

SRER Sixth Biennial Meeting

Iliff School of Theology

April 5-7, 2024

Seeking Justice Within an Apartheid America



FRIDAY, APRIL 5, 2024

DR. TINK TINKER

DR. MIGUEL A. DE LA TORRE

2:00-3:00

PLENARY ADDRESS

Trafficking Grandmother: Challenging the Extractive Worldview of Postmodern Colonialism and Normative Discourse in the Academy
Dr. Tink Tinker (Iliff School of Theology)

3:15-4:15

PAPER PRESENTATION SESSION

Postcolonial Considerations: Religion, Theology and Intersectionality
Shobha Muniyappa, Moderator (Iliff School of Theology)

Social (In)justice as a Hyperobject: Decolonizing Minds and Hearts Through Quantum Narratives Emerging from the Margins
Dr. Francisco Miraval (Independent Researcher)

An Interdisciplinary Analysis of Race and Religion as Constructs of Colonial Contact
Isabela Leonor Rosales (Iliff School of Theology)

4:30-5:30

PRESIDENTIAL PLENARY ADDRESS

La Locura of De La Torre's Scholarship
Dr. Miguel A. De La Torre
President, SRER (Iliff School of Theology)

5:30-7:00

RECEPTION

Words of Welcome
Dr. Lee Butler
President, Iliff School of Theology



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DR. JUAN FLOYD-THOMAS

SATURDAY, APRIL 6, 2024

9:00-9:45

ONLINE DISPATCH FROM THE FRONT LINE IN REAL TIME

Rev. Dr. Mitri Raheb (Dar al-Kalima University)
Dr. W. David Nelson, Moderator (Exec. Director, SRER)

10:00-11:00

PAPER PRESENTATION SESSION

US Religion and the Many Borders and Boundaries of Racial-Ethnic Realities
Laura Cheifetz, Moderator (Vanderbilt Divinity School)

Latine Goes to Seminario: A Wedding, a Divorce and a Funeral
David A. Escobar Arcay (Palm Beach Atlantic University)

Challenging Assimilation Narratives and Embracing Hybrid Identities in the US
Through a Guyanese Immigrant Perspective
Dennis Saavedra Carquin-Hamichand (Illiff School of Theology)

11:15-12:15

PLENARY ADDRESS

Twilight for the Children of Light and Darkness: Religion, the Disinherited, and the
Crisis of Apartheid Democracy
Dr. Juan Floyd-Thomas (Vanderbilt Divinity School)

12:30-2:00

ORBIS PRESS "FOOD FOR THOUGHT" LUNCH FORUM I/Thou and Publish or Perish

So You Want to Publish?: Journal of Race, Ethnicity, and Religion

Dr. Miguel A. De La Torre, Editor (Illiff School of Theology)

Dr. Juan Floyd-Thomas (Vanderbilt Divinity School)

Dr. W. David Nelson (Exec. Director, SRER)

Equity and Diversifying Academic Publishing

Dr. Chris Driscoll (Lehigh University)

Ethics and Intersectionality Series: Orbis Press

Dr. Miguel A. De La Torre (Illiff School of Theology)

Dr. Stacey Floyd-Thomas (Vanderbilt Divinity School)

Dr. David Gushee (Mercer University)

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DR. BOYUNG LEE

PAPER PRESENTATION SESSION

Religio-Racial Identities and Social Justice in US Civil Society
Mana Tun, Moderator (Iliff School of Theology)

2:15-3:15

Un-Suturing Whiteness in Justice-Seeking Movements
Rebecca Hensley (Iliff School of Theology)

A Theatre Intervention for Seeking Justice
Dr. Dontá McGilverly (Arizona State University)

PLENARY PANEL BOOK DISCUSSION

Defending Democracy From Its Christian Enemies
Dr. David Gushee, Author/Respondent (Mercer University)

3:30-5:00

Dr. Miguel A. De La Torre (Iliff School of Theology)
Dr. Juan Floyd-Thomas (Vanderbilt Divinity School)
Dr. Boyung Lee (Iliff School of Theology)
Dr. Tink Tinker (Iliff School of Theology)

SUNDAY, APRIL 7, 2024

S.P.A. (SCHOLAR/PRACTICITONER/ACTIVIST) SESSION

Rebelling Against White Praxis: Lessons from Social Work
Dr. Stacy Floyd-Thomas, Moderator (Vanderbilt Divinity School)

9:00-10:30

Dr. Debora Marie Ortega, Professor, School of Social Work
Director, Univ. of Denver Latino Center for Community Engagement & Scholarship

Dr. Tyler Miyoshi Han, DU IRISE Post- Doctoral Fellow,
University of Denver School of Social Work

Dr. Jessica Rodriguez Jenkins, Assist. Professor, Univ. of Denver School of Social Work

Dr. Sophia Sarantakos, Assist. Professor, Univ. of Denver School of Social Work

PLENARY ADDRESS

10:45-11:45

Doing Antiracist Theological Education in America: A Transnational and Global Task
Dr. Boyung Lee (Iliff School of Theology)

Noon-1:00

BUSINESS MEETING