



Center for Indic Studies, UMass Dartmouth Announcement

Symposium on Mind, Consciousness, & Time: Eastern & Western Perspectives August 9 – 10 , 2008 (Saturday & Sunday) at UMass Dartmouth

In the domain of mind and consciousness studies, it is generally regarded that the Western perspective places intentionality as the bedrock of all discussion and strives toward a rational understanding of this subject. In the Eastern perspective, mind and consciousness are not synonymous; consciousness is unintentional (beyond any sensory or neural changes) whereas the mind can have intentionality. It appears that these two perspectives are irreconcilable. This symposium will enable a dialogue between these two perspectives and try to use the role and consequence of time to bridge this chasm. Speakers will include scientists, philosophers, psychologists and medical doctors.

Confirmed Speakers:

- Dorothy Abram, Johnson & Wales University
- Subhash Kak, Oklahoma State University
- Gerald Larson, Emeritus Prof., Indiana University
- Diane Powell, M.D.
- Ramakrishna Puligandla, Emeritus Prof., University of Toledo
- Varadaraja Raman, Emeritus Prof., Rochester Institute of Technology
- Lothar Schafer, University of Arkansas
- Susan Schneider, University of Pennsylvania
- Raghwendra Singh, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi
- Swami Tyagananda, Ramakrishna Vedanta Society of Boston
- Swami Yogatmananda, Vedanta Society of Providence

Open to All but Prior Registration Required.

Registration Fee \$25 for both days (8/9 & 8/10) or \$15 for one day (8/9 or 8/10) and will cover conference material, breakfast, and lunch.

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