



Presocratics and Plato

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Tuesday, June 2

21:00 Welcome Dinner at the Delphi Center

Wednesday, June 3

09:00—11:00 SESSION 1

Chair: Vassilis Karasmanis

- ▶ Carl Huffman: "Aristoxenus' Account of Pythagoras"
- ▶ Alexander P.D. Mourelatos: "The Eleaticism of the Eleatics"

11:00—11:30 Coffee Break

11:30—13:30 SESSION 2

Chair: Orna Harrari

- ▶ Diskin Clay: "The New Empedocles and Plato: The Metempsychosis of the Poet"
- ▶ Enrique Hülsz: "Heraclitus on the Sun"

13:30—15:00 Lunch

15:00—15:15 Transfer by train to the Delphi Museum

15:15—16:15 Delphi Museum Visit

16:40—17:40 Guided Tour of the Archeological Site

18:00 Transfer back by train to the Delphi Center

20:00 Dinner at the Delphi Center

Thursday, June 4

09:00—11:00 SESSION 3

Chair: Tony Long

- ▶ John Dillon: "Will the real Critias please stand up?"
- ▶ Aryeh Kosman: "Self-control and self-knowledge in Plato's *Charmides*"

11:00—11:30 Coffee Break

11:30—13:30 SESSION 4

Chair: Alexander P.D. Mourelatos

- ▶ David Sedley: "Plato's Theory of Change (*Phaedo* 70-71)"
- ▶ Daniel McLean: "Plato on Befriending Oneself"

13:30—15:00 Lunch

17:00—19:00 SESSION 5

Chair: Richard Patterson

- ▶ Tomas Calvo: "The Method of Hypotheses and its connection to the Division and Collection Strategies"
- ▶ Dorothea Frede: "Forms, Functions, and Structure in Plato"

20:00 Transfer by bus to Itea

20:30—23:00 Dinner at the Taverna "Diogenis"

23:00 Transfer back to the Delphi Center

Friday, June

09:00—11:00 SESSION 6

Chair: David Sedley

- ▶ Satoshi Ogiwara: "False Pleasures in the *Philebus*"
- ▶ Vassilis Karasmanis: "Dialectic and the second part of Plato's *Parmenides*"

11:00—11:30 Coffee Break

11:30—13:30 SESSION 7

Chair: Gerhard Seel

- ▶ Arnold Hermann: "Plato's Eleatic Challenge"
- ▶ Lesley Brown: "Plato on not-being: some troublesome texts"

13:30—15:00 Lunch

17:30—19:30 SESSION 8

Chair: Dorothea Frede

- ▶ Sarah Broadie: "Fifth-Century Bugbears in the *Timaeus*"
- ▶ Tony Long: "Slavery as philosophical metaphor in Plato and Xenophon"

20:00 Transfer by train to the Taverna

20:10 Dinner at the Taverna "Symposium"

Saturday, June 6

09:00—11:00 SESSION 9

Chair: John Dillon

- ▶ Richard Patterson: "Word and Image in Platonic Myth: the Case of *Laws X*"
- ▶ Susan Sauve Meyer: "Knowledge and Virtue in Plato's *Laws*"

11:00—11:30 Coffee Break

11:30—13:30 SESSION 10

Chair: Arnold Hermann

- ▶ Christopher Rowe: "Socrates in Plato's *Laws*"
- ▶ Paul Kalligas: "From being an image to being what-is-not"

13:30—15:00 Lunch

16.30 Transfer by bus to Galaxidi

17:15—20:00 Time to walk around and shop in Galaxidi, and perhaps enjoy a swim in the Sea

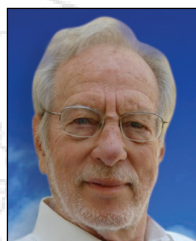
20.00 Farewell Dinner at the Taverna "Maritsa"

23:30 Transfer by bus to the Delphi Center

Sunday, June 7

09:00—11:00 Transfers to Athens Airport, and on to Syntagma Square for participants who wish to continue their stay in Greece

The papers of the conference will be published by Parmenides Publishing in a volume *Presocratics and Plato: A Festschrift in Honor of Charles H. Kahn*.



I was born May 29, 1928 in New Iberia, Louisiana, on the Bayou Teche, where a scattering of Jewish families (mostly French-speaking from Alsace) lived among the Cajuns. I left Louisiana at the age of 8, and grew up in Los Angeles. I entered the University of Chicago at the age of 16. In 1949 I left Chicago with a M.A. from the Committee on Social Thought and a fellowship to the Sorbonne. After two years in Paris, I completed my graduate work in Classics at Columbia University. I had a year of military service with the U.S. Army in Germany, followed by a semester in the Free University of Berlin (1955). In 1957 I returned to Columbia with a doctoral dissertation on Anaximander. I taught Classics at Columbia from 1957 to 1965, when I transferred from Classics to Philosophy. Since 1965 I have taught in the Philosophy Department of the University of Pennsylvania, with occasional absences: one year as Visiting Professor at the American School of Classical Studies in Athens, Visiting Fellowships at Balliol College, Oxford and Clare Hall, Cambridge, with one semester as Visiting Professor at Harvard.

My research began with work on the Presocratics. My dissertation was published as *Anaximander and the Origins of Greek Cosmology* (1960). This was originally conceived as the first chapter of a book on Parmenides, which has remained unwritten, despite a number of articles (including my Postscript on Parmenides recently published in *Essays on Being*). My fascination with Parmenides was side-tracked into the linguistic exploration of *The Verb 'Be' in Ancient Greek* (1973, with a new Introduction in 2003). During this period I also published a number of articles on Aristotle, including a study of the *Categories* (1978) and two articles in 1985: "The Place of the Prime Mover in Aristotle's Teleology" and "The Intended Interpretation of Aristotle's *Metaphysics*." The latter sketched a general view of Aristotle's project in the *Metaphysics* along the lines later developed by Frede and Patzig in their work on *Metaphysics Zeta*. But by this time my main interest had settled into my lifetime love of Plato. This was summed up in *Plato and the Socratic Dialogue*, published in 1996. Since then I have been working on a second volume dealing with the later dialogues, beginning with the *Parmenides* and continuing with *Theaetetus*, *Sophist*, and *Philebus*, to be concluded with a chapter on the *Timaeus*. The theme will be the revision and expansion of Plato's philosophy to include the philosophy of nature. I hope soon to complete this second volume, provisionally entitled *Plato and the Post-Socratic Dialogue*. —Charles H. Kahn

The Hyele Institute is pleased to be hosting this conference. We hope to make your stay as comfortable as possible. While great care has been taken to minimize inconveniences, our trained staff are available if something does come up requiring our attention. They can also be reached at any time should you require their assistance.

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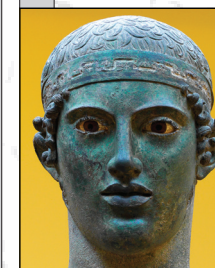
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