Radical Collaboration(s) for a Better World

Reckonings, (R)evolutions, Life and Love...
Towards the Elimination of All Forms of Inequalities

March 10-11, 2023
Feminist Legal Studies and the Faculty of Law, Queen’s University, Kingston
All times referenced are in EST.

Friday, March 10, 2023

12:00 Registration and light lunch – Faculty of Law, 128 Union St., Kingston, Ont., Student Lounge (Lower level)

1:00 Conference Opening:
Welcome and Introduction to Goals of Conference, 128 Union St., Kingston, Ont., room #201 (Overflow room #400)

Bita Amani, Faculty of Law and Co-Director, Feminist Legal Studies Queen’s, Queen’s University
Kathleen Lahey, Faculty of Law and Co-Director, Feminist Legal Studies Queen’s, Queen’s University

1:10 Keynote address: “Roots, Routes, and Reckonings: On Blackness and Belonging in North America”

PDF International Visitor, Dr. Debra Thompson, Canada Research Chair in Racial Inequality in Democratic Societies, Associate Professor at the Department of Political Science at McGill University, and the Queen’s University Principal’s Development Fund Visitor.

2:30 Break, 128 Union St., Kingston, Ont., room #211

2:45 Panel I: To Stay, Move, and Decide: Embedded Values and Powers

Chair: Debra Haak

Sharry Aiken, “Equally unequal: the erasure of substantive equality for non-citizens in Canada”
Sule Tomkinson [Zoom], “Revisiting Administrative Justice Values for a Caring Public Administration”

Terry Hancock, “Virtual Reality: (In) Equality and the Impact of Technology in the Justice System”

**4:15 Break**, 128 Union St., Kingston, Ont., room #211

**4:30 Panel II: Humanizing Discourses and Socializing Stories Promoting Life: Methods and Equality of Relations Revisited**

Chair: Sharry Aiken

Ladan Adhami-Dorrani, “The Significance of Methodology in Re-imagining a more Equitable World”

Lindsay Borrows, “Decolonizing Law and the Academy through Story and Oral Traditions: Knowings and the Teachings of a Grand Mother”

Usha Natarajan, [Zoom] “Radical Global Collaboration for Environmental Justice”

**6:00 Dinner** Robert Sutherland Hall, Policy Studies, 138 Union St., room #202 (main floor)

**6:45 Panel III: Evening Program on Politics and Poetics**

**Fire in the Belly and Burning Conversations: Life, Art, and the Authoring of a Better World**

Chair and Dinner Conversation Chat Host: Bita Amani


Mehraneh Ebrahimi, [Zoom] "Seeking Justice in Exile; Iranian Diasporic Voices"

Juliane Okot Bitek, “Excavating Joseph Conrad’s *Heart of Darkness* three letters at a time”

Debra Thompson, “Reflections On Writing about Life, Memoir, Memory, and Voices in the African Diaspora”

“Fireside Chat...”

**8:30 Day 1 Adjourns**

**Saturday, March 11, 2023**

Robert Sutherland Hall, Policy Studies, 138 Union St., room #202 (main floor)

**9:15 Registration and light breakfast: Mix and Mingle**

**9:30 Welcome and Introduction to Day 2**

Chair: Beverley Baines

Vrinda Narain, “Fatal Attraction: Love, Politics, and the Death of Secular Democracy in India”

Elahe Amani, [Zoom], “The Future is Female, Equal and Radical- Women Life Freedom”

10:35 Stretch Break

10:45 Panel V: Care, Wellbeing, and the (Re)Imagining of Established Thinking: Conceptions, Preventions, and Collaborations

Chair: Lisa Kelly

Yuanjin Xia, “Exploitation, Vulnerability, and Fairness: How Should We Account for the Exploitation of Care Workers?”

Michele J McIntosh, "A Shot in the Dark? Girls, Cervical Cancer Prevention Strategies, and Harm"

Oyedeji Ayonrinde, "Racism and (Micro) aggressions: an allostatic “geological” model of conceptualizing the impact on mental health”

Danielle Macdonald, “(Re)imagining Global Public Health: Kaleidoscope Collaborations”

12:45 Lunch Break

1:45 Panel VI: Sustainable (Development) Goals? Cultural Production, Commodity Consumption and the Eradication of (In)(e)qualities Of Identity Harms in National and International Fora

Chair: Danielle Macdonald


Elizabeth Peprah-Asare [Zoom] “UN Women’s SDGs Encounter Afrofuturism: Considerations for African-Heritage Women’s Wellbeing & Futurities”

3:15 Afternoon Tea

Chair: Bita Amani

Lisa Kelly, “Feminisms Divided: On Voluntariness and the Criminal Law”

Debra Haak, “Intersection(ality) and Divergence: Equality Discourse in Constitutional Litigation about Commercial Sex Laws in Canada”

Kathleen Lahey [Zoom], “Looking at the World from the Top Side Down: Gender Equality, Indigenous, and Migrating Women in the Circumpolar North Countries”

4:55 Conference Wrap Up

5:00 Conference Adjourns

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