

**Trent University**  
**May 21 to May 23, 2015**

# **CONTESTING CANADA'S FUTURE**

## **L'AVENIR DU CANADA: DÉBATS ET CONTESTATIONS**



**W**ELCOME TO “Contesting Canada’s Future” and Trent University. We want to extend a special welcome to our international ICCS visitors who have traveled from around the world to attend this conference.

Since Trent University’s founding half a century ago, the institution has been at the forefront of the study of Canada across all disciplines and research areas. Trent’s first president, Professor T.H.B. Symons, founded the *Journal of Canadian Studies* and encouraged the establishment of interdisciplinary programs focusing on Canada, its peoples, its culture, and its environment. The Frost Centre for research in Canadian Studies and Indigenous Studies is located at Trent, which also offers Canada’s only doctoral program dedicated to Canadian Studies, offered jointly with Carleton University. On the cusp of Canada’s sesquicentennial, and the 50th Anniversary of the University’s creation, there is no better place to hold an examination of Canadian Studies than at Trent.

**B**IENVENU AU COLLOQUE “Contester l’avenir du Canada” et à l’université Trent. Nous souhaitons, plus particulièrement, la bienvenue à nos visiteurs internationaux de l’ICCS qui ont voyagé du monde entier pour assister à ce colloque.

Depuis sa fondation il y a 50 ans, l’université Trent est à l’avant-garde des études canadiennes dans de

nombreux domaines de recherche et de spécialisation. Le premier Président de l’université, le Professeur T.H.B. Symons, est le fondateur de la renommée *Revue des études canadiennes*; Thomas Symons a envisagé la création de nombreux programmes interdisciplinaires qui mettent l’accent sur le Canada, sa culture et son environnement. Le Centre Frost pour la recherche en études canadiennes et études autochtones se trouve à Trent. Le Centre propose également le seul programme de doctorat au Canada dédié aux études canadiennes, offert conjointement avec l’université Carleton. À l’aube du 150<sup>e</sup> anniversaire du Canada, ainsi qu’à l’occasion du 50<sup>e</sup> anniversaire de l’Université, Trent est le lieu idéal pour faire une analyse approfondie dans la discipline des Études canadiennes.

#### Conference Co-chairs

*Dr. Joan Sangster, FRSC (Trent University)*

*Dr. Bill Waiser, FRSC, SOM (University of Saskatchewan)*



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# SCHEDULE

## LEGEND

CC = Champlain College

LEC = Lady Eaton College

## THURSDAY, MAY 21

### 13:00–14:15

PLENARY | LEC LH 201

#### KNOWING CANADA: PAST, PRESENT, FUTURE

**Ralph Heintzman** (University of Ottawa) Chair

**Bronwyn Drainie** (*Literary Review of Canada*)

**Mark Starowicz** (*Canada: A People's History*)

**Jane Moss** (Duke University)

**Bryan Palmer** (Trent University)

### 14:30–16:00

PANEL | LEC LH 201

#### GENDER, RACE AND SPORT IN CANADA

**Jenny Ellison** (Trent University) Chair

**Andrew C. Holman** (Bridgewater State University) Reading Frank Grace's Record: Lacrosse and Identity in Early Twentieth Century Canada

**Danielle N. Gabay** (McMaster University) Documenting the Experiences of Black Female Student Athletes in Canadian Higher Education

**Jessica Dunkin** (Queen's University) Canoe Sport, Colonialism, and the Politics of Place

PANEL | LEC LH 208

#### WRITING: SPACE, COLONIALISM, DECOLONIZATION

**Owen Kane** (Trent University) Chair

**Mark Dickinson** (OCAD University) Decolonizing the Modern Canadian Mind in Dennis Lee's Civil Elegies

**Susan Manning** (Mount Saint Vincent University) Living Away: The Poetics of Displacement in Newfoundland

PANEL | CC A2

#### CHANGING URBAN SPACES

**Dick Bourgeois-Doyle** (National Research Council of Canada) Chair

**Kate M. Daley** (York University) Rural and Urban Canada Institutionalised: The Politics of Growth Management and the Creation of the Region of Waterloo

**C.S. Ogden** (Independent Scholar) Changing the Face of the Albertan City in the mid-2000s

**Laura G. Pin** (York University) Global Austerity and Local Democracy: Participatory Budgeting in Hamilton, ON. and Guelph, ON.

