

Arctic/Northern Women: Situating Law and Justice in Development and Equality

In celebration of Dr. Patricia A. Monture (1958-2010)

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Gender Studies, and Faculty of Law, Queen's University, and the TUAQ Arctic Network*

Registration: <http://femlaw.queensu.ca/conferencesFLSQ.html>

Friday, Feb. 28, 2014

11:30 Registration – Robert Sutherland Hall, Policy Studies room 202 – light lunch

12:30 Welcome and introduction to conference themes

Janice Hill, Four Directions Aboriginal Student Centre, Queen's University

Wanda WhiteBird, Anishnawbe Health Toronto

Åsa Gunnarsson, Umeå Forum for Studies on Law and Society, Umeå
University, Sweden

1:00 Keynote address: Eva-Maria Svensson, Gothenburg and Tromsø
Universities, Principal's Development Fund International Visitor –
'Approaches to Gender Equality in Regional Governance of the Arctic Region'

2:20 Break

2:35 Panel I Governance and Voice: Indigenous Peoples, Women, Climate, and Corporations

Tahnee Prior, Global Governance Program, Balsillie School of International
Affairs, University of Waterloo -- 'The Rights and Role of Indigenous Women
in Climate Change Regulation'

Vrinda Narain, Faculty of Law and Institute for Gender, Sexuality, and
Feminist Studies, McGill University – 'Postcolonial Constitutionalism:
Complexities and Contradictions'

Kathleen Lahey, Faculty of Law, Queen's University – 'Gender, Indigenous
Peoples, and the Paradox of Plenty in Resource Rich Regions'

4:00 Panel II Appropriations and Dependencies: Women and Earnings, Livelihoods, Knowledges, and Aging in Arctic Regions

Elena Kotyrlo, Demographic Data Base, Umeå University, Sweden – ‘Earnings and Labor Force Participation of Native and Immigrant Women in Vasterbotten and Norrbotten’

Shahnaj Begum, University of Lapland, Rovaniemi, Finland – ‘Livelihood Transformation in the Arctic: Effects on Older People from a Gender-based Perspective with a Special Focus on Finnish Lapland’

Lena Wennberg, Umeå Forum for Studies on Law and Society, Umeå University – ‘Women and Aging in the Arctic Region’

Bitu Amani, Faculty of Law, Queen’s University, Kingston, Ontario – ‘Restitution, Repatriation, and Resistance: Reframing the Biopiracy Dialogue toward Women’s Work and Traditional Indigenous Knowledge’

6:00 Dinner

7:30 Celebrating Patricia Monture – Her Legacy in Activism and Learning

Kim Pate, Canadian Association of EFrye Societies and University of Ottawa – ‘Canada Corrections and Marginalized Women – Trish Monture’s Legacies’

Rakhi Ruparelia, University of Ottawa – ‘Legal Feminism and the Post-Racism Fantasy’

Saturday, March 1, 2014

8:30 Registration

9:00 Keynote Address: Rauna Kuokkanen, Department of Political Science and Aboriginal Studies Program, University of Toronto – ‘Indigenous Economies, Self-Determination, and Women’s Rights’

10:20 Break

10.35 Panel III Women and Economic Development: Roadmaps and Strategies

Louise Langevin, Faculty of Law, Laval University – ‘Gender-based Analysis of Discrimination against Women – Economic Development and Women’s Bargaining Power’

Kate McInturff, Canadian Centre for Policy Alternatives – ‘Gender Equality and Women in the Arctic: Mapping the Future’

Gail Baikie, Faculty of Social Work, Dalhousie University – ‘Rhetoric and Realities: The Mokami Status of Women Council’s Environmental Assessment Submission’

12:00 Lunch

1:00 Panel IV Gendered Dislocations and Violations

Hege Brækhus, University of Tromsø, Norway – ‘International Marriages: Russian Women Marrying Norwegian Men’

Rachel Kohut, Arctic Institute, Montreal – ‘Imagining Birth Dislocated from Medicine: The Interconnectedness of the State and the Birthing Process in Canada’s North’

Cindy Hanson, Adult Education/HRD, University of Regina, Saskatchewan – ‘Gender Lens on the Indian Residential School Claims Process’

2:25 Break

2:35 Panel V Arctic/Northern Violence, Prostitution, and Trafficking

Marguerite Russell, Barrister and Solicitor (Ont. and UK) – ‘Trafficking in Women: International Legal Perspectives’

Victoria Sweet, Michigan State University College of Law – ‘Rising Waters, Rising Threats: Human Trafficking and Other Gender-Related Crimes in the Circumpolar Region of the United States and Canada’

Monica Burman, Umeå Forum for Studies on Law and Society, Umeå University – ‘Men’s Violence against Sami Women -- A blind Swedish Spot’

Åsa Yttergren, Umeå Forum for Studies on Law and Society, Umeå University – ‘Prostitution and Trafficking in the North of Sweden – The “Swedish Model” in Action’

4:35 Closing discussion: publication and followup plans

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the Haudenosaunee and Anishinaabe peoples*