

29th Annual Hume Society Conference

"Born for Action? Born for Reason?"

**At the University of Helsinki
hosted by
the Department of Social and Moral Philosophy**

The House of Sciences
Kirkkokatu 6, Helsinki
August 6-10, 2002

Conference Directors:

Wade Robison, Rochester Institute of Technology (Chair)
Olli Loukola, University of Helsinki
Timo Airaksinen, University of Helsinki
Mikael M. Karlsson, University of Iceland

In the *Enquiry Concerning Human Understanding* (§1)
David Hume writes:

Moral philosophy ... may be treated after two different manners ... The one considers man chiefly as born for action; and as influenced in his measures by taste and sentiment ... The other species of philosophers consider man in the light of a reasonable rather than an active being, and endeavour to form his understanding more than cultivate his manners.

Papers on many aspects of Hume's life and works have been accepted for the program. However, the conference directors have especially welcomed submissions on the set of views expressed in this passage, e.g. on conflicting views of human nature, of moral philosophy, of the virtues, and of philosophical literature.

The organising team of the Department of Social and Moral Philosophy of University of Helsinki is: Nicholas Barlow, Karolina Kokko-Uusitalo, Tomi Kokkonen, Marjukka Laakso, Juhana Lemetti, Arto Siitonen and Teemu Toppinen. Thanks are also due to Academy of Finland and Finnish Philosophical Society for their support in arranging the conference.

Some of the central locations of the conference



The conference venue is The House of Sciences (“Tieteiden talo”) at Kirkkokatu 6, where we have three different rooms:

The big lecture hall (105) on the first floor, room 309 on the third floor (this is the office, has the book-exhibition and the internet connection) and the smaller lecture hall (505) on the fifth floor

Tuesday, August 6th, 2002

08:45-09:00 Lecture hall 105

Opening Ceremonies

09:00-10:15 Lecture hall 105

Hume: The Normative Philosopher

Charlotte Brown with Fred Stoutland commenting

Lecture hall 505

Understanding the Unintelligible: Hume on Necessary Connections

Corliss Swain with Ilkka Niiniluoto commenting

10:15-10:45 Coffee Break

10:45-12:00 Lecture hall 105

Hume, Happiness and Citizen Virtue

Thomas Hoffman with Jubana Lemetti commenting

Lecture hall 505

Hume, Berkeley, and the Bundle Theory of the Self

Stephen Daniel with Bertil Belfrage commenting

12:00-14:00 Lunch

14:00-15:15 Lecture hall 105

Hume's Natural History of Religion and a Conjectural History of Genealogy

Frank A. Palmeri with Simo Knuuttila commenting

Lecture hall 505

Was David Hume Really a Quantity Theorist and an Inflationist?

Carl Wennerlind with Tatsuya Sakamoto commenting

15:15-15:45 Coffee Break

15:45-17:00 Lecture hall 105

Book Revival Session: A Review of Professor Huxley's 'Hume'

Terry Penelhum. Huxley's Hume was published by MacMillan & Co. in 1879 in the English Men of Letters Series edited by John Morley.

Lecture hall 505

Book Revival Session: A Review of Ralph W. Church's 'Hume's Theory of the Understanding'

Amy M. Schmitter. Church's book was published in 1935 and then reissued in 1968 by Allen and Unwin.

19:00-20:30 City tour

From Senate Square, the front of the University Main Building (see map on page V)

Wednesday, August 7th

09:00-10:15 Lecture hall 105
On Moral Motivation
Sylvia Burrow with Dan Shaw commenting

Lecture hall 505
**The Complexity of Simple Perceptions:
Hume's Theory of Basic Perceptual Units
Reconsidered**
Daniel Schmicking with Peter Kail commenting

10:15-10:45 Coffee Break

10:45-12:00 Lecture hall 105
**The Anatomist and the Painter:
Conflicting Views of Moral Philosophy?**
*Angela Calvo de Saavedra with Mark A. Box
commenting*

Lecture hall 505
Was Hume a Proper Functionalist?
Kevin Meeker with Joseph Ellin commenting

12:00-13:30 Lunch

13:30-14:30 Lecture hall 105
Invited address: Expression and Reflection in Hume's Account of Emotion
Lilli Alanen

14:30-15:45 Lecture hall 105
Hume's Philosophy of Ridicule
Dorothy Coleman with Pheroze Wadia commenting

Lecture hall 505
**Space, Time, Motion: Hume, Pierre
Bayles, and Zeno of Elea**
David Raynor with Rolf George commenting

15:45-16:15 Coffee Break

16:15-18:30 Lecture hall 105
Double Session:
Hume on Aesthetic Reasoning
David Sibbitt with Bob Moffat commenting
**The Sentimental Argument: Hume's
Aesthetic Reason**
Dabney Townsend with Tim Engström commenting

Lecture hall 505
Double Session:
Equality, Exchange and Labour
Toshihiko Ise
The Ambiguities in Hume's Views of Luxury
Ryu Susato
Response: Of Justice and Property
Tom Velk & A. R. Riggs.

