

Weekend Symposium - October 18, 19, 20, 2019

The 50th Anniversary of The New York C.S. Lewis Society (1969-2019)

(Friday, Saturday, Sunday)

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Featured Speakers



Dr. James Como holds the Ph.D. in Language, Literature and Rhetoric from Columbia University, a M.Phil. Columbia University and a M.A. Medieval English Literature, Fordham University. He is now Professor Emeritus of Rhetoric and Public Communication at York College (CUNY) and the author of *Branches to Heaven: The Geniuses of C. S. Lewis*; *Remembering C. S. Lewis: Recollections by Those Who Knew Him*; *C.S. Lewis at the Breakfast Table and Other Reminiscences*; *Why I Believe in Narnia: 33 Reviews and Essays on the Life & Works C.S. Lewis* and *'The Tongue is Also a Fire': Essays on Conversation, Rhetoric and the Transmission of Culture. . . and on C. S. Lewis*. He is a founding member of the New York C. S. Lewis Society.



Dr. Michael Ward studied English at Oxford, Theology at Cambridge, and has a Ph.D. from St Andrews. Between 1996 and 1999 he was Warden of The Kilns, Lewis's Oxford home. He is Senior Research Fellow at Blackfriars Hall, University of Oxford, Professor of Apologetics at Houston Baptist University, and a writer and speaker. He is the author of *Planet Narnia: The Seven Heavens in the Imagination of C.S. Lewis* and co-editor of *The Cambridge Companion to C.S. Lewis*. He is also the co-editor of a volume of commemorative essays marking the anniversary entitled *C.S. Lewis at Poets' Corner*. Dr. Ward was an officer of the Oxford University Lewis Society 1990-1999.



Abigail Santamaria earned an MFA in nonfiction writing from Columbia University and has been awarded fellowships from the Ragdale Foundation, Jentel Arts, and the Virginia Center for the Creative Arts. She is the author of *Joy: Poet, Seeker, and the Woman Who Captivated C. S. Lewis*, has lectured on the life of Joy Davidman and has given a presentation at Hunter College on "Joy Davidman - Hunter Class of 1934." Her forthcoming book is on the life of Madeleine L'Engle, author of *A Wrinkle in Time*, who along with C.S. Lewis is considered to be one of the Christian Mythmakers.



Josiah Peterson earned his M.A. in Liberal Studies: Social Sciences, at St. John's University. Before studying at St. John's, he earned his B.A. in Politics, Philosophy, and Economics at The King's College. He is the debate coach and adjunct instructor of Argumentation and Debate and the Debate Practicum at The King's College. His academic interests include the ethics of rhetoric, the interplay of rhetoric and republican government, and the work of C.S. Lewis. Josiah has published articles in *First Things*, *Mere Orthodoxy*, *A Pilgrim in Narnia*, *The Federalist*, and *Public Discourse*. He has presented papers at two C.S. Lewis Foundation conferences. He has been a guest on the radio with Kevin McCullough, Eric Metaxas, and Steve Deace.