

## THE HUMAN CONDITION SERIES - Eros 2010

# Conference Program

All concurrent sessions will take place at the Muskoka Campus of Nipissing University. The keynote by Prof. Irigaray and roundtable discussion will be held in the lecture theatre. Prof. Chanter's keynote will be held at the banquet hall at the Riverside Inn.

Laptops are available in the Learning Commons Room for Conference-goers.

All class-rooms and seminar rooms are equipped with a computer, internet access, and audio-visual capabilities.

## Thursday, May 20

**7.00-10.00**

**Wine and Cheese Reception (Muskoka Campus, Lakehouse)**

**Gallery opening — (Muskoka Campus, Fine Arts Room)**

Featuring the works of Cara Judea Alhadeff, Björn Wiinblad, and North Bay area artists

## Friday, May 21

### Concurrent Sessions A

**9.00-10.30**

**Panel 1: On the limits and possibilities of love 1 (Room 4)**

Eros and life; Eros and love  
Bert Olivier, [bert.olivier@nmmu.ac.za](mailto:bert.olivier@nmmu.ac.za)

The Conversion of Eros into Compassion in the Philosophy of Martin Heidegger  
Andrew Fuyarchuk, [afuyarchuk@hotmail.com](mailto:afuyarchuk@hotmail.com)

Eros, Romance and Dead Ends  
Leah Bradshaw, [lbradshaw@brocku.ca](mailto:lbradshaw@brocku.ca)

**9.00-11.15 (with break)**

## **Panel 2: Categories of normativity, disorder, pathology or deviance in desire (Room 1)**

The Primal Scene Revisited: Sasha Grey, Freud and Goethe

Dr. James Bozzuto, [drbozzuto@aol.com](mailto:drbozzuto@aol.com) & Dr. Nandini Lee, [nandinilee@hotmail.com](mailto:nandinilee@hotmail.com)

Psychoanalytic Theory and Japanese Guilt: Sexual Repression in the Japanese Context

Jermaine R. Gordon, [gordonjr@indiana.edu](mailto:gordonjr@indiana.edu)

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There is no Such Thing as Perversion: Autoerotism, Addiction and Trauma

Anna Janicki, [anna.janicki@case.edu](mailto:anna.janicki@case.edu)

Eros without Agape and Philia can plunge us to Genitalism!

Jozef Gal, [jozefg@nipissingu.ca](mailto:jozefg@nipissingu.ca)

## **Panel 3: Eros and the politics of difference 1 (Room 6)**

Jess Dobkin: mom, dyke, frog

Charles Reeve, [creeve@ocad.ca](mailto:creeve@ocad.ca)

A Love that Dare Not Be the Same: Kierkegaard, Freud and a Psychology for the Love of Difference

Frances Latchford, [flatch@yorku.ca](mailto:flatch@yorku.ca)

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The Erotic Politics of Abjection

Mary Bunch, [mbunch3@uwo.ca](mailto:mbunch3@uwo.ca)

“That’s Gay!” Legitimizing Homophobia by Disciplining Homophobic Behaviour:

A Critical Discussion of “Progressive Discipline” in Education Policy

Cindy Vander Meulen, [5cv6@queensu.ca](mailto:5cv6@queensu.ca)

# **Concurrent Sessions B**

## **10.45-12.15**

## **Panel 1: On the limits and possibilities of love 2 (Room 4)**

The Place of Eros in Philosophy: Hannah Arendt, Gillian Rose, Simone Weil

Sarah MacMillen, [macmillens@duq.edu](mailto:macmillens@duq.edu)

Love and Politics: Platonic Eros vs Aristotelian Philia

Pamela Huber, [phuber@connect.carleton.ca](mailto:phuber@connect.carleton.ca)

Re-thinking Marcuse's Eros and Civilization in the Postmodern Condition

Dominic Wetzel, [dominic.wetzel@gmail.com](mailto:dominic.wetzel@gmail.com)

### **Panel 2: Eros, Transgression and Transcendence 1 (Room 5)**

Eros Sophistes: Irigaray and the Rhetoric of Sexual Difference

Michael MacDonald, [m2macdon@uwaterloo.ca](mailto:m2macdon@uwaterloo.ca)

