

BC Studies 2015

From Exclusion to Inclusion: Forging a Multicultural Identity in British Columbia

Welcome to Kwantlen Polytechnic University's Richmond Campus. In conjunction with BC Studies, KPU is proud to be the host location for this year's conference.

Kwantlen Polytechnic University serves a South Fraser Region of vast size and diversity, and is located in the shared traditional territories of the Kwantlen, Katzie, Musqueam, Semiahmoo, and Tsawwassen First Nations. Kwantlen Polytechnic University is named after the Kwantlen First Nation of the Coast Salish People, who are based in Fort Langley. Over their history, the Kwantlen People have been respected throughout the Lower Fraser River Region as Ancient Messengers—Tireless Runners. The ethic of the Kwantlen People is reflected in the motto of Kwantlen Polytechnic University: "through tireless effort, knowledge, and understanding."

The majority of our conference sessions will be held in the Melville Centre for Dialogue. However, additional sessions will take place as follows:

- Richmond 2520 – concurrent sessions and conversational lunches
- Richmond 1420 – book publishers' display

KPU student posters relating to the conference theme are on display throughout the Melville Centre.

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Thursday May 7th 2015

9:30 – 10:00 Melville Centre for Dialogue

Welcomes & Introductions

KPU Elder-in-Residence Lekeyten

Vice-President Academic Dr. Sal Ferreras

Dean of Arts Dr. Diane Purvey

10:15 – 11:45 Melville Centre for Dialogue

Keynote Speaker Dr. Patricia E. Roy, Professor Emeritus,
University of Victoria

**“From Exclusion to Inclusion: An Informal Historiographical
Memoir of East Asians in British Columbia”**

12:15 – 1:15 Richmond 2520

Conversational Lunch with Gina Csanyi-Robah, Co-Founder
& Executive Director, Canadian Romani Alliance
“The Roma Peoples in Western Canada”

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1:15 – 2:45 Melville Centre for Dialogue Side A

1. Immigration, Multiculturalism, and Suburbia

(Lee Blanding – Langara) “A Euphemism for a Benign Form of
Apartheid”: Historicizing Competing Multiculturalisms in Richmond
BC, 1994-2014

(Amir Mirfakhraie – KPU) A Historical and Statistical Analysis of
Select Demographical Characteristics of Iranian Immigration and
the Iranian Ethnic Community in Canada and British Columbia

(Nasibeh Ahadi – UBC) What Does a Comfortable Neighbourhood
Mean to Immigrant Women in Canada’s Suburbs?

Moderator: Frank Abbott

1:15 – 2:45 Melville Centre for Dialogue Side B

2. Radical British Columbia: Activist Projects & Alternative Identities

(Megan J. Davies – York) Natural and Homemade: Back-to-the-
Land Childbirth in the Kootenays

(Eryk Martin – SFU) Pot, Pies, and Punk: Anarchist Methods for a
Social Revolution

Moderator: Tom Sandborn (writer and activist)

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1:15 – 2:45 Richmond 2520

3. Disability, Multiculturalism, and the Therapeutic State

(Jennifer Shaw – SFU) Working from the Heart: The Role of the Therapeutic State and Affective Labour in Settlement Services for Newcomers

(Fiona Whittington-Walsh – KPU) Disability and Multiculturalism in British Columbia

Moderator: TBD

3:00 – 4:30 Melville Centre for Dialogue Side A

4. Foodways and Identity

(Satwinder Bains – SFU & Tzu-I Chung – Royal BC Museum) Multicultural Identity through Food History: Sikh Ethnic Food History Project

(Della Roussin – York) Pork Wars: Public Health vs. Cultural Integrity, 1972 -1979

(Alice Huang – SFU) Clam Wars: Ecological Legacies of Transnational Trade in Coastal Aboriginal Communities, 1930 - 2014

Moderator: Paul Crowe (SFU)

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3:00 – 4:30 Melville Centre for Dialogue Side B

5. Panel Discussion – Race & Criminal Justice in BC

Simranjit (Prince) Arora (KPU), Shereen Hassan (KPU), Michael Ma (KPU), Lisa Monchalin (KPU), Christianne Paras (KPU), and Charles Reasons (CWU)