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#### QUESTIONING NATURAL RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT AND MANAGEMENT

**Shannon Stunden-Bower** (University of Alberta) Chair

**Gabrielle Slowey** (York University) First Nations and Fracking in Canada: Policy and Politics at Play

**Matt Dow** (York University) Archetypes of Growth: Understanding Fracking Capitalism

**Mark J. McLaughlin** (Trent University) Qualifying Canada's Ecosystems: Crawford Stanley 'Buzz' Holling and the Application of Advanced Systems Analysis within Ecological Science, 1945–1980

### 16:15–17:45

PANEL | LEC LH 201

#### CANADIAN CULTURAL DIPLOMACY: THE NATIONAL PAST IN POST-NATIONAL PERSPECTIVE

**Lynda Jessup** (Queen's University) Chair

**Jeffrey Brison** (Queen's University) 'Magnificent Ideas and Happy Incidents': The 1940 Tour of American New Deal Art in Canada

**Asa McKetcher** (Queen's University) Tackling Apartheid: Canada, South Africa, and Sport Diplomacy, 1968–1980

**Sarah E.K. Smith** (Harvard University) The Work of the 49th Parallel: Examining Visual Art and the Construction of the Canadian State Abroad

**Elizabeth Diggon** (Queen's University) Experimental Diplomacy: Canadian Contemporary Art and International Cultural Relations in 1980s New York

ROUNDTABLE | CC A2

#### OUR 'OCEAN ESTATE': CANADA'S PAST AND FUTURE IN THE NORTH ATLANTIC

**Stephen Hornsby** (University of Maine) Chair and Commentator

**Claire Campbell** (Bucknell University)

**Brian Payne** (Bridgewater State University)

**Neil Forkey** (St. Lawrence University)

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#### RACE, IMMIGRATION, MULTICULTURALISM, AND IDENTITIES

**Momin Rahman** (Trent University) Chair

**Patrick Imbert** (University of Ottawa) Comparative Multiculturalisms: Kymlicka's Canadian Multicultural

Perspective, in Comparison with Québec Interculturalism,

Colombia, and the UK

**John Carlaw** (York University) Asserting a Neoconservative Imaginary and Vision in Citizenship, Immigration and Multiculturalism: Policy Directions Under the Conservative Party of Canada

**Carl E. James** and **Andrea Davis** (York University) Instructive Episodes: The Shifting Positions of the Jamaican Diaspora in Canada

PANEL | LEC LH 208

### FIRST NATIONS STORIES: SPACE, IDENTITIES, AND THE LAND

**John Milloy** (Trent University) Chair

**Sue Heffernan** (Laurentian University) Moosonee as a Pine tree Radar Base: An Interdisciplinary Study of the Cold War and a Northern Cree Town

**Ryan Bowie** (York University) A Shared Vision? Planning the Future Development of Indigenous Homelands in the Far North of Ontario

**Michele Lacombe** (Trent University) Technologies of transportation and metaphors of movement in Innu writing

**18:00–18:15**

BUSES LEAVE FROM BATA LIBRARY STEPS

Buses will provide transportation to and from Market Hall, Peterborough.

**19:30–21:30**

READING | MARKET HALL, PETERBOROUGH

### MIRIAM TOEWS READING

**Margaret Steffler** (Trent University) Chair

A Reading by **Miriam Toews** followed by a Q & A session at Market Hall with a reception to follow. Transportation to and from the venue will be provided.

