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Literature Institutions Citizenship

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University of Guelph and Mount Allison University
July 16-19, Mount Allison University
Sackville, New Brunswick

Artwork by Jack Butler for Art and Cold Cash

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A University of Guelph & Mount Allison University Interdisciplinary Conference

The third international conference in a series aimed at a collaborative examination of the role that the Canadian cultural fields play in social movements about aboriginal rights, transnational and global mobility, and the practice of citizenship in the socio-political contexts of the public domain.

Mount Allison University
Sackville, New Brunswick, Canada
July 16 - 19, 2009

Art Speaks: TransCanada 3 Exhibitions

Owens Art Gallery, Mount Allison University

Regular Hours: Monday to Friday, 10 am - 5 pm

Saturday and Sunday, 1 - 5 pm

Extended Hours for TransCanada 3: July 16, 8-9 pm; July 17, 5-9 pm

Art and Cold Cash Collective

Trading the Past in the Present: Recalling the Barter Economy. Video 2004-05.

The Skidoo Ballet. Video 2006, William Noah videographer.

Money Stories. Video 2004-05, interviews with Inuit, Ruby Arngna'naaq and William Noah, videographers and interviewers.

Qamanituaq Diary: A Story-bones Game. Jack Butler, gicl  digital print on three double-faced suspended vinyl panels and wall installation.

Imagine these works as liminal skins by means of which we may pass between always-already hybrid states which bear such names as Inuit, First Nations, Qamanituaq, Canada, English, Inuktitut, Art, Money, Jack and Ruby.

Fourteen Stations for Oswald

Herm n gilde Chiasson

Graphite, pastel and oil stick on paper. 106.5 x 76 cm. each.

Collection of the Owens Art Gallery, Purchased with funds from the Friends of the Owens Art Gallery and the Canada Council Acquisitions Assistance Fund.

Art Speaks: TransCanada 3 Exhibitions

New Canadian Stereographies: A Three Dimensional Photography Exhibition Andrea Medovarski (OISE Toronto) and David W. Scott (Toronto)

An installation that echoes the Victorian parlour in which stereographs were originally viewed. Selected cards from the series are enlarged to 10"x 20" and presented as matted, framed images.

THE STOPPED WATCH. THE CUT FLOWER. RS Pennee

The images in this multi-media exhibition about crossing were taken using a hand-held remote.

Please see full descriptions of the exhibitions in the TransCanada 3 Abstracts Book.

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Access e-mail at the university library and any technical lab through the password provided to you upon completing registration on campus.

For access to computer and printer, and for any questions you might have or information needed, please visit our "Strategic Centre" at Crabtree M3.

Thursday July 16

5:30-6:00 **Registration**, Campbell Hall

6:30-7:00 **Mi'kmaq Opening Prayer and Welcome**, Crabtree Auditorium

7:00-8:00 **Keynote Address:** Marie Battiste (Saskatchewan), Crabtree Auditorium
"Ambitious Epistemology: Indigenous Knowledge within the Indigenous Renaissance"
Moderator: Andrew Nurse

8:00-9:00 **Reading:** Herménégilde Chiasson, Lieutenant Governor, N.B.,
& Reception, Owens Art Gallery
Moderator: Christl Verduyn

Friday July 17

8:30-9:00 **Registration**, Campbell Hall

9:00-9:30 **Greetings** by President Robert Campbell, Mount Allison
Crabtree Auditorium

Opening Remarks by co-chairs: Christl Verduyn
and Smaro Kamboureli

9:30-11:00 **Keynote Address:** François Paré (Waterloo)
"Systems of Tradition and Pluralism in Contemporary Acadia"
Moderator: Christl Verduyn

11:00-11:15 Nutrition & Coffee Break

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11:15-12:30

Concurrent Paper Sessions A, Avard-Dixon Building (AVD)

A1: Radical Variants: Pedagogy and Editing Modernism in Canada

Location AVD111

Meghan Timney (Dalhousie), "Editing and Publishing in a Digital Age: An Experiential-Learning Approach"