Moderator: Amir Mirfakhraie

3:00 – 4:30 Richmond 2520

6. Panel Discussion: The Open Textbook Project / Open Education Resources

(John Belshaw – TRU-OL) (Rajiv Jhangiani – KPU) Open resources and the writing/use of OpenTexts in Canadian History, Sociology, and Psychology

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9:30 – 10:30 Melville Centre for Dialogue Side B

Nicola Harwood (KPU) High Muck a Muck: Playing Chinese

High Muck a Muck: Playing Chinese is an interactive poem which explores the theme of Chinese immigration to the west coast of Canada – both historical and contemporary – the tensions that exist in and between these narratives.

Moderator: TBD

10:45 – 12:15 Melville Centre for Dialogue Side A

7. Indigenous Land and Landscapes

(Jeremy Buddenhagen – UVic) Pre-contact Indigenous Military Fortifications: Siege Warfare and Implications for Land Ownership

(Deidre Cullon – UVic) Toward an Inclusion of Perspective: the Laich-Kwil-Tach

Moderator: Jack Hayes

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10:45 – 12:15 Melville Centre for Dialogue Side B

8. Japanese-Canadian Experiences

(Patricia E. Roy – UVic) Anglicans and the Japanese in British Columbia: An Ambiguous Relationship

(R. Tod Duncan – York) Narratives of liberal multiculturalism and their effect on Japanese Canadian internment research

Moderator: Frank Abbott

12:15 – 1:15 Richmond 2520

Lunch Break

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1:15 – 2:45 Melville Centre for Dialogue Side A

9. Landscapes of Injustice: Preliminary Returns of Partnered Research

(Beth Carter – Nikkei Museum & Nick Blomley – SFU) Project Introduction

(Jordan Stanger-Ross and Sarah Fitterer – UVic) Land Titles and the Material History of Dispossession

(Sonja Aagesen and Samantha Bets – SFU) The Uses of GIS and Geovisualization in the Landscapes of Injustice Project

(Martin Holmes – UVic) Integrating Landscapes of Injustice: A Technical Perspective

Moderator: Laura Ishiguro (UBC)

1:15 – 2:45 Melville Centre for Dialogue Side B

10. Archaeology as History: Material Narratives of Identity, Events, and Conflicts in the Pacific Northwest (session continues after the coffee break)

(Bill Angelbeck – Douglas) Thinking through Archaeology as History: An Indirect Historical Approach to the Coast Salish Past

(Chris Springer – SFU) Houses, Territory, and Tenure: The Archaeology of Territoriality in Tla'amin Territory on the Northeastern Edge of the Salish Sea

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(Rudy Reimer – SFU) Framing Squamish Nation History in Deep Time

(Stanley Copp – SFU / Rudy Reimer – SFU / Peter Ord – Royal BC Museum) The Sword of the Turtle People, or, "What is a Sri Lankan Kastane doing in a Plateau Burial?"

Jillian Elcock (KPU) Ethnoarchaeology of Social Class & Gold Rush Migrations in the Fraser Canyon

Moderator: Andrew Martindale (UBC)

3:00 – 4:30 Melville Centre for Dialogue Side A

11. Education in British Columbia

(Anika Stafford – SFU) The Feminization of Education: Disrupting Idealized Past

(Lilach Marom – UBC) Who is the "good teacher" in Canada: the professional capital of immigrant teachers

Moderator: Diane Purvey

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3:00 – 4:30 Melville Centre for Dialogue Side B

10. Archaeology as History (session continues)

(Brian Pegg – KPU) Reading Harmonicas: Instruments of Resistance in Late Colonial Indigenous North America

(Douglas E. Ross – SFU) Archaeology of the Asian Diaspora in BC

(Robert Muckle – CAPU) An Ofuro in the Woods and Other Indications of an Oasis of Japanese Culture within the Context of the Logging Industry and Euro-Canadian Settlement in Southwest BC

(Ross Jamieson – SFU) The Historical Archaeology of First Nations Peoples: A View from BC

(Paul Ewonus – KPU) Cultural Interaction in the Ancestral Coast Salish World: Charting the Social Landscape History of the Southern Strait of Georgia

