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The organizing committee would like to extend a very warm welcome to all conference delegates. For those who attended the last Visible Evidence Conference in Delhi in December 2014, you'll know that the bar of splendid conference organizing, original panels and events had been set very high—not to mention the unforgettable delights of Indian cuisine.

Every year Visible Evidence grows in international reach and we are delighted to be able to welcome new colleagues and to report that we have delegates from 25 countries and six continents represented at the conference.

Ever since that irascible Scot, John Grierson, was seconded to lead The National Film Board of Canada's propaganda effort in 1939, Canada's film and media culture has been deeply influenced by documentary - and equally influenced by the desire to wrest documentary from the heavy weight of the Griersonian tradition! The documentary canon – whether or not it exists – is dotted with names of Film Board directors (Michel Brault, Claude Jutra, Colin Low, Wolf Koenig, Roman Kroiter) and terms such as Unit B, Candid Eye, Studio D and Challenge for Change. Today the award winning and internationally acclaimed interactive documentary series, *Highrise*, continues the legacy of Challenge for Change, updated and renovated for the digital era and we are thrilled to be able to host the final chapter of the series, *The Universe Within*, with director Kat Cizek and Commissioning Story Editor Heather Friese.

The National Film Board also provided a home for many of Canada's Indigenous filmmakers, including the legendary Abenaki filmmaker Alanis Obamsawin. We begin our conference with a tribute to her incalculable achievement and with a panel including Mohawk director Tracey Deer and Inuit director Alethea Arnaquq-Baril, moderated by Jason Ryle, Executive Director of the imagineNATIVE Film + Media Arts Festival.

The work of the NFB, however, represents only half the story of documentary in Canada. A thriving and incredibly prolific independent sector with documentary luminaries like Alan King, Peter Mettler, Peter Wintonick, Nettie Wild, Mark Achbar, Brett Gaylor, Yung Chang, Sarah Polley, John Greyson, Lixin Fan, Sophie Deraspe and Jennifer Baichwall, among many, many others have contributed extraordinary, socially impassioned and cutting edge documentaries to the world. We are pleased to present some of their works in our screening program. We are also pleased to present Toronto, one of the most diverse cities on Earth with half its population born outside of Canada. The world moves through here, and in that spirit of worldliness we are delighted to be able to showcase the extraordinary work of Rithy Panh in several panels and in a public screening at the beautiful TIFF Bell Lightbox. We are deeply honoured that Rithy will be able to join our conference in person.

John Akmofrah, whose recent exhibition the "Unfinished Conversation" at the Power Plant Gallery last fall blew our minds, will also be joining us fresh from the Venice Biennale. We are delighted to welcome him back to Toronto.

Toronto has a rich documentary culture, is home to DOC, a lively organization of documentary filmmakers, and to Hot Docs, the second largest international documentary festival in the world. Torontonians love documentary. We even have our own theatre: the Hot Docs Theatre, where we have the very good fortune of presenting the opening night events

For all its virtues, though, we are reminded that this huge and diverse megalopolis is built on traditional territory that was once host to three distinct peoples: the Huron, the Haudenosaunee and the Mississauga. There is a cliché that is often circulated that "Tkaronto" is an Iroquois word for 'meeting place." That would fit well into any conference welcome – if it were not the invention of a 19<sup>th</sup> century English historian, Henry Scadding, who as one recent report would have it, "lacked an adequate understanding of Iroquoian languages." 'Tkaronto' actually means "a place where trees are in the water."

So in this place, where trees once stood in the lake, we have loosely organized VE 22 around five conference themes: Documenting the North, Expanded Documentary, Art and Documentary, Counter-Surveillance and Citizen Journalism, Archival Activism, and Genocide/ Trauma/ Memory Projects. We had a very large number of submissions and the programming committee had a daunting task of selecting papers and presentations from a surfeit of wealth and organizing these into coherent thematic panels. We remain astonished by the inventiveness, intellectual depth, passion and the sheer diversity of work going on in our field. Tall trees, indeed.

Finally, as we must in all conferences, a bit of bragging, a bit of orientation and a bit of giving credit where credit is due.

Some of the innovations we have inaugurated at VE22 include the live-streaming of our plenaries and keynotes. In keeping with the theme of Expanded Documentary, we will also be offering delegates an opportunity to explore the future of documentary with on site presentations of Occulus Rift projects by Canadian directors Thomas Walner, Félix Lajeunesse & Paul Raphaël and with a 3D film presentation by Ali Kazimi. A mediatheque at each site will allow participants to view films that are not part of the public screenings. Toronto is a very large place (630 square kilometres!) and it often seems that we work in separate orbits, so it was a great delight to be able to organize the conference through a collaboration between three institutions: The Department of Cinema and Media Arts, York University; the Cinema Studies Institute University of Toronto and the School of Image Arts, Ryerson University. All of these institutions have documentary as a core part of their curriculum and all are endowed with scholars and filmmakers who contribute richly to documentary culture.

VE 22 would not be possible without the hard work and input of many students, interns, and our administrative staff. We particularly want to thank our administrative assistant Aimée Mitchell for her grace under fire and superb organizing skills (we admit, sometimes it was like herding cats!). Thanks also to Chloe Johnson for her insights and troubleshooting and to Maryanne McCormick for her financial wizardry

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We hope the next three days will be as extraordinary for you as they will be for us! Bonne Conférence! Have a great conference!

Brenda Longfellow, **Chair, Organizing Committee** Seth Feldman, **Programming Committee Chair** 

#### VE 22 Organizing Committee

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## **CONFERENCE DIRECTIONS**

#### **Screenings**

**The Bloor Hot Docs Cinema** 506 Bloor St. West (Bathurst subway stop, walk west along Bloor)

#### **TIFF Bell Lightbox**

350 King Street A ten minute walk from Hart House south to King and west to John

#### **University of Toronto**

Nearest Subway Station: St. George Subway Walk South to Campus

#### **Innis Town Hall** 2 Sussex Street

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#### iSchool

140 St George St (just south of Robarts Library)

Media Commons Theatre 3rd Floor, Robarts Library 130 St. George St (just south of Innis College)

#### **Munk School** 1 Devonshire Place

#### Hart House

7 Hart House Circle (centre of the campus – ask anyone)

#### York University

Nearest Subway: Downsview

**Directions to York University** York University is Located at 4700 Keele Street (north of Finch Avenue) Downsview Subway Station + bus 196A or 196B

#### **Accolade East**

120 Accolade East Building, York Commons Accolade East is the large building directly across the quad from the bus stop.

Atkinson Building 96 The Pond Road

#### <u>Ryerson</u>

Nearest Subway Station: Dundas Walk East to Campus

#### School of Image Arts 122 Bond Street (Located at the corner of Bond and Gould St.)

**George Vari Engineering and Computing Centre** 245 Church St. (Located at the corner of Church and Gould St.) **DAY 1** University of Toronto Wednesday, August 19 Locations: IC = Innis College (2 Sussex Ave) IS = iSchool (140 St George St.) MS = Munk School (1 Devonshire Place)

Media Commons Theatre = 3rd Floor, Robarts Library Media Commons Screening Room 1 = 3rd Floor, Robarts Library (130 St. George St.)

#### Noon - 5:00pm

Registration Lobby, Innis College University of Toronto 2 Sussex Avenue (corner of Sussex and St. George) St. George Subway Station

#### Move-On – New Media Art from Australia, Canada and Europe A Program Curated by the Goethe-Institut Media Commons Theatre, Robarts Library | p.43

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## **DAY 2** Thursday, August 20 | University of Toronto

**Registration** Lobby, Innis College 8:30 - 9:15am

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ATK = Atkinson (96 The Pond Road)

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ENG = George Vari Engineering and Computing Centre (245 Church St., @ Church and Gould)

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## PANELS

DAY 2 Thursday, August 20 | University of Toronto

#### 9:15 - 10:45am

PANEL 1A | Documentary NOW: Reassessments and Revisions Innis Town Hall

"Documentary and the Dreamwork of Social Activism" Jane Gaines, Columbia University, USA

"Indexicality and Evidence: Documentary Praxis in an Age of Denial" B. Ruby Rich, UC Santa Cruz, USA

"Documentary Eats the Chocolate" Brian Winston, University of Lincoln, UK

Chair: Kass Banning, University of Toronto, Canada

PANEL 1B | Documentary Impact(s) IS 507

"Local Scenes on Foreign Screens: Assessing Impact(s) of the New Latin American Cinema" Christopher Moore, University of Indiana, USA

"Deep Social Impact": Filling the Social with Nothing" Christopher Pavsek, Simon Fraser University, Canada "Functional and dysfunctional discourses around impact of documentary films" Patricia Aufderheide, American University, USA

**Chair:** Christopher Moore, University of Indiana, USA

PANEL 1C | Interactivity and the Online Ethics of Self-Other Relations IC 312

"Not Quite There: Multiplicity, Facelessness, and Ethics in Online Media." Vinicius Navarro, Emerson College, USA

"Drone Visions: Precarious Life, Precarious Aesthetic." Oyvind Vagnes, University of Copenhagen, Denmark

"Subjectivity Expanded: Wearable Cameras and the Future of Documentary." Neta Alexander, New York University, USA

Chair: Janine Marchessault, York University, Canada

## **DAY 2** Thursday, August 20 | University of Toronto

#### 9:15 - 10:45am

PANEL 1D | The Ephemeral, The Iconic And The Fake: Reimagining The Archive Media Commons Theatre

**"Unraveling Family Fictions"** Lizzie Thynne, Sussex University, UK

**"Beyond the Self in the 'Self-ish' Archive of Moonrabbit"** Kate Liston, University of Northumbria, UK

#### Chair:

Lizzie Thynne, Sussex University, UK

#### PANEL 1E | Activist Documentaries and Counter Journalism IS 538

"When Citizen Journalism Meets the Festival Film: Multi-Author Activist Documentaries."

