

CALL FOR PAPERS: 'HAPPINESS'

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What is happiness and how do we know when we have achieved it? Why do we desire happiness, and should we desire it? Is happiness a mental state or a prudential value, a subjective experience or the fulfilment of objective criteria, the satisfaction of desire or a measure of overall well-being? Is happiness culturally determined? What is the relationship between happiness and the good? What can the history of philosophy teach us about the idea of happiness? This special issue of the *South African Journal of Philosophy* invites contributions on these and other philosophical questions related to happiness. Submissions on the following topics are particularly welcome:

- Classical versus modern theories of happiness
- Perspectives on happiness from within African philosophy
- The role of reason in happiness
- Happiness as a moral concept
- Happiness and pleasure
- Happiness and utility
- Justice, happiness and welfare
- Measuring happiness
- Philosophical issues raised by the psychology of happiness
- Happiness and psychopathology
- Representations of happiness in literature and/or art

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