Vanessa Lent (Dalhousie), "Modernizing Modernism in the Undergraduate Classroom"

Bart Vautour (Dalhousie), "Overdetermined Subjects: Graduate Students, Pedagogy, Scholarship"

Moderator: Dean Irvine (Dalhousie)

A2: Interrogating Ecologies

Location AVD112

Cheryl Lousley (Leeds/Wilfrid Laurier), "Matters of Concern: Theorizing Ecology in Contemporary Canadian Literature"

Jon Gordon (Alberta), "Fort McMurray in Flux: Ecology, Contracts, and Community"

Julia Emberley (Western), "Testimonial Publics and Indigenous Storytelling"

Moderator: Nichole Shukin (Victoria)

A3: (Trans)National Mobility

Location AVD116

Gillian Roberts (Nottingham, UK), "Hemispheric Humour in David W. McFadden's *Great Lakes Suite*"

Jody Mason (Carleton), "Vagabonds and Sojourners: The Politics of Mobility in Confederation-Era Canada"

Astrid Fellner (Vienna, Austria), "*Fronteras Americanas* and *Citizen Suárez*: Guillermo Verdecchia's Border Texts and the Transhemispheric Paradigm"

Moderator: Jennifer Blair (Ottawa)

A4: Reading Community, Writing Technology

Location AVD117

Danielle Fuller (Birmingham, UK), "'Something to Hold on to': Placing the Readers of 'One

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Book, One Community"

Mark McCutcheon (Western/Athabasca), "*Neuromancer* versus *Oryx and Crake*: Technological Transnationalism in CanLit *Frankensteins*"

Sharlee Reimer and Christine Lyons (McMaster), "Assembling Atwood, Disseminating Nation: Literary Celebrity's Technologies and Trans/Nationalist Narratives from the Biography to the LongPen"

Moderator: Kit Dobson (Dalhousie/Mount Royal)

A5: Precarious Bridges: Literary, Critical, Cultural

Location AVD118

Michelle Gadpaille (Maribor, Slovenia), "Humanitarian Ventriloquism: The 'Despicable Tool' of the Slave Narrative"

Christine Stewart (Alberta), "Under Mill Creek Bridge and the Practice of Reading"

Brent Wood (Toronto), "The Rhythm of Ecology: Don McKay's Trans-Canadian Verse"

Moderator: Eva Darias-Beautell (La Laguna, Spain)

12:30-2:00

Picnic Lunch at Fort Beauséjour, Fort Cumberland National Historic Site (shuttle transportation and lunch provided)

2:00-4:00

Roundtable One: Transformative Pedagogies and Methodologies

Crabtree Auditorium

Donna Pennee (Western), "Outside the Box but Within the Budget: Transformative Pedagogies in a Time and Space of Constraint"

James [Sakej] Youngblood Henderson (Saskatchewan), "Transsystemia in Indigenous Law and Knowledge"

Peter McLaren (UCLA) and Nathalia Jaramillo (Purdue), "Beyond Normative Notions of Social Justice Education"

Moderator: Len Findlay (Saskatchewan)

4:00-4:15

Nutrition & Coffee Break

4:15-5:30

Concurrent Paper Sessions B, Avard-Dixon Building

Program

B1: Pedagogies in Collaboration: The TransCanada/TransQuebec PhD Workgroup

Location AVD111

Amy Kebe (Montreal/St. Anne's) and Rob Zacharias (Guelph), "Mennonite Literature, Dionne Brand, and Surprises of Open-Ended Collaboration"

Richard Cassidy (Montreal), "Process and Deferral: Slow Reading the Poetics of Collaboration"
Benjamin Authers (Guelph) & Andrea Beverly (Montreal), "The Erotics and Metaphorics of Collaboration"

Moderator: Sarah Henzi (Montreal)

B2: Methodology and Pedagogy: Indigeneity and the Nation

Location AVD112

Aparna Mishra Tarc (Western), "Pedagogy and Literary Testimony"

Danielle Deveau (SFU), "Pedagogy of a Bird Course: Teaching Pop Culture in a Suburban Commuter School"

