

## The Ecumenical, Theological, and Interdisciplinary Symposium

2014: Remembering Peace:

Justice, and Forgiveness in a Time of War

2013: Vivat Academia! How Post-Modern Rhetoric Shapes Our Understanding of Modern and Pre-Modern Values

2012: Time, Place and Self in Interdisciplinary Narratives

2011: Alienation and Authenticity in Environments of the 21<sup>st</sup> Century: Technology, Person and Transcendence

2010: Meaning and Mystery: From the Philosophy of Knowledge to the Theology of Person

2009: Religion and Politics: The Human Society between the Power of God and the Power of Man

2008: Cult and Culture: The Transcendental Roots of Human Civilization

2007: Theology and Literature: The Deification of Imagination and Its Cathartic Function in Spiritual Growth

2006: The Glory of Knowledge: Construction and Deconstruction. When Human Quest Ends in Apophysis

2005: Unity in Diversity: Can We Live Together in an Apocalyptic World?

2004: Globalization from A (Archeology) to S (Spirituality): What Is It and Who Needs It?

2003: Science and Theology: New Challenges and Perspectives

2002: Contemporary Culture in the Light of Christian Spirituality at the Beginning of the Third Millennium. The Secular Realities and Spiritual Perspectives

2001: Prayer as Theology of the Mind and of the Heart for the Humanity in the New Millennium

2000: Humanity in the Third Millennium and the Mystery of the Divine

1999: Jesus Christ as the Theandric Paradigm of Man's Restoration at the Dawn of the Third Millennium

1998: The Theological Legacy of Fr. Dumitru Staniloae and its Ecumenical Actuality

1997: Rediscovering God: The Relation between God and Man and its Significance for our Life Today

1996: Freedom and Responsibility in Contemporary Society

1995: Divine Creation and Human Responsibility in the Context of Contemporary Ecological Preoccupations

1994: Quo Vadis Homo? Salvation and the Modern World

1993: Worship and Identity in our Contemporary Society



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#### PROGRAM

*The XXIIIrd Ecumenical Theological and Interdisciplinary Symposium*

**Cultural Transparency and the Loss of Privacy in the Era of Digital Technology:  
How Is This Shaping Our Becoming and the Ethical Dilemmas Related to It**

Saturday, December 5th, 2015  
10:00 AM

The General Theological Seminary  
Seabury Building  
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**Theodor Damian, PhD**

Professor of Philosophy and Ethics,  
Metropolitan College of New York;  
President of the Romanian Institute of  
Orthodox Theology and Spirituality:  
*Being Constantly Watched: Transparency  
and Perichoresis*

**Clair McPherson, PhD**

Professor of Ascetical Theology, General  
Theological Seminary; Priest Associate, Church  
of the Transfiguration, Manhattan (Episcopal)  
*Transparency, Accountability, and Honesty in  
Twenty-first Century Theological Education:  
A Theory and a Test Case*

**Richard Grallo, PhD**

Professor of Applied Psychology,  
Metropolitan College of New York:  
*Social Trust and Problem Solving in an Age  
of Chaos*

**Louis Tietje, PhD**

Professor of Ethics, Metropolitan College of  
New York:  
*Should Mr. Green Pen Be Fired or Are the  
Prescriptivists Right?*

**Doru Tsaganea, PhD**

Professor of Mathematics, Metropolitan College  
of New York  
*Contradictory Political Results of Internet  
Utilization*

**Alina Feld, PhD**

Affiliate Faculty at the General Theological  
Seminary, New York  
*The Digital Age and the Transparency of Evil:  
Jean Baudrillard's "Perfect Crime"*

**Elvin T. Ramos, PhD**

Founder and President, Global Tassels, Inc.  
Adjunct Assistant Professor, St. John's  
University:  
*Global Transparency and Harmony:  
Protecting the New Culture, the Modern  
Identity, and the World of Ideas of the  
Millennial Generation Living in the Slums  
of Poverty*

**Nancy Perez**

Master's Program Candidate, Metropolitan  
College of New York:  
*Cyberidentity*

**Elithia Pennington, MPA/PP**

Metropolitan College of New York:  
*Should People Fear Technology?*

MODERATOR:

**Humphrey Crookendale, JD**

Dean, School for Public Affairs and  
Administration, Metropolitan College of  
New York

GUESTS OF HONOR:

**His Eminence Nicolae Condrea, PhD**

Archbishop, The Romanian Orthodox  
Archdiocese in the Americas

**Adele Weiner, PhD**

Dean of Audrey Cohen School for Human  
Services and Education, Metropolitan  
College of New York

HOSTS:

**The Very Rev. Kurt Dunkle**

Dean and President, The General  
Theological Seminary

**Clair McPherson, PhD**

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DISCUSSANTS:

**Bert Breiner, PhD**

Associate Professor of Religion, Hunter  
College, City University of New York

**David Rosner, PhD**

Associate Professor of Values and Ethics,  
Metropolitan College of New York

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