36th Annual Association for Moral Education conference

November 4-6, 2010

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St. Louis, Missouri USA

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Registration information
Registration fees include admission to all presentation and poster sessions, a free copy of the conference abstracts, coffee/tea for all conference days, admission to the Opening Reception on Thursday, November 4, admission to the President’s Reception on Friday, November 5, membership to AME for 2011, and a year’s subscription to the Journal of Moral Education. Full registration fee is $319.00 USD through August 31, and $359 USD after. Student registration is $219.00 USD through August 31 and $259 USD after.

Register and get further information at:
http://ame2010.org/
Conference Theme

“Gateway to Justice: Meeting the Moral Challenges of Social Inequality”

Fostering the development of moral agents capable of dealing productively with social injustice requires honing two important capacities. The first involves teaching and learning practices that effectively promote the processes of moral reflection, perspective taking, and action. The second involves nurturing the skills to interpret the various levels of complex social systems and understand the many sources from which social inequalities may emerge. The 2010 conference will provide a forum to address these issues and the many hurdles that must be overcome in order to meet the moral challenges of social inequality. The conference will include invited speakers, symposia, paper sessions, and poster presentations that examine the moral implications of privilege and difference through a variety of lenses, such as race/ethnicity, social class, gender, and religion.

2010 Conference Program Highlights*

Thursday, November 4
8:30 – 12:30  Pre-Conference Symposium
              Character & Moral Education: From Theory to Practice (sponsored by the Center for Character and Citizenship, University of Missouri—St. Louis)
1:30 – 2:00  Conference Welcome & Opening Remarks
2:00 – 3:00  Plenary Speaker: Bill Puka
6:00 – 7:00  Welcome Reception

Friday, November 5
9:00 – 10:00  Invited Speakers, Concurrent Sessions
              Lutz Eckensberger, Sidney Watson, Marilyn Friedman
3:00 – 4:30  Invited Symposia, Concurrent Sessions
              Organized by Daniel Hart, James DuBois, Wendy Saul & Rebecca Rogers, and Brenda Bredemeier & Stephen Sherblom
6:30 – 7:30  President’s Reception

Saturday, November 6
9:00 -10:00  Kohlberg Memorial Lecture: James Comer
3:00 – 4:00  Invited Speakers, Concurrent Sessions
              Avis Glaze and Richard Wright
7:00 – 10:00  Conference Banquet

* Nearly 60 additional symposia and paper sessions will be held throughout the days on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday
Kohlberg Memorial Lecture

The Kohlberg Memorial Lecture will be delivered by James P. Comer, MD. He is the Maurice Falk Professor of Child Psychiatry at the Yale University School of Medicine’s Child Study Center in New Haven, Connecticut. He is known nationally and internationally for his creation in 1968 of the Comer School Development Program (SDP), the forerunner of most modern school-reform efforts. He is also the author of nine books, including Maggie’s American Dream and Leave No Child Behind. His pioneering work in school restructuring has been featured in numerous newspapers, magazines, and television reports, and published in many academic journals. He is a co-founder and past president of the Black Psychiatrists of America, and has served on the board of several universities, foundations, and corporations. He was a consultant to Children’s Television Workshop and has served as a consultant, committee member, advisory board member, and trustee to numerous local and national organizations serving children. He is currently co-chair of the NCATE National Expert Panel on Increasing the Application of Knowledge About Child and Adolescent Development in Educator Preparation Programs.

Hotel Accommodations

The Chase Park Plaza
212 N. Kingshighway Blvd.
St. Louis, MO 63108 USA
Phone: 314-633-3000
Website: http://www.chaseparkplaza.com/index.cfm

The 2010 AME conference will be held in the historic Chase Park Plaza hotel in the heart of St. Louis, Missouri. The Chase Park Plaza Hotel is a St. Louis landmark and offers a premier conference location. The conference organizers encourage AME registrants to take advantage of the significantly reduced room rates that have been negotiated with the hotel (almost half the usual price!), and also help the AME fill its minimum reservation requirements at the hotel. In addition, on the conference hotel's doorstep is the Central West End, one of the city's most popular dining and entertainment areas. In contrast to the accommodations available at the alternative hotels in the area, the "standard room" for $155/night at the Chase Park Plaza is a one-bedroom suite with a pull-out sleeper couch. A limited number of two-bedroom suite accommodations are offered for $255 (plus tax) and could easily be shared with others.

Other accommodations in this area can be found at the Parkway Hotel and Hotel Indigo. Both are within walking distance of the Chase Park Plaza. All other hotels in St. Louis would require transportation to the conference site.
Getting to the Conference

Arrival by air
If you are flying, you’ll want to use Lambert International Airport.

From Lambert Airport to the Chase Park Plaza Hotel
Taxis are available from outside both terminals. From Terminal 1: Use Exit Door MT 14 to main Garage Yellow Level or Terminal 2: Exit Door ET 12. Approximate fare cost is $30. Each taxi will have an airport use fee of $3.00 per pickup.