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**FRIDAY, MAY 22**

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**9:00–10:30**

PLENARY | LEC LH 201

### A CONVERSATION WITH MAUDE BARLOW

Blue Future, Protecting Water for People and the Planet Forever

**Marley Waiser** (National Water Research Institute, Environment Canada, Retired) Chair

**10:45–12:00**

PANEL | LEC LH 201

### DIALOGUE ACROSS CHASMS: HISTORY AND HISTORY EDUCATION IN CANADA

**Stéphane Lévesque** (University of Ottawa) Chair

**Raphael Gani** (University of Ottawa) Discussant

**Penney Clark** (UBC) History Education in Canada: It's

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complicated...

**Ruth Sandwell** (OISE/University of Toronto) History as an Academic Subject in Universities

**Stéphane Lévesque** (University of Ottawa) History in the Schools: Views From Prospective Teachers Across Canada

**Jocelyn Létourneau** (Laval) Take Youth Out of Mythstories: A Pragmatic Approach to Historical Education in Canada

PANEL | CC A2

### CHALLENGES FOR FEMINISM IN THE WELFARE STATE

**James Struthers** (Trent University) Chair

**Margaret Little** (Queen's University) and **Lynne Marks** (University of Victoria) Tensions Within the Sisterhood: Women's Welfare Rights Groups and the English Canadian Second Wave Women's Movement

**Lisa Pasolli** (Trent University) Working Mothers in the Welfare State: Child Care Challenges in the 1970s and 1980s

**Casey Ready** (Community Counselling & Resource Centre & Trent University) Neoliberalism Impacting Feminist Agendas: A Desperate Need to Fundraise?

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### RECLAIMING CANADIAN BODIES: VISUAL MEDIA AND REPRESENTATION

**Julia Harrison** (Trent University) Chair

**Michael Connors Jackman** (York University) Media Legacies: Community, Memory and Territory

**Jennifer Gauthier** (Randolph College) Feeling our Pain: The Embodied Cinema of Loretta Todd

**Karen McGarry** (McMaster University) Ethnographic Frictions and Ice Scandals

**Lynda Mannik** (York University) Arrivals by Boat in the Canadian Press: Humanitarian Effort or Crisis

PANEL | CC LIVING COMMONS

### WHITHER SUSTAINABILITY? HISTORICAL ATTITUDES TOWARD CONSUMER CULTURE

**Sylvie Taschereau** (Université du Québec à Trois-Rivières) Chair

**Donica Belisle** (University of Regina) Mrs. Consumer to the Rescue: Alberta's Home Economics Weeks During the Great Depression

**Graham Broad** (King's University College) The Checkout Line, Not the Assembly Line: Consumer-Homemakers and Canada's Wartime Prices and Trade Board

**Sarah Shropshire** (Guelph University) Health for Sale: Exploring the Contradictions of Medicare and Health Promotion Within Canada's Consumer Economy

PANEL | LEC LH 208

### EDUCATION AND THE STATE: POWER, COLONIALISM AND RESISTANCE

**Cecilia Danysk** (Western Washington University) Chair

**Paul Warren Bennett** (Saint Mary's University) Consolidation, Bureaucracy, and the Public Schools: The Triumph of the Modern Bureaucratic Education State, 1920 to 1993

## FRIDAY, MAY 22

**Sean Carleton** (Trent University) Unsettling Canada's Schooling History: Settler Colonialism, Capitalism, and the Rise of State Schooling in British Columbia, 1849–1925  
**Andy Hanson** (Retired, ETFO/EEFO) Capacity for Resistance: Building Activism in Teachers' Unions

**12:00–13:00**

LUNCH | CC GREAT HALL

**13:00–14:15**

PLENARY | CC GREAT HALL

**A CONVERSATION WITH MARY SIMON (INUIT LEADER)**  
The Future of the North: Arctic Canada in the 21st Century  
**Shelagh D. Grant** (Trent University) Chair

**14:30–15:45**

PANEL | LEC LH 201

**CONTESTING INDIGENOUS EDUCATION IN THE GREAT LAKES AND ST. LAWRENCE VALLEY: 1760–2006**

**Joan Sangster** (Trent University) Chair  
**Thomas Peace** (Huron University College) Wendat, Schooling and the Creation of the Canadas: Social and Political networks at the Turn of the Nineteenth Century  
**Alison Norman** (Trent University) “Taught by an Indian Woman”: Education and Politics at Tyendinaga in the late Nineteenth Century  
**Kathryn Labelle** (University of Saskatchewan) ‘If Only She Were a Boy’: Éléonore Sioui, Indigenous Feminism and Education

