

Alfred Edward Taylor Lectures

A. E. Taylor, a renowned Plato scholar and moral philosopher, was Professor of Moral Philosophy at Edinburgh from 1924 to 1941. Previous lectures have been given by:

2015-2016 (Lecture 21)

Professor CDC Reeve (University of North, Carolina at Chapel Hill)

"Human Happiness as a Political Achievement in Aristotle"

2014-2015 (Lecture 20)

Philip van der Eijk, Humboldt University, Berlin

"Clinical and ethical aspects of mental health and mental disorder in ancient philosophical and medical thought"

2013-2014 (Lecture 19)

Professor Catherine Rowett, University of East Anglia

"Truth and lies: why Plato's philosopher kings will believe the Noble Lie, and believe it first, precisely because they know the truth"

2012-2013 (Lecture 18)

Professor Stephen Menn, McGill University and Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin

"Wisdom as the Science of the Four Causes?"

2011-2012 (Lecture 17)

Professor Richard Sorabji, CBE, FBA, King's College London & Wolfson College, Oxford

"Moral Conscience: Ancient Origins of the Idea and Its Historical Aftermath"

2010-2011 (Lecture 16)

Stephen Makin, University of Sheffield

"Amusing Gorgias"

2009-2010 (Lecture 15)

Edward Hussey, All Souls College, Oxford

"Aristotle, mathematics and the structure of time"

2008-2009 (Lecture 14)

Gail Fine, Cornell and Oxford University

"Sceptical Inquiry"

2007-2008 (Lecture 13)

Christopher Rowe, Durham University

"Plato the Socratic"

2006-2007 (Lecture 12)

Brad Inwood, University of Toronto

"Why should the Stoic study physics?"

2005-2006 (Lecture 11)

Christopher Gill, University of Exeter

"Holism in Stoic Psychology and Ethics"

2004-2005 (Lecture 10)

David Sedley, University of Cambridge

"The atomists' critique of creationism"

2003-2004 (Lecture 9)

Christopher Taylor, University of Oxford
"Socrates"

2002-2003 (Lecture 8)

Keimpe Algra, University of Utrecht
"Epicurus and Gassendi on Astronomy and the Sun"

2001-2002 (Lecture 7)

Sarah Broadie, University of St Andrews
"The Contents of the Receptacle"

2000-2001 (Lecture 6)

Michael Frede, University of Oxford
"Sextus Empiricus on the Origin of Philosophy"

1999-2000 (Lecture 5)

Malcolm Schofield, University of Cambridge
"The Noble Lie"

1998-1999 (Lecture 4)

Myles Burnyeat, All Souls College, Oxford
"Plato on why Mathematics is Good for the Soul"

1997-1998 (Lecture 3)

R.W.Sharples, University College, London
"Peripatetic Theology"

1996-1997 (Lecture 2)

David Charles, Oriel College, Oxford
"Aristotle's Essentialism"

1995-1996 (Lecture 1)

David Furley, Oxford
"The Creation Story in Plato's Timaeus and Aristotle's Response"