Thursday, August 8th

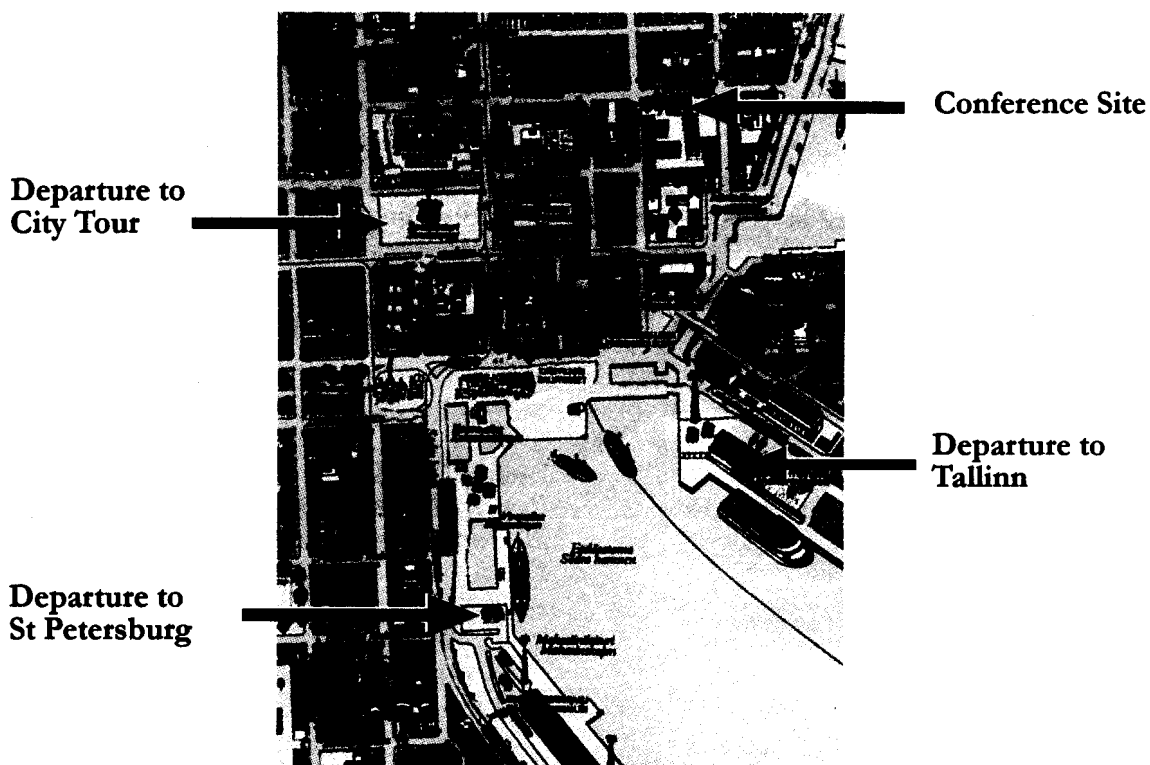
09:30-19:05 Nordic Jet Line Terminal (Market Square)
Tallin Excursion

We shall be traveling to Tallinn, Estonia on a day trip.

The departure from Helsinki is at 10:05 (check-in at 09:30), arrival in Tallinn at 11:45 (local time, so -1 hour from the time in Helsinki), departure at 17:25, and arrival back in Helsinki at 19:05.

So we will have about five and half hours to spend in Tallinn. Any expenses in Tallinn, including lunch, are on your own.

