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Literature, Institutions, Citizenship

An Interdisciplinary Conference on the Study of Canadian Literature and Culture University of Guelph, Guelph, Ontario October 11-14, 2007



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Thursday, October 11

Guelph Youth Music Centre, 75 Cardigan Street

5:30-6:00

Registration

Welcoming Remarks

Smaro Kamboureli (Guelph)

6:00-7:30

Keynote Address

Rey Chow, Andrew W. Mellon Professor of the Humanities (Brown)

"'A Face Drawn in Sand by the Edge of the Sea': Crossing the Humanities, Crossing the

Human"

Moderator: Lily Cho (Western)

7:00-8:00

Reception and Cash Bar

Friday, October 12

Peter Clark Hall, University Centre, University of Guelph

8:30-9:30

Registration

9:00-9:30

Opening Remarks

Smaro Kamboureli (Guelph) and Roy Miki (SFU)

University of Guelph Greetings

Dr. Alan Wildeman, Vice-President Research

Dr. Donald Bruce, Dean, College of Arts

Dr. Mark Fortier, Director, School of English and Theatre Studies

Friday, October 12 cont'd

9:30-11:00 Keynote Address

Janine Brodie, Canada Research Chair in Political Economy and Social Governance (Alberta)

"Whither the Social Canadian? Recasting the Social in Canadian Citizenship"

Animator: Donna Palmateer Pennee (Guelph)

11:00-11:15 Coffee Break

11:15-12:30 Concurrent Session A

A1 Indigeneity and the State

University Centre 442

Len Findlay (Saskatchewan), "The Long March to Recognition: Sakej Henderson, sui generis Citizenship, and the New/Old Jurisprudence"

Pauline Wakeham (Western), "Discourses of Reconciliation, Aboriginal-State relations, and the Production of Postcolonial Closure"

Cheryl Suzack (Victoria), "The Windigo Figure and Indigenous Customary Law"

Animator: Daniel Heath Justice (Toronto)

A2 Disturbing the State: Culture and Security

University Centre 441

Heike Harting (Montréal), "The Culture of Security: Protection, Abjection, and Rebecca Belmore's Installation *The Named and the Unnamed*"

Manina Jones (Western), "Coming Through Oka: Co-Authorship and Cultural Disturbance in First Nations Auto-Biographies"

Program

Friday, October 12 cont'd

A2 cont'd

Mark McCutcheon (UNB, Saint John), "Canadian Conspiracy and *Battlestar Galactica*: Body Doubles, Diaspora, and Terrorism in Transnational Popular Culture"

Animator: Michael Keefer (Guelph)

A3 CanLit, Human Rights, and the Violence of Citizenship

University Centre 004

Andrea Medovarski, "Afri-Can't? The African Theatre Ensemble and the Limits of Canadian State Multiculturalism"

Ben Authers (Guelph), "Law, Literature, and the Representation of Human Rights in Canada"

Jessica Schagerl (McMaster), "Pacifist Citizenship and the Narrative Construction of the Citizen Shaped by Violence"

Animator: Corey Lavender (Guelph)

A4 Crossing Borders in CanLit

University Centre 429

Margaret Steffler (Trent), "The Production and Use of the Globalized Child: Teaching Canadian Children's Literature out of its Multicultural Complacency"

Michelle Superle (Fraser Valley), "From Exclusion to Inclusion: Indo-Canadian and South Asian Children's Literature in Canadian Educational Institutions"

Chris Lee (UBC), "From Lateness to Comparison: Asian Canadian Studies and its Borders"

Animator: Lorraine York (McMaster)

5 Narration, Poetics, Politics

University Centre 103

Bina Toledo Friewald (Concordia), "Self-Narration Interrogating the Nation"

Friday, October 12 cont'd

A5 cont'd Sandra R. G. Almeida (Minas Gerais, Brazil), "Citizens of Diaspora: Canadian Literature and Transnational Movements"

Alessandra Capperdoni (SFU), "Cultural Poetics as Global Poetics"

Animator: Linda Warley (Waterloo)

12:30-2:00 David Chariandy reads from his first novel, Soucouyant, shortlisted for the Giller Prize

Catered Cold Lunch

Peter Clark Hall, University Centre, University of Guelph

2:00-4:00 Position Papers, Session One: Canadian Culture and Policy

Jeff Derksen (SFU), "A Poetics of the Current Moment (or, Where is Now?)"