Chris Cagle, Temple University, USA

"Pictures at a Revolution: Babylon '13's Witnessing and Co-Creation of a New Political Imaginary for Ukraine." Jason Buel, North Carolina State University, USA

"Streaming Counterpublics: Occupy, Livestreaming, and Alternative Public Spheres." Jesse Cumming, York University, Canada Chair: Liz Miller, Concordia University, Canada

#### 11:00 -12:30pm

PANEL 2A | Spain 1930/1970: Political Documentary and Film Education on the Brink of Social Rupture MS 208

"Documentary Film as Educational Cinema: The Case for Spain during the 1930's " Beatriz Bartolomé Herrera, Concordia University, Canada

'Stirring the Elements of Nature: 1930's Militant film Critics in Spain" Enrique Fibla- Gutierrez, Concordia University, Canada

"Militant Upshots: Marginal Documentary Films in 1960-1970s Spain" Pablo La Parra Pérez, New York University USA

"Hegemonic Imaginaries of Spanish Fascism during the Civil War" Ignacio Huerta University of Michigan, USA

**Co-Chairs:** Beatriz Bartolomé Herrera, Concordia University, Canada

Enrique Fibla- Gutierrez, Concordia University, Canada PANEL 2B |Indigenous Women and Film: Contesting Traditions and Talking Back IC 312

"Documentary Filmmaker, Singer, Artist, Educator, Activist: 48 years and Counting" Alanis Obomsawin (Abenaki) NFB, Montreal, Canada

**"Writer, Director, Producer: idealistic bulldozer likes to rock the boat"** Tracey Deer (Mohawk) Kahnawake, Quebec, Canada

"Putting Our Voices on the World Stage" Alethea Arnaquq-Baril (Inuit) Unikkaat Studios, Iqlauit, NWT, Canada

"Decoding Documentary Approaches: Three Generations of Indigenous Women's Filmmaking in Canada" Gail Vanstone, York University, Canada

**Chair:** Barbara Evans, York University, Canada

PANEL 2C |Audio Testimonials and the Absent Image IS 507

"Invisible Evidence: Serial and the New Unknowabilities of Documentary" Rebecca Ora, University of California/ Santa Cruz, USA "The Online Interactive Animated Documentary And The Ambientalization Of The Image" Cristina Formenti, Università degli Studi di Milano, Italy

**"Bear 71, Popular Music, and the Problem of Immersion"** Michael Baker, Sheridan College, Canada

Chair: Mark Lipton, Univ

Mark Lipton, University of Guelph, Canada

PANEL 2D |Newsfilm Studies and the Archive (workshop) Innis Town Hall

**"Exposing Media Collections in the Digital Age"** Karen Cariani WGBH (Boston), USA

"Stock" Mark Cooper University of South Carolina, USA

**"All the News That's Fit to Screen"** Ross Melnick, University of California/ Santa Barbara, USA

**"US Television Newsfilm in the Archive and Online"** Mark Williams, Dartmouth College, USA

**Chair:** Mark Williams, Dartmouth College, USA



## DAY 2 Thursday, August 20 | University of Toronto

#### 11:00 -12:30pm

PANEL 2E | The Making of History / The Making of A People MS 108

**"Remembering Iran's 2009 Through Ali Samadi Ahadi's The Green Wave** Bebe Nodjomi, Columbia University, USA

"Documentary, Observationalism, and the Making of a People in Sergei Loznitsa's Maidan (2014)" Jose Miguel Palacios, New York University, USA

Chair: Gene Allan, Ryerson University, Canada

PANEL 2F | Documentary as Art Media Commons Theatre

"The Elastic Documentary" Cornelia Lund, University of Hamburg, Germany

**"The Archive and Its Void"** Eva Knopf, Freie Universität Berlin, Germany

**"Media Modalization of the Documentary"** Thomas Weber, University of Hamburg. Germany

Chair: Cornelia Lund, University of Hamburg, Germany PANEL 2G | Representing Vulnerability: The Politics of Sexuality and Trauma IS 538

"Politics And Emotions In Swedish 1970s LGBT Documentaries" Ingrid Ryberg, University of Gothenburg, Sweden

"Affective Historiography: Revisiting Injury, Rewriting Nation's History" Anu Koivunen Stockholm University, Sweden

"Treacherous Proximity: Trigger Warnings, 'Authenticity' and Feminist Film Theory" Katariina Kyrölä, University of Turku, Finland

Respondent: Laura Horak, Carleton University, Canada

Chair: Ingrid Ryberg University of Gothenburg, Sweden



#### 1:45 - 3:15pm

PANEL 3A | Documentary Film in the Great War MS 108

"Brussels Restaurants: A WW1 Documentary Film by Hyppolyte De Kempeneer" Gerda Cammaer, Ryerson University, Canada

"Towards a Final Image of the World: Aerial Evidence of the First World War" Genne Speers, York University, Canada

Chair: Seth Feldman, York University, Canada

PANEL 3B | Modes of Exploration Innis Town Hall

"Stalking the Nautilus: Thor Iversen and Arctic Expedition Film on the Geographical and Documentary Fringe in the 1930s" Bjorn Sorenssen, The Norwegian University of Science and Technology, Norway

"Model Environments and Reality-in-Itself: Reflexive Ethnography and the Films of Ben Rivers and Ben Russell" Dara Waldron, Limerick Institute of Technology, Ireland

**Chair:** James Cahill, University of Toronto, Canada

#### PANEL 3C | Interactive Documentary's Immersive Potential IS 507

**"Experiencing The Interactive Documentary"** Karelle Arsenault, Université du Québec à Montréal, Canada

"From Fishermen to Architects: How is new immersive technology shaping the 21st-Century Documentary?" Thomas Kirby, York St John University, UK

"Indian Independent Documentary Films and Interactivity in the Digital Age" Sonali Sharma, Jamia Millia Islamia University, India

**Chair:** Tess Takahashi, Camera Obscura/ Independent Scholar, Canada





#### 1:45 - 3:15pm

PANEL 3D | Ethically Suspect? A Discussion On Contemporary Documentary Ethics (workshop) MS 208

Shannon Walsh, City University of Hong Kong

Ezra Winton, NSCAD University, Canada

**Chair:** Min Sook Lee, Filmmaker, Canada

PANEL 3E | Documenting Surveillance Media Commons Theatre

**"Citizenfour – Epistephilia"** Carolyn Strachan, Red Dirt Films USA

"The Anti-Representational Turn: Citizenfour and the aesthetics of failure in political documentary" Samuael Topiary, University of California/Santa Cruz, USA

"The Camera and the Checkpoint" Anat Y. Zanger, Tel Aviv University, Israel

Chair: Manfred Becker, Ryerson University, Canada

#### **PANEL 3F | Working With Farocki** IS 538

"Farocki's Hands: On the Problem of Performance in Non-Fiction Film" Cathy Lee Crane, Ithaca College, USA

"Practice: Farocki's *Die Bewerbung* and the Problem of Work" Paige Sarlin, SUNY/Buffalo, USA

"Build your own Farocki. Curating the 60th Flaherty Seminar" Caspar Stracke Finnish Academy of Fine Arts, Finland Gabriela Monroy, video.dumbo, Mexico

**Chair:** Paige Sarlin, SUNY/Buffalo, USA

PANEL 3G | Gender, Bodies and Space IC 312

"Woman, Decriminalization And Body: Abortion In The Recent Production of Brazilian Documentaries" Gabriela Santos Alves, Federal University of Espírito Santo, Brazil

"A Change in Image: Yemeni Women, Public Spaces and Their Photos" Laura Turnbull, York University, Canada

"Abortion Still: Documentary Show and Tell" Shilyh Warren, University of Texas/ Dallas, USA

Chair: Laura Turnbull, York University, Canada

#### 3:30 - 5:30pm

PANEL 4A | Documentary Theory Redux Innis Town Hall

**"Ward One: Histories and Memories Handheld"** Heidi Rae Cooley, University of South Carolina,USA

"Documentary Protagonists as Things: Materialisms, Realisms and – Authenticity?" Silke Panse, University for the Creative Arts, UK

"Scarred Voices and Speaking Bodies: Memory Work and Documentary Re-Enactment" Malin Wahlberg, Stockholm University, Sweden

#### "Can Metadata Smell The Fragrance Of Being?"

Laura Marks, Simon Fraser University, Canada

#### Chair:

Angelica Fenner, University of Toronto, Canada

#### **PANEL 4B** | Arctic Documentaries and the Global Indigenous North MS 108

"Ecology of Sense: Edmund Carpenter's Explorations in the Arctic"
Hart Cohen University of Western Australia
Michael Darroch University of Windsor, Canada "The Hybrid Sami Documentaries of Paul-Anders Simma" Scott MacKenzie Queen's University, Canada

