

Rochester L'Abri Conference

“The Biblical Story versus the Secular Narrative”

Friday, February 13

8:00-9:00 Registration

9:00-9:05 Welcome

9:05-10:15 *Creation: The Making and Unmaking of the World*

AJ Poelarends

10:30-11:45

“A” Workshops

A1	Will the Real Jesus Please Stand Up? Discerning False Christs	Suite 101	Clarke Scheibe
A2	There is no Planet B - Ecological implications of New Creation	Suite 102	Jim Paul
A3	5 Common Confusions that are Utterly Disastrous: Why Bad Ideas Have such Bad Consequences	Suite 103	Greg Jesson
A4	What in the World is a Worldview?	Suite 104	Mike Sugimoto
A5	Reassessing the Goals of Education: the “Ordo Amoris”	Suite 105	John Hodges
A6	Overwhelming Wonder: Understanding Mystery through the <i>Book of Kells</i>	Suite 106	Hannah Eichelberger

12:00-1:30

Lunch at the Civic Center

2:00-3:15 *Fall: All Will Be Made Alive - The Doctrine of Adam’s Fall is still Good News*

Hans Madueme

3:30-4:45

“B” Workshops

B1	The Abnormality of Death and the Christian Hope	Suite 101	Clarke Scheibe
B2	What on Earth is Heaven?	Suite 102	Jim Paul
B3	What Might Our Tears Mean? Making Sense of Ourselves and Our Tears	Suite 103	Joshua Chestnut
B4	<i>Surely God, You Have Worn Me Out</i> : The Biblical Storyline and the Experience of Suffering	Suite 104	Mark Ryan
B5	5 Common Confusions that are Utterly Disastrous: Why Bad Ideas Have such Bad Consequences	Suite 105	Greg Jesson
B6	<i>The Lowest Room</i> : Comparison through the Eyes of Christina Rossetti	Suite 106	Hannah Eichelberger

5:00-7:00

Dinner on your own

7:00-8:15 *Atonement Theology under Fire: Why do Contemporary Theologians prefer the Royal Priesthood over the Prophetic?*

Henk Reitsema

8:30-9:30 Concert: ‘Butterfly’ – Isabelle Thom

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Saturday, February 14

8:00-9:00 Registration

9:00-10:15 *Kingdom: What Did Jesus Save Us For?*

Clarke Scheibe

10:30-11:45

“C” Workshops

- C1** Prophets of Our Age? Exploring Paul Kingsnorth and Iain McGilchrist
- C2** Straight Talk on Spiritual Warfare
- C3** Grace: The Unique selling point of the Christian faith
- C4** The Rashomon Effect: Doubt and Faith in a Low Trust Society
- C5** What's So Great About Classical Music?
- C6** Sojourners: Understanding the Symbol of Pilgrimage

- Suite 101** AJ Poelarends
- Suite 102** Hans Madueme
- Suite 103** Henk Reitsema
- Suite 104** Mike Sugimoto
- Suite 105** John Hodges
- Suite 106** Hannah Eichelberger

12:00-1:30

Lunch at the Civic Center

2:00-3:15 *Consummation: Utopian Dreams? - the Hope of New Creation for a Broken World*

Jim Paul

3:30-4:45

“D” Workshops

- D1** Aliens and Atonement: Is the Redemption Story Cosmic?
- D2** Mental Illness and the Problem of Sin
- D3** Finding Our Belonging Elsewhere: The “Strange Freedom” of Political Homelessness
- D4** Getting the Story Wrong: Francis Schaeffer as an Involuntary Accomplice to the *Seven Mountain Mandate*
- D5** Masculinity in Crisis
- D6** The Secret Life of Lovers, Dreamers and Me: Inhabiting the True Myth

- Suite 101** AJ Poelarends
- Suite 102** Hans Madueme
- Suite 103** Joshua Chestnut
- Suite 104** Mark Ryan
- Suite 105** James Lowe
- Suite 106** James Roland

5:00-6:15 *Meaning: The Adventure of a Lifetime - Pursuing Truth and Objective Meaning by Discipleship to Christ in Our Relativistic and Lost World*

Greg Jesson

6:15-6:30 Closing Remarks