

**University of Manitoba/University of Trier  
Biennial Conference on Canadian Studies**

**AGENDA**

**Human Rights, Human Wrongs: Vulnerability in Comparative Perspective**

24-26 September, 2014  
University of Manitoba, Winnipeg

**WEDNESDAY, 24 September 2014**

7:30 pm      **Reception, St. Paul's College**

**THURSDAY, 25 September 2014**

**[All sessions today are in Tier Building, room 307, Ft. Garry Campus]**

- 8:30 am      **Formal Welcome**
- 9:00 am      **Keynote Address**
  - Grant Sinclair, "Marginalization, Vulnerability and Human Rights: A Canadian Legal Perspective"
- 10:30 am     **Session #1: Education**
  - Marlene Atleo, "Pedagogy for Understanding and Supporting Shared Vulnerabilities: Teaching for Diversity in a Teacher Education Program"
  - Joanna Black & Orest Cap, "Teaching Vulnerability as a Human Rights Issue in Art Education: Learning through New Media Artworks"
- 1:00 pm      **Session #2: African Canadians**
  - Rahab Njeri, "'Diversity' - Mediating Differences in Transcultural Spaces"
  - Markus M. Müller, "'Re/Claiming' Human Rights? Spotlights on Recent African Canadian Literature"

- 2:00 pm                    **Session #3: On Screen, On-line, On Canvas**
  - Arthur Anyaduba, “Rational or Irrational Killers? Performing Violence and Vulnerability in Openheimer?s *The Act of Killing*”
  - Wolfgang Klooss, “Dehumanizing the Human: Social Experiment and State Control in Margaret Atwood?s *Positron*”
  - Moti Shojania, “Vulnerability as Spectacle: Botero's Abu Ghraib Paintings”

- 4:00 pm                    **Session #4 Ecocides**
  - Barbara McMillan, “Climate Change and Ecocide in Anthropocene Epoch: The Source of Our Greatest Vulnerability”
  - Sheila Simonson, “The Real Horror in Todd Haynes’ *Safe*”
  - Zulfiya Turnusova, “Livelihoods and Food Sovereignty in Post-Soviet Uzbekistan”

6:00 pm                    **Conference Dinner, St. John’s College**

**FRIDAY, 26 September 2014**

**[All sessions & panels today are in Tier Building, room 409]**

- 9:00 am                    **Panel #1: The Precarious Lives of Refugees and Migrant Workers in Canada**
  - Sarah Zell, “Geographies of Vulnerability: The Recruitment and Settlement of Migrant Workers” ,
  - Lori Wilkinson, “Income and Labour Force Participation Among Refugees and Farm Refugees in Canada”
  - Armando Perla, “The Need for Accountability in Canada’s Temporary Agricultural Migrant Workers Program”
  - Jill Bucklaschuk, “Experiences of Vulnerability and Precariousness in the Lives of ‘Lower Skilled’ Temporary Migrants”

- 11:15 am      **Session #5: Human Needs & Work**
  - Marion Kiprop, “A Human Needs Approach to Human Rights and Individual Vulnerability”
  - Alex McMillan, “Human Vulnerability and the Right to Work”
  
- 1:30 pm      **Panel #2: The Canadian Museum for Human Rights**
  - Sharon Reilly, “The CMHR’s Oral History Program
  - Isabelle Masson, “Critical Feminist Scholarship and Human Rights Activism: Learning from Women’s Lived Experiences through Oral Histories”
  - Jeremy Maron, “Cosmopolitan Praxis: Becoming Vulnerable and Human Rights”
  - Emily Grafton, “Shared Authority and OCAP”
  
- 3:45 pm      **Session #7: International Issues**
  - Denis Hlynka, “Vulnerability and Invisibility: The 2014 Bicentennial of the Birth of Taras Shevchenko”
  - Dave Poitras, “Lived Nationhood in Flanders: From a Vulnerable Past to Today’s Success?”
  
- 4:45 pm      **Summary remarks**