



Preface

Gordon Arthur

Once again, this issue of the *Journal of Space Philosophy* marks a transition, with Jason Batt taking over from Mark Wagner as associate editor. We welcome Jason and we thank Mark for his contributions over the last two years. The feature article, by Nick Nielson, focuses on the technological textures of life on Earth and in space. Then, Christine Tan and Frank White look at the intersection between the Overview Effect and systems. Jason Batt's article offers a reflection on the archetypal consciousness in space travel. It was received and approved before Jason joined the editorial team.

Abdulaziz Alareedh discusses a religious view on human ethics in the space era. It draws heavily on an earlier paper of mine on cosmic and universal ethics, which we reprint at the end of the issue for readers' convenience. It was originally published in the journal in 2014. Finally, Chris Carberry discusses the use of alcohol in space. We are grateful to all our contributors for their work, and we are always open to good new papers from existing and new contributors.

We are also issuing calls for papers for the Spring and Fall 2024 editions of the journal. The spring edition will focus on the philosophy and ethics of space law, while the fall issue will address space healthcare and emergency response for the multi-generational human family in space communities. Both may also include material on other subjects. Please send articles for consideration to Jason Batt at info@journalofspacephilosophy.com.

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Accepting Papers for the Spring 2024 Issue: “Philosophy & Ethics of Space Law”

The Journal of Space Philosophy invites authors to contribute to our Spring 2024 issue, a special edition dedicated to the Philosophy & Ethics of Space Law. We seek submissions that stimulate and challenge our understanding of space law from both philosophical and ethical perspectives, and we are particularly interested in work that pushes the boundaries of traditional discourse.

In this era of accelerating human space exploration and utilization, space law is in a phase of rapid evolution. This issue aims to explore the philosophical foundations of current space laws, the ethical challenges posed by these laws, and the prospective directions space law could take in the future.

We welcome submissions on a broad range of topics including, but not limited to:

- The philosophy of property rights and ownership in outer space
- Ethical considerations in the militarization of space
- Legal frameworks for non-human intelligence and the rights of extraterrestrial lifeforms
- Space law and the ‘Common Heritage of Mankind’ principle in the era of privatized space exploration
- Interplanetary equity and the role of space law in ensuring fair access and benefits for all
- Space law and the ethics of planetary protection and preservation
- The legal and ethical challenges of terraforming
- Long-term sustainability, space debris management, and space law
- The role of law in space colonization, settlements, and future off-Earth societies
- Law as a tool for fostering cooperation and avoiding conflict in the increasingly populated cosmos

Submission Guidelines

We request an initial submission of an abstract containing:

- Title of the paper
- Author(s) name(s)
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- An anticipated word count for the final paper

About the Journal

The Journal of Space Philosophy is a leading interdisciplinary publication devoted to discussions on the philosophical, ethical, and societal implications of space exploration. Our mission is to bridge the divide between philosophical discourse and the practical realities of the evolving space arena. We seek to stimulate critical thinking among academics, space industry professionals, policymakers, and enthusiasts, helping to shape a future in space that is ethically sound and philosophically informed.

We invite you to join us in this important conversation about the future of space law. Please send your abstracts to info@journalof-spacephilosophy.com by February 1, 2024. Early submissions are highly encouraged.

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We seek submissions that stimulate and challenge our understanding of space healthcare and emergency response from philosophical, ethical, and practical perspectives. We are particularly interested in work that pushes the boundaries of traditional discourse and offers innovative solutions or viewpoints. We welcome submissions on a broad range of topics including, but not limited to:

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Space Healthcare

- Historical Overview of Space Health
- Current Practices in Space Medicine
- Future Directions in Space Healthcare

Emergency Response

- Emergency Response Protocols on Earth: Lessons for Space
- Current Capabilities and Challenges in Space Emergency Response
- Future Technologies and Strategies for Space Emergency Response

Healthcare for the Multi-Generational Human Family in Space Communities

- Early Years: Healthcare Needs and Challenges in Infancy (1-2 years), Toddler Healthcare in Space (2-4 years)
- Growing into Adulthood (5-18 years): Healthcare in Space Schools: Elementary, Middle, and High School
- Adolescence/Young Professional (19-35 years): Occupational Health and Well-being
- Adulthood (36-65 years): Chronic Disease Management and Preventive Care in Space
- Beyond Adulthood (65-75 years): Geriatric Care in Space
- The Golden Years (76-87 years): End-of-life Care and Ethical Considerations
- The Universal Years (88 years+): Longevity and Life Extension in Space
- Cosmic Journeys: Philosophical and Ethical Considerations of Lifelong Healthcare in Space

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