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***Curriculum Vitae***

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***PERSONAL:***

Married to Susan Bell Dennett; two children.

***EDUCATION:***

B.A., Harvard University, 1963  
D. Phil. (philosophy), Oxford, 1965

***HONORARY DEGREES:***

Doctor of Humane Letters, University of Connecticut, 2003  
Doctor of Letters, Edinburgh, 2006/7  
Doctor of Science, McGill, 2007  
Doctor of Science, Bucharest, 2011  
Doctor of Science, Amsterdam, 2012  
Honorary Doctorate, Radboud, Nijmegen, 2018  
Doctor of Humane Letters, American University of Beirut, 2022

***AWARDS:***

A.P.A. Barwise Prize, December 2004  
Humanist of the Year, American Humanist Association, 2004  
Bertrand Russell Society Award, Plymouth State University, NH, June  
18-20, 2004  
Academy of Achievement Golden Plate Award, 2006  
Richard Dawkins Prize, Atheist Alliance International, 2007  
Distinguished Fellow Award, Cognitive Science Society, 2009  
Books (*Darwin's Dangerous Idea* and *Breaking the Spell*) chosen for  
ISSR Library, 2009  
AAAS Fellow --selected as 2009 Fellow by the American Association  
for the Advancement of Science  
Erasmus Prize, Amsterdam, November, 2012  
Mind and Brain Prize, Center for Cognitive Science of Turin, Torino,  
Italy, October 12th, 2011

SINe medal, University of Padova, May 19th, 2016  
Award for contribution to Neuroscience and Psychology, INECO  
Committee, Buenos Aires, June 21st, 2016  
Carl Sagan Award, Carnegie Mellon University, November 8th, 2018

**FELLOWSHIPS:**

Woodrow Wilson Fellowship, 1963 (declined, to study at Oxford)  
Guggenheim Fellowship, 1973-74 (declined in favor of next two  
items)  
Santayana Fellowship, Harvard University, 1974 (honorary).  
N. E. H. Younger Humanist Fellowship, 1974.  
Fulbright Research Fellowship to the University, Bristol, England,  
1978.  
Visiting Fellowship, All Souls College, Oxford, 1979.  
N. E. H. Senior Fellowship, 1979.  
Fellow, Center for Advanced Study in the Behavioral Sciences, 1979-  
80.  
Guggenheim Fellowship, 1986-87.  
Fellow, Zentrum für Interdisziplinäre Forschung, Bielefeld, Germany,  
1990.  
Writer in Residence, Bellagio Study and Conference Center, Italy,  
1990, 2001.  
Visiting Erskine Fellow, Univ. of Canterbury, Christchurch, New  
Zealand, 1995.  
Distinguished Fellow, Centre for the Mind, Institute for Advanced  
Study, Australian National University, Canberra, Feb, 1998.  
Collegium Budapest, Budapest, Hungary, June, 2002  
Fellow, SAGE Center, University of California, Santa Barbara, Feb-  
Mar 2008  
William Miller Fellow, Santa Fe Institute, New Mexico, Jan-May, 2010  
Visiting Fellow, Leverhulme Centre for the Future of Intelligence,  
June 2019  
Lifetime Fellow of the Cognitive Science Society

**SPECIAL LECTURESHIPS:**

Taft Lectures, University of Cincinnati, 1978.  
Luce Distinguished Lecture in Cognitive Science, University of  
Rochester, 1979.  
Herbert Spencer Lecture, Oxford University, 1979.  
Princeton University Annual Philosophy Lectures, 1980.

Sloan Visiting Scientist Lectures, Dept. of Computer Science, Yale University, 1980.  
Council for Philosophical Studies, Summer Institute on Psychology and the Philosophy of Mind, Univ. of Washington, Seattle, July 1981.  
John Locke Lectures, Oxford University, April, May, 1983.  
Gavin David Young Lectures, University of Adelaide, Australia, June, July, 1984.  
Gramlich Memorial Lecture, Philosophy Department, Dartmouth College, April 24, 1985.  
Visiting Professor, Ecole Normale Supérieure, Paris, May, 1985.  
John Dewey Lecture, University of Vermont, February 13, 1986.  
Distinguished Lecture Series, MIT Laboratory of Computer Science, March 13, 1986.  
Tanner Lecture, University of Michigan, November 6, 1986.  
Mandel Lecture, American Society for Aesthetics, New York, October 27, 1989.  
Darwin Lecture, Darwin College, Cambridge, U.K., March 6, 1992.  
Amnesty Lecture, Oxford University, February 18, 1997.  
Inaugural Benjamin and Anne A. Pinkel Endowed Lecture, University of Pennsylvania, Oct. 2, 1998.  
Jessie and John Danz Professor of Microbiology, University of Washington, Seattle, WA, Nov. 20, 1998.  
Jean Nicod Lectures, Institut Nicod, Paris, November 2001.  
Daewoo Lectures, Seoul, Korea, November 2002.  
Petrus Hispanus Lectures, Faculdade de Letras de Lisboa, Lisbon, July 8, 2004.  
The Patten Lectures, Indiana University, March 7-9, 2006.  
The Rudolf Carnap Lectures, Bochum, Germany, March 2014.

***POSITIONS HELD:***

1964-65 Lecturer, Oxford College of Technology.  
1965-70 Assistant Professor of Philosophy, University of California at Irvine.  
1968 Visiting Assistant Professor, Tufts University Summer Session.  
1970-71 Associate Professor, University of California at Irvine.  
1971-75 Associate Professor, Tufts University.  
1973 Visiting Associate Professor, Harvard University (Fall Semester).  
1975 Visiting Professor, University of Pittsburgh (Spring Semester).  
1975- Professor, Tufts University.  
1976-82 Chairman, Department of Philosophy.

1979 Visiting Lecturer, Oxford University.  
1985-89 Co-Director Curricular Software Studio, Tufts University.  
1985-2000 Distinguished Professor of Arts & Sciences;  
1985- Director, Center for Cognitive Studies, Tufts University.  
2000- University Professor, Tufts University  
2000- Austin B. Fletcher Professor of Philosophy, Tufts University  
2001 Leverhulme Professor, Dept of Philosophy and History of  
Science, London School of Economics  
2011 Visiting Professor, American University of Beirut Department of  
Philosophy  
2011- External Professor of the Santa Fe Institute  
2013- Fellow of the New College of the Humanities, London  
2019- HAI Distinguished Fellow, Stanford University

***MEMBERSHIPS:***

American Academy of Arts & Sciences.  
Academia Scientiarum et Artum Europaea  
American Association for Artificial Intelligence.  
American Philosophical Association (President, 1999-2000).  
Cognitive Science Society.  
Memory Disorder Society  
Society for Philosophy and Psychology (President, 1980-81).  
(Former member) Hungarian Academy of Sciences (Resigned in  
protest, 2016)  
Association for the Scientific Study of Consciousness (President, 2006)  
The Committee for the Scientific Investigation of Claims of the  
Paranormal, Center for Inquiry (Fellow & Honorary Chair)  
Freedom from Religion Foundation, Honorary Board  
Secular Coalition for America (Fellow)  
Association for Advancement of Artificial Intelligence (Fellow)  
Humanist Global Charity (Board of Directors)

***EDITORIAL POSITIONS:***

Associate Editor, *Journal of Cognitive Neuroscience*.  
Editorial Board, *Adaptive Behavior*; *Artificial Intelligence Review*;  
*Artificial Life*; *Behavior and*  
*Philosophy*; *Biology and Philosophy*; *Brain and Mind*; *Cogito*;  
*Consciousness and Cognition*; *Episteme*;  
*Evolutionary Psychology*; *Journal of Consciousness Studies*; *Perception*;  
*Philosophy &*

*Phenomenological Research; PHILO (Senior Editor); Rutherford Journal; Rivista di Filosofia; Philosophy and the Mind Sciences; The Philosophy of Humor Yearbook; De Gruyter Studies in Philosophy of Humor.*

**ADVISORY BOARDS:**

CFI (Center for Inquiry), Washington, DC, Advisory Board  
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International Association for the Philosophy of Humor (IAPH)  
Advisory Board for forthcoming journal  
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Humanist Hub and the Humanist Community at Harvard

**BOOKS ABOUT:**

Dahlbom, Bo, ed., 1993, *Dennett and his Critics*, Oxford, Blackwell  
*Philosophical Topics*, 1994, *The Philosophy of Daniel Dennett*, 22, #1  
and 2.  
Ross, Don and Brook, Andrew, 2000, *Dennett's Philosophy: A  
Comprehensive Assessment*, Cambridge, MA: MIT Press.  
Brook, Andrew and Ross, Don, eds., 2002, *Daniel Dennett*, Cambridge  
Univ. Press.  
Symons, John, 2002, *On Dennett*, Belmont, CA: Wadsworth  
Miguens, Sofia, 2002, *Uma Teoria Fisicalista do Conteúdo e da  
Consciência, D.Dennett e os debates da filosofia da mente,*  
Campo das letres, Lisbon  
Elton, Matthew, 2003, *Daniel Dennett: Reconciling Science and our  
Self-Conception*, Cambridge and Oxford: Polity.  
Yulina, Nina, 2004, (in Russian) ГОЛОВОЛОМКИ ПРОБЛЕМЫ  
СОЗНАНИЯ: КОНЦЕПЦИЯ ДЭНИЕЛа ДЭНИЕТа (The  
“Brainstorms” in *Philosophy of Mind: Daniel Dennett and his  
Critics*), Moscow: КАНОН.  
Symons, John, 2005, (in French) *Dennett: un naturalisme en chantier,*  
Philosophies Presses Universitaires de France, Paris.

- McCarthy, Joan, 2006, *Dennett and Ricoeur on the Narrative Self*, Contemporary Studies in Philosophy and the Human Sciences, Prometheus Books, July 2007.
- “Leading Figures in Academia Series (1): Daniel C. Dennett,” American-Chinese Society & Culture, vol. 10, no. 2 (Issue #18) Dec 2007
- Zawidzki, Tadeusz, 2007, *Dennett*, Oneworld publications, Oxford; translated into Chinese, 2021.
- Joao de Fernandes Teixeira, 2008, *A Mente Segundo Dennett* (The Mind According to Dennett), Perspectiva, Brazil.
- David L. Thompson, Daniel Dennett, Contemporary American Thinkers series, London: Continuum, 2009
- Д.Б. Волков, БОСТОНСКИЙ зОМби: Д. ДЕННЕТ и ЕГО ТЕОРИЯ СОЗНАНИЯ, Dmitry Volkov, The Zombie from Boston: D. Dennett and his theory of consciousness, in Russian, URSS Press, 2011.
- Simulando Dennett: Ferramentas e construções de um naturalista* (Simulating Dennett), Diego Caleiro, Sao Paulo 2013.
- Content and Consciousness Revisited*, eds. C. Muñoz-Suárez and F. De Brigard, Springer, 2015.
- The Philosophy of Daniel Dennett*, ed. B. Huebner, Oxford University Press, 2018.