Monika Kin Gagnon (Concordia), "Making (Non)Sense of L'Affaire Hérouxville"

Lynette Hunter (Davis), "Case by Case Arts Policy in Canada?"

Discussant: Len Findlay (Saskatchewan)

4:00-4:15 Coffee Break

4:15-5:30 Concurrent Session B

B1 Environmental Citizenship, Aboriginality, Canadian Culture University Centre 442

Warren Cariou (Manitoba), "Glimpses of a Dam: Energy, Environmental Citizenship, and Canadian Culture"

Klara Kolinska (Masaryk, Czech Republic), "Bearing the Cross on Stage: Transformations of Christian Imagery in Canadian Aboriginal Theatre"

June Scudeler (Calgary), "The Song I am Singing: Gregory Scofield's Interweavings of Metis, Gay, and Jewish Selfhoods"

Animator: Louisa Sorflaten (Guelph)

Program

Friday, October 12 cont'd

B2 Alternate Geographies and the Canadian Polity

University Centre 103

Lianne Moyes (Montréal), "TransCanada and Quebec: Inhabiting the Territorial Nonsequitur"

Catherine Leclerc (McGill), "Traveling Concepts: Lateral (Dis)Connections in Anglo-Quebec, Acadian, and Franco-Ontarian Writing"

Winfried Siemerling (Sherbrooke), "Alternative Urban Geographies: Southwest Montreal, the 1940s, Jazz"

Animator: Gregory Betts (Brock)

B3 CanLit and the Americas: Nation and Exile

University Centre 441

Gillian Roberts (Leeds, UK), "Remapping the Hemisphere: Canadian Literature and the Americas"

Ingrid Mündel (Guelph), "Retelling Home in Guillermo Verdecchia's Fronteras Americanas"

Gabrielle Etcheverry (Carleton), "Chilean Literature in Canada: Reframing the Nation

Through the Lens of Exilic Literary Production"

Animator: Amy Kebe (Montréal)

B4 Diasporas: Between the Nation-state and Institutions

University Centre 429

Robert Zacharias (Guelph), "'In the world but not of it': Is there a Mennonite-Canadian Diasporic Literature?"

Jennifer Delisle (UBC), "Newfoundland Expatriate Literature: Nationalism and Diaspora" John Corr (McMaster), "Discursive uncertainty and academic interdisciplinarity"

Animator: David Chariandy (SFU)

Friday, October 12 cont'd

Marked Bodies and CanLit

University Centre 004

Sally Chivers (Trent), "Public Properties: The TransCanadian Terry Fox"

Nicole Markotic (Windsor), "Form and Transformation: Disabling the Canadian

Poem"

Larissa Lai (UBC), "Marked Bodies, Global Flows: Anti-Racist Organizing Under Late

Capital"

Animator: Donald Goellnicht (McMaster)

5:30-7:00 Free Time

Guelph Youth Music Centre, 75 Cardigan Street

Literary Readings with Reception and Cash Bar 7:00-8:30

Armand Ruffo, Margaret Christakos, Sonnet L'Abbé

Moderator: Paul Danyluk (Guelph)

Saturday, October 13

Peter Clark Hall, University Centre, University of Guelph

Keynote Address 9:30-11:00

Peter Kulchyski (Manitoba)

"bush/writing: embodied deconstructions, traces of community and writing against the

state in indigenous acts of literature"

