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Education

B.A. Psychology, Franklin and Marshall College, 1975

M.S. Psychology, University of Kansas, 1978

Ph.D. Psychology, University of Kansas, 1980

Dissertation: The Physiological and Affective Consequences
of Controllable and Uncontrollable Aversive Events

Academic Awards

Paul Whitely Award for the outstanding student in Psychology--Franklin and Marshall
College, 1975

National Institute of Mental Health Trainee, 1975-1977

University of Kansas Dissertation Fellowship, 1978-1979

National Science Foundation Research Associate for Terror Management Research,
1992-2012

Ernest Becker Foundation Lecturer, 1994-PRESENT

Moseley Faculty Lecturer, Skidmore College, 1997-98

Ross Professor of Interdisciplinary Studies, Skidmore College 2004-2009

American Psychological Association Presidential Citation, 2007

American Psychological Society Fellow, 2007

Society for Experimental Social Psychology Fellow, 2009

International Society for Self and Identity, Lifetime Career Award, 2009

Association of Graduate Liberal Studies Programs Annual Faculty Award, 2011

Academic Appointments

University of Kansas -- Assistant Instructor, 1977-1979

Skidmore College

Assistant Professor, 1980-1987

Associate Professor, 1988-1997

Professor, 1997--present

University of Kansas -- Visiting Assistant Professor, Spring 1985

Union College -- Adjunct Instructor, Spring 1986

University of Arizona -- Visiting Associate Professor, Fall 1988-Spring 1989

Skidmore College Executive Leadership Institute, Institute Faculty 1988-1992

McGill University School of Medicine, Visiting Professor, Oncology Grand Rounds,
May 1998

Brooklyn College – Full Professor, Spring 2000-Spring 2002

Skidmore College—Full Professor, Spring 2002-present

Consulting Positions

Bert Nash Community Mental Health Center, Lawrence, Kansas, 1979-1980; conducted data analyses for county mental health needs assessment.

Myers and Stauffer Accounting, Topeka, Kansas, 1979-1980; conducted multivariate analyses for private accounting firm.

Regents College, The University of the State of New York, Albany, New York, 1984; helped set standards for a psychology degree from Regents College.

Saratoga Rape Crisis and Sexual Abuse Services, Saratoga Springs, New York, 1984-1988; grant writer.

Big Brothers and Big Sisters of Schenectady and Saratoga Counties, New York, 1990-1994; Board of Directors.

Educational Testing Service, Princeton, New Jersey; 1990-2005; prepare items for GRE Psychology Test, prepare items for and evaluate undergraduate achievement test in psychology.

Professional Affiliations

American Association for the Advancement of Science
 American Psychological Association
 American Psychological Society
 Society of Experimental Social Psychology

Professional Publications

Heller, J., Grof, B., & Solomon, S. (1977). Towards an understanding of crowding: The Role of physical interaction. Journal of Personality and Social Psychology, 35, 183-190.

Holmes, D., McCaul, K., and Solomon, S. (1978). Control of respiration as a means of controlling responses to threat. Journal of Personality and Social Psychology, 36, 198-204.

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Holmes, D., Solomon, S., and Buchsbaum, H. (1979). Utility of voluntary control of respiration and biofeedback for increasing and decreasing heart rate. Psychophysiology, 16, 432-437.

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- Brehm, J., Wright, R., Solomon, S., Silka, L., and Greenberg, J. (1982). Perceived difficulty, energization, and the magnitude of goal valence. Journal of Experimental Social Psychology, 19, 21-48.
- Holmes, D., Solomon, S., Caputo, B., and Greenberg, J. (1983). Effects of transcendental meditation versus resting on physiological and subjective arousal. Journal of Personality and Social Psychology, 44, 1245-1252.

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- Rosenblatt, A., Greenberg, J., Solomon, S., Pyszczynski, T., & Lyon, D. (1989). Evidence for Terror Management Theory I: The Effects of Mortality Salience on Reactions to those who Violate or Uphold Cultural Values. Journal of Personality and Social Psychology, 57, 681-690.
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Invited Presentations:

Solomon, S. (1985 May). The psychopathology of social psychology. Invited address at Second International Conference on the Self at Nags Head Conference Center, North Carolina.

Solomon, S., Greenberg, J., and Pyszczynski, T. (1986 April). Culture as a terror-driven symbolic construction. Invited presentation for a symposium entitled "The Role of Symbols for the Individual and Society". Presented at the 57th Meeting of the Eastern Psychological Association.

Solomon, S. Socialization IS Neurosis. (1986, May). Invited talk at 3rd Annual International Conference on Self. Nags Head, North Carolina.

Solomon, S., Greenberg, J., and Pyszczynski, T. (1986, June). Isms make schisms - can we have peace and culture also? Invited address at International Society of Political Psychology. Amsterdam, Holland.