Angela Facundo (York), "Indigenizing Deconstruction: Dominant Diaspora's Institutional Transformations through the Deployment of Aboriginal Methodologies"

Moderator: Bart Vautour, Dalhousie

B3: Reading the Culture of Redress

Location AVD116

Jennifer Henderson (Carleton), "The Camp, the School and the Child: Discursive Exchanges and (Neo)liberal Axioms in the Culture of Redress"

Lily Cho (Western), "Redress Revisited: Citizenship and the Chinese Canadian Head Tax"

Pauline Wakeham (Western), "Reconciliation, Post 9/11: Indigenous Resistance at the Discursive Limits of Rapprochement and Terror"

Moderator: Renée Hulan (SMU)

B4: Transcultural Americas

Location AVD117

Afef Benessaieh (York), "Understanding Transculturality"

Patrick Imbert (Ottawa), "Transculturality and the Americas"

Winfried Simerling (Sherbrooke) & Sarah Phillips Casteel (Carleton), "Canada and Its

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Americas: Transnational Navigations of the Literary”

Moderator: Heike Härting (Montreal)

B5: White Ethnicities I

Location AVD118

John Corr (Guelph), “The Fenian Invasion: Clash of Civilizations or Infestation?”

Katrin Urschel (NUI, Galway, Ireland), “Irish Civility and CanLit: Why the Institutionalization of the ‘Anglo-Celt’ might be Counterproductive”

Moderator: Eugenia Sojka (Silesia, Poland)

B6: Europe/Canada: Translating Canadian Literature

Location AVD120

Natalia Vid (Maribor, Slovenia), “Lost in Translation: Canadian Literature in the Soviet Union and Modern Russia”

Pilar Somacarrera (Autonoma U, Spain), “English-Canadian Writing in Spain: Power, Translation, and Cultural Transfer”

Klara Kolinska (Masaryk U, Czech Republic), “‘Oppositional Betrayals’: Translating English Canadian Literature in Central Europe”

Moderator: Mark McCutcheon (Western/Athabasca)

5:30-6:30

Free Time / Show Time at Owens Art Gallery. An opportunity to visit Art Speaks.

7:00-8:00

Reading: George Elliott Clarke, Tweedie Hall

Moderator: Ashok Mathur

8:30-

Maritime Dinner & Entertainment at George’s Fantastic Roadhouse or Dinner on Your Own.

Saturday July 18

9:30-11:00

Keynote Address: Roy Miki (SFU), “Belief = Methodology = Form: Doing Justice to CanLit”
Studies, Crabtree Auditorium

Moderator: Daniel Coleman (McMaster)

11:00-11:15

Nutrition & Coffee Break

Program

- 11:15-12:30 **Plenary Session, Doctoral Student Presentations**
Crabtree Auditorium
- Phaniel Antwi (McMaster), "(Ad)dressing Upper Canada: Cotton as Domestic Accessory and Racial Envoy in and around *The Canadian Settlers Guide*"
Alyson McCready (McMaster), "Neoliberal Pedagogy and the Nation: the Yellow Ribbon Campaign as Case Study"
Allison Hargreaves (Western), "Indigenous Women's Activism and *Annie Mae's Movement*"
Moderator: John Corr
- 12:30-1:30 Lunch at Tweedie Hall
- 1:30-3:30 **Roundtable Two: Hemispheric Studies / Transcultural Geographies**
Crabtree Auditorium
- Patrick Imbert (University of Ottawa), "Rethinking Comparisons for the Americas"
Jack Butler (Toronto) & Ruby Arngna'naaq (Iqaluit / Ottawa), "Translating Capital Value and Art Value across Geographies"
Shauna McCabe (Mount Allison), "Local/Local: Mapping Transcultural Geographies"
Moderator: Jade Ferguson (Guelph)
- 3:30-4:45 **Concurrent Paper Sessions C, Avard-Dixon Building**
- C1: Trans-Body**
Location AVD111
- Erin Wunker (Calgary), "Uncanny Shudder: Bodies of Difference"
Sandra Regina Goulart Almeida (UFMG, Brazil), "Written on the Body: The Experience of Diaspora in Hiromi Goto's Novels"
Alessandra Capperdoni (SFU), "Trans like Who? Trans-Poetics as Re-Articulatory Poetics"
Moderator: Robert Zacharias (Guelph)
- C2: Affective Geographies**
Location AVD112
- Jennifer Blair (Ottawa), "Canada's Unlikely Comfort Zone: Nation-Space and the Banff Springs"

