

THE PLOUGHSHARES CALGARY SOCIETY WINTER/SPRING PROGRAM 2019

JANUARY 9

Don Smith, "Good Politics, Bad History"

Don Smith, who taught Canadian history at the University of Calgary from 1974 until 2009, will review suggestions of name replacements for existing Canadian institutions, public buildings, and places. He will make specific reference to John A. Macdonald, Canada's first prime minister; Hector Langevin, Macdonald's Quebec lieutenant in the 1880s; and Egerton Ryerson, the mid-nineteenth century founder of Ontario's public school system.

FEBRUARY 13

Troy Patenaude, "Contemporary Indigenous Relations"

Troy Patenaude is Manager for Visitor Experiences and Indigenous Relations at Fort Calgary. He is a cultural historian of Metis heritage who seeks to make Canada a more just and resilient place through land-based education, intercultural sharing, and the arts.

MARCH 13

Movie: "The World is my Country", followed by facilitated discussion

This lively movie tells the amazing story of Gary Davis and his controversial efforts to further the cause of world citizenship. Could such efforts provide a roadmap to a better future?

APRIL 10

David Boutland and Trudy Govier, "Returning ISIS Fighters? Perplexing Dilemmas"

David Boutland is a philosophy instructor at the University of Calgary and Mount Royal University. His areas of interest include Ethics, Political Philosophy, and Applied Ethics. David is on the board of the Ploughshares Calgary Society. In 2012 Trudy Govier retired as Professor of Philosophy at the University of Lethbridge. Trudy is the author of many papers and books, including *Forgiveness and Revenge* (2002) and *Taking Wrongs Seriously* (2006). Trudy is currently chair of the Ploughshares Calgary Society.

MAY 8

Cheyenne Sharbatke-Church, "Experiences in Peacebuilding with the UN, Donor Governments, and NGOs"

Cheyenne Sharbatke-Church is an authority on adaptive program design and evaluations in peacebuilding, anti-corruption efforts, and governance. She is engaged in training as Professor of Practice at the Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy (Tufts University) and founded the social enterprise, Besa. Besa has worked with the UN Peacebuilding Fund, the International Red Cross, and the US State Department.

JUNE 12

Annual General Meeting, featuring the 'Secret Talk'

Very Reverend Bill Phipps. Bill Phipps was the 36th moderator of the United Church of Canada. He now resides in Calgary, where he is a widely recognized activist and community organizer, known for his considerable speaking and facilitation skills.

Welcome to our meetings! There will be much of interest, as you can see.

Our educational meetings are held on the evening of the second Wednesday of the month. All meetings are in the conference room on the lower level at Parkdale United Church, 2919 – 8 Avenue N.W. at 7pm. Donations are always welcome, but there is no charge.