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**HUNGARIAN STUDIES ASSOCIATION OF
CANADA
38th ANNUAL CONFERENCE**

CONFERENCE PROGRAMME

**Interconnected Cultures: The Place of
Hungary and Hungarians in a Sustainable
World**

June 15–17, 2024

McGill University, Montréal, Québec

McGill University (Tiohtiá:ke/Montreal) is situated on the traditional territory of the Kanien'kehà:ka, a place which has long served as a site of meeting and exchange amongst many First Nations including the Kanien'kehà:ka of the Haudenosaunee Confederacy, Huron/Wendat, Abenaki, and Anishinaabeg. We recognize and respect the Kanien'kehà:ka as the traditional custodians of the lands and waters on which we meet today.

**All in-person sessions to be held in:
Room 361, 680 Sherbrooke Street West
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DAY 1 (Saturday, June 15)

Morning Coffee/Virtual Green Room 8:30-9:00 a.m. ET/2:30-3:00 p.m. CET

Session 1 9:00-10:30 a.m. ET/3:00-4:30 p.m. CET

<https://lakeheadu.zoom.us/j/94101951036>

President's Welcome: Agatha Schwartz

Keynote Address: Gina Csanyi-Robah (Executive Director, Canadian Romani Alliance): "Community Leadership: Sustaining Support and Allyship for Hungarian Roma Refugees in Canada"

Break 10:30-11:00 a.m. ET/4:30-5:00 p.m. CET

Session 2 11:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m. ET/5:00-6:30 p.m. CET

<https://lakeheadu.zoom.us/j/93923542400>

Workshop: Hungarian Romani Canadians: Our Impact on Canadian Diversity, Refugee/Human Rights, Art, Music, Culture, Education, and Business
Facilitator: Gina Csanyi-Robah

Lunch Break 12:30-1:30 p.m. ET/6:30-7:30 p.m. CET

Session 3 1:30-3:00 p.m. ET/7:30-9:00 p.m. CET

<https://lakeheadu.zoom.us/j/93123457729>

Panel: Modern Hungarian Literature

Chair: Paul Birt

Ginny Lewis (Northern State University): "Franz Rehbein's *Das Leben eines Landarbeiters* and Zsigmond Móricz's *A boldog ember* in Light of Subaltern Theory"

Maya J. Lo Bello (Eötvös Loránd University): "Cultural Sustainability Under Threat: Intercultural Conflict and Assimilation in Sándor Bródy's *Lea Lyon* (1915)"

Anikó Zsuzsanna Antal (Independent Scholar): "'Why put up with them?': Tragic Fates Behind God's Back or the *Angelmakers* of Tiszazug in Hungarian and World Literature"

Break 3:00-3:30 p.m. ET/9:00-9:30 p.m. CET

Session 4 3:30-4:30 p.m. ET/9:30pm-11:00 p.m. CET

<https://lakeheadu.zoom.us/j/95504093134>

Panel: Hungary and the Balkans

Chair: Ginny Lewis

Georg Michels (University of California, Riverside): "The Peregrinations of a Hungarian Noble in the Ottoman Empire"

Katalin Schrek (University of Debrecen): "The Hungarian Connections of Ferdinand Coburg and his Relations with the Austro-Hungarian Monarchy"

6 p.m. Evening Programme organized by the Montreal General Consulate of Hungary

Location: Hungaria Social Club, 3483 St Laurent Blvd, Montreal, Quebec H2X 2T6

A Montreáli Magyar Főkonzul szeretettel meghívja a HSAC konferencia résztvevőit egy jó hangulatú magyar néptáncos bemutatóra és néptáncitanításra és azt követő magyar falatok kóstolására.

The Montreal Hungarian General Consul has the pleasure to invite the HSAC conference participants for a Hungarian cultural and social evening (folk dance performance, a lesson of folk dancing, followed by a sampling of Hungarian culinary specialties).