PANEL | LEC LH 208

**UNDERSTANDING AND CONTESTING CANADIAN POLITICS**

**Kevin Spooner** (Wilfrid Laurier University) Chair  
**David Rapaport** (Trent University) The Corporate ‘Borging’ of the Canadian State in Ontario: The Privatization of Information Technology in the Ontario Public Service  
**Magdalena Fiřtová** (Charles University in Prague) Mediating Oil Sands in Europe: Representation of Canadian Oil Sands  
**Anna Sotnykova** (York University) Examining Approaches to Elder Care in Ontario: Confronting Issues in Care by Examining the Relationship of Care Providers and Recipients

PANEL | CC COUNCIL CHAMBERS

**RE-THINKING KEY CONCEPTS IN CANADIAN INTELLECTUAL AND POLITICAL HISTORY**

**François Rocher** (University of Ottawa) Chair  
**Matthew Cain** (Carleton University) The Place of Edmund Burke in Confederation: Pivotal Voice, or Identity Marker in

Canadian Historiography?

**Dennis Pilon** (York University) The Origins of Canadian Democracy

**Logan Mardhani-Bayne** (Yale University) Revisiting the Fourth World: Ecological Crises and Decolonial Political Economy in Canadian Social Science

PANEL | CC LIVING COMMONS

**ROUNDTABLE: ‘POLICING THE CRISIS’ REVISITED: PRISONING, DISPLACEMENT, AND EXPULSION OF THE OTHER**

**Gillian Balfour** (Trent University) Chair  
**David Hugill** (York University) Three to Five Lessons We Can Learn from Policing the Crisis  
**Stacy Douglas** (Carleton University) The Time of Liberalism: Kafka, Security Certificates, and the Aesthetics of Law’s Violence  
**Simon Wallace** (Osgoode Hall) Exposing the Crisis of Urban Housing in Toronto: What Happens When Global Capital Becomes a Slumlord  
**Gillian Balfour** (Trent University) The Post Fordist Crisis of Law and Order in Canada: Returning to Birmingham

**16:00–17:15**

PLENARY | LEC LH 201

**THE FUTURE OF ART AND POLITICS ROUNDTABLE**

**Bryan Palmer** (Trent University) Chair  
**Carole Conde** and **Karl Beveridge** (Visual Artists in Toronto)  
**Peter Raymont** (White Pine Productions)  
**Judith Thompson** (University of Guelph)

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**THE FUTURE OF CANADIAN ARCHIVES ROUNDTABLE**

**Michael Eamon** (Trent University) Chair  
**Loryl MacDonald** (Association of Canadian Archivists)  
**Theresa Rowat** (Canadian Council of Archives)  
**Tom Nesmith** (University of Manitoba)

**18:30**

ARTS EVENT | ARTSPACE & DOWNTOWN  
PETERBOROUGH

**ARTS AND COMMUNITY: ARTIST’S INTRODUCTION AND RECEPTION, ARTSPACE, PETERBOROUGH**

**Dayna Danger** (Visual Artist) Photo Exhibit and Artist’s Introduction: “Sisters”  
Reception starts at 6:30pm  
Artist talk at 7:30pm  
Followed by cultural events in Peterborough

## SATURDAY, MAY 23

### 9:00–10:30

PLENARY | LEC LH 201

#### CANADA, CANADIANS & INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS

Panel members will reflect critically on how and where Canada and Canadians see themselves both as a nation and as citizens in a 21st century globalized world.

