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New Chair of Scottish Studies Program

In January, the new Chair of Scottish Studies, Dr. James Fraser, returned to the program



where he completed his MA fifteen years ago (1999). Having previously been Senior Lecturer in Early Scottish History at the University of Edinburgh (2002-

15), he comes to Guelph with his two children and his partner, Dr. Bronagh Ni Chonail, who will join the departmental teaching team in

2015-16 after ten years as a History and Celtic professor at the University of Glasgow. His aims for Scottish Studies are to maintain Guelph's stature in North America and internationally as a centre of excellence for the study of the Scottish past and the historic links between Scotland and Canada (not least through our own Scottish collections), as well as to expand the Centre's public mission where opportunities exist to work productively with heritage groups, the media, and public bodies on both sides of the Atlantic. James is a leading expert on early medieval Scotland, and hopes to be able to inspire undergraduate and graduate interest in this period of European history.

ALUMNI NEWS

Leslie James, previously a Lecturer in the Cambridge History Faculty, has secured a fellowship with the University of Birmingham as the Leverhulme Early Career Fellow at the Department of African Studies and Anthropology. She will be using the period to work on her second book.

Tara Hedican, History alumnus, has been appointed as an instructor at Confederation College

Katie McCullough (PhD 2014) has landed a job as the Director of the Scottish Studies centre at Simon Fraser University

Daniel McLeod, (PhD 2013) is now teaching at the University of Manitoba

Joshua MacFadyen (PhD '10) has recently started a 3-year postdoc at the University of Saskatchewan soon after his SSHRC postdoc expired at Western.

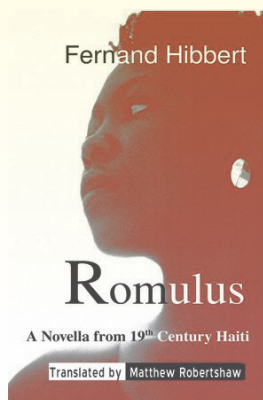
Holly Karibo (BA '06), Assistant Professor of History at Tarleton State University, US, has an article out this month in *Social History/Histoire sociale* "Swashbuckling Criminals and Border Bandits: Fighting Vice in North America's Borderlands, 1945-1960" Vol.47, #95, pp.705-728

MA & PhD History Defence

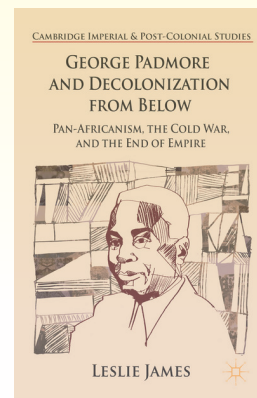
Sean Grant	October 24, 2014	MA(Thesis)
Rochelle Pereira	December 8, 2014	PhD
Gillian Forth	December 11, 2014	MA (MRP)
Sara Wilmshurst	December 11, 2014	MA (Thesis)
Andrew Webb	January 5, 2015	MA (MRP)
Evan Tigchelaar	January 6, 2015	MA (Thesis)

PUBLICATIONS AND AWARDS

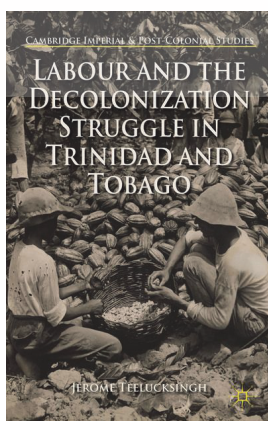
Matthew Robertshaw (currently in the History MA program) published his translation of a Haitian novel by Fernand Hibbert, *Romulus*, Deux Voiliers Publishing, 2014. It was reviewed recently in *The Journal of Haitian Studies*.



