

OVER THE EDGE: FORMING ASIAN CANADIAN STUDIES
Inaugural Meetings of Asian Canadian Studies Network
June 1-2, 2013
Congress 2013, University of Victoria
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Provisional Program
(As of May 01, 2013)

SATURDAY, JUNE 1, 2013

- 1:00 pm: **Welcome and Opening Plenary** (Clearihue Building, C-112)
- Keynote: Dr. Elaine H. Kim, Coordinator, Asian American and Asian Diaspora Studies, University of California, Berkeley
- 1:45 pm: **Roundtable: 'Community Coalition Building'** (Clearihue C-112)
- Moderator: Gayle Nye, Community Organizer
Jaraad Marani, University of Victoria, activist in campaign critical of Maclean's 'Too Asian' feature;
Lorene Oikawa, Vice-President, B.C. Government Employees Union, anti-racist activist in the labour movement and in the Anniversaries '07 Coalition
Speaker tbc, Idle No More
- 3:15 pm: Break
- 3:30 pm: **Mediations of the Moment in Asian North American Cultural Production** (Clearihue, C-112)
- Organizer: Glenn Deer, University of British Columbia
Thy Phu, "The S-21 Archive in the Time of Cold War Human Rights"
Shelley Wong, "Making Suffering Incomplete: Waiting on the Past in Joy Kogawa's, Obasan"
Guy Beauregard, "Interwoven Temporalities: Reading Asian Canadian Literature and the Subject of Human Rights"
Lisa Kabesh, "Mapping Futures: Genealogical Narratives and the Reproduction of Racialized Subjectivity in Asian Canadian Literature"
(Co-sponsored by ACCUTE, The Association of Canadian College and University Teachers of English)
- 5:00 pm: **Graduate Student and Community Reception**
- Sedgewick Building, Room C-168

SUNDAY, JUNE 2, 2013

- 9:00 am: **Welcome** (Clearihue Building, Room C-112)
- 9:15 am: **Guest Speaker: Mary Kitagawa, 'Communities and the University'**
- Mary Kitagawa led the movement for honorary degrees for Japanese Canadian students forced to leave UBC in 1942.
- 9:45 am: **Roundtable: "Asian Canadian Studies: An Idea Whose Time Has Come?"** (Clearihue, C-112)
- Moderator: Karen Kobayashi, University of Victoria
Chris Lee, University of British Columbia
Kirsten McAllister, Simon Fraser University
Eric Fong, University of Toronto
Satwinder Kaur Bains, Sharanjit Sandhra, Centre for Indo-Canadian Studies, University of the Fraser Valley
- 11:00 am: Break
- 11:15 am: **Graduate Student Panel** (Clearihue, C-112)
- Organized by Chris Lee (UBC) and Christine Kim (SFU)
- 12:30 am: Lunch Break:
- Asian Canadian Studies Network members meeting
(Clearihue, C-
- 1:30 pm: **Roundtable: Intersecting Edges: Gender, Culture, Resistance**
(Clearihue, C-112)
-Alice Ming Wai Jim, Dept. of Art History, Concordia University
-Elaine H. Kim, Asian American Studies, Dept. of Ethnic Studies, University of California, Berkeley
-Jo-Anne Lee, Dept. of Women's Studies, University of Victoria
-Hijin Park, Dept. of Sociology, Brock University
- 2:45 pm: Break
- 3:00 pm: **Networking Sessions** (Clearihue, C-115; D-126; D-130)
- To propose a session (Japanese-Canadian research, South Asian research, Indigenous-Asian Canadian, and so forth), write asiancdn@uvic.ca
- 4:15 pm: **Report Back, Charting the Way Forward** (Clearihue, C-112)
- Henry Yu, University of B.C.

SUNDAY EVENING, JUNE 2

- 6:30 pm: Community Banquet: **'At the Edge: Communities Uniting for Justice'**

Location: Golden City Restaurant, 721 Fisgard Street, Victoria
Featuring: Joy Kogawa (author of *Obasan*) and Victoria City Councilor Charlayne Thornton-Joe
Tickets: Students and seniors, \$25; regular, \$35.

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Registration:

To register for the conference and to order banquet tickets you can register with the Asian Canadian Studies Network at <http://asiancanadianstudies.ca> and check off the boxes at the bottom of the registration page. Alternatively, you may send an e-mail with your name, affiliation, areas of interest, and number of banquet tickets needed to asiancdn@uvic.ca.