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Nicole Shukin (Victoria), “Earthly Bondage: Ecological Emotion in an Era of Natural Capitalism”

Maia Joseph (UBC), “Creative Virtue? Landscapes of Cultural Consumption and Production in Timothy Taylor’s *Stanley Park*”

Moderator: Cheryl Lousley (Leeds/Wilfrid Laurier)

C3: Transformative Testimonies and Mediations

Location AVD116

Heike Härting (Montreal), “Global Ecologies of Political Justice: Canada’s *Crimes Against Humanity and War Crimes Act* and North American Narratives of Post-Genocide War Crimes Trials”

Lianne Moyes (Montreal) and Catherine Leclerc (McGill), “Federal Mediations in the Relations Between Acadian and Québécois Letters”

Shurli Makmillen (UBC), “Finding ‘equal footing’ in Aboriginal Oral Testimony”

Moderator: Kirsten Emiko McAllister (SFU)

C4: Canada - the Americas - Ecology

Location AVD117

Maureen Moynagh (SFX), “Constituting Canada from within Hemispheric Studies, or Where is Here, Now?”

Jon Smith (SFU), “The Genders of Invasion: Canada, the U.S. South, and Hemispheric American Studies”

Moderator: Daniel Coleman (McMaster)

C5: Urban Ecologies

Location AVD118

Eva Darias-Beautell (De La Laguna, Spain), “The Eco-Urban: Recycled Plastic, Edible Soaps and the Culture of the Organic in Zsuzsi Gartner’s ‘City of My Dreams’”

Elisabeth Tutschek (Vienna, Austria), “Nathalie et Nathanaël: Hybridity and *Flâneries* in Urban Space”

Brandon McFarlane (Toronto), “The Whiskheads Have Been Around for a Long Time—Towards an Aesthetic of Urban Space”

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Moderator: Glen Lowry (Emily Carr)

C6: Re-defining Equity in Indigenous Cultural Praxis

Location AVD120

Larissa Lai (UBC), "Biopoetics in (Third) Space: Life Itself Between Freezing and Boiling in Souvankham Thammavongsa's *Found* and Rita Wong's *Forage*"

Agnes Kramer-Hamstra (McMaster), "Recognition and Redistributive Justice Revisited: The Songs that 'rearrange the mystery' TransCanada circa 2009"

Jeanette den Toonder (Groningen, Netherlands), "The Intertwining of the Particular and the Universal in First Nations Literature"

Moderator: Pauline Wakeham (Western)

4:45-5:00 Nutrition & Coffee Break

5:00-6:30 **Roundtable Three: Ecology / Mobility / Culture**
Crabtree Auditorium

Julie Rak (Alberta), "Translocal Representations: CanLit as Problematic"

Laurie Ricou (UBC), "Disturbance Loving Species"

Catriona Mortimer-Sandilands (York), "Acts of Nature: Literature, Excess, and Environmental Politics"

Moderator: Kit Dobson (Dalhousie/ Mount Royal)

6:30-7:30 **Free Time / Show Time** at Art Speaks.

7:30-
Transitions Banquet (Brainstorming re: TCI future plans)
Tweedie Hall, Wallace McCain Student Centre

TransCanDance for the Young of Heart and Body, Tantramarsh Pub, Wallace McCain Student Centre or Animated Conversation at the Coffee Bar next door.

