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2-4 May 2025

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Place and Power: BC Studies Conference 2025 takes place on the unceded ancestral territory of the hənq̓əminəṁ-̓-speaking xʷməθkʷəy̓əm (Musqueam) People at the Point Grey campus of the University of British Columbia. Opened one hundred years ago, this campus occupies a site where xʷməθkʷəy̓əm people have been transmitting knowledge, law, protocol, and history from one generation to the next for millennia.

As conference organizers, we humbly recognize xʷməθkʷəy̓əm rights, title, and jurisdiction over the territory on which we work and learn as uninvited guests. We feel honoured that the xʷməθkʷəy̓əm Elder and UBC adjunct professor Larry Grant accepted our invitation to speak to delegates, and we are thrilled that the xʷməθkʷəy̓əm artist and UBC alumna Diamond Point granted rights to display her beautiful work, "Interconnected," on conference materials.

The title of Point's work could not be more fitting for this gathering. For many decades, the BC Studies Conference has connected scholars across the humanities and social sciences to enable rich conversation about and across BC. First held in Victoria in October 1979, it became a biennial event with hosting duties circulating among BC universities and colleges. This tradition continued until 2021 when the University of the Fraser Valley hosted the conference online during the Covid-19 pandemic. We are thrilled to come together once more in 2025 with scholars, educators, and other practitioners whose work concerns what we know, and how we know, about the place currently called British Columbia.

This year's conference theme, "**Place and Power,**" highlights two concepts that are inextricably interconnected in British Columbia. Specifically, the theme was inspired by a new BA requirement in the Faculty of Arts at UBC (Vancouver), which engages BA students with the history and present of xʷməθkʷəy̓əm People, with settler colonialism in BC, and with the systems of power, inequality, community, and diversity that make this place. This curricular innovation is among a range of changes in pedagogy and public discourse across the province that flow from and intersect with the Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada's Calls to Action which are now a decade old.

With our call for papers, we hoped to invite new interconnections among people who learn and teach about BC. We sought both to attract newcomers to the conference, and welcome back long-time attendees who have kept this tradition going. We encouraged potential presenters to interpret the theme in any manner that deepens collective understanding of this place, and particularly invited approaches that speak to pressing issues of our time, from the rights of Indigenous Peoples to climate justice and beyond.

We were astonished at the unprecedented response we received from researchers and educators across multiple domains. We are enormously pleased to offer a program that includes Indigenous knowledge keepers, community researchers, archives and museum professionals, labour organizers, health policy activists, artists, filmmakers, teachers, and academics from every career stage and multiple disciplines.

Welcome to all of you! We look forward to learning, talking, and visiting together.

-Laura Ishiguro and Paige Raibmon, co-organizers

Thursday 1 May

2:30-4:00 Registration
Allard Hall Lobby

Friday 2 May

7:45-8:30 Breakfast, Registration
Lew Forum, Allard, Room 101

		Allard Room 121	Allard Room 122
8:30-10:00	Concurrent Sessions (1)	1a. Building Capacity for Researching Place and Power: UBC Library's Basic Indigenous Reference Community of Practice	1b. Understanding British Columbia History in Broader Perspective
10:00-10:30	Nutrition Break: Lew Forum		
10:30-12:00	Concurrent Sessions (2)	2a. Atmospheric Registers of Political and Social Relations	2b. Crossing Borders to Understand Region: Place-based Teaching and Writing
12:00-1:30	Lunch Break		
1:30-3:00	Concurrent Sessions (3)	3a. Mapping Sounds, Reclaiming Silences: Soundscape and Landscape Change in Post-colonial Spaces	3b. Settler Farms, Agriculture and Rural Society
3:00-3:15	Break		
3:15-4:45	Concurrent Sessions (4)	4a. Power, Silences, and Representation in Museums and Archives	4b. Teaching and Learning Asian Canadian Studies in British Columbia

5:15-7:00 Plenary Keynote Frederic Wood Theatre

7:00 Reception Koerner's Pub
Cash Bar

Allard Room 123	Allard Room 104 (Hybrid)	Allard Room 105	Allard Room 106
1c. No panel in this room during Session 1	1d. Settler Colonial Knowing, Ignorance, and Erasure [hybrid]	1e. Housing Rights, Justice, and Injustice	1f. "They knew the contagion had overtaken them:" A Reevaluation of Smallpox in British Columbia History
2c. Mobilizing Bodies of Knowledge: Science, Spirituality, Ideology, Conspiracy	2d. Shared Stewardship: Piloting Distributed Archival Care with the Community Archives of the Wongs' Benevolent Association [hybrid]	2e. Property, Jurisdiction, and Indigenous Legal Orders: Contests Over Animals, Fish, and Water	2f. No panel in this room during Session 2
3c. Music and Society	3d. Łakwe Nukw Gans Wa (Our Rivers Have Power): Wild Salmon Returns prompts dialogue between Kwakwaka'wakw Philosophy and Western Science [hybrid]	3e. The Politics of Wildfires	3f. No panel in this room during Session 3
4c. Re-storying the Downtown East-side: Highlighting Strengths-Based Health Research, Community Making, and Decolonial Wellness	4d. Region and Reordering British Columbian History [hybrid]	4e. Indigenous Title, Then and Now: Colonial Law, Land Policy, and the Courts	4f. Hazard: Mitigating Risk in 20th Century British Columbia