**PUBLICATIONS:**

Books:

- Content and Consciousness*, Routledge & Kegan Paul, London, and Humanities Press, New York, 1969 (International Library of Philosophy and Scientific Method). (Paperback edition, 1986; Italian edition, 1992; Spanish edition, 1994).
- Brainstorms: Philosophical Essays on Mind and Psychology*, Bradford Books, 1978. (Italian edition, 1991; Swedish edition, 1992; Portuguese edition, 2000); "Where am I?" translated into Estonian, *Akadeemia* 7, 2013, pp. 1155-1324; Chinese translation of Chapter 7, "Artificial Intelligence as Philosophy and as Psychology," by Justin Zou, 2020.
- The Mind's I: Fantasies and Reflections on Self and Soul*, Co-edited with Douglas Hofstadter, Basic Books, 1981. (Japanese edition, 1984; Spanish and Italian editions, 1985; German and Dutch editions 1986; French and Chinese editions, 1987; Greek edition, 1993).

- Elbow Room: The Varieties of Free Will Worth Wanting*, MIT Press, Oxford University Press, 1984. (German edition, 1986; Spanish edition, 1992). Audio edition, MIT Press, 2016.
- The Intentional Stance*, MIT Press/A Bradford Book, 1987 (French edition, 1990; Spanish edition, 1991; Italian edition, 1993; Japanese edition, 1995).
- Consciousness Explained*, Little, Brown, 1991, Penguin, 1992 (Dutch, Italian, French, German, Spanish and Korean editions).
- Darwin's Dangerous Idea: Evolution and the Meanings of Life*, Simon & Schuster, 1995 (Dutch, German, Japanese, Hungarian, French, Portuguese, Spanish, Estonian, Chinese, Bulgarian and Italian editions); translated into Turkish, ALFA 2011; translated into Russian, 2021.
- Kinds of Minds: Toward an Understanding of Consciousness*, Basic Books, 1996. Part of the Science Masters Series (also editions in French, Italian, Spanish, Portuguese, German, Dutch, Finnish, Polish, Rumanian, Hungarian, Hebrew, Turkish, Japanese, Korean, Chinese).
- Brainchildren: Essays on Designing Minds*, MIT Press and Penguin, 1998.
- AZ Intencionalitas Filozofiaja, Philosophy of Intentionality, Selected Papers*, Osiris Kiado publishers, Budapest, a collection of essays, translated by Csaba Pleh into Hungarian, 1998.
- Freedom Evolves*, Allen Lane Publishers, an imprint of Penguin Books, 2003; excerpt from "A Hearing for Libertarianism: Kane's Model of Indeterministic Decision-making," reprinted in *Free Will, Critical Concepts in Philosophy, Vol III, Free Will: Liberatarianism, Alternative Possibilities and Moral Responsibility*, ed. J.M. Fischer, Routledge, Taylor & Francis Group, June 2005, pp. 109-37; translated in Italian and published by Raffaello Cortina Editore (2004); translated in Dutch and published by *Uitgeverij Contact*, Amsterdam, 2004; translated in Japanese and published by Yamagata Hiroo, 2005; translated in Korean and published by Dongnyok Publishers, 2009.
- Sweet Dreams: Philosophical Obstacles to a Science of Consciousness*, MIT Press, 2005; translated in Italian and published by Raffaello Cortina Editore (2006); translated in Spanish and published by Katz, Buenos Aires, 2006; translated in Polish and published by Prószyński i S-ka, 2007; translated in German and published by Suhrkamp Verlag, Frankfurt, 2007; translated in Japanese and published by NTT, Japan, 2009.

- Breaking the Spell: Religion as a Natural Phenomenon*, Viking Press, 2006; translated in Dutch and published by *Uitgeverij Contact*, Amsterdam, 2006; translated in Finnish and published by *Terra Cognita*, Helsinki, 2006; translated in Italian and published by *Raffaello Cortina Editore*, Milano, 2007; translated in Portuguese and published by *Editora Globo*, 2006; translated in Spanish and published by *Katz Editores*, Madrid, 2007; translated in Greek, 2007; translated in Polish and published by *Państwowy Instytut Wydawniczy*, Warszawa 2008; Persian translation by Amir Maniee, 2019.
- Dove nascono le idee*, translated by Francesca Garofoli, *Di Renzo Editore*, Roma, 2006.
- Science and Religion: Are They Compatible?* Point/Counterpoint Series with Alvin Plantinga; James P. Sterba, Series Editor, Oxford University Press, 2011; translated into Italian by *Edizione ETS*, Pisa, 2011; translated into Polish, *Nauka i religia: Czy można je pogodzić*, by Copernicus Center Press, 2014; Portuguese translation, *Editora Ultimato*, Brazil, 2022.
- Inside Jokes: Using Humor to Reverse-Engineer the Mind*, Matthew Hurley, Daniel C. Dennett and Reginald B. Adams, Jr., MIT Press, 2011; translated into Japanese, *Kataoka Hirohito*, 2015; translated into Arabic, *Dar Stoor House*, forthcoming in 2021.
- Intuition Pumps and Other Tools for Thinking*, W.W. Norton & Co., NY, 2013; and Penguin Books, UK, 2013; translated into Dutch by *Uitgeverij Atlas Contact*, Amsterdam, 2014; translated into Italian, *Raffaello Cortina Editore*, 2014; Polish translation, *Copernicus Press*, 2020.
- Caught in the Pulpit: Leaving Belief Behind*, with Linda LaScola, Amazon.com 2013; Expanded and updated edition, *Pitchstone Publishing*, Durham, North Carolina, 2015.
- From Bacteria to Bach and Back: The Evolution of Minds*, W.W. Norton & Co. 2017; Italian translation, 2018; Chapter 15, "The Age of post-intelligent design," reprinted in *The Age of Artificial Intelligence*, Steven S. Gouveia, ed., *Vernon Press*, pp. 27-62, 2020; Portuguese translation, *Grupo Almedina*, 2020; Persian translation by Amir Maniee, 2020.
- The Four Horsemen: The Discussion That Sparked An Atheist Revolution*, with Richard Dawkins, Sam Harris and Christopher Hitchens, *Penguin Random House*, 2019.
- Just Deserts: Debating Free Will*, with Gregg Caruso, *Polity*, 2021; Korean translation, *Chaeksesang Publishing Co.*, 2022.

**Selected Recent Articles: (a complete bibliography is available at <http://ase.tufts.edu/cogstud/dennett/bibliography.html>)**

**2000**

- “The Battery,” in *The Greatest Inventions of the Past 2,000 Years*, ed. John Brockman, Simon & Schuster, 2000, pp. 73-74.
- “It’s Not a Bug, It’s a Feature,” *Journal of Consciousness Studies*, 7, No. 4, 2000, pp. 25-7.
- “Making Tools for Thinking,” in *Metarepresentations: A Multidisciplinary Perspective*, D. Sperber, ed., New York, Oxford University Press, 2000, pp. 17-29.
- “Re-introducing *The Concept of Mind*,” Foreword to Gilbert Ryle’s *The Concept of Mind*, Penguin Classics, 2000, viiii-xix.
- “The Case for Rorts,” in *Rorty and His Critics*, Ed., R. B. Brandom, Blackwell Publishers, 2000, pp. 99-101.
- interviewed by Chris Floyd of *Science & Spirit Magazine*, 11, 2, May/June 2000, pp. 18-20.
- “With a Little Help from My Friends,” in *Dennett’s Philosophy, A Comprehensive Assessment*, eds. D. Ross, A. Brook, D. Thompson, MIT Press, 2000, pp. 327-388.
- Foreword to *Darwinizing Culture, the status of memetics as a science*, ed. Robert Auger, Oxford University Press, 2000, pp. vii-ix.
- “Postmodernism and Truth,” in the *Proceedings of the Twentieth World Congress of Philosophy*, 8, 2000, pp. 93-103.
- with Christopher Westbury, “Mining The Past To Construct The Future: Memory and belief as forms of knowledge,” in Schacter, D. and Scarry, E. (Eds.). *Memory, Brain, and Belief*. Cambridge, MA: Harvard University Press, pp. 11-32.
- “To Tell the Truth?” excerpted from “Faith in the Truth,” *New Humanist*, Spring 2001, pp. 26-8.
- interviewed by Cristina Junyent for *Quark: Ciencia, Medicina, Comunicacion y Cultura*, 19, Julio-diciembre 2000 (Barcelona, Spain).
- interviewed by Enrique Font Bisier for *Metode, revista de difuso de la investigacio*, Hivern (Winter)2000/01, pp. 54-61 (Valencia, Spain).

**2001**

- "Are we explaining consciousness yet?" *Cognition* 79 (2001) 221-237.
- "Implantable brain chips-will they change who we are?" in *Lahey Clinic Medical Ethics Newsletter*, Spring 2001, pp. 6-7; reprinted in *Biomedical Ethics: A Multidisciplinary Approach to Moral Issues in Medicine and Biology*, ed. David Steinberg, M.D., University Press of New England, 2007, pp. 168-71.
- "Collision, Detection, Muselot, and Scribble: Some Reflections on Creativity" in *Virtual Music, Computer Synthesis of Musical Style*, by David Cope, MIT Press, 2001, pp. 283-291.
- "Things about Things," *The Foundations of Cognitive Science*, Joao Branquinho, ed. Clarendon Press, Oxford, 2001, pp. 133-143.
- "The Evolution of Culture," *The Monist*, vol. 84, no. 3, pp 305-324.
- "Cognitive Ethology: Hunting for Bargains or a Wild Goose Chase?" Italian translation in *Mente senza linguaggio: Il pensiero e gli animali*, Simone Gozzano, ed., Editori Riuniti, Italy, April 2001, pp. 79-97.
- "The Zombic Hunch: Extinction of an Intuition?" in *Philosophy at the New Millenium*, ed. Anthony O'Hear, Cambridge Univ. Press, 2001, *Royal Institute of Philosophy Supplement*: 48, pp27-43.
- "The evolution of evaluators," in *The Evolution of Economic Diversity*, eds. Antonio Nicita and Ugo Pagano, Routledge, 2001, pp. 66-81.
- "Surprise, surprise," commentary on O'Regan and Noe, *Behavioral and Brain Sciences*, (2001) 24:5, p. 982.
- "In Darwin's Wake, Where Am I?" APA Presidential Address, *Proceedings and Addresses of The American Philosophical Association*, Volume 75:2, November 2001, pp 13-30; reprinted in eds. J. Hodge and G. Radick, *The Cambridge Companion to Darwin*, Cambridge University Press, 2003, pp. 357-376.
- "Consciousness: How much is that in real money?" appeared orig. in R Gregory, ed, *The Oxford Companion to the Mind*, 2001.

## 2002

- "Who's Afraid of Determinism? Rethinking Causes and Possibilities," Christopher Taylor and Daniel Dennett, in *The Oxford Handbook of Free Will*, Robert Kane, ed., Oxford University Press, 2002, pp. 257-277.
- "The New Replicators," in *The Encyclopedia of Evolution*, volume 1, Mark Pagel, ed., Oxford University Press, 2002, pp. E83-E92.

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“Can Machines Think?” from chapter 1 in *Brainchildren*, reprinted in *Foundations of Cognitive Psychology*, A Bradford Book, MIT Press, 2002, pp. 35-54.

“Explaining the ‘magic’ of Consciousness,” *Exploring Consciousness, Humanities, Natural Science, Religion*, Proceedings of the International Symposium, Milano, November 19-20, 2001 (published in December, 2002, Fondazione Carlo Erba), pp. 47-58; reprinted in eds J. Laszlo, T. Bereczkei, C. Pleh, *Journal of Cultural and Evolutionary Psychology*, 1(2003)1, 7-19; translated into Ukrainian, to be published in *Психологія і Суспільство (Psychology and Society)*, 2018.

