“Understanding Space and Time”
The Third NYU Conference on Issues in Modern Philosophy
New York University, November 10-11, 2006
Kimmel Center 914, 60 Washington Square South

Friday, November 10

1:30-2:30 Conference folder and badge pick-up at Kimmel Center entrance

2:30-4:30 First session: Descartes
Chair: Karl Ameriks (University of Notre Dame)
Speaker: Tad Schmaltz (Duke University)
‘Descartes on the Extensions of Space and Time’
Commentator: Alison Simmons (Harvard University)

4:30-5:00 Break (coffee and cookies, Kimmel Center 9th floor Lounge)

5:00-7:00 Second session: Newton
Chair: Donald Ainslie (University of Toronto)
Speaker: Alan Gabbey (Barnard College)
‘The Empirical Credentials of Absolute Space and the Puzzle about Simultaneity: Newton and Huygens’
Commentator: Andrew Janiak (Duke University)

7:00-8:30 Reception, Kimmel Center 9th floor Lounge

Saturday, November 11

9:00-10:00 Continental Breakfast, Kimmel Center 9th floor Lounge

10:00-12:00 Third session: Leibniz
Chair: Christia Mercer (Columbia University)
Speaker: Daniel Garber (Princeton University)
‘In What Sense Are Leibnizian Bodies Extended?’
Commentator: Anja Jauernig (University of Notre Dame)

12:00-2:00 Lunch Break

2:00-4:00 Fourth session: Kant
Chair: Lisa Shabel (Ohio State University)
Speaker: Michael Friedman (Stanford University)
‘Newton and Kant on Absolute Space: From Theology to Transcendental Philosophy’
Commentator: Daniel Warren (University of California, Berkeley)

4:00-4:30 Break (coffee and cookies, Kimmel Center 9th floor Lounge)

4:30-6:30 Fifth session: Contemporary Philosophy
Chair: Michael Strevens (New York University)
Speaker: Nick Huggett (University of Illinois, Chicago)
‘Does Spacetime Help Resolve Any Issues in Modern Philosophy?’
Commentator: Gordon Belot (University of Pittsburgh)

6:30-8:00 Reception, Kimmel Center 9th floor Lounge