
The Bertrand Russell Society

"The good life is one inspired by love and guided by knowledge." -Bertrand Russell,
"What I Believe"

MENU

2021 Papers

*Below is the conference program for the **2021 Annual Meeting** to be held on 18-19 June 2021. Below the conference program is also a list of speakers and talk titles for each panel, plus agenda items for the board meeting and membership meeting. All times are given in Eastern Standard Time. Registration is free and open to the public, but registration is required to get the meeting links. You may [register here](#). The meeting will be held online due to COVID-19, and is locally and virtually organized by our president, **David Blitz**.*

Friday, June 18th

3-4:30 pm	Panel: Biographical
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5-6 pm	Board Meeting
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Saturday, June 19th

9-10:30 am	Panel: Logical Analysis
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10:45 am – 12:45 pm	Panel: Philosophical Issues
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12:45-1:30 pm	Lunch break (videos of Russell will be played)
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1:30-3:30 pm

Panel: Russell and Others

3:45-4:45 pm

Master Class with **Peter Stone**: “What is freedom?”
([download link](#))

5-5:30 pm

BRS Awards (with recorded comments from **Dr. Anthony Fauci**)

5:30-6 pm

Membership Meeting

Panel talks, titles, and speakers

Biographical

- **Ruth Derham**, “To be Frank: The Personal Philosophy of Bertrand’s Brother”
- **Tony Simpson**, “Bertrand Russell’s Film Obituary that Never Was”
- **Tim Madigan**, “Should We Take Humor Seriously? A Russellian Analysis”
- (chair) **Adam Stromme**

Logical Analysis

- **Emma Sephton**, “The Limits of Rooting Our Logical Notions of Existence in the Empirical: Applying Russell’s Theory of Fact, Induction, and Negative Generalizations”
- **James Connolly**, “Stevens on *Principia Mathematica*’s Type Theory and Russell’s Multiple Relation Theory of Judgment”
- **Landon D. C. Elkind**, “The Propositional Logic of *Principia* in Coq”
- (chair) **David Blitz**

Philosophical Issues

- **Gregory Landini**, “Negative Facts in *The Analysis of Mind*”
- **Gülberk Koc Maclean**, “A Causal Theory of Meaning, Not a Pragmatist One”
- **M. K. Wong**, “Russell’s Refutation of Idealism”
- **David Blitz**, “The Unity of Russell’s Thought on Theory and Practice”
- (chair) **Landon D. C. Elkind**

Russell and Others

- Charles Pigden, “Russell, Lakatos, and the Renaissance of Empiricism in the Philosophy of Mathematics”
- Jared Hanson-Park, “Russell’s Better Response to Newman”
- Russell Wahl, “Russell and Couturat and their Changing Views on Kant”
- Thom Weidlich, “Keynes’ Russell: How Much Did Keynes Influence Russell’s Economic Views?”
- (chair) Tim Madigan

Board Meeting Agenda

1. Approval of 2020 minutes – Adam Stromme
2. President’s Report – David Blitz
3. Treasurer’s Report – Landon D. C. Elkind
4. Election of Officers
5. Next Year’s Meeting
6. Book Award Report – Russell Wahl, Kenneth Blackwell, Nicholas Griffin
7. Technology Report – Landon D. C. Elkind and Dennis Darland
8. Membership and Outreach – Landon D. C. Elkind
9. Student Paper Prize Report – Adam Stromme, Ray Perkins, Peter Stone
10. *Bulletin* Report – Michael Stevenson
11. Online Report – David Blitz, Landon D. C. Elkind, Tim Madigan, John Lenz
12. Adjournment

Membership Meeting Agenda

1. Minutes of 2020 Meeting
2. Next Year’s Meeting
3. Announcement of New Officers
4. Proposed Online Activities
5. Membership and Outreach
6. Adjournment