Solomon, S. (1987). Towards an affective and motivational model of cognitive and perceptual development. Nags Head, North Carolina.

- Solomon, S., Greenberg, J., & Pyszczynski, T. (1988, May). Further evidence of Terror Management. Nagshead Conference on the Self, Nags Head, North Carolina.
- Solomon, S., Greenberg, J., & Pyszczynski, T. (1989, May). The Death Denying functions of Self-Esteem and the Cultural Worldview. Nagshead Conference on the Self and Culture. Nags Head, North Carolina.
- Solomon, S., Greenberg, J., & Pyszczynski, T. (1989, July). Confrontation with Death: Affective and Cognitive Consequences. First European Congress of Psychology. Amsterdam, Holland.
- Solomon, S., Greenberg, J., & Pyszczynski, T. (1989, August). Self-esteem, culture, and the need to belong. APA.
- Solomon, S. (1990). Toward an applied theoretical social psychology. Colloquia to faculty and graduate students at SUNY-Buffalo.
- Solomon, S. (1990). Toward an applied theoretical social psychology. Colloquia to faculty and graduate students and Rutgers University.
- Solomon, S. (1990). Toward an applied theoretical social psychology. International Congress of Applied Psychology. Kyoto, Japan.
- Solomon, S. (1990). An introduction to terror management theory. Conference on Perseveration and Perspective taking. University of Bielefeld, West Germany.
- Solomon, S. (1991). Terror Management theory of self-esteem and social behavior. International Congress of Stress, Anxiety, and Emotional Disorders. University of Minho, Braga, Portugal.
- Solomon, S. (1993). Terror Management and Self Determination: Toward an integration of motivational perspectives on the self and social behavior. Invited symposium with Ed Deci of the University of Rochester at EPA, Arlington, Va., April 1993.

- Solomon, S. (1994). Terror management theory of self-esteem and social behavior. Colloquia to faculty and graduate students at McGill University.
- Solomon, S. (1994). Terror management theory of self-esteem and social behavior. Colloquia to faculty and graduate students at University of Washington.
- Solomon, S. (1994). Terror management theory of self-esteem and social behavior. Colloquia to faculty and graduate students at City University of New York.
- Solomon, S. (1994, April). Fear of death and social behavior. Lecture presented for The Ernest Becker Foundation at University of Washington.
- Solomon, S. (1994, November). Terror management theory of self-esteem and social behavior. Colloquia to faculty and graduate students at Shippensburg State University.
- Solomon, S. (1994, December). Empirical Assessment of Terror Management Theory. Lecture presented for The Ernest Becker Foundation at University of Washington.
- Solomon, S. (1995, April). Empirical Assessment of Terror Management Theory. Colloquia to faculty and graduate students at Brooklyn College.
- Solomon, S. (1995, May). An Existential Psychodynamic Perspective on Self-esteem and Cultural Worldviews: Theory and Research. Lecture for The Ernest Becker Foundation at Seattle University.
- Solomon, S. (1995, October). Fear is the Mother of Violence. Lecture for The Love of Violence Conference sponsored by The Ernest Becker Foundation and the Department of Comparative Religion at the University of Washington (Seattle).
- Solomon, S. (1996, April). The Psychodynamics of Terror Management. Lecture for the social psychology faculty and graduate students at the University of Maryland.
- Solomon, S. (1996, October). Fear is the Mother of Violence 2: The Psychodynamics of Terror Management. Lecture for the second The Love of Violence

Conference sponsored by The Ernest Becker Foundation and the Department of Comparative Religion at the University of Washington (Seattle).

Solomon, S. (1996, October). Fear is the Mother of Violence. Lecture for the faculty and graduate students in the Department of Religion at Syracuse University.

Solomon, S. (1997, June). Tales from the Crypt: On the Role of Death in Life. Lecture for the faculty and graduate students in the Department of Psychology and the Humanities program at the University of Georgia.

Solomon, S. (1997, October). When gangs are good: A terror management analysis of social deviance. Lecture for the third The Love of Violence Conference sponsored by The Ernest Becker Foundation and the Department of Comparative Religion at the University of Washington (Seattle).

Solomon, S. (1997, October). Transcience and Transcendence: On the role of death in life. Keynote address at the Israeli Psychological Association meeting (Tel Aviv, Israel).

Solomon, S. (1998, January). Tales from the Crypt: Role of Death in Life. Invited address to theater department faculty and students at Worcester Polytechnical Institute (Worcester, Massachusetts).

Solomon, S. (1998, February). Grave Matters: On the Role of Death in Life. Edwin Moseley Faculty Research Lecture, Skidmore College.

Solomon, S. (1998, March). Just Say No! Invited address on the work of Otto Rank for the Ernest Becker Foundation and School of Comparative Religion at the University of Washington in Seattle.

