

## Prelude

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The present issue of *Sophia* was occasioned by a panel on Panentheism held at the Parliament of World Religions in Melbourne on December 6, 2009. The panel was chaired by Patrick Hutchings; the presenters were Joseph Prabhu, Freya Matthews, and Purushottama Bilimoria. A paper by Philip Clayton was also read in absentia.

Apart from papers from the presenters just mentioned (Bilimoria in collaboration with Ellen Stansell), further to elaborate upon the theme, this issue includes additional papers by Dirk Balztly, Tyler Tritten, Careese Cranwell, and Ellen Stansell and Stephen H. Phillips. It is then rounded off by some reflective remarks on the notion of Panentheism by Patrick Hutchings.

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