Saturday 3 May

7:45-8:30 Breakfast
Lew Forum, Allard 101

		Allard Room 121	Allard Room 122
8:30-10:00	Concurrent Sessions (5)	5a. Exploring How Arts-based Research Can Be Used to Disrupt Systems of Power	5b. Infrastructures of Power: Indigenous Authority, Ecological Relationships and Transforming Jurisdiction
10:00-10:30	Nutrition Break: Lew Forum		
10:30-12:00	Concurrent Sessions (6)	6a. A History of Asian Nurses in British Columbia	6b. Sights and Sounds of Empire
12:00-12:15	Break		
12:15-1:30	Lunchtime Plenary Frederic Wood Theatre Box Lunch Provided with registration by 15 April		
1:30-1:45	Break		
1:45-3:15	Concurrent Sessions (7)	7a. Affect, Emotions, and Memories in Migrant-Settler Storytelling and Placemaking	7b. Place, Land, Colonialism, and Indigenous Territories
3:15-3:30	Break		
3:30-5:00	Concurrent Sessions (8)	8a. Power of, Within, and Against Educational Institutions	8b. A Multidisciplinary Conversation around Place and Relationships
5:30-7:00	Evening at the Museum Museum of Anthropology open for conference delegates only; curator-led tours 5:30-6:30		

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5c. Relationality, Settler Colonialism, and Multiculturalism	5d. Coast to Coast: What Can Scholars of Atlantic Canada and the Pacific Northwest Learn from Each Other [hybrid]	5e. Impacts of Forestry and Backcountry Recreation on Lilwat Nation (Indigenous) Foodways	5f. Youth Issues 1: Who Said the Kids are Alright? Youth Rescue, Correction, and Confinement in British Columbia, 1960s-2010
6c. Crisis, Contestation and Possibilities for Change in BC Forests	6d. Histories of Art, Culture, and Performance [hybrid]	6e. Indigenous Justice, Resurgence, and Futures	6f. Youth Issues 2: Hip to be Square? Christianity and Youth Outreach in Vancouver, 1960s-80s
7c. Research, Engagement, and Knowledge Mobilization - New Methods and Problems for our Times	7d. City Power / Black Resilience: Relations Between the City and Vancouver's Black Communities [hybrid]	7e. Class and Race at Work: Studies of Labour in BC	7f. Lifestyles of Vancouver
8c. Public History and Identity in Postwar British Columbia	8d. Asian [Canadian] People and Stories Across Generations and Borders [hybrid]	8e. What is Old is New Again: Enduring Forest Struggles on Vancouver Island	8f. Indigenous Voices and Stories from Colonial Archives

Sunday 4 May

7:45-8:30

Breakfast
Lew Forum, Allard 101

		Allard Room 121	Allard Room 122
8:30-10:00	Concurrent Sessions (9)	9a. International, Refugee, and Immigrant Student Experiences	9b. To Develop Southern Vancouver Island or Not: Rails and Mills
10:00-10:30	Nutrition Break: Lew Forum		
10:30-12:00	Concurrent Sessions (10)	10a. Community and Energy in Northern BC	10b. Communities and the Second World War
12:00-1:30	Lunch Break		
1:30-3:00	Concurrent Sessions (11)	11a. Understanding Precarity in BC: Research and Praxis	11b. Energy, Mining, Infrastructure, and Capitalism on Indigenous Lands and Waters
3:00-3:15	Break		
3:15-4:45	Concurrent Sessions (12)	12a.No panel in this room during Session 12	12b. Mission, Hospital, Housing, Gallery: Perspectives on the Built Environment, Colonialism, and Indigenous Peoples

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9c. Reflections on the History and Future of Wildlife in British Columbia	9d. Places and People of Power in Secwepemcúl'ecw (Secwépemc land) [hybrid]	9e. Translating Place: Medieval and Early Modern BC	9f. Speculation, Imagination, and Vancouver on the Move
10c. Movements in Resistance: Methodologies to Transgress Symbolic and Material Violences of White Settler-Colonial Histories in and Beyond BC	10d. Pedagogy and Anti-racist/ Anti-colonial Education	10e. The Name Matters: Rethinking Place, Power, and the Legacy of Israel Wood Powell	10f. Plants and People, Landscapes and Ecosystems
11c. Crime, Threat, Reputation, and the Law	11d. Organizers' Session: Tributes to Jean Barman, Mentor and Scholar Extraordinaire [hybrid]	11e. Mere Images of Truth- Photographs as Powerful Historical and Visual Testaments	11f. Counter-engagement Practices in Treaty 8 Territories – The Need for New Consultation Regimes in a Post-Yahey Context
12c. Spaces, Social Capital, Culture and Community Building: The Case of Filipinos in British Columbia	12d. History Activism in British Columbia	12e. No panel in this room during Session 12	12f. Human Rights Education in BC: Contentions and Challenges, Possibilities and Perseverance in BC Universities

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2:30-4:00pm – Registration

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Friday 2 May 2025

7:45-8:30am – Registration and breakfast

Lew Forum, Allard 101 Name badges and other materials for registered delegates available for pick-up. Please complete the registration process online in advance. Breakfast provided with conference registration.

8:30-10:00 am – Concurrent sessions 1

1a. Building Capacity for Researching Place and Power: UBC Library's Basic Indigenous Reference Community of Practice

Allard 121 Karleen Delaurier-Lyle
 Ursula Ellis
 Talia Greene
 Saeyong Kim
 Alex Kuskowski
 Chair: Alexandra Alisauskas

1b. Understanding British Columbia History in Broader Perspective

Allard 122 Ted Binnema, "'Such Are the Principles upon Which ... It Would Be My Duty to Instruct You to Act': New Zealand and the History of British Columbia, 1846-1864"

 Robin Fisher, "Harry Hawthorn, the New Zealand Connection and the Founding of Anthropology at the University of British Columbia"

 Scott Stephen, "Esquimalt and its Latin American Connection: Linking British Concerns in Pacific Latin America to the Establishment of a Naval Base on Vancouver Island"

 Jeffrey Severs, "Thomas Pynchon on San Juan Island: The BC Border in his Fiction"