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## 2003

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York, 2004, pp. 45-50.

“On failures of freedom and the fear of science,” *Dædalus*, Journal of the American Academy of Arts & Sciences, Winter, 2003, pp. 126-130.

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“Zum Schutz der wissenschaftlichen Untersuchung des Bewutseins vor ideologischen Debatten” (Protecting Scientific Research on Consciousness from ideological debates), in Gene, Meme, und Gehirne, Suhrkamp Verlag Frankfurt am Main 2003, pp. 306-325.

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**2005**

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- "The relationship of truth and experience," EPA symposium, March 8, 2002
- "Explaining the 'Magic' of Consciousness," University of Western Australia, Perth, April 3, 2002.
- "Human and evolutionary engineering: similarities and differences," Symposium: The Philosophical Bases of Biological Thought, at Tufts University, April 16, 2002.
- "The 'magic' of consciousness-and how to explain it," Research Seminar in Cognition, Brain, and Behavior, Psychology 3340r., Harvard University, April 18, 2002
- "Human and evolutionary engineering: similarities and differences," Symposium: The Philosophical Bases of Biological Thought, 150th Anniversary Celebration, Tufts University, April 21, 2002

- “Can there be a 'first-person' science of consciousness?” Bowdoin College, April 23, 2002.
- “Problems with imagining consciousness,” Woods Hole Oceanographic Institute Distinguished Lecture, Woods Hole, MA, May 2, 2002.
- “Explaining the 'magic' of consciousness,” and responses to 9 papers on Dennett's philosophy, Muensteraner Vorlesungen zur Philosophie, Muenster, Germany, May 28&29, 2002.
- “On interactions between genetic and cultural evolution,” Conference of the Association of Students in Psychology at the University of Amsterdam, Friday, May 31, 2002.
- “Explaining the 'magic' of consciousness,” Institute for Philosophy, University of Belgrade, Belgrade, Serbia and Montenegro, June 8, 2002, and the New Bulgarian University Institute for Cognitive Science, Sofia, Bulgaria, June 15, 2002.
- “Darwinian approaches to cultural evolution,” the New Bulgarian University Institute for Cognitive Science, Sofia, Bulgaria, June 15, 2002.
- “Evolution in animal culture and human culture,” Collegium Budapest, June 18, 2002.
- “Explaining the 'magic' of consciousness,” inaugural lecture, Hungarian Academy of Sciences, June 19, 2002.
- “Building up to Intentionality,” Intentionality: Past and Future Conference, Miskolc, Hungary, June 22, 2002.
- “The Self as a Responding--and Responsible--Artifact,” Conference on “The Self: From Soul to Brain,” The New York Academy of Sciences Conference, Saturday, September 28, 2002.
- “The Cartesian Theater and Conscious Volition,” Philosophy & Neuroscience Conference, Carleton University, Ottawa, Canada, October 17-20, 2002.
- “A third person approach to consciousness,” “Explaining the magic of consciousness,” “Are Qualia what make life worth living?” “What Mary the Robot Knows,” “When—and where—do we decide?” “Consciousness as Fame in the Brain” The Daewoo Lectures, Seoul, South Korea, November 2-16, 2002.
- Boston College Psychology Colloquium, “Explaining the ‘Magic’ of Consciousness,” December 4, 2002.
- “Human & Evolutionary Engineering: Some Similarities and Differences,” Harvard Medical School Department of Genetics, Wednesday, February 12, 2003.
- “Freedom Evolves,” Skeptics Society, Caltech, Sunday February 23, 2003.

- “Avoiding Catastrophes in Deterministic Universes,” University of Southern California, Center for Robotics and Embedded Systems, Los Angeles, CA, February 24, 2003.
- “Explaining the ‘magic’ of consciousness,” TED (Technology Entertainment and Design) Conference, Monterey, CA, February 28, 2003.
- “Freedom Evolves,” Philadelphia Free Public Library, Philadelphia, PA, March 6, 2003.
- “Explaining the ‘magic’ of consciousness,” Tufts Campus Visit, Undergraduate Experience, Tufts University, March 7, 2003
- “Problems and Prospects for Memes in Explanations of Human Culture,” Culture and Cognition/ Evolution and Human Adaptation Lecture Series, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, March 14, 2003.
- “Avoiding Catastrophes in Deterministic Universes,” one of the Santa Fe Institute Public Lecture Series lectures, Santa Fe, New Mexico, March 16, 2003.
- “Explaining the ‘magic’ of consciousness,” Spencer-Leavitt lecture at Union College in Schenectady, April 30, 2003.
- Teleconference with Prof. Dale Turner and his class, in CA, May 29, 2003
- Keynote Address, ASSC (Association for the Scientific Study of Consciousness), Memphis, June 2, 2003
- Seattle: Adventures of the Mind, June 5-7
- “Real Consciousness, Real Freedom and ‘Real Magic’” Seymour Ricklin Lecture at Wayne State University, Sept. 26, 2003.
- “Real Consciousness, Real Freedom and ‘Real Magic’” Prince Edward Island, Oct 2-4, 2003
- “Real Consciousness, Real Freedom and ‘Real Magic’” IV Meeting Italian American Philosophy, Rome, Oct 7, 2003.
- “‘Is’ and ‘Ought’ – a Conference Overview,” The Place of Value in a World of Facts, a Public Conference, CPNSS, London School of Economics, Oct 10, 2003.
- “Imagining color: what RoboMary Knows” Duke University, October 17, 2003.
- “Rational avoidance in a deterministic world,” Rational Choice Workshop for faculty, University of Chicago, October 28, 2003.
- “The Fantasy of a First Person Science of Consciousness,” The Yale Perlis Lecture Series, Yale University, Nov. 13, 2003.
- Irsee, Bavaria, *Disorders of Volition*, Dec 11-13, 2003, Closing overview
- “Consciousness: more like fame than television,” at the University of

- British Columbia, Vancouver, BC, January 16, 2004  
“Explaining the ‘magic’ of Consciousness” at Simon Fraser University,  
Vancouver, BC, January 16, 2004  
“Freedom Evolves,” CSS Distinguished Lecture Series talk at Simon  
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February 25, 2004.  
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“The Far Side of the Self: And then what happens?” The Brain and Its  
Self: The New Frontier of Neuroscience Conference,  
Washington University, St Louis, April 2, 2004  
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Toward a Science of Consciousness conference, Tucson, April  
11, 2004  
LAS VEGAS (May)  
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BERTRAND RUSSELL SOCIETY (June)  
“Philosophers, Zombies, and Feelings: The illusions of ‘first-person’  
approaches to consciousness” “Petrus Hispanus Lectures”,  
Faculdade de Letras de Lisboa, July 8, 2004  
“Rational Avoidance in a Deterministic World” (themes from my  
recent book, *Freedom Evolves*), “Petrus Hispanus Lectures”,  
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language and cognition” workshop, International University  
Menendez y Pelayo and the Barcelona Municipality) 2004  
“Freedom Evolves,” public lecture, jointly sponsored by the Berkeley  
Philosophy Department, the Helen Wills Neuroscience Center  
and the Center for Cognitive and Brain Sciences, September  
16, 2004  
“The Personal Level and the Decomposition of Qualia,” at Berkeley  
(ICBS), September 17, 2004  
“The self and intentional action,” Festschrift in honor of Prof. John C.  
Marshall, Somerville College, Oxford, Sept 24th, 2004  
“My body has a mind of its own” Wilder Penfield Lecture, McGill  
University, November 18, 2004  
“Computers as Tools for Philosophers,” APA Barwise Prize Award  
Lecture, Boston, December 27-30, 2004  
EMBL (European Molecular Biology Laboratory) lecture to the  
Science & Society Committee, Heidelberg, Germany, March

11, 2005

- “Explaining the ‘Magic’ of Consciousness,” Ireland Public Lecture, Ireland Distinguished Visiting Scholar Award, University of Alabama at Birmingham, Alabama, March 15, 2005
- “My body has a mind of its own,” 2nd Mind and World Conference, University of Alabama at Birmingham, Alabama, March 19, 2005
- “What Explanatory Gap?” Nikola Grahek Memorial Conference, Belgrade, Yugoslavia, April 3, 2005
- “Philosophers, Zombies, and Feelings: The illusions of ‘first-person’ approaches to consciousness,” Harvard review of Philosophy lecture, April 8, 2005
- “Religion as a natural phenomenon,” NEI William D. Hamilton Lecture, University of New England, Portland, Maine, April 29, 2005
- “Darwin, Meaning and Truth,” Quincentenary Lecture, Christ’s College, Cambridge, England, May 18th, 2005
- “Breaking the Spell: Religion as a Natural Phenomenon,” Cambridge University Atheist & Agnostic Society (CUAAS), England, May 19th, 2005.
- “Freedom Evolves,” School of Psychology, Cardiff University, Cardiff, May 24th, 2005
- “Religion as a natural phenomenon,” School of Psychology, Cardiff University, Cardiff, May 26th, 2005
- “Religion as a natural phenomenon,” Castine Unitarian Church, On the Common, Castine, Maine, Sunday, July 31, 2005
- “What Do We Think With?” International Conference on Thought, Language and Action, Universidad Nacional de Colombia Philosophy Dept., Bogota, Colombia, Aug 30-Sept 5, 2005
- “Evolution, Freedom and Society,” First World Conference on the Future of Science, Venice, Italy, Sept. 21-23, 2005
- “Religion as a Natural Phenomenon,” IDEAS Boston, October 7, 2005
- “Explaining the ‘Magic’ of Consciousness,” Colgate University, Hamilton, NY, Oct 27, 2005
- “Why is Darwin’s Idea Dangerous?” Colgate University Science Colloquium Lecture, Hamilton, NY, Oct 28, 2005
- “Determinism, Freedom and Society,” Distinguished Speaker, The Gordon Institute, Tufts University, Nov 2, 2005
- “How could the brain be the seat of consciousness?” Cognitive Science Dept, University of Delaware, Friday, Nov 11, 2005
- “Darwin, Meaning, Truth and Morality,” David Norton Memorial Lecture, University of Delaware, Friday, Nov 11, 2005