"Urban, industrialized, and Experimental: Liselotte Wajstedt and Contemporary Sámi Political Indigenous Filmmaking" Anna Westerstàhl Stenport , University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, USA

"The Hybrid Sami Documentaries of Paul-Anders Simma" Scott MacKenzie Queen's University, Canada

#### Chair:

Scott MacKenzie Queen's University, Canada

#### PANEL 4C | Knowledge Dissemination in Online Frameworks MS 208

"Sensate Journal: Re-Framing Documentary in Multi-Media Publishing" Lindsey Lodhie, Harvard University, USA

"Indexicality In The Age Of The Sensor, Datastream And Algorithm" Craig Hight, University of Waikato, New Zealand

"Documenting Intangible Heritage: YouTube and its Heritage Archive" Sheenagh Pietrobruno, St.Paul University, Canada

#### Chair:

Nicholas Sammond, University of Toronto, Canada

## DAY 2 Thursday, August 20 | University of Toronto

#### 3:15 - 5:15pm

PANEL 4D | Archives Personal, Public and Political Media Commons Theatre

"Ephemeral Film, Digital Archives, And The Politics Of Recognition" Martin Johnson, The Catholic University of America, USA

"Reconstituting a Forgotten Documentary Community" Charles Musser, Yale University, USA

**Chair:** Mike Zryd, York University, Canada

PANEL 4E | Documentary Reassessing French Documentary in the 1950s IS 507

"Documentary Displacement: From Afrique 50 to Afrique sur Seine and Their Textual Legacies" Paul Fileri, New York University, USA

**"Rural Modernity and French Agricultural Cinema"** Brian Jacobson, University of Toronto, Canada

#### "Travelling Light: Mobile

Cinematography And The Tracing Of The World In 1950s French Nonfiction Film And Theory" James Leo Cahill University of Toronto, Canada

Chair:

Charlie Keil, University of Toronto, Canada PANEL 4F | Present-Time: Against Storytelling in Expanded Documentary Forms IS 538

"Reenactment: Performance, Documentation, Documentary" John Muse Haverford College, USA

"Speaking In The Past, Listening In The Present: Temporality In The Work Of Omer Fast" Irina Leimbacher, Keene State College, USA

"I Document: Contingency, Resistance and The Precarious Present" Jeffrey Skoller, UC Berkeley, USA

**"The Presence of the Direct Address"** Jeanne C. Finley, California College of the Arts, USA

Chair: Jeffrey Skoller, UC Berkeley, USA

PANEL 4G | Sex Work / Documentary Work IC 312

"Archive! Stories By Sex Workers In The Media: Lessons On Voices And Visibility" Maria Nengeh Mensah, UQAM, Canada

"Victim, Alienated Or Accomplice of Violence, What Space For Sex Workers' Self-Determination In The Media And Public Debates?" Thierry Schaffauser Independent, France



"Whorientalism: Investigating Representations of Sex Workers by Non-Sex Workers" Alex Tigchelaar, Brock University, Canada

"Hustlers Confess!: Testimony, Authorship and Empowerment" Thomas Waugh, Concordia University, Canada

Chair: Thomas Waugh, Concordia University, Canada

### **DAY 3** Friday, August 21 | York University

#### 9:15 - 10:45am

PANEL 5A | Ice on the Lens: Amateurs ACE 002

"After Nanook: Amateur Ethnography and Travel-Lecture Films of the North" Liz Czach, University of Alberta, Canada

**"The Wayward Kinok of Nunatsiavut: Uncle Jim Andersen"** Mark Turner, Memorial University of Newfoundland, Canada

"Profane Reconnection with Finitude" Cody Lang, York University, Canada

#### Chair:

Liz Czach, University of Alberta, Canada

#### PANEL 5B | The Films of Rithy Panh ACE 003

"Rithy Panh And *The Missing Picture*: Trauma Discourse And The "Creative Treatment of Actuality." Debra Pentecost, Vancouver Island University, Canada

"Missing The Bigger Picture: The "Other" Films of Rithy Panh" Deirdre Boyle, The New School, USA

"Representing Redemption: The Act of Memory and the Act of Killing" Francesca Soans University of Northern Iowa, USA

Chair:

Deirdre Boyle, The New School, USA

PANEL 5C | Software Design in Interactive Documentary I ACE 011

"Processes, Modes And Methodologies For The Analysis And Design Of Interactive Documentaries" Arnau Gifreu-Castells, Universitat de Vic-Universitat Central de Catalunya, Spain

"Bootstrapping The Web Doc: Fifteen Years Of Non-Fiction Filmmaking With The Korsakow System" Matt Soar, Concordia University, Canada

"A Documentary Designer Manifesto: Propositions for Interactive Documentary Practice Online" Seth Keen, RMIT University, Australia

**Chair:** Matt Soar, Concordia University, Canada

#### 9:15 - 10:45am

PANEL 5D | Disturbing Evidence: Interrogating the Audiovisual Archive as Legal and Historical Proof ACE 005

"The Affective vs. Heuristic Role of Video Evidence: The Applicability of Cognitive Dissonance in the Administration of Criminal Justice" Lucia Ricciardelli, Montana State University, USA

"Audiovisual Uncertainty: Video as Legal Evidence in the Work of Brian L. Frye" Jaimie Baron, University of Alberta, Canada

#### "The Materiality of Memory as Documentary Evidence"

Hye Jean Chung, Kyung Hee University, Korea

#### Chair:

Jaimie Baron, University of Alberta, Canada

PANEL 5E | Documentary Participation – Historical Contexts And Political Potentials ACE 007

**"The Lives of Question Bridge – A Participatory Transmedia Project"** Mandy Rose, University of the West of England, UK "Towards a Theory and Practice of Documentary in New Media" Helen de Michiel, University of Oregon/ University of Colorado, USA Patricia Zimmerman, Ithaca College, USA

"Participation and Citizenship: Beyond information? " Kate Nash, University of Leeds, UK

**Chair:** Kate Nash, University of Leeds, UK

PANEL 5F | E-waste: Origin and Aftermath ACE 009

"Made By Hand, Created by Apple: Labor Activism, Nonfiction Branding, and the Creation of Apple Products" Andrew Myers, University of Southern California, USA

"The X-Ray Sublime: Imaging E-waste" Carolyn Kane, Brown University, USA

**Chair:** Marit Kathryn Corneil, NTNU, Norway



#### 11:00 -12:30pm

PANEL 6A | Visions of Colonization ACE 002

"Colonization and Cinema: A Comparative Study of 1930s Russian and Japanese Documentary Films about Sakhalin" Anastasia Fedorova, Hokkaido University, Japan

"Big Nemo's War: Winsor McCay and The Sinking of the Lusitania" Seth Feldman, York University, Canada

Chair:

Seth Feldman, York University, Canada

#### PANEL 6B | Expanding Queer Documentary ACE 003

"Making Difficult Love A Little Less Difficult" Allison Ross, University of Southern California, USA

"New Millennium Queer Cinema and the Affects of Joy" Bob Christie, Big Gay Movie, Canada

"Straight Guys for Gay Eyes: The Amateur Aesthetics and Authenticity Claims of Straight-Guy Porn" Daniel Laurin, University of Toronto, Canada

#### Chair:

Chase Joynt, University of Toronto/ York University, Canada

#### PANEL 6C | Software Design in Interactive Documentary II ACE 011

"Invoking The 'Collaborative' And The 'Interactive' Documentary Forms To (Re)Imagine The City" Anandana Kapur, AJK MCRC, Jamia, India

"Documentary of (Gezi) Resistance: Interactive, Participatory, Co-creative Documentary Filmmaking" Ersan Ocak, Bilkent University, Turkey

"Meaningful Witnessing & Possibility Spaces for Documentary Online: An Examination of Case Studies from New Zealand/Aotearoa" Ben Lenzner, University of Waikato, New Zealand

Chair:

Brian Winston, University of Lincoln, UK

#### 11:00 -12:30pm

PANEL 6D | Fabulation and Feeling: Reanimating Archives of War and Conflict ACE 005

"Talking Cars and Stetson Hats: Western Popular Culture as an Archive in Eastern European Documentary" Ilona Hongisto, University of Turku, Finland

"Slowing the Eye: The Ethics of Drawing in Joe Sacco's Footnotes in Gaza" Toni Pape, University of Amsterdam, Netherlands

"Tangible Wars: Conflict Photographs and their Material Transformations in Art Practices" Marta Zarzycka, University of Utrecht, Netherlands

"Shadows, Erasures and Impossible Movements: William Kentridge's Archival Actions" Alanna Thain, McGill University, Canada

**Chair:** Alanna Thain, McGill University, Canada



**PANEL 6E | Recent Chinese Documentary: Alternative Practices** ACE 007

"Documentary as Alternative Practice: Situating Contemporary Women Directors in Sinophone Cinema" Novia Shih-Shan Chen, Simon Fraser University, Canada

"The Aesthetics of Chinese Activist Documentary" Jinyan Zeng, The University of Hong Kong