Leslie James, Leverhulme Early Career Fellow, at the University of Birmingham has just recently published her first book, on the pan-Africanist George Padmore, with Palgrave publish

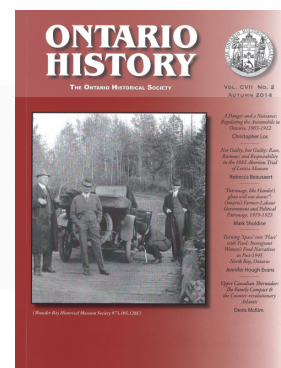


Jerome Teelucksingh, a History alumnu and Lecturer in history at the University of the West Indies at Trinidad has a new book out with Palgrave: *Labour and Decolonization Struggle in Trinidad and Tobago*. Dr. Teelucksingh works have focused on the history of Afro-Caribbean activists and intellectuals, on Indo-Caribbean Diaspora in North America; on Pan-



Africanism; on race, gender, and ethnic relations in the Caribbean; as well as labour history and the impact of Carnival and Calypso on Trinidad and Tobago's society. His other books include *The Cost of Freedom: The Struggles of the Caribbean Working Class, 1894-1950* and *Lost Gospel: Christianity and Blacks in North America* (2010)

Three affiliated members of the department, respectively, a MA History alumni, a sessional instructor, and a current doctoral student, were authors in the Fall 2014 edition of *Ontario History*:



Christopher Los, "A Danger and a Nuisance: Regulating the Automobile in Ontario, 1903-1912"

Rebecca Beusaert, "Not Guilty, but Guilty: Race, Rumour, and Respectability in the 1882 Abortion Trial of Letitia Munson"

Mark Sholdice, "Patronage, like Hamlet's ghost will not down!": Ontario's Farmer-Labour Government and Political Patronage, 1919-1923".

Ian Mosby, until last year a postdoctoral fellow with the History department, held a launching for his new book, *Food Will Win the War: The Politics, Culture,*



and Science of Food On Canada's Home Front (UBC Press, 2014) on Friday, November 28 at 2:30pm at the Harbord Room (150 Harbord Street)

WORKSHOPS AND CONFERENCES

MESS: War Peace and Justice in the Middle East

On Thursday Nov. 6th, at the War Memorial Hall, Dr Norman Finkelstein delivered a lecture entitled "After Gaza: The Future of the Struggle For a Just Peace in Israel And Palestine." Beginning at 7.00 pm, it was sponsored by the Middle East Scholars Society, together with Arab Students Association, OPIRG, CJPME for the program on War, Peace and Justice in the Middle East.

Department of History

Gateway Seminar



Winter 2015

Gateway Seminar on **"History Education, Diverse Careers"**

An informal discussion with Guelph History graduates:
Joe Cull, Archaeologist and Lauren Katsuno, Teacher.

Wednesday, January 28,

5:30-7:00pm, MacKinnon 231

All History students welcome.

Pizza & pop will be provided.

The History Department presents

**RURAL
HISTORY
ROUNDTABLE:**

**SPEAKER SERIES
WINTER 2015**

LISA COX

Postdoctoral Fellow, Ontario Veterinary College

"Canada's War Horses: The OVC, Veterinary Medicine, and the Great War, 1914-1918"

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 3:30PM-5:00PM

MacKinnon Building, Room 132

JACK LITTLE

Professor, Department of History, Simon Fraser University

"History of Oxen and Horse Power in Rural Canada from the 17th to the 20th Centuries"

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 1:00-2:30PM

MacKinnon Building, Room 132

DAVID ZYLBERBERG

Postdoctoral Research Fellow, University of British Columbia Okanagan

"Warm, Well-fed and Employed? Fuel Prices and Regional Lifestyle Divergences in Rural England, 1750-1830"

THURSDAY, MARCH 12, 1:00-2:30PM

MacKinnon Building, Room 132

MIKE COMMITO

PhD Candidate, Department of History, McMaster University

"Yvon and the Five Bears: Rural and Urban Attitudes Towards Black Bear Hunting in Northern Ontario"

TUESDAY, MARCH 31, 1:00-2:30PM

MacKinnon Building, Room 132

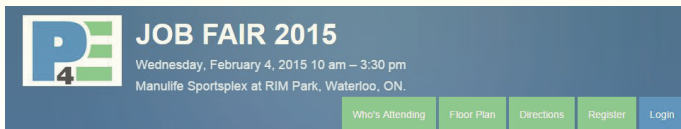


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The Francis and Ruth Redelmeier Professorship in Rural History



Lauren Witte (current undergrad History major) worked last semester as a bilingual interpretive guide at the Canadian War Memorial at Vimy Ridge in France.