St. Louis also offers a light rail train system, called “The Metro,” that provides a convenient way to get from Lambert International Airport to the Central West End, where the Chase Park Plaza Hotel is located. The fare for the train ticket is a modest $2.75 (one-way), and can be purchased at the automated machines located at any of the metro station stops (bring cash; they do not accept credit cards). Once you have arrived at the CWE station, the Chase Park Plaza is an easy 10-minute walk going north on Euclid or Kingshighway for just 4-5 blocks. Taking this route provides a wonderful view of the amenities near the hotel, especially if you walk along Euclid.

Please see the conference website, which has additional website links and maps: http://ame2010.org/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=12&Itemid=9.

Arrival by car
Several major US interstates run through the St. Louis area, including I-70, I-55, I-44, and I-64. The hotel’s “Map and Directions” webpage has a Google map of the hotel’s location, with an option for getting directions. The webpage also provides driving directions from Lambert International Airport, if you will be arriving by air and renting a car. You can access the webpage at: http://www.chaseparkplaza.com/map-directions/index.cfm.

The hotel offers valet parking for $22 per day or self-parking for $14 per day.

Attractions
The 2010 AME meetings will be held at the historic Chase Park Plaza Hotel. On the hotel’s doorstep is the Central West End, one of the city’s most popular dining and entertainment areas. Just across the street is Forest Park, home to the St. Louis Art Museum, the Missouri History Museum, the world-renowned Saint Louis Zoo, all of which are open to the public with free admission. The park also has one of the country’s finest public golf courses and mile-after-mile of inviting jogging and hiking paths. The hotel is also just moments away from Busch Stadium, the Gateway Arch, the Missouri Botanical Garden, Washington University, Saint Louis University, the downtown and Clayton business districts and Lambert International Airport. Visit http://www.explorestlouis.com/ for information on these and other St. Louis attractions.
Recent Books by AME Members


Please send information on new book publications to the AME Book Selection Coordinator, Eric Marx, Eric.Marx@acu.edu.au. Authors are encouraged to provide ordering information, especially hyper-text links, and a short descriptive paragraph of the book.

Board Member Election Results

In February, the Association held its annual election for board members. The following individuals have been elected by the membership to serve three-year terms as members of the Executive Board beginning in 2010 immediately following the St. Louis Conference: Tobias Krettenauer, Andrew Garrod, Sharlene Swartz, and Jeremy Frimer. Thank you to all individuals who put forward their names to run in this year's election. Also, a sincere thank you to Larry Walker for his technological assistance in the election process. The newly elected board members will replace those whose terms expire this year: Kaye Cook, Clary Milnitsky-Sapiro, and Robert Selman.

AME 2011 Conference

The 37th Conference of the association will be sponsored by both AME and the *Journal for Moral Education*, as a special celebration of the 40th anniversary of the journal. The conference will be held in **Nanjing, China** on October 24-28, 2011 and is hosted by the Asia Pacific Network for Moral Education and its chair, Professor Jin Shenghong, Nanjing Normal University. Its theme is *Cultivating Morality: Human Beings, Nature and the World*. The language of the conference is English. The conference location is the Nanjing International Conference Centre, China. The website for the conference will go public on the 1st of December, 2010: [www.nanjing2011.org](http://www.nanjing2011.org). Submission of abstracts on conference-related themes will occur via the website from January 1 through March 31, 2011. Your participation in this interdisciplinary, intercultural, academic moral education landmark event is warmly welcomed.
AME 2011 Conference (cont.)

AME and JME Scholarships for Participation in 2011 Conference, Nanjing

The Association for Moral Education and Journal of Moral Education will jointly award a number of scholarships to a maximum value of $1000 each, to be spent on attendance and participation at the Nanjing Conference 2011. These scholarships are intended to assist scholars who otherwise would be unable to attend. It is hoped that they will enable the participation of delegates from regions of the world that might otherwise be under-represented, and of delegates at an early stage in their academic career.

These awards will be administered, and applicants selected, by a committee consisting of
Chair: Graham Haydon (Institute of Education, London)
James Conroy (Glasgow University)
Phyllis Curtis-Tweed (Medgar Evers College, CUNY)
Monica Taylor (Editor JME; Asia-Pacific Network for Moral Education)

Scholarships may be used to support travel costs, payment of the conference fee and/or accommodation and subsistence, depending on individual circumstances. Applicants will also be expected to obtain funding from other sources so far as possible.

Applicants will be required to submit, by email and in English:
1. Full name and contact details including mailing address, phone number and email address.
2. A covering letter of no more than one page summarising the applicant’s reasons for wishing to attend the conference, and the importance of the scholarship in making this possible. Applicants should indicate whether they have applied for or intend to apply for funding from other sources (e.g. the academic institution at which they are employed or are studying).
3. An estimated budget for their participation in the conference, including details of their travel costs and accommodation and subsistence. The budget should state the amount of funding requested from the scholarship fund and what applicants intend to spend this on.
4. A CV of no more than one page including degrees obtained; current academic affiliation and publications (if any).
5. A conference proposal, including title of paper or other presentation; nature of the presentation (individual paper or otherwise); abstract of up to 150 words; 500 word summary. It is expected that this will be an initial proposal in advance of the full proposal to be submitted to the conference programme committee later.
6. A letter of recommendation from an academic supervisor, colleague or employer.