"Participatory Video As A Way To Explore And Transmit Unspoken Traumatic Memories of The Great Leap Famine In China" Shan Tong, City University of Hong Kong

"Performing Self-Discovery Affectively: Complexity and Urgency to Approximate A Traumatic Past" Tong Wang, Columbia University, USA

**Chair:** Bruno Lessard, Ryerson University, Canada

PANEL 6F / Eco-politics and Eco-poetics in Documentary ACE 009

"The Art and (Eco)politics of Edward Burtynsky" Christie Milliken, Brock University, Canada "River Films And The Poetics Of Water" Paul Ritchard, RMIT University, Australia

"A Grave of Pure White Snow": Framing Nature and Narrating Death in The Summit and The Epic of Everest" Stephan Boman, University of California, Santa Barbara, USA

#### Chair:

Monika Gagnon, Concordia University, Canada

#### 1:45 - 3:15pm

PANEL 7A | Ice on the Lens: Women ACE 002

"Arnait Ikkajurtigiit/Women Helping Each Other" Marie-Helene Cousineau, Arnait Video Productions, Canada

"Photographing the Canadian Environmental Imaginary: Lorene Equire's Northern Wildlife Photography from 'The Beaver' Magazine, 1937-1942" Karla McManus, Queen's University, Canada

"Jenny's Dogsled Journey: The Arctic Diaries of Jenny Gilbertson" Barbara Evans, York University, Canada

#### Chair:

Gail Vanstone, York University, Canada

PANEL 7B | Documenting Queer Lives and Losses: Affective Archives and Traumatic Tales ACE 003

"Paragraph 175, Deportation, and Underground Lives: Queer Trauma, Archives, and Memory of the Nazi Persecution of Homosexuals" Jacob Evoy, University of Western Ontario, Canada

"Moving Images: AIDS, Loss and Queer Time" Susan Knabe, University of Western Ontario, Canada

"Trauma Re-Enactment as Terror?: The Perils of Documenting the Murder of Transsexual People" Wendy Pearson, University of Western Ontario, Canada

"Revisiting AIDS and Its Metaphors" Ryan Conrad, Concordia University, Canada

Chair: Wendy Pearson, University of Western Ontario, Canada

PANEL 7C | Breaking New Ground: the (Re-)Emergence of Micro-Documentaries ACE 011

"Storytelling on the Move" Max Schleser, Massey University, New Zealand

## **DAY 3** Friday August 21 | York University

#### 1:45 - 3:15pm

"Micro-Documentaries as Micro-Cinema" Gerda Cammaer, Ryerson University, Canada

"Small Films: Micro-Documentary As Cinematic Potency" Marit Kathryn Corneil, NTNU, Norway

#### Chair:

Craig Hight, Waikato University, New Zealand

PANEL 7D | Records of Trauma and Loss ACE 005

"Rediscovering AIDS in the Age of Undetectability: Spain in 1983" Dean Allbritton, Colby College, USA

"Testimony, Interview, Authorship: J. Michael Hagopian's Filmic Archive of the Armenian Genocide" Michael Renov, University of Southern California, USA

**"The Radical Archive: Attica Distorted**, **Attica Revealed**" Alexander Johnston, University of

California, Santa Cruz, USA

#### Chair:

Julie MacCarthy, University of Toronto, Canada PANEL 7E | Truth or Dare: fluid boundaries in art and documentary (workshop) ACE 007

"Ghetto Poetry: Documentary Interventions With Live And Recorded Performance" Elizabeth Coffman , Loyola University, Chicago, USA Ted Hardin, Columbia College, Chicago, USA

"Fluid Boundaries and the Democratization of Screening Spaces" Jill Daniels, University of East London, UK

"Increasing the Embodied Sensory Response through an Individual Screening Space" Kathy Kasic, Montana State University, USA

"Art And Documentary In The Changing Digital World" Gail Pearce, Royal Holloway, University of London, UK

"Screening In The Community: Notes On Exhibiting Documentaries With Indigenous Communities of Northeast India" Aparna Sharma, UCLA, USA

Chair: Gail Pearce, Royal Holloway, University of London, UK

#### 3:30 - 5:30pm

PANEL 8A | Activism and Interactivity in Indian Documentary ACE 002

"Artistic Activist Interventions: A Case Study of S. Sukhdev's Thunder of Freedom and Patwardhan's Prisoner of Conscience, and the Emergency Period in India" Ishan Sharma, Panjab University, India

"Documenting Kashmir: Transitory Justice, Political Fetish Or Just Another Open Wound?" Surbhi Goel, Panjab University, Chandigarh, India

#### Chair:

Thomas Waugh, Concordia University, Canada

PANEL 8B | Trigger Warnings and Disturbing Content in the Documentary Classroom (workshop) ACE 003

**"Key Distinctions: On Being Uncomfortable and Being Triggered"** Jennifer Malkowski, Miami University, USA

**"Ramifications and Provocations"** Leshu Torchin, University of St. Andrews, UK "The 'I' of the Audience: Teaching Sexual and Violent Material with (Auto) Ethnography" Katariina Kyrölä, University of Turku, Finland

"Disturbing Non-Disturbance: Confronting Affective Apathy in the Classroom" Kristopher Fallon, University of California/Davis, USA

#### Chair:

Jennifer Malkowski, Miami University, USA

#### PANEL 8C | Parallel Discoveries: Co-Creation Modeling For Socially Engaged Digital Documentaries ACE 011

Liz Miller, Concordia University, Canada

Katerina Cizek, The National Film Board, Canada

Deborah Cowen, University of Toronto, Canada

Nupur Basu, Independent, India

Chair: Liz Miller,Concordia University,Canada

## DAY 3 Friday August 21 | York University

#### 3:30 - 5:30pm

PANEL 8D | Training Film: Documentary and/as Social Experiment ACE 005

"A Behavioral Eye: Science and Power in Work of John Dollard and Neal E. Miller"

Benjamin Schultz-Figueroa, University of California, Santa Cruz, USA

"From Mental Mechanisms To Mental Symptoms: The Continuum Of Mental Health In Post-War NFB Films " Zoë Druick, Simon Fraser University, Canada

"The Professional Mystery of the Object: Theory and Practice of the Documentary Procedural" Jonathan Kahana, University of California, Santa Cruz, USA

"Intimate Protocols: Military Conduct as a Structure of Affinity in Home-Made Memorial Videos" Laliv Melamed , New York University, USA

**Co-Chairs:** 

Jonathan Kahana, University of California, Santa Cruz, USA

Zoë Druick, Simon Fraser University, Canada **PANEL 8E | Affect, Exoneration, Archives and Horror** ACE 007

"Affect and Avowal in the Exonerative Documentary" Madelyn Sutton, Columbia University, USA

"Digital End Games: Hoax Canular's Affective Impasse and Archive Effect" Jeff Scheible, SUNY Purchase, USA

"Real and Imagined: Spectatorship and Affect at the Intersection of Documentary and Horror" Jason Middleton, University of Rochester, USA

Chair: Madelyn Sutton, Columbia University, USA

**PANEL 8F |** Site on Screen: Emerging Technology and Site-Specific Documentary Practice (workshop) ACE 009

Samara Smith, SUNY Old Westbury, USA

Laura Grace Chipley, SUNY Old Westbury, USA

Sarah Nelson Wright, Marymount Manhattan College, USA

A.E. Souzis, Independent Artist, USA

Rachel Stevens, Hunter College, USA

Chair: Samara Smith, SUNY Old Westbury, USA Still from Slautherhouse (Phil Hoffman, 2014) p.50



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## DAY 4 Saturday, August 22 | Ryerson University

#### 9:15 - 10:45am

PANEL 9A | Latin America: Indigenous Peoples IMA B9

**"Xapiri and the Digital Opacity Experience"** Hudson Moura, University of Toronto, Canada

"Toward the Inti Raymi Uprising" Jorge Flores Velasco, University of Paris III: Sorbonne Nouvelle, France

"Can The Documentary Save? Documentary And Life At Risk In The Indigenous Territories" Amaranta Cesar, University Federal of Recôncavo da Bahia, Brazil

#### Chair:

Hudson Moura, University of Toronto, Canada

PANEL 9B | Into the Mic: Considering the Recorded Voice IMA 307

"Your Tongue in My Mouth: Lip Synch, Dubbing, Ventriloquism, and the Othering of Voice in Documentary Media" Patrik Sjoberg, Karlstad University, Sweden

"Next Time On...": Echoes, Reverberations And Serialized Documentary Storytelling" Kristen Fuhs, Woodbury University, USA "Aural and Auto Eroticism in Jane Gillooly's Suitcase of Love and Shame (2013)" Maria Pramaggiore, Maynooth University, Ireland

"I Know That Voice! Documentary 'Star' Narrators And The Sonoral Qualities Of The Voice" Bella Honess Roe, University of Surrey, UK

Chair: Patrik Sjoberg, Karlstad University, Sweden

PANEL 9C | The Politically Engaged Web Documentary (workshop) IMA B6

Michelle Stewart, SUNY/Purchase, USA

Jacqueline Levitin, Simon Fraser University, Canada

Katherine Model, New York University, USA

Tim Schwab, Concordia University, Canada

Chair: Jacqueline Levitin, Simon Fraser University, Canada PANEL 9D | Patriot Acts IMA 334