On behalf of the **Medieval Studies program at St. Jerome's University in the University of Waterloo**, I invite you all to attend the 2014-2015 Medieval Lecture Series. The following is a timeline for the different events:



JOB FAIR 2015
 Wednesday, February 4, 2015 10 am – 3:30 pm
 Manulife Sportsplex at RIM Park, Waterloo, ON.

Who's Attending | Floor Plan | Directions | Register | Login

Largest fair of its kind in the country!

A collaborative effort between the University of Guelph, University of Waterloo, Wilfrid Laurier University and Conestoga College, Partnerships for Employment was created in 1994 to better serve our students, alumni and employers through a sponsorship of annual Career Fairs and Job Fairs.

Please Note: Admission is restricted to degree/diploma students and alumni of the sponsoring institutions (University of Guelph, University of Waterloo, Wilfrid Laurier University and Conestoga College). [Learn More](#)

[Register Now](#)



U of G alumni are invited to attend the largest job fair of its kind in the country and network with more than 150 employers on Feb. 4.

Stuart McCook on October 29, 2014, was "In the Gallery" He spoke on "Memory and Harvest" at the Macdonald Stewart Art Centre

Sofie Lachapelle, on November 19, 2014 at the "In the Gallery", spoke on "The Ghost in the Image" at the Macdonald Stewart Art Centre

News from UofG Scottish Studies

- The program held a successful Fall Colloquium on 4 October with visiting speaker Professor Michael Lynch from Scotland.

- In September 2014, Scottish Studies welcomed three new graduate students

- Sean Grant and Andrew Webb both completed their MAs. Daniel Woolf (PhD 2013) is now teaching at the University of Manitoba.

- The Guelph Scottish Chapbook Digitization Project (providing online open-access to roughly 600 chapbooks from the library collection) which has involved graduate students Sierra Dye, Marian Toledo Candelaria and Emily Pauw (MA 2014) will be launched this semester.

- In March The Scottish Studies program will be welcoming Dr Alex Woolf as a Visiting Professor - part of its exchange agreement with ST Andrews University in Scotland.

- Thurs. Oct. 23, 4:30-6:00- Poisoned Past Book Launch - Dr. Steven Bednarski, UW Bookstore


- Thurs. Nov. 13, 4:30-6:00 - Dr. Isabelle Cochelin from the University of Toronto, "New Perspectives on the History of Medieval Western Monasticism." SJU 3027

- Thurs. Feb. 5, 4:30-6:00 - Dr. Richard Greenfield from Queen's University, "Maxing the Sanctity: Maximos Kavsokalyvites and his Fourteenth-Century Athonite Hagiographers." Location TBA

- Thurs. Mar. 12, 4:30-6:00 - Dr. Sara M. Butler from Loyola University, New Orleans, "Anatomy of a Crime: Death Investigation in Medieval England." Location TBA

We have a very exciting schedule lined up, and I hope to see you there. (Andrew Moore, PhD Candidate, History Department, University of Waterloo)

2014-2015 MEDIEVAL LECTURE SERIES
MAXING THE SANCTITY:
ASCETICISM, MIRACLE AND AUTHORIAL ENHANCEMENT IN THE LATE BYZANTINE LIVES OF MAXIMOS "THE HUTBURNER"
DR. RICHARD GREENFIELD (DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY, QUEEN'S UNIVERSITY)



The two earliest Lives of the celebrated Athonite ascetic Maximos Kavsokalyvites (1270/1285-1365/80), by the hieromonk Niphon and by Theophanes, are an important source for the influential Late Byzantine genre of individualistic contemplative monasticism, and are thus included in the forthcoming Dumbarton Oaks Medieval Library volume, *Holy Men of Mount Athos*. They may also give unique insight into the way in which the holiness of these men was initially recorded, interpreted, and developed by their associates. Set alongside each other, the two accounts thus provide revealing insight into the process of hagiographic composition and construction. It is possible to see which of Niphon's stories were omitted from Theophanes' Life, apparently because they were considered too trivial, perhaps unreliable, and possibly even too controversial. More importantly, Theophanes' framing of Maximos as a holy fool and then as a heychast visionary, ascetic and teacher is so emphatically handled, yet so different from Niphon's perspective, that it must raise intriguing questions of authorial interpretation, enhancement, or even creativity.