- “When should we ask ‘what is it like’ to be an animal?” ESF Exploratory Workshop, Centre International de Rencontres, Marseille, France, Dec 9, 2005
- “Are we explaining consciousness yet?” “Breaking the Spell,” and “Freedom Evolves,” Realizing Life to the Fullest: Skeptics and Secular Humanist Cruise, San Diego to Mexico, December 10-17, 2005
- “Philosophy as Naïve Anthropology: Comment on Bennett and Hacker,” American Philosophical Association Meeting, New York, Dec 28, 2005.
- “Breaking the Spell, Religion as a Natural Phenomenon,” (TAM4) Randi Conference, “Science in Politics and the Politics of Science”, Las Vegas, January 28th, 2006
- Participant, panel honoring Marcel Kinsbourne, International Neuropsychological Society, 34th Annual Meeting, Boston Marriot Copley Place Hotel, February 2, 2006
- “Breaking the Spell,” Culture and Cognition program at Ann Arbor, Michigan, February 3rd, 2006.
- “Breaking the Spell, Religion as a Natural Phenomenon,” Columbia University, February 13, 2006
- “Breaking the Spell, Religion as a Natural Phenomenon,” Politics and Prose, Washington, (broadcast later on C-Span Book TV), February 14, 2006
- “Breaking the Spell, Religion as a Natural Phenomenon,” Fermilab, Batavia, IL, February 15, 2006
- “Breaking the Spell, Religion as a Natural Phenomenon,” Seminary Coop Bookstore, University of Chicago, February 16, 2006
- “Breaking the Spell, Religion as a Natural Phenomenon,” Pittsburgh Arts & Lectures, Carnegie Music Hall, Pittsburgh, PA, February 20, 2006
- “Breaking the Spell, Religion as a Natural Phenomenon,” Free Library of Philadelphia, February 21, 2006
- “Breaking the Spell, Religion as a Natural Phenomenon,” TED, Monterey, CA, February 22-5, 2006
- “Breaking the Spell, Religion as a Natural Phenomenon,” Skeptics Society, Caltech, February 26, 2006
- “Breaking the Spell, Religion as a Natural Phenomenon,” Elliot Bay Book Company, Seattle, February 27, 2006
- “Breaking the Spell, Religion as a Natural Phenomenon,” Reed College, Portland, OR, March 1, 2006
- “Obstacles to a Science of Consciousness,” History & Philosophy of Science, Philosophy, and Cognitive Science Colloquium,

- University of Indiana, March 6, 2006
- “Freedom Evolves—A Dangerous Idea?” Patten Lecture at the University of Indiana, March 7, 2006
- “Religion as a Natural Phenomenon,” Patten Lecture, University of Indiana, March 9, 2006
- “Religion as a Natural Phenomenon,” Royal Society of Arts Lecture, London, March 13, 2006
- “Religion as a Natural Phenomenon,” Playfair Lecture, Edinburgh, March 14, 2006
- “Religion as a Natural Phenomenon,” Bristol, UK, March 15, 2006
- “Religion as a Natural Phenomenon,” London School of Economics, March 16, 2006
- “Religion as a Natural Phenomenon,” Cambridge University, UK, March 17, 2006
- “Religion as a Natural Phenomenon,” St. Andrews, UK, March 18, 2006
- “Looking under the hood: what do we find when we “reverse engineer” religions?” Rutgers University Class of 1970 Lecture, March 30, 2006
- “Religion as a Natural Phenomenon,” public lecture, sponsored by the Center for Naturalism, the Humanist Chaplaincy at Harvard, and the Harvard Secular Society, at the Harvard Science Center, April 4, 2006
- “Darwin, Meaning & Truth: Examining the Evolution and Future of Human Religions (Breaking the Spell: Religion as a Natural Phenomenon)” Duke University, Provost’s Lecture Series 2006, Science, Religion and Evolution, April 6, 2006
- “Religion as a Natural Phenomenon,” guest lecturer at Florida State University, Tallahassee, April 7, 2006
- “Religion as a Natural Phenomenon,” First Dean’s Forum, Tufts University, April 10, 2006
- A discussion re: “What I Believe but Cannot Prove,” Harvard Bookstore, Harvard University, April 12, 2006
- “Computers as Prostheses for the Imagination,” Computers & Philosophy, an International Conference, Laval, France, May 3rd, 2006
- “Breaking the Spell: Religion as a Natural Phenomenon,” keynote speaker at Human Behavior and Evolution Society Conference (HBES), “Teaching Science in the 21st Century,” University of Pennsylvania Psychology Department, June 10th, 2006
- “How could the brain be the seat of consciousness?” The 1st

- Chandaria Lecture, University of London, June 22nd, 2006
- “Consciousness: How Science Changes the Subject,” Presidential Address, Scientific Study of Consciousness Meeting, Oxford, June 23rd, 2006
- “An evolutionary perspective on religions,” Summer Hard Problem Program of the Office of the Director of National Intelligence, MITRE Corporation, Bedford, MA, July 14, 2006
- “The domestication of the wild memes of religion,” The 2nd World Conference on the Future of Science, Venice, Italy, September 23rd, 2006
- “Breaking the Spell, Religion as a Natural Phenomenon,” PordenoneLegge, Pordenone, Italy, September 24th, 2006
- “The Excellent Adventure of Hubert, Yorick and Dennett,” 40th Carolina Colloquium, University of North Carolina, Raleigh, October 7th, 2006
- “The Domestication of Wild Religions: How Reflection Drove the Adaptations,” International Conference on the Evolution of Religion, Waianae, Hawaii, January 6th, 2007
- “Breaking the Spell: Religion as a Natural Phenomenon,” 4th Darwin Day celebration: “Darwin geologo e l’evoluzione della Terra,” Milan, Italy, February 8th, 2007
- “The Evolution of Religion,” The Future of Atheism: A Dialogue, University of New Orleans, February 23rd, 2007
- “Domesticating the Wild Memes of Religion,” Greer-Heard Forum, New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, February, 23rd, 2007
- “Religion as a Natural Phenomenon,” National Film Board and Université de Montreal, March 1, 2007.
- “How could the Brain be the Seat of Consciousness?” CAS/Millercomm Lecture, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, March 29th, 2007
- “Domesticating the Wild Memes of Religion,” Annual Philosophy Public Lecture, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, March 30th, 2007
- “Domesticating the Wild Memes of Religion,” The Colorado Tufts Alliance, Boulder, April 1st, 2007
- “Meaning and Morality: Darwin’s ‘strange inversion of reasoning,’” Rochester Institute of Technology, Caroline Werner Gannett Lecture Series, Rochester, NY, April 10th, 2007
- “From Animal to Person: The Evolution of Human Culture,” Great Minds at Work Conference, New York Academy of Sciences, New York, NY, April 20th, 2007

- “Free will and determinism,” Lund University, Copenhagen, May 8th, 2007
- “Breaking the Spell: Religion as a Natural Phenomenon,” The Danish Society for Philosophy and Psychology, Copenhagen, May 10th, 2007
- “Varieties of Content,” “Concepts: Content and Constitution, A symposium,” University of Copenhagen, Amager, May 12th, 2007
- Commencement address, McGill Convocation Ceremony, Montreal, May 28th, 2007
- “From Animal to Person: the Evolution of Culture,” Montreal Neurological Institute, May 28th, 2007
- “If the brain is the mind, can we have free will?” Eddy Lecture, Colorado State University, September 26th, 2007
- “Religion as a Natural Phenomenon,” Eddy Lecture, Colorado State University, September 26th, 2007
- “Good Reasons to ‘Believe’ in God,” Keynote address at Atheist Alliance International Convention, September 29th, 2007
- Opening remarks at the World Congress in China, October 13th, 2007
- Moderator at meeting, World Congress in China, October 15th, 2007
- “Genetic determinism, neuroscience, and free will,” Social Issues Roundtable, Society for Neuroscience, La Jolla, Ca, November 6th, 2007
- “Whole-Body Apoptosis and the Meanings of Lives,” Autonomy, Singularity, Creativity, The Human & The Humanities Conference, Duke University, November 10, 2007
- “The evolution of evitability: what is determined is not inevitable,” Five College Faculty Seminar, Amherst College, December 6th, 2007
- “Breaking the Spell,” at PEN, January 31, 2008
- “The Evolution of Evitability: How we came to have free will and responsibility,” University of California, Santa Barbara, February 4th, 2008
- A series of seminars on “Human intelligence with no skyhooks allowed: How our minds are the products—and producers—of multi-level evolutionary processes,” University of California, Santa Barbara, February-March, 2008
- “From Animal to Person: how cultural evolution furnishes our minds with thinking tools,” Los Angeles Museum of Natural History, March 7th, 2008
- “Darwin, Reason and Creativity,” Macalester College, Philadelphia, April 1st, 2008

- “Religion as a Natural Phenomenon,” Minnesota State University Mankato, April 3rd, 2008
- “The Evolution of Evitability: How we came to have free will and responsibility,” Minnesota State University Mankato, April 4th, 2008
- “From Animal to Person: How Cultural Evolution Builds our Minds,” Pennsylvania State, April 15th, 2008
- “From Animal to Person: How Cultural Evolution Builds our Minds,” University of Pennsylvania, April 16th, 2008
- “Religion is the greatest threat to rationality and scientific progress that we face,” debate with Lord Winston, AGORA, *Guardian*, London, April 22nd, 2008
- A talk at the Royal Netherlands Academy of Arts & Sciences, April 23rd, 2008
- A talk at the Amsterdam Psychiatric Hospital, April 24th, 2008
- “From Animal to Person: the role of culture in human evolution,” Cognitive Science and Language Interdisciplinary Master, Barcelona, April 25th, 2008
- “Innovation versus Evolution,” with Jorge Wagensberg, Dialogue Series hosted by the Foundation “la Caixa” at the CosmoCaixa Science Museum, Barcelona, April 29th, 2008
- “Religion as a Natural Phenomenon,” Newton South Lecture Series, Newton Community Education, Newton, MA, May 8th, 2008
- “How Mindless Algorithms Build Minds,” Keynote Lecture, The Human Algorithm: What Do Our Minds Compute? Dartmouth College, May 9th, 2008
- “Science of Morality,” World Science Festival Summit, Columbia University, New York, May 29th, 2008
- “What It Means To Be Human,” World Science Festival Summit, May 31st, 2008
- “From Animal to Person,” Mind and Societies public conference, Université de Québec à Montréal Summer School, Montreal, June 27th, 2008
- “The Hurley Model of Humour—An Introduction,” Music, Language and Mind Conference, Tufts University, July 11th, 2008
- “From Animal to Person: How Cultural Evolution Builds Human Minds,” The Potter Memorial Lectureship and the Philip C. Holland Lectureship, Washington State University, WA, September 11th, 2008
- “Breaking the Spell: Religion as a Natural Phenomenon,” Seattle Tufts Alliance Lecture, September 12th, 2008
- “Evolution and the Mind,” International VIB Ph.D. Student

- Symposium, Belgium, September 18-19, 2008
- “Multiple Drafts Model,” Antwerp, September 19th, 2008
- “Can we really close the Cartesian Theater?” The 2nd Vienna Conference on Consciousness, September 26th, 2008
- A public talk on ‘Darwin,’ University of Connecticut, October 2nd, 2008
- “Darwin and the Evolution of Reasons,” and Emperor Has No Clothes Award recipient, Freedom from Religion Foundation, Chicago, October 13th, 2008
- “What is consciousness?” Science Festival BergamoScienza, Bergamo, Italy, October 17th, 2008
- “Religion as a Natural Phenomenon,” Max Planck Institute for Experimental Medicine, Göttingen, Germany, October 18th, 2008
- “Darwin and the Evolution of Reasons,” Northwestern University’s One Book One Northwestern Lecture, October 30th, 2008
- Lecturer at American Academy of Religion Annual Meeting, Chicago, November 2nd, 2009
- Panelist, One Nation Under God? The Role of Religion in American Public Life, Boston College, Saturday, November 22nd, 2008
- “The Evolution of ‘Why’ as the Key to Free Will,” Stanford Presidential Lecture, Stanford University, January 12th, 2009
- “Darwin’s Strange Inversion of Reasoning,” Canadian Institute for Advanced Research, University of British Columbia, Vancouver, January 13th, 2009
- “Darwin’s Strange Inversion of Reasoning,” In the Light of Evolution: Two Centuries of Darwin, Distinctive Voices @ Beckman – National Academies, Irvine, CA, January 15th, 2009
- “Religion as a ‘natural’ phenomenon,” Public lecture at Dartmouth, January 20th, 2009
- “Darwin’s ‘Strange inversion of reasoning,’” TED Conference, Long Beach, CA, February 6th, 2009
- “Darwin and the Evolution of Reasons,” Carleton University Cognitive Science Department, Darwin Week 2009, Ottawa, February 9th, 2009
- “Darwin and the Evolution of Reasons,” Framingham State, February 12th, 2009
- “The Evolution of Reasons,” University of Arizona, February 16th, 2009
- “The Evolution of Words and Other Memes,” University of Arizona EEB Seminar, February 17th, 2009
- “Darwin’s ‘Strange Inversion of Reasoning,’” UA College of Science

