CONTESTING CANADA’S FUTURE
L’AVENIR DU CANADA: DÉBATS ET CONTESTATIONS
Welcome 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.

Conference Co-chairs
Dr. Joan Sangster, FRSC (Trent University)
Dr. Bill Waiser, FRSC, SOM (University of Saskatchewan)

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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

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

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

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.

16:15–17:45
PLENARY | 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)

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

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**PANEL | LEC LH 208**

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

**John Milloy** (Trent University) Chair

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


**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**

**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 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

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**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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**PANEL | CC COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

**RECLAIMING CANADIAN BODIES: VISUAL MEDIA AND REPRESENTATION**

**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

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**PANEL | CC LIVING COMMONS**

**WHITHER SUSTAINABILITY? HISTORICAL ATTITUDES TOWARD CONSUMER CULTURE**

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**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

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
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 Fišťová (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 Condé and Karl Beveridge (Visual Artists in Toronto)
Peter Raymont (White Pine Productions)
Judith Thompson (University of Guelph)

PLENARY | CC COUNCIL CHAMBERS
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
Contesting Canada’s Future

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

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

**Panel | CC Living Commons**

**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’: Pentecostalism and the Class Politics of Alberta Meatpacking Unionist

**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

**Panel | CC Council Chambers**

**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

**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

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