

**The 2010 Annual Conference of the  
Hungarian Studies Association of Canada**

**Concordia University  
John Molson Building: MB 3-430  
May 29-30**

**Conference Program**

Day 1, Saturday

9:15 – 9:30 a.m.

Welcome by HSAC President Professor Andor Tari (U. of Guelph)

9:30 – 10:30 a.m. Session 1

*Hungarian Studies – in Canada and in Italy*

**Chair: Andor Tari** (Emeritus, U of Guelph)

**George Bisztray** (Emeritus, U. of Toronto):

“The First 25 Years of the Hungarian Studies Association of Canada”

**Amedeo di Francesco** (Pres., Int’l. Assoc. of Hungarian Stud.)

“30 Years of Hungarian Studies in Italy”

10:30 – 11:00 Coffee break

11.00 – 12:30 Session 2

*Culture and Society in 19<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup> Century Hungary*

**Chair: Dr. Pal Pilisi** (U. du Québec à Chicoutimi)

**Eva Bodnar** (U. Alberta):

“Louis Kossuth’s 1861 Banknote Trial in London”

**Erzsebet Molnar** (U. Miskolc):

“Samuel Brassai the Linguist”

**Oliver Botar** (U. Manitoba):

“Ernő Kállai, György Kepes and the Aestheticization of Scientific  
Photography after World War II”

12:30 – 14:00 lunch break

14:00 – 15:00 Session 3

*The Literature and Language of Hungarian-Canadians*

**Chair: Christopher Adam** (Carleton U.)

**Nausikaa Muresan** (U. Ottawa):

Memory and Witnessing in Joe Kertes's Gratitude

**Magdolna Velki** (Montreal):

“The Living Language of Hungarian-Canadians”

15:00 – 15:30 Coffee break

15:30 – 16:30 Session 4

*Hungarian-Canadian Affairs*

**Chair: Margit Lovrics** (HSAC, Toronto)

**Eniko Pittner** (U. Toronto):

“The Hungarian-Canadian Press, 1957-1972”

**Christopher Adam** (Carleton U.)

“The End of the Hungarian-Canadian Communist Movement”

At 7:00pm there will be a dinner at Café Rococo, with a poetry reading by Judit Havas. Dr. Judith Woodsworth, President of Concordia University and her spouse, Lindsay Crysler, will be our guests of honour. Rococo is located at 1650 avenue Lincoln, near the Guy-Concordia metro station. When exiting the John Molson building, turn left on rue Guy and walk to the corner of avenue Lincoln. Turn left on Lincoln, and walk 50 metres to Rococo. This Hungarian restaurant is about a five minute walk from the conference site.

Day 2, Sunday

9:00 - 10:00 Session 5

*The Poetry and Literature of Hungarians*

**Chair: George Bisztray** (Emeritus, U. of Toronto)

**Judit Havas** (U. Budapest):

“Hungarian Poets from the Third Generation of the periodical  
*Nyugat*”

**Eva Fülöp** (Budapest and U. Alberta):

“The Genealogical Novels of Hungarians in Hungary and  
Hungarians Beyond the Borders”

10:00 - 10.30 Coffee break

10:30 – 12:00 Session 6

*Political Science: Recent and Current Affairs in Hungary and Canada*

**Chair: Gábor Csepregi** (Dominican U., Ottawa)

**Gloria Roheim** (U. Toronto): “The Europeanization of Hungarian Foreign Policies”

**Csaba Nikolenyi** (Concordia): “Making Votes Count under a Complex Electoral System: A Preliminary Analysis of the 2010 Hungarian Elections”

**Paul St. Clair** (CEO, Roma Advocacy Centre, Toronto): Hungarian Roma as Refugees in Canada. 1996-2010

12:00 – 13:30 Lunch break

13:30 – 15:00 Session 7

*Connected Understanding: Prospects for Sustainable Democracy in Hungary*

**Chair: Judy Young Drache** (Canada-Hungary Educational Foundation)

**Andras Gollner** (Concordia; Budapest School of Business): “Political Discourse and the Challenges to Sustainable democracy in Hungary”

**Tibor Frank** (CEO, Urban Innovative Solutions): “Local Democracy and Sustainable Development in Hungary”

**Jozsef Orosz** (journalist, Budapest and U. of Szeged): “Who Let the Watchdog Out?’ The changing role of the media amid political turmoil in today’s Hungary”

15:00 - 15.30 Coffee break

15.30 - 17.00 Annual General Meeting (only paid up members of the Association may vote at the meeting)