, the two principles—depravity and grace—in constant tension, and that grace eventually, ultimately prevails over the other people they are trying to reach.

‘I am appalled at the lack of understanding of evangelicals on the part of mainline Protestants and vice versa,’ says Balmer. “This happens because they see each other as a kind of siege mentality and they often don’t recognize their cousins, or their siblings for that matter.”

Especially since September 11, the belief that the world has been shaken up a bit. ‘The liberal mantra that everyone is inherently good, with infinite grace, grew obviously been challenged because of seeing such evil. But evangelicals who preach grace, grace, grace, has shaken up a bit. ‘The liberal mantra that everyone is inherently good, with infinite grace, grew obviously been challenged because of seeing such evil. But evangelicals who preach grace, grace, grace, Balmer has seen both belief systems shaken up a bit. ‘The liberal mantra that everyone is inherently good, with infinite grace, Christian Fundamentalism,...’

Leading Scholar on Structural Sociology Emeritus, Professor Blau, Dies March 12 at 84

By James Devitt

Peter Blau, a Columbia sociologist who was one of the leading scholars of structural sociologist, died on March 12 at the age of 84 in Chapel Hill, N.C. Blau, Columbia’s Queelet Professor Emeritus of Sociolog...