

LEVINAS IN KAUNAS

A unique international event dedicated to the work and the life of the outstanding intellectual of Lithuanian origin, the French-Jewish philosopher Emmanuel Levinas (1906-1995)

JULY 4 - 8, 2022

LSMU EMMANUEL LEVINAS CENTER, V. PUTVINSKIO STR. 14,
KAUNAS, LITHUANIA

INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE **THE “YOUNG LEVINAS”: FROM SOLITUDE TO ALTERITY**

JULY 4 - 7, 2022

List of speakers:

Gintautas Mažeikis, Lithuania	Bettina Bergo, Canada
Aušra Pažeraitė, Lithuania	Michel Olivier, France
Andrius Valevičius, Canada	David Uhrig, France
Dalius Jonkus, Lithuania	Joëlle Hansel, Israel
Jean-Michel Salanskis, France	Yves Sobel, France
Monika Murawska, Poland	Paul Slama, Belgium
Larysa Karachevtseva, Ukraine	Alain David, France
Corinne Enaudeau, France	David Lang, Israel
Emeline Durand, France	Dan Kline, USA
Salomon Malka, France	
Sandor Goodhart, USA	
Georges Hansel, France	

Levinas in Kaunas will address the development of the philosophy of Emmanuel Levinas, from Lithuania to France, from “pre-philosophical experiences” of his youth to his mature revolutionary philosophy.



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Born in Kaunas in 1906, Levinas, the Litvak, went to France, in 1923, as a young Lithuanian student. He became one of the greatest European philosophers of the 20th Century.

Levinas' thought radiates far beyond the circles of specialists and has a tremendous influence in many fields including medical ethics, psychology, education, religious studies, art, politics, communication and economy.

Dissidents fighting for human rights and the democracy in Eastern Europe and Latin America, intellectuals and statesmen, such as Vaclav Havel in Czechoslovakia or Jorge Semprun in Spain, have testified to their affinity with Levinas' thought and the inspiration they have drawn from it.

INTERNATIONAL WORKSHOP **ETHICAL PERSPECTIVES OF HEALTH CARE PRACTICES**

JULY 7 - 8, 2022

List of speakers:

Žydrūnė Luneckaitė, Lithuania
Olga Riklikienė, Lithuania
Jean-François Rey, France
Lina Danusevičienė, Lithuania
Eimantas Peičius, Lithuania
Flora Bastiani, France
Yasuhiko Murakami, Japan
Jolanta Kuznecovienė, Lithuania
Gvidas Urbonas, Lithuania
Aušra Urbonienė, Lithuania

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Attendance to the conference and the workshop is free of charge.



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Partners:



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MONDAY, JULY 4, 2022

8⁴⁵ - 9¹⁵ **Welcome and registration of the participants**

9¹⁵ - 10¹⁵ **Opening ceremony**
Addresses of academic authorities
Presentation of the event by the organizers
Acknowledgments

10¹⁵ - 10³⁰ *Coffee break*

LEVINAS: A LITHUANIAN IN FRANCE (1)

10³⁰ - 12³⁰ **Projection of an interview with Emmanuel Levinas**
(52', French with English subtitles)

David Uhrig (New York University, Paris, France)
The Trouble with Being Friends

12³⁰ - 14⁰⁰ *Lunch break*

LEVINAS: A LITHUANIAN IN FRANCE (2)

14⁰⁰ - 15⁰⁰ **Gintautas Mažeikis (Vytautas Magnus University, Kaunas, Lithuania)**
Levinas and Bataille on the fascist temptation

15⁰⁰ - 15³⁰ *Coffee break*

15³⁰ - 17³⁰ **Aušra Pažėraitė (Vilnius University, Vilnius, Lithuania)**
"Etre Juif" according to Emmanuel Levinas and Yiddish writer from Vilnius, Chaim Grade in his "My quarrel with Hersh Rasseynner"

Andrius Valevičius (Université de Sherbrook, Canada)
Important early writings of Levinas before WWII: On Judaism, Christianity and the ominous rise of Hitler

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TUESDAY, JULY 5, 2022

LEVINAS AND PHENOMENOLOGY (1)

9⁰⁰ - 11⁰⁰ **Dalius Jonkus (Vytautas Magnus University, Kaunas, Lithuania)**
The notion of intuition in Phenomenology: Emmanuel Levinas' approach

Jean-Michel Salanskis (Université de Paris-Nanterre, France)
The an-ontological and the idealist motives in early Levinas

11⁰⁰ - 11³⁰ *Coffee break*

11³⁰ - 12³⁰ **Paul Slama (Fonds de la Recherche Scientifique, Belgium)**
Levinas commentator of intentionality in Husserl and Heidegger: before the face

12³⁰ - 13³⁰ *Lunch break*

LEVINAS AND PHENOMENOLOGY (2)

13³⁰ - 15³⁰ **Alain David (Paris, France)**
« Entre le pressentiment et le souvenir » : Beyond politics

