CALL FOR PAPERS

The Devil 20/20 Conference

12 – 14 November 2020 University of King's College, Halifax, Nova Scotia, Canada

Keynote Speakers: Elaine Pagels, Princeton W. Scott Poole, College of Charleston

"The Devil 20/20" conference explores the nature, significance, and operation of demonism and demonization across the western tradition. The conference will bring together scholars interested in the social and cultural construction of the devil and the impact of demonism across different chronological periods and from diverse methodological backgrounds. It aims to foster interdisciplinary dialogue that addresses challenging questions about how notions of the demonic are shaped by cultural priorities and anxieties, by professional discerners and the media, and by discourses of fear and safety.

"The Devil 20/20" will investigate why these images repeat through the ages and why they continue to have still have resonance in the modern world.

The Programme Committee welcomes proposals for 20-minute papers, for panels (generally consisting of three papers), and workshops or round-tables dealing with any aspect of demonism and its manifestation in the western tradition.

Abstracts of no more than 250 words should be submitted by 15 April 2020, together with a one-page curriculum vitae to devil2020conference@gmail.com

Halifax (pop. 500,000) is the largest city in Atlantic Canada and is the capital of the province of Nova Scotia. It is serviced by direct flights from Boston, New York, London, Montreal, and a number of other major North American and European cities. It has a range of services and attractions and has become a leading regional centre for dining and entertainment. The average temperature in November is 7C (44F).

Programme Committee: Michelle D. Brock (Washington and Lee), Peter Dendle (Penn State, Mont Alto), Sarah Hughes (Temple), Kathryn Morris (King's College), Richard Raiswell (Prince Edward Island), David R. Winter (Brandon)