Animator: Robert Zacharias (Guelph)

11:00-11:15 Coffee Break

Program

Saturday, October 13 cont'd

11:15-12:30 Doctoral Students Plenary Session: Reading and Writing the Canadian Socius

> Melina Baum Singer (Western), "The Poetics of the Unhomely: Diaspora, TransNation, and English Canadian Literature"

Aparna Mishra Tarc (York), "Everyday Literacy: Reading and Writing the Social"

Maia Joseph (UBC), "Urban Change and the Literary Imaginary in Vancouver, 1986-Present"

Naava Smolash (SFU), "Migrants and Citizens: The Shifting Ground of Struggle in Canadian Textual Representations of Racialized Otherness"

Animator: Kit Dobson (Guelph)

12:30-2:00 Catered Cold Lunch

2:00-4:00 Position Papers, Session Two:

Barbara Godard (York), "Language, Culture and Belonging"

Danielle Fuller (Birmingham, UK), "Beyond CanLit(e): Reading. Interdisciplinarity. Trans-

Atlantically."

Graham Huggan (Leeds, UK), "Threatened Worlds, Famous Faces"

Discussant: Sophie McCall (SFU)

4:00-4:15 Coffee Break

4:15-5:30 Concurrent Session C

Nature, Culture and CanLit

University Centre 442

Emily Johansen (McMaster), "Earthly Multiplicity: Sharon Butala's The Garden of Eden and Physical Cosmopolitanism"

Eleanor Ty (Laurier), "Revising the Romance of the Land: Place in Immigrant Narratives by Asian Canadian Women"

Saturday, October 13 cont'd

Jenny Kerber (York), "Divided Natures: Environmental Literatures of the Western Canada-US Borderlands"

Animator: Carrie Dawson (Dalhousie)

C2 CanLit, Institutional Structures, Pedagogy

University Centre 004

Alison Calder (Manitoba), "Postcolonial Canadian Regional Scholarship: Threats and Promises"

Aruna Srivastava (Calgary), "Thou Shalt Not: Romancing Canada in the Academy"

Tanis MacDonald (Laurier), "The Aim was Song? Aboriginal Texts and Abrogative Silence in the Undergraduate Course in Canadian Literature"

Animator: Renate Eigenbrod (Manitoba)

C3 Culture and Communities – A Collaborative Panel Presentation

University Centre 441

"Artivism: The Artist and the Community in Contemporary Canadian Art and Visual Culture"

Lora Carney (Toronto)

Rory Crath (Seneca)

Marlene Goldman (Toronto)

Animator: Karl Jirgens (Windsor)

C4 Transnationalism, Humanitarianism, and Cultural Production

University Centre 103

Jade Ferguson (Cornell/Guelph),"But, what can any individual do?" From Dixie with Love: Murder, Minstrelsy, and White Canadian Civility"

Program

Saturday, October 13

C4 cont'd

Maureen Moynagh (SFX), "Reading Blake, or the Huts of America as a 'Canadian' Text; Or,

Slave Revolt and the Trans-American Imaginary"

Christine Kim (SFU), "A Japanese Canadian Trilogy of Sorts: Joy Kogawa's *Obasan*, *Itsuka*, and *Emily Kato*"

Animator: Hyacinth Simpson (Ryerson)

C5

Cross-cultural Interdisciplinarity

University Centre 429

Ashok Mathur (Thompson Rivers), "A Little Distillery in Nowgong: A novel In Interdisciplinary Transition"

Henry Tsang (Emily Carr) & Glen Lowry (Emily Carr), "Two False Creeks: From Vancouver to Dubai and Back"

Animator: Louis Cabri (Windsor)

5:00-7:30

Free Time

Ramada Inn Conference Centre, 716 Gordon Street, Guelph

7:00-7:30 Cash Bar

7:30-10:00 Banquet and Surprise Presentation

10:00 TransDance Party
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Sunday, October 14

Peter Clark Hall, University Centre, University of Guelph

9:30-11:15 Plenary Session: CanLit in Global Contexts

Hartmut Lutz (Ernst Moritz Arndt University, Germany), "Being Players in the CanLit Import-Export Business"

Jameela Begum (Kerala, India), "Hypertextual Frames of Cross Culturalism: Teaching CanLit in India"

Yoko Fujimoto (Waseda, Japan), "Is CanLit Lost in Japanese Translation?"

