

*College of Liberal Arts
Department Philosophy*

MANUEL DAVENPORT
Memorial Alumna/us Lecture
& Student Award Ceremony



Thursday, April 19th, 2018

3:45 - 5:30 PM

YMCA Great Hall

Texas A&M University

Featuring

Catherine Sutton

Philosopher | Teacher | Military Ethicist

*“...we have nothing to rely upon except our own
human efforts.” - Manuel Davenport*



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CATHERINE SUTTON
Virginia Commonwealth University
Associate Professor of Philosophy

“On Substance Sortals and Human Beings”

Can substance sortal properties be had non-essentially? For example, if a mass of matter makes up a live oak tree, does the mass of matter have the property of *being a live oak*? Or if both human beings and persons are substances, does a person have the property of *being human*, and does a human being have the property of *being a person*? I argue that, no, substance sortals can be had only essentially. I conclude that arguments against the neo-Lockean view of persons are mistaken when they assume that a human being has the property of *being a person*.

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Welcome

Ted George
*Associate Professor and
Department Head*

Student Recognition

Linda Radzik
*Professor, Director of
Undergraduate Studies*

Kenny Easwaran
*Associate Professor and Director
of Graduate Studies*

Introduction of Speaker

Robert Garcia
*Associate Professor and Associate
Director of Graduate Studies*

Lecture

Catherine Sutton
*Virginia Commonwealth
University
Associate Professor*

Reception to Follow

The Manuel Davenport Memorial Alumna/us Lecture & Student Award Ceremony was established in 2008 by the Philosophy Department at Texas A&M University to honor the memory and philosophical legacy of Manuel Davenport (1929 - 2000), former Professor and Head of the Philosophy Department.

STUDENT HONORS

Undergraduate Essay Prize

Jason Arrington

*“Beyond the Efficiency Gap: An
Analysis of Modern Redistrict-
ing Practices*

Manuel Davenport

Kirsten Wordon

*Senior
Aletheia Editor-in-Chief*

Graduate Essay Prize

Sean Conte

*“Evolutionary Debunking
Arguments for a Justificatory
Internalist”*

Alexander Crist

*“Kantian Virtue in Gadamer’s
Schmerz: Kant and Gadamer
on Pain and Virtue”*

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