Foucault and the contemporary moral problem of paedophilia

Darini Nicholas, [nichd356@newschool.edu](mailto:nichd356@newschool.edu)

Procreation, Completeness, and the Good:

Platonic Meditations on Eros in a Transhumanist Age

Paul Corey, [paul.corey@humber.ca](mailto:paul.corey@humber.ca)

### **Panel 3: Eros in Myth (Room 7)**

The maniacal desire of sculptured Venus: femme fatale Eros who swallowed the mirror of Beauty and sexuality

Basia Sliwinska, [B.Sliwinska@lboro.ac.uk](mailto:B.Sliwinska@lboro.ac.uk)

Zeroes, Heroes, and Eros

Nandan Choksi [ANPADH@GMAIL.COM](mailto:ANPADH@GMAIL.COM)

The Medusa Myth and the Eros Adventures of Perseus

Laura Chevalier, [lc04nz@brocku.ca](mailto:lc04nz@brocku.ca)

**12.00-1.30**

**Lunch at the Lakehouse**

## **Concurrent Sessions C**

**1.30-3.45 (with break)**

### **Panel 1: Eros and the politics of difference 1 (Room 6)**

Bad Romance: Sex/Romance, the PoliticoQueer and Agential Realism

Joshua Morrison, [joshua.t.morrison@gmail.com](mailto:joshua.t.morrison@gmail.com)

The Masochistic Feminist: A Compatible Contradiction

Ada Demaj, [ademaj@uwo.ca](mailto:ademaj@uwo.ca)

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Extending Brilliant Movement: Erotic Spaces and (Im)Possibilities of Queer South Asian  
Diaspora in Pratibha Parmar's Khush  
Laura Krahn, [krahn1@univmail.cis.mcmaster.ca](mailto:krahn1@univmail.cis.mcmaster.ca)

Eros and Pathos: An Applied View from the Healing Arts  
Susanna Pearce, [smp12@cornell.edu](mailto:smp12@cornell.edu)

### **1.30-4.00 (with break)**

#### **Panel 2: Thinking Through Eros in Education (Room 7)**

Liz Airton, [lairton@yorku.ca](mailto:lairton@yorku.ca)  
Mary J. Harrison, [mary\\_harrison@edu.yorku.ca](mailto:mary_harrison@edu.yorku.ca)  
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Anne Stebbins, [anne\\_stebbins@edu.yorku.ca](mailto:anne_stebbins@edu.yorku.ca)

### **1.30-3.45 (with break)**

#### **Panel 3: Eros, Transgression and Transcendence 2 (Room 5)**

Moving From "Hostile Environment" Sexual "Harassment" Law to "Sexual Discomfort"  
Law: A Call for Terminological and Ideological Change  
Richmond West, [rpwest@purdue.edu](mailto:rpwest@purdue.edu)

Rape, Shame, and Guilt in The City of God  
Colin Cordner, [colin\\_cordner@yahoo.ca](mailto:colin_cordner@yahoo.ca)

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On Longing in Confessional Art  
Matthew Ryan Smith, [msmit269@uwo.ca](mailto:msmit269@uwo.ca)

Altering the Dialogue: The Erotic Nature of Women in Islamic Culture  
Theodra Bane, [theodraegbane@gmail.com](mailto:theodraegbane@gmail.com)

#### **Panel 4: Eros in everyday life (Room 4)**

Eros and National Security  
Gary Kinsman, [gkinsman@laurentian.ca](mailto:gkinsman@laurentian.ca)

Will the Legalization of Gay Marriage Promote the Marginalization and Criminalization of Queer Sexualities?

Brett C. Stockdill, [b-stockdill@neu.edu](mailto:b-stockdill@neu.edu) & Michelle VanNatta, [mvannatta@dom.edu](mailto:mvannatta@dom.edu)

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Eros and Play: Women's Aspiration for Liberation in Orissa, India

Yumiko Tokita-Tanabe, [tokita-tanabe@nifty.com](mailto:tokita-tanabe@nifty.com)

Young women, heterosexual relationships, power and wellbeing

Prudence Fisher, [prufisher@actrix.co.nz](mailto:prufisher@actrix.co.nz)

## Concurrent Sessions D

### 4.00-5.30

#### Panel 1: Feminist encounters with eros (Room 6)

Trafficking in Airs and Veils: re-reading Antigone

Joanne Valin, [joannev@nipissingu.ca](mailto:joannev@nipissingu.ca)

The Status of Love in Philosophy: An examination of the role of love (eros) in selected contemporary French thought.