"Common Denominator Film Series'(1951): A Manual of Democratic Culturing for 'Asiatic Societies' through Instructional Documentary" Hadi Gharabaghi, New York University, USA

"Performance Bias: The Selling of the Pentagon (CBS Reports, 1971)" Jennifer Horne, University of California Santa Cruz, USA

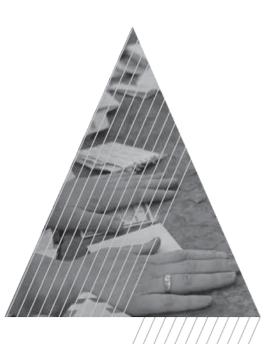
"Operation: Unreliable; Interrogating the Senate Intelligence Committee's Hearing Archive" Abram Stern, University of California Santa Cruz, USA

Chair: Jennifer Horne, University of California Santa Cruz, USA

PANEL 9E | Performance and Re-enactment IMA B22

"Traumatic Participation: The Participatory Documentary Ecology of The Look of Silence" Camilla Møhring Reestorff, The University of Aarhus, Denmark "Spectral Testimonies: Reenactment and Ethical Responsibility in Contemporary Israeli Documentary Cinema" Raz Yosef, Tel-Aviv University, Israel

Chair: Camilla Møhring Reestorff, The University of Aarhus, Denmark



## DAY 4 Saturday, August 22 | Ryerson University

#### 11:00 -12:30pm

PANEL 10A | Latin America: Political Landscapes, Then and Now IMA B9

"The Global City Film Avant La Lettre: Early Latin American City Films, 1928-1929" Nilo Couret, University of Michigan, USA

"Performing Human Rights: Accompaniment in Post-War Guatemala between Embodied Activism and Documentary Representation" Zoë Heyn-Jones, York University, Canada

"Documentation, Information, and Alternative Infrastructures: The Buenos Aires Libre Autonomous Network" Allison Schifani, Case Western Reserve University, USA

#### Chair:

Hudson Mura, University of Toronto, Canada

PANEL 10B | Parsing the Field IMA 307

"Southern Exposure: For a Comparative Documentary Film Studies" Deane Williams, Monash University, Australia "Interactive Documentary, the New Materialism and Storytelling (aka, narrative parasites)" Adrian Miles, RMIT University, Australia

**"Uncanny Documentary"** Alice Maurice, University of Toronto, Canada

**Chair:** Alice Maurice, University of Toronto, Canada

PANEL 10C | Musings on Observational Documentary IMA B6

"Observational Documentary As Poetry Of The Quotidian" Bettina Frankham, University of Technology, Sydney, Australia

"D.A. Pennebaker and The Toronto Rock and Roll Revival: The Disseminated Documents of a Music Festival" Landon Palmer,Indiana University, USA

"Reevaluating the Documentary Trajectories of Shirley Clarke" Juan Carlos Kase, University of North Carolina/Wilmington, USA

Chair: Alexandra Anderson, Ryerson University, Canada PANEL 10D | Old Images, New Contexts IMA 334

"Film and After: Resurgence and "Re-appropriation of State Sponsored Films from Films Division of India (1965-1975) from Films Division of India" Ritika Kaushik, Sarai-CSDS and School of Arts and Aesthetics, JNU, New Delhi, India

"The Way Forward Is The Way Back." Colonial And Anti-Colonial Archives: The "Historiographic Operation" As A Film Praxis" Raquel Schefer, Sorbonne Nouvelle -Paris 3 University, France

#### **"The Politics and Uses of Private and Public Archives in a Digital World"** Kyler Zeleny, York University/Ryerson University, Canada

Chair:

M.E. Luka, Concordia University

#### PANEL 10E | Anti-Capitalist Docs IMA 313

"The Price of Knowledge: Hysterical Discourse in Anti-Michael Moore Documentaries" Scott Krzych, Colorado College, USA "Cleveland vs. Wall Street: Envisioning Economies of Fact, Finance, and the Multitude" Leshu Torchin, University of St Andrews, UK

"Killing "Killer" Whales: A/Effective Framing and an Activist Impulse in Blackfish" Tess McClernon, Concordia University, Canada

Chair:

Liz Miller, Concordia University, Canada

#### PANEL 10F | Materiality, Memory, Catastrophe IMA B22

Dreams of Light: "Documentary, Matter, Memory" Selmin Kara, OCAD University, Canada

**"Godard: In Search of Lost Time"** Sonja Bertucci, California Institute of the Arts, USA

"In Search of (Post-) Human Rights: Mourning And Sacrifice In The Fukushima Documentaries of Matsubayashi Yojyu" Claudia Plummer, University of Hawaii-Manoa, USA

**Chair:** Aubrey Anable, Carleton University, Canada

## DAY 4 Saturday, August 22

#### 1:45 - 3:15pm

PANEL 11A | Bitter Lake, Nine Muses, Mille Soleils IMA B9

" 'There Is Something Else Out There': Apparatus And Imagination In Adam Curtis's Bitter Lake (2015)" Scott Birdwise, York University, Canada

"Archival Migrations: The Organic Image in John Akomfrah's The Nine Muses" Asbjorn Gronstad, University of Bergen, Norway

"The Return of the Young Niece: Mati Diop's Mille Soleils and the Documentary Tradition" Aboubakar Sanogo, Carleton University Canada

Chair:

Scott Birdwise, York University, Canada

PANEL 11B | Landscape and Revolution IMA 307

"Government Pictures: American Landscape and the Discourse of 'the Nation' in New Deal Documentaries" Dimitrios Latsis, University of Iowa, USA

"Visual Activism And Intifada: Archiving 2010 Uprising And Protests In Kashmir" Tawseef Majeed, AJK MCRC, Jamia India **"Radical Documentary in 1960s Iran"** Sara Saljoughi, University of Toronto, Canada

"The Emergence of Post-Revolutionary Nonfiction Media Cultures in Yugoslavia, 1945-1952" Joshua Malitsky, Indiana University, USA

**Chair:** Sara Saljoughi, University of Toronto, Canada

PANEL 11C | Made in America: History and Conflict in the 1960s IMA B6

"Being There Again: Reenacting Camerawork in In Country (2014)" D. Andy Rice, UCLA, USA

"Watching King: The Filmed Record and the Activation of Public Memory on Screen" Joseph Clark, Franklin and Marshall College, USA

**"Kubrick: Staging Documentary In The 'Theatre Of War'"** Pratap Rughani, Lotus Films & University of the Arts, London; London College of Communication, UK

Chair: Chuck Kleinhans, Northwestern University, USA/Jump Cut

#### PANEL 11D | Uses of the Personal Archive IMA 334

"The Complexity of the Personal Archive: Anne Charlotte Robertson's Five Year Diary and the Preservation of In(visible) Worlds" Anjo-Mari Gouws, University of Toronto, Canada

"Narrativizing The Archive In Documentary Films: "A Story For The Modlins" And "Traces" Efren Cuevas, Universidad de Navarra, Spain

"Memories of an Entropic Materiality" Cecilia Aldarondo, Skidmore College, USA

Chair:

Angelica Fenner, University of Toronto, Canada

#### PANEL 11E | Documenting Life and Death in Mexico IMA 313

"Engagement in Excess: Multiple Voices and Myriad Sites in Las muertes chiquitas" Julie Le Hégarat, Indiana University Bloomington, USA Nzingha Kendall, Indiana University Bloomington, USA "The Creaturely Archive: Natalia Almada and Teresa Margolles Document the Mexican (Un)Dead" Marcela Romero Rivera, Hobart and William Smith Colleges, USA

Chair: Alexandra Anderson, Ryerson University, Canada

PANEL 11F | "On Documentary Sounds and Images in the Gallery": Spatial Politics and Aesthetic Representation (workshop) IMA B22

"Still Moving: Public Studio's Gestural Cinema" Elle Flanders & Tamira Sawatzky Public Studio, Toronto, Canada

"Invisible Empires" Deanna Bowen, University of Toronto/ Scarborough, Canada

"Documenting Outside the Frame" Jayne Wilkinson, Independent, Canada

"(Non)Place(s): Situation and Sitedness in Atitlán" Zoë Heyn-Jones, York University, Canada

Chair: Zoë Heyn-Jones, York University, Canada

Jayne Wilkinson, Independent, Toronto Canada |

## **DAY 4** Saturday, August 22 | Ryerson University

#### 3:30 - 5:30pm

PANEL 12A | Sonic Breakdown: Documenting the Voices of National Fracture After 1960 IMA B9

"The Making of the President, the Unraveling of Consensus" Joshua Glick, Hendrix College, USA

"Microphone Test: Voicing National Disillusionment in Poland" Masha Shpolberg, Yale University, USA

"Recording the Pain of Others: Political Dissonance and Experimental Sound in Susan Sontag's Promised Lands" Ohad Landesman, Tel Aviv University & Bezalel, Academy of Art and Design, Israel

#### Chair:

Ohad Landesman, Tel Aviv University & Bezalel, Academy of Art and Design, Israel

PANEL 12B | Tangible Wreckage: Memory, Resistance and Reclamation: Four Filmmakers IMA 307