Departures to Conference Excursions:



Friday, August 9th, 2002

09:00-10:15 Lecture hall 105
Hume's Vitalism and Its Implications
Andrew Cunningham

Lecture hall 505
**Reid's Answer to Hume's Scepticism: Turning
Common Sense into Science**
John P. Wright with Paul Stanistreet commenting

10:15-10:45 Coffee Break

10:45-12:00 Lecture hall 105
"Co-existence" and Unity in Hume
Jean-Pierre Schachter with Peter Loptson commenting

Lecture hall 505
Hume's Sceptical Metaphilosophy
Miriam McCormick with Mikael Karlsson commenting

12:00-13:30 Lunch

13:30-14:45 Lecture hall 105
Two Distinctions in Hume's Moral Theory
John Corvino with Elisa Hurley commenting

Lecture hall 505
**On recent criticisms of Hume's Treatment
of Conceivability**
Jeremy J. Kelly with Arto Siitonen commenting

14:45-16:00 Lecture hall 105
**Hume, Mandeville and the Case of
Duelling: Martial Virtues in a
Commercial Society**
Andrea Branchi with Aaron Garrett commenting

Lecture hall 505
**Hume on the Necessity of Unjustified and
Possibly False Beliefs**
Frank Hindriks with Georges Dicker commenting

16:00-16:30 Coffee Break

16:30-18:00 Lecture hall 105
Panel: Passion, Character, and Action
*Arranged by Jackie Taylor, with Jane McIntyre
& Gerald Postema*

Lecture hall 505
Panel: Hume and Causality
*Arranged by Juba Räikkä, with Ken Levy, Marja-Liisa
Kakkuri-Knuutila & Olli Koistinen*

18:00-19:00 Lecture hall 105
Business Meeting

20:00 **Banquet at Restaurant Töölönrinta, Helsinginkatu 56**

Saturday, August 10th, 2002

09:00-10:15 Lecture hall 105
Custom as the Humean Alternative
Naoki Yajima with Ann Levey commenting

Lecture hall 505
Hume, the Fantastic Sect, and Life Without Belief
Karann Durland with Jani Hakkarainen commenting

10:15-10:45 Coffee Break

10:45-12:00 Lecture hall 105
Calvinism in Hume's Writings on Religion
James Harris with Wade Robison commenting

Lecture hall 505
The Sceptic's Ascent
Bob McCarthy with Sami Pihlström commenting

12:00-13:30 Lunch

13:30-14:45 Lecture hall 105
**Gilles Deleuzes's Reading of Hume:
Towards a "Transcendental Empiricism"**
Martin Bell with Martin Curd commenting

Lecture hall 505
A New Reading of Hume's Theory of Ideas
Anne Jaap Jacobson with Alan Hausman commenting

14:45-16:15 Lecture hall 105
**Panel: Naturalism and Normativity in
Hume's Epistemology**
*Arranged by Ted Morris, with Francis Dauer & Saul
Traiger*

Lecture hall 505
Panel: Scepticism in Hume's 'Treatise'
*Arranged by David Owen, with Don Ainslie & Ken
Winkler*

17:30 St. Petersburg Departure

The cruise ship of Kristina Cruises Oy Ltd leaves for St. Petersburg from Makasiini Terminal, South Harbour (see map on page V) returning to Helsinki in four days.

A bus to the ship will arrive at the conference site at 16:25. The price is 4 Euros/person.

The cruise schedule is as follows:

- Day 1 departure Helsinki South Harbour 17:30
- Day 2 arriving St. Petersburg 08:30. City tour
- Day 3 departure St. Petersburg 22:30
- Day 4 arriving Helsinki 11:30

30th Annual Hume Society Conference

At the University of Nevada, Las Vegas,
hosted by the College of Liberal Arts and the
Departments of History, Philosophy and Political Science.

July 29 - August 2, 2003

Conference Directors:
Craig Walton, University of Nevada, Las Vegas
Phil Cummins, University of Iowa
Michel Malherbe, Université de Nantes

“Probability, Chance & Judgment”

“Nothing requires greater nicety, in our enquiries concerning human affairs, than to distinguish exactly what is owing to chance and what proceeds from causes” (Essays, XIV/ G&G III,174)

“Besides, we must consider that, according to the present economy of the world, the course of nature, though supposed exactly regular, yet to us appears not so, and many events are uncertain, and many disappoint our expectations. Health and sickness, calm and tempest, with an infinite number of other accidents, whose causes are unknown and variable, have a great influence both on the fortunes of particular persons and on the prosperity of public societies” (DCNR XI/206).

Invited Speakers:
Tito Magri, Università di Roma
Jacqueline Taylor, Tufts University
Tatsuya Sakamoto, Keio University