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**2024 Annual Meeting: Employing and Revising Paul Tillich's System of  
Categories for the Present Religious Situation**

**November 22, 2024**

**San Diego, California**

**Hilton San Diego Bayfront: Sapphire 400A**

8:30 – 10:10 AM Psychology

“Bridging Theological Anthropology and Phenomenological  
Psychopathology of Suicidality: Freitod in Dialogue with Paul Tillich’s  
Metaphysics of Nothingness” Taeha An, Yale University

“Bringing the Ultimate Back to the Therapist’s Couch: Tillich and the  
Relational” Kristen R. Hydinger, Boston University Danielsen Institute

“Belonging in Times of Crisis – Paul Tillich’s Concepts of Personality and  
Kairos” Anne-Milla Wichmann Kristensen (NAPTS Fellow), Københavns  
Universitet

“Tillich on Loneliness” Ilona Nord, Universität Würzburg

10:25 – 11:40 Theology and Philosophy

“Between 'Negation' and 'Negativity': A Comparative Investigation on the  
*Theo-Logic of the Cross* in Paul Tillich and Falk Wagner” Lukas Johannes  
Sulzer, Ruprecht-Karls-University

“Applying Tillich’s Category of Christ’s Resurrection to the Buddha’s Trikaya  
and Laozi’s Apotheosis” Kirk MacGregor, McPherson College

“Why Ethics Needs Ontology” Taylor Thomas, Boston College

11:50 – 12:40 Power and Critique

“Paul Tillich and the Theological Interpretation of Capitalism in the Age of  
the Fourth Industrial Revolution” Julius Trugenberger, Universität zu  
Köln

“Fear and Trembling: Phobic Aspects of the Structural Oppression of Fat  
People” Dina Alund, Københavns Universitet

12:40 – 2:00 Lunch and Board Meeting

2:00 – 3:40 Panel: The Nature of God: Tillich, Theological Humanism, and  
Environmental Hermeneutics in Memory of David Klemm and Forrest  
Clingerman

Sharon Burch, Session Chair

“Qualified Hope: The Ecological and Humanistic Nature of the Grotesque” J.  
Sage Elwell, Texas Christian University

“Twice Born to Single Vision? Untyping the book of Nature” Glenn  
Whitehouse, Florida Gulf Coast University

“The Soul of Nature: Life as the Unsymbolizable Divine” Daniel Boscaljon,  
Pacifica Graduate Institute

“The Sacred and the Economy of Marginalization” Verna Marina Ehret,  
Mercyhurst University

4:00 – 5:30 Book Panel: Robert Neville’s *Strange, Surprising, Sure*

Panelists:

Michael Raposa, Lehigh University

Greylyn Hydinger, Gannon University

Benjamin Chicka, Curry College

Responding:

Robert C. Neville, Boston University

5:30 – 6:00 Business Meeting

6:00 In Place of Formal Banquet, Groups Gather and Head to Dinner