 Chair: Laura Moss

1d. Settler Colonial Knowing, Ignorance, and Erasure

- Allard 104 Cameron Gilbert, "Watchdogs of Colonialism: Settler Colonial Ideology and Thinking Beyond Settler Ignorance"
- Hartej Gill, "Investigating Settler Colonial Entanglements" [virtual]
- Steve Evans, "Land, education and the colonial imaginary: decolonial futures and the complexities and possibilities of land-based learning"
- Chair: Madeline Knickerbocker
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1e. Housing Rights, Justice, and Injustice

- Allard 105 Margot Young, "Charting Encampments: Rights and the Unhoused"
- Jennifer Chutter, "Building Against the Grain: Strathcona's Legacy of Community-Led Housing Development"
- Tara Jankovic, "No-Fault Evictions and the Precarious Property of Home"
- Rachel Stern, "'We Didn't Know What It Would Be Like to Live It': Intersections of Extreme Heat, Aging, and Housing Injustice in Vancouver, B.C."
- Chair: Tamara Myers
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1f. "They knew the contagion had overtaken them:" A Reevaluation of Smallpox in British Columbia History

- Allard 106 Keith Carlson, "Vaccine Enthusiasm and Vaccine Hesitancy in Coast Salish British Columbia, 1862-63"
- John Lutz, "Dead Men Paddling: Smallpox in 1862-63"
- Jacalyn Drummond, "Lessons Learned?: The Smallpox Royal Commission of 1892"
- Chair: Wendy Wickwire
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10:00–10:30am – Nutrition break

- Lew Forum, Allard 101 Refreshments provided with conference registration.
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Friday 2 May 2025

10:30-12:00 pm – Concurrent sessions 2

2a. Atmospheric Registers of Political and Social Relations

- Allard 121 Sue Frohlick, "Okanagan Lake and Highway Sounds of Summer Tourism: Whiteness on the Surface"
- Nassim Zand Dizari, "Surface Echoes: Negotiating Belonging through Sound and Memory in the Lives of Iranian Women Refugees in the Urban Spaces of Vancouver"
- Alexandrine Boudreault-Fournier, "Building relationships at the surface: Tidal pools as interstitial spaces of encounter"
- Chair: Sue Frohlick

2b. Crossing Borders to Understand Region: Place-based Teaching and Writing

- Allard 122 Natalie Baloy, "Crossing the Border in Regional Place-Based Research & Teaching"
- Laura Moss, "Narrating Place: Here and Elsewhere"
- Molly Pearce, "Twenty-first Century 'Cascadian' Anthologies and the Poetics of Bioregion"
- Chair: Coll Thrush

2c. Mobilizing Bodies of Knowledge: Science, Spirituality, Ideology, Conspiracy

- Allard 123 Brian Gobbett, "Among the Polyphyletic Woods: Popular Views of Evolutionary Anthropology and the Place of Indigenous Peoples in early twentieth-century British Columbia"
- Stephanie Halmhofer, "Uncovering the City of Refuge on the Lost Land: An Archaeological Examination of a 1920s Conspiratorial Organization in Southern British Columbia"
- Kayli Jamieson, "The Biopolitics of 'Immunity' and Long COVID in BC"
- Mary Stuart, "The BC 'Freedom' Movement and the intersectionality of denial"
- Chair: Ted Binnema

2d. Shared Stewardship: Piloting Distributed Archival Care with the Community Archives of the Wongs' Benevolent Association

Allard June Chow [virtual]
104 Claire Malek
 Jana Grazley
 Jeffrey Wong
 Lily Liu
 Cheuk Kit (Philip) Chung
 Chair: Jennifer Douglas

2e. Property, Jurisdiction, and Indigenous Legal Orders: Contests Over Animals, Fish, and Water

Allard Dorota Kupis, "Conflicting Spaces of Power and Property Rights:
105 Gitxsan and Wet'suwet'en Water and Fisheries"
 Tara Joly, "Traplines under Indigenous Law: loss and renewal
 of Indigenous space in northern British Columbia"
 Robert Clifford YELKAT̓E, "Transforming Property and
 Jurisdiction: Deer Eradication on W̱SÁNEĆ Lands"
 Douglas Harris, "Deer Eradication, Ecological Restoration, and
 Local Government in a Propertied Landscape on Indigenous
 Lands"
 Chair: Jennifer Bonnell

12:00–1:30 pm – Lunch break

Friday 2 May 2025

1:30-3:00 pm – Concurrent sessions 3

3a. Mapping Sounds, Reclaiming Silences: Soundscape and Landscape Change in Post-colonial Spaces

Allard Barry Truax
121 Milena Droumeva
 Kedrick James
 Michele Koppes
 Duncan McHugh
 Siobhán Wittig McPhee
 Chair: Piotr Wieczorek

3b. Settler Farms, Agriculture, and Rural Society

Allard Jack Little, "Section 1, Penelakut (Kuper) Island: Work, Race,
122 Class, and Family on a Southern Gulf Island Farm, 1880-1905"
 Jeremy Laity, "Foundations of Broken Glass: Unseen Labour
 of the Fraser Valley's Pioneer Homesteads"
 Alessandro Tarsia, "The Colonial Tobacco Invasion and
 Terraforming of Semá:th Xó:tsa (Sumas Lake): Salish Segregation
 in the Wage Labour Economy in the Interwar Period: 1920s-
 1930s"
 Chair: Linda Ambrose

3c. Music and Society

Allard Emily Liang, "From Crisis to Curtain Call: Growth of Amateur
123 Cantonese Opera Performance in Vancouver and Victoria in
 the 1930s"
 Hedy Law, "After Rediscovering Cantonese Opera Postbills in
 Vancouver: Power, Middlemen, Alliances"
 Annabelle Penney, "Rhythm of Resistance: The Life and Legacy
 of Canadian Jazz Legend Eleanor Collins"
 Hannah Desharnais, "What Are You Looking At, Punk?: An
 Examination of Power and Defiance in the Vancouver Punk
 Scene in the 1970s"
 Chair: John Belshaw