Mark Kourie, [mkourie@lantic.net](mailto:mkourie@lantic.net)

On Loving the Verb: Irigaray's Philosophical Insights on Loving the Other

Megan M. Burke, [Mburke2@uoregon.edu](mailto:Mburke2@uoregon.edu)

#### Panel 2: From hatred to joy (Room 5)

"Turning Things Around": Love, Hatred, and the Promise of Erotic Life in Spinoza and Marcuse

Réal Fillion, [rfillion@usudbury.ca](mailto:rfillion@usudbury.ca)

The Eros of Genealogy

Alireza Taheri, [at407@cam.ac.uk](mailto:at407@cam.ac.uk)

Love and Feminine Jouissance

Niki D'Amore, [damore.niki@gmail.com](mailto:damore.niki@gmail.com)

#### Panel 3: Eros is in-between (Room 4)

Transgendering Mystics: Gender Normalizing Narratives in Korean Shamanism

Merose Hwang, [meroseh@gmail.com](mailto:meroseh@gmail.com)

Politics and Love: a paradoxical affair  
Irina Boca, [irinavboca@yahoo.com](mailto:irinavboca@yahoo.com)

Eros – daimon, mediator, intermediary: The necessary between of teaching and learning  
Alexandra Fidyk, [alexfidyk@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:alexfidyk@yahoo.co.uk)

**5.30-6.00**

**Short film with Director's introduction (Downstairs Lecture Theatre)**

**"Good Image Media" - Nicholas Marler**

**8.30**

**After dinner keynote by Tina Chanter (Riverside Inn Banquet Hall)**

**Saturday, May 22**

## **Concurrent Sessions E**

**9.00-10.30**

**Panel 1: Subject/Identity formation and constructions of gender and sexuality (Room 4)**

Homophobia in a Porn-utopia: Cleland's Fanny Hill and the economics of homosexuality  
Sylvia Hunt, [shunt@laurentian.ca](mailto:shunt@laurentian.ca)

Eros in the Greek novels: Lacanian Explorations  
Jean Alvares, [alvaresj@mail.montclair.edu](mailto:alvaresj@mail.montclair.edu)

Self-violence and Desire in Jelinek's The Piano Teacher  
Tamkin Hussain, [tamkinhussain@hotmail.com](mailto:tamkinhussain@hotmail.com)

**Panel 2: Sublimations of Eros (Room 5)**

The Nature of Eternal Eros: Ascending the Temporal  
Nevio Cristante, [nevio@hacettepe.edu.tr](mailto:nevio@hacettepe.edu.tr)

Sublimated Eros, Celibacy and Self-Construction in fin-de-siècle Russia  
Ksenia Sidorenko, [ksenia.sidorenko@yale.edu](mailto:ksenia.sidorenko@yale.edu)

The Cave: A World Of Shadows Cast By Fire  
Clayton Lewis, [clay.d.lewis@gmail.com](mailto:clay.d.lewis@gmail.com)

### **Panel 3: Eros, identity and Difference 2 (Room 6)**

Eros, Embodiment & Blackness: The Semiotics of Sex, Race, and Ontology in Black America

Damon Powell, [contemplative1@gmail.com](mailto:contemplative1@gmail.com)

Race, Sexuality, and the Aesthetics of Diversity

Gabriel A Torres, [gtorres@saintmarys.edu](mailto:gtorres@saintmarys.edu)

Ghostly Presences: Death, Melancholy and the Libidinal Economy of National Identification

Baris Kilicbay, [bariskilicbay@superonline.com](mailto:bariskilicbay@superonline.com)

### **11.00-1.30**

#### **Keynote Address by Luce Irigaray (Main Auditorium)**

"Perhaps cultivating Eros could provide for our safety"

Roundtable Discussants: Sal Renshaw, Shannon Bell, Gad Horowitz, Gary Kinsman

### **1.30-3.00**

#### **Lunch at the Lakehouse**

## **Concurrent Sessions F**

### **2.15-4.45 (with break)**

#### **Panel 1: Eros and public health (Room 4)**

Empowerment of Women and Fertility in India

Parveen Nangia, [pnangia@laurentian.ca](mailto:pnangia@laurentian.ca)

Public Health and HIV/AIDS in Africa in the 21st century.