Solomon, S. (1998, April). Historical overview of psychological defenses. Third annual conference on consciousness, University of Arizona, Tucson.

Solomon, S. (1998, May). Grave Matters: On the Role of Death in Life. McGill University Medical School, Department of Oncology.

Solomon, S. (1998, September). Grave Matters: On the Role of Death in Life. Northwest Society for Internal Medicine. Seattle, Washington.

Solomon, S. (1998, October). *Grave Matters: On the Role of Death in Life*. Northeast Memorial Society (Albany, New York).

Solomon, S. (1999, January). *Grave Matters: On the Role of Death in Life*. Department of Psychology, College of New Rochelle.

Solomon, S. (1999, April). *Grave Matters: On the Role of Death in Life*. Department of Psychology, University of Southern California.

Solomon, S., (1999, April) *Leadership*. Keynote talk for Leadership Conference, California Institute of Technology, UCLA Conference Center, Lake Arrowhead, California.

Solomon, S. (1999, June). *Grave Matters: On the Role of Death in Life*. Keynote talk for New York State College Counselors, Skidmore College.

Solomon, S. (1999, August). *The Psychological Foundations of Culture: Before, besides, and beyond evolutionary psychology*. Meeting of the American Psychological Association, Boston, Massachusetts.

Solomon, S. (1999, September). *Why Settle Down? The Mystery of Community*. Presentation for the Ernest Becker Foundation and Department of Anthropology, University of Washington, Seattle.

Solomon, S. (1999, September). *Terror Management Theory and Research: Exploring the Death-Denying Function of Culture*. Plenary address for biennial meeting of the Society for Psychological Anthropology, Albuquerque, New Mexico.

Tom Pyszczynski, Jeff Greenberg, Sheldon Solomon, & Jamie Arndt (October 1999). *The Function of Self-Esteem: Is it an Anxiety-Buffer or a Barometer of Social Acceptance...and Does it Matter?* Society for Experimental Social Psychology, St. Louis, Mo.

Solomon S. (October 1999). *Unconscious psychological defenses*. Symposium (moderated by Jeff Greenberg) with Elizabeth Loftus and Anthony Greenwald at University of Washington (Seattle) for Ernest Becker Foundation, Love of Violence conference (fifth annual).

Solomon S. (January 2000). *Grave Matters: On the Role of Death in Life*. Ben Franklin Dinners, New York City (“The Ben Franklin Dinners are hosted by The Gracia Group in honor of Franklin and his inexhaustible curiosity. They are an opportunity for leading minds in the arts, sciences and commerce to come together for a night of delicious food, fine wine, and captivating conversation.”)

Solomon, S. (March 2000). *Grave Matters: On the Role of Death in Life*. Medical Staff Leadership Retreat, Swedish Medical Center, Seattle Washington.

Solomon, S. (April 2000). *Filthy Lucre*. Presentation for “Limits of Materialism” conference at Peter Drucker School of Management, Claremont, California.

Solomon, S., (July 2000). *From Kosovo to Columbine: Fear of Death and Human Violence*, Meeting of International Society of Political Psychology, Seattle, Washington.

Solomon, S., (July 2000). *The Birth and Death of Meaning*. Plenary presentation for International Conference: Searching for Meaning in the New Millennium, Vancouver, BC.

Solomon, S., (August 2000). *From Kosovo to Columbine: Fear of Death and Human Violence*, Meeting of the American Psychological Association, Washington, DC.

Solomon, S., (September 2000). *Our Personal Response to Mortality*. Plenary talk for 13th International Congress on Care of the Terminally Ill, sponsored by Palliative Care Division, Department of Oncology, McGill University, Montreal, Canada.

Pyszczynski, T., Greenberg, J., Arndt, J., & Solomon, S. (October 2000). *The psychological function of self-esteem: culturally-constructed anxiety-buffer or barometer of social inclusion?* Meeting of the Society of Experimental Social Psychology, Atlanta Georgia.

Solomon, S. (April 2001). *Out damn spot: The effects of mortality salience on obsessive-compulsive and phobic behavior*. Colloquium for the faculty and graduate students in the social psychology program at the University of Massachusetts.

Solomon, S. (April 2001). Dancing at Dawn. Lecture sponsored by the Ernest Becker Foundation and the University of Washington (Seattle) Department of Anthropology.

Solomon, S. (August 2001). A terror management theory of social behavior: The psychological functions of self-esteem and cultural worldviews. Keynote address for "Finding meaning in the human existence: Emerging perspectives in experimental existential psychology," at Free University, Amsterdam, Holland.

Solomon, S. (August 2001). Out damn spot: The effects of mortality salience on obsessive-compulsive and phobic behavior. Part of invited symposium at 2001 Meeting of APA in San Francisco examining clinical applications of terror management theory.