3d. *Lakwe Nukw Gans Wa* (Our Rivers Have Power): Wild Salmon Returns prompts dialogue between Kwakwaka'wakw Philosophy and Western Science

Allard 104 Robert Joseph, (Kwan'kwanxwalegadzi) Hereditary Chief, Gwawa'enuxw [virtual]
 Don Svanvik, (Homiskanis) Hereditary Chief, 'Namgis [virtual]
 Victor Isaac, Elected Chief, 'Namgis
 Gideon Mordecai
 Jaime Grimm
 Stephanie Peacock [virtual]
 Chair: Laura Cranmer

3e. The Politics of Wildfires

Allard 105 Adeniyi Asiyanbi, "The Politics of Shared Responsibility for Wildfire Protection in Whistler, British Columbia"
 Onyx Sloan Morgan, "Tracing the Settler Colonial Legacies of Insurance: From Empire to Wildfires in British Columbia, Canada"
 Gillian Der, "Fire Truck Nationalism: Performing Enduring Masculinities and a Remote Politics of Place in the 2023 Downton Lake Wildfire"
 Chair: Aaron Windel

3:00–3:15 pm – break

Friday 2 May 2025

3:15-4:45 pm – Concurrent sessions 4

4a. Power, Silences, and Representation in Museums and Archives

- Allard 121 Stacey Gilkinson and Seungun Joanne Lee, "Addressing Archival Silences Through Community Collaboration: The Amplifying Voices Oral History Project"
- Hannah Turner, "Records Stewardship in Museums: Colonial Legacies and the Work of Repair in a City Museum" (co-authors: Sharon Fortney and Christine Pennington).
- Karen Duffek and Marcia Crosby, "To Be Seen, To Be Heard: A Counter-Archive Project"
- Chair: Sharanjit Kaur Sandhra

4b. Teaching and Learning Asian Canadian Studies in British Columbia

- Allard 122 Christopher Lee
- Benjamin Cheung
- Alifa Bandali
- Allen Baylosis
- Desiree Valadares
- Chair: Laura Ishiguro

4c. Re-storying the Downtown Eastside: Highlighting Strengths-Based Health Research, Community Making, and Decolonial Wellness

- Allard 123 Keavy McAbee, "Centring Strength, Rejecting Damage: Mapping Health Research in Vancouver's Downtown Eastside"
- Aaron Bailey, "'It seems obvious that some neighborhoods should be treated differently': Historicizing Vancouver's 1988 Liquor License Moratorium for the Downtown Eastside as dispossessionary public health policy"
- Yi Chien Jade Ho, "Preserving DTES Elder and Knowledge Keeper Life Stories: Urban Indigenous Renarration of Self-determination and Community Organizing"
- Kalie Sieda and Alicia Williams, "Garden of Love, DTES: Lessons from co-creating a podcast with the V6A Community Garden"
- Chair: Jeff Masuda

4d. Region and Reordering British Columbian History

- Allard 104 Barrie Blatchford, "Reordering Nature: Settlers, Introduced Species, and Environmental Change in Haida Gwaii"
- Max Hamon, "Imposing Order in Interior BC: a police-ways perspective"
- Forrest Pass, "On the trail to Barkerville with Oscar and Ovila, or, How a Quebec publisher and an immigrant novelist marked BC's 1958 Centennial" [virtual]
- Chair: Tina Block

4e. Indigenous Title, Then and Now: Colonial Law, Land Policy, and the Courts

- Allard 105 Hamar Foster, "We Want British Justice: Law, Policy, and Aboriginal Title in British Columbia, 1871-1974"
- Carole Blackburn, "Dilemmas of Expert Witnessing and Anthropological Evidence in *The Nuchatlaht v. British Columbia*"
- Dylan Annandale, "Beyond Recognition: Revisiting *Tsilhqot'in Nation v. British Columbia* Outside the Legal Archive"
- Chair: Dallas Hunt

4f. Hazard: Mitigating Risk in 20th Century British Columbia

- Allard 106 Lydia Kinasewich, "'A Pure Milk Crusade': Regulating Disease in the British Columbia Dairy Industry, 1900-1929"
- Megan J. Davies, "A Geography of Risk: Settler accidents and illness in the BC Peace River, 1910-40"
- Letitia Johnson, "Unintended Health Outcomes of Japanese Canadian Internment in British Columbia, 1942-1949"
- Peter de Montmollin, "Probable Peaks: Run-off Forecasting and Flood Warnings on the Fraser River, 1920s-60s"
- Chair: John Belshaw

5:15–7:00 pm – Plenary Keynote

- Frederic Wood Theatre Comments by Larry Grant, xʷməθkʷəy̓əm Elder; Adjunct Professor, UBC; Manager, Musqueam Nation Language Department
- Sarah Nickel (University of Alberta), "'It's something we've just got to begin to do ourselves': Beginning the Indigenous Women's Shelter Movement in Kanata's West"

7:00 pm – Reception

- Koerner's Pub no fee; light fare included with conference registration; cash bar

Saturday 3 May 2025

7:45-8:30am – Breakfast

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Forum, Provided with conference registration.
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8:30-10:00 am – Concurrent sessions 5

5a. Exploring How Arts-based Research Can Be Used to Disrupt Systems of Power

Allard Kerry Marshall
121 Naomi Maldonado-Rodriguez
 Kyra Philbert
 Anna Leonova
 Daniel Gallardo
 Calvin Fernandez
 Chair: Naomi Maldonado-Rodriguez

5b. Infrastructures of Power: Indigenous Authority, Ecological Relationships and Transforming Jurisdiction

Allard Sarah Morales and Estair Van Wagner, "Returning to Indigenous
122 Landscape Infrastructures: Hul'qumi'num Legal Obligations
 to Cedar"
 Murray Ball, "Leading with Indigenous Principles: Ecological
 Watershed Governance in British Columbia, Canada"
 Kara Shaw, "Relationships over Infrastructure: Recognizing
 Indigenous Leadership in BC's Energy Transition"
 Deborah Curran, "Reconciliation's Power: Reforming the
 Infrastructure of Jurisdiction"
 Chair: Jessica Dempsey

