Hungarian Studies Association of Canada
Congress of the Humanities and Social Sciences 2012
University of Waterloo and Wilfrid Laurier University
May 26th-28th, 2012

All HSAC conference sessions take place at: University of Waterloo, South Campus,
Engineering Building 2 (E 2), Room 1303

Saturday, May 26th

18:00 - 20:30 Peter Simon, President, Royal Conservatory of Music (Toronto):
19:15 – 20:30 Welcome Reception

Sunday, May 27th

9:00 – 9:15 Welcome and Introduction (Agatha Schwartz, HSAC president)

Session 1: Revisiting Hungarian History I
Chair: Christopher Adam
9:15 – 9:45 N.F. Dreisziger (RMC, Kingston) - “Saint Methodius meets the Korol Ugorskyi: Evidence of Hungarians in the Carpathian Basin before 895?”
9:45 – 10:15 Tömöry Éva (U of Toronto) - „A pécsi zsinagógától a szegedi Fogadalmi templomig: Angster József és orgonagyára”
10:15 – 10:45 Susan Glanz (St. John's U) - “The Battles of Hunyadi János in America”

10:45 – 11:00 COFFEE/TEA BREAK

Session 2: Perspectives on Contemporary Hungary
Chair: Magda Velki
11:00 – 11:30 Tibor Egervári (U of Ottawa) - “Theatre and Politics: Basic Differences Between the Hungarian and the Canadian Situations”
11:30 – 12:00 Tibor Frank (Urban Innovative Solutions, Toronto) - “Unorthodox or EU-conform? Hungary’s economic policy, 2010-2012”
12:00 – 12:30 Emese Ivan (St. John's U) - “Does Sport Matter? An Analysis of Sport Consumption in Hungary”

12:30 – 14:00 LUNCH

Session 3: Literary crossroads
Chair: Margit Lovrics
14:00 – 14:30 Enikő Molnár Basa (AHEA) - “Hungary as Intermediary Between East and West: Literary Crossroads in the 16th and 17th Centuries”
14:30 – 15:00 Agatha Schwartz (U of Ottawa) - “Polyxena Wesselényi's Olaszhoni és schweizi utazás (1842): The First Hungarian-Language Travel Narrative”

15:00 – 16:20 Session 4: COFFEE/TEA BREAK and Roundtable Discussion on “Hungarian Studies Today: An evolving tradition? Canadian and International Perspectives and Approaches”
Chair: Judy Young Drache
Panelists will present their views on the topic based on their expertise and/or discipline in order to engage in discussion with conference participants on the current situation and possible future directions
Canada: Christopher Adam (Carleton U), Nandor Dreisziger (RMC), Éva Tömöry (U of T)
USA: Enikő Molnár Basa (AHEA), Susan Glanz (St. John’s U)
Europe and USA: Steven Tötösy de Zepetnek (Purdue U / Ghent U)
16:20 – 17:30 HSAC Annual General Meeting

Please note: Only members who have paid their annual membership fees for 2012 may vote.

19:00 HSAC dinner at Rushes Restaurant, Waterloo Inn

Monday, May 28th, 2012

Chair: Agatha Schwartz

9:00 -10:00 Keynote address: Katalin Fábián (Lafayette College) “Transnational Influences on Women’s Social Movements in Contemporary Hungary: Moving In or Out of Sync? ”

10:00-10:20 COFFEE/ TEA BREAK

Session 5: Emigration, Exile, Identity

Chair: Andor Tari

10:20 – 10:50 Andrea Ritter (Budapest) - “Generations and Continents: Social Traumas and Emigration Through the Eyes of Hungarian Psychoanalysts”

10:50 – 11:20 Agnes Vashegyi MacDonald (UBC) - “Alternative Social Thought: Hungarian Intellectuals Before Exile”

Session 6: Recent Developments in teaching Hungarian Language

Chair: Eva Tömöry

11:20 – 11:50 Magdolna Velki (Montreal) - “Egy Olvasókönyv. Szöveg- és feladatgyűjtemény nyelvi készségek fejlesztésére”

11:50 – 12:20 Zita McRobbie-Utasi (UBC) - “Speech production by Hungarian-English bilinguals: Exploring a common languages-in-contact phenomenon”

12:20 – 12:50 Katalin Bág (Helicon Society, Hamilton) - Report on the Balassi Institute’s 2012 Hungarian language and information technology conference for Hungarian language teachers abroad

12:50 – 14:00 LUNCH

Session 7: Revisiting Hungarian History II

Chair: Nandor Dreisiger

14:00 – 14:30 Éva Petrás (ABTL – Budapest) - “The Life and Thought of Béla Kovrig”

14:30 – 15:00 Judy Stoffman (Toronto) - “Dateline Budapest: Endre Marton and the Hungarian Revolution”

15:00 – 15:20 COFFEE / TEA BREAK

Session 8: Culture, Identity, Gender

Chair: Agatha Schwartz

15:20 – 15:50 Eva Bodnár (Strathroy, ON) - “Representing Social Conventions in Extraordinary Times”

15:50– 16:20 Tanya Watson (U of Ottawa) - “Representations of Hungarian Motherhood on Nők Lapja Café”

16:20 – 16:50 János Kenyeres (ELTE – Budapest) - “Literary Representations of Hungarians in Canada”

16:50-17:00 Closing Remarks by HSAC’s President

Conference Program Committee: Christopher Adam, George Bisztray, Maria Tiltins and Judy Young