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IBS Conference Spring 1999

The IBS conference to explore “the legacy of George Berkeley, from the 18th to the 21st century” was held, at Newport, Rhode Island, April 21-24, 1999. An outstanding success, the conference attracted nearly one hundred participants from the U.S. and abroad to discuss Berkeley’s wide-ranging philosophical influences on science, economics, politics, and the arts. The conference, coordinated by Professors Galen Johnson and Andre Ariew, was sponsored by the Rhode Island Committee for the Humanities, the University of Rhode Island, Rhode Island College, Salve Regina University, the IBS, and the Colonial Dames of Rhode Island. Philosophical presentations occurred at the Redwood Library and Honyman Hall of Trinity Church. There was a gala banquet with an 18th century musical program at Salve Regina University and final reception at Whitehall Museum.

[For more about the conference, including a list of presenters, see the Berkeley Newsletter #15.]

Fragmentary information on the conference:

Lois Eveleth, Salve Regina, "Berkeley, Science, and the Alciphron gambit"
Scott Breuninger, U. of Wisconsin-Madison, "Science in the Service of Religion"