Solomon, S. (September 2001). Symbols: jumping the spatio-temporal gap to make the unreal real. Lecture for the existential psychology program at Seattle University of Washington (co-sponsored by Ernest Becker Foundation).

Solomon, S. (October, 2001). Human awareness of death and the evolution of culture. Invited colloquium for biology department at New York University.

Solomon, S. (November, 2001). The control of death and the death of control: the effects of mortality neuroticism and mortality salience on desire for personal control. Presentation for International Leadership Association in Miami.

Solomon, S. (December, 2001). Fear of death and social behavior: The anatomy of human destructiveness. Invited colloquium for psychology department at Trinity College, Dublin, Ireland.

Solomon, S., Greenberg, J. & Pyszczynski, T. (June, 2002). Terror and transcendence: The role of death denial in social identification. 13th General Meeting of the European Association of Experimental Social Psychology. San Sebastian, Spain.

Solomon, S. (September, 2002). Winesburg, Ohio. Meeting of the Sherwood Anderson Literary Society, Elyria, Ohio.

- Solomon, S. (October, 2002), The structure of evil: History is a nightmare from which I am trying to awaken. Keynote presentation for Love of Violence conference at Seattle University (co-sponsored by Ernest Becker Foundation).
- Solomon, S. (January, 2003). Out damn spot: The effects of mortality salience on obsessive-compulsive and phobic behavior. Colloquium for social psychology faculty and graduate students at the University of Connecticut.
- Solomon, S. (January, 2003). In the wake of 9/11: The psychology of terror. Presentation for psychology faculty and students at Middlebury College.
- Solomon, S. (March, 2003). Life against Death. Presentation for Destroying the World to Save it: Death-denying Apocalyptic Violence in the Wake of 9/11 conference sponsored by Departments of Psychiatry and Anthropology and the Ernest Becker Foundation, University of Washington, Seattle.
- Pyszczynski, T., Greenberg, J. & Solomon, S. (March, 2003). The dual-process model of defense against conscious and unconscious death-related thought. The Sixth Sydney Symposium of Social Psychology, Sydney, Australia.
- Solomon, S. (March, 2003). Fear of Death and Social Behavior: Testing “Untestable” Ideas. Colloquium for psychology students at Central Michigan University.
- Solomon, S. (March, 2003). In the Wake of 9/11: The Psychology of Terror. Presentation for Defying Death by Destroying Others: Death Anxiety and the Impulse to Violence conference at Central Michigan University.
- Solomon, S. (April, 2003). The structure of evil: History is a nightmare from which I am trying to awaken. Colloquium for psychology and anthropology departments at Occidental College, LA, California.
- Solomon, S. (April, 2003). The role of death in life: An overview of terror management theory and research. Rocky Mountain Psychological Association, Denver, Co.
- Solomon, S. (May, 2003). Death-Denying Apocalyptic Violence in the Wake of 9/11. Plenary Address for The Canada Research Chairs Programme “Culture and The State.” University of Alberta, Edmonton, Alberta.

- Solomon, S. (May, 2003). *Grave Matters: On the Role of Death in Life*. Union College.
- Solomon, S. (October, 2003). *The structure of evil: History is a nightmare from which I am trying to awaken*. University of British Columbia.
- Solomon, S. (October, 2003). *Creation of the sacred: Evolution of religion*. Department of psychology (co sponsored by Ernest Becker Foundation), Seattle University.
- Solomon, S. (October, 2003). *In the wake of 9/11: The psychology of terror*. College of Saint Rose.
- Solomon, S. (December, 2003). *Destroying the World to Save it: Death-denying Apocalyptic Violence in the Wake of 9/11*. New York City College of Technology.
- Solomon, S. (Feb. 2004). *In the wake of 9/11: The psychology of terror*. University of Southern California (Departments of Psychology and Political Science).
- Solomon, S. (Feb 2004). *Fatal attraction: The effects of mortality salience on preferences for charismatic, task-focused, and relational leaders*. University of Washington (Departments of Psychology and Anthropology).
- Solomon, S. (March, 2004). *The evolution of religion*. New York University.
- Solomon, S. (April, 2004). *Fatal distraction: The effects of mortality salience on psychological dissociation*. Psychology department, Rutgers University.
- Solomon, S. (May, 2004). *Destroying the World to Save it: Death-denying Apocalyptic Violence in the Wake of 9/11*. Keynote Presentation, 4th Annual Siena College Psychology Undergraduate Research Conference.
- Solomon, S. (June, 2004). *Deliver Us From Evil: The Fear of Death and Support for George W. Bush*. International Psychohistorical Association 27th Annual Convention. New York University.