Sunday July 19

9:30-11:30 **Concurrent Paper Sessions D**, Avard-Dixon Building

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D1: Diasporic Poetics

Location AVD111

Kevin McNeilly (UBC), "Lorna Goodison's Diasporic Poetics"

Winfried Simerling (Sherbrooke), "Transcultural Improvisation, Transnational Time, and
Diasporic Chance in Wayde Compton's Textual Performance"

Richard Douglass-Chin (Windsor), "Diasporas, Transnationalism/Transculturalism"

Moderator: Carrie Dawson (Dalhousie)

D2: Public Mournings

Location AVD112

Amber Dean (Alberta), "Haunting the Nation: Public Mourning and the Making of Canadians"

Rebecca Babcock (Dalhousie), "Managing Grief, Mapping Ethnicity: Literary Responses to the
Air India Tragedy"

Alia Somani (Western), "The Politics of Mourning the Air India Bombing: Srivinas Krishna's
Masala and Shelley Saywell's *Legacy of Terror: The Bombing of Air India*"

Moderator: Benjamin Authers (Guelph)

D3: Transnational/Transdisciplinary Cultural Studies

Location AVD116

Glen Lowry (Emily Carr), "Siting Critical-Creative Praxis: Citing Napa North"

Kirsten Emiko McAllister (SFU), "Moving from the National Past to the Transnational
Present/Presence in Canada"

Ayaka Yoshimizu (SFU), "The 'Poetics' of Ethnographic Life Writing: Learning from Diasporic
Senryu Practices"

Moderator: Farah Moosa (McMaster)

D4: Re-routing/Re-rooting

Location AVD118

Jennifer Scott, Myka Tucker-Abramson, and Naava Smolash (SFU), "Settling the Diaspora:
Reading the First Canadian Immigration Acts"

Robert Zacharias (Guelph), "Mennonite Canadian Literature and Diasporic Narrative Strains"

Jenny Kerber (Calgary), "Pulling Up Roots: Border-Crossing and Migrancy on Southern Alberta's

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Irrigation Frontier"

Moderator: Lily Cho (Western)

D5: White Ethnicities II

Location AVD120

Martin Kuester (Marburg,, Germany), "Wiebes and Aboriginals, Mennonites and (Other) Minorities: A Case of Transdifference?"

Susanne Marshall (Dalhousie), "Charting Acadian Modernity: France Daigle's *Pas Pire/Just Fine*"

Eugenia Sojka (Silesia, Poland), "From White Ethnic Others to Diasporic Citizens: Construction of Transcultural Dialogue in the Literary and Multimedia Projects of two Contemporary Polish Canadian Women"

Moderator: Lianne Moyes (Montreal)

D6: Diasporic Escapism and Cultural Memory

Location Ron Joyce Student Lounge

Lindy Ledohowski (Ottawa), "Diasporic Discomfort and Ethnic Angst: Eva and Colleen, Multi-generational Canadian Subjects"

Lara Okihiro (Toronto), "Memory Aids in Experiences of Migration and Displacement: Gifts in *Obasan* and *The Jade Pony*"

Ranbir Banwait (SFU), "Popular Ecologies: South Asian Canadian Literature, Bollywood Escapism and Shani Mootoo's *He Drown She in the Sea*"

Moderator: Sandra Regina Goulart Almeida (UFMG, Brazil)

11:30-1:30

Roundtable Four (over hot lunch)

Tweedie Hall, Wallace McCain Student Centre

In the Future Tense: The TransCanada Project

Moderator: Smaro Kamboureli

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Sandra Regina Goulart Almeida is an Associate Professor of English and Comparative Literatures at Universidade Federal de Minas Gerais (UFMG), Brazil, and a fellow researcher from the Brazilian funding agency, CNPq. She was President of the Brazilian Association for Canadian Studies (2001-2003) and Director for International Relations at UFMG (2002-2006). She is the editor and co-editor of *Interseções: Diálogos com a Literatura e a Lingüística Aplicada no Canadá* (2001), *The Art of Elizabeth Bishop* (2002), *Gênero e Representação em Literaturas de Língua Inglesa* (2002), *Gender Studies and Feminist Perspectives* (2003), *Perspectivas Transnacionais* (2005) and *Brasil-Canadá: Olhares Diversos* (2006). She has published extensively on literary criticism, women's writing, comparative literature, and Canadian studies.

