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*presents a conference*

**Thursday and Friday**  
**April 26 and 27, 2007**

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11:30 a.m.-1 p.m.

**PANEL II: MEMORY AND BIOGRAPHY**

**Lynn Walford**

Associate Professor of Spanish

Louisiana State University, Shreveport



4-4:15 p.m.

COFFEE BREAK

4:15-5 p.m.

SPECIAL ADDRESS

**Ann Goldstein**

Editor *The New Yorker*

“Readings From *A Trilingual Star*”

*Readings of newly translated material.*

5-6:30 p.m.

PANEL IV: PHILOSOPHY AND THEOLOGY

**Johan Åhr**

Assistant Professor of History

Hofstra University

“The Dialectic of Survival: On Interior and Exterior Self in *The Drowned and the Saved*”

**Shira Bauberg-Shalvi**

Ph.D. Candidate in Comparative Literature

Bar-Ilan University, Israel

“Kant’s Concept of the ‘Sublime’ as a Tool of Understanding Primo Levi’s Work”

**Marie L. Baird**

Associate Professor of Theology

Duquesne University

“Kenosis, Saturated Phenomenality, and Bearing Witness: Primo Levi’s Reawakening”

6:30-8 p.m.

DINNER (on your own)

8 p.m.

**“BUT WHEN WE STARTED SINGING ...”**

A performance inspired by the life and works of Primo Levi.

Conceived and performed by Bob Spiotto.

Musical accompaniment and original compositions by Herb Bradensten.

Composed of literary excerpts and poetry in both Italian and English, this powerful and unique theatrical collage pays tribute to a man who authored many books, essays and poems, and became the conscience of a nation and an icon of the international human rights movement.

FRIDAY, APRIL 27, 2007

8 a.m.-3 p.m.            **CONFERENCE REGISTRATION AND COFFEE**  
Rochelle and Irwin A. Lowenfeld Conference and Exhibition Hall  
Joan and Donald E. Axinn Library, 10th Floor, South Campus

9-10:30 a.m.            **PANEL V: LEVI AND ANTI-FASCISM**

**Fred Misurella**  
Professor of English  
East Stroudsburg University  
“Pen Against the Sword: Levi, Moravia and Bassani on Fascism and World War II”

**Walter Geerts**  
Professor of Italian and Comparative Literature  
University of Antwerp, Belgium  
Academia Belgica, Rome, Italy  
“On Emblems of Political Thought in Primo Levi’s Fiction”

**Ilona Klein**  
Associate Professor of Italian  
Brigham Young University  
“Primo Levi: The Denied Partisan”

10:30-10:45 a.m.        **COFFEE BREAK**

10:45 a.m.-12:15 p.m.   **PANEL VI: SCIENCE AND HUMANISM AFTER AUSCHWITZ**

**Jonathan Druker**  
Assistant Professor of Italian and Holocaust Studies  
Illinois State University  
“Primo Levi and the Two Cultures”

**Carlin Romano**  
Chief Literary Critic  
*The Philadelphia Inquirer*



## LOCATION OF HOFSTRA UNIVERSITY

HOFSTRA UNIVERSITY is located in Hempstead, Long Island, New York, about 25 miles east of New York City, less than an hour away by train or automobile.

The Long Island Rail Road (LIRR) has frequent trains to the Hempstead Station and the Mineola Station from Pennsylvania Station, located at 34th Street and 7th Avenue, New York City, as well as from the Flatbush Avenue Station in Brooklyn, New York. Use local taxi service to the Hofstra campus.

For directions, maps and other information, please visit [www.hofstra.edu/info](http://www.hofstra.edu/info).

### Local Taxi Service:

All Island Taxi Service	(516) 481-1111
Hempstead Taxi	(516) 489-4460
Pub Taxi Service	(516) 483-4433

Ollie's Airport Service	(516) 437-0505
	(516) 352-6633
	(718) 229-5454

**BY CAR:** Travel on the Long Island Expressway to exit 38, Northern State Parkway to Meadowbrook Parkway South (exit 31A), or Southern State Parkway to Meadowbrook Parkway North (exit 22N). Take Meadowbrook Parkway to exit M4 (Hempstead Turnpike). Proceed west on Hempstead Turnpike (Route 24W) to the Hofstra campus (approximately one mile).

### TRANSPORTATION FROM AIRPORTS:

The Hofstra campus is located approximately 30 minutes by car from either John F. Kennedy International Airport or LaGuardia Airport.

Call in advance for reservations:

#### Classic Transportation

Classic Transportation provides shared van service from JFK and LaGuardia Airports to Hofstra University.