- Lecture Series, February 17th, 2009
- “Darwin’s ‘Strange Inversion of Reasoning,’” Arizona State University, Beyond: Center for Fundamental Concepts in Science, February 18th, 2009
- “Darwin’s ‘Strange Inversion of Reasoning,’” Distinguished lecture series, University of Wisconsin, Madison, March 2nd, 2009
- “The Human Soul, A Unique Biological Adaptation: The Psychological Self,” The Religious-Secular Divide, Social Research Conference at The New School, March 5th, 2009
- “The Evolution of Belief,” Perrott Warrick Workshop on Beliefs and Reason, Trinity College, Cambridge, UK, March 18th, 2009
- “Darwinian perspectives on religion,” British Humanist Association, London, March 19th, 2009
- Public lecture, Bristol, UK, March 20th, 2009
- “Religion as a ‘natural’ phenomenon,” University of KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa, March 25th, 2009
- “From animal to person: The evolution of us,” Rhodes Lecture for SciFest Africa, March 27th, 2009
- “How materialism transforms our understanding of consciousness,” Grahamstown, South Africa, March 28th 2009
- “Cultural evolution: In what regards is it Darwin?” Talkshop at SciFest Africa, March 28th 2009
- Lecture on Academic Freedom, University of Capetown, South Africa, March 31st, 2009
- “From Animal to Person,” Stellenbosch University, South Africa, April 1st, 2009
- “Breaking the Spell,” Oakland University Department of Philosophy, 4th Annual Burke Lecturer, Michigan, April 6th, 2009
- “Breaking the Spell,” Tufts Alumni Greece Authors Series, April 9th, 2009
- “Darwin’s ‘Strange’ Inversion of Reasoning,” Sabanci University Darwin Year Celebration, Istanbul, April 10th, 2009
- “Breaking the Spell,” Tufts Alumni Turkey Authors Series, April 11th, 2009
- “Darwin and the Evolution of Reasons,” The American University of Beirut, April 14th, 2009
- “Brains, Computers and Minds with Daniel Dennett,” Harvard MBB 2009 Distinguished Lecture Series, April 21, 22 & 23, 2009
- “Darwin’s ‘strange’ inversion of reasoning,” Kalamazoo College Special Lecture, Thursday, April 30th, 2009
- “The cultural evolution of words and other thinking tools,” Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory 74th Symposium, May 29th, 2009

- “Darwin and the Evolution of ‘Why,’” Darwin Festival, Christ’s College, UK, July 8th, 2009
- “Darwin and the Evolution of ‘Why,’” Uruguay Darwin Festival, Montevideo, September 4th, 2009
- “Darwin’s Dangerous Idea,” Chile Darwin200, Santiago, September 7th, 2009
- “Darwin and the Evolution of Reasons,” Williams College, MA, Thursday, September 24th, 2009
- “Darwin and the Evolution of Reasons,” Middlebury College, VT, Friday, September 25th, 2009
- “The Evolution of Confusion: how conceptual bugs have been turned into features by those who believe in belief,” AAI, Burbank, CA, Saturday, October 3rd, 2009
- “Rethinking the computational architecture of the brain: just how competitive can the parts be?” Cognitive and Brain Studies Series, Psychology Department, Tufts University, October 9th, 2009
- “Darwin’s Strange Inversion of Reasoning,” The University of Maine, Orono, October 15th, 2009
- “The Evolution of ‘Why?’” University of Oslo, Norway, October 23rd, 2009
- “The Evolution of ‘Why?’” Bergen, Norway, October 24th, 2009
- “Evolution of the Mind,” Darwin Symposium, Uppsala, Sweden, October 26th, 2009
- “Darwin’s Strange Inversion of Reasoning: Confronting the Counterintuitive,” University of Chicago, Darwin Conference, October 30th, 2009
- Neuro’s 75th Anniversary, Montreal Neurological Institute, November 3rd, 2009
- “Darwin and Turing: Two Strange Inversions of Reasoning—Or One?” Santa Fe Institute, New Mexico, November 13th, 2009
- Debate: “Is Economics A Branch of Evolutionary Theory, or Something Else Entirely?” Santa Fe Institute, New Mexico, November 14th, 2009
- “Darwin’s Strange Inversion of Reasoning,” La Ciudad de las Ideas II, Puebla, Mexico, November 3-4, 2009
- Panel Member, La Ciudad de las Ideas II, Puebla, Mexico, November 3-4, 2009
- Panel member, Great Issues Forum at CUNY Graduate Center, November 17th, 2009
- “Freedom Evolves,” Metaphysics Meeting, University of Alabama at Birmingham, November 21st, 2009

- “Consciousness,” Guest Lecturer at Harvard University class, “What is Life? From Quarks to Consciousness,” November 30th, 2009
- Guest Lecturer at Roxbury Latin High School, Roxbury, MA, December 1st, 2009
- Keynote speech, Pula, Croatia, December 10th, 2009
- Panel Member, “Meeting of the Minds” session at Tufts Alumni Meeting, Zurich, Switzerland, December 12th, 2009
- “A Human Mind as an Upside-Down Brain,” Siemens Foundation, Munich, Germany, December 14th, 2009
- “The Evolution of Religions,” EMBL Public Lecture, Heidelberg, Germany, December 15th, 2009
- “How Memes Made Minds,” ZurichMinds, Switzerland, December 16th, 2009
- “Turing’s Strange Inversion and Searle’s Failure of Imagination,” 2010 Austin J. Fabothey, SJ Philosophy Conference, Santa Clara University, CA, January 23rd, 2010
- “Difficulties with Darwin’s Dangerous Idea: What Fodor and Nagel don’t understand,” Claremont College Consortium 2010 Merlan Lecture, Claremont, CA, February 16th, 2010
- “Wild and Domesticated Religions: How the Machinery of Religion Evolved,” Santa Fe Institute Public Lecture, March 16th, 2010
- “The evolution of misbelief,” Brain evolution and its consequences for brain pathology conference, Stazione Zoologica Napoli, Italy, March 23rd, 2010
- “A Human Mind as an Upside-Down Brain,” University of Reykjavik, Iceland, June 21st, 2010
- “Large Souls Take Time to Decide,” European Neurological Society Conference, Berlin, “The Return of Religion and the Return of the Criticism of Religion: The ‘New Atheism’ in Recent German and American Culture, June 23rd, 2010.
- “Evolution and Domestication of Religions,” Freie Universitaet Berlin, June 23rd, 2010
- “Free Will, Responsibility, and the Brain,” The Harvard Law School Student Association for Law and Mind Sciences (SALMS), Cambridge, MA, September 28th, 2010
- “What Should Replace Religions?” AAI-HC Convention, Montreal, October 2nd, 2010
- “The Human Mind as an Upside-Down Brain,” Centre de Recherche de l’Institut du Cerveau et de la Moelle épinière (cricm), Salpetriere, October 15th, 2010
- Video teleconference with Hibbing Community College, Minnesota, October 20th 2010

- “My brain made me do it: why some leading ideas in neuroscience are misleading people about freedom and responsibility”  
Parents’ Weekend at Tufts University, October 23rd, 2010
- “The Human Mind as an Upside-Down Brain,” Frontiers of Thought Conference, Porto Alegre, Brazil, November 8th, 2010
- “The Human Mind as an Upside-Down Brain,” The University of Memphis, November 18th, 2010
- “Using Humor to Reverse Engineer the Mind,” NEUPHI at Boston University, December 10th, 2010
- “My Brain Made Me Do It: When Neuroscientists Think They Can Do Philosophy,” Edinburgh University Philosophy Society, December 13th, 2010
- “My Brain Made Me Do It: When Neuroscientists Think They Can Do Philosophy,” Max Weber Lecture, Florence, Italy, December 15th, 2010
- “Using Humor to Reverse Engineer the Mind,” St. Andrews Philosophy Society, Edinburgh, January 25th, 2011
- “My Brain Made Me Do It” Georgia State University, February 7th, 2011
- “The Mind as an Upside-down Brain” Georgia State University, February 8th, 2011
- “Applying the Intentional Stance to non-humans. Can it take the strain?” UCLA mini-symposium “How like us are they?” February 4th, 2011
- “The Mind as an Upside-Down Brain,” 2010-11 Selzer Visiting Distinguished Philosopher Appointment Beloit College Feb 23rd - 25th, 2011
- “Darwin’s ‘strange inversion of reasoning,’” King’s Academy, Madaba, Jordan, April 7th, 2011
- “Reasons and having reasons: anthropocentrism and explanation,” American University of Beirut Conference on The Metaphysics of Evolutionary Naturalism, May 13th, 2011
- “Using Humor to Reverse Engineer the Mind,” Amsterdam Royal Palace Symposium on Consciousness, June 17th 2011
- “Failures of Imagination and the Mystery of Consciousness,” The University of Bucharest, June 22nd, 2011
- Lecturer at Harvard Society for Mind/Brain/Behavior Seminar, November 7th, 2011
- “Failures of Imagination and the ‘Mystery’ of Consciousness,” recipient of the Mind and Brain Prize, Center for Cognitive Science of Turin, Torino, Italy, October 12th, 2011
- “The Evolution of Purposes,” Melbourne University, Australia,

- November 15th, 2011
- Debate with Raymond Kurzweil, Creative Innovation Conference, Melbourne, Australia, November 16th, 2011
- “If Dinosaurs Evolved into Birds, What Will Religion Evolve into?” Sydney Opera House, Australia, November 20th, 2011
- Lecture at Cognitive Science Colloquium, University of Buffalo, New York, November 30th, 2011.
- “The Tender Trap and the Dogs that Aren’t Barking,” Center for Inquiry Conference: Daniel Dennett and the Scientific Study of Religion, Amherst, New York, December 3rd, 2011.
- [On the Human Forum](#), “Whole-Body Apoptosis and the Meanings of Lives” with comments and replies in an online forum, December 2011.
- “Curiosity,” recipient of an honorary doctorate, University of Amsterdam, January 6th, 2012
- “A confusion about phenomenal consciousness,” SMART Cognitive Science Lectures, University of Amsterdam, January 7th, 2012
- “A confusion about consciousness,” Conference Inaugural du Centre de Sciences Cognitives, Neuchatel, Switzerland, January 11th, 2012
- “Reflections on comparative cognition,” Royal Society Satellite Meeting, Kavli, UK, January 18th, 2012
- “A phenomenal confusion over access consciousness,” King’s College London Philosophy Society, January 20th, 2012
- “The evolution of reasons,” Darwin on the Palouse even, The American Humanist Association, Pullman, WA, February 8th, 2012
- “The evolution of reasons,” 27th Annual Darwin Lecture, University of Calgary, Canada, February 10th, 2012
- “Who isn’t an atheist? Don’t ask, don’t tell,” Council for Secular Humanism, Moving Secularism Forward, Orlando, Florida, March 3rd, 2012
- “Free will as moral competence,” Barry Taylor and David Lewis Philosophy Lecture, University of Melbourne, Australia, April 12th, 2012
- Salem State University, Salem, MA, April 19th, 2012
- Cognitive and Brain Sciences lecture, Tufts University, Medford, MA, April 19th, 2012
- Taste of Tufts lecture, sponsored by the Excollege, Tufts University, Medford, MA, April 20th, 2012
- Lecturer at the Harvard Society for Mind, Brain and Behaviour: Spring Symposium, Cambridge, MA, April 27th, 2012