**May Chazan** (Trent University) Chair

**Adam Chapnick** (Canadian Forces College/Royal Military College of Canada)

**Jasmin Habib** (University of Waterloo)

**Alex Neve** (Amnesty International Canada)

### 10:45–12:00

PANEL | CC A2

#### THE STUDY OF CANADA IN NORTH AND LATIN AMERICA

**Colin Coates** (York University) Chair

**Kenneth M. Holland** (Ball State University) Commentator

**Roseanna Dufault** (American Council for Quebec Studies)

**Salvador Cervantes** (UNIVA-The Catholic University)

**Sergio Stange** (ACHECA, Chile)

PANEL | LEC LH 201

#### CONTESTING COMMEMORATION AND CULTURE

**Meaghan Beaton** (Mount Allison University) Chair

**Kate Zankowicz** (Independent Scholar) Teaching in Museums for a Difficult Future: Canadian Nature as Pedagogical Object at the Royal Ontario Museum

**Michelle Desveaux** (University of Saskatchewan) Intersections of Historical Consciousness at the Fortress of Louisbourg and the National Archives: Writing the Present by Contesting the Past

**Jonathan Lockyer** (Artspace) Charting the Development of Indigenous Curatorial Practice

**Sarah Dougherty** (Queen's University) Authoritative Myths and Meaning: The Founding of the Stratford Shakespearean Festival

PANEL | CC LIVING COMMONS

#### PROPOSITION FOR DECOLONIZING CANADA: ART PRACTICES AS PRESENT (AND FUTURE) IMAGINARIES

**Colleen O'Manique** (Trent University) Chair

**Ger Zielinski** (Trent University) Commentator

**Caroline Langill** (OCAD University) Curated Objects as Agents of Decolonization

**Andrea Fatona** (OCAD University) The State of Blackness: Reflections On Strategies for Decolonizing Practices

**Dot Tuer** (OCAD University) Performing Decoloniality: Indigenous Struggles and Hemispheric Connections

**Robert Diaz** (OCAD University) Queer Filipinos as Imperial Legacies and Canadian Imaginaries

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#### THE PAST, PRESENT, AND FUTURE OF WHITE-COLLAR ORGANIZING IN CANADA

**Steven Tufts** (York University) Chair

**Martha Attridge Bufton** (Carleton University) Solidarity in Association: The Unionization of Professors, Librarians and Support Staff at Carleton University (1973–1976)

**Morna Ballantyne** (PSAC) Current Organizing Challenges Facing Trade Unions and Workers

**Stephanie Ross** (York University) Organizing the Public Sector: The Contradictions of Growth in CUPE's First Ten Years

**Julia Smith** (Trent University) Past Due: The Office and Professional Workers Organizing Committee and the First Canadian Bank Strike, Montreal, 1941–1942

ROUNDTABLE | LEC LH 207

#### THE STUDY OF CANADA IN EUROPE

**Caroline Rosenthal** (Universität Jena) Chair

**Michael Brophy** (University College Dublin) Commentator

**Alan Hallsworth** (University of Portsmouth)

**Oriana Palusci** (Univ di Napoli "L'Orientale")

**Janne Korkka** (University of Turku)

**Marcin Gabrys** (Jagiellonian University)

PANEL | LEC LH 208

#### REFORM, RESISTANCE AND REVOLUTION IN THE CANADIAN POLITY

**Jonathan Greene** (Trent University) Chair

**Rusa Jeremic** (OISE/University of Toronto) Laughing Our Way to the Voting Booth: Satire as Resistance in Canada's 2011 Election

**Dock Currie** (York University) Guattari & Goodwin: Revolutionary Subjectivity in the Early Twentieth Century Canadian West

**Amal Madibbo** (University of Calgary) Race, Immigration, La Francophonie, and the Politics of Resistance

### 12:00–13:00

LUNCH | CC GREAT HALL

### 13:00–14:15

PLENARY | CC GREAT HALL

#### A CONVERSATION WITH ERICA LEE

Idle No More and Indigenous Resistance at Canada's 150th Anniversary

**Bill Waiser** (University of Saskatchewan) Chair

## SATURDAY, MAY 23

### 14:30–16:00

PLENARY | LEC LH 201

#### THE FUTURE OF WORK: PANEL DISCUSSION

**Dimitry Anastakis** (Trent University) Chair  
**Jim Stanford** (UNIFOR)  
**Adrian Smith** (Carleton University)  
**Kaylie Tiessen** (Canadian Centre for Policy Alternatives)