Courtesy phones are located in the baggage claim area of both airports, and are connected directly to Classic dispatch/reservation. Dial 20 from the courtesy phone to speak directly with the reservation department.

Inform the representative that you are traveling to Hofstra University. Cost: approximately \$20.

Note: Classic offers a discount when you reserve your round-trip airport shuttle trip online at [www.classictrans.com](http://www.classictrans.com) or call (631) 567-5100.

Long Island Airport Limousine Service LIALS  
LIALS can be called upon arrival at either JFK or LaGuardia Airport at a public telephone: 656-7000 (no area code required). The phones are monitored from 4 a.m. through midnight, seven days a week.

U.S. Limousine and Car Service  
Personalized Transportation Service  
(516) 352-2225 or (800) 962-2827

NOTE: Please be advised that there are no set fares charged by New York City yellow cabs between the airports and the Hofstra campus. Please confirm fee with the driver before starting your trip.

### DINING FACILITIES ON CAMPUS:

There are several dining facilities on the Hofstra University campus.

### FOR INFORMATION:

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200 Hofstra University  
Hempstead, New York 11549-2000  
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Fax: (516) 463-4793  
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## LODGING INFORMATION

The Long Island Marriott Hotel and Conference Center in Uniondale, the Inate Inn in Garden City, and Red Roof Inn in Westbury have been designated as the official conference hotels. Following are the special discounted room rates and cutoff dates for room reservations.

### LONG ISLAND MARRIOTT HOTEL AND CONFERENCE CENTER

101 James Doolittle Blvd.  
Uniondale, NY 11553

Att: Reservations Manager

Tel: (516) 794-3800 or (800) 832-6255

Fax: (516) 794-5936

Room rate: \$ per night single/double occupancy

Cutoff date: March

### INATE INN

821 Stewart Avenue

Garden City, NY 11530

Tel: (516) 705-9000; Fax: (516) 705-9100

Room rate: \$ per night single/double occupancy

Cutoff date: March

### RED ROOF INN\*

699 Dibblee Drive

Westbury, NY 11590

Tel: (516) 794-2555; (800) RED-ROOF

Standard room rate: \$ . per night  
single/double/triple occupancy

When making your reservation, please refer to  
CP to receive Hofstra University's  
discounted rate.

Cutoff date: Based on availability

NOTE: ALL RESERVATIONS WILL BE HELD UNTIL 6 P.M. ON DAY OF ARRIVAL UNLESS ACCOMPANIED BY THE FIRST NIGHT'S ROOM DEPOSIT OR SECURED BY A MAJOR CREDIT CARD. RESERVATIONS MADE AFTER THE CUTOFF DATE WILL BE SUBJECT TO AVAILABILITY AT A HIGHER ROOM RATE.

WHEN MAKING YOUR RESERVATIONS, PLEASE IDENTIFY YOURSELF AS A PARTICIPANT IN THE PRIMO LEVI CONFERENCE AT HOFSTRA UNIVERSITY.

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**ANSWERING AUSCHWITZ:  
PRIMO LEVI'S SCIENCE AND HUMANISM AFTER THE FALL**

**CONFERENCE REGISTRATION FORM**

**Mail or fax to:**  
Primo Levi Conference  
Hofstra Cultural Center  
200 Hofstra University  
Hempstead, NY 11549-2000  
Tel: (516) 463-5669  
Fax: (516) 463-4793

Make checks payable to **Hofstra University Primo Levi Conference.**

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All events, with the exception of meals, are free to Hofstra students, faculty and staff upon presentation of a current HofstraCard.

**Cancellations:** A \$10 handling fee will be deducted from registration refunds; however, notice must be received by April 12, 2007.

**Returned Checks:** A \$20 handling fee will be charged for returned checks.

**CONFERENCE FEES**

Registration	Fee	No. of Persons	Amount
Regular rate	\$75	[ ]	\$ _____
Senior citizen (65 and over) (include copy of Medicare card)	\$60	[ ]	\$ _____
Matriculated non-Hofstra student (include copy of current student ID)	\$35	[ ]	\$ _____
Luncheon Thursday, April 5, p.m.	\$25	[ ]	\$ _____
Performance Thursday, April 5, p.m. "But When We Started Singing ..."		[ ]	
<b>Tickets:</b>			
General admission	\$16	[ ]	\$ _____
Senior citizen (over 65 with ID)	\$13	[ ]	\$ _____
Matriculated non-Hofstra student with ID	\$13	[ ]	\$ _____
<b>Total</b>			<b>\$ _____</b>

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