- “Practical and theoretical free will,” Georgetown University, Washington, DC, May 3rd, 2012
- “Practical and theoretical free will,” Oxford Atheist’s Society, Oxford, UK, May 9th, 2012
- “Practical and theoretical free will,” Free Will Conference, School of Philosophy, London, UK, May 10th, 2012
- Lecture at Personal/Subpersonal Distinction conference, London, UK, May 11th, 2012
- “How Darwin and Turing Revolutionized Thinking,” Eton College Wotton’s Society, June 14th, 2012
- “Turing’s ‘strange inversion of reasoning,’” King’s College, Cambridge, UK, June 15th, 2012
- “Properties of conscious experience: another strange inversion,” Plenary lecture at The Fifth International Conference on Cognitive Science, Kaliningrad, Russia, June 20, 2012
- “Hume’s ‘strange inversion’ in consciousness,” Moscow State University, June 21st, 2012
- Book presentation (Dmitry Volkov’s book on Dennett) at Moscow Center for Consciousness Studies, June 21st, 2012
- “A Phenomenal Confusion About Access and Consciousness,” Evolution and Function of Consciousness, Summer Institute, Institute of Cognitive Science, Montreal, June 29th, 2012
- “The Public Face of Cognitive Science,” Tufts Cognitive Science Conference on “Language and Representation,” Tufts University, Medford, MA, September 16th, 2012
- “Nothing-yet-in neuroscience shows we don’t have free will,” Brain Meeting, Wellcome Trust Centre for Neuroimaging, University College, London, September 28th, 2012
- “How cultural evolution shapes human nature,” X International Congress of Ontology: From Elementary Particles to Human Nature, San Sebastian, Spain, October 4th, 2012
- “Free will is not an illusion, and it doesn’t depend at all on physics,” X Chillida-Leku Museum, San Sebastian, Spain, October 6th, 2012
- “How cultural evolution shapes human nature,” X International Congress of Ontology: From Elementary Particles to Human Nature, Barcelona, Spain, October 8th, 2012
- “Turing’s Gradualist Vision: Making Minds from Protominds,” Turing in Context II, Universitaire Stichting, Brussels, October 10th, 2012
- Symposium with Ph.D./Master Students of Royal Netherlands Academy of Science, Amsterdam, November 13th, 2012

- Acceptance Speech, Erasmus Prize Award, Royal Palace, Amsterdam, November 14th, 2012
- “How Darwinian is Cultural Evolution?” Semaine Sperber, Ecole Normale Supérieure, Paris, December 14, 2012.
- “Humor,” CARTA Symposium, “Is the Human Mind Unique?” UC San Diego, February 15th, 2013.
- “How the internet will transform religions,” Oxford Union, UK, March 8th, 2013.
- “The Installation of Cultural Software,” New College of the Humanities, UK, March 11th, 2013.
- “How thinking tools populate our brains and turn them into minds,” Royal Holloway, UK, March 12th, 2013.
- “The Virtual Machines of Consciousness,” New College of the Humanities, UK, March 14th, 2013.
- “How Active Symbols Create Intelligence Designers,” New College of the Humanities, UK, March 18th, 2013.
- “Cultural Evolution: from memetic evolution to intelligent design,” London School of Economics, UK, March 20th, 2013.
- “Turning Two Views of Consciousness into One: is it Possible?” with Nicholas Humphrey, New College of the Humanities, March 21st, 2013.
- “Promises, Poker Faces and the Arms Race of Autonomous Agents,” University College London, UK, March 22nd, 2013.
- Special Seminar at UCL, March 23rd, 2013.
- “The evolution of reasons,” Lehigh University 2013 Academic Symposium, Philadelphia, April 4th, 2013.
- “How thinking tools populate our brains and turn them into minds,” Cognitive and Brains Sciences lecture, Tufts University, April 8th 2013.
- “Cultural Evolution and the Well Equipped Brain?” New College of the Humanities, London, UK, March 7th, 2013.
- “How the internet will transform religions,” Oxford Union, UK, March 8th, 2013.
- “The Installation of Cultural Software,” New College of the Humanities, London, UK, March 11th, 2013.
- “How thinking tools populate our brains and turn them into minds,” Royal Holloway, London, UK, March 12th, 2013.
- “The Virtual Machines of Consciousness,” New College of the Humanities, London, UK, March 14th, 2013.
- “How Active Symbols Create Intelligence Designers,” New College of the Humanities, London, UK, March 18th, 2013.
- “Cultural Evolution: from memetic evolution to intelligent design,”

- London School of Economics, March 20th, 2013.
- “Turning Two Views of Consciousness into One: is it Possible?” New College of the Humanities, March 21st, 2013.
- “Promises, Poker Faces and the Arms Race of Autonomous Agents,” University College London special seminar, “Sense of Agency,” March 22nd, 2013.
- Author’s Talk and Book Signing for *Intuition Pumps and Other Tools for Thinking*, Harvard Book Store @Brattle Theater, Cambridge, MA, May 7th, 2013.
- Author’s Talk at Bloomberg, New York, May 8th, 2013.
- Author’s Talk at Big Think, New York, May 8th, 2013.
- Author’s Talk at New York Public Library, May 8th, 2013.
- Author’s Talk at Center for Inquiry, Washington, DC, May 9th, 2013.
- Author’s Talk at Politics and Prose, Washington, DC, May 9th, 2013.
- Author’s Talk at Google.com, Kirkland, WA, May 13th, 2013.
- Conversation with G. Dyson, Town Hall Seattle, WA, May 13th, 2013.
- Author’s Talk at Google, San Francisco, May 15th, 2013.
- Author’s Talk at Commonwealth Club, San Francisco, May 15th, 2013.
- “Breaking the Shell: inside the world of non-believing clergy,” *Imagine No Religion 3*, Kamloops Centre for Inquiry, Kamloops, B.C., May 19th, 2013.
- Author’s Talk at Intelligence Squared, London, UK, May 22nd, 2013.
- Author’s Talk at London School of Economics, UK, May 23rd, 2013.
- Author’s Talk, Hay Festival, UK, May 26th, 2013.
- “From reasons to representation: the adaptationist basis of information,” Bristol Conference, UK, May 30th, 2013.
- “The Role of Cultural Evolution in Making Our Minds,” Society for Philosophy and Psychology, 39th Meeting, Providence, RI, June 15th, 2013.
- TED Braintrust Retreat, Santa Barbara, CA, September 11th – 13th, 2013
- “How We Got To Be Who We Are: Exploring Cultural Evolution,” *WomenExplore* lecture series, Harvard Divinity School, September 19th, 2013.
- “If Brains are computers, what kind of computers are they?” Keynote Speaker at “Philosophy of Theory and Artificial Intelligence Conference,” St. Antony’s College, Oxford, UK, September 22nd, 2013.
- Invited lecture at Campfire 2013, Santa Fe, September 26th - 29th, 2013.
- Author's Talk for Friends of Tufts Libraries Parents and Family Weekend 2013, October 4th, 2013.

- Author's Talk, Studium General Groningen, The Netherlands, October 16th, 2013.
- Debate with Plantinga and Flanders, Ghent University, Ghent, Belgium, October 17th, 2013.
- "Animal consciousness is to human consciousness as birdsong is to language," Fondation Jean-Marie Delwart, Brussels, Belgium, October 20th, 2013.
- "From competence to comprehension: the origin of minds," Sage Fellow-in-Residence Lecture, University of California, Santa Barbara, November 4th, 2013.
- "Minds as virtual machines running on brains," Sage Fellow-in-Residence Lecture, UCSB, Nov 12th, 2013.
- Lecture at UCSB Philosophy Department Colloquium, November 15th, 2013.
- "Cultural evolution: from Darwinian processes to intelligent design," Sage Fellow-in-Residence Lecture, November 18th, 2013.
- Lecture at Mahasukha Center, Los Angeles, CA, November 8th, 2013.
- "What can cognitive science tell us about free will?" The 11th Harvey Preisler Memorial Symposium, New York, November 23rd, 2013.
- "Welcoming Remarks on an Auspicious Occasion," keynote speaker at Humanist Hub Grand Opening Preview Event, Cambridge, MA, December 8th, 2013.
- "Understanding Consciousness," BerlinMinds Flagship Event, December 10th, 2013.
- "Understanding Consciousness," ZurichMinds Flagship Event, December 11th, 2013.
- "How to make sure you have free will," New College of the Humanities, London, January 7th, 2014.
- "Consciousness and its role in free will," New College of the Humanities, London, January 9th, 2014.
- "Consciousness and its role in free will," New College of the Humanities, London, January 14th, 2014.
- "Consciousness and its role in free will," New College of the Humanities, London, January 16th, 2014.
- "What if there is no Hard Problem of Consciousness?" Duke University Mind, Brain and Behavior Distinguished Lecture Series, Durham, North Carolina, February 6th, 2014.
- "Evolutionary Routes to the Human Mind," at Florida Darwin Council & the Tampa Bay Coalition of Reason's Darwin Day, Clearwater, Florida, February 8th, 2014.
- Panel discussion with Steven Pinker on "Unlearning Violence:

- Evidence and Policy for Early Childhood Development and Peace," at World Peace Foundation, Fletcher School, Tufts University, February 13th, 2014.
- "The Competence of Nature," Rudolf-Carnap Lectures and Graduate Conference, Bochum, Germany, March 10th, 2014.
- "Explaining Mind: Cultural Evolution as the Bridge from Absolute Ignorance to Intelligent Design," Rudolf-Carnap Lectures and Graduate Conference, Bochum, Germany, March 10th, 2014.
- "If Brains are computers, what kind of computers are they?" Rudolf-Carnap Lectures and Graduate Conference, Bochum, Germany, March 11th, 2014.
- "How memes equip our brains for comprehension," Rudolf-Carnap Lectures and Graduate Conference, Bochum, Germany, March 12th, 2014.
- "What can cognitive science tell us about free will?" MindGroup Meeting, Johannes Gutenberg-Universitat, Mainz, Frankfurt, Germany, March 13th, 2014.
- "Panic absorbers," TED Talk, Vancouver, B.C., March 20th, 2014.
- "The Hard Question of consciousness: 'And then what happens?'" Brain Day, University of Waterloo, Canada, April 7th, 2014.
- "A Darwinian Perspective on Religion" Skype lecture with Rutgers Philosophy class, "Human Nature and Human Diversity", April 10th, 2014.
- "Searle and the Chinese Room," guest lecture in Intro to Cognitive Science class, Tufts University, April 10th, 2014.
- "The Hard Problem vs the Hard Question of Consciousness" Keynote speaker at Graduate Student Research Symposium, Tufts University, April 10th, 2014.
- "Does Time Fly When You're Having Philosophical Fun?" Toward a Science of Consciousness: The Tucson Conference, April 22nd, 2014.
- "What Does Neuroscience Teach Us About Free Will?" Bowdoin College, April 30th, 2014.
- Convener: Working Group on Perspectives on Cultural Evolution, SFI, May 5-10, 2014.
- "Is Free Will an Illusion? What can Cognitive Science Tell us?" Santa Fe Institute Community Lecture, May 14th 2014.
- Convener: Greenland workshop on consciousness and free will, Greenland, June 10-17, 2014.
- "Can Churches Survive the New Transparency?" The Amazing Meeting, Las Vegas, Nevada, July 11th, 2014.
- "Why are there Reasons?" Montclair State University, Montclair, New