5c. Relationality, Settler Colonialism, and Multiculturalism

Allard Caitlin Chong, "Diagnosing Affective Wounds, Prescribing
123 Material Remedies: An Analysis of Asian-Indigenous
 Relationality and Space in Vancouver"
 Fenn Stewart and Jastej Luddu, "Resource Extraction and
 Multiculturalism in Paldi, BC"
 Christine Anonuevo and Gym Pangilinan, "Filipinx world-making
 with the Land, Water, and Air on unceded and ancestral First
 Nations territories in so-called British Columbia"
 Chair: Pia Russell

5d. Coast to Coast: What Can Scholars of Atlantic Canada and the Pacific Northwest Learn from Each Other [hybrid]

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Glenn Icton
Lauren Beck [virtual]
Heather Green
Erin Spinney [virtual]
Zachary Tingley
Tom Peace
Chair: Colin Osmond

5e. Impacts of Forestry and Backcountry Recreation on Lilwat Nation (Indigenous) Foodways

Allard
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Mark Slodki, "Life after the resource frontier: Historic and contemporary transformations of law, land, and livelihood in the forests of British Columbia"
Emily Doyle-Yamaguchi, "A predictive modeling and eco-cultural study of pine mushrooms (*Tricholoma murrillianum*) with the Lilwat Nation in British Columbia, Canada"
Tonya Smith, "'Loved to Death': Conflicts between Indigenous food sovereignty, settler recreation, and ontologies of land in the governance of Lilwat tmicw"
Martin Nelson, "Leadership comes from the land: Lilwat territory and nt'akmen"
Chair: Janette Bulkan

5f. Youth Issues 1: Who Said the Kids are Alright? Youth Rescue, Correction, and Confinement in British Columbia, 1960s-2010

Allard
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Tamara Myers and Georgia Twiss, "The Runaway Revolution and Child-Saving in 1960s-70s Vancouver"
Ben Bradley, "Separating the Men from the Boys: Youth Offenders and Wilderness Corrections in British Columbia, 1960s-1980s"
Taryn Hepburn, "The Ghosts of Child Saving: British Columbia's Youth Alternative Incarceration and the Remnants of Protestant Work Ethic and Tough Love Parenting"
Chair: Eryk Martin

10:00–10:30am – Nutrition break

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Refreshments provided with conference registration.

Saturday 3 May 2025

10:30-12:00 pm – Concurrent sessions 6

6a. A History of Asian Nurses in British Columbia

- Allard 121 Lieza Phan, "The history of Chinese nurses in BC" (co-author: Lydia Wytenbroek).
 Tamasha Hussein, "A history of South Asian nurses in BC" (co-author: Lydia Wytenbroek).
 Yayan Ye, "From SARS to COVID-19: The experiences of Chinese Canadian Nurses" (co-author: Geertje Boschma).
 Chair: Geertje Boschma

6b. Sights and Sounds of Empire

- Allard 122 Sean Carleton, "Sketchy Justification: Rev. Edward Cridge's Writing and Drawing about the 'Metlakatla Experiment' and the Technologies of Legitimation in Colonial British Columbia"
 Madeline Knickerbocker, "Chief Tsimilano 'Sent a Photo to the Queen': The Photographic Archive of the Royal Commission on Indian Affairs for the Province of British Columbia, 1913-16"
 Rosanne Sia, "Noise and Empire at the Bamfield Cable Station"
 Chair: Aaron Windel

6c. Crisis, Contestation and Possibilities for Change in BC Forests

- Allard 123 Zoë Yunker
 Sinead Earley
 Bruce Muir
 Julie Gordon
 Rosemary Collard
 Chair: Michael Ekers

6d. Histories of Art, Culture, and Performance

- Allard 104 Mariane Bourcheix-Laporte, "Why did the institutionalized Canadian artist-run centre movement start in BC? Drafting a prehistory of BC artist-run centres"
 Amanda Payne, "'Crafts are Growing Up': The Revival of the Canadian Arts and Crafts Movement and Challenges to Industrialization at Habitat 76' in Vancouver, BC"

Fiana Kawane, "Embodying Pacific Littorals: Roy Kiyooka's ArtsCanada Afloat and Other Works" [virtual]

Natalie Hajduk, "Drawing Connections: Place and the Power of Representation in the Don Wallace Editorial Cartoon Collection"

Chair: Daniel Keyes

6e. Indigenous Justice, Resurgence, and Futures

Allard 105 Lori Barkley, "The Longest Peaceful Indigenous Occupation in Canada: Asserting an Autonomous Sinixt Identity in British Columbia"

Andrea Hilland, "Ethics in an Unethical Legal System"

Niiyokamigaabaw Deondre Smiles, "Geographic Indigenous Futures of British Columbia"

Dallas Hunt, "Reconciliation as Endless Process: The Limits of State-Derived Reconciliatory Politics and the Possibility of Indigenous Redress"

Chair: Scott Sheffield

6f. Youth Issues 2: Hip to be Square? Christianity and Youth Outreach in Vancouver, 1960s-80s

Allard 106 Linda Mahood, "Y- Get it On!: The Shift to Youth-for-Youth Programs at the Vancouver Y in the 1970s"

Linda Ambrose, "Ask the Chaplain: Bernice Gerard on the Vancouver Campuses and Radio Air Waves"

Tina Block, "Christianity, Drug Hysteria, and the 'Youth Problem' in Vancouver, 1960s-1970s"

Chair: Katharine Rollwagen

12:00–12:15 pm – break

Box lunch provided for people who register for the conference by 15 April.

