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# Secrets of Becoming: Negotiating Whitehead, Deleuze, and Butler

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Secrets of Becoming brings into conversation modes of thought traditionally held apart: Whitehead's philosophy of the event, Deleuze's philosophy of multiplicity, and Judith Butler's philosophy of gender difference. Why should one try to connect these strains of thinking? What might make the work of these thinkers negotiable with one another?

This volume finds that bridge in an emphasis on "becoming" that secretly defines the philosophies of Whitehead, Deleuze, and Butler. Its three sections investigate their surprising confluence in a "philosophy of becoming" in relation to the question of the event, bodies and societies, and immanence and divinity. A substantial Introduction gives an extended comparison of the three thinkers.

"Offers a lucid and nuanced introduction to some of the key concepts developed by Whitehead, Deleuze, and Butler." - Mayra Rivera, Pacific School of Religion"

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# THE WHITEHEAD RESEARCH PROJECT ANNOUNCES ITS FOURTH INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE

# Metaphysics and Things: New Forms of Speculative Thought

December 2-4, 2010

Confirmed participants:

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Donna Haraway
Steven Shaviro
Graham Harmon
Roland Faber
Michael Halewood
Jude Jones
Ian Bogost
James Bono
Didier Debaise

This conference will provide the opportunity to identify and work through shared elements and problems that have been developed by those working in the philosophies of A.N. Whitehead and Gilles Deleuze, Actor-Network-Theory, and Speculative Realism. The extensive work of Isabelle Stengers in its relation to Whitehead and Deleuze could be seen as indicative of the milieu which contemporary thought inhabits and the problems it is addressing. The importance of this major re-conceptualization of the demand for a renewed interrogation of the inter-relation of metaphysics and things is also evident in the work of Bruno Latour who has often discussed the importance of the work of both Whitehead and Stengers for his re-description of objects in terms of associations and networks. Speculative Realism has, recently, developed approaches to such questions which have a tensile but productive relationship with the concepts and approaches raised by Whitehead, Stengers, and Latour. This conference will include participants who are influential in all of these fields and its overall aim is to provide an open forum to further these important debates and to produce new modes of thought.

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#### CHARLES HARTSHORNE (1897-2000)

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CSPM Creative Synthesis and Philosophic Method. 1970. Lanham: UP of America, 1983.

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OOTM Omnipotence and Other Theological Mistakes. Albany: State U of New York P, 1984.

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