- Jersey, September 17th, 2014.
- “Where does the understanding happen? A different perspective on neurocomputational thinking,” Allen Institute, Seattle, WA, September 19th, 2014.
- “Information, Comprehension, and Evolution,” Università degli Studi di Milano, Milano, Italy, October 21st, 2014.
- Panelist, “State of Mind: Consciousness and Thinking,” Boston Book Festival, Boston Public Library, October 25th, 2014.
- “The Pendulum of Possibilities,” Animal Consciousness Symposium: Evidence and Implications, Harvard University, November 15th, 2014.
- Opening remarks, “A Skeptic’s Challenge,” Animal Consciousness Symposium: Evidence and Implications, Harvard University, November 16th, 2014.
- “What Neuroscience will tell us about Moral Responsibility,” Rome Science Festival, January 25th, 2015.
- Discussant, Center for Academic Research and Training in Anthropogeny (CARTA) “How Language Evolves,” Public Symposium, Friday, February 20, 2015.
- “Cultural evolution and the architecture of human minds,” Lecture 1, New College of the Humanities, London, March 16th, 2015.
- “Which Information Age are we living in?” Great Thinkers Series Lecture, HowTo Academy, Conde Nast College, London, March 18th, 2015.
- “Cultural evolution and the architecture of human minds,” Lecture 2, New College of the Humanities, March 18th, 2015.
- “De-Darwinizing Culture,” University of Edinburgh Philosophy Society, March 19th, 2015.
- “Cultural evolution and the architecture of human minds,” Lecture 3, New College of the Humanities, March 23rd, 2015.
- “Information, Evolution, and Intelligent Design,” The Royal Institution, London, March 25th, 2015.
- “Cultural evolution and the architecture of human minds,” Lecture 4, New College of the Humanities, March 26th, 2015.
- “Information and the New Transparency,” guest lecturer at Deb Roy’s MIT seminar, “Introduction to Social Machines,” April 8th, 2015.
- Panelist, Tufts University Interfaith Student Council Panel, Tufts University, April 14th, 2015.
- Guest expert on PHILOSOPHY TALK at Pacific University, Oregon, April 17th, 2015.
- “Information as Design Worth Stealing,” Pacific University, Oregon,

- April 18th, 2015.
- "Which Information Age are we living in?" Jumbo Days lecture, Tufts University, April 23rd, 2015.
- "Evolving Minds: From Bacteria to Bach and Back," a series of 10 lectures, The Ferrater Mora Seminar, at The University of Girona, Spain, May 4th through May 8th, 2015.
- "Three strange inversions: Darwin, Turing and Hume," public lecture at Cultural Center La Mercè, Girona, May 9th, 2015.
- "Free Will and the Moral Agents Club," public lecture at the Contemporary Cultural Center of Barcelona, Spain, May 11th, 2015.
- Discussant, "An Evening with Richard Dawkins," Medford, MA, June 11th, 2015.
- Hosted "Cognitive Cruise" with guests Stanislas and Ghislaine Dehaene, and cognitive scientists, alumni of the Center for Cognitive Studies. Co-sponsored by Dmitry Volkov of Center for Consciousness Studies, Moscow, Little Deer Isle, Maine, August 4-7, 2015.
- "From Bacteria to Bach and Back," Bach Festival, Montreal, Canada, December 5th, 2015.
- "Technology, Reason, and the Future of Morality," Effective Altruism, Tufts University, February 29th, 2016.
- "Consciousness and the Brain: Replacing the 'Hard Problem' with the Hard Question," Hans-Lukas Teuber Lecture, MIT, March 3rd, 2016.
- "NEW IDEAS: 5 of Dennett's Favorite Thinkers," A symposium in honor of Dan Dennett (emcee, introductory and concluding remarks), Tufts University, March 4th, 2016.
- "Free will is as real as colors, promises and euros," Philharmonie Haarlem, Amsterdam, March 11th, 2016.
- "The 'Final Battle' with Dennett, Swaab, Lamme, and Slors in debate," Philharmonie Haarlem, Amsterdam, March 11th, 2016.
- "Free will is as real as colors, promises and euros," Radboud University, Nijmegen, March 12th, 2016.
- "Ontology, Science, and the Evolution of the Manifest Image," New College of the Humanities, London, March 14th, 2016.
- "Strange Inversions," New College of the Humanities, London, March 17th, 2016.
- "The De-Darwinization of Cultural Evolution," New College of the Humanities, London, March 17th, 2016.
- "Neuroscience and moral competence," British Academy, London, March 23rd, 2016.

- "Hume's Strange Inversion: How we got our Manifest Image," New College of the Humanities, London, March 23rd, 2016.
- "Consciousness: whose user illusion is it?" New College of the Humanities Mind and Brain Prize Conference, London, March 26th, 2016.
- "Implications from Neuroscience to Public Policy," Neuroethics Conference, University of Padova, School of Psychology, May 19th, 2016.
- Discussant, CIFAR meeting, "Biomarkers of Consciousness", London, May 24th, 2016.
- Discussant, "A Tribute to Dennett's Consciousness" with Dehaene and Quiroga, 20th Annual Meeting of the Association for the Scientific Study of Consciousness (ASSC), Buenos Aires, Argentina, June 17th, 2016.
- "A Magician's View of Consciousness," "New challenges in the field of Cognitive Neuroscience," a satellite meeting of the ASSC organized by INECO, Buenos Aires, Argentina, June 21st, 2016.
- "Responses to the New Transparency," TED Summit, Banff, Canada, June 28th, 2016.
- "From Bacteria to Bach and Back: the Evolution of Minds," Event to Benefit the Secular Coalition for America, Norwalk, CT, September 10th, 2016.
- "Consciousness: Whose User Illusion is it?" University of Maryland Cognitive Science Colloquium, September 22nd, 2016.
- "From Bacteria to Bach and Back: the Evolution of Minds," George Washington University Mind-Brain Institute, September 23rd, 2016.
- "Consciousness: A Magic Show without a Theater," British Consulate (New College of the Humanities), New York City, October 4th, 2016.
- "Has the dam broken? Omens and worries," Freedom from Religion Foundation Convention, October 8th, 2016.
- Guest lecturer, Deb Roy's Machine Learning, Society & Autonomy class, MIT, Nov 1st, 2016.
- "From Bacteria to Bach and Back: the Evolution of Minds," University of Indiana, Bloomington, Indiana, November 10th, 2016.
- "A Magician's View of Consciousness," University of Indiana, Bloomington, Indiana, November 11th, 2016.
- "Memes Saved from Extinction," New College of the Humanities public talk, London, January 17th, 2017.
- "Information and Design," New College of the Humanities, London, January 19th, 2017.

- "The Irrelevance of Determinism to Free Will," New College of the Humanities, London, January 23rd, 2017.
- "The Hard Question of Consciousness," New College of the Humanities, London, January 24th, 2017.
- "From Bacteria to Bach and Back: The Evolution of Minds," Google Cambridge, February 6th, 2017.
- "From Bacteria to Bach and Back: The Evolution of Minds," Harvard Book Store at Brattle Theater with Dan Gilbert, Cambridge, February 6th, 2017.
- "From Bacteria to Bach and Back: The Evolution of Minds," Secret Science Club at the Bell House, Brooklyn, NY, February 7th, 2017.
- "From Bacteria to Bach and Back: The Evolution of Minds," Google NYC, February 8th, 2017.
- "From Bacteria to Bach and Back: The Evolution of Minds," Free Library of Philadelphia with Adam Gopnick, February 9th, 2017.
- Guest lecturer, Tufts University Cognitive and Brain Science course, February 15th, 2017.
- "Haptic Whittles," a gallery showing of Dennett's sculptures at Underdonk, Brooklyn, NY, February 11th - March 26th, 2017.
- "From Bacteria to Bach and Back: The Evolution of Minds," Intelligence Squared, Westminster, UK, February 20th, 2017
- "If our brains are computers, who designs the software?" Royal Institution, London, February 21st, 2017.
- "From Bacteria to Bach and Back: The Evolution of Minds," Bristol Festival of Ideas, UK, February 22nd, 2017.
- Guest lecturer, Prof. Ken Garden's religion class (After God: Atheism and Secularism), Tufts University, April 5th, 2017.
- Led a Jeffersonian dinner on free will, TED conference, Vancouver, April 26th, 2017.
- "Truth and Transparency," Commencement Address to the 2017 Graduating class of Trinity College, May 21st, 2017.
- "Mememes as the key to human intelligence," Polish Academy of Sciences, Warsaw, October 19th, 2017.
- "Is consciousness an illusion?" Social Cognition Conference, Lublin, Poland, October 21st, 2017.
- "Bacteria to Bach and Back," Copernicus Center, Krakow, Poland, October 23rd, 2017.
- "From Bacteria to Bach and Back," Czech Academy of Sciences, Prague, October 30th, 2017.
- "Are we entering the age of post-intelligent design?" Jefferson Society

- Distinguished Speaker Series, University of Virginia, November 3rd, 2017.
- “The Science of the Soul (and where to go from here)” Humanist Hub, Cambridge, MA, November 6th, 2017.
- “‘I can, but I won’t’: why the Hard Question is so Hard,’ Designed Mind Symposium, Informatics Forum, University of Edinburgh, November 9th, 2017.
- Final Commentary, Expecting Ourselves Workshop, Edinburgh, November 10th, 2017.
- “Are we entering the age of post-intelligent design?” The School of Life, Amsterdam, November 12th, 2017.
- Dennett and Bostrom panel on consciousness, The Academy of Sciences, Stockholm, Sweden, November 13th, 2017.
- Panel discussion, Animal Consciousness Conference, NYU, November 17-18, 2017.
- “What is a Good Life?” guest lecturer at ExCollege class, Tufts University, November 21st, 2017.
- Organizer and participant, Santa Fe Working Group, “The Meaning of Information,” Santa Fe Institute, January 17th - 19th, 2018.
- Contributer, World Economic Forum Annual Meeting 2018, Davos, Switzerland, January 22nd - 26th, 2018.
- “Facing up the hard question of consciousness,” Annual Marc Jeannerod Lecture, University of Antwerp, January 30th, 2018.
- “Tools making tools: the recursive de-Darwinization of human culture,” The Generalized Theory of Evolution, University of Düsseldorf, January 31st, 2018.
- “Answering the Hard Question of Consciousness: ‘And then what happens?’” Princeton, February 23rd, 2018.
- “Answering the Hard Question about consciousness and the brain,” Tufts Medical School, Boston, February 27th, 2018.
- “Illusions of Consciousness,” Tufts Alumni event, New York City, March 15th, 2018.
- Daniel Dennett, Linda LaScola, and the Civilians, present a developmental reading of *Caught in the Pulpit*, by Marin Gazzaniga and directed by Steve Cosson, New York City, March 16th, 2018.
- “User-illusions, colours, and the myth of ‘direct acquaintance’” New College of the Humanities, London, March 20th, 2018.
- “Competence without Comprehension: Science not Magic,” ‘Understanding Intelligence & Ethics in the Age of AI’ - A symposium from the BMF, Sage Group and NCH, London,