DAY 2 (Sunday, June 16)

Morning Coffee/Virtual Green Room 8:30-9:00 a.m. ET/2:30-3:00 p.m. CET

Session 1 9:00-10:30 a.m. ET/3:00-4:30 p.m. CET

<https://lakeheadu.zoom.us/j/99770264960>

Panel: The Hungarian Diaspora: Canada and Beyond

Chair: Steve Jobbitt

Zsolt Máté (University of Pécs): “A Second Chance: The Canadian Reception of the 1956 Hungarian Refugees from Western Europe”

Balázs Venkovits (University of Debrecen): “100 Years of Immigration to Canada: Exploring (and Preserving) the Hungarian Heritage”

Erzsébet Árvay (Corvinus University of Budapest): “Engaging the Hungarian Diaspora: The Role of the State Office for Church Affairs during the Cold War”

Break 10:30-11:00 a.m. ET/4:30-5:00 p.m. CET

Session 2 11:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m. ET/5:00-6:30 p.m. CET

<https://lakeheadu.zoom.us/j/94201874980>

Panel: Hungary, Hungarians, and the Question of Sustainability

Chair: Agatha Schwartz

András Göllner (Concordia University): “Bolsheviks vs. the Budapest School: Competing Pathways Towards Ecologically Sustainable Communal Well-Being?”

André Czeglédy (Wilfrid Laurier University): “The Triumph of Consumerism: 1989 and the Erosion of Sustainable Practices under State Socialism in Hungary”

Soma Rédey (Budapest University of Technology and Economics): “A Successful Woman in the United States of America: Mária Telkes’s Years at MIT (1939–1953)”

Lunch Break 12:30-1:30 p.m. ET/6:30-7:30 p.m. CET

Session 3 1:30-2:30 p.m. ET/7:30-8:30 p.m. CET

<https://lakeheadu.zoom.us/j/94276742783>

Panel: Dance and the Politics of Identity

Chair: Angela Chong

Gdalit Neuman (York University): “From Victimized to Victorious: Yehudit Arnon’s Zionist Dances in Post-Holocaust Hungary”

Steven Jobbitt (Lakehead University): “No Neutral Geography’: Regional Ukrainian Folk Dance and the Erasure of Kárpátalja Hungarians”

Break 2:30-3:00 p.m. ET/8:30-9:00 p.m. CET

Session 4 3:00-4:30 p.m. ET/9:00 p.m.-10:30p.m. CET

<https://lakeheadu.zoom.us/j/92576369172>

Panel: Interculturality and Hungarianness

Chair: Ginny Lewis

Paul W. Birt (University of Ottawa): “Contemporary Welsh-Hungarian Intercultural Relations Seen Through the Lens of Arany János’ poem ‘A walesi bárdok’”

Katalin Kürtösi (University of Szeged): “A Mesemondó Szikla történeteit értem, a *Bánk bán*t meg nem – The Fate and Fights of North American Native Peoples as Parables in Contemporary Hungarian Writing”

Julio Lucchesi Moraes (Université de Saint-Boniface): “Hungarian Economic Thought as 20th Century Microcosm”

Evening Programme TBD with the conference participants (dinner at a local restaurant)

Suggestion: Universel Déjeuners et Grillades (2055 rue Peel)



DAY 3 (Monday, June 17)

Morning Coffee/Virtual Green Room 8:30-9:00 a.m. ET/2:30-3:00 p.m. CET

Session 1 9:00-10:30 a.m. ET/3:00-4:30 p.m. CET

<https://lakeheadu.zoom.us/j/96491777008>

Hungarian Studies Association of Canada Annual General Meeting

Break 10:30-11:00 a.m. ET/4:30-5:00 p.m. CET

Session 2 11:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m. ET/5:00-6:30 p.m. CET

<https://lakeheadu.zoom.us/j/93588320442>

Book Launch: *Cannibalizing the Canon: Dada Techniques in East-Central Europe*, by Oliver Botar, Irina Denischenko, Gábor Dobó, and Merse Pál Szeredi, eds.

Facilitator: Oliver Botar

Lunch Break 12:30-1:30 p.m. ET/6:30-7:30 p.m. CET

Session 3 1:30-3:00 p.m. ET/7:30-9:00 p.m. CET

<https://lakeheadu.zoom.us/j/92271524957>

Panel: Narratives of Food and Drink

Chair: Agatha Schwartz

Bonnie Horgos (University of Minnesota, Twin Cities): "Hungarian Women and Alcohol Use: A Systematic Literature Review"

Gyorgyi Horvath (Independent Scholar): "Sustainability and Hungary's 'Freedom Fight' Through Masculine Food"

Mária Palla (Pázmány Péter Catholic University): "Food and Foodways in Hungarian-Canadian Narratives of Emigration"

Closing remarks by the President



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