12:15–1:30 pm – Plenary roundtable: Climate Justice in British Columbia

Rita Wong (Emily Carr University of Art + Design)

Frederic Wood Theatre Daniel Sims (University of Northern British Columbia)

Mohammed Rafi Arefin (University of British Columbia)

Moderator: Am Johal (Co-Director, SFU Community Engaged Research Initiative)

1:30–1:45 pm – break

Saturday 3 May 2025

1:45-3:15 pm – Concurrent sessions 7

7a. Affect, Emotions, and Memories in Migrant-Settler Storytelling and Placemaking

- Allard 121 Ayaka Yoshimizu, "Swallow that settler guilt and move on!... but what do we do with the bad feelings sitting in our bodies?"
- Ranbir K Banwait, "At the Edges, But Within –"
- Kirsten Emiko McAllister, "Settlers' Stories of 'the Land' in the Context of Indigenous Land Protectors and Climate Change"
- Tom Letcher-Nicholls, "Learning What it Means to be Here: Honouring Responsibility and Obligation to Place in Ecocriticism"
- Chair: Yi Chen Jade Ho

7b. Place, Land, Colonialism, and Indigenous Territories

- Allard 122 Colin Osmond, "The Texada Scandal: Power, Place, and the Colonial Invasion of Tla'amin Territory in the late 19th Century"
- Travis Freeland, "The historical geography and archaeology of settler-colonialism at Kitselas Canyon"
- Walter Homewood, "The power to respond to local and global impacts at lək'wəŋən cultural and ecological heritage sites"
- Emily Moore, "Art Beyond Borders: The Taant'a kwáan Tlingit and their Neighbors"
- Chair: Douglas Harris

7c. Research, Engagement, and Knowledge Mobilization - New Methods and Problems for Our Times

- Allard 123 Robert Muckle, "Archaeology of Contemporary Times in British Columbia"
- Katherine Cheng and Michelle Stack, "Who Decides What Is Accessible: Power and Community Engagement in Vancouver's Downtown Eastside"
- Amanda Wager, Laura Cranmer, Virginia Robertson, Ann Woodward, and Daisy Elliott, "Hidden Histories: Shining Light on the Nanaimo Indian Hospital Through Language Reawakening" (co-author: Keavy McAbee).
- Chair: Amanda Wager

7d. City Power / Black Resilience: Relations between the City and Vancouver's Black Communities

- Allard 104 Handel Wright, "Historical Research on the Experiences of Black and African Diaspora Communities in Vancouver: Project Overview"
- Abena Somiah, "Vancouver, (W)here are All the Black People? Black Activism on and the City's Implication in Representation of Blackness in Education, Recreation and Community Space" [virtual]
- Chinenye Eze, "From Erasure of Hogan's Alley to Rethinking Northeast False Creek: The City of Vancouver's Policies, by-laws and measures' Negative and Positive Effects on the Black Communities" [virtual]
- Chair: Handel Wright
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7e. Class and Race at Work: Studies of Labour in BC

- Allard 105 Jane Komori, "'Close relations': The coerced labor of Asian Canadian logging companies"
- Ariel Becherer, "Vancouver's Temple of Labour 1912-1920: When Class-Based Organizing Had a Home"
- Amie McLean, "Roadways to Racism: Spatializing White Supremacy in the BC-Based Long Haul Trucking Industry"
- Tianzhu Nie, "Globalization, Labour, and Power: Organizing in British Columbia's Gig Work and Agrifood Sectors"
- Chair: Eryk Martin
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7f. Lifestyles of Vancouver

- Allard 106 John Belshaw, "Wheelmen Don't Eat Quiche: Vancouver's Early Elites And Their Cycling Clubs"
- Matthieu Caron, "City in Motion, City in Touch"
- Shamylla van der Hall-Rose, "China Creek Concrete"
- David Rossiter, "Investing in Nature: Making Vancouver's Mountains in the Early 20th Century"
- Chair: Ben Bradley

3:15–3:30 pm – Break

Saturday 3 May 2025

3:30-5:00 pm – Concurrent sessions 8

8a. Power of, Within, and Against Educational Institutions

- Allard 121 Jedidiah Anderson, "Higher education, place, and power in northern BC"
- Sharanjit Kaur Sandhra, "Reclaiming Power in the Margins as Praxis: Sikh Women in Academia"
- John Paul Catungal, "Ate/Kuya: Queer(ing) Kinship and Filipinx Canadian Educational Organizing in Vancouver Canada"
- Chair: Nicholas Hrynyk
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8b. A Multidisciplinary Conversation around Place and Relationships

- Allard 122 Christine Schreyer
- Emily Comeau
- John Lyon
- Tamis Cochrane
- Daisy Rosenblum
- Chair: Christine Schreyer
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8c. Public History and Identity in Postwar British Columbia

- Allard 123 Rebecca Campbell, "Women's 'Amateur' History Making in British Columbia"
- Adrian Wawrejko, "'Tourism as Statecraft': Government Intervention and Local Engagement in Interior British Columbia, 1945-1980"
- Megan Yaskow, "Wilderness to Wonderland: Prince George's Anxious Ambition and the 1958 British Columbian Centennial"
- Chair: Ben Bradley
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8d. Asian (Canadian) People and Stories Across Generations and Borders

- Allard 104 Yuko Shibata, "Power of Narrative: Five Ethnographic Sketches from Japanese Canadian (Nikkei) Women"
- Bing Yan, "'No wonder we are discriminated against': Transnational experiences of 'Suzhi' and racism in Vancouver's Downtown Eastside" [virtual]
- Hana Hasegawa, "Connections to the history of Japanese Canadian Internment: Voices of postwar Japanese Canadians"
- Millie Creighton, "Travelling by Choice: Empowering Former Internees while Educating Against Injustices through Tourism to British Columbian Places of Japanese Canadian Internment" [virtual]
- Chair: Desiree Valadares
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8e. What is Old is New Again: Enduring Forest Struggles on Vancouver Island