Moderator: Andrew Martindale (UBC)

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9:00 – 10:30 Melville Centre for Dialogue Side A

12. All Together on the Land? A Dialogue on Multiculturalism and Decolonization in Academic Praxis

(Emma Battell Lowman – Leicester) Place-based Relationality

(Andrea Eidinger – KPU) Addressing Settler Colonialism in the Classroom

(Adam Gaudry – Sask) Impact of the 'Victoria School'

Moderator: Tracey Kinney

9:00 – 10:30 Melville Centre for Dialogue Side B

13. Land and Water – Treaties and Activism

(Chris Madsen – RMC / Canadian Forces College) Shifting Sands and Political Shoals: Industry, Trade, and Navigation on the Lower Fraser River 1879 – 1924

(Kailey Hansson – Queens) *Skogsarbetarna*: Swedish Loggers and Union Activism in 1930s British Columbia

Moderator: TBD

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10:45 – 12:15 Melville Centre for Dialogue Side A

14. The Chinese-Canadian Experience in British Columbia

(Shelly Ikebuchi – OC) Partial Projects: Challenging the Binaries of Exclusion and Inclusion in Victoria's Chinese Rescue Home, 1886-1923

(Ruo Chen Sun – UBCO) Illusions of Ethnic Homogeneity: Rethinking Chinese Identity in Vancouver BC

Moderator: Colin Green

10:45 – 12:15 Melville Centre for Dialogue Side B

15. Settling In: Settlers Constructing "Home" in British Columbia, 1858 – 1970

(Laura Ishiguro – UBC) Writing Home: the post, the family, and settler belonging beyond British Columbia, 1858-1914

(Andrea Geiger – SFU) Embodied Landscapes: Meiji-era Japanese Immigrant Conceptions of Space and Place in British Columbia

(Madeline Knickerbocker – SFU) The Poetics of Settler Colonialism: Anthropological Appropriations of the Fraser Valley, 1943-1970

Moderator: Patricia Roy

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Conversational lunch with Emily Lonie (City Archivist, Coquitlam)
"Accessing BC's Archival Past"

1:15 – 2:45 Melville Centre for Dialogue Side A

16. Print Culture, Censorship, and Civic Activism

(Stuart Parker – UBC/SFU/Los Altos Institute) Contradictions of the New Left Ratepayer Activist and the Collapse of the Civic Left: Participant-Observer Thoughts on Vancouver Civic Political Realignment.

(Gail Edwards – Douglas) "The Comic Book Burning Ceremony": Inclusion and Exclusion in Children's Print Culture in Postwar British Columbia

Moderator: TBD

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17. Land Use, Land Sharing, and Land Ownership

(Neil Vallance – UVic) Sharing the Land: A Comparison of the Vancouver Island (or 'Douglas') Treaties of 1850-54, and the Washington (or 'Stevens') Treaties of 1854-55

(Ashleigh Androsoff – Douglas) Landed Immigrants: Doukhobor Land Use and Ownership in Twentieth-Century British Columbia

(Mali Bain – UBC) Homesteading on Jedidiah Island: A Decolonizing Approach to Family History Research

Moderator: Tom Thorner

1:15 – 2:45 Richmond 2520

18. Education, Religious Exceptionalism, and Hate Crimes

(David Burns, Charmaine Leung, Betty Yeung – KPU/Lindsay Herriot – UofA) "What is the appropriate position of the liberal state in the balance between the rights of minorities and those of the subset of religious groups who oppose the representation of sexual minorities in school resources?"

(Liam O'Flaherty – SFU) Space, place, and race in the West End: the politics of neighbourhood safety in Vancouver's 'gay ghetto', 1986-2002.

Moderator: Tracey Kinney

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19. Local Regulation of Prostitution in the (re)Making of British Columbia

(Ivan Drury – SFU) Rebel Unions, Criminal Sex: Making working-class wives for a settled Vancouver

(Julia Aoki and Yoshimizu Ayaka – SFU) "Exploration of Devil Caves": Japanese sex workers in the early 20th century BC

(Stacey Bishop – SFU) From Shame the Johns to Bill C-36: the meanings of regulating prostitution

Moderator: Diane Naugler