The 7th Annual E. Maynard Adams Symposium for the Humanities

Building Democracies in Times of Populism and Polarization

A Public Event with

Professor Cristina Lafont

Presented by Carolina Public Humanities,
College of Arts and Sciences, UNC-Chapel Hill

Agenda

Friday, April 19
Kenan Conference Center, Kenan-Flagler Business School and Live Stream on Zoom

5:30–5:45 pm
Welcome and Introductions

Lloyd Kramer, Director, Carolina Public Humanities and Professor of History

Lee H. Roberts, Interim Chancellor, UNC-Chapel Hill

5:45–7:00
Keynote Lecture and Discussion: Rescuing Democracy from Populism and Technocracy

Cristina Lafont, Harold H. and Virginia Anderson Professor of Philosophy, Northwestern University

7:00–8:00
Public Reception

Saturday, April 20
Kenan Conference Center, Kenan-Flagler Business School and Live Stream on Zoom

9:00–9:15 am
Coffee

9:15–9:30
Welcome, Introductions, and Brief Comments on the ideas of Maynard Adams

Max Owre, Executive Director, Carolina Public Humanities and Teaching Assistant Professor of History

Jill Adams, Professor of Law Emerita, Southern Illinois University
Plan to join us for the eighth annual Maynard Adams Symposium for the Humanities on April 4–5, 2025, with keynote speaker Alexander Nehamas, Edmund N. Carpenter II Class of 1943 Professor in the Humanities and Professor of Philosophy and Comparative Literature, Emeritus, Princeton University.

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Maynard Adams Fellows for the Public Humanities in 2023–2024:

Cayla Colclesure (Anthropology), Shilpa Darivemula (Epidemology), Zachary Ferguson (Philosophy), Spencer George (Folklore), Lyric Grimes (Library Science), Will Kanwischer (Philosophy), Kari Lindquist (Musicology), Hannah Skjellum-Salmon (English and Comparative Literature), Hooper Schultz (History), and Meredith Sheeks (Philosophy); Senior Adams Fellow from Philosophy, Logan Mitchell, (Philosophy); Center for Middle East and Islamic Studies Public Fellow, Abdul Basith Basheer (History); Uhlman Fellow in Public Humanities, Center for Jewish Studies, Oskar Czendze (History).