

# PRACTICAL WISDOM COLLOQUIUM SERIES

fall&winter 2011/2012

## BETWEEN RULES AND PRACTICE: WHY WE NEED PRACTICAL WISDOM IN POLITICS

### Patricia Churchland

Professor Emerita of Philosophy at the University of California at San Diego, Adjunct Professor at the Salk Institute, Author of *Braintrust*

Tuesday, January 24, 2012

#### Principal's Lecture: "Braintrust: What Neuroscience tells us about Morality"

5 pm, Coach House, Green College. Followed by reception in the Piano Lounge and dinner at 6:45 pm. Fireside chat in Piano Lounge, 8 pm

Thursday, January 26, 2012

#### "What is the Role for Rules in Social Behavior?"

10:00 am – 12:00 noon, Peter Wall Institute for Advanced Studies

Saturday, January 28, 2012

#### "Morality and the Brain"

8:15 pm, The Vancouver Institute, Woodward Instructional Resources Centre, UBC

### Kenneth Sharpe

William R. Kenan Professor of Political Science at Swarthmore College, author (with Barry Schwartz) of *Practical Wisdom*.

Saturday, February 4, 2012

#### "Practical Wisdom: The Right Way to Do the Right Thing"

8:15 pm, The Vancouver Institute, Woodward Instructional Resources Centre, UBC

Thursday, February 9, 2012

#### "Practical Wisdom and Its Enemies: Nurturing Good Character in an Age of Rules and Incentives"

10:00 am – 12:00 Noon, Peter Wall Institute for Advanced Studies  
Dinner at 6:45 pm, followed by fireside chat in the Piano Lounge at Green College, 8 pm.

### Maxwell A. Cameron

Director of the Centre for the Study of Democratic Institutions, Distinguished Scholar-in-Residence at the Peter Wall Institute for Advanced Studies at UBC.

Wednesday, February 29, 2012

#### "Between Rules and Practice: Practical Wisdom in Constitutional Democracies"

6:00 pm, Peter Wall Institute for Advanced Studies, By invitation. Contact: Max.Cameron@ubc.ca

### Barry Schwartz

Dorwin Cartwright Professor of Social Theory and Social Action at Swarthmore College author of *The Paradox of Choice*.

Thursday, March 1, 2012

#### "Doing the Right Thing for the Right Reason: Why Incentives Are No Substitute for Character"

10:00 am – 12:00 Noon, Peter Wall Institute for Advanced Studies

Dinner at 6:45 pm, followed by fireside chat in the Piano Lounge at Green College, 8 pm.

### Frans de Waal

C.D. Candler Professor of Psychology & Director of the Living Links Centre at the Yerkes National Primate Research Center at Emory University, author of *The Age of Empathy*.

Thursday, March 8, 2012

#### "Morality Before Religion: Empathy, Fairness and Prosocial Primates"

3:00-5:00 pm, Frederic Wood Theatre

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