THE SPRING 2015 PUBLIC LECTURE SERIES

THE EPIC OF CREATION:

SCIENTIFIC, BIBLICAL, AND THEOLOGICAL PERSPECTIVES ON OUR ORIGINS

Chaired by Gayle Woloschak
Monday Evenings 6:30 PM – 9:30 PM
Room 201, Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago (LSTC), 1100 East 55th Street, Chicago, IL 60615

The Epic of Creation invites scientists and scholars of religion to present their professional perspectives on the scientific, biblical, and theological stories of the origins of the universe, life, and human beings. We invite you to join us as we explore the meanings of these stories for our existence in the universe today.

Offered by the Zygon Center for Religion and Science (ZCRS), the Epic of Creation is a graduate-level seminary course and public lecture series. All guest lectures are free and open to the public. Additional sessions led by Dr. Gayle Woloschak will be held on (2/2, 2/9, 3/2, 3/23, 4/6, 4/20, 4/27); these are open to registered students only. You may register for course credit through LSTC or through any member of the Association of Chicago Theological Schools (ACTS); the course number is LSTC RHTH/CC 504. For more information, please visit www.zygoncenter.org, email zcrs@zygoncenter.org, or call 773-256-0670.

2/16	(6:30PM)	Humility: The Quest by Humans of Knowledge – Where Does Our Knowledge Actually Come From? Don York, astrophysics, University of Chicago
2/16	(8:00PM)	Christology and Creation from Teilhard de Chardin to Elizabeth Johnson: John Slattery, theology and science, University of Notre Dame
2/23	(6:30PM)	Evolution on a Cosmic Scale: Grace Wolf-Chase, astrophysics, Adler Planetarium
2/23	(8:00PM)	A Visit with Neanderthals: Fred Smith, anthropology, Illinois State University
3/16	(6:30PM)	The Evolution of Culture and the Capacity for Culture in the Human Descent Line: William Irons, anthropology, Northwestern University
3/16	(8:00PM)	What are the Primates Teaching Us?: Paul Heltne, evolutionary biology, Independent Scholar
4/13	(6:30PM)	Field Trip to Advanced Photon Source, Argonne National Lab
5/4	(6:30PM)	LAST DAY: Student Presentations and Panel Discussion

About the Epic of Creation

We invite you to this unique course and lecture series that will present the scientific story of the emergence and evolution of the universe, life, and humans; provide exegeses of the biblical story of creation; and offer theological reflections on the Epic of Creation. Leading scientists will tell the scientific story of our origins as inferred from records in starlight, rocks, and fossils. Notable biblical scholars will present exegeses of the biblical story of the world's beginnings and continuing creation as found in the Old and New Testaments and in the myths of other civilizations that shaped biblical concepts of creation. Distinguished theologians will reflect on issues and questions raised by the stories their implications for Christian and understandings of the world, humanity, and God. Throughout we will explore the meaning of the stories, asking what they tell us about the nature of our universe, about human nature, and about our origins and destinies.

Course Credit and Registration

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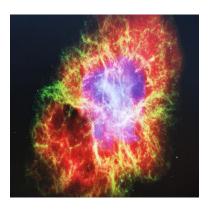
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