- Solomon, S. (September, 2004). Leadership in an interdependent world. Keynote talk for Blue Ridge Summit – Leadership: On your campus, into our world. Virginia Tech University, Blacksburg, Virginia.
- Solomon, S. (September, 2004). The allure of toxic leaders: Why we follow destructive leaders and how we can survive them. Blue Ridge Summit – Leadership: On your campus, into our world. Virginia Tech University, Blacksburg, Virginia.
- Solomon, S. (September, 2004). In the wake of 9/11: The psychology of terror. Conference on stress and stress-related disorders: From individuals to culture. Co-occurring Disorders Institute, Wasilla, Alaska.
- Solomon, S. (October, 2004). Deliver Us from Evil: The Effects of Reminders of Death or 9/11 on Support for President George W. Bush. For Ernest Becker Foundation and Department of Psychology, Seattle University.
- Solomon, S. (December, 2004). Fatal Attraction: Why we follow destructive leaders and how we can survive them. For PhD students in Leadership Program at Seattle University.
- Solomon, S. (January, 2005). Fatal Distraction: The effects of mortality salience on psychological dissociation. Self & Identity Preconference sponsored by International Society for Self and Identity at Society for Personality and Social Psychology meeting, New Orleans.
- Solomon, S., Greenberg, J., & Pyszczynski, T. (January, 2005). Teach these souls to fly: Existential reactance and the flight to freedom. Society for Personality and Social Psychology meeting, New Orleans.
- Solomon, S. (February, 2005). Fatal Attraction: How the fear of death promotes allegiance to charismatic leaders. Psychology department, Williams College.
- Solomon, S. (April, 2005). Fatal Attraction: How the fear of death promotes allegiance to charismatic leaders. Social psychology faculty and graduate students, University of California, Davis.

Solomon, S. (April, 2005). *Mortal Coils*. Keynote address for Assets Fair for Safe & Drug Free Schools, Anchorage School District, Anchorage, Alaska.

Solomon, S., (May, 2005). Fear of death and political preferences: The Axis of Evil vs. The Great Satan. Psychology department, SUNY Potsdam.

Solomon, S. (May, 2005). Fear of death and political preferences: The Axis of Evil vs. The Great Satan. Thoughts on War, Death and Freedom Conference at New York University.

Solomon, S. (May, 2005). Fear of death and political preferences: The Axis of Evil vs. The Great Satan. Invited address at annual meeting of the American Psychological Society, Los Angeles, CA.

Cohen, F., Grodkiewicz, J., Glushakow, J., Aiello, F., & Solomon, S. (August 2005). Effects of Mortality Salience on Consumption, Savings, and Charity. Paper presented at the 2005 Annual Meeting of the American Psychological Association. Washington, D.C.

Cohen, F., Solomon, S., & Ogilvie, D. (August 2005). Apocalypse Now! Fear of Death, Political Preferences, and National Security. Paper presented at the 2005 Annual Meeting of the American Psychological Association. Washington, D.C.

Solomon, S. (September 2005). *Pride & Prejudice: The Anatomy of Human Destructiveness*. *Discrimination and Prejudice in the 21st Century: Looking Forward*. Department of Psychology, University of Wisconsin, Madison, Wisconsin.

Solomon, S. (September, 2005). *Fatal Attraction: Fear of Death and Political Preferences*. Department of Psychology and Center for Study of Political Psychology, University of Minnesota.

Solomon, S. (October, 2005). *Mortal Coils: Denial of Death*. Keynote address for *Facing the Fear of Death*, continuing medical education program at Swedish Medical Center, Seattle, WA.

Solomon, S. (October, 2005). Intimations of mortality: The effects of reminders of death on medical practitioners' treatment of the terminally ill. *Existential*

Openings at the Threshold of Death, a conference co-sponsored by the Departments of Psychiatry & Behavioral Sciences, Anthropology, Comparative Religion, Psychology, Social Work of the University of Washington, and the Ernest Becker Foundation, Seattle, WA.

Solomon, S. (November, 2005). Fatal Attraction: Why we follow destructive leaders and how we can survive them. For PhD students in the Leadership Program at Seattle University.

Solomon, S. (February, 2006). Fatal Attraction: Fear of Death and Political Preferences. The Clarke Center and the Philosophy Department, Dickinson College.

Solomon, S. (March, 2006). Mortal Coils: An existential psychodynamic investigation of human nature and experience. Soundings Program (first year experience) for Castleton State College, Castleton, Vermont.

Solomon, S. (March, 2006). The Psychology of Terror, Lenten Dialogue at the Church of the Good Shepherd, Manhattan, New York.

Solomon, S. (March, 2006). Exploring the Death-Denying Function of Culture. Plenary address at 26th Annual Interdisciplinary Meeting and Seminar for the Hospice and Palliative Care Association of New York State, Saratoga Springs, New York.