- March 22nd, 2018.
- “How do we know what we’re thinking?” New College of the Humanities, London, March 22nd, 2018.
- Discussant in post-film discussion of *Psi*, (as well as an interviewee in film) a movie by Olivier Wright, premier at MIT, April 3rd, 2018.
- Closing remarks, Predictive Processing Workshop, Center for Cognitive Studies, Tufts University, April 6th-8th, 2018.
- “User-Illusions, color, and the myth of 'direct acquaintance,’” Cognitive and Brain Science Colloquium lecture, Tufts University, April 9th, 2018.
- "Ruth Garrett Millikan: Iconoclast and Reverse-Engineer," Ruth Millikan Endowed Chair Celebration, University of Connecticut, April 30th, 2018.
- "From Bacteria to Bach and Back," Lecture and Q&A with visiting group from Phoenix, AZ, Tufts University, May 9th, 2018.
- “Agents and homunculi: does it take a village to make a conscious organism?” GoldLab Symposium, Boulder, CO, May 18th, 2018.
- "Consciousness, the brain, and degrees of freedom," Moral Psychology: From Neurons to Norms, Beirut, May 24th, 2018.
- “Family values—headed for extinction?” Cagliari, Italy, June 7th, 2018.
- "The New Transparency," Congressional Freethought Caucus, Washington, DC, June 25th, 2018.
- "From Bacteria to Bach and Back," Belfast Public Library, August 18, 2018.
- "The Future of Life," Schrödinger at 75: What is Life Conference, Trinity College, Dublin, September 5th, 2018.
- Participant, "The Future of Knowledge," hosted by the US Embassy in Dublin, September 6th, 2018.
- “From Bacteria to Bach: Charles Darwin’s Vision Extended,” Charles Darwin Oration, Charles Darwin University, Darwin, Australia September 13th, 2018.
- "Consciousness and free will evolved together," Keynote at Evolving Minds Conference, Charles Darwin University, Darwin, Australia, September 17th, 2018.
- “From Bacteria to Bach: Charles Darwin’s Vision Extended,” Charles Darwin Oration, Alice Springs, Australia, September 20th, 2018.
- “Consciousness: What have we learned in the last 50 years?” Centre for Ideas, Sydney, Australia, September 24th, 2018.

- "Autonomy and consciousness," Nijmegen Lecture, October 15th, 2018.
- "The role of language in human consciousness," Nijmegen Lecture, October 16th, 2018.
- "From Bacteria to Bach: Extending Darwin's Vision," Radboud Reflects, Nijmegen, October 17th, 2018.
- Honorary Doctorate Lecture, Radboud University, Nijmegen, October 18th, 2018.
- "Philosophy in the Future: from Auto-anthropology to Imagination-therapy," La Caixa Foundation, Barcelona, October 22nd, 2018.
- "Consciousness and free will evolved together," Humanities for Autumn Conference, Barcelona, October 23rd, 2018.
- "Reconsidering the Meme's Eye Point of View," Philosophy of Science Association, November 2nd, 2018.
- "Autonomy, Consciousness, and Responsibility," Carl Sagan Award lecture, Carnegie Mellon University, November 8th, 2018.
- "How minds get designed," Phillips Exeter Academy, November 13th, 2018.
- "The Role of Language in Consciousness," New College of the Humanities, London, December 12th, 2018.
- "Answering the Hard Question by Composing the Inner Witness," Attenborough Lecture, Sainsbury Wellcome Centre for Neural Circuits and Behaviour, December 13th, 2018.
- Speaker, Memorial Session for Jerry Fodor, APA Meeting, NYC, January 9th, 2019.
- "Religion, Identity, and the Construction of Faith", a conversation between Reza Aslan, Daniel Dennett, and William Schweiker, University of Chicago, February 5th, 2019.
- "Darwin's Strange Inversion of Reasoning and Human Intelligence," East Tennessee State University, February 7th, 2019.
- "The interaction between genetic and cultural evolution: memes reconsidered," Iowa State University, February 9th, 2019.
- Guest lecturer, Cognitive and Brain Studies Senior Seminar, Tufts University, February 27th, 2019.
- "Hard Problems, Hard Questions - a Meta-Conversation between David Chalmers and Daniel Dennett," at Pioneer Works, Brooklyn, NYC, March 9th, 2019.
- Guest lecturer, "SeaTalks," Odyssea II Cruise, China & Japan, March 20th, 2019.
- "Autonomy and Consciousness," Lawrence University Philosophy Department, April 4th, 2019.

- Brief lecture before "Alarm Will Sound" performance, Lawrence University, April 5th, 2019.
- Panel discussant, "Living without religion" panel for Saints, Heretics and Atheists at Winthrop House, Harvard University, April 17th, 2019.
- "Building Up to Consciousness and Autonomy," with Keith Frankish, "Growing Autonomy - control, guidance, and self-organisation in human and artificial agents" symposium, University of Reading, UK, May 8th, 2019.
- "Autonomy and Consciousness," Albert Wolters Public lecture, University of Reading, UK, May 9th, 2019.
- "Consciousness and self-control in machines like us," DeepMind lecture, London, UK, June 17th, 2019.
- "Smart Machines and a Reverse Turing Test," Margaret Boden Lecture, Leverhulme CFI, Cambridge, UK, June 18th, 2019.
- "Autonomy, Consciousness, and Freedom," The 14th Annual Amherst Lecture in Philosophy, Amherst College, October 17th, 2019.
- "Autonomy, Consciousness, and Freedom," Lecture via WebEx, Nazarbayev University, Nur Sultan, Kazakhstan, November 13th, 2019.
- Co-lecturer with Michael Graziano (Princeton Psychology Dept.) on Graziano's AST model of human consciousness, at MIT on December 6th, 2019.
- Discussant, Advisory Committee of the Azrieli Mind Brain and Consciousness group, semi-annual meeting, Toronto, December 9th-10th, 2019.
- "Cells as intelligent agents," in Michael Levin's lab, Tufts University, December 16th, 2019.
- "What is Consciousness For?" opening speaker, IPD/NPSA Conference on Consciousness, Rome, January 25th, 2020.
- "Consciousness and Autonomy," 2nd talk, IPD/NPSA Conference on Consciousness, Rome, January 26th, 2020.
- "Herding cats and free will inflation," APA – Patrick Romanell Lecture, Chicago, February 28th, 2020.
- Guest lecturer in Prof. Ani Patel's Introduction to Cognitive and Brain Science class (PSY 9), Tufts University, April 16th, 2020 (ZOOM).
- "De Cabeza" con Andrés Roemer. ¿La religión es buena para la humanidad? Conversation with Michael Schermer, Douglas Givet, and David Wolpe for *Ciudad des las Ideas* podcast, July 13th, 2020 (ZOOM).
- Interview by John Symons for "Global Conversations" video series,

- July 30th, 2020 (ZOOM).
- How the Light Gets In, Global, September 19th-20th, 2020 (ZOOM).
- "Are we just 'moist robots'? Autonomy, Control and the Brain,"  
Inaugural lecture at Central European University in Vienna,  
Austria, October 6th, 2020 (ZOOM).
- "Answering the Hard Question dissolves the Hard Problem of  
Consciousness," Consciousness and Qualia online lecture to  
Science Literacy students at New College of Humanities,  
October 20th, 2020.
- "Consciousness and privileged access," Pufendorf lecture, Lund  
University, Sweden, January 20th, 2021 (ZOOM).
- "The role of consciousness in self-control," Roma Tre Series of  
Webinars on "Agency in the World," hosted by Mario de Caro  
and Benedetta Giovanola, February 26th, 2021 (ZOOM).
- "Knowing what to do when you don't know what to do," Santa Fe  
Institute, Conference and Natural and Artificial Intelligence,  
March 15th, 2021 (ZOOM).
- "Are we moist robots?" The Boston Society for Neurology,  
Neurosurgery and Psychiatry, April 1st, 2021 (ZOOM).
- "What is consciousness for?" Rutgers Cognitive Science Club, April  
14th, 2021 (ZOOM).
- "This House Believes that Free Will does not exist," University of  
Cambridge Union Debate, November 23rd, 2021 (ZOOM).
- Podcast Guest, Wheaton College, November 30th, 2021 (ZOOM).
- Montreal AI & Neuroscience symposium (MAIN), December 1st, 2021  
(ZOOM).
- "A farewell to qualia, figment, and the Hard Problem," seminar series  
in the School of Life Sciences at the University of Sussex,  
December 2nd, 2021 (ZOOM).
- Human Brains interview with Taryn Simon, Watertown, MA,  
December 8th, 2021.
- "What does science show us about free will?" Science Literacy  
Lecture, NCH, January 11th, 2022 (ZOOM).
- "Free will as an accomplishment," Spring Faculty Talks, Tufts  
Philosophy Graduate Program, February 11th, 2022 (ZOOM).
- Introductory words, Real Patterns Workshop at Santa Fe Institute,  
February 27th, 2022 (ZOOM).
- "Choosing Naturalism as a Starting Point," Naturalism and Its  
Challenges Conference, Iranian Institute of Philosophy, March  
8, 2022 (ZOOM)
- Interview, *The Munk Dialogues*, March 11th, 2022 (ZOOM).
- Guest lecturer, Ani Patel's Cognitive and Brain Studies class, Tufts

- University, April 8th, 2022 (ZOOM).
- Keynote address, Workshop on Methodological Issues in the Economics of Preferences and Beliefs About Risk," University College, Cork, Ireland, April 25, 2022 (ZOOM).
- Advisor and Collaborator, Trinity Dublin meeting, *History of Representations*, May 12th, 2022 (ZOOM).
- "Yes, our brains are computers, but..." closing talk, SSNAP (Summer Seminars in Neuroscience and Philosophy) Conference, June 3rd, 2022 (ZOOM).
- "Free Will As An Achievement," Honorary Degree Ceremony speech, Commencement, American University of Beirut, June 9th, 2022.
- Acceptance Speech, Honorary Degree Ceremony, Commencement, American University of Beirut, June 9th, 2022.
- "We are all cherry-pickers," Google Lecture (to the Large Language Model group at Google), August 26th, 2022 (ZOOM).
- "Qualia are virtual, and none the worse for it. So are songs and dollars," Workshop: To be or not to be... conscious. Phenomenal realism and illusionism, Bochum, Germany, September 29th, 2022.
- "We are all cherry pickers," keynote address, 50th Anniversary Northern New England Philosophical Meeting, UNH, Durham, NH, October 21st, 2022.