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Areas of Research Specialization: Ancient Greek philosophy; ethics, especially virtue ethics and the ethics of flourishing; love and desire; courage, heroism and fame; war and peace; happiness and the good life; norms of mental and physical health; relations between philosophy and literature and relations between ethics and aesthetics.

Areas of Teaching Competence: ancient philosophy from the Presocratics to the Hellenistics; ethics from the sophists to Foucault (including Plato, Aristotle, Hume, Kant, Utilitarianism, Nietzsche, evolutionary psychology and sociobiology; Freud; feminist ethics, Rawls and Foucault); applied ethics (including norms of mental and physical health, reproductive and genetic technologies, animals and ethics, environmental ethics, ethics and gender and 'separate spheres', freedom of speech, war and heroism).

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Selected Media Work

At the invitation of the BBC, I was the advocate for Plato in Radio 4's 'Greatest Philosopher' Campaign during the summer of 2005.

- 1) October 16th 2009: BBC Radio 4 *Woman's Hour* with Jenni Murray (interviewed on my appointment as the U.K.'s first Senior Fellow in the Public Understanding of Philosophy)
- 2) July 12th 2009: Presenter of BBC World Service *Forum* with Karen Armstrong, Stephen Hopper and Brian Chikwava.
- 3) May 11th 2009: BBC Radio 4 *Woman's Hour* panel discussion on friendship (I was subsequently invited to speak on friendship on the Sean Moncrieff show on Newstalk Radio Station in Ireland).
- 4) March 26th 2009: BBC Radio 4 *In our Time* with Melvyn Bragg on Raphael's *The School of Athens* (with Jill Kraye and Valery Rees)
- 5) January 4th 2009: BBC World Service *Forum* with Bridget Kendall on time (with Janna Levens and Binyavanga Wainaina)
- 6) November 6th 2008: BBC Radio 4 *In Our Time* with Melvyn Bragg on Aristotle's *Politics* (with Paul Cartledge and Annabel Brett)
- 7) July 27th 2008: BBC World Service *Forum* with Baroness Susan Greenfield (with Mona Siddiqi and Nii Parkes)
- 8) July 13th 2008: Presenter of BBC World Service *Forum* (with Albie Sachs, John Gray and Eva Hoffman)

- 9) June 29th 2008: Presenter of BBC world Service *Forum* (with Cesar Pelli, Elaine Feinstein and Nick Bostrom)
- 10) June 22nd 2008: Presenter of BBC World Service *Forum* (with Mark Mazower, Jan Zalasiewicz and Hamid Ismailov)
- 11) April 2008: BBC World Service *Forum* with Bridget Kendall (with Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie and Michio Kaku)
- 12) September 2007: BBC Radio 4 *In Our Time* with Melvyn Bragg on Socrates (with David Sedley and Paul Millett), This was one of 26 programmes selected for inclusion in transcript form in Melvyn Bragg (ed.) *In Our Time* (Hodder and Stoughton 2009).
- 13) September 2007 – January 2008: interviews with Nigel Warburton on Plato and erotic love and Plato on war for www.philosophybites.com (Producer: David Edmonds)
- 14) February 2007: Interview for BBC Radio Ulster on philosophers and the notion of love at first sight for *Just One Look* (Producer: Claire Burgoyne)
- 15) February 2006: BBC Radio 4 *In Our Time* with Melvyn Bragg on friendship (with John Mullan and Mark Vernon).
- 16) December 2005: BBC Radio 4 *Woman's Hour* with Jenni Murray (discussion on the application of evolutionary theory to economics).
- 17) November 2005: BBC Radio 3 *Nightwaves* with Matthew Sweet on Nietzsche *Thus Spoke Zarathustra*
- 18) October 2005: BBC Radio 4 *In Our Time* with Melvyn Bragg on Cynicism (with Miriam Griffin and Jonathan Moles)
- 19) July 2005: BBC Radio 4 *Woman's Hour* with Martha Kearney (discussion on Greek gods and modern celebrities)
- 20) May 2005: BBC Radio 4 *In Our Time* with Melvyn Bragg on beauty (with Susan James and Julian Baggini)
- 21) March 2005: BBC Radio 4 *In Our Time* with Melvyn Bragg on stoicism (with David Sedley and Jonathan Ree)
- 22) October 2004: BBC Radio 4 *In Our Time* with Melvyn Bragg on rhetoric (with Tom Healy and Kerri Sullivan)
- 23) August 2004: various interviews and articles for radio, newspapers and websites following a press release on whether athletes and other sports people can legitimately be regarded as heroes
- 24) May 2004: BBC Radio 4 *In Our Time* with Melvyn Bragg on heroism (with Anthony Grayling and Paul Cartledge)
- 25) April 2004: BBC Radio 3 *Nietzsche in Basel* with Jonathan Ree (repeated on Radio 3 in a Proms interval on July 18 2005)
- 26) November 2003: BBC Radio 4 *In Our Time* with Melvyn Bragg on duty (with Anthony Grayling and Annabel Brett).
- 27) June 2003: BBC Radio 4 *In Our Time* with Melvyn Bragg on war (with Michael Howard and Jeremy Black).
- 28) January 2002: BBC Radio 4 *In Our Time* with Melvyn Bragg on happiness (with Simon Blackburn and Anthony Grayling)

- 29)** March 2001: BBC Radio 4 *In Our Time* with Melvyn Bragg on love (with Roger Scruton and Thomas Docherty)
- 30)** July 1997: BBC Radio 4 *Woman's Hour* (on Hypatia)
- 31)** August 1995: BBC Radio 4 *Philosophy Figures* (on Plato)

I have also appeared on a number of local radio stations, both in the UK and abroad, and contributed to various websites and newspaper articles. (e.g. the *Guardian*, the *Independent*, *THE*, *Arab News*, *Express*). I have been interviewed on my role as Senior Fellow in the Public Understanding of Philosophy for the *THE*, *Guardian* and *The Philosopher's Magazine*.

Forthcoming (selected):

- 1) On-screen contributor in a BBC2 programme on Atlantis.
- 2) November 19th 2009 *In Our Time* on Sparta.
- 3) Participating in two audio books for Hodder on *Introducing Philosophy* and *Introducing Ethics* (with accompanying podcasts and booklets).

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