Solomon, S. (April, 2006). Terror management theory. Graduate student proseminar, Department of Psychology, University of Vermont.

Solomon, S. (April, 2006). Fatal Attraction: Fear of Death and Political Preferences. Keynote presentation for Undergraduate Research Symposium, Capital University, Columbus, Ohio.

Solomon, S. (April, 2006). Grave Matters: On the Role of Death in Life. Distinguished Lecture Series, University of Texas at San Marcos.

Solomon, S. (2006). Grave Matters: The Anatomy of Human Destructiveness. Invited Address at the annual meeting of the American Psychological Association, New Orleans, LA.

- Solomon, S. (2006). *Matters: The Anatomy of Human Destructiveness*. Social psychology faculty and students at the University of Richmond.
- Solomon, S. (2006). *Fatal Attraction: Fear of Death and Political Preferences*. Jepson School of Leadership, University of Richmond.
- Solomon, S. (2006). *Lethal Consumption: Death-denying Materialism*. For Existence, Education and Eco-Responsibility conference at the University of Washington, Seattle WA.
- Solomon, S. (2007). *The Great Satan vs. The Axis of Evil*. Invited presentation for the annual meeting of the Eastern Psychological Association, Philadelphia, Pa.
- Solomon, S. (2007). *The Psychology of Terror: Terror Management Theory and Religious Extremism*. *Sacred Violence: Religion and Terrorism*. The Roe Green Foundation Conference presented by the Institute for Global Security Law and Policy at Case Western University School of Law.
- Solomon, S. (2007). *The Great Satan vs. The Axis of Evil*. Invited presentation for the annual meeting of the Western Psychological Association, Vancouver.
- Solomon, S. (2007). *Grave Matters: On the role of death in life*. Faculty salon at the University of British Columbia, Vancouver.
- Solomon, S. (2007). *Teach these Souls to Fly: Supernatural as Evolutionary Adaptation*. Departments of Psychology, Anthropology, Communications, Comparative Religion, and the Ernest Becker Foundation, University of Washington, Seattle, WA.
- Solomon, S. (2007). *Fatal Attraction: Fear of Death and Political Preferences*. Department of Psychology, Lawrence University, Appleton Wisconsin.
- From Kosovo to Columbine: Fear is the Mother of Violence. Keynote address for *Understanding Violence: Tools for Educators and Communities*, Department of Psychology, Criminal Justice, and Counseling, Seattle University, Seattle WA. (October 2007)

God is Sometimes Great: Religion as the Problem and the Cure. Confronting Death: Religious and Psychological Explorations. The Edward B. Breuggeman Center for Dialogue and Department of Theology, Xavier University. (October 2007)

Grave Matters: On the Role of Death in Life. Keynote address for a conference in commemoration of Victor Florian at Bar-Ilan University, Bar-Ilan Israel. (November 2007)

Fatal Attraction: Fear of Death and Political Preferences. Department of Psychology, Pace University. (November, 2007)

Terror Management Theory: Current challenges and future directions. Department of Psychology, New School for Social Research. (December, 2007)

Grave Matters: On the Role of Death in Life. Evolution meets Terror Management Theory: Thoughts on Thinking about Death mini-symposium. Cornell University Department of Natural Resources and Field of Neurobiology and Behavior. (January 2008)

Global Leadership in the New Millennium. SAIL Leadership Program, SUNY Maritime. (February, 2008)

Fatal Attraction: Fear of Death and Political Preferences. Sabine Distinguished Lecture in Psychology. Colorado College. (February, 2008)

Fear of Death and Social Behavior: Testing "Untestable" Ideas. Departments of Psychology, Sociology, & Philosophy. Central Michigan University. (March 2008).

Fatal Attraction: Fear of Death and Political Preferences. Terror at the Voting Booth: How Fear is used in Politics. Conference at Central Michigan University. (March 2008)

Fatal Attraction: Fear of death and political preferences. (September 2008)
Department of Psychology, University of Pittsburg.

Death Anxiety and Terror Management Theory. (September 2008). 17th
International Congress on Palliative Care, Montreal, Canada.

Fatal Attraction: Fear of death and political preferences. (September 2008).
Wheaton College, Norton, MA.

Fatal Attraction: Fear of death and political preferences. (October 2008). Seattle
University, Seattle, WA.

Beyond Alienation. (October 2008). Keynote presentation for Understanding and
Reducing Violence: Tools for Educators and Communities conference sponsored by
the Ernest Becker Foundation, Seattle Washington.

The Anatomy of Human Destructiveness. (October 2008). University of British
Columbia, Vancouver, Canada.

Fatal Attraction: Fear of death and political preferences. (October 2008).
University of North Florida.

Teach these souls to fly: The psychological functions of supernatural beliefs.
(November 2008). Department of Psychology, SUNY Albany.