Phanuel Antwi is a doctoral candidate in the Department of English and Cultural Studies at McMaster University. His dissertation, entitled *Hidden Signs, Haunting Shadows: The Literary Currency of Blackness in Early Canadian Texts*, examines the frequently overlooked racialized historicity of literary projects and histories of early Canada. His research interests include Canadian literature and culture, material culture, postcolonialism, critical theory, and race and gender studies.

Ruby Arngna'naaq, an Inuk from Baker Lake, Nunavut, co-founded the art-producing Sanavick Inuit Cooperative in Baker Lake (1970) and was one of its first printmaking shop managers and art directors. She co-produced *Inuit Myths and Legends* for the Inuit Broadcasting Corporation, and is a member of the Art and Cold Cash SSHRC-funded collaborative team. She was a Northern Liaison for *The First Ministers' Conference on Aboriginal Rights*.

Benjamin Authers is a PhD candidate in the School of English and Theatre Studies at the University of Guelph. His research focuses on law and literature, and in particular on the representation of human rights in contemporary Canadian law and fiction. He is published in the *University of Toronto Quarterly*, *Journal of the Association for the Study of Australian Literature*, the *Review of Education, Pedagogy, and Cultural Studies*, and *Orlando: Women's Writing in the British Isles from the Beginnings to the Present*.

Rebecca Babcock is a PhD candidate at Dalhousie University's Department of English; she is studying approaches to trauma in the work of contemporary Canadian ethnic and cultural minority women novelists and short story writers. She considers how the racialized subjects of these works respond to trauma—and more particularly trauma that is the product of racism. Rebecca received her BA and MA from the University of Alberta. She currently lives in Halifax, NS.

Ranbir Banwait is currently in the first year of her PhD at Simon Fraser University. Her area of specialization is Asian Canadian Literature.

Marie Battiste, a Mi'kmaq educator from Potlo'tek First Nations, is a Professor in the College of Education and Coordinator of the Indian and Northern Education Program within Educational Foundations, and the Academic Director at the Aboriginal Education Research Centre, University of Saskatchewan. Her historical research of

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Mi'kmaw literacy and education as a graduate student at Harvard University, and later at Stanford University where she received her doctorate degree in curriculum and teacher education, provided the foundation for her later writings in cognitive imperialism, linguistic and cultural integrity, and decolonization of Aboriginal education. A recipient of two honorary degrees from St. Mary's University and from her alma mater University of Maine at Farmington, she has worked actively with First Nations schools and communities as an administrator, teacher, consultant, and curriculum developer, advancing Aboriginal epistemology, languages, pedagogy, and research. Her research interests include: initiating institutional change in the decolonization of education, language, social justice policy and power, and educational approaches that recognize and affirm the political and cultural diversity of Canada and the ethical protection of Indigenous knowledge. To access a detailed list of her publications please visit: <<http://www.usask.ca/education/people/battistem.html>>

Afef Benessaieh is an Assistant Professor in International Studies at Glendon College (York University). Her current research interests include globalization in the culture industries, transculturality, International relations theories and interdisciplinary qualitative methodologies, and NGOs in North-South Cooperation, particularly in the case of Southern Mexico. Her latest publications include "Speaking in Northern Tongues? Southern Views on Global Society," in *Cultural Dynamics* (2009, Summer) and "Multiculturalism, Interculturality and Transculturality," in A. Benessaieh (ed.), *Amériques transculturelles/Transcultural Americas* (2009, University of Ottawa Press, forthcoming).

Andrea Beverly, originally from New Brunswick, now lives in Montreal, where she is a doctoral student in the Études Anglaises department at the Université de Montréal. Her dissertation focuses on contemporary Canadian women's writing and transnational feminism. Andrea is also a teacher, mother, community volunteer, and founding member of the TransCanada/TransQuébec PhD Student Workgroup.