Richard Greenfield has taught Byzantine and Crusade history, and a range of loosely related subjects to undergraduate and graduate students at Queen's for the past 26 years. He holds a B.D. and Ph.D. from King's College, University of London. His primary research focus is on Byzantine popular religion. He is the author of three books and a number of scholarly publications on Byzantine demonology, magic, hagiography, and pilgrimage, as well as way-side shrines in Greece. His most recent book a translation and edition of Niketas Stethatos's *Life of Saint Symeon the New Theologian* was published by Harvard UP in the Dumbarton Oaks Medieval Library series in 2013. He is a member of the Byzantine Greek editorial board of that series and is the co-author, with Alice-Mary Talbot, of a forthcoming volume of *Lives of Holy Men of Mount Athos*.

February 5, 2015 - 5:00 – 6:00pm Lecture
 St. Jerome's University - Room 3027, Reception at 4:30pm
 Snacks and refreshments provided

MEDIEVAL STUDIES PROGRAM
 Co-Directors: Steven Bednarski and David Porreca
 St. Jerome's University in the University of Waterloo

Underhill Graduate Student Colloquium.


21ST ANNUAL
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To be considered, graduate students from any discipline are encouraged to submit abstracts of no more than 300 words, along with a short biography, to underhill@carleton.ca. We encourage papers which address historical performances or performed pasts, but we welcome submissions on any topic focusing on the past.

The Underhill Graduate Student Colloquium strives to be an interdisciplinary forum where scholars from different fields can come together and share their scholarship. For more information, please visit <http://www.carleton.ca/underhill>, and follow us on Twitter.

Sincerely, Meghan Lundrigan & Alex Wilkinson,
 CoChairs, Underhill Colloquium Planning
 Committee 201415

In Memoriam

Dr. A Margaret Evans, who was previously a



*Professor and Chair of
 History Department,
 passed away on Saturday
 December 20, 2014 at the
 age of 100 years. The
 funeral service that
 celebrated her life was
 conducted on December
 27th at which occasion the*

History Department was represented

RE:LOCATIONS: JOURNAL OF THE ASIA- PACIFIC WORLD - CALL FOR SUBMISSIONS

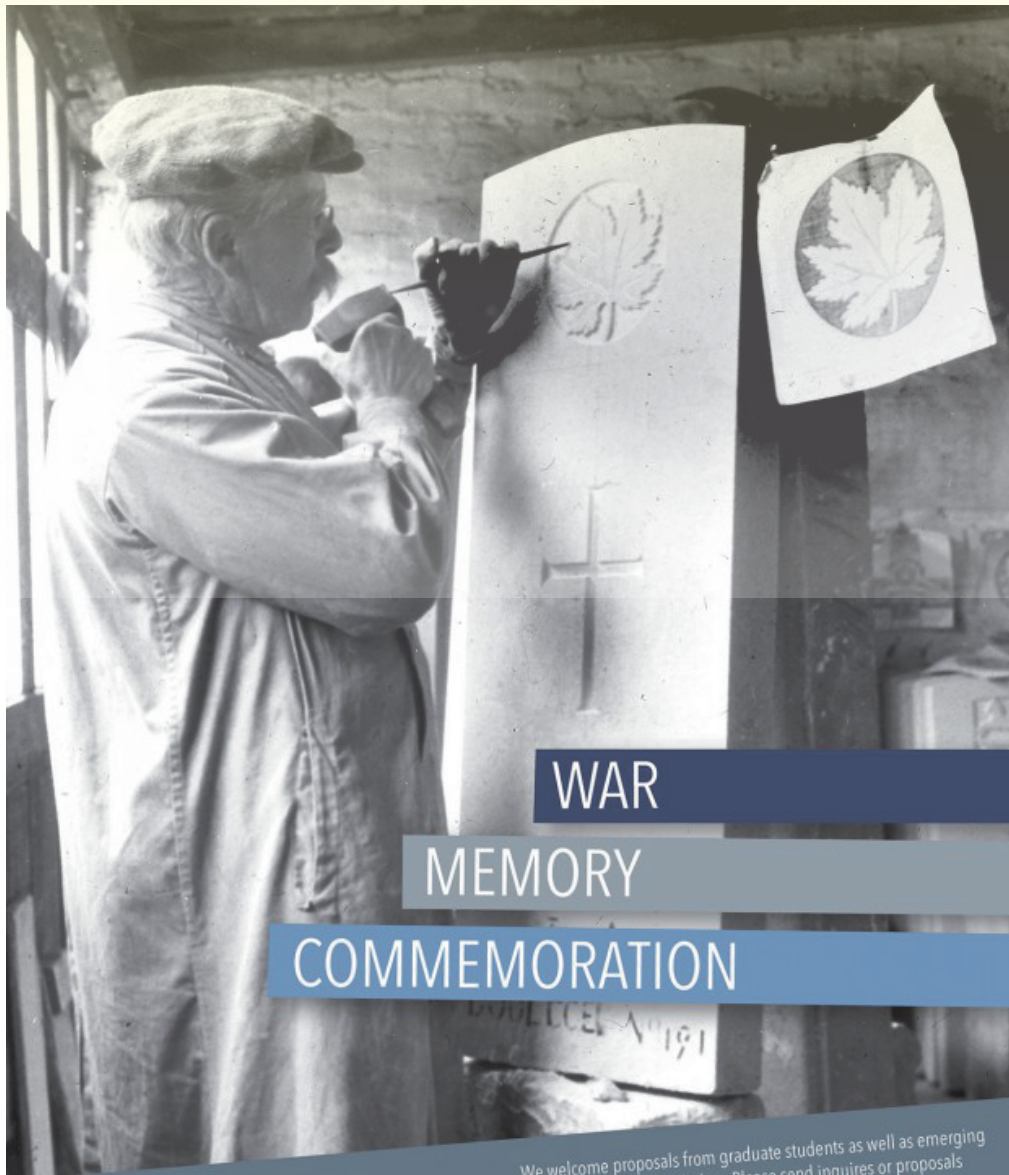
Based out of the Asian Institute at the University of Toronto, *Re:locations: Journal of the Asia-Pacific World* is a new peer-reviewed, student-run journal that seeks to foster dialogue among student researchers working across disciplines, institutions, and regions in Asia and the Pacific.