Teach these souls to fly: The psychological functions of supernatural beliefs.
(December 2008). Department of Psychology, College of Staten Island.

Teach these souls to fly: The psychological functions of supernatural beliefs.
(December 2008). Social psychology program, Harvard University, Cambridge,
MA.

Teach these souls to fly: The psychological functions of supernatural beliefs.
(February 2009). Department of Psychology, Adelphi University.

In the wake of 9/11: The psychology of terror. (March 2009) Department of
psychology, philosophy, and religion, Lebanon Valley College.

Teach these souls to fly: The psychological functions of supernatural beliefs.
(April 2009). Department of Psychology, Sienna College.

The future of the human mind. (May 2009). The Information School, Department
of Psychiatry, Comparative Religion Program, University of Washington.

- Immortality Ideologies and Social Cohesion. Annual meeting of the American Psychological Association, Toronto, Canada, August 2009
- Teach Those souls to fly: The psychological underpinnings of supernatural beliefs. University of Moncton, New Brunswick, Canada – September 2009
- Education, Keynote talk at “Understanding Violence: Tools for Educators and Communities” conference sponsored by the Ernest Becker Foundation and the Psychology Department at Seattle University (October 2009)
- Terror management theory, at the annual meeting of the Society of Experimental Social Psychology, Portland Maine (October 2009)
- Flight from Death: The Quest for Immortality, University of Oregon School of Law (October 2009)
- Teach these souls to fly: The psychological underpinnings of supernatural beliefs. Social psychology colloquium, University of Rochester (November, 2009)
- Teach these souls to fly: The psychological underpinnings of supernatural beliefs. Department of Psychology and Department of English colloquium, University of Waterloo (December, 2009)
- Homo Mortalis. Self pre-conference at Annual meeting of Society for Personality and Social Psychology, Las Vegas Nevada (January, 2010)
- The Anatomy of Human Destructiveness. Keynote talk for Social Challenges for the 21st Century: Undergraduate and Collaborative Student-Faculty Research in the Social Sciences and Humanities. Lebanon Valley College. Annville, Pa. (February, 2010)
- The Worm at the Core: On the Role of Death in Life. 2nd Annual Lecture in Palliative Care, The Division of Palliative Care, Department of Family Medicine, McMaster University, Hamilton, Ontario, Canada. (March 2010)
- Psychopathology as Terror Mismanagement. Academic research seminar for New York Psychoanalytic Society. (April, 2010)

Terror Management Theory. Multinational Association of Supportive Care in Cancer/International Society for Oral Oncology, International Symposium on Supportive Care in Cancer, Vancouver, Canada. (June 2010)

The Worm at the Core: On the Role of Death in Life and Literature, Keynote presentation for International Society for the Empirical Study of Literature and Media, Universiteit Utrecht, Utrecht, Holland. (July 2010)

The Anatomy of Human Destructiveness, Annual meeting of the American Psychological Association, San Diego, August 2010

Education and Democracy, Convocation 2010, NHTI, Concord's Community College, Concord, New Hampshire, August 2010

Grave Matters: Caring for Our Veterans, plenary talk for HOSPICE VETERAN PARTNERSHIP (HVP) ANNUAL EDUCATIONAL COLLABORATIVE, LIVERPOOL, NEW YORK, SEPTEMBER 2010

Introduction to the work of Ernest Becker, for Overcoming Toxic Leadership: Leading with Integrity and Self-Awareness. California State University at Long Beach College of Business Administration. September 2010

Living with Death, Finbarr (Barry) Sheehan Lecture, Canadian Association of Radiation Oncology Annual Scientific Meeting, Vancouver, BC, Canada, September 2010

Grave Matters: On the Role of Death in Life, Nazareth College, Masters of Liberal Studies Program, September 2010

Lethal Consumption: Death-Denying Materialism, 32nd Annual Conference of the Association for Integrative Studies, San Diego, CA, October 2010

The People Paradox, Keynote talk for *Understanding Violence: Tools for Educators and Communities*, Seattle University, Department of Psychology and Ernest Becker Foundation, October, 2010

Existential Crisis in the Courtroom: Capital Punishment, Civil Punishment, and Terror Management Theory. Association of the Bar of the City of New York, November 2010.

The Worm at the Core: The Role of Death in Life. Interdisciplinary Studies Graduate Program 40th Anniversary Lecture Series, University of British Columbia, Vancouver, Canada, November 2010.

Psychological Emergence of the Self and Modern Socio-Cultural Dilemmas. The 24th Annual Roland D. Pinkham, M.D. Basic Science Lectureship, Swedish Medical Center, Seattle, Washington, November 2010.

Terror management theory. New School for Social Research. December 2010.

Flight from Death: The Quest for Immortality. Rubin Museum of Art. New York. December 2010.