### 16:15–17:30

PANEL | CC A2

#### THE STUDY OF CANADA IN ASIA-PACIFIC, MIDDLE EAST AND THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION

**Daniel Ben-Natan**, (Hebrew University of Jerusalem-retired) Chair  
**Tatyana Kuzmina** (St Petersburg University) Commentator  
**Yuki Shimomura**, (Kobe International University)  
**Robyn Morris**, (University of Wollongong)  
**Andrew Kim** (Korea University)

PANEL | LEC LH 207

#### NARRATIVES OF IDENTITIES

**Michele Lacombe** (Trent University) Chair  
**Brenda Beck** (University of Toronto) An Ancient Oral Legend From India Newly Retold  
**Bronwyn E. Jaques** (Queen's University) Canada at Peace and Soldiers at War: Canadian U.N. Soldiers in Korea, Egypt, and Vietnam and the Cold War Home Front

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#### RELIGION IN CANADA

**John Wadland** (Trent University) Chair  
**Peter Bush** (Independent Scholar) Contesting the Land: Ownership and Meaning at the Site of Cecilia Jeffrey Indian Residential School, Shoal Lake, ON.  
**Paul L. Gareau** (University of Ottawa) Striking a Path Through the Wilderness: The Negotiations of Catholic Evangelical Youth in a Secular and Multicultural Canada  
**Janet McLellan** (Wilfrid Laurier University) Religious Diversity in Small-Town Ontario: A Case Study within the Haliburton Highlands  
**Cynthia Loch-Drake** (York University) 'A non-drinker, a non-smoker, she was a good-living woman': Pentacostalism and the Class Politics of Alberta Meatpacking Unionist Ethel Wilson

PANEL | LEC LH 201

#### QUESTIONING CANADIAN CURRICULUM

**Caroline Durand** (Trent University) Chair  
**Theodore Michael Christou** (Queen's University) Debating History, Heritage, and Commemoration: The Ontario Curriculum's Turn to Historical Thinking  
**David Tough** (Trent University) Contesting Liberation, Contesting Canada: The Future of the Impossibility of Canadian Studies as a Project of Liberation  
**Graham Shular** (OISE/University of Toronto) Teacher Self-Efficacy, Pedagogy and Decolonization: Teaching Practice and Equitable Classrooms  
**Rose Fine-Meyer** (OISE/University of Toronto) Was the Promise of Canadian Studies Fulfilled?: Examining the Inclusion of Diverse Voices in History Course Studies in Ontario Schools, 1970s–1990s

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#### THE PUBLIC SECTOR, POLITICS, AND THE WELFARE STATE

**Chris Dummitt** (Trent University) Chair  
**Leah Levac** (University of Guelph) Exploring Regional Variations in the Impacts of Changing Public Services  
**Nicole S. Bernhardt** (York University) Exposing and Contesting the Racial Hierarchies of the Canadian Welfare State  
**Jennifer Mussell** (York University) The Evolution and Erosion of Intergovernmental Social Transfers in Canada, 1985–2014

ROUNDTABLE | LEC LH 208

#### ROUGHING IT IN THE BUSH—THE CONTINUING STORY OF CULTURE IN THE KAWARTHAS

**Dennis Carter Edwards** (City of Peterborough) Chair  
**Beth McMaster** (Peterborough Theatre Guild)  
**Michael Peterman** (Trent University)  
**Debra Soule** (City of Kawartha Lakes)  
**Bill Kimball** (Electric City Culture Council)  
**Fynn Leitch** (Art Gallery of Peterborough)

### 18:00

ICCS BANQUET | CC GREAT HALL

#### COCKTAIL RECEPTION AND AWARDS 18:00–19:00 BANQUET 19:00

Celebrating Canadian Studies in an international context

*This program was finalized on 1 May 2015, but is subject to last-minute changes.*



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