

17th Amherst Lecture in Philosophy

Gratitude and Its Refusal

Jonathan Lear

September 27, 2023

5–6:30 pm

107 Beneski Museum • Paino Lecture Hall

**What is gratitude? And why should gratitude matter?
This lecture will explore the idea that gratitude is not
just one emotion among others but goes to the heart of
our capacity to flourish as human beings.**



The work of Jonathan Lear, John U. Nef Distinguished Service Professor, University of Chicago, focuses on the philosophical understanding of the human psyche—and the ethical implications that flow from our being the kind of creatures we are.



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