

# **INSTABILITY AND INSECURITY**

**11TH ANNUAL GRADUATE HISTORY SYMPOSIUM**

University of Toronto  
May 7-8, 2015

# SCHEDULE / THURSDAY, MAY 7

1:00pm-2:00pm      Registration

2:00pm-3:30pm      Concurrent Panels

Panel 1: Localized Instability Munk 108N

Commentator: Sean Mills (University of Toronto)

Dale Barbour (University of Toronto), "'The trouble is that the character of the river bed is continually changing:' Bathing and the quest for environmental security in Toronto, 1870-1930"

Jonathan Quint (University of Windsor), "'Aristocratic Element': The Detroit River Region and the Politics of Trade, 1780-1820"

Thomas Blampied (University of Toronto), "Fundraising and Identity in Toronto's Jewish Community"

Panel 2: Civil Rights Munk 208N

Commentator: Russ Kazal (University of Toronto)

Damien Strecker (Fordham University), "Harry Haywood and Black Separatism in the Deep South: An Analysis of a Black Communist's Strategy for Self Determination"

Sarah Nicklas (Northeastern University), "Living Outside the Establishment: The Black Panther Party and Community Development in Boston"

Sarah M. Wolk (University of California, Riverside), "Moms Mabley and the Civil Rights Movement"

3:30pm-3:45pm      Coffee Break

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3:45pm-5:15pm      Concurrent Panels

Panel 3: Economic Instability

Munk 108N

Commentator: Justin Douglas (University of Toronto)

Gabrielle Kelly (University of Cape Town), "Social Insecurity? A History of the South African Disability Grant: 1946 to 1992"

Jessica Harris (University of California, Los Angeles), "Modernize and Americanize: Rebuilding the Mondadori Publishing Company's Magazine Division in Post-World War II Italy"

Marco D'Amico (Concordia University), "To Get Rich is Glorious, To Dream is Perfection: The Theoretical Analysis of Xi Jinping's 'China Dream'"

Matthew Lavallee (Boston University), "Understanding the 2014 Market Basket Labor Conflict in Historical Context"

Panel 4: Microhistories

Munk 208N

Commentator: Candace Sobers (University of Toronto)

Daniel Gorman Jr. (Villanova University), "Toward the Evening Star: Hagiography, Polemics, and the Rochester Origins of the Latter-day Saints"

Sandra Brasda (University of California, Los Angeles): "Hot Child in the City: Instability and Insecurity in Los Angeles"

Shannon Smith (California State University, Sacramento), "'Potential in Her Own Hands:' How Family Concerns Influenced the Women's Movement at California State University, Sacramento, 1969-1977"

7:00pm-9:00pm      Keynote Address & Reception

University of Toronto Arts Centre  
(15 Kings College Circle)

Opening Remarks: Lynne Viola (University of Toronto)

Speaker: Kate Brown (University of Maryland Baltimore County)

# SCHEDULE / FRIDAY, MAY 8

10:00am–11:30am Concurrent Panels

Panel 5: Constructing Identities Across Borders Munk 108N

Commentator: Alison Smith (University of Toronto)

John Stovall (University of Albany), "'The Jerusalem Above': Byzantine Eunuchs, the Eschaton, and Komnenian Attitudes in Theophylact of Ochrid's 'In Defense of Eunuchs'"

Mieke Lisuk (California State University, Sacramento), "What is a 'Good Girl?' The Changing Views on Early Marriage and Education in the American Hmong Community"

Monique Flores Ulysses (McGill University), "'Despedida de un norteño': American Empire and the Corridos of Mexican Migration, 1917–1932"

Panel 6: Security and the Cold War Munk 208N

Commentator: Carol Chin (University of Toronto)

Dexter Fergie (University of British Columbia), "'Looking into the Abyss and Seeing Hell': Eisenhower and the Experts Debate the Apocalypse"

Eric Martell (University of Albany), "From Thirteen Days to Thirteen Months: John F. Kennedy, Nikita Khrushchev, and the Pursuit of a Stable Peace"

Fritz Bartel (Cornell University), "Trading Democracy for Austerity: The IMF and Poland's Democratic Revolution in 1989"

11:30am–12:30pm Roundtable Discussion

Confronting and Reconciling Uncertainties Munk 108N

Moderator: Stacy Hushion (University of Toronto)

Discussants: Samuel Cohen (University of Toronto), Kevin Coleman (University of Toronto), Eric Jennings (University of Toronto)

12:30pm–2:00pm Lunch

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2:00pm-3:30pm      Concurrent Panels

Panel 7: Narratives of Conflict Munk 108N

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Commentator: Luis van Isschot (University of Toronto)

Daniel Beckman (University of California, Los Angeles), "Words Spoken Over an Unmarked Tomb: Rhetoric and Blood in 1980s Honduras"

Justin Broubalow (George Mason University), "'Yes, Let Them See Me Killed': The Execution of Leon Czolgosz and the Rise of Anti-Anarchism in Progressive America"

Louisa Cantwell (Yale University), "On the Frontline of a Frontline State: The Bakgatla-ba-Kgafela in the Botswana-South Africa Borderlands and the Liberation Struggle, 1948-1994"

Panel 8: Colonialism and Post-Colonialism Munk 208N

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Commentator: Prasanta Dhar (University of Toronto)

Cayla Morency (University of Windsor), "'Tokens of the Past...Inspiration for the Future': German Südwester Monuments, Heritage, and Identity in 20th-Century South West Africa"

Naomi Calnitsky (Carleton University), "Chinese Plantation Labour in the Western Samoan Colonial Past: Re-reading the German Period"

Sharon Hanna (University of Windsor), "Colonial Dreams and Messy Realities: State Vision and the Kurds in the Early Turkish Republic"

3:30pm-3:45pm      Coffee Break

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Panel 9: Identity in the Islamic World Munk 108N

Commentator: Mark Meyerson (University of Toronto)

Abdullah Farooqi (University of Toronto), "A Muftī and His Fatwā: The Reformulation of Early 16th Century Spanish Morisco Identity in the 1504 Oran Fatwā"

Bogdan Smarandache (University of Toronto), "The Hanbalī Emigration of 551 AH/1156 AD from the Latin Kingdom of Jerusalem in Light of Legal Opinions on Muslims under Non-Muslim Rule"

Fadi Ragheb (University of Toronto), "A Unifier in an Unstable Age: The Counter-Crusade Strategy of Zangī (r. 1127-1146 C.E.)"

Hakeem Naim (University of California, Davis): "Ittihad-i Islam, Colonial Modernization and the Rise of Islamic Nationalism in Afghanistan"

Panel 10: Order and Authority Munk 208N

Commentator: Ritu Birla (University of Toronto)

Cathleen Clark (Queen's University), "Moments of Uncertainty and Challenges to Order: From the Six Nations Case to the Six Nations-Caledonia Land Reclamation"

Eva Kratochvil (Concordia University), "Cultivating Loyalty: The Royal Pardon as a Tool of Legitimation and Authority Under Henry VIII"

Javed Wani (Royal Holloway, University of London), "Insurgent Diaspora and a Resurgent Colonial State: Reflections of 'Ghadr' and the Institution of 'Emergency' Laws in Late Colonial India"

8:30pm              End of Conference Pub Night  
Harbord House (150 Harbord Street)

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