

Call for Proposals

Fetish Boots and Running Shoes: Indecent Theology Today into Tomorrow

One-day Conference: Friday July 8, 2016
University of Winchester
Winchester, U.K.

Seven years after her death, the indecenting of theology by Marcella Althaus-Reid continues to provoke just as it continues to inspire. To illuminate the range of work conversant with her theology, the Institute for Theological Partnerships at the University of Winchester invites proposals for papers that illumine current work in theology or ethics that substantively engages, extends, or stretches her multifaceted legacy. Whether exegetical, ethnographic, constructive, polemical, or creative, we welcome all methods and approaches. We especially invite papers that push toward future directions for indecent, queer, feminist, or liberation theologies.

Questions that the conference may pursue include:

What in Althaus-Reid's theology, writing, or teaching continues to catalyze or compel theological creativity?

What is ceasing to have relevance or power?

What do contemporary political, sexual, and economic situations require of today's engagements with the task of indecenting theology?

How might Marcella Althaus-Reid haunt theologies that push against the boundaries and weaknesses of queer theology, just as indecent theology challenged liberationist and feminist theologies?

In sum: shall we (or ought we) run with Marcella or indecent theology into the future? If so: how, why, and with whom?

Essays will be distributed to participants in advance of the conference to facilitate responses and dialogue. The essays will be considered for publication with *Feminist Theology* following the conference. The conference will be unfunded, but there may be limited funds to allow the participation of those without means to otherwise participate. Depending on need, there also may be the potential to participate via Skype.

To propose: please submit an abstract of not more than 500 words to Hannah Hofheinz at hlh848@mail.harvard.edu along with a brief biographical paragraph by **March 7, 2016**. If you anticipate needing assistance to participate, please also include a brief note to that effect.

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