Bettina Bergo (Université de Montreal, Canada)
The four threads composing Levinas' thought

15³⁰ - 15⁴⁵ *Coffee break*

15⁴⁵ - 17⁴⁵ **Monika Murawska (Academy of Fine Arts, Warsaw, Poland)**
Art and its Shadow. Art in the philosophy of Emmanuel Levinas in the context of the aesthetic turn in French phenomenology

Larysa Karachevtseva (The National Academy of Sciences of Ukraine, Kyiv, Ukraine/Vienna, Austria)
Rethinking the concept of subjectivity in Levinas' metaphysics

18⁰⁰ - 19³⁰ **OFFICIAL OPENING CEREMONY**

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WEDNESDAY, JULY 6

“ON ESCAPE”

9⁰⁰ - 11⁰⁰ **Joëlle Hansel (Collège international de Philosophie,
Paris, France/ Jerusalem, Israel)**

Solitude and freedom in “On escape”

Yves Sobel (Paris, France)

Collectivity and time in the young Levinas

Corinne Enaudeau (Paris, France)

‘La Dame de chez Wepler’ : le sexe, la guerre et le roman chez le jeune Levinas

11⁰⁰ - 11³⁰ *Coffee break*

ON EDUCATION

11³⁰ - 12⁰⁰ *Levinas at AIU: Projection of the address of Emmanuel Levinas at
his 80th birthday celebration (22’, English subtitles)*

12⁰⁰ - 14⁰⁰ *Lunch break*

LEVINAS AND RASHI

14⁰⁰ - 16⁰⁰ **Salomon Malka (Paris, France)**

Levinas Reading Rashi

Sandor Goodhart (Purdue University, USA)

‘The Temptation of Temptation’: Levinas, Rashi, and Midrashic Reading

16⁰⁰ - 16³⁰ *Coffee break*

MYSTERIOUS CHOUCHANI

16³⁰ - 17³⁰ **David Lang (National Library of Israel, Jerusalem, Israel)**

Mr. Chouchani in the light of his archives

NORTH-AMERICAN LEVINAS SOCIETY SPECIAL LECTURE

17⁴⁵ - 18⁴⁵ **Dan Kline (University of Alaska Anchorage, USA)**

Varieties of ‘Escape’ in the Middle English Plays of Abraham and Isaac

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THURSDAY, JULY 7

TOWARD THE OTHER

9⁰⁰ - 11⁰⁰ **Emeline Durand (Université de Bourgogne, France)**
Levinas, Rosenzweig and the “end of philosophy”

Michel Olivier (Collège international de Philosophie, Paris, France)
Economy and sociality in “The Self and the totality”

11⁰⁰ - 11³⁰ *Coffee break*

11³⁰ - 12³⁰ **Georges Hansel (Paris, France)**
Levinas and Maimonides

12³⁰ - 14⁰⁰ *Lunch break*

INTERNATIONAL WORKSHOP

**LEVINAS AND CARE: ETHICAL
PERSPECTIVES OF HEALTH CARE PRACTICES**

THURSDAY, JULY 7

THINKING HEALTH WITH EMMANUEL LEVINAS

14⁰⁰ - 16⁰⁰ **Žydrūnė Luneckaitė and Olga Riklikienė**
(Lithuanian University of Health Sciences, Kaunas, Lithuania)
How ethics of care can be beneficial for health care practice?

Jean-François Rey (Lille, France)
L'accueil et l'hospitalité dans les lieux de soin à la lumière de Levinas

16⁰⁰ - 16³⁰ *Coffee break*

16³⁰ - 17³⁰ **Lina Danusevičienė (Lithuanian University of Health Sciences,
Kaunas, Lithuania)**
Implementing ethics of care in health care practice: discussion with health care professionals

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FRIDAY, JULY 8

CAREGIVER'S EXPERIENCES

9⁰⁰ - 11⁰⁰

**Eimantas Peičius (Lithuanian University of Health Sciences,
Kaunas, Lithuania)**

The discourses of the ethics of care and 'careless' in the end-of-life contexts: reflections on the experiences of health professionals in Lithuania

Flora Bastiani (Université Toulouse Jean Jaurés, France)

Accompanying death: A case of care in the coordination of organ and tissue retrieval

11⁰⁰ - 11³⁰

Coffee break

11³⁰ - 12³⁰

Yasuhiko Murakami (University of Osaka, Japan)

Community in caring for children in need

12³⁰ - 14⁰⁰

Lunch break

ACCOMPANYING END OF LIFE

14⁰⁰ - 16⁰⁰

**Jolanta Kuznecovienė (Lithuanian University of Health Sciences,
Kaunas, Lithuania)**

Assurance of terminally ill patients' dignity: validity of autonomy perspective and care ethics

Gvidas Urbonas & Aušra Urbonienė

(Lithuanian University of Health Sciences, Kaunas, Lithuania)

Concept of dignified death based on death of the Other: experiences of Lithuanian family caregivers

16⁰⁰ - 16³⁰

Perspectives and farewell