- Allard 105 Kyla Piccin, "Securing the Woods: An Analysis of Carceral Power at Ada'itsx/Fairy Creek"
- Cliff Atleo and Michael Simpson, "Aporias of Solidarity: Learning from Ada'itsx/Fairy Creek" (co-author: Bruce Braun)
- Michael Ekers, "The Imbroglia of Title on (Not-So) Private Forest Land"
- Chair: Rosemary Collard
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8f. Indigenous Voices and Stories from Colonial Archives

- Allard 106 Jamey Jespersen, "Re-Storying Trans Indigenous Contact on the Northwest Coast (1774-1890)"
- Jesse Robertson, "Everything which came on shore was theirs': Indian Agents, Shipwrecks, and the Politics of Lifesaving on Vancouver Island, 1860-1890"
- Robert Walls, "'I ask 'British' fair play for the chief': Indigenous People's Letters to Newspapers in British Columbia Before 1947"
- Chair: Adele Perry
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5:30–7:00 pm – Evening at the Museum

- Museum of Anthropology after hours
- MOA Museum open exclusively for delegates 5:30-7:00; curator-led tours available 5:30-6:30
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Sunday 4 May 2025

7:45-8:30am – Breakfast

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8:30-10:00 am – Concurrent sessions 9

9a. International, Refugee, and Immigrant Student Experiences

Allard Liam Ruel, "'I do not believe they could understand the
121 struggle': Exploring the Experiences of 2SLGBTQIA+ Interna-
tional Students at Post-Secondary Schools in BC"
Belle Chabot, "Racial Intolerance in Kelowna: An Ethnographic
Study of Indian Students' Experiences"
Jasmeen Kaur, "Navigating Online Hate: The Experiences of
Indian International students in Lower Mainland, BC, Canada"
Leila Avdic, "Decolonizing Education to Support Our Refugee
Students"
Chair: Imogene Lim

9b. To Develop Southern Vancouver Island or Not: Rails and Mills

Allard Slade Brown, "Duncan's Crossing Station Location and the
122 Mythology of Robert Dunsmuir and the Esquimalt & Nanaimo
Railway"
Frank Leonard, "Terminal Manqué: The Creation and Decline
of the Canadian Northern Pacific / Canadian National Railways
Yard in Victoria, 1909-1927"
Ben Dippel, "Herb Doman, Friend of Two Premiers, and Saw-
milling near Duncan"
Chair: Madison Heslop

9c. Reflections on the History and Future of Wildlife in British
Columbia

Allard Jennifer Bonnell, "Stewards of Splendour: Reflections on
123 Writing a History of Wildlife and People in British Columbia"
Mateen Hessami, "Indigenizing the North American Model of
Wildlife Conservation"
Adam Ford, "The moose in the room: Canada's most politically
important species in the coming century"
Chair: Jason Colby

gd. Places and People of Power in Secwepemcúl'ecw (Secwépemc land)

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104 | <p>Kenneth Favrholt and Koleka Casimir, "The Form of Power and Place in Secwepemcúl'ecw, 1850-1950" [virtual]</p> <p>Ethan Pincott, "Place names in Tk'emlupsúlecw"</p> <p>Ted Gottfriedson, "Secwepemcéske – Secwépemc Personal Names and Naming in the Face of Colonization" (co-author: Marianne Ignace)</p> <p>Marianne Ignace, "X7ensq̓t: 'The Sky and Land will Turn on You' - Secwépemc Powers on the Land and Impacts of Environmental Dispossession"</p> <p>Chair: Marianne Ignace</p> |
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ge. Translating Place: Medieval and Early Modern BC

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106 | <p>Patricia Badir</p> <p>Siân Echard</p> <p>Z. N. Dylan Jackson</p> <p>Noëlle Phillips</p> <p>Scott Russell</p> <p>Robert Rouse</p> <p>Chair: David Coley</p> |
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gf. Speculation, Imagination, and Vancouver on the Move

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106 | <p>Alina Debyser, "Speculating Sulphur: The Historical Origins and Geographical Reach of Vancouver's Yellow Stockpiles"</p> <p>Joshua Bransford, "Transit-Oriented Accumulation by Dispossession: New Urban Enclosure in Vancouver's 'Broadway Plan'"</p> <p>Roxane Grégoire, "Fragmented Desire - A Journey in Entropic Collaborations"</p> <p>Chair: Jennifer Chutter</p> |
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10:00–10:30am – Nutrition break

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Sunday 4 May 2025

10:30-12:00 pm – Concurrent sessions 10

10a. Community and Energy in Northern BC

Allard 121 Tamara Krawchenko, "Northern perspectives in context: community energy needs and regional response" (co-authors: Sinead Earley, Kara Shaw, Sarah Korn and Khalil Ur Rahman Ghaznawi)

Jonathan Boron, "Settler-colonialism, power, and transformation of place: A historical analysis of the Peace River region"

Greg Halseth and Laura Murphy, "Lessons from unevenness: how northern BC's energy history informs the transition to a new future" (co-author: Sean Markey)

Emma Gryg, "Policy paradigms and policy regimes: governing northern communities and ecologies in the energy transition era"

Chair: Sinead Earley

10b. Communities and the Second World War

Allard 122 Letian Wang, "A Strip of Water: The Relationship between the Chinese Community in Vancouver's Chinatown and the Japanese Community on Powell Street 1931-1942"

Scott Sheffield and Melissa Wing, "Girding for War: Small Town BC and the Transition to War, 1939-40"

Dan Keyes, "Broadcasting the Kelowna Regatta 1939-1944: Settler Fantasies of Place and Power Overcoming Hitler"

Chair: Megan Davies

10c. Movements in Resistance: Methodologies to Transgress Symbolic and Material Violences of White Settler-Colonial Histories in and Beyond BC

Allard 123 Rina Garcia Chua, "Fragmenting the BC Archives: Agency and Power in In/Visible Narratives of Asian Im/Migrants"