The Meaning of Meaning: An Integrated Perspective on Existential Concerns: Fourth Herzliya Symposium on Personality and Social Psychology, THE SOCIAL PSYCHOLOGY OF MEANING, MORTALITY, AND CHOICE, April 11-14 2011. Sponsored by the Interdisciplinary Center (IDC), Herzliya, Israel.

The Worm at the Core: On the Role of Death in Life. April 2011 presentation (via internet) to Pszichodiak Foundation (Psychology Days of Budapest), Budapest, Hungary.

Locke's Errors: Why Left and Right are Beside the Point! April 2011 presentation at the University of Washington sponsored by the Ernest Becker Foundation and the Department of Communications at the University of Washington.

Leadership for a Caring Community. May 2011 plenary talk for 31st Annual Interdisciplinary Seminar and Meeting for the Hospice & Palliative Care Association of New York State, Albany, New York.

Creatively Teaching Psychology in Liberal Arts Institutions, part of a symposium, Teaching Creatively at All Levels Across the Educational Life Span, at the 2011 annual meeting of the American Psychological Association, Washington, DC, August 2011.

Teach these Souls to Fly: The Psychological Function of Supernatural Beliefs, Department of Psychology, Union College, January 2012.

Grave Matters: On the Role of Death in Life, keynote presentation for the Department of Conflict Analysis & Resolution and Department of Multidisciplinary Studies Residential Institute, Graduate School of Humanities, Nova Southeastern University, February 2012.

Why War? Fear is the Mother of Violence. Is War Inevitable? An Interdisciplinary Conference (social psychologists and psychoanalysts), Manhattan, New York, February 2012.

Afraid of the Dark: Humanity at the Crossroads. Department of Psychology, Western Washington University (co-sponsored by The Ernest Becker Foundation), Bellingham, Washington, March 2012.

Psychopathology as Terror Mismanagement. Distinguished Speaker Series, Department of Psychology, Kent State University, March 2012.

Grave Matters: On the Role of Death in Life, Center for the Study of Science and Religion, Columbia University, New York, April, 2012.

Psychopathology as Terror Mismanagement. Department of Psychiatry, Mt. Sinai Medical School, Manhattan, New York, May, 2012.

The Politics of Mortal Terror. School of International Service, American University, Washington, D.C., September 2012.

Back to the Future: The Lost Science of Man. Ernest Becker Foundation and Department of Psychology, Seattle University, Seattle, Washington, October 2012.

Grave Matters: On the Role of Death in Life. Rutgers University (lecture for first year honors class "Soul Beliefs"), New Brunswick, New Jersey, October 2012.

Grave Matters: On the Role of Death in Life. Eugene Lang College, The New School, First Year Advising Program. December 3, 2012.

Terror Management Theory. St. Joseph's College Oxford Program. St. Joseph's College, New York, Long Island campus. March 1, 2013.

Grave Matters: On the Role of Death in Life. Keynote talk for Great Plains Students' Psychology Convention, Creighton University, Omaha, Nebraska, March 15, 2013.

The Anatomy of Human Destructiveness. PsyD program at Long Island University (C.W. Post Campus), Long Island, New York, March 27, 2013.

In the Wake of 9/11: The Psychology of Terror. Security and Terrorism in the Modern World: Social Science and Legal Perspectives. Psychology Department and Law College, University of Nebraska-Lincoln. April 2013.

The Anatomy of Human Destructiveness. Symposium for the Left Forum: Mobilizing for Ecological and Economic Transformation, at Pace University, New York, June 2013.

Afraid of the Dark: Humanity at the Crossroads. Waterloo Institute for Creativity and Innovation (WICI), University of Waterloo, Waterloo Canada, October 2013.

Flight from Death: The Quest for Immortality. The First International Congress on Whole Person Care, McGill University, Montreal, Canada, October 2013.

Grave Matters: On the Role of Death in Life. Jeanne Blank Memorial Speaker, 20th Annual Universal Unitarian Weekend, Silver Bay, New York, October 2013.

The Anatomy of Human Destructiveness. Symposium for the Left Forum: Mobilizing for Ecological and Economic Transformation, at Pace University, New York, June 2013.

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Afraid of the Dark: Humanity at the Crossroads. Humanist Society of Metropolitan New York, January 2014.

Teach these Souls to Fly: The Psychological Function of Supernatural Beliefs. Social Psychology program at the University of Massachusetts, April, 2014.

Afraid of the Dark: Humanity at the Crossroads. Nichols College Honors Program, Dudley MA, April 2014.

All Along the Watchtower: The existential roots of mental illness and stigmatization of the mentally ill. University of Moncton, Canada, May, 2014.

Gratitude and Humility as Existential Anxiety Buffers. The Ernest Becker Foundation, Seattle WA, May 2014.