Discussant: Christl Verduyn

11:15-11:30 Coffee break

11:30-12:45 Concurrent Session D

D1 Cultural Production & The Politics of Celebrity Culture
University Centre 441

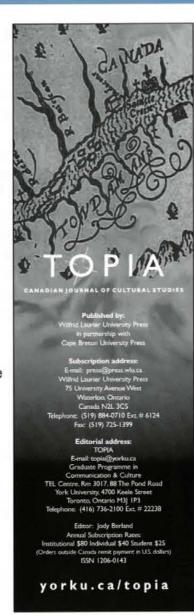
Julie Rak (Alberta), "Can(the)Lit: The Cultural Meaning of Margaret Atwood's Long Pen" Jennifer Scott (SFU), "Awarding Otherness: How the

Giller Prize Rewards Commodified

Multiculturalism"

Ruth Panofsky (Ryerson), "President Frank Wise and the Macmillan Company of Canada, 1905-1921"

Animator: Hildi Froese Tiessen (Waterloo)



Program

Sunday, October 14 cont'd

D2 Ideology, Mobility and the Institutionalization of CanLit

University Centre 103

Paul Hjartarson (Alberta), "The Post World War II Institution of Canadian Literature and the Cold War"

Diana Brydon (Manitoba), "In the Name of Home: Canadian Literature, Global Imaginaries" Sylvia Söderlind (Queen's), "Canadian Literatures in the Translation Zone"

Animator: Frank Davey (Western)

D3 Canadian Culture and Translation

University Centre 442

Kyle Conway (Wisconsin-Madison), "National Identity in Translation: the Role of CBC/Radio Canada News in Translation across Linguistic and Regional Divides"

Sherry Simon (Concordia) & Kathy Mezei (SFU), "Translation Effects: The Role of Translation in Canadian Cultural Life"

Animator: Richard Cassidy (Montréal)

12:45-1:00 Break

Peter Clark Hall, University Centre, University of Guelph

1:00-2:30 Lunch and Discussion: Thinking toward TransCanada Three (Mount Allison, 2009)

Chair: Smaro Kamboureli (Guelph)



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Our long-term plans include Phase III of TransCanada, to be held at Mount Allison University, in the summer of 2009, co-organized by Smaro Kamboureli and Christl Verduyn, and special panels at Congress, as well as colloquia and workshops hosted by TransCanada Institute on various issues that will emerge from TransCanada Two. Check the Institute's web site for information as it becomes available.

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Call for Papers

Canadian Literature and TransCanada Institute invite submissions for a special issue on shifts in the field of Canadian literature. CanLit may play a major role in Canada's cultural economies, but it has become apparent that its study can no longer take place in isolation from the larger forces that shape the nation, global relations, and the corporatization of higher education. The task of identifying the implications of these shifts and, above all, of devising constructive ways of responding to them involves a long-term and multilateral project that can only be a shared endeavour, undertaken in interdisciplinary and collaborative terms. Current transnational forces have destabilized the "national myth" established in the 1960s and 1970s. Such questions as "is Canada post-colonial?" intersect with formulations such as "multicultural citizenship" or "white civility," or "recovering Canada" in ways that require new mappings of a shifting field. We invite submissions that critically examine the disciplinary and institutional frameworks within which Canadian literature is produced, disseminated and taught from an interdisciplinary perspective.

Submission deadline: March 1, 2008. www.canlit.ca/call or www.transcanadas.ca for more details.



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