Anita Girvan, "E-race-sures & Reclamations: De-familiarizing BC through a digital mapping and site-visit project"

Nikhita Obeegadoo, "An archipelagic approach to memorial sites: From the Aapravasi Ghat World Heritage Site to the Komagata Maru memorial"

Chair: Rina Garcia Chua

10d. Pedagogy and Anti-racist/Anti-colonial Education

Allard Aneet Kahlon, "An Anti-Colonial Analysis of a K-12 School
104 District's Racial Equity Policy in BC"

Safeera Jaffer, "Situated Learning Encounters: Racialized
Students' Experiences in Institutional Systems of Power in
British Columbia"

Chair: Ayaka Yoshimizu

**10e. The Name Matters: Rethinking Place, Power, and the Legacy of
Israel Wood Powell**

Allard ṭagəm Eileen Francis

105 Tlesla Evan Adams

Peg Campbell

Chair: Sean Carleton

10f. Plants and People, Landscapes and Ecosystems

Allard Maddi Tolmie, "Examining Garry Oak Ecosystems as Indigenous
106 Archaeological Landscapes"

Sara Jacobs, "Willful Plants: Settler Relations and Vegetal
Entanglements"

Emma Carey, "Who are you?: Embodied sensory engagements
with 'invasive' plant species in the Okanagan"

Chair: Tina Loo

12:00–1:30 pm – Lunch break

Sunday 4 May 2025

1:30-3:00 pm – Concurrent sessions 11

11a. Understanding Precarity in BC: Research and Praxis

Allard
121 Gloria Lin
Katie Gravestock
Alice Murage
Anushay Malik
Vince Prince
Alicia Massie
Chair: Christina Lee

11b. Energy, Mining, Infrastructure, and Capitalism on Indigenous Lands and Waters

Allard
122 Darcey Evans, "Settler Colonialism at Sea: Fish, Seabeds, and Oceans in the Making of 'Blue' British Columbia"
Nick Gottlieb, "Pipeline colonialism: understanding the political economy of BC's nascent LNG industry through the lens of continental imperialism"
Jessica Dempsey, "Does regulation delay mines? A timeline and economic benefit audit of British Columbia mines"
Chair: Daniel Sims

11c. Crime, Threat, Reputation, and the Law

Allard
123 Devin Eeg, "On Fair Play and Free Speech: Political Defamation in Early British Columbia"
Marika Lopez, "Welcome to the (Facebook) Neighbourhood: Exploring How Community Residents Use Facebook Groups to Address Crime"
Chris Madsen, "Riding with Angels: Mounties and Gypsy Wheelers in White Rock, British Columbia"
Borna Zargarian, "The Call is Coming from Inside the House: Stranger Danger and Children's Marginalization in Late Twentieth-Century British Columbia"
Chair: Max Hamon

11d. Organizers' session: Tributes to Jean Barman, Mentor and Scholar Extraordinaire [hybrid]

Allard Jan Hare
104 Jeannie Morgan
 Deanna Reder
 Marlene Atleo
 Richard Atleo
 Adele Perry
 Paige Raibmon
 Renisa Mawani
 Margery Fee
 Sean Carleton
 Chair: Paige Raibmon

11e. Mere Images of Truth – Photographs as Powerful Historical and Visual Testaments

Allard Catherine Clement
105 Kelly McCormick
 Imogene Lim
 Melissa Lee
 Chair: Melissa Lee

11f. Counter-engagement Practices in Treaty 8 Territories – The Need for New Consultation Regimes in a Post-Yahey Context

Allard Shona Nelson
106 Jen MacCracken
 Giuseppe Amatulli
 Sara Rowe
 Chair: Giuseppe Amatulli

3:00–3:15 pm – break

Sunday 4 May 2025

3:15-4:45 pm – Concurrent sessions 12

12b. Mission, Hospital, Housing, Gallery: Perspectives on the Built Environment, Colonialism, and Indigenous Peoples

Allard 122 Donald Luxton, "Building the Christian Village: Missionary and Indigenous Entanglements on the Pacific Northwest Coast, 1858-1888"

Nathanael Lauster, Alexandra Flynn, Jennifer Nguyen, and Jens von Bergmann, "First Nations Developments in BC and the ongoing reorganization of property and sovereignty"

Irwin Oostindie, "Redressing the Commons of the Pioneers : Archival Lessons From The Proposed Vancouver Art Gallery Site"

Avin Alimohammadi, "Principles of Belonging: Exploring the structures of British Columbia's Healthcare Architecture shadowing the Indigenous Experience"

Chair: John Lutz

12c. Spaces, Social Capital, Culture and Community Building: The Case of Filipinos in British Columbia

Allard 123 Leonora Angeles, "Metro Vancouver's Unequal Socio-Spatial Distribution of Cultural Spaces: Visualizing Racial-Class Inequities and Spaces for Transformative Change" (co-author: Chandima Silva).

Gabrielle Abando, "Space, Placemaking, Social Capital and the 'Cultural Value' of Immigrant Enclaves: The Case of Joyce-Collingwood Neighborhood in Vancouver, BC"

Angel Bella, "Pagkaing Pampamilya: Cultivating Embodied Intimacy Through Intergenerational Food-Making"

Chandima Silva, "Experiencing, Creating and Exchanging Culture on Settler-Colonial Multicultural Vancouver: Filipino Youth on Identity, Places, and Community in BC"

Chair: Leonora Angeles

12d. History Activism in British Columbia

Allard Ajay Bhardwaj

104 Sadhu Binning

Sukhwant Hundal

Chair: Ranbir Johal

12f. Human Rights Education in BC: Contentions and Challenges, Possibilities and Perseverance in BC Universities

Allard Eduardo Azmitia Pardo

106 Hasrat Grewal Gill

Nicholas Hrynyk

Alex Phillips

Chair: Jennifer Shaw