Jennifer Blair is an Assistant Professor in the Department of English at University of Ottawa. Her research focuses primarily on early Canadian literature and culture, with a particular interest in architectural representation in early Canadian contexts. Jennifer's recent publications appear in *Feminist Media Studies* and *Victorian Review*.

Jack Butler's hybrid practice uses the means and methods of visual art to produce research in three distinct domains - medical science, cross-cultural collaborations with Inuit artists, and money. Butler's models of human sexual development were understood in 1980 to represent normal and ambiguous development. In 2006 the same models are taken to represent the range of intersex potentials between the imaginary opposites, male and female. Beginning in 1969, as a founding member of the Sanavik art-making Co-op in Baker Lake, Nunavut, Butler continues to develop collaborative research projects with Inuit artists culminating in Art & Cold Cash where his practice as a licensed financial analyst with Primerica Financial Services gives insight into the way artists in the North live money differently than his artist clients in the South. Butler exhibits internationally with work in public and private collections including the National Gallery of Canada. He has taught at Carnegie Mellon

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University, at the Banff Centre for the Arts, and in the Department of Philosophy at the University of Western Ontario. From 2002 to 2009 Butler has been an adjunct faculty member at the University of Toronto and a mentor to the Health Care Technology and Place program.

Alessandra Capperdoni is an instructor in the Department of English at Simon Fraser University, where she obtained her PhD in English (Canadian Literature and Comparative Poetics) in 2006. Her research focuses on post-1945 Canadian poetics and cultural production in relation to the discourse of the nation and citizenship, theories of the avant-garde in Europe and North America, culture and modernity, feminist poetics, studies in gender and sexuality, translation studies, 20th-century British literature, and literatures from Africa. She is currently working on a book manuscript, *Shifting Geographies: Poetics of Citizenship in the Age of Global Modernity*.

Richard Cassidy is a doctoral candidate in Études Anglaises at l'Université de Montréal. His FES-UdeM and SSHRC funded dissertation on contemporary Canadian fiction in English and in French by Gail Scott and Réjean Ducharme addresses the performance of bodies in stories and cities and raises questions about the intersection of literary and citizenship practice in urban and pedagogical spaces. An article on Gail Scott's *Heroine* is forthcoming as part of a collection (at Éditions Nota Bene) on the question of Anglo-Quebec literature.

Sarah Phillips Casteel teaches literatures of the Americas at Carleton University. She is the recipient of a John Charles Polanyi Prize and a Horst Frenz Prize, and she is a co-founder of the Centre for Transnational Cultural Analysis at Carleton. She is co-editor with Rachel Adams of a special issue of Comparative American Studies on "Canada and the Americas" and she is currently co-editing with Winfried Siemerling an essay collection entitled *Canada and Its Americas: Transnational Navigations*. Her book, *Second Arrivals: Landscape and Belonging in Contemporary Writing of the Americas*, was published by University of Virginia Press (2007).

Herménégilde Chiasson is a poet, playwright, visual artist, curator, novelist, film director, and, since 2003, the Lieutenant-Governor of New Brunswick. Chiasson is a distinguished and accomplished member of the Acadian cultural renaissance. Born in New Brunswick, a graduate of Mount Allison, he is the recipient of numerous awards and recognitions for his work, among them the Governor General's Award for Poetry (1998), the Prix France-Acadie (1986 and 1992), two New Brunswick Excellence Awards, the Ordre des Francophones d'Amérique, the Grand Prix de la francophonie canadienne, and, from the French government, the Chevalier de l'Ordre Français des Arts et des Lettres.