Re:locations is inviting submissions for a special issue to be published online in Spring 2015, "Leveled: The Meaning and Making of Disaster in Asia." Over the past decade, Asia has featured in global headlines as the locus of disasters that are unprecedented in complexity and scope. From the 2004 Indian Ocean tsunami to the 2011 earthquake that precipitated the Fukushima nuclear disaster, these tragedies hint at new forms of calamity that extend far beyond national borders and challenge distinctions between "natural" and "manmade" disasters. *Re:locations* is seeking papers, reviews, poetry, and artwork that examine the impact that disasters have had on the region from cultural, environmental, economic, political, and historical perspectives. Themes may include, but are not limited to:

- Exploring the limits of current "disaster management" paradigms, and evaluating historical shifts in how disasters are perceived and managed
- Analyzing the different impact of disaster on marginalized groups
- Exploring the role of religious and civil society groups in post-disaster scenarios
- Investigating the politics of international aid in Asia
- Examining how disaster is framed in art and media
- Investigating the impact that recent disasters have had on climate change policy and public perceptions of risk and climate change in the region

Journal submissions should be emailed to the Senior Editor at relocationsjournal@gmail.com

Tri-University Annual History Conference 2015 March 7



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Tri-University Annual History Conference 2015 Call For Papers

Please join us for the 2015 annual Tri-University History Conference to be held on **7 March 2015** at the Balsillie School of International Affairs in Waterloo, Ontario, Canada. Organized by the history departments of Wilfrid Laurier University, the University of Guelph and Waterloo University, the theme of this year's conference is "War, Memory, and Commemoration." The keynote address will be given by Sir Hew Strachan, Chichele Professor of the History of War at All Souls College, Oxford, UK.

We welcome proposals from graduate students as well as emerging and well-established scholars. Please send inquiries or proposals (200-300 words) to Darren Mulloy at dmulloy@wlu.ca by **7 November 2014**. All proposals should be accompanied by a brief (50 word) biographical note.

Suggestions for presentation proposals include, but are not limited to the following areas:

- the centenary of World War I
- the politics of remembrance
- technology and commemoration
- the culture of warfare
- education and nationalism
- home fronts
- transnational perspectives

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