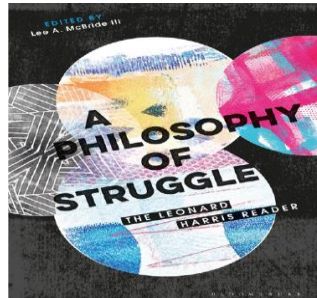


CELEBRATING LEONARD HARRIS



Join us in a celebration of the philosophy of Leonard Harris, and recent publication of
A Philosophy of Struggle: The Leonard Harris Reader.



Guest speakers: Lucius Outlaw, Vanderbilt; Derrick Alridge, University of Virginia; LaRose Parris, Lehman College/CUNY; James Stewart, Penn State; Anthony Sean Neal, Mississippi State

Dr. Leonard Harris, a preeminent voice in the philosophy of race (racism as a form of necro-being) and pioneer of Africana philosophy, has inspired generations of philosophers with his novel contributions to the field, including *philosophy born of struggle* (a “New Movement” in philosophy as such) and *insurrectionist ethics*.

A Philosophy of Struggle was published by Bloomsbury Academic in 2020.

SATURDAY, APRIL 16th, 2022 8:00am-5:00pm, BRNG

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Leonardharris.net

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Harris rejects the transcendental and metaphysical moorings of Western and Eastern philosophy; rejects valorization of categorically impossible monsters (including unified selves and reasoning machines); phenomenology, existentialism, dialectical materialism, rationalism and the narrowness of classical pragmatism along with their definitions of philosophy are rejected in favor of leaving the Asylum and offering a conception of philosophy as *Philosophia nata ex conatu* (*philosophy born from the process, philosophy as sourced by strife, tenaciousness, organisms striving - a leaning forward into the future* - encompassing a wide variety of versions); imagining beyond reason and lived experience. Harrisian version: pluriverse sense of universality (no uniformitarian universalism), the ethics of insurrection, racism as a form of necro-being and described using an actuarial model, traditions as inventions, dignity as a sortal and pragmatic (not intrinsic) good, communities as an absolute, the tragic as irredeemable suffering without recompense in this amoral universe, and an embrace of the abolitionist sensibility of anti-ableism, prison abolition and orientations that imagine futures which no longer expect one more law to fix injustice.

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Classrooms:

African American philosophy

Xavier University

11/24/21

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Leonard Harris, Guest:

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ZOOM

leonard harris is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: Book Launch

Time: Apr 16, 2022 08:00 AM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

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