"Documentary Experiments in Temporality and Survival in Late Liberalism: A Case Study of Tongues of Heaven" Anita Wen-Shin Chang, University of California, Santa Cruz, USA "History, Culture And Power: Love Boat: Taiwan Documentary Film" Valerie Soe, San Francisco State University, USA

"Stories From A Shifting Ground: Structural Vulnerability in Collaborative Filmmaking" Greta Snider, San Francisco State University, USA

"To Sing the Darkness\*: Explorations of Trauma in Film" Lynne Sachs, New York University, USA

Chair: Valerie Soe, San Francisco State University, USA

PANEL 12C | Reconsidering The Aesthetics of Interactive Documentary (workshop) IMA B6

Adrian Miles, RMIT University, Australia

Bettina Frankham, University of Technology, Sydney, Australia

Ersan Ocak, Bilkent University, Turkey

Fabiola Hanna, University of California, Santa Cruz, USA

Karelle Arsenault, Université du Québec à Montréal, Canada

**Chair:** Adrian Miles, RMIT University, Australia PANEL 12D | Genocide/Holocaust IMA 334

"From Genocide to the Human Rights Film: Documentaries Performing the Global for National Cinematic Ends in Argentina's Human Rights Film Festival" Sonia Tascon, University of Sunshine Coast, Australia

"Oral histories: Testimonies of the Holocaust survivors on the March of the Living" Naomi Wise, York University /March of the Living Digital Archive Project, Canada

*"Blank File"* Elida Schogt, New York University, USA

Chair:

Warren Crichlow, York University, Canada

PANEL 12E | Bearing Witness: Activism in Chinese Independent Documentary IMA 313

"Bearing Witness and Citizen Engagement: The Sichuan Earthquake on Documentary Films" Marina Svensson, Lund University, Sweden

"The Aesthetics of Chinese Activist Documentary" Jinyan Zeng, Hong Kong University "Wang Bing: International Auteur, Chinese Witness" Elena Pollacchi, Stockholm University, Sweden

Chair: Bruno Lessard, Ryerson University, Canada

PANEL 12F | Expanded Exhibition Spaces: Documentary and Architecture IMA B22

**"Touristic Intents: A Multimodal Documentary And Art Project"** Mat Rappaport, Columbia College, USA

"Photo-Conceptualism, Temporal Dialogues and Outmoded Architectures of War" Carmen Victor, York & Ryerson Universities, Canada

"New Narratives And The Materiality Of The Moving Image" Cristian Villavicencio, University of the Basque Country UPV/EHU, Spain

**Chair:** Marc Glassman, Toronto, Canada

## SPECIAL VENTS/

### **DAY 1** Wednesday, August 19

#### Noon - 5:00pm

Move-On - New Media Art from Australia, Canada and Europe A Program Curated by the Goethe-Institut Media Commons Theatre, 3rd Floor, Robarts Library University of Toronto 130 St. George Street (directly south of Innis College)

Bringing together international artists, curators and presenters for an afternoon of arts presentations and discussions about multi-national residencies.

#### 5:00 - 8:00pm

VISIBLE EVIDENCE OPENING SCREENING AND RECEPTION Co Presented by Bloor Hot Docs indigiTALKS!

Reception and Special Presentation of Documentaries by Canadian Indigenous Filmmakers with a traditional First Nations welcome and a special tribute to filmmaker Alanis Obomsawin

Moderated by Jason Ryle and co-presented by imagineNATIVE Film + Media Arts Festival Bloor Hot Docs Cinema 506 Bloor Street West (Bathurst Subway Station)

### DAY 2 Thursday, August 20

#### 12:30-1:30pm

**SPECIAL SCREENING** *Polar Life* (Graeme Ferguson, 1967) Innis Town Hall, Innis College University of Toronto

Presented By Monika Gagnon, Concordia University, Canada Munro Ferguson, National Film Board of Canada

## DAY 2 Thursday, August 20

#### 5:30-8:00pm

#### Hart House Garden Reception Opening Remarks: Corinn Columpar, Director, Cinema Studies Institute Hart House, University of Toronto 7 Hart House Circle (centre of the campus – ask anyone) Museum Subway Station

#### 8:30-10:30pm

**Higher Learning:** *The Missing Picture* **introduced by Rithy Panh** TIFF Bell Lightbox 350 King Street West (corner of King and John Streets) St. Andrew Subway Station

As part of Visible Evidence, an international conference on documentary film and media, director Rithy Panh joins us for a screening of his Cannes-winning film The Missing Picture, which provocatively employs clay figurines and dioramas to chronicle the suffering of the director's hometown under the Khmer Rouge. Hosted by Deirdre Boyle, Associate Professor in the School of Media Studies, The New School for Public Engagement.

This event is Free. Tickets are distributed at the venue two hours before the start of the event (1 ticket per person). Please display your Visible Evidence conference badge when claiming a ticket.

DAY 3 Friday August 21

11:00 - 12:00pm

**Special Presentation Rithy Pahn and Deirdre Boyle in Conversation** Ivan Fecan Theatre, Main Floor, ACE

5:45-7:15pm

#### Universe Within

Final installment of The Highrise Project The National Film Board of Canada with Kat Cizek, Director and Heather Frise, Senior Story Development, Assignment and Commissioning Editor. IVAN FECAN THEATRE MAIN FLOOR, ACCOLADE EAST York University

#### 7:15 - 8:15pm

**Reception** CIBC Lobby, Main Floor, Accolade East York University

## DAY 4

Saturday, August 22

#### 5:45-7:15pm

Keynote John Akomfrah "In the Shadows Of The Real"

Engineering Building (ENG) 103 Ryerson University 245 Church Street corner of Gould and Church Streets (Dundas Subway Station)

7:15-9:00pm

#### Reception

School of Image Arts (IMA) Commons Ryerson University 122 Bond Street corner of Gould and Bond Streets (Dundas Subway Station)



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DAY 2 Thursday, August 20 | University of Toronto

9:15 - 10:45am IC 222	<i>The Amina Profile,</i> (Sophie Deraspe, 2014) 85 min.
11:00 - 12:30pm IC 222	<i>Under the Umbrella</i> , (Shannon Walsh, 2014) 30 min. <i>Stranger in Paradise</i> , (Vicky Do, 2014) 5 min. <i>Caged City</i> (The test#1 Collective, 2014)
	Presented by: Eli Horwatt, York University, Canada
11:00 - 5:00pm	Oculus Rift Documentaries
Media Commons Screening Room 1	<i>Polar Sea 360°</i> Thomas Walner
	<i>Herders and Strangers With Patrick Watson</i> Félix Lajeunesse & Paul Raphaël
	Presented By Kwame Newman-Bremang
1:45 - 3:15pm IC 222	<i>A mots couverts</i> , (Violaine Baraduc and Alexander Westphal, 2014) 88 min.
	<i>Les Films de l'embellie</i> Curated and presented by: Warren Crichlow
3:30 - 5:30pm	<i>Spectres</i> (Sven Augustijnen, 2011)
IC 222	Presented by: Warren Crichlow
8:30 - 10:30pm *TIFF Bell Lightbox	<i>The Missing Picture,</i> (Rithy Pahn, 2013) 92 min. Presented by Rithy Panh. Introduced by Professor Deirdre Boyle, Concordia University, Canada.

#### DAY 3 Friday, August 21 York University

9:15 - 10:45am ACE 004	imagineNative Kanata: The Visible Evidence	9:15 - 10:45am IMA 304	Feminist Sami Documentary Bihttoš/Rebel, 12 min., (Elle-Máijá Tailfeathers, Canada/Sápmi, 2014).			
	Curated and Presented by Jason Ryle of imagineNATIVE		<i>Jorinda's Journey</i> , 16 min., (Jorindas Resa, Liselotte Wajstedt, Sweden/			
11:00 - 12:30pm ACE 004	<b>ImagineNative Program #2</b> <i>SOL</i> (Marie-Hélène Cousineau, 2014), 76 min. Arnait Video Productions, Canada Presented by: Jason Ryle and		Sápmi, 2014) <i>Sápmi</i> , 8 min, (Edith and Aljosja, Ann Holmgren, Norway, 2014) <i>Kiruna Space Road, Kiruna – Rymdvägen</i> , 53 min., (Liselotte Wajstedt, Sweden/Sápmi, 2013)			
11.00 5.00.000	Marie Hélène-Cousineau Oculus Rift Documentaries		Curated and presented by: Scott MacKenzie and Anna Westerstahl Stenpo			
11:00 - 5:00pm ACE 006		11:00 - 12:30pm	Bamako – Suspended Time, (Sylvain l'Espérance (QC), 2014) 30 min.			
	Presented by Kwame Newman-Bremang	IMA 304	<i>The Stone</i> , (Marek Wasilewski (PL), 2015) 8:04 min.			
1:45 - 3:15pm	<i>Real Presence: Fair Play, a 3D Installation</i> Ali Kazimi, York University, Canada		<b>Google 03 – So Rude, So Poor, So Hot</b> , (Borja Alonso (ES), 2014) 5:08 min.			
AK 102B	Stereoscopic 3D Lab @ York		The Visible and the Invisible, (Oliver Ressler (AT), 2014) 20 min.			
ACE 004	<i>Aged</i> (Phil Hoffman, 2014) 45 min.		Curated and Presented by: Marielle Nitoslawska Concordia University, Canada			
	<i>Slaughterhouse</i> (Phil Hoffman, 2014) 15 min.	11:00 - 5:00pm	Oculus Rift Documentaries			
	Presented by Filmmaker Phil Hoffman	IMA 120	Presented by Kwame Newman-Bremang			
3:30 - 5:30pm	'Interrobanging': Aesthetic Interventions in a Post-Visual Landscape					
ACE 004	John Greyson, York University, Canada Brett Story, University of Toronto, Canada Bamitchell, University of Toronto, Canada	1:45 - 3:15pm IMA 304	<i>Polar Life</i> , (Graeme Ferguson, 1967) Talk and Screening Monika Gagnon, Concordia University, Canada			
ACE 010	Mobilementaries		Munro Ferguson, National Film Board of Canada			
	Shifting Boundaries: Noteworthy Mobile-mentaries (mobile documenta- ries) of the four first International Mobile Innovation Screenings (2011- 2015)	3:30- 5:30pm IMA 304	<i>Sume: The Sound of a Revolution   Sume - lydenaf en revolution</i> (Inuk SilisHøegh, Greenland / Denmark/ Norway, 2014) 76 min.			
	45 min. screening and 15 min. discussion Curated and Presented by: Gerda Cammaer and Max Schleser		Curated and presented by: Scott MacKenzie and Anna Westerstàhl Stenport			
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DAY 4 Saturday, August 22 Ryerson University