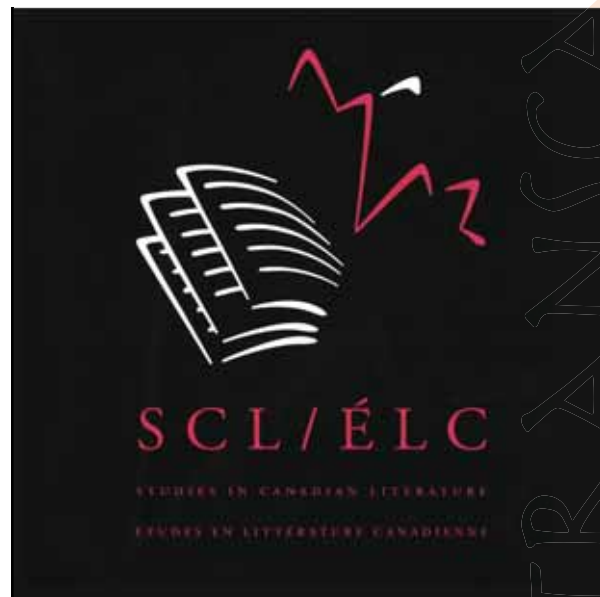
Lily Cho is an Assistant Professor in the Department of English at the University of Western Ontario. Her recent publications include: "Diasporic Citizenship" in *Trans.Can.Lit* edited by Smaro Kamboureli and Roy Miki (2007), "The Turn to Diaspora" in *Topia 17* (2007), "Future Perfect Loss: Richard Fung's Sea in the Blood" in *Screen 49.4* (2008) and "Asian Canadian Futures: Diasporic Passages and the Routes of Indenture in Canadian Literature" (2009). She is currently completing a book-length study of diaspora and Chinese restaurants in small town Canada titled *On Eating Chinese*.

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George Elliott Clarke was born in Windsor, Nova Scotia, near the Black Loyalist community of Three Mile Plains, in 1960. A graduate of the University of Waterloo (B.A. 1984), Dalhousie University (M.A., 1989), and Queen's University (Ph.D., 1993), he is now the inaugural E.J. Pratt Professor of Canadian Literature at the University of Toronto. Previously, he taught in the Canadian Studies program at Duke University (1994-1999), served as the Seagrams' Visiting Chair in Canadian Studies at McGill University (1998-1999), a Noted Scholar at UBC (2002) and as a Visiting Scholar at Mount Allison University (2005). He has also worked as a researcher (Ontario Provincial Parliament, 1982-83), editor (Imprint, University of Waterloo, 1984-85, and *The Rap*, Halifax, NS, 1985-87) social worker (Black United Front of Nova Scotia, 1985-86), parliamentary aide (House of Commons, 1987-91), and newspaper columnist (*The Daily News*, Halifax, NS, 1988-89, and *The Halifax Herald*, Halifax, NS, 1992-). His many honours include the Portia White Prize for Artistic Achievement (1988), the Governor-General's Award for Poetry (2001), the National Magazine Gold Medal for Poetry (2001), the Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Achievement Award (2004), and the prestigious Trudeau Fellow Prize (2005). He lives in Toronto but he also owns land in Nova Scotia.

Daniel Coleman, a Professor and Canada Research Chair in Diversity in Canadian Literary Cultures at McMaster University, teaches and carries out research in Canadian Literature, the literary and cultural production of categories of privilege such as whiteness, masculinity, Britishness, and, most recently, the spiritual and cultural politics of reading. He has published *Masculine Migrations: Reading the Postcolonial Male* (U Toronto P, 1998), *The Scent of Eucalyptus: A Missionary Childhood in Ethiopia* (Goose Lane Editions, 2003), and has co-edited seven scholarly volumes. His book, *White Civility: The Literary Project of English Canada* (University of Toronto P, 2006), won the Raymond Klibansky prize for the best English-language book in the Humanities in Canada for 2006-07. With Smaro Kamboureli, he is currently co-editing a volume entitled *The Culture of Research: Retooling the Humanities*. His most recent book, *In Bed With the Word: Reading, Spirituality, and Cultural Politics*, was published by the University of Alberta P (2009).

John Corr is a SSHRC-funded Postdoctoral Fellow at the TransCanada Institute at the University of Guelph. His current projects include transforming his PhD dissertation *Diasporic Sexualities in Contemporary Canadian Fiction* into a manuscript; researching a new book-length project, *Shades of White: the Transition of the Irish in Canada*; and collaborating on a curriculum of affective practice



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