

FIRST ANNUAL COPTIC CANADIAN HISTORY PROJECT CONFERENCE
"Coptic Studies and the Many Meanings of 'Diaspora'"



Conference Schedule:

Opening Remarks and Lite Fare **Time: 8:00 A.M. - 8:55 A.M.**

Panel 1: Public History and Community Outreach **Time: 9:00 A.M. - 10:30 A.M.**

Moderator: Dr. Alban Bargain-Villéger (History, York University)

- Dr. Gilberto Fernandes (History, York University): "Archiving From Below: Preserving the Collective Memory of Canada's Immigrant Communities"
- Dr. Christopher Grafos (History, Professor Bridges' Academy): "The Archive on Display: Public History and the Delivery of Historical Knowledge"
- Dr. Helene Moussa (Volunteer Curator, St. Mark's Coptic Museum): "The Cultural Role of a Coptic Museum in the Diaspora: a Source of Identity?"

Coffee Break [15 minutes]

Panel 2: Defining "Diaspora" Theologically **Time: 10:45 A.M. - 11:45 A.M.**

Moderator: Dr. Mark Jurdjevic (History, York University)

- Bishoy Dawood, PhD. (Theology, University of St. Michael's College): "Diaspora or Presence? Toward a Coptic Orthodox Theology of Mission"
- Bavly Kost, M.A. (Theology, St. Vladimir's Orthodox Theological Seminary): "The Renewal of Coptic Theology: the Integration of Community in the Coptic Diaspora"

Lunch Buffet and Keynote **Time: 11:45 A.M. - 01:45 P.M.**

Keynote Address: Dr. Paul Sedra (History, Simon Fraser University)

"Combating Sectarian Violence in Egypt: is There a Role for the Egyptian Diaspora?"

Panel 3: Interdisciplinary Approaches to a "Coptic Diaspora" **Time: 01:50 P.M. - 2:50 P.M.**

Moderator: Dr. Elizabeth Cohen (History, York University)

- Joseph Youssef, PhD. (Anthropology, University of Toronto): "(De)Centralizing Egypt: Negotiating Coptic Identity in the North American Diaspora"
- Michael Akladios, PhD. (History, York University): "Pragmatic 'Ambassadors': Coptic Clerical Rhetoric as Performance, 1954-1981"

Coffee Break [15 minutes]

Panel 4: Sectarianism and Émigré Populations **Time: 3:05 P.M. - 4:35 P.M.**

Moderator: Dr. Thabit Abdullah (History, York University)

- Sara Farhan, PhD. (History, York University): "The Sectarianism Fallacy: Observations on a Failing Category of Analysis"
- Miray Philips, PhD. (Sociology, University of Minnesota): "Emerging Narratives by Diasporic Copts in Response to Sectarianism in Egypt"
- Candace B. Lukasik, PhD. (Anthropology, University of California): "Copts and 'the Persecuted Body': Migration and Transnational Networks between Egypt and the United States"

Closing Remarks **Time: 4:40 P.M. - 5:00 P.M.**

Thursday 6 April 2017 @ 8:00 A.M. - 5:00 P.M.

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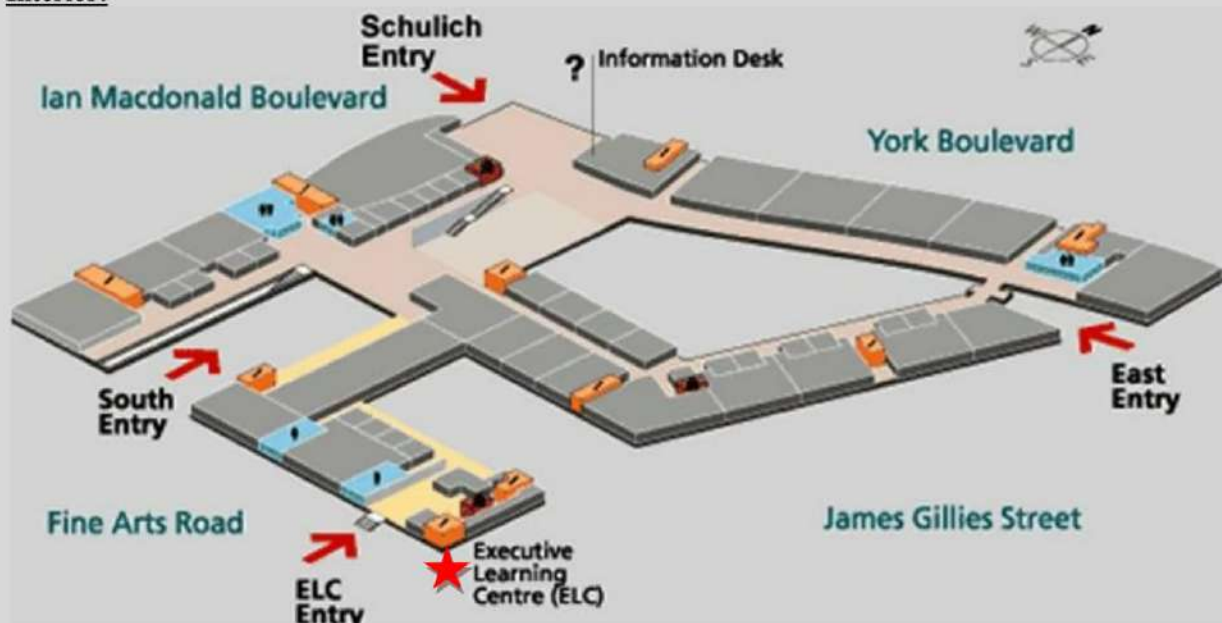
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