#### MAJUB'S JOURNEY

45 mins/Germany/2013 Director: Eva Knopf



Synopsis: It's extremely unlikely that anyone remembers the name of Majub bin Adam Mohamed Hussein aka Mohamed Husen. Majub, born in Daressalam and a German colonial soldier in the First World War, was a popular extra and bit player in 1930s German cinema. When the films of the Nazi era called for a black character, it was usually Majub who was cast alongside Hans Albers, Heinz Rühmann or Zarah Leander.

Meticulously researched facts, circumstantial evidence and the reflections they give rise to form the energetic centre of this amazing biography of the African Majub on the background of German film and colonial history. Majub, who died in Sachsenhausen in 1944, is part of German cinema's sky-full of stars. You won't see him from a distance, because then you will only notice the light of the "A-list" artists. But if you come closer and the B- and C-category stars begin to twinkle, each ofthem shining forth as part of a constellation, the world will open up wide and art will be enriched. In that sense, director Eva Knopf's idea to have her film begin in an observatory is heartbreakingly beautiful. (Ralph Eue / DOK Leipzig)

Eva Knopf is a film maker and scholar living in Berlin. She is currently working on a documentary film about global capitalism entering Myanmar after fifty years of western embargoes. Since 2015 Eva is a research fellow at the University of Hamburg in a project about media transformations. She teaches Visual and Media Anthropology at the Free University of Berlin and from 2012-2014 used to be a research fellow in the project, "History of German Documentary film after 1945" funded by the German national research foundation.

Eva Knopf holds an M.A. in Cultural Anthropology from the University of Göttingen. She was a post graduate student at the department of Rhetoric/Film Theory at the University of California in Berkeley, and spend a semester at the University of Amsterdam before she started to study film directing at Filmakademie Baden-Württemberg which she completed in 2012. Her films include JUJU MOVIE - GET RICH OR DIE TRYING (2011,Ghana/Germany), MA-JUB'S JOURNEY (2013, Tansania/Germany) and MYANMARKET (forthcoming).

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# CREEMINGS

#### **MEDIATHEQUE LOCATIONS**

Thursday, August 20th University of Toronto: Media Commons

> Friday, August 21st York University: ACE 008

Saturday, August 22nd Ryerson University: IMA 234

#### TONGUES OF HEAVEN ///////

60 mins/Taiwan ROC, United States/2013 Director: Anita Wen-Shin Chang

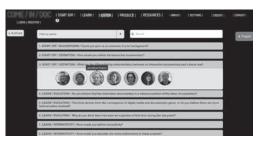
Synopsis: With 96% of the world's population speaking only 4% of the world's languages, what does it mean to speak your mother tongue in this age of language homogenization? Set in Taiwan and Hawai'i, territories where Austronesian languages are spoken, the experimental feature documentary TONGUES OF HEAVEN focuses on the questions, desires and challenges of young indigenous peoples to learn the languages of their forebears—languages that are endangered or facing extinction. Using digital video as the primary medium of expression, four young indigenous women from divergent backgrounds collaborate and exchange ideas to consider the impact of language on identity and culture. As a cross-boundary filmmaking practice, TONGUES OF HEAVEN attempts to destabilize national, ethnic and regional formations through an experimental aesthetics of the personal that establishes new connections and alliances within and outside the field of documentary filmmaking. As a result, it participates in presenting the contemporary (post)colonial conditions of Hawai'i and Taiwan, exposing differences and similarities and proposing affinities and potential solidarities. The production methodology of collaborative personal camerawork reflects. refracts and complicates notions of "native," "authenticity," "belonging," and "identity" through its personal, avant-garde expression and techniques, and thus makes a modest contribution to approaches in autoethnographic audio-visual productions.

Anita Wen-Shin Chang is an independent filmmaker, educator and writer. Her works have screened and broadcast internationally, and been presented at the Whitney Museum of American Art, Yerba Buena Center for the Arts, Walker Arts Center, Museum of Fine Arts Houston, and National Museum of Women. Her movies include Tongues of Heaven (2013), Joyful Life (2007), 62 Years and 6500 Miles Between (2005), She Wants to Talk to You (2002), Imagining Place (1999), Mommy, What's Wrong? (1997), Video Letter to the President (1996) and One Hundred Eggs a Minute (1996). They are distributed by Women Make Movies, Third World Newsreel, Center for Asian American Media, and Taiwan Public Television. Chang has taught film and media studies in the San Francisco Bay Area, and abroad at AAVAS in Kathmandu Nepal, the renowned Motion Picture Department at National Taiwan University of Arts, and the Department of Indigenous Languages and Communication at National Dong Hwa University in Taiwan. Her essays have published in positions: asia critique, Concentric: Literary and Cultural Studies and Taiwan Journal of Indigenous Studies. She has received grant awards from Creative Capital, Fulbright Foundation, San Francisco Arts Commission, National Geographic and the KQED Peter J. Owens Filmmaker program.

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#### **COME/IN/DOC** / / / / / / / /

Webdoc/2012,2013 Director: Arnau Gifre Castells



Synopsis: COME/IN/DOC -Collaborative Meta Interactive Documentary- is a transmedia meta- documentary that reflects on the interactive documentary. There has been more and more production in the area of interactive nonfiction and the documentary is one of the main formats that have been developed considerably in recent years, but more theoretical and practical exploration is needed. This project aims to achieve a greater understanding of this new documentary format assuming that our period in history lends itself to a deeper reflection.

This initiative is based on the hypothesis that the interactive documentary is a new audiovisual format with specific characteristics. The theoretical information obtained during the investigation period -the content- and the experience gained in the design of interfaces -the form- were combined to form the final project, which aims to describe and explain the format using the same form. The 3 components of the transmedia project already developed are a Web Platform, an Interactive Installation and Training. The interactive platform is divided into four interconnected but independent sections: 1. Start off (in the interactive documentary); 2. Learn (the evolution and history); 3. Listen (to the voice of the experts); and 4. Produce (your own project). http://comeindoc.com/

Arnau Gifreu Castells is a lecturer, researcher and director in the audiovisual and multimedia field. He is a doctor in communications and has a master's degree in digital arts from the Pompeu Fabra Univr University (UPF). He is a research affiliate at the Comparative Media Studies / Open Documentary Lab (MIT, Massachusetts Institute of Technology and part of the i-Docs (University of the West of England). He is a lecturer at the University of Vic-Central University of Catalonia (UVIC-UCC) and ERAM (University of Girona, UDG). He is also a lecturer and tutor in various postgraduate courses. He has published various books and articles in his research area, interactive and transmedia non-fiction, and specifically on interactive documentaries. He has collaborated in several editions of the Musiclip Festival (2009-2011), with the European Youth Award (ICNM 2011-2015), and collaborates with the Interactive Media Department of Spanish Television (RTVE.ES), the Education Department of Catalonia Television (TVC), the European Academy of Digital Media and the International Centre for New Media.

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## ARRESTING POWER: Resisting Police Violence in Portland, Oregon

84 mins/United States/2015 Directors: Jody Darby, Julie Perini, Erin Yanke



Synopsis: Arresting Power: Resisting Police Violence in Portland, Oregon provides a historical and political analysis of the role of the police in contemporary society and the history of policing in the United States. It provides a framework for understanding the systems of social control in Portland, its history of exclusion laws, racial profiling, gentrification and policing along lines of race and class.

Arresting Power features interviews with families of people who were killed by Portland police, victims of everyday harassment and intimidation, as well as local activists, historians, and community organizers.

