

This year's annual meeting of the Association of Youth Ministry Educators will feature four scholars who will, from their areas of expertise, lead us as we explore the role of culture in the lives of youth and its impact for our work as youth ministry educators.

Jack Gabig, Ph.D.

Director of the Young Anglicans Project

Anglican Communion Network (USA)
Associate Professor of Christian Education,
Trinity School for Ministry



"Exceeding Human Culture: A Christology that Transcends"

William D. Romanowski, Ph.D.

Professor of Communication Arts and Sciences, Calvin College

"Off to See the Wizard: Cinema and the Search for Meaning and Redemption"



Mary Elizabeth Hess, Ph.D.

Associate Professor of Educational Leadership, Luther Seminary

"Following Christ in a Web 2.0 World"



Kara Powell, Ph.D.

Executive Director of the Fuller Youth Institute

Assistant Professor of Youth & Family Ministry, Fuller Theological Seminary

"More Than Lip Service: Moving From New Rhetoric to New Reality"



AYME's History and Mission

The Association of Youth Ministry Educators is North America's only professional organization for those who teach Youth Ministry at the undergraduate or graduate level. Our members represent a variety of institutions including universities, liberal arts colleges, seminaries, and Bible colleges. As well, they hail from multiple faith traditions.

Our first gathering in 1994 saw 20 of us meeting to compare notes. Last year in Atlanta more than 100 gathered from over 50 different institutions.

We are serious about scholarship and at the same time serious about encouragement, support, and even fun!

We gather to foster . . .

- critical thinking and scholarship
- creative teaching
- contextual engagement
- cooperative networking
- collegial mentoring

Our annual Forum includes plenary sessions, research-related breakout sessions, professional development workshops, and affinity group meetings. Both those who are early in their teaching careers and those with multiple years of experience will find something to challenge, instruct, and encourage.

Call for Papers

See the details under Conference:
Call for Papers at aymeducators.org.
Contact Dr. Amy Jacober
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16th Annual Forum

Louisville, Kentucky

October 17-19, 2009



Conversations on the Aereopagus:
Communicating Christology in the Midst of a Post Christian Pluralistic Society



The culture around us strongly influences our view of Christ, who He is, and what He has done for us. As educators what can we do to help future youth ministers adopt an appropriate concept of Christ?

This year's forum will be held in Louisville, KY, from October 17-19. Plenary speakers, Dr. Jack Gabig, Dr. Bill Romanoski, Dr. Mary Hess will lead us in a thoughtful dialogue on the topic of Christ and Culture and the influence of culture in the lives of youth. On Monday morning, Plenary speaker, Dr. Kara Powell will facilitate our closing session and engage us in discussing the implications for our mission and ministry in youth ministry education.

On Sunday, we will leave the historic Brown Hotel for a short walk where we will board the Belle of Louisville. The Steamer Belle of Louisville is a National Historic Landmark and is recognized as the oldest river steamboat still in operation. We will experience breathtaking views of downtown Louisville as we cruise the Ohio River and enjoy a southern style buffet lunch. This will be just one of many highlights. Come early to explore downtown Louisville or the makings of the legendary Louisville slugger. A premier highlight will be the opportunity to spend significant time with fellow youth ministry leaders and educators from all over North America.

You won't want to miss a single minute! We hope to see you Louisville this October.

Schedule

Saturday, October 17

- noon-2 p.m. Arrival and Registration
 1:30 p.m. New Members Reception
 2:30 p.m. Plenary Session #1
"Exceeding Human Culture: A Christology that Transcends"
Speaker: Jack Gabig
 4:45 p.m. Breakout Session #1
 6 p.m. Dinner at Hotel
 7:30 p.m. Breakout Session #2
 9 p.m. Taize Worship Service

Sunday, October 18

- 8:45 a.m. Continental Break
 9:30 a.m. Plenary Session #2
"Off to See the Wizard: Cinema and the Search for Meaning and Redemption"
Speaker: Bill Romanowski
 noon Business Meeting
 1 p.m. Leave for Belle of Louisville (lunch cruise)
 5 p.m. Plenary Session #3
"Following Christ in a Web 2.0 World"
Speaker: Mary Hess
 6:45 p.m. Dinner on your own
 8:15 p.m. Breakout Session #3
 9:30 p.m. Doctoral Students Colloquium

Monday, October 19

- 8:30 a.m. Plenary Session #4
"More Than Lip Service: Moving From New Rhetoric to New Reality"
Speaker: Kara Powell
 10 a.m. Conference Ends

Making It Happen

1. Register online (www.aymeducators.org) or send in the registration panel with fee (checks payable to AYME) to:
 Len Kageler, AYME Administrator
 Nyack College, 1 South Blvd.,
 Nyack, NY 10960
 (Registration deadline is October 5.)

2. Make your Brown Hotel reservation

by calling 888.888.525 or 502.583.1234 and ask for Reservations. Ask for the "NAPCE/AYME room block" to receive the rate of \$125 (\$143 with tax) for single or double occupancy per night. The cut-off date is September 15. The price includes internet access and hotel shuttle. Or online at: http://reservations.ihotelier.com/crs/g_reservation.cfm?groupID=149791&hotelID=13721. The hotel website is <http://www.brownhotel.com>



Need a Roomate? Email Barrett McRay (barrett.w.mcray@wheaton.edu). He will reply with the name of another person. When you call the hotel, also give the name of this other person. It is assumed you are staying at the hotel both Saturday and Sunday nights.

3. Airport Transportation: Louisville International Airport is just six miles away and hotel guests enjoy complimentary van shuttle service to and from the airport 24 hours a day. When you are ready to be picked up call the hotel (502.583.1234). Stand at the door outside of baggage claim. Their shuttle is black with "The Brown" in gold letters. For those coming to The Brown Hotel by car, parking is available in an attached enclosed garage. Overnight self-parking is \$8/night.

Spouse Coming Too? There is no cost for registration. Meal costs and payment procedures can be found at aymeducators.org.

Refund Policy: Due to meal contracts at the hotel we cannot offer refunds after October 5.

AYME FORUM REGISTRATION

Register online (aymeducators.org) or complete and mail the form below with your payment.

Name: (include Dr., Mr., Ms., etc.) _____

Institution: _____

Address: _____

Phone: (_____) _____

Email: _____

Additional registrants (name and email) included in this registration:

Registration deadline is October 5, 2009.
Registration fee includes \$90
AYME membership for 2010.

_____ Registrations @ \$250 = _____

- If you have not yet officially joined AYME and wish to for 2009, you may enclose an additional \$90. _____
- If you can't attend Louisville but wish to be a paid 2010 member, enclose \$90. _____
- Contribution to Conference Assistance Fund _____

TOTAL: _____

Make Checks Payable to "AYME"

Send To:
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 Nyack, NY 10960

CONFERENCE ASSISTANCE FUND:
 If you need assistance toward the registration cost, limited funds are now available.
 See aymeducators.org.