Applications should be sent by email to the Committee Chair at g.haydon@ioe.ac.uk, with copy to jmoreded@onetel.com, by 31 December 2010. The Committee will request further information if necessary with a view to deciding on applications by the end of February 2011. The Committee’s decision will be final.

The JME-Taylor prize

To mark the 40th anniversary of the JME in 2011 an annual prize is being established to encourage the ongoing submission and publication of quality papers. It is specifically intended to recognise: a first-time publication by a junior scholar; an author from a developing country; an author whose first language is not English; or an innovative contribution from an established scholar which changes thinking on moral education. The prize is being jointly funded by the Trustees of the JME Ltd and a personal gift from Dr. Monica J. Taylor, on retirement after 35 years as Editor of JME. The first award will be made at the 2011 conference.
Announcements, Requests, and other Communications

**Dilemma Discussion Workshops.** Dr. Georg Lind, author of the *Konstanz Method of Dilemma-Discussion* and a long-standing AME member, offers regular workshop-seminars on "Fostering Moral and Democratic Competence Through the Konstanz Method of Dilemma-Discussion (KMDD)" in German (upcoming October and May) and in English (July 2011) in Konstanz, Germany. For more information on these seminars, getting a KMDD-Teacher certificate, or seminars to be convened at other locations, please see: [http://www.uni-konstanz.de/ag-moral/](http://www.uni-konstanz.de/ag-moral). His co-edited and co-authored book *Moral development and social education* (Transaction Publishers) has just been published in its second edition.

**National Forum on Character Education.** Character Education Partnership’s 17th annual Forum will take place Oct. 28-30 in San Francisco this year. With the theme “Service & Leadership: Profiles in Character” and great breakout sessions, this conference is sure to motivate and inspire you as you settle into the next school year. Come listen to a panel with former Supreme Court Justice Sandra Day O’Connor and service-learning expert Cathy Berger Kaye, take part in a pre-Forum training on character education in high schools, visit a whole community of character, and more. Visit [http://www.character.org](http://www.character.org) to learn more.

**The Journal of Organizational Moral Psychology (JOMP).** JOMP is a forthcoming (2010 - Nova Science) quarterly publication that is aimed at better understanding the psychological, contextual and behavioral aspects of ethical reasoning in organizational settings. Whereas other journals in our field may be focused predominantly on social or philosophical (macro) issues, JOMP addresses the many micro level concerns that have emerged to revitalize moral psychology -- including evolutionary moral psychology, social learning and cognition, situational determination, and so forth. In addition to contributors, we are seeking to attract scholars with an interest in moral psychology to augment a very strong editorial board. If you would like further information please contact George W. Watson (Associate Professor, Southern Illinois University) at gwatson@siue.edu.

**Citizenship Education Conference.** “Education and Citizenship in a Globalising World” is the third international education conference, convened jointly by the Institute of Education (IOE), London and Beijing Normal University (BNU). It will be held on November 19-20, 2010 at IOE in London. The languages of the conference will be English and Mandarin Chinese. The conference is expected to have a worldwide impact, and it will be a truly international event, drawing together scholarship and experience, practice and perspective from across the globe.

**Social Science Research Conference.** The 5th International Conference on Social Science Research is being held on September 23-25, 2010 at the Hilton Riverside in New Orleans, LA. It is an interdisciplinary conference of the social sciences that includes research papers, theoretical articles, papers prepared by practitioners that deal with application, best practices, and case studies. More information about the conference can be found at their website: [http://www.socialscienceconf.net/](http://www.socialscienceconf.net/).
MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL FORM 2010

***IMPORTANT***

If you attended the summer AME conference at Utrecht, The Netherlands, your dues will be automatically paid for the year 2010. If you did not attend the 2009 conference, you will need to use this form and mail your dues to renew your membership for 2010.

Your membership includes a subscription to the quarterly *Journal of Moral Education* and to the AME Forum, published twice a year.

To renew your AME membership, please complete the following:

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Business phone _______________________ Home phone ________________________

FAX ________________________________ E-mail _____________________________

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Line 1 (name)___________________________________________________________

Line 2 _________________________________________________________________

Line 3 _________________________________________________________________

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Mark as appropriate:

_________ Regular dues: $75.00 (includes 4 issues of *The Journal of Moral Education*)

_________ Student dues: $60.00 (includes 4 issues of *The Journal of Moral Education*)

_________ Donation to the Kohlberg Memorial Fund: $________.00

_________ Total enclosed. Make your check (or money order for those outside the U.S. or Canada) payable in **US dollars** to **Association for Moral Education**. Mail this form and your payment to:

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