The film explores a 50 year history of local reform and abolition movements, and introduces viewers to community leaders including Walidah Imarisha, author of the Oregon Black History Timeline, JoAnn Hardesty and Rev. Dr. LeRoy Haynes of the Albina Ministerial Coalition for Justice and Police Reform, Dan Handelman of Portland Copwatch and Kent Ford, founder of the Portland Chapter of the Black Panther Party. USA / 2015 / 84 minutes

Portland-based media artists Jodi Darby, Julie Perini and Erin Yanke have been collaborating for over a decade. They are inspired by radical anti-authoritarian, anti-racist movements of the past and they are dedicated to engaging with and documenting current social movements. Their collaborations cover the spectrum of film, video, installation, radio, web, and audio book production.

Always excited to challenge traditional forms, they are committed to a fluid, non-hierarchical creative process that involves the sharing of skills and production roles. When not collaborating, Jodi Darby works as a youth media educator and filmmaker, Julie Perini is an Assistant Professor of Art at Portland State University and Erin Yanke is the Program Director of KBOO Community Radio. Arresting Power- Resisting Police Violence in Portland, Oregon is their first feature film.

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#### YOUR DAY IS MY NIGHT

64 mins/United States/2013 Director: Lynne Sachs

Synopsis: Blending autobiographical monologues, intimate conversations, and staged performances, Lynne Sachs' Your Day Is My Night documents the lives of Chinese immigrants sharing a "shift-bed" apartment in the heart of New York City's Chinatown, offering a deeply felt portrait of the Asian-American immigrant experience.

Initially documented in Jacob Riis' late 19th century photographs, a shift-bed is a bed that is shared or rented by people who are neither in the same family nor in a relationship. Since the advent of tenement housing in the Lower East Side, working class people have shared beds, making such spaces a definable and fundamental part of immigrant life. Over a century later, the shift-bed remains a necessity for many, triggered by socio-economic barriers embedded within the urban experience.

In this captivating hybrid documentary, seven characters ranging in age from 58 to 78 play themselves and recount real experiences from their lives. Retired seamstresses Ellen Ho and Sheut Hing Lee recall growing up in China during the turmoil of the 1950s when their families faced violence and separation under Chairman Mao's revolutionary yet authoritarian regime. Yun Xiu Huang, a nightclub owner from Fujian province, reveals his journey to the United States through the "snakehead" system, a complex underground economy of human smuggling.

As the bed transforms into a stage, the film reveals a collective history of Chinese immigrants in the United States. Through it all, Your Day is My Night addresses issues of privacy, intimacy, belonging and the urban experience via the basic human need for a place to sleep.

Lynne Sachs makes films, performances, installations and web projects that explore the intricate relationship between personal observations and broader historical experiences by weaving together poetry, collage, painting, politics and layered sound design. Since 1994, her five essay films have taken her to Vietnam, Bosnia, Israel and Germany — sites affected by international warwhere she tries to work in the space between a community's collective memory and her own subjective perceptions. Strongly committed to a dialogue between cinematic theory and practice, Lynne searches for a rigorous play between image and sound, pushing the visual and aural textures in her work with each and every new project. In addition to her work with the moving image, Lynne co-edited the Millennium Film Journal issue on "Experiments in Documentary". Supported by fellowships from the Guggenheim, Rockefeller and Jerome Foundations and the New York State Council on the Arts, Lynne's films have screened at the New York Film Festival, the Sundance Film Festival and Toronto's Images Festival. In 2014, the China Women's Film Festival hosted Lynne in Beijing and Shanghai during a retrospective of her films. Lynne teaches experimental film and video at New York University and lives in Brooklyn. For more info: www.lynnesachs.com

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#### REMEMBRANCE OF THINGS PRESENT

80 mins/Canada/2007 Director: Chandra Siddan

#### Synopsis: How to deal with a marriage arranged when one was a child of twelve? What are the answers to the whys and what-ifs of one personal history in a context of general female disempowerment? How to resolve the key conflict of a displaced life after years of nomadic life abroad? Chandra Siddan, a Canadian immigrant, returns to Bangalore, India after 12 years' absence with these questions.

Long divorced and newly remarried she enquires into the reasons for her early first marriage arranged in the mid 70s by her Hindu urban middle class family and confronts her parents and relatives with her lost childhood while also presenting them her new husband.

Simultaneously a family drama and a social history, Remembrance of Things Present rejects a reactionary notion of 'home' and theorizes global female migrant labour as an anti-odyssey, a journey without a return.

Chandra Siddan was born and brought up in Bangalore, India. She studied English Literature till she moved to New York where she studied filmmaking. A few years later she moved to Germany. Here she made 'The Gift', a short film and 'Williamsburg Experiment', a documentary. She moved to Toronto, Canada in 2000 and initiated the Regent Park Film Festival in 2003. She completed 'Remembrance of Things Present', her first feature length documentary in 2007. She made a TV documentary 'Mission Possible: The Unstoppable Suresh Joachim' (2011) and co-edited '50 Writers 50 Books: The Best of Indian Fiction' (2013, Harper Collins). She has completed her short fiction film 'The Year I Did Acid' in 2015 and is researching a documentary on play-centered economies.

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#### FLOODING HOPE: THE LAKE ST. MARTIN STORY

20.28 mins/Canada/2012 Director: Shirley Thompson



Synopsis: Flooding Hope was released a year after the 2011 flood to amplify the voice of the First Nation community that was permanently displaced from their ancestral home. This film documents the high drama of community members struggle to deal with the consequences of a man-made flood, in which the waters were diverted to their community to save Winnipeg from inundation and disaster. The displacement on community members is shown to have profoundly negative impacts due to their deep attachment to their ancestral land and dependence on subsistence and resource livelihoods. Having low education levels, minimal financial resources, poor infrastructure, and lack of mainstream social support networks, community members had limited capacity to deal with flood impacts. In 2015, four years after the flood, thousands of community members remain displaced without a home or land base and still living in hotels subject to racism by Canadian society. This film shows how provincial water and other policies allow the Crown to designate First Nation territory as "sacrifice zones" in the broader development of settler capitalist society in Manitoba and take no responsibility for the problems it created.

Shirley Thompson engages graduate students and First Nation communities in participatory video to document their stories. By sharing these stories we can counter the mainstream stories that are so often poisoned by racism and colonialism. These stories also help to feed into First Nation struggles for ancestral territory, food/land/water sovereignty, ecological integrity and indigenous resurgence. For example, the film Flooding Hope made front page news in Winnipeg Free Press and helped to counter the mainstream media stories that the community members were freeloaders, showing them as unwilling heroes in the fight to save Winnipeg from flooding when the water was diverted to their community. Shirley Thompson is a professor at the Natural Resources Institute, University of Manitoba.

#### MY PRIVATE LIFE

63 mins/Canada/2014 Director: Jill Daniels



Synopsis: My Private Life is an evocative autoethnographic film about the complexities and secrets in family relationships. Filmed over two years it documents the domestic routines of Daniels' elderly Jewish parents, Barbara and Bertie in their small flat in North London. Barbara and Bertie do not openly reveal their secrets to the daughter/filmmaker and fictionalised enactments hint at a hidden narrative of physical violence and sexual ambivalence. Levels of performance in the creation of Daniels' distinct selves correspond to her role as filmmaker; interlocutor; subject and performing author. As filmmaker and subject she films her parents as they go about their daily lives; In her performed role as the daughter/child, whose voice, over stills and static shots of multiple houses and flats where her parents lived over the years, intermingles with her parents' voices, she disputes the authenticity of their memories. Barbara and Bertie's contradictory accounts of events in the past evoke a sensation of disguiet and anxiety that is underlined by the distanciation created through the multiple voices yet remains an intimate and affectionate portrait of troubled lives, of people struggling to survive.

Dr Jill Daniels is an award winning filmmaker. She has been making documentary films since 1989. Her practice focuses on memory, place and subjectivities in experimental documentary films. She is co-editor of Truth, Dare or Promise: art and documentary revisited (2013), Cambridge Scholars and is a member of the editorial board of Journal of Media Practice. Her current documentary project is The Riddle of the Spit, located in a village in the Alpes-Maritimes in southern France whose inhabitants live under the shadow of the unsolved murder of the village shepherd in 1991. She is a Senior Lecturer in Film at the University of East London and has presented at many previous Visible Evidence conferences.

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100 Queen's Park (Main entrance on Bloor Street) 416.586.8000 www.rom.on.ca

This museum of art, world culture, and natural history has been open to the public since 1914. Now with a dramatic Daniel Liebskind-designed front entrance, the ROM houses an impressive collection of dinosaur fossils, ancient Chinese architecture, and much more.

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#### MOCCA (Museum of Contemporary Canadian Art) 952 Queen Street West 416.395.0067 Catch this cornerstone of contemporary Canadian art (and of its vibrant Queen West neighbourhood) before it closes its doors on August 23! Don't worry, it's just relocating, but it's new location won't be ready until 2016-2017.

#### **Toronto Islands**

Board a ferry from the Jack Layton Ferry Terminal at the corners of Bay Street and Queen's Quay (buy your tickets in advance at www.toronto.ca/ferry and skip the long lines) and head to Hanlan's Point to the clothing-optional beach, to Centre Island to rent a bicycle and explore, or to Ward's Island to find quieter beaches or to eat at the Rectory Café.

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