

## CFP: Understanding Love

### Call for Submissions

Diane Enns (McMaster University) and Antonio Calcagno (King's University College at the University of Western Ontario) invite submissions for a collection of philosophical essays that explore the meaning of human love in any of its facets (publisher pending). While philosophers have historically maintained the centrality of love in human experience, they have neglected sustained investigations of the subject. This is particularly true of contemporary scholars working in the continental tradition, a curious fact given the emphasis on lived experience in existentialism and phenomenology, feminist and psychoanalytic thought.

We are interested in original, reflective essays that challenge philosophical reasoning on love and open new avenues for discussion. Although papers focusing on the theme of love in the history of philosophy are welcome, we encourage essays that draw from the tradition to advance contemporary views rather than straight expositions of historical thinkers or ideas.

The ambiguity of love  
Romantic/erotic love  
Philosophy and love  
Phenomenology of love  
Love and hate  
Love and desire  
Politics and love  
Narcissistic love  
Love, sex and friendship  
Love, conscious and unconscious  
Love and infatuation  
Mistaken love, or love misunderstood  
Idealization in love  
Love and conflict

Submission Deadline: June 1, 2012

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#### Guidelines:

1. Papers should be 6,000 to 8,000 words (inclusive of notes and bibliography)
2. Papers should be sent electronically as a Word or RTF document
3. Please prepare for blind review by omitting any identifying information in the body of the paper.
4. Include author's name, title of paper, institutional affiliation and contact information in your email message.