Adelani David Adeniran, [davidadelani@yahoo.com](mailto:davidadelani@yahoo.com)

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Acting up or acting out? Performing the self in the sex work arena.

Jan Marie, [jan@nemus.co.nz](mailto:jan@nemus.co.nz)

Diversity in 'Trans' and the Relevance of Eros: Negotiating Gender and Identity through Gender Service Access

Coralee Drechsler, [drechsc@mcmaster.ca](mailto:drechsc@mcmaster.ca)

## **2.15-3.45**

### **Panel 2: Eros in political theory (Room 5)**

The Quarrel between Aristophanes and Socrates: Eros and the City in Plato's Symposium

Ryan McKinnell, [rmckinn2@connect.carleton.ca](mailto:rmckinn2@connect.carleton.ca)

The Need for Rhetoric in the Redirection of the Erotic Soul

Brian Fryer, [fryer26@hotmail.com](mailto:fryer26@hotmail.com)

Prolegomena to Love in Friedrich Nietzsche's Beyond Good and Evil

Tiago Lier, [tiagolier@shaw.ca](mailto:tiagolier@shaw.ca)

## **2.15-4.30 (with break)**

### **Panel 3: How can eros make us better as individuals and as a society? (Room 6)**

Erotic Peace: Threats and Opportunities for Peace within Eros

Danielle Poe, [danielle.poe@notes.udayton.edu](mailto:danielle.poe@notes.udayton.edu)

The Secret Passage: Secrecy as Social and Cultural Marker of Female Puberty and Commencing Sexualities

Kim Turcot DiFruscia, [kim.turcot.difruscia@gmail.com](mailto:kim.turcot.difruscia@gmail.com)

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The Ethic of Eros in the Writings of Simone de Beauvoir and Audre Lorde

Qrescent Mali Mason, [qmason@temple.edu](mailto:qmason@temple.edu)

Eros: The Creative Will to Evolve and Fulfill

Marianne Choquet, [mariannechoquet@gmail.com](mailto:mariannechoquet@gmail.com)

## **Concurrent Sessions G**

### **4.00-5.30**

#### **Seminar (the Ron Doty Seminar Room)**



Eros and the Image of the Soul in Platonic Political Philosophy  
Waller Newell, [waller\\_newell@carleton.ca](mailto:waller_newell@carleton.ca)

Participants should re-familiarize themselves with Plato's Symposium, the Republic 514a–520a (image of the cave), and the Phaedrus 246a - 254e (image of the chariot of the soul).

## **4.00-5.00**

### **Panel 1: Eros in life stories (Room 5)**

The Search for Eros: A Hazardous Journey for Children of Divorce  
Geraldine K. Piorkowski, [Drpiork@aol.com](mailto:Drpiork@aol.com)

Loving Destruction: Eros Coupled with Thanatos in Veterans' Memoirs  
Melissa Licht, [licht003@umn.edu](mailto:licht003@umn.edu)

## **4.00-5.30**

### **Panel 2: ars erotica (Room 6)**

Who's Afraid of Napoleon Dynamite? Love, Absurdity, and America in the Cinema of the Awkward  
Rhiannon M. Don, [rhiannod@nipissingu.ca](mailto:rhiannod@nipissingu.ca)

Transgression and Transformation: Sacred Marriage Patterns in Apuleius' "Cupid and Psyche" and Disney's Beauty and the Beast  
Margaret M. Toscano, [margaret.toscano@utah.edu](mailto:margaret.toscano@utah.edu)

Eros, Romantic and Atonal: Music of Desire  
Barry Salwen, [salwenb@uncw.edu](mailto:salwenb@uncw.edu)